

Appendix

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A.1 Comprehensive Plan Survey 2003

Approximately 10,000 surveys were sent out in early June of 2003. According to US Census data, Painesville Township has 6,087 housing units. There were 600 responses, but 60 arrived after the survey submittal deadline; only 540 were used to compute the results. The return rate was 8.87%.

While a 10 % return rate was a goal, planning staff is pleased with the 8.87 % figure, considering that there was no prepaid return postage. A survey of township residents conducted in June 1973 had a return rate of 28.6%, but used prepaid return postage, and a random sample of 2,200 households.

Major themes reflected in written answers include:

- Excellent fire protection and school system.
- Closure/relocation of Giant Eagle at North Ridge Road (US 20), and the general lack of quality retail uses and restaurants in the northeast portion of the township.
- Traffic issues along the US 20 corridor; narrow lanes, lack of turn lanes, etc.
- Rush hour traffic along longer collector roads lined by residential uses.
- Vacancies in retail and commercial areas.
- Presence of sexually oriented businesses.
- Effect of continuing residential development on the exurban atmosphere of the southeast portion of the township.
- Erosion and the lack of public access along the Lake Erie shoreline.
- Need for parks and recreational areas - residents must drive far beyond the neighborhood and outside the township to reach parks – but residents generally don't want to pay for them.
- Lack of employment opportunities.
- Lack of “concurrency” – the pace of residential development is faster than the expansion of public services -- fire, schools, recreation, road maintenance, and so on – to accommodate it.
- Need for certain “city” amenities and regulations: street lights, sidewalks, noise ordinance, enforcement of zoning and property maintenance regulations.
- Poor property maintenance, both commercial and residential.
- Poor aesthetics: sign clutter, garish and/or utilitarian commercial architecture, metal buildings, little or no landscaping in commercial and industrial areas, and so on.

1: How long have you lived in the township and your current residence?

Average years in township: 21.2
Average years in current residence: 17.0
(responses: 530)

These answers may not correspond with 2000 Census data for this category.

2: Where did you relocate from?

Other Lake County community:	61.1%	Other:	10.8%
Lifetime resident:	12.1%	Geauga County:	3.6%
Cuyahoga County:	11.0%	Ashtabula County:	1.5%

3: Why did you move to the township?

(4 – most important)		Diversity/quality of housing stock:	2.14
Other:	3.09	Education (Township schools)	2.09
Affordability of living:	2.83	Employment:	1.96
Proximity to transportation:	2.53	Lake / recreational opportunities:	1.91
Low crime:	2.53	Higher education:	1.45
Family:	2.36	(1 – least important)	

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4: What is your age?

>65	32.4%	35-44	14.6%
55-65	22.0%	18-34	9.5%
45-54	21.6%	(responses: 528)	

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5: What is your primary occupation?

Retired:	39.0%	Retail:	4.3%
Other:	17.0%	Finance/insurance/real estate:	4.3%
Medical/health:	9.0%	Transportation:	3.4%
Manufacturing:	9.0%	Personal services:	3.0%
Education:	5.5%	Agriculture:	0.6%
Government:	4.5%		

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6: Where do you commute to work?

Elsewhere in Lake County:	34.9%	Geauga County:	4.7%
Adjacent Lake County community:	20.0%	Other:	3.9%
Cuyahoga County:	19.5%	Ashtabula County:	0.6%
Painesville Township:	16.9%		

7: Rate the following township and county services.

(4 – most favorable)		Township administration:	2.30
Fire protection:	3.37	Senior services:	2.13
Sheriff protection:	3.02	Public transportation:	2.24
Road maintenance and snow removal:	2.65	Township recreational facilities:	2.05
Sidewalks, bike paths and trails:	2.59	Other:	2.04
Library:	2.59	(0 – least favorable)	

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8: Should the Township hire a contractor for the following services?

Trash pickup		Appliance and furniture pickup	
Yes:	53.5%	Yes:	43.5%
No:	46.5%	No:	56.5%
(responses: 449)		(responses: 444)	

Yard waste and leaf pickup
 Yes:
 No:
 (responses: 451)

56.5%
 43.5%

Recycling
 Yes:
 No:
 (responses:

56.1%
 43.9%
 451)

9: Where do you obtain the following goods and services?

	Painesville Twp	City of Painesville	Mentor	Perry	Other
Goods					
Grocery	71.7%	9.8%	12.1%	2.9%	3.5%
Clothing	6.0%	0.4%	88.7%	1.2%	3.7%
Pharmacy	58.4%	14.4%	20.7%	0.0%	6.5%
Hardware	34.1%	19.9%	45.2%	0.2%	0.6%
Gasoline	50.7%	25.0	17.3%	0.6%	6.6%
Auto parts	44.8%	24.5%	24.3%	0.6%	5.8%
Automobiles	21.4%	2.9%	45.5%	0.4%	29.8%
Appliances and furniture	3.1%	4.5%	76.8%	0.2%	15.5%
Entertainment	15.1%	2.6%	54.2%	0.6%	27.5%
Sporting and recreation	20.4%	3.9%	25.2%	3.2%	47.4%
Farm and garden Supplies	22.6%	5.3%	35.4%	25.6%	11.0%
Services					
Beauty/Barber	40.0%	15.4%	30.6%	2.3%	11.7%
Medical	10.4%	11.7%	52.0%	0.8%	25.4%
Dental	13.9%	18.2%	36.5%	4.7%	26.7%
Banking and finance	31.6%	38.8%	20.3%	3.4%	5.9%
Auto Repair	28.1%	22.9%	28.9%	3.4%	16.8%
Construction service	29.1%	6.1%	14.1%	1.7%	49.0%
Legal service	12.5%	37.8%	13.9%	0.5%	35.3%
Restaurant	22.0%	8.3%	57.3%	0.8%	11.69%

10: Would you support a levy for the following services:

New fire station
 Yes:
 No:

31.8%
 68.2%

Community center
 Yes:
 No:

32.0%
 68.0%

Senior center
 Yes:
 No:

33.0%
 67.0%

Public swimming pool
 Yes:
 No:

28.2%
 71.8%

Open space and parks
 Yes:
 No:

38.2%
 61.8%

Other
 Yes:
 No:

50.0%
 50.0%

11: What is your opinion of the public Lake Erie and Grand River access?

(4: most favorable)
 Average score:
 (0: least favorable)

2.37

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12: What types of business/industrial uses should be encouraged/pursued for the Twp.?

(4: most favorable)		Large scale retail (big box)	2.24
Other	3.10	Office	2.16
Small scale retail	2.80	Tourism	2.07
Information technology	2.45	Heavy Industry	1.38
Light industry	2.43	(0: least favorable)	
Research and development	2.39		

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13: What types of residential development would you prefer in the township?

(4: most favorable)		Other:	1.50
Single family dwellings:	3.62	Duplexes:	1.31
Assisted living:	2.51	Modular homes:	0.98
Senior housing:	2.48	Apartments:	0.71
Detached condominiums:	2.28	(0: least favorable)	
Attached condominiums:	1.82		

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Some respondents may not be familiar with the terms used in this question. *Detached condominiums* are usually marketed as “patio homes.” *Modular homes* may be associated with mobile homes, which was not a separate option in this question. There are various levels of *assisted living* housing, ranging from apartment-like independent living centers to labor-intensive nursing homes. Some respondents may have associated the term *duplex* with an urban two-flat that has one unit above the other, rather than a suburban two-family house where the units are side-by-side.

14: Do you or your family utilize the public recreational facilities?

Yes:	52.1%	Average days per year:	37.4
No:	47.9%	(responses: 512)	

15: How do you view agricultural lands in the township?

Important natural resource:	42.2%	Viable industry:	10.8%
Nursery:	34.8%	Other:	0.6%
Land for development:	11.7%	(responses: 666)	

16: Are farmland preservation efforts a major concern for you?

Yes:	63.5%	No:	36.5%
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17: How important is the preservation of the following elements of the township

(5: most important)

Lake Erie shoreline:	3.42	(responses: 495)	(weighed score: 1603.80)
Forested areas:	3.25	(responses: 489)	(weighed score: 1589.25)
Natural habitat:	3.21	(responses: 486)	(weighed score: 1560.06)
Open space:	3.08	(responses: 483)	(weighed score: 1487.64)
Agricultural lands:	2.95	(responses: 489)	(weighed score: 1442.55)
Wetlands:	2.66	(responses: 474)	(weighed score: 1260.84)
Other:	3.06	(responses: 18)	(weighed score: 55.8)

(0: least important)

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18: Which of the following options would improve the Route 20 corridor?

Sidewalks:	18.3%	Decorative street lighting:	10.9%
Landscaping requirements:	17.5%	Township gateways:	7.1%
Underground utilities:	16.1%	Other:	5.2%
Improved signage*:	12.6%	(responses: 1,386)	
Curb and gutter:	12.2%		

* This choice may be unclear. The category is intended to apply to business identification and advertising signs and billboards, but some respondents may think it applies to official street name and traffic control signs.

19: Where do you live in the Township?

Northeast:	32.1%
Southwest:	26.7%
Southeast:	29.5%
Northwest:	11.7%

(386 responses)

20. Due to the close and fragmented nature of the Township’s border in relation to Painesville City, Fairport Harbor, Grand River and Mentor, do you feel the Township’s identity is lost amongst its neighbors? Do you feel the Township has a true “Town/Community Center?”*

* Considering how this question was asked, responses can be difficult to interpret. What was intended to be one question includes two different questions. An answer of “yes” or “no” to either of the questions could have different meanings; “Yes, there is no identity” and “Yes, there is an identity”, or “No, there is not an identity” and “No, identity has not been lost”. In Table 4.X in Section 4.12 (Land Use / Placemaking), responses that included only the words “yes” or “no”, and responses that were vague were tallied as “unclear.”

Responses may not always address the question asked. Spelling and grammatical errors have not been corrected.

- Yes. (13 responses)
- No. (43 responses)
- Yes. Yes. (2 responses)
- Yes. No. (13 responses)
- No. No. (6 responses)
- No. Yes. (7 responses)
- At times have to drive through less desirable area to get to the Township.
- Yes, they have not though out making grocery shopping accessible on the east side. Giant Eagle’s parking lot is the worst design I have ever seen...what a disaster.
- It is fine the way it is, nice and quiet. I’d rather have my tax money go to trash pick-up rather than a community center.

- *Yes. Identity is tucked away, but I do not feel a town/community center would change that.*
- *Some ID is lost, but really not that bad. Rather than build more “community centers” , why not utilize schools and their grounds for better community rec?*
- *I think its okay for the Township not to have “identity.” Known only by residence as a good place to live.*
- *We have no community center, identity is lost.*
- *No, it is hard to know where the Township begins and ends.*
- *I consider the east side the Township and Painesville Shopping Center...the rest seems lost.*
- *No! We have no center as such. Just several commercial centers. Outsiders feel the Township is part of the City.*
- *I appreciate the Township...excellent Road service and good schools.*
- *Need to enhance the community feeling.*
- *No, it (the Township) is perceived as separate entities.*
- *Township has unique identity that is not lost. Yes, the Township has a true community center.*
- *The laws of the Township have to be updated because the City is playing kickball with us. Money and big business have the last word an the eminent domain law needs revision or removed.*
- *Yes, identity is tucked away but I do not feel a town/community center would change that.*
- *Of course not, we are not a town. Frankly, I'd like to see Painesville Township merge with Painesville City because I'm concerned that Mentor is going to become too dominant in Lake County unless their neighbors unite to create an off setting force.*
- *We are always striving to promote the Township but seems to get lost between Mentor and Painesville City. Lately, all you hear about is the City taking all our valuable land and we just sit back because there is nothing we can do.*
- *No, I don't think the identity is lost...I am proud to live in Painesville Township.*
- *Approve Painesville City form of government and restrictions.*
- *Township has no “center”—its scattered all around other communities.*
- *No, coming from New York where there is a rec center and pool and a sense of community involvement. I feel the this Township lacks that. I feel I need to go to Mentor for the rec. programs (i.e. swimming lessons, ice skating, etc.).*
- *There is no community center. I wish we would be divided so when I say I live in Painesville people will actually know where I live. I have to explain that I am close to Perry.*
- *Very nice Township office on Nye Rd. but it is off the beaten path.*
- *Yes, most of the time people don't know if there are in the Township or not. We feel very disconnected to the community and our neighbors.*
- *Yes, I believe it is lost among the others. Unless I see a sign, I never know where the boundaries are except in my own backyard.*
- *No everyone knows when you say Township its not the same as Painesville City.*
- *We are gradually losing out identity.*
- *No, Painesville Twp. Borders are very confusing—its hard to even say where a true center is.*
- *Identity loss—yes / True center, has is but needs to promote it better.*
- *No, there really doesn't seem to be much of a Township presence.*
- *Yes, I do feel that the Town/Community center is not well defined.*
- *Yes, it is hard to tell where one begins and the other leaves, but I don't see that it matters much.*
- *Yes, it holds its own.*
- *No, the Township needs more identity.*
- *Having lived in the Township so many years, I still see it as having it own identity and is still a community and proud of it.*
- *If we have a town hall and/or a community center, we don't know where it is.*
- *Somewhat of a town center but communication is weak.*
- *Both of these points are a part of being a township. That's what I like about it. It cost the people of cities and towns a lot of money for identity and community centers. We don't need that.*
- *We have great communities around us. When we need help they will help us. Even though we have to pay for their services.*
- *In the area where I live, we have so many streets and commercial properties around us that we seem to blend into the City. And, unfortunately the City must feel the same way as it swallows our borders. Hard to feel Township when the City is around the corner.*
- *No it seems a part of Painesville.*
- *Yes, I feel the Tup.'s identity is lost. There is no community center and it cant be connected because it is separated by the City of Painesville.*
- *No, but that's ok.*
- *Needs to improve Township identity, location and benefits.*

