

Q2 -Why do you feel the quality of life and sense of community has.....

Gotten worse

- ◆ Growth has deteriorated "small town" atmosphere
- ◆ Growth is changing the small town atmosphere
- ◆ Low income growth center
- ◆ More moving out, less becoming involved
- ◆ New people in community not getting involved
- ◆ Parking at post office and on Wagner St.
- ◆ People from city moving in
- ◆ The area is getting too big
- ◆ The community is struggling with growth - stuck in past
- ◆ The economy
- ◆ Too many city people with city attitude
- ◆ When the "new" people moved to the ill-advised new subdivisions, they brought their "town" attitudes and viles with them (sic)
- ◆ Because of the poor economy and foreclosure rate people have become bitter and less able to maintain their properties.
- ◆ growing pains..... lower income people moving into town that do not respect our life here and are trying to make it a new Aurora community. Also the increase in crime that has come with the lower income as well as drugs and violence.
- ◆ Loosing local markets, influx of too many people.
- ◆ Many new people have moved in with their big city attitudes and mind sets.
- ◆ The developers took a small western town and brought the subdivisions of Denver to it. For those already living here and for those who moved here to reside in a 'quiet country atmosphere' it has been destroyed with those wishing to expand Denver to the eastern plains of Colorado. If we wanted to be close to Wal-Mart we would have moved to a subdivision next to one! We don't want fast food, Wal-Mart's, Truck stops, or any other business coming to Strasburg. There are too many of those businesses folding up already in this economy and we don't need to have developers constructing new buildings in Strasburg which will inevitably end up vacant and become an eyesore.
- ◆ The economy is striking harder in Strasburg compared to similar economic communities in the metro area. The sense of community has dropped a little due to low income housing startups and lack of involvement by new comers. The schools are still very good.

Stayed the same

- ◆ It's a small town
- ◆ Long time involvement in community has continued
- ◆ Most newcomers do not buy local or work local but some have added to community spirit
- ◆ No new businesses or stores we go to
- ◆ Same small town feel
- ◆ We enjoy life in Strasburg
- ◆ Growing comes with problems attached. More growth, more problems. Kinda makes it stay the same. This isn't a complaint tho. Just a lot of vacant houses now.
- ◆ I feel the quality of life in Strasburg could greatly improve if we had more things to help out in the health area. For example bike paths, community rec center that was not way over priced.
- ◆ No job base or places to spend time with others.
- ◆ no new business has come really come to Strasburg, such as maybe a McDonalds, pizza hut, etc...
- ◆ Only been here since September 2006. Strasburg Days has a good turnout. Numerous churches. Low crime as far as I know.
- ◆ People have always been friendly. As community, it's hard to get certain families involved in school and other community related activities. That's a bit disappointing.
- ◆ the quality of life here is the same its a small town and a good place to raise small children. The people are pretty friendly.

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- ♦ Used to see folks wave at each other, with city influx, folks wonder what you want if you wave now.
- ♦ WE have lived here 4 years and have not seen much change...no worries though as we moved from city to country to enjoy the peace and relaxation of the country life.

Improved

- ♦ Because of King Soopers
- ♦ Because of King Soopers, Subway, Corona
- ♦ I know more people; King Soopers a great plus
- ♦ I see groups trying to draw in / include more people
- ♦ Schools have improved, medical clinic not good
- ♦ growth in general- it's harder to have the small town feel. But I do feel growth is good.
- ♦ it good 3
- ♦ More businesses opening make it more enjoyable to live here.
- ♦ The addition of a full service grocery store in Bennett has improved the quality of life by making it easier to access needed supplies. The sense of community has stayed the same in that, people don't go out of their way to be friendly or accepting of newcomers or transplants. "Big fish in little pond" theory.
- ♦ We have lived in Strasburg for 8 years now. We enjoy the small town feel since we work in the Denver area. We feel since we don't have children we don't get much of a chance to be involved with the community and other folks of Strasburg. But our neighbors are the best you can have, and the businesses we do frequent are the most friendliest people to deal with.
- ♦ We moved here 8 years ago to get away from the city, traffic and noise. We love it here and the growth has been slow and steady, which I like. Everyone is so friendly and neighborly.
- ♦ We moved here from California 2 years ago and we have enjoyed living in a rural area with all of the space around us. However it is nice that the King Soopers was built in Bennett, as we do like having some amenities near us. It is very nice living with a bit of both.

Improved some/worse others

- ♦ Does not seem as friendly with growth
- ♦ Not because of the new people but because of the old timers
- ♦ Proposed development south of I-70 not desirable; community responded - we don't want it
- ♦ Strasburg used to be rural and close knit - now it's all about greed and bedroom community lifestyle
- ♦ The newcomers don't appreciate the small county life
- ♦ Too many city people have moved in
- ♦ Too many houses built/loss of open spaces
- ♦ Too many new homes being built
- ♦ Too much added population destroying rural aspect
- ♦ improved with business growth, but not in our town
- ♦ Moved to Strasburg in 1990 and watched it grow, unfortunately for the worse. To much of the city has hurt its country charm. Crime has risen, nobody waves to each other and our country living has taken on a whole new meaning

Don't know

- ♦ Short term resident
- ♦ Just moved here in August 2008
- ♦ N/A - This is my first year in Strasburg.
- ♦ only lived here since June, 2008

Q6 - Do you have any comments on events that take place in Strasburg?

