

A | Appendix

A.1 Comprehensive Plan Survey 2015

A total of 621 Painesville Township residents completed the 2014 Comprehensive Plan Survey. The following tables and figures offer a summary of the survey results. All survey comments are also included in this section.

Survey Answers

Question 1: What year did you move into the Township?

| | # of responses | % |
|------------------------|----------------|------------|
| 2010 or later | 109 | 17.58% |
| 2000 to 2009 | 242 | 39.03% |
| 1990 to 1999 | 109 | 17.58% |
| 1980 to 1989 | 70 | 11.29% |
| 1970 to 1979 | 42 | 6.77% |
| 1969 or earlier | 48 | 7.74% |
| Total responses | 620 | (x) |

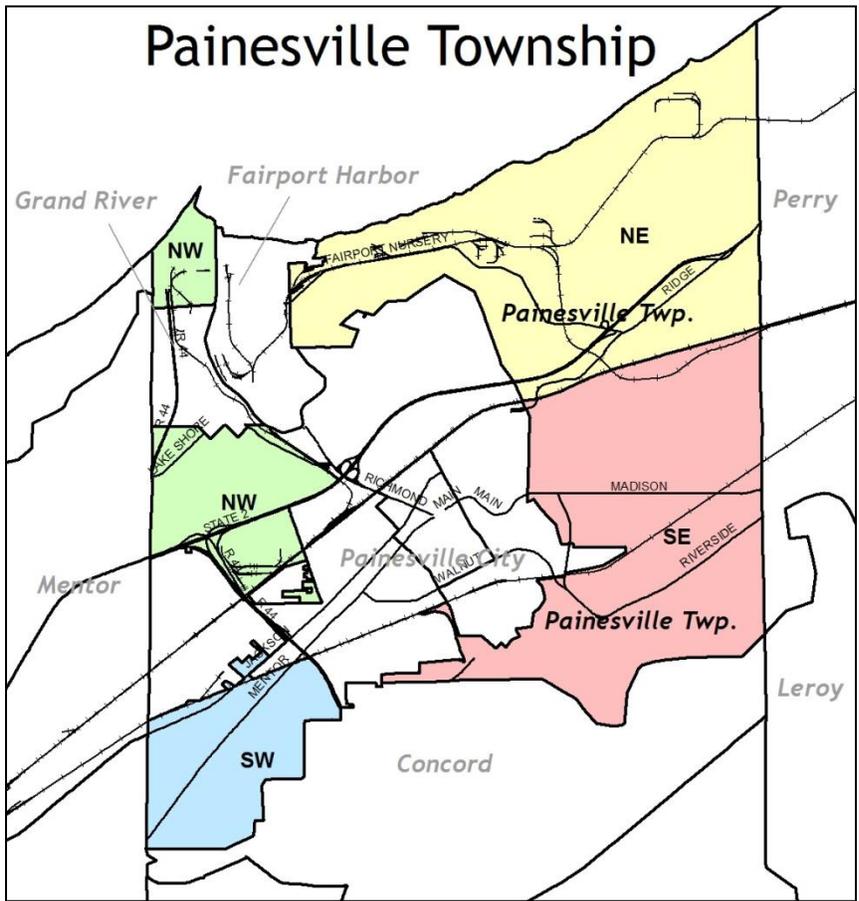
Question 2: What year did you move into your current residence?

| | # of responses | % |
|------------------------|----------------|------------|
| 2010 or later | 158 | 25.44% |
| 2000 to 2009 | 275 | 44.28% |
| 1990 to 1999 | 102 | 16.43% |
| 1980 to 1989 | 41 | 6.60% |
| 1970 to 1979 | 24 | 3.86% |
| 1969 or earlier | 21 | 3.38% |
| Total responses | 621 | (x) |

Question 3: Do you own or rent your current residence?

| | # of responses | % |
|------------------------|----------------|------------|
| I own it | 581 | 94.17% |
| I am renting | 36 | 5.83% |
| Total responses | 617 | (x) |

Question 4: Where do you live (NW, SW, NE, SE)?



| Township Region | # of responses | % |
|------------------------|----------------|--------|
| NW | 47 | 8.36% |
| NE | 264 | 46.98% |
| SW | 72 | 12.81% |
| SE | 179 | 31.85% |
| Total responses | 562 | |

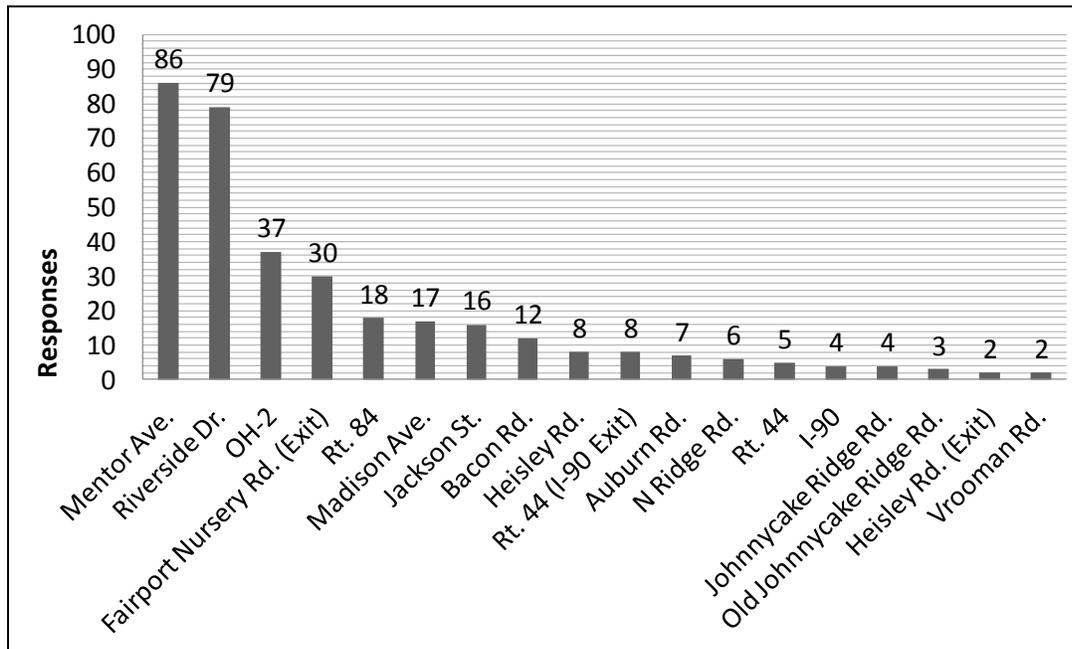
Question 5: Please rate the following influences on your decision to live in Painesville Township. (1=least important, 5=most important)

| Affordability of living | | | Diversity/quality of housing | | | Education system | | |
|-------------------------|----------------|------------|------------------------------|----------------|------------|--------------------------|----------------|------------|
| | # of responses | % | | # of responses | % | | # of responses | % |
| 1 | 22 | 4.00% | 1 | 70 | 13.28% | 1 | 79 | 14.68% |
| 2 | 22 | 4.00% | 2 | 52 | 9.87% | 2 | 52 | 9.67% |
| 3 | 126 | 22.91% | 3 | 183 | 34.72% | 3 | 104 | 19.33% |
| 4 | 172 | 31.27% | 4 | 152 | 28.84% | 4 | 129 | 23.98% |
| 5 | 208 | 37.82% | 5 | 70 | 13.28% | 5 | 174 | 32.34% |
| Total responses | 550 | (x) | Total responses | 527 | (x) | Total responses | 538 | (x) |
| Employment | | | Family | | | Lake Erie | | |
| | # of responses | % | | # of responses | % | | # of responses | % |
| 1 | 143 | 27.03% | 1 | 84 | 15.76% | 1 | 103 | 19.18% |
| 2 | 77 | 14.56% | 2 | 38 | 7.13% | 2 | 73 | 13.59% |
| 3 | 141 | 26.65% | 3 | 93 | 17.45% | 3 | 128 | 23.84% |
| 4 | 93 | 17.58% | 4 | 132 | 24.77% | 4 | 119 | 22.16% |
| 5 | 75 | 14.18% | 5 | 186 | 34.90% | 5 | 114 | 21.23% |
| Total responses | 529 | (x) | Total responses | 533 | (x) | Total responses | 537 | (x) |
| Low crime | | | Proximity to transportation | | | Recreation opportunities | | |
| | # of responses | % | | # of responses | % | | # of responses | % |
| 1 | 30 | 5.64% | 1 | 148 | 27.77% | 1 | 103 | 19.66% |
| 2 | 32 | 6.02% | 2 | 79 | 14.82% | 2 | 78 | 14.89% |
| 3 | 118 | 22.18% | 3 | 123 | 23.08% | 3 | 161 | 30.73% |
| 4 | 181 | 34.02% | 4 | 120 | 22.51% | 4 | 109 | 20.80% |
| 5 | 171 | 32.14% | 5 | 63 | 11.82% | 5 | 73 | 13.93% |
| Total responses | 532 | (x) | Total responses | 533 | (x) | Total responses | 524 | (x) |

Question 6: Where do you commute to work?

| | # of responses | % |
|------------------------|----------------|------------|
| Painesville Twp | 54 | 11.71% |
| Within Lake County | 242 | 52.49% |
| Cuyahoga County | 131 | 28.42% |
| Geauga County | 25 | 5.42% |
| Ashtabula County | 9 | 1.95% |
| Total responses | 461 | (x) |

Question 7: Where are areas of traffic congestion?



Question 8: How should we improve the transportation network?

| | Total responses | Yes | | No | |
|----------------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------|----------------|--------|
| | | # of responses | % | % of responses | % |
| More lanes for cars | 460 | 231 | 50.22% | 229 | 49.78% |
| Mass transit | 437 | 154 | 35.24% | 283 | 64.76% |
| Bike lanes | 472 | 301 | 63.77% | 171 | 36.23% |
| Sidewalks | 483 | 389 | 80.54% | 94 | 19.46% |

Question 9: Please rate the following township and/or county services. (1=low service, 5=best service)

| Township administration | | | Fire protection | | | Library | | |
|-------------------------|----------------|------------|------------------------|----------------|------------|-----------------------------|----------------|------------|
| | # of responses | % | | # of responses | % | | # of responses | % |
| 1 | 27 | 5.39% | 1 | 5 | 0.96% | 1 | 45 | 9.22% |
| 2 | 43 | 8.58% | 2 | 12 | 2.31% | 2 | 34 | 6.97% |
| 3 | 191 | 38.12% | 3 | 59 | 11.35% | 3 | 101 | 20.70% |
| 4 | 171 | 34.13% | 4 | 161 | 30.96% | 4 | 144 | 29.51% |
| 5 | 69 | 13.77% | 5 | 283 | 54.42% | 5 | 164 | 33.61% |
| Total responses | 501 | (x) | Total responses | 520 | (x) | Total responses | 488 | (x) |
| Public transportation | | | Township recreation | | | Road maintenance and paving | | |
| | # of responses | % | | # of responses | % | | # of responses | % |
| 1 | 80 | 16.63% | 1 | 58 | 11.69% | 1 | 77 | 14.72% |
| 2 | 77 | 16.01% | 2 | 84 | 16.94% | 2 | 100 | 19.12% |
| 3 | 192 | 39.92% | 3 | 176 | 35.48% | 3 | 160 | 30.59% |
| 4 | 94 | 19.54% | 4 | 129 | 26.01% | 4 | 128 | 24.47% |
| 5 | 38 | 7.90% | 5 | 49 | 9.88% | 5 | 58 | 11.09% |
| Total responses | 481 | (x) | Total responses | 496 | (x) | Total responses | 523 | (x) |
| Senior services | | | Sheriff protection | | | Snow removal | | |
| | # of responses | % | | # of responses | % | | # of responses | % |
| 1 | 48 | 10.37% | 1 | 17 | 3.26% | 1 | 34 | 6.51% |
| 2 | 66 | 14.25% | 2 | 30 | 5.76% | 2 | 57 | 10.92% |
| 3 | 214 | 46.22% | 3 | 109 | 20.92% | 3 | 113 | 21.65% |
| 4 | 107 | 23.11% | 4 | 181 | 34.74% | 4 | 187 | 35.82% |
| 5 | 28 | 6.05% | 5 | 184 | 35.32% | 5 | 131 | 25.10% |
| Total responses | 463 | (x) | Total responses | 521 | (x) | Total responses | 522 | (x) |

