



WASHINGTON ISLAND
COMPREHENSIVE
PLANNING SURVEY

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WASHINGTON ISLAND ZONING & PLANNING COMMITTEE
COMMUNITY SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS

The purpose of the survey was to:

- To provide all island taxpayers and non-taxpayer registered voters with an opportunity to provide the Town of Washington with guidance for future land use, growth and development decisions. Simply put, the survey is a guide for planning.
- To provide guidance in developing a new COMPREHENSIVE PLAN. . [As stated in *AN INTRODUCTION TO THE PLAN COMMISSION HANDBOOK* by Lynn Markham – “Public input should be emphasized before, during and after comprehensive plan development...through participation in public meetings...and...by responding to household surveys...that provide a non-technical focus for key issues addressed in the planning process. A range of opinions makes your plan stronger...Opinion surveys have the advantage of systematically describing the views of many people.”
- To help provide a vision of what we want the community to look like in 20 years.

We began in October, 2006. We solicited and received public input, wrote many drafts, finalized the questions in March of 2007 and mailed out the questionnaire (which included a stamped, addressed envelope) on April 12, 2007.

1170 questionnaires were mailed to all taxpayers. We also made them available at the Town Office to non-taxpaying, but registered voters. Total cost was \$1706 for printing, supplies, and mailing.

531 survey forms were received from a total of 797 respondents. The 531 forms returned gave us a response rate of just over 45 which is considered an extremely good rate of return.

Many thanks go to the WIZAP (Washington Island Planning & Zoning Committee) for their dedication to this project—

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KEY FINDINGS of the
WASHINGTON ISLAND ZONING & PLANNING
SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRE

The purpose of the survey was to:

- To provide all island taxpayers and non-taxpayer registered voters with an opportunity to provide the Town of Washington with guidance for future land use, growth and development decisions; and to help provide a vision of what we want the community to look like in 20 years.
- To provide guidance in developing a new COMPREHENSIVE PLAN. Opinion surveys have the advantage of systematically describing the views of many people.

We began in October, 2006. We solicited and received public input, wrote many drafts, and mailed out the questionnaire on April 12, 2007.

1170 questionnaires were mailed to all taxpayers. We also made them available at the Town Office to non-taxpaying, but registered voters. Year-round respondents returned 211 survey forms with 315 respondents. Non year-round residents returned 320 survey forms with 482 respondents. The total of all survey forms was 531 with 797 respondents giving us a response rate of just over 45% which far exceeds the minimum validity of 10% for a community-wide survey.

These results can be considered to reliably reflect the opinions of both year-round and part time residents.

There was a high degree of agreement between year-round and part-time residents:

- That one of the primary goals of the Comprehensive Plan should be to preserve:
*the natural features like Little Lake, the Mountain & wetlands, etc.; *open spaces, fields, meadows, forests; *dark night skies; *quiet ambiance; *low density dispersed housing; *local family owned businesses; *the rural/agricultural character of the community
- That it is important to first consider the natural limitations of the island's location, its physical features, and its natural resources when making land use and development decisions.
- That any changes to the town marina, town dock, parking and adjoining public areas should be consistent with the historic appearance of Jackson Harbor.

Other areas that received high agreement:

- The town-owned easements to the lake should be better marked & maintained
- It is important that open spaces be preserved by allowing the rezoning of larger parcels into smaller lots only if necessary to provide an overriding public benefit.
- Expanding & marketing tourism into the shoulder seasons (spring, fall & winter) would benefit the island.
- During the summer season the addition of a Friday midnight ferry would be of benefit to the island.

- The most appropriate location for future high density development, including multi-family & affordable housing, is near or adjacent to the existing Main Road "Town Center".
- The Town is developing satisfactorily under existing Ordinances.
- If additional ferry trips were scheduled during the winter, I would probably make more trips on/off the island.

Respondents from both groups most strongly disagreed with the following statements:

- More development and/or expansion of the airport (beyond the planned runway realignment as it was designated in the 2005 referendum) would be of benefit to the island.
- The Comprehensive Plan should encourage land uses that would attract: hunters; storage facilities; multi-unit housing (rental apartments); multi-unit housing (ie. condos, townhouses, duplexes)

Asked whether the Comprehensive Plan should encourage RECREATIONAL land uses, respondents in both groups showed a preference for:

*improved and expanded bike and pedestrian paths along roadsides; *expanded nature trail systems for birders & hikers; *uses that would attract sport fishing

Neither group wanted uses that would attract hunters.

Asked whether the Comprehensive Plan should encourage COMMERCIAL USES, both groups showed a preference for:

*health care facilities; *restaurant facilities; *retreat and adult learning centers; *museums; *tourist lodging facilities; *marine facilities

HOUSING TYPES that All Respondents agreed should be encouraged in the Comprehensive Plan:

*senior citizen housing; *assisted care housing; *homes to buy; *nursing care housing; *summer/vacation housing; *homes to rent

Neither group wanted to encourage multi-unit housing (condos, townhouses, duplexes) or multi-unit housing (rental apartments).

There was a high degree of agreement in both groups that the Comprehensive Plan should encourage the implementation of more restrictive land use regulations on outdoor "junk" storage visible from roadsides and on outdoor residential lighting.

Neither group had high preference for architecture/design standards.

When asked which businesses or services should be encouraged by the Comprehensive Plan, those chosen most frequently were:

*locally owned & operated business; *eco-tourism eg. birding, hiking, biking, kayaking, astronomy, etc.; *home business/cottage industry; *support services for the elderly; *high speed internet access; *workshops/classes, etc.(like Sievers); *farmers markets; *in home care for the elderly; *small conferences/retreats; *assisted living for the elderly; *farming; *managed forestry.

WASHINGTON ISLAND COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING SURVEY ALL RESPONSES

531 Forms, 797 Responses

Print Date: 8/23/07

Numbers are the actual count of responses to this question.

	Strongly Agree 1	Agree 2	No Opinion 3	Disagree 4	Strongly Disagree 5
1. One of the primary goals of the Comprehensive Plan should be to preserve the following attributes which contribute to the quality of life in the Island:					
A. the low density dispersed housing	496	193	19	43	16
B. the open spaces (fields, meadows) and forests	607	148	9	16	6
C. the quiet ambiance (lack of background noises)	604	136	22	15	6
D. the natural features (Little Lake, the Mountain, wetlands, beaches, clear lake waters, bird & wildlife habitat)	652	116	8	6	3
E. dark night skies due to the lack of light pollution	622	114	27	14	8
F. local/family owned and operated businesses	501	205	47	25	6
G. rural/agricultural character of the community	485	210	70	12	3
2. The Town of Washington is developing satisfactorily under existing ordinances	106	311	220	98	19
3. Expanding & marketing tourism into the shoulder seasons (spring, fall & winter) would benefit the Island	226	359	92	70	30
4. It is important to first consider the natural limitations of the Island's location, its physical features, and its natural resources when making land use and development decisions	536	188	33	18	11
5. It is important that open spaces be preserved by allowing the rezoning of larger parcels into smaller lots only if necessary to provide an overriding public benefit	351	214	61	81	48
6. The Comprehensive Plan should encourage the following land uses on the Island:					
A. RECREATIONAL USES, including:					
a. improved and expanded bike and pedestrian paths along roadsides	364	292	53	56	21
b. more and improved public boat launch ramps	206	244	187	110	30
c. expanded nature trail systems for birders & hikers	301	306	117	45	14
d. developed and marked trail systems for snow mobiles and cross-country skiers	177	270	159	98	70
e. more and improved public docking facilities for sail and motor boaters	190	245	200	105	36
f. uses that would attract hunters	39	155	176	242	168
g. uses that would attract sport fishing	128	398	154	73	24
B. COMMERCIAL USES, including					
a. restaurant facilities	174	386	115	68	26
b. storage facilities	40	157	274	200	97
c. tourist lodging facilities	106	372	162	91	33
d. retail stores and shops	109	366	148	108	39

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e. retreat and adult learning centers	191	331	170	54	24
f. museums	145	307	207	93	21
g. "on land" transportation facilities for tourists	113	298	180	122	56
h. "on land" transportation facilities for residents	119	280	219	107	42
i. health care facilities	372	294	73	28	12
j. marine facilities	131	305	218	80	33
k. family entertainment facilities	122	302	198	111	36
7. The most appropriate location for future high density development, including multi-family and affordable housing, is near or adjacent to the existing Main Road "Town Center"	187	285	89	104	85
8. The Comprehensive Plan should encourage development of the following types of housing on the Island:					
A. homes to buy	141	335	123	121	54
B. homes to rent	83	270	179	156	86
C. senior citizen housing	160	365	150	71	33
D. multi-unit housing (for example: condos, townhouses, duplexes)	27	104	96	218	336
E. multi-unit housing (rental apartments)	35	120	103	219	302
F. summer/vacation housing	68	323	190	118	81
G. assisted care housing	144	387	143	61	37
H. nursing care housing	117	319	184	99	49
9. The Comprehensive Plan should encourage the implementation of more restrictive land use regulation, including:					
A. restrictions on outdoor "junk" storage visible from roadsides	473	190	44	54	26
B. restrictions on outdoor residential lighting	274	227	124	106	44
C. architecture/design standards	134	203	134	189	112
D. maximum limit on home size	209	162	118	171	113
10. during the summer season the addition of a weekly midnight ferry would be of benefit to the Island	250	234	174	52	46
which evening preferred?	Mon 21	Tue 6	Wed 33	Thu 61	Fri 348
11. If additional ferry trips were scheduled during the winter, I would probably make more trips on/off the Island	166	222	200	124	68
12. More development and/or expansion of the Washington Island airport (beyond the planned runway realignment as it was designated in the 2005 referendum) would be of benefit to the Island	108	123	154	151	248

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	Strongly Agree 1	Agree 2	No Opinion 3	Disagree 4	Strongly Disagree 5
13. Any changes to the town marina, town dock, parking and adjoining public areas should be consistant with the historic appearance of Jackson Harbor	453	246	37	26	20
14. The town-owned easements to the lake should be better marked and maintained	305	292	115	41	28
15. Please check only those businesses or services which should be encouraged by the Comprehensive Plan:					
563 a. home business/cottage industry					
640 b. locally owned & operated business					
559 c. high speed internet access					
404 d. animal husbandry (beef cattle, sheep, alpacas, etc.)					
498 e. farming					
532 f. farmers markets					
469 g. managed forestry					
589 h. eco-tourism (birding, hiking, biking, kayaking, astronomy, etc.)					
436 i. winter recreational activities					
353 j. hunting & fishing					
549 k. workshops/classes, etc. (i.e., Sievers model)					
398 l. hospitality accomodations (hotel, motel, rentals, B&B's)					
560 m. support services for the elderly					
455 n. nursing & hospice care					
500 o. assisted living for the elderly					
506 p. in home care for the elderly					
26 q. "amusement type" parks					
211 r. construction industry					
501 s. Small conferences/retreats/forums (that bring people to the Island)					

WASHINGTON ISLAND COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING SURVEY ALL RESPONSES

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DEMOGRAPHICS

A. What category best describes your residence status?

230 1. year-round	115 3. occasional	
323 2. seasonal	90 4. year-round, but off Island 60 days or more	

B. Do you intend to live here year-round in the future?

419 1. yes	284 2. no
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C. How long have you been coming to the Island?

72 10 years or less	150 20 to 30 years	71 40 to 50 years	32 60 to 70 years
130 10 to 20 years	127 30 to 40 years	44 50 to 60 years	18 70 years or more

D. How long have you lived year-round on the Island?

75 1. 5 years or less	49 3. 21 years or more	426 5. I don't live here year-round
117 2. 6-20 years	70 4. raised here	

E. What is your property ownership status? (mark all that apply)

623 1. home owner	334 3. land owner	17 5. do not own property
55 2. business owner	24 4. rent home	

F. Your age group:

3 1. under 20	120 3. 36-50	262 5. over 65
24 2. 21-35	362 4. 51-65	

G. Your employment (check all that apply):

261 1. full time	324 4. retired	7 7. unemployed (& looking for work)
74 2. part time	149 5. self-employed	
30 3. seasonal	21 6. unemployed	70 8. volunteer

H. What is your estimated annual household income?

39 1. up to \$20,000	97 3. \$36,000 to \$50,000	213 5. above \$100,000
57 2. \$21,000 to \$35,000	208 4. \$51,000 to \$100,000	

WASHINGTON ISLAND COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING SURVEY YEAR-ROUND RESIDENTS

211 Forms, 315 Responses

Print Date: 8/23/07

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	Strongly Agree 1	Agree 2	No Opinion 3	Disagree 4	Strongly Disagree 5
1. One of the primary goals of the Comprehensive Plan should be to preserve the following attributes which contribute to the quality of life in the Island:					
A. the low density dispersed housing	172	86	10	24	11
B. the open spaces (fields, meadows) and forests	216	69	5	14	4
C. the quiet ambiance (lack of background noises)	213	67	13	9	4
D. the natural features (Little Lake, the Mountain, wetlands, beaches, clear lake waters, bird & wildlife habitat)	242	57	6	4	1
E. dark night skies due to the lack of light pollution	225	49	17	11	6
F. local/family owned and operated businesses	193	90	20	6	1
G. rural/agricultural character of the community	185	90	26	7	2
2. The Town of Washington is developing satisfactorily under existing ordinances	50	131	66	45	10
3. Expanding & marketing tourism into the shoulder seasons (spring, fall & winter) would benefit the Island	117	125	28	28	11
4. It is important to first consider the natural limitations of the Island's location, its physical features, and its natural resources when making land use and development decisions	196	76	17	13	7
5. It is important that open spaces be preserved by allowing the rezoning of larger parcels into smaller lots only if necessary to provide an overriding public benefit	118	86	25	38	27
6. The Comprehensive Plan should encourage the following land uses on the Island:					
A. RECREATIONAL USES, including:					
a. improved and expanded bike and pedestrian paths along roadsides	146	117	18	20	7
b. more and improved public boat launch ramps	95	99	64	38	7
c. expanded nature trail systems for birders & hikers	112	107	55	25	8
d. developed and marked trail systems for snow mobiles and cross-country skiers	84	108	54	37	20
e. more and improved public docking facilities for sail and motor boaters	86	86	73	44	14
f. uses that would attract hunters	22	82	56	93	52
g. uses that would attract sport fishing	58	165	49	20	10
B. COMMERCIAL USES, including					
a. restaurant facilities	58	148	59	28	11
b. storage facilities	21	70	98	75	36
c. tourist lodging facilities	47	133	70	38	11
d. retail stores and shops	50	131	69	43	10

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	Strongly Agree 1	Agree 2	No Opinion 3	Disagree 4	Strongly Disagree 5
e. retreat and adult learning centers	76	120	75	18	10
f. museums	61	124	74	38	6
g. "on land" transportation facilities for tourists	50	114	73	44	19
h. "on land" transportation facilities for residents	42	127	80	36	17
i. health care facilities	148	116	27	10	6
j. marine facilities	60	102	95	36	8
k. family entertainment facilities	58	116	78	36	13
7. The most appropriate location for future high density development, including multi-family and affordable housing, is near or adjacent to the existing Main Road "Town Center"	72	112	35	50	33
8. The Comprehensive Plan should encourage development of the following types of housing on the Island:					
A. homes to buy	53	120	52	60	18
B. homes to rent	46	121	55	54	30
C. senior citizen housing	74	150	41	29	10
D. multi-unit housing (for example: condos, townhouses, duplexes)	14	44	26	78	144
E. multi-unit housing (rental apartments)	21	61	40	86	100
F. summer/vacation housing	20	108	87	61	31
G. assisted care housing	78	162	37	18	10
H. nursing care housing	68	129	53	39	16
9. The Comprehensive Plan should encourage the implementation of more restrictive land use regulation, including:					
A. restrictions on outdoor "junk" storage visible from roadsides	170	85	21	24	14
B. restrictions on outdoor residential lighting	84	96	55	53	21
C. architecture/design standards	41	80	50	84	52
D. maximum limit on home size	87	58	43	72	49
10. during the summer season the addition of a weekly midnight ferry would be of benefit to the Island	102	80	74	24	23
which evening preferred?	Mon 9	Tue 5	Wed 15	Thu 22	Fri 125
11. If additional ferry trips were scheduled during the winter, I would probably make more trips on/off the Island	80	102	47	56	23
12. More development and/or expansion of the Washington Island airport (beyond the planned runway realignment as it was designated in the 2005 referendum) would be of benefit to the Island	46	44	46	59	116

WASHINGTON ISLAND COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING SURVEY YEAR-ROUND RESIDENTS

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	Strongly Agree 1	Agree 2	No Opinion 3	Disagree 4	Strongly Disagree 5
13. Any changes to the town marina, town dock, parking and adjoining public areas should be consistant with the historic appearance of Jackson Harbor	182	84	18	18	9
14. The town-owned easements to the lake should be better marked and maintained	143	111	34	16	8
15. Please check only those businesses or services which should be encouraged by the Comprehensive Plan:					
237 a. home business/cottage industry					
264 b. locally owned & operated business					
228 c. high speed internet access					
179 d. animal husbandry (beef cattle, sheep, alpacas, etc.)					
216 e. farming					
207 f. farmers markets					
193 g. managed forestry					
219 h. eco-tourism (birding, hiking, biking, kayaking, astronomy, etc.)					
183 i. winter recreational activities					
148 j. hunting & fishing					
216 k. workshops/classes, etc. (i.e., Sievers model)					
150 l. hospitality accomodations (hotel, motel, rentals, B&B's)					
243 m. support services for the elderly					
214 n. nursing & hospice care					
231 o. assisted living for the elderly					
236 p. in home care for the elderly					
11 q. "amusement type" parks					
111 r. construction industry					
207 s. Small conferences/retreats/forums (that bring people to the Island)					

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DEMOGRAPHICS

A. What category best describes your residence status?

230 1. year-round	2 3. occasional	
6 2. seasonal	90 4. year-round, but off Island 60 days or more	

B. Do you intend to live here year-round in the future?

252 1. yes	29 2. no
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C. How long have you been coming to the Island?

19 10 years or less	53 20 to 30 years	30 40 to 50 years	18 60 to 70 years
41 10 to 20 years	36 30 to 40 years	22 50 to 60 years	9 70 years or more

D. How long have you lived year-round on the Island?

64 1. 5 years or less	37 3. 21 years or more	38 5. I don't live here year-round
107 2. 6-20 years	60 4. raised here	

E. What is your property ownership status? (mark all that apply)

286 1. home owner	115 3. land owner	13 5. do not own property
43 2. business owner	18 4. rent home	

F. Your age group:

1 1. under 20	38 3. 36-50	128 5. over 65
11 2. 21-35	130 4. 51-65	

G. Your employment (check all that apply):

75 1. full time	151 4. retired	3 7. unemployed (& looking for work)
46 2. part time	71 5. self-employed	
21 3. seasonal	9 6. unemployed	40 8. volunteer

H. What is your estimated annual household income?

31 1. up to \$20,000	57 3. \$36,000 to \$50,000	33 5. above \$100,000
36 2. \$21,000 to \$35,000	81 4. \$51,000 to \$100,000	

WASHINGTON ISLAND COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING SURVEY NON-YEAR-ROUND RESIDENTS

320 Forms, 482 Responses

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	Strongly Agree 1	Agree 2	No Opinion 3	Disagree 4	Strongly Disagree 5
1. One of the primary goals of the Comprehensive Plan should be to preserve the following attributes which contribute to the quality of life in the Island:					
A. the low density dispersed housing	324	107	9	19	5
B. the open spaces (fields, meadows) and forests	391	79	4	2	2
C. the quiet ambiance (lack of background noises)	391	69	9	6	2
D. the natural features (Little Lake, the Mountain, wetlands, beaches, clear lake waters, bird & wildlife habitat)	410	59	2	2	2
E. dark night skies due to the lack of light pollution	397	65	10	3	2
F. local/family owned and operated businesses	308	115	27	19	5
G. rural/agricultural character of the community	300	120	44	5	1
2. The Town of Washington is developing satisfactorily under existing ordinances	56	180	154	53	9
3. Expanding & marketing tourism into the shoulder seasons (spring, fall & winter) would benefit the Island	109	234	64	42	19
4. It is important to first consider the natural limitations of the Island's location, its physical features, and its natural resources when making land use and development decisions	340	112	16	5	4
5. It is important that open spaces be preserved by allowing the rezoning of larger parcels into smaller lots only if necessary to provide an overriding public benefit	233	128	36	43	21
6. The Comprehensive Plan should encourage the following land uses on the Island:					
A. RECREATIONAL USES, including:					
a. improved and expanded bike and pedestrian paths along roadsides	218	175	35	36	14
b. more and improved public boat launch ramps	111	145	123	72	23
c. expanded nature trail systems for birders & hikers	189	199	62	20	6
d. developed and marked trail systems for snow mobiles and cross-country skiers	93	162	105	61	50
e. more and improved public docking facilities for sail and motor boaters	104	159	127	61	22
f. uses that would attract hunters	17	73	120	149	116
g. uses that would attract sport fishing	70	233	105	53	14
B. COMMERCIAL USES, including					
a. restaurant facilities	116	238	56	40	15
b. storage facilities	19	87	176	125	61
c. tourist lodging facilities	59	239	92	53	22
d. retail stores and shops	59	235	79	65	29

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e. retreat and adult learning centers	115	211	95	36	14
f. museums	84	183	133	55	15
g. "on land" transportation facilities for tourists	63	184	107	78	37
h. "on land" transportation facilities for residents	77	153	139	71	25
i. health care facilities	224	178	46	18	6
j. marine facilities	71	203	123	44	25
k. family entertainment facilities	64	186	120	75	23
7. The most appropriate location for future high density development, including multi-family and affordable housing, is near or adjacent to the existing Main Road "Town Center"	115	173	54	54	52
8. The Comprehensive Plan should encourage development of the following types of housing on the Island:					
A. homes to buy	88	215	71	61	36
B. homes to rent	37	149	124	102	56
C. senior citizen housing	86	215	109	42	23
D. multi-unit housing (for example: condos, townhouses, duplexes)	13	60	70	140	192
E. multi-unit housing (rental apartments)	14	59	63	133	202
F. summer/vacation housing	48	215	103	57	50
G. assisted care housing	66	225	106	43	27
H. nursing care housing	49	190	131	60	33
9. The Comprehensive Plan should encourage the implementation of more restrictive land use regulation, including:					
A. restrictions on outdoor "junk" storage visible from roadsides	303	105	23	30	12
B. restrictions on outdoor residential lighting	190	131	69	53	23
C. architecture/design standards	93	123	84	105	60
D. maximum limit on home size	122	104	75	99	64
10. during the summer season the addition of a weekly midnight ferry would be of benefit to the Island	148	154	100	28	23
which evening preferred?	Mon 12	Tue 1	Wed 18	Thu 39	Fri 223
11. If additional ferry trips were scheduled during the winter, I would probably make more trips on/off the Island	86	120	153	68	45
12. More development and/or expansion of the Washington Island airport (beyond the planned runway realignment as it was designated in the 2005 referendum) would be of benefit to the Island	62	79	108	92	132

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13. Any changes to the town marina, town dock, parking and adjoining public areas should be consistant with the historic appearance of Jackson Harbor	271	162	19	8	11
14. The town-owned easements to the lake should be better marked and maintained	162	181	81	25	20
15. Please check only those businesses or services which should be encouraged by the Comprehensive Plan:					
326 a. home business/cottage industry					
376 b. locally owned & operated business					
331 c. high speed internet access					
225 d. animal husbandry (beef cattle, sheep, alpacas, etc.)					
282 e. farming					
325 f. farmers markets					
276 g. managed forestry					
370 h. eco-tourism (birding, hiking, biking, kayaking, astronomy, etc.)					
253 i. winter recreational activities					
205 j. hunting & fishing					
333 k. workshops/classes, etc. (i.e., Sievers model)					
248 l. hospitality accomodations (hotel, motel, rentals, B&B's)					
317 m. support services for the elderly					
241 n. nursing & hospice care					
269 o. assisted living for the elderly					
270 p. in home care for the elderly					
15 q. "amusement type" parks					
100 r. construction industry					
294 s. Small conferences/retreats/forums (that bring people to the Island)					

WASHINGTON ISLAND COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING SURVEY NON-YEAR-ROUND RESIDENTS

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DEMOGRAPHICS

A. What category best describes your residence status?

113 1. year-round	113 3. occasional	
317 2. seasonal		4. year-round, but off Island 60 days or more

B. Do you intend to live here year-round in the future?

167 1. yes	255 2. no
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C. How long have you been coming to the Island?

53 10 years or less	97 20 to 30 years	41 40 to 50 years	14 60 to 70 years
89 10 to 20 years	91 30 to 40 years	22 50 to 60 years	9 70 years or more

D. How long have you lived year-round on the Island?

11 1. 5 years or less	12 3. 21 years or more	388 5. I don't live here year-round
10 2. 6-20 years	10 4. raised here	

E. What is your property ownership status? (mark all that apply)

337 1. home owner	219 3. land owner	4 5. do not own property
12 2. business owner	6 4. rent home	

F. Your age group:

2 1. under 20	82 3. 36-50	134 5. over 65
13 2. 21-35	232 4. 51-65	

G. Your employment (check all that apply):

186 1. full time	173 4. retired	4 7. unemployed
28 2. part time	78 5. self-employed	(& looking for work)
9 3. seasonal	12 6. unemployed	30 8. volunteer

H. What is your estimated annual household income?

8 1. up to \$20,000	40 3. \$36,000 to \$50,000	180 5. above \$100,000
21 2. \$21,000 to \$35,000	127 4. \$51,000 to \$100,000	

THE COMMENTS WRITTEN UNDER "other"
For questions number 1, 6, 8, 9, 15 and Demographics

These words or phrases written where the survey said, "*Other*", are best described as suggestions or ideas. Since they were written by just one or two people, they are not statistically important, but they do suggest ideas to the WIZAP committee and the Town Board. They differ from the "essay-type" written comments for the last four questions on page 4 of the survey where many respondents may have written essentially the same idea concerning certain subjects, *ie.* the school, medical, growth, etc.

If two people responded on the same questionnaire and each had checked a box on the 'agreement' scale, then the comment was included on each response. These responses are indicated by a '(2)' on the list. If two people filled out the questionnaire and there was a comment but only one person had checked a box, the comment was included only once.

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| Low density population (2) | More public beach access (2) |
| Native species | No paved runways at airport |
| Light industry - furniture | Traffic congestion |
| Friendliness of people | Toilet at Mountain Park (2) |
| Safe roads for walking | Keep the island affordable (2) |
| Paved airport runways (2) | Preserve natural features |
| Lack of city lights | Control noise pollution |
| Home based businesses | Low crime rate-safety-security |
| Preserve historic buildings (2) | Island way of life |
| Housing maintain open spaces | reasonable fees, retail, living cost (2) |
| Harbor & marina facilities | Get rid of green gunk on east side |
| Interesting cultural events | Clean public beaches |
| Attractive picnic tables | Peace and quiet (2) |
| Biking opportunities | Low traffic |
| Better access via ferry | Control deer population |
| Grass airport | Good school system (2) |
| Less expensive ferry | Better stores, restaurants |
| Friendly residents | No excessive zoning rules |
| No stop & go lights | No franchise businesses |
| No stop lights (2) | Housing for seasonal workers |
| Dramatic visual improvement of downtown area | Lack of "touristy" attractions (2) |
| Clear water (lake & ground water) | Maritime/fishing village feel (Jackson Harbor) (2) |
| Prohibit fast food, large developed resorts/hotels (2) | Lack of chain stores, tourist traps (2) |
| Need affordable transportation on/off Island | Better patrolling of People Parks |
| Speed signs on Little Lake Rd | Wild life |
| More business for tourists | Fewer taverns |
| Wind power | Other energy conservation |
| Island Wheat Beer (2) | Separate from Door County |
| No red lights | no hunting on private property (2) |
| Affordable for young families | Washington Island campground retreat |
| The friendly people (2) | Remoteness - don't change for 'cityfied' newcomers |
| ecomunicipality | Grass runway |
| Lack of development features like franchises, etc. | Private Land owners' rights |
| Smart economic growth (2) | No condominiums |
| More accent on water views & activities | Sustainable ag & forestry. Local product brands. |
| Few traffic jams (2) | Single family only-10 acre min. No condos/trm shares (2) |
| Should have Historical Society (2) | Light automobile traffic |
| Human-powered marines facilities (kayaking, etc.) | Access to natural beaches, parks |
| Increase public ownership of critical habitat | Current auto traffic pattern (2) |
| Neighbors helping neighbors | Rural roads |
| No stop lights | Community spirit (2) |
| Slow pace of life - quality & beauty of life | Lakefront access/beaches |
| Preservation of property owner rights. | Free public areas |
| Sense of friendliness & community (2) | Don't expand airport - too noisy |
| Access to water/beaches/boat ramps/fishing | No house trailers allowed |
| Historic preservation (2) | Island traditions by Islanders (2) |
| Clean undisturbed beach fronts (2) | Slow its growth - it comes fast enough |
| Encourage, not dictate | Some development from outside |
| Overall visual appearance & feel of Island (2) | Gov't by people, not elected supervisors |
| Promote diversity of age groups | Economy (2) |

'Other' responses to question 6 A: The Comprehensive Plan should encourage the following RECREATIONAL land uses on the Island:

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| Too many hunters (2) | Dredge Jackson Harbor |
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Kayaking-canoeing-wind sailing
 Attract birders
 Public land for recreation
 Birding events
 Hiking, birding
 Golfers
 Improve, expand beach & parks
 Support existing museums
 Cross country skiing
 Camping
 Cultural events
 Cross country skiing
 More attractions for Cherry, Viking trains
 Bicyclers
 Uses that attract artisans/artists
 Subsidize golf course
 Trash receptacles
 No snowmobiling (2)
 User friendly boat ramp
 Photography, art, writers, music (2)
 Elder hostels & workshops
 Places to fish without a boat (2)
 Horse path, snowmobile on public & private property
 Emphasis on quiet residential uses
 Some DNR rules should not apply on islands (2)
 Passive open space
 Golf and tennis (2)
 Cross country skiing yes/snowmobiles no
 ATVs, bikes not on priv. property w/out permission (2)
 More regulation for ATVs
 Encourage non-motorized sports, cultural pursuits (2)
 Better beaches - improve sand beach (2)
 Photography/hiking/birding/artistic opportunities
 Better maintenance of public areas
 Cross country ski trails (2)
 Cross country skiing
 Marked snowmobile trails only
 Horse back riding trails (2)
 Family swimming; fix raft, sand dunes
 Limited jet ski areas - too noisy & dangerous
 Birders, hikers, retreat groups
 Kayak, beaches (2)
 Nature & art enthusiasts (2)
 Kayak market
 Birders, star gazers, kayakers, quiet sports (2)

Kayaking, canoing (2)
 Shoot commorants legally
 Kayak & sail boat facilities
 Attract arts & music
 Vacationers (2)
 Improved airport facilities
 Kids' nature camp
 Market historic sites (2)
 swimming (2)
 Sailors
 Canoes, kayaks (2)
 Improve airport facilities
 Walking paths along the road
 Water sports (not jet skis) - parboarding, etc.
 More trails for horseback riding (2)
 Limit trespassing hunters
 Keep usage the same as today
 Keep a golf course on the island (2)
 Docking in Detroit & West Harbors
 Restrict boats/jet skis @ Schoolhouse (2)
 No snowmobiles
 Attract Fly-in visitors
 Uses that would attract families
 Equestrian attractions
 Summer camps and residential schools
 Kayak rental, water nature trail w/ markers (2)
 Hike/bike/snowmobile trails. Push electric cars (2)
 Less restriction on both f & g
 Cross country hiking
 Eco-tourism
 Attract kayaks & snowshoeing (2)
 Kayaking (2)
 Fish tournaments
 Adapt snowmobile trails for mountain bikes (2)
 Bridle path
 Swimming and beaching
 Sea kayak trails, scuba (2)
 No jet skis
 Allow swimming at Ridges
 "Entertainment" farming
 Winter activities/sports
 Around Island sailing regatta
 Improve airport facilities (2)
 Winter sports

'Other' responses to question 6 B: The Comprehensive Plan should encourage the following COMMERCIAL land uses on the Island:

Off season tourist facilities
 Bike, kayak, sailboat rentals (2)
 Think about the kids
 Improved airport facilities
 Bakery, hospice
 All purpose hall with movies
 Drive in theater (2)
 Revive commercial fishing

Affordable rental properties (2)
 No airport expansion
 Old people home (2)
 Art gallery, bakery, movies
 Activities for teens
 No chain restaurants, stores (2)
 Remove visible junk
 More locally grown produce

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Movie theater facility
 Movie theater
 Invest in and dress up Main Road
 Keep the same as today
 Small shops on Main Road
 Airport support
 Govt funding for health & retirement facilities
 Generate more power from natural sources (2)
 Lack of development features like franchises, etc.
 Kayak rental, water nature trail w/ markers (2)
 Nice park for children and all ages (2)
 Improve museums we have - not more (2)
 Bakery
 Farmers' market (2)
 Casinos
 Farming/agriculture
 Educational classes in existing public facilities
 Quiet, moderate on land trans. for tourists
 Rental equipment
 Car wash, small pharmacy, small engine repair
 Re-use of existing shops should be encouraged
 Create tech jobs not requiring onsite industry
 Recreational equipment rental (2)
 Banquet facility (2)

All of above, but only if needed
 A really interesting mini-golf facility (2)
 Conference center (2)
 Update restaurant services (2)
 Drug store (2)
 Nurse practitioner is a good choice
 Need a health care facility
 Children/family education centers & library (2)
 Regular movies (2)
 Let the tourists enjoy the Island as it is!
 Research-themed non-loan library
 Low profile ag&forest products, value added proc.
 Hair care, beauty salon
 Cultural activiries (ANC, TPAC)
 Movie theater
 Nature center
 Public restroom facilities
 Resident parking at ferry dock (2)
 Clothing, drug store
 Improved fitness center
 Want doctor on the island (2)
 Some development necessary
 Movies at the TPAC
 Office, business park, TIF

'Other' responses to question 8: The Comprehensive Plan should encourage development of the following types of HOUSING on the Island:

Physical therapy/rehab
 Affordable 1 family housing
 Conference Center
 Hospice
 Senior hostel facility
 Hi density should be near ferry dock
 Campings huts/cabins at campground
 Low rent/Gov assistance for housing
 In ome nursing/aide care
 Hospice (2)
 Residential schools
 Extra dwelling space in garages, out buildings (2)
 In-home health care
 Home nursing care (2)
 Small archetectorally in keeping w/ landscape
 Hotels, motels, cottages (2)
 Renovation of existing vacant housing (2)

Affordable housing, small lots (2)
 4 star hotel
 In-home assisted care
 Home health care
 Year-round motels
 Pharmacy (2)
 Low rent housing
 Tasteful, secluded trailer/motor home park
 Nursing & assisted care housing (2)
 Inexpensive camping areas
 "Safe" house for abuse victims set up by sheriff
 No medically dependent people with no Dr. in town
 Affordable homes to buy
 Need condos/townhouses
 No mass marketing (2)
 Affordable for healthy people on Social Security

'Other' responses to question 9: The Comprehensive Plan should encourage the implementation of MORE RESTRICTIVE LAND USE REGULATION, including:

Affordable housing, small lots (2)
 Size depends on location
 Minimum lot size
 Junk storage not visible
 Blend w/natural surroundings (2)
 Minimum home size
 Environmental issues
 Too much "Big Brothering" (2)
 Think farther out - once done, hard to undo

Maint. of homes, out buildings
 Restrict outside commercial light (2)
 Noise pollution regulation
 Pub support-priv frontage
 Garages, empty old houses
 Do not over regulate
 Penalties for clear cutting
 Less restrictive land regs
 Minimum limit on home size (2)

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Landscaping standards
 Limit conservancy zoning
 Limits on paved area (% of lot size) (2)
 Permanent residential docks (2)
 Start by cleaning up all junk on Island
 Encourage farming, gardening, floral crops (2)
 Restriction on outdoor commercial lighting (2)
 Require proper upkeep of land/buildings
 Minimum rules & regulations possible (2)
 Permit building closer to water
 Junk/property disrepair detracts from Isl. beauty (2)
 Current restrictions more than sufficient
 Neglected/unoccupied housing (2)
 Green building practices and housing (2)
 Regulate ratio of house size to lot size (2)
 Site plan approval requirement (2)
 Restrictions in municipal lighting. See Carmel, CA
 Affordable housing (2)

Beach property should be private
 Keep hunters off private homesteads
 Shoreline protection
 no junky run-down houses
 Get xx to clean up his corner
 To limit sprawl
 Outdoor storage of manure (2)
 Create town & harbor commercial districts
 Restrictions on large metal buildings
 Restrict garage type and size
 Uniform signage regs off road
 Solar technology
 2 story max limit on height
 Private property is private
 Shoreland preservation - limited tree removal (2)
 Encourage low energy housing (2)
 Min. residential lot size - 5 acres

'Other' responses to question 15: Please check only those BUSINESSES OR SERVICES which should be encouraged by the Comprehensive Plan:

Island not for 'amusement'
 Services for disabled
 Recreation activity for teens (2)
 Bakery, parks improvement
 Advanced life support (2)
 Appliance repair
 Encourage businesses that use Island resources
 Music/art camps (2)
 "amusement parks": NO NO NO
 Services must become more professional and on time
 Movie nights
 Micro brewery
 Drug store (2)
 cultural stuff (movies); on-site medical upgrade
 Encourage businesses that use Island resources
 Classical music, theater
 Local crafts
 Specialized schools and camps
 Spa/therapy
 Place for cancer survivors' R & R
 Small casino (2)
 Special classes for year-round residents (2)
 Destination for the arts-music/theater/fine arts
 Cultural organizations
 Good & affordable restaurants
 Handyman services, day work for house cleaning
 No factory farming-encourage organic methods
 Music/art/literature workshops & forums
 Children & teen activities
 Better Washington Island web site
 Ferry to Escanaba, camping opportunities (2)
 Innovative light manufacturing

Marina
 Regulate current builders
 Think big
 Children's activities - farm
 Catering service, w/ hall
 Youth activities
 Affordable short term housing
 College of the arts
 Options for young people besides bars
 Veterinarian services
 Island Fair (2)
 Marina services
 Airport services (2)
 Upgrade on-site medical services
 Plumbing & heating people sorely needed
 Stables/Natural workshops
 Become an ecomunicipality, "Green" Island
 Movie theater (2)
 Need on Island plumber
 Chance for families to use excellent school system
 Sustainable ag & forestry
 Green building (2)
 Sustainable fishing/water quality
 Theater/art/music/workshops/studios/performance (2)
 Trail from ferry dock to town
 Marine facilities (2)
 "Green" construction, environmental education
 Upgrade fitness facility
 Child care
 Tourist, etc.
 Plumber (2)

'Other' responses to DEMOGRAPHICS A: What category best describes your residence status?