- ◆ 4th of July at Lyon's park with watermelon contests like years ago
- ◆ 4th of July celebration/fireworks, Oktoberfest, Christmas decorating is awesome
- ◆ A fun time at each
- ◆ Better parades, less fire, police, politicians
- ◆ Bring back lawn mower races. More car shows.
- ◆ Christmas Night was well organized and well attended
- ◆ Cultural events like music, theater, movies, fine art shows would be lovely
- ◆ During the Hometown Days they need to keep the fireworks quiet because they set them off on the nights that I have to work
- ◆ Enjoy all the events attend all except the rodeo
- ◆ Enjoy everyone's efforts to make our town feel like a community
- ◆ Enjoyed Hometown Days, Circus, would like to see 4th of July annual barbecue
- ◆ Events are fun, if you had more it would be overkill
- ◆ Events listed in the I70 Scout before they happen
- ◆ Excellent family events. Something for everybody.
- ◆ Good job
- ◆ Great events that give the community great interaction
- ◆ Great Hometown events bring a community together, meet all the towns people, it's great
- ◆ Hometown Days always great
- ◆ Hometown Days great, Xmas Nite great
- ◆ Hometown Days is fun, Strasburg Christmas Night is really special
- ◆ Hometown Days is the best of the I-70 corridor town events, I wouldn't miss it for anything
- ◆ Hometown Days is wonderful!
- ◆ Hometown Days no longer seems like hometown - outside organization, ie. Denver - Aurora has taken over the parade - very little Strasburg-Bennett-Byers participation
- ◆ Hope that Hometown Days continue and Strasburg doesn't get so big that people will find it no longer worth having
- ◆ I believe the events are meeting the needs of the community
- ◆ I believe these events are "very" important to retaining the "small town" atmosphere. I would like to see a larger Farmer's Market from spring to fall.
- ◆ I enjoy all the events currently being held
- ◆ I enjoy these events and feel it connects us with our neighbors
- ◆ I have enjoyed all events and been quite impressed
- ◆ I like the events
- ◆ I think these events bring out even more of the "sense of community"
- ◆ I think these events do a great deal to bring everyone together
- ◆ I think they're great, wonderful small town flavor
- ◆ I wish they were supported more by neighbors. Improve communication about the events like Farmers Market and other business in the community.
- ◆ I would like to see a better turn out, don't know how to accomplish that.
- ◆ I'm very happy about the events!
- ◆ It would be nice if there was more interest on the part of newcomers in helping with these events
- ◆ It would be nice to have a small fairground to hold some of the above mentioned as well as others. One that comes to mind is a arena like Elizabeth, CO where they have their annual rodeo.
- ◆ Just enough events
- ◆ Keep making progress as we have the last 30 years
- ◆ Look forward to attending more
- ◆ Lots of fun, more rodeo
- ◆ LOVE Hometown Days!
- ◆ Love them! Maybe one or two more - but don't overextend
- ◆ Makes the town better

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- ◆ More activities for youth
- ◆ More community events
- ◆ More outside activities
- ◆ National softball tournament
- ◆ Need to do better job of letting people know about these events
- ◆ Need to keep the history of Strasburg alive, railroad
- ◆ Nicely done
- ◆ Single's groups
- ◆ These events are well executed and some of the most well attended in the corridor communities Watkins to Deer Trail
- ◆ These events provide a sense of community
- ◆ They are all great and a great tradition for our town
- ◆ They are always family oriented
- ◆ They are terrific
- ◆ They are very nice - perfect for a small town like Strasburg
- ◆ They don't let the public know ahead of time about craft fairs, etc., so we can participate
- ◆ They have been great, builds sense of community
- ◆ They take a lot of time to organize and run - very much appreciate people give to accomplishing these events (sic)
- ◆ Very well done, much hard work, need more/younger help
- ◆ We always enjoy ourselves at the events
- ◆ We attended Hometown Days, it was great, felt Christmas Night was more for kids
- ◆ We enjoy Hometown Days, need more to do for the Christmas night, rodeo too expensive for what they offer
- ◆ We love Hometown Days & Strasburg Business Day in December, love the hay rides, Boy Scouts and the choir
- ◆ We love Hometown Days but the timing of events doesn't allow us to see everything we would like to

