

City of Frederick Comprehensive Plan Survey

What do you think are some of the major assets of the City of Frederick?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Affordable Housing	12.0%	23
City Architecture	63.4%	121
Cultural Events	53.9%	103
Employment Opportunities	17.8%	34
Geographic Location	59.2%	113
Historic Significance	59.7%	114
Local Airport	13.1%	25
Local Government	11.5%	22
Cost of Living	14.1%	27
Parks	59.2%	113
Downtown	80.1%	153
Police and General Safety	35.1%	67
Preservation of Historic District	53.9%	103
Quality of Schools	26.7%	51
Recreational Programs	23.6%	45
Road Network	6.8%	13
Shopping Opportunities	13.6%	26
Variety of Housing Choices	17.8%	34
	Other (please specify)	20
<i>answered question</i>		191
<i>skipped question</i>		0

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What do you think are some of the major assets of the City of Frederick?		
1	The small town feel of the downtown area, the way we have local feeling shops and stores and restaurants	Historic
2	Historic Preservation should be more thorough in its application	Historic
3	Small town focus, not retail focus i.e. Montgomery County	Historic-Design-Land Use
4	General ambiance	Historic
5	climate - no extreme weather conditions	Social
6	variety of people (types, backgrounds, interests)	Social
7	VERY FAMILY FRIENDLY	Social
8	Citizens and the community they create	Social
9	Friendly neighbors	Social
10	Great for families with children. Terrible for others	Social
11	can walk to most services	Design
12	small town has essentials in central core, no need to travel	Design
13	Trees and greenery	Environment-Conservation

14	proximity to rural Frederick County	Environment-Conservation
15	Beautiful open land and farms of Frederick County	Environment-Conservation
16	agriculture right outside city/opportunity to make "green" city	Environment-Conservation
17	Outstanding rehab loan department	Government
18	Local Government - City is good, County is an embarrassment	Government
19	Help is only a phone call away, very good Medical Facilities	Health Care
20	Still in more or less rural setting	Land Use

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What are the three most important issues facing the City of Frederick? (Please check three)

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Affordable housing (availability, stock)	22.0%	42
Transportation network improvements	22.0%	42
Cost of Living	21.5%	41
Natural resource conservation	11.5%	22
Historic preservation	14.1%	27
Infrastructure financing (funding for roads/sewers/etc.)	16.2%	31
Provision of adequate school facilities/high quality	16.2%	31
Provision of adequate sewer/water service	12.0%	23
Emergency Preparedness (fire & rescue)	4.2%	8
Public Safety (Police)	13.6%	26
Traffic congestion	41.4%	79
Recreational opportunities	2.6%	5
Preservation of open space	18.8%	36
Creation of local jobs	30.9%	59
Creating walkable/bikable communities	29.3%	56
Increasing public transit options	20.4%	39
Reduction of sprawl type development/growth	38.7%	74
	Other (please specify)	26
<i>answered question</i>		191
<i>skipped question</i>		0

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What are the three most important issues facing the City of Frederick?		
1	Subsidized Housing and how it is administered. Needed units, Townhouse or apartments/Condos, should be individually purchased within existing and future developments. Deconcentrating poverty will help break the cycle and the future sale or purchase of these units will control concentration.	Housing
2	no land for low income housing, no support for housing everyone in the city	Housing
3	Preventing the incinerator from being built	Environment-Conservation
4	"green" energy solutions	Environment-Conservation
5	waste management & recycling initiatives	Environment-Conservation
6	waste management	Environment-Conservation
7	Traffic Congestion NEEDS to be addressed - especially on Alt. 40/Golden Mile. Timing of Traffic lights were supposed to be addressed and they have NOT been repaired. The traffic back up at each light especially coming off of Rt. 15 is horrific - as soon as you clear that light, the next traffic light stops you at Baughman's lane and then the City traffic comes up behind you and you are stuck there! PLEASE DO SOMETHING ABOUT THIS!	Transportation
8	Loss of historic fabric with east street improvements	Transportation-Historic
9	Traffic control and safety.	Transportation
10	stop wasting our money. The buy-out retirement plan is an unbelievable example	Fiscal
11	city taxes - mine have gone from \$2500 to \$8800 in seven years	Fiscal
12	reducing size & cost of city government	Fiscal
13	lack of rental licensing	Code enforcement
14	hispanic population refusing to abide by housing codes	Code enforcement

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QUALITY OF LIFE In order to keep Frederick's quality of life at a high level, what should be some of the main issues the city focuses on in the next 20 years?