Question 10: Should the Township explore providing the following services?

| | Contracting w/ single hauler | | Other service | |
|------------------------|------------------------------|------------|----------------|------------|
| | # of responses | % | # of responses | % |
| Yes | 215 | 42.74% | 70 | 35.53% |
| No | 288 | 57.26% | 127 | 64.47% |
| Total responses | 503 | (x) | 197 | (x) |

Question 11: What do you currently pay for trash removal services each quarter?

| | # of responses | % |
|------------------------|----------------|------------|
| <\$50 | 105 | 22.98% |
| \$50 to \$60 | 165 | 36.11% |
| \$61 to \$70 | 124 | 27.13% |
| \$71 to \$80 | 47 | 10.28% |
| >\$80 | 16 | 3.50% |
| Total responses | 457 | (x) |

Question 12: Should the Township explore the following recreation services?

| | Parks & open spaces | | Community center | | Rec. programs for children | | Rec. programs for teens | | Rec. programs for adults | |
|------------------------|---------------------|------------|------------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|-------------------------|------------|--------------------------|------------|
| | # | % | # | % | # | % | # | % | # | % |
| Yes | 137 | 63.43% | 364 | 71.65% | 195 | 64.36% | 377 | 76.16% | 341 | 67.52% |
| No | 79 | 36.57% | 144 | 28.35% | 108 | 35.64% | 118 | 23.84% | 164 | 32.48% |
| Total responses | 216 | (x) | 508 | (x) | 303 | (x) | 495 | (x) | 505 | (x) |

Question 13: If recreation programs, parks, open spaces or community centers are added, how should the programs or amenities be supported?

| | Volunteers | | Fee-based programs | | Partnership w/ YMCA or similar group | | Partnerships w/ neighboring communities | | Levy | |
|------------------------|------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------------------------|------------|---|------------|------------|------------|
| | # | % | # | % | # | % | # | % | # | % |
| Yes | 375 | 83.52% | 413 | 85.15% | 377 | 78.54% | 367 | 77.59% | 146 | 31.13% |
| No | 74 | 16.48% | 72 | 14.85% | 103 | 21.46% | 106 | 22.41% | 323 | 68.87% |
| Total responses | 449 | (x) | 485 | (x) | 480 | (x) | 473 | (x) | 469 | (x) |

Question 14: What types of business/industrial uses should be encouraged/pursued for the Township? (1=not preferred, 5=preferred)

| | Large scale retail | | Small scale retail | | Office | | Sit-down restaurants | | Fast casual restaurants | | Fast food restaurants | | Hotels | | Agribusiness | | Light industry | | R & D | |
|--------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------|------------|-------------------------|------------|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|----------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | # | % | # | % | # | % | # | % | # | % | # | % | # | % | # | % | # | % | # | % |
| 1 | 132 | 26.56% | 24 | 3.46% | 57 | 11.78% | 12 | 2.38% | 69 | 13.83% | 145 | 29.35% | 121 | 25.05% | 42 | 8.47% | 78 | 15.95% | 60 | 12.30% |
| 2 | 56 | 11.27% | 226 | 32.56% | 65 | 13.43% | 13 | 2.58% | 75 | 15.03% | 98 | 19.84% | 70 | 14.49% | 33 | 6.65% | 67 | 13.70% | 63 | 12.91% |
| 3 | 86 | 17.30% | 94 | 13.54% | 140 | 28.93% | 74 | 14.68% | 121 | 24.25% | 111 | 22.47% | 136 | 28.16% | 103 | 20.77% | 137 | 28.02% | 111 | 22.75% |
| 4 | 71 | 14.29% | 138 | 19.88% | 106 | 21.90% | 165 | 32.74% | 104 | 20.84% | 56 | 11.34% | 74 | 15.32% | 144 | 29.03% | 111 | 22.70% | 108 | 22.13% |
| 5 | 152 | 30.58% | 212 | 30.55% | 116 | 23.97% | 240 | 47.62% | 130 | 26.05% | 84 | 17.00% | 82 | 16.98% | 174 | 35.08% | 96 | 19.63% | 146 | 29.92% |
| Total | 497 | (x) | 694 | (x) | 484 | (x) | 504 | (x) | 499 | (x) | 494 | (x) | 483 | (x) | 496 | (x) | 489 | (x) | 488 | (x) |

Question 15: What types of residential development would you prefer in the Township? (1=not preferred, 5=preferred)

| | Single Family | | Detached condo | | Attached condo | | Apartments | | Assisted living | | Senior/independent housing | |
|--------------|---------------|------------|----------------|------------|----------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|
| | # | % | # | % | # | % | # | % | # | % | # | % |
| 1 | 23 | 4.53% | 79 | 50.64% | 114 | 23.31% | 259 | 53.07% | 87 | 17.72% | 74 | 15.04% |
| 2 | 5 | 0.98% | 48 | 9.56% | 74 | 15.13% | 102 | 20.90% | 64 | 13.03% | 55 | 11.18% |
| 3 | 29 | 5.71% | 93 | 18.53% | 136 | 27.81% | 74 | 15.16% | 131 | 26.68% | 124 | 25.20% |
| 4 | 75 | 14.76% | 126 | 25.10% | 81 | 16.56% | 28 | 5.74% | 115 | 23.42% | 119 | 24.19% |
| 5 | 376 | 74.02% | 156 | 31.08% | 84 | 17.18% | 25 | 5.12% | 94 | 19.14% | 120 | 24.39% |
| Total | 508 | (x) | 502 | (x) | 489 | (x) | 488 | (x) | 491 | (x) | 492 | (x) |

Question 16: Has the foreclosure crisis affected your neighborhood?

| | # of responses | % |
|------------------------|----------------|------------|
| Yes | 307 | 60.67% |
| No | 199 | 39.33% |
| Total responses | 506 | (x) |

Question 17: What should the Township and other partner agencies do about abandoned homes in our community?

| | # of responses | % |
|------------------------|----------------|------------|
| Rehab | 263 | 52.71% |
| Tear down | 236 | 47.29% |
| Total responses | 499 | (x) |

Question 18: How important is the preservation of the following elements? (1=not important, 5=very important)

| | Lake Erie Shoreline | | Grand River | | Other streams | | Forested areas & natural | | Agricultural land | | Wetlands | |
|--------------|---------------------|------------|-------------|------------|---------------|------------|--------------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | # | % | # | % | # | % | # | % | # | % | # | % |
| 1 | 10 | 1.94% | 11 | 2.14% | 13 | 2.57% | 12 | 2.34% | 16 | 3.14% | 26 | 5.14% |
| 2 | 10 | 1.94% | 13 | 2.53% | 21 | 4.16% | 18 | 3.52% | 28 | 5.50% | 44 | 8.70% |
| 3 | 36 | 6.98% | 57 | 11.11% | 82 | 16.24% | 70 | 13.67% | 104 | 20.43% | 107 | 21.15% |
| 4 | 80 | 15.50% | 89 | 17.35% | 113 | 22.38% | 107 | 20.90% | 118 | 23.18% | 88 | 17.39% |
| 5 | 380 | 73.64% | 343 | 66.86% | 276 | 54.65% | 305 | 59.57% | 243 | 47.74% | 241 | 47.63% |
| Total | 516 | (x) | 513 | (x) | 505 | (x) | 512 | (x) | 509 | (x) | 506 | (x) |

Question 19: What is your opinion of the Township's public access to the following natural resources? (1=low access, 5=great access)

| | Lake Erie | | Grand River | |
|------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| | # | % | # | % |
| 1 | 52 | 10.18% | 34 | 6.65% |
| 2 | 51 | 9.98% | 53 | 10.37% |
| 3 | 125 | 24.46% | 162 | 31.70% |
| 4 | 146 | 28.57% | 147 | 28.77% |
| 5 | 137 | 26.81% | 115 | 22.50% |
| Total responses | 511 | (x) | 511 | (x) |

Question 20: Have you attended the Painesville Township Fun Day Event?

| | # of responses | % |
|------------------------|----------------|------------|
| Yes | 79 | 15.58% |
| No | 428 | 84.42% |
| Total responses | 507 | (x) |

Question 21: *See comments section

Question 22: Have you attended the Township's Fire Station Holiday Party?

| | # of responses | % |
|------------------------|----------------|--------|
| Yes | 53 | 25.48% |
| No | 155 | 74.52% |
| Total responses | 208 | (x) |

Question 23: *See comments section

Question 24: Are there any new events that you would like Painesville Township to sponsor?

| | Trunk or Treat | | Fire Dept. Pancake Breakfast | | 5k run | | Health fair | |
|------------------------|----------------|--------|------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------------|--------|
| | # | % | # | % | # | % | # | % |
| Yes | 177 | 42.14% | 283 | 63.60% | 279 | 63.84% | 264 | 60.27% |
| No | 243 | 57.86% | 162 | 36.40% | 158 | 36.16% | 174 | 39.73% |
| Total responses | 420 | (x) | 445 | (x) | 437 | (x) | 438 | (x) |

Question 25: Would you be interested in volunteering at any of these events?

| | # of responses | % |
|------------------------|----------------|---------|
| Yes | 214 | 0.45339 |
| No | 258 | 0.54661 |
| Total responses | 472 | (x) |

Survey Comments

Question 5: Please rate the following influences on your decision to live in Painesville Township.

- bought in-laws house when they retired to Florida
- There are no recreational opportunities?? No pools, etc
- school system has been a big disappointment
- Too many subjective questions.
- The house fit our needs

- The one's I gave low scores to are because the questions are subjective. For example, I'm going to be homeschooling so I don't care about the local school system. You should have had more direct and specific questions, especially questions related to the different areas of the township because each area is unique.
- Wasn't willing to move to Painesville City but wanted to come home.
- When we moved in it was because of the school district, but now we would consider moving because of the school district.
- The economy
- Rural living close to urban work location
- closer to our church
- no city income taxes
- Near Cleveland
- Properties are surrounded by woods and trees which was very important for my wife and I
- Currently renting with a friend in the township, but buying a house in Mentor in the next 6 months. Taxes are lower in Mentor and the services available are better!
- Outside Mentor and still a good place to live and raise a family.
- Close to retail needs but didn't want the congestion of a bigger city
- wanted to stay in Perry, but could not find a duplex like we have here.
- Lake County Speedway
- public utilities
- I take this opportunity to point out that while I was very pleased with our school district when we initially bought our house-I am very concerned about it now. District staff are doing everything they can amidst a negative climate and a community who does not support its schools. This has significantly decreased my property value and if I was looking for a community TODAY- I would NOT choose the TWP. It is a community that doesn't support its children.
- Income Tax Rate
- Living close to, but away from the city.
- neighborhood conducive to my self employment status.
- no income tax
- schooling in decline since moving here - big concern
- We were first time home buyers at the time. We wish the schools were better because now we have made the choice to send to catholic schools. We would also enjoy sidewalks along Madison Avenue or bike trails that would connect to other developments.
- The recreation opportunities are weak.
- Madison Ave Elem School for my daughter
- New lakefront home development
- We cannot move due to the price drop in our neighborhood. We liked the township when we moved in 10 yrs ago but with the crime and drugs moving into our street we want to move our children elsewhere.
- low taxes,
- At the time, after school care

- Great location to both mentor shopping and Painesville
- We loved the street and the house.
- Best part of the Painesville area
- Neighbors not on top of each other
- proximity to shopping
- Retired
- No municipal income tax
- Would like recreation opportunities in the NW (most Northern section). We have Lake Erie and the Grand River but don't capitalize upon them.
- Plots of land cheaper
- We moved here because the school district was good, but it's gone downhill since we've been here, and we've felt the need to take our children out of the public school.
- not overly crowded
- Grew up here & family is here
- I would have done anything to not move into the Riverside school district, but I didn't have a choice. It's appalling how bad that school is.
- moved in with family.
- good affordable housing options
- Needs Lake County Sheriff to take all crimes to its fullest. In Painesville Twp needs things solved to its fullest.

Question 7: Where are areas of traffic congestion?

- by Riverside schools and travelling to 84
- Riverside H.S. morning and afternoon during school times.
- in front of Riverside high school. Very hard commuting to work with only one lane there at certain times of the day. The Vrooman road bridge completion hopefully will help.
- Rt. 20 & 535. Rt. 20 west bound at 535 should have a right turn only lane and a green right turn arrow when traffic on 535 has a green light. The right lane would also need to be marked as right turn only.
- Jackson, Mentor Ave., Heisley/Lakeshore, Rt 84
- Heisley rd., Mentor Ave., Jackson Street
- Near Giant Eagle
- Rt 44 and Rt 90
- I am not aware of any congestion in Pville Twp
- Mentor Ave by Giant Eagle
- Giant Eagle at Fairgrounds.
- Riverside School
- Coming out of Wintergreen Hill during school
- Getting out of Wellesly Blvd., esp. Saturday!
Coming from 615 on 20 during rush hour, esp. Old Johnnycake area.
- All of route 20.