5-6 months per year

Will retire to Island

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6 months (2)
Lot owners
Will retire here
Lot only, no residence
Currently building (2)
plan to build (2)
Soon to be year round
Vacant lot owner
Land owners, live off Island
5 months on Island
Almost year around
Half & half (2)

Taxes going too high
Soon to be year round
Property owner
From April to Dec
3 months here
land owner
Own property & visit a couple times per year
Year-round, 1 week per month (2)
Landowner, vacation house renter
Short-term summer
Seasonal, but here all 4 seasons (2)

WASHINGTON ISLAND COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING SURVEY YEAR-ROUND-RESIDENTS

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Low density population (2)	More public beach access (2)
Native species	No paved runways at airport
Toilet at Mountain Park (2)	Safe roads for walking
Keep the island affordable (2)	Paved airport runways
Preserve natural features	Lack of city lights
Control noise pollution	Low crime rate-safety-security
Preserve historic buildings (2)	Island way of life
Housing maintain open spaces	Peace and quiet (2)
No excessive zoning rules	No franchise businesses
Housing for seasonal workers	Prohibit fast food, large developed resorts/hotels (2)
Better patrolling of People Parks	Speed signs on Little Lake Rd
More business for tourists	Wind power
Other energy conservation	Separate from Door County
no hunting on private property (2)	Private Land owners' rights
Smart economic growth (2)	No condominiums
More accent on water views & activities	Few traffic jams (2)
Single family only-10 acre min. No condos/trm shares (2)	Should have Historical Society (2)
Human-powered marines facilities (kayaking, etc.)	Neighbors helping neighbors
Community spirit (2)	Sense of friendliness & community (2)
Slow its growth - it comes fast enough	Overall visual appearance & feel of Island (2)
Gov't by people, not elected supervisors	Promote diversity of age groups
Economy (2)	

'Other' responses to question 6 A: The Comprehensive Plan should encourage the following RECREATIONAL land uses on the Island:

Too many hunters (2)	Dredge Jackson Harbor
Attract arts & music	Hiking, birding
Vacationers (2)	Golfers
Improved airport facilities	Improve, expand beach & parks
Support existing museums	Market historic sites (2)
Cross country skiing (2)	Improve airport facilities
Water sports (not jet skis) - paraboarding, etc.	User friendly boat ramp
Docking in Detroit & West Harbors	Places to fish without a boat
Golf and tennis (2)	Hike/bike/snowmobile trails. Push electric cars
Cross country skiing yes/snowmobiles no	Less restriction on both f & g
Cross country hiking	More regulation for ATVs
Eco-tourism	Attract kayaks & snowshoeing (2)
Kayaking (2)	Photography/hiking/birding/artistic opportunities
Fish tournaments	Bridle path
Cross country skiing	No jet skis
Nature & art enthusiasts (2)	Improve airport facilities (2)
Kayak market	Winter sports

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Think about the kids	Old people home (2)
Improved airport facilities	Art gallery, bakery, movies
Activities for teens	All purpose hall with movies
No chain restaurants, stores (2)	Update restaurant services (2)
Small shops on Main Road	Drug store (2)
Let the tourists enjoy the Island as it is!	Nice park for children and all ages (2)
Research-themed non-loan library	Improve museums we have - not more (2)

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Low profile ag&forest products, value added proc.
Hair care, beauty salon
Recreational equipment rental (2)
Banquet facility (2)

Bakery
Casinos
Movies at the TPAC
Office, business park, TIF

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4 star hotel
In-home assisted care
Senior hostel facility
Nursing & assisted care housing (2)
Extra dwelling space in garages, out buildings
In-home health care
Home nursing care (2)
Renovation of existing vacant housing (2)

Affordable housing, small lots (2)
Conference Center
Hospice
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Need condos/townhouses

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Noise pollution regulation
Pub support-priv frontage
Minimum home size
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Junk/property disrepair detracts from Isl. beauty (2)
Site plan approval requirement (2)
Affordable housing (2)

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Affordable short term housing
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Chance for families to use excellent school system
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Green building (2)
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Plumber (2)

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Better maintenance of public areas
Cross country ski trails (2)
Marked snowmobile trails only
Horse back riding trails (2)
Allow swimming at Ridges
"Entertainment" farming
Winter activities/sports
Around Island sailing regatta

Adapt snowmobile trails for mountain bikes (2)
Swimming and beaching
Sea kayak trails, scuba (2)
Family swimming; fix raft, sand dunes
Limited jet ski areas - too noisy & dangerous
Birders, hikers, retreat groups
Kayak, beaches (2)
Birders, star gazers, kayakers, quiet sports (2)

'Other' responses to question 6 B: The Comprehensive Plan should encourage the following COMMERCIAL land uses on the Island:

Bike, kayak, sailboat rentals (2)
Bakery, hospice
Remove visible junk
More locally grown produce
All of above, but only if needed
A really interesting mini-golf facility (2)
Conference center (2)
Airport support
Govt funding for health & retirement facilities
Generate more power from natural sources (2)
Lack of development features like franchises, etc.
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Cultural activities (ANC, TPAC)
Farming/agriculture
Educational classes in existing public facilities
Quiet, moderate on land trans. for tourists
Rental equipment
Car wash, small pharmacy, small engine repair
Re-use of existing shops should be encouraged
Create tech jobs not requiring onsite industry

No airport expansion
Drive in theater (2)
Revive commercial fishing
Movie theater facility
Movie theater
Invest in and dress up Main Road
Keep the same as today
Nurse practitioner is a good choice
Need a health care facility
Children/family education centers & library (2)
Regular movies (2)
Farmers' market (2)
Movie theater
Nature center
Public restroom facilities
Resident parking at ferry dock (2)
Clothing, drug store
Improved fitness center
Want doctor on the island (2)
Some development necessary

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Low rent/Gov assistance for housing
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No mass marketing (2)
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Pharmacy (2)
Low rent housing
Tasteful, secluded trailer/motor home park
Hospice (2)
Residential schools
Small archetectorally in keeping w/ landscape
Hotels, motels, cottages (2)

'Other' responses to question 9: The Comprehensive Plan should encourage the implementation of MORE RESTRICTIVE LAND USE REGULATION, including:

Size depends on location
Minimum lot size
Do not over regulate
Too much "Big Brothering" (2)
Minimum limit on home size (2)
Beach property should be private
Limits on paved area (% of lot size) (2)
no junky run-down houses
Get xx to clean up his corner
To limit sprawl

Restrict outside commercial light (2)
Garages, empty old houses
Penalties for clear cutting
Think farther out - once done, hard to undo
Landscaping standards
Keep hunters off private homesteads
Shoreline protection
Start by cleaning up all junk on Island
Encourage farming, gardening, floral crops (2)
Restriction on outdoor commercial lighting (2)

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Restrict garage type and size
Solar technology
2 story max limit on height
Private property is private
Shoreland preservation - limited tree removal (2)
Min. residential lot size - 5 acres

Current restrictions more than sufficient
Neglected/unoccupied housing (2)
Green building practices and housing (2)
Regulate ratio of house size to lot size (2)
Encourage low energy housing (2)

'Other' responses to question 15: Please check only those **BUSINESSES OR SERVICES** which should be encouraged by the Comprehensive Plan:

Services for disabled
Recreation activity for teens (2)
Encourage businesses that use Island resources
College of the arts
Options for young people besides bars
Veterinarian services
Micro brewery
Airport services (2)
Plumbing & heating people sorely needed
Stables/Natural workshops
Become an ecomunicipality, "Green" Island
Movie theater (2)
Destination for the arts-music/theater/fine arts
Cultural organizations
Good & affordable restaurants
Marine facilities (2)
Music/art/literature workshops & forums
Children & teen activities
Better Washington Island web site

Regulate current builders
Youth activities
Music/art camps (2)
"amusement parks": NO NO NO
Services must become more professional and on time
Movie nights
Marina services
Encourage businesses that use Island resources
Classical music, theater
Local crafts
Specialized schools and camps
Spa/therapy
Sustainable fishing/water quality
Theater/art/music/workshops/studios/performance (2)
Handyman services, day work for house cleaning
"Green" construction, environmental education
Upgrade fitness facility
Child care
Tourist, etc.

'Other' responses to **DEMOGRAPHICS A: What category best describes your residence status?**

5-6 months per year
6 months (2)
Lot owners
Will retire here
Lot only, no residence
Currently building (2)
plan to build (2)
Soon to be year round
Vacant lot owner
Land owners, live off Island
5 months on Island
Almost year around
Half & half (2)

Will retire to Island
Taxes going too high
Soon to be year round
Property owner
From April to Dec
3 months here
land owner
Own property & visit a couple times per year
Year-round, 1 week per month (2)
Landowner, vacation house renter
Short-term summer
Seasonal, but here all 4 seasons (2)

THE WRITTEN COMMENTS

Our survey was somewhat unusual in that we provided an opportunity at the end (on page 4 of the survey) to write your opinions on four questions. The majority of all respondents chose to write on all or at least some of the questions.

We typed all the written comments as they were written. They appear in the order that we received the survey forms.

PLEASE NOTE: all surveys were given a number as they were returned (ie. 135, 5124) so we can go back and categorize responses as to age, property ownership, work status, and any other demographics. These numbers appear in front of that respondent's written comment. All respondents remain anonymous.

The numbers 1 through 179 are responses postmarked on the Island; 5000 and above were postmarked off-Island.

SURVEY ESSAY QUESTION #1 - Island postmarks—“What do you suggest to keep young people and young families on the island?”

- 1-affordable, available, rental housing
- 2-some type of employment
- 3-more affordable housing, the development of jobs, more affordable lots
- 4-There are many business opportunities here. A class “A” think tank should be developed!! Key Word – incubator.
- 6-Better jobs/affordable housing (unfortunately an expanded “season” may be needed to accomplish this). Again, Balance!
- 8-improve island school system-currently poorly managed with low staffing standards from admin. or town. Those who are exceptions need positive mentoring and support.
- 10-affordable housing – jobs- better paying jobs with benefits-better school
- 15-Jobs with health benefits, affordable housing, school where kids’ good behavior is rewarded
- 17-We need additional ferry trips at night as well as more in the winter.
Also more family activities
- 18-To find some kind of manufacturing that is more(?) _____ (can’t read it)
- 19-Tax base! NWTC removal
- 22-Improve the situation at the school.
- 23-Affordable private education.
Zero tolerance for scofflaws, nuisances, misdemeanors.
Low impact entertainment (bicycles vs motorcycles), internet vs. movie theater
- 24-Best school opportunities that can be available!
Adequate medical emergency facility – 24-7!
- 25-Employment-Island seems to reject industry-any true type of manufacturing. We think cottage industry is key in smaller units of people being employed year-round.
- 27-Need small businesses to provide job opportunities.
- 28-Improve the school system is #1. Our young people represent the future of Wash. Is.
We cannot afford to be complacent.
- 29-Lower taxes
- 30-Ask the town board. They hired off island town crew employee instead of Mike Jorgenson-local born & raised. Question is a joke.
- 31-Create tourism jobs. Make teachers accountable & fair will keep school going. More ferry access to make it easier to work off island.
- 32-Not realistic
- 34-Employment and activities for them.
- 36-Residents should be given preference for town jobs.
Administration of the school needs to improve to prevent so many families with children leaving.
- 37-good school system,
jobs,
affordable housing,
affordable groceries,
full-time physician
- 40-Have lower rental units
- 41-Affordable housing.
High Quality public school.
- 42-A school that uses an “individualized” model

SURVEY ESSAY QUESTION #1 - Island postmarks—“What do you suggest to keep young people and young families on the island?”

- 43-More jobs! Keep the Russians, the Europeans, etc. from taking summer jobs.
- 45-More jobs,
more affordable housing (renters)
- 47-Provide affordable housing;
online college classes;
opportunities for year-round employment, internships;
subsidized daycare, etc.
- 49-Make living affordable (transportation).
Create more jobs.
- 50-Support airport;
change the school system—allow the young to have a bigger voice.
- 51-More employment opportunities.
- 52-Improve schools
- 53-The school system needs revamping & improvement!
More jobs and hiring of people who are not Island born!
- 55-Better school.
More opportunity for service jobs and businesses
- 58-Employment –
Better school
ferry enable workers to work off island
- 59-Lower property tax
- 61-Improve our K-12 school
- 62-NWTC occupational classes (ie. plumbing; appliances; construction; electrician, etc.)
so they are schooled in needed trades.
- 63-Develop jobs, Island Timber Co-op, other jobs, and(?) school.
- 64-Improve school, live within means, instead of always asking for more, through referendums.
- 65-Reasonably paying jobs.
- 69-Affordable housing.
Year around jobs.
Security of good schooling.
- 70-It is important for young people to experience the “wider” world but their decision to locate on the island is a personal decision, hopefully enhanced by their life experience here and “away”.
- 71-An excellent school needs to be developed, or should I say EDUCATION
- 73-More jobs
- 76-Jobs and that means opening the Island for more development. Presently too large of tracts, smaller would be better like more 5 acre instead of 20 acre.
- 77-Jobs: Internship? Apprentice position.
Web page on chamber or town web with --?--
affordable housing
- 80-We feel there is a need for smaller lots that would allow young people the chance to start out on the island. Large lots are too expensive for a younger person.
- 81-Lower taxes.
Divide land to keep building going!! Change zoning GA to 5 acre min. Building is huge to the island – 5 acre min. on GA to build.

SURVEY ESSAY QUESTION #1 - Island postmarks—“What do you suggest to keep young people and young families on the island?”

- 82-A good school!
- 84-Because of its isolated location, it makes it difficult for any island business having to ship its products to be competitive with similar type businesses. There isn't anything to offer a credible income for the young people.
- 86-A good school with solid community support.
- 87-Employment and a decent school
- 88-Adding in-home/cottage businesses & light/small industry, farm processing plants/cheese factory to add jobs all year around with needed benefits. Re-start farming.
- 89-More opportunities for their children in the areas of education (school); organized after school activities utilizing REC Center (swim team, tennis, etc.).
More jobs to attract year around living.
- 90-Encourage efforts to attract business enterprises her suitable to the island. Small business loans, less than 10 employees.
Affordable housing (mainly rental)
- 91-Island has been in a state of change for the last 15 years—seasonal employment is not the answer. Encourage jobs.
- 92-If Island young people wish to spread their wings-let them. They always return as time and circumstances permit.
- 94-Deal with the school PLEASE. There are ongoing personnel problems with several mediocre teachers and many of the kids are very disillusioned.
- 95-More support for our school
More things to do for ages 12-21
- 97-We must maintain and support a top notch school
- 98-Maintaining the school, improving the curriculum
- 100-I suggest supporting cottage industries,
education of school age children and
diversifying the economy
- 103-Better school system, more on-island vocational training including experience with real projects in community. Educational support for college & travel opportunities.
Better internet access
- 105-Learn the computer
Get an education—you can always work at home.
- 106-Support island business it is the basis of the island. Do not support anti business expansion.
- 107-Help get the school system fixed
Lower rent housing & availability
More job opp.
- 108-High speed internet access
Steady, adequate support of the school; much better education
- 109-Encourage industries that provide jobs.
Fully fund the school.
- 110-Lower taxes,
Improved school system
- 111-Improve ed. System-Develop a work ethic!!
Internships/apprenticeships

SURVEY ESSAY QUESTION #1 - Island postmarks—“What do you suggest to keep young people and young families on the island?”

- Exposure to “real world”
- 112-jobs but people will not stay here unless they embrace/accept the limits that go with living here. They have to appreciate what we have & not whine about what we don't. That goes for everyone.
- 114-full time doc
better school system
year-round full time employment
- 115-Affordable housing
- 117-better day care for children
- 118-Better schools
Better health care
Better recreational facilities
- 119-jobs
quality school system
affordable housing
- 120-business
- 121-Filling job openings with Islanders-not bringing in outsiders.
Training for job opportunities
- 122-The town must encourage & promote business to expand and come to the island, ie. high speed internet, tax breaks for businesses that employ ten or more people.
- 123-lowering rental rates and not ripping off tourists
- 124-Housing assistance,
focusing development on the types of work that interest young people.
Having an image of the Island, such as an eco-community.
- 126-Have a full time industry able to hire 10-50 people. Assembly!
Fishing and dairy farming are long gone!
- 127-dedicated teachers
- 130-Jobs
- 131-Either fire all school personnel..... and start fresh with new non-islander staff or, even better, close the school and start an exclusive boarding school to which all island children would attend for a minimal cost.
- 132-Fix the school system &
make more year round jobs.
- 133-Improving school situation – reviewing administration qualifications – replacing individuals accordingly
- 134-More businesses that provide year round income
- 135-Encourage and maintain standards to employ appropriately qualified individuals, instead of employing retired individuals who are not full time residents.
Build up and improve the school and its curriculum to encourage those with young children to move here.
Offer affordable childcare for younger children.
- 136-A well run school & jobs. Why do you ask this question?
Industry/jobs-with out “work” we have nothing else.
- 137-Agriculture & forestry & cottage industries.
- 138-Labor-intensive specialized or “niche” sustainable agriculture and forestry would require substantial numbers of semi-skilled workers (or unskilled).

SURVEY ESSAY QUESTION #1 - Island postmarks—“What do you suggest to keep young people and young families on the island?”

- 139-We have lost several families with young school-aged children due to lack of discipline and authority in our entire school system. The classrooms are noisy-children are wandering in and out.
- 140-I think there is too much segregation (older adult bingo, senior lunches, men only, women only breakfast) all ages should get together.
- 141-Jobs & housing
- 143-Develop sustainable employment via farming (organic), craft industries (furniture), etc. The Island Wheat Beer concept is great!
Maintain good school & expand library & rec. center
- 144-Encourage the young to get a trade and work for a reasonable wage so services can be had on island.
- 145-Some type of job opportunities, such as high speed internet so people can live on the island and work via internet for an off-Island company.
- 146-more confidence in school funding;
the new gym
- 147-Get the school system in order people keep pulling their kids out of school.
- 149-Clean up the mess in the school system – Establish conduct and dress codes for both students and TEACHERS and deal with infractions immediately regardless of who is involved—re-establish mutual respect.
- 150-Close the school-implement private school, lower taxes will result commerce-work where you could earn a living
- 152-Replace some of the substandard teachers so families do not leave the island for better school systems
- 153-More year round employment w/ benefits
Keep the school open
- 154-more jobs,
better schools,
better recreation and better weather
- 155-Improved sand beaches,
improved nighttime entertainment – concerts outdoors, plays outdoors, drive-in type theatre (in a park maybe)
Farmers’ market
- 156-We need our school! Families will not come here or stay here if we don’t have a school.
- 157-Encourage new business establishment in areas currently zoned commercial that will provide jobs that can support families & encourage building of affordable housing in these same areas. Combine these goals by encouraging new construction in commercial areas with street level retail/business and upper floor affordable residential.
- 158-Jobs with benefits. Turn this community from a retirement/tourist community into a self sufficient area that has something to offer with employment.
- 159-affordable housing
zoning that allows division of large tracts
support of school + medical
- 161-Jobs – especially for women
- 162-Better school system

SURVEY ESSAY QUESTION #1 - Island postmarks—“What do you suggest to keep young people and young families on the island?”

- 163-Better employment and social opportunities
- 166-Family activities + support,
school support
- 167-Jobs
 - affordable child care services
 - affordable housing
- 168-Change some of the faculty at the school
 - Encourage cottage industries
- 169-jobs?
 - Housing?
- 171-Encourage more young families to move here and keep the school strong.
 - Jobs as in question #15
 - Encourage/train for work w/ underserved (DD, special needs students)
 - create “tutoring”, one-on-one jobs
- 172-More jobs
 - cheaper housing
 - cheaper taxes
 - better education. New teachers that are younger and willing to teach
- 173-I'm not convinced they should stay here.
- 174-Jobs!
- 175-a way to make a living – not welfare or hand outs, oil, home & food subsidies
- 177-Good education standards
 - maintain cultural & environmental standards
 - keep housing affordable
 - have a resident fee (reduced) on ferry travel
- 178-Adequate funding for the school & none for NWTC
 - Good jobs
 - Affordable housing
- 179-Marketable jobs
- 180-lower real estate prices
 - better jobs

SURVEY ESSAY QUESTION #1 OFF-ISLAND postmarks

"What do you suggest to keep young people & young families on the island?"

- 5002-Not sure what would benefit young families.
Early and late access to mainland for job opportunities.
- 5003-Careers-jobs!
- 5004-Good Schools
Good medicine
Affordable housing
- 5006-Employment opportunities (full time)
Increased educational funding (not sending educational funds to tech school
In Sturgeon Bay but keep that money in our Island schools.
- 5007-Jobs
Good schools
Off island access
Affordable housing
- 5008-Locally owned business & farming should be encouraged.
If the island becomes developed, it would be a shame.
- 5009-Question 10 on page 3 really gets at a good point. Increases in young families
and better jobs is directly dependant upon how accessible the island is year round.
If the ferry line is open to running more boats, growth will occur and I feel you'll
find more young people on the island.
- 5011-Create jobs through tourism.
- 5012-More opportunity for steady full time & part time employment;
Good schools and adequate funding
- 5013-Good schools
Cultural & recreational activities
- 5014-Good schools
Year round work
Be able to get off the island for work
- 5015-Excellent schools, lower property taxes
- 5016-Jobs via high speed internet
- 5018-They need jobs. So: nursing care, phys. Therapy, other "freelance" type careers in
"service" industries.
The island needs a product to "produce" and sell. Now, it's tourism & Kenny's
wheat.
- 5019-A small MFG business & tourist related jobs.
- 5021-More employment possibilities-which I imagine to be focused on small farming,
like organics & expanded tourism. For tourism to work-there needs to be more
evening ferry service.
- 5022-The opportunity to start their own business.
More off season jobs and adequate pay.
- 5023-They need a way to earn a living. The island cannot grow without year round
employment available to the young people.
- 5025-Keep things affordable.
- 5026-Expanded work opportunities through year-round tourism and more development/
construction.
Also, high speed internet connectivity.
- 5027-Youth fitness. Mini-triathalon? Camping, hiking.

SURVEY ESSAY QUESTION #1 OFF-ISLAND postmarks

"What do you suggest to keep young people & young families on the island?"

- 5028-Improve the basic educational opportunities.
- 5031-Can't be done. They're always going to leave for schooling, more jobs, pay and hopefully, keep returning and loving the island.
The island needs more job opportunities for young people to stay on the island.
- 5032-Hire them for existing jobs/needs on the island!
Improve the school-get the young people on board & involved in decision making.
- 5034-Affordable housing
Good school system
Jobs
- 5035-More recreational sport teams & more activities at the community center.
- 5037-Establish a group insurance plan with reasonable rates for all people who live on the island.
Give community scholarships for training in areas of need.
Don't hire retired or off-island people instead of residents.
- 5039-Get involved in medical government boom.
- 5041-First rate school.
- 5042-More business to offer jobs so they have the ability to support a family.
- 5043-No clue!
- 5044-Having a decent job to support a family. Some type of industry, without losing the beauty of the island.
- 5045-I would think the island needs a vibrant school system and community for young students and families to stay. Parents look for a good school system-No.1 priority for young families.
- 5046-Unless they are interested in a trade, they won't stay.
- 5047-Good schools usually top the list—safety of community – sports programs regularly scheduled social events with other local communities.
- 5049-Hire them for island/town jobs.
Create more jobs that could be done via computer so people could stay on the isl.
- 5050-More cottage industries.
Discounted ferry passes for full-time residents.
- 5051-Employment opportunities.
Good school
A spouse
- 5052-Continual high quality of traditional island lifestyle and core values. Must be accompanied with some opportunities for employment in traditional businesses, agriculture, and tourism but keep modest.
- 5054-I'm not sure. Good educational system. Maybe more non-traditional learning incorporating the natural qualities of the island into learning. Form partnership with high schools in the Peninsula or Green Bay.
- 5056-Fix the school system.
- 5058-Embrace the island's special living and business conditions and learn trades & skills to be successful.
- 5059-Affordable housing
Decent pay
- 5060-Greater Economic opportunities
- 5061-Create a more diverse economy with more employment opportunities

SURVEY ESSAY QUESTION #1 OFF-ISLAND postmarks

"What do you suggest to keep young people & young families on the island?"

5063-Good schools – after school activities

Encourage small private business that does not pollute.

5065-Opportunities

5066-Nothing

5067-Provide progress (growth) in keeping the island up with the times. Fight the "citizens against everything group" that stifles growth.

Keep taxes under control so old & young people can live on the island.

5068-Training in plumbing, electrical work, roof repair to stay & start small business.

5069-Good high paying jobs with benefits.

5070-Give them 1st chance at available jobs provided they are qualified.

5072-It's already there on the island if they open their eyes.

5075-Improved business & economic chances.

5076-Entertainment center for kids; summer jobs for kids

5078-Reduce the cost of ferry services

5079-Most young people are going to leave the island regardless.

Keep it attractive so they return for vacation (etc.)

5080-Quality of life and job opportunities

Affordable housing

5082-Jobs

5083-The key is small families. Don't expect 8 children to assume the family business.

5085-Encourage more family/community activity/participation ("old school values").

Teaching that there is more to life than the almighty dollar.

5087-Don't worry about it; the right ones will stay – or return soon enough!

5088-Affordable housing

Jobs

Community where there are diverse activities—don't be a destination for tourists

5089-Continue to support our school

5091-Give islanders jobs instead of looking off island (assuming qualified)

5093-Keep property taxes under control.

Support viable employment options

Work for a ferry subsidy for low-income permanent year-round residents

5094-Sustainable family business—this is a lifestyle choice; not all will stay

5095-Year-round employment

5096-More evening access to entertainment, activities or food after 8 pm

5098- Jobs

5102-Let them go. They will return if a quality life/environment is maintained.

5104-Promote telecommuter jobs, work good paying jobs from home.

5106-A clear picture that Washington Island will be a special place long term. A caring community with values.

More for families to do.

5108-More teen & early 20's activities not including alcohol.

Movie night at the REC or TPAC, etc.

Acting camp, dance camp, talent show "Island Idol" competition.

Job opportunities/internships.

Tech school outreach center for 1 day a week. Bringing teachers here.

5110-Young people stay because they like Island life/ways, regardless of opportunities

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"What do you suggest to keep young people & young families on the island?"

other places. I think that is underlying reason not money/success!

5111-Jobs

5113-Provide jobs that attract young people and young families.

5118-I wish I could think of something. This should be your 1st priority.

5119-Jobs

Good school,

Affordable housing (tax credit based on income & home ownership as incentive)

5120-Cancel the ferries!

5121-More professional people living on island -- high tech usage/brokers/writers.

5124-More respect for the police

5125-Better schools

More business and related jobs

Better medicine and veterinary care

5126-People must make their own choices and decisions regarding families/children and living on Washington Island – it's a small island. That's no secret!

5129-More employment

More curriculum choices for upper & high school grades

5130-Hire locals.

More job opportunities.

More ferry trips-less expensive ferry trips (Break for Islanders).

Improve communication-discourage gossip-wait to get the facts before hurting reputations.

5131-Continued/expanding educational programs & facilities

5135-A stable Island community, well-governed,

with good & attractive educational & employment opportunities.

5138-A genuine commitment to education complete with a NWTC satellite campus on island. The island is perilously close to losing all of the young families if a long term commitment isn't soon made to education.

5139-A manner in which you educate for the appreciation of less commercialism.

5141-Less expensive transportation to and from the island; better access gives people the perception that they have options in their everyday lives.

5144-Work on improving the school. Continued drop in enrollment/children being home schooled is symptom of problems in school/administration.

Help guide school children to be aware of what jobs could enable them to live on the island IF they would go off island & prepare for those opportunities.

5145-Support of schools

Affordable housing

5146-More affordable lots & housing

More jobs

more opportunities in the public school-more organized

5147-I am not sure that it is necessary to encourage young people/families to stay. The island will never be able to support them, except for a few craftsmen who can provide needed services. There is more opportunity off-island and that is where they should go. Supply and demand will determine if they can/should stay.

5148-Affordable housing, cost of living

SURVEY ESSAY QUESTION #1 OFF-ISLAND postmarks

"What do you suggest to keep young people & young families on the island?"

- medical care
- resident ferry rate
- 5149-Job opportunities
 - Recreation
- 5152-Construction, plumbing, farming, forestry (saw mill)
 - Licensed home care workers
 - Cottage industries
- 5154-jobs, medical care
- 5155-Employment
- 5157-Legal evening recreation for teens
- 5158-Promote tourism
- 5162-Year-round sustainable jobs. This could be many things, but tourism is not enough to sustain the island's future.
- 5164-Employment in eco tourism & cottage industries
 - Medical professions, care givers
 - Affordable housing (see comments on survey pages)
 - Retreat centers
- 5165-A college would keep them on the island or more work for them. That's mostly why they leave or to find a wife or husband they are not related to.
- 5166-Affordable housing-bank loans for first time buyers & no down payment.
- 5167-The size & location of the island precludes long-term opportunities unless in a family business.
- 5168-Good quality school
 - Employment opportunities
- 5169-Work on school issues
- 5171-Keep your library updated.
 - Show movies or have a movie theater?
- 5172-They need business and social opportunities.
 - High speed web & cell phone access.
- 5173-Good schools
 - Playground parks
 - Drive in theater
 - Affordable housing that isn't an eyesore
- 5174-Provide employment by encourage businesses to move to the island, as long as they are a "good fit" for the island.
- 5175-lower taxes
- 5176-Improve W.I. school
- 5177-Expanded tourism would create more employment opportunities and draw more families to the island.
- 5178-Better ferry service
- 5179-Sustain job opportunity by better marketing of tourism, the main industry of the isl.
- 5182-Very difficult! Higher wages
 - Affordable health insurance
- 5183-Job opportunities: teaching, business, gov't.
- 5185-Make sure they have the opportunity to experience and compare life off the island.
 - Instill the values of family over money.

SURVEY ESSAY QUESTION #1 OFF-ISLAND postmarks

"What do you suggest to keep young people & young families on the island?"

5187-Viable work-jobs that pay a living wage.

A school system that is under control.

5188-Taxes are too high. Must lower property taxes.

Also must give lower transit rates for residents using the ferry line.

5190-Activities that offer suitable employment.

5192-Affordable housing

5195-Limit off island "big business" so that local islanders don't have to compete to make a living.

Peacefulness-quiet quality of life

5198-We need more places to go and do activities at movies, etc.

The school needs to be evaluated—too many issues with discrepancies—not getting good educations.

5200-Better job availability

As much effort as possible to hire from within the existing community

5201-Stress the advantages

Try to bring in a high tech company that appreciates good, honest, hardworking people as prospective employees.

