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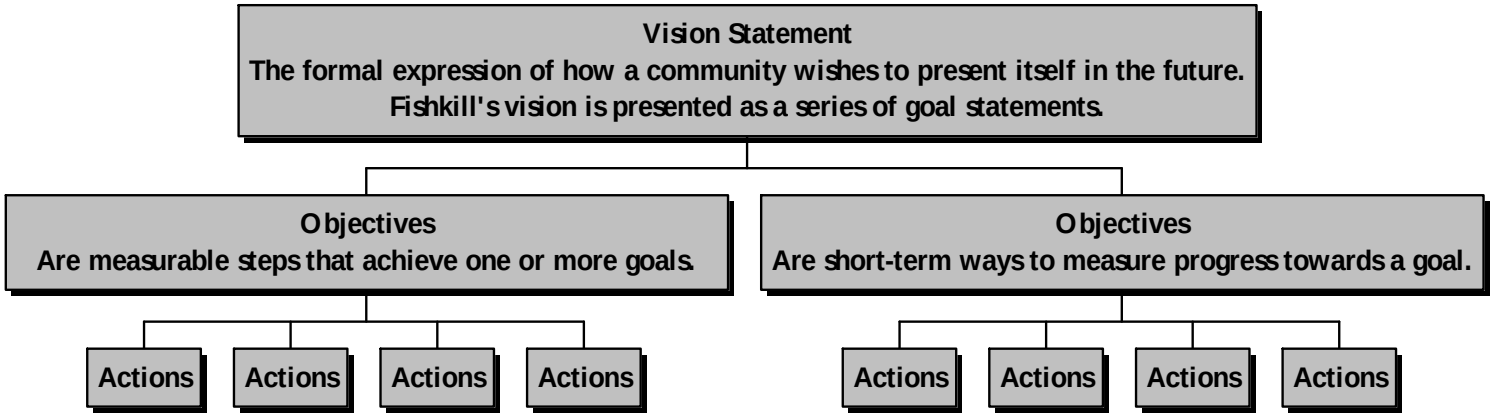
Introduction

COMMUNITY VISIONING

Comprehensive planning is a collaborative process which can succeed when the various stakeholders – residents, municipal officials and business people of a community - reach consensus on their desires for future development and conservation. A well formulated vision statement is the formal expression of that community consensus. The vision statement sets the overall policy direction for the Comprehensive Plan and answers the question, "What do we want the Town of Fishkill to be?" and in so doing, sets the stage for defining "How do we get there?" Fishkill's vision for the future emerged through a coordinated planning effort that included a community visioning session, more than 60 Fishkill Comprehensive Plan Committee meetings, and a successful, self-administered public opinion survey. For a survey to be statistically valid, a response rate of at least five percent is desirable. The outstanding response rate of 15 percent indicates the great interest that Fishkill residents took in planning for the Town's future.

The Fishkill Comprehensive Plan Visioning Process



The vision outlined in the Fishkill Comprehensive Plan is stated in a series of goals toward which Town programs and activities should be directed. These goals have been translated into short-term steps or objectives that move the Town toward success in realizing the vision. Recommended actions the Town government and others can take were developed for each of the objectives and answer the question "How do we get there?" The actions may involve adoption of specific strategies and policies (such as zoning amendments) that are needed to guide the Town towards fulfillment of its vision. It may also involve citizen committees and/or civic and not-for-profit organizations pulling together for a common cause. The way that the vision statement is translated into actions can be seen in the illustration above. Following below is the statement of goals that present the Town's vision. Objectives and recommended actions to attain the vision appear in Chapter 2.

THE VISION FOR FISHKILL INCLUDES GOALS TO:

- **Conserve Critical Lands**, including the open spaces that define our landscape legacy, and critical environmental areas.
- **Preserve the Special Significant Environmental Resources** that are integral to the long-term health, safety and welfare of our residents.
- **Connect People and Places** with a network of roads, sidewalks, pedestrian paths and bicycle trails to reduce traffic congestion and enhance quality of life.
- **Ensure Economic and Social Diversity** by providing a full range of housing types and sizes and encouraging use of "green building" techniques to reduce utility costs.
- **Create Gateways** that welcome visitors to our town and define Fishkill as a quality community.
- **Emphasize Scenic and Historic Stewardship** to enhance Fishkill's unique sense of place.
- **Create Great Places for People**, including neighborhoods and streets that encourage walking and social interaction, and parks and trails that provide opportunities for active and passive recreation.
- **Promote Good Design of the Built Environment** to foster a distinctive, attractive community and stimulate continued private investment.
- **Raise Community Awareness** about natural resource conservation efforts and "smart growth" principles that contribute to quality of life.
- **Coordinate with the School Districts** when evaluating the benefits and costs of development.
- **Work Cooperatively with Neighboring Municipalities** on issues that span political boundaries.

In developing the Fishkill Comprehensive Plan, the Town Board initially appointed a Comprehensive Plan Committee, which examined existing conditions and historic trends, and identified the potential amount of additional development that could occur in the Town based on the existing zoning. The summary of impacts that could potentially occur based on the build-out analysis appears in Table 1 below. Data prepared by the Dutchess County Environmental Management Council and the Dutchess County Soil and Water Conservation District was also reviewed, as were the recommendations found in State and regional plans. Numerous representatives and consultants from Town committees and regional organizations were invited to the Committee meetings to share their knowledge and expertise. The Committee also reviewed the Town's Zoning and Subdivision Regulations in response to the overwhelming preference of Town residents, as expressed in the community visioning session and public opinion survey, that Fishkill's future be defined by "smart growth" principles.

> "*Among the most important powers and duties granted by the [State] legislature to a town government is the authority and responsibility to undertake town comprehensive planning and to regulate land use for the purpose of protecting the public health, safety and general welfare of its citizens.*"
> New York State
> Town Law § 272-a

Subsequent to the initial review by the Committee, the Town Board appointed two different planning consultants, at two separate times, to compile the plan from its loosely constructed pieces. GreenPlan, Inc. authored the first draft, which was compiled in 2005. Morris Associates, in the beginning of 2007, was directed to make revisions and carry the draft forward to completion for the Town Board to hold a public hearing.

Table 1: Build-out Analysis, Potential Impacts under Current Zoning
(based on current Institute of Traffic Engineers guidelines, Urban Land Institute guidelines, and NYSDEC guidelines assuming 4 bedroom dwelling units)

Estimated Additional Dwellings	Estimated Additional Residents	Estimated Additional Vehicle Trips Per Day	Estimated Additional Police Officers	Estimated Additional Fire Fighters	Estimated Additional Water Consumed and Sewage Generated (gallons/day)
3,628	7,935	36,280	4	4	1,723,300 gpd

WHAT IS SMART GROWTH?

Smart growth has emerged over the last decade as a comprehensive response to the rapid consumption of largely undeveloped lands for development purposes. Since the end of the Second World War, sprawl has been the dominant form of development in America. Defined as low density development on previously undeveloped lands, and characterized by a separation of uses that result in auto dependency, sprawl causes numerous negative impacts. In the public opinion survey, for instance, some of the strongest feelings

emerged when Fishkill residents were asked about traffic congestion. 87 percent of respondents agreed or strongly agreed with the statement that "traffic congestion is a problem in the Town," while only 3.2 percent disagreed.

Americans have historically had a love affair with automobiles and the ease of movement they offer, but we have designed our communities on their use without much attention to mass transit options. Auto dependency is reflected in our Town's Zoning Law, and it has created problems, both in Fishkill and elsewhere throughout the nation. Consider that the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has pointed to our built environment and transportation infrastructure as one of the root causes of obesity, the nation's fastest rising public health problem, especially in children.

Today, one in seven children is considered obese and 61 percent of adults are overweight or obese. Auto-oriented design and a lack of mass transportation choices force vehicle dependency, which increases traffic congestion and the amount of sedentary time people spend behind the wheel. Rising gas prices and declining petroleum supplies make it imperative that we design our communities to provide for and encourage alternative modes of transportation.

> Smart growth is well-planned development that protects open space, revitalizes communities, keeps housing affordable, and provides transportation choices. It "*seeks to maximize the quality of the built environment, while minimizing or eliminating negative impacts to the natural environment.*"
>
> Jason F. McLennan, "The Philosophy of Sustainable Design"

Sprawl development results in other negative impacts. For example, between 1960 and 1985, the New York City metropolitan area expanded its land area by over 65 percent while the regional population in this same area grew by only 8 percent. In the Town of Fishkill, between 1970 and 2002, population increased approximately 65 percent while the amount of developed land increased by 132 percent, the bulk of that land devoted to single-family residences and roads. Sprawl is a nationwide concern not only because of our dependence on cars for transportation, but because of its many other hidden expenses, such as higher costs to build and maintain infrastructure, loss of important open space, agricultural lands and wildlife habitat, greater use of non-renewable resources, and air and water quality degradation.

In communities throughout the Hudson Valley and across the nation, there is a growing concern that development patterns dominated by sprawl are not in the long-term interests of our cities, suburbs, villages, and undeveloped areas. Instead of continuing to accommodate sprawl, many communities are developing smart growth planning strategies. Smart growth is based on the principle that for growth management to be effective, it must accomplish three things: it must boost the economy, enhance community vitality, and protect the environment.

A divergent coalition of 32 organizations called the Smart Growth Network has come together to support smart growth by adopting a set of ten principles. The coalition represents the interests of organizations as diverse as the National Association of Homebuilders, National Association of Realtors, National Wildlife Federation, American Farmland Trust, National Trust for Historic Preservation, and the Natural Resources Defense Council. Even government and governmental organizations like the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the State of Maryland, the National Association of Counties, United States Conference of Mayors, and the Local Government Commission have agreed upon and adopted the smart growth principles.

The Smart Growth Network defines smart growth as:

> *Development that serves the economy, community and the environment. It provides a framework for communities to make informed decisions about how and where they grow. Smart growth makes it possible for communities to grow in ways that support economic development and jobs; create strong neighborhoods with a range of housing, commercial and transportation options; and achieve healthy communities that provide families with a clean environment. In so doing, smart growth provides a solution to the concerns facing many communities about the impacts of the highly dispersed development patterns characteristic of the past 50 years. Though supportive of growth, communities are questioning the economic costs of abandoning infrastructure in the city and rebuilding it farther out. They are questioning the necessity of spending increasing amounts of time in cars locked in traffic and traveling miles to the nearest store. They are questioning the practice of abandoning brownfields in older communities while developing open space and prime agricultural lands and thereby damaging our environment at the suburban fringe. As these quality-of-life issues become increasingly important for American communities, local and state policymakers, planners, developers, and others are turning to smart growth as one solution to these challenges.*

The Smart Growth Network has devised ten principles that articulate the goals of smart growth. The principles help communities recognize and value smart growth and seek ways to implement it. The Fishkill Comprehensive Plan adopts the following ten principles and recognizes that the strategies and actions recommended in this Plan will be needed to put them into practice:

The Fishkill Comprehensive Plan outlines tools and strategies to take us to a community that, in many ways, echoes our past, with its close-knit neighborhoods, tree lined streets, natural and open space areas, and homes and businesses marked by appealing aesthetic character.

Smart Growth Principles

1. Mix land uses
2. Take advantage of compact building design
3. Create a range of housing opportunities and choices
4. Create walkable neighborhoods
5. Foster distinctive, attractive communities with a strong sense of place
6. Preserve open space, farmland, natural beauty, and critical environmental areas
7. Strengthen and direct development towards existing communities
8. Provide a variety of transportation choices
9. Make development decisions predictable, fair and cost-effective
10. Encourage community and stakeholder participation in development decisions

Putting the smart growth principles fully into action requires changes to the way the community functions. It requires that the Town and neighboring municipalities, community groups, local boards, developers, transit providers, and other government agencies agree to the new way of doing business. This shift, however, will be eased by the recommended process described in the Comprehensive Plan, which clearly illustrates the myriad economic, community, and environmental benefits gained from a smart growth approach. All interests, whether public or private, have a stake in an attractive, orderly, and environmentally sound community. Regardless of his or her role in the development process, each of the individuals involved in shaping Fishkill's growth stand to benefit from the improved quality of life that smart growth can provide.

> *"Across the country, when people were asked about where they would prefer to live, work, shop, and recreate, they invariably select communities or neighborhoods that have an abundance of trees, open spaces, and uncluttered pedestrian ways. These preferences translate into clear economic terms: if a community can succeed in attracting new residents and businesses, it must be concerned about its appearance, physical character, livability, and 'feel'."*
> The President's Commission on America's Outdoors

BENEFITS OF THE PLAN

There are definite benefits to be gained by the adoption and implementation of the Fishkill Comprehensive Plan. These include, but are not limited to, the following:

Economic Benefits: Smart growth protects the values that attract people and growth. Studies overwhelmingly show that real estate values remain stable in communities with high quality open spaces, protected scenic viewsheds, and intact historic resources. In fact, protected open space, beautiful views, and remnants of our collective history increase the attractiveness and value of adjacent properties, which in turn increases the tax base. Preserving open space, natural beauty and sensitive environmental areas is one

of the basic principles of "smart growth" because these features attract high quality residential and business developments, which are then located in selected areas deemed most appropriate for the common good of the entire community. Smart growth reduces the costs of providing public services like water, sewer and roads. It gives developers clear direction about the desired location, type, and design of new projects to smooth out the review process and reduce the costs of development. The provision of a variety of housing types and sizes sustains businesses and encourages economic growth, since businesses are unlikely to establish themselves or remain in an area where their employees cannot afford to live. Employment opportunities can grow and the vitality of the community is sustained.

Environmental Benefits: Conserving natural and cultural resources allows our biological diversity to remain intact and our community to remain healthy. Preserved wetlands continue to filter our pollutants, prevent flooding, and protect our drinking water. Open vegetated lands and forested hills cleanse the air and absorb storm water runoff, which in turn reduces erosion and danger of flooding. Reliance on the automobile is reduced, resulting in cleaner air. The adverse effects of roads and the chemicals that wash off in rain and snow are reduced and the harmony and balance of nature is more sustainable.

Community Benefits: The goals and success of preserving the scenic, natural and historic character of the Town can be measured in the number of acres of open space or wetlands preserved, but there are also community benefits that are more intangible perhaps, but just as powerful for residents. For many of us, seeing and experiencing the beauty of nature in our open spaces, and living in a community that has a distinct sense of place, triggers feelings of freedom and contentment, of living a decent and hopeful life. We develop civic pride, which causes us to change from being a resident to becoming a citizen, and then by supporting a common cause we join together and become a community. We feel we are part of a place in the world where our lives are worthwhile and meaningful.

A plan is like a road map showing us the routes we need to take to reach our goals. We should refer to the Fishkill Comprehensive Plan whenever decisions are being made that affect the future of our community. The Plan should become an essential part of Town policy influencing the decisions of Town officials, business owners and residents, as well as helping guide the decisions of other local municipalities and entities, including the County and State. Its implementation will improve our quality of life and make Fishkill an even better place to live, work and visit.

This Plan reflects many of the goals and policies that are found in the 1989 Town Development Plan Update. It also recommends strengthening procedures and ordinances to insure sustainable development. However, this Plan also breaks from some of the goals of the previous plan, as the type of growth that has occurred, as well as general

economic changes throughout our county, region and the country no longer makes some of the 1989 goals viable or practical.

For example, Chelsea Industrial Park, once an active industrial site and envisioned in the 1989 Plan as still in existence and prospering, is now mostly abandoned, with obsolete and decaying structures. Businesses have departed or closed and the rail siding has not been used in many decades. The site contains soil contamination due to a prior industrial use that consisted of a wood treatment/preservation operation. The surrounding properties have been developed as residential housing of different types, making the former industrial site a good candidate for soil remediation and redevelopment of additional residential dwelling units, not industrial uses. It is the desire of the Town to work with an interested developer and the NYSDEC to facilitate the soil remediation and see the site developed in a more appropriate manner that complements its surroundings and provides tax revenues for the town.

The Southern Dutchess Sand and Gravel site, along Route 9, is another example. Substantial opposition to mining expansion plans over the past several years by residents and environmental organizations has forced the property owner to consider other uses for the site. The site is nearing the end of its useful life as a mine. The town is considering how rezoning of this parcel might accommodate redevelopment that would be in keeping with town goals and needs.

The former Dutchess Mall site is radically changed from its former look with the demolition of the majority of the "dead" mall superstructure and the addition of Home Depot as anchor tenant. The former Mays Building sits vacant and the other pad sites contain viable businesses. Modifying the zoning to allow for mixed use development of residential and commercial in appropriate proportions may inject new life and energy into this site and bring in new revenues to the Town.

The former Texaco research campus of 33.1 acres, with its numerous buildings and industrial facilities, and the former "tank farm" parcel of 4.3 acres, are now almost entirely vacant since the merger of Texaco with Chevron. Soil and groundwater contamination investigation and remediation are occurring. The NYSDEC is actively involved with the owner to move forward with a timeline by which the sites can be designated as usable. There is no current timeline for redevelopment of the sites, nor is there any definitive plan for redevelopment. The Town should continue to monitor with Chevron what the future might hold for these sites.

Merritt Park, once envisioned to become a busy research-office and light industrial area, now contains the Old Navy Northeast Distribution Center and a plethora of residential dwelling units approved in stages and built by Toll Brothers. One leg of the long-proposed east-west Merritt Boulevard has been completed and no additional research-office or light industrial is planned or desired. While the area developed somewhat differently than envisioned in the 1989 Plan, the Town has done well with the manner in

which this area has developed, as the distribution center has little to no impact on the environment due to its proximity to Interstate Route 84, which collects most of the truck traffic entering and leaving the site.

The western leg of the Route 52 Bypass is no longer considered to be a viable project. Wetlands, wetland adjacent areas, archaeological concerns (the proposed area for the western leg is in an OPRHP archeo-sensitive area), as well as the substantial costs associated with permitting and construction of a bridge over the Fishkill Creek have dealt a death blow to the proposal, envisioned in the 1989 Plan as a way to ease traffic in the Village of Fishkill and the immediate vicinity. In December of 2006, the PDCTC (Poughkeepsie – Dutchess County Transportation Council), completed a two-part study, one entitled the **Fishkill Traffic Analysis,** and the other the **Route 52 Alternatives Analysis**. The Route 52 Alternatives Analysis focused on 4 key questions:

1. Is such a connection feasible?
2. How and where would such a road connect?
3. Would the road divert traffic from Route 52 in the Village Center?
4. Does the connection have public support?

The results indicated that the connection would not meet the goals of relieving congestion, increasing accessibility to the Village Center or improving overall safety, and therefore did not adequately answer the questions such that the Advisory Committee of the PDCTC would recommend funding it in the TIP (Transportation Improvement Plan). Consequently, the Town has abandoned the concept of the western leg of the Route 52 Bypass.

The Westage Business Center site has also developed differently than previously planned, but again, the Town is satisfied with and has benefited from the manner in which it did develop. This is a tribute to the Town officials and the Planning Board, which have consistently and diligently worked with applicants to fashion projects that have brought vibrancy to the center.

Other goals from the 1989 Plan have not changed from the prior Plan, and continue to be emphasized and expanded upon in this Plan. Some of these important items include:

- providing a variety of affordable housing;
- protecting wetlands and adjacent areas;
- providing for use of and protecting groundwater resources;
- preserving natural and ecological resources;
- preserving and maintaining community character;
- preserving open space; and
- providing adequate recreation facilities for residents.

Chapter

2

Goals, Objectives and Actions

A. CONSERVE CRITICAL LANDS. . .

including the open spaces that define our landscape legacy, and critical environmental areas.

Fishkill has large tracts of open spaces that contribute to the Town's natural beauty, in addition to numerous environmentally sensitive areas and significant ecological communities. In the public opinion survey, Fishkill residents identified the preservation of open space and scenic beauty as two of their top priorities. We cannot preserve all remaining undeveloped land as open space. However, in accordance with the mandate of an overwhelming majority of Fishkill residents, we must explore ways to protect open space lands to maintain Fishkill's scenic beauty, natural environment, and quality of life. We should collaborate with public and private entities in Fishkill and in other communities to adopt long-term strategies to preserve these natural areas.

An ecological community is a group of plants and animals that share a common environment. A "significant" ecological community is one that is either rare in New York State or is an outstanding example of a more common natural community when compared to others in New York State.

The right of first refusal provides the Town with the option to acquire the property on matching terms in any case where a sale or development is proposed. While the agreement remains in place, the Town and the landowner explore preservation options, including purchase of development rights, transfer of development rights, fee simple acquisition, and conservation subdivision.

1. Objective: Protect and preserve large open space parcels in public and semi-public ownership for Fishkill residents and for future generations.

a. Explore designating significant open space as identified on Map 2, as a Recreation District that permits only recreational and educational uses, agriculture, and forestry.
b. Encourage coordination and collaboration with the Town of Wappinger and the Town

A "Critical Environmental Area" (CEA) is a special designation under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR). CEAs are designated by either the Town Board or Planning Board as areas that have unique or exceptional characteristics. A CEA designation does not change the zoning or permitted density of an area. It alerts the Planning Board that this is an area with unique characteristics so the Board can design the project to ensure that impacts to the area are minimized.

of Philipstown to identify common shared resources and work to formulate a plan for preservation that is in the best interests of all participating municipalities.

c. Work with private landowners to include other parcels within the Town in Preservation efforts.

2. Objective: Promote use of conservation easements and other mechanisms to acquire and preserve important open space lands in perpetuity.

a. Identify significant open space parcels that should be permanently protected and consider funding measures, such as an open space bond act, contributions (Payment in Lieu of Taxes [PILOT]) from tax exempt entities, or a real estate transfer tax, for purchase of development rights or fee simple acquisition of these parcels.
b. Consider hiring a professional grant writer to pursue funding available from county, state and federal government agencies for open space and recreational land acquisition, such as the County Farmland and Open Space Program, the State Purchase of Development Rights Program, the Federal Forest Legacy Program, Federal Wetlands Reserve Program, and Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund.
c. Work with the Dutchess Land Conservancy and others to find ways for landowners to use limited development techniques, such as reduced densities in residential subdivisions, as an alternative to full build-out.
d. For properties identified for protection, consider entering into an agreement that provides the Town with a right of first refusal to purchase a given property outright, or to purchase the property's development rights.

The conservation overlay district would apply to areas where important environmental resources are located and would be designed to protect, enhance or restore significant natural features and the ecological connections between them. The standards for the district should be based upon the carrying capacity of the land so that development is compatible with natural resources, and should be designed to preserve and protect ecosystems in their entirety to the greatest extent possible by minimizing fragmentation of the landscape.

A conservation subdivision follows a five-step design process:

1. Map all natural resources.
2. Calculate development yield under current zoning, excluding from the calculation wetlands and other natural resources.
3. Locate house sites away from natural resource areas, but provide each house with proximity to or a view of adjacent open space areas.
4. Draw in street alignments and walking paths, linking together the houses, providing access to an outside street, and (if possible) providing views of the open space preserve.
5. Draw in lot lines around the housing sites.

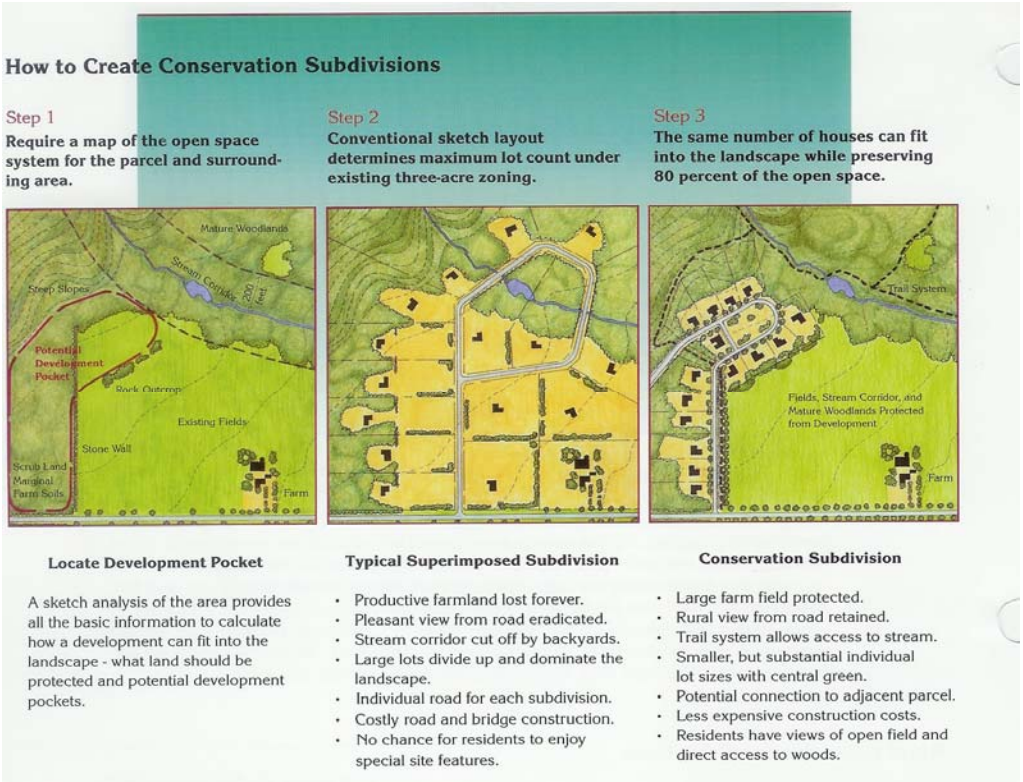
3. Objective: Enact Critical Environmental Area (CEA) designations to help protect significant ecological communities.

a. Consider designating as a CEA the significant ecological communities on the Fishkill Ridge, at the mouth of the Fishkill Creek, and the two floodplain forests, as identified by the NYS DEC Hudson River Estuary Program on Map 3.
b. Consider including significant natural/ecological community areas, as identified on Map 4, in the CEA designations.
c. Encourage the Planning Board to obtain additional information on significant ecological communities as this information is updated by the NYS DEC Natural Heritage Program (see Map 4).
d. Use SEQR to develop all practical means to avoid or mitigate

adverse environmental impacts of proposed development projects on the unique or exceptional characteristics of a CEA, and on all sensitive environmental resources, prior to approval by the Planning Board or any other agency.

e. Enact a conservation overlay district with standards to promote environmentally sensitive development in areas with significant ecological communities, as identified on Map 3.

f. Recommend the use of non-invasive native species in new landscaping for projects reviewed by the Planning Board in the conservation overlay district.



Source: *Greenway Guides*

4. Objective: Utilize state-of-the-art conservation planning techniques to protect important environmental resources and create a connected network of green space throughout the community.

a. Amend the current methods for density yield calculations in the Zoning Law to exclude wetlands and steep slopes, and streams when calculating density in conventional subdivisions and conservation (cluster) developments. This will result in a "net buildable area" based on the carrying capacity of the site.

b. Consider replacing the average-density section of the Zoning Law with a section on conservation subdivision design that reflects the recommendations of *Greenway Guide A1*, as illustrated below. Designate conservation subdivision as a permitted use.

c. Adopt design guidelines that incorporate patterns illustrating conservation subdivision design.
d. Amend the Zoning Law to require conservation subdivisions when the site involves important environmental resources.
e. Recommend that open space in new subdivisions be large contiguous tracts that maintain connections among habitats, protect areas with exceptional biodiversity, create a "greenspace" network throughout the community, and provide recreational opportunities, rather than being just checkerboard "leftovers" of open space scattered throughout the development and the Town.
f. Adopt a local law that would allow the Town in its discretion to be a recipient of conservation easements.
g. Recommend that open space in conservation subdivisions be protected with conservation easements held by a local land trust or the Town.
h. Amend the Zoning Law to require that all community septic disposal systems or central sewage treatment plants developed as part of a conservation subdivision be subject to formation of a sewer district with management and operation by the Town of Fishkill.
i. Amend the Subdivision Regulations to require that applicants show all natural and cultural resources on a site and surrounding areas during the sketch plan phase of the review.
j. Include a requirement in the Zoning Law stipulating that Homeowner Agreements address the use of motorized vehicles on open space lands in conservation subdivisions.

Conservation subdivision design should be used when a site involves important environmental features such as: slopes of 15 percent or greater on 25 percent or more of the property; wetlands on large portions of the property; aquifer and aquifer recharge areas; municipal water supply watershed areas; flood-prone areas; NYS Protected Streams or a Town Designated Protection Area; Critical Environmental Areas; sites bordering designated Scenic Roads; sites where community sewer, community water, or community water and sewer are available or planned; historic structures and sites, scenic viewsheds and special features identified by the town; publicly owned or designated open space areas or privately owned designated natural areas; areas with rare vegetation, significant habitats or habitats of endangered, threatened or special concern species; mature forests over 100 years old or locally important vegetation; unique natural or geological formations; existing and potential trails, bikeways and pedestrian routes.

5. Objective*: *Ensure that infrastructure does not encourage sprawl.

a. Recommend that future developments reflect smart growth principles and seek to extend infrastructure into developed areas of the town that currently do not have such facilities in order to limit sprawl and lessen the impact on the environment.

A riparian area is the land adjacent to a stream. Preserving vegetation in this area is critical to maintaining a stream's water quality since vegetation prevents erosion, and large trees near the stream's edge shade the water which maintains dissolved oxygen for fish habitats.

B. PRESERVE SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES. . .

that are integral to the long-term health, safety and welfare of our residents.

Protecting open space allows for a number of ecological services to be provided by nature. Flood control, watershed and aquifer protection, oxygen production, natural pest and disease control, formation of topsoil, and erosion control are just a few examples of the services that are provided to the community, free of charge, simply because the forests, fields, and wetlands exist. Few if any human-made substitutes can supply the diverse array of benefits that flow from nature. Ecosystem values have been estimated to be as high as $7,924 per acre per year for wetlands and floodplains. These factors are extremely important from an economic, as well as an ecological perspective. However, essential natural resources such as aquifers, streams, wetlands, and wildlife habitats are endangered by the increasingly rapid spread of suburbia in Dutchess County. Fishkill's natural resources are integral to the long-term health, safety and welfare not only of its residents but also of neighboring towns and the region. We should ensure that these resources are protected for present and future generations, even as new development occurs.

The Metropolitan Conservation Alliance defines vernal pools as "*seasonal bodies of water that attain maximum depths in spring or fall, and lack permanent surface water connections with other wetlands or water bodies*." Vernal pools support populations of specialized species. They are of great interest to ecologists because, despite their small size, they are characterized by high productivity and a unique assemblage of species adapted to breeding in seasonally flooded wetlands.

1. Objective: Protect surface water quality and natural drainage areas.

a. Continue to work with the Wappingers Creek Watershed Committee and the Fishkill Creek Watershed Committee to develop intermunicipal watershed management plans to preserve the long-term health of these vital waterbodies.
b. Designate the Fishkill Creek and the Clove Creek corridors as Critical Environmental Areas.
c. Enforce the Town's Freshwater Wetlands, Watercourses and Waterbodies Law (Chapter 82) to assure compliance with the standards and requirements found therein to protect water resources, such as wetlands, streams, ponds, as well as trout spawning areas, etc.
d. Encourage restoration of native vegetation on previously disturbed lands in riparian areas.
e. Identify and map vernal pools on sites proposed for development in the Town. Strive for effective protection of vernal pools in accordance with the recommendations of the Metropolitan Conservation Alliances' *Best Development Practices.* Consider the adoption of a regulatory approach that respects private property rights and allows flexibility for property owners. Explore the use of incentives to encourage vernal pool protection.
f. Incorporate information on the Town's website that sheds light on the use of fertilizers, pesticides, and herbicides in areas adjacent to sensitive aquatic environments and over aquifers. Include information on how to protect these resources.

The Fishkill aquifer is the only sole source aquifer in Dutchess County and plays an important role in the regional water supply. A sole source aquifer is one that supplies 50 percent or more of the drinking water for an area. Contamination of a sole source aquifer would pose a significant hazard to public health. Land uses in aquifer and aquifer recharge areas should be carefully regulated to permit maximum recharge and to protect water quality. Land use densities should be carefully matched to the carrying capacity of the land so that groundwater quality is maintained.

2. Objective: Protect the quality and quantity of groundwater that the Town depends on for its present and future water supply needs.

a. Designate the new wellhead area at Red Schoolhouse Road and Cynwyd Road a Critical Environmental Area.
b. Consider the adoption of an Aquifer Overlay District for the Fishkill aquifer and recharge areas.
c. Require conservation subdivision design for residential subdivisions in the Aquifer Overlay District to reduce the amount of impervious surfaces.
d. Prohibit use of infiltration basins over aquifer and aquifer recharge areas unless surface water quality flowing into the infiltration basin is of sufficient quality that groundwater will be protected.
e. Adopt performance standards (such as the need for enclosed buildings or structures) for the storage of fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides, salt and coal to ensure provision has been made to prevent seepage of these substances into groundwater.

An infiltration basin is a shallow impoundment that is designed to infiltrate stormwater into the soil. Infiltration basins use the natural filtering ability of the soil to remove pollutants in stormwater runoff. However, some studies have shown relatively high failure rates compared with other stormwater management practices. Infiltration basins are not recommended over aquifer and aquifer recharge areas due to concerns about groundwater contamination.

3. Objective: Improve stormwater quality by reducing pollutants that enter surface water and ground water, and by using natural processes as much as possible rather than engineered structures.

a. Encourage the use of innovative stormwater management techniques such as those that increase local infiltration rates, reduce runoff from impervious surfaces, improve groundwater recharge, and reduce flooding and pollution problems for new development and for retrofits, whenever possible, as described by the Low Impact Development (LID) Center at www.lid-stormwater.net.

Scientific research has demonstrated that habitat fragmentation (dissecting large blocks of habitats into smaller fragments through road construction, subdivisions, and forest clear cutting) causes many species to disappear. Research has also shown that this process can cause human health problems. A study published in the February 2003 issues of the scientific journal *Conservation Biology*, demonstrates that reductions in small mammal diversity stemming from forest fragmentation leads to increased incidences of Lyme disease in humans.

4. Objective: Reduce impacts of development on steep slopes.

a. Strengthen the Town's steep slope ordinance. Establish performance standards that control development based on the carrying capacity of the land.

5. Objective: Protect areas rich in biodiversity.

a. Train Town Conservation Board members in bio-diversity assessment by encouraging them to participate in training programs offered by Hudsonia and the NYS DEC Hudson River Estuary Program.
b. Where appropriate, ensure that adequate effort is being expended, using appropriate techniques—to assess significant species and habitats on parcels proposed for development.

c. Refer to Metropolitan Conservation Association publications during the review of development proposals.

6. Objective: Encourage use of native plant species for landscaping, and discourage the use of invasive species.

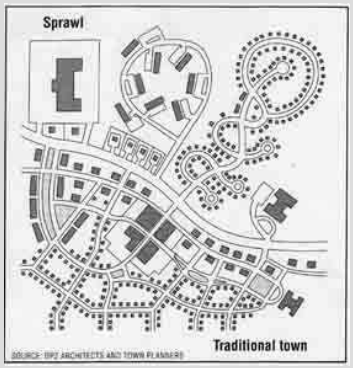
a. Provide information about native and invasive plants and make it available at Town Hall and on the Town's website.
b. Recommend that all new landscaping for projects reviewed by the Planning Board make use of non-invasive native plants.
c. Landscape all Town-owned properties and "Welcome to Fishkill" signs with non-invasive native plants.
d. Encourage the County and the State (both NYS DOT and the Thruway Authority) to plant native species along roadways, in roadway medians, and on other lands under their ownership or management.

7. Objective: Preserve existing trees where possible and require the planting of new trees when appropriate.

a. Amend the Zoning Law to include a section on tree and topsoil removal, grading and excavating that would establish regulations for any recontouring of land and removal of trees or topsoil (with the exception of sustainable forestry management) by requiring site plan approval, based on performance standards, from the Planning Board.
b. Request that Dutchess County Department of Planning and Development map significant stands of forest, five acres and greater in size, as a tool for the Planning Board.
c. Recommend the integration of existing forested areas and significant trees into site plans for new residential and commercial development.
d. Recommend that woodland buffers along scenic roadways be preserved to the greatest extent possible during site plan and subdivision review.
e. Amend the Subdivision Regulations to give the Planning Board greater flexibility in determining the appropriate spacing of street trees (based, for instance, on the posted speed limit, width of the road, and other factors), and revise the regulations to require planting of urban tolerant trees. Provide applicants with a list of appropriate street trees that meet these requirements.

Street trees should be tolerant of pollution, heat and salt, be strong enough to require little maintenance, and be insect and disease resistant. The following urban tolerant street trees are recommended:
Little-leaf Linden
Thornless Honey Locust
Red Oak
Regent Scholartree
Hackberry
London Plane Tree
Green Ash
Village Green Zelkova
Gingo (male only)

Cul-de-sacs funnel all traffic onto arterials that become easily congested (top). This often results in large public expenses that could be avoided if drivers used a residential street network for local trips. Unconnected streets force cars, delivery vehicles and trash haulers to backtrack after making deliveries or pickups, and this can increase traffic, inconvenience residents and waste gas.