- *Yes, we are lost among our bordering towns.*
- *Yes, its so spread out.*
- *I believe the Township is lost amongst its neighbors. I live in the Township and am still confused about its boundaries.*
- *Not really...we are keyed to Painesville City.*
- *No, boundaries are poorly established and marked.*
- *Brighten Painesville Township by Mentors way of doing things. You do not need anymore strip plazas.*
- *I believe our schools are our town/community center. They are where we go for recreation.*
- *No identity...should have never been split from the City.*
- *Community is people and not a building for a few made with dollars. We should not isolate ourselves but use the resources now available better.*
- *Somewhat lost...make more traffic friendly.*
- *Yes, the Township's identity is lost. I see no direction. No town community center, I would rather see the money spent on enforcing zoning laws and residential "junk" laws.*
- *No, I would like to see the Township do something to beautify the Township or display flags along the main routes.*
- *Willoughby has its downtown with small shops and diners and Painesville City has its square with small restaurants, local barber, gazebo and park like atmosphere. There is no place to "get it all" or to meet on Sunday. We need a quaint, locally owned strip...ie Route 20, Giant Eagle plaza.*
- *I believe Grand River, Fairport and Painesville Twp. should join together and form a government controlled city—like Mentor for example.*
- *I feel the eastern portion of the Township is ignored. We have a lack of shopping areas and good restaurants.*
- *It is too broken up for a general sense of community but the neighborhoods seem to subdivide into mini communities on their own.*
- *I do think the identity is lost to a degree. I feel like I'm always explaining the borders to people and there isn't a good center.*
- *No, we're all connected which is fine.*
- *No, because the community leaders have not promoted community togetherness with community functions.*
- *Township identity "lost"—no.*
- *I cannot sense a true town center.*
- *We have not lost identity to locals, but we are confused with Painesville City and Concord by people unfamiliar with the area.*
- *Fire, sheriff and rescue are all very good.*
- *A second community center located near Bowhall/Bacon Rds. Would improve the Township identity.*
- *Yes, I consider the Township still to have a low-key atmosphere unlike Mentor which is too over developed with little grass and all concrete and asphalt with no left turn signs taking over. We can develop without overkill.*
- *Yes, maybe the Nye Rd. area.*
- *It appears more fragmented today than 25 years ago—schools were stronger then.*
- *The Township's identity is outstanding...other are or should be envious of the Township.*
- *Painesville Township Survey: Question 18 Responses*
- *I do not see the Twp. identity in the 8 yrs. of being here except in one area - our school. It seems other cultures do not live in the Township, but around us. Why? Are they not welcome?*
- *No. No identity.*
- *We are lost. Painesville = Painesville Twp. Perhaps more communication about who is Painesville Township.*
- *Yes, I do feel its identity is lost amongst its neighbors.*
- *No identity loss. Yes true center.*
- *The township is segregated and split by other communities, which does not provide the "community" with a proper 'family/united' relationship.*
- *No. I like how Mentor has public swimming pools, civic center, etc.*
- *Yes, lost; no community center.*
- *No. Need to promote more restaurants, supermarkets, industry, better paying jobs and benefits for area workers, male and female. Equal for men and women.*
- *Yes, it is last and no true center.*
- *Yes – Township ID IS LOST. No town/community center.*
- *No. Does a township identity really matter?*
- *Yes. No, the township is broken into small pieces...*
- *Yes, the identity is lost. We need to improve "Town/community center" feeling.*
- *Identity is not lost. Yes, to town/community center.*
- *I've never been bothered by the lack of a community center. It's a township, not a city or village.*

- *I don't feel its identity is lost. I feel it is getting better. I don't feel, however, that it has a "town/community center".*
- *No. It has not lost its identity! Sorry to say no to the second question.*
- *Yes, I'm sure outsiders don't know where Painesville Twp. starts or ends. No. I don't feel the twp. has a true town/community center.*
- *The Township does not have a true town/community center.*
- *Yes. I believe it is lost! It would be hard to state a center. Two come to mind – Riverside and Painesville Shopping Center.*
- *No. Information is always late (after the fact) if you want to participate in any community activities. Yes.*
- *Sometimes township does get lost amongst its neighbors.*
- *Yes. Don't let Painesville City annex any more Township land.*
- *Yes. No, it is too split up, segregated.*
- *Yes, lost among neighbors – no town/community center.*
- *Yes, I feel the Township has lost its identity and No, I do not feel it has a true town or community center.*
- *Yes, it has a clear identity.*
- *I love our close neighbors, and I believe that we are doing just fine, but we need more stores like Marc's or Walmart next to the Perry border. I am tired of having Mentor get everything.*
- *No true center.*
- *No. Yes, I agree – no identity.*
- *Identity is adequate, but could be better.*
- *No. They let Painesville steal their land.*
- *Yes, identity is vague. No true "town/community center", however, I don't mind being considered just Painesville.*
- *Somewhat "lost". There is no town or community center that I know of.*
- *No town community.*
- *Too many people.*
- *The Township is a great alternative to living in the towns that surround Painesville Township.*
- *The Township is ok. I like living here as long as Painesville City keeps their hands off of us.*
- *Yes! Leave well enough alone.*
- *No. Township, I think, has turn in to the center of commerce, surpassed only by Mentor.*
- *The township is just fine.*
- *Yes identity lost.*
- *Yes. No true community center.*
- *Yes, it has a nice feeling now, but I'm afraid they are over building to the point of congestion.*
- *Yes. No, unfortunately. Madison Ave/Park Road area would be great or previous Giant Eagle location. Should be an economic development area with small shops and businesses with a community center.*
- *Yes. ID is lost and has no center.*
- *Yes, it seems like a close family.*
- *Its identity is sometimes lost. We should explore merging with Concord Township or becoming an incorporated city (yes, I know, higher taxes). We do not have a true town/community center. Too many junky stores and shops. You notice the difference the minute you leave Mentor and enter Painesville Township on highway 20.*
- *No feeling of community, especially when the township allows the City to annex land. Who is next?*
- *I moved away from the City because cities suck. This community is fine just the way it is.*
- *Not really that important.*
- *Not really.*
- *Yes. No? Maybe the shopping area – West Rt. 20*
- *Yes. I do think there should be a twp. center – it is fragmented.*
- *The Township has nothing. Our Giant Eagle has been gone for a long time. Why don't you work on getting a good store down there for all these people? All we have is the high price IGA.*
- *It think the Township is known but can be better known through its good Road Dept./Fire Dept./and administrators.*
- *No. It is not lost in my opinion.*
- *No. It blends in with Painesville City.*
- *No. Lost.*
- *Always keep the Township. It's growing with many new housing starts. We have a worldwide corp. manufacturing within our boards – Lubrizol.*
- *Yes. I feel our identity is lost. We need a town hall – a place we can look up to and be proud of – Look at Mentor Civic Center area. We could copy this at the high school area.*

- *No. Identity lost among ourselves/separated sections. Town/community center – not at the present time.*
- *Let's not cut down threes as Mentor has.*
- *No identity at all.*
- *It is lost. Has no distinctiveness. Can't tell where it begins or ends. No true center – That's why people go to Mentor.*
- *Yes and Yes, but Grand River should be included since their children are in our school district.*
- *Yes, why not become a conglomerate with all combined under one government.*
- *The Township has an identity problem. "Painesville" means both City and Twp. to everyone.*
- *Yes. Identity lost. Yes, No true town/community center.*
- *Yes. Our identity is lost. I believe the community center is lost as well.*
- *Identity lost. No community center in Township.*
- *No true town center feeling in the township in my opinion. There isn't any real attraction here. I feel the Township's identity is just the area to pass through on the way to other destinations.*
- *Identity is somewhat lost among its neighbors.*
- *The identity is lost, but if we work to save green space, we will become an oasis surrounded by unchecked development.*
- *Yes, but we need to clean up a lot of areas, especially the "dogpatch" area. Also, Route 20 east of the Grand River.*
- *No. After I moved here I discovered how disassociated one area of the Township is from the other – with the City in between.*
- *No. Should have own senior center.*
- *Needs sprucing up badly.*
- *I really don't ever think township...not even in my return address on mail. Do we have a community center?*
- *It seems more like two different towns.*
- *Township would do well to combine with Painesville City to make a large competitive city.*
- *The identity is lost because there is no reason to visit the township – no true center.*
- *Yes. The identity seems to be lost. There does not seem to be a "true" community center.*
- *Yes, the "community" is very broken for the most part. However, each section seems to have its own identity and community. I do not see a true town center.*
- *Yes. It is confused with City. No town/community center.*
- *Compared to Mentor – yes it is lost.*
- *No. The high school campus is probably the closest we have to a "center" and it's on the fringe.*
- *No. See #9 (211) Nee twp. community center.*
- *Identity lost, no true center.*
- *Painesville Township seems to blend into surrounding communities.*
- *I feel it has its own identity, but to say it has a true town/community center, no.*
- *I feel the township has a distinct identity and is a very desirable place for people to move into.*
- *No to the 1st question and No to the 2nd.*
- *Identity is low, but character per #16 should be retained.*
- *To have a more community "feel", we need an annual township festival, i.e. nursery days, Lake Erie Festival, Apple Blossom, etc. – sidewalks! A community is one that walks!*
- *Yes, lost among neighbors. No actual community center.*
- *The township doesn't have a center, but if this needed? I feel that we should develop this with Painesville City. We are closely aligned to the City so shy not share developments.*
- *Yes. No., I do not think we have our own identity.*
- *No. No. I'm fine with the "no town/community center" thing.*
- *I do feel that the township needs to improve its identity to make it more desirable for new people to move here.*
- *Where is the center? I wish I had more info.*
- *Yes. We need stores and things to do in the township. I have to go miles to do anything except go to a drug store.*
- *Township identity is lost if it ever existed. It never had a true "center"*
- *Yes, this is our town and we should keep it this way and bring back the small town atmosphere.*
- *Why not incorporate the City and township; restore a downtown area.*
- *The township does have a lost identity, but I have a sense of community with all the surrounding cities. Even if there was a "City Center", it wouldn't make me feel more "grounded".*
- *Yes/No. There is no distinction where the twp. ends and the next community begins.*
- *Less and less. Reflection of society; not confined to an area..*
- *Yes. It's located in area between Tops Grocery Store and Giant Eagle Grocery Store.*
- *Yes, identity problem for sure. Re: town/community Center – Where is it?*

- *Most definitely lost its identity. Town community center? Where is it?*
- *Yes. People think we are part of Painesville City area.*
- *Identity not lost. No. We do not have a town/community center.*
- *Although I do not feel we have a true community center area, I feel that we definitely have our own identity among our adjacent townships and cities and I thoroughly enjoy being a township.*
- *Yes. The identity is definitely lost. I don't feel the Township has a true town center. It's very segmented and almost disorganized.*
- *I feel the Township is a great community to live, with tax exemption, great Lake Metroparks, access to Lake Erie.*
- *No true community or town center.*
- *The township needs to establish its own identity as the place to be, visit.*
- *Not lost among its neighbors.*
- *No. I like the rural (or semi) atmosphere.*
- *Being split up does not give us a "center". The Fire Stations appear to be our centers and this is okay.*
- *No. It is too fragmented. For years, we have thought that this township area should incorporate with the City of Painesville.*
- *No. There is no gathering place or the residents of the township.*
- *I do not believe the Township's identity is lost amongst its neighbors, but believe the Township is a better place to live and has the best of schools. Townships are wonderful because of smaller government and less costly. Townships are wonderful because of smaller government and less costly. Townships do not have employee wage income tax, which is a great plus.*
- *We feel Painesville City stole land from the township. We're mad about it.*
- *Yes. Identity is lost/ there is no town center.*
- *The township has little identity. It is improving and I would like to see its continued growth.*

21: Have you witnessed any positive changes during your residency in Painesville Township?

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- *Keep it rural. That's why I moved here.*
- *County home management seems to be very community oriented with seasonal signage and landscaping.*
- *Loss of Township territory to all other communities including villages such as Grand River and Fairport.*
- *Not much as changed, which is good.*
- *Painesville Square very beautiful.*
- *Built a Wal-Mart in Mentor.*
- *Improved real estate.*
- *Access to freeways and ample shopping centers.*
- *Taking care of the street paving and repair / Laketrans for the elderly and Cleveland sports events / Planting trees and flowers around PV.*
- *Township fire stations.*
- *New pavement on Route 84 / New Riverside HS football field.*
- *Some road improvement / Have had more help ridding my property of falling limbs, etc... / Improved drainage in my case.*
- *Our great fire departments*
- *In my area (North Township), many of the older homes and small cottages have been bought and upgraded by new owners.*
- *Grocery Stores*
- *The shopping with Kohls, Bed Bath and Beyond and Loews have been well thought out and needed retail.*
- *I like that the east side has not gone industrial. It still has a country atmosphere which is its appeal.*
- *Parks, roadways and new housing.*
- *Curbs on Madison Avenue and sewers.*
- *Building on the Route 20 Township border.*
- *Subdivisions on Madison Ave.*
- *More retail stores / Mill Morr was paved, but we would like street lights and a sidewalk.*
- *A wonderful school district.*
- *Plans to improve Route 20 corridor and the improvement in the schools academic performance.*
- *Recycling and road paving.*
- *Growth of Township and recycling.*

- *Can't think of any...parks and natural space would be a positive change.*
- *Controlled growth, not like Mentor.*
- *Road improvements.*
- *Expansion of safety forces, more paramedics, firefighters, sheriff. Acquisition of equipment for safety forces.*
- *Fire and police rescue service.*
- *New houses in the Painesville Twp. Park area, upkeep of yards has improved.*
- *Increased services to housing and the new Riverside Field House.*
- *Retail shopping in the west / Home improvements in Twp. Park or Sunset Point area / Renovation of Painesville Twp. Park / Fire Department / Road improvements throughout the Twp.*
- *Curbside recycling and special collection events, updated equipment and training for police, fire and rescue personnel, improved parks and roads and less trash on streets and highways.*
- *Housing value.*
- *The schools report card.*
- *Field House.*
- *In the 3.5 years we've been here we have seen none.*
- *Lack of rental property as opposed to Painesville City.*
- *Better roads.*
- *More stores and restaurants and cleaner.*
- *Nothing. Way too much development.*
- *Shopping centers and the ongoing street re-surfacing program.*
- *Painesville Township park has improved a lot.*
- *Street repairs and more visible sheriffs patrolling.*
- *Fire department and rescue squad.*
- *Good police and fire protection.*
- *New homes and more streets.*
- *Sewer, water, fire protection and road maintenance.*
- *Good roads, snow removal and very good emergency services.*
- *The improvement in the Riverside Campus.*
- *Clean-up of Diamond Shamrock property.*
- *The slowly evolving integrated housing. But, the loss of major industries, having more people to help pay taxes have been a major concern for me.*
- *Upgrading of roads, property improvement, both public and privately owned.*
- *Improved communications via Township offices / Housing on Lakefront.*
- *My family admired our beautiful city park. Of all the improvements, this stands out the most.*
- *We still govern our own space.*
- *Some sidewalks need improvement. Bike riders on the sidewalk make it difficult for walkers.*
- *Road and Building department efforts.*
- *Metroparks acquisition of Painesville Township Park.*
- *The development of the Fire Department.*
- *Continued improvements of Painesville Township schools.*
- *Township officials are hard workers.*
- *None, except for the stores at the end of Fairgrounds Rd. and Mentor Ave.*
- *Not over-building like Mentor.*
- *Excellent snow removal.*
- *We have good and adequate fire protection, schools, medical access and road department.*
- *The red light at the end of Fairgrounds and 84 was a huge improvement to safety. The addition of offices and stores in close proximity—doctors, grocery and banks.*
- *The Riverside Field House and more diversity of the residents.*
- *Feeling safe, friendliness of neighbors and the new field house.*
- *Riverside Field House—excellent.*
- *Taking buildings down in Painesville...It was a nice shopping place at one time.*
- *Street-side tree planting years ago. Why did it stop?*
- *Better police attention—modernize sheriff dept.*
- *The improvement of our park system, river, streams and lake, the Riverside HS complex and the emergency response time.*
- *Sewers and housing developments.*
- *Road improvements, Pineway development and Lake County Baler.*
- *Continued construction of nice housing.*
- *New housing and Heisley Rd. build-up.*