Answer Options	High Priority	Medium Priority	Low Priority	No Opinion	Response Count	
Road maintenance	67	102	10	1	180	
Public transit	102	68	13	2	185	
Traffic management	117	53	11	2	183	
Police/crime prevention	110	57	12	1	180	
Land use/zoning	98	66	17	2	183	
Economic development (more jobs, wider variety of career choices)	107	69	9	3	188	
Environment (protection, preservation)	102	69	13	0	184	
Code enforcement	52	83	37	8	180	
Water capacity	102	63	11	5	181	
Sewer capacity	68	88	15	9	180	
Parks	58	109	14	1	182	
Recreational programs	17	112	44	4	177	
Schools	96	61	15	10	182	
Pedestrian network	91	61	22	6	180	
Special events	23	80	73	3	179	
Fiscal health	116	56	6	4	182	
Frederick Municipal Airport	16	59	95	12	182	
Housing stock	37	75	58	12	182	
Housing for seniors 55+	28	68	75	8	179	
Affordable housing (availability, variety)	69	88	22	6	185	
Trash collection	55	81	39	7	182	
Inter-juridical cooperation	42	75	37	25	179	
				Other (please specify)	37	
					answered question	190
					skipped question	1

Historic, Social, Design, Environment, Government, Health Care, Land Categories: Use, Transportation, Housing, Code, Crime, Increased quality of life, Decreased quality of life		9/16/2008 - 9/23/2008
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In order to keep Frederick's quality of life at a high level, what should be some of the main issues the city focuses on in the next 20 years?		
1	Increase recycling and do NOT move to pollution-heavy "solutions" to our trash problem.	Environment-Conservation
2	Water quality	Environment
3	Recycling of waste and reuse of buildings	Environment-Conservation
4	preservation of rural character of city	Environment-Conservation
5	Recycling	Environment-Conservation
6	recycling, municipal composting	Environment-Conservation
7	incinerator/waste to energy fiasco	Environment-Conservation
8	expansion of recycling - more kinds of items accepted	Environment-Conservation
9	Preservation of open lands and spaces; farm preservation.	Environment-Conservation
10	green energy solutions	Environment-Conservation-Design
11	Recycling is a priority - it should be commonplace	Environment-Conservation
12	fix traffic backups, like Opossumtown Pike/TJ Drive intersection, northbound, widen road so cars can utilize green light going east on T.J. Drive	Transportation
13	concentrate more on accessibility in the city	Transportation
14	On and off-street bike network	Transportation
15	Install more cross walks outside of downtown area	Transportation
16	make n.market st --pedestrian only	Transportation
17	On-street Bicycle Facility Improvements	Transportation
18	road construction - high priority	Transportation
19	Change current parkland and forest dedication requirements – currently serve as a disincentive to the type of development we want in Downtown Frederick. Need to take a good look at what is possible to create/add in DF related to parkland and forests – consider when creating the requirements	
20	Investing in transportation - ie. widening 270 ought to be a high priority	Transportation
21	Think long term before developing new areas for suburbs.	Land Use
22	Maintain rural character of surrounding area.	Land Use
23	If we limit sprawl, sewer and water capacity needs are lowered	Land Use

