

In advance of any such intergovernmental agreement, the Village has put forward its preliminary future land use vision for this area through Map 5-1: Future Land Use. Such vision has accounted for most restricted areas, likely utility serviceability, and 20+ year Village development needs.

### **Consider Updated Intergovernmental Boundary and Utility Agreement with Vienna**

The Village of DeForest and Town of Vienna had a series of boundary and utility service agreements between 1998 and 2019. Those agreements provided for separate “Village Growth Areas” (where annexation was permitted) and “Town Growth Areas” (where annexation was restricted). They also delineated a “Shared Utilities Area” crossing the two growth areas where Vienna was to provide sanitary sewer service and DeForest public water service. Vienna does not have a public water system.

The last such agreement expired in 2019. Since then, the two municipalities have offered proposals but at time of writing did not appear close to agreement. Of particular issue to DeForest is its interest in extending the “Village Growth Area,” which had not changed since 1998, and the future of developed Vienna properties east of Interstate 39-90-94. The Village remains open to a new intergovernmental boundary and utility agreement with the Town of Vienna resolve these matters.

### **Collaborate with the DeForest Area School District (DASD), Village of Windsor, and Dane County**

The future health and growth of the DASD and Village of DeForest are closely linked. Within community surveys conducted since at least 2012, “schools” are consistently one of the top reasons that DeForest residents choose to live in the community. From 2016 to 2022, the DASD added an average of nearly 80 students per year, making it one of the fastest-growing school districts in Dane County. The DASD also includes nearly all of Windsor, parts of Vienna and Burke, and an emerging growth area in the City of Madison.

The Villages of DeForest and Windsor have many other areas of current and potential interface and shared growth interests, and for many DeForest and Windsor are thought of as one community. Dane County also has land, resources, and interests in and near DeForest, including Token Creek County Park and the Yahara River Watershed.

The Village welcomes continue collaboration with the DASD, Windsor, and Dane County on a variety of issues, including the following:

- **Sharing Data and Joint Studies.** These parties have collaborated on a variety of cross-community studies and regularly share data and plans, which is expected to continue. DeForest will also continue to provide DASD with data to aid it in projecting future enrollment growth.
- **Future School Siting and Expansion.** The Village has recently worked with the DASD on its reconstruction of Eagle Point Elementary School and on major and minor expansions to all of its other schools in DeForest. The most likely site for the next DASD school is likely along Portage Road in the City of Madison’s Pumpkin Hollow neighborhood, close significant projected enrollment growth, where the DASD recently acquired land. The DASD may also wish to explore a future elementary school site within the northern portion of the Northern Interstate Corridor planning area (see Map 5-2 in the Land Use chapter).