- *Fire station and office on Nye Rd. and the new Giant Eagle shopping area.*
- *Field House and Stadium / Cleaning in Metroparks buildings / Laketrans*
- *Much cleaner environment, better police department, better mental health.*
- *Fire Department*
- *New Giant Eagle shopping plaza.*
- *Quieter, decreased traffic, low crime, larger lot sizes.*
- *Our schools have reached excellent levels / retained large grocery business / retained large manufacturing base.*
- *Paving of Hale.*
- *Residential real estate.*
- *Nothing much has changes other than schools.*
- *The Riverside community field house.*
- *Cooperation of officials in government.*
- *I have seen a couple of new housing developments.*
- *When we moved here it was country but much of the City has moved out here and it is rapidly being developed.*
- *Small business owners are not afraid to start a business in our community. The schools have been improved and the parks have added trails and play equipment.*
- *Nothing. I would like to see a bike/walking path along Bacon Rd.*
- *Quality of education.*
- *Growth of new homes and businesses.*
- *Snow plowing and taking care of our roads.*
- *Tolerance and acceptance of diversity.*
- *Improved roads.*
- *Field house and road improvements.*
- *Madison Ave. getting repaved.*
- *Schools improving even more.*
- *Beautiful housing developments.*
- *Recycling program / branch pick-up / Improvements on Madison Ave. / Improvements at Riverside High.*
- *Field house...now kids have at least one place they can go and do physical activities.*
- *Repaving streets in the Pines development and Route 20.*
- *Fire department has full-time staffing and road department is top notch compared to 20 years ago.*
- *Increased business, improved streets and fire protection.*
- *Schools—Riverside, Auburn and Buckeye.*
- *Snow removal and road repair has improved.*
- *Roads have been maintained pretty well / gradually getting more reasonable retail / Not building too many plazas and having them half empty. Keep up the good work.*
- *Residential growth.*
- *The people have always been an asset living in Painesville Township.*
- *They finally repaired the railway crossing roads / like new medical center on Bacon and Route 20.*
- *The quality of new housing.*
- *Slow residential growth.*
- *More homes.*
- *Giant Eagle complex and the square.*
- *Snow removal improved.*
- *Growth – Appreciation of property values.*
- *None.*
- *People improving their homes.*
- *None.*
- *Excellent snow removal.*
- *Housing developing.*
- *Opening and directing of the Greenway Corridor.*
- *No.*
- *New Township signs great/ park beautification /road improvement.*
- *Junkyards, landfill, jail are all on east end are not in my backyard.*
- *Sanitary sewers/City water.*
- *None.*
- *Streetlights, better roads, crime protection, better schools.*
- *Giant Eagle, car wash.*
- *None.*

- Road resurfacing and great snow removal.
- Rt. 20 near Fairgrounds looks terrible, unkempt storefronts, lack of landscaping, broken and/or faded signs.
- Hopefully green areas with sidewalks and more parks.
- Concerned about too much of the Township being annexed by City of Painesville. It would be nice also to see more business on the Rt. 20 corridor with a professional look – medical and/or professional buildings instead of auto parts, vacant buildings and overgrown or over-signaged property. I would like to keep trash pick up my choice, but have a better yard waste program to encourage owners to keep land nicer and for the environment.
- Brush/branch pick up. Good fire department. Better road upkeep.
- Schools.
- Improved retail and restaurant selection.
- Housing.
- The field house at Riverside. CVS on Mentor Ave. and Bacon Rd. New Giant Eagle complex.
- City water to my home.
- Road paving.
- Can't tell as I am homebound because of disability.
- Painesville Twp. schools have improved dramatically.
- Haven't seen too many changes. Haven't been here that long.
- Growth of single-family homes without destroying the warmth of the township.
- Building of RHS field house, good trustees, good services. Nice newsletter.
- Oakwood Blvd. paved. Increase in sheriff patrol.
- Fire protection. Road department.
- Water, sewer, gas, fire department, road department.
- Road paving, Rec center at Riverside, Recycling.
- None!! Township is always a day late with information if you would like to participate (i.e., witness) very little has changed in 22 years.
- Nothing. Road repairs, recycling.
- More housing construction.
- Roads. Home up keeping in surrounding areas.
- New administration building – looks great inside and out.
- Positive – I can't really find one. Negative – the closing of Giant Eagle on Bacon Road.
- Quality single-family dwellings.
- Getting storm sewers.
- Good zoning laws and enforcement. Roads well maintained. I feel trustees take their jobs very seriously.
- Development of land and businesses. RHS Field House, library, Metroparks, railroad crossing gates.
- Not much.
- Most nurseries when I moved in township '46 years ago are new strip malls.
- Leaf and branch pick up. Better roads, fire and rescue protective services.
- The high school's athletic facility. Other than that, nothing!!!
- Railroad crossing gates put in. Red lights put in. Widening road put in. Drains put in. guard rails put in. Bridges worked on.
- Riverside sports facilities improvements, recycling continued with new contract.
- Safe, we feel safe. Good Schools. No crime.
- Development of Giant Eagle and adjacent stores and improvement to Fairgrounds Road near Rt. 2.
- Maintenance of road.
- Traffic. I can't think of anything positive. There has been too much development. There's too much traffic. We're getting like Mentor. We have managed to keep the Township government from getting out of hand however.
- The Township has avoided being like Mentor. If we could control the traffic, this will remain a great place to live. Too much development will eventually increase traffic to the point we'll be like Mentor.
- Fire Dept., excellent schools, and very good roads. It's a very nice place to live. Pass a law to prevent homeowners from planting thorn bushes near a sidewalk.
- Little to no change.
- Residential growth.
- Lest government.
- My retirement.
- Some roads re-paved.
- Sewers, new housing and improved roads.
- New housing, road improvement, township signs.

- *New housing, road improvement, township signs.*
- *Beautification of Roses Ice Cream Shop.*
- *Paved Streets. Downtown improvements in Painesville, Viable businesses (new).*
- *No change – but new housing developments are well planned and controlled.*
- *Housing developments.*
- *Riverside High School's athletic fields.*
- *Downtown park.*
- *New homes.*
- *Roads are better. School System improved.*
- *Bike path.*
- *Fire protection.*
- *The only positive is there isn't any income tax.*
- *Township Park, the schools, the roads.*
- *Diamond Shamrock closing.*
- *Improved administration (government). Improved fire protection. Better road maintenance and paving. Better zoning requirements. Better balance of housing units.*
- *Field house is good – New Giant Eagle.*
- *Better snow removal.*
- *Improved schools.*
- *You want us to keep our yards clean and picked up, but where the hell are we to get rid of the junk. Once a year pick up and then the letter was late to let us know. Try twice a summer. In Painesville, you can put it out when you cut the branch. No okay votes from me till I get something. Carol H. Small*
- *New medical center on Bacon Road.*
- *Improvement in services such as road/fire/etc. Let's make them better. Building and maintaining older housing streets.*
- *Cannot comment about this.*
- *Upscale housing.*
- *Road Department.*
- *Neighbors take care of property.*
- *The changes beginning on Rt. 20 east for safety.*
- *Better road dept. and school leadership.*
- *More retail and grocery stores. Excellent medical facilities. More restaurants. Congratulation to Township schools on their excellent rating.*
- *Don't know of one.*
- *Giant Eagle moving.*
- *Education and the wonderful improvements at Riverside High School.*
- *Traffic signals.*
- *Improvement in schools. Noticeable change for the better in road dept. but more work is needed.*
- *Schools better – Riverside Field House.*
- *None that I'm aware of.*
- *Better roads – better maintenance. Better snow removal.*
- *Better roads, emergency services.*
- *The increase in new home construction has been a positive change.*
- *The square in town has been taken care of very well.*
- *Improvement of Twp. Park.*
- *I don't now – I live one block east of Mentor and was a Mentor resident for over 40 years before that.*
- *None.*
- *Putting condos across the street with no safety for kids or place to play. Are sidewalks out of style?*
- *None really.*
- *I noticed Giant Eagle's new store. I like it very much.*
- *Sewers – Single-family homes.*
- *New housing. New doctor's office. New drug store.*
- *The additional streets and homes added to the area...most of them beautiful and well kept.*
- *Paved roads – Shoreline erosion.*
- *The raise in property value.*
- *None.*
- *Field House.*
- *Sewers and public water.*
- *Housing.*

- *More housing and new citizens because Mentor and Concord are full!*
- *Better fire dept. Better Sheriff's Dept.*
- *New, better construction of single-family homes and condominiums. The township should have landscaping requirements of each home – old and new.*
- *Revitalization of shopping center. Road paving.*
- *The park on the square is very nice – but that's not the township. Also the Giant Eagle is nice, but I wished they never moved and whoever designed the parking lot there should be shot.*
- *Roads.*
- *Road improvements.*
- *Great service from road dept.!*
- *Try to sell and renovate industrial property along Lake abandoned years ago.*
- *Improved schools.*
- *Painting Painesville Commons shopping area.*
- *I'm sure there have been some but none comes to mind.*
- *Improvement of roads. Madison Ave. /Jackson Street (West) and Rt. 20.*
- *Housing development and road resurfacing.*
- *The school's greatly improving.*
- *Paving roads – other than that not much.*
- *Growth.*
- *Recovery of schools. New bike path.*
- *Cannot think of any at present.*
- *Preservation of some farm/nursery lands.*
- *Storm sewer fixed after 20+ years of flooding basements. Better road salting (not last winter).*
- *The corner of 20 and Fairgrounds was helped by tearing down buildings and opened up to Giant Eagle complex, however, that isn't very attractive or eye appealing either. It could use some landscaping.*
- *The increased housing both east and west has been well done. The school system has improved and is committed to increased success.*
- *Fire Departments.*
- *Preservation of old buildings. Bike path.*
- *The addition of traffic lights in places they were needed, lowering speed limits in some areas, some smart road changes – more needed. Keep it up.*
- *Can't think of any.*
- *CVS coming to Ridge Road – Dr./Medical complex on Bacon.*
- *Painesville Township Park. I had been along time Painesville City resident. I have watched Painesville Township Park really improve. Years ago, I would have never moved into the Painesville Township Park run down neighborhood, but I now live here. It has really improved, but still has a long way to go. They need to make an ordinance about junk stock cars and dogs which would take care of a lot of the problems.*
- *Rt. 20 in process of improvement with widening.*
- *Planting of trees by the township. Good road/snow removal.*
- *Road service is better, with better equipment.*
- *Better paved side streets, an increase in subdivision development. Library is excellent.*
- *Can't think of any, I am sure they may be some, but I don't know them.*
- *Clean up days, brush collection.*
- *Not seen it. I'm sure you will.*
- *Notifications on activities.*
- *Metroparks bike/walk trail. Riverside High School improvements.*
- *School systems rating (Very important for any sustained growth).*
- *Newer homes being built; however, the contractors are being allowed to put homes far too close together.*
- *Storm sewers and sanitary sewers. (Roads are still very poor though)*
- *Full-time Fire Department, recycle program, Riverside Field House.*
- *We're very pleased with the school system. Our roads are not kept up much better.*
- *New housing on the last side of the township as well as some new businesses on both east and west ends. Also the excellent ratings of our school district.*
- *I can't think of any.*
- *Metroparks managing Township Park.*
- *Improvement in the P. T. Schools. Updating Painesville Shopping Center.*
- *Beautiful housing in conjunction with nature. Land size requirements for building. Zoning and building requirements should be at least at ½ acre, if not more. No commercial zoning near residential, agricultural or natural parks, lake, forests, etc. Protect the endangered areas.*

- *Addition of fire stations, tree planting along streets.*
- *Yes, many people are very confused about what exactly the Twp. is. No there is no real community feeling in this township. If it were not for family, we wouldn't be here.*
- *Roads are better – Fairport Harbor is much better but township area there not as well defined. More interest in high school and middle schools than before. Painesville shopping Center has improved look wise, but the type of store has not improved. I also thin the new Giant Eagle Mall is a hazard to traffic on Rt. 20 & Fairgrounds Road.*
- *Plans to change Hale Road/20 intersection.*
- *Better education, government and wonderful road programs.*
- *The drainage sewer worked on Normandy Drive helped a lot.*
- *Fire Department*
- *Improvements in township school district.*
- *Bug control.*
- *I like the Painesville Twp. newsletters.*
- *Nice homes; let's keep it that way.*

22: Have you witnessed any negative changes during your residency in Painesville Township?

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- *Yes. (4 responses)*
- *No. (42 responses)*
- *Lack of support from Township residents including those whom are the Township leaders.*
- *Moving Giant Eagle. Don't become a Mentor...Leave space for homes and stores.*
- *Traffic congestion.*
- *No downtown retail stores.*
- *Converting all of downtown Painesville City to government offices. Also, strip malls that are vacant.*
- *Increased congestion.*
- *Property taxes have increased too much and people on fixed incomes cannot handle this!*
- *Increased traffic and some light have long delays.*
- *Land being annexed from Township to City.*
- *City taking property.*
- *Seems like the Township is always on the end in getting any help and we're always the ones getting left out.*
- *Losing access to Giant Eagle on Bacon Rd. plaza. It's a good location but no small retail shopping.*
- *I'm not happy about them tearing out the woods and building up the Bacon Rd. area.*
- *Too much standing water.*
- *Pornography on Route 20.*
- *Traffic has become unbearable at rush hour and sometimes during the day.*
- *Loss of industry.*
- *Bowhall and Route 20 business area. Many have left and replaced by poor looking businesses. It is not very attractive to visitors entering the Township from Route 2.*
- *Nothing is done about the traffic on Route 20 from Mentor line. Since Loews and Aldi's, traffic is heavy.*
- *Gibbs on East 20, Strip joint on 20, old Giant Eagle complex empty...Bacon Rd. is blaaa.*
- *No, except for Giant Eagle closing on Bacon Rd. All large grocers are on the west end and we get an antique and craft outlet—how practical!*
- *Yes, the change in Painesville City businesses moving away.*
- *More and more development on Route 20. Its has become Mayfield Rd. #2.*
- *Road repair on 84.*
- *The loss of property to Painesville City / The refusal of Trustees to offer more services to a suburbanized community just because it's a Township.*
- *Over-building.*
- *Continued degradation of Route 20 corridor.*
- *Land grabbing by Painesville City.*
- *The City of Painesville acquired from the Township for such a small amount of money and actions. The proposed propane storage off Jackson St....I attended all the meeting from a fire and safety standpoint and was very disappointed in how it was handled.*
- *Yes, the house across from us has been vacant since Feb. '03 and the grass is out of control. Something needs to be done.*

- *Loss of industries / Loss of retail on East end / Increase in crime (no, its not a Township problem, it's a national problem)*
- *Its getting a little crowded.*
- *Yes, you have forgotten the far east side of the Township and out needs are not addressed in any way,*
- *Property values going down instead of rising like surrounding communities*
- *Too much development of new subdivisions and condos.*
- *No, pleasure to live in the Township.*
- *Traffic control.*
- *Yes, all the car dealerships on Route 20 will be like Vine St.*
- *Yes, we need more laws—such as no soliciting and dog leash regulations.*
- *Losing our land tax base to Painesville / Mentor through development.*
- *Too many empty storefronts.*
- *Road conditions in Heatherstone Village.*
- *Some properties deteriorating and not enough residential zoning.*
- *Loss of land by annexation by City.*
- *Large-scale grocery store moving from Bacon Rd. area with no replacement.*
- *Yes, the traffic is so heavy it's a pain to get onto Mentor Avenue. It is also way too narrow and not safe.*
- *Starting to look like a circus atmosphere, i.e cars parked on lawns, for sale signs, old garage sale signs.*
- *Some Township roads are in too bad of shape.*
- *Traffic on Route 20 is extremely congested / Increased traffic makes it difficult to walk.*
- *Loss of property to Painesville.*
- *Yes, not pursuing the development of the vacant land so that Painesville City was able to annex and build on that 460 acres. I understand the annexation laws but Painesville Township should have been developing it before then.*
- *The closing of Giant Eagle. Its pathetic, we have to drive to west Painesville Township or Madison to grocery shop. There is no fast food in this area either. Its like a ghost town from Mantle Rd. (Route 20) through all of Perry.*
- *Property taxes are out of line.*
- *Nothing really has changes except for the closing of the Giant Eagle that put the hurt on a lot of us that are on the eastside of the city. That is the only thing that is on the negative side. Everything else the Township has down is great.*
- *Yes, Gibbs inspired rental units / Oversupply of mini-malls*
- *Building houses at the end of Bacon.*
- *Areas of the Township are beginning to look like the City of Mentor—no greenspaces, store after store which become unoccupied because of lack of new occupants—traffic congestion on Route 20 at times feels like Cleveland—wild animals and pests are being driven into yards because development has taken their homes. My house was country when we moved in 42 years ago.*
- *Too much building and not enough traffic to handle all of the vehicle traffic.*
- *Just Teazin...not what we need. Route 20, northeast bad looking and losing the Giant Eagle.*
- *Mentor Ave. from Mentor line to Fairgrounds Rd.—new cars, used cars, vacant storefronts, adult shopsà all reflect your image.*
- *Empty old houses on Route 20 that used to be antique dealer.*
- *Yes, missing stores in Painesville...they made a mistake taking down the old buildings.*
- *The Heatherstone development.*
- *Increased traffic.*
- *The area along Route 20 where the strip bars is—certainly negative.*
- *Stores have all moved out.*
- *Annexation of property by Painesville City.*
- *I'm a bit discouraged on how the over-crowded school situation is being handled. I feel open enrollment is part of the problem and tunnel vision for only one solution (new middle school building).*
- *Yes, Bacon Rd. has more traffic. They need lights and a sidewalk or bike path. People are walking in the road, kids are riding bikes—someone is going to get hit soon. Stop light needed at crossroads by golf course. Mailbox home delivery for mail in the Pines.*
- *Adult book stores, etc. across from LC Fairgrounds, more deterioration of the fairgrounds (buildings, fences, etc.), mobile home parks that have a seedy appearance and no effort made to enhance their appearance.*
- *Tax increases.*
- *We are within the “10-mile kill range” of the Nuclear Power Plant.*
- *Route 20 traffic.*
- *Closing of Giant Eagle (Bacon & Route 20) / Inability to aggressively improve roads and schools.*

