

Appendix 4

Portage County Land Use Plans & Natural Resources Protection Initiatives

	Land Use Plan Adopted	Open Space Conservation Zoning Measures Encouraged	Planned Unit Developments Encouraged	Preservation of Agriculture and Rural Character Encouraged	Establishment of Growth Centers Encouraged	Other
Cities						
Aurora City	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Kent City	NA					
Ravenna City	NA					
Streetsboro City	NA					
Villages						
Brady Lake Village	NA					
Garrettsville Village	Yes	Yes	Yes	^	Yes	1. Parkland Acquisition 2. Establish NPDES requirements.
Hiram Village	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes with Hiram Township	Yes	Establish TDR Program with Hiram Township
Mantua Village	NA					
Mogadore Village	NA					
Sugar Bush Knolls Village	NA					
Windham Village	NA					
Townships						
Atwater	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Establish TDR Program
Brimfield	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Charlestown						
Deerfield	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Establish TDR Program
Edinburg	Pending	Yes	Yes	Yes	^	
Franklin	NA					
Freedom	NA					
Hiram	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes with Hiram Village	Establish TDR Program with Hiram Village
Mantua	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Nelson						
Palmyra						
Paris						
Randolph	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Ravenna	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	

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Townships						
Rootstown	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1. Parkland Acquisition 2. Establish a Tree Preservation Program
Shalersville	NA					
Suffield	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Windham	NA					

Notes:

NA – means the Land Use Plan was Not Available for review or the community does not have a Land Use Plan at this time.

Open Space Conservation zoning typically encourages the preservation of open space, scenic views, water bodies, environmentally sensitive areas and riparian corridor.

Planned Unit Developments or “cluster developments” typically require 30 – 50% of the development site being preserved as open space.

Agriculture and rural character preservation are typically accomplished through zoning measures that require very low densities of development and allow greater flexibility for farmers to operate small businesses on their properties.

Growth Centers are areas of the community suitable to accommodate increased concentrations of development because of the availability of central utilities in order to preserve rural character of the community and reduce urban sprawl.

^ no recommendation identified