- North Ridge Road
- Mentor Avenue from YMCA to Fairgrounds Road
- None that I have experienced.
- Really haven't found any
- Route 2
- BACON ROAD & BLASE NAMTH - INTERSECTION
- By Riverside High School at beginning and end of school day.
- Rt 2
- Mentor ave between giant eagle and police station
- route 84 when school starts for the day.
- Rt 2 / Rt 90 always construction every summer, seems like they're repairing roads that are fine most of the time..... FIX VROOMAN RD BRIDGE
- On route 20
- Rt 2 at 615 and Euclid Spur
- None. I grew up outside of Boston. Cleveland and its suburbs do not have a traffic problem.
- Fairport nursery rd exit, crazy and hard to see coming off of 2. Trying to turn left is dangerous.
- NA
- Heisley Road area.
- rail road crossings EVRY 20 MINUETS or less, and sometimes the gates are down for hours as trains park on crossing. This also hinders emergence vehicles.
- Giant eagle headed east on mentor avenue
- Mill Moor & Rt 20, Madison Ave & Park Rd
- Mill Moor and Rte 20, Riverside High School, Madison Ave and Park Rd
- Riverside High School in the morning by the high school and by the Lake County History Center
- Mentor Route 2
- Vrooman road
- Riverside Drive, although it's better this year with the new RHS driveway
- No real traffic congestion currently where I live and how I get to st rt 2. if a development goes at Bacon and Blasé Nemeth/Fairport, there may be issues around there and getting off the freeway specifically.
- Rt 20 (Mentor Ave).
Exit ramp from rt 2 east onto Fairport Nursey Rd (exit 225)
Bacon Rd is extremely dangerous due to lack of sidewalks- have been almost hit head-on on multiple occasions because cars swerve around pedestrians.
- Route 20
- N/A
- RT 20 from fairgrounds to walnut
- train schedule on Bohall Road. Train stops completely at inopportune times. Should be at night only.
- Fairport Nursery Rd Exit. When turning left towards Blase Nemeth, very hard to see on coming traffic due to cars lined up onto the exit ramp.
- Have not ran into any problem areas.

- Coming off the Rt 2 exit ramp onto Fairport Nursery Rd.
- Cruel road and auburn/i90... Ravenna and 8:40
- Rte 20 starting near the fairgrounds travelling eastward.
- Mentor Ave.
- Getting off Rt. 2 east at Fairport Nursery exit
- Off ramp at fair port nursery road.
- Fairport exit ramp off route 2, gets very backed up around 5-5:30pm, backing onto the highway or very close.
- 90 at 44
- Mentor Avenue
- anywhere near the school or 2
- Mentor Avenue
- none on my commute
- 20
- Mentor Ave on Saturdays
- At Bacon and Blase-Nemeth
- Bowhall/Madison Ave intersection
- Traffic moves pretty well. By Riverside High School in the morning due to bus issues.
- Route 2 from bacon road to 44 is pretty congested during rush hour. A lot of the issue is vrooman road being closed. This has had a tremendously negative impact on my commute. The detour is horrible with traffic especially how long the light is at 84 if you are coming from north 44. It's ridiculous that you can't turn right there. I hope the Township stays on its schedule for vrooman road... Otherwise you will have a lot of angry residents. Also keep in mind that it's our evacuation route if something were to happen to the perry plant.
- Around 2& 20 split and blase nemeth rd turn going west
- not much on my commute
- Madison ave, up towards 20
- Route 20 through downtown Painesville Area
- Heisley Park exit
- By riverside high school. Traffic is actually worse now for the people living in Heatherstone.
- Off fairport nursery /bacon road exit. A stop light would be beneficial.
- North Ridge Road
- Getting our kids to school (RIVERSIDE) is a nightmare.
- don't drive
- I primarily travel Route 2, so the most congested spot is the Richmond St. entrance / exit due to what I feel are poorly designed ramps that do not allow enough deceleration/acceleration for traffic. This results in the right lanes getting congested and a number of accidents in the winter.
- Bowhall when the train is stopped. Awful!
- Rt 20 and Millmorr.
- I rarely see traffic congestion in the Township.
- Route 2 at certain times through Perry / Madison
- anywhere along Rt. 20. Aldi's grocery store exit is bad.

Rt 20 needs a center lane and turn lanes from Aldi store west to Heisley.
Rt. 84 needs to be enlarged to 3 lanes with a safety and turn lane in the middle from Mentor line to Concord Twp.

- all along Mentor Ave. on Fri. & Sat.'s
- Riverside High school during morning & exit. Also after 9 PM light on rt 84 & old Riverside should be caution.
- 271, 480
- RT 20 and Fairgrounds Rd (Giant Eagle), Fairgrounds entrance on RT 20 during the county fair, Fern Rd and Jackson St. The RT 2 and RT 20 area during rush hours is maddening!
- Bacon Road at rush hour, near Riverside High School at start/end of school day
- Route 90 and Route 44 Route 615
- Haven't really encountered any in the Township (at least the roads I drive). SR 2 West is busy in the morning, but expected. The SR 2 East exit at Fairport Nursery Road can back up onto SR 2 at times in the evenings depending on how the traffic signal at SR 20 and Fairport Nursery Road is operating.
- Mentor Avenue by Fairgrounds Road, Rt. 84 by Chestnut St.
- riverside dr and rt 84
- Johnnycake Ridge Road
- route 20 by fairgrounds and north ridge road
- None
- intersection of mentor ave. and fern dr., intersection of north ridge and bowhall.
- Johnnycake Ridge extension and Mentor Avenue;
the entrance to Aldi's
- 1.)route 84 - riverside high school
2.) mentor ave.
- Everywhere. :(
- mentor avenue enforce the laws
- Speeders on Mentor Ave.
- Side streets when parents park there cars to wait with their kids for the school bus. Parents should not be able to park at the intersection for the bus. Cars that need to get through have to do so on the wrong side of the street, potentially causing an accident.
- Rt 84 in front of Riverside can get very congested in the morning and afternoon.
- IN FRONT OF RIVERSIDE HIGH SCHOOL
- Jackson Street and Route I-90.
Route 20 between Route I-90 and Mark's
Exit ramp from Route 2 and Fairport Nursery Road, this is a very bad area to make a left hand turn.
- By RR tracks on Mentor Ave.
- Nowhere in Painesville. Traffic congestion is mainly in the Mentor areas at certain time periods.
- Being retired we avoid high traffic hours.
- Mentor Ave. going east. This is the worst 4;00-5;30

- Really don't experience much
- School
- Riverside Drive by High School
- Riverside High School in morning.
- Route 84, Madison Avenue
- Getting on Rt. 2 from Blasé Nemeth in the morning with all the traffic coming from Bacon Rd. Coming off Rt. 2 at Bacon Rd. exit, turning left onto Fairport Nursery Rd. it is difficult to see on coming traffic due to the way the guard rail is situated especially when there are snow mounds. There have been several accidents due to not being able to see oncoming cars.
- Rt. 20 and Rt. 84, also Fairgrounds Rd.
- Riverside Drive by high school.
- Fairport Nursery Rd to OH 2 West ramp and exit from OH 2 East to Fairport Nursery Rd. Very congested at times and very hard to see traffic.
- Rt 84
- State Route 44, Concord Hambden Rd. & Auburn Rd,
- Rt. 20, Jackson St.
- I rarely run into any real congestion in the township
- Rt. 20
- W. Jackson st
- Rt 20
- Rt. 84
- Mentor Avenue west of Chestnut St. heading east. backs up to Y and more.
- Fairport Nursery Rd & Rt. 20
- Route 84
- 44/90
- Johnnycake/RTE 20
- Heisley/20
- RTE20 to 615
- around Giant Eagle!!
- Mentor Ave
- Mentor Ave.
- Around the high school in the am and on rt 20.
- Riverside High school area!
- Jackson and 44
- Mentor Ave
- Bacon rd
- Route 20 by shopping centers. By the high school during a.m. and afternoon.
- Riverside Drive when during times that students go to/leave school. Its horrible.
- Either end of Bowhall Road
- State Route 44 and Auburn Rd.
- Madison Ave. & Bowhall Road
- Mentor avenue
- N/a
- Getting off Rt. 2 at Fairport Nursery exit. The AMOUNT of traffic is not that bad, even at rush hour, but the fact that you can't see a thing turning left is

REALLY BAD. I have to pull into the middle of the intersection to see if anybody is coming to my left. I have come close to being hit. Also, if cars are in the right lane, it is difficult to see if anybody is coming from the right. Can the township put up mirrors in BOTH directions so when getting off the ramp, we can see before turning?

- Distance having to travel to bypass Vrooman Road when bridge has been out for any reason.
- RT 20 NEAR GIANT EAGLE/FAIRGROUNDS RD & JACKSON ST @ RAMP OFF 44 S GOING TOWARDS RT 20 AS WELL AS THAT 90 DEGREE TURN COMING TOWARDS JACSKON FROM RT 20 TO GET ONTO 44 N
- Rt 2
- None
- Rt44 and Auburn. Crile Road intersection is unbelievable. Something really needs to be done about it. It is impossible to turn left onto Auburn from Crile in the morning.
- None to speak of
- Everywhere.
- None
- N/a
- Rt.20, Rt. 44
- Madison Ave., Route 84 and Route 44, Mentor Ave from bridge over Rt.44 to Painesville (east)
- Bowhall and Madison Ave.
- Rt 20
- Fairgrounds and Rt 20
- Exit onto Fairport Nursery from Rt 2 is very dangerous. Can't see.
- Mentor Ave. from Fern Dr. to the Mentor line. Johnnycake Ridge from Rt. 44 to Old Johnnycake.
- Aldi's and 20
- Hardy road because of semi-trucks.
- Riverside HS morning traffic....
- In front of Riverside High School before/after school
- Route 20 around shopping center only ones I have encountered
- no major ones
- Riverside High School during arrival and dismissal times
- By Riverside High school
- Riverside Drive
- Liberty and Washington st.
- Mentor ave. should have a turning lane from where dollar general is thru Walnut.
- Mentor Avenue, and Route 20
- Near Target on Rt. 20, but that might be Mentor.
- N/A
- Riverside High School
- Mill Morr and Aldis need a light there very dangerous intersection.
- Madison ave meadows dr atv and dirt bikes up and down are road all summer

- and cop lives at the end of street don't say a thing too them.
- all traffic light. need to have sensors on them. traffic sits at red light too long when no traffic is coming in the green direction
 - Rt. 84 near Riverside campus. Actually most of the township is congested. That's probably because when the area was designed, no one had any idea that the area would be so heavily populated after all these years.
 - Route 84.
 - Riverside HS
 - Erie St, Jackson St.
 - I don't know of any off hand
 - Mentor Ave! Horrendous.
 - Mentor ave
 - Route 84 between johnnycake and 44
 - Fairport nursery exit off freeway needs stop light
 - Fairport nursery exit. Needs a stop light off freeway exit!
 - Riverside & Rt 84 during school days. Traffic on 84 backed up onto bridge before Bank Street.
 - Riverside high school
 - Intersection of Auburn and Rt 44
 - Madison Ave Between 8:30am-8:45am and then from 3:00pm-3:20pm due to the school. There is little parking and drop off for parents and buses. Traffic can be backed up both ways for a few minutes during these times
 - I'm not aware of congestion, but I do feel that the amount of traffic on Bacon Rd. since all of the development is very heavy. I feel that Bacon Rd. could use a walking/bike path for the safety of both the children and adults that utilize the road for those purposes.
 - Riverside high school area when I'm commuting to work
 - Rt. 20, especially near car wash near Walgreen's corner Heisley and Rt. 20.
 - Riverside and 84 during school days.
 - Fairport Nursery off ramp is extremely difficult to view traffic coming from east (N. Ridge Rd)
 - Hale rd. route 20
 - 44 and lakeshore
 - I think we desperately need a traffic light put in on the Fairport Nursery/Bacon Rd exit ramp off of route 2. This is extremely dangerous (especially when turning left of the ramp) and often backed up.
 - None
 - Riverside High School area
 - Exit off Rt2 Fairport Nursery off exit ramp.
 - None that really cause any problem for me.
 - anywhere on Mentor ave.
 - mentor ace
 - Route 44 to 90 west
 - none
 - Mentor avenue from the city to giant eagle area
 - 535 and route 2 ramp towards bacon road.

downtown Painesville roads are in terrible condition.