- Cable service.
- Yes, development of condos at 84 & 86 / Can't pull out of my street on Route 20 during the weekends.
- Yea, houses...houses...houses. How about a major apartment complex kept spotless, but not high priced.
- Loss of greenspace / increased traffic congestion / undesirable businesses / Painesville City taking land from Township.
- Some buildings (Route 20) and residential properties are a disgrace to the community.
- Failure to recognize annexation possibility—lack of benefits other communities have with like taxes per \$1000 such as yard waste and appliance pick-up / no park system or pool when children are growing up / Cable company with inferior programming
- Loss of retail businesses and too many government offices.
- Traffic objectionable (at times).
- Too much new building leaving empty buildings.
- With the west Nile virus, I feel there should be more rules or enforced stronger for “junk” residential/commercial yards.
- All the usable space is being built out and they decimate every tree when they decide to build and the animals don't have anywhere to go but invade other gardens.
- The Township allowed the Giant Eagle to move from Bacon Rd. and Route 20 and there are no close shopping areas in the area now.
- Yes, relocation of gentlemen's club to my neighborhood and closing of Giant Eagle.
- Too much traffic and retail.
- It seems they are starting to put developments in everywhere and there's not enough schools and services to provide for all that's here. I enjoy the quietness and more country-like atmosphere. Not 100 houses with no yards slammed into a development.
- Unqualified personnel.
- Painesville lacks the authority or ability to control business and make them live up to maintain their property.
- Yes, the Giant Eagle grocery store at the corner of Bacon and Route 20 moved out and we have no place close to shop. We need a grocery store.
- Yes, developers building more homes and no improvements on roads or schools.
- More traffic / We need more restaurants in the area.
- Ramps for the handicap.
- Inability of the schools to quickly devise a plan for the benefit of all the children due to the Hispanic influence. English class, assimilation class and parental educational classes ...many Hispanics feel school is to teach children English without being aware of the negative impacts on the entire class, that is slowed down or held behind standard levels.
- Increased crime.
- Loss of jobs...Diamond Shamrock and Uniroyal.
- Mail boxes being knocked down by snow plows.
- Loss of business in eastern Painesville Township (Giant Eagle on Bacon Rd.)
- Failure of school levy.
- Selling used cars on tree lawns / ATV's and snowmobiles on Madison Ave.
- Open enrollment in the schools to cause overcrowding.
- New construction allowed without regard to maintaining our natural resources. Construction is forcing numbers of animals out of the area.
- The eastern Township drastically needs restaurants and other businesses. A grocery store is very important. The east side has nothing to be vastly proud of.
- Added auto traffic.
- Lots of traffic...railroad grade separations would help.
- There needs to be more regulation regarding homeowners keeping up their property. There are far too many homes with junked cars, equipment, etc. and garbage left in yards and homes in need of paint and repair.
- Grocery store left...too far to drive to next grocery store.
- Growth of traffic on Mentor Ave.
- Painesville Twp. schools have lost their 1st place recognition.
- Electric off a lot.
- Painesville City's Greed.
- The superintendent of the schools, 'I want to be a movie star and politician'. Get a real man or woman that will roll up their sleeves and have real conversations instead of superficial ones. Trash is everywhere in our shopping areas: Marc's, radio shack – along Rt. 20.
- Loss of industry, ugly landscape between Calamity Curve and Sammet's Towing.
- Growth~~ It used to be country.

- *Road improvements have failed because of shoddy workmanship, ex. Coventry-Normandy 2 or 3 years ago. Terrible rip off to tax payers.*
- *Took away Giant Eagle to Painesville.*
- *Allowing adult “Book Store” on Route 20 close to Fairgrounds; allowing developers to remove all trees on construction properties.*
- *None at this time.*
- *Ok!*
- *Land fill, gravel pits and jail.*
- *Yes, too many home dwellings and lack of open space.*
- *Yes, some people or most do not take care of their houses. Some houses on Carson should be condemned.*
- *Lost jobs, losing people moving to different areas – Mentor, Madison, Perry. I am tired of hearing about these places.*
- *Open spaces gone and retail establishments built.*
- *Littered plaza’s and shopping areas and took away only grocery store in Bacon Road area.*
- *None that I can remember. Too much land being annexed to the City!*
- *More traffic congestion and especially on Rt. 20.*
- *Graffiti on Rt. 84 by Riverside School (makes it look low class).*
- *Yes. Giant Eagle on Mentor Ave. & Bacon Rd. Strip mall looks terrible – empty businesses.*
- *Houses being built on tiny single lots!*
- *Cutting down woods for more housing.*
- *When Giant Eagle and other stores left Bacon Road area. When learned that Lake East Hospital will be closed. Although not in township, it still meant close immediate care.*
- *Rt. 20 east – By Rt 2 area – bad image of Painesville Twp. Yardmaster ok.*
- *City of Painesville annexing township land.*
- *Keeping some residence responsible for property.*
- *Yes. Loss of major stores on east side of town. Why are we second-class citizens. No snow removal. No services.*
- *Need 20 widened. Cross walks there.*
- *Losing our Lake Erie shoreline.*
- *Gentlemen’s Club in Painesville Township east. Close to residential areas. Landfill. Garbage usually very visible on Rt. 2 from transporting to dump. Not kept cleaned. Embarrassment when visitors in town who see that.*
- *Too many large homes and not enough smaller homes. Also, the developers are taking all the land.*
- *Building everywhere – nowhere for wildlife to go, no skunk (pest)/raccoon trapping – homeowner’s responsibility.*
- *Moving Giant Eagle to Madison and other side of Painesville.*
- *Oops – answered to soon – the closing of a major grocery store in a great location.*
- *Yes. Please have the Health Board or whoever is responsible, upgrade the waste/sewage unit at the corner of Wintergreen Hill and Rt. 84. The odor was noxious last year and I have already noticed the “aroma” returning again. It is almost sickening to sit at light on the hill by Wintergreen Hill, especially during the hot summer months. It makes you sick to your stomach. And it’s quite embarrassing when you are inviting guests to visit. They must wonder what kind of communities do we live in. Please, there can be no excuse in this day and age for this kind of problem.*
- *Yes. Forced annexation by the City.*
- *North Ridge is a mess. We keep losing good land to Painesville City. All we seem to do is file appeals to keep township property. Just Teezing – Porno shops.*
- *Too much traffic and not enough main roads.*
- *Amount of traffic and speed of vehicles on Jackson Street.*
- *Yes. Too much traffic on Route 20. I understand that’s progress as new housing developments mean more people and more people mean more traffic.*
- *Loss of Giant Eagle grocery store – Rt. 20/Bacon Road.*
- *Junkyards on Rt. 20 east of RR underpass.*
- *The land grabbing by Painesville City.*
- *A lot of business in our area has left never to return, both large and small.*
- *Yes. Letting the City take 480 acres from Township. “Adult” store; traffic jams on Rt. 20.*
- *I only wish.*
- *Too much development, too much traffic.*
- *Development of condo’s and new housing has created new traffic issues. Tough to make a left-hand turn!*
- *None. Too many housing developments.*

- *Special favors/treatment for builders turning lots, etc.*
- *Just Teasin. Sidley selling off land for house development. Development on streams and wetlands.*
- *Yes. New homeowners are not keeping or maintaining their properties. Area is really regressing.*
- *Bad roads.*
- *Heavy traffic, especially on 20. The so-called 2 lanes are narrowly being used as 4 lanes and it's getting very dangerous. Need traffic signed at Fairfield & 20 and the private fence should be removed or moved back. Terrible sight lines.*
- *Moving one stone to another area and closing the old one. Loss of jobs to surrounding communities.*
- *Too much pavement.*
- *All grocery stores have been removed from East Painesville Township.*
- *The nasty strip club on Rt. 20. Get rid of it. Curbs and sidewalks. Too many houses being built, not enough green space being set aside.*
- *Prolonged projects (takes too long to finish them).*
- *Annexation.*
- *Rt. 20 by Marc's looks seedy – Rt. 20 from Mantle to Bowhall needs improvement – Just Teasin is a terrible way to show our area off to those coming from Rt2 to 20 East.*
- *Cable TV service and selection is not adequate. We should demand more channels and options. No grocery stores in eastern township.*
- *Yes, it looks like a junkyard along route 20. Closed shopping centers up around the curve going to Painesville – looks awful.*
- *"Just Teasing" gentlemen's club on Rt. 20. Most objectionable.*
- *Failure of inspectors to keep residence property in a clean appearance.*
- *Possibly too much growth with houses popping up everywhere. We should limit some growth.*
- *Roads are getting more crowded.*
- *Township east seems to have lost small retail. The Giant Eagle Plaza...How about a car parts store, a Wal-Mart somewhere?*
- *Yes. The adult pornography store on Mentor Ave. and other places in Painesville Twp.*
- *Annexation of Township land to Painesville City.*
- *Increased property taxes.*
- *Increased traffic on same roads. Empty buildings – businesses leaving or changing hands continuously. Schools need more room for increased K-6 kids. School Board problems.*
- *The slow process to provide City water to residences east of Riverside High School that are not in new developments.*
- *Traffic.*
- *Intolerable traffic on Rt. 20 – It needs to be 4 lanes or 3 at least (real lanes).*
- *Too much housing in areas where no sewer services are available.*
- *Roads more congested with traffic they are not equipped to handle.*
- *Too many small lots in developments – matchboxes.*
- *Loss of business both small and large. There are many shopping centers/strip malls with empty spaces. Also, the residential area in the Twp. Park is not maintained by its residents in a manner that encourages growth.*
- *More and more trash along roads, tacky buildings, bill boards.*
- *Three "sex" shops in one township is excessive. It encourages people to think Painesville Twp. doesn't have morals!*
- *Size of homes and lots in square footage.*
- *They took our grocery store and it's hard fro seniors to shop.*
- *Too many strip malls.*
- *Too much new housing – over crowding. Too many kids with nothing to do. Undesirables*
- *Trying to make the township become like a city. I like the open country life style like it was when I moved here. There are too many restrictions on land use.*
- *The moving of Giant Eagle and the housing on Lake Road.*
- *Closing of Giant Eagle.*
- *Few to none. Maybe Rt. 20 traffic from Mentor line to Fairgrounds Rd. and the tracks.*
- *Noisy neighbors, abandoned parked cars, grass not mowed. We need caring citizens who want twp. to succeed.*
- *Allowing trailer parks and modular homes (Blasé Nemeth Rd.). Also, corner of Rt. 20 and Bacon Rd. is terrible. Stores are gone or run down. It is not a pretty sight!! (Billboards)*
- *No, except rumors of possibly widening Fairfield Drive to accommodate priority connection. What about our sidewalks? Now we have to drive to the next block and our kids to school. Think of future consequences to our society-weight gain in children and promotion of a sedentary lifestyle!*

- *Lost grocery, east side plaza is ugly, Just Teazin – why did you ever let it in and let it move across town, calamity curve is a mess to look at.*
- *Only not the show removal we were used to.*
- *Yes, grocery stores moving out to the other end of town and nothing moving in the help replace that store. We need a grocery store and a discount store by the Bacon-Bowhall Rd. area.*
- *Yes, the closing of the school in Grand River years ago. We should use this school and not bus children across town.*
- *Not in my area.*
- *Annexation; nepotism; sale of nurseries to build houses.*
- *Problems with Painesville City. Inability to widen Rt. 20.*
- *Yes. Yet another porn shop.*
- *Phone lines are always under repair.*
- *Less elbowroom.*
- *We left Painesville to get away from the growing “Spanish” culture that seemed to be taking over. Now that culture is moving to this area also.*
- *Too much traffic.*
- *There’s a disgraceful, huge house on W. Jackson St. going east just past Handy Rental on the left. Looks like it’s ready to crumble, a disgrace to the community. I have called Trustees, commissioners, zoning, talked to Mrs. Crislip and referred me to the other – bottom line – can’t do anything. Someone lives in it! Terrible.*
- *Due to fences going up in a development with a deed restriction, the atmosphere I moved here for is lost – need to uphold deed restrictions when permits are applied for.*
- *Land being annexed from the township – properties along Rt. 20 not kept up – lack of yard waste pickup.*
- *Too much development.*
- *Traffic.*
- *Absolutely appalled at having a “Gentleman’s” club on one of our main thruofares! Get tough on land! Be more aggressive in the legal battles.*
- *Over population.*
- *The Township needs to make water and sewers available tin more areas.*
- *The loss of Stop & Shop at Bacon & 20. Giant Eagle stinks & was no loss. We need a grocery store that carries everything.*
- *Don’t like the cash advance places, pawnshops, sex toy stores.*
- *Can’t think of any.*
- *Loss of Giant Eagle on Ridge.*
- *No, just that in the Park on Hardy Road still some of the houses need improving. Some people have 4 or 5 dogs in their yards and junk stock cars behind fences. People need to take care of their yards, which greatly improves neighborhoods.*
- *Losing land to Painesville. Dense population in the last few years.*
- *All of the farmland has been turned into developments.*
- *Traffic on Jackson Street, Rt. 20 and Rt. 84 has increased to over capacity and nothing has been done to alleviate the traffic backups.*
- *Not that I am aware of.*
- *Balance of family to commercialism.*
- *Taxes rising. Hard on seniors!*
- *Decline of Lake County Fairgrounds.*
- *Vacated businesses along Rt. 20 (West) between Giant Eagle and Mentor Line. Deteriorating sidewalks along same area. Deteriorating area around Fairgrounds.*
- *Yes. Lake Road has been unposted for speed limit for years. Suddenly, since new development “2” signs post 25 mph. That road is over a mile long and Bacon Road is 40mph & has 8 signs posted and more side streets. I believe that Lake Road needs to be 40mph as well. Sheriffs are unfairly targeting that Road for speeders.*
- *Township Road needs to be much improved. I live on Bowhall Road, needs repair badly, needs to 3nforce open burning laws. My neighbor does what he wants. Open burns, leaves fire unattended. Fire Dept. Does nothing to stop people like him and other like him from open burning.*
- *Determination of areas around Fairgrounds.*
- *Yes, Traffic tie-ups – especially near the Painesville Shopping Center and Fairgrounds Road.*
- *The removal of our grocery store at Bacon and 20. I was really unhappy to see that go.*
- *Porn stores, strip bars, low morals. More riffraff, sexual offender the next street over.*
- *Some rise in crime. It seems that the Western side of Painesville Twp. is taken better care of as far as roads and other township services.*
- *Adult bookstores, gentlemen’s club, pay check loan centers.*
- *First apts. On Nye Road – low income.*

- *Too much building of shopping plazas. So many available it seems unnecessary to build more when more than half of buildings are unoccupied. Look at Route 20.*
- *Yes. The ability of a BZA board to allow dangerous and potentially disastrous storage of over 200, 500 gal of propane on property that is close to houses and Laketran headquarters. Where are our Trustees?*
- *More junky areas and shops such as Adult Videos opening – Rt. 20 is a mess!*
- *Lack of signal light at Park Road and Hale Road.*
- *More traffic and more development.*
- *Yes, concerning the land the city stole. Hate the two adult stores across from Fairgrounds. We don't think it should be allowed. Other cities put up a fight against them. They aren't conducive to family life. Also dislike the motorcycles taking over the area including the Fairgrounds.*
- *Strip malls, congestion on routes 20 & 84.*
- *Schools are becoming more crowded. Too many new homes are being built north of Bacon Road. The infrastructure cannot support this growth.*
- *The annexation of township land by greedy Painesville City.*
- *Way too much traffic on Rt. 20.*
- *My husband's car has been broken into twice within the last year in our driveway.*

23: How do you envision Painesville Township 20 years from today?