5202-Employment opportunities or lower property taxes.

5204-Not sure, but they deserve to make a living consistent with keeping the character of the Island.

5206-A ferry schedule that allows off island employment year round.

5207-Significant problem with ever-rising property values that tend to keep out first time buyers. It's a problem for the whole county.

5209-Cottage industry, eco-tourism

5210-Need jobs with potential & health benefits,
affordable housing

good school system

5211-Encourage small business ownership

5212-Keep the taxes down &
learn more trades

5213-High speed internet;

computer training;

training on entrepreneurial businesses

5214-Creating jobs via "eco-tourism", sport fishing and hunting.

Work with state and federal officials to restore the fish stocks that could renew commercial fishing.

5215-Preferential consideration for available jobs.

5216-Educational and recreational opportunities, although perhaps too much work shouldn't be done in this area. Allow them to leave and eventually return.

5217-More jobs for them.

Places to purchase jeans & T shirts & CD's for their everyday life so they don't have to go to Walmart.

5219-More opportunities for employment.

5220-Information-based industries, craft-based and other things that pay better & don't depend on tourism.

Better support (more tax dollars) for the school.

SURVEY ESSAY QUESTION #1 OFF-ISLAND postmarks

"What do you suggest to keep young people & young families on the island?"

5221-Good schools

good health care

jobs that provide income above the poverty level

5224-Affordable housing

tell the town to stop being so cheap with its employees—we need to create full time jobs!

All sectors—the school needs major help-charters?

5225-Jobs

5227-Diverse year-round employment with good income, especially for women.

5228-Work opportunities

5229-Leave it alone—we love it because of what it was, and what it is now—if we don't bring more Big City attributes to "improve" it!

5231-Perhaps, as is with everywhere, young people should explore, travel, settle where they will!

5232-Flexibility in the comprehensive planning. Young people will have great ideas but may run into the fact that we're creating unaffordable housing or that commercial opportunities are restricted to the Main Road.

5236-We need to encourage more business to the Island that can provide year round employment.

5237-Absolutely continue local school availability.

Generate jobs.

5238-Make it interesting, lively, and vibrant! That may require trade offs--you give up some—you gain as well.

5239-Better education. Off-island high school.

Affordable housing; property tax incentives.

Develop interior land

5240-High speed broad band internet access is a must for education, enrichment, research, and even for making a living in an isolated community. In today's world even people in remote locations require world access; ___?___ includes reliable cell phone access, reliable high speed & upgradeable internet access and even (yech!) reliable cable TV service. Except for deliberate hermits, people want to be connected to people. Failure of internet upgrades to date are a major problem and a serious impediment to long term residence in my opinion.

5241-Town board members who would work for everyone and not for special interests groups (pilots) and their personal agendas.

Try and keep spending & taxes down so young people can afford to work and stay on the island.

5242-Education comparable to that available off the island.

Employment that allows a decent standard of living for young families.

5243-Jobs-but they don't exist year around. They would have to create new ideas for making a living year around.

5244-Ferry charges need to be more affordable. Some young families don't have extra money.

5245-Reliable broad band.

With the internet there is an opportunity for home based jobs (ie. customer service) strong schools

SURVEY ESSAY QUESTION #1 OFF-ISLAND postmarks

"What do you suggest to keep young people & young families on the island?"

obviously job opportunities

5246-Has to be a way for young families to make a living.

5247-A strong school!

There must be some land in smaller lots, now that 5 acres is more than \$50,000!

A college scholarship program (like Kalamazoo, MI) to encourage yearly attendance here, that would be awarded at H.S. graduations

5248-Hire island residents first.

High speed internet to encourage home businesses.

5249-It will be almost impossible to keep young people on the island when the only jobs are service jobs four months of the year at not more than minimum wage. Not enough to raise a family and buy a home.

5250-Improve school funding-make it the best school in the state.

High speed internet service.

5251-Reduced real estate taxes

Reduced ferry costs

Reduce the heavy handed law enforcement

5252-Resolve whatever problems exist at the school.

5254-Supporting and maintaining a good school system.

5255-Good schools,

after school activities

an island doctor

5256-As a seasonal resident with young family I'd love to see an organized way to meet other families for the kids to play.

5257-Tech. businesses such as a call center/support OR web based businesses that do not require a specific location. 1. travel agency, 2. Web purchasing/support, etc.

5258-Expansion of opportunities, ie. development tourism. Expand on arts, teaching, fishing, vacation opportunity services.

5259-Hire inspiring teachers; sponsor field trips to exotic places such as Fermi Lab in IL, Quebec City, Canada; historic places in WI like New Glarus.

5260-Improve the schools

5261-Support the school

Create family social events

5263-Encourage and support succession of family businesses;

maintain highest quality education system to promote learning which can be applied to skill base needed on the island.

5264-There needs to be activities and points of interest to stop at (not just biking).

5266-Pray, and work hard

5268-upgrade school-I'm not sure this is possible-maybe high schoolers should be educated off island.

5269-Only a true love for the island will keep them there. Either they love island life, or they want to make a living using their education elsewhere.

5270-Unless they are willing to operate a local business and be satisfied with a moderate income, I don't think you will keep them on the island. This will be an ongoing problem.

5271-Work

5272-Consistent growth oriented policies. Promote growth.

SURVEY ESSAY QUESTION #1 OFF-ISLAND postmarks

"What do you suggest to keep young people & young families on the island?"

Indoor sports activity.

5274-Jobs, a sense of a future for their lives. Having a stake in new directions development.

5275-Increased benefits & salaries for town employees.

Hire more family employees for town jobs, not retirees.

Restrict IL business owners from operating a business & running off this island in the winters with money.

5276-more employment options, encourage small business development

5278-Good education,
sports programs

5282-Jobs are essential—however, commercial development would kill the island. It is a juggling act to balance jobs with the peace & tranquility of the island – good luck.

5283-High speed internet. This would allow residents to work for "off site" jobs (ie. editing, computer assist support, customer service.

5284-maintain school

5285-Encourage home based business

5287-Economic development

5290-Build up winter activities to draw people on weekends?

5291-A few more clothing stores, & another grocery store or larger one. More restaurants, parks with swings, etc. More gift shops. Jobs-petting zoo a small amusement park for children which can close in winter (obviously) but is more for summer people.

5292-Young people and families require living wage jobs. That is tough on an island which more or less closes down in the winter. High speed internet and telecommunications would help tremendously to attract jobs that can be done remotely. Working through the UW-Extension, Door County Economic Development Corporation, or within the UW system as a whole to research options similar communities have faced regarding retaining young workers and families. We are unique to Wisconsin, but there are other similar communities elsewhere in the world that may have some successful ideas and strategies. Seek them out.

5293-Strong education system
employment opportunities

5294-The best possible school we can have.

More year around employment with benefits.

5295-Create jobs. More restrictive land use would stunt job growth.

5297-Jobs other than tourism – like agriculture.

5301-Affordable housing, construction jobs,
encouraging young people to appreciate their heritage & to perpetuate it,
more tourist related jobs to sustain regular jobs

5302-Bike trails, nature programs, concert in the park, with a picnic, hiking, trails, church & community gathering

5304-Local business such as successful timber coop

5306-The new Community Center was a good idea.

5307-More affordable housing,
more and better jobs,
a strong viable school

SURVEY ESSAY QUESTION #1 OFF-ISLAND postmarks

"What do you suggest to keep young people & young families on the island?"

- an atmosphere that welcomes diversity
- 5308-Jobs & good education facility
Encourage connection to outside world through competitive sports, job fairs, music, etc.
- 5311-Small business opportunities
- 5312-Affordability (in terms of housing, food, gas, services, etc.)
good schools (which you already have & hopefully will continue to)
demonstrating to the young that the Island has what many in major cities are seeking-low crime, green spaces, clean air & water, etc.
- 5314-Admittedly it is a dilemma. What kept families on the island in the past? Times have unfortunately changed and we need to grow and develop in order to provide employment for young people. Hopefully that growth will be done with care and vision.
- 5315-Encourage home based businesses. Internet business, cottage industry.
"Organic" grown foods, livestock, herbs, berries, etc.
Encourage artists, writers, etc. to live on the island. They are low-impact but will stimulate the island economy.
- 5316-Develop commerce/employment and a modest cost of living, and less expensive transportation to the peninsula for people who work off-island.
- 5317-Activities that appeal to "tweens" & teens – organized to help seasonal & year-round kids connect with each other.
- 5318-I am concerned you are trying to gain too much control of peoples' personal business. Only people with money will have power that scares me!!
- 5319-Same as always, try to make affordable housing & create some work for younger families.
- 5320-Business opportunities,
educational offerings
recreational venues
health care availability
- 5323-Let the free market decide this – should not be a part of any comprehensive plan. If families really want to be here, they will figure out a way.
- 5326-More frequent ferry system, affordable ferry system
- 5327-Suggestion for keeping young people and young families on the island: The Township should explore ways to attract at least one service industry that can employ highly trained Islanders. Many analytical/technical endeavors can be performed in home offices, "off-site". Examples include marketing research, economic/financial research and graphic design. Such businesses pay well, helping young couples start families, helping them stay on the Island. Faster internet could make this a reality.
- 5328-Work opportunities seems to be number one.
- 5330-Improve and maintain school.
Increase employment opportunities for full time residents.
- 5331-Employment opportunities w/growth
Seem to be a lot of grumblings about school leadership.
- 5333-Good schools
- 5334-Year round employment

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"What do you suggest to keep young people & young families on the island?"

5336-Opportunities to earn a decent living: ie. decent paying jobs including teaching

5340-fun and different activities that don't cost too(sic) much and don't revolve around
God and Church

5341-They should go off Island first before we want them to stay

5342-Become a "mecca" for outsourced (computer/internet) enterprises with Island
residents as the "skilled labor pool".

Artists' colony expansion & writers

Winter sport "industry"

5343-Lower taxes

5344-Retreat center facility with jobs

5345-Need high speed internet for telecommuting

5346-A school/college or specialized training facility; continuing education/training for
corporate employees, like a retreat or certification program....

sport camps;

5347-Developing a robust destination-based tourist economy centered on low-impact
land uses, eg. arts, adult learning, eco-tourism.

5348-Jobs

5349-I doubt that any commercial development which would produce more good jobs
can be accomplished without changing the character of the island in a negative way.

5350-Attract appropriate high value business to spend money on the island and provide
employment.

5351-More year-round industry.

Needs a thoughtful and pro-active community effort to identify direction and
initiate action.

SURVEY ESSAY QUES. #2-- Island postmarks

"What services do you believe are needed here, but are not available, or are under-represented"?

2-Senior housing & care

3-winter restaurants, movie theatre

4-Amusement & recreation. Build it and they will come. Examples-the golf course

The Stave Church.

A conference meeting place to have movies, etc. Bus groups in a casual setting, for banquet facility, entertainment.

Longer library hours (like normal communities everyday 8-6 or longer)

Longer town office hours. They are there anyway. Be open!

1 evening a week doctor hours (spring to fall)

Flush toilets @ school House. It smells & is embarrassing to tourists.

If you love the island, show it.

6-Family entertainment

9-Good health

10-Vet-live on island.

Not enough plumbers

11-Nursing home, senior citizens housing assisted living housing

13-Home services & repairs, ie. window washers, yard workers, handymen, plumbers, house cleaners, painters

15-Hospice-palliative care; respite relief for care givers

17-more ferry service

19-medical: doctor in residence. No North Shore medical corporate influence

23-Internet services (low impact) including broadband. Adult ed. (not "crafts")

24-Hi speed internet

26-assisted living. Hospital

27-Make sure we have adequate medical & police services.

28-Senior care related services & housing. Visiting pediatrician & additional specialists on a regular monthly schedule.

30-Cheap fast food restaurants – McDonald's, EFC, etc.

31-medical-full time doctor needed;

Law enforcement-need 2 fulltime to enforce ALL laws in state

34-We need better health & trauma care after our doctor was "run out of town" by our town leadership!

36-Eldercare services, health care services

39-dry cleaner

41-Assisted living facility, elderly health care

42-Drop off/pick up service for a cleaners (clothes);

a good weekly newspaper that really informs the community of what is happening in town govt., organizations, etc.

43-How about some TV advertising?

45-Physical therapy, short & long term.

Available nursing home care or care within the home.

46-Health services.

Also think not having on-duty law enforcement in the evening/late night is detrimental.

47-I feel that elderly & hospice care is underserved. We need more paid & volunteer

SURVEY ESSAY QUES. #2— Island postmarks

“What services do you believe are needed here, but are not available, or are under-represented”?

- caregivers.
- 50-Boating facilities & school system needs complete overhaul
- 51-Garbage pick-up
- 53-Keeping the beaches groomed & clean/clear. Too much weed growth & stagnant water makes the sand dunes an eye sore!
- 57-Roller skating/ice skating rink (flood a park, etc.)
Small family owned general store
- 58-Health care.
Transient docking.
- 61-elder care
- 62-Health care—real doctor & nurse, not a PA and EMT! In a well equipped clinic where medical tests can be performed & interpreted
- 63-In home health care
- 64-Xray machine & full time DR.,
UPS Home Delivery, low cost exercise classes
- 65-medical services
- 67-A full-time veterinarian. An Xray machine.
- 69-Appliance repair/plumbing/electrical
- 71-Top notch medical services and facilities!
- 76-In my travels to the island I feel you need more motels or rentals
- 77-Laundry/dry cleaning;
plumbers; tile person.
Retail: Fresh produce & fresh fish,
more restaurants/take out, catering?
- 82-Happy with the way things are now. That is why we are here!
- 83-Plumbing
- 84-Technical training for young people here is disproportionate for the monies required to be paid to NWTC by the Town of Washington.
- 86-More kennels for cats/dogs for when owners are away.
More plumbers, electricians & heating/cooling services.
Need 2 policemen for 24/7 coverage.
Innovative healthcare services for the elderly, such as the Community Health Initiative.
- 87-No change
- 88-Hardware-beef up in merchandise & quantities/repair parts
Lumber- “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “
Convenience store availability after normal day hours.
Pharmacy services
- 89-Advanced life support & doctor
Service industry business; paramedics on ambulance
- 90-Entertainment for young people grade 7-12
- 91-High Speed Internet
Better health care
- 92-Health care facilities for the elderly
- 95-Improved beaches and water access—currently Schoolhouse is the only beach that’s

SURVEY ESSAY QUES. #2-- Island postmarks

"What services do you believe are needed here, but are not available, or are under-represented"?

swim-able. Improve sand dunes.

Obtain more public water access.

97-We badly need 1 or 2 young plumbers & heating people.

98-Expansion of REC Center to include exercise room for classes

103-Health care

Computer & technical support

Plumbing & heating contractors

Adult education programs

Clean restaurants serving healthy food choices

Professional seamstress/alterations

Reliable & timely small construction/maintenance assistance

Mail collection & forwarding

106-Public transportation (especially in summer)

108-A full-time medical doctor

109-Things for the elderly or baby boomer population, we need their money to fund the future.

110-High speed internet

111-Charter flight service

A labor/service worker pool—bonded, trustworthy—willing to work & do the job.

112-anything that Door County mainlanders have-support for seniors, disabled- support WICHP and what they are doing.

114-Full-time Doc.

Qualified EMT's!

115-X-ray machine

118-Better meeting rooms, conference center (20-75 people)

The new library was a good idea

119-Control cormorant population which is destroying Pilot Island

Encourage state to develop visitation to Plum Island as a nature area,

Help marinas and bays get dredged for improved boat traffic

120-veterinarian

121-health issues, especially elderly care—visiting specialists for heart, kidney, diabetic issues

122-High speed internet

Property tax breaks for businesses employing more than 20 people.

123-We need one more police officer.

124-I think the Island does very well. It would be nice to have a very limited number of beds available for seriously ill.

126-Medical. It should not be necessary to go off island for minor medical attention. This happened to me three times in three months.

129-UPS/FedEx package delivery

130-Resident doctor and care/housing for elderly

131-A full-fledged MD and temporary on-island nursing care for those needing minor supervision but short of hospitalization.

132-Chiropractor

133-police representation 24/7

SURVEY ESSAY QUES. #2-- Island postmarks

"What services do you believe are needed here, but are not available, or are under-represented"?

- 134-Health care. The clinic should be able to do minimum care such as X-ray's, etc. and should be connected via visual computer to Sturgeon Bay to read X-rays, heart monitoring, be able to do EKG's via computer hookup, etc.
- 135-outstanding school,
medical services and
employment opportunities.
- 136-How much higher do you want your taxes?
- 139-Senior citizen "In-Home" care.
- 141-Support groups
- 143-Health care appears to be problematic;
farmers markets would be good.
- 144-Enforcement of all local, state & federal laws
- 146-bakery
- 147-Elderly care
- 150-Improvements to the airport and a Jackson Harbor Improved Marina -- presently the Jackson Harbor is a disgrace to the island.
- 151-Services for the elderly, like meals-on-wheels, etc.
- 152-Expand ferry schedule, especially Oct. 29-May11 (plus add more trips on Wednesdays Jan 3-Mar.31)
Counseling services (psychological, dental, mental, etc.) available year-round (once a week)
Indoor, sunny (full of windows) place to walk (or run) in winter or in inclement weather year-round
Full-time physician
- 153-high speed internet
full-time daycare
- 154-bigger library and meeting rooms
- 155-Specialty shops, good groceries-specialty foods/bakery, chocolate shop, deli, etc.)
shops selling items specific to Wash. Isle, ice cream shop.
- 158-Elderly home care
- 159-winter activities and commercial support
- 162-Doctor of our own / no clinic
- 163-Plumber
restaurant variety (year round)
marina facilities
wastewater treatment
more year round lodging facilities
- 164-taxi
- 166-Heart healthy, Low fat menus at restaurants
Sat./weekend hours at library
Medical facilities & other services
- 167-Help for the Elderly like snow removal, fixing potholes on their property depending on their income
- 168-Perhaps more mobile meals for elderly or recently injured or whatever?
More taxi services

SURVEY ESSAY QUES. #2-- Island postmarks

"What services do you believe are needed here, but are not available, or are under-represented"?

169-insurance benefits

171-County-provided services. County branch offices perhaps? To be used for mediation, counseling, legal aide, elderly services ?

172-Better medical attention

Better schooling

173-We need to be realistic about our limitations

174-Doctors

177-Alternative energy (such as wind/solar)

drug store

178-A doctor; paramedics on the rescue squads

Adequate police (2-3 officers)

SURVEY ESSAY QUESTION # 2 - OFF-ISLAND Postmarks

"What services do you believe are needed here, but are not available, or are under-represented?"

5002-Health care, esp. X-Ray

5003-Medical services-under represented & over priced

5004-We need a full time doctor.

5006-Daily use of all tech school (Sturgeon Bay) programs

Better ferry schedules in off season-more late hour trips. The more crossing, the more money coming into the island business.

5007-Health care

5008-Health care for all ages should be expanded.

5011-Health care services

5012-A full-time physician

5013- Emergency services for off island transfer; medical

5014- Better airport

Internet

Bigger boat launch facilities on all sides of island

5015-We already have everything

5016-High speed internet

5018-High-tech imperative for professions to work from island! Internet access.

The island needs a product to sell. Now, it's tourism & Kenny's wheat.

Proper medical & the sort needed by older people. Pharmacy also.

5019-Medical – always can be improved.

5021-Desperately need high-speed internet for those of us who need to conduct our business work while on island.

5022-Maintenance of public beaches.

Drug store

5023-Internet services

5025-Better medical and dental

5026-Dramatically expanded marina facility near ferry dock

High speed internet connectivity

5028-A more comprehensive medical facility with x-ray and other basic equipment.

5030-Casual restaurants

5032-Counseling services

Services for the elderly

5034-Continue to work on health care issues

5035-High-speed internet

More variety of restaurants

An upgraded video store

A bike path

More lighting on the side streets

5037-Plumbers-HUAC people

Encourage island service people to work & show up.

Have a list of recommended services & people who perform those services available at the Welcome Center or Town Office & seek follow-up ratings from customers. On-line at library would also work & people could see if their comments are actually being represented.

Have the ferry line be more professional at North Port. Avoid the craziness that occurs at North Port when it is busy—better ferry caring about tourists.

SURVEY ESSAY QUESTION # 2 - OFF-ISLAND Postmarks

"What services do you believe are needed here, but are not available, or are under-represented?"

Make sure people know what the island is like before they cross. Many bike renters & walkers are very disappointed & do not return.

5039-Island needs to be cleaned up

Walking paths need to be developed for all kinds of recreation

5042-Dental

5043-Family activities for tourists

5045-Not being familiar with all the health care systems on the island, we both feel this is another priority, for both young and old.

5046-Good reliable home improvement and repair services.

5048-Medical care

Internet café

5049-Active agriculture

5050-None-if people want great services they should stay in the Chicago suburbs.

The only thing that should be added is a small nursing home next to Velkommen So the elderly don't have to leave the island. This would provide employment.

5052-I think needed services are available with possible exception of adequate cleaning services.

I fear the growth of services for promotion of tourism may destroy traditional quiet atmosphere of island

5054-Medical care for the elderly on the island. Well...maybe a donut shop. Medical care in general.

Expanded library, Recreational Center which offers free or reduced price classes to residents such as art, computer, maybe college classes through a local community college.

5056-Elder care which allows seniors to live in their own homes reasonable.

5057-Seem to find everything we need except cell phone service.

5058-Better hospital/medical care

5060-Medical & dental services are under-represented

5061-Health care, assistance for elderly

5062-None

5063-Marinas-bring people who visit-and spend money-then leave

5064-Better cell phone reception

Internet access not dial up

5065-With present population there is enough services.

Possibly transportation/cab issue

5066-None

5067-Taxi service

newspaper delivery

high speed internet

cell phone access

reasonable gasoline & heating oil prices

waste treatment

5068-Plumbers, electricians, roof repairers

Training in running & developing small business

5070-pharmacy

Bigger grocery

SURVEY ESSAY QUESTION # 2 - OFF-ISLAND Postmarks

"What services do you believe are needed here, but are not available, or are under-represented?"

Locally funded & managed medical care

Cable TV

5071-Doctor! The morons who let this last guy go should be shot—

5072-Fine the way it is

5075-Air taxi

5076-Movies

5078-Reduce the cost of electricity

5079-Health care

Restaurants

5081-Improved medical services are essential. This one factor affects almost every decision about island living. Everyone is at risk at present.

5083-We need two groceries, two gas stations.

Improved system for sewage problems.

5085-Suitable "cell" phone communication improvements.

5087-None-I didn't come there to change it!

5089-I would push for more artists to come to the island. An Art Garage where classes in painting and sculpturing are taught in connection with Sievers.

5093-High speed internet at reasonable prices

Home health aides and assistance; assisted living arrangements

5094-If I were to move to the island, I'd want to have a veterinarian (large & small animal) in residence and a farrier.

5095-Home care for elderly

High speed internet

Shopping variety

Cable TV

5096-Cable television with

High speed access

5097-Health care is a problem. We need a compassionate, board certified family physician (M.D.) and aggressive training & retesting of our EMT's

5102-If everything was on the island-it wouldn't be the island.

5104-Promote telecommuter jobs, work good paying jobs from home

5106-Health—you reach a certain age and almost have to leave due to risk of inadequate care.

More year round restaurants.

5108-Health care-Xray machine to avoid unneeded trips to Sturgeon Bay to rule out possible fractures.

5112-Perhaps community garden area.

Perhaps a skilled care facility would provide employment for members of young families.

5113-As an occasional visitor I don't need many services.

5118-Good restaurants-more variety.

A good farmers market, bakery,

Plumbers (a choice)

More choices in every area.

5120-Interfaith services

Island marathon

SURVEY ESSAY QUESTION # 2 - OFF-ISLAND Postmarks

"What services do you believe are needed here, but are not available, or are under-represented?"

- Island exchange with inner-city kids from Milwaukee or Chicago
- 5121-Medical facilities
 - Developed airport
- 5122-Care for the seniors. A home for the elderly.
- 5124-More ferry service.
- 5125-High speed internet
 - Better airport for year round traffic
 - More off season ferry service
- 5126-Adult education
- 5129-Dialysis; Home health care for the elderly
- 5130-Parent education
 - Counseling services
 - Housing for seniors
- 5131-There's got to be more to do for the summertime daily visitors & families.
- 5135-Medical services with transportation off island
- 5138-Something on the order of a "Better Business Bureau". We have many wonderfully competent & honest businesses/service providers. However, the few "bad" apples need to be identified for those not familiar with the islanders that could ruin it for all.
- 5139-Health care
- 5141-Less expensive transportation to and from the island. For example, an annual ferry pass.
- 5143-Entertainment (restaurants, etc.) year round.
- 5145-More home repair, lawn care
- 5146-Affordable rental & housing
 - More ferry service
 - More family programs & activities
- 5147-Electricians, home repair/remodeling
 - Army Corps of Engineers here to cure our lake
 - Naturalists, etc.
- 5148-Cable high speed internet
 - A working phone at Jackson Harbor or reliable cell coverage
- 5149-Main reasons I haven't built are: (unavail. or under-repres.) medical/dental; Catholic Church
- 5152-Possibly elderly health care & living-with licensed care givers and volunteer to aid elderly.
- 5153-High speed internet makes many jobs possible essential for econ. development in today's world. Remote villages in India have an advantage over the island because they have internet.
- 5154-medical
- 5155-Second-hand, non-profit store
 - Dances held earlier than 9:30 pm
 - Continuing education
 - Musical classes, more theatre
 - Skate park for teens & pre-teens
- 5157-Restaurants

SURVEY ESSAY QUESTION # 2 - OFF-ISLAND Postmarks

"What services do you believe are needed here, but are not available, or are under-represented?"

Medical services in general

Pharmacy

5160-Need to make it a winter destination

5164-Medical services

Senior services

Alternative sources of energy

5165-Some competition in the grocery business would be nice- they kind of have everybody by the throat when it comes to food shopping.

5167-High speed internet access

5168-Home health care

Educational opportunities for all ages

5172-web. Cell

5173-Healthcare facilities

Assisted living facilities for the elderly

5174-Discounted ferry rates for full-time residents

5175-Garbage collection

5176-X-ray at clinic

5177-More vacation rental options, particularly those that would encourage more visitors who wish to stay for just two, three or four days.

5178-Health care

5179-Medical doctor/nurse

5181-Medical

Plumbing & electrician

5183-I believe all services are adequate.

5184-We need a fulltime doctor (not more police)

Food store

Drugstore

Late night restaurant

Wastewater treatment plant

Garbage pickup service

5185-Elderly care

5186-Dentist

5187-High speed internet

5188-Increase tourist trade for more business opportunities. A lot of tourists would come if motel, marina, stores, restaurants and lower ferry rates could be accomplished.

5189-Elder care and health services

5190-Guide service-fishing/hunting

Instruction-shooting, archery, etc.

5193-Air charter service to Green Bay

5195-High speed internet, better cell phone network

5198-Tourists need to be welcomed. Summer people need to be welcomed-not just for their money... Without them-there would be much more poverty!

The Island needs entertainment/somewhere to not drink.

5200-Public access to shoreline and other unique areas of the Island, hopefully while protecting the environment in those areas.

5201-I think that you are doing the best you can with what you have.

SURVEY ESSAY QUESTION # 2 - OFF-ISLAND Postmarks

"What services do you believe are needed here, but are not available, or are under-represented?"

5202-Services that are needed are available on the island.

5204-Good restaurants.

5205-Home care for the elderly.

5206-Health care

Better ferry service

Marina (municipal)

5207-drycleaners

5210-Senior health care and
the present police force

5212-Sunday hours at the dump

5213-High speed wireless internet

HONEST & COMPETENT home builders

5214-Health care, especially for elderly

5216-Micro winery

My main concern is the general lack of hospitality services during shoulder/off
Season times.

5217-Vet

5219-More stable health care

5221-Community counseling
volunteer corps

5227-Broader health care especially for elderly

utilities e.g. plumbing

local newspaper

taxi-type transportation

5228-Dentistry

pharmacy

high speed internet

5229-Medical

5231-Farmer's market every weekend (home made jams, jellies, like Koepsels

Bakery

5233-More public hiking & biking trails.

We need to discourage use of cars on the island.

5232-Places to stay for tourists; activities for visitors. Tourists generate a major portion
of income for the island.

5235-Medical doctor

5237-Restaurants-high end needed.

Internet access to general public, e.g. at library or community center. Need more
PCs available and allow more time on them. Also WiFi availability so can bring
own laptop for access. If WiFi were available around the Town Center area, the # of
PCs available at the library would be moot. You could "park it" anywhere in the
"Town Center" vicinity & access the web. This will be an increasing "need" for
tourists during the summer season. They generally have their own lap tops & want
to stay "connected" if only to a limited degree.

5238-Restaurants & more active night life

Public shuttle/transportation

5239-Full time doctor.

SURVEY ESSAY QUESTION # 2 - OFF-ISLAND Postmarks

"What services do you believe are needed here, but are not available, or are under-represented?"

- Police without island connections that might affect law enforcement decisions.
- Planning & zoning taking leadership role in defining statutes for town board.
- 5240-Casual gathering places like large book stores, movie theater, public use fields for larger gathering, meeting rooms for rent to small groups like birders, retreats, etc.
- 5241-People can afford to work and stay on the island.
- 5242-Some kind of reduced ferry rates for islanders-year round and seasonal residents—this would encourage winter visits thus helping out the food & hotel trades to remain open—perhaps buying a "book" of so many tickets in advance?
- 5244-Youth activities.
- 5245-Broadband
 - In home elderly care
- 5246-Medical
- 5247-More help for elderly so they can remain on island longer
- 5248-High speed internet, more health & wellness facilities
 - Classes like pilates, strength & conditioning at low cost encouraging all ages to participate regularly.
- 5250-Library needs improvement-more computers & copy machines, etc.
 - High speed internet
- 5251-Wastewater treatment
- 5252-doctor
- 5254-We need a doctor!
- 5255-We need a full time doctor on the island!
- 5256-Medical services
- 5257-Internet access
- 5258-quality rental units/houses/condos
 - quality fishing services --?—too
- 5261-Medical, dental
 - Ferry competition
 - Photo service
 - Green market in summer
- 5263-Home based services to elderly persons
 - high speed internet to permit home based business expansion
- 5266-none
- 5267-Maybe more emergency medical services?
- 5268-Lack of medical care-older citizens need --?-- --?—which will not be avoidable—
it's risky to live on a remote island.
- 5269-Assisted living & in-home care & assistance
- 5273-upgraded land telephone lines—cell phone reception east & south
- 5274-more meeting between year round & seasonal residents
- 5275-movie theater
 - high speed internet
- 5277-Retail, health food restaurants
 - more handy man services, painters,
 - elective affordable classes for kids through seniors in crafts, teaching of games like dominoes, cribbage, bridge, and computer-as hour or so long to fit into busy days.
- 5278-nurse or assistance to visit homes of ill & elderly on regular basis

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"What services do you believe are needed here, but are not available, or are under-represented?"

- 5279-high speed internet & cell service
- 5282-Elderly services; transportation
- 5283-high speed internet
- 5285-"Emergency Room" services
- 5286-Good places to eat out
- 5287-Restaurant near Jackson Harbor to encourage boaters. Much better launch ramp.
Transportation rental by dock.
- 5290-The Recreation Center-most of the machines are for men. Disappointed the new
REC building isn't being built.
- 5291-Shopping (every day type)
car rental-limited
- 5292-High Speed Internet/broadband communications throughout the island.
Promotion of green transportation to reduce the number of day vehicles coming to
the island. Promote bikes, electric cars, shuttles to move day trippers around the
Island.
No services for SCUBA diving, yet there are tremendous local sites for divers and
snorkelers.
- 5294-Grocery store
- 5297-Parks, public trails, etc.-the nature trail in Green Bay Woods is a great start. Thank
you! Trails that go around the island – on forestry management property.
- 5298-Health care. A properly equipped clinic – equipment & personnel
- 5301-Medical care w/ on island physician.
Enlarged library.
More restaurants open from early spring into winter season.
More frequent non-denominational lecture series.
- 5302-Improve campground facility
- 5304-Good medical care. A better equipped office for a medical doctor, including a
proper and current X-ray. A lab for blood tests, EKG equipment
- 5307-A full-time physician.
More public hiking trails.
More attention to the deteriorating sand beach.
- 5308-High speed electronics
- 5310-Garbage drop-off for dump "off" days (*days not open*)
- 5311-Local produce/dairy, cheese/local products – Washington Hotel ideas
Lumber co-op is a good start – produce finished product on the Island
Light industry, cottage industry which can be shipped via postal service (no
additional cost) internet sales.
- 5312-A bakery
perhaps dry cleaning
shoe store
pharmacy
- 5313-Medical Rx's
- 5314-building supplies
car repairs
heating and cooling
- 5315-*Better cell phone signal. (This is a must!) + Broad-band internet.

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"What services do you believe are needed here, but are not available, or are under-represented?"

Bring back the home-baked cherry and apple pies at Brothers Too!

5316-plumber,

electrician

doctor/dentist/vet

high speed internet

transportation down *(to)* the Door

5317-Services to support elderly & people with disabilities to live independently – home health care, transportation

5319-Public facilities – ie: boat launches/marinas; pavilions for outdoor events & town parks/county park.

5320-Health care, primary & critical care.

5322-Garbage pick-up for residents

5323-I like the idea of evening ferries during the summer season. Quite satisfied with the services.

5324-Sunday trash dumpster at the dump

5326-Transit/transportation (boating, defined shuttle/transit system)

5327-Resident medical doctor

High-speed internet

5328-medical

5329-medical

5331-Health care

reliable high speed internet

educational opportunities for adults

5332-Elder care

5333-medical

5334-medical care

5336-Health care services absolutely needed: on Island physician & diagnostic services; pharmaceutical services & supplier. The Island needs & could support a small pharmacy/drug store.

5340-Doctor or *(or an?)* actual nurse

5341-More tourist info

5342-More user-friendly access to appraisal system/representatives so seasonal residents can have meaningful input. Timing of "property visits", inspection of books are nearly impossible for us to be present. Our taxes went up by a factor of 1.5+ on top of 1.2 the previous year!

5343-Hi speed internet

5346-The island needs a full-time doctor; NPs are not doctors. This to me and aging visitors is an essential for the island as a whole, and its continued attraction.

5347-None

5348-restaurants

5350-Need to get medical service straightened out.

5351-Quality restaurants and take-out foods.

Survey Essay Question #3—Island postmarks

“What words or phrases best capture your preferred vision for the islands future?”

