



Town of Montville, Connecticut

Department of Land Use & Development

Planning & Zoning
Inland Wetlands & Watercourses
Economic & Community Development



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Dear Planning and Zoning Commission Members,

Please review the attached draft Community POCD Survey as prepared by Goman + York and provide any feedback you may have.

Sincerely,

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Director of Land Use and Development

Montville Plan of Development
Community Survey

Demographics

1. Are you currently a Montville resident?

- Yes
- No

2. If yes, how long have you been a resident of Montville? // How long do you plan to stay in Montville?

- 0 – 2 Years
- 2 – 5 Years
- 5 – 10 Years
- 10+ Years
- Lifelong Resident

3. What year were you born?

- 1928-1945
- 1946-1964
- 1965-1980
- 1981-1996
- 1997-2012
- After 2012

4. Do you rent or own your home?

- Rent
- Own

5. What type of home do you currently live in?

- Single-Family Home
- Two-Family to Four-Family House
- Multifamily Condominium
- Multifamily Apartment
- Mobile Home
- Other:

6. What is your highest level of education?

- Did Not Complete High School
- High School/GED
- Some College
- Associate's Degree
- Bachelor's Degree
- Master's Degree or Higher

7. Do you currently work in Montville?

- Yes
- No
- Retired
- I'm not in the workforce

8. Do you have children in Montville?

Select all that apply.

- I raised my children in Montville (my children are now over 18)
- I am currently raising my children in Montville (my children are under 18)
- This question does not apply to me
- Prefer Not to Answer

Living in Montville

9. What are three (3) words that best describe Montville today?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

10. Do you want Montville to change?

- Yes
- No

11. Do you want Montville to improve?

- Yes
- No

12. What needs to change or improve in Montville?

13. What is one thing you hope Montville does NOT change over the next 10–20 years?

14. What makes Montville unique?

15. What do you like most about living in Montville?

Select up to three.

- Natural Resources/Open Space Conservation
- Parks & Recreation
- Public Services

- Schools
- Local Businesses
- Location
- Community Character
- Historic/Cultural Resources
- Tribal Ties
- Mohegan Sun
- Housing Options
- Current Tax Rates
- Proximity to Employment
- Thames River/Waterfront Properties
- Other:

16. What factor(s) would cause you to consider moving out of Montville?

17. How likely are you to participate in town events?

Festivals, Ceremonies, Parades // Public Meetings, Boards & Commissions

- Very Likely
- Somewhat Likely
- Unlikely
- Not at all Likely

18. What community events do you enjoy attending?

Name all that apply.

Housing Needs & Performance

19. Which types of housing would you like to see more of in Montville?

Select all that apply.

- Small Single-Family Homes
- Large Single-Family Homes
- Two-Family to Four-Family Homes
- Multifamily Condominiums
- Multifamily Apartments
- Age-Restricted/Senior Housing
- Affordable Housing
- Workforce Housing
- Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs)
- No Additional Housing is Needed
- Other:

20. Should the Town allow more multi-family housing/apartments in Montville?

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

21. Should the Town allow more affordable housing in Montville?

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

22. Should the Town require affordable housing units in new multifamily developments?

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

23. Where would you be most comfortable seeing additional housing?

Select all that apply.

- Existing Commercial Areas
- Along Major Roads
- Near Community Facilities/Schools
- Redevelopment of Vacant/Underutilized Properties
- Existing Residential Neighborhoods
- Undeveloped Land
- Waterfront Land

24. Which of the following most accurately describes your monthly housing payment, including rent or mortgage payment, not including utilities?

- Less than \$500 per month
- Between \$500 and \$999 per month
- Between \$1,000 and \$1,499 per month
- Between \$1,500 and \$1,999 per month
- Between \$2,000 and \$2,499 per month
- Between \$2,500 and \$2,999 per month
- Between \$3,000 and \$3,499 per month
- Between \$3,500 and \$3,999 per month
- More than \$4,000
- I Do Not Currently Pay a Monthly Housing Cost

25. How would you describe the affordability of your current housing?

- Very Affordable
- Somewhat Affordable
- Somewhat Unaffordable
- Very Unaffordable

- Prefer Not to Answer

26. Do you anticipate needing different housing in the future?

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

27. If you will need different housing in the future, what type of housing would you seek?

Select all that apply.

- Smaller Single-Family Homes
- Larger Single-Family Homes
- Two-Family to Four-Family Homes
- Multifamily Condominiums
- Multifamily Apartments
- Age-Restricted/Senior Housing
- Affordable Housing
- Workforce Housing
- Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs)

Community Facilities & Infrastructure

28. Based on your experience, please indicate how well you would rate the condition of Town facilities.

Town Facilities	Very Well	Well	Neutral	Poorly	Very Poorly
Town Hall					
Police Station					
Fire Stations					
Raymond Library					
Senior Center					
Community Center					
Camp Oakdale Town Park					
Montville Dog Park					
Town Green					
Montville High School					
Palmer High School					
Leonard J TYL Middle School					
Oakdale Elementary School					
Dr. Charles E. Murphy Elementary School					
Mohegan Elementary School					
Others?					

