

2. Keyport's Vision (2005)

Keyport is a rural, historic waterfront village bounded and limited in size by its natural borders of water and the Naval Undersea Warfare Center. The community consists primarily of single family homes, a few small businesses, and a community park system. The community is close-knit, where people know and greet their neighbors, and has an active community club which provides social events. Keyport wants to limit urban growth to retain its sense of community and small-town ambience.

Keyport would prefer that future business expansion would be limited to small businesses and services serving the community, consistent with historical usage located near the downtown core. Zoning changes are desired to re-establish certain commercial zoning that has been lost under the Kitsap County Growth Management Act and to establish appropriate zoning where it does not now exist consistent with historical public services. The community would like to establish development patterns, including lot sizes, which may differ from the Growth Management Act. These patterns would be consistent with historical progressive development, yet limit urban-like sprawl and high-density growth.

Keyport would like to improve existing transportation infrastructure and services to make it easier and safer to get around the community, make the community more pedestrian friendly, and improve parking for visitors.

Improvements would be requested from Kitsap County as feasible to improve public infrastructure and facilities, including expansion of the sewer lines, upgrading the stormwater drainage system, improving street lighting, and improving marine access. The community would like to retain a flexible community park system attractive as gathering and recreational centers for both children and adults.

Keyport would like to preserve and enhance the small-town atmosphere and visual character of the area for the community as well as visitors, where one can enjoy a safe and pleasurable walk, enjoy the spectacular marine and mountain views, and have easy access to a village center that acts as a social center with restaurants and services providing for basic needs.