

Town of Concord

Summary of Community Input (12-05-06)

Jefferson County 2020 Vision Plan (*Concord Responses*)

- Relax land use policies and regulations so that all development can respond more freely to market conditions - 23.3%
- Emphasize preserving rural/agricultural character - 81.4%
- Encourage nonagricultural-related businesses/industries to locate where public utilities are available rather than in rural areas - 82.9%
- Encourage higher density development in towns contiguous to cities/villages where public utilities are most likely to become available - 65.9%
- Prohibit **all** residential development in rural areas - 37.3%
- Permit **more** development in rural areas - 33.3%
- If new development along public roads and highways is allowed, it should be clustered with landscape buffering - 70.5%
- Use zoning and other land use regulations to protect and preserve environmental areas and corridors - 84.5%
- Adopt stricter ordinances to limit size and number of highway billboards - 74.4%
- Charge "impact fees" to finance costs of public services required by new development - 65.2%
- Acquire more public conservancy areas and preserve natural resources - 70.6%
- Preserve as much prime farmland as feasible - 80.6%
- Currently up to 3 residential lot splits from farming units are allowed if not on tillable prime agricultural soils
 - a) Continue this policy - 59%
 - b) Policy is too restrictive - 22.5%
 - c) Policy not restrictive enough - 41.1%
- Use revenues from property/sales taxes to purchase "development rights" to preserve important areas - 45%
- Explore "transferable development rights" to provide incentives to keep agricultural land - 72.1%

Petition to Stop Development (*Reaction to Proposed Hamlet Plan - 129 respondents*)

- 128 Signature responses to stop development
- 1 signature response in favor of development

TOWN OF CONCORD PLANNING SURVEY SUMMARY 7-25-05

(249 Respondents ---- Questions 1-5 concerning demographics excluded ---- Only top 3-5 answers listed)

6. Why did you move to the Town of Concord?

- Rural atmosphere -162 (65.1%)
- Quiet - 130 (52.2%)
- Less people - 110 (44.2%)
- Natural beauty - 106 (42.6%)
- Close to nature - 106 (42.6%)

7. What is your vision for the future of the Town of Concord?

- Keep pretty much as is - 162 (65.1%)
- Light industry in business park in the I-94 corridor - 77 (30.9%)
- 3-5 acre parcels - 74 (29.7%)
- Single family residences in designated zone area one acre - 66 (26.5%)
- 35 acre minimum agricultural zoning - 59 (23.7%)

8. What vision do you have for the Town Center?

- Clean up the Town of Concord Center - 158 (63.5%)
- Try to restore the historical character of Concord - 117 (47%)
- Continue to develop Dahnert Park into a showcase for the town -70 (28.1%)

9. What type of business or industry would you like to see in Concord?

- Small business - 115 (46.2%)
- Light industry - 84 (33.7%)
- Home business - 73 (29.3%)
- Other [Nothing - 68 (27.3%)]
- Retail business - 56 (22.5%)

10. Where would you like to see this industry located?

- At the intersection of I-94 and County F - 111 (44.6%)
- Separated from residential development - 66 (26.5%)
- Along the I-94 corridor - 65 (26.1%)
- Other [Nowhere - 55 (22.1%)]

11. What type of billboards, if any, would you like to see in the township?

- No additional billboards - 155 (62.2%)
- Remove abandoned billboards - 137 (55%)
- Billboards that have certain height and lighting restrictions 40 (16.1%)

12. Which of the following make the Town of Concord a desirable place to live?

- Rural flavor/country living - 219 (88%)
- Easy access to the freeway - 171 (68.7%)
- Accessibility to both Milwaukee and Madison - 154 (61.8%)
- Reasonable land values - 90 (36.1%)
- Hunting/Fishing availability - 72 (28.9%)

13. What do you see as the most important things to improve the Town of Concord as a community?

- Keep rural living atmosphere wherever possible - 183 (73.5%)
- Maintain character of town/small town flavor - 129 (51.8%)
- Regulate growth - 105 (42.2%)
- Master development plan - 83 (33.3%)
- Clean up properties - 83 (33.3%)

14. If you could add (3) new businesses in the Town of Concord, what would they be?

- Restaurant - 107 (43%)
- Expand uses at the Community Center - 68 ?? (27.3%)
- Light/small industry - 58 (23.3%)
- Supermarket - 52 (20.9%)

15. The population of the town is approximately 2200. What would you like the population to be in:

- 5 YEARS a) 2200 - [101 (40.6%)] b) 3300 - [105 (42.2%)]
20 YEARS a) 2500 - [74 (29.7%)] b) 4000 - [39 (15.7%)]