

Community Opinion Survey  
Otter Lake Master Plan

1. The following items have been identified as being strengths of the Village. Please indicate if you agree (A), disagree (D) or are undecided (U). Then please rank which strengths you feel are the most important to the least important. (1 being the most important, to 12 being the least important.)

A	D	U	Rank	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Lake and Natural Features
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Rural (up north) character of the Village
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Village campground and park/beach
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Rails-to-Trails Trailway
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Quiet place to live
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	School system
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Municipal sewer system
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Local businesses
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Community supported events (i.e., Fireworks, Pig Roast, Winterfest, etc.)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Local library branch
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Local historical museum
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Other _____

2. The following items have been identified as being weaknesses of the Village. Please indicate if you agree (A), disagree (D) or are undecided (U). Then please rank which weaknesses you feel are a greater concern to which weaknesses are a minor concern. (1 being the greatest concern, to 13 being the least or of no concern.)

A	D	U	Rank	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Lack of pride in ownership
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Number of rental properties, absentee landlords
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Lack of retail businesses and shops
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Low community involvement with the Village (I just live here)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Lack of municipal water system
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Lack of self-promotion of the Village
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Village being "split" between two counties
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Lack of unity between the Lapeer side of the Village and the Genesee side of the Village
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Poor or lack of police response time
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Lack of direction/leadership for the Village
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Lack of financial resources for the Village
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Lack of sidewalks throughout the Village
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	___	Other _____

3. Residential Land Use: Please indicate if you agree (A) or disagree (D) with the following statements regarding residential development within the Village.

A	D	Rank	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Future residential development should avoid disturbing the natural features of the Village.
			If you agree with the above statement, please rank which of the following natural features you consider the most important (1) to protect to the least important (4).
		___	• Lake shoreline
		___	• Wetlands
		___	• Scenic views
		___	• Existing open (undeveloped) land

- | A                        | D                        | Rank  |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Different housing types should be allowed within a given residential development (i.e., multi-family housing intermixed with single family) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Only one type housing should be allowed within a given residential development.   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Small commercial uses should be allowed within residential developments.  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Small office uses should be allowed within residential developments.  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Home businesses should be allowed within residential developments.  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Accessory apartments, "granny flats" should be allowed in Single family developments.   |

Please rank the following housing types that you feel should be strongly encouraged to be developed within the Village.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Single family, moderate density (1/4 to 1/2 acre site per home)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Single family, low density (1/2 to 1 acre per home)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Single family, rural density (2 acres or more per home)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Single family, attached units and/or condos.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Multi-family, townhouses and low rise apartments
- \_\_\_\_\_ Senior citizen housing

4. Commercial Land Use: Please indicate if you agree (A) or disagree (D) with the following statements regarding commercial development within the Village.

- | A                        | D                        | Rank  |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Commercial uses and businesses that meet the needs of local residents should be encouraged.   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Commercial uses and businesses that primarily meet the needs of tourists (campers) should be encouraged.  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Commercial uses, such as offices, small retail shops, and eateries should be allowed in residential structures that borders the central (downtown) business district. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Strip retail developments should be encouraged.   |

Please rank the following areas where you feel commercial uses should be strongly encouraged to be developed within the Village. (1 being the best location, 5 being the least desirable location)

- \_\_\_\_\_ Current downtown (Detroit and Genesee Streets) business area
- \_\_\_\_\_ Along Lake Road from downtown east to the Village limits
- \_\_\_\_\_ Along Otter Lake Road from downtown west to the Village limits
- \_\_\_\_\_ Along Hemmingway Lake Road.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Anywhere within the Village, location does not matter.

5. Recreational Land Use: Please indicate if you agree (A) or disagree (D) with the following statements regarding recreational opportunities within the Village. (Please note, the campground is self-supporting and contributes some funds to the Village's general operating fund.)

- | A                        | D                        | Rank   |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | The current Village campground and park should remain;       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | • As is, no improvements are needed.                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | • As is, but needs improvements made to it.                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | • Expanded to include additional camp sites and facilities.  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | The Village should construct and maintain a playground area. |
|                          |                          | Other _____  |