Responses may not always address the question asked. Spelling and grammatical errors have not been corrected.

- *Hopefully, the way it is today. We don't need all those stores and restaurants.*
- *I like it the way it is.*
- *Lost community. If we don't act now and put a stop to annexation of any type.*
- *Route 20 having shopping with out sidewalks/ Bike trail along shoreline/ Boat docking in Twp. Park/ Senior friendly development with community discounts for seniors who shop in the Township/ Discount snow removal and garbage pick-up.*
- *With proper zoning, building restrictions and cosmetic improvements, it will be an even better place to live.*
- *Realistically, smaller version of Mentor. I won't live here then.*
- *No overhead electric or cable lines / More parkland or preserves along the Grand River.*
- *Improved roads, schools and housing.*
- *Higher-end houses with large lots.*
- *Unless something is done to preserve Township it will go to the City.*
- *I'm hoping that it can become another Mentor.*
- *It will probably be overcrowded.*
- *A vital community with enhanced recreational facilities but still a small town feel.*
- *Ruined because of too much immigration.*
- *Use of current open land for housing leaving lack of open areas.*
- *Mostly urban and that is not good.*
- *Annexed by the City. / 84 bridge over the Grand River / Gibbs property still a mess / Our own police department (more taxes).*
- *Wow! What a great place to live.*
- *Developing based on a comprehensive plan / Economically stable, educationally sound and cooperative with surrounding municipalities / Create a strong R & D area connected to technology.*
- *Annexed to Painesville City.*
- *Hopefully the same as far as no big businesses or factories. There are cosmetic improvements that could be better but no other changes.*
- *Fragmented growth.*
- *Another Painesville.*
- *Keep it more like Auburn Rd.*
- *Vibrant due to ideal location.*
- *If they don't incorporate into a City they will continue to be absorbed by surrounding communities. Painesville Township is a township with city concerns and problems,*
- *Part of Painesville City.*
- *Overcrowded.*
- *If we don't get out more of a voice in our future we will be swallowed up by either Painesville or Mentor. We have good hard working people in the Township who care what our children will have when we are gone.*
- *Hopefully it will continue to grow to be a nice family community.*
- *I would like to see more upscale housing, light industry and technology jobs.*

- *Hopefully better.*
- *The western portion will either be annexed by Mentor or incorporated into a larger Painesville City. The eastern portion will see mushrooming developments and loss of agricultural/nursery lands, but it will remain a township because no one will want it.*
- *Relaxed, clean and mature landscaping. Affordable to live in, but not run down. I hope it doesn't become another Mentor—overcrowded and annoying.*
- *Same.*
- *Half gone to the City and the far east side still forgotten.*
- *Hopefully better with a bike path to the Southwest area.*
- *Same*
- *Just like Mentor.*
- *Downtown being preserved for its historical factor—oops, that's Painesville.*
- *I am afraid all the country charm and beautiful green spaces will be gone.*
- *New school buildings, more homes and more traffic which may become a problem.*
- *Even better.*
- *Hopefully still quiet and residential.*
- *I big mess.*
- *Completely built-up.*
- *Hopefully well kept—no broken down building and empty businesses along Route 20 like Vine St.*
- *A very desired place to live.*
- *Slight population density increase, otherwise not much change.*
- *Since the Lake Hospital System has plans to relocate to Concord Township, and being so close to that area of the Township, I would imagine more housing, recreation and industry. Hopefully, planning will include saving greenspace.*
- *Better roads. Also, more traffic lights would help people get in and out, but also, they are bad slowing down movement of cars and adding to congestion at the same time.*
- *I hope that it can have controlled growth so as to maintain its rural feel, but green and open space should be maintained.*
- *Nursery gone, housing-up-up-up.*
- *With the leadership we have, I expect it will be an even better place to live.*
- *Still being a Township and not swallowed up by the City. No annexation.*
- *I hope a very attractive, safe community. I believe it has a lot of pluses today.*
- *I would like to see more retail (small), a larger grocery store, better social services for children and seniors and recreational facilities.*
- *Major big box store and a hotel or two added.*
- *Better road department services provided. Eliminate ditches in front of homes in Bristol Rd. area.*
- *I hope not a part of Painesville City. If property is annexed, let it go to Mentor.*
- *Centerpiece of Lake County.*
- *A good place to live if not overbuilt.*
- *Hopefully much the same as it is today with constant improvements being made to existing services as decided by the residence of the Township.*
- *All housing and no woods for the animals.*
- *Too many houses will move out.*
- *I don't believe there will be a Township—parts will be annexed by the City. Route 20, especially from Fairgrounds to Nye Rd. shows the urban sprawl. And the City has already annexed valuable acreage through questionable means. I feel the City has the funds and attorneys to gain access to any land desired.*
- *Overcrowded infrastructure not able to keep up with population growth.*
- *Too crowded, if building continues.*
- *Little change, it will go as Painesville goes.*
- *Lack of greenspace and natural character and development isn't monitored.*
- *East side to Perry – west to Mentor and south to Concord.*
- *Overcrowded.*
- *Retaining its semi-rural charm. Limit so called development and pass a noise ordinance.*
- *A village.*
- *Hopefully it will retain its quiet community identity.*
- *As being a part of Concord, Mentor, Perry or Painesville.*
- *More residential development and a population increase / More land annexed to City and a combination of the schools.*
- *Unfortunately, it will be like Mentor or Willoughby...too crowded and busy.*

- *More family homes, better sidewalks, low crime and low taxes.*
- *Not much different unless some aggressive, positive enforcement is started now.*
- *Pretty much the same.*
- *Probably solid city...I sincerely hop not.*
- *Improved.*
- *Mainly a residential community / Wider and updated roads / Improve schools (new & modernized)*
- *Too much business and condo growth. I remember Pville Township 20 years ago and I think that is what people enjoyed. I think 20 years from now I will be living in a town like Painesville Township was 20 years ago.*
- *Hopefully not overrun with industry—need amusement for kids and family. Need a small town feeling and friendly.*
- *Dead head like its city.*
- *Large residential base / more park systems / strong schools*
- *A wonderful area with access to the Lake joined together with Painesville City.*
- *Maintaining the excellent standards and influencing other communities.*
- *More positive mobility.*
- *Ok.*
- *A fine outstanding patriotic community free of drugs, free of crime. I would like to leave my doors unlocked at night and not be afraid. Looking to God and church and scriptures and good neighbors.*
- *Hopefully the same as it is now with more shopping areas.*
- *I am very disappointed with the way voting is set up for our area. We vote at Painesville Twp. Park and our area has 2 voting boxes—usually I end up waiting 30-60 minutes to vote—this is very discouraging. While the people on the other end of the park walk right in. Could use more voting machines on our side. Our time is important and so is voting. If this continues you will see a lot of people stop voting.*
- *If all things go well, Painesville Twp. will be another Mentor. If not, it will just be another sprawling community of houses with no character.*
- *Too much growth.*
- *I hope it stays a township, not the next Mentor. I hope it feels like a small community where you know your neighbors, hardware owner, etc. and can enjoy all the close by parks and wildlife.*
- *Lack of identity.*
- *I would like to see more parks in NE Painesville Township. I would like to see a large grocery store in the same area. Also, sidewalks or walking/biking trails.*
- *In poor shape...moving toward low-income on east side.*
- *Probably car to car--crowded.*
- *Increased and building more homes.*
- *Extremely diversified, well rounded and bilingual...a great example for Americans everywhere.*
- *Probably more housing developments and more congestion.*
- *Part of the City.*
- *No trees left and too many people.*
- *Hopefully country because the city is encroaching.*
- *Excellent school system, nice area to live, not too populated like Mentor, still very safe and quiet.*
- *I would like to see more services, especially brush pick-up and recreation facilities. More retail on east end (Route 20) without losing rural atmosphere.*
- *Completely built out.*
- *Less new home development and more centers for kids.*
- *An open, “country community” with a balanced mix of residential, agricultural and business.*
- *More houses, retail and improved roads.*
- *Incorporated.*
- *More congested.*
- *Hopefully the older homes will be maintained and there will be ample green space and bike trails.*
- *Not overcrowded and still having a quaint, peaceful atmosphere with all the amenities.*
- *As a prosperous suburban community with great schools, plenty of convenient shopping and a safe environment.*
- *More crowded.*
- *Great place to work and live with an excellent school system.*
- *Much smaller in land area.*
- *Have no envisions at all.*
- *Overpopulated.*
- *We may take over city or we may be broken up and added to surrounding communities.*

- *Crowded.*
- *Very little change unless change in governmental structure. We could use more recreational areas and a golf course for the public.*
- *Remain somewhat rural.*
- *Lots of potential here. I'll be 103, so don't think I'll speculate.*
- *Hopefully, our elected and appointed officials will keep our standards high.*
- *Crowded. No building lots available.*
- *Slightly overdeveloped and crowded. I do feel the parks and protected territories will have grown in size. I also think the schooling system will progressively improve.*
- *Over crowded.*
- *Busier.*
- *I hope it doesn't change much.*
- *Fully developed.*
- *Too crowded.*
- *I hope improved.*
- *Hopefully a lot better. Need more jobs in industry, supermarkets. Promote the area.*
- *Crowded.*
- *Growing.*
- *I'll be looking down on it! I hope!!*
- *No changes.*
- *Almost the same as it is now!*
- *Gone!*
- *I hope better than it is now.*
- *Largely residential – some small business. A great place to live. Please don't become like Mentor!!*
- *"Slightly" closer to Mentor with regard to restaurants and entertainment.*
- *Hopefully, prettier land and bigger homes on nice sized lots.*
- *Like Mentor, not enough open space, too much traffic.*
- *I can only speculate improvements to happen.*
- *More houses, more traffic, a bigger school system.*
- *A well-diversified community consisting of a good mix of older and newer homes, shops and keeping a semi-rural atmosphere. To become less dependent on Painesville City and Mentor services.*
- *Hopefully, it will remain the way it is plus not becoming a commercial plaza like Mentor.*
- *More population.*
- *Hopefully no shore erosion.*
- *About the same with more houses.*
- *Would like to see the east side have a grocery store again and some retail shops.*
- *Same as today.*
- *If it doesn't start keeping up with the times, it's going to be another hick town that dies and means nothing like Painesville City.*
- *Hopefully, better. I'm thinking of moving to Willoughby (Nice downtown).*
- *In the Lake.*
- *Not a lot of improvement – traffic on Rt. 20 – Painesville Township to Perry is currently very heavy and will continue to get more congested.*
- *We need more restaurants and a big grocery store such as Super K or a super Walmart.*
- *The highways being very congested and traffic problems.*
- *Improved. New schools due to population increase. More expensive area to live.*
- *Over populated, over developed, more beautiful wooded areas being stripped away.*
- *Hopefully, much the same but with more job opportunities.*
- *Being ate up by Rita and Painesville City.*
- *Better with Trustees.*
- *Painesville City.*
- *As I am 82 years old, I would love to see the township in any light.*
- *Crowded.*
- *Painesville is the county seat. I would like to see all our agencies in a ten to twelve story building instead of scattered all over. Buildings vacated should have restaurants and comedy clubs put in them.*
- *Annexed with Painesville City – both would benefit, it seems to me.*
- *Overcrowded.*
- *Gridlock, high taxes, big government.*

- *The Township will always be desirable to live in. Taxes on property are a little high, but a nice place to live. We will be fine as long as Painesville City keep their hands on us.*
- *If you can leave it alone, it will be great.*
- *Hope it grows.*
- *Could be center of Painesville.*
- *All paved over and no trees or wildlife.*
- *Over populated.*
- *I'll be 98.*
- *Good.*
- *Probably overcrowded and congested with no open space.*
- *Better than Painesville City.*
- *Thriving community with mixed economy, stable housing, with a busing commercial and community center. Developer should be paying impact fees.*
- *Same.*
- *More housing and people – hopefully still rural.*
- *Booming industrial business and entertainment.*
- *More industry, more local shopping centers.*
- *Worse. We re losing too many businesses, grocery and gas stations on the east side.*
- *Just like Painesville City.*
- *We need to be very careful that we don't overbuild low cost condos and housing. Twenty years from now they could be the "slums" we all want to avoid.*
- *Part and parcel with much of it swallowed up by the City.*
- *House upon house.*
- *More farming and open space.*
- *More crowded.*
- *Diverse, prosperous, a quality place to live.*
- *I would like to see more updated retail development on Rt. 20. Get rid of the Adult stores near Marcs. Clean up that area.*
- *We need sewer service without annexation or industry and retail will never locate in eastern township.*
- *More schools.*
- *Less nursery land, more single-family homes, new middle school, elementary schools and high school.*
- *No trees, no fields, just factory that move out after they use the tax up. The wilderness will be gone. Any factory that builds here should have to replant trees and make the land back to nature as possible. It's their duty to our children.*
- *Continue to grow.*
- *Over-crowded.*
- *If we are not careful, we will lose our "country charm" to the big city life, something we all left to get away from.*
- *No.*
- *Middle class and above households.*
- *Lots of homes and apartments.*
- *Too many people.*
- *With a high school campus that will dwarf what we have now.*
- *Must keep land. Do not let Painesville keep taking our property.*
- *Same semi-rural character. Route 20 west/east vastly improved. A "community area" for people of all ages to get together for different types of activities.*
- *Over-developed and too high taxes.*
- *More retail – but small. Lower income/senior residents.*
- *Better.*
- *Not much of a change without downtown Painesville revitalization.*
- *50% Mentor and 50% Painesville after the development of Rt. 2/Jackson St/Heisley/Rt. 44 property. The need for a Twp. will be gone due to zoning necessity.*
- *I'll probably be dead.*
- *Bedroom community that is fully developed and getting older.*
- *Just about the same.*
- *Better and better every year.*
- *Too many homes.*
- *Hopefully, with more retail and large business attractions for easier access from eastern Painesville Twp.*
- *See #18 – work to same green space to become an oasis surrounded by unchecked development.*

