

Trumansburg Questionnaire Comments

#5	Question	Comment	Survey #
	0	At bottom of introductory letter: Who on this committee was here in the 60s or earlier when people supported local family owned businesses?	2
	0	note: Taxes have increased every year since 2003. Apartment and housing have rent have increased every year. If this continue Trumansburg will be without residents because of the taxes. Schuyler County do not raise their taxes and continue to have more residents moving in. I would like Trumansburg to do the same and keep its residents. (sic)	23
	0	My compliments -- this is a very thoughtful survey tool.	31
	0	(note in demographics) No matter my income -- I am a full, active citizen with rational concerns. Trumanburg has the opportunity to be a quiet, calm gateway to centers of industry, education and cultural events. It need not compete. We need and appreciate the vanishing pastoral and peaceful village lift of neighborly support and serenity. None of the above is advanced, enhanced or protected by current projects, increased taxes, "sprawl", and seemingly meaningful educated yuppie pastime avocations. Let's protect why people came here in the first place!	39
	0	(circled Chaisson & Cunningham on cover letter) This is an outrageous conflict!! It seems that with 1,700+ residents it should not be necessary to have one family with the ability to have such strong representation and bias. Shame on you!	41
	0	Please consider visiting and consulting with Cooperstown NY planners -- they've done a great job protecting character, limiting and regulating types and locations of growth.	44
	0	Last Thought: We have the opportunity to restrict monotonous development and urban sprawl before it gets worse. Trumanburg should remain an oasis for people who are sick and tired of these things. Businesses should not be allowed to line Rte. 96 making a mess like the Elmira Road. They should be set back and have attractive landscaping.	55
	0	Letter in comments file	71
	0	(Demographics: income \$50,000 - 99,999) We work 4 jobs!!	90
	0	(Note with demographics) Please keep TBurg as is -- it is a great place to live.	118
	0	marked demographic page: Don't live here	125
	0	(marked page with cover letter) Some of the questions are slanted!	127
	0	(marked household's annual gross income 3, \$50,000 - 99,999) If less than this -- how can you live here? Very expensive for the return!	127
	0	(comment on demographics page) Government role is to promote public health & safety. This goes way beyond that. Make yourselves less intrusive in our daily lives.	130
	0	(comment on demographics page) We just moved to Trumanburg for the small/but convenient area. We had lived in Ithaca for 15 yrs - but they taxed us out of our home. DO NOT let that happen here, please.	131
	0	Comments letter in folder	143
	0	(comment on demographics page) All open space needs a plan including new Village roads. This includes the section between PA & South Streets, Prospect to King, Prospect to Congress etc.	150
	0	Comment on demographic page: You really should address this to both house/homeowners, not just one!	187
	0	(On cover letter, circled "cultural integrity") What do you mean by this?	190
	0	Comment on demographic page: All of our comments are in the vein of constructive advice, not merely critical observations with limited intention of providing helpful contributions to the outstanding community of Trumanburg.	196
	1	(Fire Protection not ranked) Is there no limit on what equipment they get? What do we need TWO ambulances and paid people for? How many calls are there?	2
	1	(decrease snow plowing) sidewalks can be done by owners.	11
	1	(decrease police protection) A few years ago I got questioned for walking at 11:00 PM. I have heard people from all over say they avoid this town because of POLICE HARRASMENT. (sic)	23
	1	(decrease snow plowing) DPW should not be plowing sidewalks.	36

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1	Revision of HOW the services are provided and performed would/could yield a better outcome. Increasing taxes will not increase productivity or change the current mindsets.	39
1	Sidewalk Repair needed.	49
1	(increase street trees) Dangerous trees a menace -- should be replaced.	55
1	(decrease street lights) One outside my house not needed. (recreational facilities appropriate) No skatebd park!	61
1	(sidewalk construction appropriate) Presuming the current project is completed.	62
1	(increase sidewalk construction) South St!!	79
1	Not listed here but should be: protecting the watershed & groundwater catchment area from which our public drinking water is drawn; investing in more healthful ways of disinfecting drinking water (e.g. ozonation rather than chlorination). Most important of all: sustainable development & alternative energy. A local commitment as a village to decrease fossil fuel dependency and do our part to prevent catastrophic climate change.	84
1	(did not mark increase, appropriate or decrease for fire protection) No more free rides!! We need to make other districts within our fire district PAY for ambulance services. Groton has offered to show us how to do this and we need to do it NOW!!	90
1	(increase street lights) new fixtures, less light pollution. (increase public transit) mid day!	94
1	(increase street lights) NOT for more lights but for properly designed, shielded, recessed fixtures (see Dark Skies Assoc'n). Replace current fixtures.	96
1	(decrease Rescue) I do not understand why the ambulance is always seen driving around the village and wasting gas!!	107
1	(Street trees) Trees between sidewalk & road should be the village's problem, not the home owner)	109
1	(re increase fire protection) I would like to see the siren updated. (did not indicate increase/decrease Public Transit) do any Village monies go to public transit? (Added increase EMS-ambulance) I don't think daytime EMS is paying for itself, consider contracting with Bangs for daytime service. However, I have yet to see the Village pay for an ambulance.	111
1	(increase street trees) fall over in storms	132
1	(marked sidewalk construction & street lights decrease) No new exp. for new sidewalks	134
1	(marked street trees increase, all others appropriate) on main st. Don't fix what isn't broke.	148
1	(increase rec facilities) indoor swimming pool	160
1	(increase sidewalk construction) finish M. St. project	162
1	(comment re "increase" in question) I do not agree that taxes need to increase. Need to (1) be more productive, increase tax base.	172
1	(re increase sidewalk construction) Build sidewalks where there aren't any	180
1	(increase street trees) including trimming of dead trees	181
1	(increase Rec programs) Skate Park	183
1	(checked all services appropriate) Reduce the st mtce, snow plowing, political expenses at TBurg. We need to coordinate these services & combine them with the County & State.	196
1	(appropriate street maintenance) Cayuga St. extension is ALWAYS a mess with snow. Should be cleaned with current taxes. (decrease Library) We already are taxed for 4. (decrease Rec facilities, programs, youth programs) Is there a reference to delinquency due to BOREDOM?	207
1	(increase snow plowing) Should include village tax payers on E. Seneca Rd. (did not rank rescue) Must start charging for service -- too costly. (did not rank sidewalk construction) start pouring concrete - do small sections at a time - DON'T go into debt. (did not rank Rec facilities) Skate Park in CENTER of Village.	211
1	(decrease fire protection) fire budget is out of control. (decrease rescue) Need to start charging for calls.	212