- I live on Madison Ave close to Bowhall. There is more and more traffic on Madison Ave at the corner of Madison Ave and Bowhall. There is a caution light there but I feel with all of the traffic a traffic light is needed.
- Riverside drive & 84; Madison ave & Bowhall; In front of high school; in front of Madison ave elementary.
- Riverside high school
- Through downtown Painesville.
- in front of riverside high school
- Rts. 2 & 20
- Rt. 20 and Rt. 2
- Rt.20---
- Rt.2
- anywhere on Mentor Ave
- Rt. 20
- We live on Balboa Ct. and because of the traffic congestion from Riverside HS our daily schedule is dictated by the school schedule.
- Around Riverside High School
- Doan Ave& mentor ave
- Rt. 20 at Chillicothe intersection. Target light.
- 44 and 90; 44 and Auburn Road; 20 and Old Johnnycake
- Most any part of Mentor Ave, In the area of Riverside HS
- not a problem for us
- none in twp.
- Exit Rt. 44 N at Rt. 84. Riverside High School.
- night shift.....very little congestion
- Rt. 84 during school hours (riverside).
- Mentor Ave, railroad crossings
- My normal route is Vrooman to I90, but with the bridge out for so long I now have to take route 84 to route 44 to I90. Must leave home before the school buses start pulling out of Riverside.
- Mentor Ave near Giant Eagle. Mentor Ave from Target to Heisley.
- Some at Fairport Nursery Road Exit from Rt2 and Red light to Rt 20
- There are none in the area I live
- Route 44 exit ramp to Route 283. (not sure this Painesville Twp)
- riverside high school
- None noted on a regular basis.
- Riverside and Route 84 at 7:00 AM Monday through Friday.
- rt. 20
- Rt 20 near Fairgrounds
- Blaise Nemeth & Route 2 exit.
- rte 20 &bacon, Bacon & Blaze Neth.
- Mentor/Painesville border
- Traveling East on Jackson cross of fern, and St. Rt. 2 traffic light blinks caution when down; No person abides traffic laws for right away drivers. Drivers from

route 2 cruise off the freeway with no regard of the RED BLINKING traffic signal causing the right away driver to stop. I almost witnessed 2 car accidents 2 different times from drivers thinking it's okay to illegally left turn onto Jackson without caution or continue east onto Fern Dr. crossing Jackson. I feel there should be a sign at least to warn drivers to stop with caution when traffic light is blinking red. Thank You.

- Riverside High School traffic
- Madison Avenue
- 44/90
- Rt 2
- Mentor Ave!
- None, they way I like it
- Riverside drive, walnut avenue, johnnycake ridge road, And heisley road and diamond circle
- Getting off Rt 2 onto Fairport Nursery
- Near elementary schools no sidewalks for kids
- Rt 20 after school hours
- corner of Stratford and Rt 84
- Corner of Stratford & Rt 84 depending on time of lady
- Hiesley and diamond center
- rt2,90 split
- Madison ave bowhall intersection
- NW section - Mentor Avenue around Giant Eagle, extremely congested area.
- Riverside Drive by the high school.
- In front of Riverside.
- Route 20 & Fairgrounds Rd.
- The only place in the Township is around Giant Eagle.
- Rt. 20 near Fairgrounds
- Rt2 eastbound exit ramp at fairport nursery road. Rt44 and i90 interchange. Auburn road and 44.
- Riverside h.s. when students come in and leave.
- Route 2 and 44 exit. Mentor ave is always congested, need a turning lane!
- Near Riverside High school, 84 & Painesville Ravenna Rd, near Giant Eagle.
- Getting to riverside high school!
Route 20 from square to giant eagle
- Since the route 20 widening traffic congestion has improved greatly. Certain times of the day are uncontrollable
- 44 and 90
- near Riverside high school, morning and afternoon, Jackson St and rt 44, Giant Eagle intersection,
- There are rarely times I am stuck in traffic. More often than not, trains stopped on the CSX tracks at lane road slow my commute.
- Bacon Rd and rt.2 exit and by Riverside
- Main issue we run into- trains often stop and make switches for lengthy periods of time- blocking Bowhall.
- Bowhall & Madison Ave, Park Rd & Madison Ave

- Open Vrooman PLEASE!
- Rt 90
- Route 90, Route 20
- Jackson near route 2, Mentor avenue, Route 84 @ Riverside
- Mentor avenue, from giant eagle into the square.
- Mentor ave
- Rt. 84 and US 20 at commuter times.
- Rte. 20
- East - West roads at commuter times.
- Areas around Riverside High school at beginning and end of school day. Way too long of a back up. Rt. 20 during rush hour - between downtown Painesville and Fairgrounds.
- Where 2 and 90 merge
- The intersection of Madison Avenue and Bowhall/Boulder Ridge can be a nightmare during rush hour!
- Riverside school during school hours on 84
- Railroad crossing on Mentor Ave-near Fairgrounds Road - City line
Jackson Street-from Mentor to City Line near 44
- Riverside HS
Vrooman Rd
- Near the highschool
- Route 20
Route 84 at 45
- Bowhall Road and Madison Avenue
- getting off rt 2 Bacon Rd exit
Blasé Namith & Bacon Rd
Rail road tracks at the end of Bacon Rd should have gate & lights
- Riverside high school
- Route 20
- None
- Heisley and rt 20
- Just past heisley exit on Oh 2 in the morning commute
- hard to pin down. Traffic is awful everywhere or maybe I am just getting old.
- By Riverside High School in the morning is getting out of hand.
- Rt 20/Fairgrounds
- Turning into 20
- Lost Nation to Euclid Spur
- Mentor Avenue West Jackson areas
- Bacon Road
Fairgrounds at Mentor Ave.
Fairfield and Mentor Ave.
- North ridge bacon
Fairport nursery road exit
- Rt.2 at the US20 split
- None
- Rt 2 painesville city Also trying to get off freeway at bacon is a death trap

- waiting to happen
- Around Riverside High School
- None on my line of travel
- Mentor ave, painesville downtown route 84
- Riverside High School, Rt 44 & Rt 90 & Auburn & Crile, Rt 20 at Johnnycake Ridge (Kohl's, Lowe's etc)
- Riverside drive is disgusting in the morning.
- Riverside
- in and out of Giant Eagle to fairgrounds road
- Riverside High School
- Giant Eagle!!
- Rt 84 going to and coming from Riverside H.S. during the school year. School officials have to do something about this twice a day traffic problem.
- Heisley rd
- RIVERSIDE DRIVE AT THE SCHOOL!!
- Near Riverside High School
- Blaise Nemeth /SR 2 west on ramp/Fpt Nursery intersection
Bacon/Blaise Nemeth intersection
Fpt Nursery/SR 2 off ramp
- none
- 44 & 90
- Riverside drive and 84 during school let out
- Mentor avenue
- Corner of Bowhall & Madison Avenue.
- Around riverside high school
- Rt 2 -. Fairport nursery road exit
- The intersection of 44 and Jackson is very dangerous when the lights go out. I was involved in a bad accident that left me injured because the lights were down and someone ran the light instead of stoping because it was flashing red. My wife and several good friends have been close to accidents because of the same reason and I think this needs attention.
- Riverside high school
- The intersection of Jackson Street and Rt. 44 is HORRIBLE! RIDICULOUS!! That bridge is not made for semi-trucks. Also need to add entrance and exit ramps going in both directions.
- Vrooman rd And by riverside high school
- Jackson/44 intersection
- By riverside high school.
- N/A
- Riverside High School
- Riverside High School, Mentor Ave on the west side.
- Mentor Ave by walmart
- Bowhall & Madison ave could use a 4 way stop & Riverside traffic is HORRIBLE!
- Rt. 20 is a nightmare
- Mentor Ave - "Target",need added traffic light, 45 to 50 mph - No police

- Milmor/Mentor Ave. Also Mentor Ave. going east
- Between Mentor Ave. Heisley and fairgrounds
- Riverside Drive at high school. Rt 20 everywhere
- Blasé Nemeth too much truck traffic
- Horrible conditions; Speeding up on Fairport Nursery Rd down Blasé Nemeth to freeway or Fairport Nursery Rd
- Rt. 90
- Blasé Nameth Rd; Too many garbage trucks and truck traffic
- Trucks on Blasé Nemeth Rd.

Question 8: How should we improve the transportation network?

- Become bicycle and pedestrian friendly. Add a Laketrans stop at Rt. 20 and Bacon Road.
- These would all be nice, but I'm already taxed to the point of can't afford it and looking to move elsewhere.
- better management of signals. address infrastructure before or concurrent w/development
- Better management of traffic control, improvement of infrastructure before or concurrent with development
- Children close to Hale Road School have always walked. This new grant, how far are the sidewalks going? I live on Lee Rd.
- Bike lanes and sidewalks would be nice but not necessary.
- more lanes
- REPAIR ROADS - QUALITY
- Better traffic signals
- Sidewalks are needed on Bacon Rd before someone gets killed by a car
- Fix exit off 2 for nursery road
- Fixing potholes.
- rail road over or under pass from the top of the grade on Bowhall to the top of the hill in a straight line to save life's on a bad road, between the rail roads. In the winter this is a bad place to get through with the curves and hills and crossings. There is only going to be more traffic (of all sizes) on this road, with the new bridge over the grand river.
- sidewalks/running path on bacon rd
- Evaluate re-timing the light by the History Center
- The roads in the City are horrible. It seems the same roads get repaved over and over. But if the Township is not responsible for any of that, I would REALLY like to see bike paths on Madison and Bohall/Bacon Road. There are lots of kids in these areas and it's not safe for them. I would use the bike paths too.
- Bacon Road NEEDS a bike lane due to the number of runners/walkers along the road.
- HOW ABOUT FILLING YOUR DAMN POT HOLES ON HARDY RD!!!!
- Stop lights at crile road and auburn!

- Big supporter of outdoor activities in the NW-not much to do here but like being close to the lake and river.
- Need something so we can see oncoming traffic in both directions when turning onto Fairport Nursery Rd.
- I live in Painesville township park, there are no sidewalks in our neighborhood except the newly developed areas. Bacon road is a higher speed area, which I have no issues with but there are a lot of bikers and runners in this area, sidewalks would be great for their safety.
- Yes to more lanes for cars only on Mentor Avenue. Again, you should have been more specific in your questions. Don't want to see an influx in mass transit. I like the home-country feel of the township, and if we add mass transit then it will be like living in the city. Love the idea of walking/bike trails! I spoke with Kristin Peters who is running for township trustee about the Connectivity Plan and I agree with her that the plan has many positives, especially with those of us like Kristin who enjoy being active with our young families. Right now there isn't anywhere safe to walk/hike in the NW without driving to Headlands Beach or a park. Love living in the area, just wish it were more outdoor and family friendly.
- More lanes necessary on Mentor Avenue
- Bike lane on Bacon Road!!
- Bike lanes would be great for access to the lake. We currently have to ride in the main lanes and at times feels dangerous with traffic.
- Pot hole repair
- North Ridge Rd needs more lanes or a turning lane and the speed limit decreased. It is dangerous
- Mass Transit is fine with Laketrans. There are a lot of bikers and joggers on Bacon Road, so bike lanes would help alleviate traffic concerns there.
- Just fix the current triads we have
- I think things are fine. Just improve / maintain the existing roads. More lanes or mass transit means more cars and people. Those are not good things for our township.
- More traffic lights
- Is there a Park and Ride lot for Cleveland commuters? I must say that RT 20 is so much better with the center turning lane. There should also be a 'right turn only' lane on RT 20 WB at Fairport Nursery Rd. It backs up there when both lanes have cars going WB and others are trying to access RT 2 or the E-check location in the WB lanes.
- I think that the intersections of Fairgrounds rd., Fern Dr. and Mentor Ave. is a disaster waiting to happen. It seems that there is always someone in the left hand lane, continuing east on Mentor Ave., that wants to either drag race out of the light, or wedge their way over to the right hand lane. I have seen an accident, and many very close calls in this area
- Reduce number of speeders on Mentor Avenue between Mentor and Painesville. Install a traffic light at Aldi's entrance and Mentor Avenue
- More green space NO more land splitting
- Use and enforce existing laws.