- *Can't say.*
- *Yes, a place for City of Painesville to steal and drop off their dirt, rubbish and trash.*
- *I won't be alive then (79)*
- *Swallowed up by Mentor and Painesville.*
- *It needs a lot of sprucing up so people want to live here. A new school would bring families here.*
- *Not sure.*
- *Slightly modernized. Over crowded.*
- *Has a big city (I will not like it.)*
- *Over crowded with overflow from Painesville City.*
- *Annexed.*
- *Filled up.*
- *About the same as today – without more industry.*
- *Like Mentor.*
- *We need stores, restaurants and businesses here! I am tired of driving to Mentor for everything.*
- *Better community but heavier traffic is no good.*
- *More new construction, but preservation of marsh areas.*
- *Revitalized (along with Painesville City) and a booming lakefront like Chicago's! People from all over Ohio will want to visit Lake County's lakefront!*
- *Annex by the city will gobble us up.*
- *More small retail. Should have better zoning requirements. Square footage of housing units larger. Larger lots required*
- *I probably won't be able to see by then – ha ha.*
- *I hope basically the same – not like Mentor!*
- *Okay.*
- *Much cleaner. Due to improvements.*
- *I would like to see Rt. 20 cleaned up. It is a mess.*
- *Giving away land to Painesville.*
- *Smaller; more traffic, crowded.*
- *Hopefully still somewhat rural, but with services.*
- *Middle class suburb, inferior to Concord, and Mentor. Better than Painesville City.*
- *Congested.*
- *Over populated.*
- *I think the township will continue to prosper over the next 20 years. Constant changes to stay up with the times are also needed.*
- *Lots of population.*
- *At the rate new houses are being built, I look for the township to loose its appeal as being a location between the country and the city.*
- *Would like to se the Township maintain its country or pastoral like atmosphere – going way only to light industry in well-defined areas.*
- *Over crowded.*
- *A viable community.*
- *Improved lakeshore. Aggressively maintaining public/private open space. Expanded public transportation.*
- *Hodge Podge!! Time to step into the 21st century.*
- *One large mega polis with Cleveland.*
- *Better.*
- *The Township will continue to be an active, attractive community with an excellent school system and public services.*
- *Probably engulfed by Painesville City or another twp. or City depending on which end you are talking about.*
- *Hopefully, a more attractive location for business and residence. Route 20 does need improvement. It just looks dirty when driving through that section.*
- *Less ugly along Ridge and Fairport Nursery. We need some major stores.*
- *I would hope there would be stores and more new houses and get rid of some these little tiny 100 year old houses. It would be nice if we could keep the quiet little neighborhood, but still have stores close by.*
- *More business for better taxes.*
- *More light industry. Fewer subdivisions.*
- *Hopefully, still a small town.*
- *If we stay a Township, the growth will be less organized and planned.*
- *If nothing is done about the flow of traffic, one big parking lot.*
- *A good, safe place to live. Well-kept buildings.*

- *Pretty much the same in a good way. I look forward to having a family here.*
- *Me in a southern state.*
- *From heaven, I hope!*
- *Smaller version of Mentor. Need better zoning restrictions if community is to grow/prosper.*
- *The same.*
- *Don't really want to think about it that far ahead.*
- *Growing, but we do need a large grocery chain in the east end. Try to make it happen!*
- *Hopefully, much as it is today. I enjoy the "country" atmosphere while still being close to many conveniences.*
- *I envision Painesville Twp. similar to Newbury Twp. Willoughby Hills or Twinsburg in 20 years.*
- *I would like to see the eastern end of Painesville Township cleaned up. Get rid of "Just Teasin" and make zoning stricter as to what type of businesses can move in!*
- *Improvements to Mentor Ave. Increase business/traffic on Mentor Ave. Improvements in buildings and grounds for the school.*
- *About the same as now.*
- *Stuffed along Rt. 20. road congestion. Traffic jams like at GLM. Johnnycake is packed at night. Lights at Fairgrounds and Prouty have created awful traffic jams during rush hours.*
- *More housing and shopping areas.*
- *Crowded.*
- *I don't. I do not plan on being part of the township by then. If there's a township left after Painesville City is through with its annexing.*
- *I would hope that it would become prettier and that some far-seeing official would see the advantages of joining with Painesville City.*
- *Same.*
- *Some growing pains, but till a wonderful place to live!*
- *An up and coming community. We like it a lot.*
- *A family member said "I won't be here!" Route 20 tree-lined, new high schools and all schools are conditional, antique shops or other businesses like bed & breakfast and specialty stores to art galleries to draw visitors to the area. Collaborations, cooperation with Painesville City to benefit both communities.*
- *I'd like to see it remain the same small rural community that it is today.*
- *Rt. 20 at 6 Lanes.*
- *I see Painesville Twp. being economically depressed, like Ashtabula. I hope to not live here in 20 years.*

24: Please comment on any additional concerns, ideas or opinions affecting you, your family or business as a citizen and member of the community.

Responses may not always address the question asked. Spelling and grammatical errors have not been corrected.

- *I love it being rural. I would rather drive to Mentor to do my shopping and keep the traffic out of the Township. Also, I like being out of the way, but still close to major roads.*
- *Get our Township in order. We need a stronger organization...hold onto what we have now.*
- *It's a proud place to call home. I always put Painesville Twp. on everything that requires an address.*
- *Be the leader and legalize gambling. All our money goes across state lines. Bring in entertainment and put money in traffic improvements and garbage pick-up.*
- *To be successful, this Twp. Must support business to compete with similar businesses outside of the Twp. It easier to support existing than get new. The nursery, Fason, Lubrizol and Lake Hospital are good places to start.*
- *When a levy is place don the ballot and it is voted down, it should not be allowed to be put back on the ballot for 3-5 years. Overtime pay for the fireman, sheriff's deputies and road department employees should be limited so that the annual budget is kept in place and not in the red. Two fire stations in the Township is adequate.*
- *Keep working cooperatively with surrounding boundaries regarding development or preservation with City and County / Can we have a grocery store in PV or east of it.*
- *The appearance of the Route 20 corridor from Painesville City to Perry. I feel that it looks very trashy and could be improved.*
- *Like to see improved drainage system and controls / Do away with adult bookstores on Route 20...Move them to less traffic areas. Not a good impression as you enter the Twp.*
- *As we age, becoming more difficult to pay property taxes. / Transportation is good / Grocery would be helpful on eastside / Property loss on lakefront. *
- *We need street lights / Better roads with sidewalks like other places (Mentor) / Better garbage and yard waste pick-up like Painesville City / Get more people to clean-up areas in the Township-if you have rental property you should have to keep the property clean and keep the place livable, old cars out if not licensed.*

- *Too much housing that's not affordable.*
- *Speed on Nye Rd. not enforced.*
- *Remove pornography store on Route 20.*
- *I think careful planning has to be considered when bringing in new housing, industry and retail. Do not allow retail to come in without study and end up with empty buildings like Mentor. Consider traffic patterns when developing housing.*
- *Pville Township School Levy- I voted against it and will vote against it again until the politicians get it stuck in their heads that they have to make the immigrants pay federal taxes.*
- *Regular public transportation is needed on Route 84 and Route 20 east of Painesville City.*
- *Need at least one large (big box) retail location—Bowhall and Route 20.*
- *Need a better cable company. The cable gets worse instead of better. The trustees need to lock in shorter contracts with cable companies. Why cant we have the same cable as Mentor.*
- *Would support a levy for a new high school but not a junior high. / Underpass for Route 20 railroad crossing / New sewer system / Need to hire more firefighters / Cops need to slow down on Madison Ave. / Underground propane storage needs to be resolved.*
- *I hope we never lose our fire and police protection and road department.*
- *I really enjoyed living in Painesville Township. My children received an excellent education in Painesville Township schools.*
- *Encourage growth in areas that are not found in other areas / Lets find a strength and build on it...work with Painesville City and Concord...be bold visionary and realistic.*
- *Stop the City from land grabbing before there's nothing left.*
- *We value the brush pick-up service.*
- *The Perry nuke plant is a concern to many.*
- *We should have a street light at the Fairport-Nursery exit off Route 2. Its an accident waiting to happen.*
- *Concerned about greenspace.*
- *Maintain controlled growth / Fight for state and federal transportation funds to improve roads and highways.*
- *Every city and Township has an annual community festival except Painesville Township. Why?*
- *We should talk to other Townships and find out how they handle growth problems with the limited laws that we have to work with. You cant sit in the way of life's progress but you don't stand by and let things happen that will hurt you in the end.*
- *Adelphia cable is the worst / School system is great / Morley Library has been great.*
- *I think western Painesville Township should combine with Concord Township and incorporate before more of each Township is annexed by Painesville or Mentor.*
- *Why has the resident on the corner of Barrington and Normandy been allowed to plant and place boulder in the setback (right-of-way)? This is an accident waiting to happen.*
- *I would hate to see the Fairport-Nursery Rd. lakefront property be filled with over-priced poorly built homes for snobs who will complain about the nearby industries that were there before they were. The whole are should be a huge park for everyone to enjoy—walking, biking, skateboarding, cross-country skiing and a large wetland area where the soup ponds were to filter all the toxins in the area. All paid for by the very people and corporations that left it the way it is.*
- *Route 20 needs more lanes.*
- *Need to promote economic development and listen to us and help us with our concerns.*
- *Reduce the speed limit on Blasé-Nemeth Rd. to 35 mph. Make Blasé-Nemeth Rd. "No Truck Traffic" through Fairport Nursery Rd...make trucks use Route 20à Blasé-Nemeth and then to the dump.*
- *No further need for another fire levy.*
- *There are no laws as in Mentor for property upkeep...people park all over their lawns and their lawns look terrible. Garbage pick-up not required so unless rats show up nothing can be done.*
- *I wish the Township was more cohesive. We have to drive a lot to do anything like shop and attend rec. programs and then have to pay extra for out of town residency.*
- *I'm concerned about my family's safety on Bowhall Rd. Cars speed and drive recklessly. We run across the street for out mail at the risk of our lives. We cant walk down the road since we don't have sidewalks.*
- *All of these ideas are fine, but they cost money, that means more taxes. Most retirees are on fixed incomes and cant afford all this stuff.*
- *No parking vehicles on lawns and need trash, garbage and yard waste pick-up like Mentor.*
- *We need another grocery store—a perfect area would be the Bacon Rd. area. More sidewalks would be great and would promote friendlier neighbors.*
- *Get Ohio DOT to provide turning lane @ Riverside Drive and East Walnut St. (east bound traffic). County and/or Township to provide co-op program for cost advantage for homeowners in purchase of natural gas for residential heating.*

- *We definitely need more retail/grocery and restaurant businesses in the area. People will continue to drive elsewhere for these services.*
- *I'm concerned about the strip malls that are built, destroying trees and etc. and in just a few years they close most of the shops. Hopefully, when the plans for the housing and retail development for Route 2 & 44 that they will be more successful. I enjoy living in Painesville Township.*
- *Most of the things in the earlier questions you asked if we wont, of course—but at what price? We cant afford the costs. I would like a Cadillac too, but cant afford it. So please, don't raise my taxes—I have to pay the heat bill!*
- *More attention to east end. Need mid-sized retail center on east end.*
- *I cannot criticize at length the overall picture of what we know have.*
- *Laketrans bus line is robbing the taxpayer blind. It is an empty bus line. The drivers have 2 jobs and that's all. The supervisors make money and do nothing...get ride of Laketrans.*
- *Staying the same independent Township, own schools, governing and no annexation.*
- *Low income housing / Outside appearance.*
- *I would like to see improvement in the safety of roads and intersections. There are a lot of dangerous intersections in the area, particularly on Route 20. Also, cracking down on speeders on Route 20 with a more public presence.*
- *Route 2, east of Mentor is a "lost" freeway. Poor snow removal, grass and road maintenance is appalling.*
- *I would like to see bike or walking paths on Madison Avenue and Park Rd. to connect. This would service new home developments in the area.*
- *My answers, especially those where I do business are slanted toward Mentor. That is because my back lot line is the Mentor-Painesville Township line.*
- *Roads in Kingsborough development and surrounding streets have not held up to the "patching" of cracks looks haphazard and unappealing / Are housing code violations enforced? I don't want to become another Painesville City (older housing stock with poor upkeep and a bad reputation).*
- *I'm very excited about Lakeview Bluffs.*
- *Painesville Township should fight for Lake Hospital to be in the Township. The proposed site in Concord Township is not a good place. It is too congested now.*
- *The fast traffic on Fairgrounds Rd. Everyone thinks it is Painesville Speedway. There are children living on this road and the speeding is too much.*
- *Better community communication to allow people to know all businesses and other important items.*
- *Lack of noise ordinance.*
- *My biggest fear is to have the Township gobbled up by the communities surrounding us. This must not happen.*
- *Keep up the good work and we will all stand behind everything we can.*
- *Sidewalk or bikepath down Bacon Rd.*
- *The congestion on Route 20 around the Painesville Shopping Center is a concern driving the overflow traffic to Jackson St. Due to this problem, the intersection of Jackson and Palmer, at times, impassable—especially when a train has held up traffic. I would like to see a red light there someday. Granted, there are times when traffic is fine. But, just try to pull out of a driveway when someone comes over the railroad tracks over the speed limit. A red light would make safety sense for our neighborhood and you could possibly switch to a caution light for after hours, say 7pm-7am.*
- *I think the Township faces a major battle of keeping the small town environment with so many people moving in. It seems wherever there is open space, one year later it is replaced by housing or retail establishments. When is enough?*
- *Concerns about traffic accidents at the intersection of Madison Ave. and Bowhall.*
- *I will not vote for any levy—as a condo owner I get nothing from the Township. I will make 2 exceptions, fire and sheriff—I will always support them unless they prove otherwise. Our taxes for schools are far too high.*
- *Sometimes I feel the concerns of the Twp. Are slanted to the more affluent sectors rather than all sectors.*
- *Noise in the area...any noise that is not necessary should be eliminated or regulated such as schools or churches. I realize fire trucks and trains are needed.*
- *The cost of building the new schools is not in balance with the need. I'm against the new taxes on property to build them. Bacon Rd. needs lights and sidewalks or paths. Will get a petition going if nothing is done soon. I get an excuse every time I call my trustee about this.*
- *It is difficult to know where you call to when needed non-emergency help or just with Township concerns such as the noise ordinance or for another example—a car parked in front of a fire hydrant that has been there a few days and you don't know where to call to locate the owner...who do you call?*
- *Improve roads, sewer and water system to remote new residential developments / Establish a trash removal service / Grocery store needed on east side of Township limits.*
- *Grade separation would be nice at railroad tracks on Bowhall Rd. / Put in real sidewalks along Madison Ave. / Would be nice to have a Wal-Mart type store and restaurants especially on the east side of the Township (Route*

20 & Bacon) / I don't like having to go cross town to grocery shop, it takes a long time especially if there is a train.