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	After receiving village tax of more than \$1000 we aren't inclined to ask for more service if it means more taxes. (marked sidewalk construction appropriate) South Street next to Methodist Church - poor - Main Street OK. (did not rank Library) Paying more all the time through school taxes. (did not rank recreational programs or youth programs) not familiar with current programs. (marked public transit appropriate) appears appropriate with ability to handle peak periods.	215
1	(increase sidewalk construction) Repair	217
2	Improvements, changes, "upscale" projects cost money and destroy the essential elements of what Trumansburg is. Living here was a selection of the town as is, where is AND not because it could be a "Long Island look alike".	39
2	(historic pres very important) Or, at least keeping properties in good condition.	55
2	The brook is an asset and more advantage should be taken of it. Obviously the land along it is privately owned so that's a problem. I think of two areas which might be developed if it were possible: the first is the area behind the NAPA parking lot where there is a nice waterfall. This could be a nice small park. the second, perhaps, is the brookside behind the Rongo stretching to the post office. This is a guess because I haven't walked that stretch. I see no logic in the pathway between Union and Lake streets because there is too much private property, the brook is occasionally subject to heavy flooding and the area could be an attractive nuisance for young people. A foot bridge connecting Main and Cayuga streets would be fun, however and allow people to get a sense of the creek area.	55
2	(establish a rec area along creeks - 2) Leave it natural!	61
2	(range of housing options 2 somewhat important) including green housing. Very important: a lively, self-sustaining farmer's market, a supermarket that sources with local, organic farmers, a ban on cosmetic use of pesticides (a la Canada)	84
2	(range of housing 6 don't know) What does this mean? High end homes & affordable small houses?	96
2	(somewhat important Aesthetic appeal of highway entrances into village) avoiding a discount store/fast food "strip"	99
2	(marked range of housing options 2 somewhat important) however, current range is adequate.	159
2	(did not rank streetscape improvement) finish M. St. Project.	162
3	(2 skateboard park not circled) Why can't they build their own jumps and skateboard in each others' driveways? I see a HUGE insurance liability with a village owned skateboard park. Would it be a service for a majority of youth?	2
3	Other: Youth Center	27
3	(Provide Public Park with playground) I believe doing anything should be for the (whole) and not just children. Safety and security - not entertainment. Bus options from/to school beyond 3rd grade would diminish concerns for the welfare of children walking next to a major route leading to their being whisked away all too quickly.	39
3	(other) pool for summer/winter use.	45
3	Other - YMCA	51
3	Other: Swimming pool. The lake is often cold for part of the summer. With the number of ponds and pools in town, TBurg kids should learn about water safety and life saving. The lake is not accessible to many children whose parents both work. Pools are good for social life. Unfortunately this would probably require a big benefactor.	55
3	(did not circle any response) Although fun for mostly guy kids, a skatebd park is a huge liability -- one minute your kids happily skating along, next no front teeth and 2 broken wrists. Take the bus to Ithaca.	61
3	(circled 2, 3 and 4) Tied, impossible to name just 1	64
3	(4 develop after-school activities) which could include skateboard park	68
3	Other: Use the golf course more. Work with the golf course on very inexpensive things that can be done or even free supervised actives (sic)	74
3	(6 other) teen center with pool (indoor) for all ages	76
3	(skateboard park) No! (circled 4 - dev after-school activities) For teenagers other than sports.	80
3	(circled 1, but also provided comments in Other) Replacement of arsenic-treated play structure on public school playground. These structures are no longer legal.	84

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3	Other: Support existing after school activities - there are lots of good opportunities.	101
3	(chose 1 - provide public park) And swimming pool - adults also	103
3	(circled 3, but also commented in Other) Parents spending more time with the children.	105
3	(did not circle any category, but commented on 2 provide skateboard park) No No No No	108
3	(did not circle a response) Greater use of the school facility instead of the current half time use	109
3	(6 other) teen center	110
3	6-Other: Miss that bowling alley. We need family centered activity, not kid only activity.	111
3	(circled 2 provide skateboard park) This should not be considered loss of green space -- it will blend in and be landscaped.	114
3	(chose 6 Other) indoor swimming & ice skating (out or in)	124
3	(chose 4) community building for "hanging out", activities, etc.	132
3	You do not provide services for the majority of youth. 1 Youth 2 selective activity. 3 not worth the effort. 4 after school what about summers? 5 should not be included.	134
3	(circled 1, but provided comment in other, also) better, more hours for head start program would be good	135
3	Put 'em to work	137
3	(circled 6 other) Develop a full-day summer camp for entire 10 weeks of summer for kids age 5-16. Make Town of Ulysses Camp (swim bus & playschool) a full day (combine with Trumansburg Summer Day Camp PLEASE!) What's available now is not the best system.	139
3	(circled 2, but added note to other) auto repair club	143
3	(did not circle a response) Use what we have. It is called school grounds.	149
3	(did not circle a response) more function for teens other than skateboard park.	150
3	(6 other) Fun center with: bowling alley, arcade, laser tag, movie theater, pool tables, air hockey, snacks, swimming pool	154
3	(6 Other) Kids would like a PLACE to hang out and not feel obligated to buy something.	156
3	(other) Youth Center	160
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3	(circled 2 skateboard park) Also equally important, 4 develop after-school activities	164
3	(circled 6 other) providing a pool for children & the community to swim in.	171
3	(chose 6 other) indoor pool	174
3	(6 other) provide a youth center that could be used year-round by MANY youth vs a skateboard park for 15 youth for good weather only.	190
3	(chose 1 provide public park with playground) assuming the school one isn't enough	194
3	(circled 1, provide public park) Benefits all people. There are enough facilities to provide activities for children in the village or nearby community.	196
3	Swimming pool	207
3	(did not circle a response) Watkins Glen has a skate park and there is very seldom anyone there using it and they are a larger community than we are. Keep the skate park CENTRALLY located!!	211
3	(6 other) I would have liked to have seen the bowling alley rebuilt.	214
3	(circled 2 provide skateboard park) However depends on location.	215
4	(value of property not an issue) Because state and county continue raising taxes. Why?	23
4	Poorly asked question. This issue is very problematic. While the reflection of value is a distribution concern it is disproportionate to the relevance of services and proximity to value base vis a vis Cornell, Ithaca City, etc.	25
4	(1-very important) To me it is more important to keep properties in good condition than to become a wealthy community.	55

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	4	(4 not an issue) It goes up no matter what.	90
	4	(Answered 4 not an issue) I am very frustrated with the way property is assed in Tompkins County. There is a lot of artificial inflation to generate larger funding from tax base. Taxes should be income based in general.	111
	4	(marked 4 not an issue) I do nothing & "value" keeps going up!	127
	4	(did not circle a response) Keeping up with the Smiths. HA! HA!	134
	4	(did not circle a response) How can I answer this when my assessment has increased 40% in the last few years	148
	4	(responded 4 not an issue) POOR question -- need to explain your thought process.	172
	4	(4 not an issue) I don't look at my house as an "investment" but rather as shelter.	180
	4	(1 very important) With current gas prices, nice weather, cost of police cars, etc. purchase some bicycles and keep our cops healthy	207
	4	(marked 1 very important) Doesn't make sense if other propertys go down	162
0	5	(Tburg changing 1 better and 4 worse) (1) much better with the new library. (4) Worse because of Historical Society, Village Office, Town Office, etc commercial additions -- please see attached letter to zoning board.	55
0	5	(did not mark scale) Better in some ways, worse in others. Having 2 Dollar Stores in town diminishes our image, historic integrity & cheapens us; the interest & commitment to revitalization from the community betters our village.	59
0	5	(not ranked) Change is neighter "good" nor "bad" but simply IS. When individuals are free to make changes in their lives as they see fit, without harming others, that is the best for communities.	95
0	5	(did not rank response) So why do we need 2 dollar stores and yet another movie rental? Makes no sense!	107
0	5	(did not indicate better/not changing/ worse) TBurg is changing -- but not necessarily for better or worse. Taxes are much higher than they used to be but this is mostly school taxes on assessed (over assessed) property. Ability to pay does not rise with property assessment. I don't like seeing the Dollar General dominate the Village center. I would abhor a McDonalds coming here.	111
0	5	(did not rank change) On one hand, becoming expensive & "gentrified". On other hand, now has 2 dollar stores & 3 video stores, not a good balance of commerce.	129
0	5	(did not mark change scale) If you muck up Main St. it will be for the worse. DO NOT!!! do the indented sidewalks.	148
0	5	(did not choose rank for change) "Not changing" does not logically fit the set. Somethings can change without being for the better or worse. The first decision is whether it is changing or not. After that, one can consider "better or worse"	184
1	5	(changing for 1 better) Its essence is being preserved.	5
1	5	(changing 1 better) More businesses - dollar stores.	23
1	5	(changing 1 better) New library, Main St. renovation/ but new development next to BigM is TERRIBLE.	35
1	5	(changing for better 1) People care and work at it.	49
1	5	(changing 1 better) A number of new residents.	53
1	5	(changing 1 better) New water tower, Main Street, comprehensive plan, a little bit of development.	54
1	5	(change 1 better) We are bring in more revnue and employers, by bring in businesses (sic)	66
1	5	(changing 1 better) Main St. Project, more open/soliciting local gov't reps, recognizing need for planning. A+	93
1	5	(changing for 1 better) Upkeep of streets & homeowners keep their yards neat. One of the best school systems.	112
1	5	(changing 1 better) Great people keep moving here.	114
1	5	(changing 1 better) Housing values are increasing, school budget getting more support. Village is trying to welcome new businesses & housing.	159
1	5	(changing 1 better) sidewalks coming in.	160
1	5	(changing 1 better) Fixed up.	165
1	5	(changing 1 better) Loving community & families	166