A connected street network with short blocks (bottom) encourages walking and bicycling and provides multiple routes that disperse traffic. Connected roads also have an improved emergency response time and are likely to have lower refuse and snow removal costs.

f. Work with New York State Department of Transportation (NYS DOT), the County Department of Public Works, the Town Highway Department and local public utilities to minimize cutting of street trees.
g. Encourage NYS DOT to plant street trees along NYS highway buffers and medians.
h. Recognize and honor individuals and companies that take the lead in planting and protecting trees.

C. CONNECT PEOPLE AND PLACES. . .

with a network of roads, sidewalks, pedestrian paths, and bicycle trails to reduce traffic congestion and enhance quality of life.

In the public opinion survey, 76 percent of respondents agree that paved shoulders and other pedestrian facilities should be provided in the town, 63 percent believe that bicycle lanes and paths should be developed, 64 percent want to encourage development that is not auto dependent, and 58 percent believe that more public transit should be provided.

In the public opinion survey, 87 percent of respondents identified traffic congestion as a major problem in Fishkill. However, widening congested roads to accommodate traffic is not a long-term solution because traffic expands to fill the available road space. An axiom of transportation planning is that or "if you build them, they will come." Instead, we should create multiple routes and means for people to get around. Residential neighborhoods should have pedestrian access to nearby shops, restaurants, parks, and other conveniences. Streets should be connected to provide multiple routes to destinations, and should have short blocks to minimize walking distances. A network of shared pedestrian-bicycle trails that link neighborhoods and encourage travel options should be planned and developed throughout the Town. To encourage alternative modes of transportation, traffic-calming measures, such as well-defined crosswalks, curb extensions, and narrower roads, should be used to create a safe environment for people traveling on foot or bicycle. Compact, mixed-use development should be permitted in designated areas of the Town so people are encouraged to walk to destinations, and public transit should be encouraged as an alternative to the automobile.

A "complete street" is one that is safe and convenient for all users, including motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians.

1. Objective: Connect streets and neighborhoods to improve traffic circulation and safety, and encourage walking and bicycling.

a. Integrate new roads with the existing street network. In new subdivisions, require roadway connections to existing streets and adjacent neighborhoods wherever feasible. Discourage cul-de-sacs and dead-ends.
b. Create connections between existing cul-de-sac streets and adjacent areas in the community to provide additional points of access and allow choices for drivers, bicyclists and pedestrians to take on their way to a particular destination.
c. Discourage the creation of gated communities, which create breaks in the street network.

2. Objective: Connect neighborhoods with paths, sidewalks, and bicycle lanes to encourage walking and bicycling and reduce traffic congestion.

a. Create off-street walking and bicycling paths as opportunities arise to link residential neighborhoods with each other and to nearby commercial sites.
b. Create pedestrian networks and crosswalks for all commercial development and redevelopment to create connections to shared parking, public transportation, walking between stores, and to nearby residential neighborhoods. Require and plan for the installation of sidewalks and pedestrian paths during site plan review.
c. Amend the Zoning and Subdivision regulations to require that all new site plan and subdivision applications include provisions for "complete streets" with sidewalks, pedestrian paths and, where appropriate, bicycle lanes. Sidewalks should be provided where density is appropriate (generally ½ acre lots or smaller), where they connect people with destinations and can provide a pleasant experience, and where they link to other sidewalks.
d. Consider the potential for pedestrian and bicycle movements when authorizing road building and improvement projects, especially when specific destination points are involved, such as connecting schools and parks with residential areas.
e. Request that DOT install sidewalks on both sides of Route 52 from the Town Hall to the Village of Fishkill, and from the Village of Fishkill to the former A&P Plaza.
f. Request that DOT install raised crosswalks and crosswalk signals along Route 52 where traffic lights are located, and in areas where there are significant destinations such as public schools, parks, places of worship, and other community gathering places.
g. Encourage the provision of on-street bike lanes and marked bike routes on collector roads and State and County highways consistent with any applicable NYS DOT standards for bike lanes and curbs.
h. Work with other involved agencies to produce a weatherproof bicycle network map and make it available in Town Hall, at the libraries, and in the schools.
i. Work with other involved agencies to install "Bikes Share the Road" signs, where appropriate, along bike routes throughout the Town.
j. Require bike racks for commercial sites, parks, schools, and public facilities.

The number of trips people take on foot has dropped by 42 percent in the last 20 years.

In the 1970s, 60 percent of youngsters walked or rode their bikes to school, but today only 14 percent do.

"*We build communities with no sidewalks, and then we wonder why our kids don't walk to school*."
James O. Hill
Univ. of Colorado Health Services Center

Trails provide recreational opportunities, create travel corridor habitat for wildlife, and supplement local transportation systems. As a linear open space resource, trails often become a cherished part of a municipal park system.

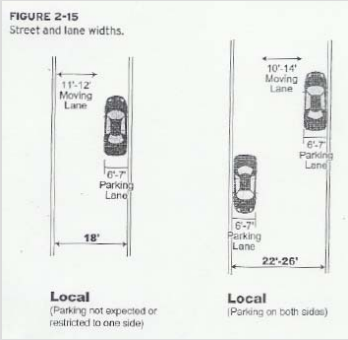
3. Objective: Create a greenway trail along the Fishkill Creek to connect parks, neighborhoods and other important sites in the Town, and enhance opportunities for recreation and alternative ways of getting around.

a. Secure easements to allow for public access in the 50-foot "no-build" area along Fishkill Creek.
b. Require dedication of land along the Fishkill Creek as parkland under NYS Town Law § 277.4 during subdivision review, or use recreation fees to acquire and manage "creekfront" lands.
c. Pursue funding from the Hudson River Valley Greenway and TEA-21 to develop the Fishkill Creek Trail.
d. Work with the City of Beacon to extend the Fishkill Creek Trail to the Hudson River.
e. Work with the Village of Fishkill to extend a trail along the portion of the Creek that runs through the Village on the east side of Route 9.
f. Connect the Fishkill Creek Trail with the Greenway Trail along the Hudson River and the County Rail Trail in East Fishkill.

4. Objective: Connect the community with a town-wide network of hiking trails and bicycle paths that link residential neighborhoods, parks, shopping areas, and regional trails.

a. Create and adopt a hiking, biking and walking trails map as an official Town map and display it in Town Hall for use by the public and the Planning Board during the review of subdivision and site plan applications. Begin by mapping existing trail easements as the basis for creating a network of connected trails throughout the Town. Identify where trails should ideally be located, and ensure that new trails connect with existing trails on Stony Kill Farm, Mount Gulian, Scenic Hudson Land Trust lands, and other properties, and with regional trails including the Greenway and Blueway Trails and the County Rail Trail.
b. Work with developers to create segments of hiking, biking and walking trails identified on the Trails Map during the subdivision and site plan review of affected parcels.
c. Require open space preservation linkages in the design of new subdivisions wherever potential linkages are possible.
d. Utilize conservation easements for hiking trails and bicycle paths and adopt a local law so the Town can be a recipient of conservation easements, when determined appropriate.
e. Prohibit use of motorized vehicles on established trails, and install removable bollards at trail/roadway intersections to discourage such use.

"Traffic calming" is a general term for designing new streets or retrofitting existing streets to slow vehicle speeds. This can be as simple as striping for bicycle lanes or as comprehensive as a compete makeover of a street with landscaping and wider sidewalks.



Recommended road widths for a residential street serving fewer than 150 units. Source: "Residential Streets"

Designing for narrower roads is also a traffic calming technique. Our current road standards date to World War II when people were concerned about evacuation during a nuclear attack. These standards are often designed to make streets faster for cars, rather than safer for people. Wide, straight roads enable higher traffic speeds and signal to drivers that it is safe to drive faster. Conventional streets are designed to accommodate traffic speeds of 15 miles per hour faster than the posted speed limit. Studies have found a direct correlation between the width of a road and the number of pedestrian fatalities. Narrower roadways, as recommended by *Residential Streets*, discourage speeding and reduce vehicular accidents and pedestrian fatalities.

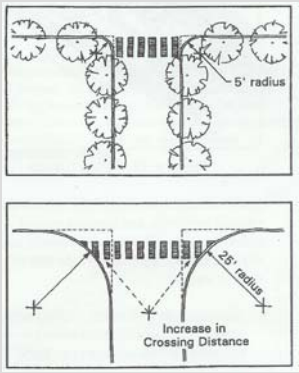
Many of the most popular neighborhoods share some basic characteristics. They are attractive, walkable, and locate homes close to work, entertainment, and schools. They offer a variety of housing options, and have parks and green space. These are the features of a traditional neighborhood.

5. Objective: Connect commercial sites to improve transportation efficiency, safety and movement.

a. Require that developers create internal service roads and interior access to connect parking lots on all future commercial development and redevelopment along Routes 9, 9D, 52, and 82.
b. Consolidate commercial entrances on roads where possible and use internal service streets as an alternative access.

6. Objective: Apply traffic calming measures to reduce speeding and create a safe environment for pedestrians and bicyclists where necessary and appropriate.

a. Encourage future development to conform to the recommendations of publications like *Residential Streets* published by the Urban Land Institute, National Association of Home Builders, American Society of Civil Engineers, and Institute of Traffic Engineers or *Street Design Guidelines for Healthy Neighborhoods* published by Walkable Communities Inc., in consensus with emergency services and the school districts.
b. Consider traffic calming techniques on streets in the commercial districts with curb extensions, neck downs, on-street parking, and well-defined textured or raised crosswalks.
c. Consider narrowing overly wide existing residential streets by providing sidewalks, bicycle lanes, and/or planting strips and street trees, where appropriate. Consider narrowing excessively wide commercial streets, where appropriate and feasible, by adding landscaped center medians and on-street parking.
d. Consider the use of on-street parking in new residential subdivisions to slow traffic, provide a buffer between traffic on the road and pedestrians on the sidewalk, and reduce impervious surfaces. Multi-family developments should consider the use of on-street parking in preference to creating separate parking lots where appropriate. Allow on-street parking to count as part of the parking requirement.
e. Consider the use of a tighter turning radius at intersections to create shorter distances for pedestrians crossing the street and slow turning speeds for cars.
f. Discuss with local fire officials whether emergency services can adopt a policy to purchase and/or utilize equipment that supports initiatives to reduce the size of emergency response vehicles and other equipment, which might allow for opportunities to develop narrower roads in subdivisions.



Corner radius distances should be as short as possible to decrease crosswalk widths and slow turning vehicles. Where a 5' radius produces a 35' crossing distance, a 25' radius creates a 75' crosswalk.

A recent survey conducted by Smart Growth America and the National Association of Realtors asked prospective homebuyers if they would rather live in a large lot neighborhood where they would depend entirely on cars to get around or in a more compact neighborhood with schools, shops and restaurants nearby. Sixty percent chose the compact neighborhood.

National Survey on Communities, October 2004

7. Objective: Connect people and places with public transit.

a. Address the potential for public transit during Planning Board review of proposed residential and non-residential development.
b. Create additional park-and-ride lots.
c. Coordinate with Regional Transit Authorities and adjoining communities to improve regional transit services.

8. Objective: Reduce the number of automobile trips by permitting compact, mixed-use development in identified areas of the Town to encourage walking and public transit.

a. Encourage the development of small-scale neighborhood shops, such as corner stores that provide goods and services geared towards the neighborhood, within walking distance of residential areas and ensure that they are well-designed and fit with the neighborhood character in accordance with the provisions of the town code covering such uses.
b. Expand opportunities under the code to encourage additional small scale shops and corner stores in areas subject to redevelopment.

The national trend for smaller household size is reflected in the Town of Fishkill. In 1970, the average household size in the Town was 3.29 persons. By 2000, that number had declined to 2.35 persons per household. Household sizes are expected to continue to decrease as a result of more single-person and single-parent households and the aging of the baby boom generation, which is resulting in a greater number of empty nesters. These trends are expected to be long term and will be reflected in the housing market. Assuming that real incomes remain the same, smaller households mean there will be less demand for large-lot, single family homes and more demand for smaller, less expensive housing. The increase in the number of elderly and middle aged adults in Fishkill creates more demand for housing types that require minimal maintenance.

D. ENSURE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DIVERSITY

by providing a full range of housing types and sizes and encouraging use of "green building" techniques to reduce utility costs.

The most vibrant and successful communities are the ones that actively take a role in maintaining diversity. As Fishkill grows, we should ensure that it continues to provide a variety of housing types and sizes to encourage a socially and economically diverse community, and permit people in all stages of life to remain in the neighborhood. The provision of quality housing for people of all income levels in the community is a key part of any smart growth strategy. Individual neighborhoods should incorporate a variety of housing types suitable for a broad range of lifestyles—including singles and empty nesters, families with children, retirees, and people just entering the workforce—rather than serving only one household type and income group. Homes should use "green building" technology such as efficient building materials and energy efficient heating and cooling systems to minimize environmental impacts, reduce utility costs, and increase long-term affordability.

Cottage developments provide housing for people who want smaller homes.

1. Objective: Accommodate the housing needs of a broad spectrum of community residents so that our local workforce, senior citizens, first time homebuyers, and the children of residents can afford to live in Fishkill.

a. Encourage the development of a variety of housing types and sizes in the same neighborhood, including single-family, two-family and accessory dwellings, cottage dwellings and multi-family units, live-work units and garage apartments. Ensure compatibility with community character and ensure compliance with the town's Affordable Housing Law and the Senior Housing Law.

2. Objective: Encourage use of efficient building materials and energy efficient heating and cooling systems ("green building" techniques) to conserve natural resources and reduce utility costs.

a. Adopt a Green Building Guidebook that describes energy-efficient and environmentally sensitive building techniques. The Guidebook would explain potential cost savings and other benefits of using such techniques. Recommend that developers undergoing subdivision or site plan review consider the Guidebook's techniques.
b. Encourage that projects developed with public funding, including all Town projects, make use of green building techniques. Such projects would serve as both models and test cases for private development.
c. Make information available to development applicants on the State's Green Building Tax Credit program, and strongly support and encourage applications for use of the credit.
d. Encourage use of solar heating and geothermal heating and cooling for individual development projects.

The Scenic Roads Program would include policies for assuring the protection and enhancement of scenic roads, such as preserving the tree canopy, stone walls, hedgerows, significant old trees, and other important elements in the roadside scenery, restricting signage and inappropriate fencing, and encouraging tree planting.

The Hudson Valley Scenic Roads Program has nominated Route 9D for scenic road designation. Route 9D from the Putnam/Dutchess County line to the City of Beacon has been nominated for Class A Scenic Road status for its excellent views of the river and mountains, while the portion of the roadway from the City of Beacon to the intersection with Route 9 is recommended for Class B Scenic Road status.

E. EMPHASIZE SCENIC AND HISTORIC STEWARDSHIP. . .

to enhance Fishkill's unique sense of place.

Fishkill has a distinctive character defined by its ridgelines, scenic roads and viewsheds. Its historic structures and sites are tangible reminders of our town's rich cultural heritage. These features contribute to Fishkill's unique sense of place. They provide pleasure, foster civic pride, and attract positive development. We should emphasize scenic and historic stewardship to protect and enhance these features as development occurs.

Source: *Greenway Guides*

Development off a side road system (top) preserves views from the main road, unlike the same number of house lots facing the frontage (bottom).

1. Objective: Protect the scenic beauty of the ridgelines that contribute to Fishkill's unique character.

a. Consider adopting a Ridgeline Protection Overlay District with siting, landscaping and design standards to protect the scenic character of the Town's ridgelines.

2. Objective: Protect and enhance the aesthetic quality of scenic roads.

a. Create an inventory of roads that have significant natural, cultural and scenic resources and include the inventory as an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan.
b. Encourage homes in new subdivisions to be placed off side roads or shared driveways, screened from the public view, rather than lining scenic roads with house lots.
c. Work with the NYSDOT and Stonykill Environmental Center to encourage developers to screen new homes from view along the Breakneck and Stonykill sections of Route 9D.
d. Identify and map scenic vistas and viewsheds that should be protected from intrusive development.

3. Objective: Preserve and commemorate significant historic and archaeological structures and sites.

Fishkill has five sites on the State and National Register of Historic Places, including Dutchess Manor, Bannerman's Island Arsenal, Stony Kill Farm, VanWyck-Wharton House, and the Mount Beacon Incline Railway and Power House. Other structures, such as the Brinckerhof House, Kip House, and the Whitefield House, may be eligible for listing.

a. Work with the Town Historian to develop a comprehensive inventory of all historic properties in the Town, including historic properties of national, State and local significance.
b. Nominate historic buildings for State and National Register designation. Where historic structures do not qualify for such designation, work with the Town Historian to consider criteria to govern local designation of sites.
c. Allow adaptive re-use of historic structures to help preserve them by permitting a broader range of uses, such as bed and breakfasts or tourist guesthouse operations, provided that the re-use is subject to performance standards as part of Special Use permit requirements (which include protection of the historic structure).
d. Preserve archaeological resources by carefully considering sensitive archaeological zones identified by New York State and local archaeologists during the SEQR reviews of proposed developments. File newly discovered archaeological sites with the State Archaeological Survey for inclusion in its database.

Sidewalks should be at least 5 feet wide to permit couples to walk side by side. Planting strips should be located between the sidewalk and the curb to separate cars from pedestrians and allow room for street trees and snow storage. Street trees provide shade and protect pedestrians on the sidewalk. These features, in addition to the narrower roadway, provide a more attractive and livable street than the one pictured below.

e. Work with representatives of New York State, the Federal government and interested parties to purchase or otherwise preserve portions of the historic Fishkill Supply Depot lands that remain undeveloped and explore how these lands can best be used to commemorate the activities that occurred on these hallowed grounds, especially those lands where gravesites of former soldiers have been identified.

F. CREATE GATEWAYS. . .

that welcome visitors to our Town and define Fishkill as a quality community.

The entrances to our town along the main roadways establish the first impression people have of Fishkill. These gateways should define our town as a quality community. Travelers along these corridors should be welcomed to Fishkill.

1. Objective: Preserve the existing rural and scenic character of Route 9D and Route 9 at the entrances to the Town to maintain the "town and country" character and to distinguish Fishkill from neighboring municipalities.

a. Preserve existing vegetation as much as is practicable and create berms where necessary to conceal development from the main corridors into the Town and preserve the rural and scenic quality of these roadways.
b. Recommend cluster subdivision of lands along Route 9D with development sited away from the highway and a generous conserved buffer along the roadways.
c. See additional recommendations in "Scenic and Historic Stewardship" above.

"We have given a disproportionate amount of our street space to vehicles, and the time has come to start giving some of it back to the pedestrians from whom it was taken."
William H. Whyte

2. Objective: Welcome visitors to Fishkill.

a. Work with civic organizations and local businesses to install and landscape the "Welcome to Fishkill" signs proposed for the entrances to the Town with non-invasive native species. Encourage a local gardening club or civic organization to maintain the plantings.
b. Identify areas where additional "Welcome to Fishkill" signs could be installed.

G. CREATE GREAT PLACES FOR PEOPLE. . .

Including neighborhoods and streets that encourage walking and social interaction, and parks and trails that provide opportunities for active and passive recreation.

The street is our most important public space, but too often it is designed with only cars in mind. Residential neighborhoods should be designed to create streets and other common areas that encourage walking and foster interaction between neighbors. New development should reflect a human scale, emphasize pedestrians, and preserve open space that defines the neighborhood. Natural areas should be incorporated into site design by creating public greens and pocket parks in high-density areas and by preserving tracts of contiguous open space in outlying areas. Green space, in the form of local parks, community gardens, parks and greenway trails, should be

New roads should be designed to enhance scenic character and the rural appearance of the community. Wide asphalt roads should be avoided. Width should be no greater than necessary for safe movement of motor vehicles, and should incorporate traffic calming techniques to encourage safe driving and pedestrian use. Road layout should avoid impacts to adjoining properties and should respect and preserve the topography, stonewalls, flora and other natural features.

provided to expand opportunities for year-round passive and active recreation to meet the needs of a growing population and provide quality of life for individuals of all ages.

1. Objective: Design neighborhoods with streets that are vital public spaces and are safe for pedestrians and cyclists, not just cars.

a. Require that road width is no more than is required for anticipated traffic volume and amend the Zoning and Subdivision Regulations to require sidewalks, planting strips between sidewalks and the curb, street trees, and on-street parking, as recommended in *Greenway Guide B2*.
b. Encourage developers to design residential buildings with an orientation towards people, rather than cars, with front porches and recessed garages to create a pleasant walking environment and encourage social interaction.
c. Allow the Planning Board to have the flexibility to modify the front yard setback in specific zoning districts under controlled circumstances to include a "build-to line" that defines a maximum front yard setback, rather than a minimum front yard setback, to define the public realm of the street.
d. Require that setbacks of new homes be aligned with those of existing homes in infill development.

2. Objective: Design parks as lively community gathering places with a variety of activities for people of all ages and strong connections to the surrounding neighborhoods.

a. Develop a long-range master plan for the development of parks and recreational facilities in the Town. Assess whether additional recreational lands and facilities will be needed to serve future population growth in accordance with the Town's build-out. Determine whether the Town's current recreation fees are sufficient to accommodate the recreational needs of future growth.
b. Enhance and redevelop existing parks with funds from recreation fees. Include flower gardens, shade trees, public art, benches, restrooms, playing fields, large open areas for kite flying and picnicking, and walking paths that connect the various attractions and destinations throughout the park. Use traffic calming measures in the vicinity of parks so people can safely walk to them and, where park edges adjoin busy streets, create a buffer to create an enclosed space.
c. Wherever possible, provide opportunities for visual and physical public access to the Hudson River.
d. Continue to develop a network of trails and greenways throughout the Town, wherever possible.

For over more than three decades, Project for Public Spaces has studied parks and community gathering places to determine what makes a successful public space. Their research has discovered that great parks have four characteristics. They:

1. Improve connections to surrounding streets and neighborhoods, and make it easy for people to walk to and through the park.
2. Are safe, clean, and have a choice of conveniently located places to sit.
3. Have a wide variety of uses—the more activities the better—so both men and women of different ages and backgrounds can use the park throughout the day and, ideally, throughout all four seasons. The more a park is used the safer it is.
4. Are places that bring people of the neighborhood together, where people come to meet friends, and where they feel comfortable interacting with strangers. Sociability is fostered by special events, gathering places that accommodate a variety of activities, and amenities that encourage social interaction, such as a grouping of benches and small cafés with outdoor seating. People feel ownership and a sense of pride in the park, and volunteer to maintain it.

Source: How to Turn a Place Around: A Handbook for Creating Successful Public Spaces, by Project for Public Spaces.

3. Objective: Engage the community in planning, funding, developing and maintaining parks.

a. Prepare a park plan that identifies suitable uses and the best design for new parks that the Town develops. The design process should include public involvement, with ideas for the park coming from the residents who will use it.
b. Consider establishing a neighborhood stewardship program to maintain parks and ensure their safety.
c. Provide opportunities for the creation of "adopt a garden" programs for seniors and neighborhood children to plant and maintain gardens in the parks.
d. Encourage planting of memorial trees and installation of park benches to commemorate a person's life.
e. As opportunities present themselves, create public/private partnerships to manage and maintain parks and to schedule special events such as festivals, outdoor exhibits, nighttime movie screenings, and performances.

H. PROMOTE GOOD DESIGN OF THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT. . .

to foster a distinctive, attractive community and stimulate private investment.

As Fishkill grows, the Town should ensure that new development enhances, rather than detracts, from the appearance of the community. Elements of the built environment, such as architecture, signage, lighting, parking, and the layout of development, have a lasting impact on a community's sense of place. When well designed, these elements can enhance the visual quality and aesthetic character of the Town. Well-designed development projects can be enjoyed by residents for 100 years or more. But when done poorly, they can diminish quality of life for that same time period, and worse yet, can damage the economic fabric of the community. When applicants are provided with clear direction about a community's preferred designs at the beginning of the approval process, before extensive engineering and design work has been conducted, they are more likely to build projects that have community support. By clarifying a community's preferred designs, controversy over development proposals is minimized and the approval process is simplified and streamlined. The result is high quality design that creates enduring value and builds civic pride.

Section 150-1.1 of the Fishkill Code states that the *Greenway Guides* supplement other land use policies in the Town, and agencies should take the *Greenway Guides* into consideration when reviewing a project.

Section 149-3 of the Fishkill Code establishes a Town policy that new or amended land use laws and regulations should be consistent with the *Greenway Guides*.

1. Objective: Give developers clear direction about the type of development the community desires, in order to expedite the review process and achieve high quality design that enhances and builds on Fishkill's heritage.

a. Refer applicants to review the *Greenway Guides* in the planning of all development proposals.

b. Adopt a clear commercial design standard to supplement the *Greenway Guides* with drawings and photographs that illustrate designs that are acceptable to the community, in order to assist developers, design professionals, and the Planning Board with the review and approval of commercial projects.

Fully shielded fixtures, such as the "light-structure green™" stadium fixtures shown on the right, minimize light spillage on adjacent properties. Since they are more energy efficient, they are also less expensive to operate.

2. Require that new commercial development enhances the Town's character and reflects vernacular site layout and historic architectural styles.

a. In the design standards for commercial development, emphasize architecture that complements human scale and historic setting, use of traditional building materials such as wood, stone or brick for façade treatments (and/or environmentally-friendly "green" building materials that closely resemble traditional materials), and traditional architectural styles and rooflines.
b. Discourage corporate franchise architecture. Require that commercial franchises and chain stores develop designs that are consistent with local character (as illustrated in the design standards) and enhance the sense of place.
c. Discourage "big box" designs surrounded by asphalt. Permit traditional neighborhood development as an alternative.

Design-based codes have emerged recently as an alternative to the traditional zoning method. They are based on the premise that form is more important than function when designing a community. Design-based codes illustrate how the street should be designed, where the buildings should be located in relation to the street, where parking should be located on the lot, and architectural features such as front porches. A design-based code can be used to create traditional neighborhoods with tree-lined streets, sidewalks, and homes marked by character.

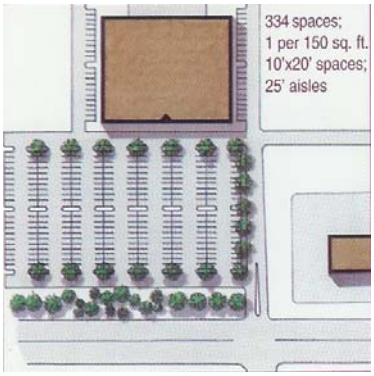
3. Objective: Develop standards for lighting to enhance community character.

a. Amend the Zoning Law to include the recommendations of *Greenway Guide E5* on lighting to prevent glare, protect the night sky, reduce energy waste, and enhance the Town's nighttime character. Consider including lighting standards based on the Illuminating Engineering Society of North America (IES) and International Dark Sky Association recommendations. Use the same concepts for public street lighting.
b. Recommend that lighting levels comply with the recommendations of the IES for playing fields.

4. Objective: Ensure that adequate but not excessive off-street parking is provided for residential and commercial development, and that parking lots are designed to enhance the appearance of the community.

a. Revise the Town's parking standards to conform to the National Parking Association's recommendations, which will result in less asphalt, less runoff, and more space for landscaping. Establish both minimum and maximum parking requirements. Require that applicants who wish to exceed the maximum requirement balance the increase with enhanced landscaping, screening and innovative design.

b. Amend the Zoning Law to incorporate the recommendations of *Greenway Guide E3* on parking lot design and layout. The emphasis in parking lot design should be on dispersion on a site to reduce impacts.



This proposal for a 50,000 sq. ft. store would require 334 parking spaces based on the Town's current outdated parking standards. The result is an unattractive "sea of asphalt" that can blight a neighborhood and add to the urban heat island effect that raises surrounding air temperatures.

Under the standards recommended by the National Parking Association, only 200 parking spaces would be required. Breaking up the parking into two areas further reduces the parking lot sizes and allows room for more landscaping and for smaller stores along the road to screen the parking lot and create a more pedestrian-friendly development. More parking areas with fewer spaces in each are aesthetically more pleasing than single large lots.

Source: *Greenway Guides*

c. Adopt additional standards to screen parking lots from roads and adjacent residential uses. Require planting of trees, shrubs and generous landscaping within and surrounding parking lots.

5. Objective: Begin retrofitting existing commercial strips and adjacent areas as traditional neighborhoods.

a. Identify areas along Routes 9, 9D, 52 and Merritt Boulevard where existing zoning designations may need to be changed to allow innovative development techniques, such as traditional neighborhood development, that is appropriate in size and scale for the Town, and consider adopting a Traditional Neighborhood Overlay District (TN-O) for these areas (see Map 5 for general locations).

b. Consider adopting a design-based code with clear standards, photographs, and illustrations so developers know in advance what criteria will be applied to projects in these areas. Ensure that neighborhoods are village-like in form and scale, and include open space, trails, and a pedestrian friendly environment. Provide a streamlined approval process (such as defining projects that comply with the code as permitted uses) to encourage landowners and developers in the TN-O to follow the design-based code.

Redevelopment of a Residential Suburb as a Traditional Neighborhood

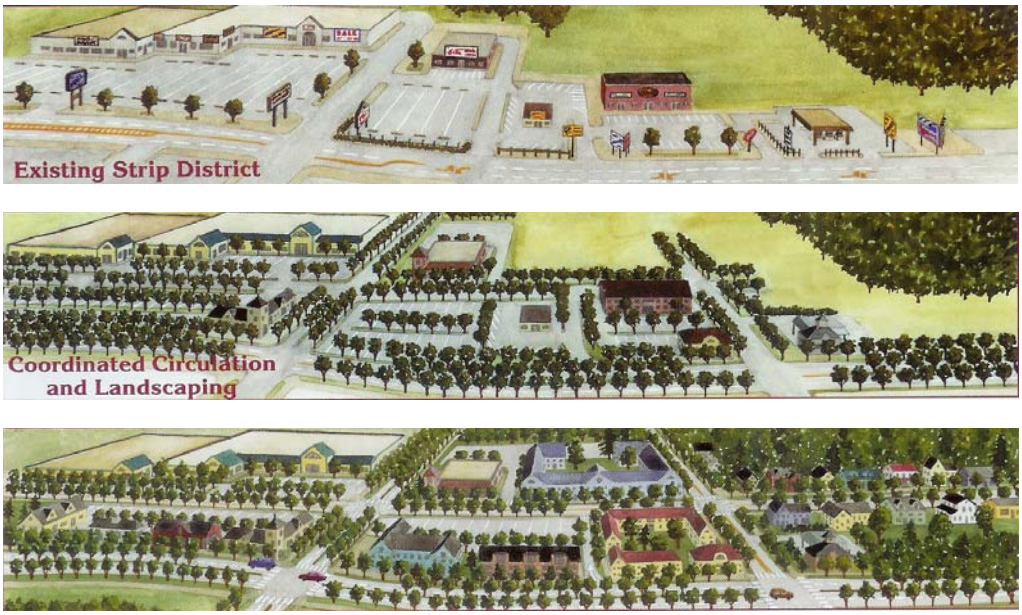
1. Existing conditions.

2. Add crosswalks and sidewalks.

3. Locate homes close to each other to encourage walking, and close to the road to define the street as a public space.

4. Add street trees and pedestrian amenities, such as benches.

c. Request that Dutchess County Planning and Development develop small area plans for the redevelopment of large commercial malls. Emphasize the creation of a Main Street environment by filling in the fronts of large parking lots with small, closely spaced or attached storefronts to build a walkable street frontage with courtyard parking behind, as recommended in *Greenway Guide C1* (illustrated below). Permit residential development on upper stories of these buildings, and require transit stops at these sites. Consider adopting a design-based code to permit and encourage development as planned, and adopt a Generic Environmental Impact Statement (GEIS) to expedite the review process.



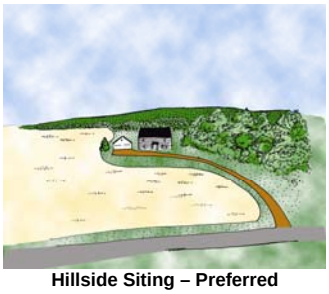
Source: *Greenway Guides*

A long-term redesign program can gradually transform commercial strips into mixed-use centers with each successive site plan application. With buildings up front, attractive architecture, wall signs and sidewalks can be featured along the street, rather than parking lots and large signs.

6. Objective: Ensure that new residential development fits into its natural surroundings, rather than being superimposed as a dominant element of the landscape.

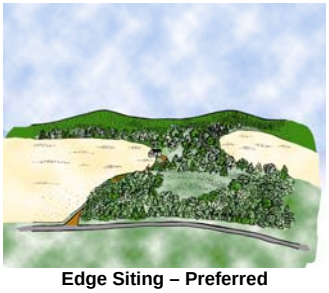
a. Amend the Zoning Law to incorporate the recommendations of *Greenway Guides A1* and *A2* on fitting new subdivisions into the natural landscape and preventing strip subdivisions. Provide applicants with design guidelines that illustrate conservation subdivision design.
b. Adopt guidelines for siting homes around a site's natural features. To fit development into the landscape, buildings should be placed on the edges of fields or woods, or on the slopes of ridges and hills, as illustrated below:
c. Prohibit clear cutting of building sites. Preserve as much existing vegetation as possible in all new developments to create a more established look in new neighborhoods.
d. In new subdivisions, discourage the conversion of indigenous plant life on a site to manicured lawns and gardens using non-native and/or non-indigenous plants by providing educational materials to residents and newcomers.

Hilltop Siting – Avoid



Hillside Siting – Preferred

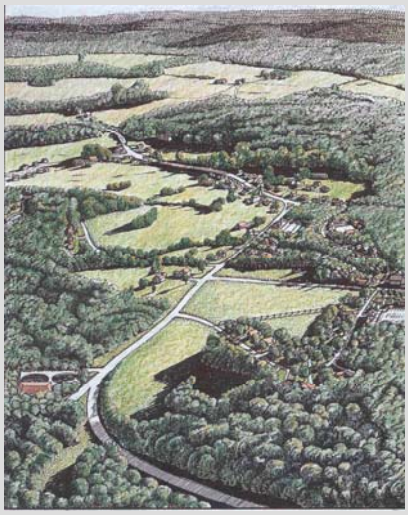
Forest Fragmentation – Avoid



Edge Siting – Preferred

Buildings should be integrated into the landscape. Situating a home in a highly visible location, such as the middle of a wooded area or the crest of a hill, intrudes on the rural landscape and detracts from scenic views.

Conventional development spreads homes over the land on large lots.



Conservation subdivision fits the same number of homes into the landscape.

7. Objective: Ensure that new residential subdivisions are designed as pleasant, walkable neighborhoods.

a. Encourage front porches that open onto the street during site plan and subdivision review and amend the Zoning Law to prohibit "snout houses" where the garage is the main architectural feature and dominates the view from the street.
b. Adopt design standards that govern the location of garages, as illustrated below, to hide the car and create a pedestrian-friendly environment.
c. Permit tandem garages, where one car is parked behind another, to reduce the impact of garages from the street.

Different siding and roof treatments create visual interest and individualize each unit.

Townhouses with garages accessed from a laneway. This type of development creates a walkable street frontage.

d. Require that multi-family developments be designed as row houses with garages accessed by rear alleys, or as garden courts with buildings
e. For multi-family development, provide design standards that illustrate how each unit should be defined by architectural detailing and/or different roof or siding treatments.
f. Require that underground utility boxes be screened or be located fully below ground.

Multi-family developments can be designed as "garden courts" with buildings facing a green and parking located to the rear. . .

Front porches on homes located close to the street encourage walking and socializing.

This type of development disconnects the house from the public realm and diminishes the pedestrian experience.

8. Objective: Encourage redevelopment and/or rezoning of abandoned and underutilized commercial properties, as well as former mining sites and other unique properties to allow mixed uses or traditional neighborhood development, with an emphasis on affordable/workforce housing and neighborhood scale commercial and institutional uses.

a. Identify abandoned and underutilized commercial properties, such as the former Dutchess Mall, Chelsea Industrial Park, and the Southern Dutchess Sand and Gravel (SDSG) mining property and work with the site owners to market these sites to prospective businesses and entrepreneurs. Identify other areas along Route 9 south of I-84 where the goals of the 1989 Plan may no longer apply and study other potential development uses that might address current pressing needs of the town.
b. Consider rezoning the Chelsea Industrial Park property for residential uses. The existing industrial structures, many of which are empty or abandoned, are outdated and in poor condition. The industrial park is no longer economically viable, as portions of the property have soil contamination issues that need to be mitigated and the surrounding properties have been developed as residential. By working with a motivated developer, the town can hope to see this site changed for the better and can reap the benefits of increased assessment for land that has fallen into decay, neglect and abandonment.
c. Explore the potential for redevelopment of sites such as the Southern Dutchess Sand and Gravel mining site on Route 9 in the southernmost portion of the town for multifamily residential. The site is nearing the end of its useful life as a mine and many of the site development costs could be substantially lower due to the fact the site is cleared and graded, and some areas have been reclaimed as a result of the mining operation. Such a site could prove to be an excellent place for a range of housing, including workforce or senior housing. The 1989 Town Development Plan Update specifically addressed the need for housing for lower and middle income families, as well as seniors and called for construction of such housing by the use of innovative zoning techniques that promote environmentally sensitive development where adequate infrastructure components, reduced land development costs and provisions for lower cost housing present themselves.
d. Consider residential development possibilities for the former Dutchess Mall, where mixed use development may add to greater utilization of the site and spur additional commercial development on parcels south of Interstate Route 84.