24	Avoid creation and development of unnecessary alleys	Parking, Land use
25	Rein in the HPC. Make it an elected body. Dale Dowling has no understanding of preservation, rules of order, and economics.	Government
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27	Remove Dale Dowling and Micahel Spencer from HPC	Government
28	schools not under city control	Government
29	Reign in the HPC. They are out of control. Economics and cost to the owners restoring the City needs to be accounted for in the application process.	Government
30	Communication between city, county, ethnic groups	Government-Social
31	Relocation of Homeless Services	Social
32	think more of original citizens in Frederick	Social
33	economical government - keeping taxes in check	Economic
34	We need MPDU and code authority for SROs	Housing
35	if property taxes get too high no one will want to live in Frederick City	Fiscal
36	Affordable living (housing, Taxes, Transportation for seniors.	Fiscal
37	Increase policemen on foot and bicycle to reduce crime	Crime

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How would you rate the quality of life in the City of Frederick today?

Answer Options	Excellent	Good	Average	Fair	Poor	Response Count
Quality of Life	49	112	22	6	0	189
<i>answered question</i>						189
<i>skipped question</i>						2

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Do you think the quality of life in Frederick has increased, decreased, or stayed the same since you first arrived?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Increased	37.2%	70
Decreased	29.8%	56
Stayed the Same	33.0%	62
<i>answered question</i>		188
<i>skipped question</i>		3

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Do you think the quality of life in Frederick has increased, decreased, or stayed the same since you first arrived?		
1	Haven't been a resident very long i think the major improvements were a little before my time (2005 - now). the MARC train, the resurgence of downtown restaurants, etc were all done by the time i arrived - and they're all great! the new carroll creek is a plus, though it's a huge bummer about the algae...	Increased quality of life- Land Use
2	The improvements made to the downtown area, while maintaining the local feel, have been excellent improvements.	Increased quality of life- Land Use
3	The downtown has more to offer including jobs, restaurants, housing and entertainment, many buildings have been restored and there more people strolling & playing in the parks. Downtown still needs more retail other than restaurants, particularly the kind of retail that keeps people from going out to the Golden Mile, the FSK Mall area, or Route 85. I am thrilled that our current Mayor came out of the Engineering office and "gets" the purpose of City Government. The replacement of our water lines downtown is a perfect example of Government really doing it's job, and well.	Increased quality of life- Land Use
4	There were so many less people, more farm land. People shopped downtown, friendly. Now much traffic, but also more stores, entertainment, good jobs. So some is lost, but others gained	Increased quality of life- Land Use, Transportation
5	Traffic, lack of alternatives to driving make life difficult; otherwise, the City is working hard, doing well in general.	Increased quality of life- Land Use, Transportation
6	The infrastructure has been strained but the development in and around the City has been fantastic in terms of housing & commercial options.	Increased quality of life- Land Use
7	General outlook looks very positive. Have worked here for 5 years, only lived in the city for two. Downtown is great. Keep it clean and occupied and you'll be fine in the long run. Walking/biking paths should be completed soon rather than later.	Increased quality of life- Land Use
8	Still an excellent downtown, good parks, decent roads, lots of road improvements, but Golden Mile going downhill, City schools not so great	Increased quality of life- Land Use
9	Mass influx of new residents. Roads and infrastructure not keeping pace non-existent and slow to complete.	Decreased quality of life- Land Use
10	Road congestion and housing costs have increased significantly.	Decreased quality of life- Land Use, Transportation