- 2-peaceful
- 3-Future development & growth is needed, but careful planning is necessary.
- 4-New & improved “out-houses” Build them & they will come, & stay maybe.
- 5-People working together for a better tomorrow.
- 6-Charming/quiet/relaxing Natural/uncongested. Maintain the balance, while increasing tourism. (Not an easy chore)
- 8-Measured growth, moderate improvements; a multi-layered society; a concern for maintaining as many natural features as possible.
- 9-The rich will own the island. Busing school children off island.
- 10-Protect open spaces. Keep our natural beauty.
- 13-Small, close knit community, still rural, not over developed like the peninsula.
- 15-A small, friendly, quiet island where people can be comfortable without all the so-called “modern” trappings.
- 17-A safe place to live and raise a family.
- 18-I would like to see some improvements for the tourist but in keeping the Island the way it is.
- 19-Not -?- or bureaucrats!
- 22-Don’t want too much change.
- 23-Cultural Park on European/Swiss model. Muscle-powered craft industry vs energy-intensive.
- 24-Respect for nature; strict zoning/limitations on pesticides & land(?) chemicals.
- 25-Tourism – Artist’s Community—The island can continue to be a place of rest, a place to regroup.
- 28-A community working together to preserve our natural beauty & resources while maintaining a vision of growth & progress.
- 30-The teachers—the only union on the Island with their high wages will cause nobody can afford their taxes.
- 31-as its going “in the toilet”
- 32-More of the same – no bridge.
- 33-green, quiet
- 34-Tourist Destination; Growth; Summer and winter activities; cooperation. Balance—I see a very disturbing trend to more services for seniors most of whom have both money and resources to acquire them without subsidy—we must find a balance between the competing needs of the old & the young.
- 36-To maintain the peaceful, rural atmosphere of the island. No condos, no stripmalls or chain stores.
- 40-It will be too expensive (ferry-heating-electric-taxes-gas) for the “islanders” to live on their own island! Some of us can hardly make it thru the winter now!
- 42-Rural, pristine, small community
- 43-Let us not turn our island into a Sister Bay or Egg Harbor!
- 45-Beauty, calm, serene, status quo, not much change.
- 46-Enhance serenity and do not encourage noise (jet skis, snow mobiles, hunting, loud recreation) and minimize excessive development.
- 47-5 x 6 miles of remote opportunity, a land of year-round opportunity. Your own little slice of heaven. Own a piece of heaven.
- 49-Keep the way it is.

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“What words or phrases best capture your preferred vision for the islands future?”

- 50-If allowing the current situations to rest unchanged, more young leave the island and less boating will stay [*unsure of what is meant by “less boating will stay”*].
- 51-Keep it like it is.
- 52-Serenity, relaxing, peaceful, natural
- 55-Leave the BS to people down south. We need community support not strong arm tactics in getting things done cause at the rate things are going this will become Nantucket Island where the rich live and all hired help comes over in the morning and leave at night.
- 57-Stay with “Low Key” country charm.
- 58-Friendly—North of the tension line—being safe & secure
- 61-mostly rural
- 62-Natural beauty, quiet, excellent health facilities.
- 63-Very controlled development.
- 64-Less taverns, better drunk driving enforcement, stop sweeping problems under carpet.
- 65-Plan ahead by never forgetting the past.
- 67-Rustically up-to-date.
- 69-Simplicity
- 71-Energy self-sufficient!
- 73-Stable and peaceful
- 74-Keep it unique and quiet is why people like to come here, also rural.
- 77-Expansion to benefit the people yet preserve our kind, peaceful existence.
- 78-Stay the way it is—moving carefully into the future to enhance what we have.
- 80-We are in need of some type of industry that would insure more year round residences. No one wants this island to become a Wis Dells, but there is a need for some home industry or cottage industry to ensure further growth.
- 82-A 1960’s small town with high speed internet!
- 83-Remain stable
- 84-To remain much as it is.
- 85-Go slow; Don’t let it become another Egg Harbor.
- 86-A rural, rather rustic community with open space & forests as the predominant feature; and houses that blend into the background (unobtrusive) and sized appropriate to surroundings.
- 87-A place to live & work
- 88-Rural-low density-country atmosphere. Wish part of South Point were public & Sand Dunes maintained.
- 89-Need to increase “year around” population to 1200 to 1500 people. Everyone will be better off, especially the business community & the school.
- 90-I’d like to come back in 10 years and have to look carefully to notice significant changes.
- 92-Rural/small town atmosphere, health and elderly care friendly. All change is not necessarily “progress”. Let’s “make haste slowly.”
- 94-NATURAL! Quiet; dark sky at night;
Green energy, commercial buildings with more earthy, perhaps Scandinavian architecture. TPAC is hideous, doesn’t fit in.
- 95-Don’t expand – we like the peace, quiet, natural environment.
Keep out the wealthy people who want to put up fences ie. Southpoint and keep the

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simple life.

97-Do not relax the zoning. Slow growth has to be the best way to go.

100-An island for Islanders and generations to come

Parks for all the people

103-Peaceful, home, friendly, uncluttered, minimum of outside regulations, self directed & self sustaining to extent possible, eco minded, maintenance of island lore and mystique, distant from urban activities & thinking

105-The song "Peace in the Valley" is appropriate. Don't let the outside world destroy it.

107-Don't let it become such a "wealthy community". Keep our taxes down so the elderly & young people can afford to live here.

108-Diverse population, ie. age, ethnic, skills

Quiet, rustic, natural beauty.

109-Balanced, measured growth, sustainable (green) self-sufficient.

111-Less dissent, more cooperation-ie. developing atmosphere to promote economic opportunity.

112-Keep it green! Keep it rural! Need a swimming beach on the west side. Keep it quiet.

114-It will be a retirement community—there is not much here to attract young families.

115-To maintain the "small community" feeling.

116-Maintain our rural, non commercial lifestyle.

117-people should get along

119-Unique Quiet

120-nature unchanged

121-"back to basics"

"caring for & sharing with neighbors"

122-controlled & open minded growth

123-Keep it low key like it is now. People like the quietness of the island.

124-We are an eco-community.

126-Hopeful but bleak Committee against everything rules.

130-Affordable rural atmosphere

131-"Look to the Past". We are here because of what the Island "was" and for the most part "is", and not for what a handful of "developers" want it to be. Why did they even come here? Is it only to make a quick buck at our expense?

132-We need building, but not over built.

133-Protecting our natural resources.

135-Outstanding economic future.

136-Take responsibility & ownership of the island.

137-Keep the Island as "natural" as possible.

138-Self-sustaining agriculturally-based community.

139-"United community spirit", What is best for the majority!

140-A Historical Society! Old buildings & barns should be saved!

143-green, sustainable, beautiful, peaceful, tolerant of people who are different

144-Only people in a higher income will be able to live here, with people coming here to work.

146-One day on the Island is better than two any other place.

147-Keep it simple – people come here to get out of the rat races

150-Forward-Progress-Get with the Future-Get with the times. Living up here is like

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- living in the Past 30 years ago-Get up to date!
- 151-Maintain the island as a unique haven from the noise, pollution and congestion that dominates most rural and urban places.
- 153-Constant; slowing down of new construction.
- 154-reduce restrictions on out buildings
- 155-We like "N. of the tension line"
- 156-Don't commercialize the Island like the county is becoming. Encourage the natural beauty, keep the friendly atmosphere here. Keep the Island as a respite for those that need the peace & quiet we have here.
- 159-inclusive of local family and not just a retirement community with vacation prices + high realty
- 161-Beautiful beaches
- 162-slow steady growth
- 163-smart growth
- 164-Locally run & locally operated!
- 166-Small, rural, friendly community open to visitors and tourists and activities to bring everyone together.
- 167-Mackinac Island with cars
- 168-No condominiums allowed
- 171-"Where news gets around before it even happens"(Jim Rose)
"A cross between a Cheers bar and Northern Exposure" (G. Trueblood)
"Soak up some solitude: Discover the Milky Way"
- 172-No future with no building. We need building to keep the Island going.
- 173-A wildlife haven. Ecological "small footprint"
- 175-Peaceful, serene + civil
- 177-Non-commercial, clean, natural environmental practices, quiet, continued family entertainment and local participation
- 178-Self-reliant.
Produce more of what we need here, esp. food.
Scale back tourism – in the long run, tourism will destroy our way of life.
- 179-non commercialized
simple is best
- 180-Managed growth
Eco-tourism
- 181-Preserve the natural beauty of the island-maintain historical heritage of islanders.
Encourage tourism based on unique and natural attractions no mass tourism – if we wanted that we would live on the peninsula. Preserve and encourage simple lifestyle.

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- 5002-Nature, beauty, serenity, peaceful
- 5004-Preserving nature, keeping the quiet. Available services for heating & plumbing, cleaning, etc.
- 5006-Better and more consistent planning for land owners and all residents full or part time. Less talk and more action in a favorable direction.
- 5007-nature, history, quiet, beauty, open space, dark skies
- 5008-The island has such charm & peace about it. I would hate to see it developed as it will lose its beauty & appeal.
- 5009-A closely knit community that will utilize tourism and its environment to create its local economy.
- 5011-Place of peace & solitude
- 5012-Rural/small-town atmosphere; undisturbed; natural
- 5013-Preservation of place, space and antiquity
- 5014-Beautiful vistas and planned gradual growth.
- 5015-Much more laid back than the rest of the county. Less town government "busyness".
- 5017-Let the tourism "draw" be the lack of touristy activities; let nature & natural beauty speak for itself.
- 5019-Summer retreats
- 5020-Quiet-pure nature
- 5021-Remote, but accessible.
- 5022-A busy main street with seclusion and quiet away from town. "Preserve our wilderness".
- 5023-A warm and friendly community and a nice place to live.
- 5024-Retain its character and do not sell out like the mainland.
- 5026-Green development. Sustainable development.
- 5028-A better way of life, back to the future.
- 5030-Quiet, natural, sparsely populated.
- 5031-We prefer the "Mayberry" north attitude, no crime, friendly people, good school program (? Partitional ?traditional), island remote but close to needed medical, commercial service, airline area. I enjoy coming to Washington Island in the summer.
- 5032-Maintain & improve quality of what we currently have. Keep the island unique-avoid (the) development taking place in rest of Door County.
- 5033-Rural, quiet, natural, quaint
- 5034-My preferred vision is to retain the peace & quiet that the island offers.
- 5035-A home away from home.
- 5039-"leave it better than we found it"
- 5040-Conservative—make what we have look & perform to the needs of year round & summer residents.
- 5042-That's for full time residents to determine.
- 5043-Keep it "quaint", "simple" & "affordable"
- 5044-Better roads and interest in things to do.
- 5045-The first list of primary goals from page 1 of this questionnaire (items A-H) would summarize our feelings—they are what attracted us to the Island in the first place. And as a result, we will re-locate to the Island permanently.

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- 5046-I just don't want it to turn into a Door County atmosphere. Hustle, bustle.
- 5048-I think of Washington Island as the Midwest's Martha's Vineyard only undiscovered by most – perfect.
- 5049-Locals continue to own the Island.
- 5050-Keep the island as it is – it is a special place- don't let it become just another tourist destination!
- 5051-Quiet, remote, little vehicle traffic... these distinguish the island from other places. No Hollywood please, go to the Dells for that!
- 5152-Traditional quiet family oriented and friendly. Know neighbors & islanders. . . .
Recognition of insular nature of this as special historical (Icelandic) community.
Honest, mutual trust & respect.
- 5054-A healing place. Pristine beauty. Good and honest people. One place that is "untouched" by the events of society. The island is a very special place and should be preserved & never commercialized.
- 5056-Modernized all island transportation (accesses) facilities.
- 5057-Natural beauty, quiet, peaceful, plenty of wildlife, laid back, artistic
- 5058-Nature-preserve with adequate services.
Don't over-commercialize.
- 5059-I enjoy the island as it is, I hope it does not become over-commercialized like the county has.
- 5060-That it not be unrecognizably altered.
- 5061-Let the "attraction" loving, shoppers stay on the lower door.
Attract eco-tourism consumers and people who love the simplicity of the island.
- 5062-Slow, managed growth
- 5063-Under populated limited growth & development. Once you "sell out" you can never have the island back again keep government small & friendly.
- 5064-Relaxing peaceful, beautiful
- 5065-Maintain present status quo
- 5066-Leave it like it is
- 5067-Growth! Focus on business!
- 5068-Friendly, rural community with opportunity and supportive facilities.
- 5069-Keep population low to preserve natural beauty.
- 5070-Maintain sense of "community" and rural flavor
- 5071-continued growth
- 5072-Leave the beauty as is--Please.
- 5073-Keep it natural
- 5076-Quiet, unpretentious; natural beauty; friendly
- 5078-"A very peaceful environment"
- 5083-Our Washington Island
- 5085-A wonderful retreat from all the hassle. A place where our children have learned the ability to escape the high speed lifestyle of today commercial world-we hope that our grand & great grand children can appreciate the same abilities.
- 5086-The continued pristine beauty of the island + the large water + free of any prostitution of land use or lake use
- 5087-stasis—the land that time forgot.
- 5088-North of the tension zone. You should align your brand with that of NEW North at

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- 5089-To be able to help island business owners & island workers provide jobs while preserving the dignity of the island.
- 5090-How can middle income & elderly afford taxes on the island in the future?
- 5091-It remains the wonderful place it is
- 5092-Not too good
- 5093-Serene, non hectic, clean, safe, quiet. "Green", peaceful, rich in cultural opportunities, economically sound.
- 5094-Preserve what there is in terms of rural open space. It is becoming rare, is vital and cannot be taken back once it is given up.
- 5095-Peaceful, quaint
- 5096-More of the same atmosphere
- 5097-Protect our natural environment-work with the DCLT and Nature Conservancy. Stress eco tourism & provide ecological tours, both by land & water.
- 5104-To remain quiet and quaint, what the rest of door county was fifty years ago.
- 5105-The state tourism dept. needs to promote Wash. Is. As a Door County "Jewel".
- 5106-"Always a wave". Reference to lake & when passing cars. "Save", "Natural"
- 5108-Pristine, peaceful, Icelandic heritage, "north of the Tension Line". Leave the big city behind.
- 5110-Have always liked atmosphere/surroundings of Island, but times change & even though we need to change/bend with the times, the inherent reason we came initially & stayed is we like the island ways/culture/people and the beauty & way of life. Change but don't lose sight of what the Island is or should be. Too much progress/access will destroy what we love (have?).
- 5111-Above the tension line, good biking.
- 5113-I fell in love with the island on my first visit 21 years ago because of the way it was then, so I hope it can stay the same for as long as possible. Keep it a refuge!
- 5118-Natural beauty, not touristy.
- 5119-Relaxed. North of the tension line.
- 5120-Tranquility, no cell phones.
- 5122-Don't change.
- 5124-Don't let it turn into another (Martha's Vineyard)
- 5125-Peaceful, non commercial, elegant, timeless.
- 5126-Calm, quiet, peaceful, room to breathe & walk and not see anyone-just wildlife.
- 5129-Safe haven; peaceful; serene; rural community unscathed by big business.
- 5130-I don't want to see condos go up - lets keep the natural beauty.
I hope we will be able to afford to live there-the taxes need to not be raised for a very long time.
- 5131- Pristine
- 5135-I liked "beyond the tension line."
- 5138-"Community" maintaining the quality of life & sense of community without the material trappings created by "McMansion mentality".
- 5139-Maintain the aesthetics and natural peace.
- 5141-Nantucket. Comfortable, quiet lifestyle.
- 5144-Peace, actually go a year without some divisive issue. Stay "Low Key", do not develop like mainland communities.

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- 5145-Retain beauty. Welcoming place/appreciation of visitors and their business – preservation of unique character and traditions/history of the island.
- 5146-Looking to the future, systematic progress + development.
- 5147-My vision of the future hinges on the lake. It is our most precious resource and we have to save it. I think because they don't return every year, the full time residents don't see the low lake levels. It's shocking to return every year and see it down. Unique and timeless and simple. The feel of W.I. is like nowhere else. A visit to the island is like going back to a simpler time – it is so refreshing to relate to people as friends and neighbors. A key to keeping this intact is preserving areas like Jackson Harbor. We cannot lose the look and feel of the historic fishing village. The fish barns that remain should all be preserved forever (including Nelson, Gibsons, etc.)
- 5148-Continuity of the families of the settlers without the displacement by the greed of entrepreneurs.
- 5149-Tourist attractions that keep the current atmosphere-quiet, etc.
- 5151-great
- 5152-Unspoiled natural settings; free of pollution (clean air & water)
- 5154-Keep it pristine.
- 5155-Maintain ethnic character, establish non-service employment opportunities, health education, internships, horseback-riding stable, horse-drawn carriage service, competition among monopolies.
- 5157-Environmentally protected & serene; peace & tranquility.
- 5158-Preserve green spaces & natural features from development.
- 5162-Sustainable/slightly off the beaten path but connected
- 5164-Beauty, simplicity, friendliness, kindness & a place to respect nature & the gifts of the land & water. A place with something for the young, the elderly and even us "seasonal" folk.
- 5166-Controlled growth-esp. avoiding the kinds of retail stores that clutter towns on the Door.
- 5167-The island is now a tourist driven economy and I don't think that will change. An increase in agriculture might help, but I think that era has passed.
- 5168-Beautiful respite, peaceful (environmental issues need to be addressed).
- 5169-Do not get commercialized like the county.
- 5170-Not legislating common sense or limiting property rights.
- 5171-It is a peaceful, sane destination-one of very few in the world. Considering what else has happened in Door County, we hope the Island remains as beautiful as it already is.
- 5172-Quiet, rural community with a vibrant village center that promotes community and business opportunities for young people.
- 5173-Local growth without sacrificing the islands' down home character. Restrictions on tract housing development.
- 5174-Maintain the current island "atmosphere". Don't let the island evolve into a tourist trap such as the peninsula.
- 5175-Retreat from noise, pollution, crime, and hectic-ness of city living.
- 5176-Small, community-oriented, involved.
- 5177-Warm, small-town charm. Healthy businesses. A warm welcome for visitors. The

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way the Door Peninsula used to be.

5178-Bright thinking/arts oriented

5179-Preserving the natural beauty of W.I.—its main asset.

5181-Nature untamed. Small town-big heart.

5182-Low density residential.

5183-"Natural Beauty"; "Lake Swimming" (end increasing pollution- if & when it becomes a real problem)

5184-If things don't change you will have a gated community.

5185-Maintain the ambiance that brought people here. Do not commercialize and destroy for future generations.

5187-Cool, green, breezy, 50 years ago when money did not rule.

5188-"As beautiful as the tropical islands-but in the north." Let's not lose it!! W.I. is unique in its status as a home for its residents and families. Let's make it friendly and affordable.

5189-Historical preservation!

5190-Build on its history and beauty of surroundings.

5193-Lower taxes

Responsible government, responsible citizenry

5195-Keep it simple, friendly and unique not like the busy Door Co.!!

5198-People getting along better-a-hem... waiting. Your ancestors got along... people need to be more tolerant-less fighting and things will work.

5199-Limited development; no chain stores;

local businesses' expansion;

low density housing;

natural land/habitat preservation

5200-Well functioning rural community for both year-round and seasonal residents-not highly commercial development like upper door county peninsula.

5201-I like it the way it is. It would be a great place for scientific conventions. I would much rather attend one on the island than in Las Vegas or San Francisco, or New York, or Chicago. And the cost would be a lot less.

5202-Stay the same. Keep and preserve the wide open spaces that have made the island what it is.

5204-Rural, laid back & low key. Pristine. This is remote and not a city—don't try to make it one. If folks want a big city move to a big city. We come to the island in large measure because of its rural and remote atmosphere.

5205-Keeping the Island as "a place north of the tension line" not meaning "like it used to be" but not adopting so many regulations & restrictions that there is no room for freedom of choices or individuality.

5206-Slow planned growth with policies to discourage land speculation.

5207-Slow growth

5209-Eco-tourism with minimal disturbance of the land
preservation of lands, waters and night skies

5210-A community that is able to sustain its residents from cradle to grave.

5211-Restful, tranquil, restorative

5212-A relaxed but fun place

5213-Preserve the original sense of friendliness and countryside, "natural" living.

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5214-Rural, quiet, clean, safe

5217-A family vacation destination, a place to return to, a place to relax and contemplate, unlike the busy places in Door Co. with all those cars & shops.

5220-Rural quiet. Not Egg Harbor, creative.

5221-Business & activities with low environmental impact,
A commitment to infrastructure(?) and "common good"

5224-pristine, serene, smart & imaginative development

5227-Protected; not commercialized; local businesses (ie. not franchises & chains);
natural beauty; lake access; adequate ferry service

5228-Controlled growth to keep the island community viable while maintaining its peaceful character.

5229-Tasteful single family homes on large land parcels –gradually. Otherwise-leave it alone.

5231-Can we retain: low density—natural features—open spaces

5232-Flexible. There seems to be a growing view of "now that I have mine, I want nothing to change on the island."

Condos are not a bad thing;

only Main Road development seems too restrictive.

The current zoning and comprehensive plan are thorough and forward looking.

Commerce on the island takes place across the island; at at least 3 of 4 harbors; in the center of town and elsewhere.

5233-Peaceful, quiet, nature, lots of space, no lights, not developed, the old Door county.

5237-Quiet, vital, continue to be "north of the tension line" & the "Cape Cod of the Midwest."

5238-A subdued "Nantucket" atmosphere—good art, music, literature -- fine restaurants

5239-Nature-based tourism; personal development tourism (ie. Sievers); "Rural" setting.

5240-Quiet, peaceful and thriving.

5241-Peaceful

5242-Basically, maintaining the island atmosphere as it is--& not allowing it to become a place for retirees alone. The school must be viable for that to happen-Islanders need a good quality of life to stay here & raise children---

5243-"North of the tension line". Escaping from the made rush of urban living.

5244-Growth without commercialism-for example-help the library without putting a "Starbucks" on the back wall.

5245-Keep it natural & less developed vs. the mainland.

5246-Do not overdevelop or make W.I. a playground only for the rich or W.I. will lose its identity.

5247-Focus on natural beauty & tranquility; yet some realistic changes for smaller parcels in designated areas.

5248-A natural, unspoiled retreat; different from the over-developed mainland; a place to nourish your spirit.

5250-The Island is very beautiful, quiet & dark at night, and has lots of open woods & meadows—My vision is to preserve what we now have. That will not be easy.

5252-Natural beauty – friendly people

5255-Charming, friendly, beautiful, north of the tension line, safe, family friendly

5256-Small. Community. Low-key.

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- 5257-Measured forward thinking. Be careful what you wish for...
- 5258-modest but definite development
- 5259-A blessed reprieve from the frenetic world out there—
- 5261-As is
- 5262-Natural; self-contained to practical levels; dynamic in addressing necessary change; diverse; not only an upper income playground.
- 5266-Not to lose its "roots"
- 5267-An idyllic retreat
- 5268-Upgrade visual image of town-get rid of visual junk yards (*name withheld*)
No multifamily housing
Stop use of "manufactured" homes which will be slummy in 10 yrs.
- 5269-Change is inevitable and, at some level acceptable, but not to that of exclusion of long-standing Island traditions and the Islanders themselves.
- 5270-Still like "North of the Tension Line"! Need to keep this in mind when looking to the future as this is an important part of the Island ambiance.
- 5271-Keep it low keyed
- 5274-A refuge, An arts colony, A place where people are aware & participate.
- 5275-Martha's Vineyard!
- 5276-Continued low density, open spaces, quiet ambiance, preservation as much as possible (of) the natural features of the island.
- 5277-Peaceful, pastoral, safe, neat & clean, open spaces, non commercial. Good facilities for people like library, Rec.Center & tennis; cultural, beautiful, interesting place, lake, good food, healthy sports; Great place to visit and live.
- 5278-friendly community in environmentally safe & raw nature setting
- 5282-Pretty nice the way it is – why screw it up? It's a great place to live – we love it here.
- 5283-A modest year-round community.
- 5284-Rural, Relaxing
- 5285-Preservation of untouched land.
- 5286-Stay simple
- 5287-Still a pristine paradise but one with enough economic growth through Islander co-operation (not selfish interests) and without noise.
Vision for the Island's future (Washington & Rock & the other islands) First and foremost Washington Island is not mainland. Door County and it never will or should be. We should not promote economic development in the image of the Door County that is promoted worldwide. Being part of Door County we should look to compliment each other with the Island being the laid-back, relax and enjoy small town Americana part of the sophisticated resort area down-county. The Island Experience! Washington Island is an Island! That fact says a lot about our vision for the future. Water, water everywhere and that is and should be our greatest asset. People don't come to W.I. to shop, play golf, to go to dinner, to get dressed-up or to be part of the resort scene. They will come here to boat, to fish (including ice fishing), to lay on the beach, to hike and to commune with nature.
Our current infrastructure supports some communing with nature and little else. Our boat ramps, marinas, fuel and pump-out services, and other infrastructure to support boating and fishing are inadequate at best.

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Our town beaches with the exception of the state park beach on Rock Island are a joke and an embarrassment!

If we want to encourage people to visit our Island (and spend money) we should promote the Island life style of boating, fishing, relaxing on the beach and having a good total Island experience. To that end we need attractive places to stay or camp, clean, attractive and accessible beaches with real rest room facilities, marinas to keep a boat for a day, a week or a season, launch ramps and other boaters' support services, restaurants and bars, and "real" land transportation to support the movement of people around the Island. And, by the way, the other stuff (shops, museums, golf, and theatre) will benefit as well by providing the people with more things to do.

As part of the promotion of the Island Experience we should consider sponsoring water related activities such as fishing tournaments, sailing and boating regattas and events such as special weekends for destination boaters (like the Lion's Club Fly-In Fish Boil – an event that could be expanded to multiple events attractive to the private pilots who like boaters are looking for an interesting destination).

The Island Experience is a position that we can promote, support and build-on with a moderate amount of public and private investment. We already have the hard part – the water and the island. Now we need vision and leadership to make it happen.

5289-Keep the quiet, peaceful "north of the tension line" feeling—

5291-Peaceful w/out being boring. Most new commercial buildings (Inn's, Bed & Breakfasts, Motels included) are in keeping w/ the feeling & look of the Island.

A relaxed atmosphere. During the tourist season family type plays are presented, small country fairs & festivities for everyone (off & on).

Some more inns & motels that have the character of W.I. NOT new & modern looking. Actually very much the way it is now, but more of it plus some extras. I would rather see more homes, large or smaller built along the shore, even cute little or medium cottages clustered in an artistically planned manner to rent.

Also, for people who enjoy horses, it would be nice to have a small ranch type affair w/ horses to ride or learn to ride, on beautiful trails. The patrons could even take part in the chores, if they want.

5292-Environmentally sensitive peaceful community

5293-open space, solid businesses, nature oriented

5294-Its rural character remain – and only limited population growth.

5295-Allow the Island to develop as a small town. The Island will lose its character and charm if recent arrivals to the Island are allowed to "protect their's" through further land use regulation.

5297-Freedom & affordability (fewer restrictions, fees, taxes on seasonal residents).

Self sustaining with tourism as only 1 piece of economy. Please don't turn this into the Jersey shore.

5301-clean, quiet, culturally enriching ambience w/ great desire to maintain historic ambience of island

5302-Keep it a peaceful, beautiful, place so people can come to rest here and rejuvenate.

5303-Let us not lose touch with the past as we grasp for the future.

5304-A highly sought & respected but secluded area of peaceful living.

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- 5307-A community economically strong enough to sustain a year-round population and at the same time preserving all the attributes listed in question #1.
A community that resists being “cutesified” with boutiques and that can in fact still be a respite from crass commercialism.
- 5308-A low keyed, diversified, planned community of many small businesses & services.
- 5309-tranquility, open spaces
- 5310-No big changes
- 5311-Self-sufficient/tourism should be secondary
Attitude of Love & caring & sharing
- 5312-“Slow paced, comfortable living” “Low stress escape”
“Right speed” development
- 5313-peaceful – open fields
- 5314-eco-tourism; promote hiking, biking, cross-country skiing, bird-watching, fishing.
Promote quiet, natural beauty of the island.
Arts and crafts, cultural events, music, theater.
- 5315-Going back in time to a very peaceful place. A refuge from all of the
“improvements” that bigger towns have.
- 5316-more nature than human-kind; open, undeveloped areas; spectacular night skies;
continued restricted access (ferry)
- 5317-a serene community – fun outside things to do – good music available
- 5319-Sustained, but sensible & continuous growth & development. We need to pace ourselves and keep an eye on our growth rate.
- 5320-Keep it simple and unique from rest of Door County. An Island is a destination for some isolation and retreat.
- 5322-Don’t turn into the county
- 5323-Keep it Retro! The Island represents a different more sublime time. Keep it that way!
- 5324-Maintain rural, quiet character
- 5325-Provide sufficient sustainable development to allow the island community to thrive without changing the essentially pastoral character of the island.
- 5326-Sustainable, quaint, quiet/relaxed
- 5327-Close knit community
Beautiful open spaces with great sky views
Carefully planned development that preserves all that’s best about the Island’s lifestyle.
- 5328-Keeping the natural beauty while encouraging growing jobs and opportunities for residents.
- 5329-Simple, unspoiled, harmonious.
- 5330-An idyllic retreat yet with enough commerce to support and employ full time residents.
- 5331-Thank you for the opportunity to give my input regarding future growth on the island. I am a land and homeowner, but not a registered voter yet. I plan on the island being my main residence in a few years for the remainder of my life.
What attracted me to the island was the way of life. It seemed to be a self contained world of sorts. There was of course a strong rural feel which beckoned to my farming roots. After I made the commitment to own property on the island I set

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about getting to know the people who were born and raised on the island and make it their home. After being exposed to the strong sense of community and the pride thereof I knew I was lucky to be living on this island. I have a very special appreciation for the people who make the island their year-round home. They evoke the charm that attracts the vacationers and semi-residents.

Even though I am not currently a resident I think more emphasis could be paid to quality of life issues for year-round residents as opposed to the conveniences of part-time residents.

Although I do not have children, I feel the schooling available should be paramount to everyone. Families are vital to the community. They provide balance and a sense of continuity. Otherwise we might just as well become a vacation destination with a constant flow of visitors who have little loyalty, looking only for the latest hot spot to visit without concern for the impact they have.

My preferred vision of the island is that I will live in a thriving community. One that values the rural feel the island has. I would like to see the island pursue some of the niche opportunities in this area. Perhaps as a co-op we may even find some profitable ventures.

Paramount also, is to preserve the rural lifestyle and the healthy ecology of our land. It boggles the mind that new houses are continuously being built while a significant portion of the homes on the island are for sale. The land parcels are smaller and smaller. This will eventually limit hunting space and habitats which are important to island residents.

As an aside, I strongly feel hunting should be for island residents only and not promoted. In this day and age I feel more comfortable knowing who is running around the island with guns.

I hope consideration is made to keep the large land tracts intact. Our closeness to nature is good for our souls and attracts vacationers. Since building provides significant income for families on the island at this time, effort could be made towards different employment opportunities. It is short sighted to think this livelihood can be maintained for generations. It appears that now is the time to make an important decision.

Who are we? Are we a strong community? Or are we a destination spot for tourists pandering to their every need.

I vote that we are a strong and caring community. That we care about the impact we make on our environment. Tourists are part of the mix. But let's work to attract the type of visitors that appreciate the beauty we get to live in on a daily basis. Let's support the businesses that rely on tourists by advertising Washington Island as a destination point. The Chamber has made some good steps in this direction.

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Let's support them and put more effort towards attracting the kind of visitors that appreciate the style of life we chose. Let's not adapt our lifestyles for a quick buck. I would be adamantly opposed to a water park. Who needs another water park? Let that be for the Dells. We can showcase our assets for financial advantage.

Lastly, let's get reliable high speed internet up here at an affordable rate.

Again, thank-you for this opportunity to voice a few of my thoughts.

5332-Self-sustaining

5333-A place to escape from the mad, mad world. A quiet peaceful place not like Sister Bay. To quote "If it runs, don't fix it". The Island isn't in need of repair, it only needs tender loving care - without that it will be ruined.

5334-Unchanged

The cooperation of neighbors when needed rather than institutionalized help – the way it always was.

5336-Moving forward thoughtfully.

5338-Sustainable land and water use that reflects the history and love that surrounds the island.

5341-Family fun & nature

5342-Rural, uncrowded, quiet, no hint of "development" as in Sturgeon Bay & no condos anywhere near lakeshores.

5343-isolation

5344-"North of the Tension Line"

5346-"Martha's Vineyard" with the built-in protection for "normal" people to live/work/retire there without being taxed out of their homes.

5347-Unspoiled, under-developed, community, a world apart from the rest.

5348-unspoiled-natural

5349-Preservation of the status quo.

5350-Tasteful, modest, clean, growing, spiritual-values, neighborly, friendly

5351-Low density. Quality in all respects. Prosperous.

5352-Door County-The Cape Cod of the Midwest; and Wash. Is.—The Martha's Vineyard of the Midwest, where you can stop the world and get off for a few days. Welcome to the sea shore!

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1-How about a pavilion at schoolhouse beach, or the ball park?

3-The island has to be receptive to future development. It will be necessary for the survival of the local people and summer residents.

4-Hire people to operate the info centers who have a stake in results. When you go on vacation, what island did you go to? Think about it!!!

6-We need quality jobs.

We also need to watch how much land we put in conservancy. (ie-Research Nantucket for what not to do!)

8-A. Town government becomes increasingly difficult as voters & landowners become better organized and more involved in the daily operations of the town. Find a way to keep electorate informed, and also supportive of decisions-making process, even when results may not always match individual or specific group goals.

B. We will lose more families if the school system isn't given better leadership.

C. Waste water & well water should remain a high priority—with active, forward thinking on town's part.

D. A Eco-tourism outlook with stress on natural activities and low-impact improvements.

9-The future, “not good”

13-Pay attention to why people moved here in the first place. Maintain the current zoning regulations, esp. along the water.

Addition to question 9.E—Sizes of houses should be tied to size of lot. Possible Bigger setbacks on smaller lots, ie. shore lots. Large houses on those lots in some cases could be set back.

15-Thanks for doing this survey. Took time but future decisions will too.

16-Get better teacher in school

17-We need ferry service later into the evening as well as more often in the winter. Also 6 am ones are very helpful. This would bring us more of the standard for living on the other side.

19-More “Islanders” in participation in Government; not retirees from limited backgrounds!

23-Public (tax) monies should not compete with private investment.

Motorcycles should be held to same quiet noise standard as automobile.

Question 6.A. Bicycles & bicyclists are entitled to full land use. Tax paid roads Are for ALL users equally. Motorists must respect other users-pedestrians, bicyclists, equestrians came First.

Anti-littering ordinances need to be enforced.

W.I. Ferry is a successful, local, Private business and employer-do not interfere. Tax monies must not compete.

W.I. airport benefits a few wealthy visitors that must support the airport NOT taxes, local, state or Fed. Privatize!

Do not tolerate state/federal “security” presence (militarized USCG, DHS, TSA) or Internal passports/requirements.