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1	5(changing 1 better) good public services. No more dollar stores or trailer parks!!!	168
1	5(changing 1 better) tending to infrastructure concerns, good local government	180
1	5(changing 1 better) citizen activism	185
1	5(changing 1 better) This survey is a promising start towards including the community in protecting TBurg's future.	192
2	5(changing for 2 better) More stores, which create more economic growth.	4
2	5(changing for 2 to 3 better) Current admin is reactive. They could do a lot more to improve the village by showing some leadership on things like the Main Street Project!!	6
2	5(changing 2 better) Each advancement is accompanied by risk. I'm concerned with increasing commercialism that will take revenue OUT of the community.	25
2	5(Tburg better 2) Young families moving in	30
2	5(changing 2 better) Main st. project, library funding.	32
2	5(changing 2 better) Families are investing in their homes & improving neighborhoods.	47
2	5(changing 2 better) Both the Main St. Project and the development/update of a comprehensive plan are improvements	48
2	5(Changing 2 better) I like the few extra options with new businesses. I'm very nervous though that we will get a fast food restaurant. That would be bad.	57
2	5(changing 2 better) Its being gentrified. I want social, racial & economic DIVERSITY - not rich white young professionals.	61
2	5(changing 2 better) It's more expensive to live here.	68
2	5(changing 2 better) some growth in the community -- need more	69
2	5(changing 2 better) More new ideas and programs, more activity from voters.	72
2	5(change 2 better) Some of the newly elected town and village reps are pro-active.	73
2	5(changing 2 better) Main St. Project (except Big M property!!)	79
2	5(changing 2 better) But the razing of the forest buffer between 96 & Bradley to make way for yet more urban sprawl is growth of the wrong sort. Moreover, we do not need yet another video store & dollar store on Main St. We need family-owned local businesses that keep our dollars circulating locally.	84
2	5(change 2 better) Schools, Main St. project, Library	85
2	5(changing 2 better) Beginning to do planning, control development.	94
2	5(changing 2 better) Improved services. Increased attention to upkeep, appearance & infrastructure.	96
2	5(changing 2 better) New sidewalks & water supply.	104
2	5(changing better 2) Review zoning	109
2	5(changing 2 better) It's fine as is.	118
2	5(changing 2 better) The development of a comprehensive plan!	121
2	5(changing 2 better) It is and should maintain its peaceful pace but to keep its charm we should be careful about too much development.	122
2	5(changing 2 better) Like the Main St. Project and such improvements. Not happy with the current adding of \$1 store & video store. Need to limit same types of stores & design should be more in keeping with the "village look"	128
2	5(changing 2 better) seems to be marching along. There seems to be a polarity among new people's (last 5 yrs) enthusiasm and people who've been here a VERY long time griping about taxes and the fact their property is appreciating -- they fail to understand that more valuable property is a GOOD thing. Go figure.	132
2	5(changing 2 better) Younger families are moving into the area & want to change things - weather (sic) it's for the better or not I don't know. The cost of the changes is what bothers me.	152
2	5(changing 2 better) More interest in sustainable development, young families are invigorating the community.	155

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2	5	(changing 2 better) Great sense & passion for community and good stuff going on. Except -- dollar store & movie store - not good or needed.	156
2	5	(changing 2 better) Sidewalk project, new businesses like Gimme, record store. Very disappointed about the new video & dollar store - not needed.	158
2	5	(changing 2 better) It's becoming pro-active about it's future	160
2	5	(changing 2 better) Main Street improvements	175
2	5	(changing 2 better) Main St. project is great! Oppose dollar store, "big box" stores, fast food chains, and housing that is inconsistent with the look and feel of the Village, like Prospect St. (multiple identical homes)	184
2	5	(changing 2 better) Main Street project	187
2	5	(changing 2 better) Excellent school system. Good transportation system. Zoning needs changing, enforce the provisions of present law. Why can't the village board and town boards work together on all operations to combine and economize (hopefully we won't have to involve NYS Attorney General to get positive changes to benefit our village) Example recent problem over alternate & supplemental water communications.	196
2	5	(changing 2 better) Main St. Project +, Dollar stores, etc -. We need more local businesses selling more local goods/services	199
2	5	(changing 2 better) efforts being made to improve downtown -- also homeowners placing more emphasis on improving properties	215
3	5	(3 no change) housing prices have gone up considerably as well as the taxes, but otherwise no change	1
3	5	(3 not changing) Change is not always for the better. TBurg remains a relatively stable town. We are amply supplied with an excellent library, good schools, two good markets, reputable bank & PO et al.	16
3	5	(3 not changing) Haven't noticed any changes since moving here in 2001.	26
3	5	(3 not changing) Our taxes are going up, burden on the fact no change to commercial develop.	108
3	5	(3 not changing) Except the new library, don't see any change.	136
3	5	(3 not changing) lack of preservation, enhancement & promotion of the historic nature of the Village.	150
3	5	(not changing 3) No plan or planning	153
3	5	(3 not changing) There is a reluctance to make changes that would change the status quo and/or increase taxes.	164
3	5	(3 not changing) No change is the problem. There is no plan for growth/development of community.	200
3	5	(3 not changing) Although new businesses are coming in, peoples' living conditions and activities aren't improving. Better focus on needs/ wats is needed. Blindly or randomly adding stores/public spaces isn't effective. We don't need a "Dollar Store" or a "Hollywood Video" Let's PRESERVE and IMPROVE VILLAGE life, i.e. small business and a strong sense of community and history, i.e. things like Festival of Lights.	203
3	5	(changing 3+) it is changing. Not sure but I think the development at Big M is for the worse. Worried about Kinneys building an oversized large box.	210
4	5	(changing for worse 4) There should be stricter zoning for stores and buildings -- i.e. the new Dollar and Video store next to Big M could be more aesthetically aligned with TBurg architecture.	7
4	5	(changing for the worse 4) People buying houses at high prices then moving on in 4 to 5 years only to drive our property value up. Old timers and young people planning to make this there (sic) home high property values do not help. It only means higher taxes.	11
4	5	(changing for the worse 4) Real estate is much too expensive and taxes take a huge jump every year. Why does Tomp Co assess EVERY year?? It is very difficult for Senior Citizens to afford this.	12
4	5	(changing for 4 worse) Cement block bldgs are not attractive and duplicating business	13
4	5	(changing for 4 worse) Current Admin talks a good game, but has done little or nothing to actually improve the Village, e.g., has blocked Main St. Project from achieving full potential and has been working on zoning rewrite FOREVER.	14
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Newest businesses aren't here to help local businesses. Why out-of-state businesses???	15