11	Increased development, traffic congestion and overall cost of living. Very little or no increase in night life or cultural activities despite large increase in population during the 19 years I have been here.	Decreased quality of life- Land Use, Transportation, Social
12	traffic, congestion and sprawl seem to have been ignored the last 20+ years. Why is new retail space being built when so much existing space is empty, and why are we subsidizing this building with tax breaks and write offs?	Decreased quality of life- Land Use, Transportation, Social
13	Infrastructure repair, development of Historic District neighborhood enclaves, downtown restaurant/entertainment increase	Increased quality of life-Land Use, Economic
14	not much has changed other than more traffic and poor land use decisions	Decreased quality of life- Land Use
15	We chose not to live in Montgomery County and do not want Frederick to become retail-oriented at the expense of the single- or small chain retail and restaurant options, esp. in downtown. The HPC needs to take an active EDUCATIONAL role to preserve our historic district and begin to work with the homeowners as it did when we first moved to Frederick.	Decreased quality of life- Land Use, Historic
16	The city is booming! tons of people, new carrol creek fun, lots of parks, its so much more fun	Increased quality of life- Land Use, Economic, Social
17	Downtown has seen improvements in both retail and dining establishments since we moved into town. The single greatest improvement would have to be the ongoing (please get it finished) Carroll Creek Linear park project. I am thrilled with all the new developement this project had brought downtown. Although I chose Frederick for it's historic buildings, without new developement (including national chains) Frederick will not provide us with a good future.	Increased quality of life- Land Use, Economic, Social
18	I moved here about 10 years ago and Frederick was a nice small city/town. But over the years, Frederick's growth went off the charts! Theres way too much traffic, pollution, and its hard to live and work in Frederick with below par wages	Decreased quality of life- Land Use, Transportation, Social
19	Insufficient infrastructure, resources, and controls (both within the city and at our borders) have led to increased traffic, over crowded schools, concentration of poverty, loss of economic viability (Fredericktowne Mall, Golden Mile).	Decreased quality of life- Land Use, Transportation, Social
20	Growth is a good thing, the lack of growth is a bad thing. You can maintain the Quality of Life and grow at the sametime, regardless of what many may say.	Increased quality of life-Land Use, Economic
21	Still growing, but needs to stay within boundaries of city's capacity to provide. Don't go hog wild!	Increased quality of life- Land Use
22	The growth of the downtown business district from new restaurants to small shops, to now the opening of local chains has really added to the quality of life by encouraging people to live downtown, shop downtown, and have fun downtown instead of sprawling out.	Increased quality of life-Land Use, Economic

23	When I purchased my home on West 5Th St the Public Housing Projects (Hanson/Taney) plagued all aspects of living on surrounding streets. Its demolition could only improve the area and our quality of life.	Increased quality of life-Social
24	After living here for 13 years, there are more people living in Frederick---more crime, more traffic, less open space. Not the same.	Increased quality of life-Social
25	The city has embodied many of the attributes we found important to us both in personal preference and in raising a family. The city has done what it could to maintain that however I fear that we are on the verge of loosing the pedestrian friendly, high density, closely knit community in the future if we do not establish the ordinances that fulfill those visions. Growth happens, and it should happen within the City, therefore it should be allowed to grow as a city and not become just another traffic ridden, impersonal, sub-urban satelite of DC. The City of Frederick should make sure that it has the tools to be a true self sustaining city.	Increased quality of life-Social
26	The significant increase in housing costs has created a shortage of housing options for those working and living in the county. Traffic congestions has also created a larger town feel. I don't believe we are managing growth well at the county level, we seem to be all or nothing, instead of a managed growth plan.	Increased quality of life-Social
27	I believe Frederick has become overcrowded. There are too many people and not enough laws to protect the citizens of Frederick. Frederick law makers need to take a stand and clean up Frederick to make it a decent place to live again. The police and code enforcement do an outstanding job but in many cases their hands are tied with the way the laws are now. If we don't enact some tough policies soon to stand behind both the police and code enforcement, many of the decent law abiding citizens of Frederick who have raised their children here will be forced to move. It's great Frederick has worked so hard to clean-up downtown but the rest of the citizens of Frederick pay taxes also. It's time more energy was focused on the rest of the city.	Decreased quality of life-Social
28	While some neighborhoods have seen marked gentrification, others gave seem to have fallen into disrepair. The dichotomy of expensive condos and law firms alongside lower-income housing creates a very divided community.	Decreased quality of life-Social-Affordability
29	I think Frederick offers a great quality of life. However, in order to afford a home that wouldn't be a fixer-upper, I somewhat decreased my own quality of life by moving out of downtown. Now I have to drive everywhere instead of walking.	Decreased quality of life-Social-Land Use
30	It has changed in that it has grown as a city-but the core elements of the city are the same. I am concerned about an increase in crime.	Decreased quality of life-Social
31	The population has become more diverse - a huge plus! Friendlier / because of the economy has not become a monoculture of rich people	Increased quality of life-Social