- ◆ We moved here to enjoy a small town life style, love the parade, rodeo, would like to see a better Farmer's Market
- ◆ We need better support of the local Farmer's Market
- ◆ We need other events but don't have commercial business to support the people such as hotels
- ◆ We need to support all of these to maintain our community feeling
- ◆ We want turkey shoots back the way they used to be instead of poorly attended bingo games!
- ◆ Well organized, everyone who participate go above and beyond
- ◆ Wish I were able to attend some of them
- ◆ Wonderful community events
- ◆ Wonderful events, we participate and work them. Core team of volunteers should continue to delegate responsibilities.
- ◆ Working in Denver precludes attendance due to schedule
- ◆ Would like to attend but am disabled
- ◆ Always fun, nice that it's not too commercialized yet.
- ◆ bring back strasburg hometown cacino night or what ever it was called. It brings in good money for charities and it is not negative in any way. just good fun like church bingo
- ◆ Christmas night was a great addition. I'd like to see more community events. Picnics, more activities at Turkey Shoot, Home Town Days, etc.
- ◆ fireworks, 4th july
- ◆ Home Town Days is very nice
- ◆ Hometown Days Theme never changes. Always seems to be about the same thing. Boring!
- ◆ I appreciate all who put the effort into geting us to come together once in a while.

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- ◆ I'm unaware of any rodeos except in conjunction with Home Town Days. I would very much like to see Home Town Days expanded with more events, some new events
- ◆ it good
- ◆ it would be nice to see turkey shoot return to what it once was.
- ◆ Love hometown days!
- ◆ No. We are not into being involved in community events. Happy being at home.
- ◆ Really enjoy the Hometown Days and the Strasburg Christmas Night (and the lights during the holiday season). It is just wonderful to see how much of the community gathers to see these events. Thanks for continuing to hold these events.
- ◆ The events are wonderful. For example the Strasburg Christmas night is like being in an old time movie and develops wonderful memories for children and grandchildren. Also allows for towns people to bond.
- ◆ The Strasburg Walk is a good opportunity for vendor to show the townspeople what they offer. Hometown days is a good community spirited weekend.
- ◆ There needs to be more of an emphasis placed on our western culture and heritage, thus more family oriented events such as the rodeos, western music festivals, cooking and baking contests aside from hometown days, have our local farmers and ranchers celebrated with a weekend (such as that which is given to hometown days)where their contributions to our local community as well as to our country are recognized.
- ◆ They are fantastic and bring the community together
- ◆ This is what drew me to Strasburg. I hadn't enjoyed the feeling of "Hometown" since I was a kid.
- ◆ We love Home Town Days, the Rodeos, and Strasburg Christmas and try to attend all of the events. We have never attended the Circus, but we don't have young kids. Maybe next year when my Grandson is old enough to understand.
- ◆ We love these events...these are the types of events that gives Strasburg that "small town" feeling.

- ◆ went to both Home Town Days and Christmas Night - thoroughly enjoyed both of them. Starting up a local flea market possibly would be enjoyable.

Q13 -Are there any programs/services the town should provide to improve quality/sense of community?

- ◆ A 24-hr. health care emergency center is definitely needed. As the economy worsens, some buildings are empty and look run-down, some could be restored to be part of the cultural heritage.

- ◆ A better rec center for people to workout, better organization of fields and sports offered
- ◆ A community bulletin board
- ◆ A decision needs to be made as to whether Strasburg is to be a suburb of Denver or it's own city and then plan accordingly
- ◆ A library, a cemetery
- ◆ A library, King Soopers, Wal-Mart, pool-recreational center
- ◆ A new post office should be considered ASAP
- ◆ A recreation center with pool, sports, park, soccer fields
- ◆ Above all, maintain the small town/rural atmosphere while improving appearance and opportunities

- ◆ Adams County has a bad system of distributing money to small towns, Brighton sucks it all up and they don't care about us
- ◆ Add or look in to a wildlife refuge/preserve
- ◆ Add small retail shopping (NOT big box or even midbox, please!)
- ◆ Better and cheaper ambulance service, full time fire dept., do away with volunteer services of both

- ◆ Better SMPRD services and better use of building
- ◆ Bigger recreation center and pool
- ◆ Bring back the local telephone service
- ◆ Chamber of Commerce
- ◆ Code enforcement, covenant enforcement, animal control, litter control, weed control
- ◆ Curb side pick up for recycling, build sidewalks to improve residential drainage, dog park
- ◆ Cutting taxes
- ◆ Develop off the I-70 exit with hotel, and businesses to get people off the highway. Need park and ride to bring more people to our community.
- ◆ Develop open space and trails
- ◆ Encourage businesses to provide honest and dependable services so that local people will want to do business here. Affordable rent for small business because of the limited traffic. Outdoor flea market would be great.
- ◆ Entertainment for youth
- ◆ First and foremost the town needs to incorporate
- ◆ Improve agricultural services and promote self-sufficiency such as solar and wind power on small farms. Local victory gardens, etc.
- ◆ Improve the recycling facilities
- ◆ Increase teen activities and employment opportunities
- ◆ Install a stoplight at the intersection of Colfax and Wagner
- ◆ Jobs need to be created for residents and students in this area
- ◆ Library
- ◆ Lottery monies should be used for bike/walking trails, why do we not reap benefits of lottery monies?