9. Objective: Regulate businesses that may have adverse impacts on the neighborhood.

a. Amend the Town's "adult entertainment" zoning regulations to include adult bookstores, adult video and/or novelty stores, and the like. It has been well established that these uses have secondary adverse effects on their neighborhoods and should be regulated to minimize secondary adverse effects. The Town should study the issue and then set specific minimum distances between the location of adult uses and land uses that are sensitive to their secondary impacts in accordance with the guidelines developed from case law by the U.S. Supreme Court.

b. Adopt a Zoning Law Amendment to restrict use of vacant commercial lots for permanent flea markets through the special use permit process and specific conditions.

I. STREAMLINE THE REVIEW PROCESS. . .

for projects that promote "smart growth."

To encourage smart growth projects we should streamline the review process to make approvals for smart growth projects more predictable, fair and cost effective.

1. Objective: Streamline the SEQR review and approval process for smart growth projects.

a. Develop small area plans for the redesign/redevelopment of large shopping malls, and adopt a design-based code as an innovative technique to facilitate new development.
b. Provide developers with design standards to expedite the review process.
c. Develop administrative policies and project review checklists for the Planning and Zoning Boards and applicants to expedite the review process. Post on the Town's website.

2. Objective: Continue and expand on the current collaborative land use process to streamline the review process, and improve a project's design.

a. The Town should continue to encourage its municipal officials and interested community members to attend the Community Leadership Alliance (CLA) Training Program, co-sponsored by the Pace University Land Use Law Center and the Glynwood Center, and should promote participation in other local training opportunities and initiatives.

The CLA provides training in collaborative leadership skills and land use law. Collaborative planning creates a permitting process that is less controversial, faster, easier, and less likely to result in litigation. The process includes early notification of neighboring landowners of a development proposal, and a description of the standards and criteria that will be applied to the project.

3. Objective: Ensure that municipal boards have the proper training to carry out the new planning and zoning requirements.

a. Request that Pace University or the Dutchess County Planning Federation conduct training sessions for the Planning Board and other Town Boards.
b. Require that Planning and Zoning Board members take the self-administered Land Use Training Program certification offered by New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal, Pace University Land Use Law Center, and the New York Planning Federation.
c. Provide training opportunities for the Planning Board and employees of the planning and zoning office in the effective use of SEQR, the *Greenway Guides*, innovative planning techniques and design principles that support community objectives and successful smart growth techniques. Inform new members of training obligations before they join.
d. Encourage the Planning Board to conduct tours of local examples of conservation subdivisions and traditional neighborhood developments (within practical and financial reason) so they can see these types of development first hand.

J. RAISE COMMUNITY AWARENESS. . .

about natural resource conservation efforts and "smart growth" development techniques that contribute to quality of life.

Putting smart growth principles into action requires changes to the way we think about development. We need to understand the broader consequences of the choices we make and how our actions can contribute to - or detract from - a vibrant, healthy community. Increasing our awareness of how "smart growth" contributes to quality of life is crucial to the successful implementation of the goals of the Comprehensive Plan.

1. Objective: Encourage various smart growth businesses and organizations to conduct workshops and provide educational materials to raise community awareness.

a. Consider using a combination of local public access television, newspapers, and the Town's website, for the purpose of raising community awareness about natural resource conservation efforts and "smart growth" development techniques. For example, focus attention on one major topic area for every four to six month period.
b. Encourage businesses and organizations to provide residents with information about green building techniques and its advantages, and encourage energy-efficient habits for individuals and households.
c. Use the Town's website to promote conservation "best practices."
d. Seek to educate residents about how to reduce stormwater runoff and maintain stormwater devices as part of overall educational efforts with respect to natural resource protection.
e. Encourage landowners in areas adjacent to sensitive aquatic environments and over aquifers to protect these resources.
f. Encourage businesses and companies to educate residents about Best Management Practices for septic maintenance and pump-outs to help prevent malfunctions, which could contaminate water resources or create other public health hazards.
g. Seek to involve residents and businesses in decisions about traffic calming and traffic dispersal efforts. Curb extensions, on-street parking, connecting streets, and other traffic calming and pedestrian-friendly techniques are not without consequence. Local residents and businesses should be consulted about the tradeoffs involved.
h. Inform the community about the importance and measurable benefits of habitat quality, diversity and connectivity.
i. Work with local businesses and organizations to provide information to homeowners about proper use of fertilizers, pesticides, and herbicides, and landscaping alternatives that do not require use of chemicals, such as non-invasive native plant materials as an alternative to lawns and gardens using non-native species.
j. Encourage the school districts to incorporate curriculum on the importance of planning, conservation, and development, and to include educational programs about the importance of environmental stewardship.

2. Objective: Recognize and honor individuals and companies that improve Fishkill's quality of life with smart growth projects.

a. Honor local citizens as well as developers who have done an outstanding job of protecting special scenic or historic resources, have made a distinctive contribution to the built environment with a model development project, or have demonstrated a commitment to conservation through planting and protecting trees, or donation of land or conservation easements.

K. COORDINATE WITH THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS. . .

when evaluating the benefits and costs of development.

Public schools are often the most expensive and complex governmental service in a community. The schools are a significant aspect of our community, and ensuring that we continue to have good schools will make an important contribution to our quality of life. If we do not encourage strong coordination between town and school planners, our ability to manage and finance the cost of education will be compromised. Joint planning to coordinate policies and decisions will enable school and town planners to minimize impacts of development on school capacity and costs as the Town grows, and ensure continuing quality education for our children.

1. Objective: Address potential impacts of development on school capacity and taxes.

a. Find ways for the Town and school districts to coordinate their policies and decisions.
b. Continue to designate the school districts as Interested Agencies in all development applications that would generate school children so the Planning Board and the school districts can address potential impacts on schools.
c. Use SEQR to identify and address school capacity issues, and require that proposals for major subdivisions be subject to a fiscal impact analysis as appropriate.
d. Explore contributions (e.g., Payments in Lieu of Taxes [PILOT]) for tax-exempt entities in the Town.
e. Encourage a diversity of housing types for people in all stages in life to reduce impacts of residential development on the school districts.

2. Objective: Site new schools within walking distance of residential neighborhoods.

a. Adopt incentive zoning provisions that would encourage developers to provide community benefits in exchange for identified incentives. For instance, a developer could be permitted increased density if he or she provided land for the development of a school (when need arises) in appropriate high-density residential neighborhoods.
b. Encourage the school districts to construct new schools (when need arises) within walking distance of high-density residential neighborhoods so children can walk to school and the cost of busing is reduced.

L. WORK COOPERATIVELY. . .

with neighboring municipalities on issues that span political boundaries.

Sensitive environmental resources are not subject to municipal boundaries. Development that occurs on one parcel of land or near a body of water can often affect what happens on adjacent parcels or areas. Similarly, one municipality's plans to enhance its community character can be adversely impacted by how development occurs next door or just over the municipal boundary. We must work with neighboring municipalities, so that our efforts to protect Fishkill's natural resources and community character will not be frustrated by the plans and actions of other agencies. We should cooperate with other municipalities on issues that span political boundaries, and should take an active role in helping to shape the plans and decisions of other agencies that affect our Town.

1. *Objective: Whenever possible, seek to develop and enact inter-municipal agreements with all neighboring municipalities to plan for conservation of natural resources that span municipal boundaries.*

a. Work with the Towns of Philipstown, Wappinger, East Fishkill, the City of Beacon, and the Village of Fishkill to create compatible, local regulations to protect such important resources as wetlands and floodplains, aquifers, watersheds, historic resources and scenic viewsheds, using the powers granted to the Town under Town Law § 284.
b. Consider the establishment of inter-municipal overlay districts to protect, enhance and develop community resources.
c. Continue to work with the Wappingers Watershed Committee and the Fishkill Creek Watershed Committee to develop intermunicipal watershed management plans to preserve the long-term health of these vital waterbodies.
d. Work with neighboring municipalities to designate the portion of the Hudson River in the Highlands as a "Scenic River" under the State Wild, Scenic and Recreational Rivers Act.

2. Objective: Work with neighboring municipalities to implement specific recommendations of the Comprehensive Plan pertaining to amenities for connecting people and places and enhancing community character.

a. Work with the City of Beacon to create a hiking and bicycling trail along the Fishkill Creek to the Hudson River, and with the Village of Fishkill on the portion of the Creek that runs through the Village on the east side of Route 9.
b. Work with the Town of East Fishkill to connect the Fishkill Creek Trail with the County Rail Trail.
c. Coordinate with neighboring municipalities to create consistent signage, lighting, and general redesign/redevelopment of Routes 9, 9D and 52 in accordance with the recommendations of *Greenway Connections.*

Chapter

3

Implementation

Implementation is one of the keys to a successful comprehensive plan. Updating the Fishkill Comprehensive Plan alone is not the end of the process. It is, in fact, just the beginning of what should be a vibrant, ongoing planning effort. Implementation will benefit the Town as a whole by raising the quality of life for all residents and making Fishkill a more attractive place to live, work, play and visit. The Plan will serve as the policy framework for a wide range of decisions concerning land use, development, design, and public investment priorities.

The Comprehensive Plan is designed to be the official statement of guiding principles for future conservation and development within the Town. For all future development applications in the Town of Fishkill, the Comprehensive Plan, along with recommendations found in the documents referenced therein, are considered to be the "guide" to be consulted for all applicable goals and objectives. Board approvals should fully consider the various enabling and guideline documents in order to secure the best types of projects that will bring maximum benefit for town residents.

If a proposed land use development application is found to be consistent with the Comprehensive Plan, as well as with such things as *Greenway Connections – Greenway Compact Program and Guides for Dutchess County Communities*, to the extent that it applies, then it can be determined by the authorizing board(s) that the project is in accordance with the official policies and shared vision for the future of the Town. Approvals of projects consistent with the Plan move the Town closer to its preferred land use goals.

The Town Board is ultimately responsible for conducting the SEQR review of the Plan and must issue either a Negative Declaration or a Positive Declaration prior to adoption. The Town Board must also consider applicable County agricultural and farmland protection plans created under the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law.

Once adopted, the Fishkill Comprehensive Plan must be filed in the office of the Town Clerk and a copy must also be filed in the office of the Dutchess County Department of

Planning and Development. It is further recommended that copies of the Plan be filed with the Village of Fishkill, all other surrounding towns, including those in Putnam and Orange Counties, as well as with the other government agencies whose plans were reviewed in the Plan, such as the New York State Departments of Transportation and Environmental Conservation, Dutchess County Departments of Health and Public Works and the Dutchess County Water and Wastewater Authority, Hudson River Valley Greenway, and the Town Planning Board, Zoning Board, Conservation Board, and Highway Department.

The Town Board must provide a maximum time interval for review of the Plan after it is adopted. The Plan should be periodically reviewed and amended as needs arise or as various economic indicators vary and as the demographics of the town and the region change in response to growth. It is recommended that the Town should review and/or update the Plan at least every five years to stay current with new land use development and business trends and population shifts. Further amendments can be accomplished by means of meeting minutes, resolutions, studies, reports, and other descriptive materials that may be adopted as part of the Town's overall Comprehensive Plan.

After adoption, the Town can begin to implement some of the changes that are recommended in the Plan. The Town Board has already made significant changes during the time this Plan has been formulated and completed. Passage of several important laws has taken place, laws dealing with issues that were identified as important by the public during the process.

The Plan must follow the specific adoption procedures found in §272-a of NYS Town Law. These include making the Plan document available to members of the public at the Town Clerk's Office at least ten days prior to the public hearings. Other locations such as libraries and posting the Plan on the Town's website may also be used for public review of the document. The Town Board must hold a public hearing prior to formal adoption of the Plan.

In 2003, Local Law No. 1 was passed, which established Chapter 82: Freshwater Wetlands, Watercourses and Water Bodies. The legislative intent of the law is to insure that activities in and adjacent to wetlands, watercourses and water bodies do not unduly impact the public safety, the natural environment or cause environmental degradation.

In 2003, Local Law No.4 was passed, which established the Senior Citizen Housing District, designed to expand affordable housing opportunities for senior citizens in the Town of Fishkill. This law encourages the development of moderately priced multiple dwelling units for senior citizens, ensuring that such developments provide a minimum of services and facilities to accommodate resident needs and to minimize detrimental effects on surrounding properties. The Senior Citizen Housing District is a floating zone that can be dropped over the RMF-5 (Residential Multifamily – 12 density units/acre), RMF-3 (Residential Multifamily – 8 density units/acre), PB (Planned business) and RB (Restricted business) zoning districts. Several developers have been able to successfully proceed through the approval process and have completed developments of which both the town and developer can be proud.

In 2004, Local Law No. 5 was passed, which established Article IXB – Affordable Housing Ordinance to provide guidelines, regulations and incentives for the development of moderately priced dwelling units for persons of low or moderate income levels. The Town has been successful in working with several developers to see an increasing and impressive number of such affordable units placed into the local housing market and restrictions placed on such units assure that all such units remain affordable in perpetuity.

In 2005, Local Law No. 14 was passed, establishing a new signage ordinance, which is consistent with *Greenway Connections* and is intended to encourage the use of signs as a means of communication, protect pedestrian and vehicular safety, protect property values, protect and enhance the aesthetic environment, and enhance the Town of Fishkill's ability to attract sources of economic development and growth.

In 2008 Local Law No. 12 was passed, establishing the Beacon Hills District, which was designed to regulate future development in the Beacon Hills section of the town. Originally platted as a seasonal bungalow colony of mostly long, narrow or overly small lots, Beacon Hills now primarily consists of year-round single family dwelling units. Located at the base of a mountain, decades of development have exacerbated numerous environmental issues with which the town has grappled, such as stormwater runoff, erosion, flooding, sewage disposal system leachate, inadequate water supply and broken water lines, and roads that contravene town code requirements.

In order to effectively deal with these issues, the town specifically crafted and established the Beacon Hills District, which requires substantial documentation from applicants wishing to develop in Beacon Hills. This effort is clearly a response by the town to protect and preserve the natural resources of that area, including the Fishkill Creek, as well as protecting the property rights of residents and deals with the pressures of development in an effective and proactive manner.

The Town has moved forward on its decision to construct a new recreation center for residents to enjoy. The facility will open in 2009, with roughly 15,000 square feet of recreation space, which includes a senior center and a full, high school level gymnasium and basketball court.

Many of the town parks have been upgraded and amenities such as lighting, concession stands and restrooms are either built or are in the process of being planned. Recreation fees paid by developers into the Parklands Trust Fund are used to upgrade baseball fields, basketball courts, as well as raise the overall quality of the parks for all of the residents.

The Town of Fishkill has always striven to be on the cutting edge of ideas and methods to stay in touch not only with the needs of its residents but also of the larger region surrounding the Town. Fishkill has a number of "firsts" to which it can point as a leader in good government and continues to look for new ways to save money while providing

up-to-date services for its residents. The Town officials will use all of the resources at hand to work with local citizens, businesses and developers to maintain the Town of Fishkill's ongoing reputation as a prime place in the Hudson Valley to live, work and play.

TOWN OF FISHKILL

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

MAPS

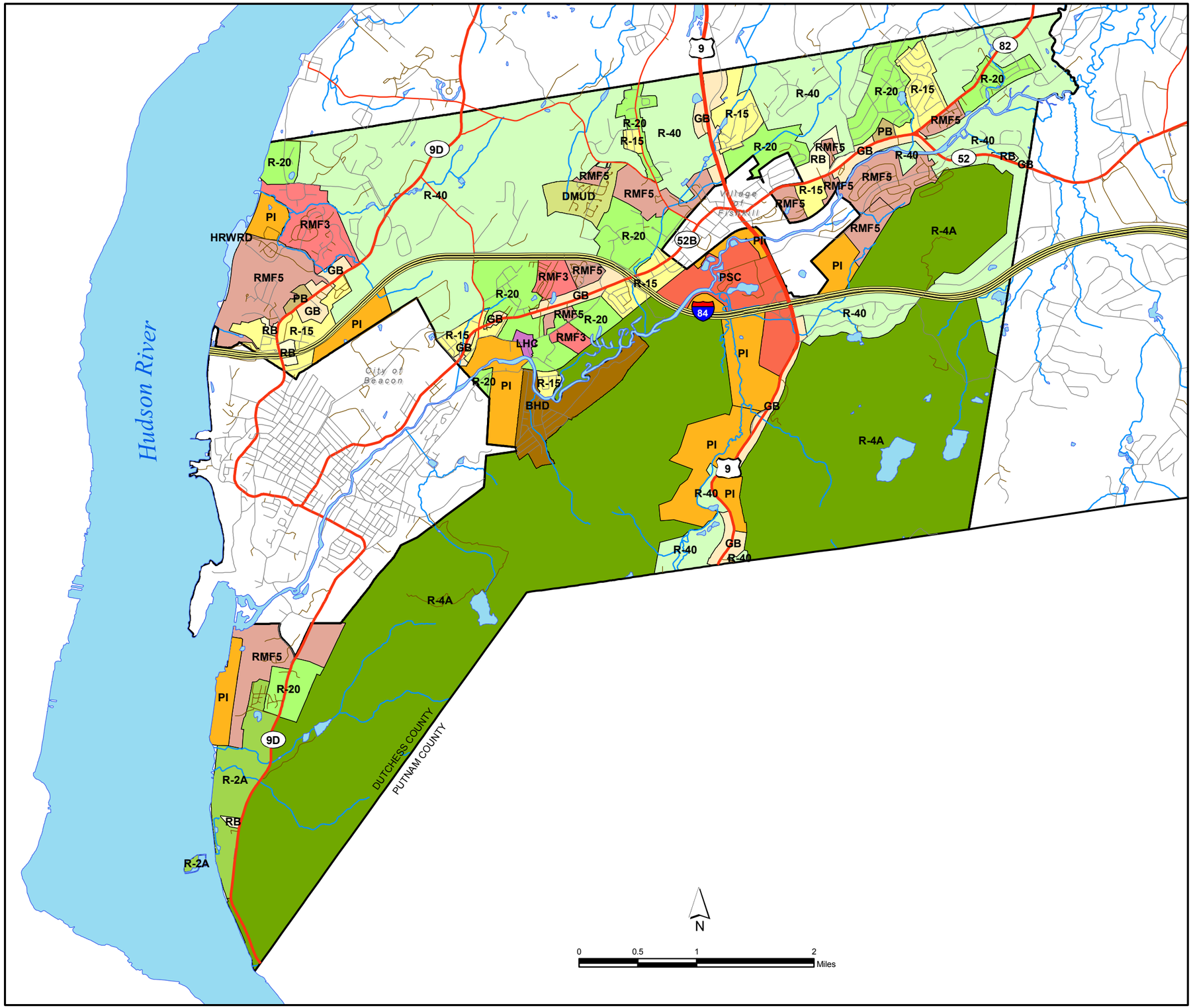
MAP 1 – CURRENT ZONING

MAP 2 – PROPOSED RECREATION ZONING DISTRICT

MAP 3 – SIGNIFICANT ECOLOGICAL COMMUNITIES

MAP 4 – SIGNIFICANT NATURAL COMMUNITIES AND IMPORTANT AREAS (with accompanying text)

MAP 5 - GENERAL LOCATIONS FOR TRADITIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD DISTRICTS



Map 1: Current Zoning

Town of Fishkill

Legend

- Streams
- Water Bodies
- Municipal Boundaries

Roads

- Local
- County
- Interstate
- Private
- State & US

Zoning - Town of Fishkill

- GB - General Business District
- RB - Restricted Business District
- PB - Planned Business District
- PI - Planned Industry District
- PSC - Planned Shopping Center District
- HRWRD - Hudson River Waterfront Recreation District
- LHC - Local Historic Center
- DMUD - Designed Multiple Use Development
- R-4A - Residential-4 Acres
- R-2A - Residential-2 Acres
- R-40 - Residential-40,000 SF
- R-20 - Residential-20,000 SF
- R-15 - Residential-15,000 SF
- RMF3 - Multi-Family Residential District
- RMF5 - Multi-Family Residential District
- BHD - Beacon Hills District

Data Sources:

Streams and Waterbodies: National Hydrography Dataset, U.S. Geological Survey, 2007

Municipal Boundaries: Dutchess County Real Property Tax Service, July 2008.

Zoning - Town of Fishkill: 1991; digitized by Dutchess County Planning and Development, 2004 (edits and Beacon Hills Overlay District by CCEDC GIS Lab March 2009)

Roads: Dutchess County Real Property Tax Service Agency, February 2009

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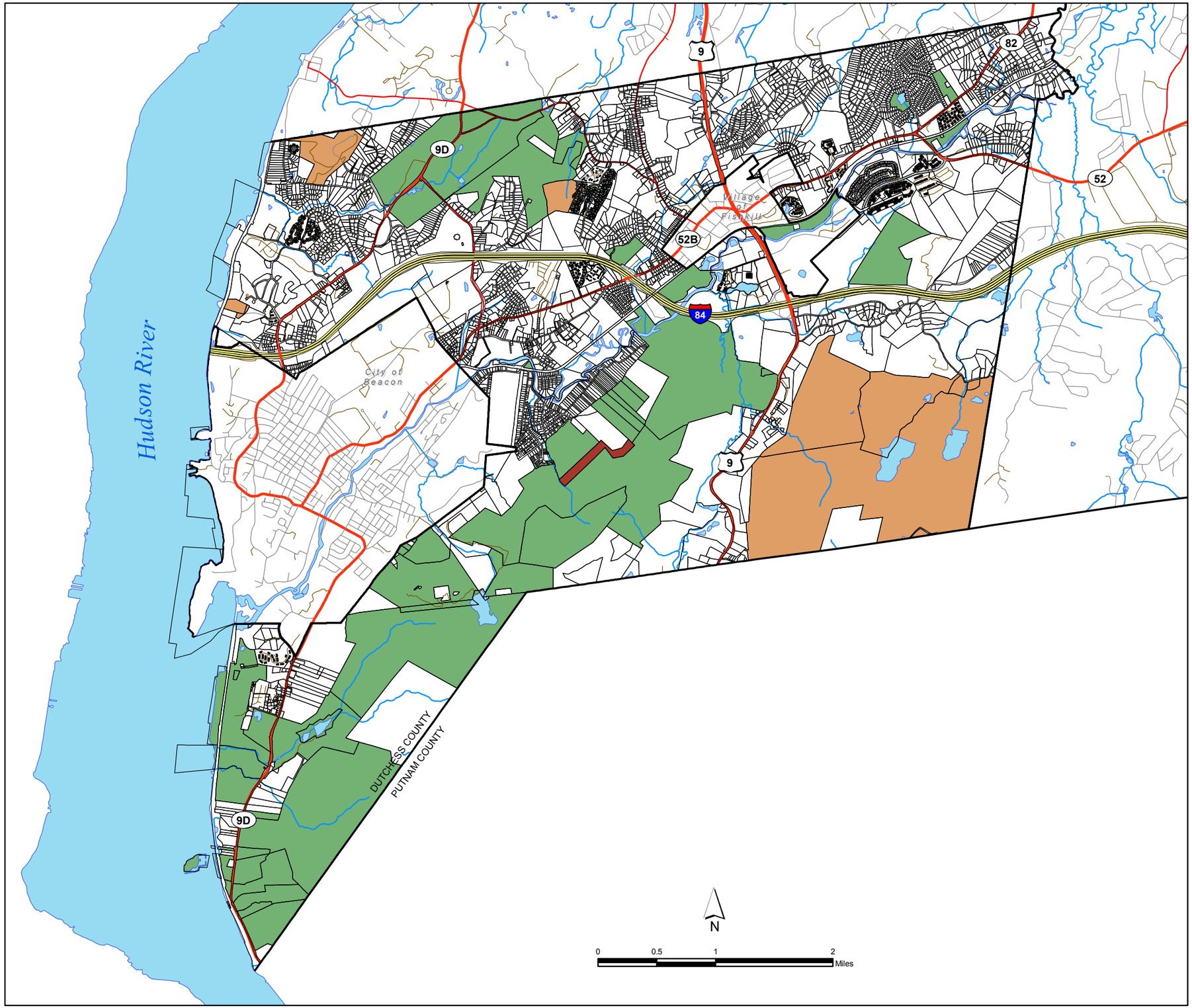

Map 2: Proposed Recreation Zoning District

Town of Fishkill

Legend

- Streams
- Water Bodies
- Parcels
- Municipal Boundaries

Roads
- Local
- County
- Interstate
- Private
- State & US

Recreation Parcels
- Private Owner
- Municipal and State Property, Scenic Hudson Property
- Unknown (no ownership record found)

Data Sources:

Streams and Waterbodies: National Hydrography Dataset, U.S. Geological Survey, 2007

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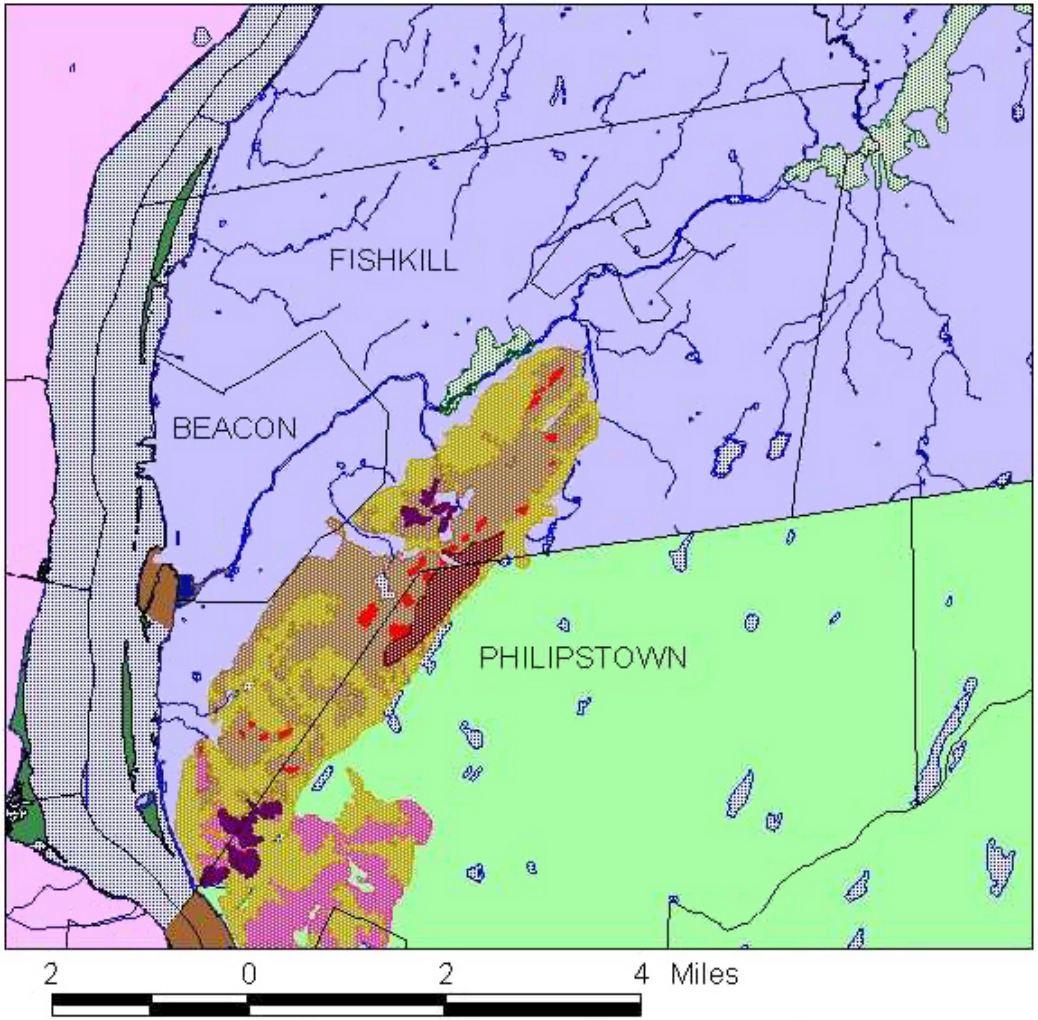
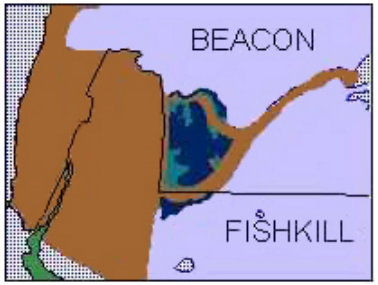
Map 3:
Significant Ecological Communities
Town of Fishkill



Close up of the Fishkill Creek Mouth, located primarily in the City of Beacon Scale 1:12,000



Legend

Hudson River Habitat
- Submerged Aquatic Vegetation

Fishkill, Breakneck and Scofield Ridge Habitats
- Acidic Talus Slope Woodland
- Appalachian Oak Hickory Forest
- Chestnut-Oak Forest
- Oak-Tulip Tree Forest
- Pitch Pine Oak-Heath Rocky Summit
- Red Cedar Rocky Summit

Fishkill Creek Habitats
- Brackish Intertidal Mudflats
- Brackish Tidal Marsh
- Migratory Bird and Migratory Fish Concentration Area
- Floodplain Forest

Waterbodies, 1:24,000
- Lakes and Rivers

Map created 4 March 2004 by Karen L. Strong, Hudson River Estuary Program, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation 845.256.3061
DATA SOURCES: Hudson River Habitat from NYS DEC; Other Habitat Data from NY Natural Heritage Program; Waterbody Data from Dutchess County; Basemap data from NYS Information Services

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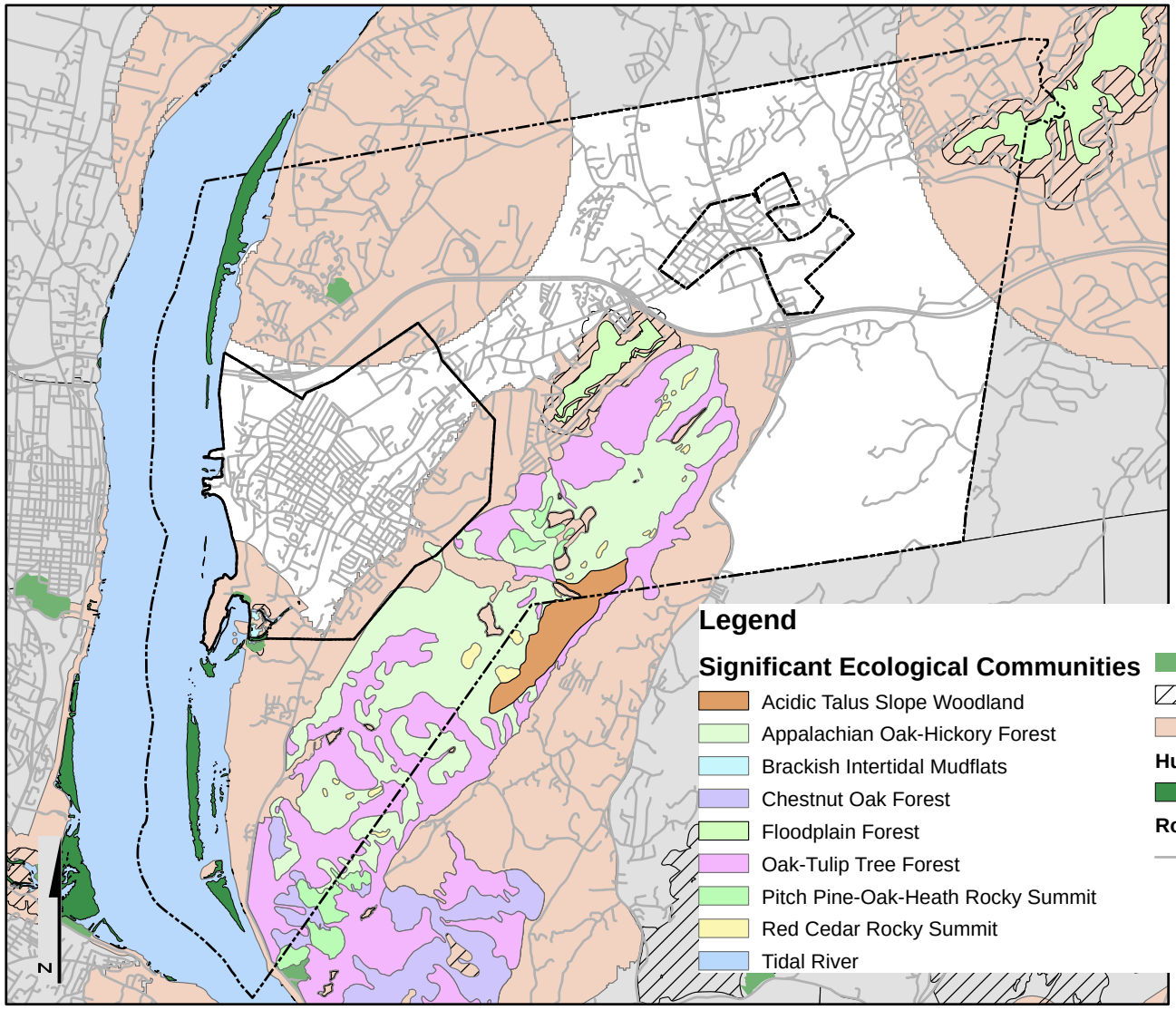
Map 4: Significant Natural Communities and Important areas for the health of rare plants, animals, and significant ecosystems in the Town of Fishkill, NY



This map shows significant natural communities and important areas for rare plants, animals and significant ecosystems in the Town of Fishkill. The habitats displayed here are not all of those present in the Town. Please refer to the accompanying text for more information about the resources displayed on this map.

The map should be used for planning purposes only, and does not replace the need for site specific surveys, such as those required for environmental review.

Hudson River Estuary

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This map was provided as part of DEC's Hudson River Estuary Program. For more information on this program please contact the Hudson River Estuary Biodiversity Outreach Coordinator at 845-256-3061.

Data Sources:
NY Natural Heritage Program,
NY State Department of Environmental Conservation,
NY State Deportment of Transportation

Map created 22 April 2009 by Karen Strong,
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Important Habitat in the Town of Fishkill

Map 4 and this text was provided to the Town of Fishkill for the purposes of completing the Town of Fishkill comprehensive plan. It updates a map supplied by DEC's Hudson River Estuary Program in 2005 that identified significant ecological communities and "buffer areas" in the Town. This document provides the same information, updated for 2009. The information in this document is limited to data from the New York Natural Heritage program, which is what the original map is based upon. The New York Natural Heritage Program inventories only rare animals, rare plants, and significant ecological communities, as described below.

It also identifies additional sources of information for high quality biological resources that have become newly available since 2005 and can be helpful for the town's comprehensive planning process or open space planning. The two most notable additions is a December 2005 map, analysis and report from Hudsonia Ltd "Significant Habitats of the Fishkill and Sprout Creek Corridors" and a 2006 report that describes the large significant biodiversity areas *Wildlife and Habitat Conservation Framework for the Hudson River Estuary Corridor*. The presence of significant biodiversity areas lets you know how habitats in Fishkill are a part of larger ecosystems in the Hudson Valley.

Map 4 contains nine significant ecological communities in the Town of Fishkill. "Buffer areas" are areas important for the health of known rare animals, rare plants, and significant ecosystems. They are based on known locations of the plants, animals, and ecosystems tracked by NYNHP and information about the needs of species and habitats and on the ground conditions. Because of the nature of important areas, a known location in one town often has an important area extending into an adjacent town. It happened on this map. In addition to the rare plants, rare animals, and significant ecosystems listed below, Important areas in Fishkill have summer roosting and foraging habitat for Indiana bat, a federally listed species.

Conservation
The new book Conserving Natural Areas and Wildlife in Your Community identifies many actions towns can take to raise awareness of and conserve its high quality natural areas. Links throughout this document bring you to conservation guides created by the New York Natural Heritage Program. These factsheets include more information about each rare plant, rare animal, and significant ecosystem listed here, including conservation issues. The conservation guide home page is http://www.acris.nynhp.org/.

Map 4 shows known habitat information for the Town of Fishkill. From those data, three priority areas emerged.

Hudson River and shoreline

The Hudson River is a vitally important tidal river habitat to a great variety of fish, invertebrates, and other wildlife, including a number of important recreational and commercial fish species. On land,

wetlands influenced by the tide are the most important river habitat. Of the tidal wetlands in Fishkill, the Fishkill Creek Mouth is the highest quality and largest extent. The tidal portion of the creek includes the mouth and the some upstream portions. In Fishkill and the City of Beacon, this area is an important spawning habitat for several species of migratory fish and an important winter and summer habitat for osprey, a NYS species of special concern. Significant ecological communities found there are the brackish tidal marsh and brackish intertidal mudflats, both rare habitats in New York State. Rare plants found there include the smooth bur-marigold and estuary beggar ticks. Historic records of rare plants in this area are the seaside goldenrod, heartleaf plantain, spongy arrowhead, quillwort, and American waterwort. Pied billed grebe use the marshes and bald eagles are found nearby.

The waters off Fishkill also contain important habitat. The Hudson off the shores of Fishkill is spawning habitat for the federally endangered shortnose sturgeon. Fishkill also has several submerged aquatic vegetation beds (also called SAV beds), shown in green on the map. SAV is very important habitat in the river, providing life supporting oxygen and habitat for invertebrate animals, which are an essential food source for fish and waterfowl that use the Hudson River Estuary.