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4	5	(changing for worse 4) Overtaxation; overspending without appropriate citizen oversight: case in point: the FIASCO that is the so-called "Main Street Project"	18
4	5	(changing for 4 worse) Taxes are too high -- change shouldn't bring higher taxes	20
4	5	(changing for 4 worse) House speculators who buy property just to do quick turnaround for fast project are making Trumansburg too expensive for some to choose or continue to live here.	21
4	5	(changing 4 worse) 1) closing businesses on Main St. (ex. Rongo, other) 2) Don't want housing complexes like new one by fire dept.	24
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Spec houses & useless business. We need to encourage/enable APPROPRIATE development.	31
4	5	(changing 4 worse) It's loseing its identity with box stores also becoming too crowded.	33
4	5	(changing 4 worse) We need to attract business to the area to help with the tax burden instead of fighting them (ex: Kinney drugs w/ food chain)	34
4	5	(Tburg changing 4 worse) Level of commerce - do we really need/can support? 3 video/4 ins agencies/ 4 pizza places, 2 dollar stores, etc.	40
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Pop. Increase	43
4	5	(changing 4 worse) School system is not what it used to be or so outsiders believe it to have gotten worse.	45
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Older people's opinions don't count anymore -- only the "new" residents seem to have a say.	46
4	5	(change 4 worse) Losing its historic appeal	56
4	5	(change 4 worse) Wood lots are grazing areas for deer as well as a watershed. Let us make up our ideas -- city or suburb?	67
4	5	(changing 4 worse) You are spending too much to change our historic downtown atmosphere.	74
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Lack of zoning control, ugly develoment on Main St., e.g. laundromat next to creek.	75
4	5	(changing 4 worse) New businesses (dollar stores)	76
4	5	(changing 4 worse) New stores -- were they needed.	77
4	5	(changing 4 worse) I'm dismayed at the new dollar store. We needed a bowling alley instead.	78
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Rising taxes passing yearly raises. Less options in school.	80
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Addition of mundane, common, low end businesses to the downtown ruins the aesthetic appeal.	81
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Decreasing interest in schools, recreational zones & too much unstructured development.	83
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Money and effort are being put into the wrong things.	89
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Another family dollar in town is ridiculous. Too late now.	98
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Lack of leadership with ability to look beyond personal interests.	101
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Decision making overly influenced by fads and trends	110
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Kinney Drugs moving away from the center of village will be a hardship for Seniors. We don't need 3 video store & 2 dollar stores.	119
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Dollar stores and fast food chains take away from the charm of our community.	123
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Dollar stores & ANOTHER video store.	124
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Better stores or business would benefit the village instead of TWO dollar stores.	133
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Fear that increasinly liberal views will draw problems effecting Ithaca & other larger communities	135
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Dollar store, village sprawl, empty stores & lots	140
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Too much emphasis put on aesthetics and tourism and not enough on infrastructure, education, and cultural activities.	141
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Hate the "dollar store" mentality. Don't trust the village board with their decisions.	142

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4	5	(changing 4 worse) I see new basic service businesses moving to areas of town that are not walkable distances for perhaps 80% of village residents. Most new structures (commercial) are designed/built with no aesthetic or historic integration with existing buildings.	147
4	5	(changing 4 worse) politics	163
4	5	(changing 4 worse) So many dollar generals. Need sidewalks - kids can't walk to school - Congress.	169
4	5	(changing 4 worse) becoming extension of Ithaca mentality	170
4	5	(changing 4 worse) We do NOT need two more UGLY stores - Dollar Store, video store - which duplicate existing businesses	171
4	5	(changing 4 worse) too many repeat businesses such as dollar & movie stores.	173
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Infrastructure - storm sewers need a lot of upgrading - leads to flooding basements, etc.	181
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Kinny Drug store/3 video stores/2 dollar stores	183
4	5	(changing 4) Fewer young families can afford to live yere -- school population drops	190
4	5	(changing 4 worse) The family dollar next to the Big M (which doesn't look that great itself) and the "Payless" property is an EYESORE.	195
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Our school budget issues are gaining us a poor reputation in the area!	198
4	5	(changing 4 worse) New commercial development is detracting from the village atmosphere -- do we really need a dollar store?	202
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Getting duplicat business	208
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Priorities are not in line with the health, safety & best interests of our citizens. Borrow for sidewalks but after spending \$80,000 for water improvements the Board is giving second thoughts to Water District 5. Why?	211
4	5	(changing 4 worse) consistent, "too fast" traffic on Main St. "Ticky-tacky" businesses being allowed. Real estate is far too "pricey".	213
4	5	(changing 4 worse) Difficult to find affordable housing in TBurg.	214
4	5	(changing 4 worse) downtown appears to be in decline -- addition of another "Dollar Store" is not good news.	217
5	5	(changing for the worse 5) the attitude of newcomers and their lack of concern OR compassion for lifetime residents is disgusting. Trumansburg has been a rural, closeknit community for many years -- before all the "others" arrived. Why do we need to be yanked into being some sort of urban offshoot just to appease the desires of those who will be gone as soon as their kids graduate?	2
5	5	(changing for the worse 5) Video store, dollar general construction, lack of recreational opps -- bowling gone, family friendly places	3
5	5	(changing for worse 5) Ethical and moral standards are falling	10
5	5	(changing for 5 worse) Becoming too comercial -- A third vedio stor and two Doller stors are only hurting other busniss. (sic)	23
5	5	(changing 5 worse) Do not want it to become Ithaca. Too many liberal tree huggers telling us how to do things. Government intrusion into personal use of property.	27
5	5	(Tburg changing 5 worse) Loss of community connections, population too mobile/fluid (respondent is local businessperson, not resident)	28
5	5	(changing 5 worse) Too much traffic; commercial cen. not historic in appearance.	41
5	5	(changing 5 worse) Commercialization	42
5	5	(changing 5 worse) Dollar Store(s), new video store ruin aesthetic small town appeal.	44
5	5	(changing 5 worse) To many newcomers in Village politics and there not using there brains (sic)	63
5	5	(changing 5 worse) With Kinney drug store coming into town, seemingly unaware of T-Burg's "walkability" priority, is now building a new store ACROSS from another drug store. Very annoying & very stupid!	64
5	5	(changing 5 worse) TAKE A LOOK at downtown -- dirty street, hangout for many. A mayor who has visions other than collecting his paycheck. A "Board" who DOES something.	65
5	5	(changing 5 worse) parking is not keeping up with growth in business.	70