- ◆ Lower taxes
- ◆ Maybe making Main St. look good, looks bad driving by the old video store and other buildings
- ◆ Maybe something for the men of the community like a model train group or cards
- ◆ Medical doctors and hospital
- ◆ More communication between community related entities
- ◆ More entertainment/recreational activities, moves, swimming, activities for youth
- ◆ More parks or rec center would greatly improve the community, maybe a pool?

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- ◆ More substantial parks and rec presence - new rec center, pool, park, basketball courts, gym etc.

- ◆ No more taxes
- ◆ Nothing new, but more assistance to the rec center and other youth sports so they have the playing fields etc. they need
- ◆ Quality is just fine, do not need more noise, crime of big box shopping
- ◆ Really would love to have bike/walking trails
- ◆ Recreation facilities need to expand to support the community, so many kids not enough for them to do (sic)
- ◆ Recycle center or include with trash service, promote rural character
- ◆ Recycling and the kids need a place to go where they are safe and close to home
- ◆ Recycling would be huge, just a drop off to help Strasburg be earth friendly
- ◆ Schools need to attract better - modern teachers. Bullying in school by teachers and students must be eliminated.
- ◆ Shopping choices, add a park and ride
- ◆ Should have at least a limited bus to Aurora, should use the railroad to get to downtown Denver
- ◆ Slow speeders down through town
- ◆ Special vote for future programs and services
- ◆ Stop developing additional housing, getting too crowded, if people want city amenities, move back to Denver
- ◆ Strasburg needs own library
- ◆ Streetscape/pedestrian improvements along Colfax, reduce r.o.w. dimension/width along Colfax in town
- ◆ The town try's hard to get involvement, the community needs to see this and be willing to join in (sic)

- ◆ This town would benefit from having a hotel or motel for travelers, not a truck stop
- ◆ Tri-county health medical facility
- ◆ We do not want Strasburg like Aurora
- ◆ We need city water on other side of I-70 south of Strasburg
- ◆ We need to have a coordination of districts and have a presence with the counties (sic)
- ◆ Would like to see Strasburg try to get a manufacturer to provide jobs for teenagers
- ◆ A swimming pool would be nice.
- ◆ expanding cultural diversity would be nice and it would help the economy
- ◆ I have no children in the school district so I am unaware of the quality of the school system other than what I have heard. If it is in need of improvement then it would have my support.
- ◆ I would like to see more recreational/health options in Strasburg. A community indoor pool, running track, or spa. An open-air concert theater would be good, too.
- ◆ I'm not sure my answers truly define how much I would like to see Strasburg stay rural. The kind of town it used to be, we don't need all the subdivisions and city added to our community. What we need to focus on is how to improve what we have. Everyone used to wave at each other, you could leave your keys in the car at the store and the education/teacher to student rate was good. This shouldn'tt be all about raising the tax base, focus on what makes Strasburg a town and not a city.

- ◆ no
- ◆ no
- ◆ None beyond the list above come to mind
- ◆ park and rec need larger building with more to offer.
- ◆ Paving of road 30 (Quincy) to promote expansion of rural living in South Strasburg
- ◆ Recreational facility
- ◆ rtd to dia....lots of airport employees living out here and surrounding towns.; upkeep of town lots of homes look like crap.

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- ◆ Senior Services Women with dependent children are the most community minded item that could be provided. They should have access to affordable housing and services. I would also like to see the Rec Center expand to provide more services for kids and active adults, things like the possibility of a Pool, and on a larger scale, a golf course. I don't golf, but I know a lot of people out here that do, and it could be incorporated into open space/wildlife areas.
- ◆ Strasburg should NOT incorporate. The state does a fine job of keeping our streets paved and removing snow. If you are considering spending \$ on all these other things you wouldn't want to add this responsibility to the town as well.
- ◆ The sheriff department needs help not in getting more but getting rid of the attitude that they can be bullies and do whatever they want. Also the fire and rescue seems to think they can pick and choose who they want to help.... TOO MANY POLITICS since both are paid for with tax dollars it would be nice if the community had a say in the quality or lack thereof to their services. Right now I would rather not have them and know they were not there to help than to have them as we do and still not be able to count on them. Also the sheriff department has several members who are bullies and just plain jerks they harass people and people that are being harassed by someone who is friend with sheriffs or rescue team are discriminated against or just not at all responded to when needed. This needs to stop
- ◆ The Strasburg rec district has wasted our money long enough. We should eliminate the special district and allow a "regional" parks and rec district to incorporate Strasburg taxes.
- ◆ There needs to be more for young families to do. parks and rec. Small town living with nothing for the children to do.
- ◆ This is the perfect place to live if there were only more jobs available. Especially for the teens. They also need more things available for them to do.
- ◆ We have a serious problem with drugs and alcohol around the community and the parks that even the little children can't go play without finding drug paraphernalia. We need to find ways to curb this problem through projects and getting kids involved, or keeping the drugs away from the kids with increased enforcement to run them out of town.