29. Please share any comments that you have on the condition of Town facilities.

30. Based on your experience, please indicate how well you believe the following Town facilities meet the needs of the community.

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Police Station					
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Others?					

31. Please share any comments that you have on how well Town facilities meet the needs of the community.

Transportation & Connectivity

32. What improvements to transportation would most benefit you?

- Road Maintenance
- Road Connectivity
- Traffic/Safety Improvements
- Sidewalk Connectivity/Maintenance
- Biking Infrastructure/Lanes
- Bus Stops/Shelters
- ADA Accessibility
- Pedestrian Crossings
- Other:

33. Please list any locations in Montville where you feel pedestrian, bicycle, or traffic safety should be improved.

34. Should Montville prioritize expanding public water and sewer services within town?

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

35. What should be the highest priorities for improving Montville's schools and community resources?

Select up to three.

- Maintaining and Upgrading Existing School Facilities
- Ensuring Adequate Space and Capacity
- Improving the use of Underutilized School Spaces
- Increasing Community Use of School Facilities
- Expanding Space for After-School and Youth Programs
- Other:

Natural Resources & Recreation

36. Montville is doing a good job protecting natural resources.

Open Space / Streams and Lakes / Parks & Trails

- Strongly Agree
- Somewhat Agree
- Somewhat Disagree
- Strongly Disagree

37. Montville should prioritize the acquisition of additional land for open space.

- Strongly Agree
- Somewhat Agree
- Somewhat Disagree
- Strongly Disagree

38. Montville should prioritize improving waterfront access for public use.

- Strongly Agree
- Somewhat Agree
- Somewhat Disagree
- Strongly Disagree

39. Which of the following should waterfront access be utilized for?

Select all that apply.

- Preserved Open Space
- Recreation
- Residential Development
- Commercial Development
- Industrial Development

40. Are there recreation facilities that should be added in Montville?

41. Are there any specific areas that the Town should focus on for land preservation?

Economic Development & Land Use

42. Would you like to see development in Montville?

- More New Development
- More Redevelopment of Existing Buildings
- No Additional Development

43. What type of development would you like to see in Montville?

Select all that apply.

- Commercial Retail
- Multifamily Housing
- Mixed-Use – Commercial with Multifamily
- Restaurants
- Office
- Industrial
- Hospitality/Tourism
- None of the Above
- Other:

44. Where do you do most of your shopping?

- Within Montville
- Outside Montville

45. What type of retail do you most often leave Montville for?

- Groceries
- Clothing
- Home Improvement
- Restaurants/Dining
- Health/Medical Services
- Personal Services

- Entertainment/Recreation
- Automotive Services
- Specialty Retail
- Other:

46. What type of restaurants would you like to see in Montville?

Select all that apply.

- Fine Dining
- Casual Dining
- Gastro Pub
- Fast Casual
- Fast Food
- We do not need any more restaurants

47. What types of businesses would you like to see in Montville?

Select all that apply.

- Grocery Stores
- Local Retail Stores
- National Retail Stores
- Dollar Stores
- Pharmacies
- Banks/Financial Services
- Gas Stations/Convenience Stores
- Restaurants
- Coffee Shops
- Medical Offices
- Professional Offices
- Entertainment Venues (movie theater, bowling, arcade, etc.)
- Car Washes
- Automotive Parts
- Cannabis Dispensaries
- Multi-Family Housing
- Hotel
- Industrial Manufacturing
- Industrial Distribution
- Other:

48. What maximum building height do you prefer in Montville?

- 1-Story
- 2-Story
- 3-Story
- 4-Story
- 5+ Stories

49. Is architectural design important in Montville?

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

50. Is landscape design important in Montville?

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

51. What is most important in Montville?

- Quality Architecture/Design
- Economic Development
- Both are equally important
- I do not think either is important

52. Which of the following are the most important outcomes of new development?

Select up to two.

- Preserving Montville's Existing Character
- Increasing Housing Options
- Attracting New Businesses
- Increasing the Town's Tax Base
- Protecting Open Space
- Improving Walkability and Connectivity
- Providing Services Residents Currently Leave Town to Access
- Expanding Montville's Utilities

Future of Montville

53. What are three (3) words that best describe Montville in the future?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

54. Which of the following areas should be a priority for Montville over the next 10 years?

Select up to five.

- Economic Development
- Local Businesses
- Restaurants & Dining
- Recreation
- Parks & Open Space
- Roads & Transportation
- Sidewalks & Pedestrian Connections
- Town Green/Community Gathering Spaces

- Community Events
- Senior Services
- Youth Services
- Historic Preservation
- Environmental Protection
- New Development
- Housing Affordability
- Redevelopment Of Existing Properties
- Public Safety
- Other: _____

55. What do you believe is important for us to know about Montville that we have not asked about?

Thank you for participating in this Community Survey to support Montville's town planning.