- The trains that run on the tracks which crosses Jackson and Route 20. I don't have AC and I like to try to sleep at night with my windows open...I cannot, not to horns awaking me throughout the night and early morning. I think the railroad has a high disregard for anyone. This branch of rails should have been done away with years ago. A year after I moved here, I noted the signs at Route 20 and Fairgrounds Rd. "Notice increased train traffic." Nice Warning! I have contacted officials up to the state rep and senators...its goes in one ear and out the other. Money talks and bull walks.
- Brighten up existing businesses along Route 20 west. A new school would be nice but at no cost to residents.
- Don't want to get built-up Mentor.
- Kinkades—eye sore / Improve and implement property upkeep requirements.
- Please don't ever invoke income taxes. We hate the CCA.
- There is a need for a left turning lane at Route 84 and Prouty.
- I like the Township, but I feel the laws need to be enforced regarding residential upkeep of houses and yards.
- Too many rental properties.
- I believe we need to put the bible back in the schools. Have respect for one another and help and serve one another.
- The annexation problem with Painesville acquiring the land near Route 44 lead me to be concerned that there is no direction on planning for development in Painesville Township.
- Zoning Inspector very good—zoning board terrible, opinions and decisions are subjective and irrational.
- I love the Township's more "country-like" feeling. I like that most houses aren't all alike and aren't so close together. I hope the community turn into an Eastlake or Willowick putting houses wherever they will fit. I enjoy all the small family owned businesses and hope they aren't forced out by the big superstores. I would like more structured places for kids to go and play ball, skate, swim and stay out of trouble.
- I would like to see the Township pass a noise ordinance that prohibits people from making excessive noise. For instance, there is a man who lives at 1709 Sheffield and when he revs his car in his garage the noise is level is incredible, it is so loud you cannot hear anything else. The police have been called numerous times by several neighbors but they do absolutely nothing. Please pass a noise prohibiting race car noise in a residential area.
- No shopping—Giant Eagle closed on Bacon and Route 20. There is no shopping or restaurants. Route 20 from Mantle to Lane is an eye sore and an embarrassment. The east side of the Township seems to have been neglected.
- Facilities and easy access to them for the elderly.
- Industrial/commercial growth is a major concern because I value the tranquility of the Township and its small time appeal with close proximity to a larger city like Mentor.
- Cedar Glen...I believe there should be only one side of the street for parking. Recently, I came home and in the afternoon cars were parked on both sides. I barely could get through the parked cars. Would the fire truck be able to get through? I don't know.
- Bring back our grocery in the east Township.
- Too many power outages.
- I would like to have street lights on Kingsborough Dr...safer feeling.
- Having the ability to hook into sanitary sewers along Madison Ave.
- Lack of activity for kids. I grew up we had several community pools, ice skating, tennis courts and parks.
- Noisy parties after 10:30. Cars with loud stereos. Maybe a noise ordinance or if there is one, enforce it.
- Major shopping is done in Mentor...Painesville east needs something.
- Open lands disappearing and development of nursery and farmland.
- Need for yard waste disposal, grass clipping, etc..
- Please enforce homeowners responsibility to maintain property to an acceptable aesthetic level. Please maintain green space, forest land, farmland and wetlands.
- We need some type of recycling for grass, cans, etc.
- More siren installation for nuclear plant disaster alert.
- I think solving the traffic problems so as to keep our neighborhoods safe.
- Would like another grocery store where the old Giant Eagle was on Route 20 and Bacon Rd.
- The concrete road in front of my house is so broken up that it is in bad need of repair. Every spring the Twp. comes and tries to patch it with asphalt, but every year the snow plow tears up the patch. Also, tired of the huge pond that forms at the end of my drive every time it rains.
- One of a very few communities without a community pool.
- Become a city.
- Us new residents do not like Rt. 20. It's used as a 4- lane highway; but is it? Where are the legal and proper markings? It is wrong to have that kind of get up for new residents: visitors, tourists, etc. Rt. 20 does not comply with the driving codes. Widen it or take the responsibility to mark it for newcomers.

- *Mosquitoes!*
- *Why don't the Trustees look for government (fed) or (state) dollars for recreation sites; ex. Swimming pool, community center at Fairgrounds?*
- *Major need here: 1) Major supermarket for eastern half of township; 2) Better quality family restaurant. Too many fast food types – also for eastern half of township.*
- *Yard waste should be picked up several times during the year.*
- *Support local tourism and community businesses through advertising. Offer more community functions, socially and through free educational sessions about fire safety, crime, benefits of recreation, etc. Aggressively work on recycling and clean-up programs for new and current residents.*
- *Widen some streets.*
- *Need to keep it a Township.*
- *When are the sanitary sewers coming?*
- *There should be a law that you must keep your house and property looking good at all times. I see more junk in driveways and backyards. Grand River is down the street, it's bad over there also. You can also do something about Marc's. It's beginning to look really bad in and out.*
- *Why can't we get food stores, department stores, restaurants, fast food stores, and doughnuts? We need to promote area to get industry and businesses to locate here. More people in area and stores mean more dollars and tax money for Painesville Township. More money means more benefits for entire area. Thank you so much.*
- *Very poor response from township trustees and the clerk with an attitude. No availability of township road department supervisors.*
- *Do you really expect people to be able to read the map on this page??*
- *I think fireman overtime is too much; and they should take or upkeep the outside of the station better.*
- *We would like to see sewer systems to get rid of septic and possibly leaf pick up.*
- *Wish my area near Hardy would be snow plowed earlier, instead of dead last. Streetlights. Better sized lots for building. Road improvement.*
- *You have to drive to Mentor or Madison for large discount center and for clothing and shoes or gifts. Also we have a lot of pet owners. I think a large discount pet shop would do well here.*
- *Traffic light at Fairground needs to be retimed. There are huge traffic buildups between 3 and 5:30 every day! Mentor Avenue needs to be repaved a.s.a.p. Mentor Ave. needs to be restriped – 4 lanes from the Mentor line to the Painesville shopping district.*
- *I think the township does an excellent job of taking care of Riverside Cemetery. It sounds funny to be praising a cemetery, but it is really a beautifully maintained place.*
- *I would like to move my business to the township, but because of the "east side/west side" issues, I feel it is difficult to go to just one side. I would like to see the township develop a cemetery so residents would not have to pay non-residence rates with other communities. Dorchester Road is in great need of road attention. It receives patchwork instead of new surface being done. Please consider for future care. Dislike living next to some homes that have no respect for their property unseen from the road. Some are junkyards with need of care.*
- *Would like to see Rt. 20 east cleaned up. Outsiders may get initial bad reaction to our twp. if they come through there.*
- *Excessive speed on Oakwood Blvd. We would like to have high-speed internet access.*
- *That business is leaving so if I have to go the west side of Painesville Twp., I may as well go to Mentor. Being on the east side feels like the City of Painesville with little retail to offer. That we become over developed like Mentor – that there will be building with no plan for schools, police protection, fire and services.*
- *Hopefully, things will get better for the Township.*
- *Would like to see more bike lanes (Routes) along major highways – ex: Rt. 20, Rt. 84, Madison Avenue, Fairport Nursery Rd. and Hale Road.*
- *Yard waste pick-up service, school updates – pre-kindergarten for all township students as well as preschool.*
- *I jog and ride my bike regularly and it would be nice to have sidewalks – there are too few- and the ones in existence are in bad shape, especially the one on Madison Avenue between Bowhall and Casement.*
- *Since Painesville Township is a quality and expensive community, I believe now more than ever it is important to restrict semi-tractor trailers and other commercial vehicles from being allowed to park in a residential community. They pollute the air, are very noisy, unsafe in areas where children live and play and are generally a very undesirable "eyesore" to our developing community. It's time Painesville Twp. takes the next step in evolving into a Class A community.*
- *We were all upset when you let Giant Eagle close up our grocery store on Bacon Rd. Now we have a long trip to the grocery store. We need stores of all kinds in eastern Painesville Twp. (next to Perry). I am tired of spending my money in Mentor.*
- *City annexation really bothers me. I feel they will try to overpower us one bite at a time. If I wanted to live in "Shitty city" I would have moved there, not in the Township.*

- *Would like to see a better service for yard waste. All in all, Trustee's doing a good job, although it is time for Crislip to leave.*
- *No yard waste pick-up, one pass not good enough and restrictions of branches being bundled. Road conditions. Railroad crossing deplorable condition.*
- *Need traffic light at Fairfield and Rt. 20 or car activated light at New Haven.*
- *I can only say, Coventry Drive is like country living in the middle of busy city atmosphere.*
- *The land development behind Tuckmere Drive will be stripped of the woods. I wish the bikeway would have left the Fay Road bridge up. Most of us older folks cannot go up and down that big hill.*
- *It is my opinion that people who are in jail should be taking care of our highways while people watching them should only have to push a button which will give them a shot from an ankle bracelet which will render them unconscious.*
- *Please stop Painesville City from taking more land.*
- *Concern for the increased traffic stopped by many trains and mostly for delays for emergency vehicles on Rt. 20.*
- *I believe we will turn into another Mentor with all the development and rezoning residential property for yet another drug store.*
- *Rt. 20 between Mentor line and Nye Road is awful to drive; is this one or two lanes? And turning off Fairfield onto Rt. 20 or 84 is almost impossible. We should also have access to the garage to drop leaves off. Saturdays only is not convenient for everyone.*
- *I wish you would make it a rule so people cannot plant thorn bushes near a walk way so kids walking from school don't have to walk in the street.*
- *Improve what you already have started. Quit trying to add to the list.*
- *Letting business deteriorate; not helping business.*
- *I'm glad I won't see 20 years from now.*
- *You need to send out your mailings a bit sooner. This is dated May, received this June 12th, with dates to remember starting June 9th – a bit late.*
- *We need a grocery store in Township Park area – had one, but they relocated.*
- *No opinion.*
- *People answering the phone at the Township office could be a bit more pleasant. Township should advertise meetings with Trustees, zoning, etc., on Channel 15, more prominently in the Newsletter and web page. Property behind Madison Avenue School and Foxfire would be great for a community center, pool and senior center.*
- *The Riverside High School field house is not really accessible to the township residents. I have tried to get access to the outside track for walking and no one knows how to get on it. Hours for the residents to use it are extremely limited and more so in the summer. It should be open for the residents to use like they promised when they wanted money to build it.*
- *We desperately need more frequent brush and yard waste pickups. Many neighbors are cutting down trees because they have no convenient way of disposing of their leaves. That's terrible for the environment (carbon dioxide).*
- *Painesville Township "Trustees" have been entrusted with the Township property; manage it and hold it. Enforce the codes. Try to get the new Lake East Hospital.*
- *We need more industry and grocery stores on the east end.*
- *The day this community decides to become a city is the day I put my house up for sale.*
- *There are too many men working on small road projects, four or five guys standing around and two or three trucks sitting in the road. Save the Twp. some money and have less workers. I see them in my area driving around and doing nothing. This is my pet peeve, too many workers.*
- *I am pleased we have recycling. A contracted trash person would cut down on costs and keep trash collections to 1 day. We have trash trucks on our street 3-4 days a week now. I liked the Twp. celebration 2 years ago for the 200-year celebration. I think we should have that every year.*
- *Newsletter could be larger and more informative. Meetings should be on cable channel 15. Cable TV should be used for township information/announcements.*
- *It has been a great place to raise children.*
- *Replant trees in to give it a more natural look. Have at least two pick ups for yard junk a summer. We love it here, but help us keep our homes neat. Give us a place to get rid of it.*
- *Rt. 20 from Painesville City line to Fairport Nursery Road is a disaster. It's a mess that nobody seems to care about. Clean it up!!!!*
- *I love living in Painesville Township as most of us do, but let's not let those outside of here change us. Yes, we can upgrade and modernize, but do not squeeze out everything that keep the "country charm" in Painesville Township.*
- *In our development, the roads are very bad and need to be resurfaced. We live in Heather Stone Village.*

- *There seems to be a double standard with the zoning and building codes. People who are trying to do the right thing are getting hassled and some people do nothing about their property and the Township doesn't care.*
- *Barking dogs noisy and noisy cars.*
- *Good place to bring up children and to retire in.*
- *Definitely desire the township/one contractor trash pickup. Most other communities provide this.*
- *The feasibility of closing open ditches.*
- *They say it is impossible. Anything is possible. Let's install more traffic lights on Mentor Avenue. More difficult to enter Mentor Avenue because more retail establishments added yearly.*
- *Poor upkeep of certain areas of apt./retail areas. No enough recreation for kids living close to Plaza/Rt. 20. Everything on outskirts.*
- *Residences not sited for undesirable property, place notice outside. Hire part-time to site and follow up with properties that require attention: There are two on Park Road Ext. and 1 on Madison Ave. across from the Lawyer's office "Mr. Black".*
- *NA*
- *Trash pickup – snow plowing should be services provided to condo developments. The taxes paid are at the same rate as single homes, so services should be equal.*
- *Please get rid of the port shops! They're an embarrassment to the Township.*
- *No choice for a cable co. Adelphia not good.*
- *Need to add more officers to Sheriff Dept. so they can patrol more often in Twp. Park.*
- *Most of my concerns relate to the destruction of our beautiful wooded areas, shorelines and wetlands and farmlands.*
- *Put all local numbers (some designer) on each location with Pvl. Twp. name on it also.*
- *So much on this survey does not concern me that I honestly am not giving my input.*
- *None.*
- *Too many regulations concerning what I could do with "my" property.*
- *The strip place by our True Value is degrading for our community. Get rid of it.*
- *More and more housing is being put in this area – in the case of emergency evacuation, we only have to insufficient exits. Newsletter from Township Trustees is not sent out in a timely manner – Some of the dates to remember only give us one day's notice of the event.*
- *We were a rural community that's the way I liked it. There is no reason this township needs to become a city.*
- *I don't like the way people can get away without taking care of their yard and allow their dogs to run free.*
- *Continued growth will be the death of the township.*
- *Please do something with Rt. 20 and Bacon Rd. Also, the strip club "Just Teasin" is not appropriate. It is an eyesore. Please remove billboards on Rt. 2 and also paint the freeway bridges on Rt. 2.*
- *Clean up pallets at Calamity Curve. Close Just Teasin.*
- *Curfews enforced – Noise restrictions enforced.*
- *The numerous RR crossings divide the townships and disrupt traffic flow.*
- *There needs to be a streetlight on Blaise-Nemeth and North Creek Drive. All other side streets on Blaise Nemeth have one.*
- *I appreciate the trustee newsletters. I wish I got them in time to know about leaf pickups, etc.!*
- *Smaller.*
- *Merge with Fairport, Grand River, Concord, Painesville City and Leroy to reduce costs.*
- *When a small bridge needs repair or replacement it seems the work takes forever. Small contractors can't move fast enough – makes for longer periods of inconvenience for residents. Require contractor to work 24 hours when possible. More sheriff patrol cars needed. Some kind of senior center on the east side of Painesville. There are plenty of vacant retail spaces available.*
- *We need to bring major grocery stores back to northeast and southeast areas of township. Maybe even need fast food establishments here also. This could attract Perry traffic also.*
- *Higher taxes in the future is a concern.*
- *I would like to see sewers put in a long Bowhall Road. The properties are not large enough for septic systems. Sidewalks would be nice for the children.*
- *High taxes, high teachers salaries & increases. Pro-teachers in Council Teacher's Union dues paid direct to union (10 yrs. over \$5,000 per teacher). No competition in education dollars. Union dictates. No public output. No public use of auditorium or sports field. No progress of video or computer schooling at home. (Let parents have education \$ money \$6,000-\$7,000 a year and mom can stay at home. Parents decide books and everything else.)*
- *Large truck traffic should not be allowed on Blasé-Nemeth between Bacon and Fairport Nursery Road. We need a family restaurant between Fairport and Perry on Route 20 and grocery store.*