New information
All of the tidal wetlands and other associated information can be obtained from Upper Hudson River Estuary Wetland Mapper CD, available upon request from the Hudson River Estuary Program. The Hudson River Estuary and Tidal Wetlands significant biodiversity area is described in Wildlife and Habitat Conservation Framework for the Hudson River Estuary Corridor. Fishkill is in the Mid-Hudson River Estuary.

Fishkill Creek
The Fishkill Creek mouth is a very high quality tidal habitat described above. Further upstream, two high quality floodplain forests cover almost 700 acres, and are shared with the Village of Fishkill and the Town of East Fishkill. The New York Natural Heritage Program estimates that 50% of New York's floodplain forests have been lost and that what is left is often small, which makes these examples particularly significant. Some of these areas along the Fishkill are NYS DEC protected wetlands, and a permit is required to make any alterations in the wetland or 100 foot buffer.

New information
In December 2005, Hudsonia Ltd., completed a map and report on habitats 3300 ft (1000 m) on either side of the Fishkill Creek. This report significantly adds to the knowledge base of habitats in the Town. Hudsonia biologists found several ecologically significant habitats that were not known by NYS DEC, several of which have the potential support rare plants and animals. Intermittent woodland (vernal) pools, calcareous wet meadow, and acidic bog are highlights. A copy of this report with maps and GIS database was delivered to the town in 2005.

Breakneck-Scofield-Fishkill Ridge
The ridges have the most number of significant ecological communities in town, with a mosaic of six. Most of the forests are Appalachian oak-hickory and oak-tulip tree, with small chestnut-oak forest and acidic talus slope woodland. There are also even smaller patches of pitch-pine oak heath rocky summit and red cedar rocky summit. Most of these forests are high quality examples when compared to other forests in the state – though oak tulip tree forest is a rare community, found mostly in southeast New York. The ridge is part of a larger forest area that stretches to the south into Philipstown and Putnam Valley. It is one of the largest forest blocks left in the Hudson Valley. The ridge is home to a number of rare wildlife species, including timber rattlesnakes, worm snakes, least bittern, peregrine falcons and bald eagles.

Additional information
The Breakneck-Scofield-Fishkill Ridge is the in the Hudson Highlands significant biodiversity area described in Wildlife and Habitat Conservation Framework for the Hudson River Estuary Corridor. The Hudson Highlands stretch from Pennsylvania to Connecticut and are significant for large, high quality forests, rocky ledges and associated wildlife. New England cottontail has been recently added to the NY Natural Heritage Program database for Fishkill in this area.

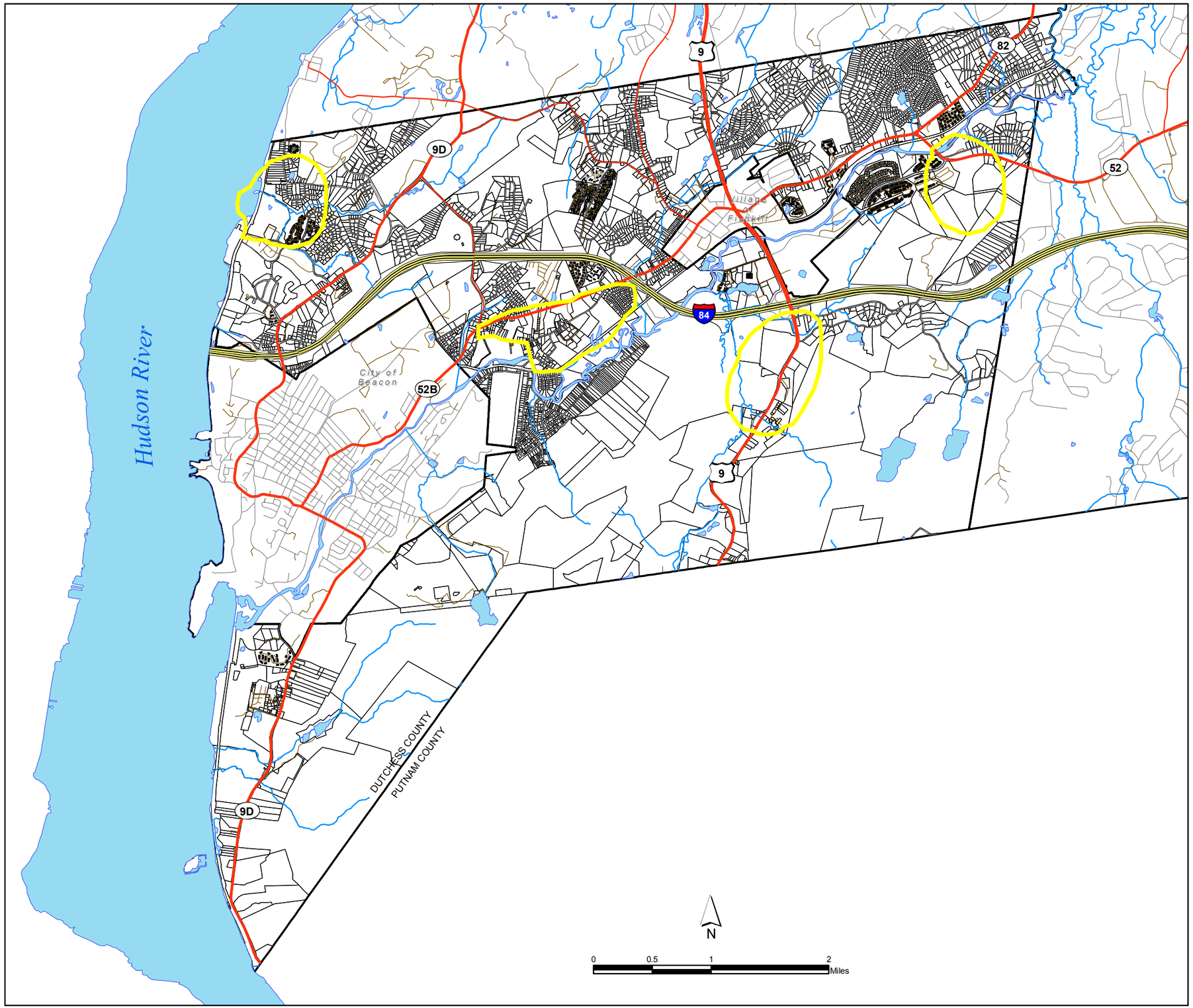
Important Habitat Outside of the larger areas mentioned above
Golden-seal, a rare plant known for its medicinal qualities, is also found in Fishkill.

New information:
Summer habitat for Indiana Bat found in neighboring towns generated important areas for the species in Fishkill. This means there may be significant habitat

The New York Natural Heritage Program
The New York Natural Heritage Program is a joint program of the Nature Conservancy and NYS DEC. They are also part of a continent-wide network of natural heritage programs called NatureServe. NY Natural Heritage works throughout New York State to identify rare plants and animals as well as significant ecological communities, which might be rare or of exceptionally high quality when compared to other examples in the state. None of the habitat types carry any legal designation.

Map 5:
General Locations for Traditional Neighborhood Districts

Town of Fishkill



Legend

- Streams
- Water Bodies
- Parcels
- Traditional Neighborhood Districts
- Municipal Boundaries

Roads
- Local
- County
- Interstate
- Private
- State & US

Data Sources:

Streams and Waterbodies: National Hydrography Dataset, U.S. Geological Survey, 2007

Traditional Neighborhood Districts: Designated by Town of Fishkill

Parcels: Dutchess County Real Property Tax Service,January 2009

Municipal Boundaries: Dutchess County Real Property Tax Service, July 2008.

Roads: Dutchess County Real Property Tax Service, February 2009

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The Town of Fishkill appointed local residents to serve on the Comprehensive Plan Update Committee (CPU Committee). The CPU Committee's job is to prepare a plan for Fishkill that will be shaped by community participation. We request that you take a few minutes to answer the questions below. Your answers will guide the CPU Committee to create a better plan for our community. Thank you!

See last page for mailing, or dropping off your questionnaire, or completing your questionnaire online!

#1. Select from the options below to show your relationship to the Town of Fishkill and Village of Fishkill. If you live in the Village, you are also a resident of the Town of Fishkill (check all that apply):

__ I live in the Town of Fishkill full-time; __ I live in the Town of Fishkill part-time;

__ I live in the Village of Fishkill, which is in the Town of Fishkill

__ I rent a home, condominium, or apartment in the Town of Fishkill; __ I work in the Town of Fishkill;

__ I go to school in the Town of Fishkill; __ I own a commercial property in the Town of Fishkill;

__I own a business in the Town of Fishkill; __ I own a home in the Town of Fishkill;

__ None of the above; __ I prefer not to answer; __ Other (specify): _____

_____

#2. Refer to the attached map. Which of the following areas of the Town of Fishkill do you **live near** (check all that apply):

__ Glenham; __ V/o Fishkill; __ Rombout; __ Brinckerhoff/Dutchess Park; __ Dutchess Junction;

__ Lomola; __Castle Point/9D corridor; __ Merritt Boulevard; __ None of the above;

__ I do not recognize any of the above; __ I prefer not to answer; __ Other (specify): _____

_____

#3. Refer to the attached map. Which of the following areas of the Town of Fishkill do you **go to** (check all that apply):

__ Glenham; __ V/o Fishkill; __ Rombout; __ Brinckerhoff/Dutchess Park; __ Dutchess Junction;

__ Lomola; __Castle Point/9D corridor; __ Merritt Boulevard; __ None of the above;

__ I do not recognize any of the above; __ I prefer not to answer; __ Other (specify): _____

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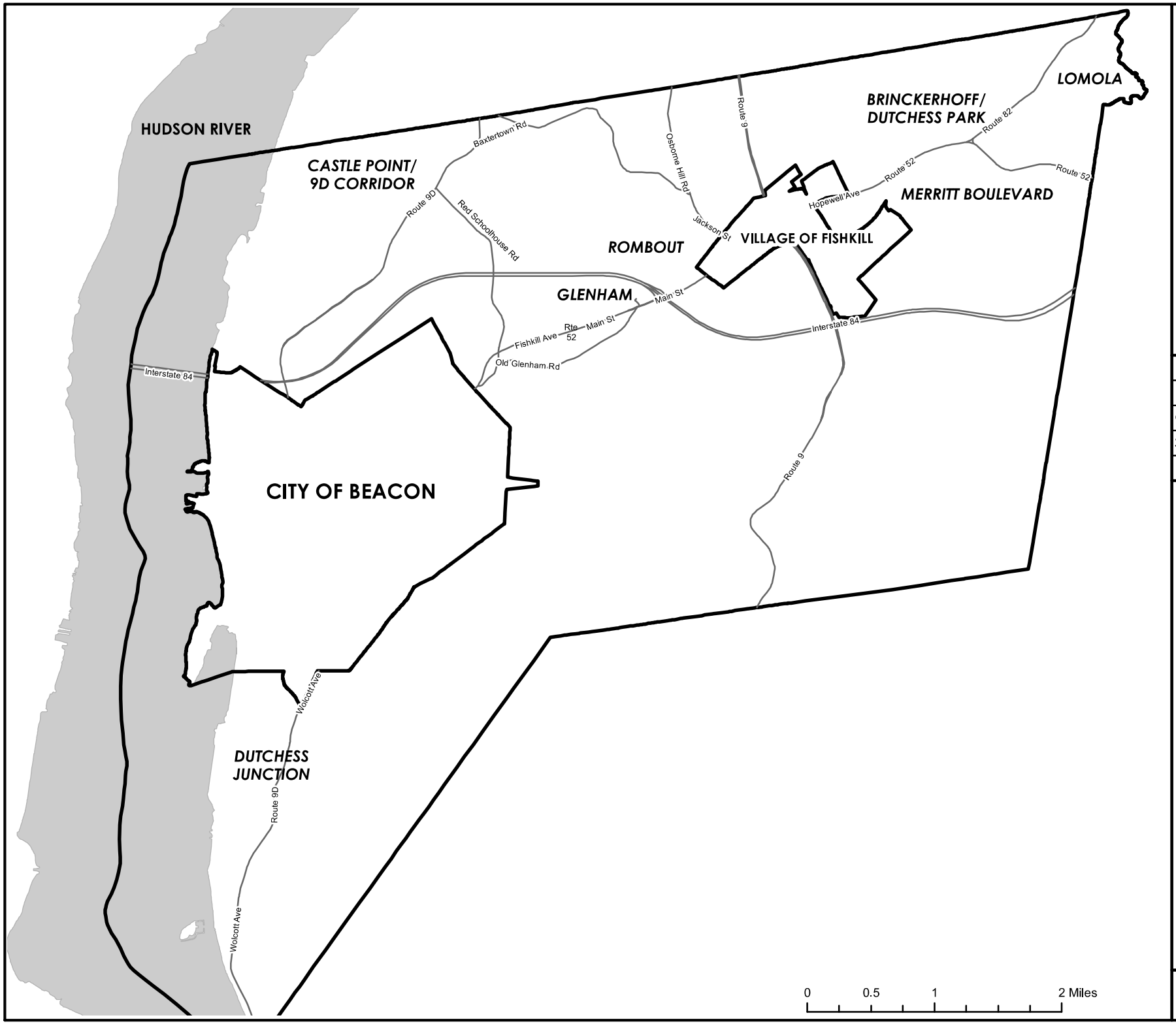

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TOWN OF FISHKILL

AREAS OF THE TOWN OF FISHKILL

#4.a Below are 7 general issues of interest and concern. Rate them in order of importance to you with a value from 1 to 7, with 1 being the most important and 7 being the least important. Do not use the same value more than once.

___ Community connections (recreational and social activities, educational and creative opportunities, volunteering, gardening and beautification, tourism, etc.)

___ Economy (Places to work, places to shop, eat, services, and new development in the Town of Fishkill)

___ Environmental and natural resources (wetlands, swamps, streams, creeks, forests, woods, aquifers, plant, and animal habitats, etc.)

___ Getting around Fishkill (walking, biking, driving, accessibility, transit, traffic, etc.)

___ Leisure (historical sites, cultural places, art and other museums, theatre and other entertainment, places to play or see)

___ Options for places to Live (rental, ownership, cost and affordability, apartments, single-family homes, condominiums, etc.)

___ Sustainability and resilience (changing weather patterns, flooding, solar and wind energy, hybrid/electric vehicles, composting, shopping locally, etc.)

4.b If there are other areas of interest or concern, please specify: _____

_____

#5. How good or bad is traffic in and around the Town of Fishkill on a scale of 1 to 5 with 1 being very good and 5 being very bad? Please circle a number below

1 Very Good	2 Good	3 Neither bad nor good	4 Bad	5 Very bad

#6. Refer to the attached map. Where do you encounter traffic problems (check all that apply)?

__ Route 52 between Route 9 and Interstate 84 (I-84): __ Route 52 between Route 9 and Rt 82;

__ Intersection of Rt 9 and I-84; __ Intersection of Rt 9 and Rt 52; __Intersection of Rt 9D and I-84;

__ Rt 9D between Red Schoolhouse Road and I-84; __ Other (specify): _____

_____

#7. Share any ideas you have for fixing or reducing traffic problems in Fishkill:

_____

_____

#8. What are your top 3 choices for getting around when you want to or have to go somewhere? Identify your top 3 choices by putting 1, 2 and 3 in front of your 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choices:

__ Drive; __ Walk; __ Bike; ___ Take a bus; __ Use Dial-a-ride; __ Take a taxi, uber or lyft;

__ Get ride from friend/family; __ I rarely leave home; __ Prefer not to say;

__ Other (specify): _____

#9. Finish this sentence: "It would be easier for me to get around Fishkill if

_____

_____"

#10. If I walk or bike somewhere, I use (check all that apply): __ sidewalks; ___ neighborhood road;

__ shoulder or side of the road; __ grass or dirt pathway along the road; __ Hiking or nature trails;

__ grass or dirt pathway between or behind buildings; __ through parking lots or driveways;

__ along an old railroad; __ I do not walk or bike; __ Prefer not to say;

__ Other (specify): _____

#11. Suggest where or how improvements such as sidewalks, bike paths or lanes, or pedestrian or bike crossings would help to provide opportunities for safe biking or walking in Fishkill: _____

_____

#12. Answer the following questions about the creation or development of new or needed businesses or services in the Town:

#12. a. Do you have wishes, or ideas for new or needed business or service development?

____ Yes; ____ No

#12. b. If yes, what are they? _____

#12. c. If yes, where? _____

#12. d. If no, why not? _____

#12. e. Do you have concerns about new business or service development? ____Yes; ____ No

#12. f. If yes, please elaborate: _____

_____

#13. List a place, event, or something else, that you like, enjoy or value about the Town of Fishkill:

_____

#14. List a place, event, or something else, that you do NOT like or is a problem in the Town of Fishkill:

_____

#15. Finish this sentence: "One thing I would like to see more of in the Town of Fishkill, is

_____

_____"

#16. Tell us a few things about yourself:

#16. a. Choose your age group: __ 5-12 years; __ 13-18 years; __ 19-30 years; __ 31-45 years;

__ 36-60 years; __ 61-75 years; __ 76-90 years; __ 91+ years __ I prefer not to answer; __

#16. b. Tell us what levels of education you have completed (check all that apply):

__ Grade school through 8th grade; __ High School or equivalent; __ Technical training;

__ Associates degree; __Bachelor's degree or equivalent; __ Master's degree or equivalent;

__ Doctorate degree or equivalent; __ __ I prefer not to answer; __ Other (specify): _____

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#16. c. Do you have children under 18 years of age in your household? ___ Yes; ___ No

#16. d. What was your household income in 2021? __ < $10,000 ___$10,000 - $25,000

___$26,000 - $50,000 ___$51,000 - $75,000 ___$76,000 - $100,000

___$101,000 - $150,000 ___> $150,000

React to the following statements, #17 through #26, on a scale of 1 through 5 with:

1 meaning "strongly encourage" or "strongly support" or "very important",

3 meaning "neither oppose or support" or "neither discourage or encourage", and "neither important nor unimportant"

5 meaning "strongly discourage" or "strongly oppose" or "not at all important"

#17. The Town of Fishkill should encourage housing for moderate income residents. ___

#18. The Town of Fishkill should encourage Senior housing. ___

#19. The Town of Fishkill should encourage mixed-use developments (e.g., developments that could include mixes of housing, stores, services, offices, etc.). ___

#20. The Town of Fishkill should use tax dollars for adding or improving sidewalks that lead to stores or services in or near neighborhoods or along corridors. ___

#21. The Town of Fishkill should use tax dollars for expanding water and sewer infrastructure in areas with stores or services, and neighborhoods. ___

#22. In terms of future growth of the Town, the development of renewable energy sources (e.g., solar and wind) is important. ___

#23. In terms of future growth of the Town, green building practices and energy efficient buildings are important. ___

#24. The Town of Fishkill should provide economic incentives (e.g., PILOT, Dutchess County EDC/IDA support) to encourage business to start or relocate to the town. ___

#25. The Town of Fishkill should engage in a marketing campaign to encourage businesses to start or relocate to locations within the town. ___

#26. The Town of Fishkill should consider updating current ordinances and expanding resource development for residents to care for animals within the community. ___

Please mail to or drop off your completed questionnaire at:

Comprehensive Plan Update (CPU) Committee

c/o Town of Fishkill Town Clerk

807 Route 52, Fishkill, NY 12524

OR

You may also drop off your completed questionnaire at:

Comprehensive Plan Update (CPU) Committee

c/o Town of Fishkill Recreation Department

793 Route 52, Fishkill, NY 12524

OR

Blodgett Memorial Library

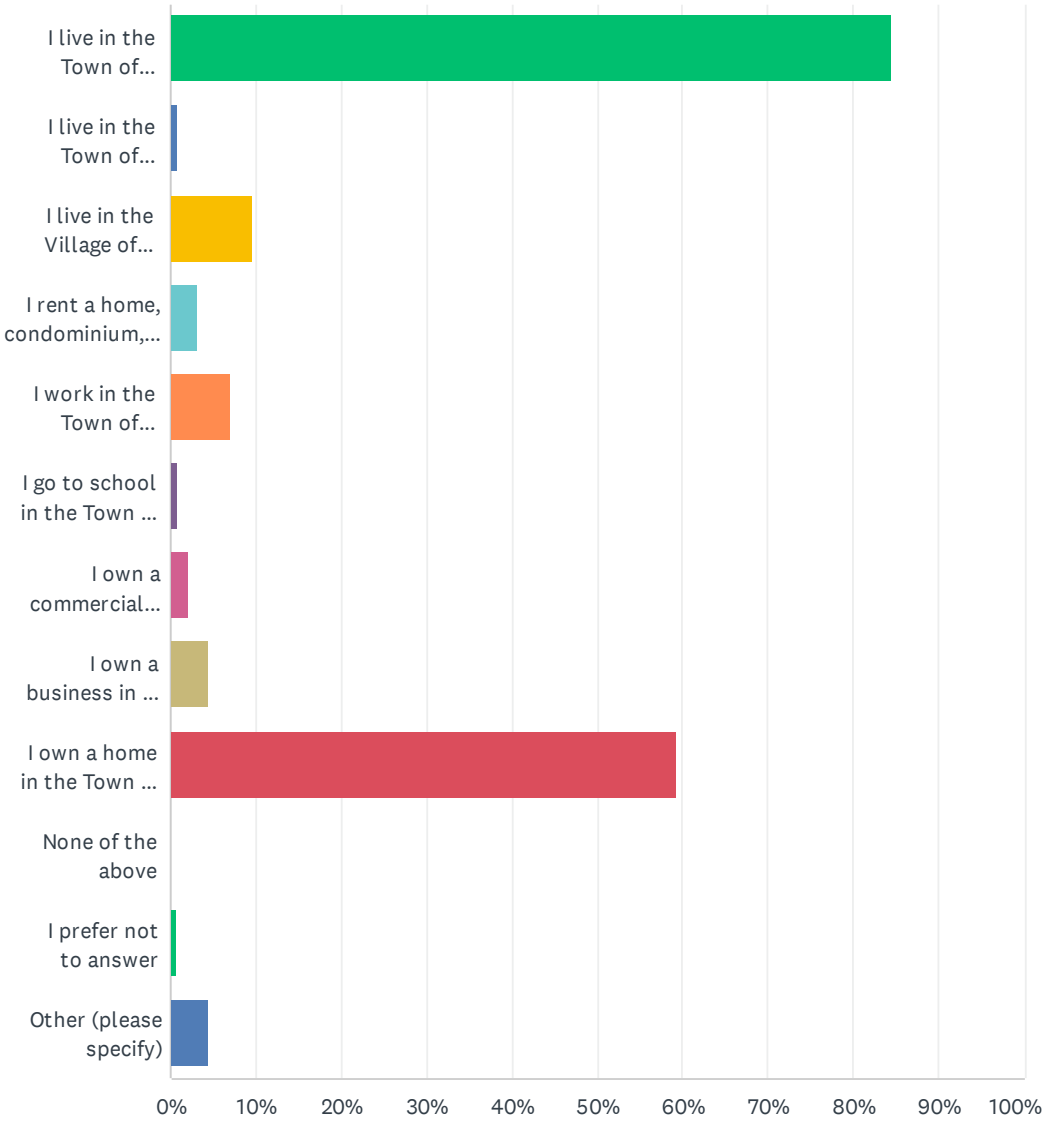
37 Broad Street, Fishkill, NY 12524

OR

Complete your questionnaire online via a link on the Town of Fishkill website.

Q1 Select from the options below to show your relationship to the Town of Fishkill and Village of Fishkill. If you live in the Village, you are also a resident of the Town of Fishkill (check all that apply):

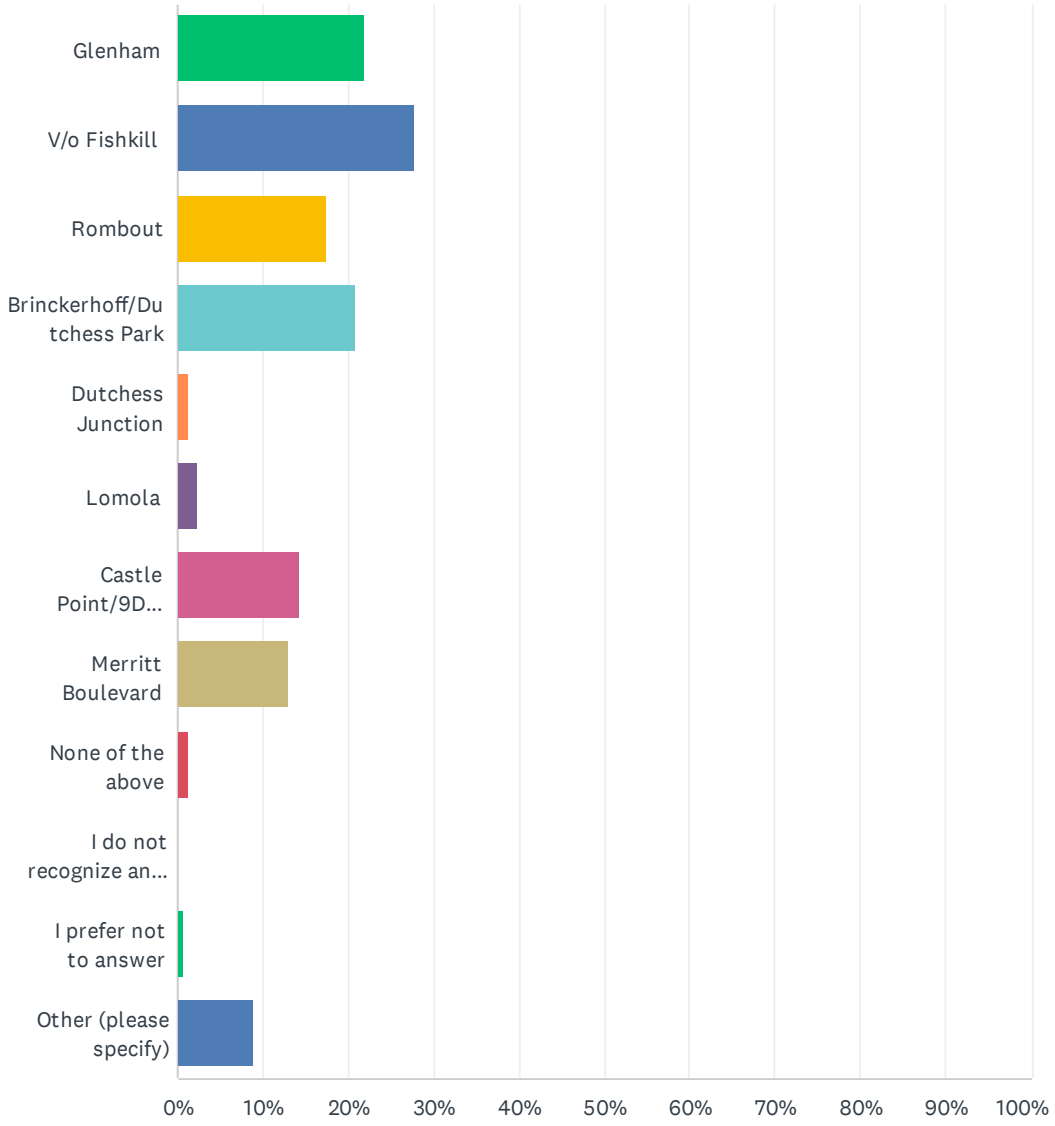
Answered: 314 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I live in the Town of Fishkill full-time	84.39%	265
I live in the Town of Fishkill part-time	0.96%	3
I live in the Village of Fishkill, which is in the Town of Fishkill	9.55%	30
I rent a home, condominium, or apartment in the Town of Fishkill	3.18%	10
I work in the Town of Fishkill	7.01%	22
I go to school in the Town of Fishkill	0.96%	3
I own a commercial property in the Town of Fishkill	2.23%	7
I own a business in the Town of Fishkill	4.46%	14
I own a home in the Town of Fishkill	59.24%	186
None of the above	0.00%	0
I prefer not to answer	0.64%	2
Other (please specify)	4.46%	14
Total Respondents: 314		

Q2 Refer to the attached map. Which of the following areas of the T/o Fishkill do you live near (check all that apply)?

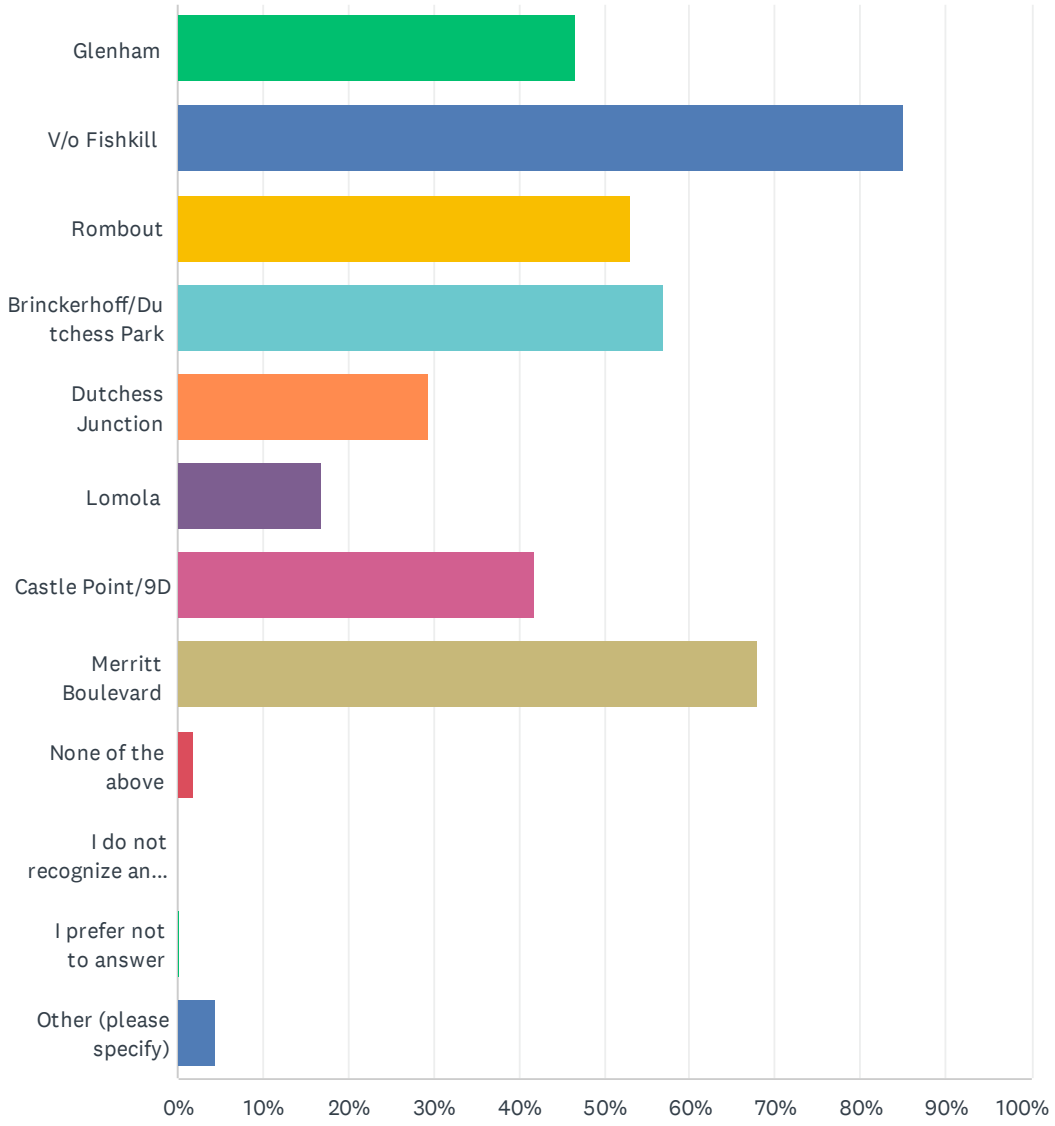
Answered: 310 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Glenham	21.94%	68
V/o Fishkill	27.74%	86
Rombout	17.42%	54
Brinckerhoff/Dutchess Park	20.97%	65
Dutchess Junction	1.29%	4
Lomola	2.26%	7
Castle Point/9D Corridor	14.19%	44
Merritt Boulevard	12.90%	40
None of the above	1.29%	4
I do not recognize any of the above	0.00%	0
I prefer not to answer	0.65%	2
Other (please specify)	9.03%	28
Total Respondents: 310		

Q3 Refer to the attached map. Which of the following areas of the T/o Fishkill do you go to (check all that apply)?

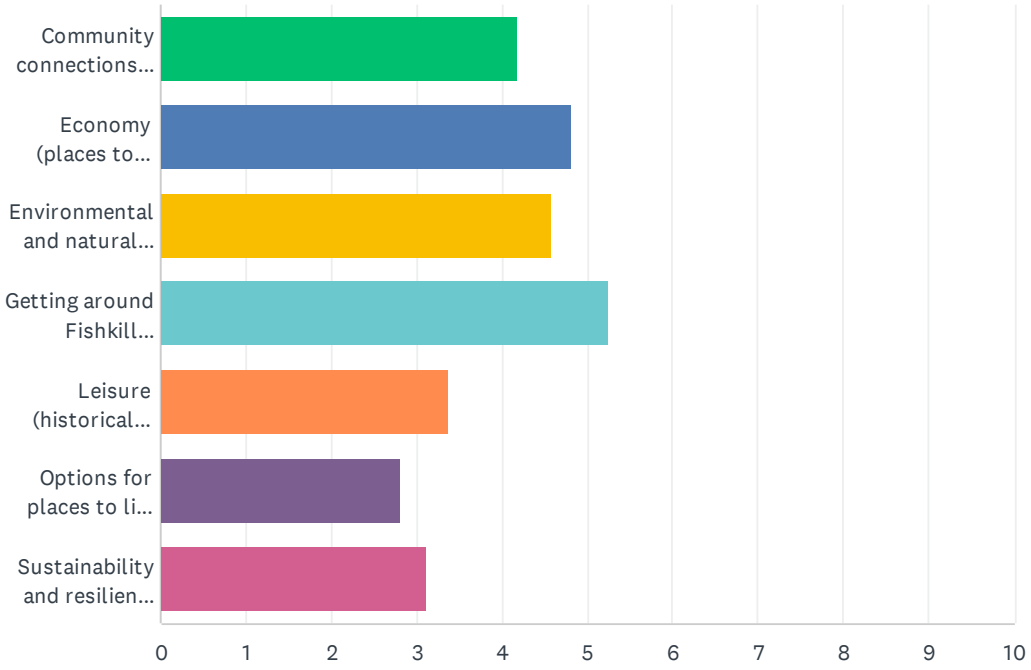
Answered: 313 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Glenham	46.65%	146
V/o Fishkill	84.98%	266
Rombout	53.04%	166
Brinckerhoff/Dutchess Park	56.87%	178
Dutchess Junction	29.39%	92
Lomola	16.93%	53
Castle Point/9D	41.85%	131
Merritt Boulevard	68.05%	213
None of the above	1.92%	6
I do not recognize any of the above	0.00%	0
I prefer not to answer	0.32%	1
Other (please specify)	4.47%	14
Total Respondents: 313		

Q4 Below are 7 general issues of interest and concern. Rate them in order of importance to you with a value from 1 to 7, with 1 being the most important and 7 being least important. Do not use the same value more than once.