32	Except for the proliferation of services that attract the homeless from other jurisdictions the quality of life in Frederick has improved. Homeless services should be evenly distributed throughout the city of Frederick...north, south, east and west parts of the city should provide services. They should not be concentrated in one part of the city.	Decreased quality of life-Social
33	More traffic congestion, higher crime rate, overcrowded schools, people are less friendly/courteous, etc. Pick almost any quality of life issue and it has gotten worse, not better.	Decreased quality of life-Social
34	The atmosphere of FREDERICK has dropped since there are more young people and you have forgotten about the beauty and the older generations who made Frederick the good town it was. Frederick is too crowded.	Decreased quality of life-Social, Historic
35	Downtown Frederick is thriving, and we have strong retail centers elsewhere in the City. We have some type of park nearly everywhere!	Increased quality of life-Economic
36		
37	Downtown has been revitalized. Hopefully that will continue to spread beyond the square corner.	Increased quality of life-Economic
38	30+ yrs ago when we moved into downtown Frederick, the inner city was all but dead -- there has been a remarkable rebirth of the city's downtown which sets the tone for the entire city	Increased quality of life-Economic
39	increased vitality of downtown	Increased quality of life-Economic
40	I am a Frederick County native of 55 years. Frederick City and the entire county have become more cosmopolitan. There's more to do and more that I want to do, right here in my backyard. Generally, with the huge exception of road maintenance/expansion and traffic congestion, I love living here more and more rather than less and less.	Increased quality of life-Economic
41	Real estate TAXES too high - Too many townhouses - traffic congestion - blighted neighborhoods - poor zoning and planning decisions - gangs - archaic residential parking regulations - illegal immigration -	Decreased quality of life-Economic, Land Use
42	The improvements along Carroll Creek during the three years I have lived in downtown Frederick have increased the quality of life here. I would like to see a book store and a grocery store (such as Whole Foods) open in downtown Frederick. I would like to see more restaurants along Carroll Creek.	Increased quality of life-Economic
43	downtown and creek development has progressed nicely, if presenting an uneven downtown redevelopment	Increased quality of life-Economic

44	Extensive efforts with the inclusion of economic development have significantly impacted the tax base for the City. For example, Boscovs on the Golden Mile is a huge improvement to that end of town plus provides employment. Recruiting businesses to the City is key in sustaining employment and parlays into housing for the employees. Efforts are underway to make housing more affordable for a variety of income levels which is critical in retaining staff.	Increased quality of life-Economic
45	Increases in sprawl, uncontrolled and ugly development, poor planning, horrific traffic, soaring taxes and the loss of open spaces has really taken away the unique charm Frederick once had. Daily I think about moving out of the area. There isn't much that is really attractive about the city anymore. It is becoming a chain of commercial strip malls and big box stores with slums and forgotten neighborhoods in-between. Frederick doesn't portray its historical roots well. It's been lost in a quagmire of rash development without any real effort to preserve it's identity with the exception of some poorly focused efforts by the HPC in the immediate downtown area.	Decreased quality of life-Economic, Land Use
46	City concerned with big business. revenue from taxes. Frederick is for sale or lease. Need to develop infrastructure, small business opportunities, activies for eveyone..beyond families. maintain some green space.	Decreased quality of life-Economic, Land Use

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (Public and Private) How and where do you think the city should focus its economic development efforts? (Check all that apply)

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Redevelop former industrial sites	56.3%	103
Refurbish older buildings for new uses	83.1%	152
Expand business expansion/retention programs	37.7%	69
Support downtown business district revitalization	77.6%	142
Encourage new business/office parks	29.0%	53
Encourage new industrial parks	15.3%	28
Encourage new retail development	29.0%	53
Attract large national employers	43.2%	79
Expansion/Retention programs for existing businesses	48.1%	88
Redevelop existing retail centers	66.1%	121
Develop and expand newer mixed-use communities	41.0%	75
Expand water/sewer network to areas currently not served	20.2%	37
	Other (please specify)	40
<i>answered question</i>		183
<i>skipped question</i>		8