Q16-Please provide any additional comments regarding growth and development:

- ♦ Adams County allowed Pauls Brothers a free reign to put in poorly planned subdivisions. Mostly unneeded, now many in bankruptcy and empty devaluing all housing. Adams Co. helped in making a bedroom community out of a community which never saw itself as a bedroom community. They do not respond well or care about residents in the eastern half of the county. They do not understand about agriculture, water issues, small town issues. They do understand about approving dumps (even if it affects water quality), new housing developments even if no one can or will buy them. The county commissioner structure (should have) a designated east county advocate, like Arapahoe Co. does. (sic)
- ♦ Allowed too much subdivision and residential/small acreage housing not enough code enforcement for those areas (sic)
- ♦ Both counties need to work together on new commercial development projects
- ♦ Careful planning for growth as to not impact 'the bedroom community' we enjoy
- ♦ County commissioners need use more prudent judgment in approving residential/rural developments and stick to zoning requirements (sic)
- ♦ Due to our economic plunge and fall in housing market there should be no more single family homes permitted/built
- ♦ Eastern Adams County needs a service to provide for driver's licenses, building permits, etc.
- ♦ I believe by the number of vacant homes in the area, Strasburg has overbuilt
- ♦ I grew up here and hate the growth and all the houses built but on the other hand, I don't want us to be a ghost town
- ♦ I like the small town
- ♦ I moved to Strasburg due to size and services available. I wanted to recreate the small town atmosphere I grew up in. I shop in Bennett/Byers mostly, due to groceries in Bennett and feed store in Byers. I was aware of the commute to work and major services and that is why I was drawn to the community. I do wish Strasburg had a public library and dry cleaners. I would like to see the promotion of small business that employs local residences. (sic) I also hope we do not experience a rise in juvenile crime that seems to have occurred in Bennett. I would not live in Bennett due to crime, and would not live in Byers due to lack of personal pride in property and surrounding areas.
- ♦ I want us to be careful and keep the best of Strasburg
- ♦ I would hate to see old town Strasburg ruined by building business everywhere
- ♦ If coming, do not allow Wal-Mart, small businesses will disappear
- ♦ If I wanted town services I would move somewhere else
- ♦ If the city folk want city services, keep them to the west of Watkins
- ♦ Keep small town, safe feeling without commercializing town
- ♦ Leave Strasburg a quaint rural area
- ♦ Maintain a small town, rural atmosphere
- ♦ Most come to Strasburg to get away from the growth
- ♦ Most moved here for the quiet knowing we would have to drive
- ♦ Need to plan and control development much much better. Developer tend to get their way with both country planning departments. (sic)
- ♦ Needs to grow fast enough not to get swallowed up by Bennett
- ♦ No incorporation of the town
- ♦ No more residential growth
- ♦ Pauls Homes ran unchecked - the result: too many foreclosures!
- ♦ People would rather work closer to home
- ♦ Please, no King Soopers, no light pollution
- ♦ Promote the historical positives of Strasburg, such as the Comanche Crossing Museum, which is a definite attribute!

Q16-Please provide any additional comments regarding growth and development:

- ◆ Remember a lot of people came here to escape town. Keep it simple and attractive, not another Aurora. Maintain our farms and wildlife. A lot of the older residents resent the new. But we need to learn that we can all get along. Don't push out our old business places unless they are stagnant. We don't need a Starbucks. We have a great coffee shop already.
- ◆ STOP the trend of becoming a bedroom community. Support local agriculture more! (sic)
- ◆ Strasburg should work with the neighboring towns to share in providing services. One town may provide one service while another provides others.
- ◆ Strasburg's growth will be shaped by economic forces that will sometimes out of Strasburg's ability to control (sic)
- ◆ Subdivisions were overbuilt for demand
- ◆ The Pauls brothers need to quit!
- ◆ This still comes across as a hick town
- ◆ To see the commercial side increase but keep the residential growth managed
- ◆ Want the people that live here to be happy & successful with the community without losing the small town charm
- ◆ We have a great dentist and medical facilities, maybe an optical
- ◆ We need to stay small!
- ◆ We've lived here for 5 months and moved here to get to a small town. However, we don't know our neighbors, don't know anyone in Strasburg. This might be a small town but feels like a suburb of Aurora.