25-The island could promote itself for retirement. With saying that-then more services will be needed to support the retirees. More services – more jobs!

26-6 of 7 members of committee are transplants. Not good.

28-This is a very special place with very special people who love & care for each other &

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for where we live.

32-Slanted survey but OK

33-Don't want the character/charm of Main Road changed. Don't add modern buildings, or multi-dwelling housing.

34-Emergency health care is a very important issue requiring more than our present PA/NA and "ambulance service" EMTs!

Also, full time law enforcement must be proactively supported.

The leadership of the town simply must get past the us versus them mentality – all residents of the island have something of value to offer & unless we can reach a consensus the island as we know will not exist. We will simply become the ultimate gated community.

36-One of the biggest island attractions is School House Beach. It is overused, poorly maintained, poorly protected and a sad shadow of its former self. More beach areas are needed for swimming and picnicking to relieve the stress on School House Beach. All parks need to be better maintained, improved & expanded to accommodate families & tourists.

37-People who live here prefer a "quality of life" to high wages, WalMart shopping, McDonald's eating and industrial park employment.

Do not like the ferry line endorsing Capital Brewery with signs on the boats.

42-Additional shops or a good gallery & a farmer's market would be nice additions.

There are many talented & creative people on the island whose skills are only discovered through word of mouth.

43-Let's get some "class" on this Island. Teach the kids how to properly be a waiter & waitress. Teach them how to clean & make a lodging room. Give them a higher wage; raise your lodging & food prices a little to compensate the raise! They will get better tips as well!

Let's let our kids work here for the summer.

But we do not need townhouses or hi-rise buildings!

50-The core of the community could solve all problems, but they are too busy with their jealousies and lack of "cahones"

53-Keep teachers that do drugs during school hours while teaching away from the children! Teachers should be required to refresh their teaching techniques yearly!

During snowy weather-the streets need to be cleaned – especially since not everyone can afford 4 wheel drive!

56-Please, no condos, apts., etc.

61-Good luck!

62-Nice survey; thorough questioning; thanks for asking.

72-See 3-page written comments on yellow-lined paper.

74-Thinking big isn't going to help the island, such as condo's, huge stone (*home?*) etc. construction.

76-I have been involved in this zoning in the past and know its work but very important work. You need to try and keep that island feeling, but yet allow growth or you will not keep your young people. Remember one thing, the retired will want nothing to happen and if that happens you will soon have only old people and that's not good.

79-Something must be done at the school. The incidents there are disgusting! We don't

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- want to wind up with shootings, etc. like in other schools.
- 80-We can not become an island that says I have my area & no change should be made that makes me give up anything even though it would benefit the island as a whole. I don't believe in being too restrictive.
- 84-The return of the assessment “bleeding” Door County and in particular, W.I. of needed monies with which could be used to sustain the island school and government. It is outrageous that NWTC administrators and faculty basically write their salaries/benefits to whatever level they feel they should have. It's time for the State of Wisconsin take control of this “feeding frenzy”, and establish fiscal controls and limits for all Wisconsin T.C.'s (Tech. Colleges). This small community which receives so little in return for its assessment annually (bartending and food service classes, basic computer etc.) could better use these monies to finance the needs of the island.
- 85-Possible island-only reservation only late boat to the island—so people can go to concerts, dinner, etc. without incurring a motel charge.
- 86-People choose to live here for the quiet & natural features, therefore, noise & disturbance from planes & jet skis must be curbed. I'm very negative on the whole airport project—it does not benefit the whole island. It has been terribly divisive. Sell it and just keep the heliport!
Wastewater systems that are on-site, but investigate alternative systems that are centralized & not energy intensive or a high cost to taxpayers.
New buildings must meet high energy conservation standards and use sustainable products in their construction.
Allow alternative, non-polluting, sustainable forms of energy production by the town and by individuals (eg. solar, wind).
- 88-We need to retain the island's natural beauty, open fields & renew farming the land—this draws tourists. Tourists have high density retail outlets already on the mainland. Unless you own lake property-there's not a lot of lakeside places to picnic & grill (not School House)
X-Ray machine for clinic
Cottage industries like Sievers should be successful
I'd like to see more land set aside for parks.
Island boat launching facilities are poor & (public dockage-we should be able to draw more boating tourists).
I really, really don't want lot sizes to decrease!!!
Do NOT want these large homes to be sold and made into multi-family dwellings!
Preserve the farms! Do not chop up into smaller parcels!
- 89-Two months of a busy tourist season is not enough to carry through the whole year. Tourism should not be looked at as the main source of Island revenue. Think “outside” the box!
- 90- Very thorough survey-Thanks for hard work in putting together.
- 92-I began coming to the Island over 50 years ago to escape (briefly for a week or even as little as a day) from the “real world” as I called it. I enjoyed “Island Life” which was at a more leisurely pace, filled with calm and beauty. Koyen's Store still had new horse collars for sale. If we change the Island too much, it will be the same as the other side of the Door (see Door County Advocate article of April 21, 2007) and there will be no reason for our children and grandchildren to look forward to returning to

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their "Island home." I repeat, let's make haste to change slowly. All change is not necessarily progress.

The committee did a fine job of developing a thorough questionnaire.
Congratulations.

96-Water quality-lake, well, ground, need to be the top priority!

99-There is a need to identify the current "uptown/downtown business district". Many visitors pass right through on the way to Rock Island and never knew they had been through the "village" portion of the island. I recommend a sign system welcoming and signs (system theme) identifying each business-Cedarburg near Milw. comes to mind. It identifies "Community" to "outsiders" or people from the big cities who DON'T IDENTIFY one plain, white, business front from another. Think about it. MANN'S, Karly's and Nelson's Hall could all be roller skating rinks.

100-Expand the parks with adjacent properties.

Maintain water accesses and reclaim those that were lost.

Encourage business with grants for more attractive store fronts + cleaner facilities.

Offer guidelines for remodeling of businesses-mostly related to exterior improvements.

Thank you for this opportunity to share my opinions.

103-Refocus energies to sustaining & strengthening the community and its resident instead of relying solely on the tourists.

Depart from pushing city culture & activities and reinforce community values of unique island characteristics.

105-I am surprised there is only one person born on the island represented on the committee.

109-Down with the airport!

111-There is too much focus on who is right (or wrong) vs. discussion, compromise, looking at how another's idea can be valid even if it does not represent what you want. Airport prime example...referendum won: let it go. Let town officials do their job-you elected them, trust them.

I (we) think this survey is trying to change/revisit airport improvement. Get on with the plan—people need peace of mind, a vote is a vote is a vote---Your questions go beyond Comprehensive Planning!

114-We have come so far & have a town board that destroyed a lot...we need to have individuals on committees & boards that are for the community—not their own private agenda.

118-Door County building restrictions are too severe.

119-Law should be voted in to not allow engine braking by big trucks—noise pollution.

120-Keep Islanders informed on issues relating to their interests.

122-The town is reaching a point where it is becoming too expensive for a young family to live. If this continues to happen enrollments will continue to fall until the school closes. At this point, the rest of the families will move off the island. This will leave a vacuum in our community where we will be hurt in many ways.

124-(Enclosed were articles about eco-communities in Sweden and in WI: Milwaukee, Chequamegon Bay Region; Madison)

Re: Washington Island Survey

I think that the second to the last question on the survey needs to be thought out

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before many of the questions can be answered correctly. In other words, the vision for the Island should come first, and then the details should be filled in.

I would like to see information from other Island communities to see what successful models might already be in place. Why re-create the wheel? For instance, there are thriving communities in the Northwest (Bainbridge and others) which have strong Island businesses, I think mostly cottage industries, and may have development limitations.

Mohegan Island in Maine is a vigorous artistic and fishing community, and a majority of the land is permanently protected by easements so the character of the place remains intact. The housing tends to be modest, historic.

Beaver Island, on the other hand, has a number of development sites mapped out, usually with very small lots. This is not far-sighted. How do people make a living, what are the pressures on the infrastructure (fire, medical, town services) to provide services to structures that may not be inhabited most of the year?

If we remain a more rural area, there will not be the population support for some of the advanced medical housing services. So far, it seems to me that it works going off island if there are serious illnesses. However, I answered that those facilities might be nice (could employees afford to live here, etc.?), because I think that the Island families would like to be able to have their senior members stay very close to home. Perhaps a home care program would work the best. Those of us, who have families in other places, when it becomes necessary, usually go off Island to be near them anyway.

We should have a strict building code. Things that have gotten by should be addressed (such as large removal of trees from shore lots). Zoning is good, but if we hold a vision of a rural landscape, some of the ag and forestry land should be rezoned into even larger tracts. [If we have good soil for something (wheat, potatoes, or?) and we can do it organically to protect our water resources.] The farmers should be paid fairly for their crops (tax relief is only one part of that).

As global warming progresses, forests become absolutely essential for air and water health and the State is beginning to address that by perhaps paying landowners to keep their forests standing (with some selective cutting). We will see.

We should look hard at the new technology and determine what kind of person could come and work from home or a small office, in a global economy.

And, let's try to keep it all simple.

126-Washington Island should be for all ages of people. Not just the "I've got mine, to hell with everyone else" group! As long as island leaders allow the ignorance of the "committee against everything" to sway their judgement, this island will not progress.

Ambiance is whatever it is where ever you are at! If all you want is quiet ambiance, wear ear muffs or be deaf; as is my son. Other sounds are welcome: such as, lapping of waves along the shore line of a lake, the thunderous waves on a stormy lake, the pelting rain on your window, the birds singing, geese honking as they fly by, the throbbing of the tractor plowing the field, the Saturday night dances, the droning of an airplane high overhead. Ambiance is also what you make of it.

130-Explanation to some survey questions: 1c. There is occasional noise from motor cycles--4-wheelers--small aircraft similar to any other town.

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7, 8d, 8e Multiple housing/high density housing anywhere on island would diminish its atmosphere.

131-(See attached "Letter to the Editor" from the Ruidoso, NM News. This says it all! Aspen has been ruined. Santa Fe has been ruined. Ruidoso is on the way. Will we be next? It is creeping up the county and we are in great danger of losing all we hold precious. "New & bigger" is not what Washington Island needs. The incredible sense of family, community and love for our neighbor that was prevalent 10 years ago is quickly disappearing. The island is being divided by the machinations of a handful of sociopaths who are threatening to destroy what the vast majority are fighting to protect. We must do everything we can to preserve our little paradise.

132-I am for the airport realignment, because I understand that it won't bring in much bigger planes and only help the tourist season.

134-Airport runways should be black topped to allow for using small planes to transport patients to hospitals for care that is required faster than that which is provided by the ferry but not as urgent as to call the helicopter.

Trail systems for snowmobiles, etc. should be developed only if not trespassing and regulated & monitored by a club to make sure they stay on trails.

ATVs—We believe there needs to be more regulation and monitoring. We believe there needs to either be a trail that has been approved by the town and land owners instead of them just running all over & using trails that existed 20 yrs ago & since then the property has been sold but they continue to run on it no matter what and without landowner approval, or let them run the roads.

135-The island needs to expand and maintain an infrastructure to KEEP young families on the island. The main attraction now to draw people in seems to be focused on younger single people and those who wish to retire. Both of which are necessary to our economy, but if we aren't careful, we will end up making it not feasible for young families to support themselves. Without that future to build on, the Island will die. We need to have an excellent school system and open arms for those who may not have the fortune of being born here to be attracted to. There is an unfortunate stigma attached to those who weren't born here. Their opinions are often viewed with disdain, even if they mesh with the agreed upon vision for the future. We need to at least be willing to acknowledge that input and be open to any new ideas; especially given our current situation. We need to ask the young families what they might want, and then LISTEN, and see if we can deliver. Not all of the young families have the fortune of family businesses, land or income to rely on, and we need to be open to a few new ideas to further the island in a way that benefits us all.

136-This survey was extremely poorly worded. I could make almost anything I wanted out of the results. This must not happen again in this manner or we will not get what we really wanted. I felt this survey was/is similar to the suggestion box model where suggestions are put in and management did not develop nor knows how to develop the infrastructure to process the suggestions for change.

Airport—In strong winds when the ferry can't run – a crosswind runway will help assure a connection to the mainland in times of dire need.

139-Airport: Finish the planned runway realignment and BLACKTOP BOTH!!! The 2005 referendum clearly stated what should be done with the runway – DO IT! It is also cheaper to finish a project all at once-rather than come back another time so –

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BLACKTOP THE RUNWAYS! The mud and ruts in the rainy season MAY bring on a lawsuit should an accident happen!

Enough bickering & arguing over every decision. Bring back the joy and happiness of living here with our neighbors. We need to be a United Community!

140-What the Island needs is a historical society to promote the history of Island farming and nautical history. The Island is the richest in marine history of all of Door County and why wouldn't it be? It was the first township in Door County. There were over 100 farmers in the old days that hauled their potatoes to Washington Harbor for shipment on the schooners. They were lined up from the dock to Koyens store with their wagons. If Ellison Bay can support a historical building, why can't Wash. Island! We have all the old equipment on our farm if interested. *[name withheld in this print out]*

143-We don't want W.I. to become like the rest of Door County! Sustainable land use is important & emphasis on the common good. We were attracted here by the physical beauty, but also by the performing arts center, Wash. Island Hotel, and the openness of the residents. Sometimes the paper (W.I. OBSERVER) conveys a negative impression of intolerance (e.g. to immigrants, etc.) which might make visitors think the island is unwelcoming.

145-I strongly feel that the airport re-alignment project should be followed thru per the 2005 referendum.

146-Why is this survey anti-development?

149-I find it shameful that all public places do not have restroom facilities that are handicapped accessible – This is an area that does not – should not – be ignored or “grandfathered” in.

The REC Center was obviously not planned with the elderly or “mobility-challenged” in mind. The distance from parking area to entrance is beyond the scope of many person's ability. Also, how can a building of that size be permitted to have doors locked so they are not usable in the case of fire or other emergency? Panic bars are a suggestion that should be explored.

Why are there no toilets at Mountain Park? This is a lovely area and could be a real tourist attraction.

151-Any planning for airport development should take into account how airport growth and aviation activity has impacted other communities, particularly those located in or near highly valued natural areas like Washington Island. To ignore the experience of other communities and to assume that a permanent change like airport expansion would automatically bring some kind of “benefit” is mere assumption, which, if acted upon without being thoroughly and objectively researched could result in irreversible negative consequences for this island.

154-This is not a very professional survey.

155-Thanks so much for doing this. Will love to see the plan after this survey!

156-We don't want the condo developments they have in the county. We need to encourage our tourism industry without commercializing the Island. People come here for the natural beauty, peace, quiet, and a time to unwind so we need to encourage that. We need to work together & be honest w/ each other. We each need to share what we can to our community & keep a vision of why we came here & live here.

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We need to keep from driving out all of our small businesses & keep the Island affordable.

We as a community need to realize the value of our school & support the school—we need a school to have a community.

We need to maintain & improve what we have, not add a lot of new options to our community.

157-Hunting should not be promoted to tourists. Hunting opportunities are limited, and should primarily be reserved for residents/land owners and their friends/families.

Too much hunting would be a negative to other activities.

161-Cleaning up the Sand Dunes & Percy Johnson Parks may be possible. Whitefish Bay Dunes Park (*in the county*) is keeping the invasive grasses under control.

162-Leave well enough alone—please don't come here & change us—We have always been known as the oldest Icelandic settlement in America and the tourist came & enjoyed the Island as is—Don't commercialize it or take the right of land owners away from them.

163-The island must develop appropriately as a preferred destination for tourism, including boaters and by air.

Need to expand activities for children on the island, like nature classes and nature walks, hayrides, art classes, tennis/golf classes, sailing lessons, outdoor swimming lessons.

Expand activities of the Art & Nature Center for short term tourists and resident families.

166-Bike & walking paths off the roads – paved & accessible throughout Island like other communities

168-I am so proud of the Island with all of its museums – Art & Nature Center – Archives – It is so important to preserve our heritage.

Years ago there were camps on the Island – both boys & girls – perhaps some industrious individual or group could re-institute one of these facilities.

Lastly – I was saddened by the treatment of the Koyen-Eichelberger family in their attempt to divide their land four ways – They would never subdivide this property. In essence they were forced to sell to settle it monetarily vs. property-wise. Please try to have more compassion in the future.

171-Parking is needed for Carlin's Point. Work with Land Trust to have lots of low-impact walking trails.

Late night Friday ferry service is a “must” to cater to folks who work for a living to enjoy weekends.

Work for Plum Island park/preserve.

173-This is my vision for the Island.

Long-term future scenario: Washington Island is a privately owned island of wealthy part-time residents who have excellent careers on the mainland. Island used mostly only May thru October. No permanent year-round residents. No Town Crew, no school. Just wealthy people who bring their own crew to run the electrical (or solar/wind) systems and do building and road repairs. No hotels, no tourists. Only restaurants/guest houses for invited visitors. Smaller ferry service privately owned by a resident or resident co-op. Island kept mostly “primitive” because a large medical care complex would be prohibitive (even for wealthy people). Just a small

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clinic.

Short-term scenario: Tourism increases, especially selective tourism targeting people who will spend money on things we value: Sievers type classes, bird-watching, art/nature appreciation.

What I think is important - *Most important, I think home building on the Island should be stopped completely. We already have too many homes that are only used for 2 weeks a year. We need to preserve woodland areas for wildlife, and hiking areas for local people. The Island builders are only out to make themselves money. There are no decent jobs for young families on the island (except for a few home-maintenance careers, a few teachers, store owners, ferry owners). I speak from much experience. I have lived here most of my life and have existed at starvation level wages, in the restaurant/hotel/museum/teacher's aid/yard work industries. I've never earned even \$10,000 a year here. It's not worth it.

The worst thing we can do to our young people is LIE to them and tell them how GREAT the Island is. It is better to be honest, and encourage young people to go to college and just leave the island.

Also, in case you haven't noticed, the "in-breeding" on the Island is not real healthy. I mean, cousins marrying cousins, generation after generation. It is better to teach young people to enlarge their search for a marriage partner. College or Tech school is the easiest way to leave the island to do this.

It is also possible that the Islanders could enlarge their business contacts off Island, too. Islanders should feel that there are other nice towns or cities to live in, with good people in them, besides just the Island. The mentality of "this is the only safe, natural place in the world" is a paranoid mentality. Perhaps parents could enlarge their business contacts off-Island.

*I think the most necessary thing for Island people is to develop a mentality of caring. When we look at each other, our first thought should be "I care about you." Not being hateful, revengeful, domineering, competitive.

Also, tourism brings a lot of undesirable people here. And because this is too small of an Island, there is no dating life here. Young men treat our High School girls like prostitutes to be exploited. I feel we should protect our young women more from single male residents (especially with a large age difference). Men in their 20's and 30's are chasing teenage girls. When are Islanders going to wake up to this?

Also, stop bringing foreign workers here. It's hard enough for Islanders to get jobs without competing for them with foreigners. Also, some of the business owners are old people with such bad attitudes, that they should just sell their businesses, retire, and let new people try. Business owners are asking for way too much money to start a restaurant/hotel.

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If I could actually DO anything now, I would close down all taverns and get rid of all alcohol licenses. It is a dangerous drug. How many Island people have to die of alcohol poisoning or injuries, or related suicides/car crashes before we stop it? (*seven names withheld*) and many others with cirrhosis of the liver).

Although I know a lot of Islanders like it, I think hunting on the Island should be stopped. It's unsafe. I have to worry about being hit by a bullet in hunting season. Restrict hunting to Rock or Detroit Island.

Ideally, I would not have any cars on the Island. Or at least, I would have governors on the engines so they couldn't go more than 15 mph.

Thanks for your time and consideration in reading this. – An island home owner.

175-Hello—Thanks for asking for citizens input.

Several issues are very important to me. That the Island be a peaceful, quiet place. Noise & anything that adds more noise is not what I want to promote. Jet skis, snowmobiles, go carts, DOGS (that bark continually), airplanes, loud boats & mufflerless cars are common culprits.

I don't want the Island to be a subsidized govt. welfare place either. I have a dream that the Island would be welfare/govt. subsidy-free – That would almost be impossible – This would include senior citizen lunches + places like Velkommen – I know it will never happen.

This comes to a final comment on the town building & maintaining facilities like docks & the airport that relatively few people benefit from (*are*) charged little to use & then we hear there is no \$ for more parks & its very "hard" to maintain those that exist.

177-This is a very unique area and must be preserved to avoid the crowded commercialization of lower Door County.

181-"The island is based on Island time". Friendly, honest, sincere – good neighbor policy – keep the island clean – wayside & roadways full of garbage is for the city. Picture a Midwest town or Cape Cod in 1940's. No franchises – no condos/townhouses – No mass tourism establishments. Look at what has happened on the peninsula and learn from their mistakes. Yes, people flock to the Door but with them comes their garbage, their demands, their problems and their attitudes. "Keep the island simple and friendly"
"Preserve the island heritage."

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5002-Additional ferry service in winter.

5003-The town should purchase the golf club as an island recreational facility. It would pay for itself & provide jobs for island residents.

5006-A common sense approach to law enforcement, eliminating the gun toting, in your face, gang crime busting wanna-be's – Constables were effective for many years— one full time & two full (*part?*) time constables would seem to be more cost effective.

Eliminate special interest individuals in local government.

Give all island property owners, part time residents a vote in all concerns that effect Washington Island.

I have been coming to the island with my family since I was an infant 60 plus years ago. I come and live here when ever possible. My grown children as well as my younger at home children come here as well. We live and own property here for one reason and that reason is found on Washington Island and no where else; the land, the scenery and its people – I can only hope and pray it stays that way.

Give all land owners a vote and better access to island decisions.

5008-Driving through Door County to get to the island, all the small towns are now very commercialized. The island is not & that is why its way of life should be protected. I love the island & can't get there as often as I would like to. It always feels like I'm coming home each time I ride the ferry there.

5009-Ques. 10 on page 3 really gets at a good point. Increases in young families and better jobs is directly dependent upon how accessible the island is year round. If the ferry line is open to running more boats, growth will occur and I feel you'll find more young people on the island.

5012-The visitors' first view of the island could be significantly enhanced by a renovation and improvement of the marina. It looks derelict.

Another significant improvement would be to clean up the SW corner of Main and Detroit Harbor Roads (across from the Albatross).

5013-Lessons from Southern Door County in the last 10 years experienced a surge in development while at the same time a decrease in retail. Income to towns are now from tax base and not necessarily tourism and small businesses. Consequences are greater support needed for town's increase in population while losing their cottage industries. Recommend supporting tourism, not development. Development should be cautiously approached. Example: Sturgeon Bay waterfront development and historic downtown-- taxes have doubled, leases have doubled, many shops empty, but large tax base from development - new City Hall, new Justice Center, new bridge (and)very few businesses=loss of tourism.

5014-I am one of the 533 property owners from Illinois out of 1530 island properties. I want a voting participation on major decisions.

5015-Our town spends too much on snow plowing, town crew work, etc. Way overkill!

5018-Check out Amana, Iowa. They used their name to market all kinds of products (furniture, woolens, etc.) but I don't know if they still do this, or who "they" really are... Name "Washington Island" could be a valuable BRAND (this is what I do for a living, so I'm a bit prejudiced) applied to lots of items, even to seminars & workshops. There would need to be some governing process to control quality & nature of just what carries the name, and this plan is rather socialistic, but "Wash.

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- 5044-Making the ferry a reduced rate for any owners of property. A bridge is even better.
- 5045-The Comprehensive Plan should favor/encourage the Washington Island Campground Retreat, as well as other hospitality accommodations. The Campground is another source of "future" or prospective residents.
- 5046-Home contractors on the island are not co-operative people. Don't return your calls, won't give a written quote, don't show up when they said they would, don't finish as scheduled, leave you hanging for weeks, want a blank check for work, don't come prepared with proper materials to do the job. And God help you if you resort to off island contractors! Work ethics are sorely lacking, some are rude to women that need help with their homes.
- 5049-Glad you are doing this strategic work – thank you!
- 5050-The committee has such an important job. Please encourage slow, well-thought out growth.
Don't expand the airport!
- 5052-The challenge is to preserve the island sense of history and community while still providing an adequate living (employment-living wage) for islanders and their families. It is a balance which thus far either by accident or intention we have managed to preserve. Preservation of this sort of community and avoiding even the high end development occurring in places further down the Door County (eg. Ephraim, Sister Bay) is the challenge for planning in the future. I wish the Town Board my best. If we can assist-please advise. *[they signed their names here, which shall remain anonymous to public]*
- 5054-I love the island because it doesn't change. The nature, people & culture are beautiful, timeless, and very, very special.
- 5056-Get grants to build a nice town operated marina. Lengthen & black top all airport runways.
- 5057-We love the island for its peace & quiet. Would hate to see it become as busy as the rest of Door County. We love there being lots of woods. A great place for retreats. More conservancy? Could the island become more of an artistic community? That might be nice. Love the Red Cup.
- 5058-Competition in ferry and fuel will give better-and fair-value to residents.
- 5059-While I think tourism is great for the island economy, I hope that the beauty of the island does not disappear because of greed like it has in the county.
- 5060-Happy to see that you are thinking about all these things.
- 5061-Keep the golf course on the island. Would hate to see that turned into condos or an amusement park!
- 5063-We were just in Kauai-an island of Hawaii. We are sad to say they have sold their land and spirit for money. Over development – cannot sustain the traffic – the pollution and waste management. The local people, so kind and beautiful, will not be the ones benefiting (*from*) this growth. They are being taken advantage of. This could easily happen to our beautiful island—where developers come in and promise the "world" but will actually rob us of our precious land and feel of Washington Island. Why would making our pristine island like other places (which are over-developed/crowded) be a benefit to us? Door County too is selling its soul... all the over developed condos---no one is buying. Our island is precious. Limited development and welcome daily visitors.

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- 5065-A great place. Don't screw it up.
- 5067-A small, but vocal group, are badgering our town board with selfish & self centered agendas that stifles WI from giving our residents an opportunity to keep up with competing communities. Examples: Washington Harbor improvement project. The airport safety project.
- 5070-What about 1 X a week or 1 X every 2 weeks trip to Escanaba on the WI Ferry—over in AM back late pm – possible casino underwrite cost.
- 5071-Don't let this just be an exercise in self frustration.
- 5072-The natural beauty has drawn us to the island to purchase & build our home/we like it the way it is. If technology is needed natural gas line would be our only addition. We wish the Coast Guard was not on the island taking over the beautiful entrance to the harbor! We used to stay at the motel that houses the US Coast Guard. We wish they would leave ---very cold feeling for island & an eyesore! We purchased land 1 year ago & taxes doubled in 1 year. How about keeping the taxes low.
- 5082-This is a manipulative, bias survey!
- 5083-The churches & newspaper should stifle the "yay yay islanders". "Buy local", etc. The islanders should not pillage tourists in the name of good & necessary business. It is evil. Finally, intense pressure should be focused at Sturgeon Bay—they are taxing decent people off the island, therefore bringing in more & more rich people (almost alien), coming here NOT to enjoy peace & solitude, but hopeful of FUN and sometimes to ESCAPE. That is not a full life. If Washington Island, for the most part, was not a paradise—we would sell out and leave. We may have to.
- 5085-Don't sell your soul for improvements-keep as natural as possible. It would be nice if ferry transportation could be more affordable, especially for seniors & retirees. We particularly enjoy the ability to see & meet with old (some not so old) friends who are "real" people, not so phony as most others we know.
- 5086-It is extremely important that NO franchise business be allowed to operate on the island. It would destroy the integrity of the island. I am concerned that mobile homes are allowed on the island as permanent dwellings or for seasonal use (Townline Road). Also concerned with some peoples trash & litter, --?—in fenced areas in woods. Note-I do not see very many areas of trash/litter, however what is tolerated initially with one or a few, over time becomes accepted for many.
- 5087-There's a country song: "I love you just the way you are---now change". Please resist that demand wherever and whenever it rears its ugly head!
- 5088-Become a green community with all that implies, and you will have the future that you desire.
- 5089-Discontinue work on airport—don't pave—don't expand runways.
- 5093-Find a way to control the junk yards behind KK Fiske & across from Alby. These are terrible eye sores! If ferry line refuses to put on an extra night boat, the chamber should "hire" a special boat on a regular basis. The chamber would sell the tickets to recover the cost. This could also be done in the winter to create a late afternoon boat.
- Thank you for including all property owners and residents.
- 5094-Everyone's every need can not be met. Don't try or you get a city. Preserve a place where a simpler life-style with more than average self-sufficiency can be realized. Add invisibles, like high speed internet. Refuse things that take space.

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Think in terms of global warming. Discourage or ban recreational things with carbon emissions—choose bikes, horses, walking, skiing or roller bladeing—sailing, kayaking and canoeing.

What about horse drawn tourist rides instead of motorized?

5096-Everything in moderation, including progress and especially development.

5097-Suggest strict oversight of the town crew. Avoid continuous road widening which impacts the appearance of our roads & wildlife.

Limit the size of signs for businesses to 20 sq ft or less.

Require a vegetation buffer between businesses & street of at least 20' in depth.

5102-Referring to question #5 on the survey: explain the "overriding public benefit" would depend on who would profit.

Imposition of an "Island impact fee" on the ferry ticket and docking fees for non residents, non property owners of .25 cents to 50 cents per to assist in planning & keeping the island as it is.

5104-Discourage large business or developments and encourage small family owned business. Encourage biking, walking, hiking and discourage car use (for visitors).

Proper lighting regulations to preserve the night sky is so important. It's too late for the southern door area.

5106-Again, decisions should be made with the long term (50 to 100 years) in mind.

Always make decisions that give you more opportunities

5112-At all costs, the school needs to be maintained!

5113-We appreciate this questionnaire as it is a sign that the Planning Commission is thinking ahead and obviously concerned about the preservation of a wonderful place... Thank you!

5116-We must continue funding the school referenda-without a good school, the island will die as a family community.

Keep vehicles off the beaches-especially the easily accessible Percy Johnson Park.

5118-Old, rusted cars are a major eye-sore.

5120-Jazz or Blue Grass Festival—Is there anybody out there besides Julian?

5121-More efficient school system.

5125-Make sure the property owners (who pay most of the taxes) and not just the voters are involved in proportionate numbers on any decision making or planning committees.

5131-The island requires a cheap, efficient FF (?)& reliable program to get families off the ferry & into commercial areas without needing to walk miles to find a hamburger stand or the downtown area. At the same time the island needs to invest in the appearance of down town & traditional shopping at that location.

The island needs to get its act together-spend some money, swallow some pride & secure permanent, on island medical (physicians) care & a new clinic. This is not a small item.

5135-The benefits of focusing service on occasional & seasonal residents instead of day trip tourists would be of greater economic and social benefit to the Island.

5138-We truly appreciate this committee taking the time & effort to conduct this survey.

Equally important is what gets accomplished because of the survey.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input. We look forward to being full-time

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residents in the coming years. Being part of the decision making process is greatly appreciated.!!!

We pay a fortune for NWTC—surely a satellite campus would keep young people on-island, perhaps even draw people from the mainland.

5139-Eliminate hunting except for year round residents (if they must).

5141-The ferryboat set up as now exists (the high prices and the resulting lower use) is the reason that fewer tourists visit the island than the islanders would like. Tourists have to commit to spend a large chunk of money to get to the island, leaving them less to spend on the island. Also, because of the high cost of the ferry, they are unlikely to visit the island repeatedly or on the spur of the moment. They will make return visits only for very specific attractions or reasons (such as a specific resort or friends on the island). Thus, without changing the ferry system (without a weekly, monthly, or annual ferry pass and without lower prices generally) Washington Island will not see noticeable success in its attempts to enlarge its tourism sector. Thus, the planners should concentrate on providing a very hospitable and welcoming environment for people who want to build or buy housing on the island. That is where the future success will be if the ferry system doesn't change. The choice that needs to be made is between isolation and opening up. Isolation leads to its own set of issues and problems, and opening up leads to a different set of issues. But not making that choice simply keeps the same lower-level issues churning—without forward movement.

5144-Low density for private residences. Greater density/cluster for apartments.

Everything must be done to keep the water clean & safe. If the water becomes polluted (lake & ground) nothing else will matter!!

Septic systems must continue to be monitored.

Town government should be encouraged to maintain high quality: Police force; Rescue Squad; Fire Dept.

5146-The Island needs to accept change. We need to move forward with development, but with consideration of the Island character. We are seeing a loss of population because we haven't embraced the idea of providing the necessary staples of life (housing, new school opportunities, etc.)

5147-The key to the future of the Island is – Keep it Simple.

Support the Red Barn not an amusement park and so on...people can find condos & retail shops anywhere—the Island's product is its simplicity and timeless feel.

5148-Encourage, support and advocate alternative energy uses on the Island. Install a working windmill, it is a beacon of some independence.

5152-Would hate to see the Island look like the rest of Door County—cluttered—v-?-y condos spoiling the view of the lake, etc.

5157-We appreciate being asked for our input.

5158-Reduce taxes on undeveloped lakeshore—Very High!

5161-I like to think of “our Island” as a heartland heritage. It's a tiny treasure from yesterday—if you can protect and nurture that, then you've done well!

Try to help those, that live in the “real world” of digital communications, RAP music, a country at war, to understand and contribute to the place we love so much. You have a difficult job, but I know you'll do it well—Thanks.

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- 5162-I enjoy the Island because of its beauty and the Island is removed from the rest of the county. The people on the island have an authentic character. My concern is that there are not enough jobs to sustain families on the island. I believe the harbor and the town could be developed to be more of a destination than it is today. With a mix of medium density housing and commercial uses.
- 5164-I think it is important to try and balance the needs of young families, the elderly, the seasonal dwellers & renters without sacrificing the natural island gifts we all enjoy. It is particularly important to not turn the Island into a duplicate of towns in Door County with fast foods or amusement parks.
People need employment in meaningful work, affordable housing and a strong sense of community. Economic development can be done, if planned, in a way that feeds needs without destroying community. I would urge this committee to consider this balance carefully.
Thank you, this survey was a good idea.
- 5165-We have enjoyed the "fair" and baseball games—we come up once or twice a year in summer months only—it's too cold in the winter.
- 5166-A serious effort of all Door towns to prevent further water pollution of the lake. The decline in water quality at Schoolhouse Beach over the last several years is very disturbing. Various political action groups needed to be formed. If we lose our clear lake water, the quality of life-and tourism will sharply decrease.
The town needs more public beaches where swimming is possible. Schoolhouse should have been expanded when land was available. The sand dunes are no longer a particularly pleasant beach. The lack of public beach areas & "over crowding" at Schoolhouse will also negatively impact tourism & quality of life.
- 5168-We are surprised by how much dissension, unhappiness & in-fighting there is on the island.
Too much exclusivity (cliques).
Short sighted vision concerns us.
Environmental issues concern us.
National stressors in the areas of changing economic base, health care, gas prices & transportation issues are affecting the nation. Do folks on the island give consideration to the fact global and national issues (and frustrations and anger created) could be giving rise to island (misdirected) tensions?
The island could generate its own energy & there is a future in specializing in "green" issues!
The island has a history of looking to "others" to solve island issues, the island must be proactive in solving island issues—there are no more benevolent "others"! It's a changing world and the 'rest of us' have had to be 'nimble of foot' and read the 'signs of the times' to survive!!
- 5170-Roadways are for motorized vehicles. "Improved" paths for pedestrian and bikes should be developed on PUBLIC LAND, safely separated from "roadways".
- 5172-Jet ski restrictions needed.
Gas service back in Jackson Harbor.
Nightlights at docks in Jackson Harbor too bright at late hours.
- 5177-The current tourism season is much too short to sustain businesses year-round. The island could offer much to visitors in the spring, fall and winter. Encourage more

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sport fishermen. Publish a "Guide to Fishing Washington Island," showing where to stay, where to rent boats, where to fish, how to fish for various species, charter businesses, where to eat, and so on.