- These things would be nice, but since I'm already taxed to the max, I couldn't afford these improvements, so forget it.
- And fix the potholes!
- There should be a stop light located at the intersection on Fairport Nursery Road and Route 2 exit ramp. Very dangerous area.
- Just need to relieve congestion around RR tracks on Mentor Ave.
- Sidewalks would be helpful in areas near the bacon road and route 20 locations near our neighborhoods. I would imagine that bike paths would be beneficial especially around Painesville city to help facilitate safer access for people into and out of the city. Also every year in our neighborhood are several bike races. Bike paths would also help to make these a little more safer. But any of these improvements should only be made if it is economical to do so so as not to increase taxes to support them. We already pay enough taxes as it is.
- Bacon Road has many joggers, bikers and walkers. There should be a designated bike lane or sidewalk along Bacon Road to avoid harm to pedestrians. We see many shoppers with bags from CVS or the Convenience Store walking along Bacon Road. People try to walk the short distance for health reasons or to avoid more vehicle pollution. Something needs done before someone is injured or worse.
- Traffic lights around Riverside High School in mornings and afternoons
- more enforcement on the posted speed limits!
- OH 2 at Fairport Nursery Rd. needs serious help!
- More signs for the historical Lake County Speedway AKA "Painesville Speedway" we have been in constant operation since 1958.
- Syncing traffic lights on Mentor Ave.
- ?????
- Limit future building with exit or entrances onto Mentor Ave.
- Limit future building that requires exit and or entrances on Mentor Ave.
- Keep up with roads in poor condition.
- Install Traffic Light at intersection of Bowhall & Madison Ave.
- TAKE CARE OF BLIND SPOTS COMING OFF RT. 2 AT FAIRPORT NURSERY EXIT!!!!!!!!!!!!
- Specifically repair side streets off Park Road, seems they've been forgot. Concentrate on current road repair needs.
- None
- Synchronize traffic lights so if you go the speed limit, the light is green when you get to it.
- Locations like Madison Avenue have such potential! I love being able to run down the street to take the kids for ice cream or to the dollar tree, but I'd prefer to take bikes- but I'm terrified to ride in the street with the excessive speed of the cars! I also see walkers all the time dodging mud and ice on the treelawns.
- How about repairing streets damaged from winter. How many times can you fill in a pothole? The streets throughout Painesville are in sad shape.
- Commuter train to Cleveland.
- Widen Johnnycake with an extra lane and add a bike lane to the Greenway. Add sidewalks where needed on both sides of Mentor Ave., as currently these are

only here and there and were often buried by the road plowings of snow this winter.

- improve road conditions
- Continuing surface maintenance on existing roads
- Better and later hours for Laketran
- I don't find it to be an issue
- Don't think there would be enough road space to add any of these options.
- Madison Ave Needs Sidewalks from at least Park Rd pass Bowhall Rd towards the school. We live between Bowhall & The Rail Road Tracks within 2 miles from the school and my child can't walk or ride a bike to school due to no sidewalks, and the bad intersection of Madison Ave & Bowhall
- Traffic around the high school is absolutely crazy
- I think we desperately need a traffic light put in on the Fairport Nursery/Bacon Rd exit ramp off of route 2. This is extremely dangerous (especially when turning left of the ramp) and often backed up. Another thing I live in Erie Shores. Is there a way we can block Lake Rd after the development? We have had very "shady" individuals come into our community (approach kids, break into garages, etc) and I have personally seen several times people throwing alcohol and trash out of their cars as they travel down lake rd to the area behind us. Perhaps a road block that could still be opened in the event of an emergency would block this unnecessary and in my opinion unsafe flow of traffic.
- nothing
- lights or turning lanes
- No body rides bikes anymore or walks to anything. How about a park and ride in the old giant eagle plaza?
- none needed that I can think of
- enforce speed limits and law against reckless driving
- Sidewalks you will be putting in this summer will greatly help the elementary schools. We are at a loss on what will help our situation because of RHS.
- Traffic light at Doan & mentor ave
- Please repair Vrooman Rd. Access to the freeway has become a real inconvenience.
- Get Vrooman road bridge functional. Add sidewalks so people can walk and meet their neighbors. I live on Park Road extension and fear for my life walking on the street.
- Provide busing for the high school students.
- would be nice if bike riders used sidewalks!
- Walking bike zones would be fantastic.
- More lanes for cars - only around the Mentor Avenue Giant Eagle area. Sidewalks - need repaired in the Township. Bike lanes - need to better connect the Township area. Love the idea of implementing the Central Lake County Lakefront Connectivity Plan.
- I don't feel this is a big concern in the Township.
- The timing of stop lights could improve. I spend a lot of time stopped at lights when there is no on coming traffic.

- Sidewalks on Madison Ave east of the school all the way to Park Road. Also remove curbs and add bike lanes. fix pot holes, time traffic lights.
- More lanes for cars on Rt. 90 means more torn up roads and we have had enough of that over past years. Bike lanes would be nice, but on the East side the roads are in horrible condition.
- Before any of the following you need to fix Streets like lake road in bed repair in a way that they last. Increase speed limits in nonresidential areas. Widen streets that are narrow. Improve and increase street lighting.
- Better salting in winter. Would be nice if Laketrans made runs to Riverside after the busing cuts.
- Better planning
- I'm not sure. I don't experience that much traffic congestion
- Traffic lights
- Traffic is terrible on route 20 going to Madison . We need more lanes and a slower speed limit
- Bike Lanes on Bacon Rd would be appreciated.
- Bike path on bacon road
- Sidewalks and bike lanes on roads should be a priority.
- Sidewalks would be great as I am scared for my kids if they have to walk to school because there are no sidewalks until they get to the major road (20).
- I am getting a little weary of dodging joggers.
- I would love side walks along bacon road
- bacon rd needs a sidewalk!
- Residents would really benefit with sidewalks on Bacon.
- More traffic lights on Mentor Ave
- Traffic light at Milmore Rd
- Traffic on West Jackson is heavy. Needs more traffic stop & go lights. This might make drivers use Mentor Ave. (West) Also I thought Palmer Ave was going to be a dead end street on to West Jackson???? Are there going to be a closing of the railroad tracks on West & East Jackson????
- Finish road construction
- Take trucks off Blasé Nemeth Rd.!

Question 10: Should the Township explore providing a single hauler and/or other services?

- Outside maintenance on Fire Station #2. I see it is not in any of your pictures....perhaps due to the peeling paint???
- Senior center
- recycling
- BRUSH & LEAVE PICK-UP - FALL
- Recycling
- Pool or splash park.... we have nothing
- Single hauler only if cost benefit for residents

- I miss the recycle dropoff places. It seems it would be cheaper for a service to go to one or two places instead of multiple homes
- Spring/Fall brush pick up; recycling
- Unless contracting with a single hauler guarantees a significantly lower rate, I say no.
- Yard waste and recycling.
- Yes, if we can get a cheaper rate as a whole community.
- Recycling location
- we use tony schriebers garbage and we appreciate the lower cost!
- Recycling and yard waste too please!
- If this means, pickup recycling and garbage, yes.
- Be able to get rid of larger items such as appliances or furniture
- Recycling: it should be subsidized for all not a for-fee service
- Senior Center near the Township Offices
- not sure
- Is there a single hauler located in Painesville Twp?
- Senior snow plow
- Recycling
- provide list of haulers, with rates
- Does not apply to condominium living.
- another service would just be a way to spend more money
- Contracting with a single hauler would only drive up the cost. This is a no-no!!!
- not applicable
- recycle bins
- Recycling and yard waste removal!
- Bring back recycling. We have been taking our recycling every week to mentor.
- need for twp. recycling service
- Explore only if going with one company would decrease rates. Would also like township to initiate a twice a year bulk trash pickup (where you can put ex furniture or whatever out)
- recycling
- recycling
- Recycling
- As far as trash pickup, we found the Schrieber Hauling is the lowest priced company and has just as good of service as any other. I would not object to a single hauler as \$51.00 for 3 months.
- recycling
- recycling
- recycle
- include recycling
- Annual Trash Pick-up of large household items & Shredding of Documents
- all residents curb side recycling
- I prefer trash be picked up on Fri. so would rather hire my own..unless Friday p/u is an option
- Dealing with foreclosed property and its upkeep.
- recyclible

- Recycle should be included
- I want to recycle, currently my trash provider- Scheibers Hauling from Fairport will let me call on days we have recycling. it's a pain, but it's necessary. how many residents just don't bother now that all our options have been taken away?
- recycling
- more frequent yard waste pickups
- recycling,bring it back
- Recycling is very important to us.
- I don't see the need
- Leaf pick up more then once a year
- not sure what will be the most cost effective option
- Recycling
- Recycling
- There is so much trash and garage over the streets (Blase Nemeth and Baco especially). Perhapes hiring a company to go around the commuity and pick up trash (and post no littering signs)
- Let each resident choose trash hauler, **BUT BRING BACK RECYCLING!!** I see so many people recycling and it was used quite often when it was in place. The biggest problem was that the dumpsters were no EMPTIED enough. Also, security for township residents only was a problem.
- recycling
- recycling is a must
- recycling is a must
- Fire chief is arrogant. Never responded to questions I had
- Improve road plowing in winter
- snow plow in condo areas
- Snow plow drivers are tearing up lawns and mailboxes, they need some training.
- a suction leave truck that comes by once a week or so to pck up leave at the curb. brach pick up more regular also
- Only if you select Major Waste, a community business. Support our own.....
- Curbside Recycling. Residents pay as with trash
- What happened to the promise to research recycling?
- Pot holes should be filled more often
- (see checked- but less expensive)
- Trash pickup should include recycling
- it bother's me that all you have in mind to ask of is this topic.
- Recycling
- recycling
- I would only want one trash collector if it's cheaper!
- If the township could negotiate a great price for rubbish hauling I say do it. I currently pay 70.50 every three months with recycling pick up.
- Recycling
- Yard waste pickup more than twice a year.
- Yard waste disposal that is actually open when residents need it to be and I don't think it's necessary to have an employee there for it to be open. there not must be another solution to prevent dumping trash or used by landscaping companies.

- Table and chair free rental service
- When we first moved here from Mentor, roads and snow removal seemed impressive. Over the last couple of years, it seems to be lacking
- Community Center
- Leaf pick up by blowing leaves to your curb - other local areas have this service free of charge. Also our garbage pick up rates are outrageous compared to mentor would like to see better negotiated rates with preferred vendors
- Bring back recycling
- More hazardous waste drops
- Recycling
- fall leaf pickup, that resident have to pay for and more then two time free pickup leaf pickl by the road dept.
- More leaf pickup
- one company creates a monopoly vs having multiple contractors to choose from ensures lowest cost to resodents
- Recycle pick up for free
- Curbside leaf vacuum leaf pickup!
- Painesville residents hate WM situation
- More recycle drop offs.

Question 14: What types of business/industrial uses should be encouraged/pursued for the township?

- A name brand grocery store for sure. We have none on the east side. It is needed.
- More businesses
- Grocery
- Specialty grocery stores like Heinen's
- Subjective. Would support cleaning up Mentor Ave. and other areas and creating growth for the township.
- Again subjective questions...depends on the area you are putting them in.
- The east side needs more restaurants and stores
- Large scale Grocery, retail and fast food, to meet the needs of those living on the eastern end of Painesville Twp. Are there any farms left in Painesville Twp?
- Anything to get some growth and lower taxes - taxes are too high!
- Almost any business would be good for the area and jobs. However no more adult only businesses. Lets try to keep our community family friendly and family focused.
- Take advantage of Lake Erie with an affordable, quality restaurant with a lake view.
- Anything with low pollution (noise, waste, etc) is good.
- Add to what Lake County Speedway already has to offer.
- Ice skating rink in the old Marc's?? Fill the old shops instead of building new building. The Sunaco gas station by the fairgrounds should go. Get RID of the

trailer parks. ARREST THE PAN HANDLERS . I hate going to Giant eagle for that reason

- Grocery Store such as Kroger & Markets
- Maintain the atmosphere of the township.
- Fairport is doing a great job revitalizing High Street by attracting unique, independently owned business. I'd like the same in the township- a nice, centralized location to bring family to shop, dine, and explore stores without needing to drive to each location.
- It is the eastern part of the township that needs stores and restaurants
- Do something about Hardy Industries. They are destroying the quality of life for the east side of the TWP.
- Coffee Houses
- Trader Joes or Whole Foods
- Build a Outlet retail center at Vrooman and I90, bring in Trader Joes
- Grocery store for East end of Twp. Have to go at least 7 miles to shop.
- Grocery stores
- don't want gambling or "adult" stores
- generate electricity from land fill gas
- a grocery store near park road area.
- there needs to be a reason for people to come in to Lake County from mentor and currently there's not there's only a reason for people from Lake County to go into mentor
- Grocery Store east side of township
- Put something in the township that has actual healthy foods. Fruits and vegis
- smokeless industries
- I plan on moving as soon as possible out of Painesville Twp due to the fact there is very little businesses/restaurants and it takes over twenty minutes to get to most places. ??
- Eliminate the "Adult Book Store" on Mentor Ave.
- With careful zoning
- We need a supermarket close by

Question 15: What types of residential development would you prefer in the Township?