- ◆ Would like to see a little more employment for residents but not turn into a large town
- ◆ Reason we live here is because we like our way of live. Incorporating the town would severely damage this.
- ◆ more housing more businesses increase population increase property values by all reasonable means

- ◆ We need to create jobs and our own business center to keep money in Strasburg to help promote growth. This means special districts as well as the town.
- ◆ A major grocery chain and discount store (i.e. a super Wal-mart or Target) would be very nice to have close by.
- ◆ I guess I want it both ways. a nice quiet small place to raise your kids, but more activities for them and more employment opportunities for everyone.
- ◆ I love Strasburg, but it is not a self sustaining town. Unfortunately, we rely heavily on Bennett's infrastructure as well as Denver/Aurora for a lot of goods and services. There is a lot of consumer money that is spent there, that if we slowly expanded business development, we could employ more in town, and keep the money local.
- ◆ just no Wal-Mart - Aurora is close enough
- ◆ keep looking at light rail/ major retail companies/ small business support/ parks and recreation development/corridor improvements
- ◆ Strasburg's appeal is its separation from the Urban center (Denver/Aurora). We should not strive to grow to the point where we feel "crowded". Working in Strasburg would be awesome.
- ◆ The small town atmosphere is why we moved to the area. I can see a need for an increase in home jobs but hope not to become over run with the traffic, noise, and lack of community of big city living.

- ◆ Would like to see growth to better support the existing community without commercializing this good rural town.

Q21-What other types of business/services would you most like to see provided in Strasburg?

- ♦ All season swimming pool
- ♦ Better restaurants
- ♦ Bigger stores in close towns leaving Strasburg 'small town'
- ♦ Bus or train depot for trans. to Denver
- ♦ Businesses that wouldn't be a blight on the land - don't destroy the small-town, agricultural feeling
- ♦ Entertainment, manufacturing
- ♦ Garden center, nursery, home healthcare, furniture store
- ♦ Grocery store
- ♦ Health care, motel
- ♦ Hobby shop, auto shop for teens and locals, sports chain's (sic)
- ♦ I think the services we have are just fine
- ♦ If people want more services they should move back to Denver
- ♦ It would be nice to have a gas station/convenience store you can get in and out of and had competitive gas prices
- ♦ Leave Strasburg alone
- ♦ Like to see more basic businesses - restaurants, dry cleaners, entertainment, outlet mall, tire store, equestrian center
- ♦ More bike trails so kids from neighborhoods could ride in to town without being on streets
- ♦ More good restaurants and professional services
- ♦ Movie theatre
- ♦ None, keep the community small
- ♦ Of the 20 identified needs you identified, we already have 12. What we don't need is another big box or chain store to degrade our local businesses further.
- ♦ Pave the roads within the Strasburg planning area that are not already done
- ♦ Phone service
- ♦ Putt-Putt golf course for families to enjoy
- ♦ Safeway or Albertson's, a large hotel, skating rink, and planetarium (sic)
- ♦ Some type of manufacturing, local employment
- ♦ Support agricultural operations
- ♦ This is supposed to be a small town, go to Denver for Target and so on
- ♦ Thrift stores
- ♦ Urgent care, 24/7 medical
- ♦ Video store, bookstore, fitness center, nice restaurant, better grocery store, clothing store
- ♦ A good health facility with reliable and organized personnel
- ♦ anything that brings business and tax revenue
- ♦ As stated earlier, health/fitness. Maybe educational services centered on rural skill sets (farming, ranching, alternative energy (wind power would be good)).
- ♦ hospital
- ♦ I don't believe with Flying J just to the west of us and also in Limon that is a priority. However having Super Target/Wal-Mart would be beneficial...providing those traveling a place to stop gas get food etc. There are hotels that are just to west of us as well in Limon...we need to be the middle person for those traveling I-70.
- ♦ I think that some development of the I-70 interchange area would be a start to drawing other business needs to the area. It would have to be done in a way to not effect the homes in the area.
- ♦ I would love to Strasburg grow but slowly. lets not become an economic night mare for our children.

- ♦ it would be great not to have to go to "town" at all. Target, Wal-Mart, dry cleaners, more restaurants, movies
- ♦ local fast food chains...target, wal-mart
- ♦ more fast food opportunities, better health care services
- ♦ Nothing, leave the city in the city!
- ♦ Recreation area with indoor heated pool for seniors, disabled community in general.

Q30-If you could improve one thing about Strasburg, what would it be?