Likewise, do much the same for birders.

5178-[*Note: If the committee wishes to know who suggested the "Washington Island School of the Arts", do the following: publish a request for the author to contact a committee member.*]

A college called "Washington Island School of the Arts" would provide answers to almost all of the Island's economic wishes. It would run on a trimester calendar, so that during the winter cold months (Jan-April) demands like heat, maintaining roads on campus would be minimal. We already have an "aesthetically appealing" reputation. Security for students and faculty is a no-brainer. (We have a very large moat around us.) Such a school would most surely benefit from many residents and summer residing legacy endowments. Students here during the tourist season would be a continuing source of temp. employees.

5179-Plan wisely & support it with funding.

5181-Airport expansion is not needed.

5183-Tax concerns-the last increase was appalling (!) for the retired making it questionable for those on fixed incomes with increasing health costs whether owning island property is viable in today's economy!

Thanks for the opportunity to be able to participate in this survey. It is the 1st time in 44 years I have been invited to participate!

5184-The cost of the island school operation is ridiculous, If the taxes keep going up only the very rich will be able to afford to live here.

5185-My experience with Washington Island is that people love it, or they hate it. It's the only place I've ever been, and truly felt safe and at ease. Nowhere else could I leave my wallet at the grocery store, and feel OK spending the afternoon at the beach knowing it would still be there whenever I decided to return.

Bringing more business and people to the island may be good for the economy, but I'm sure it will be devastating to the life now experienced on Washington Island. If you want money and people then you need to be on the mainland. Washington Island should remain as pure as it can.

5188-We are subsidizing the social programs of the state while folks on the Island can't afford to live on it due to confiscatory property and business taxes. Young families are struggling with two views: 1. they love to be where they grew up (W.I.) but 2. must work on the mainland to maintain their existence on W.I. or else—simply pack and leave. This is what's happening. We must change this so that people are not disenfranchised. The old folks are dying off on the Island while their descendents can't afford to be here. So the homes and land is sold changing the nature of our community.

5194-Maintain a Wisconsin culture on the island. The states of Vermont and New Hampshire have lost their former identity as a result of Massachusetts' influence—the same is happening in Door County!

5195-It is important to keep "Grandfathered" zoning intact so that those who invested in island property less than 5 acres with the dream of "someday" having a cottage retreat will not be denied their dream. It is important not to lose the island life we

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love to the wealth. There should always be islanders...both native and summer people who love this unique place.

5198-I love the Island and want to see it thrive with less alcoholism, fighting and racism.

More things for young people to do and meet at.

More for all retired folks-including health care.

Less driving out "new" not born on the Island businesses and families. If it wasn't for new people "my cousin" and inbreeding health problems would take over the community...

Good Luck!

5200-Realize its hard to keep rural, fairly undeveloped feel to island and have enough economic stability for year-round residents. Some development is obviously necessary, but I hope emphasis will remain on protection of the environment and unique areas of the island, and on low-impact recreational and residential and commercial use. Obviously I like things more-or-less the way they are, in terms of land use, and hope having a comprehensive plan will be a big step toward keeping a good balance between all the different kinds of desired uses.

5201-The island people are doing a fine job. There are both advantages and disadvantages on living on the island.

The cancer rate within the ship channel area of Houston is 500 times the national average. Yet it is highly populated.

Stress the healthy environment on the island.

Also, the island has a great school system.

Also, the kindness level on the island is way, way above average!

The island is a unique place. To change lots of things would lose the essence of the island.

5203-This survey is highly bias, based upon preconceived "solutions". It is detrimental to the island.

5204-Please, no condos or high density housing!

Consider what the peak summer populace should be. Also consider the mayhem that exists in the southern portion of the county, what are our limits—physical, financial, environmental? We could all make a lot of money if we just reduce the lot sizes and build a bridge from the mainland. But what is our goal?

Good luck and thanks for the hard work!

5209-If you'd separated the snowmobiles from cross country skiers on question 6D I would have voted "agree" on skiers and "strongly disagree" on snowmobile trails.

Preserving and promoting the Island's history are important to me. This should promote pride in the Islanders and interest in many tourists. The Islands history is rich and unique from Native American, French, American, and immigrant viewpoints. The history of the Island is a wonderful part of Wisconsin and American history.

5210-Any community including Washington Island must have a police force to insure the safety and security of its residents. It should not be under constant attack and threatened with disbandment.

5212-Groomed snowmobile trails to attract tourists in the winter.

5213-Lessen the attitude of "Islanders" vs "Off-Islanders". Quit treating visitors, off-

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- islanders, transplants & seasonal residents as “cash-cows” that Islanders dislike & only value for the income they bring. They have valuable input into how they would like to see the Island develop, also.
- Islanders should quit being so divisive, contentious & hostile about local issues, such as the airport, rescue squad, Island doctor. They have hurt a lot of people, now and in the future, by their divisive bickering and by driving off Dr. Patel.
- 5214-I am aware of a “15 Year” plan being pursued by the National Wildlife Federation (NWF) which has three goals. One of the goals, “Protect and restore wildlife,” is pursuing contacts with local communities to help them maintain their wildlife via eco-tourism and compensating private landowners for not developing their land. Perhaps the town could get help, ideas, expertise from NWF on how to maintain wild spaces but still earn income. The initial NWF contact person would be: Day(?) Freitag, Director of Development 605 224-8494 or 605 222-1205 breitagd@NWF.org She can get the Town in touch with the right people in NWF for community liason in the Great Lakes Region.
- 5216-The absolute best thing about the Island is the local people. I’ve never felt so welcome in a place. Folks know who you are and are so pleasant. I don’t know how to develop or plan for this, but combine that with the natural resources and beauty and this is what need to be maintained.
- 5217-Everyone loves the peace and simplicity of the Island. The Islanders are the greatest asset. Wonderful cheerful helpful people and smart.
W. Is. Has been very well guarded, and yet is flexible to allow Island Wheat to develop. The roads are amazingly well kept.
I think the one thing I wish could be dealt with is the sad shape School House Beach is in—the removal of so many rocks. Could the harbor be dredged & the bare spots filled in?
- 5220-Although our kids will never go to school on the island, we think the school is an important investment.
Much of the island’s appeal is that it is a vibrant, year-round community. We enjoy hiking, skiing & snowshoeing. Beyond the Jackson Ridges & Carlin’s Pt it’s not clear where to go. There’s lots of open land but most seems to be private. More open land-open to the public-might increase winter business. Same for fishing from shore. Jackson Dock seems to be the only place.
- 5221-We are retired seasonal residents who are concerned about supporting quality education for island students. If our school fails the island will no longer be attractive to families.
The issue of low density housing is complex. There are cases where a higher density is desirable to preserve large tracts of land. Well designed condos built by local builders and designed by local architects could relieve pressure on limited shore line.
There is a need for a farm co-op—many residents who can’t have a garden could buy “shares” to help support a farm and grow food locally.
We need to change the debate from cutting taxes to building infrastructure.
- 5222-If you own a residence on the island you should have the right to vote in Town Elections regarding the Town Board.
- 5224-The school is truly failing—too many vested interests. We need to get permission to

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- become a charter school, ask existing administration to get on board or get out of the way. We have the opportunity to be extraordinary, or bus our kids to the mainland. Such an outcome (busing) will surely encourage young, stable folk to take their kids and leave. The school is key.
- 5225-The first 99% of my trip up from Chicago cost the same as the last 1% of the trip. Until this cost balances out the island will always have a problem. Time for a state run ferry!! Comparable rates on some state run ferries, ie. same distance--\$16-\$18 round trip
- 5227-Keep "small town" atmosphere while improving range of goods available; improve quality of life, especially through support services for aging population, employment for young people.
Expand & promote public access sites-eg. to water, hiking & biking trails.
Develop uses consistent with quiet character of Island-eg. retreat center, classes for adults (Sievers/Washington Hotel models),
destination wedding venues.
- 5228-I'm glad you're doing this. We hope to be a part of the year-round community in the near future. We want to make a positive contribution to the life of the island.
- 5229-Having confidence in individuals, I do not believe in zoning or any other government interference in the utilization of private property, so as long as it does not violate any one else's rights (such as an artillery range, for instance). We lived in Houston, TX for years-where no zoning laws existed and it looked pretty much like any other city. We have a modest summer (and now almost year-around) home on the Island but we've worked for 30+ years trying to keep the property presentable. We don't require government to mandate it-we just like it that way. (Oh, and if the fine people in the Door County Zoning Dept. would "allow" us to nestle a small cedar garage into OUR woods we could keep it even more attractive. Sincerely, though, thanks for asking and for your apparently well-intentioned efforts on behalf of our beloved Island. Just please remember to act by persuasion and recommendation-not by mandatory law. Thank you
- 5231-Reduced ferry fees for homeowners, passes?
Preserve historic dignity!
- 5232-We are proponents of individual property rights. We are concerned that an owner may someday not be able to fix his/her "out of compliance" porch, but we can't seem to stop an expanded airport.
Island people have generally been very accommodating to "new" people want to make a home. Now, it seems that "new" people may not wish to accept any further changes.
The Island's beautiful nature is all to be cherished, but it's much different than 50 years ago. It will need to be allowed to be different 50-100 years from now.
- 5239-Adopt statutes that will require landowners to clean up abandoned, derelict autos, boats, trash from property. Suggest after appropriate time town crew would remove mess at owner's expense such(?) as KAP's Marina & Jack's Garage. These are examples of highly visible eyesores that detract from nature-based tourism that seems most desirable.
The Island Board & police must adopt principles that treat all taxpayers equally to avoid "Islander" vs. summer resident conflict.

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Can't we all just get along? Mean-spirited bumper stickers don't help. They are hurtful probably even beyond their intentions.

5243-Encouraging high density for a small island will create costly solutions to concerns such as waste disposal, traffic, congestion, more facilities like fire & police, and traffic lights, jail, various pollution concerns. All the things which make the island special would be gone, and the reason for loving the island as it is now would change. It would be the same as every other place, and there would be no reason to come here anymore.

5244-Since I have a personal problem with zoning I probably should not be writing this but I think because the Island is so unique it should be allowed some latitude with zoning. I do not think we should have to follow cookie cutter rules—every zoning decision should be made taking its own situation (circumstances) into consideration, ie. camping trailers should be allowed through the summer months on your own property unless neighbors disagree. Currently only 2-2 week periods are allowed. This would encourage land purchases with young families – more Island income, etc.

And, get those ferry charges under control!

5247-There needs to be growth, or construction jobs will diminish & more young people will leave. “I have my piece of the Island, but no one else should come,” is unhealthy.

Do we know what contributes most to our real costs? (to taxpayers). As Islanders we have to unite over the big issues like NWTC's taxing, & lack of state funding for our school. Those 2 things could free up money for other things! We can't sit back & “hope” it changes.

5249-The only population growth that seems to be happening are financially independent retirees or senior citizens and due to the weather, the isolation and dependence on the ferry they do not tend to stay all year long. The only nite life are the four bars and sitting at a bar all the time gets old so most stay cuddled up in their homes except for the four month tourist season.

As the Island population grows with more senior citizens living and moving to the Island, the need for medical care will increase and medical transportation from the Island to a fully staffed hospital will have to be addressed. The airport & helicopter pad and airport improvement should not be a point of bickering. Face the Facts. You live on an island. How do you get on and off? Especially in an emergency. In the thirty years I have been coming to the island you have had a few decent doctors on the island but from what I have heard and read they were made to feel unappreciated and left.

5250-Lake Michigan water quality improvement will help Wash. Is. Development in the future. We should add our voice to help state governments improve lake water pollution control. No sewage should be dumped into the lake anymore. All Wash. Is. Beaches have become slimy with algae. This is a very complex issue.

Hooded down lights only will keep our Island dark for sky watching. (drawing included) This would be a great improvement—if you can pass this regulation. Some “grandfather” clause may be necessary.

5251-The “downtown” area is very unattractive, some landscaping would improve the

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appearance as would a more uniform theme/style.

5255-As new home owners we are very disheartened with all the issues regarding rescue squad and doctor. We are not at all comfortable with not having a doctor reside on the island.

The kind of politics that occurred with rescue and doctor issues did not have the People first and foremost. Shame on all those responsible for the negative cloud. Let this be a lesson for all that this type of handling of matters NEVER HAPPEN AGAIN.

5256-I would hate to see the Island become too expensive for its year round residents, through property taxes etc. These are the people that make the island “the island” and without them you lose the entire reason we love it here. As decisions are made to incorporate & add some of the things listed on your survey, please, PLEASE keep this in mind.

5257-The Island needs to tour industries that do not require a specific location. Remote companies/company that can utilize residents’ hard work ethic and exceptional disposition. Internet based industry would be one source of sustainable good paying jobs that could support and grow the community in every way.

5258-Island a unique & special place. Contained development but never at the expense of Island’s integrity. Expansion and modern development of Detroit & Jackson Harbors with modest resorts. Main Street development with new services, opportunity, entertainment. All else modest changes.

5259-The neat thing about W.I. is that it has wonderful people & the island has not been commercialized.

5261-Privatize the airport-charge comparable fees to the ferry line for landing, tie downs, and user fees.

5263-Washington Island residents have always been concerned with keeping their children in the community. They are not alone, as communities all over the state and nation struggle with their own “brain drain” problems. The two most important achievements should be to maintain a high quality educational system to both provide a good solid education to Island youth, as well as to provide an attraction to new families moving to the area to operate businesses.

The second goal should be to achieve a balance of year-round and seasonal businesses, year-round and seasonal residents, and to the greatest extent possible a balance in the business community. While low density housing is very desirable from an aesthetic standpoint it forces costs to be higher, and in many ways reduces access. High density housing has its place *if* it also permits large open space tracts to be preserved. And while I support the work of the land trust to preserve sensitive areas the challenge is to preserve open space while at the same time not losing too much tax base.

5266-Don’t “advertise” the Island, word of mouth is enough for it to grow. The volume of people wanting to “Get away from it all” will be more than enough as time moves on in this rapidly changing age. And, they have money. More money than the islanders ever thought to have. Money & power lead to corruption and will destroy what was the Island if not kept in check. Anyone over 50 knows what’s happened to America, keep that from happening here.

If you want to be entertained, don’t come to the Island. How long before we see the

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open fields with buildings, towers across the skyline, mercury lights, lights required for an expanded airport, loud boats and jet skis. Tourists who demand noisy forms of entertainment to keep the “bored” amused because “there is nothing to do here”—so, let’s party. Let us not cater to those who don’t get it. Communication thru internet and media make this a vulnerable spot of “what was”. Let us preserve who we are and what God has given us.

We have a chance yet to stand for what we believe, for that cause may we always be watchful and say no to what has destroyed a quality of life that we never thought would happen, especially here.

- 5268-Summary: 1. Provide better high school experiences—may need to be off-island
2. Keep housing at single family
 3. Encourage island construction industry by banning “manufactured” houses—they don’t last.
 4. Upgrade marina facilities—Shipyard is OK but the other is a slum. We should be a “destination” facility for boaters.
 5. Be very careful about breaking up acreage for smaller pieces – 20 acres inland should be a limit.

Try to combat the current island mentality that assumes that seasonal owners will carry the brunt of costs for improvements—the Chamber should foster a “Washington Island is great” campaign that encourages all tradesmen on the island. A Better Business approach. There should be some mechanism for resolving complaints.

The lack of Islander backing for the proposed gym & library & in the past the PAC is very disturbing. Why don’t people want to improve their environment?

Upgrade of internet speed would encourage “tech-community” & more all year or most of year residents.

5271-Keep up the Good work

5272-Please pave the runway

The political bickering is awful

This survey is very biased

5274-Never forget that W.I. is a jewel, a gem. A place to be cared for.

5275-Town office: purchase digital recording equipment for meetings – tape is dated!

Update town’s website, add more info. on town gov. meetings.

5276-Needs of residents of Wash. Isl. are different from the rest of the county. Not sure if one county wide plan can meet unique benefits & needs of island.

5277-Anything commercial, like shops should be nestled in town center or coffee shop area. Create an ordinance that requires or encourages **ALL COMMERCIAL BUSINESSES TO BEAUTIFY and maintain THEIR ESTABLISHMENTS WITH FLOWERS & LANDSCAPING** so town center is inviting and clean.

Jet skis monitored: interference with kayaking, sailing, swimmers and canoeing. They’re too close to shores.

More varieties of fresh fruit, vegetables and also fish varieties (frozen OK) made available.

5283-Do not cater to the elderly. It will drain taxpayer dollars from the community and provide no incentive for families and the young to stay.

5284-We need more activities like the Forum that is (held) in July.

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5290-Start Friday night ferries earlier in spring!

5291-It would be nice to see some progress but Never let it get out of hand like Egg Harbor or Fish Creek.

Also, I haven't been there [the island?] for two years and at that time the water level was very low which detracts from people's desire to stay there or even visit. I've heard it is effecting other areas of Door Cnty. as well and that there are those that are trying to remedy the situation. It would help to attract people to live, work and stay there if they were successful.

5292-No residential or frequent traveler discount on ferry service.

Promote the preservation of historic buildings and landmarks.

Promote energy saving techniques to residents.

Focus on what makes Washington Island different from the rest of Door County; not shopping oriented, quiet, beautiful remote public places, reduced traffic, no large condo complexes.

5297-I'm concerned with the way a few full-time residents seem to view summer folks.

The feeling seems to be (for some) that we're rich & should subsidize the winter residents via inflated electric bills, etc. The thing that's forgotten is that many of us would much rather live on the island—we just can't afford to because our jobs don't exist there. Therefore, it's salt in the wound when I sense full-time residents feel entitled to my \$ - especially given many choose to live on the island on the taxpayers' dime, rather than their own. (This is certainly not true for all islanders, but is rather the sense I've gotten from a few people).

[The 2nd respondent then said: I haven't gotten that sense overall, but I do feel the electric coop is a racket.]

Thanks for doing this survey! The island is a great place with great people.

He's right – I'm generalizing & it's not fair to all the hard-working islanders.

Thank you for doing this survey! (And I obviously love the island, or I wouldn't keep coming back!)

5298-Broadband internet will be much better served with WiFi (wireless) than broadband over power lines in the short and long terms. Can the BPL activities!

5299-Island business owners need to be taught to be more "friendly" to seasonal residents & tourists. After years of hearing that island people are "weird & un-friendly" by people on the mainland & island visitors... I'm afraid I must agree—it's almost as if business people are "bothered" by non-full-time residents. Grocery store owners, marina & restaurant owners are biggest offenders. After 25 years of being an island summer resident I feel there is a definite "snub" to summer residents.

Too many people say they would never go back to visit the island as a tourist destination because they were treated poorly or because of unfriendly business owners & employees.

5304-We must not let selfish & ren--? considerations dilute zoning restrictions.

5305-"Customer friendly" restaurants

5306-What a slanted survey!

5307-In general, prioritized lists (top 5, say, or top ten, or top three) might be more revealing and useful (for question #15 in survey). This could apply in various areas.

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Thank you for all your hard work on this survey.

5311-The Island needs to be a Community again! Working together.

5312-I wish in the "1 through 5" choices (*in the survey*) another had been added -- "okay as is" for a 6th choice.

I think the Island still has the quaint charm that the rest of Door County used to have.

The success of the W.I. school students at various colleges/universities is a tribute to how a small school district on a limited budget can do things well (and I hope the Island can someday get some of those tax dollars going to NWTC & use them for the local school).

A few more amenities would be nice (little restaurants -- some maybe open earlier in Spring & later in Fall) -- but I think the Island is quite wonderful "as is" -- it may need some "tweaking", but that can cost money (which may or may not be available).

I am amazed at the press that the Island has gotten in the Milw. Journal during the past two decades.

Also, many people (esp. campers & "day trippers") don't know about Rock Island... getting that word out would bring more people to Wash. Island on their way to & from Rock Island!

Lastly, my 24 year old son would hate to see too much development spoil the Island he loves.

5313-Thanks for listening.

My husband corporate pilot -- travels extensively to "resort" type areas -- Telluride, Aspen, locals can't afford to live there any more -- please don't let that happen to the Island.

5314-We would hope that the island can maintain its uncrowded, unrushed atmosphere with limited commercial development.

5315-*Lower the speed limit to 25 mph on the entire island. Elm Grove (a Milwaukee suburb) has had this speed limit for more than 50 years. It's one of the reasons for the high demand to live there. This would add to the peace and quiet, the charm and the safety of the Island. It would encourage Low-impact type tourism. It would encourage home-based business people with young families to move to the island.

Don't spoil the island by trying to hard to "improve" it. It isn't broke -- Don't fix it. Some people tried to "fix" the peninsula. Now it's broken.

5316-The island most certainly has "trade surplus". There is no reason it can't thrive without major changes. The challenge is to preserve the strengths, not to develop different strengths. Those strengths include: a culture of community; open spaces; dark nights (no light pollution); quiet; lawyers and the Alby, Mann's and Mann's (*Mercantile*); and the Brothers Too; narrow roads with trees just off the shoulder. Where an immovable object (the island) meets an irresistible force (the lake), and mankind gets to observe the spectacle.

5317-*A better gym attached to Rec. Center is really needed

*Internet access-affordable for residents & easily accessible for visitors

*You should not have combined snowmobiling & cross-country skiing on this survey -- they cannot share trails (safety issues!) and they are very different sports.

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- XC skiing would really attract lots of people and have a minimal impact on the environment. If there was a later ferry on Fridays in winter, that would also help attract skiers.
- 5318- Property owners should be required to make sure ALL “perc holes” are filled in by themselves or person that dug “perc hole”. They look terrible!
- 5319-At very least out of the smart growth plan, the town needs to make existing properties on the Island, (no matter what their sizes are) conform to what they are categorized as according to zoning regulations. ie.: Existing 5 acre lots should not be zoned GA! Existing 10 acre lots should not be zoned GA! Lots that are over 20 acres, should not be (*zoned*) Estates & Country side!
- 5320-Thanks for the opportunity to respond – Would like to do this every 5 years as needs change.
- 5321-I wish one could build on the land, with less than 5 acres. I have not been able to come to the Island much in recent years because of my husband’s work schedule. We have no place to stay that is affordable, though we own land. We usually only make day trips.
- 5323-Beware of any future “high density” development. I believe that could ruin the current flavor of the Island. And beside, I don’t think the demand is there. The charm of the Island... is its low density development – that needs to be preserved.
- 5326-We’re not averse (*in question #5*) to subdivision, but feel there are other reasonable reasons to subdivide.
- 5327-We hope that the working assumption of the comprehensive plan does not overweight tourism. This would be short-sighted. The jobs in this sector are low-paying and no benefits, and very often under-employ people compared to their skills.
- 5330-It truly would be a shame to see Washington Island turn into a summer-only location.
- 5336-The Island is a haven of beauty and quiet in a noisy, unruly world. We must all work to keep it that way.
Yes, development must be part of the Island’s future, esp. quality jobs to encourage young families to stay. Development of the Island infrastructure & economy must be undertaken with great care and a high degree of thoughtful decision.
- 5338-The island is an “island” in the crazy mix of the world today. Only love and planning will keep it that way. [A silly poem(?), but heart-felt]
- 5341-What you overlook today will effect tomorrow
- 5342-Grass airport runways & “over-runs” only. Runway length 2,250’ as per referendum of 2005, plus some overruns. “Tweak” alignment within original airport boundary on E & W (or using part of Berger/McClaren donation) so runway avoids passing directly over objecting owners of property.
Property taxes, school costs & jobs for young families are the three make or break issues for Washington Island. Unless solved – “development” (ie. destruction) of W.I. is inevitable.
- 5343-Island needs an A.A. group meeting place.
- 5346-I see a very bright future for Wash. Is. And its community. Please continue to plan for future development before rather than after it happens – Thank you.

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Further notes regarding question 1.a – I am an advocate for identifying areas for high density housing and/or office space, including even mid-rise (4 to 8 stories), to avoid eventually cluttering the island with houses, hotels, office/retail, et.al. Further, any housing developments should be required to be interconnected to continue the existing grid of streets and services; rather than let them develop into little self-contained entities. Interconnection will promote community, be less expensive to maintain and provide services for, in the long run.

Further notes on question 8 – I would not try to use the comprehensive plan to “encourage” or “discourage” types of housing or even types of commercial uses. I would instead use zoning to dictate or direct those issues. I believe a comprehensive plan should proactively plan or accommodate those housing types, et.al. indicated, by indicating/directing where each type should be focused if and when island residents and visitors so require. Zoning should be used to control or limit types, size, etc. of development.

Further notes on question 13 – Most forms of development that try to “replicate” historic structures end up looking like what they are – cheap imitations. I would encourage planners to focus on scale and size of new development in these situations rather than a “look”. A truly competent/professional review board can help “guide” design or protect the character and essence of Jackson Harbor while allowing it to “live on” as new uses require.

5347-Be **bold** in your vision.

5349-Any changes which would increase population will likely create change for the worse. It is interesting to me that no where in this survey did the Planning & Zoning Committee make any attempt to deal with the issue of sewage treatment. They asked a lot of questions dealing with issues of increased population, more commercial development, keeping more people on the island, etc., etc. but never asked people about the ramifications of increased population, in particular water & electric supply and sewage treatment. The more development which occurs, the more damage which occurs to the characteristics which make the island desirable in the first place. I believe that the Planning & Zoning Committee should give thought to the limits of development. What comes to my mind are the western logging communities which fought to maintain lumber production and logging jobs until the commercial timber tracts were gone and the mills finally forced to close. The island can only provide a limited number of jobs for young people. Focus on increasing those jobs is foolish.

5350-An understanding on the part of local governing bodies that their role is to guide and encourage and facilitate the work of the private sector. People are creative and can solve their own problems most of the time. One of the joys of Washington Island is that it doesn't seem to have bought into the “nanny state” approach to social, moral and ethical matters. Hurray!

5351-Needs higher quality, more thoughtful, and more pro-active local government. Needs to better harness the interest and talent of seasonal residents.

THE "CATEGORIZED" WRITTEN COMMENTS

We have attempted to categorize the comments from questions 1-3 under topics or subjects that were mentioned most frequently. Question 4 covered so many diverse topics that no attempt was made to categorize them.

Note: every survey was given a number as it came in to us. When several respondents wrote the same or similar idea, they are written on the same line (or grouped together) with the respondent's number in front of the comment. (ie. 135-jobs, 5129-jobs, etc.)

Comments that didn't "fit" into a frequently mentioned category do not appear in this compilation. For the complete listing of ALL comments, see the uncategorized written comments.

The numbers are the actual number of questionnaires that had comments on this particular issue.

Written comments from Questions 1 – 3 arranged by categories/subjects.

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Written responses that relate to:

AGRICULTURE; NATURAL & CULTURAL RESOURCES; RECREATION; ECO-COMMUNITIES:

- 88-farm processing plants/cheese factory to add jobs all year around with needed benefits. Re-start farming.
- 137-Agriculture & forestry & cottage industries.
- 143-Develop sustainable employment via farming (organic), craft industries (furniture), etc. The Island Wheat Beer concept is great!
- 5008-Locally owned business & farming should be encouraged.
- 5021-More employment possibilities-which I imagine to be focused on small farming, like organics & expanded tourism. 5027-Youth fitness. Mini-triathlon? Camping, hiking.
- 17-more family activities 166-Family activities + support,
- 23-Low impact entertainment (bicycles vs motorcycles), internet vs. movie theater
- 34-Employment and activities for them.
- 95-More things to do for ages 12-21
- 118-Better recreational facilities
- 124-Having an image of the Island, such as an eco-community.
- 154-better recreation and better weather
- 155-Improved sand beaches,
improved nighttime entertainment – concerts outdoors, plays outdoors, drive-in type theatre (in a park maybe)
Farmers' market
- 163-Better employment and social opportunities
- 177 & 5013 - maintain cultural & environmental standards
- 5035-More recreational sport teams & more activities at the community center.
- 5047-sports programs regularly scheduled social events with other local communities.
- 5052-Continual high quality of traditional island lifestyle and core values. Must be accompanied with some opportunities for employment in traditional businesses, agriculture, and tourism but keep modest.
- 5076-Entertainment center for kids; summer jobs for kids
- 5085-Encourage more family/community activity/participation ("old school values").
Teaching that there is more to life than the almighty dollar.
- 5088-Community where there are diverse activities—don't be a destination for tourists
- 5096-More evening access to entertainment, activities or food after 8 pm
- 5106-A clear picture that Washington Island will be a special place long term. A caring community with values.
More for families to do.
- 5108-More teen & early 20's activities not including alcohol.
Movie night at the REC or TPAC, etc.
Acting camp, dance camp, talent show "Island Idol" competition.
- 5149-Recreation
- 5152-Construction, plumbing, farming, forestry (saw mill)
- 5157-Legal evening recreation for teens
- 5164-Employment in eco tourism & cottage industries, Retreat centers

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5171-Show movies or have a movie theater?

5173-Playground parks

Drive in theater

5198-We need more places to go and do activities at movies, etc.

5255-after school activities

5256-As a seasonal resident with young family I'd love to see an organized way to meet other families for the kids to play.

5261-Create family social events

5264-There needs to be activities and points of interest to stop at (not just biking).

5272-Indoor sports activity.

5278-sports programs

5290-Build up winter activities to draw people on weekends?

5297-Jobs other than tourism – like agriculture.

5302-Bike trails, nature programs, concert in the park, with a picnic, hiking, trails, church & community gathering

5306-The new Community Center was a good idea.

5315-"Organic" grown foods, livestock, herbs, berries, etc.

Encourage artists, writers, etc. to live on the island. They are low-impact but will stimulate the island economy.

5317-Activities that appeal to "tweens" & teens – organized to help seasonal & year-round kids connect with each other.

5320-recreational venues

5340-fun and different activities that don't cost to(sic) much and don't revolve around God and Church

5342-Artists' colony expansion & writers,

Winter sport "industry"

5346-sport camps;

5214-Creating jobs via "eco-tourism", sport fishing and hunting.

Work with state and federal officials to restore the fish stocks that could renew commercial fishing.

5347-Developing a robust destination-based tourist economy centered on low-impact land uses, eg. arts, adult learning, eco-tourism.

GOVERNMENT; TAXES; LAW ENFORCEMENT, etc.

19- Tax base! NWTC removal

178-Adequate funding for the school & none for NWTC

29- Lower taxes 81-Lower taxes. 59-Lower property tax 110-Lower taxes

172-cheaper taxes 5015-lower property taxes 5093-Keep property taxes under control.

5175-lower taxes 5188-Taxes are too high. Must lower property taxes.

5212-Keep the taxes down 5239-property tax incentives.

5067-Keep taxes under control so old & young people can live on the island.

5251-Reduced real estate taxes 5343-Lower taxes

5224-tell the town to stop being so cheap with its employees—we need to create full time jobs!

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[GOVERNMENT; TAXES; LAW ENFORCEMENT, etc.] (continued)

- 30-Ask the town board. They hired off island town crew employee instead of Mike Jorgenson-local born & raised. Question is a joke.
- 36-Residents should be given preference for town jobs.
- 5049-Hire them for island/town jobs. 5130-Hire locals.
- 5248-Hire island residents first. 121-Filling job openings with Islanders-not bringing in outsiders.
- 53- More jobs and hiring of people who are not Island born!
- 5275-Increased benefits & salaries for town employees.
Hire more family employees for town jobs, not retirees.
Restrict IL business owners from operating a business & running off this island in the winters with money.
- 5037-Establish a group insurance plan with reasonable rates for all people who live on the island.
Don't hire retired or off-island people instead of residents.
- 5124-More respect for the police
- 23- Zero tolerance for scofflaws, nuisances, misdemeanors.
- 5241-Town board members who would work for everyone and not for special interests groups (pilots) and their personal agendas.
Try and keep spending & taxes down so young people can afford to work and stay on the island.

HOUSING:

- 1-affordable, available, rental housing 40-Have lower rental units
- 45-more affordable housing (renters) 90-Affordable housing (mainly rental)
- 107-Lower rent housing & availability
- 123-lowering rental rates and not ripping off tourists
- 3-more affordable housing
- 6-affordable housing (unfortunately an expanded "season" may be needed to accomplish this). Again, Balance!
- 10-affordable housing 15-affordable housing 37-affordable housing
- 41-Affordable housing. 47-Provide affordable housing 69-Affordable housing.
- 77-affordable housing 115-Affordable housing 119-affordable housing
- 159-affordable housing 167-affordable housing 172-cheaper housing
- 177-keep housing affordable 178-Affordable housing 5004-Affordable housing
- 5007-Affordable housing 5034-Affordable housing 5059-Affordable housing
- 5080-Affordable housing 5088-Affordable housing 5145-Affordable housing
- 5148-Affordable housing 5164-Affordable housing (see comments on survey pages)
- 5173-Affordable housing that isn't an eyesore 5192-Affordable housing
- 5210-affordable housing 5224-Affordable housing 5307-More affordable housing
- 124-Housing assistance
- 141-housing 169-Housing?
- 157-Encourage new business establishment in areas currently zoned commercial that will provide jobs that can support families & encourage building of affordable housing in these same areas. Combine these goals by encouraging new construction in commercial areas with street level retail/business and upper floor affordable

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[TRANSPORTATION ISSUES (ie. ferry, airport):] (continued)

find more young people on the island.

5178-Better ferry service

5120-Cancel the ferries!

50-Support airport

SCHOOL; EDUCATION; TRADES; NWTC:

37-good school system 5047-Good schools usually top the list 5051-Good school 5210-good

school system 5168-Good quality school 5173-Good schools

5034-Good school system 5221-Good schools 5041-First rate school.