- *I am concerned about the “adult” bookstore, etc. along Rt. 20. This route is main corridor and should present a positive, attractive view of Painesville Township. It is ugly and not inviting and part of the reason I shop in Mentor and feel safer there.*
- *Thanks to our township trustees for a fine community.*
- *Our concern is that the eastern end no longer has a large grocery store. Also, that the Strip Shopping area at the corner of 20 & Bacon is virtually empty.*
- *I live in Painesville Township right by Grant River. There are no streetlights and it is very dark if people do not leave house lights on (exterior). The developer did not have to put curbs with sewers in the new street for our development and we have very large puddles on the road and sometimes cannot get to our mailbox when it rains a lot. I will have a child entering school in 2 years and am concerned about how well the school district is.*
- *I would hate for us to become part of Painesville.*
- *Junk stock cars – old tires in yards – dogs. My neighbor has 3 dogs in his back yard, no grass, straw, tires stacked up on pile of leaves. It’s disgusting. Some of us try hard to keep things looking nice, planting flowers and other people like my neighbor doesn’t care.*
- *There is a need for lawn care pickup (leaves and grass clippings).*
- *We would hope that the trustees would follow Chardon’s plan of industrial areas for manufacturing, but keep the Township rural (that old country atmosphere).*
- *Keep it simple; we don’t need one-way streets. More shopping and restaurants and some farmland instead of being developed. Should be turned into a park. Once it’s gone, it’s gone forever.*
- *Leaf removal at curbs by leaf vacuum trucks. New middle school at LaMuth. More streetlights to light residential areas for safety and recreation at night.*
- *Would like to see people in condos pay less property tax. You’ve called for a great deal of tax on a small piece of property. We don’t get the services – no snow – no garbage – no large item pickup – no brush and most don’t use the schools.*
- *None. I have lived in small communities. None of them did as much as you people do in trying to help their community. I wish I could have been more help to you.*
- *Be careful. Good planning. Take good care of what we have.*
- *Please continue curbside recycling program.*
- *We would like to see improvements from Twp. line (SW) to Painesville line as follows: 1) New sidewalks; 2) Resurfaced Rt. 20 with 4 lanes; 3) Traffic light at Fairfield and Rt. 20; 4) Improved landscaping/lighting; and 5) Seedy businesses eliminated.*
- *As a homeowner in the Township, I feel that those who are being allowed to rent out their property area not having to follow stringent enough guidelines. These homes are being rented under Section 8 and the dredges of society are moving in and out on a regular basis...*
- *The northeast corner is the worst. We are backed up against the garbage dump, nuclear power plant, a chemical wasteland and did I mention a minimum security prison? There’s how Painesville Township viewed their natural resources years ago. Good luck Trustees! P. S. Your survey letter only came this week (to northeastern sector). I hope you revive my reply in time.*
- *Zoning laws need to be flexible, when it comes to out buildings. Again your burning law needs to be enforced. I have 2 neighbors who do as they damn well please. Fire Dept. does nothing when I report them.*
- *The biggest thing is grocery shopping at the east end. We have nothing but convenient stores since Giant Eagle moved away from the corner of Rt. 20 and Bacon Road – Much needed!!!!*
- *Please build a public swimming facility as well as extend public sewer capabilities to those of us who are dealing with 70-year-old septic systems.*
- *I am pleased you pick down tree limbs, etc. However, I have been collecting all spring waiting for notice of pickup. It was June 9. I received notice in mail on June 12 so all these branches are still in my yard until next year.*
- *Get rid of the porn shops and the strip bar! Repave or re-cement streets where needed, add sidewalks for our kids to walk on so they don’t have to walk int eh street. Get a grocery store or a Super Walmart. I would like to see more speed limit signs posted on Oakwood Blvd. In Painesville Twp. Park.*
- *It is a great place to live, raise a family, operate a business.*
- *There should be a community contract for garbage pickup. There should be a minimum amount of land left “green” for each building spot.*
- *Put in a turning section of so many feet at the lights on Johnnycake at Fairgrounds and Prouty to eliminate the traffic congestion. Sometimes only one car goes through in a cycle. Tempers flare. Try and keep the township with a semi-rural to rural life away from the western communities conjunction. Make this area a home of a less stressful life as in the City with traffic and commercial problems. I realize the community needs money (revenues) to operate effectively.*
- *None.*

- *I believe the township needs some leadership that actually cares about the people who live here. The concern with all of them is always the almighty dollar, whether it is on the table or under it, which happens an awful lot and it's just too bad for the people of the community.*
- *Keep up the good work!*
- *Thank you for letting us express our opinions. Just glad we don't have to figure it all out. We appreciate you.*
- *Learn from Willoughby and how they created a positive area to shop, eat and participate in regular community art shows, corn festival, etc., or create a large Farmer's Market. Get grant money and other monies for trees on residential areas without trees.*
- *Not enough done to condemn very run down houses. The house at (No #) Doan Ave. South is a disgrace. Dead trees between S. Doan and condos - when they fall, will fall on houses.*
- *Crime!!!*
- *To spend money on yellow recycling bins so the blind idiot driving the 10-ton trash truck can see the target three miles away. Does not make sense to me. If you can't remind yourself the order of the day is to stop and pick up green bins. Maybe he better go back to Marc's and make the streets safe again. Color code is a monkey test.*

A.3 The case for access management

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Back in the early 1980's, Doug Porter, of the Urban Land Institute, was quoted as saying: "I have seen the future, and it doesn't work!" Well, we are now more than 10 years into that future, and I would submit that, as regards our attempts to preserve a functioning arterial street system, the future hasn't gotten a lot brighter!

I HAVE ONE CENTRAL THEME: In dealing with the problem of eliminating, or more importantly, preventing traffic congestion, access management must be a major part of the solution. In terms of the provision of access between private property and the public roadway system, we have several decades of convincing first-hand evidence that, with very few exceptions, "business as usual" hasn't worked in the past, it isn't working now, and it won't work in the future.

NOW FOR A DEFINITION: Access management is a formal, structured program to coordinate and maintain the safe and efficient use of the arterial street system, while providing necessary vehicular access to adjacent lands. I am talking about access to major public streets, from intersecting streets, and, equally importantly, from private driveways. This includes:

- * frequency, spacing, and design of private driveways serving all types of land uses*
- * left and right turn lanes and acceleration lanes*
- * frequency and location of cross streets*
- * frequency and location of traffic signals*
- * possible use of median barriers to control left turns*
- * safety issues - stopping sight distances and corner clearances*

Access management differs from past practices primarily in that it looks at land access and development from a planned, long range, system-wide approach, rather than in a case-by-case, piecemeal fashion. It recognizes that narrowly focused, parcel-by-parcel access decisions made in the early stages of corridor development can and will make it difficult or impossible to preserve roadway capacity and functional integrity as the corridor becomes fully developed.

Every urban area has examples of failed or non-existent access management. In the Cincinnati area, I only have to mention Beechmont Avenue, or Colerain Avenue, and people immediately know what I'm talking about. [Or US 23 North in Columbus, or the Airport Highway in Toledo, or North Dixie in Dayton.] If it's an arterial street, and you're spending a lot more time on it than you should at 5:00 every afternoon, that is a result of a lack of access management.

Now, I believe that two failures over the years have lead us to the mess we're in:

First, land use and transportation planning linkages are missing. Local governments make decisions regarding land use, zoning, and density issues without adequate regard for the ability of the roadway to accommodate these uses. Simultaneously, highway agencies (because they don't want to appear obstructionist or anti-growth) frequently grant driveway permits without adequate concern for the impact on the capacity or safety of the roadway, or for the total volume of traffic that the road will eventually be expected to carry.

The second failure is that a hierarchy of roadway functions involving mobility and access has not been preserved. Below freeways and expressways, in far too many cases, every road is called upon to serve every purpose -- THIS WILL NOT WORK! Arterial streets must primarily move traffic, with land access provided primarily from collectors and local streets. We already recognize the importance of access management, by prohibiting private access to freeways -- absolutely none! But then we fail to follow through to other levels in the roadway hierarchy (that is, arterials and collectors).

Intuitively, the failure of our present system should be evident to anyone who has driven on a busy street lined with commercial strip development and uncontrolled driveway access. We have all found ourselves stopped behind a left turning vehicle which is waiting for a gap in opposing traffic, or slowing down to avoid a car turning in front of us from a driveway, or getting the green light at one intersection, only to see the next signal go to yellow just as we get up to speed. All of these are reflections of poor access management, and while each one only delays us a few seconds or a minute, the collective delay for all motorists and all intersections can be incredible. Time spent idling at red lights, or in stop-and-go traffic, also causes unnecessary air pollution and fuel consumption. One national study concluded that, in street networks with poorly timed and poorly spaced signals, 40% of all fuel consumption was attributable to vehicles stopped and idling at traffic signals!)

Frequent and poorly spaced traffic signals can reduce roadway capacity by over 50 percent! On a major surface street with good access management and infrequent signalized intersections, a 12-foot lane of pavement can carry something on the order of 1000 vehicles per hour. But that same 12 feet of pavement, on a busy arterial street with too many signals and access points, and no signal progression, may only accommodate 500 vehicles per hour, or even less!

Access management is also a safety issue -- 50-60% of accidents are access related. These include all left turn and right angle accidents, and most rear end accidents. In Colorado, this translates to some 45,000 accidents per year, involving 22,000 injuries and nearly 200 fatalities. Albuquerque, New Mexico had 22,000 traffic accidents per year during the late 1980's. Over 60% of these occurred at intersections, or were intersection-related. A 1992 study by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety found that 58% of urban area accidents occurred at or near intersections.

Governments at all levels have a right and, more importantly, an obligation to preserve and protect the functional integrity of the roadway system. All too often in the past, and still today, governments have attempted to be accommodating to private development by granting access almost without question. This is short-sighted and, in the long run, harmful not only to the general public, but also to the very private development interests we thought we were supporting. Governments at all levels must be convinced that there is a legitimate way to preserve capacity of streets and highways, without harming private development, and that those units of government are responsible for implementing and enforcing it.

It is right for governments to try to be responsive to their constituents. But in the case of managing our roadway system, we must remember that, along our major arterial streets, motorists, not adjacent landowners, are the principal "constituents" of that public roadway system. It is not a goal of access management to place unreasonable demands on developers and property owners. It is, rather, to ensure that the provision of vehicular access to private property does not unduly interfere with the safety and welfare of those using the public roadways.

Now, admittedly, the impact of a small number of individual access points, especially residential driveways in semi-rural areas, with low present traffic volumes, is minimal. But, at some point, a permit request will be for a commercial use, not a residential use. And the very fact that access permits are being requested is a potential warning sign that the corridor may not remain semi-rural forever, and traffic volumes may not remain low forever. Just about every major urban arterial in the Greater Cincinnati area was once a two-lane rural highway passing through agricultural areas and small crossroads towns. Think about this for a minute. Long before we had suburbs and urbanized townships as we know them today, we had two-lane state and federal highways passing through open countryside. And now that those highways are busy urban streets, the access points permitted long ago remain to haunt us as we try to solve today's congestion problems.

Every access point contributes to the deterioration of the system, and these impacts increase geometrically over time, as both traffic volumes and number of access points increase. And after the problem is evident, it is too late to try to fix it!

Access management must, therefore, be anticipatory of new growth, not reactive to it. It is far better to overzealously apply its principles to two or three "growth" corridors, which, as it turns out, do not grow, than to refrain from applying them to one supposedly "forever rural" corridor, which turns out to be the next "development hot spot" in the region.

Access management is not anti-growth. On the contrary, by maintaining higher travel speeds on arterial streets, access management supports more vital commercial development, rather than impedes it, because market areas will be larger. Consider this example: If average travel speed in a street network is 21 miles per hour, anyone within a 7-mile radius will be within 20 minutes of any given destination (say, for example, a restaurant). If, because of aggressive access management, average speeds are 30 miles per hour, the same 20 minute travel time captures an area of 10 miles radius, fully twice as large! At worst, motorists must endure a bit more circuitry of travel in the vicinity of an origin or destination (that is, by using a frontage road or a side street), but this will be more than offset by reduced travel time throughout the remainder of the trip.

Also, the notion of the job-creating value of new growth, at least retail growth, is, in my view, considerably exaggerated. Building a new grocery store will not increase the total areawide demand for bread by a single loaf -- it will simply change the place where the bread is bought. Jobs created at the new store are offset by jobs lost at other stores, which lose business to the new one. [Home Quarters moves in - Central Hardware moves out; Auto Zone opens up - Auto Source closes down - think of your own examples]

Now, regarding implementation of access management by units of government, current language in the Ohio Revised Code allows too much room for lax enforcement at the State level, and many local officials feel they are inadequately empowered at the county, township, and municipal levels. None-the-less, there are ways to implement access management principles and regulations in Ohio, even under current state laws.

Implementation options include the following:

First, specific and detailed access management requirements can be integrated into local subdivision regulations. This will address all developments covered by the sub regs, but not other developments, including minor lot splits and development of large individual parcels.

Second, general authority to administer access management regulations can be vested in an official within the jurisdiction (for example, the county engineer, or city public works director). This would be done under the general authority of police powers, which enable jurisdictions to enact and enforce regulations for the health, safety, and welfare of the general public. Traffic control regulations and devices are clearly accepted as a valid exercise of the police power, and access management is nothing more or less than another tool to manage traffic for the safety and well being of the general public.

Third, corridor-specific access management plans, specifically identifying individual land parcels and locating, either generally or specifically, acceptable locations for future access points, can be a very effective way to implement access management.

And finally, even if these formal mechanisms are not available, direct negotiation with owners and developers on a case by case basis can be quite effective, if the merits and long term benefits of the program (to the developer and his clients/customers, as well as to the general public) are presented convincingly, and if the program is applied uniformly and consistently to other similar developments.

Now, a couple of notes before I close:

First, any access management program must include a provision that any substantial change of land use (either type or intensity) will render existing access permits null and void. New access will need to be established in accordance with the access management program requirements.

And second, it is important to be aggressive in trying to limit minor lot splits (and associated requests for access) along major roadway corridors as much as possible. One way to do this is to develop and adopt corridor plans, which specify how access will be provided to all parcels of record as of the date of adoption of the plan. Access to any parcels created after plan adoption would need to be provided by the owner through linkages to the plan-specified access points.

Wrap-up:

So, I guess it's evident by now that I have strong feelings about this subject. The reason for this is that, as I have studied our urban and suburban traffic congestion problems over many years, I have come to a disturbing and frustrating conclusion. That is, that by and large, and in spite of literally several decades of failure, far too many units of government are still dealing with issues of private access to the public roadway network in a short-sighted, piecemeal, and case-by-case manner. As I said at the outset, this has not worked in the past, and it will not work in the future. And the frustrating thing about this is that we don't need to continue doing business this way -- there is a better option available. That option is access management. I certainly can't claim to have invented the concept, but I have discovered it, so to speak, and I feel strongly that it must be taken more seriously by all levels of government. This is essential if we are to have any chance of avoiding more crippling traffic gridlock in the years to come.

It has often been said in the planning profession that "failure to plan is planning to fail", and that is precisely what I am talking about here. If the principles of access management are used as a guide to planning and design of access points along a developing corridor, adequate access to property can be provided, and the capacity of the roadway can be maintained, at a relatively low cost. If, however, the construction of access points occurs at random, with little thought given to proper spacing, design, or long-term impacts, it will be very costly, and perhaps impossible, to correct the situation once development along the corridor is complete.

Thank you for your attention. I would be happy to address any comments or questions.