Answered: 315 Skipped: 1



	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	SCORE
Community connections (recreational and social activities, educational and creative opportunities, volunteering, gardening and beautification, tourism, etc.)	13.90% 41	15.59% 46	15.93% 47	15.59% 46	17.63% 52	10.85% 32	10.51% 31	295	4.18
Economy (places to work, to shop and to eat; services, and new development in the T/o Fishkill)	27.55% 81	18.71% 55	14.97% 44	11.90% 35	7.14% 21	12.59% 37	7.14% 21	294	4.81
Environmental and natural resources (wetlands, swamps, streams, creeks, forests, woods, aquifers, plant and animal habitats, etc.)	15.88% 47	21.28% 63	18.58% 55	14.53% 43	13.85% 41	11.49% 34	4.39% 13	296	4.59
Getting around Fishkill (walking, biking, driving, accessibility, transit, traffic, etc.)	29.04% 88	22.44% 68	19.14% 58	13.20% 40	9.57% 29	3.30% 10	3.30% 10	303	5.25
Leisure (historical sites, cultural places, art and other museums, theatre and other entertainment, places to play or see)	1.67% 5	6.00% 18	13.67% 41	24.00% 72	25.67% 77	19.00% 57	10.00% 30	300	3.37
Options for places to live (rental, ownership, cost and affordability, apartments, single-family homes, condominiums, etc.)	6.89% 21	6.89% 21	8.52% 26	7.54% 23	11.80% 36	24.92% 76	33.44% 102	305	2.81
Sustainability and resilience (changing weather patterns, flooding, solar and wind energy, hybrid/electric vehicles, composting, shopping locally, etc.)	7.69% 24	9.29% 29	9.29% 29	11.86% 37	14.42% 45	17.63% 55	29.81% 93	312	3.12

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Just want to communicate a discrepancy in this survey. Many questions ask for a 1-5 rating, but have a slider which goes up to 100. Someone might put a 90 for pretty bad, or put a 4. I used the slider, rather than 1 - 5.	5/9/2022 7:54 AM
2	None	5/8/2022 2:14 PM
3	Over development and undue influence of developers on Town Policy	5/8/2022 11:22 AM
4	My property taxes are very high	5/8/2022 8:36 AM
5	Less traffic which is caused by so many people moving here from the city	5/7/2022 9:05 PM
6	No	5/7/2022 6:54 PM
7	More parking for the library. More development at the Dutchess Mall on RT 9. The DCC add is great we need more development there. Protect our environment. Several new houses are being constructed on my road and is affecting our natural habitat.	5/7/2022 6:24 PM
8	Preserving the natural/open space that remains in our area.	5/7/2022 11:03 AM
9	Traffic has become a huge problem, especially in town and along 9D.	5/7/2022 10:15 AM
10	No more taking of wooded area with unnecessary building., How about putting back Dutchess Mall like it use to be.	5/7/2022 9:56 AM
11	I'm specifically concerned with traffic on Main Street from Route 9 to Route 84 and preventing any more high-density housing. Also, I'm concerned that Fishkill has become a very dangerous place to drive. Every day there are cars running red lights up and down Main Street and Route 9. I don't mean running yellow lights. I mean their light has turned red, mine green, and traffic is still flying by…. Every. Single. Day.	5/7/2022 9:14 AM
12	Overdevelopment and capacity in the school system. There are lots of new residential developments being built but number of schools remain the same. Overcrowding in classrooms	5/7/2022 9:04 AM
13	Traffic congestion and parking space	5/7/2022 9:01 AM
14	Traffic on Route 9 and 52. Truck Jbreak / traffic noise from interstate 84. Much worse since the gap was built.	5/7/2022 7:51 AM
15	Pot holes in the roadways.	5/7/2022 7:35 AM
16	Traffic congestion on Rt 9 and 9d	5/6/2022 10:24 PM
17	Traffic on route 9. Speeding and noise are major quality-of-life detractors. Ability for pedestrians to cross this highway is also a major problem.	5/6/2022 9:10 PM
18	Homeless and solicitation should not be allowed Fishkill could be much more walkable We could use better traffic control We could use a town green (walkable) where there is outdoor dining and music and congregation Where is the pool? Most towns have a pool. Where is the theater for plays? Parking garage and closed off Main Street for Main Street holiday activities would be nice. We need a greater sense of community in Fishkill. It is disjointed. You cannot get to anything without driving and people don't congregate. I never go to Main Street because traffic is horrible and there is no parking available. Thank you	5/6/2022 8:39 PM
19	EV level 3 charging stations?	5/6/2022 8:13 PM
20	N/A	5/6/2022 11:01 AM
21	More cultural experiences - music, concerts theater, indie movies	5/4/2022 12:12 PM
22	Keeping our area safe.	4/24/2022 6:28 PM

23	bike and/or walking path along Jackson St and Baxtertown Road. Baxterton Rd has great natural resources and should have safe access for walkers and bicyclists	4/24/2022 12:53 PM
24	repair Guering Park Tennis Courts & install Pickleball Courts	4/24/2022 12:20 PM
25	Historic preservation of historic and architecturally important structures , houses and the areas which surrounding structures in order to retain and improve the historic charm and draw visitors to Fishkill. Proper interpretation of the property listed on the National Register as the Fishkill Supply Depot. Study of the Fishkill Supply Depot (National Register) using modern professional archeological techniques in order to uncover all remnants of Revolutionary War activity and preserve the site!!! The same should be done on the Jackson House site!	4/23/2022 7:12 PM
26	A village of Fishkill Rt. 52 bypass around the village. The traffic in the village is terrible most of the time.	4/23/2022 9:10 AM
27	Senior housing	4/23/2022 2:56 AM
28	The environment	4/22/2022 8:05 PM
29	future of prison property	4/22/2022 5:14 PM
30	Sidewalk to connect Beacon to Glenham. Rail Trail from Beacon to Hopewell.	4/22/2022 1:09 PM
31	Upkeep of recreational facilities.	4/21/2022 1:04 PM
32	n/a	4/19/2022 11:05 AM
33	Fishkill is full of everything!	4/19/2022 7:59 AM
34	Fishkill Rural Cemetery, Village of Fishkill, National Register Historic sites, local small retail shops, delis	4/19/2022 6:23 AM
35	Na	4/18/2022 2:21 PM
36	Overpopulation, to much building up can destroying our Hamlet life in Glenham.	4/18/2022 12:25 PM
37	over building and heavy traffic	4/18/2022 12:09 PM
38	None	4/17/2022 7:23 PM
39	Criminal activity Trafficking Fraud Cult Environmental/Health/Water hazards Animal abuse Child abuse/molestation Structural hazards Poor medical care Economy Police department Justice court Misconduct Corruption Inadequacy/Professionals and authority figures lack education and resources for cyber crime/fraud/cult Discrimination Lack of activities/events Declining amount of children and families residing in Fishkill Safety/Security Abuse of censorship/cyber and mobile/wireless infiltration, tracking and solicitation Town ordinance violations Building violations Inclusion/ostracization	4/17/2022 5:33 PM
40	Traffic mainly.	4/17/2022 2:41 PM
41	Neighborhood road maintenance.	4/16/2022 10:19 PM
42	VA medical facilities subsidies community services	4/16/2022 6:27 PM
43	disregard to traffic regulations, development of wildlife areas	4/16/2022 3:31 PM
44	Moratorium on building and rezoning	4/16/2022 2:03 PM
45	To much high density housing!!! Preserve undeveloped land!! Utilize preexisting closed commercial properties!!!!	4/16/2022 1:37 PM
46	The cost of permits to repair/upgrade your home	4/16/2022 1:11 PM
47	Overdevelopment and traffic	4/16/2022 1:03 PM
48	Civil rights, equality and equity, diversity, inclusion, education	4/16/2022 1:02 PM
49	Overdevelopment! Changing the zoning laws.	4/16/2022 10:02 AM
50	I worry about the capacity of our local roads to handle increased traffic. Too much development is not a good thing in my opinion.	4/16/2022 9:56 AM
51	I am concerned about overdevelopment in the area. I noticed a lot of trees are being cut down.	4/16/2022 9:31 AM

	I am concerned about flooding. The water table has changed and my backyard is constantly soggy.	
52	Minimize high density housing and concentrate on individual housing to control overcrowding	4/16/2022 9:09 AM
53	The roads need serious help! Especially in Beacon Hills / Glenham area. It is dangerous to drive here and has been for years. Where is our tax money going?? We're driving on 3rd world roads.	4/16/2022 8:53 AM
54	No more giant warehouses, factories, businesses that get big tax breaks while residents can't earn a living wage locally and property owners foot tax bill burden. No more giant housing development. Get commercial landowners to utilize their existing properties rather than become stagnant wastelands like Dutchess park plaza that has random selection of services tailored to small demographic. Be more progressive with selection of retailers and leisure and tourism activities to attract and retain younger rollers who don't want to only shop at big box retailers or eat at fast food and chain restaurants. Attract businesses that will sustain Hudson valley natural beauty as main attraction and set stricter environmental protections. Infrastructure and maintenance of town roads in decline and Alternate traffic patterns are needed in achool and business districts during peak hours. Improve transit in business districts including parking make more walkable areas outside of village with accesss to shopping and leisure. Some type of incentive must be developed to bring community together. Expand and upgrade library as major cultural center. New massive housing vs established small neighborhoods making residents feel more and more disconnected.	4/16/2022 8:42 AM
55	crime and public safety	4/16/2022 8:40 AM
56	Main St. traffic control.	4/16/2022 7:52 AM
57	Would love a rail trail from V/O Fishkill to beacon	4/16/2022 7:17 AM
58	Affordability and taxes becoming too expensive.	4/16/2022 6:56 AM
59	Crime, taxes	4/15/2022 10:30 PM
60	Code of home maintenance be inforced	4/15/2022 10:23 PM
61	Making downtown Fishkill more amenable for visiting like Rhinebeck with walking/shops/restaurants and businesses well organized. Stopping the stupid development and redirecting to sad unused commercial locations rather than pushing into residential areas. Stop town leaders taking favors to allow Healey to do whatever they want.	4/15/2022 10:05 PM
62	Too much traffic.	4/15/2022 9:14 PM
63	In increase of the Central Hudson bills	4/15/2022 8:31 PM
64	RT 52 and RT 9D traffic is awful and needs to be addressed	4/15/2022 7:59 PM
65	rail trail development	4/15/2022 7:44 PM
66	I'd like the Main Street area to be kept as is, charming and not commercialized. I know there is proposed housing and I wish that never to happen.	4/15/2022 6:45 PM
67	Need a light at intersection of Osborn Hill Rd. and Baxtertown Rd	4/15/2022 7:40 AM
68	Traffic and congested development are primary and continual concerns. Also concerning is the development of vacant land for commercial/retail use while there exists significant vacancy in existing developed properties. We need to incentivize and prioritize the redevelopment and improvement of existing developed parcels in preference to the development of open/undeveloped space. We need to partner with NGOs to conserve open space, easements, and buffers throughout the town and not just a couple of established locations. This will go a long way to slow the urbanization of Fishkill and preserve the beauty and small-town character of the town.	4/14/2022 6:35 PM
69	Traffic patterns, need a cross walk at cvs and luyster	4/14/2022 5:13 PM
70	Open spaces, tragic, flooding	4/14/2022 4:56 PM
71	na	4/14/2022 8:40 AM
72	Bringing retail stores to Main Street, proving our recreational facilities, incorporating full time police into our FT PD which is staffed by PT officers	4/13/2022 11:19 PM

73	N/A	4/13/2022 7:35 PM
74	more protection for renters,	4/13/2022 7:25 PM
75	Rail Trail development	4/11/2022 9:37 AM
76	None	4/10/2022 7:46 AM
77	Would like to see Friendly Dog Park cleaned up and updated. Fence is in need of much repair, holes need to be filled with more dirt and needs to be reseeded.	4/9/2022 3:35 PM
78	Cleanliness and condition of roadways and overall beauty, or lack thereof, of the community	4/9/2022 10:55 AM
79	The town parks. Make them functional and useable. Geering seems to be the only park that actually gets any tending to. And I am not counting Shepherd because that seems to only serve little league which seems to be a dying program locally. Doug Philips could be tuned into a great park. The basketball courts and tennis courts as well as the play structures there should get same attention they get at Geering. It's shameful that Doug Phillips just remains an eyesore	4/8/2022 8:00 PM
80	Protecting our suburban lifestyle, resisting urbanization through diversity efforts	4/5/2022 3:26 PM
81	infrastructure that functions properly and adequately serves the community (e.g., sewer, water, roads, etc.); fair and open government	4/4/2022 1:02 PM
82	I have lived in the Village practically all my life- our Town and Village is beautiful. My family does not want to see it become over populated, over priced, or become trashed. More tourism would be nice. getting rid of the old Dutchess Mall would be HEAVEN sent as it is such an eye sore. Less pan handlers	4/3/2022 10:21 PM
83	Traffic is # 1	4/2/2022 11:06 AM
84	Historic preservation	4/2/2022 10:56 AM
85	Less building until we design better traffic patterns and more walking and biking and a nice park for the kids and adults.	4/2/2022 9:57 AM
86	Keeping taxes down	3/31/2022 3:58 PM
87	NO NEW RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT. DEVELOP EXISITING AREAS FOR RETAIL, IE THE DUTCHESS MALL.	3/31/2022 3:42 PM
88	Traffic in the Village on Main Street is horrible. The light near Jackson and Main needs to be re worked.	3/31/2022 1:17 PM
89	Tax's	3/31/2022 1:09 PM
90	We need a building moratorium. Too much traffic.	3/31/2022 10:14 AM
91	There are more homeless people panhandling on Rt 9 near Walmart/Verizon, living Sarah Taylor Park, sleeping in the Laundromats. We need more resources to help them.	3/31/2022 9:53 AM
92	Would like to see biking, walking trails to alleviate traffic. Extension of the dutchess rail trail through fishkill to Beacon along the railroad tracks near lomala, all sport, Merritt Blvd across route 9 into beacon.	3/31/2022 9:39 AM
93	Senior transit and senior activities	3/31/2022 8:59 AM
94	Route 9D is not currently able to handle the traffic. What will happen when new townhouses are added on Brockway and homes/apartments in the town?	3/31/2022 8:38 AM
95	None	3/30/2022 2:05 PM
96	Overdevelopment and development that is irresponsible. The deforestation will cause even more flooding and noise and light pollution.	3/29/2022 8:02 AM
97	Over development and water resources to accommodate and filter such.	3/28/2022 7:27 PM
98	Continue to maintain the safety within our town/village and the ambiance of our quaint village and town. I am taking this opportunity to continue to state my objection to the Wesley Project and rejecting the construction of this project.	3/28/2022 11:31 AM

99	Community water.have a well for 55 yrs and would like central water	3/27/2022 2:12 PM
100	Minimize taxes	3/27/2022 1:04 PM
101	Navigating around the superfluous amount of traffic; better roads; better traffic control.	3/27/2022 11:06 AM
102	I would like to see the town do more to promote bicycling, starting with bicycle lanes and share the road signs.	3/26/2022 9:18 PM
103	Continue stopping overdevelopment	3/26/2022 6:12 PM
104	Traffic / vof fire dept attitudes	3/26/2022 4:36 PM
105	None	3/26/2022 3:12 PM
106	The McMansions are already here and there is more building ahead on 9D. I spoke with Ozzy Albra some time ago about this when he was campaigning door to door. I emailed him to follow up, but there was no response. We need an extra traffic light at the VA Hospital.	3/26/2022 2:48 PM
107	Traffic /speed Osborne hill and Jackson streets	3/26/2022 2:01 PM
108	The rate of residential development. How can our infrastructure handle additional water usage, sewer, garbage, schools, traffic? I think an environmental impact study must be done for each new project. And the tax breaks that are given for these projects must be minimized. We can't just keep building new homes, businesses with out it	3/26/2022 11:13 AM
109	Too much traffic in the village. What can be done	3/26/2022 10:28 AM
110	I am a lifelong resident of the Town of Fishkill. The former Dutchess Mall area is a disgrace. Something must be done to utilize and improve the appearance of this property. The Dutchess Park shopping are is also in need of vast improvement. Traffic is a HUGE problem for our town. Gridlock at Rts. 9 and 52 is common. I live off of Rt 52 in the village. It’s almost impossible (and dangerous) to turn left into my neighborhood. Drivers do not adhere to the speed limit. There are frequent accidents in this area. There should be no more building of commercial business. the many vacant areas need to be improved upon and utilized. I am also concerned about the proposals of multi-family building on the Nazarene Church property.	3/26/2022 10:02 AM
111	Dog walkers allow dogs to use the lawns & don’t pick up after them. The stench is nauseating	3/26/2022 9:59 AM
112	No	3/26/2022 9:54 AM
113	n/a	3/26/2022 9:38 AM
114	Services and infrastructure, especially remediation—everything from seasonal curbside brush (Christmas trees?) and bulky item and appliance pick-up to expanded recycling and commercial industrial composting. Beacon Hills residents currently pay for garbage and recycling pick-up and receive no other waste pick-up services. Continued and increased measures to improve and monitor the presence of potentially toxic and harmful substances in our water, soil, air, etc. *Timely* repaving of the heavily damaged roads in Beacon Hills, including Old Town Road. In light of Central Hudson's operational issues and increasing energy prices across the globe, local (not just state or federal) support for home energy audits and improvements, especially for those in tax brackets that don't qualify for other home energy audit programs. Incentives to attract businesses should be for small or local businesses, not large or national chains.	3/26/2022 9:27 AM
115	traffic	3/26/2022 9:14 AM
116	Traffic on 9D going to the bridge	3/26/2022 9:02 AM
117	Please stop the over development of this area, please safeguard historical connections & sites, please do something about overgrowth and abandoned construction sites.	3/26/2022 8:54 AM
118	taxes	3/26/2022 7:59 AM
119	Do something with unsightly Dutchess Mall remnants	3/26/2022 6:54 AM
120	I would love my area to be a safe for walking. I would like to see a sidewalk on Cary Road. I would like to see a walkway over the 84 on East Fishkill Hook Road. These communities have gotten bigger but the roads don’t mirror the community needs.	3/26/2022 6:51 AM
121	Property Tax relief. As a couple without children the burden seems unfair.	3/26/2022 6:47 AM

122	Access to natural gas. Roads not being resurfaced just top coated and destroying the owners property due to not bringing in material to bring the height of the property with a level of the road. 6 in 7-in and 8-in drops from road to property.	3/26/2022 6:27 AM
123	Traffic around the Newburgh/Beacon bridge on 9D.	3/26/2022 3:27 AM
124	Early sharing of village street closings for events	3/25/2022 11:18 PM
125	Traffic - I can’t say it more. It is the main issue around whether we stay and invest in our home in Fishkill or relocate elsewhere	3/25/2022 9:29 PM
126	New library	3/25/2022 8:44 PM
127	Roads that have not been developed yet.	3/25/2022 8:37 PM
128	Open spaces	3/25/2022 8:28 PM
129	land absorbing developers	3/25/2022 8:28 PM
130	Traffic	3/25/2022 8:24 PM
131	INCREASING CRIME, HOMELESS	3/25/2022 8:16 PM
132	1. traffic in Fishkill at end of work day is really rough , especially on Fridays and weekends 2. We do not need any more housing! Our schools are getting overloaded.	3/25/2022 8:14 PM
133	Animal ordinances and programs to assist residents to care for animals in the community.	3/25/2022 8:00 PM
134	Recyling	3/25/2022 7:55 PM
135	Monopolies for to many companies	3/25/2022 7:48 PM
136	Increase of crime in our town/village.Route 9 red light jumpers	3/25/2022 7:34 PM
137	We should continue to welcome and increase diversity in our community.	3/25/2022 7:32 PM
138	I moved here from Jersey because it was turned into an ugly, overcrowded noisy, polluted dump because of greedy, stupid, power-hungry, low-minded planning and zoning boards and town councils, and I'm afraid the same thing is happening here.	3/25/2022 7:31 PM
139	Restrictive zoning, spending by Town board	3/25/2022 10:26 AM
140	We need a community pool for those who can’t afford a pool at their home	3/25/2022 10:12 AM
141	I don't know how shopping fits into sustainability and resilience.	3/25/2022 7:38 AM
142	-we need more Sidewalks and paths for walking -Busing and bus stops that are accessible and that run on a shorter schedule	3/24/2022 11:11 PM
143	Over development is huge.	3/24/2022 8:07 PM
144	Traffic on Main St/Route 52 is horrible. It cannot support the traffic is currently gets. No additional structures, commercial or residential should be built that would require access to this corridor.	3/24/2022 7:22 PM
145	I’d like to see some bike racks on Main Street and in shopping centers to encourage bike riding in the town. Also some bike lanes on the heavier traffic roads (Route 9 , 52, 82) would be great.	3/24/2022 7:19 PM
146	We need more places for families of all ages (museum, movie, arts, etc ..)	3/24/2022 6:12 PM
147	N/A	3/24/2022 6:07 PM
148	__	3/24/2022 5:54 PM
149	TRAFFIC——-TRAFFIC——TRAFFIC	3/24/2022 4:56 PM
150	Stop rezoning in Town until plan is accepted by the community. Then rezone to implement the plan	3/24/2022 4:55 PM
151	Any new building should be properly bonded so if it was to fail, like the 52/82 storage units, the Town will rectify it	3/24/2022 3:21 PM
152	The southern gateway needs to be redeveloped	3/24/2022 2:57 PM

153	Houses of Worship	3/24/2022 1:40 PM
154	The increase in traffic on main roads, especially Rte 52 has become intolerable. Both police depts have been woefully inadequate in stopping red light runners on both Rte 9 and 52.	3/24/2022 1:14 PM
155	The traffic in the village, parking availability in the village.	3/24/2022 1:04 PM
156	Rising school taxes	3/24/2022 10:52 AM
157	The closure of Downstate and the consideration of downsizing the VA will have economic impacts on Fishkill	3/24/2022 10:01 AM
158	traffic	3/24/2022 8:51 AM
159	No more building of large complexes. Move the blodgett library out of the village	3/24/2022 8:17 AM
160	No	3/24/2022 7:59 AM
161	Highlands, Fishkill Creek and Flood Plain, Rail Line,	3/24/2022 6:59 AM
162	Lack of adherence to local speed limits and pedestrian crossings.	3/24/2022 5:59 AM
163	None I can think of	3/24/2022 12:35 AM
164	Senior housing/assisted living	3/23/2022 9:33 PM
165	Inclusiveness	3/23/2022 9:20 PM
166	Expansion of the population/living quarters/traffic	3/23/2022 8:46 PM
167	Traffic and over development	3/23/2022 8:38 PM
168	Traffic conditions	3/23/2022 8:22 PM
169	Main street traffic.	3/23/2022 7:42 PM
170	Our parks need attention, especially Philips. It looks like a third world park. The tennis courts were supposed to be redone years ago per the Capital Improvement plan. A shame.	3/23/2022 6:51 PM
171	Major concerns are traffic and overdeveloping land while so many store fronts are open or abandoned.	3/23/2022 6:11 PM
172	Traffic!	3/23/2022 5:49 PM
173	Traffic	3/23/2022 4:59 PM

Q6 How good or bad is traffic in and around the Town of Fishkill on a scale of 1 to 5 with 1 being very good and 5 being very bad.

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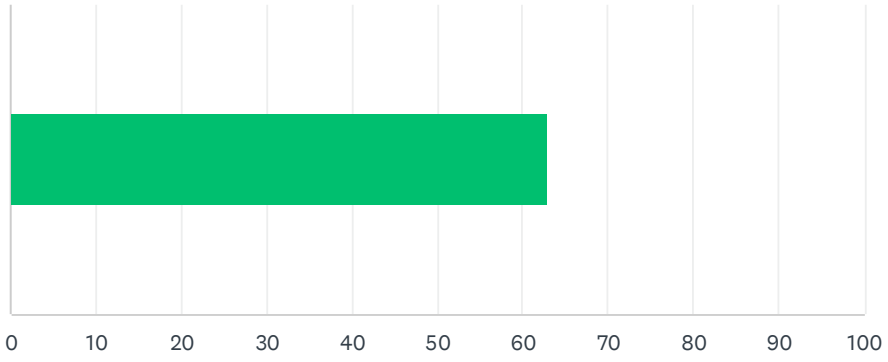
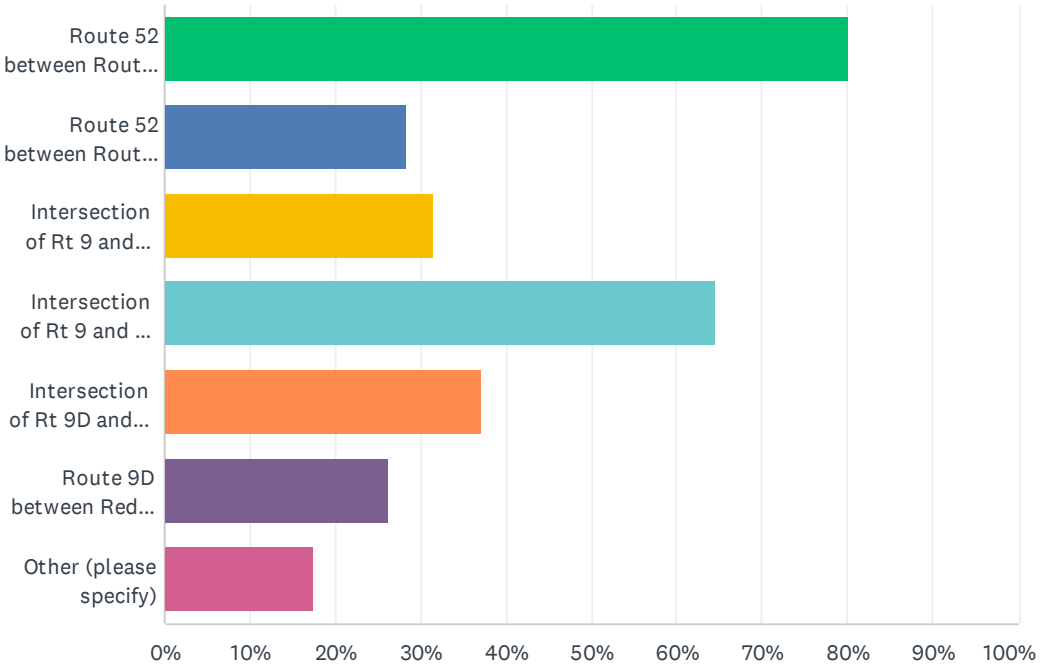


ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
	63	19,666	313
Total Respondents: 313			

Q7 Refer to the attached map. Where do you encounter traffic problems (check all that apply)

Answered: 313 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Route 52 between Route 9 and Interstate 84 (I-84)	80.19%	251
Route 52 between Route 9 and Rt 82	28.43%	89
Intersection of Rt 9 and I-84	31.63%	99
Intersection of Rt 9 and Rt 52	64.54%	202
Intersection of Rt 9D and I-84	37.06%	116
Route 9D between Red Schoolhouse Road and I-84	26.20%	82
Other (please specify)	17.57%	55
Total Respondents: 313		

Q8 Share any ideas you have for fixing or reducing traffic problems in Fishkill.

Answered: 203 Skipped: 113

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Answered: 203 Skipped: 113

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Have the lights timed the same?	5/10/2022 6:36 PM
2	Infrastructure is capable	5/9/2022 9:51 AM
3	Direct access to/from Dutchess Stadium to I-84. Having additional east/west direction alternatives to I-84 and route 52. Smarter traffic light timing at 9D and Brockway Road intersection.	5/9/2022 7:54 AM
4	People need to just understand that bridge construction is going to cause delays. And driving through the village is just a busy time. Folks need to know that there are certain times that are busy.	5/8/2022 2:14 PM
5	Ban large trucks from Rt. 52 in the Village	5/8/2022 11:22 AM
6	Increase the lanes	5/8/2022 8:36 AM
7	It seems that more traffic utilizes rt 52 to travel in an East/west direction than travel on RT 84	5/8/2022 6:46 AM
8	Too many to list here. I will be more active at government meetings to discuss.	5/7/2022 6:24 PM
9	Stop creating additional residential properties to reduce the number of local drivers.	5/7/2022 11:03 AM
10	Either expand the roads or re-route traffic or combine the two.	5/7/2022 10:15 AM
11	Have the problem studied by the NYS DOT.	5/7/2022 9:14 AM
12	Moment detection street lights so if there aren’t any cars waiting for the light to change, light doesn’t change.	5/7/2022 9:04 AM
13	Coordinating traffic lights on Rt 9. Prohibit large tractor trailers on route 52 between 82 and 84.	5/7/2022 7:51 AM
14	A route 52 bypass around the village of Fishkill.	5/7/2022 7:35 AM
15	Create additional lane on 9d south so traffic can flow easily into beacon bridge.	5/6/2022 10:24 PM
16	I believe NYS has a plan to allocate money for noise-activated cameras to areas of excessive speeding and high noise levels. Rt 9 in Fishkill is a prime candidate for this!	5/6/2022 9:10 PM
17	Gas station on opposite side of 84 for eastbound traffic? A roundabout on the west end of 52 down by rec center area Control the speed on rat 9 north of 52 (people speed) Don’t direct all the 84 traffic into fishkill (signs etc) Build better shopping options near beacon to cut down on the traffic into fishkill (going to sams and Walmart and shop rite and adams)	5/6/2022 8:39 PM
18	Smart traffic lights would help	5/6/2022 8:13 PM
19	Traffic Circles may help	5/6/2022 11:01 AM
20	build overpass or underpass	5/4/2022 12:12 PM
21	Widen 84 otherwise you can't disturb 52 especially through the historic village. Can a road replace the rails that run parallel to 52? I'd also love if noise reduction walls were added to buffer truck noise pollution. Forge Brook is a great family neighborhood but the noise pollution is unfortunate.	4/24/2022 6:28 PM
22	at Jackson near 52 and on 52 in village add right lane and get rid of those traffic impediments encroaching into 52, or big curbs made on Jackson north (sidewalks jutting out into road - a very bad idea; a couple had been removed already)	4/24/2022 12:53 PM
23	bicycle lanes & racks, sidewalks along route 52 from the Rec Center to the village, interconnection of shopping area parking lots, developing parallel streets to Main Street in the	4/24/2022 12:20 PM

	village	
24	Stop the overdevelopment plans in the entire area! Town/county acquisition of historic sites such as Fishkill Supply Depot, Jackson House site and other sites Make main street a pedestrian plaza.	4/23/2022 7:12 PM
25	A bypass around the village of Fishkill.	4/23/2022 9:10 AM
26	Expanding the area on 52 by 84	4/23/2022 8:17 AM
27	Add roundabouts	4/22/2022 8:05 PM
28	time lights better	4/22/2022 5:14 PM
29	Reduce Truck traffic though the village.	4/22/2022 1:09 PM
30	Widen Rt. 9D; traffic light at Cedar Hill Rd. and Rt. 52.	4/21/2022 1:04 PM
31	Create the connection from Beacon Hills to Merritt Blvd.	4/19/2022 5:01 PM
32	Stop the unnecessary development (commercial & residential). Fishkill is busting at the seems.	4/19/2022 11:27 AM
33	Maybe widen the streets	4/19/2022 11:05 AM
34	Beautify and fix what we have	4/19/2022 7:59 AM
35	Zoning restrictions preserving single family and small retail shops within and adjacent to the v/o Fishkill. Restrict General businesses and multiple housing development and preserve and expand green space along Route 9, Route 52 approaches to the village.	4/19/2022 6:23 AM
36	Create an arterial round-about to allow commuters to travel	4/18/2022 10:35 PM
37	Stop all new construction and keep population to a minimum. Our roads cannot handle anymore traffic.	4/18/2022 7:04 PM
38	Start a war, how about a relief road on the railroad tracks?	4/18/2022 5:17 PM
39	Na	4/18/2022 2:21 PM
40	Better timing for the traffic lights on 52 coming off of 84... 84 traffic comes on 52 and stops by the dinner, light turns green by the highway garage but the other traffic is still in the road, so it backs up into the village.	4/18/2022 12:25 PM
41	stop over building	4/18/2022 12:09 PM
42	Someone directing traffic during high traffic at intersection	4/17/2022 7:23 PM
43	Better synced traffic control around 9D and the Newburgh/Beacon Bridge, Brockway. Preventing further development in the Village of Fishkill if all possible.	4/17/2022 5:07 PM
44	Post speed limit in village, so drivers can see that they need to give space between cars. I noticed some drivers drive very close to my car as though they are trying to push me to go faster. The drivers need to just be patient and enjoy the pretty village of Fishkill.	4/17/2022 2:41 PM
45	Reduce speed limit on 9D.	4/16/2022 10:19 PM
46	give quarterly driver competence tests! both in car plus written	4/16/2022 6:27 PM
47	assign police to control traffic at peak times	4/16/2022 3:31 PM
48	Change the light pattern during rush hours or have someone directing traffic at route 9 and 52	4/16/2022 2:03 PM
49	Try converting the railroad track from 84 to 9 direct traffic only!	4/16/2022 1:37 PM
50	N/a	4/16/2022 1:11 PM
51	Change traffic pattern through village	4/16/2022 1:05 PM
52	No ideas- just too many people moving up here	4/16/2022 1:03 PM
53	Better walking and biking options along Route 9 and 52. We should have sidewalks and bike paths along 52 and Rt 9	4/16/2022 12:23 PM

54	work to prevent I84 backups	4/16/2022 10:29 AM
55	THERE NEEDS TO HAVE A TRAFFIC LIGHT AT #7	4/16/2022 10:28 AM
56	It will be better when the construction on the bridge is finished.	4/16/2022 10:02 AM
57	Restrict 18-wheelers on Main Street, make them use Rt 9 to get to 84 instead of clogging up the town.	4/16/2022 9:56 AM
58	When traveling west on 84 and exiting on Rt9 north, people make a right on red from either of the two lanes they may be in. If in the left most lane while turning, this directs the turning vehicle into a more “center of the road” position onto Rt9. Prohibit from turning from the left most lane while turning right.	4/16/2022 9:09 AM
59	Where 52/9/82 meet - perhaps an additional lane? It’s tough.. that area was not designed for that traffic	4/16/2022 8:53 AM
60	Reset light locations and patterns all along rt 52. Add turn lanes to congested intersections. Improve shuttle bus services, more walkable access to shopping and leisure areas and improve parking in village.	4/16/2022 8:42 AM
61	none	4/16/2022 8:40 AM
62	Another route to 9D that parallels the I-84	4/16/2022 7:17 AM
63	Round a bouts (traffic circle) seem to work in some locations.	4/16/2022 6:56 AM
64	Rt 9	4/15/2022 10:30 PM
65	No tractor trailer truck	4/15/2022 10:23 PM
66	Reroute traffic from 52 btw 84 and 9 to be more pedestrian. Put in bike lanes.	4/15/2022 10:05 PM
67	Parking areas behind village buildings - make current storefront parking driving lanes.	4/15/2022 9:14 PM
68	Traffic light at Castle Point and 9d Making a left out of the facility very dangerous.	4/15/2022 8:45 PM
69	Maybe a stop sign by the post office	4/15/2022 8:31 PM
70	On 9D, widen the shoulder of the road at points where cars would turn left. It stops traffic when left turning car waits a long time for a break in oncoming traffic.	4/15/2022 8:02 PM
71	Add exit ramps from I84 onto Red Schoolhouse Road east and west bound.	4/15/2022 7:59 PM
72	?	4/15/2022 7:44 PM
73	Consider instillation of traffic lights as needed	4/15/2022 7:30 PM
74	Put new businesses on Route 9 and not near 52.	4/15/2022 7:24 PM
75	Stop building homes and increasing the population!	4/15/2022 7:11 PM
76	Revisit the idea of circumventing the village with road extension from Blodgett Rd next to CVS/Rt52 past Fishkill Creek to Walmart	4/15/2022 7:40 AM
77	Partner with East Fishkill, Dutchess County, NYS and the MTA to Develop light rail commuter service between Hopewell Junction and Beacon train station with localized commuter lots in Hopewell, Brinckerhoff, Village of Fishkill, Glenham, Groveville, Main St. Beacon. This would address present and future rush hour congestion while also fostering improved non-traffic connectivity in the area.	4/14/2022 6:35 PM
78	Right turn on red at Jackson at all times. Limit oversized vehicles they are destroying roads and making traffic worse. Extend right turn from main onto Jackson because it backs all on Main Street or another option where to turn right. New school bus routes. Can’t turn right on red onto 84 from main st because there needs another lane or easier access - this also backs up traffic. We’re a small village we shouldn’t have the feeling of “can’t drive thru after 230”.	4/14/2022 5:13 PM
79	Limit oversized trucks,	4/14/2022 4:56 PM
80	na	4/14/2022 8:40 AM
81	Let the drivers sort it out. Leave it alone	4/14/2022 8:02 AM