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5	5	(changing 5 worse) Who's really running the village? Who allowed the zoning and parking for the post office & new stores? They screwed up!	71
5	5	(changing for 5 worse) Too much politics -- natives are not natives anymore	86
5	5	(changing 5 worse) Priorities very screwed up, over charging for services. Not charging at all for other services. More worried about sidewalks & streetlamps than people and who can or can't afford to continue living here. No development means we die or only the rich can afford to live here.	90
5	5	(changing 5 worse) Commercial real estate is declining in quality & quantity.	92
5	5	(changing 5 worse) The new dollar store & video store are chains! Local business should be prioritized.	100
5	5	(changing 5 worse) I see the invasion of mega-businesses. I sense more are on the way -- along with architectural plans that look like they were on sale at Wal-Mart.	103
5	5	(changing 5 worse) Decline in ethical/spiritual values	106
5	5	(changing 5 worse) Tax base derived from business is TOO small. Losing businesses since the 1970's.	126
5	5	(changing 5 worse) There are changes being made or proposed that don't need to be	130
5	5	(changing 5 worse) Spend-spend method of trustees & mayor	134
5	5	(changing 5 worse) Taxes extremely high for Sr. Citizens	138
5	5	(changing 5 worse) Too many people moving into town who think we should be like Ithaca. A mecca for liberals.	149
5	5	(changing 5 worse) Do we really need three pharmacies, the video rental stores and three pizza joints?	186
5	5	(changing 5 worse) It's starting to look like Dryden. Trumansburg is losing its quiet rural charm that brought us here 8 years ago.	197
5	5	(changing 5 worse) School & property taxes are outrageous. Schools need to work within the means of the community.	206
5	5	(worse 5) 10X! Village taxes are too high and almost nothing is done for our growing children.	207
5	5	(changing 5 worse) That damned new building by Big M (Dollar store)	216
	6	(strongly disagree) The Village needs to concern itself with infrastructure -- water and sewer, etc. Individual owners should care for the natural and architectural features.	2
	6	The premise of this question is FLAWED	18
	6	(somewhat agree) The town should also contribute as residents use the village to meet their needs.	36
	6	(1-strongly agree) But given the current economic state/taxes defer or minimize.	40
	6	(1-strongly agree) We don't need to be a snobish community but we should maintain a certain standard. The old brick buildings on Main St. are an asset.	55
	6	(strongly agree 1) Yes, if "natural features" includes biodiversity, ecological health, clean air, and clean water.	84
	6	(strongly agree) Village could help coordinate volunteer, community-based improvements.	93
	6	(answered 2 somewhat agree) I think care must be taken to apply funds sensibly. Not "history at any cost".	111
	6	(circled 3, neither disagree nor agree) Question is compound & too vague to mean much. Of course buildings shouldn't go so downhill they fall apart & can't be used. But no need to invest a lot of \$ either.	118
	6	(marked 2 somewhat agree) As they are now. What would the village do??	148
	6	(did not circle a response) Not enough info -- need to determine on case by case basis.	151
	6	(did not circle a response) With the new Dollar Store and video store it is obvious Village did not care about architectural features.	172
	6	(no answer) this statement is too ambiguous	202
	6	(5 strongly disagree) responsibility lies with the property owners NOT the village	207
	6	(somewhat disagree 4) don't believe we have the necessary funds to do so without serious tax increases.	215
	8	(tourism somewhat important, 2) As it occurs naturally	44

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	(3-neither) I have often thought that the distance between Ithaca and TBurg is a bit psychological (up and snowy in the Winter). Coming here should be worth someone's trip. We should have a specialty or be a center for something. For example, several good restaurants or several antiques stores or something else would motivate people to come here since 3 out of 4 would not be closed on the same day. Many people here shop in Ithaca so we should offer something different which malls etc. don't have. Many businesses have failed because TBurg isn't big enough to support them. We need to entice shoppers from outside.	55
	(tourism somewhat unimportant 4) We already have a thriving tourism industry - no "improvements" are that important. Save one - let Durand redo the blue bridge.	61
	(1 tourism very important) and we do NOTHING to promote it!	90
	(did not circle a response) Let the market decide! It will anyway.	110
	(marked 3 neither important nor unimportant) Enough	127
	(marked 5 very unimportant) People to Taughannock don't come to TBurg.	148
	(tourism very unimportant) now, but will be very important if we plan correctly for it.	150
	9 Other (very important): Less intrusive government (than Ithaca). Would have lived in Ithaca if I wanted to.	27
	9 (other - very important) near Seneca Lake	32
	(Quiet neighborhoods very important) This used to be true and still is except for the increase in riding mowers. (? Affordable housing) It was affordable in the past.	55
	9 (did not rate affordable housing) Subjective; wish it were more affordable.	59
	9 Other: Great people live here! (community)	76
	9 Other (very important) Golf course	78
	9 Other (very important) Sense of community	83
	9 Other reasons (for why you live here) - low pollution, little urban sprawl. Proximity to agricultural land changed to organic farms (very important). Sense of community very important (in the sense of being diverse & tolerant & welcoming to all.) Added at bottom (all very important) Progressive, creative, ecologically minded community, proximity to library, proximity to art conservatory & other cultural venues.	84
	9 (did not rank affordable housing) There is very little affordable housing.	90
	9 (Other very important) Counter culture	92
	(Other very important) Lot Size. Ithaca (City) lots much smaller, but sprawl of services quite large. When I lived in Downtown Ithaca I couldn't walk to the grocery store, auto store, coffee shop, amongst so many other things. TBurg's vitality will rest with the ability to attract more retail business.	93
	9 (did not rank Quiet neighborhoods) Main Street is very noisy.	107
	(marked Quality Schools 3 - neither) They are so. With TAXES PAID they should remain so. (did not rank Affordable housing) placed question mark in each ranking column	127
	(marked vibrant Main St. very important) But somewhat threatened, Kinney's leaving will not be good for "vibrancy" of Main St. (did not check rank for Other) Rongovian Embassy, TBurg Records, etc.	129
	9 (marked Other very important) Great people!	132
	9 Comment at bottom: Don't break it	148
	9 It use to be a nice small village where everyone had a say, got along, and politics was a minor issue. Now there is a group which has moved into town who want everything their way, like Ithaca. They move here because they say they love the small town atmosphere but then they want to change everything to be like where they came from.	149
	9 (affordable housing very important) It was when we bought our home	171

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9	(Quality schools very unimportant) At VERY high tax rate -- too bad school board doesn't believe in keeping tax increases low like Village. (did not rank Affordable Housing) Taxes in Tompkins County TOO high -- equalization rate for 2006 of 90% means assesment went up 10%!	172
9	(Other somewhat important) friendliness	192
9	(ranked items except historic character) It is about the right size, with an active and fairly cohesive community (where it is not cohesive, at least it is interesting)	194
9	(did not rank aesthetic qualities) responsibility lies with property owners. Since I moved here in 1976 the Village has become far too liberal. We moved here because of the excellent school system. Now drop out rate is high and the system is educationally inferior now! Too many bleeding hearts.	207
9	(did not rank Affordable Housing) I'm not sure we are affordable	210
9	(did not rank Affordable housing) NOT SO!	213
9	(did not rank Vibrant Main St.) We wish!	217
10	Before everyone had to buy more for less we had #2 (neighborhood retail) of all types and even some #5 (light industrial & mfg) -- but that was before anyone who knew what we really needed was here.	2
10	(include neighborhood retail) Cute, middle or high end gift shops, coffee places, etc.	3
10	What is the definition of home occupation?	6
10	We have most of the above but need to plan what is best for the village and the people who live here.	8
10	(5 include light industrial and mfg) Light manuf. etc. is OK if zoned properly - good for tax base & economy.	14
10	(9 include home occupations) Home occupations need to be VERY carefully defined or they can defeat purpose of residential zoning districts.	14
10	(5 include light industrial and mfg) Make room for a small car wash for older people who no longer use the do-it-yourself one, e.g. Farrells.	16
10	We should avoid duplication which will try to force established businesses into bankruptcy. Palmer Pharmacy -- why was that needed since a small town our size already had an established pharmacy -- Ditto for the new Dollar store being built. We just got one less than a year ago!	21
10	(include businesses centered on tourism, other categories not filled in) Not the function of government. Go live in Ithaca if you want it like that! Why is Suzie Munoz on this -- not a village resident?	27
10	(include 1, 5, 7, 9) Move jobs in and people will stay: but must be environmentally sound (respondent is local businessperson, not resident)	28
10	(include 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7) We need: a deli & drugstore DOWNTOWN and daycare & pool at school.	30
10	(include 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 9) Chain stores are not intrinsically bad. We need to establish a commercial tax base and decrease the burden on homeowners. Bring OPM (Other Peoples' Money) into the Village.	31
10	No big box stores!!	32
10	(did not mark 9 home occupations for include or avoid) Things like home occupations -- it depends.	33
10	(include all, 1-9) We need business here - helps with the tax burden - to draw people here to work, shop, eat, etc.	34
10	(include light industrial and mfg) But where? I don't see any space for light industrial and manufacturing within the Village. It is VERY unfortunate that Kinney's is moving out of the center of town.	35
10	(include Other) Recreational business, i.e. boat/bicycle rentals	36
10	Need to improve commercial tax base to relieve property owners.	37
10	(include 5 light ind & mfg) Not in Village proper but on outskirts. (8 - avoid chain stores) Definitely! (9 - include home occupations) "Home occupations" needs careful definition. I am absolutely against creating a second residential zone that allows for inclusion of businesses.	40