- NO SECTION 8
- We need more options for senior citizens who want to stay in the township.
- No more developments. More green space.
- There's already too many houses!
- NO LOW INCOME
- Something like Breckenridge
- none
- Mobile homes for single parents who love the area but are on a low tight budget like myself

- How about cracking down on those who choose to not keep their houses looking nice? I know everyone has different budgets, but mow the lawn and landscape the curbside as to not bring down values. You know the neighborhoods, I don't need to mention them..
- "upscale" apartments. Not everyone wants a house.
- 55 year and older ranch condo, as grand haven in perry
- No more apartments
- think more like Chardon and less like Fairport harbor
- The road infrastructure does not support what we have
- Single Home - no apts or Sec 8

Question 18: How important is the preservation of Painesville Township's natural resources?

- The township is mostly a city anyway
- Overall the parks are great! I'm very happy and impressed with the work of the lake metroparks. But there's always room to develop more.
- Each of the items listed above have an impact on Lake Erie. I remember digging for clams as a child, can't do that any more.
- There's not enough green space in the Township, and there's very little done to include Lake Erie, which is our biggest natural resource.
- For the previous question #17, it would depend on the cost to the taxpayers as to whether it is more beneficial to rehab or tear down. Each question should have a comments box to help clarify the answers.
- Keep Painesville Township beautiful with a suburban home style life in mind.
- stop cutting down trees
- Build on already open land. PLEASE stop ripping apart the woodlands. Wildlife need homes to avoid running into traffic searching for shelter & food
- More to question 17.....do both. You have look at each individual house and ask is it worth it?
- Important as long as it doesn't raise my taxes
- Our lake is under utilized the low budget for parks on it is disappointing it could be an attraction to bring money and visitors into our community like Presque Isle that should be your goal for the community developmentalso I think your selection of options for what to do with rundown locations in the community is Limited in thought. instead of spending money to knock them down or to rehab them you can turn that into an investment opportunity by optioning them off and requiring the buyer to remove the unwanted property
- All for preservation of these areas through the township, however I am very against MetroParks taking over any more property in the township or county.
- I would love to have hiking areas preserved.
- Our greatest assets include the rivers and lake erie!!

Question 21: How can we improve the Painesville Township Fun Day Event?

- Include events for all age groups, not just families with small children. More food choices from local vendors. More participation from Painesville Township businesses. Include RHS marching or jazz band.
- More activities, esp. for all ages/ adults
- SOMETHING FOR ALL AGE GROUPS
- Stop it
- Maybe have some more event for the kids (little ones)
- Longer hours
- Make it more easily accessible
- My kids love it.
- Have this event at more than one location. C.Hadden school might be one location for those that live by Stratford Rd.
- Increase the number of vendors, highlighting those based in Painesville Twp. or Lake County.
- Focus on saving money for community needs, not community days.
- Include map of available parking.
- Get more local businesses involved. Lake County Speedway would love to host or be involved.
- Seek greater variety of event providers.
- Hire a band, better location
- Good as is
- Another location that allows for the amount of people that would like to attend.
- It was on the same day as an event we had to cover for work. Have it at Painesville Twp Park
- Sell t-shirts and more food vendors. Planning process should be done long before the event takes place.
- Hold a bike rally to all quadrants of the Township in conjunction with the other events
- don't have them
- Better schedule of events, or have all vendors there entire time
- advertise in schools and ask for student volunteers so that they can meet community service hours
- Remove HIT, the township's most profound nuisance as a sponsor.
- Move stage closer to everything else so the music can be enjoyed more.
- fireworks parade more food choices
- Include sports
- 2 days Kid groups performing--- dance groups, choir Parade
- Have more things for older citizens to do
- more to do, more vendors
- Make the community more aware of the event activities and dates
- Promote it more on Facebook and other places. I didn't even know when it was.
- More activities and food options

Q23: How can we improve the Painesville Township Holiday Party held at the Fire Station?

- NOT SURE.
- Stop it
- N/A
- better communication
- didnt know about it
- kids are too old for this now
- Not much to improve upon
- Same answer. Many families might not want to travel that far if they live out by Stratford Rd.
- Did not know that we even had a Holiday Party. I will look for it this year.
- Not what I expected. Nothing for adults or seniors mostly for the younger children.
- Focus on saving money for community needs, not community days.
- Maybe some more decorations, more atmosphere. People were very nice who assisted.
- Never been there
- Better advertising. Didn't hear about it.
- Same as answer 21.
- Never knew there was one, so apparently make it more known prior to taking place.
- DID NOT KNOW ABOUT IT
- Na
- Have not attended this event
- Info never heard of it.
- advertise more
- N/A
- Advertising. Never heard of it.
- N/a
- Never go in that direction of town.
- More notification effort
- Never knew about it
- again, had no idea about this event
- More communication.
- Did not know that it existed.
- advertise this event
- advertise
- Better advertizing
- Advertise it.
- don't have them
- Continue to advertise.
- Will not attend if hosted by Magnus group. They are polluting our neighborhood with horrible odors.

- Advertising
- yes I had heard of this event but no I hadn't attended. there's been poor communication as to what exactly it is.
- Share info - newsletter sucks!!
- Would love to attend, it just overlaps with commitments.
- I believe that it is well attended.
- N/a
- Never heard of it
- Good just as is
- I would not go it will. I am sure any party near Hardy Rd will "stink"! I have never heard of this party.
- I heard it was very nice; we just had a prior commitment.
- Did not know about it
- Let community know about these events
- same as above
- Advertise it better
- Work to get rid if the awful smell in the area
- I did not know about this event...maybe advertise more.
- All ages!
- Better advertising
- Not geared for older adults

Question 24: Are there any events that you would like Painesville Township to sponsor?

- What is trunk or treat?
- Government should not be in the event business.
- not sure what Trunk or Treat is
- Parade - longer parade at Memorial Day maybe
- The county already does health fairs throughout the spring and summer.
- job fair
- Arbor Day or other agricultural event. At the Fairgrounds?
- Can a Community Center be part of one of the Fire Stations? A Health Fair can be held at the Riverside Sport Center.
- Home care fairs(keeping your home up on a budget)
- weekly farmer's market
- Lake County Speedway
- Township Festival
- Enjoy all community events, can't choose one over another.
- More park related events
- Senior citizen center.
- Chinese Auctions and dinners to help raise money for our Fire Depts, Sheriffs, Riverside School district and for our Road Dept. ALL Do A Wonderful Job
- community garage sale

- community days in the park / meet your neighbor neighborhood day
- Lake Erie Festival or Fun Day
- I seriously wish you'd come up with better ideas than this.
- Township Festival
- anything that sparks involvement

Question 26: Do you have any suggestions on how the Township can promote a more unified sense of community?

- To improve the sights, sounds and safety of our community, we need to pass better curb laws such as not allowing cars to park in the front lawns, no pets allowed in front yards, and no front yard businesses.
- something similar to the metro parks like the north chagrin reservation area. Wineries. Community clean up days or recruit volunteers to periodically clean up eyesores around the township. Put pressure on Painesville City to clean up the town. Sad and depressing driving through a run down town to get to the nice township. I feel Painesville city brings the appeal of the township down. I try to keep all my travel to and from the township using route 84 so I avoid the city. As a new homeowner in the township in Heatherstone village I worry the cancer of the city will spread to the township.
- enforce zoning as written.
- Have an event solely dedicated to the township. Have something that is ours as a community.
- Name change
- Sorry, no ideas.
- Change to a city
- Emphasis on the word TOWNSHIP
- HARD ONE - BEING SPEAD OUT.
- Relaxation Without Complication
- Community center
- I think the party in the park and the taste of painesville brings a lot of the community out and interacting.. Maybe something similar
- Call us Riverside Township and get a new zip code... most people associate us with the city of Painesville.... separate us like the schools.... Property values would increase for sure !
- Get rid of the industrial stench
- Improve the schools. Promote school events as community events. The township community is not nearly as relevant as providing the residents with a sense of belonging. It doesn't matter to me whether I feel "part of the township" "part of my neighborhood" "part of the school district" or " part of the region," as long as I have a sense of belonging.
- a Main Street/town hall
- Is there a Newsletter available that posts about community events?
- Give Leroy and Concord their own zip code

- No, sorry.
- Work with the Riverside school administration, and help them get a levy passed!!!! It's driving many people out of the area, and is a major reason my family plan to move outside of Painesville Twp in the next few years.
- Better homes built with improved road conditions would be a great start
- Changing the name would be a good option: would help us stand out from our neighbors more. Also would be nice to have a dedicated city on facebook. Right now I have to say that I live in Painesville...might help to have a dedicated P. Twp city option to show our separation.
- Change the name of the township. Take out the Painesville....like Concord did.
- Changing the name. I'd be fine living in Riverside Ohio. But we need things here. I am forced to work, shop, dine etc elsewhere. Promoting a sense of community would mean actually creating a community.
- Stop annexation
- Offer more fun events
- Block garage/rummage sales
- There should be a community block party in each sub division.
- a central community center might help. Something more centered around the high school area maybe.
- Revamp the news letter identifying everything relevant
- We need improvements in the schools and school buildings! Riverside used to be held to a higher standard and had a good reputation. What is the district doing to keep up with other districts to stay competitive? This needs to be promoted more! The good things happening and the 21st century learning needs to be promoted.
- community festival
- Better promotion of what the township has to offer.
- I think a community center would help but do to the non contiguous nature of the township, where would it go to be convenient to all who live in the township?
- An FOE (fraternal order of eagles) branch somewhere around the park/lane/bacon road areas? Where I'm from (Gratis, OH) the population was too small to attract a commercial bar and residents just wanted a place of their own anyway. Their FOE is now one of the centers of activity, charity, and fun for the village and surrounding rural areas.
- Isn't it time to begin thinking about becoming a village? And the area of Painesville Twp that is east of Painesville City could be incorporated into the city. The township on the west side could become part of Mentor? And so on.
- More events
- with poor housing and concentrations of upper class housing, with a blend of middleclass neighborhoods in between. Is the population level high enough so that Painesville Twp. can have it's own zip code? It would be difficult to promote a unified sense of community, but whatever you do, DO NOT annex to Painesville City !!!!! Also, that Twp. folder that came to all residents did not list some of the biggest employers or business in our Twp. Morton Salt and a few others were missing.
- the similarity in names; and the same zip code as Concord, etc.
- Always say "Painesville Twp ", new zip

- Is this really important? The smaller communities work. Do not try to fix something that is not broke.
- Better communications with residents
- Its working great no need to change anything.
- To have a separate zip code. To have our own police department. Signs to welcoming drivers to Painesville Township.
- More newsletters featuring long time residents, businesses and land development
- The township has lost the sense of community by giving land away to Painesville City: there's no cohesion. I'd prefer the township to become a part of Mentor, or Painesville to offer better services to it's residents. Or even better, parts of the township merge with Mentor and parts of the township merge with Painesville City. The township has little to offer and Mentor has the lowest taxes and is growing with leaps and bounds, hence why I want to move out of the township to Mentor.
- We moved here January 2014, we are still finding our way around. We are astounded that more advantage isn't taken of the lake, here in Painesville Twp., to bring in tourist dollars.
- Create more pride in the community, keeping the neighborhoods up etc. I bought a house her 16 years ago because the township had a reputation of being better than living in a Painesville City. I've seen neighborhoods go down hill, the trailer park on Nye road is an eyesore and and embarrassment to the township image and the township rules on property upkeep are out of date. I've done major home improvements to my house and property because I want to be proud of where I live. Have obtained permits etc. The processes to improve your property (permits, fees etc) are good and needed, however there doesn't seem to be a high priority on enforced guidelines of ongoing property upkeep. Any concerns to the township seem to be dismissed or handled in a defensive manner by the lady in the Township hall office. I have experienced this and have heard it from others as well. If the township keeps on a dismissive path on these issues Painesville Township will not be the community I believe it once was envisioned to be. Time to update some township rules and regulations.
- wish we could have our own zip code; to differentiate us from Painesville. This is prob.not possible, but we can always hope.
- Morr recreational activities and volunteer work
- No
- More signage, show more support of local schools
- If there aren't places or avenues for the community to congregate or feel like a 'whole' there will not be a sense of community. This township needs a grocery store--all development to meet consumer's needs are to the east of the township or to the west of the township. This township needs to be more attractive to businesses and programs in place to promote the businesses that are in the township.
- Sponsor more community events
- Promote Lake County Speedway