82	Parents should use school buses as the means of transportation for their children getting to/from school. Only seniors should enjoy parking privileges. Tax dollars are wasted running empty buses…,	4/13/2022 11:19 PM
83	People with ideas need to be running for office so these issues can be rectified	4/13/2022 7:35 PM
84	Be aware of potential traffic implications whenver approving new development. Do NOT try to fix any traffic issues by building more parking. Research shows time and time again that that does not work.	4/13/2022 7:25 PM
85	Add another bridge crossing the Hudson somewhere nearby	4/13/2022 7:09 PM
86	Traffic is time sensitive whereas it's heavy at certain times of the day. I typically avoid the Village of Fishkill 4-6pm weekdays; I either take I84 to Rte9, or Red Schoolhouse Rd to Rte9D. The biggest issue is the I84/Rte9D exchange, especially for (train) commuters. The Parking Area by the Stadium is never used; perhaps the Town/County should promote/utilize that.	4/11/2022 9:37 AM
87	I would park my car and ride my bike to work from Genham to Dutchess Park if the abandoned train tracks were made into a paved bike trail. I would also use this bike trail when going to restaurants and bars. A bike trail there connecting us to the states rail trail by Daddy O's and to Main St. Beacon would make life here soon much nicer.	4/10/2022 9:03 AM
88	None	4/10/2022 7:46 AM
89	I live in condos by All Sport Health and Fitness. It is common for people to take shortcut through Elm Street, blow past stop signs just to get onto 52 just because they want to get there faster. Old Main, Elm and Louden Drive intersection is a difficult one because of that. I don't know if anything can be done about it.	4/9/2022 3:35 PM
90	With the closure of Downstate Detention Center, that area could be another interchange for 84 access.	4/9/2022 10:55 AM
91	According to the Town of Fishkill Comprehensive Plan, “Auto-oriented design and a lack of mass transportation choices force vehicle dependency, which increases traffic congestion …” (Town of Fishkill Comprehensive Plan Committee, 2009) Create a “complete street” in the Route 52 corridor. Introduce a dedicated transit route to the corridor, along with improved and expanded pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure in an attempt to shift the share of each travel mode through the corridor. Use Smart Growth - Some main points are as follows: • Smart Growth solutions questioning “the necessity of spending increasing amounts of time in cars locked in traffic and traveling miles to the nearest store.” (Town of Fishkill Comprehensive Plan Committee 2009) • A Smart Growth goal is to “Provide a variety of transportation choices.” (Town of Fishkill Comprehensive Plan Committee 2009) • The 2009 Town of Fishkill Comprehensive concludes “… widening congested roads to accommodate traffic is not a long-term solution because traffic expands to fill the available road space…Instead, we should create multiple routes and means for people to get around.” (Town of Fishkill Comprehensive Plan Committee 2009) Smart Growth can be accomplished through specific improvements: • Dissuade use of cul-de-sacs and dead-ends; connect them to nearby streets by roads or bicycle and pedestrian paths. • Connect neighborhoods to other neighborhoods and commercial areas by sidewalks and bicycle lanes. • Require crosswalks to encourage pedestrian traffic. • Zoning and Subdivision regulations should accommodate for “complete streets” incorporating sidewalks and bicycle lanes. • Request the NYSDOT to install sidewalks along Route 52 from Town Hall to Dutchess Park and raised crosswalks and signals at all traffic lights. • Request the NYSDOT to lower the speed limit to 35 mph throughout the town and 25 mph through the Village along Route 52. • “Create a greenway trail along the Fishkill Creek to connect parks, neighborhoods and other important sites in the Town…“ (Town of Fishkill Comprehensive Plan Committee 2009) Use good access management to “Connect commercial sites to improve transportation efficiency, safety and movement.” (Town of Fishkill Comprehensive Plan Committee 2009) Redirect the Route 52 corridor’s internal traffic circulation away from Route 52 through access management improvements to commercial plazas and neighborhoods lining the corridor. Access roads must be added to connect commercial spaces and residential areas such as the CVS plaza and the adjacent plaza eliminating the need to reenter Route 52 to get from one space to another. Mixed-use development: Mixed-use development allows for “small-scale neighborhood shops, such as corner stores that provide goods and services geared towards the neighborhood, within walking distance of residential areas…” (Town of Fishkill Comprehensive Plan Committee 2009) Mixed-use development also partially solves the problem of the location of housing and stores on different sides of town. Rezoning might be required. Mixed-use development would reduce the	4/8/2022 10:21 PM

	need for crosstown travel allowing some errands to be done on foot. Coordinate with Dutchess County Transit and communities surrounding Fishkill to provide extensive public transportation. Encouraging residents to use an expanded reliable bus or trolley system for crosstown travel would eliminate a significant portion of traffic congestion. Public transportation to all work places such as the Gap Warehouse is needed for all shifts. Lack of public transportation contributes to the Route 52 corridor congestion. The Dutchess County Public Transit Department offers a Loop Bus System. Route F: Hopewell Junction to Beacon buses travel this corridor. The schedule indicates the following: • Monday through Friday, there are only six runs. • Final westbound run of the day arrives in Beacon at 3:05 PM • Most traffic congestion occurs after 3 PM Although Metro North owns the east-west Maybrook railway through Fishkill south of Route 52, there is no east-west train service. In March, 2019 The Highlands Current stated, “Officials in Dutchess County and at the Metropolitan Transportation Authority plan to assess whether a trolley and a bike/pedestrian path could run along an unused railroad line in Beacon from the Metro-North station to the east end of Main Street.” (Simms 2019) A thirteen-mile Beacon-Hopewell Rail Trail along the Maybrook line is a transformative project in Moving Dutchess Forward. (Moving Dutchess Forward DCTC 2021) However, there is no mention of a trolley. We need a trolley with stops in each neighborhood along the route and a bike/pedestrian path. Congestion management through select intersection and traffic signal timing improvements: Poor traffic signal timing contributes to traffic congestion in the Route 52 corridor. I have observed vehicles proceed after having stopped at one traffic light only to immediately stop at the next one. There are four traffic lights on Route 52 in the mile and a half stretch between Route 9 and I-84, and a fifth one just past I-84.	
92	Do not allow semi trucks through the village during the hours of 2-6	4/8/2022 8:02 PM
93	Not sure there any real solutions.	4/8/2022 8:00 PM
94	I'm not sure how to fix it, but I feel like the biggest thing would be an alternative path to Main St in the Village of Fishkill.	4/7/2022 11:51 PM
95	Make Main St a local traffic only road	4/5/2022 3:26 PM
96	Provide more safe opportunities for walking and bicycling.	4/4/2022 1:02 PM
97	STOP 18 wheelers from using 9D as a bypass to Route 84 from points north. Make 9D local deliveries only for large trucks.	4/4/2022 9:32 AM
98	areas that have no traffic light -need to be monitored a little closer for speed (policing)	4/3/2022 10:21 PM
99	Limit all tractor trailers on art 52 through Fishkill	4/2/2022 10:56 AM
100	Widen roads, roundabouts, bike paths and bus to beacon.	4/2/2022 9:57 AM
101	no	3/31/2022 6:21 PM
102	I wish I could but I'm not sure what you can do	3/31/2022 3:58 PM
103	NO MORE RESIDENTIAL BUILDING!!!!!!!!!!!	3/31/2022 3:42 PM
104	Fix the light sequence on Main Street.	3/31/2022 1:17 PM
105	Building Moratorium. No new Housing developments.	3/31/2022 10:14 AM
106	Time the traffic lights better on Rt 9 between Church St & i-84	3/31/2022 9:53 AM
107	Wish there was a way to utilize the back of Walmart area to connect village of fishkill so residents don’t have to drive all the way around and clog up roads. Could reduce traffic. The traffic light and Rt 9 and Merritt Blvd when coming out of Merritt Blvd is crazy that there are 2 lanes turning right and only one lane going straight into the Walmart plaza. This backs up traffic badly at that intersection. No need for 2 lanes going right out of Merritt onto Rt 9.	3/31/2022 9:39 AM
108	Build a bypass around Main Street. There is no need for tractor trailers to go down Main Street if they are not making delivery	3/31/2022 9:04 AM
109	stop building apartment and condos to cram more people in	3/31/2022 9:02 AM
110	Merrit Blvd bypass to i84/rt52	3/31/2022 8:59 AM
111	Slow down approval of new building and establish a traffic study if you have not already. 9D is an accident waiting to happen, especially with the bridge construction and during stadium season.	3/31/2022 8:38 AM

112	Reduce truck traffic on Main street, not enough parking. Fixing potholes on Merritt by walmart.	3/31/2022 6:53 AM
113	Traffic congestion is mostly a commute issue, that is when the correctional workers travel to or from work, or school busses are taking students home, and other persons are going home. Otherwise, Rt52 in front of my place is mostly deserted. Rt9D gets backed up while waiting for a car to make a left turn into Popula Boulevard. Here a left turn lane would be a great help.	3/30/2022 2:05 PM
114	Better traffic light patterns	3/29/2022 9:19 AM
115	Less development that encourages population density to increase!!!!	3/28/2022 7:27 PM
116	Fix bridge and make 9D a four lane from bridge to Old Hopewell RD. Maybe put in Exit off I-84 at Dutchess Stadium	3/28/2022 6:09 PM
117	I may not have idea to remedy the situation but The Wesley Project construction will definitely add tremendously to an already major traffic issue which is why I oppose the Wesley project. Possible traffic light installed on Rt 52 at the intersection of either Wheaton Avenue or Woodvale Ave. is a possibility.	3/28/2022 11:31 AM
118	Entrance off of 84 into the Dutchess Stadium, also two lanes entering I84 West	3/27/2022 10:04 PM
119	More thru streets and possible parallel roads	3/27/2022 5:07 PM
120	The timing of the traffic signal at the intersection of 9D and I-84 needs to be adjusted. Traveling South on 9D the light stays red too long and green not long enough, causing traffic to back up past the stadium during afternoon rush hour. Increasing the length of the 9D South merge lane onto I-84 West would also help.	3/27/2022 1:04 PM
121	Traffic circle at intersection of 52 & 82. Merritt Blvd speed limit should be increased -- they have sidewalks, speed should not be a problem.	3/27/2022 11:06 AM
122	Review traffic light patterns	3/27/2022 12:55 AM
123	Improve bicycle infrastructure and mass transit options	3/26/2022 9:18 PM
124	Put in a bypass between CVS and the back of Walmart	3/26/2022 6:12 PM
125	Additional Fishkill Creek crossing.	3/26/2022 5:14 PM
126	Service road along 84 from 9 to 9d. Will provide a non-interstate connection to East and west parts of town and can hold stacked traffic to battle bridge congestion and move stacked traffic from main st	3/26/2022 4:36 PM
127	Put a bypass ib	3/26/2022 4:36 PM
128	More overpasses	3/26/2022 2:53 PM
129	We need an extra traffic light off of Old Castle Point Road. Under ordinary circumstances, it is hard to make a left. When the road is backed up to the bridge, it is impossible. light. We need to stop building so frantically, particularly the kinds of hideous homes that have been recently erected.	3/26/2022 2:48 PM
130	Not building any more hotels, big businesses etc.	3/26/2022 2:39 PM
131	Use eminent domain and make longer turn lanes / widen roads	3/26/2022 2:01 PM
132	Maybe not allowing commercial vehicles on 52 from 84 to Route 9 between 4 and 7? I'm really not sure that it can be fixed.	3/26/2022 11:13 AM
133	Widening the roads may be our only option. Re-calibrating the lights would also help.	3/26/2022 10:30 AM
134	Over pass!	3/26/2022 10:28 AM
135	Moratorium on building	3/26/2022 10:02 AM
136	People traveling on Rte 52 in the Village do not always mai train flow. They stop to let cars on side streets get out on Rte 5w which causes backups when they let several cars go or when multiple drivers do this. Left to pick up kids in front of the firehouse needs to be addressed	3/26/2022 9:59 AM
137	None	3/26/2022 9:54 AM
138	bypass main st villiage of fishkill thru merrit extension to i84 and rt 52. eliminate traffic signals	3/26/2022 9:39 AM

	and left turn areas.	
139	Limit types of vehicles on Main St in the Village.....was going through there recently and they were trying to move a full sized trailer home up Main St past Beer Truck, etc. and I didn't think they were going to make it! Same for some of the semi trucks that try to get up there!	3/26/2022 9:38 AM
140	connecting roads, bike paths	3/26/2022 9:27 AM
141	No more building on 52. Regulate lights for commuter hours on 9D.	3/26/2022 9:24 AM
142	have a cop stationed at intersection of rt 9 and 52 to prevent gridlock	3/26/2022 9:14 AM
143	No more new housing complexes. Our roads can’t handle the amount of cars for people who already live here	3/26/2022 9:02 AM
144	The biggest issues are the main street area and route 9 around town, especially near 84. I don't know how you fix main street. Hopewell is building a round about on rte 82. Not sure if that can be done here.	3/26/2022 8:54 AM
145	Coordinate traffic lights. Some sort of local access road/bypass south of 84	3/26/2022 8:23 AM
146	right on red, turning lane, green lights in a moving sequence to help traffic flow. A blinking yellow light at castle point and 9d that changes to a regular light at peak times when VA changes shifts.	3/26/2022 7:59 AM
147	Build Rte 52 bypass from Village of Fishkill back to Merritt Blvd, or make one way traffic east only through the village. This will prevent Thurs, Fri back ups thru village when I-84 backs up	3/26/2022 6:54 AM
148	It’s usually rush hour I experience congestion on 52 going into the town of Fishkill. Maybe some signs notifying us so we take alternate routes. Like the digital ones along side the roads indicate traffic time.	3/26/2022 6:51 AM
149	Reduce Trucks going through the village	3/26/2022 6:47 AM
150	A on and off ramp exiting onto Red schoolhouse road I84. Widening or adding lanes specifically on 9d more turning lanes. In certain areas.	3/26/2022 6:27 AM
151	Stop building on 52. No need for hotels to be built next to I 84 diner. Ridiculous. Apt building on 52 and the big storage area being built where the bowling used to be. Another eyesore are the apartments on corner of Jackson/Main. No senior apts belonging to Nazareth Church.	3/26/2022 3:07 AM
152	Traffic lights should not just be time based but should be adapting to traffic and vehicles at the intersection. Traffic lights should be installed on merit boulevard by the van Wyck Glenn and Meadows communities.	3/25/2022 11:19 PM
153	Not sure - prioritize walkability somehow?	3/25/2022 10:46 PM
154	Bypass the village between route 9 and I 84 (Osborne Hill/Baxtertown Rd traffic MUST be addressed). Make Florence local only with speed bumps. Ridiculous that the Olde Post Mall apartments have better traffic control and lower speeds than Florence Ave does. I’m tired of Highway Dept and Police Dept saying nothing can be done about it.	3/25/2022 9:29 PM
155	How can this mess be fixed? No one wants to put in new roads.(remember Cnty Rt 11 proposal) That leaves widen to 4lanes Rt. 9D. Connect side streets to shunt traffic away from Rt. 9. While it seems to have helped with Merritt Blvd. ; can this be done in the Rombout area?	3/25/2022 9:11 PM
156	Synchronize all lights better And get lights that are sensitive to if cars are there so the timing is better	3/25/2022 8:44 PM
157	Not as this time	3/25/2022 8:37 PM
158	Round a bouts	3/25/2022 8:28 PM
159	Alternate route for through traffic to and from beacon	3/25/2022 8:24 PM
160	Create a 52 bypass using the train tracks that are not in use.	3/25/2022 8:23 PM
161	Double lane from duchess stadium to I84	3/25/2022 8:22 PM
162	Create bypass, traffic signal management for better traffic flow	3/25/2022 8:00 PM
163	Install Round-abouts at major intersection.	3/25/2022 7:55 PM

164	Fix the bridge, they never stop working on it.	3/25/2022 7:39 PM
165	Route 9 red light cameras people constantly beat the light from 9 and 52 intersection and the traffic lights around Walmart.	3/25/2022 7:34 PM
166	Unfortunately, there are no easy solutions to the traffic problem other than minimizing new development that would increase the number of people living or moving through the town.	3/25/2022 7:32 PM
167	none	3/25/2022 3:54 PM
168	Limit large trucks to just deliveries on Rte 52 (Main St) between Rte 9 and I84. Adjust timing of traffic lights at 52/84 and at 52/Jackson intersections.	3/25/2022 10:26 AM
169	Stop trying to build multi family housing along Route 52. We are full!	3/25/2022 8:05 AM
170	Make the road behind Cracker Barrel right turn only onto Merritt. Those needing to go left can easily get there at the light by Flory's.	3/25/2022 7:38 AM
171	We don't need any more construction around this area. Pedestrian infrastructure and public transportation	3/24/2022 11:11 PM
172	Reducing new development.	3/24/2022 8:07 PM
173	The only option I see that could possibly work is to make main st, from Rout 9 to Jasckson Ave, one way heading West and have east bound traffic go right on Cary Ave the continue down Broard St to the traffic light at intersection of Main St & Route 9.	3/24/2022 7:22 PM
174	Make Main St, (Rt 52), a one way in west bound. Heading from Rt 9 west to Jackson Ave. Then use Carry ave a one way into Broad and as a one way out to route 9. Restrict vehicles over 26,000 lbs, Trucks ok for local delivery only. All others are to use Rt -84 or other route.	3/24/2022 7:19 PM
175	No left turn out of ALLSPORT To Route 52. No left turn from Elm Street (by front of ALLSPORT) to route 52. The timing on the lights at 52 and 9 need to be looked at and perhaps adjusted. Each direction on 52 (by 9) may need to be made into 3 lanes (right turn only - left turn only - and straight only).	3/24/2022 6:12 PM
176	I wish I had a solution but aside from stopping more people from the city moving here I don't	3/24/2022 6:07 PM
177	Make 52 1 way thru the village to 84	3/24/2022 5:54 PM
178	Ease traffic flow onto Mid Hudson Bridge as bridge decks are being installed and widened.	3/24/2022 4:55 PM
179	more enforcement at 9 and 52 might help a bit	3/24/2022 3:55 PM
180	Not sure how to fix issues when there is an accident / construction on 84 that dumps all traffic onto 52 and 9.	3/24/2022 3:21 PM
181	Better public transportation and more housing near commercial to encourage walking	3/24/2022 2:57 PM
182	n/a	3/24/2022 1:40 PM
183	Find a bypass that will get traffic away from Rte 52 in the Village of Fishkill. Those going to the shops and restaurants will still be able to access them.	3/24/2022 1:14 PM
184	I have no ideas about fixing the current problem or reducing it. The main feeling I have is that additional apartment complexes of big box stores should not be added to the already bad problem	3/24/2022 12:50 PM
185	Need to put a bypass in linking 52 to 84 avoiding the village. Maybe reuse the old RR Tracks and use for thru traffic and leave 52 for local only	3/24/2022 10:52 AM
186	Widening 9D to the extent possible and restructuring the 9D and I-84 intersection to reduce left turns onto I-84 with modified cloverleaf approaches	3/24/2022 10:01 AM
187	none	3/24/2022 8:51 AM
188	Public service announcements to use I-84 to bypass the village. Beacon to walmart , get on 84 . Exiting 84 near westage to use 52, exit instead at 84 diner. Investigate why Merritt Blvd isnt 4 lanes the whole length as a 52 bypass with an increased speed limit	3/24/2022 8:17 AM
189	Reduce or stop the increase in housing units along Baxtertown Rd, Osborne Hill Rd- Jackson St, Main St (US9-I84); eliminate the access and exit ramps to I84 from NY52	3/24/2022 6:59 AM

190	Extend west Merritt Blvd to bypass the village when traveling to i/84 or beacon	3/24/2022 5:59 AM
191	If only that were possible...	3/24/2022 12:35 AM
192	Traffic circles at bottle neck areas	3/23/2022 11:42 PM
193	Bridge construction should be completed in the evening.	3/23/2022 9:33 PM
194	The area by Cracker Barrel on Merritt Blvd needs some kind of traffic management , a traffic circle , a light ? Needs Paving. Very dangerous pulling out of Cracker Barrel or Panera shopping center onto Merritt.	3/23/2022 9:22 PM
195	Lower speed limit on some streets (ex Jackson st, Osborne Holl rd) to encourage local traffic only	3/23/2022 9:20 PM
196	Many cars exit 84 on 9 or52 and go thru the village, maybe we need something that will prevent that practice	3/23/2022 8:46 PM
197	None	3/23/2022 7:42 PM
198	No new developments.	3/23/2022 6:51 PM
199	I think it has something to do with the traffic lights on 52 on the east and west side of 84. Study that area. Also a lot of roads in Fishkill are only one lane each way. I am not sure about expanding two lanes, but maybe it might help?	3/23/2022 6:26 PM
200	Longer turn lanes to get onto 84 so people aren't stopping traffic in other lanes while trying to get into the turn lanes	3/23/2022 6:11 PM
201	Unfortunately the fix is to increase the LOS of these roads and it’s not possible financially so stop developing!	3/23/2022 5:49 PM
202	Close Route 52 between Rt 84 and rt 9 to commercial traffic. Except for local deliveries.	3/23/2022 5:06 PM
203	Ban tractor trailers from Main St unless they are delivering products to local entities.	3/23/2022 4:59 PM

Q9 What are your top 3 choices for getting around when you want to or have to go somewhere? Identify your top 3 choices by putting a 1, 2 or 3 in front of your 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choices.

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Drive	98.08%	306
Walk	69.55%	217
Bike	29.81%	93
Take a bus	7.69%	24
Use Dial-a-ride	2.88%	9
Take a taxi, uber or lyft	13.46%	42
Get a ride from friend/family	37.50%	117
I rarely leave home	1.92%	6
Prefer not to say	0.00%	0
Other, please specify.	3.85%	12

Q10 How would you finish this sentence: "It would be easier to get around Fishkill if ..."?

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	There were more sidewalks outside the village	5/10/2022 6:36 PM
2	better road markings	5/9/2022 10:24 AM
3	Not over devlop	5/9/2022 9:51 AM
4	traffic lights and traffic did not cause large delays in travelling short distances.	5/9/2022 7:54 AM
5	If there was a paved path to Shop Rite plaza from the neighborhoods east of Rt 9. If there were sidewalks on Rt 52 east of Rt 9. If all sidewalks were cleared of snow in the winter. If there was a shuttle bus or trolley servicing locations within the town. It would provide a safe option to cross Rt 9 if we prefer an alternative to driving. If there were necessary businesses on both sides of Rt 9 so the need to cross would be decreased.	5/8/2022 11:53 PM
6	There were more bike trails.	5/8/2022 2:14 PM
7	Bike lanes.	5/8/2022 11:22 AM
8	there are public Transportation options during anytime of the day or any day of the year	5/8/2022 8:36 AM
9	Non local traffic utilized rt84 instead of rt 52	5/8/2022 6:46 AM
10	Less traffic	5/7/2022 9:05 PM
11	We had more public transit routes within walking distance to our neighborhoods.	5/7/2022 6:24 PM
12	...there was less traffic. ...cyclists followed traffic rules.	5/7/2022 11:03 AM
13	There were fewer cars	5/7/2022 10:15 AM
14	There was less people	5/7/2022 9:56 AM
15	cars and bicycles obeyed traffic lights and didn't block intersections during times of high traffic.	5/7/2022 9:14 AM
16	There were sidewalks. You can't safely walk around the town.	5/7/2022 9:04 AM
17	There were more convenient public transportation.	5/7/2022 9:01 AM
18	If there was more parking in the village	5/7/2022 7:51 AM
19	there was a bypass around the village.	5/7/2022 7:35 AM
20	Roads we're broadened	5/6/2022 10:24 PM
21	Better traffic control on both Rt 52/Main Street in the Village, and better traffic control on Rt 9 in the Village.	5/6/2022 9:10 PM
22	Traffic was controlled and walkways/bikeways were nicer. Merit blvd has a tiny narrow walkway. Should be more generous in width and connect into the village	5/6/2022 8:39 PM
23	We could have self driving taxis or cars hooked up to a smart grid for traffic mitigation	5/6/2022 8:13 PM
24	More side walks	5/6/2022 7:47 PM
25	I could walk comfortably on Osborne Hill Road	5/6/2022 7:46 PM
26	There was better parking, off-street	5/6/2022 11:01 AM
27	We did not get gridlock at certain intersections	5/5/2022 12:06 AM

28	less traffic	5/4/2022 12:12 PM
29	Every driver, biker and pedestrian obeyed the law.	5/4/2022 12:06 PM
30	There were sidewalks and bridges.	4/26/2022 2:33 AM
31	during emergencies there was a service road or another road that travels east to west (parallel to 52).	4/24/2022 6:28 PM
32	don't know	4/24/2022 12:53 PM
33	there were sidewalks and bicycle paths	4/24/2022 12:20 PM
34	we had more sidewalks, and not just in the village proper	4/24/2022 9:32 AM
35	Over Development was halted. No more gas stations, strip malls, hotels, housing projects. Make bike and pedestrian paths!	4/23/2022 7:12 PM
36	There was some way to better synchronize the traffic lights.	4/23/2022 2:05 PM
37	if we stopped building buildings with no regard of the water table, causing flooding in people's homes. Build more sidewalks, that would help decrease traffic.	4/23/2022 1:45 PM
38	…there were more public transit.	4/23/2022 9:18 AM
39	We had an easier route around the village.	4/23/2022 9:10 AM
40	More public transportation options	4/23/2022 8:17 AM
41	Dial a ride operated more than 2/week. There were more sidewalks or bikepaths going into the village	4/23/2022 2:56 AM
42	The traffic lights were more in sync with traffic. For example, waiting to turn from 9 south to 84 west, the light stays red for quite a while even though no traffic is coming southbound. The light at route 9 and Snook Road also needs an overhaul. Trying to turn left onto Snook Road is a nuisance.	4/22/2022 10:01 PM
43	There were sidewalks and bike lanes	4/22/2022 8:05 PM
44	the bump outs in the village were removed	4/22/2022 5:14 PM
45	Maple Street in Glenham had a safer sidewalk near the bridge.	4/22/2022 1:09 PM
46	the traffic flowed more smoothly.	4/21/2022 1:04 PM
47	There were more roadways or less traffic thru the village.	4/19/2022 5:01 PM
48	The town and village stopped the constant development of both commercial and residential properties. There is only so much traffic the town and village can hold.	4/19/2022 11:27 AM
49	there were more routes and bike and car lanes.	4/19/2022 11:05 AM
50	Less traffic	4/19/2022 7:59 AM
51	more sidewalks in the town connecting to sidewalks in the village, eliminate the I84/Route 52 ramps	4/19/2022 6:23 AM
52	There weren't so many cars and streets weren't so narrow	4/18/2022 10:35 PM
53	The traffic lights were better aligned to allow traffic to flow thru the village.	4/18/2022 7:04 PM
54	There was traffic relief.	4/18/2022 5:17 PM
55	Less traffic congestion and gridlock	4/18/2022 2:21 PM
56	There was less volume of traffic	4/18/2022 12:25 PM
57	you could fly	4/18/2022 12:09 PM
58	there was a way around the village and the rt52 84 intersection.	4/18/2022 11:45 AM
59	It were safer	4/17/2022 5:33 PM
60	There were more bus routes and more police presence to prevent cars from blocking	4/17/2022 5:07 PM

	intersections with traffic lights.	
61	Drivers read the speed limits. This is a village not a Thruway.	4/17/2022 2:41 PM
62	Traffic could be diverted. Have a free shuttle bus around town	4/16/2022 10:19 PM
63	the people who moved here learned to drive, read/know signs (especially speed limit signs), if ALL cops gave out tickets for people hanging in the left/passing lanes (which IS STILL against the law), if our traffic lights were sequenced to promote flow/not stop or hinder it (like Pagones did; example is light before 84 diner on Rte. 52 - leaving a new green light from thewest heading I-84 exit ramp, unless you own a EV and floor it , YOU WILL HAVE A RED LIGHT! Same thing for lights on Rt. 9; they used to be perfectly sequenced from 4-corners @ Myers Corners Rd. all the way down to Rt.52 & Rt.9 for 55mph, but Pagones killed that! She did likewise to the more southern lights around Walmart to I-84! Believe it or not, there was a time in history when you could drive from Dairy Queen in Wappingers down to Rt.9/Rt.52(Main Street) in 3 - 4 minutes at 55mph!	4/16/2022 6:27 PM
64	less cars	4/16/2022 3:31 PM
65	See my recommendation in the previous question	4/16/2022 2:03 PM
66	If other surrounding communities would also control or limit the amount of population growth and development.	4/16/2022 1:37 PM
67	The lights weren't so long	4/16/2022 1:11 PM
68	I could fly	4/16/2022 1:05 PM
69	More people moved out	4/16/2022 1:03 PM
70	There were sidewalks	4/16/2022 1:02 PM
71	There were safe corridors for walking and biking. Bike paths should be separate than walking but you should be able to bike separate than Rt 9. There was recently a fatal biking accident on Rt 9 just south of Fishkill.	4/16/2022 12:23 PM
72	THE VILLAGE OF FISHKILL HAD A BETTER TRAFFIC PLAN.	4/16/2022 10:28 AM
73	If people behaved and didn't cut in an out of traffic.	4/16/2022 10:02 AM
74	curbside parking was eliminated along main street.	4/16/2022 9:56 AM
75	There was a way to circumvent traffic from Rt 52 and the village when there is a problem on Rt 84 west.	4/16/2022 9:09 AM
76	More Ubers and Lyft!!! Incentivize use of ride apps to make it easier to get around without a car - it will also be more jobs for the community. It takes 20+ minutes to get a car out here.	4/16/2022 8:53 AM
77	Major intersections had improves turn lanes and lights timed better on feeder roads that lead to rt 9. Restrict tractor trailer traffic at rush hours. Review where people take shortcuts to avoid lights or congestion and improve those roads or develop them into as main thoroughfares. Example how locals drive behind offices toward jimmys auto outlet into Dutchess shopping to avoid sitting at cedar hill rd and rt 52 for 10-15 minutes in order to make a left turn. Town has made many positive improvements recently and I hope you can continue to preserve our beautiful town while updating some antiquated road that do not meet the high traffic demand of today due to over development in tight clusters.	4/16/2022 8:42 AM
78	We had public transportation.	4/16/2022 7:52 AM
79	There was a rail trail to V/O Fishkill. There were more Ubers and Lyfts available in the area.	4/16/2022 7:17 AM
80	We're less congestion on the roads.	4/16/2022 6:56 AM
81	Light were smarter & followed traffic volume	4/15/2022 10:30 PM
82	Sidewalks on Main roads, it is dangerous walking on art 52 from town hall to the village	4/15/2022 10:23 PM
83	There were less commercial traffic	4/15/2022 10:05 PM
84	There weren't so many cars.	4/15/2022 9:14 PM
85	There were safe and accessible walkways. Sidewalks or walking paths…or even dedicated	4/15/2022 8:45 PM

	bike lanes	
86	Driver would play attention I would walk more	4/15/2022 8:31 PM
87	The traffic red lights weren't so long.	4/15/2022 8:02 PM
88	Integrated planning and revenue generation regarding growth including infrastructure considerations	4/15/2022 7:59 PM
89	there were bikes lanes	4/15/2022 7:44 PM
90	There was less traffic. There were sidewalks installed on Route 52.	4/15/2022 7:30 PM
91	There was less traffic on Main St.	4/15/2022 7:24 PM
92	There wasn’t so much traffic	4/15/2022 7:19 PM
93	There were not so much damn traffic	4/15/2022 7:11 PM
94	There was a way to avoid Main Street, Fishkill	4/15/2022 7:40 AM
95	The main streets did not have large trucks traffic	4/14/2022 6:47 PM
96	There weren’t so many people from neighboring communities traveling through it (and not stopping/shopping/dining).	4/14/2022 6:35 PM
97	Less traffic on Main st	4/14/2022 6:21 PM
98	If they let people turn right on red at Jackson at all times or atleast prior to 7.	4/14/2022 5:13 PM
99	Over sized trucks were limited	4/14/2022 4:56 PM
100	There was less development.	4/14/2022 4:37 PM
101	there weren't so many traffic lights on route 52 & route 9.	4/14/2022 10:45 AM
102	na	4/14/2022 8:40 AM
103	People just continue driving	4/14/2022 8:02 AM
104	People would follow traffic laws.	4/14/2022 6:13 AM
105	Commuters might benefit from a trolly/bus service to/from train station that stopped at some central points/apartment complexes	4/13/2022 11:19 PM
106	There was less traffic.	4/13/2022 7:35 PM
107	there was better public transportation	4/13/2022 7:25 PM
108	There were more pedestrian and bike paths and if fire access gate were left open	4/13/2022 7:09 PM
109	and when I plan on traffic congestions times, which are always rush hour.	4/13/2022 4:39 PM
110	there were sidewalks past the cvs plaza toward I-84.	4/13/2022 2:42 PM
111	Population stabilized	4/10/2022 11:57 AM
112	The abandoned train tracks were a paved bike trail. The streets are dangerous for bike riding. A sidewalk on Washington Ave would be great.	4/10/2022 9:03 AM
113	There was a trolley	4/10/2022 7:46 AM
114	Sidewalks, crosswalks.	4/9/2022 3:35 PM
115	Look into connecting Jackson Street to West Merritt Blvd	4/9/2022 10:55 AM
116	There were fewer people	4/8/2022 11:14 PM
117	we had complete street, extensive public transportation including a trolley to and from Beacon and Hopewell Junction, the traffic signals were coordinated, there were use of access management and mixed-use development .	4/8/2022 10:21 PM
118	Semi trucks had limited access, especially through the village	4/8/2022 8:02 PM
119	the construction of new residential developments stopped.	4/8/2022 8:00 PM

120	There were more sidewalks, so we could walk and bike more.	4/7/2022 11:51 PM
121	There were delineated bike lanes	4/6/2022 4:07 PM
122	there was less traffic	4/5/2022 3:26 PM
123	there were more sidewalks, multi-use trails, and safer bike lanes.	4/4/2022 1:02 PM
124	Truck traffic was reduced.	4/4/2022 9:32 AM
125	(nothing)	4/3/2022 10:21 PM
126	There wasn't so much congestion.	4/2/2022 7:11 PM
127	Traffic was rerouted to avoid the village of Fishkill by the addition of a new road or expanding current roads. An immediate improvement would be the use of a traffic officer at some of the intersections to alleviate gridlock	4/2/2022 11:06 AM
128	There was a limit on 18 wheel commercial trucks, and Amazon trucks.	4/2/2022 10:56 AM
129	The roads were wider.	4/2/2022 9:57 AM
130	The CVS parking lot on Main Street were fixed! It's a disgrace!	4/2/2022 9:53 AM
131	there was less traffic on route 9	3/31/2022 6:21 PM
132	we rode bicycles	3/31/2022 3:58 PM
133	THE TRAFFIC WASN'T SO BAD	3/31/2022 3:42 PM
134	People from Beacon stayed in Beacon ;)	3/31/2022 1:17 PM
135	There were more walking and bike paths.	3/31/2022 11:39 AM
136	There was less congestion on Rt 9 and Rt 52 and an alternative route from Rt 9/ Rt 84 up to the Poughkeepsie city limits.	3/31/2022 10:39 AM
137	we stopped building condos and strip malls	3/31/2022 10:14 AM
138	There were more sidewalks.	3/31/2022 9:53 AM
139	Extend the sidewalks along Jackson Avenue near st Mary's church and up to Osborne Hill Road so people could walk into The village instead of having to drive because Jackson is too dangerous. Second, extend the rail trail, people going to all sport could ride or walk instead of driving.	3/31/2022 9:39 AM
140	There more sidewalks	3/31/2022 9:13 AM
141	There was less traffic on Main Street/52	3/31/2022 9:04 AM
142	there was less traffic and it was easier and safer to cross rte 9	3/31/2022 9:02 AM
143	There was local transportation options in the town/village	3/31/2022 8:59 AM
144	The state, town, and federal worked together to resolve the 9D issues and 52 village to I84.	3/31/2022 8:38 AM
145	Commercial traffic can be reduced.	3/31/2022 6:53 AM
146	There were more sidewalks, including in neighborhoods an on rt 9 north of ShopRite	3/30/2022 2:14 PM
147	Fishkill is a very old place. To change it would mean to remove its historic charm. There is a piece of property across from the Fishkill Post Office that has been unused in the seven years I have been here. Using it for parking would remove many card from parking on the street. Beside the walk to do shopping would be a good thing.	3/30/2022 2:05 PM
148	there was less car and truck traffic!! And less people!!!	3/28/2022 7:27 PM
149	there were sidewalks	3/28/2022 6:09 PM
150	there were less cars ! :)	3/28/2022 11:31 AM
151	More lanes of traffic where needed	3/27/2022 10:04 PM
152	There were more sidewalks and bike lanes	3/27/2022 5:07 PM

153	There were no trucks allowed on v/f streets	3/27/2022 2:12 PM
154	there were more bike lanes, especially on 9D". The shoulder is treacherous in some areas due to its being narrow and populated with pot holes. The pothole across from the Gulf Station south of Brockway is especially dangerous. Widen the shoulders and fill the potholes.	3/27/2022 1:04 PM
155	there were bicycle paths that could accommodate electric bikes	3/27/2022 11:46 AM
156	There were less people jammed into living spaces here.	3/27/2022 11:06 AM
157	There were more alternate routes	3/27/2022 12:55 AM
158	There were a bike lane along 9D and Hwy 9	3/26/2022 9:18 PM
159	Route 52 wasn't such a mess	3/26/2022 6:12 PM
160	Bus ran along Route 82 to Fishkill	3/26/2022 5:52 PM
161	Round Hill road was opened up for through traffic to Rte 52 as it was originally designed to be.	3/26/2022 5:14 PM
162	There was a bypass around the village	3/26/2022 4:36 PM
163	All the lights were in sync	3/26/2022 4:36 PM
164	Bus Service were more accessible	3/26/2022 3:12 PM
165	Route 52 were widened.	3/26/2022 2:53 PM
166	traffic weren't back up on 9D to the bridge and if people couldn't use Route 52 in Fishkill as a means of entering and existing 84.	3/26/2022 2:48 PM
167	there was less traffic congestion	3/26/2022 2:39 PM
168	There were sidewalks!!!!!!	3/26/2022 2:01 PM
169	..when..I work off peak hours	3/26/2022 11:41 AM
170	public transportation was better utilized. I don't even know where the bus stops are or the Routes. I have lived here for 27 years. When I lived in Queens I knew all the buses & trains near my house.	3/26/2022 11:13 AM
171	the traffic light at Geering Way and Route 52 was staggered for turning vehicles.	3/26/2022 10:37 AM
172	Timing of the traffic lights was synchronized better.	3/26/2022 10:30 AM
173	There was less traffic	3/26/2022 10:28 AM
174	There are less people	3/26/2022 10:20 AM
175	There was less traffic and more courteous drivers	3/26/2022 10:02 AM
176	People obeyed traffic rules	3/26/2022 9:59 AM
177	There were less city people	3/26/2022 9:54 AM
178	There was less traffic	3/26/2022 9:53 AM
179	there was less traffic	3/26/2022 9:39 AM
180	there was more dependable public transportation available.	3/26/2022 9:38 AM
181	There weren't so many dead-end or closed-loop roads.	3/26/2022 9:27 AM
182	There was less traffic.	3/26/2022 9:24 AM
183	more cops were visible	3/26/2022 9:14 AM
184	I could fly. I don’t mean to be sarcastic but there is no answer to this that I can think of. I feel that the area is already overdeveloped.	3/26/2022 9:02 AM
185	There had been less development (i.e. Toll Brothers complexes) or if that development thought more about traffic. I am not sure how you fix the problem now.	3/26/2022 8:54 AM
186	More pedestrian friendly including cross walks that people actually stop for, less traffic and more variety within walking distance	3/26/2022 8:23 AM