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10	(include 5 ind/mfg) No noise, no fumes. (7 include farmer's market) Already have one! Keep, expand. Comments: No noise, no traffic, no outsiders! Community residents only.	41
10	(9 - home occupations -- did not mark include or avoid) Matters location and what the home occupation is -- How does it impact neighborhood. Very concerned about the implications of this question.	42
10	Do not further change the character, no more trailers, establish that people should have a certain acreage amount to build anything residential.	44
10	(include all 9) Without commercial development won't our village become "Lodi"? I also want a village setting, but I want to be able to shop or eat out in that village.	46
10	Trumansburg needs to balance being business-friendly with preserving the charm of the village.	48
10	(avoid 8 chain stores) Big businesses are increasing but these require cars and parking lots. (6 not marked include or avoid) A convenience store in the Village would be excellent if it offered more staples than chips/candy/pop, etc. It is a nuisance to drive to the ShurSave for milk. big stores take time. Also we now have to drive more.	55
10	Chains and big stores are interested in taking money but not in being part of the community. We should decide what kind of stores and services we really need. It is tiresome to watch stores occupy good building spaces and then knock each other out. The drug store at the ShurSave and Kinney's are examples of this. There should be better justification for commercial enterprises. Garish and ugly signs are a scourge. They should conform to the scale of a business section and not be major distractions for drivers. They needn't add to confusion. Who wants to see Best Buy on the way into Ithaca when the view is so pleasant? We got rid of billboards only to get these signs instead.	55
10	(placed X between include & avoid for 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 9) Inclusion of any business would be acceptable "if" it was done tastefully - unlike the small "big-boxes" presently being built downtown.	56
10	(10 Other, did not mark include or avoid) Collectives, craft outlets, gallery for local artists, youth job training. Comment: We need to generate incomes locally. We need to create long term jobs with redeemable values. A solar outlet store or at least get off the corporate "solutions" to our problems. Slow food, alternate energy solutions and regional jobs that can be made here and sold here.	61
10	(avoid fast food 3) !!!! NEVER (Avoid chain stores 8) NO NO NO Comment: Important to keep residential areas totally free of any businesses. Once that starts it will NEVER end & we will have auto repair shops next door to family homes.	62
10	(Avoid 3 fast food, avoid 6 gas station/conv, avoid 8 chain stores) Some businesses centered on tourism might be interesting, if done with sensitivity to the beauty of the area. Bed & Breakfasts are nice - I know we have several now. It seems imp't to avoid chain stores & fast food rest. because they are ugly and this country already has so may poor health issues.	64
10	(marked include for 1-9) Home occupations such as working from home but that does not infringe on the neighborhood.	71
10	Include pool (indoor) Avoid jail. 5: How about a renewable energy source plant, i.e. wind power? Other ideas to include: art gallery, day care for elderly or kids, nursing home, bakery, mini golf, nightclub/cabaret/small movie theatre. Avoid nuclear reactor, strip joint, pig/chicken farm.	76
10	avoid duplicates. Build on Cayuga Wine Trail Visitors.	77
10	10 Other -- avoid -- bowling alley Comment: we don't need another dollar store.	78
10	Kinney Drugs, Hollywood Video & Dollar Stores have/will ruin TBurg. How were they allowed after all of the effort put into the Man St. Project? I will boycott, but afraid too many others won't.	79
10	(include 10 Other) Bed & Breakfast, music cafes	80
10	Upscale business to attract tourists. With the growth of Finger Lakes' tourism Trumansburg has the potential to become another Stockbridge, Mass. Or similar.	81
10	(re 9 home occupations, did not circle include or avoid) Depending upon the occupation. Residential areas should remain residential.	82

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10	(avoid 3 fast food) like the plague. (10 Other not marked include or avoid) Artistic & cultural & musical development. Comment: I'm sad that the farmer's market will be closed now on Saturdays. It seems to be languishing. It needs more promotion and a critical mass of vendors. It's a well-kept secret. too bad!	84
10	(marked 8 chain stores avoid, others include) Any development would be an asset -- a way to increase tax base.	86
10	(include other) bookstore w/ wi-fi. Comment: Anything to increase tax base would be huge.	87
10	We have nothing to attract tourists from the park area to our downtown. We currently have no quick convenient store with public restroom services or any other place to get gas past 10 o'clock at night. Two major interstates run through our town, we could combine 24 hour services and tourism info promoting our local services if we had it.	90
10	I would like to see the following: high-tech (computer design, hardware & software); agricultural processing (tofu); artisan manufacturing.	92
10	Protect the historic character of the village core. Video/Dollar store not the type of thing we should be after. Redundancies. How about somewhere where I could buy a gift? Not expensive, but local, handmade.	93
10	( 2 include neighborhood retail) local business that keeps revenue here. (avoid other restaurants) Restaurants OK, just don't need any more.	94
10	REMEMBER ROBERT MOOG	95
10	Already plenty of neighborhood retail services & "other" restaurants.	96
10	(include 9 home occupations) That meet currently defined guidelines.	101
10	(avoid 3 and 8) at all cost	103
10	(include 10 ag related) Businesses that support farms & farm products should be encouraged.	104
10	Please keep T-BURG as a residential area with the current basic needs well in place: police, village maintenance team, school, post office, grocery, drug stores, gas station, bank, a few stores (ice cream, hardware), restaurants	105
10	(Avoid 10 Other) High foot-traffic installations (for example, skate-board facility)	106
10	(include 5 light industrial/mfg) Unintrusive	107
10	(did not indicate include or avoid for 9 home occupation) Must be defined! "Home Occupations" OK if defined as activities you'd do in your home anyway - as in current zoning law!	110
10	(did not mark 1 business centered on tourism include or avoid) confusing category (did not mark 8 chain stores include or avoid) meaningless category. (Marked 10 Other avoid) big box stores. Comments: There are thousands of "chain stores" Kinney Drugs is a chain. It is not the chain so much as the type of chain that should be considered, and how it fits into the local economy. Likewise -- dozens of industries can be based on tourism, some tasteful, interesting and enhancing, and other cheapening ad kitchy, artificial looking. It just depends.	111
10	We don't need multiple pizza shops, video stores & dollar stores. Get a VARIETY. We need another gas station for a CHOICE!	112
10	We do need another gas station in the VILLAGE.	115
10	(1 tourism include) But no need to add more, it's fine now. (5 light ind & mfg avoid) On the outskirts, fine. (9 home occupations, include) remain as is - neighborhoods should remain residential.	118
10	(avoid 3 fast food) chain (include 4 other restaurants) independent (include 10 other)tourism/attractions/hospitality Quiet, low impact businesses should be permitted in neighborhoods; art gallery; inn; book shop, etc.	121
10	(include 10 other) local artist coop. Comment: The lack of fast food restaurants and chain stores is what separates TBurg from sad, rundown rural towns.	123
10	Comment: Village needs to encourage commercial development the broadens tax base while enhancing quality of life -- thoughtfully planned out for the future.	126
10	(marked 2 neighborhood retail avoid) Non resid or resid? (marked 5 light ind mfg include) depends on type (marked 9 home occupations include) depends on type	127