Historic, Social, Design, Environment, Government, Health Care, Land Use, Transportation, Categories: Housing, Code, Crime, Increased quality of life, Education, Decreased quality of life		9/16/2008 - 9/23/2008
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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (Public and Private) How and where do you think the city should focus its economic development efforts? (Check all that apply)		
1	office and retail and residential should be mixed together Offer incentives for State and Federal Government to open Satellite offices in Downtown Frederick which would also help reduce commuter traffic and support the local economy.	Economic
2	Don't turn Frederick into Tysons Corner bring jobs, do not allow ugly, traffic creating sprawl current residents should be foremost before additional building	Economic-Design
3	Expand downtown's success to the more marginal areas of downtown.	Economic-Design
4	Don't sprawl out, reuse the old buildings	Economic-Land Use
5	education, training and job development for fredericians - unemployed, underemployed bring learning center downtown	Economic-Education
6	an urban style grocery store downtown	Economic-Downtown
7	Valuable city property that could enhance the vitality of the downtown business district should be transferred to private ownership and development...including all homeless services. (Asiana)	Economic
8	get smarter about development, require environmental approach and sustainable practices, leed	Economic-Land Use
9	STOP GROWTH of UGLY INDUSTRIAL BUSINESS by creating a great place for (creative class) to live, employers will want to locate here Frederick feels like small-town America. People like it that way!	Economic-Land Use
11	The city is probably large enough. Revitalizing existing space increases market value without requiring more land, concrete, asphalt and utilities. Consider going higher instead of wider. Possible select region/area where builders can go up higher than current limits. Put parking underground. Parking decks at malls instead of sprawling asphalt.	Economic-Land Use

12 Do not let NIMBY's fool you into believing growth is bad. look at the great investment in our downtown that has occurred over the past 10 years because of it. we need to continue expanding our tax base through edge annexations and compact development!

Economic-Land Use

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RECREATIONAL RESOURCES What types of new recreational areas should the City of Frederick encourage?

Answer Options	Urgently Needed	Somewhat Needed	Not Needed	No Opinion	Response Count
Baseball/softball fields	10	62	48	50	170
Lacrosse, soccer, football fields	21	57	43	50	171
Basketball or tennis courts	3	58	58	49	168
Dog Parks	33	60	55	25	173
River/water access	40	78	34	22	174
Playground equipment	18	83	36	30	167
Shared use paths (Paved and Natural Surface)	92	63	13	10	178
Passive/nature recreation parks	58	83	19	14	174
Picnic areas/pavilions	16	87	42	23	168
Large Regional District Parks (25+ acres)	22	58	69	21	170
Community Parks (10-15 acres)	29	89	29	23	170
Neighborhood Parks (3-10 acres)	40	87	28	20	175
Tot lots (less than 3 acres)	15	58	58	37	168
Swimming pools	21	62	58	30	171
Indoor recreation centers	34	69	43	27	173
Other (please specify)					31
<i>answered question</i>					184
<i>skipped question</i>					7

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TRANSPORTATION Please rank the need for the following transportation improvements (Check all that apply)

Answer Options	Urgently Needed	Somewhat Needed	Not Needed	No Opinion	Response Count
Maintain existing road/bridge network	88	70	8	8	174
Improve safety on existing roads	53	90	22	10	175
Improve traffic flow on local roads	99	57	20	5	181
Improve traffic flow on county/state roads	96	57	21	6	180
Improve traffic flow on federal roads	103	49	18	8	178
Construct missing road connections	110	50	15	3	178
Construct new roads	45	76	41	8	170
Expand pedestrian network, sidewalks	93	60	20	2	175
Expand on-street bicycle network, bicycle lanes, &	95	45	27	5	172
Expand off-street pedestrian/bicycle network (shared	107	48	16	7	178
Improve and expand transit options (local)	92	57	21	8	178
Improve and expand transit options (regional)	120	39	13	6	178
Construct and improve parking facilities	34	85	43	9	171
Improve service and facilities at Frederick Airport	18	37	82	38	175
					24
				Other (please specify)	
				<i>answered question</i>	189
				<i>skipped question</i>	2