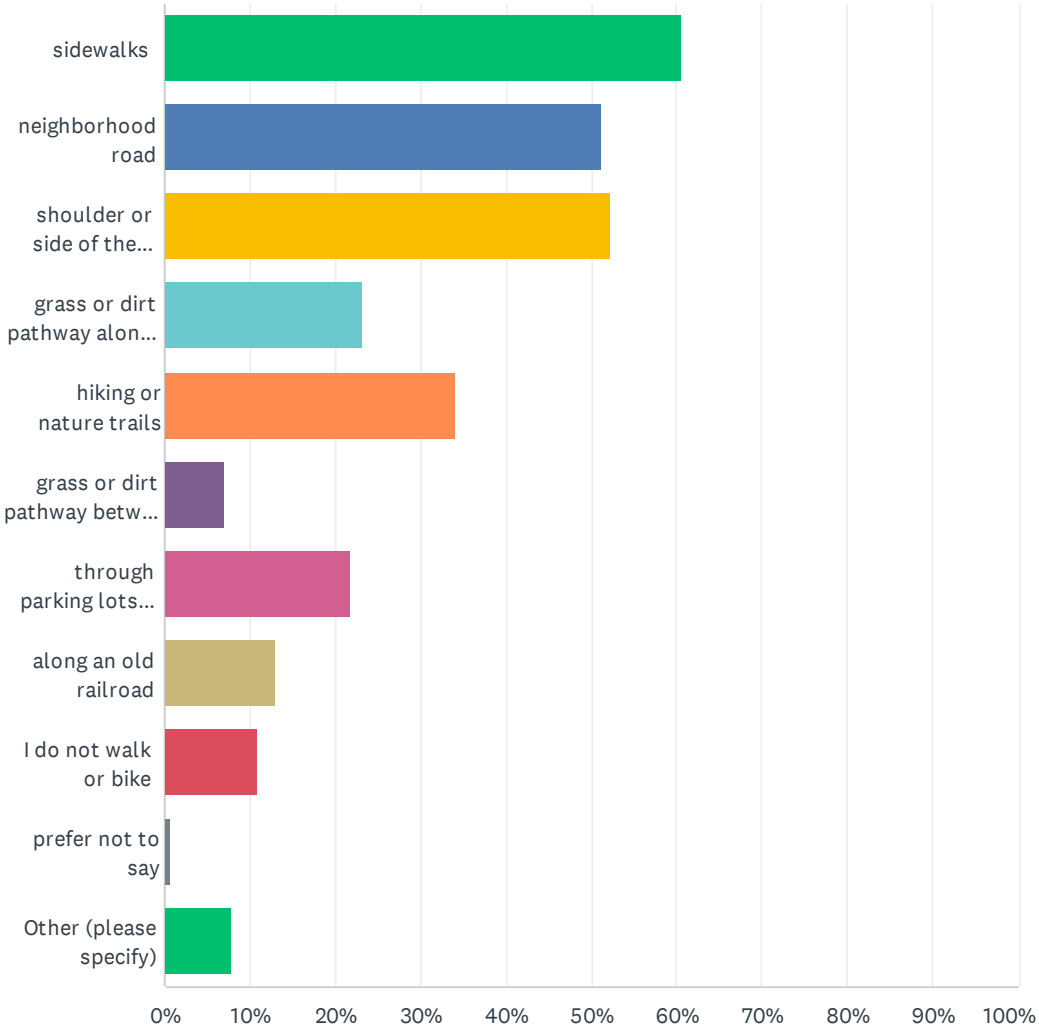
187	wider main roads with turning lanes. Better local, state and federal roads and teamwork to alleviate problems	3/26/2022 7:59 AM
188	Fewer left hand turning lanes	3/26/2022 6:54 AM
189	52 wasn't so congested	3/26/2022 6:51 AM
190	there was public transportation	3/26/2022 6:42 AM
191	If you had elevated roads to get to certain areas. more direct routes.	3/26/2022 6:27 AM
192	More sidewalks	3/26/2022 4:57 AM
193	There was a cloverleaf at 84-9D interchange.	3/26/2022 3:27 AM
194	If they stop building on Rte 52. It's getting to look like NYC	3/26/2022 3:07 AM
195	some traffic light coordination	3/25/2022 11:58 PM
196	Driving	3/25/2022 11:19 PM
197	The lights at 84 and 52 didn't back up traffic	3/25/2022 11:18 PM
198	There was less commuter traffic	3/25/2022 10:46 PM
199	Thru traffic on 9 to 84 were Kept off Osborne, Baxtertown. Shut down the intersection at 52 and 84. Something radical that reduces traffic (such as a bypass) to reduce traffic through Fishkill. Also change development so that it supports walking rather than parking lots (meaning stores are close to sidewalks, with parking behind, unlike CVS Plaza)	3/25/2022 9:29 PM
200	Road was safer with a safe bike, walker road, and I was 30yrs younger!	3/25/2022 9:11 PM
201	There was a local bus with stops close to where I live	3/25/2022 9:01 PM
202	Public service announcement stay off 52 between 4-6p if you can - to minimize traffic	3/25/2022 8:44 PM
203	There was a shuttle	3/25/2022 8:37 PM
204	there was less traffic	3/25/2022 8:30 PM
205	Got rid of traffic lights and installed round a bouts	3/25/2022 8:28 PM
206	cars would stay on 84 when traffic there slows down and the highways were used instead of thru town. Much of the traffic is out of town travelers. I see this by reading the dealer stickers on the cars. Usually where it is bought is where they are from	3/25/2022 8:28 PM
207	Traffic light free through roads. Don't answer development with more traffic lights	3/25/2022 8:24 PM
208	There were sidewalks and better lighting	3/25/2022 8:22 PM
209	THE AREA WAS LESS POPULATED	3/25/2022 8:16 PM
210	The traffic on Main Street / route 52 was better. A backup of traffic here affects many other roads	3/25/2022 8:14 PM
211	There were more sidewalks and less traffic to dodge.	3/25/2022 8:00 PM
212	There was safe bike lanes.	3/25/2022 7:55 PM
213	They stop building	3/25/2022 7:48 PM
214	less people	3/25/2022 7:40 PM
215	There were no cars.	3/25/2022 7:39 PM
216	Not sure	3/25/2022 7:34 PM
217	There was less traffic	3/25/2022 7:32 PM
218	zoning for multiple-unit housing ended, the area is already overcrowded and is only going to get worse as open land is used to house more people than the area can or should accommodate.	3/25/2022 7:31 PM
219	Shuttle bus service connector	3/25/2022 7:25 PM

220	If the traffic light were synchronized across the whole town and the potholes were repaired	3/25/2022 7:25 PM
221	Main Street Fishkill was not a bottelneck.	3/25/2022 3:54 PM
222	Everybody stayed home	3/25/2022 10:26 AM
223	There was a bus near Brinckerhoff that goes to metro north	3/25/2022 10:12 AM
224	It was still 1960	3/25/2022 8:05 AM
225	People knew how to drive.	3/25/2022 7:38 AM
226	If it was not a state road going thru village. Cannot see anyway how to avoid traffic around village and town!	3/25/2022 6:45 AM
227	there was less traffic from 2 pm to 6pm.	3/24/2022 11:13 PM
228	I can walk. There were continuous buses and less wait times for buses plus well built bus stops	3/24/2022 11:11 PM
229	There wasn’t so much traffic	3/24/2022 8:07 PM
230	The traffic problem could be solved	3/24/2022 7:22 PM
231	There was lighter traffic paterns	3/24/2022 7:19 PM
232	Route 52 had two lanes each direction	3/24/2022 6:12 PM
233	There was not so much traffic	3/24/2022 6:07 PM
234	There was less traffic	3/24/2022 5:54 PM
235	I had planned to have a bypass to the Village of Fishkill years ago. Now it is exactly the same. There needs to be an alternate route To get around or through the village.	3/24/2022 4:56 PM
236	Traffic trough the village and on Rte 52 was restricted during rush hour and directed to Rte 84 via Rte 9	3/24/2022 4:55 PM
237	Avoid village (Rt 52, Rt 9) at busy times (weekdays during lunch window and end of day rush hour)	3/24/2022 4:31 PM
238	there was less traffic. More public options for seniors, maybe minibus?	3/24/2022 3:55 PM
239	Maybe a roundabout by the Main Street Jackson St intersection?!	3/24/2022 3:21 PM
240	There was less traffic	3/24/2022 3:17 PM
241	there was public transportation	3/24/2022 2:57 PM
242	Sidewalk were put in around Foxwoods towards the villahe.	3/24/2022 2:54 PM
243	n/a	3/24/2022 1:40 PM
244	there was LESS TRAFFIC!!! Crossing Main St in the Village is taking your life into your own hands.	3/24/2022 1:14 PM
245	There was less traffic and if there were sidewalks and bike lanes	3/24/2022 1:04 PM
246	They hadn't made the choice to over build.	3/24/2022 12:50 PM
247	if there wasn't so much traffic	3/24/2022 11:45 AM
248	People stayed on 84 when there is traffic instead of trying to get around it through rt 52	3/24/2022 11:41 AM
249	the sidewalks led somewhere. we have sidewalks near shoprite, near walmart near the hotels but none lead into it with out having to walk into a gas station or the roadway at shoprite, for example	3/24/2022 11:25 AM
250	More sidewalks, or pedestrian only lanes	3/24/2022 10:52 AM
251	….the state would relieve congestion on 9D by opening another on/off ramp to/from I-84 at Duthess Stadium	3/24/2022 10:01 AM
252	lanes were wider in the village	3/24/2022 8:51 AM

253	Use I-84 to bypass rte 52 in the village of fishkill	3/24/2022 8:17 AM
254	Stop new construction of multi units	3/24/2022 7:59 AM
255	the amount of traffic with access to Main St in the Village was reduced.	3/24/2022 6:59 AM
256	People obeyed traffic laws	3/24/2022 5:59 AM
257	If traffic flow was like what it was when i was a child.	3/24/2022 12:35 AM
258	There were traffic circles instead of lights or if the lights were better synced to control traffic	3/23/2022 11:42 PM
259	There were sidewalks everywhere	3/23/2022 9:20 PM
260	I could walk on a sidewalk from Baxtertown Rd to Main Street.	3/23/2022 8:46 PM
261	Don’t add further development ie no senior housing complex, no car dealership and leave undeveloped land undeveloped.	3/23/2022 8:38 PM
262	There would be a stoppage of building apartments, strip malls and houses	3/23/2022 8:22 PM
263	traffic were better directed or there were more lanes of traffic through certain areas	3/23/2022 7:43 PM
264	Main street was mot so crowef at 5pm	3/23/2022 7:42 PM
265	There was a viable bypass.	3/23/2022 6:51 PM
266	There were fewer cars (I know, this is not helpful)	3/23/2022 6:26 PM
267	People stopped cutting through the village to get to 84 "faster" instead of getting on at the route 9 entrance	3/23/2022 6:11 PM
268	People could drive	3/23/2022 5:49 PM
269	the police enforce the' block the box' law	3/23/2022 5:06 PM
270	The local police helped with directing traffic when there’s an accident on Rt 84 and during peak travel times.	3/23/2022 4:59 PM

Q11 If I walk or bike somewhere, I use (check all that apply)

Answered: 314 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
sidewalks	60.51%	190
neighborhood road	51.27%	161
shoulder or side of the road	52.23%	164
grass or dirt pathway along the road	23.25%	73
hiking or nature trails	34.08%	107
grass or dirt pathway between or behind buildings	7.01%	22
through parking lots or driveways	21.66%	68
along an old railroad	13.06%	41
I do not walk or bike	10.83%	34
prefer not to say	0.64%	2
Other (please specify)	7.96%	25
Total Respondents: 314		

Q12 Suggest where or how improvements such as sidewalks, bike paths or lanes, or pedestrian or bike crossings would help to provide opportunities for safe biking or waking in Fishkill.

Answered: 231 Skipped: 85

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Answered: 231 Skipped: 85

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	On heavily frequented roads like 52 and 9	5/10/2022 6:36 PM
2	the old railroad is an ideal path that could be converted to a trail	5/9/2022 10:24 AM
3	A lot	5/9/2022 9:51 AM
4	Shoulders on 9D are way too narrow, making me feel unsafe to bicycle to local places that I would be happy to bicycle to if they were safer. Even walking on 9D is risky.	5/9/2022 7:54 AM
5	As in question 10: If there was a paved path to Shop Rite plaza from the neighborhoods east of Rt 9. If there were sidewalks on Rt 52 east of Rt 9. If all sidewalks were cleared of snow in the winter.	5/8/2022 11:53 PM
6	Convert old railroad near All Sport	5/8/2022 2:14 PM
7	Isolate bikes from car and truck traffic	5/8/2022 11:22 AM
8	where ever you go for shopping or nature walks	5/8/2022 8:36 AM
9	I think bike Lanes would add to congestion problem. There are enough sidewalks. Maybe additional municipal parking would help.	5/8/2022 6:46 AM
10	Would take take an extensive amount of money to attempt to make that happen	5/7/2022 9:05 PM
11	Bike lanes would help on main thoroughfares but we need wider roads in our neighborhood. I feel like myself or one of my kids are going to get hit one of these days.	5/7/2022 6:24 PM
12	Route 52 between Route 9 and Route 82. (Route 52, in general)	5/7/2022 11:03 AM
13	More sidewalks through neighborhoods and along Rt 52.	5/7/2022 10:15 AM
14	Not sure how it could be done, but it might be helpful to be able to connect both sides of the Route 52/I84 exchange with a sidewalk.	5/7/2022 9:14 AM
15	Route 9 in Village is difficult to cross.	5/7/2022 7:51 AM
16	Less traffic.	5/7/2022 7:35 AM
17	.	5/6/2022 10:24 PM
18	Need some ENFORCEMENT of 'cross lot driving' in big parking lots, such as the strip-malls in VoF, ShopRite plaza, etc.	5/6/2022 9:10 PM
19	Between merit and the village Main Street and shop rite and rec center	5/6/2022 8:39 PM
20	None	5/6/2022 7:47 PM
21	Osborne Hill Road	5/6/2022 7:46 PM
22	N/A	5/6/2022 11:01 AM
23	Does not apply	5/5/2022 12:06 AM
24	more of those would facilitate more walking and biking;	5/4/2022 12:12 PM
25	Along Rt 52	4/26/2022 2:33 AM
26	The old railway would be ideal; however I'm more excited for Fjord.	4/24/2022 6:28 PM

27	safe bike path/sidewalk along jackson st and baxtertown road, clean up and make safe the railroad track in fishkill	4/24/2022 12:53 PM
28	continuous sidewalk/ bike lane on at least one side of the street from Old Schoolhouse Road to the Village	4/24/2022 12:20 PM
29	I believe that wherever possible County & State roads should have a dedicated bike lane running parallel. As for “waking” I just do that at home every morning around 7:30.	4/24/2022 9:32 AM
30	If you make bike and pedestrian paths-they will come and use them!	4/23/2022 7:12 PM
31	all of Route 52	4/23/2022 1:45 PM
32	Sidewalk on Route 9D north of I-84	4/23/2022 9:18 AM
33	Pave the old railroad tracks for a walkway through Fishkill and Beacon.	4/23/2022 9:10 AM
34	Osborne hill, rte 52, Jackson, rye 34	4/23/2022 2:56 AM
35	Not sure	4/22/2022 10:01 PM
36	9D is deadly!	4/22/2022 8:05 PM
37	I already answered this.	4/22/2022 1:09 PM
38	I want to get a bike, but I don't feel safe riding it around here.	4/21/2022 1:04 PM
39	We could use sidewalks in neighborhoods that lead to the major roadways. There are no sidewalks in Beacon Hills or Glenham except by the deli and going towards the old Texaco. It would be great to not be in fear of always getting hit walking my neighborhood or old glenham rd going towards rt 52	4/19/2022 5:01 PM
40	South bound on RT 9 from Splash Down and the Cemetery could use a side walk.	4/19/2022 11:05 AM
41	None	4/19/2022 7:59 AM
42	Osborne Hill/Baxtertown sidewalk connection to village.	4/19/2022 6:23 AM
43	Spell Walking - sidewalks are sufficient as is	4/18/2022 10:35 PM
44	Sidewalks would be a huge improvement. There are so many areas that are too dangerous for walking in the road.	4/18/2022 7:04 PM
45	I would think the railroad tracks would be a good idea.	4/18/2022 5:17 PM
46	Less parking of large vehicle next to crosswalks	4/18/2022 2:21 PM
47	Anything that would keep traffic away from pedestrians would be helpful	4/18/2022 12:25 PM
48	give it to experts	4/18/2022 12:09 PM
49	Make rail trail ad side walks to Old Glenham Road full length	4/18/2022 11:45 AM
50	Wooded area behind TOFPD and Town Hall hazardous and surrounding complexes	4/17/2022 5:33 PM
51	Side walks are desperately needed along 9D. I would never walk or ride a bike there.	4/17/2022 5:07 PM
52	No suggestions	4/17/2022 2:41 PM
53	More sidewalks	4/16/2022 10:19 PM
54	wider shoulders, but "transplants" ALWAYS cross over shoulder white lines, especially in Winter/snow! Widen shoulders/roads!	4/16/2022 6:27 PM
55	none	4/16/2022 3:31 PM
56	Complete the bike path rail trail through Fishkill. Put in bike lanes on major roads	4/16/2022 2:03 PM
57	I think that sidewalks would be great for people that are walking as far as bikes go I don’t believe in bike lanes as traffic laws for cyclists are not followed nor are they enforced!!!	4/16/2022 1:37 PM
58	N/a	4/16/2022 1:11 PM
59	Fly if u can	4/16/2022 1:05 PM

60	No ideas	4/16/2022 1:03 PM
61	People would get hit by cars less	4/16/2022 1:02 PM
62	It is not safe for people to bike along Rt 9 and Rt 52 as they are currently. While there are cross walks for the on/off ramps for 84, cars often run the off ramp from 84 west. This makes crossing this offramp dangerous. I live on Snook Road and the cars exceed the speed limit and the shoulder is narrow. This makes walking and biking dangerous even though the speed limit is 30 mph. Creating safe venues for biking and walking improves the health of the community. It also makes these modes of transportation safe for families.	4/16/2022 12:23 PM
63	More paved sidewalks on the main roads	4/16/2022 11:42 AM
64	I THINK BIKE PATHS ARE A MAJOR SAFETY CONCERN AS BICYCLERS CAN BE A HAZZARD WHEN THEY USE MAIN ROADS.	4/16/2022 10:28 AM
65	Sidewalk from Saint Mary's Church into the village of FISHKILL, sidewalk in the village in Fishkill to the park by 84.	4/16/2022 10:02 AM
66	The area around rt 84/52 intersection is scary for pedestrians trying to get into town. Some kind of walker-friendly improvement there would be a big help.	4/16/2022 9:56 AM
67	Safer walkway when crossing Rt9 into the village near Rt52 or the ShopRite shopping center.	4/16/2022 9:09 AM
68	Widening Old town Road along the creek would allow walkers/bikers to safely exit this neighborhood. This whole area needs so much help - just tending to the roads at the very minimum.	4/16/2022 8:53 AM
69	Wherever there are businesses, safe walking and biking opportunities should exist. My main travel is along rt 52 and would love the entire stretch to be walkable and bike lane friendly. Many people do walk and or bike to jobs school doctors appts religious centers etc. currently there are no safe places to wal on sidewalks other than town and now rt 9 Walmart/Merritt park area to village. All this would reduce some traffic but more important keep our residents and visitors safe and make it easier for drivers to have pedestrian and bike traffic in their own lanes.	4/16/2022 8:42 AM
70	Would love a rail trail from beacon to V/O Fishkill!	4/16/2022 7:17 AM
71	No comment	4/16/2022 6:56 AM
72	Very few people walk/bike	4/15/2022 10:30 PM
73	From town hall to the CVS on Rt. 52 is dangerous to walk. Also the school buses have to pick children up along the street. sidewalks would give a barrier from the street and drivers.	4/15/2022 10:23 PM
74	Parked cars should serve as protection to bike lane so traffic then parked then bike lane then sidewalk	4/15/2022 10:05 PM
75	?	4/15/2022 9:14 PM
76	52/82 junction into village and towards Merritt Blvd. Merritt has path but only safely accessible if you live there or drive and park at Panera	4/15/2022 8:45 PM
77	Add bike lanes along side of Rt 9D.	4/15/2022 8:02 PM
78	Large communities like RoundHill do not have a safe walk or bike path to the Vo Fishkill without risking life and limb traversing Baxtertown and Jackson st. No option.	4/15/2022 7:59 PM
79	need bike lanes. convert railroad to trails	4/15/2022 7:44 PM
80	Sidewalks are needed to improve safety where car traffic occurs and pedestrians are walking.	4/15/2022 7:30 PM
81	Flashing crosswalks	4/15/2022 7:19 PM
82	None	4/15/2022 7:11 PM
83	Bike lanes and walking paths would be great. No safe way on Osborn Hill Rd	4/15/2022 7:40 AM
84	There are many affordable rental communities along the Rt 9D corridor but no sidewalks to facilitate resident walking to and from shopping. Rt 9D from the Beacon border to Stoneykill Farm needs sidewalks and crosswalks. Red Schoolhouse could also use them as could Rt 52 from the village line into Beacon.	4/14/2022 6:35 PM

85	Need a crosswalk near cvs and luyster, bikes need to stop riding on sidewalks. Need sidewalk that runs from luyster all the way to main st. Right now it doesn't go all the way and then the snow doesn't get plowed and you can't walk there. Mandatory that village residents clear snow from sidewalks	4/14/2022 5:13 PM
86	Adding a crosswalk at CVS plaza	4/14/2022 4:56 PM
87	I do not bike or walk anywhere	4/14/2022 4:37 PM
88	I can't walk on Van Wyck Lake Rd. safely & wish there was a sidewalk.	4/14/2022 10:45 AM
89	na	4/14/2022 8:40 AM
90	There needs to be sidewalks throughout the town.	4/14/2022 6:13 AM
91	I think an elevated cross bridge on route 9 near Walmart/Merrit Blvd would be something that could benefit the town/village, despite its cost.	4/13/2022 11:19 PM
92	Better lighting in Sarah Taylor park	4/13/2022 7:35 PM
93	It is difficult to get anywhere walking/bike because so many residential areas have zero shoulder/sidewalk. Need to ensure adequate shoulder on ALL roads	4/13/2022 7:25 PM
94	As per the complete streets policy	4/13/2022 7:09 PM
95	more trails	4/13/2022 4:41 PM
96	Need more and safer crossings.	4/13/2022 4:39 PM
97	It would be nice to have sidewalks all the way to the Recreation center so children/young adults/adults/seniors can get there safely on foot or bike.	4/13/2022 2:42 PM
98	Develop the Rail Trail between Beacon & Hopewell to promote better access the restaurants in Beacon & the Village and to the Hotels in the town on Rte9.	4/11/2022 9:37 AM
99	The roads and sidewalks are dangerous for bike riders. The abandoned rail line would be a perfect route for bikers and walkers to get around in Fishkilk safely. If linked to the nys empire trail it would bring in outside foot traffic to main Street businesses. Would really be excellent.	4/10/2022 9:03 AM
100	Utilize the old old rail trail along the creek for biking and walking. Connect it from Hopewell to Beacon.	4/10/2022 7:46 AM
101	I would like to see a sidewalk from Route 9, going down Route 52 to Brinkerhoff, where there is shopping area. I see a lot of people walking on side of road on a regular basis and I fear for them being so close to cars. I drive Route 52 four times a day.	4/9/2022 3:35 PM
102	Bike lanes will be an excuse for motorized bikes and New York City is a perfect example of how bikes lanes go wrong. Also, bike lanes could reduce car lanes which increases congestion.	4/9/2022 10:55 AM
103	We need a "complete street" in the Route 52 corridor at least from the town hall to Ocean State Job Lot, on Route 9 south to Home Depot and DCC South, on Jackson Street north of Route 52, and on Old Glenham Road, and other places.	4/8/2022 10:21 PM
104	Establish bike and walk paths	4/8/2022 8:02 PM
105	The problems and dangers associated with pedestrian travel plague Dutchess Park residents. Dutchess Park needs speed bumps at all four way stops. Ideally sidewalks would be best but I am a realist. I can't even let my children play in the front yard unsupervised because the speed in which cars travel and the total disregard they drivers have for the stop signs. Speed bumps would slow folks down. And the a absence of adequate street lighting is a	4/8/2022 8:00 PM
106	The Village of Fishkill has pretty good pedestrian options, but they stop abruptly once you get outside the village's border. It would be nice to have those options for more of the surrounding area.	4/7/2022 11:51 PM
107	Forget this, work on traffic	4/5/2022 3:26 PM
108	Route 9D between I-84 Interchange and Red Schoolhouse Road; convert old railroad corridor between Beacon and Glenham to a multi-use trail.	4/4/2022 1:02 PM

109	Bikes obey the rules of the road.	4/4/2022 9:32 AM
110	maybe at bike crossing put some kind of light indicating drivers to slow down or stop until bikers have crossed	4/3/2022 10:21 PM
111	We really could use sidewalks along rte 52 from the village to the rec center and also to Geering park.	4/2/2022 7:11 PM
112	More crosswalks and lower delivery trucks on RTC 52. Sidewalk on Route 9D	4/2/2022 10:56 AM
113	This one is hard but all you have to do is look south. NYC is doing a pretty good job.	4/2/2022 9:57 AM
114	bike lanes on 52. This is an extremely dangerous walking and biking road.	3/31/2022 6:21 PM
115	MAIN STREET AND ROUTE 9	3/31/2022 3:42 PM
116	Crossing 9 would connect both sides of the town in a safe manner. Creating separated bike/walking infrastructure removes contention from driving lanes and increases safety for all road users.	3/31/2022 11:39 AM
117	There is no continuous walkway fro The Regency at Fishkill to route 9,,,,,,walkers must traverse parking lots to get to the sidewalk on Rt 9. Personal attempts to request the owners of Westage Properties have been met with hostility and refusals to even consider a project of continuing the sidewalk.	3/31/2022 10:39 AM
118	Osborne hill is a deadly road to walk on	3/31/2022 10:14 AM
119	Along Rt 52	3/31/2022 9:53 AM
120	Jackson Ave extend the sidewalks up to at least St Mary's church from Main Street. Add more cross walks especially at the intersection of Rt 52 and Merritt Blvd. there are a ton of kids living in Merritt, make a walking path along Rt 52 so these kids can walk or ride to John Jay high school safely. Make the old railroad tracks near Lomala, Allsport,all the way into Beacon and connect to the Other rail trail.	3/31/2022 9:39 AM
121	It's fine in town if you use the sidewalks	3/31/2022 9:04 AM
122	bike path on 9 would be amazing!! but maybe just getting people to stop for pedestrians in cross walks would be nice	3/31/2022 9:02 AM
123	Install sidewalks and bike paths	3/31/2022 8:59 AM
124	No issue	3/31/2022 8:38 AM
125	Rt 9 north of Shoprite plaza, in neighborhoods, specifically Hunt's Development (South Terrace, Linda Pl, Sunrise Hill Rd,ect) and other neighborhoods so kids can play/bike/walk more safely. Similar to Beacon where neighborhoods have wide roads AND sidewalks.	3/30/2022 2:14 PM
126	Any of the above from the Town Hall north into the village.	3/30/2022 2:05 PM
127	The length of 9d needs sidewalks. We have children and veterans who put their lives at risk daily trying to walk here.	3/29/2022 8:02 AM
128	Some kind of bypass to avoid 9D to and from Stony Kill Farm.	3/28/2022 7:27 PM
129	take over railroad which could connect Beacon out to Hopewell Jct.	3/28/2022 6:09 PM
130	Add wherever possible! In the cemetery, make clear where it is allowed for pedestrians to go in/out. Sidewalk and/or wider bike lane needed on Osborne Hill -- pedestrians and bikers regularly take it into/from town and cars speed on the road. Sidewalks along roads that lead to hiking trails, like Baxtertown Road, would be nice, although the hiking trails might officially be in Wappingers? Unsure where the boundary is. Is it possible to work with Wappingers to have sidewalks that are used in both towns?	3/27/2022 5:07 PM
131	See response to Question #10. Route 9D, especially north of Beacon all the way to Wappingers.	3/27/2022 1:04 PM
132	good sidewalk and bike paths are key to safe, low energy sustainable ways for getting around now and into the future	3/27/2022 11:46 AM
133	We pay people to figure this out.	3/27/2022 11:06 AM

134	Traffic light adjustments and more sidewalks	3/27/2022 12:55 AM
135	Bike lanes along 9 and 9D will make it easier and safer for people to travel to popular destinations in and around the Town. A bike lane on 9D between Beacon and Wappingers Village would open up many new opportunities for cyclists to travel and would improve access to destinations like Dutchess Stadium, Stony Kill Farm and connectivity between Wappingers, Beacon, and Fishkill	3/26/2022 9:18 PM
136	I like that we have no sidewalks in Forgebrook Meadows.	3/26/2022 6:12 PM
137	Pedestrian/bike path along Old Glenham Road	3/26/2022 5:14 PM
138	Pedestrian walkway over 9. Sidewalks on jackson st and Osborne hill	3/26/2022 4:36 PM
139	Sidewalks all the way from the Rec center into the village.	3/26/2022 2:53 PM
140	For those who live near 9D It would be nice to have access to Beacon from Fishkill that doesn't involve 9D. A Greenway Path along the river, accessible from Old Castle Point Road, would be great.	3/26/2022 2:48 PM
141	Need more sidewalks and safe areas where we could walk from Town of Fishkill to Village of Fishkill. I 84 entrances and exits are dangerous for walking. Also, Rte 52 is dangerous for walking.	3/26/2022 2:39 PM
142	Sidewalks are vital- I have to drive to Main Street when I could easily walk but it’s far too dangerous	3/26/2022 2:01 PM
143	People have no idea about road safety. People need to know that if they are walking on the road they need to walk with traffic headed towards you so you can see what is coming at you. I suffered traumatizing injuries due to walking with traffic. The rules of the road for walkers, bicyclists, rollerbladers must be taught in schools, camps, community events to inform adults and children.	3/26/2022 11:13 AM
144	Main Street is too narrow to widen, so there is little to be done without disrupting (eliminating) existing structures.	3/26/2022 10:37 AM
145	Sidewalks would help. But the maintenance issue usually is a problem.	3/26/2022 10:30 AM
146	Getting around in the village walking or driving	3/26/2022 10:28 AM
147	Please extend the Rail trail into Glenham and Beacon by utilizing the old railroad tracks.	3/26/2022 10:19 AM
148	Sidewalks in village limits Bike lanes	3/26/2022 10:02 AM
149	Rte 52 & Rte 82 are not safe for bikes or walkers & walkers in group don’t walk single file when there is a car approaching so you need to use oncoming lane to avoid them	3/26/2022 9:59 AM
150	No	3/26/2022 9:54 AM
151	sidewalk connections from village line to town hall and beyond to Beacon.	3/26/2022 9:39 AM
152	n/a	3/26/2022 9:38 AM
153	52, Old Glenham Road, maybe a bike path that cuts through elsewhere but allows for accessing the main hubs fairly quickly. Areas for walking, driving, and biking should be accessible only to pedestrians, cars, and bikes, respectively.	3/26/2022 9:27 AM
154	Old Castle Point Rd and S River Rd. Is used daily by walkers and bikers…. It’s narrow and dangerous and cars drive way too fast…..widening it would’ve wonderful! It’s a great view of the river and our best asset in Fishkill.	3/26/2022 9:24 AM
155	Not sure	3/26/2022 9:02 AM
156	Once again, not sure how you solve this problem but is there a way you can connect with this area with the rail trail so one does not have to drive to access it?	3/26/2022 8:54 AM
157	The village sidewalks could be improved better access with sidewalks along 52 between rt9 and 84. A pedestrian crosswalk with push button at CVS to cross 52	3/26/2022 8:23 AM
158	bike/walking lane on 9d	3/26/2022 7:59 AM
159	Build better road shoulders on Snook Rd to make it more convenient and safer to walk or bike	3/26/2022 6:54 AM

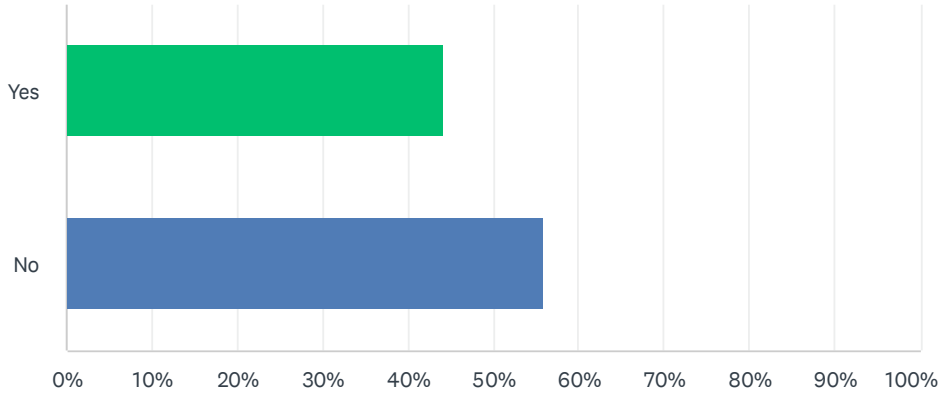
	to Rte 9	
160	This would help tremendously, especially in our neighborhood. Children would be able to socialize safer as well.	3/26/2022 6:51 AM
161	does not seem practical with established roads	3/26/2022 6:42 AM
162	Widen the roads.	3/26/2022 6:27 AM
163	On Merritt having sidewalk on both sides of the street would allow easy access to the Panera plaza without crossing down near the busy. intersection.	3/26/2022 4:57 AM
164	Sidewalk along route 52 from village to Shirley Avenue would let me walk to AllSport and village.	3/26/2022 3:27 AM
165	Too much traffic fir biking or walking	3/26/2022 3:07 AM
166	The crossing of rt 9 by Merritt should have another set of zebras.	3/25/2022 11:19 PM
167	From where sidewalks end along 52 end to continue as far as possible towards Beacon...ex around the town hall where accidents have happened	3/25/2022 11:18 PM
168	Jackson St around Florence and St.Mary's is not protected, though many people walk their kids to school here, exercise, and commute to the Village for work or other reasons. Please increase patrols, install speed cameras, and install crosswalk with flashing lights at Florence across Jackson.	3/25/2022 9:29 PM
169	In my travels I have seen towns put in trails paved for use just for the slow crowd, bicycles, pedestrians and slow electric carts, bikes, scooters. Nantucket Island has a few that connect their villages. Also in FL.	3/25/2022 9:11 PM
170	I think that street light would be a great addition especially in Dutchess park, it is very unsafe to walk at night in the dark as there are also no sidewalks	3/25/2022 9:01 PM
171	Go to East Fishkill's rail trail Or connect that trail to fishkill Not the one down on 9D - that's dangerous	3/25/2022 8:44 PM
172	Bike lanes	3/25/2022 8:37 PM
173	Extend the rail trail through fishkill	3/25/2022 8:28 PM
174	control the speed of the cars. It is out of control. Drivers have actually called me names because I did the speed limit. That mentality extends to the dangers of people trying to use the road way with a bike or walking or crossing, especially where there is a crossing path in the village	3/25/2022 8:28 PM
175	Walkway along Jackson and Baxtertown	3/25/2022 8:23 PM
176	Sidewalks along 9D	3/25/2022 8:22 PM
177	SIDEWALKS, TOO MANY TIMES PEOPLE ARE WALKING ON THE SHOULDER OF A ROAD AT NIGHT WEARING DARK CLOTHING NO REFLECTIVE CLOTHING	3/25/2022 8:16 PM
178	Walking paths throughout the town	3/25/2022 8:14 PM
179	Extend existing sidewalks along route 52 and Route 9. Develop bike lanes on 9 and 9D. Continue to expand bike paths and cross walks!	3/25/2022 8:00 PM
180	Install a sidewalk and a safe bike lane on 9D north of Route 84 to the Stadium.	3/25/2022 7:55 PM
181	Sidewalks definitely	3/25/2022 7:48 PM
182	N/A	3/25/2022 7:39 PM
183	Osborne Hill Road.	3/25/2022 7:38 PM
184	Street lights for the evening hours	3/25/2022 7:34 PM
185	More nature trails, if possible. There are many trails in the Hudson Highlands. It would be nice to have some trails in other areas of the town.	3/25/2022 7:32 PM
186	I would put the emphasis on stopping people from speeding and driving like maniacs and getting away with it; it seems anyone with particular bumperstickers drive as if they will never	3/25/2022 7:31 PM

	have anything to fear from the police.	
187	Rt. 82 to All Angels ,Rt .52 to Merritt Blvd.	3/25/2022 7:25 PM
188	Sidewalks on Route 52 in the Town of Fishkill out and passed the intersection with Route 84	3/25/2022 7:25 PM
189	A bike lane along 9D from The Environmental Center to the Bridge	3/25/2022 3:54 PM
190	Sidewalks along 52 east of Rte 9	3/25/2022 10:26 AM
191	Make a paved bike path along the old railroad tracks. Add more traffic lights along RT 52.	3/25/2022 8:05 AM
192	You have a typo. Should be walking , not waking.	3/25/2022 7:38 AM
193	Wider shoulders on both sides of Cedar Hill.	3/25/2022 6:45 AM
194	Sidewalks are always useful.	3/24/2022 11:13 PM
195	We need sidewalks to be able to enjoy the beautiful places around. More people would be encouraged to go out which will improve their mental health and their health in general. bike path would be amazing and it would improve communication and community relations	3/24/2022 11:11 PM
196	Bike lanes maybe.	3/24/2022 8:07 PM
197	The road is already not wide enough but it would be safer for people if all of Main St/ Route52 had a sidewalk and bike lane. Why can't the old railroad tracks the run east/west be made into a bike/walking trail	3/24/2022 7:22 PM
198	I don’t know what it would involve but to take the abandon rail tracks that run from Beacon through Fishkill to East Fishkill. Then you can connect at the Hopewell Junction Rail trail. You could easily get to Poughkeepsie and up to New Platz. Or head east over to Brewster.	3/24/2022 7:19 PM
199	Tremendously. It would encourage health, mental health (stress release), bring money to the village at times it wasn't before (bike riders and walkers tend to do it on a schedule. So they will be out much more.	3/24/2022 6:12 PM
200	Safer and more crosswalks along route 9, 82 and 52	3/24/2022 6:07 PM
201	__	3/24/2022 5:54 PM
202	Wider sidewalk on Maple Street in Glenham. Love the new crossing lights in Village	3/24/2022 4:56 PM
203	Sidewalks could be amended to include a section for bike-path - like Munich, for example	3/24/2022 4:55 PM
204	Sidewalk from Rocky Glen to Village. I worry about pedestrians walking to and from, along shoulder of road.	3/24/2022 4:31 PM
205	9d has only very narrow shoulders near where I live. Not safe but some people have no other option except to walk there	3/24/2022 3:55 PM
206	I don’t bike through Fishkill	3/24/2022 3:21 PM
207	Along Rt. 9; from neighborhoods to commercial.	3/24/2022 2:57 PM
208	Sidewalks from town to Rec Center, Town Hall	3/24/2022 2:54 PM
209	Sidewalks west of the Village Town line on 52	3/24/2022 1:40 PM
210	It would allow people to use other means of transportation beside their car	3/24/2022 1:04 PM
211	There would have to be wider lanes to allow bikes, and better stop lights especially at the CVS light that would allow crossing from that area.	3/24/2022 12:50 PM
212	Installing bike lanes on Main St. would NOT be an option, because you would have to eliminate parking on Main St.	3/24/2022 11:45 AM
213	Without fixing the traffic loads, you will not be able to fix pedestrian safety. Too many people run red lights, do not obey the crosswalks in VoF, have no regard for others safety.	3/24/2022 10:52 AM
214	If there are plans to widen roads like 9D I corporate sidewalks in the plan	3/24/2022 10:01 AM
215	Dont bike ride	3/24/2022 8:51 AM
216	Red light cameras (ticket capability) Rte 9 at Walmart, Rte 52/Rte 9 intersection, I-84 /Rte 52 .	3/24/2022 8:17 AM

	Helping to promote pedestrian crossing, help prevent grid locks, slow traffic down	
217	Jackson St, Osborne Hill Rd	3/24/2022 6:59 AM
218	Merritt Blvd and Vanderbilt way needs a traffic light	3/24/2022 5:59 AM
219	Route 52 (between I-84 and route 9), Smith street and Elm street, Route 9	3/24/2022 12:35 AM
220	N/a	3/23/2022 11:42 PM
221	Pave the old train tracks and give us a rail trail to Beacon and beyond	3/23/2022 11:24 PM
222	Traffic lights on Merritt Blvd needed	3/23/2022 9:22 PM
223	Bike lanes where possible. Enforcement of traffic laws for cars, trucks, and bikes.	3/23/2022 9:20 PM
224	I could walk to church from Roundhill. And from there to the village	3/23/2022 8:46 PM
225	Sidewalks by 84 diner up to Fishkill Woods	3/23/2022 8:38 PM
226	No clue how anything on Main Street could help bikers due to the current traffic conditions	3/23/2022 8:22 PM
227	More sidewalks and more lights	3/23/2022 7:42 PM
228	I wish there were sidewalks all the way to where I live. Fox Ridge Condo. I have to ride my bike on Rt 52 and it makes me nervous, so I don't ride as often as I'd like to.	3/23/2022 6:26 PM
229	Walking bridges over route 9 by church and elm street.	3/23/2022 6:11 PM
230	We are not a community of walkers. There is no point in putting more rail trails & such because no one uses them as a mode of transport only for recreation & we don’t have $ for that	3/23/2022 5:49 PM
231	Enforce the crosswalk signs in the village.	3/23/2022 4:59 PM

Q13 Answer the following questions about the creation of development or new or needed businesses or services in the Town. Do you have wishes, or ideas for new or needed business or service development?