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10	(marked 1 tourism include) wouldn't want businesses that are only designed for tourist (i.e. souvenirs), but others that offer quality items or services OK (i.e. pottery, antiques, books, etc.)	128
10	(6 avoid) include gas station, avoid convenience store. (10 other include) hi tech businesses. Comments: Balance is important, but not sure how to achieve. When too many rest. exist, they can't all make it & you have some voids for a while.	129
10	(provided ranking for items 1-9) Most of the above -- government should not have anything to do with.	130
10	(marked 9 home occupations include) #9 - with restrictions for community ethics	131
10	(provided include & avoid responses) Comment: local artisans, ag products; community festivals year round for tourists/locals.	132
10	(for items 1 & 3) keep level we have	134
10	(did not rank 1) Tourism -- obviously good for the economy, but these should appeal to hikers, campers, boaters, and others using natural resources - not fast-food joints, discount stores, franchises, etc. The BEAUTY of the area must be preserved.	135
10	Bookstore! We would love a small movie house!	136
10	We didn't need another video store -- it's going to put out one or both of the businesses that are here and are perfectly fine. What were they thinking? No big hame chains, please.	139
10	Encourage professionals (lawyers, medical)	140
10	(10 other include) entertainment	141
10	(did not rank 9 home occupations) Depends on what it is. B&Bs are growing in popularity -- don't allow them to become more than that	142
10	(ranked items 1-9) Grocery store that sells healthy food. I don't think we really need MORE development, rather we need to improve the existing goods & services available. Do we really need TWO dollar stores & 3 video stores in such a small village. We need to encourage a range of quality, essential services within a walkable distance for most residents. Ideally we could find incentives for property owners in the biz district to do historic renovation of building fronts rather than push development to outside areas that will require widening roads and adding turn lanes.	147
10	(re 2 neighborhood retail) include small, personal, local. Avoid chain stores.	148
10	(marked include for 1, 5, 6, others not ranked) 2 what does this mean? 4 we have enough now. 7 It has been tried. Comment: We had a chance or have high tech business - the Moog business. And he was run out of town. People don't support the businesses that are here and have run two out of town in the past few years: the green house & the Legion. Their taxes now go to Seneca Co.	149
10	(circled 10 other include) professional services. More telecomm infrastructure, helping small businesses start up.	151
10	(marked include/avoid for categories 1-9) There needs to be an equal amount of business to help with the taxes -- but also keep the village the village it is today.	152
10	(marked all categories) other: food places (or any business for that matter) open after 10 PM. Include movie theater, bowling alley. The hours of businesses need to be extended as well as an increase in the size and variety so we do not need to go to lthaca for everything.	154
10	(marked categoers 1-9) Comment: We need to promote locally owned businesses that serve the villages' residents and avoid all big-box stores & chains.	155
10	(4 other restaurants, include) Can't support too many in a village this size unless it fulfills the right niche.	156
10	(include 2 neighborhood retail) if fit with the commuity. (did not mark 5 light ind & mfg) neutral. (9 home occupations, include) depending upon traffic added to neighborhood.	158
10	(avoid 5 light ind & mfg) with our current tax structure - would need a Village income tax. (include 10 Other) destination retail - i.e. galleries & high-end retail, artist studios. Comment: We should focus on increasing the size of Village (annexation) to allow & control new & potential development & increase tax base.	159

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10	(include 10 Other) indoor community pool. Comment: The village needs to work with town to coordinate decision-making regarding land use issues concerning property outside village borders. It won't do us much good to guide the village in one direction and have the opposite just outside village.	160
10	(include 10 other) movie theater/pool	161
10	(include 3 fast food) in moderation. Comments: Wish commercial facilities could be grouped in one zoned area such as a small mall. Would like to see ONE chain restaurant like Olive Garden. Would like a variety of businesses such as a movie theater or a bookstore, not 3 video stores and 2 dollar stores!	164
10	(chose include or avoid for most categories) More people working fr home with comp. & retired wk at home.	165
10	Other: high tech startup. Comment: We have 1 gas station -- one more might be good. Retail services should be limited to areas zoned for retail, i.e. Main St. & just off.	166
10	(marked categories 1-9 include or avoid) Enough with the dollar stores.	168
10	(ranked most categories) Comment: new stores designed to mix in w/ the rest of village.	169
10	(ranked categories 1-9) Very little has happened over the 30 some years we have been here other than increase in school and property tax's! Why??	170
10	(other) book store (my fantasy) Comment: If businesses interested in operating in the village are also interested in integrating their building façade into the historic architecture of the village I would be supportive. However, UGLY & sticking out like a sore thumb doesn't get my vote, regardless of what type of business it is.	171
10	(marked 1-9 include or avoid) Increase size of village in towns and counties to increase tax base.	172
10	(marked 1-9 include or avoid) Village should place moratorium on all new business construction until comprehensive plan is complete. Dollar stores are ugly and add nothing to the quality of life.	175
10	(ranked 1-9 for include or avoid) Comment: businesses/recreation for youth needed.	178
10	(ranked all types) Other: clothing store and gift shop. Comments #1, #10 NOT souvenir shops, but ones that offer quality, medium priced goods which would be appealing to tourist and residents as well. Look at Cazenovia. They have a lot to offer in shops and community/public activities.	184
10	(ranked 1-9) Tburg is on the verge of an economic breakthrough based on the care and pride of its citizenry	185
10	(ranked all include or avoid) 10 Other: vineyards. Comment: This town needs to open up to businesses wanting to come here. While we don't want McDonald's anymore than many other others, people can't afford to live here w/o some sort of tax base. We also need to expand the water district.	187
10	(marked include or avoid for five of the nine items) For items not circled, I am neutral.	188
10	(ranked 1-9 include or avoid) Comment: be sure you have tight zoning in effect first, then look into a light industry/office park in Ulysses	192
10	(did not rank 1, 4, 5, 6) depends on what they are and where they are.	194
10	(chose include or avoid for 1-9) 4 We have too many restaurants now for all of them to survive. 6 We need competition for the only gas station we have. 8 Chain stores such as Walmart & Lowes are not needed. They are located nearby. They destroy the small business operations.	196
10	(ranked items 1-9) If I wanted to live in downtown Ithaca I would. I wouldn't be here in the Village of Trumansburg.	197
10	(ranked all) 10 Other: Art. Comment: avoid dollar stores and low-end retail	198
10	(ranked 1-9) Strongly avoid commercial development like "Family Dollar" and other "quick box" stores. Strongly encourage business which focuses on durable and/or creative, and/or environmentally friendly activities and goods	199
10	(ranked 1-9) Comment: avoid chains! We need to preserve and improve small-town values and sense of community, along with historic awareness. We're a village...let's not take steps toward a city mentality! Economic prosperity CAN be achieved in a small town this way.	203
10	(ranked 1-9) Comment: Keep hometown feel - avoid empty building & encourage home improvements.	204