5004-Good Schools 5007-Good schools 5013-Good schools 5014-Good schools

5119-Good school 5063-Good schools – after school activities 82-A good school! 5333-Good

schools 177-Good education standards 5125-Better schools

10-better school 154-better schools 55-Better school. 58-Better school 114-

better school system 118-Better schools 162-Better school system

5015-Excellent schools 5245-strong schools 5293-Strong education system

69-Security of good schooling. 119-quality school system 5278-Good education, 5294-The

best possible school we can have. 5307-a strong viable school

5312-good schools (which you already have & hopefully will continue to)

5247-A strong school! A college scholarship program (like Kalamazoo, MI) to encourage

yearly attendance here, that would be awarded at H.S. graduations

5308-good education facility

24-Best school opportunities that can be available 41-High Quality public school.

97-We must maintain and support a top notch school 87-a decent school

159-support of school 166-school support 5145-Support of schools

5254-Supporting and maintaining a good school system. 5261-Support the school

100-supporting education of school age children

108-Steady, adequate support of the school; much better education

109-Fully fund the school. 146-more confidence in school funding;

5012-Good schools and adequate funding 95-More support for our school

5255-Good schools, after school activities

5220-Better support (more tax dollars) for the school.

178-Adequate funding for the school & none for NWTC

5250-Improve school funding-make it the best school in the state.

5006-Increased educational funding (not sending educational funds to tech school

in Sturgeon Bay but keep that money in our Island schools.

107-Help get the school system fixed 110-Improved school system

111-Improve ed. System-Develop a work ethic!!

Internships/apprenticeships

22-Improve the situation at the school. 52-Improve schools 61-Improve our K-12 school

5252-Resolve whatever problems exist at the school. 5169-Work on school issues

28-Improve the school system is #1. Our young people represent the future of Wash. Is.

We cannot afford to be complacent.

53-The school system needs revamping & improvement! 5176-Improve W.I. school

64-Improve school, live within means, instead of always asking for more, through referendums.

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[SCHOOL; EDUCATION; TRADES; NWTC:] (continued)

- 31-Make teachers accountable & fair will keep school going. 127-dedicated teachers
- 5187-A school system that is under control.
- 5198-The school needs to be evaluated—too many issues with discrepancies—not getting good educations.
- 131-Either fire all school personnel..... and start fresh with new non-islander staff or, even better, close the school and start an exclusive boarding school to which all island children would attend for a minimal cost.
- 36-Administration of the school needs to improve to prevent so many families with children leaving.
- 5144-Work on improving the school. Continued drop in enrollment/children being home schooled is symptom of problems in school/administration.
Help guide school children to be aware of what jobs could enable them to live on the island IF they would go off island & prepare for those opportunities.
- 8-improve island school system-currently poorly managed with low staffing standards from admin. or town. Those who are exceptions need positive mentoring and support.
- 5260-Improve the schools 132-Fix the school system 5056-Fix the school system.
- 5331-Seem to be a lot of grumblings about school leadership.
- 147-Get the school system in order people keep pulling their kids out of school.
- 94-Deal with the school PLEASE. There are ongoing personnel problems with several mediocre teachers and many of the kids are very disillusioned.
- 133-Improving school situation – reviewing administration qualifications – replacing individuals accordingly
- 139-We have lost several families with young school-aged children due to lack of discipline and authority in our entire school system. The classrooms are noisy-children are wandering in and out.
- 149-Clean up the mess in the school system -- Establish conduct and dress codes for both students and TEACHERS and deal with infractions immediately regardless of who is involved—re-establish mutual respect.
- 5259-Hire inspiring teachers; sponsor field trips to exotic places such as Fermi Lab in IL, Quebec City, Canada; historic places in WI like New Glarus.
- 5263- maintain highest quality education system to promote learning which can be applied to skill base needed on the island.
- 5268-upgrade school-I'm not sure this is possible-maybe high schoolers should be educated off island.
- 15-school where kids' good behavior is rewarded
- 152-Replace some of the substandard teachers so families do not leave the island for better school systems
- 168-Change some of the faculty at the school
- 172-better education. New teachers that are younger and willing to teach
- 42-A school that uses an "individualized" model
- 50-change the school system—allow the young to have a bigger voice.
- 98-Maintaining the school, improving the curriculum 5320-educational offerings
- 5284-maintain school 5330-Improve and maintain school.
- 143-Maintain good school & expand library & rec. center
- 135-Build up and improve the school and its curriculum to encourage those with young

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[SCHOOL; EDUCATION; TRADES; NWTC:] (continued)

children to move here.

- 71-An excellent school needs to be developed, or should I say EDUCATION
- 89-More opportunities for their children in the areas of education (school);
organized after school activities utilizing REC Center (swim team, tennis, etc.).
- 5139-A manner in which you educate for the appreciation of less commercialism.
- 105-Get an education—you can always work at home.
- 136-A well run school & jobs. Why do you ask this question?
- 103-Better school system, more on-island vocational training including experience with
real projects in community. Educational support for college & travel opportunities.
- 144-Encourage the young to get a trade and work for a reasonable wage so services can
be had on island.
- 171-Encourage more young families to move here and keep the school strong.
Encourage/train for work w/ underserved (DD, special needs students)
create "tutoring", one-on-one jobs
- 5212-learn more trades 5046-Unless they are interested in a trade, they won't stay.
- 5058-Embrace the island's special living and business conditions and learn trades &
skills to be successful.
- 5068-Training in plumbing, electrical work, roof repair to stay & start small business.
- 150-Close the school-implement private school, lower taxes will result commerce-work
where you could earn a living
- 5224-the school needs major help-charters? 23-Affordable private education.
- 5028-Improve the basic educational opportunities. 5129-More curriculum choices for
upper & high school grades 5135-attractive educational (*opportunities*)
- 5131-Continued/expanding educational programs & facilities 47-online college classes
- 5032-Improve the school-get the young people on board & involved in decision making.
- 5045-I would think the island needs a vibrant school system and community for young
students and families to stay. Parents look for a good school system-No.1 priority
for young families.
- 5054-I'm not sure. Good educational system. Maybe more non-traditional learning
incorporating the natural qualities of the island into learning. Form partnership with
high schools in the Peninsula or Green Bay.
- 5239-Better education. Off-island high school.
- 5242-Education comparable to that available off the island.
- 5165-A college would keep them on the island or more work for them. That's mostly
why they leave or to find a wife or husband they are not related to
- 5216-Educational and recreational opportunities, although perhaps too much work
shouldn't be done in this area. Allow them to leave and eventually return.
- 5346-A school/college or specialized training facility; continuing education/training for
corporate employees, like a retreat or certification program....
- 62-NWTC occupational classes (ie. plumbing; appliances; construction; electrician, etc.)
so they are schooled in needed trades.
- 5108-Tech school outreach center for 1 day a week. Bringing teachers here..
- 5138-A genuine commitment to education complete with a NWTC satellite campus on
island. The island is perilously close to losing all of the young families if a long
term commitment isn't soon made to education.

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153-Keep the school open 5237-Absolutely continue local school availability.
156-We need our school! Families will not come here or stay here if we don't have a school.

UTILITY & COMMUNITY FACILITIES; CHILD CARE:

117-better day care for children
135-Offer affordable childcare for younger children.
167-affordable child care services
5171-Keep your library updated.
146-the new gym

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM:

3-the development of jobs 119-jobs 49-Create more jobs. 130-Jobs
154-more jobs, 167-Jobs 169-jobs? 172-More jobs 174-Jobs! 178- Good jobs 180-better jobs
179-Marketable jobs 5007-Jobs 5003-Careers-jobs!
37-jobs, 87-Employment 58-Employment 45-More jobs, 73-More jobs
171-Jobs as in question #15 5034-Jobs 5082-Jobs 5098- Jobs 5111-Jobs
51-More employment opportunities. 107-More job opportunities 5348-Jobs
43-More jobs! Keep the Russians, the Europeans, etc. from taking summer jobs.
161-Jobs – especially for women 5146-More jobs 5149-Job opportunities
163-Better employment and social opportunities 5119-Jobs 5154-jobs,
5155-Employment 5228-Work opportunities 5237-Generate jobs.
5217-More jobs for them. 5219-More opportunities for employment.
91-Island has been in a state of change for the last 15 years—seasonal employment is not the answer. Encourage jobs.
136-A well run school & jobs. Why do you ask this question?
 Industry/jobs--with out "work" we have nothing else.
5051-Employment opportunities. 5006-Employment opportunities (full time)
5129-More employment 5135-employment opportunities.
5245-obviously job opportunities 5271-Work 5293-employment opportunities
5307- more and better jobs,
5246-Has to be a way for young families to make a living.
5308-Jobs & good education facility
5311-Small business opportunities
5316-Develop commerce/employment and a modest cost of living,
5320-Business opportunities 5328-Work opportunities seems to be number one.
27-Need small businesses to provide job opportunities.
4-There are many business opportunities here. A class "A" think tank should be developed!! Key Word – incubator.
6-Better jobs/affordable housing (unfortunately an expanded "season" may be needed to accomplish this). Again, Balance!
10-jobs- better paying jobs with benefits 15-Jobs with health benefits
5210-Need jobs with potential & health benefits,
34-Employment and activities for them.
121-Filling job openings with Islanders-not bringing in outsiders.

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[ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM:] (continued)

Training for job opportunities

- 53-More jobs and hiring of people who are not Island born!
- 5032-Hire them for existing jobs/needs on the island!
- 5049-Hire them for island/town jobs.
- 135-Encourage and maintain standards to employ appropriately qualified individuals, instead of employing retired individuals who are not full time residents.
- 5070-Give them 1st chance at available jobs provided they are qualified.
- 5130-Hire locals. More job opportunities.
- 5215-Preferential consideration for available jobs.
- 5091-Give islanders jobs instead of looking off island (assuming qualified)
- 135-Encourage and maintain standards to employ appropriately qualified individuals, instead of employing retired individuals who are not full time residents.
- 5330-Increase employment opportunities for full time residents.
- 5275-Restrict IL business owners from operating a business & running off this island in the winters with money.
- 5200-Better job availability
 - As much effort as possible to hire from within the existing community
- 69-Year around jobs. 114-year-round full time employment
- 134-More businesses that provide year round income
- 47-opportunities for year-round employment, internships;
- 153-More year round employment w/ benefits 5014-Year round work
- 89-More jobs to attract year around living. 132-make more year round jobs.
- 5095-Year-round employment 5334-Year round employment
- 5294-More year around employment with benefits.
- 158-Jobs with benefits. Turn this community from a retirement/tourist community into a self sufficient area that has something to offer with employment. 5060-Decent pay
- 5069-Good high paying jobs with benefits.
- 5182-Very difficult! Higher wages 65-Reasonably (*reasonably*) paying jobs.
- 5187-Viable work-jobs that pay a living wage.
- 5336-Opportunities to earn a decent living: ie. decent paying jobs including teaching
- 5242-Employment that allows a decent standard of living for young families.
- 5012-More opportunity for steady full time & part time employment;
 - Be able to get off the island for work
- 5026-Expanded work opportunities through year-round tourism and more development/construction.
- 5162-Year-round sustainable jobs. This could be many things, but tourism is not enough to sustain the island's future.
- 5227-Diverse year-round employment with good income, especially for women.
- 5351-More year-round industry.
- 5236-We need to encourage more business to the Island that can provide year round employment.
- 5023-They need a way to earn a living. The island cannot grow without year round employment available to the young people.
- 5243-Jobs-but they don't exist year around. They would have to create new ideas for making a living year around.

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[ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM:] (continued)

- 25-Employment-Island seems to reject industry-any true type of manufacturing. We think cottage industry is key in smaller units of people being employed year-round.
- 5315-Encourage home based businesses. Internet business, cottage industry.
"Organic" grown foods, livestock, herbs, berries, etc.
Encourage artists, writers, etc. to live on the island. They are low-impact but will stimulate the island economy.
- 100-I suggest supporting cottage industries, diversifying the economy
- 5050-More cottage industries. 168-Encourage cottage industries
- 5008-Locally owned business & farming should be encouraged.
- 5297-Jobs other than tourism – like agriculture.
- 88-Adding in-home/cottage businesses & light/small industry, farm processing plants/cheese factory to add jobs all year around with needed benefits. Re-start farming.
- 137-Agriculture & forestry & cottage industries.
- 63-Develop jobs, Island Timber Co-op, other jobs
- 5304-Local business such as successful timber coop
- 138-Labor-intensive specialized or "niche" sustainable agriculture and forestry would require substantial numbers of semi-skilled workers (or unskilled).
- 5152-Construction, plumbing, farming, forestry (saw mill)
Licensed home care workers
Cottage industries
- 5285-Encourage home based business 120-business
- 55-More opportunity for service jobs and businesses
- 5344-Retreat center facility with jobs
- 77-Jobs: Internship? Apprentice position.
- 18-To find some kind of manufacturing that is more(?) _____ (can't read it)
- 106-Support island business it is the basis of the island. Do not support anti business expansion.
- 90-Encourage efforts to attract business enterprises her suitable to the island. Small business loans, less than 10 employees.
- 109-Encourage industries that provide jobs.
- 122-The town must encourage & promote business to expand and come to the island, ie. high speed internet, tax breaks for businesses that employ ten or more people.
- 126-Have a full time industry able to hire 10-50 people. Assembly!
Fishing and dairy farming are long gone!
- 157-Encourage new business establishment in areas currently zoned commercial that will provide jobs that can support families & encourage building of affordable housing in these same areas. Combine these goals by encouraging new construction in commercial areas with street level retail/business and upper floor affordable residential.
- 5009-Question 10 on page 3 really gets at a good point. Increases in young families and better jobs is directly dependant upon how accessible the island is year round. If the ferry line is open to running more boats, growth will occur and I feel you'll find more young people on the island.
- 5088-Jobs --Community where there are diverse activities--don't be a destination for

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[ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM:] (continued)

tourists

Having an image of the Island, such as an eco-community.

- 5011-Create jobs through tourism. 31-Create tourism jobs. 5158-Promote tourism.
- 5214-Creating jobs via "eco-tourism", sport fishing and hunting.
- 5177-Expanded tourism would create more employment opportunities and draw more families to the island.
- 5179-Sustain job opportunity by better marketing of tourism, the main industry of the isl.
- 5209-Cottage industry, eco-tourism
- 5164-Employment in eco tourism & cottage industries
- 5213-Work with state and federal officials to restore the fish stocks that could renew commercial fishing.
- 5258-Expansion of opportunities, ie. development tourism. Expand on arts, teaching, fishing, vacation opportunity services.
- 5021-More employment possibilities-which I imagine to be focused on small farming, like organics & expanded tourism. For tourism to work-there needs to be more evening ferry service.
- 5220-Information-based industries, craft-based and other things that pay better & don't depend on tourism.
- 5019-A small MFG business & tourist related jobs.
- 5018-They need jobs. So: nursing care, phys. Therapy, other "freelance" type careers in "service" industries.
- The island needs a product to "produce" and sell. Now, it's tourism & Kenny's wheat.
- 5063-Encourage small private business that does not pollute
- 5052-Continual high quality of traditional island lifestyle and core values. Must be accompanied with some opportunities for employment in traditional businesses, agriculture, and tourism but keep modest
- 5022-The opportunity to start their own business.
- More off season jobs and adequate pay.
- 124-focusing development on the types of work that interest young people.
- 5042-More business to offer jobs so they have the ability to support a family.
- 5044-Having a decent job to support a family. Some type of industry, without losing the beauty of the island.
- 5061-Create a more diverse economy with more employment opportunities
- 5075-Improved business & economic chances.
- 5080-Quality of life and job opportunities 5168-Employment opportunities
- 5093-Support viable employment options 5125-More business and related jobs
- 5108-Job opportunities/internships. 5190-Activities that offer suitable employment.
- 5113-Provide jobs that attract young people and young families.
- 5118-I wish I could think of something. This should be your 1st priority.
- 5121-More professional people living on island -- high tech usage/brokers/writers.
- 5174-Provide employment by encourage businesses to move to the island, as long as they are a "good fit" for the island.
- 5183-Job opportunities: teaching, business, gov't.
- 5201-Stress the advantages

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[ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM:] (continued)

Try to bring in a high tech company that appreciates good, honest, hardworking people as prospective employees.

5202-Employment opportunities or lower property taxes.

5204-Not sure, but they deserve to make a living consistent with keeping the character of the Island.

5211-Encourage small business ownership training on entrepreneurial businesses

5221-jobs that provide income above the poverty level

Needs a thoughtful and pro-active community effort to identify direction and initiate action.

5263-Encourage and support succession of family businesses

5272-Consistent growth oriented policies. Promote growth.

76-Jobs and that means opening the Island for more development. Presently too large of tracts, smaller would be better like more 5 acre instead of 20 acre.

141-Jobs & housing

5295-Create jobs. More restrictive land use would stunt job growth.

5301-Affordable housing, construction jobs,

5276-more employment options, encourage small business development

5282-Jobs are essential—however, commercial development would kill the island. It is a juggling act to balance jobs with the peace & tranquility of the island – good luck.

5287-Economic development

5331-Employment opportunities w/growth

5290-Build up winter activities to draw people on weekends?

5291-A few more clothing stores, & another grocery store or larger one. More restaurants, parks with swings, etc. More gift shops. Jobs-petting zoo a small amusement park for children which can close in winter (obviously) but is more for summer people.

5327- The Township should explore ways to attract at least one service industry that can employ highly trained Islanders. Many analytical/technical endeavors can be performed in home offices, "off-site". Examples include marketing research, economic/financial research and graphic design. Such businesses pay well, helping young couples start families, helping them stay on the Island. Faster internet could make this a reality.

5350-Attract appropriate high value business to spend money on the island and provide employment.

175-a way to make a living – not welfare or hand outs, oil, home & food subsidies

123-lowering rental rates and not ripping off tourists

5076-summer jobs for kids

5216-Educational and recreational opportunities, although perhaps too much work shouldn't be done in this area. Allow them to leave and eventually return.

5147-I am not sure that it is necessary to encourage young people/families to stay. The island will never be able to support them, except for a few craftsmen who can provide needed services. There is more opportunity off-island and that is where they should go. Supply and demand will determine if they can/should stay.

5083-The key is small families. Don't expect 8 children to assume the family business.

5031-Can't be done. They're always going to leave for schooling, more jobs, pay and

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[INTERNET HIGH SPEED ACCESS, computer skills, etc.] (continued)

5315-Encourage home based businesses. Internet business, cottage industry.

5327-Suggestion for keeping young people and young families on the island: The Township should explore ways to attract at least one service industry that can employ highly trained Islanders. Many analytical/technical endeavors can be performed in home offices, "off-site". Examples include marketing research, economic/financial research and graphic design. Such businesses pay well, helping young couples start families, helping them stay on the Island. Faster internet could make this a reality.

5342-Become a "mecca" for outsourced (computer/internet) enterprises with Island residents as the "skilled labor pool".

LAND USE & DEVELOPMENT:

76-Jobs and that means opening the Island for more development. Presently too large of tracts, smaller would be better like more 5 acre instead of 20 acre.

80-We feel there is a need for smaller lots that would allow young people the chance to start out on the island. Large lots are too expensive for a younger person.

81-Divide land to keep building going!! Change zoning GA to 5 acre min. Building is huge to the island - 5 acre min. on GA to build.

157-Encourage new business establishment in areas currently zoned commercial that will provide jobs that can support families & encourage building of affordable housing in these same areas. Combine these goals by encouraging new construction in commercial areas with street level retail/business and upper floor affordable residential.

180-lower real estate prices

5067-Provide progress (growth) in keeping the island up with the times. Fight the "citizens against everything group" that stifles growth.

5146-More affordable lots & housing

5207-Significant problem with ever-rising property values that tend to keep out first time buyers. It's a problem for the whole county.

5232-Flexibility in the comprehensive planning. Young people will have great ideas but may run into the fact that we're creating unaffordable housing or that commercial opportunities are restricted to the Main Road.

5239-Affordable housing; property tax incentives. Develop interior land

5247-There must be some land in smaller lots, now that 5 acres is more than \$50,000!

5272-Consistent growth oriented policies. Promote growth.

5282-Jobs are essential—however, commercial development would kill the island. It is a juggling act to balance jobs with the peace & tranquility of the island - good luck.

5295-Create jobs. More restrictive land use would stunt job growth.

5349-I doubt that any commercial development which would produce more good jobs can be accomplished without changing the character of the island in a negative way.

5008-If the island becomes developed, it would be a shame.

MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS:

140-I think there is too much segregation (older adult bingo, senior lunches, men only, women only breakfast) all ages should get together.

5351-Needs a thoughtful and pro-active community effort to identify direction and

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[MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS:] (continued)

initiate action.

- 5106-A clear picture that Washington Island will be a special place long term. A caring community with values.
- 5110-Young people stay because they like Island life/ways, regardless of opportunities other places. I think that is underlying reason not money/success!
- 5118-I wish I could think of something. This should be your 1st priority.
- 5126-People must make their own choices and decisions regarding families/children and living on Washington Island – it’s a small island. That’s no secret!
- 5130-Improve communication-discourage gossip-wait to get the facts before hurting reputations.
- 5165-A college would keep them on the island or more work for them. That’s mostly why they leave or to find a wife or husband they are not related to.
- 5185-Make sure they have the opportunity to experience and compare life off the island. Instill the values of family over money.
- 5195-Limit off island “big business” so that local islanders don’t have to compete to make a living.
- 5201-Stress the advantages
- 5204-Not sure, but they deserve to make a living consistent with keeping the character of the Island.
- 5216-Educational and recreational opportunities, although perhaps too much work shouldn’t be done in this area. Allow them to leave and eventually return.
- 5238-Make it interesting, lively, and vibrant! That may require trade offs--you give up some—you gain as well.
- 5266-Pray, and work hard
- 5301-encouraging young people to appreciate their heritage & to perpetuate it
- 5308-Encourage connection to outside world through competitive sports, job fairs, music, etc.
- 5312-demonstrating to the young that the Island has what many in major cities are seeking-low crime, green spaces, clean air & water, etc.
- 5314-Admittedly it is a dilemma. What kept families on the island in the past? Times have unfortunately changed and we need to grow and develop in order to provide employment for young people. Hopefully that growth will be done with care and vision.
- 5318-I am concerned you are trying to gain too much control of peoples’ personal business. Only people with money will have power that scares me!!
- 5351-Needs a thoughtful and pro-active community effort to identify direction and initiate action.

UNREALISTIC OR ‘CAN’T BE DONE’

32-Not realistic

- 70-It is important for young people to experience the “wider” world but their decision to locate on the island is a personal decision, hopefully enhanced by their life experience here and “away”.
- 84-Because of its isolated location, it makes it difficult for any island business having to ship its products to be competitive with similar type businesses. There isn’t anything

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[UNREALISTIC OR 'CAN'T BE DONE'] (continued)

to offer a credible income for the young people.

92-If Island young people wish to spread their wings-let them. They always return as time and circumstances permit.

111-Exposure to "real world"

173-I'm not convinced they should stay here. 5066-Nothing

5002-Not sure what would benefit young families.

5031-Can't be done. They're always going to leave for schooling, more jobs, pay and hopefully, keep returning and loving the island.

5079-Most young people are going to leave the island regardless.

Keep it attractive so they return for vacation (etc.)

5102-Let them go. They will return if a quality life/environment is maintained.

5147-I am not sure that it is necessary to encourage young people/families to stay. The island will never be able to support them, except for a few craftsmen who can provide needed services. There is more opportunity off-island and that is where they should go. Supply and demand will determine if they can/should stay.

5167-The size & location of the island precludes long-term opportunities unless in a family business.

5231-Perhaps, as is with everywhere, young people should explore, travel, settle where they will!

5249-It will be almost impossible to keep young people on the island when the only jobs are service jobs four months of the year at not more than minimum wage. Not enough to raise a family and buy a home.

5269-Only a true love for the island will keep them there. Either they love island life, or they want to make a living using their education elsewhere.

5270-Unless they are willing to operate a local business and be satisfied with a moderate income, I don't think you will keep them on the island. This will be an ongoing problem.

5072-It's already there on the island if they open their eyes.

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Written comments that refer to:

BEACHES & PARKS

- 53-Keeping the beaches groomed & clean/clear. Too much weed growth & stagnant water makes the sand dunes an eye sore!
- 95-Improved beaches and water access—currently Schoolhouse is the only beach that's swim-able. Improve sand dunes.
Obtain more public water access.
- 5022-Maintenance of public beaches.
- 5307-More attention to the deteriorating sand beach.
- 5052-I fear the growth of services for promotion of tourism may destroy traditional quiet atmosphere of island
- 5160-Need to make it a winter destination
- 5188-Increase tourist trade for more business opportunities. A lot of tourists would come if motel, marina, stores, restaurants and lower ferry rates could be accomplished.
- 5190-Guide service-fishing/hunting
Instruction-shooting, archery, etc.
- 5198-Tourists need to be welcomed. Summer people need to be welcomed-not just for their money... Without them-there would be much more poverty!
The Island needs entertainment/somewhere to not drink.
- 5216-My main concern is the general lack of hospitality services during shoulder/off season times.
- 5232-Places to stay for tourists; activities for visitors. Tourists generate a major portion of income for the island.

RECREATION & ACTIVITIES/CLASSES:

- 3-movie theatre 5076-Movies 5275-movie theater
- 4-Amusement & recreation. Build it and they will come. Examples-the golf course. A.E. The Stave Church.
A conference meeting place to have movies, etc. Bus groups in a casual setting, for banquet facility, entertainment.
Flush toilets @ school House. It smells & is embarrassing to tourists.
- 5258-quality fishing services --?--too
- 6-Family entertainment
- 57-Roller skating/ice skating rink (flood a park, etc.)
- 90-Entertainment for young people grade 7-12
- 159-winter activities and commercial support
- 5035-An upgraded video store
A bike path
- 5043-Family activities for tourists
- 5131-There's got to be more to do for the summertime daily visitors & families.
- 5146-More family programs & activities
- 5155-Second-hand, non-profit store
Dances held earlier than 9:30 pm
Continuing education
Musical classes, more theatre
Skate park for teens & pre-teens

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[RECREATION & ACTIVITIES/CLASSES:] (continued)

- 5198-Tourists need to be welcomed. Summer people need to be welcomed-not just for their money... Without them-there would be much more poverty!
The Island needs entertainment/somewhere to not drink.
- 5200-Public access to shoreline and other unique areas of the Island, hopefully while protecting the environment in those areas.
- 5240-Casual gathering places like large book stores, movie theater, public use fields for larger gathering, meeting rooms for rent to small groups like birders, retreats, etc.
- 5244-Youth activities.
- 5120-Interfaith services
Island marathon
Island exchange with inner-city kids from Milwaukee or Chicago
- 5126-Adult education
- 118-Better meeting rooms, conference center (20-75 people)
The new library was a good idea
- 152-Indoor, sunny (full of windows) place to walk (or run) in winter or in inclement weather year-round
- 154-bigger library and meeting rooms 166-Sat./weekend hours at library
- 5054-Expanded library, Recreational Center which offers free or reduced price classes to residents such as art, computer, maybe college classes through a local community college.
- 5168-Educational opportunities for all ages
- 5248-Classes like pilates, strength & conditioning at low cost encouraging all ages to participate regularly.
- 5089-I would push for more artists to come to the island. An Art Garage where classes in painting and sculpturing are taught in connection with Sievers.
- 5301-More frequent non-denominational lecture series.
- 5274-more meeting between year round & seasonal residents
- 5277-elective affordable classes for kids through seniors in crafts, teaching of games like dominoes, cribbage, bridge, and computer-as hour or so long to fit into busy days.
- 5290-The Recreation Center-most of the machines are for men. Disappointed the new REC building isn't being built.
- 5292-Promotion of green transportation to reduce the number of day vehicles coming to the island. Promote bikes, electric cars, shuttles to move day trippers around the Island.
No services for SCUBA diving, yet there are tremendous local sites for divers and snorkelers.
- 5039-Island needs to be cleaned up
Walking paths need to be developed for all kinds of recreation
- 5297-Parks, public trails, etc.-the nature trail in Green Bay Woods is a great start. Thank you! Trails that go around the island – on forestry management property.
- 5233-More public hiking & biking trails.
We need to discourage use of cars on the island.
- 5307-More public hiking trails

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AGRICULTURE & FARMERS MARKETS:

- 143-farmers markets would be good. 5118-A good farmers market, bakery
- 5231-Farmer's market every weekend (home made jams, jellies, like Koepsels Bakery
- 5261-Green market in summer
- 5049-Active agriculture
- 5311-Local produce/dairy, cheese/local products – Washington Hotel ideas
Lumber cop is a good start – produce finished product on the Island
Light industry, cottage industry which can be shipped via postal service (no additional cost) internet sales.

HOUSING & MOTELS:

- 76-In my travels to the island I feel you need more motels or rentals
- 163-more year round lodging facilities
- 5146-Affordable rental & housing
- 5258-quality rental units/houses/condos

RESTAURANTS/SHOPS/STORES:

- 3-winter restaurants
- 30-Cheap fast food restaurants – McDonald's, EFC, etc.more restaurants/take out, catering?
Retail: Fresh produce & fresh fish,
- 103-Clean restaurants serving healthy food choices
- 5277-Retail, health food restaurants
- 166-Heart healthy, Low fat menus at restaurants
- 5030-Casual restaurants
- 5035-More variety of restaurants 5118-Good restaurants-more variety.
- 5079-Restaurants 5157-Restaurants 5348-restaurants
- 5106-More year round restaurants.
- 5143-Entertainment (restaurants, etc.) year round. 163-restaurant variety (year round)
- 5184-Food store
Late night restaurant
- 5204-Good restaurants. 5237-Restaurants-high end needed. 5286-Good places to eat out
- 5238-Restaurants & more active night life
- 5277-Retail, health food restaurants
- 5287-Restaurant near Jackson Harbor to encourage boaters.
- 5301-More restaurants open from early spring into winter season.
- 5351-Quality restaurants and take-out foods.
- 57-Small family owned general store
- 77-Retail: Fresh produce & fresh fish
- 88-Convenience store availability after normal day hours.
- 155-Specialty shops, good groceries-specialty foods/bakery, chocolate shop, deli, etc.)
- 5035-shops selling items specific to Wash. Isle, ice cream shop.
- 5070-Bigger grocery 5294-Grocery store

- 5083-We need two groceries, two gas stations.

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[RESTAURANTS/SHOPS/STORES:] (continued)

- 5095-Shopping variety
- 5155-Second-hand, non-profit store
- 5291-Shopping (every day type)
 - car rental-limited
- 5312-A bakery
 - perhaps dry cleaning
 - shoe store
- 5314-building supplies
 - car repairs

SERVICES

- 10-Not enough plumbers
- 13-Home services & repairs, ie. window washers, yard workers, handymen, plumbers, house cleaners, painters
- 69-Appliance repair/plumbing/electrical
- 77-Laundry/dry cleaning;
 - plumbers; tile person.
- 83-Plumbing
- 97-We badly need 1 or 2 young plumbers & heating people.
- 163-Plumber
- 5037-Plumbers-HUAC people
 - Encourage island service people to work & show up.
 - Have a list of recommended services & people who perform those services available at the Welcome Cent or Town Office & seek follow-up ratings from customers. On-line at library would also work & people could see if their comments are actually being represented.
- 5068-Plumbers, electricians, roof repairers
 - Training in running & developing small business
- 5118-Plumbers (a choice)
 - More choices in every area.
- 5181-Plumbing & electrician
- 5227-utilities e.g. plumbing
 - More plumbers, electricians & heating/cooling services.
- 103-Plumbing & heating contractors
 - Adult education programs
 - Professional seamstress/alterations
 - Reliable & timely small construction/maintenance assistance
 - Mail collection & forwarding
- 5316-plumber,
 - electrician
- 111-A labor/service worker pool—bonded, trustworthy—willing to work & do the job.
- 5046-Good reliable home improvement and repair services.
- 5052-I think needed services are available with possible exception of adequate cleaning services.
- 5145-More home repair, lawn care

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[SERVICES] (continued)

- 5277- more handy man services, painters
- 5147-Electricians, home repair/remodeling
- 5175-Garbage collection
- 5213-HONEST & COMPETENT home builders
- 5314-building supplies
 - car repairs
 - heating and cooling

LAW ENFORCEMENT:

- 27-Make sure we have adequate medical & police services.
- 31-Law enforcement-need 2 fulltime to enforce ALL laws in state
- 46-Also think not having on-duty law enforcement in the evening/late night is detrimental.
- 86-Need 2 policemen for 24/7 coverage.
- 123-We need one more police officer.
- 133-police representation 24/7
- 144-Enforcement of all local, state & federal laws
- 178-Adequate police (2-3 officers)
- 5210-the present police force

SCHOOLING/TECH. SCHOOL:

- 50-school system needs complete overhaul
- 135-outstanding school
- 172-Better schooling
- 5006-Daily use of all tech school (Sturgeon Bay) programs
- 5068-Training in running & developing small business
- 5331-educational opportunities for adults
- 84-Technical training for young people here is disproportionate for the monies required to be paid to NWTC by the Town of Washington.

INTERNET & CELL PHONE SERVICES:

- 23-Internet services (low impact) including broadband. Adult ed. (not "crafts")
- 24-Hi speed internet 91-High Speed Internet 110-High speed internet
- 122-High speed internet 153-high speed internet 5014-Internet
- 5016-High speed internet 5023-Internet services 5026-High speed internet connectivity 5035-High-speed internet 5067-high speed internet
- 5093-High speed internet at reasonable prices 5095-High speed internet
- 5167-High speed internet access 5187-High speed internet
- 5213-High speed wireless internet 5195-High speed internet, better cell phone network
- 5228-high speed internet 5248-High speed internet 5275-high speed internet
- 5283-high speed internet 5316-high speed internet 5327-High-speed internet
- 5331-reliable high speed internet 5343-Hi speed internet
- 5018-High-tech imperative for professions to work from island! Internet access.
The island needs a product to sell. Now, it's tourism & Kenny's wheat.
- 5021-Desperately need high-speed internet for those of us who need to conduct our

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[INTERNET & CELL PHONE SERVICES:] (continued)

- business work while on island.
- 5064-Better cell phone reception
 - Internet access not dial up
 - cell phone access
- 5104-Promote telecommuter jobs, work good paying jobs from home
- 5148-Cable high speed internet
 - A working phone at Jackson Harbor or reliable cell coverage
- 5153-High speed internet makes many jobs possible essential for econ. development in today's world. Remote villages in India have an advantage over the island because they have internet.
- 5237-Internet access to general public, e.g. at library or community center. Need more PCs available and allow more time on them. Also WiFi availability so can bring own laptop for access. If WiFi were available around the Town Center area, the # of PCs available at the library would be moot. You could "park it" anywhere in the "Town Center" vicinity & access the web. This will be an increasing "need" for tourists during the summer season. They generally have their own lap tops & want to stay "connected" if only to a limited degree
- 5263-high speed internet to permit home based business expansion.
- 5315-*Better cell phone signal. (This is a must!) + Broad-band internet.
- 5292-High Speed Internet/broadband communications throughout the island.
- 5245-Broadband 5257-Internet access
- 5250-Library needs improvement-more computers & copy machines, etc.
 - High speed internet
- 5279-high speed internet & cell service
- 5308-High speed electronics
- 5172-web. Cell
- 5085-Suitable "cell" phone communication improvements.
- 5057-Seem to find everything we need except cell phone service.
- 5273-upgraded land telephone lines—cell phone reception east & south
- 103-Computer & technical support
- 5048-Internet café

TRANSPORTATION –FERRY

- 17-more ferry service
- 106-Public transportation (especially in summer)
- 152-Expand ferry schedule, especially Oct. 29-May11 (plus add more trips on Wednesdays Jan 3-Mar.31)
- 5006-Better ferry schedules in off season-more late hour trips. The more crossing, the more money coming into the island business.
- 5206-Better ferry service
- 5037-Have the ferry line be more professional at North Port. Avoid the craziness that occurs at North Port when it is busy—better ferry caring about tourists.
 - Make sure people know what the island is like before they cross. Many bike renters & walkers are very disappointed & do not return.
- 5125-More off season ferry service

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[TRANSPORTATION –FERRY] (continued).