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What prevents you from bicycling or walking more often? (Check all that apply)

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Too many cars/motorists drive too fast	49.7%	89
Drivers don't stop at crosswalks	32.4%	58
Unsafe road/intersection crossing conditions (lack of signals, signs, crosswalks)	41.9%	75
No shared use paths near my residence	43.0%	77
No sidewalks near my residence	13.4%	24
No bike lanes near my residence	52.0%	93
No signed bike routes near my residence	34.6%	62
Existing paths/sidewalks are in poor condition or incomplete	21.2%	38
Lack of accessibility (based on Americans with Disabilities Act design)	1.7%	3
Destinations are too far away	34.1%	61
Not enough lighting	8.9%	16
I have to carry things	25.7%	46
I don't have enough time	15.1%	27
I don't own a bicycle	14.5%	26
No bicycle racks at my destination	20.1%	36
I would rather drive	13.4%	24
I would rather take the bus	2.2%	4
	Other (please specify)	25
		answered question
		skipped question
		179
		12

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HOUSING What do you think the city's priorities should be related to the provision of housing? (Check all that apply)

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Encourage more diverse housing options	39.3%	70
Plan for walkable/bikable communities	75.8%	135
Promote affordable housing opportunities, particularly for low-income residents and families	33.1%	59
Promote more age-restricted communities	16.3%	29
Offer more senior and assisted living opportunities	29.8%	53
Encourage workforce housing for moderate income residents and families	48.3%	86
Plan for "mixed-use" communities that offer diverse housing types and essential services (grocery, bank,	69.1%	123
Plan for "integrated mixed use" communities where housing is above retail/employment services	55.6%	99
		31
Other (please specify)		
	<i>answered question</i>	178
	<i>skipped question</i>	13

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The current population of the City of Frederick is approximately 61,000 persons. What should be the population of the city in the year 2030? (Frederick County is estimated to rise from 222,928 persons in the year 2006 to 326,000 persons by 2030)

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
65,000 - No annual growth	9.9%	16
72,000 - An increase of 500 person per year	34.0%	55
83,000 - An increase of 1,000 persons per year	25.9%	42
94,000 - An increase of 1,500 persons per year	22.2%	36
105,000 - An increase of 2,000 persons per year	8.0%	13
		29
Other (please specify)		
	<i>answered question</i>	162
	<i>skipped question</i>	29

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For future residential developments, what type of density should be strived for?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Low Density Residential (example: Monarch Ridge, Clover Ridge)	21.7%	35
Medium Density Residential(example: Whittier,Overlook)	37.9%	61
High Density Residential(example: Downtown)	40.4%	65
		39
	Other (please specify)	
	<i>answered question</i>	161
	<i>skipped question</i>	30

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If the city annexes additional property, should the new development be primarily focused on:

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Residential development	7.3%	12
Commercial development	4.9%	8
Office development	5.5%	9
Industrial development	3.0%	5
Mixed use development (a mix of housing, commercial, and retail)	79.3%	130
		40
	Other (please specify)	
	<i>answered question</i>	164
	<i>skipped question</i>	27

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If the city does NOT annex additional property in the future, what would be the most appropriate County zoning adjacent to the city?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Agriculture/resource conservation	46.6%	76
Low density residential	14.1%	23
Medium density residential	13.5%	22
High density residential	5.5%	9
Commercial	11.7%	19
Office	5.5%	9
Industrial	3.1%	5
Other (please specify)		30
<i>answered question</i>		163
<i>skipped question</i>		28

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What attributes make a residential community appealing to you? (Check all that apply)