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10	(ranked 1-9) Put a public pool in the new library!!	207
10	(skipped 1, marked 2-9 include) give Kinney Drugs Water! It is the only thing we have to sell and we have lots of it. The water fund always needs income.	212
10	(marked 1-9 include) #6 - at the present time, the TBurg Shur-Save is the only place in town to buy gasoline.	214
10	(3 fast food neither include or avoid) Have sufficient restaurants. (5 light industrial include) Need light industry to help pay taxes - now basically only homeowners tax base. (6 gas & convenience include) Now only one gas option - go to Ithaca for shopping (chain stores) but placing such stores here would not be beneficial to Trumansburg. Too many video stores now (3)	215
11	(6 - don't know) At what extra cost	29
11	(1 strongly agree) It would be great to see TBurg set the pace for green space & energy alternatives.	64
11	(strongly agree 1) Talk to Renovus in Ithaca.	80
11	(did not rank renewable energy) Costs \$\$\$. Sounds great but we can't even afford Main Street!	90
11	(did not choose answer for renewable municipal energy) Sounds interesting to investigate -- tell me more. Don't have enough information to weigh agreement/ disagreement.	111
11	(did not select an answer) like what? Solar, yes. Wind, no.	128
11	(answered 1 strongly agree) YES! And electric & gas could & should be municipalized, as in Groton.	129
11	(did not circle response) I saw what happened to the water tower - we got stuck with a million dollar bill we should not have had.	149
11	(did not select an answer) Need more info - i.e. cost etc. before I can answer.	172
11	(ranked 3 neither disagree nor agree) No new taxes	183
11	(did not rank) solar, energy saving - yes; wind - no	184
11	(renewable municipal energy) absolutely insist. In fact such options should be included in all future building in the area.	199
11	(4 somewhat disagree) Too expensive	212
11	(did not circle an answer) What does this mean?	213
11	(6 don't know) But question the Village being involved.	215
12	(1 - more residential development) High end so that tax base is improved.	6
12	(4 - less starter homes for young families) These end up costing us more since taxes don't pay for services they end up using (like the great school)	6
12	(more public green space) I do not have any strong opinions, but it would be nice to have some sort of nature area, park area a little bit nicer than the chaos of Smith Woods or blandness of our Village green where the farmer's market is held.	21
12	6 Other: Keep village a village.	33
12	(3-no change ag) Is there agricultural space within the Village? (4-more starter homes) I would like to see housing prices level off so young families can afford the existing homes.	48
12	We need DECENT small housing not trailer parks. Many single people find Trumansburg to be safe and pleasant and many of the older houses are worth renovating. I don't mind more houses but there's a problem when developers buy large tracks of land, squandering good agricultural soil and taking down all the trees. The land of the United States is being bought off daily by these people who care nothing for our native plants, refuges for animals or anything else.	55
12	(more 6 Other) Hydrogen fuel cell public transit	61
12	(more residential dev 1) single family or classy apt.	62
12	(more 3 ag) maybe bamboo or hemp growth. (no change 4 starter homes) if there's a need, yes. (no change 5 senior housing) unless there is a need.	64
12	(marked more of all) There is a shortage of single family, 1 story homes available. This is particularly important to seniors.	71
12	Other: Less mobile homes. More apartments for young families or seniors	76
12	Other: less chain stores	79

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12	(more commercial dev) in the proper locations	82
12	(1 residential not marked for more, less or no change) Only more if organic, sustainable, diversified & family-owned. (2 commercial not marked) Only more if sources with local suppliers, owned locally, pays living wages, does not pollute, and creates products we really need. (3 ag use not marked) Only if a model for green housing. We don't need more traffic, more lawn mowers, more fertilizer run-off, & more environmental stress, & fewer songbirds.	84
12	(Other, more) sidewalks, public space	85
12	(more Other) Parks, walking	87
12	(Other less) unshielded lighting	96
12	(more commercial dev) Only to help with tax load.	98
12	(Less Other) businesses in residential neighborhoods	118
12	(more Other) small local bussiness (sic)	123
12	If there is more residential of various types, there will be more for young families & for seniors. Not in favor of segregating or special designations.	129
12	(marked 5 senior housing more) not apartments	131
12	(marked 2 commercial dev more) with reservation, caution & care	132
12	(provided ranking 1 2 4 5 more, 3 less) Need to realize change for new res dev and old resid such as Washington St. & areas as Tam & Larchmont.	134
12	historical renovation	136
12	(did not rank 3 ag) In the village? Get real.	149
12	(4 more starter homes for young families) if not 3 bedroom modulars	150
12	(more Other) Development along waterfall - public park use	159
12	(circled responses for categories) I guess we need to expand the village!	160
12	(more 2 commercial dev) current buildings. Not huge commercial chains - no Walmarts	161
12	(marked more for all categories except Other) Although I realize that further residential & commercial development would take up more agri land.	164
12	(did not circle any more, less, or no change) All of these developments should happen within the scope of a "plan" for Village development. Within the village there is really very little available space for development.	166
12	(less 6 Other) trailer parks, dollar stores	168
12	(more 6 other) light industrial	172
12	(more 6 other) Sidewalk replacement. The sidewalks throughout the village are in shambles. In the six years in the village, not a single residential sidewalk has been replaced. The village needs to begin a multiyear replacement cycle of the sidewalks.	175
12	(marked Other more) Make the green space on Bradley & McLallen "recognizable" as Village gree space for people to use	189
12	(more 6 Other) set aside areas for no development, creation of buffer zones.	199
12	(more residential development 1) More residential is a beneficial effect on tax.	215
13	(1-not allowed) This is the MOST CRITICAL ISSUE of this entire questionnaire. Do NOT ruin my neighborhood!! I intend to live and pay the hefty taxes the remainder of my life unless you drive me out.	41
13	(1 - not allowed) Very concerned about this.	42
13	(1-not allowed) should be promoted along Main Routes 96-227 w/ possible annex to village.	52
13	Circled 2, 3, and 4, with 2 and 3 noted "strict for both"	55
13	(not allowed 1) period. NO MORE SPRAWL!	61
13	(1 not allowed) Once this is allowed it will be impossible to stop similar establishments. Viz: Village Greenhouse illegal expansion in former location.	62

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13	(re example of neighborhoods next to downtown) they are already next to downtown. This is confusing. (responses 2, 3, 4) All of these things are important - it depends.	64
13	(1 not allowed) This seems like a trick question. It all depends on what type development it is. A neighborhood bookstore would be great. . So would a locally owned bakery or clothing store or natural foods store. But any business that increased traffic, pollution, noise, or truck volume should be disallowed in neighborhoods where children play.	84
13	(marked 6 don't know) Question too ambiguous.	93
13	(5 allowed, with no limitations) Should not be legislated but each judged on individual basis with local input.	95
13	(answered 1 not allowed) should annex areas for this and have control on its development	134
13	(1 not allowed) Expansion should occur on the outskirts (perhaps annexed to village)	141
13	(did not select a ranking) You don't really mean this do you? There are several home businesses in town already.	149
13	(1 not allowed) Concentrate on making a strong and vibrant MAIN STREET for our surrounding neighborhoods to patronize and meet in/at.	203
13	(1 not allowed) Allow only on east end of Main (e.g. Paylo area)	212
14	I think the library is very good. I just happen to use specialized books which wouldn't be worth it for the library to own. Good day care is important.	55
14	(grocery shopping never) because no organic food. Added Gimme Coffee 1 or 2 times per week.	84
14	added Banking 1 or 2 times per week	105
14	(uses post office 3 or more times per week) Please help us with the Post Office parking.	115
14	(did not rank Hardware and Garden Supply) the Green House was run out of town and there is a group who want Milspaugh's out. I use them both. (did not rank Entertainment) There is no entertainment in town except bands at bars.	149
14	(marked most categories "never") We do very little here because our needs cannot be met by the few business in Trumansburg.	154
14	(grocery 3 or more times per month) due to not enough organic/health food selection. (health club, never) would if had pool.	156
14	(did not mark frequency of use for health club) Need both men and womens	172
14	(re items in Less than once per month column) I patronize TBurg business but don't need these businesses/services very often	180
14	(did not rank hardware and garden supply or health club) Where are these in the village? (although we could, on second thought include Millspaugh's for hardware -- and it is a useful service.	194
14	(use post office 3 or more times per week) The parking at the post office is very inadequate and we need to get the US Post Office officials to re-locate this post office. There are available in the Village a number of parcels with acreage available (East Main & West Main) for any project we may need.	196
14	(never uses library) I use the school libraries -- since there are 4 taxable options	207





