- 5141-Less expensive transportation to and from the island. For example, an annual ferry pass.
- 5146-More ferry service
- 5174-Discounted ferry rates for full-time residents
- 5242-Some kind of reduced ferry rates for islanders-year round and seasonal residents— this would encourage winter visits thus helping out the food & hotel trades to remain open—perhaps buying a "book" of so many tickets in advance?
- 5261-Ferry competition
- 5323-I like the idea of evening ferries during the summer season. Quite satisfied with the services.

AIRPORT:

- 111-Charter flight service
- 150-Improvements to the airport
- 5014- Better airport
- 5075-Air taxi
- 5121-Developed airport
- 5125-Better airport for year round traffic
- 5193-Air charter service to Green Bay

MARINAS/BOAT LAUNCHES

- 50-Boating facilities & school system needs complete overhaul
- 58-Transient docking.
- 119-Help marinas and bays get dredged for improved boat traffic
- 150-a Jackson Harbor Improved Marina – presently the Jackson Harbor is a disgrace to the island.
- 163-marina facilities
- 5014-Bigger boat launch facilities on all sides of island
- 5026-Dramatically expanded marina facility near ferry dock
- 5063-Marinas-bring people who visit-and spend money-then leave
- 5206-Marina (municipal)
- 5287-Much better launch ramp (Jackson Harbor) Transportation rental by dock.
- 5319-Public facilities – ie: boat launches/marinas

OTHER TRANSPORTATION:

- 164-taxi
- 168-More taxi services
- 5065-Possibly transportation/cab issue
- 5067-Taxi service
- 5227-taxi-type transportation
- 5238-Public shuttle/transportation.
- 5282-transportation
- 5287-Transportation rental by dock
- 5292-Promotion of green transportation to reduce the number of day vehicles coming to the island. Promote bikes, electric cars, shuttles to move day trippers around the

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[OTHER TRANSPORTATION:] (continued)

Island.

5316-transportation down (to) the Door

5326-Transit/transportation (boating, defined shuttle/transit system)

HEALTH CARE/COUNSELING/ ELDERLY CARE:

4-one evening a week doctor hours (spring to fall)

19-medical:doctor in residence. No North Shore medical corporate influence

31-medical-full time doctor needed; 108-A full-time medical doctor

5012-A full-time physician 5327-Resident medical doctor

114-Full-time Doc.

Qualified EMT's!

174-Doctors 5004-We need a full time doctor. 162-Doctor of our own / no clinic

178-A doctor; paramedics on the rescue squads

131-A full-fledged MD and temporary on-island nursing care for those needing minor supervision but short of hospitalization.

5071-Doctor! The morons who let this last guy go should be shot—

5179-Medical doctor/nurse

5184-We need a fulltime doctor 5301-Medical care w/ on-island physician.

62-Health care—real doctor & nurse, not a PA and EMT! In a well equipped clinic where medical tests can be performed & interpreted

89-Advanced life support & doctor

Service industry business; paramedics on ambulance

5235-Medical doctor 5252-doctor 5254-We need a doctor! 5307-A full-time physician. 5239-Full time doctor. 5255-We need a full time doctor on the island!

130-Resident doctor and care/housing for elderly

5336-Health care services absolutely needed: on Island physician & diagnostic services; pharmaceutical services & supplier. The Island needs & could support a small pharmacy/drug store.

5340-Doctor or (or an?) actual nurse

5346-The island needs a full-time doctor; NPs are not doctors. This to me and aging visitors is an essential for the island as a whole, and its continued attraction.

5097-Health care is a problem. We need a compassionate, board certified family

27-Make sure we have adequate medical services.

34-We need better health & trauma care after our doctor was "run out of town" by our town leadership!

45-Physical therapy, short & long term.

Available nursing home care or care within the home.

46-Health services. 58-Health care. 103-Health care 5079-Health care

5007-Health care 5011-Health care services

5320-Health care, primary & critical care.

5331-Health care 5333-medical 5334-medical care

5350-Need to get medical service straightened out.

5219-More stable health care

5139-Health care 5178-Health care 5206-Health care 5048-Medical care

5154-medical 5181-Medical 5229-Medical 5246-Medical 5256-Medical services

5157- Medical services in general; Pharmacy 5164-Medical services

Written comments for Question #2 - "What services do you believe are needed here, but are not available, or are under-represented?" [Numbers refer to each returned survey]

[HEALTH CARE/COUNSELING/ ELDERLY CARE:] (continued)

- 5135-Medical services with transportation off island
5328-medical 5329-medical
135-medical services 166-Medical facilities & other services
143-Health care appears to be problematic;
172-Better medical attention 5019-Medical -- always can be improved.
5003-Medical services-under represented & over priced
5008-Health care for all ages should be expanded.
71-Top notch medical services and facilities!
124-I think the Island does very well. It would be nice to have a very limited number of beds available for seriously ill.
126-Medical. It should not be necessary to go off island for minor medical attention. This happened to me three times in three months.
134-Health care. The clinic should be able to do minimum care such as X-ray's, etc. and should be connected via visual computer to Sturgeon Bay to read X-rays, heart monitoring, be able to do EKG's via computer hookup, etc.
115-X-ray machine
64-Xray machine & full time DR.,
67- An Xray machine. 5002-Health care, esp. X-Ray 5176-X-ray at clinic
5028-A more comprehensive medical facility with x-ray and other basic equipment.
5108-Health care-Xray machine to avoid unneeded trips to Sturgeon Bay to rule out possible fractures.
5304-Good medical care. A better equipped office for a medical doctor, including a proper and current X-ray. A lab for blood tests, EKG equipment
5013- Emergency services for off island transfer; medical
5022-Drug store 5070-pharmacy 5312-pharmacy 177-drug store
88-Pharmacy services 5313-Medical Rx's
5034-Continue to work on health care issues
5045-Not being familiar with all the health care systems on the island, we both feel this is another priority, for both young and old.
5058-Better hospital/medical care
5081-Improved medical services are essential. This one factor affects almost every decision about island living. Everyone is at risk at present.
physician (M.D.) and aggressive training & retesting of our EMT's
5106-Health—you reach a certain age and almost have to leave due to risk of inadequate care.
5112-Perhaps a skilled care facility would provide employment for members of young families.
5121-Medical facilities
5149-Main reasons I haven't built are: (unavail. or under-repres.) medical/dental
5168-Home health care 63-In home health care
5173-Healthcare facilities 5298-Health care. A properly equipped clinic -- equipment & personnel
5060-Medical & dental services are under-represented
5228-Dentistry
pharmacy

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[HEALTH CARE/COUNSELING/ ELDERLY CARE:] (continued)

- 5261-Medical, dental 5025-Better medical and dental
5186-Dentist 5042-Dental
5316-doctor/dentist/vet
5267-Maybe more emergency medical services?
132-Chiropractor
152-Counseling services (psychological, dental, mental, etc.) available year-round (once a week)
5032-Counseling services 5130-Counseling services 5221-Community counseling
141-Support groups
152-Counseling services (psychological, dental, mental, etc.) available year-round (once a week)
171-County-provided services. County branch offices perhaps? To be used for mediation, counseling, legal aide, elderly services ?
5032-Counseling services
 Services for the elderly
5018-Proper medical & the sort needed by older people. Pharmacy also.
5268-Lack of medical care-older citizens need --?-- --?--which will not be avoidable— it's risky to live on a remote island.
5278-nurse or assistance to visit homes of ill & elderly on regular basis
5054-Medical care for the elderly on the island. Well...maybe a donut shop. Medical care in general.
36-Eldercare services, health care services
5061-Health care, assistance for elderly
5152-Possibly elderly health care & living-with licensed care givers and volunteer to aid elderly.
5214-Health care, especially for elderly
5227-Broader health care especially for elderly
5129-Dialysis; Home health care for the elderly
26-assisted living. Hospital

ELDERLY CARE:

- 5185-Elderly care 5332-Elder care
5189-Elder care and health services
5210-Senior health care 5214-Health care, especially for elderly
5227-Broader health care especially for elderly
2-Senior housing & care
11-Nursing home, senior citizens housing assisted living housing
26-assisted living. Hospital
28-Senior care related services & housing. Visiting pediatrician & additional specialists on a regular monthly schedule.
36-Eldercare services, health care services 61-elder care 147-Elderly care
41-Assisted living facility, elderly health care
47-I feel that elderly & hospice care is underserved. We need more paid & volunteer caregivers.
15-Hospice-palliative care; respite relief for care givers

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[ELDERLY CARE:] (continued)

- 86- Innovative healthcare services for the elderly, such as the Community Health Initiative.
- 92-Health care facilities for the elderly
- 109-Things for the elderly or baby boomer population, we need their money to fund the future.
- 112-anything that Door County mainlanders have-support for seniors, disabled- support WICHP and what they are doing.
- 121-health issues, especially elderly care—visiting specialists for heart, kidney, diabetic issues
- 130-Resident doctor and care/housing for elderly
- 139-Senior citizen "In-Home" care. 158-Elderly home care 5332-Elder care
- 5093-Home health aides and assistance; assisted living arrangements
- 5095-Home care for elderly 5129-Home health care for the elderly
- 5205-Home care for the elderly. 5245-In home elderly care
- 5263-Home based services to elderly persons
- 151-Services for the elderly, like meals-on-wheels, etc. 5164-Senior services
- 167-Help for the Elderly like snow removal, fixing potholes on their property depending on their income
- 168-Perhaps more mobile meals for elderly or recently injured or whatever?
More taxi services
- 171-County-provided services. County branch offices perhaps? To be used for mediation, counseling, legal aide, elderly services ?
- 5054-Medical care for the elderly on the island.
- 5056-Elder care which allows seniors to live in their own homes reasonable.
- 5061-Health care, assistance for elderly
- 5122-Care for the seniors. A home for the elderly.
- 5130-Housing for seniors
- 5152-Possibly elderly health care & living-with licensed care givers and volunteer to aid elderly.
- 5173-Assisted living facilities for the elderly
- 5247-More help for elderly so they can remain on island longer
- 5269-Assisted living & in-home care & assistance
- 5278-nurse or assistance to visit homes of ill & elderly on regular basis
- 5317-Services to support elderly & people with disabilities to live independently – home health care, transportation
- 5282-Elderly services; transportation
- 5050-None-if people want great services they should stay in the Chicago suburbs.
The only thing that should be added is a small nursing home next to Velkommen
So the elderly don't have to leave the island. This would provide employment.

VETERINARIAN:

- 10-Vet-live on island. 67-A full-time veterinarian. 120-veterinarian 5217-Vet
- 5094-If I were to move to the island, I'd want to have a veterinarian (large & small animal) in residence and a farrier.

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MISCELLANEOUS:

- 4-Amusement & recreation. Build it and they will come. Examples-the golf course
The Stave Church.
A conference meeting place to have movies, etc. Bus groups in a casual setting, for banquet facility, entertainment.
Longer library hours (like normal communities everyday 8-6 or longer)
Longer town office hours. They are there anyway. Be open!
1 evening a week doctor hours (spring to fall)
Flush toilets @ school House. It smells & is embarrassing to tourists.
If you love the island, show it.
- 39-dry cleaner 77-Laundry/dry cleaning 5207-drycleaners
- 42-Drop off/pick up service for a cleaners (clothes);
a good weekly newspaper that really informs the community of what is happening in town govt., organizations, etc.
- 43-How about some TV advertising?
- 45-Physical therapy, short & long term.
- 51-Garbage pick-up 5322-Garbage pick-up for residents 5184-Garbage pickup service
- 5212-Sunday hours at the dump 5324-Sunday trash dumpster at the dump
- 5310-Garbage drop-off for dump "off" days (*days not open*)
- 5067-reasonable gasoline & heating oil prices
- 163-wastewater treatment 5067-waste treatment 5251-Wastewater treatment
- 5184-Wastewater treatment plant 5083-Improved system for sewage problems.
- 64-UPS Home Delivery, 129-UPS/FedEx package delivery
- 103-Mail collection & forwarding
- 86-More kennels for cats/dogs for when owners are away.
- 103-Professional seamstress/alterations
- 119-Control cormorant population which is destroying Pilot Island
Encourage state to develop visitation to Plum Island as a nature area,
Help marinas and bays get dredged for improved boat traffic
- 122-Property tax breaks for businesses employing more than 20 people.
- 169-insurance benefits
- 177-Alternative energy (such as wind/solar) 5164-Alternative sources of energy
- 5035-An upgraded video store
More lighting on the side streets
- 5039-Island needs to be cleaned up
Walking paths need to be developed for all kinds of recreation
- 5302-Improve campground facility
- 5078-Reduce the cost of electricity
- 5112-Perhaps community garden area.
- 5120-Interfaith services
- 5138-Something on the order of a "Better Business Bureau". We have many wonderfully, competent & honest businesses/service providers. However, the few "bad" apples need to be identified for those not familiar with the islanders that could ruin it for all.
- 5147-Army Corps of Engineers here to cure our lake
Naturalists, etc.

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[MISCELLANEOUS:] (continued)

5177-More vacation rental options, particularly those that would encourage more visitors who wish to stay for just two, three or four days.

5216-Micro winery

My main concern is the general lack of hospitality services during shoulder/off season times.

5221-volunteer corps

64-low cost exercise classes

5227- local newspaper

5239-Planning & zoning taking leadership role in defining statutes for town board.

5261-Photo service

5301-More frequent non-denominational lecture series.

146-bakery

5315-Bring back the home-baked cherry and apple pies at Brothers Too!

5341-More tourist info

5342-More user-friendly access to appraisal system/representatives so seasonal residents can have meaningful input. Timing of "property visits", inspection of books are nearly impossible for us to be present. Our taxes went up by a factor of 1.5+ on top of 1.2 the previous year!

5319-Public facilities – ie: boat launches/marinas; pavilions for outdoor events & town parks/county park.

153-full-time daycare

ALREADY HAVE WHAT WE NEED:

82-Happy with the way things are now. That is why we are here!

87-No change 5062-None 5066-None 5266-none

5087-None-I didn't come there to change it!

5015-We already have everything

5050-None-if people want great services they should stay in the Chicago suburbs.

The only thing that should be added is a small nursing home next to Velkommen
So the elderly don't have to leave the island. This would provide employment.

5052-I think needed services are available with possible exception of adequate cleaning services.

I fear the growth of services for promotion of tourism may destroy traditional quiet atmosphere of island

5057-Seem to find everything we need except cell phone service.

5065-With present population there is enough services.

Possibly transportation/cab issue

5072-Fine the way it is

5102-If everything was on the island-it wouldn't be the island.

5113-As an occasional visitor I don't need many services.

5183-I believe all services are adequate.

5201-I think that you are doing the best you can with what you have.

5202-Services that are needed are available on the island.

Written comments for Question #3 "What words or phrases best capture your preferred vision for the island's future?" [Numbers refer to those given to each returned survey]

Written comments that refer to:

DEVELOPMENT/CHANGE

COMMENTS "FOR" or "FOR CONTROLLED GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT:

- 3-Future development & growth is needed, but careful planning is necessary.
- 8-Measured growth, moderate improvements; a multi-layered society; a concern for maintaining as many natural features as possible.
- 23-Cultural Park on European/Swiss model. Muscle-powered craft industry vs energy-intensive.
- 28-A community working together to preserve our natural beauty & resources while maintaining a vision of growth & progress.
- 65-Plan ahead by never forgetting the past.
- 77-Expansion to benefit the people yet preserve our kind, peaceful existence.
- 80-We are in need of some type of industry that would insure more year round residences. No one wants this island to become a Wis Dells, but there is a need for some home industry or cottage industry to ensure further growth.
- 89-Need to increase "year around" population to 1200 to 1500 people. Everyone will be better off, especially the business community & the school.
- 109-Balanced, measured growth, sustainable (green) self-sufficient.
- 122-controlled & open minded growth
- 132-We need building, but not over built.
- 135-Outstanding economic future.
- 138-Self-sustaining agriculturally-based community.
- 150-Forward-Progress-Get with the Future-Get with the times. Living up here is like living in the Past 30 years ago-Get up to date!
- 162-slow steady growth
- 163-smart growth
- 172-No future with no building. We need building to keep the Island going.
- 180-Managed growth
Eco-tourism
- 5014-Beautiful vistas and planned gradual growth.
- 5022-A busy main street with seclusion and quiet away from town. "Preserve our wilderness".
- 5026-Green development. Sustainable development.
- 5062-Slow, managed growth
- 5067-Growth! Focus on business!
- 5071-continued growth
- 5105-The state tourism dept. needs to promote Wash. Is. As a Door County "Jewel".
- 5146-Looking to the future, systematic progress + development.
- 5166-Controlled growth-esp. avoiding the kinds of retail stores that clutter towns on the Door.
- 5184-If things don't change you will have a gated community.
- 5206-Slow planned growth with policies to discourage land speculation.
- 5228-Controlled growth to keep the island community viable while maintaining its peaceful character.

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- 45-Beauty, calm, serene, status quo, not much change. 33-green, quiet
- 46-Enhance serenity and do not encourage noise (jet skis, snow mobiles, hunting, loud recreation) and minimize excessive development.
- 49-Keep the way it is. 51-Keep it like it is. 84-To remain much as it is.
- 5066-Leave it like it is 5122-Don't change. 5065-Maintain present status quo
- 5050-Keep the island as it is – it is a special place- don't let it become just another tourist destination!
- 78-Stay the way it is—moving carefully into the future to enhance what we have.
- 52-Serenity, relaxing, peaceful, natural
- 57-Stay with "Low Key" country charm. 61-mostly rural
- 36-To maintain the peaceful, rural atmosphere of the island. No condos, no stripmalls or chain stores.
- 42-Rural, pristine, small community
- 62-Natural beauty, quiet, excellent health facilities.
- 63-Very controlled development.
- 67-Rustically up-to-date.
- 73-Stable and peaceful 83-Remain stable
- 74-Keep it unique and quiet is why people like to come here, also rural.
- 82-A 1960's small town with high speed internet!
- 85-Go slow; Don't let it become another Egg Harbor.
- 86-A rural, rather rustic community with open space & forests as the predominant feature; and houses that blend into the background (unobtrusive) and sized appropriate to surroundings.
- 88-Rural-low density-country atmosphere. Wish part of South Point were public & Sand Dunes maintained.
- 130-Affordable rural atmosphere
- 90-I'd like to come back in 10 years and have to look carefully to notice significant changes.
- 92-Rural/small town atmosphere, health and elderly care friendly. All change is not necessarily "progress". Let's "make haste slowly."
- 116-Maintain our rural, non commercial lifestyle.
- 94-NATURAL! Quiet; dark sky at night;
Green energy; commercial buildings with more earthy, perhaps Scandinavian architecture. TPAC is hideous, doesn't fit in.
- 95-Don't expand – we like the peace, quiet, natural environment.
Keep out the wealthy people who want to put up fences ie. Southpoint and keep the simple life.
- 97-Do not relax the zoning. Slow growth has to be the best way to go.
- 103-Peaceful, home, friendly, uncluttered, minimum of outside regulations, self directed & self sustaining to extent possible, eco minded, maintenance of island lore and mystique, distant from urban activities & thinking
- 105-The song "Peace in the Valley" is appropriate. Don't let the outside world destroy it.
- 108-Diverse population, ie. age, ethnic, skills. Quiet, rustic, natural beauty.
- 5115-To maintain the "small community" feeling.

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- 119-Unique Quiet
- 121-“back to basics”, “caring for & sharing with neighbors”
- 122-controlled & open minded growth
- 123-Keep it low key like it is now. People like the quietness of the island.
- 124-We are an eco-community.
- 173-A wildlife haven. Ecological “small footprint”
- 131-“Look to the Past”. We are here because of what the Island “was” and for the most part “is”, and not for what a handful of “developers” want it to be. Why did they even come here? Is it only to make a quick buck at our expense?
- 140-A Historical Society! Old buildings & barns should be saved!
- 5012-Rural/small-town atmosphere; undisturbed; natural
- 5013-Preservation of place, space and antiquity
- 133-Protecting our natural resources.
- 136-Take responsibility & ownership of the island.
- 137-Keep the Island as “natural” as possible.
- 138-Self-sustaining agriculturally-based community.
- 143-green, sustainable, beautiful, peaceful, tolerant of people who are different
- 5026-Green development. Sustainable development.
- 147-Keep it simple – people come here to get out of the rat races 69-Simplicity
- 151-Maintain the island as a unique haven from the noise, pollution and congestion that dominates most rural and urban places.
- 153-Constant; slowing down of new construction.
- 156-Don’t commercialize the Island like the county is becoming. Encourage the natural beauty, keep the friendly atmosphere here. Keep the Island as a respite for those that need the peace & quiet we have here.
- 179-non commercialized simple is best
- 177-Non-commercial, clean, natural environmental practices, quiet, continued family entertainment and local participation
- 178-Self-reliant. Produce more of what we need here, esp. food.
Scale back tourism – in the long run, tourism will destroy our way of life.
- 180-Managed growth Eco-tourism
- 5002-Nature, beauty, serenity, peaceful 5020-Quiet-pure nature
- 5033-Rural, quiet, natural, quaint 5011-Place of peace & solitude
- 5004-Preserving nature, keeping the quiet.
- 5007-nature, history, quiet, beauty, open space, dark skies
- 5034-My preferred vision is to retain the peace & quiet that the island offers.
- 5022-A busy main street with seclusion and quiet away from town. “Preserve our wilderness”.
- 5172-Quiet, rural community with a vibrant village center that promotes community and business opportunities for young people.
- 5173-Local growth without sacrificing the islands’ down home character.
Restrictions on tract housing development.
- 5008-The island has such charm & peace about it. I would hate to see it developed as it will lose its beauty & appeal.

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- 5009-A closely knit community that will utilize tourism and its environment to create its local economy.
- 5014-Beautiful vistas and planned gradual growth.
- 5017-Let the tourism "draw" be the lack of touristy activities; let nature & natural beauty speak for itself.
- 5024-Retain its character and do not sell out like the mainland.
- 5030-Quiet, natural, sparsely populated.
- 5032-Maintain & improve quality of what we currently have. Keep the island unique—avoid (the) development taking place in rest of Door County.
- 5040-Conservative—make what we have look & perform to the needs of year round & summer residents.
- 5043-Keep it "quaint", "simple" & "affordable"
- 5045-The first list of primary goals from page 1 of this questionnaire (items A-H) would summarize our feelings—they are what attracted us to the Island in the first place. And as a result, we will re-locate to the Island permanently.
- 5048-I think of Washington Island as the Midwest's Martha's Vineyard only undiscovered by most – perfect.
- 5124-Don't let it turn into another (Martha's Vineyard)
- 5051-Quiet, remote, little vehicle traffic...these distinguish the island from other places. No Hollywood please, go to the Dells for that!
- 5057-Natural beauty, quiet, peaceful, plenty of wildlife, laid back, artistic
- 5058-Nature-preserve with adequate services.
Don't over-commercialize.
- 5059-I enjoy the island as it is, I hope it does not become over-commercialized like the county has.
- 5060-That it not be unrecognizably altered. 5096-More of the same atmosphere
- 5061-Let the "attraction" loving, shoppers stay on the lower door.
Attract eco-tourism consumers and people who love the simplicity of the island.
- 5063-Under populated limited growth & development. Once you "sell out" you can never have the island back again keep government small & friendly.
- 5064-Relaxing peaceful, beautiful 5139-Maintain the aesthetics and natural peace.
- 5069-Keep population low to preserve natural beauty.
- 5070-Maintain sense of "community" and rural flavor
- 5072-Leave the beauty as is - Please. 5073-Keep it natural
- 5076-Quiet, unpretentious; natural beauty; friendly
- 5078-"A very peaceful environment" 5095-Peaceful, quaint
- 5086-The continued pristine beauty of the island + the large water + free of any prostitution of land use or lake use
- 5087-stasis—the land that time forgot. 5091-It remains the wonderful place it is
- 5093-Serene, non hectic, clean, safe, quiet. "Green", peaceful, rich in cultural opportunities, economically sound.
- 5094-Preserve what there is in terms of rural open space. It is becoming rare, is vital and cannot be taken back once it is given up.
- 5097-Protect our natural environment-work with the DCLT and Nature Conservancy.

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Stress eco tourism & provide ecological tours, both by land & water.

5104-To remain quiet and quaint, what the rest of door county was fifty years ago.

5108-Pristine, peaceful, Icelandic heritage, "north of the Tension Line". Leave the big city behind

5110-Have always liked atmosphere/surroundings of Island, but times change & even though we need to change/bend with the times, the inherent reason we came initially & stayed is we like the island ways/culture/people and the beauty & way of life. Change but don't lose sight of what the Island is or should be. Too much progress/access will destroy what we love (have?).

5113-I fell in love with the island on my first visit 21 years ago because of the way it was then, so I hope it can stay the same for as long as possible. Keep it a refuge!

5118-Natural beauty, not touristy. 5125-Peaceful, non commercial, elegant, timeless.

5126-Calm, quiet, peaceful, room to breathe & walk and not see anyone-just wildlife.

5129-Safe haven; peaceful; serene; rural community unscathed by big business.

5130-I don't want to see condos go up - lets keep the natural beauty.

I hope we will be able to afford to live there-the taxes need to not be raised for a very long time.

168-No condominiums allowed

5138-"Community" maintaining the quality of life & sense of community without the material trappings created by "McMansion mentality".

5141-Nantucket. Comfortable, quiet lifestyle.

5144-Peace, actually go a year without some divisive issue. Stay "Low Key", do not develop like mainland communities.

5046-I just don't want it to turn into a Door County atmosphere. Hustle, bustle.

5174-Maintain the current island "atmosphere". Don't let the island evolve into a tourist trap such as the peninsula. 5169-Do not get commercialized like the county.

5145-Retain beauty. Welcoming place/appreciation of visitors and their business - preservation of unique character and traditions/history of the island.

5147-My vision of the future hinges on the lake. It is our most precious resource and we have to save it. I think because they don't return every year, the full time residents don't see the low lake levels. It's shocking to return every year and see it down. Unique and timeless and simple. The feel of W.I. is like nowhere else. A visit to the island is like going back to a simpler time - it is so refreshing to relate to people as friends and neighbors. A key to keeping this intact is preserving areas like Jackson Harbor. We cannot lose the look and feel of the historic fishing village. The fish barns that remain should all be preserved forever (including Nelson's, Gibson's, etc.)

181-Preserve the natural beauty of the island-maintain historical heritage of islanders.

Encourage tourism based on unique and natural attractions no mass tourism - if we Wanted that we would live on the peninsula. Preserve and encourage simple lifestyle.

5148-Continuity of the families of the settlers without the displacement by the greed of entrepreneurs.

5152-Unspoiled natural settings; free of pollution (clean air & water)

5157-Environmentally protected & serene; peace & tranquility.

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5158-Preserve green spaces & natural features from development.

5168-Beautiful respite, peaceful (environmental issues need to be addressed).

5171-It is a peaceful, sane destination-one of very few in the world. Considering what else has happened in Door County, we hope the Island remains as beautiful as it already is.

The following table compares how the three groups rate various features or options listed in the Questionnaire. Each column is listed in the decreasing order of positive check marks received.

Year Round Residents 207 Forms 308 Respondents	NON Year Round Residents 318 Forms 480 Respondents	ALL Respondents 531 Forms 797 Respondents
Question #1	Question #1	Question #1
D. Natural Features	D. Natural Features	D. Natural Features
B. Open Spaces	B. Open Spaces	B. Open Spaces
C. Quiet	E. Dark Skies	E. Dark Skies
E. Dark Skies	C. Quiet	C. Quiet
F. Local/Family bus.	A. Low density	F. Local/family owned
G. Rural character	G. Rural character	G. Rural character
A. Low density	F. Local/family owned	A. Low density
Ques#4 Nat.Fea.1st	Ques#4 Nat.Fea. 1st	Ques#4 Nat. Fea.1st
Ques#13 Jack.Harbor	Ques#13 Jack.Harbor	Ques#13 Jack.Harbor
Ques#14 Maintain town ease.	Ques#5 only sm lots=pub.bene.	Ques#14 Maintain twn ease.
Ques#3 tourism=shoulder seas	Ques#14 maintain town ease.	Ques#5 only sm lots=pub.bene.
Ques#5 only sm lots=pub.bene.	Ques#10 add Fri midnite boat	Ques#3 tourism=shoulder seas
Ques#10 add Fri midnite boat	Ques#3 tourism=shoulder seas	Ques#10 add Fri midnite boat
Ques#2 satisf.w/ Ordinances	Ques#7 hi-density=twm center	Ques#7 hi-density=twm center
Ques#11 more winter boats	Ques#2 satisf.w/ Ordinances	Ques#2 satisf.w/ Ordinances
Ques#7 hi-density=twm center	Ques#11 more winter boats	Ques#11 more winter boats
Ques#12 limit airport to Refer.	Ques#12 limit airport to Refer	Ques#12 limit airport to Refer
Ques#6 Recrea. uses to encourage	Ques#6 Recrea. uses to encourage	Ques#6 Recrea. uses to encourage
a. expand bike paths on roads	a. expand bike paths on roads	a. expand bike paths on roads
C nature trails for birders/hikers	c. nature trails for birders/hikers	c. nature trails for birders/hikers
g. uses to attract sport fishing	g. uses to attract sport fishing	g. uses to attract sport fishing
b. more/improve boat launch	e. more/improve public docking	b. more/improve boat launch
d. marked trail sys.-ski/snomobile	b. more/improve boat launch	e. more/improve public docking
e. more/improve public docking	d. marked trail sys.-ski/snomobile	d. marked trail sys.-ski/snomobile
f. uses to attract hunters	f. uses to attract hunters	f. uses to attract hunters
Ques#6 Commercial uses to encour.	Ques#6 Commercial uses to encour.	Ques#6 Commercial uses to encour.
i. health care facilities	i. health care facilities	i. health care facilities
e. retreat/adult learning centers	a. restaurant facilities	a. restaurant facilities
a. restaurant facilities	e. retreat/adult learning centers	e. retreat/adult learning centers
f. museums	f. museums	f. museums
c. tourist lodging facilities	c. tourist lodging facilities	c. tourist lodging facilities
j. marine facilities	j. marine facilities	j. marine facilities
k. family entertainment facilities	d retail stores/shops	d. retail stores/shops
d. retail stores/shops	k. family entertainment facilities	k. family entertainment facilities
h. on land transp.for residents	h. on land transp.for residents	h. on land transp.for residents
g. on land transp. for tourists	g. on land transp. for tourists	g. on land transp. for tourists
b. storage facilities	b. storage facilities	b. storage facilities

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Ques #8 Housing types to encourage	Ques #8 Housing types to encourage	Ques #8 Housing types to encourage
g. Assisted care housing	c. Senior citizen housing	c. Senior citizen housing
c. Senior citizen housing	g. Assisted care housing	g. Assisted care housing
h. Nursing care homes	a. homes to buy	a. homes to buy
a. homes to buy	h. Nursing care homes	h. Nursing care homes
b. homes to rent	f. summer/vacation housing	f. summer/vacation housing
f. summer/vacation housing	b. homes to rent	b. homes to rent
e. multi-unit (rental apts.)	d. multi-unit (condos, duples, etc.)	e. multi-unit (rental apts.)
d. multi-unit (condos, duples, etc.)	e. multi-unit (rental apts.)	d. multi-unit (condos, duples, etc.)
Ques#9 More restrictive LU regs.	Ques#9 More restrictive LU regs.	Ques#9 More restrictive LU regs.
a. restrictions on junk storage	a. restrictions on junk storage	a. restrictions on junk storage
b. restr on outside residential liteing	b. restr on outside residential liteing	b. restr on outside residential liteing
d. limits on maximum home size	d. limits on maximum home size	d. limits on maximum home size
c. Architecture Design Standards	c. Architecture Design Standards	c. Architecture Design Standards
Ques#15 Business/services to encour.	Ques#15 Business/services to encour.	Ques#15 Business/services to encour.
b. 264 local owned/oper.busin	b. 376 local owned/oper.busin	b. 640 local owned/oper.busin
m. 243 support services-elderly	h. 370 eco-tourism	h. 589 eco-tourism
a. 237 home bus/cottage Indus.	k. 333 workshops/classes	a. 563 home bus/cottage Indus
p. 236 in-home care-elderly	c. 331 hi-speed internet access	m. 560 support services-elderly
o. 231 assist.living care-elderly	a. 326 home bus/cottage Indus.	c. 559 hi-speed internet access
c. 228 hi-speed internet access	f. 325 farmers markets	k. 549 workshops/classes
h. 219 eco-tourism	m. 317 support services-elderly	f. 532 farmers markets
e. 216 farming	s. 294 small conferences	p. 506 in-home care for elderly
k. 216 workshops/classes	e. 282 farming	s. 501 small conferences
n. 214 nursing & hospice care	g. 276 managed forestry	o. 500 assist.living care-elderly
f. 207 farmers markets	p. 270 in-home care for elderly	e. 498 farming
s. 207 small conferences	o. 269 assist.living care-elderly	g. 469 managed forestry
g. 193 managed forestry	i. 253 winter recrea. activities	n. 455 nursing & hospice care
i. 183 winter recrea. activities	l. 248 hotels, motels, B&B's	i. 398 winter recrea. activities
d. 179 animal husbandry	n. 241 nursing & hospice care	d. 404 animal husbandry
l. 150 hotels, motels, B&B's	d. 225 animal husbandry	l. 398 hotels, motels, B&B's
j. 148 hunting & fishing	j. 205 hunting & fishing	j. 353 hunting & fishing
r. 111 construction	r. 100 construction	r. 211 construction
q. 11 amusement parks	q. 15 amusement parks	q. 26 amusement parks