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Proximity to work	59.5%	110
Proximity to schools	38.4%	71
Proximity to a variety of businesses	63.2%	117
Adequate landscaping	57.3%	106
Parking options and general circulation	45.4%	84
Pedestrian friendly	75.7%	140
Accessibility by road/highway	56.8%	105
Varied of housing options	38.9%	72
Sidewalks	60.0%	111
Shared-use paths	48.1%	89
Accessible by transit	45.9%	85
Size and scale of the buildings	44.9%	83
Design of the buildings and overall site	63.8%	118
Alley access	20.5%	38
Recreation/play areas	45.4%	84
Common open space	57.3%	106
Privacy	37.3%	69
		18
	Other (please specify)	
	<i>answered question</i>	185
	<i>skipped question</i>	6

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What attributes make a commercial development appealing to you? (Check all that apply)

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Location - close to home or work	68.1%	124
Locally owned businesses	61.0%	111
National Chains	14.8%	27
Types/variety of businesses	68.7%	125
Adequate landscaping	39.6%	72
Parking options and general circulation	61.0%	111
Pedestrian friendly	62.6%	114
Accessibility by road/highway	42.9%	78
Bicycle/pedestrian access	45.6%	83
Accessible by transit	44.0%	80
Availability of bicycle parking areas	28.6%	52
Size and scale of buildings	36.8%	67
Design of buildings and overall site	55.5%	101
	Other (please specify)	15
<i>answered question</i>		182
<i>skipped question</i>		9

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What attributes make a residential and commercial community appealing to you?		
1	Trees. Need more trees.	Design-Streetscape
2	Walking access to retail- grocery, pharmacy, etc.; definitely a neighborhood; mixed income	Design-Land Use
3	cool architecture, urban feel	Design-Land Use
4	mix of local and national businesses not in strip mall, should be in downtown and mixed use centers.	Design-Economic, Land Use
5	Frederick needs more up-scale shopping. Too many people go "down the road" for their shopping needs and great developments such as Friendship Heights	Design-Economic, Land Use
6	The Golden Mile; create access from shopping center to shopping center without going back on Rt. 40. The way it is now I refuse to shop there.	Design-Economic, Land Use
7	Instead of strip malls, street fronting buildings with parking in back	Design-Economic, Land Use
8	Grocery store in Downtown. The mistake with the Carmack Jays site is that it is designed for a suburban grocer and not an urban grocer.	Design-Economic, Land Use
9	We need architectural controls. Promote more brick to mirror Frederick's past.	Design-Economic, Land Use
10	Residential 1-3 stories Commercial 3-8 stories	Design-Economic, Land Use
11	Taller buildings to 6 stories that could block some viewsheds, but has more greenspace	Design-Economic, Land Use
12	I believe in greater density with greenspace however the greenspace must be an urban scale NOT object buildings in a green field. The layout of the development must be conducive to urban living. The Monocacy development has a decent facade but it is still a strip mall and has poor interaction with surrounding development.	Design-Economic, Land Use

13	<p>This is not an either/or question, but rather should be looked at what type development is appropriate for the site under consideration. In downtown Frederick, we should preserve the skyline view of the clustered spires--so lower level buildings would be most appropriate. Where scenic rural vistas are important to preserve, lower level buildings might also be best. Otherwise, taller buildings that are appropriate in scale and design with the surrounding area are fine.</p>	<p>Design-Economic, Land Use</p>
14	<p>I would rather see taller building in the city (3-8 is acceptable, with the possibility for iconic buildings taller) with continual urban street front and greenery in small pocket parks in the urban context or combined into larger communal open space.</p>	<p>Design-Economic, Land Use</p>
15	<p>One size doesn't fit all. Depends on geographic location and neighborhood context. Some should be all low buildings, others all tall and others a mix.</p>	<p>Design-Economic, Land Use</p>

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In new residential and non residential developments, what would be the preferred development option?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Lower level buildings (1-3 stories) that does not block the viewsheds and has less green space.	40.7%	61
Taller buildings (3-8 stories) that could block some viewsheds, but has more greenspace.	59.3%	89
		50
Other (please specify)		
	<i>answered question</i>	150
	<i>skipped question</i>	41