- A community center with some structured activities and advertised events would help build some community pride
- offering special services to township residents such as recycling pickup. Work together to make our school system strong. Keep roads in great condition. develop beach access at Painesville Township park-or at least ability to view the Lake, clean up dumpy areas - North Ridge Road from Calamity curve east has some pretty ugly areas-leaves really poor impression of Painesville twp.
- Tell everyone including the post office that you live in Painesville TOWNSHIP not in the city.
- Signage?
- Sidewalks, park. Consistent Branding-I do like the logo though.
- More community services. Events that promote our singularity. Embrace small businesses, fill empty buildings instead of building new.
- Number one choice would be a separate zip code for Painesville Township itself. Have had many problems having to use 44077 when I actually don't live in the City, but in the Township.
- I think it would nice to have a name change so we are not connected to the name Painesville.
- IT IS SO SPREAD OUT-HARD TO SAY. PERHAPS A BEACH PARTY FOR RESIDENTS ONLY OR A COMMUNITY "GARAGE SALE"
- Provide more services for ALL, not just the schools. Why did the schools discontinue the lunch and play preview for seniors? Our taxes go to the schools like those with children.
- Have a community day weekend
- An event like Painesville has like Party in the Park
- no
- The Township is just jurisdictional boundaries, which is not very efficient. Redundancies in services will never go away. Fairport, Grand River should throw in the towel, they simply do not have the resources to be a stand alone. Why? Purely political and hold "your turf". Why have the services not been combined, fire, road, etc. How many times do Frank's guys cross the city? The problem is not in the number of employees working, but one chief would have to go. The problem in advancing regionalizing services is the redundancy in administrations. Who wants to vote themselves out of a job. This was discussed 10 years ago at a meeting with local governments at Auburn, obviously it went no where. Why have a township at all? What is the advantage of distinct and separate from the county, nothing, but then again, which one of you three trustees would be willing to propose a merger, none. Thus, you have the answer, and why everyone will just muddle along. Oh, ran into Frank a short time ago and asked why he was still working, has one pension already. Answer, "I just have to show up, that is all, why walk away from that check". Good luck gentlemen.
- I believe the trustee's and the township administrator need to have more presence in the community. The administrator needs to reach out to the business community to help them succeed
- No
- Citizens group dedicated to the promotion of the Township.

- Explore merging with Painesville City. East and West township areas are too different to be unified any other way.
- Create a flag showing all the parts of the Twp. and join them in some way. exp. kite strings.
- apply a stand alone zip code. Have the portion of the township that is zoned to have children go to mentor schools either succeed to mentor or have those families send their children to riverside. This group is a huge reason we can't seem to get any levy passed regarding school system issues. It doesn't affect them.
- no
- Having a recreational center that residents can join if they live in the township.
- Having a community center or some sort of town center would help. We rely on Painesville and Mentor and now even Concord for their library, YMCA, grocery shopping, restaurants, etc. They are close so it's not an issue for me.
- Supporting the small businesses in the area.
- Name change
- Have a different zip code then Painesville city and fairport harbor
- Yeah, when a member of the township calls, return the phone calls.
- Living here for over 20 years, we have NEVER experienced a community function in Painesville Township. Having no recreational facility while my children were younger prevented us from getting to know other people in the community. We were, however, involved with Leroy's softball and we enjoyed meeting new people from that community. We moved here from Eastlake because of the fair housing value, but I will ALWAYS regret that my children missed out on the summer fun of going to a community pool, park and bike riding. As for suggestions, make use of the (free) power of Facebook and social media. I think Willoughby and Downtown Painesville do a fine job in promoting their city and events. I always know what event is coming to those cities.
- community events at underutilized assets such as Painesville Township Park or the Lake County Historical Society. Maybe an event similar to Concord Community Days or Painesville City's party in the park.
- Use the school system to help bring people together. 5k events and a carnival event like Madison's Old Fashioned days may help too.
- Mail should be addressed at Painesville Twp and have a different zip code then 44077 to avoid lost mail & confusion
- Shut down Hardy Industries!
- New zip code
- Yes, change zip code if possible. I hate that I can never use Twp or township on my address (I am always directed to Painesville City)
- n/a
- Reduced cost to live in the community - it is far too expensive (property taxes, poor roads, crime) to be attractive to live in or to want to visit.
- Recycling Locations
- Write on all your mailings "painesville township" and use the 4 digit extension on your zip code. Each resident has one..

- Advertising, whenever and wherever possible, the uniqueness of the township and its assets
- Family Fun Day was a good start. Health Fair would draw people, depending on location.
- Hard to do since it is all split up. Maybe a community center with a rec room, outdoor play area.
- Maybe a founders day? Flags and a parade with the kids decorating their bikes to ride in the parade, local high school bands, representatives from the sheriffs department, fire department, etc.
- a community center
- organized/publicized community events as described above
- specific zip code
- A marketing campaign designed to promote the benefits and opportunities resulting from living in the township.
- Come up with a Township name other than "Painesville" - providing Ohio law would allow and such renaming would not cause any harm to existing residents and businesses.
- All online systems asking for the zip code only list Painesville. Maybe they could add Painesville TWP.
- every mile post a small mile marker stating your in painesville township
- A big event to define us as the Township community.
- Change the name to Riverside
- Signage and Annual community event
- Investigate whether we should remain a township
- Rather than giving land over to Painesville piecemeal either don't do it at all or go ahead and merge whole with Painesville, which is a good conversation to have regarding the benefits. Change the name of the Township to distinguish from neighbors, possibly to something like Erie.
- I don't feel that's a big deal, this is a bedroom community. There is a sense of community within various neighborhoods, but the twp. is too spread out to have any sort of common bond other than the school system.
- I don't think we aren't unified. You are overthinking the "problem". We should work harder to identify with our schools, pass levies for schools and build pride around that. Slogans and marketing to unify a township sounds wasteful and useless.
- These are good points. Newsletter helps. Maybe a tag line/slogan? Recognizing local businesses for contributions to the welfare of township?
- Maybe we should embrace Painesville City, Grand River and Fairport and unify a sense of community with them.
- to make a name for the community requires an event or specific amenity that it's known for but that requires a level of investment it would earn that reputation unfortunately the efforts to date have been half hearted
- Holiday parade, community festival like Painesville party in the park, rib burn off, chili cook off, etc.
- Better marketing in the media. A larger footprint online and in Social Media

- It seems that there would have to be an event that defines the township. Much like Painesville city has Party in the Park, and Fairport has Mardi Gras.. What it could be is unbeknownst to me!!
- administration is not people friendly
- With Concord Township and Painesville Township together and some using one and some using the other - it gets confusing.
- A slogan that references Painesville Township
- No, but I wish I did. I have told my friends for over 10 years that I live in the Township and work for Township Schools and they still seem to think I work for Painesville City Schools, It's annoying :)
- by implementing many of the ideas suggested in the survey
- No
- More events
- Separate zip code.
- Create a Town Center like Concord
- No
- Stop pretending that the School District is a Top Tier Institution, and put all of your resources into getting funding back to the school.
- Different name more signs
- pass a school levy!
- Do something about the schools. It's a joke.
- Sponsor some sort of community day event or weekend event like other communities do. Not jsut days for the kids
- Eliminate Drugs!
- No
- We could use a community center, a community band, and more community events - some geared towards children, and some that would also attract those without children or whose children are grown. Painesville City has MANY events, and Concord has community days and a community band. For me, there has never been a feeling of community in the township as a whole, even after being a resident for 21 years (Painesville City resident for the 29 years before that).
- We need to change our zip code. Always reverts to Painesville or Concord
- Township Directory
- The school district does zero to support unity in community. Need to honor alumni and get more community involvement in the alumni football games put on annually.
- Community Center
- Bumper stickers
- People should know how township is so scattered
- More activities
- The township is split up in too many sections

Question 27: Do you have a suggested slogan for Painesville Township?

- Embracing family while building memories.

- THINK SMALL
- The Township, not the city!
- LIVING BY THE LAKE
- Community living and driven
- Lake Erie and the Grand River are our life
- City of Sunsets
- "Potheads and Potholes"
- Farmer's Choice (we have a lot of farmers...even people who live closer to the city have chickens and roosters...we should capitalize upon that).
- Where the shore line meets the streams
- Home-Country
- A Capitol Community!
- The place for families
- Great place to raise a family
- separate but together
- Where North, South, East and West Come Together
- "Don't move here for the school systems"
- "Developers get the hell out!"
- Taxed to the max!
- Painesville Twp. where the township meets the country!
- Growing for Tomorrow
- A little slice of America. Where the city meets the Country.
- Something suggesting there is a huge lake nearby. Much more emphasis needs put toward the lake and access to the lake from Painesville Twp. Tourists bring in dollars.
- WHERE IT'S AT!
- Painesville Township, from Lake to City to farm
- "At least we aren't East Cleveland!"
- Where we live is where we race
- A great place to raise a family
- Painesville Township, the heart of northeast Ohio. Painesville Township, the heart of Lake County. Painesville Township, we don't miss a beat. Painesville Township, the place to call home.
- best of both ? City and country ? Country in the city ??
- "Lake Erie's Little Gem"
- Where small business meets big community
- shore- line living
- "Home of peace and tranquility"
- Where city lights are dim, but the stars go on forever!
- where life is good
- Many pieces 1 heart!, Pieces of the Heart.
- Pray for Painesville

Q28: General Comments

- Rezone to eliminate Adult Book Store on Mentor Ave. (Eyesore and too close to school or more off Mentor Ave so not visible.)
- You should be really concerned about the flooding from stormwater and try to do something about it.
- Get out of bed & praise God and find a good church
- Residents could receive a printed history of township
- Worst road repair city
- I live in an area where the BZA disregarded their law as written. I question the air quality because of what they have allowed. My next call is the health dept.
- the "gateways" to PTWP will impress no one. Our neighborhoods need to have restrictions regarding vehicle storage (RV) and business operation from home. Ordinances need to be enforced regarding noise (dogs, businesses, etc.). The BZA needs to be fair and not disregard the zoning text. Too many businesses are permitted without consideration of residents. In zoning are the weakest entities in the township.
- We passed the Fire levy. They are at the minimum 3 people still. Please find the funds to make the repairs to the outside of the Bowhall Road facility. Without paint on it, soon the wood will rot when left to the elements.
- Services stink - the township hall is a mess.
- OFFER GREAT SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE GET A HANDLE ON THE ROAD REPAIR
- it would be great to see some more retail and business in the NE area of Painesville township! My family and I recently moved to this area to be closer to the lake but we are so far from everything else!
- The Solid Waste Facility and Hardy Rd. are major issues. Please keep aware of them.
- I participate in the beautification committee for the Township. It's a small group. If we can be more visible, maybe people will know we are there and want to help. Also, I really believe we need a bike path down Madison Ave and Bowhall/Bacon Roads. I believe people will get out and walk or ride and that in itself will create community. I know people with dogs become friends because there is a common interest. You see the same thing on the Greenway corridor by Ravenna Road. Just a thought. Of course there is the safety issue too for those who walk/bike those roads. The cars drive 40 miles an hour and there are few lights on the roads at night. Please seriously consider the bike path. It doesn't have to be a full sidewalk. Thanks.
- A lot of the questions were subjective, so I answered as best as I could based on how I interpreted the questions.
- There is a TON of garbage along Blase Nemeth Rd. that needs to be picked up after the winter. Looks terrible!
- The fact that township school levies haven't passed is discouraging, I have kids that will start school in the next year. Living in Painesville township park Hardy road is in very bad condition, it would be nice if the industrial companies could help with funds to fix the road.