- ◆ Activities for children and seniors
- ◆ Amenities
- ◆ Appearance of 36 through town
- ◆ Appearance of the community. Abandoned and dilapidated buildings must go.
- ◆ As a newcomer to the community not very welcomed
- ◆ Available services and businesses
- ◆ Better communication of events and services
- ◆ Better Internet service
- ◆ Better medical care
- ◆ Better roads and sidewalks
- ◆ Better street maintenance
- ◆ Bring in green industry that doesn't pollute so people living here could work here and not commute to Denver
- ◆ Bring in more businesses
- ◆ Build a library
- ◆ Build a real rec center - a place where the kids could have more to do - a gym, a pool, more fields
- ◆ Businesses and shopping
- ◆ Clean up the appearance of town. Help out parks & rec.
- ◆ Commuter bus/shuttle service to Denver
- ◆ Concerned about Strasburg getting too big and not being safe
- ◆ Control growth
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- ◆ Do away with the local boards who only show up to meetings for roll call
- ◆ Don't allow developers to build too expensive of housing and too close together, build sidewalk on Strasburg Rd. from school to Colfax
- ◆ Downtown is ugly, get new facelift, there is no flow or connection between buildings/businesses
- ◆ Enforce codes in areas of noise, weed and trash control
- ◆ For the current Strasburg it would be better recreation facilities
- ◆ Get rid of all the trash - houses that have fallen - weed cleanup - old equipment cleanup. Have police patrol areas that are known teen drug hangouts such as park at Strasburg Rec.
- ◆ Have a Sonic fast food
- ◆ Have more restaurants on housing developments
- ◆ Have more stores to avoid a 30-mile commute to Aurora
- ◆ Health services, medical availability for treatment on a 24-hour basis
- ◆ Help individual home owners, farmers and ranchers be more self-sufficient
- ◆ Higher teacher salary
- ◆ Highly limit residential building
- ◆ I like it as it is
- ◆ I would like a nice swimming pool
- ◆ I would like to see old town Strasburg grow larger and left on Colfax with some better parking
- ◆ I would like to see us draw in some renewable energy companies, I like to see the rural area housing use turbines to generate electrical need, model this to other areas
- ◆ I would reduce the number of new residential developments and make it harder for land to be set aside from agricultural zoning to possible residential zoning without agreement from those who live in a 10-mile radius
- ◆ If the new folks would integrate into a rural society instead of trying to change a rural society into a "Denver" society
- ◆ Improve and maintain street lights, both in residential and commercial sections of Strasburg
- ◆ Improve quality of teachers very poor trained. Fast food. Better medical facilities. (sic)
- ◆ Improve roads
- ◆ In parks and recreation, too many entities without unified agenda's

Q30-If you could improve one thing about Strasburg, what would it be?

- ◆ Incorporate
- ◆ Keep big developers out of here, support small contractors more
- ◆ Keep it a smaller town
- ◆ Large delivery trucks stay off residential streets; electrical pole storage lot south of Ray's Texaco to go away! The poles make Strasburg stink! In the summer when I'm trying to cool my house down I can smell the creosote in the air, it's awful.
- ◆ Less new housing
- ◆ Less people, housing
- ◆ Less taxes
- ◆ Limit residential sprawl
- ◆ Main St. parking
- ◆ Main St., rec center , parks
- ◆ Make it look tidier
- ◆ More agricultural and technical education in schools
- ◆ More businesses
- ◆ More businesses to provide growth
- ◆ More economic development
- ◆ More independent businesses
- ◆ More jobs for community
- ◆ More places to eat (Wendy's, McDonald's)
- ◆ More restaurants and other businesses
- ◆ More shopping
- ◆ More transportation
- ◆ More visible law enforcement
- ◆ Need trails for biking, hiking and horse riding. Pave dirt roads.
- ◆ New people moving in need to realize that this is still a farming community, that means every field isn't public open space for their enjoyment, farm equipment has a right to use roads
- ◆ No more housing developments
- ◆ No more Paul's Homes being allowed to build
- ◆ Opportunity
- ◆ Parking on Colfax to do business at bank, post office, hardware or grocery store
- ◆ Pave more dirt roads, they are destroying our vehicles
- ◆ Put restrictions on commercial developers and maintain small town image, ditch the ranchettes, gentlemen farmers
- ◆ Recreation center
- ◆ Recreation, restaurants
- ◆ Remove liquor store
- ◆ Retain small town attitude
- ◆ Schools
- ◆ Sidewalks along all streets and especially along Strasburg Rd. north
- ◆ Sidewalks for residential drainage
- ◆ Slow down growth until economy comes up
- ◆ Some type of business that would provide many local jobs but yet not heavy industry that would destroy the appearance of Strasburg
- ◆ Stop bringing the city to Strasburg, leave us small town
- ◆ Stop building houses over \$300K
- ◆ Stop or slow the ongoing development until water resources are documented. Do NOT let Strasburg become another Bennett.
- ◆ Store fronts on Colfax
- ◆ Street listing along Strasburg Rd.
- ◆ Support development for better tax base

Q30-If you could improve one thing about Strasburg, what would it be?

- ◆ Support the small business better, maybe help create part-time jobs for teens
- ◆ The Headlight road to my subdivision
- ◆ To have no more eyesore communities like the overbuilt one's by Paul's Homes
- ◆ Upgrade downtown district/Colfax main drag - run down, not appealing
- ◆ We enjoy living here, the schools are the best our children have been in and we love the small town feel