- I LOVE the township. It's peaceful and friendly. I would love to see it become its own community. Keep thinking the way you're thinking. You're on the right track.
- A lot of subjective questions-next time ask more specifics, like the area where you're thinking of putting businesses, etc.
- I think the identity problem is a big issue like many townships have.
- I would love to see a dog park explored closer than a 15 minute drive to Mentor. Once established, they are relatively low cost to maintain and I found I met many like-minded neighbors and went often when I lived in Texas.
- Is it time to relocate the Nye Rd. Fire Dept. to Route 20? To the vacant land across from the Subaru Dealer? Then the township offices could be expanded and parking added in place of the old station.
- Found website in local newspaper.
- There is an urgent need for a mirror to be installed at the Fairport Nursery Road exit off ramp. You cannot see oncoming traffic which has increased alot in the past year.
- There are 3 houses on Johnnycake Ridge that are deplorable and should be addressed immediately! One is unfinished and two others look like junk yards! Enforce a policy to keep Painesville township homes maintained properly!
- Change the resolution so that no more land splitting can occur. More development only adds more stress and anxieties due to close proximity living, with little to no open spaces, with more traffic, more pollution, and more drainage/flooding issues, all which will force you to raise taxes to address these problems adding even more financial stress and anxieties to the population. Keep it simple with a 'healthy stagnation' in keeping current infrastructure maintained with updated processes and technology. And repeal resolution 6.02 (I). It's unamerican garbage. I can't even plink in the woods with my .22 Long Rifle. Really?
- Snow removal needs improved. The snow plow pulls away from the curb in front of my mailbox making it difficult and dangerous to retrieve my mail. I tried explaining this a couple times to Twp. snow removal employees, but it has not approved. Ruts are created by the mail and garbage trucks making it dangerous to retrieve my mail.
- The speed limit on Blaze Nemeth should be reduced to 25 miles per hour and no trucks (only for deliveries not as a short cut. The speedway should have a certain time at night to stop racing. This should not continue past 10:00 pm. No racing on Sundays. There should be a loud noise ordinance, loud mufflers, and loud music.
- I hope that you have received plenty of feedback on this survey. I normally do not participate in surveys, but felt that for the good of our local community, this is a very good manner to pulse the likes and dislikes of taxpayers in our community. And I hope that this only takes into account those that actually pay our taxes. Especially when it comes to any kind of financial or economic changes that will be made since the taxpayers are the ones that will be paying for potential changes. Thanks again.
- We vacationed for years in the Port Clinton area. We arrived from Southeast Ohio. Many from our former area know nothing about this area. They believed if we were moving near the lake, we must have moved to the Sandusky/Port

Clinton area. We are still convincing them that there is lakeshore here too. Our lakeshore areas are trashy and caving in. Much could be done to bring in tourists which would bring in cash to use to do more. If Fairport Harbor gets the water park/hotel, Painesville Twp. needs to provide a dinner cruise or something to go along with that development. The new dock by the Twp. building should be highly advertised and exploited.

- Have additional township meetings during evening hours. I would think its difficult for a lot of working residents to make day time meetings.
- Lake County's Hidden Gem
- This township needs an attractive and stable area for public beach access.
- Figure out a way for Riverside schools to pass a Levy! If the schools are excellent than the township will be excellent!!
- Please take care of run down houses like the one behind me ... Breeding rodents... :-)
- CONTROL GEESE POPULATION. They are increasingly destructive, a safety hazard and a major nuisance.
- Got survey address in news herald and in newsletter.
- I feel all homeowners should take care of their property. this means keeping there lawn, scrubs,trees cut and trimmed home maintenance painting etc. No Trailers,tractors,old cars in front of there home because its an eye sore for there neighbors, and local traffic. I live on Bowhall Road an My neighbor (a renter) doesn't cut his grass on a regular basis trim his scrubs, doesn't cut his back yard, twice in 2 years, has junk in front of his garage. people like this are not good for any part of the township. I have lived here for 47 yrs and always take care of my property,so should everyone else.
- The biggest complaint is if you want to go out to eat you have to drive a distant to get something good. Need more types of sit down restaurants like the West Side of Cleveland. Mentor is nothing but typical chain and fast food restaurants that are boring.
- Please stop allowing new buildings to go up when we have tons of empty space. Repurpose or remove. Don't just leave the buildings to die. It makes our community look like it's dying!
- Bike paths!!!!
- Certainly no fault of the road crew men themselves, but the Township has many roads that need major care and replacement. That's a number one priority to me.
- NEED MIRROR TO ALERT DRIVERS TO CROSS TRAFFIC AT RAMP OFF RT 2 / FAIRPORT NURSERY RD AND MANTLE RD/FAIRPORT NURSERY RD- EXTREMELY DANGEROUS
- The saying in the township is, "You can do anything in the township!" Shoot guns, trash burning, unkempt property. Ski mobiles, ATV's along the railroad tracks (Bowhall). Us Bowhall to get there.
- Safe, convenient to transportation and shopping, and peaceful without loud music. The fair is always nice.
- I'd like to see more community agriculture supported. Community gardens, backyard chickens and bees, farmers markets, and a dialogue or network of

support. Also, legislature that allows chickens, etc like neighboring communities without the hefty fees that are discouraging residents.

- The township administrator needs to seek out grants to help the community survive and grow. All aspects of the services provided by the township should be reviewed as if this is a business not a government body. The township needs to welcome new housing, development business. We have a great community and we need our elected officials to promote and expand the great resources we have.
- School system was a plus when deciding to move here from NJ. Has since been in steep decline. This is a BIG problem in trying to entice families with school age children to move here. See my comments in question 26.
- apply a stand alone zip code. Have the portion of the township that is zoned to have children go to mentor schools either succeed to mentor or have those families send their children to riverside. This group is a huge reason we can't seem to get any levy passed regarding school system issues. It doesn't affect them.
- I am a real estate agent and the biggest problem that the Township has with public perception is the schools. Many are turning their noses up at living here because the schools are getting bad press due to lack of levy support. We need to figure out why it's so hard to get levies passed and fix it. I moved here 12 years ago because of the schools, my daughters now go to Riverside and although I believe that the schools are as good as any other Lake County system, I can't change the minds of others and it's seemingly getting worse.
- we pay real estate taxes and utilities to the city of Painesville but when it comes to voting we don't have the ability to vote for issues in the city of Painesville
- Exiting Rt 2 at Fairport Nursery/Bacon Rd is a total eyesore. Are there no standards of living for housing? I am embarrassed to have my family/friends exit there. North Ridge Rd is VERY unappealing. This section of PT is so dreary and worthless. I would prefer a grocery store (similar to Sweet Berry Market), a decent restaurant, bakery, coffee shop, fast food, gas station (like Sheetz) near N Ridge/Bowhall or Park/Madison Ave. Only positive retail addition in this section of PT since we moved here is the CVS -- nice not having to drive all the way to Painesville or Perry for a gallon of milk. Right now, I do all most of my retail in Chardon, including pumping gas. As for the roads, the railroad crossing on Bowhall is beyond frustrating when a train stops completely. Having Vrooman bridge out is a major annoyance and inconvenience since we all work off I-90. On the plus side, PT has an excellent school district and superb snow removal. Now that our children have graduated, we have no ties to PT. Honestly, if my home could sell tomorrow, I'd be gone. Tired of driving to other cities to get groceries, food, etc. Thank you for conducting this survey. I have never been asked my opinion since we moved here in the 90's. Excited to see if any changes will be made before we do move out of the township. Good luck!
- I feel that creating a community economy while preserving and enhancing our natural assets could bring pride to our residents and entice outsiders into our community.

- Please, please, please repair the damaged roadways. The city has done a nice job uptown and it would be great to continue with that momentum of improving our community.
- We would like to see the eastern end of route 20 cleaned up, especially between Casement and Bacon. Also, PLEASE do something about the noise from the Speedway and the phantom smell that hovers over the Bacon Rd area. I know these items were on Mr. Hillier's campaign agenda so we're watching for these improvements!!
- The Twp needs to more respectful, with calls from concerned residents about there trailor parks and other neighborhood disturbances!!
- n/a
- Township needs to crack down on people who dont take care of their yards/homes!!! and who allow their animals to run free.
- we need to be distinguished from the city, which has a less that stellar reputation
- I would like to see more parks where I can walk my dogs!
- We need some retail on Ridge Road. Going to Madison or Mentor does not increase revenue in the township. Lot of empty space on Ridge for a Target and some clip joints (Arby's, Burger King, etc.) Lots of housing has been built since I moved here (1995) and we have only 1 grocery store (IGA) no clothes shopping and no pick up food places other than pizza shops. I go to Painesville, Mentor or Madison to spend my dollars, money that should be spent here.
- a need for strict and meaningful zoning a MUST
- How do we promote the many benefits of our very diverse and separate regions across the township? Additionally how do we unite each if those regions together generating civic pride which exists from being independent of the city governments? Almost like a collection of independent families who do not desire all of what cities provide.
- Continue to keep requiring owners to maintain residential and commercial properties, even if vacant.
- Please take care of the issue stated above for the caution light to be enforced!
- Traveling East on Jackson cross of fern, and St. Rt. 2 traffic light blinks caution when down; No person abides traffic laws for right away drivers. Drivers from route 2 cruise off the freeway with no regard of the RED BLINKING traffic signal causing the right away driver to stop. I almost witnessed 2 car accidents 2 different times from drivers thinking it's okay to illegally left turn onto Jackson without caution or continue east onto Fern Dr. crossing Jackson. I feel there should be a sign at least to warn drivers to stop with caution when traffic light is blinking red. Thank You.
- Our #1 urgent need is to reduce Canadian geese
- Please fix the odor problem from Hardy road and the landfill. No one participates in recreational activities near that stench!
- Why did we let the school system take over the Field House? The citizens paid for that through donations and fund raiser and now we are not allowed to use it. If the school is going to be the only user of the facility then they should purchase it.
- I would love it if the zoning people were a little more accountable for the permits they issue to people who are using their property strictly for storage of junk. They

don't live there but you allow them to build pole barns to store a bunch of crap. Along with the crap that remains visible on the property. Complaints fall on deaf ears.

- Improve the school system majorly, or I will move from the township to Perry or Chardon before my kids begin school.
- The Eastern side of Painesville Township from the Fairport Nursery Rd. exit along the Rt. 20 corridor from calamity curve East is absolutely horrible. From the two falling apart houses that stare you right in the face as you turn onto F.N. Road to the junk yards, the old auction house that has nothing but rubble piles in front of it, strip clubs, etc. This is not a quality representation of the Eastern Township. The West side of the Township surely doesn't have this mess, is this a group Township trustee issue that nothing is being done? The East side has been an eyesore for quite some time now!! Whats to draw quality businesses and people to the East side if this is what they have to look at?
- I am especially interested in the rehab of the east side. When you exit at Fairport Nursery Rd, what do you see but 2 run down houses. Heading down Fairport Nursery Rd, what's going on there? Looks like a dump yard (Hach's) Route 20 from Casement all the way east into Perry is an eyesore. Strip club, junk store, abandoned businesses....there is nothing to draw people to the township - no grocery stores, no restaurants. Unfortunately, our east side eyesore is going to take more than a couple coats of paint.
- doesn't seem like the administration does anything
- Our school facilities are very aged, and while not entirely supported by the Township, they are a huge drawback to our community compared to the new facilities of surrounding districts. We need a campus similar to Perry, with facilities available to residents. Parks, recreation and Swimming facilities would be a great value add to the Twp. Y is located in City and other areas. Not always convenient or large enough to support City, Twp and other members. You have to leave the Twp for most recreation on a family level.
- Thank you for taking the time to create the survey
- The Township hall looks run down and shabby.
- n/a
- I think the Township is being run very well considering the current economic conditions. The Township employees that I have encountered, seem to be hard working and very "public friendly". I say, "Don't fix what isn't broken".
- Please add a community pool or library.
- I'd just like to add that out of the many places I've lived, Painesville power is the most evil and useless power provider I've ever had to use. The snow removal is awful. The school is a mess. I cannot wait until I can move.
- Something needs to be done with the smell in the township park area. It is almost to the point of being unliveable here. The other issue is the kids on dirt bikes and quads that fly up and down the streets all day. My kids can't even safely play
- Help pass a school levy or this area is doomed. A splash park would be nice.
- Laketrans Stops! Not everyone can drive Uptown..

A.2 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.