- ◆ We need to get some wind turbine energy in here. IREA needs to get into the 21st century. Quit wasting water - we are in a severe drought! Protect open space and our rural heritage.
- ◆ Would like Strasburg to remain a small town where residents know and rely on each other
- ◆ 1 pizza delivery place and 1 grocery/retail store (Wal-mart, target, etc.)
- ◆ Better intersection at Colfax and Wagner. IE turn lane from I 70 off ramp Wagner on to Colfax.
- ◆ bring more business' here for services needed and; for employment opportunities closer to home
- ◆ Clean up the area through community service projects for kids.
- ◆ commuting options to Denver
- ◆ Create new jobs.
- ◆ Employment opportunities
- ◆ Find a way to get either Costco or Sam's club somewhere near the area. Not necessarily in town, but close. Think of the jobs it would create and the tax revenue.
- ◆ hospital
- ◆ I wish some town folks had a bit more pride in their homes and of the main corridors through Strasburg. Some areas look hodge-podge and unkept.
- ◆ increase attractiveness for businesses to locate to Strasburg thru tax incentives etc.
- ◆ job opportunities
- ◆ Keep it small!
- ◆ Making the main street area (Colfax) an area I'd like to shop in- a good grocery store, fast food, additional shops...
- ◆ more jobs
- ◆ more stores
- ◆ Nothing! Leave it alone! Leave the city in the city!
- ◆ park and rec
- ◆ Parks and Recreation - pool, golf course, improved parks and open space
- ◆ Paved roads. At least on the main roads such as Quincy Rd 30
- ◆ Recreate the small town atmosphere
- ◆ Recreation District
- ◆ Recycling is vital, and we need a drop off or whole center devoted to it. Could add some jobs if it were just a drop off and people were there to separate it correctly.
- ◆ Replace IREA with environmentally responsible agency.
- ◆ The attitude of the law enforcement and rescue services. They have an arrogant attitude and seem to think they can choose who and how to help. If I pay tax dollars to support these groups than I should be able to be confident that if I need them I will receive the service
- ◆ The cost of housing (prior to the crash) was small yet very affordable housing including lots or large and expensive housing including lots. We did not find a lot in a medium range.
- ◆ The quality of code enforcement (I have neighbors who do not care for the homes or property at all and use the yard and alley as a junkyard).
- ◆ the schools
- ◆ The schools - I pulled my kids out because the schools are bad academically. Go check out scores.

- ◆ Try to encourage a healthy community

Q15 - Would you say that growth & development has been well managed or poorly managed-other?

- ◆ Arapahoe does much better than Adams
- ◆ It seems like so many homes were built without the infrastructure to support the people in those houses (sic)
- ◆ Poorly managed by both counties
- ◆ Strasburg has overbuilt in the residential area
- ◆ Too many new houses without planning, creating lots of foreclosure
- ◆ Should not be controlled
- ◆ Housing has gone out of sight to high and to many
- ◆ some very good and some very bad

Q17 - Where should the town focus resources for economic development-other?

- ◆ NO Wal-Mart!!!
- ◆ More ag & ranching & renewable power
- ◆ Get some new blood on boards and councils
- ◆ Solicit manufacturing and/or transportation service companies
- ◆ na
- ◆ leave the city in the city
- ◆ Keep Unincorporated Status
- ◆ Keep Strasburg Rural
- ◆ Create a Strasburg Community Council

Q19 - Important commercial development-other

- ◆ Outdoor recreation: trails
- ◆ Swimming pool
- ◆ Service business laundry cleaners
- ◆ Movie theater, etc. for teens
- ◆ nice recreation center
- ◆ no
- ◆ quality medical center

Q25 - If you were responsible for \$100 of taxpayer revenue, how would you spend it-other?

- ◆ Community recycling with proceeds \$20
- ◆ Pave dirt roads!!! \$25
- ◆ Xmas lighting and flag support \$5
- ◆ attracting businesses \$20
- ◆ business growth \$20
- ◆ Develop a website \$5
- ◆ no
- ◆ recycle center \$5

Q29 - Metro District tax funding for-other

- ◆ Open space and trails
- ◆ Handicap access to businesses
- ◆ no
- ◆ recycle center

Q36 - Type of property owned-other

- ◆ Commercial
- ◆ 5 acres with single family house
- ◆ Rental property
- ◆ Travel trailer

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- ◆ Commercial
- ◆ about 2 2/3 acres
- ◆ home on 2 1/2 acres
- ◆ no
- ◆ small acreage

Q42 - How do you primarily travel to work-other?

- ◆ car with my spouse
- ◆ I work at the school
- ◆ work at home

Q45 - Where is your primary place of employment-other?

- ◆ Denver Federal Center
- ◆ Lakewood
- ◆ Strasburg, Agate, Limon, Kit Carson, Karval, Cheyenne Wells
- ◆ State
- ◆ Watkins
- ◆ Broomfield
- ◆ Centennial Airport
- ◆ centennial
- ◆ Centennial
- ◆ Commerce City
- ◆ Denver International Airport
- ◆ DIA
- ◆ dia
- ◆ DIA
- ◆ Highlands Ranch
- ◆ various
- ◆ Westminster

Q46 - Where do you primarily go to purchase goods and services-other?

- ◆ Southlands
- ◆ Brighton
- ◆ Centennial
- ◆ I-70 and Tower
- ◆ southlands mall
- ◆ Westminster & Thornton