Answered: 308 Skipped: 8



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	44.16%	136
No	55.84%	172
TOTAL		308

Q14 If yes, what are they?

Answered: 156 Skipped: 160

Q14 If yes, what are they?

Answered: 156 Skipped: 160

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Senior services	5/9/2022 9:51 AM
2	Waterfront access in Fishkill would be good. A path for walking, bicycling and inline skating. Kayak launch point.	5/9/2022 7:54 AM
3	I would like a Stewarts in the town. But I did agree with not placing it near Job Lot where it would take away from existing gas stations. Also if it had gasoline would not want it near water that could be contaminated. Would also like to see a small grocery store on the west side of Rt 9 for residents to walk to. Ex. like the old Grand Union	5/8/2022 11:53 PM
4	Encourage something to come into old Service Merchandise building. Even convert it to green space for fields with Indoor sports arena.	5/8/2022 2:14 PM
5	The derelic Southern Dutchess Mall is a disgrace and a horrible introduction as you enter the town on Rt. 9	5/8/2022 11:22 AM
6	Need new business no matter what they are for revenue	5/7/2022 9:05 PM
7	I am going to open a greenhouse	5/7/2022 6:24 PM
8	N/A	5/7/2022 11:03 AM
9	Creation of bike paths, walking paths	5/7/2022 10:15 AM
10	I believe we have enough hotels. All new large scale commercial development should move south of 84 on Route 9. Encourage a Costco, Trader Joes or Wegmans to utilize the old mall area.. Developing the waterfront	5/7/2022 7:51 AM
11	.	5/6/2022 10:24 PM
12	Whole Foods type place or area where there are a few restaurants with outdoor or covered outdoor seating where people and kids families can congregate and listen to music etc. need more trendy boutiques and festive spirit to bring community together. The town seems filled with road shoulders and traffic lights and traffic.	5/6/2022 8:39 PM
13	Smart AI traffic lights	5/6/2022 8:13 PM
14	N/A	5/6/2022 11:01 AM
15	Another grocery store and fast food outlet	5/5/2022 12:06 AM
16	brick and mortar shopping is gone;	5/4/2022 12:12 PM
17	Trader joes	4/29/2022 9:34 PM
18	IKEA COSCO	4/26/2022 2:33 AM
19	Public pool	4/24/2022 6:28 PM
20	small food market in fishkill village; no more building, we have a ton of unoccupied buildings on route 9; also beautify route 9 by adding vegetation and trees along route 9 (reference shoprite on route 82 north); route 9 looks like route 22 in New Jersey - very ugly; but route 22 has gotten better as trees have grown in	4/24/2022 12:53 PM
21	We should have a yearly festival which sponsors Village businesses and talent	4/24/2022 9:32 AM
22	The proper interpretation of the Fishkill Supply Depot. Recover the Dutchess Mall property and surrounding properties in order to create a proper Fishkill Supply Depot museum and educational center.	4/23/2022 7:12 PM
23	A supermarket like Stew Leonard's or Trader Joe's	4/23/2022 2:05 PM

24	use existing vacant buildings	4/23/2022 1:45 PM
25	Clothing alteration/shoe repair	4/23/2022 9:18 AM
26	Rebuild the Mt. Beacon casino and hotel.	4/23/2022 9:10 AM
27	Something for the youth to do that is safe and open to all .	4/23/2022 8:17 AM
28	Dry cleaner in the village. Place to buy lottery.	4/23/2022 2:56 AM
29	None	4/22/2022 10:01 PM
30	none	4/22/2022 8:05 PM
31	An emporium for related arts, crafts, antiques, etc under 1 roof	4/21/2022 1:04 PM
32	I would like to see bigger library, more pubic recreational places, roller ring, bolling ally trampoline sports, mounting climbing, .	4/19/2022 11:05 AM
33	Small grocery store such as the earlier Grand Union in one of the village plazas. the village plaza.	4/19/2022 6:23 AM
34	Na	4/18/2022 2:21 PM
35	None	4/18/2022 12:25 PM
36	develop property that is not in use or abandoned	4/18/2022 12:09 PM
37	Police	4/17/2022 5:33 PM
38	Revitalize the Dutchess mall. Revitalize the outlet stores.	4/16/2022 10:19 PM
39	ski shop/work to re-open Mt. Beacon!!!More hobby shops, funeral homes, tailors!!!	4/16/2022 6:27 PM
40	we have enough business, we do need another major supermarket. So much empty retail space empty for the last few years.	4/16/2022 3:31 PM
41	Drive through White Castle	4/16/2022 1:11 PM
42	Shops or light manufacturing	4/16/2022 1:05 PM
43	More diverse and affordable shops and places to eat	4/16/2022 1:02 PM
44	free food pantries; clean up the old Dutchess Mall. Perhaps turn this in green space or a community center	4/16/2022 12:23 PM
45	Either chains that we don't have (Cheesecake Factory etc) or more diverse local shops and restaurants. We tend to have a lot of banks and Italian restaurants.	4/16/2022 11:42 AM
46	Coffee/cafes that will attract the younger generations. Turn the old Texaco land into offices or a business destination! Rail trail connecting Beacon and Fishkill.	4/16/2022 8:53 AM
47	Small to mid size grocers in locations away from rt9. Target retailers that support local activities. Example, so many people bike and use nearby rail trails. Why not put a specialty bike store in a plaza with a unique lunch spot that is also nearby a gas station? Have a small grocer near a pharmacy and a bakery for serious to pick up what they need while they get their prescriptions? Make a safe walk path from Merritt park to the dog park? Long term, the village has so many opportunities to expand and become a true restaurant row if all the small medical offices were rerouted to the opposite side of Jackson street toward i84 and then build up the town to have a closed to traffic walkable downtown feel. Parking could be off rt 9 elm street where businesses have a hard time anyway because elf the traffic pattern and water issues. Overall I believe the town needs to up its game and become a cultural, environmental and mindful business hub like many profitable river towns. The large businesses are necessary but there is so much wasted opportunity here.	4/16/2022 8:42 AM
48	Would love if the old Texaco facility in Glenham became a development for shops / housing! It is a gorgeous area and could fit the industrial modern look	4/16/2022 7:17 AM
49	Survey the community and see what business they would like to see. i.e. Trader Joe's . Also redeveloped the old duchess mall, long over due. Fill vacant retail space by Westgate / Walmart.	4/16/2022 6:56 AM

50	Places for young people to hang out together and have fun. From toddlers to teens.	4/16/2022 12:04 AM
51	Already too many rules and regulations	4/15/2022 10:30 PM
52	The building of new developments should be away from main arteries!	4/15/2022 10:23 PM
53	Book store. Tea shop. Things that bring people in to walk around and actually engage	4/15/2022 10:05 PM
54	Keep in mind that The AIR Commission recommended Castle Point close and a new facility open in the town of Fishkill. It would be amazing if there could be walkability for patient/employees with shops and restaurants. Something like Eastdale in Poughkeepsie. Also Dutchess Park plaza (Kerri is) has so much potential but is visually unappealing. Fantastic location with expansion potential.	4/15/2022 8:45 PM
55	Add a small but nice grocery store on Rt 9D north enough away from I84 intersection.	4/15/2022 8:02 PM
56	N	4/15/2022 7:59 PM
57	A trolley service, restrooms in town	4/15/2022 7:52 PM
58	Avoid overdevelopment in vacant areas.	4/15/2022 7:30 PM
59	1. We need improved usage of existing vacant retail and commercial development BEFORE facilitating development of new vacant parcels. 2. It is a tragedy that we, as a River town have no public, town access to the river for recreation or entertainment. We might as well, for all intents and purposes be a landlocked community. How do we not have a waterfront town park, boat launch?!?!	4/14/2022 6:35 PM
60	None	4/14/2022 4:56 PM
61	Costco, Trader Joe's, Aldi. Do something with old Dutchess Mall eyesore.	4/14/2022 10:45 AM
62	na	4/14/2022 8:40 AM
63	Boutique retail, IKEA (given we are at crossroad to Marist, U-Conn, Mt St Mary's, DCC, Culinary. Also The Container Store, high end home improvement, Porcrlonosa	4/13/2022 11:19 PM
64	Empanada restaurant. More retail stores and small businesses. No more italian restaurants, we have enough of those.	4/13/2022 7:35 PM
65	Community gardening more public recreation areas	4/13/2022 7:25 PM
66	More mixed use developments	4/13/2022 7:09 PM
67	more local stores	4/13/2022 4:41 PM
68	Let the person with the idea start their own business.	4/13/2022 4:39 PM
69	Rail Trail	4/11/2022 9:37 AM
70	Bicycle rental/ repair shop in CVS plaza	4/10/2022 9:03 AM
71	More boutiques. Clothing, retail in the town of Fishkill for shopping. No more big box stores.	4/10/2022 7:46 AM
72	The Town needs to attract small business retail (not nail salons, dollar stores, and tattoo parlors)	4/9/2022 10:55 AM
73	We need more variety of retail. There once was a mall in Fishkill. There is no hospital anywhere near Fishkill. There should be a hospital. We really need more public transportation. A trolley from Beacon to Hopewell Junction would be nice. There is not even any bus service after 3 PM. There is a huge Gap Warehouse and no public transportation is available to the workers there. Who knows how many hundreds of cars are coming and going at each shift change. Someone I know gets off work there between 11 PM and 2 AM. She has to arrange a ride home to the Village of Fishkill because there is no public transportation.	4/8/2022 10:21 PM
74	Main Street Fishkill in particular needs diversity, if it's all restaurants you're not going to walk down the street from one restaurant to another, give people something else to do in this town, consider attracting local art entities	4/8/2022 9:03 PM
75	Establish new business in the former Dutchess Mall	4/8/2022 8:02 PM
76	small scale neighborhood businesses (e.g., cafes, locally sourced restaurants)	4/4/2022 1:02 PM

77	Creation of more jobs that pay a living wage. More gas stations and fast food joints won't do it..	4/4/2022 9:32 AM
78	Cluster in existing development and save current open green space	4/2/2022 10:56 AM
79	Not a lot of small little shops like beacon.	4/2/2022 9:57 AM
80	Encourage unique restaurants and stores whenever possible	3/31/2022 6:21 PM
81	A moratorium on new construction UNTIL the traffic problem can be successfully addressed.	3/31/2022 10:39 AM
82	fix and develop eyesore properties	3/31/2022 10:26 AM
83	none	3/31/2022 10:14 AM
84	n/a	3/31/2022 9:53 AM
85	Stop urban sprawl	3/31/2022 8:59 AM
86	services are adequite.	3/31/2022 6:53 AM
87	Fishkill has everything I would use.	3/30/2022 2:05 PM
88	Fast food restaurants	3/29/2022 9:19 AM
89	affordable housing	3/28/2022 6:09 PM
90	Move the Fishkill PO to the corner of Rt. 52 and Jackson which could create a better flow of traffic and reduce the bottleneck of cars in and out of a very small parking lot.	3/28/2022 11:31 AM
91	Over 55 single family house, development, not Town housers.	3/27/2022 10:04 PM
92	Not needed, but it would be fun to have a local brewery, winery, or a local coffee shop in the town borders. Or a book store, or antique stores, or galleries and museums.	3/27/2022 5:07 PM
93	Small proprieter shops and services close to where people live	3/27/2022 11:46 AM
94	Get Trader Joe's in here; make sure there's adequate parking for businesses. It absolutely inhibits me from shopping when there is no place to park (i.e., Village of Fishkill).	3/27/2022 11:06 AM
95	Another large supermarket where the old stop and shop in Wappingers was located	3/27/2022 12:55 AM
96	It would be nice to have a hospital closer than Poughkeepsie or Newburgh	3/26/2022 6:12 PM
97	Any manufacturing as long as they pass environmental assessment	3/26/2022 4:36 PM
98	We live by the VA hospital and the closest supermarket is in Beacon or Fishkill. All that land near the stadium that has already been environmentally ruined or is filled with businesses like The Dollar Store, a kidney treatment facility, and bad Chinese takeout should support a real supermarket.	3/26/2022 2:48 PM
99	Actively recruit business into the cvs plaza, and old A&p plaza , create a food truck friendly area	3/26/2022 2:01 PM
100	Better upkeep of Geering Park, especially the tennis courts	3/26/2022 10:37 AM
101	Closer hospitals in the town or village. What about	3/26/2022 10:28 AM
102	Small businesses such as hardware store, gift shop, old fashioned bakery, Trader Joe’s at Dutchess Mall	3/26/2022 10:02 AM
103	As the population ages there needs to be safe transport to doctor appointments & such. The older generation isn’t a good fit for Uber	3/26/2022 9:59 AM
104	The remediation services and facilities I mentioned above.	3/26/2022 9:27 AM
105	hospital in southern dutchess	3/26/2022 9:14 AM
106	N/A	3/26/2022 9:02 AM
107	No new residential development or business development - things are way too congested. You need to do more for seniors	3/26/2022 8:54 AM
108	A mix of mostly local businesses and a few large chain stores. Help local businesses both	3/26/2022 7:59 AM

	starting up and continued operations versus the major chain stores,	
109	I wish my area had a pharmacy closer to us or a store with pharmacy like shop rite. I would also like a Value Village store like in Brewster, NY.	3/26/2022 6:51 AM
110	Many empty buildings and even on Rte 9 where the south hills mall was. Fill up those empty businesses first	3/26/2022 3:07 AM
111	A place for teenagers to get together as well as a place for small children to play.	3/26/2022 12:03 AM
112	The old mall by the home Depot should be revamped. Right now it looks like a wasteland...	3/25/2022 11:19 PM
113	Wishes - small grocery store walking distance from village; Montessori school	3/25/2022 10:46 PM
114	Small market. A coffee place. Things that increase liveability. Less professional offices that do not support pedestrian traffic. These are my number one priorities for development at 52 and Jackson where the Jackson House was demolished.	3/25/2022 9:29 PM
115	Parking lots are needed in the village. Trader Joes; place that teaches painting/art and gas cooking classes	3/25/2022 9:01 PM
116	1)Road repair in residential neighborhoods 2)town clean-up/waste disposal days	3/25/2022 8:44 PM
117	Affordable senior housing	3/25/2022 8:44 PM
118	stop it. The engineering of the roads and business on route 9 in Fishkill is stupid, to be blunt	3/25/2022 8:28 PM
119	Purchase property at corner of 52 and Jackson for Greenspace or park. Tree commission.	3/25/2022 8:23 PM
120	Allow development of apartments and new housing.	3/25/2022 8:22 PM
121	WE NEED MORE WOODLANDS, TOO MUCH DEVELOPMENT	3/25/2022 8:16 PM
122	Public transportation is sorely lacking. I would like to see a wider variety of businesses in the Town and Village. Small, independent businesses rather than "Big Box" stores.	3/25/2022 8:00 PM
123	none	3/25/2022 7:55 PM
124	A coffee shop.	3/25/2022 7:38 PM
125	Coffee shop	3/25/2022 7:38 PM
126	Although there are a lot of restaurant options, more would be welcomed.	3/25/2022 7:32 PM
127	Senior services to be improved	3/25/2022 7:25 PM
128	Apartments, affordable housing	3/25/2022 10:26 AM
129	We need a community pool	3/25/2022 10:12 AM
130	Been in this area 40+ years. Still driving up route 9 to shop	3/25/2022 7:38 AM
131	A supermarket in Rt 9 by Dutchess Stadium- even if it would increase traffic but supermarkets are so far around there. Also, we need a Cleaners.	3/24/2022 11:11 PM
132	Anything added will only make traffic worst than it already is	3/24/2022 7:22 PM
133	Na	3/24/2022 6:12 PM
134	__	3/24/2022 5:54 PM
135	Just a dream but would like to see Dutchess Mall south end developed into a career training center for high school grads, i.e.: Trades, technology. Coordinated w/county businesses for training/placement.	3/24/2022 4:31 PM
136	If outlet center could be revitalized with new stores to fill the vacant ones, I would shop there	3/24/2022 3:55 PM
137	mixed-use development with locally owned shops	3/24/2022 2:57 PM
138	n/a	3/24/2022 1:40 PM
139	Boutiques, clothing	3/24/2022 1:04 PM
140	Small interesting shops, artists studios, mom and pop stores (Beacon has done this it's great)	3/24/2022 12:50 PM

141	Services to assist elderly with regular shopping, errands and getting delivery from local restaurants	3/24/2022 11:45 AM
142	get rid of walmart	3/24/2022 11:25 AM
143	Skate park and other teen oriented businesses	3/24/2022 10:01 AM
144	I think we need more police to control motorcycles on Route 9	3/24/2022 8:51 AM
145	Move the library out of the village of fishkill. Most patrons drive and not walk to it.	3/24/2022 8:17 AM
146	Better restaurants, less fast food establishments.	3/24/2022 7:59 AM
147	Small grocery store in one of the shopping centers	3/24/2022 6:59 AM
148	We need a local hospital	3/24/2022 5:59 AM
149	Keep wooded areas wooded for wildlife, new restaurants that aren't Italian (too many Italian restaurants; add more different cultural restaurants), more than two ice cream shops, hold more community events, farmers market in the village	3/24/2022 12:35 AM
150	N/a	3/23/2022 11:42 PM
151	Rail Trail!!!	3/23/2022 11:24 PM
152	Grocery store in the village	3/23/2022 9:33 PM
153	Trees , flowers …beautification project along Rte9 and in village .	3/23/2022 9:22 PM
154	Encourage more competition by targeted tax incentives for nee stores. Reuse empty locations.	3/23/2022 9:20 PM
155	A route from the village to Walmart (not route 9)	3/23/2022 8:46 PM
156	Improve outdoor recreation	3/23/2022 6:51 PM

Q15 If yes, where?

Answered: 135 Skipped: 181

Q15 If yes, where?

Answered: 135 Skipped: 181

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Na	5/9/2022 9:51 AM
2	Waterfront at Fishkill, north of I-84.	5/9/2022 7:54 AM
3	Lots south of Home Depot. Even host a weekly flea market. Something to bring people to the area. To add to the culture already coming to Beacon.	5/8/2022 2:14 PM
4	Southern Dutchess Mall cries out for demolition and thoughtful re-development	5/8/2022 11:22 AM
5	In all the vacant buildings around Town	5/7/2022 9:05 PM
6	Fishkill	5/7/2022 6:24 PM
7	N/A	5/7/2022 11:03 AM
8	From developments to main roads/commercial areas	5/7/2022 10:15 AM
9	Route 9. South of 84. / riverfront	5/7/2022 7:51 AM
10	.	5/6/2022 10:24 PM
11	Whole Foods or a couple restaurants with some nice shops and a green (nice lights and walking path and festive vibe) over by Home Depot area	5/6/2022 8:39 PM
12	All major intersections	5/6/2022 8:13 PM
13	N/A	5/6/2022 11:01 AM
14	9D	5/5/2022 12:06 AM
15	no preference;	5/4/2022 12:12 PM
16	Dutchess mall	4/29/2022 9:34 PM
17	Old Dutchess Mall	4/26/2022 2:33 AM
18	Geering Park	4/24/2022 6:28 PM
19	small market in village of fishkill	4/24/2022 12:53 PM
20	In the municipal plazas	4/24/2022 9:32 AM
21	Dutchess Mall. Fishkill Supply Depot property the remains as outlined on the National Register. The Jackson House site	4/23/2022 7:12 PM
22	Dutchess Stadium	4/23/2022 9:18 AM
23	On the original site on Mt. Beacon.	4/23/2022 9:10 AM
24	A easy to get to option by car and bus	4/23/2022 8:17 AM
25	Around cvs	4/23/2022 2:56 AM
26	None	4/22/2022 10:01 PM
27	n/a	4/22/2022 8:05 PM
28	Corner of Rt. 52 and Jackson	4/21/2022 1:04 PM
29	Fishkill	4/19/2022 11:05 AM
30	village plaza	4/19/2022 6:23 AM
31	Na	4/18/2022 2:21 PM

32	None	4/18/2022 12:25 PM
33	along rte 9 and 9d	4/18/2022 12:09 PM
34	Fishkill	4/17/2022 5:33 PM
35	anywhere, especially village or existing strip malls	4/16/2022 6:27 PM
36	Dutchess mall, retail space by BJ's on route 9	4/16/2022 3:31 PM
37	Route 9 at the old sonic	4/16/2022 1:11 PM
38	Glenham - vacant Texaco property	4/16/2022 1:05 PM
39	Not on route 9	4/16/2022 1:02 PM
40	Sarah Taylor Park	4/16/2022 12:23 PM
41	The old outlet mall/ dutchess mall and Main Street	4/16/2022 11:42 AM
42	Cafes / coffee shops in village of Fishkill	4/16/2022 8:53 AM
43	Use all the “dead” existing shopping areas and upgrade them to fit todays residents and tourists.	4/16/2022 8:42 AM
44	Old Texaco facility in Glenham	4/16/2022 7:17 AM
45	Start with redeveloping the duchess mall. You should the the community know why its stayed undeveloped all these years. Home Depot & DCC was a step in the right direction.	4/16/2022 6:56 AM
46	Na	4/15/2022 10:30 PM
47	As said	4/15/2022 10:23 PM
48	The old rail line along Fishkill creek should be converted to a walking trail. The autobody inspection place parallel to 52 could be great. The half empty place advertising yoga. Across from the ice cream shop.	4/15/2022 10:05 PM
49	See previous reapinse	4/15/2022 8:45 PM
50	North on Rt 9D, far away from I84 intersection.	4/15/2022 8:02 PM
51	N	4/15/2022 7:59 PM
52	Throughout town, but especially the Rt 9 hotel/medical/shopping area and Brinckerhoff plaza areas.	4/14/2022 6:35 PM
53	Fishkill needs less development	4/14/2022 6:21 PM
54	Dutchess Mall	4/14/2022 10:45 AM
55	na	4/14/2022 8:40 AM
56	Dutchess Mall site, Main Strret Billage, Route 9D	4/13/2022 11:19 PM
57	Not sure	4/13/2022 7:35 PM
58	The Texaco site- it does NOT need to be turned into private development and destroy the whole fabric of the neighborhood	4/13/2022 7:25 PM
59	Anywhere appropriate	4/13/2022 7:09 PM
60	Where applicable.	4/13/2022 4:39 PM
61	From Beacon, along the abandoned rail line out to Hopewell.	4/11/2022 9:37 AM
62	CVS plaza	4/10/2022 9:03 AM
63	In the Village of Fishkill	4/10/2022 7:46 AM
64	Other than the Village, potential exists in the Ocean State Job Lot strip center and the Regal Fishkill center.	4/9/2022 10:55 AM
65	We need public transportation, buses, trolleys, etc. throughout the entire town connecting to all	4/8/2022 10:21 PM

	surrounding areas. There could be mixed use development at the former Texaco site on Old Glenham Road.	
66	Dutchess Mall	4/8/2022 8:02 PM
67	near established neighborhoods where safe walking can or could potentially occur	4/4/2022 1:02 PM
68	Take advantage of current vacant properties - such as the deteriorating Mays Mall south of Route 84 on Route 9.	4/4/2022 9:32 AM
69	Follow the maps	4/2/2022 10:56 AM
70	Main street	4/2/2022 9:57 AM
71	Current commercial zoning areas.	3/31/2022 6:21 PM
72	The village of Fishkill and the areas that impact Rt 9 and Rt 52 and the cleanup and a park development in the former Mays Mall area. This is part of the Revolutionary War historical district.	3/31/2022 10:39 AM
73	Dutchess Mall and intersection of Rt 52 and Rt 82	3/31/2022 10:26 AM
74	na	3/31/2022 10:14 AM
75	n/a	3/31/2022 9:53 AM
76	Entire town	3/31/2022 8:59 AM
77	Fishkill has everything I would use.	3/30/2022 2:05 PM
78	Route 9 between Rt 52 & South of Rt 84	3/29/2022 9:19 AM
79	Old Texaco plant (mixed use), Snook Road (has water & sewer nearby.	3/28/2022 6:09 PM
80	Utilize the old Dutchess Mall space that would have adequate parking for a Trader Joes! If not Trader Joes, definitely utilize this space which sits half empty and has more than sufficient parking and decent traffic flow.	3/28/2022 11:31 AM
81	Town of Fishkill	3/27/2022 10:04 PM
82	Unsure. Somewhere along Rte. 52? Baxtertown Rd? What is happening with the prison buildings now that they've closed?	3/27/2022 5:07 PM
83	walking or biking distance to where people live	3/27/2022 11:46 AM
84	There are multiple eyesore spots that are unfinished buildings or poorly maintained shops. They should be renovated, removed and new places put in.	3/27/2022 11:06 AM
85	In Fishkill village or town of Fishkill	3/27/2022 12:55 AM
86	Route 9	3/26/2022 6:12 PM
87	It would be nice to utilize more of the empty former Dutchess Mall Area	3/26/2022 5:52 PM
88	Route 9 south of 84, dutchess mall, old route 9, 9d	3/26/2022 4:36 PM
89	strip mall across from stadium	3/26/2022 2:48 PM
90	Food trucks could be in the dcc Fishkill location	3/26/2022 2:01 PM
91	Geering Park	3/26/2022 10:37 AM
92	Dutchess Mall	3/26/2022 10:28 AM
93	Vacant village properties, Dutchess Park Plaza (after vast improvement)	3/26/2022 10:02 AM
94	Within town	3/26/2022 9:59 AM
95	Easily-accessed drop off points in key areas depending on population, etc., larger facility away from residential areas.	3/26/2022 9:27 AM
96	near rt 9	3/26/2022 9:14 AM
97	N/A	3/26/2022 9:02 AM

98	Seniors need more attention from the town. Services, access, etc.	3/26/2022 8:54 AM
99	It would be nice to see either of my suggestions where Job Lot is on 52, this would be a great place for us to gravitate towards without having to travel across Rte 9	3/26/2022 6:51 AM
100	The old mall by the home Depot should be revamped. Right now it looks like a wasteland...	3/25/2022 11:19 PM
101	In village of fishkill	3/25/2022 10:46 PM
102	Ketchum Motors. Property where Jackson House was demolished. All development should support foot traffic, with parking in back to accommodate pedestrians.	3/25/2022 9:29 PM
103	Route 52 near seasons restaurant or near the Home Depot in Fishkill	3/25/2022 9:01 PM
104	Old Texaco site	3/25/2022 8:44 PM
105	route 9	3/25/2022 8:28 PM
106	See above.	3/25/2022 8:23 PM
107	9D area proposed development. Roads could be widened and improved by the developers	3/25/2022 8:22 PM
108	WAS AMAZON NECESSARY, THE GAP MORE TRAFFIC NIGHTMARES	3/25/2022 8:16 PM
109	There are several locations where storefronts sit empty: Dutchess Plaza, Dutchess mall needs fixing and rejuvenation, but how sad it just sits there deteriorating.	3/25/2022 8:00 PM
110	n/a	3/25/2022 7:55 PM
111	Main street, village of Fishkill.	3/25/2022 7:38 PM
112	Main Street area, in the village	3/25/2022 7:38 PM
113	Add Senior Center in under used park in Brickenhoff.	3/25/2022 7:25 PM
114	Townwide	3/25/2022 10:26 AM
115	Maybe by IBM? There has to be a space somewhere.	3/25/2022 10:12 AM
116	Start with that eyesore where Shop Rite used to be at	3/25/2022 7:38 AM
117	By Dutchess stadium	3/24/2022 11:11 PM
118	Na	3/24/2022 6:12 PM
119	__	3/24/2022 5:54 PM
120	Dutchess Mall - south end	3/24/2022 4:31 PM
121	outlet center, old Dutchess mall	3/24/2022 3:55 PM
122	Rt. 9	3/24/2022 2:57 PM
123	n/a	3/24/2022 1:40 PM
124	Either the village or out by police station	3/24/2022 1:04 PM
125	The strip malls where there are empty stores; giving preferred locations to artists rather than adding more restaurants	3/24/2022 12:50 PM
126	Home Depot plaza	3/24/2022 10:01 AM
127	see 14	3/24/2022 6:59 AM
128	In front of the Amazon bldg in east fishkill	3/24/2022 5:59 AM
129	In the village of fishkill	3/24/2022 12:35 AM
130	N/a	3/23/2022 11:42 PM
131	On the tracks	3/23/2022 11:24 PM
132	Village of Fishkill	3/23/2022 9:33 PM
133	Dutchess Mall, for example	3/23/2022 9:20 PM

134	Continuation of Jackson Street to the'Walmart' area.	3/23/2022 8:46 PM
135	Update existing facilities	3/23/2022 6:51 PM

Q16 If no, why not

Answered: 119 Skipped: 197

Q16 If no, why not

Answered: 119 Skipped: 197

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	I like the way business is now	5/10/2022 6:36 PM
2	Such a waste currently.	5/8/2022 2:14 PM
3	Too much Hotel development. Recent hotel shootings, and a prostitution ring at a local hotel highlight this over development problem.	5/8/2022 11:22 AM
4	Services are adequate. I wouldn't want to see taxes go up for unnecessary services. Walmart and home Depot put a lot of pressure on small businesses	5/8/2022 6:46 AM
5	We have used too much space for commercial and recreational use already.	5/7/2022 11:03 AM
6	N/a	5/7/2022 10:15 AM
7	Too much congestion already.	5/7/2022 9:01 AM
8	The traffic is bad enough now. New businesses will make it worse.	5/7/2022 7:35 AM
9	.	5/6/2022 10:24 PM
10	None	5/6/2022 7:47 PM
11	N/A	5/6/2022 11:01 AM
12	there is no need for additional stores, because so many buildings sit empty; Perhaps more sensitive, structured tax policies may fill them up	5/4/2022 12:12 PM
13	I can get everything I need at this point	4/24/2022 12:20 PM
14	Na	4/23/2022 8:17 AM
15	There are too many vacant buildings around Southern Dutchess County. I don't want to see further development until these empty buildings are put to use.	4/22/2022 10:01 PM
16	?	4/22/2022 8:05 PM
17	I think we have a large array of businesses in Fishkill to accommodate most instances	4/19/2022 5:01 PM
18	The town has done enough damage on unnecessary development. Slowing ruining this beautiful historic town.	4/19/2022 11:27 AM
19	We have enough Make what we have more beautiful	4/19/2022 7:59 AM
20	I feel that we have enough businesses. I mean, how many more Italian restaurants do we need in Fishkill?	4/18/2022 7:04 PM
21	Na	4/18/2022 2:21 PM
22	All of the basic services are already in place. Any additional build up would put that in jeopardy. Resulting in another one of these surveys asking how can we fix it 10 years from now.	4/18/2022 12:25 PM
23	?	4/18/2022 12:09 PM
24	We are congested enough	4/18/2022 11:45 AM
25	While more supermarkets would be nice, I can't think of a place to put them that wouldn't stress the roads and create more traffic. Having Route 9 as the main supermarket location is probably for the best.	4/17/2022 5:07 PM
26	This is a village and I like the present size and services.	4/17/2022 2:41 PM
27	"transplants" don't support local businesses, except restaurants!	4/16/2022 6:27 PM

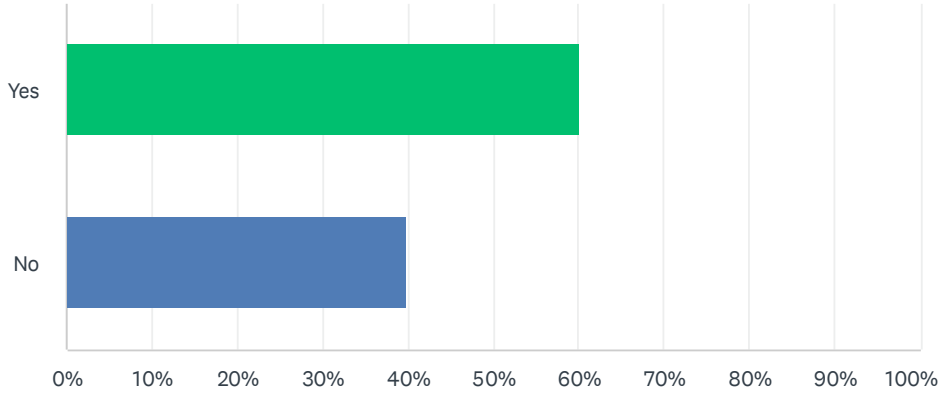
28	n/a	4/16/2022 3:31 PM
29	Use existing building infrastructure to create new businesses, stop building! What happened to the property next to Blue Seal Feeds? It's a disgrace and that used to be such a beautiful meadow and such a bad spot for traffic already, why would another business be approved Be there in 5 minutes the Board?	4/16/2022 2:03 PM
30	Not enough parking and causes traffic congestion!	4/16/2022 1:37 PM
31	N/a	4/16/2022 1:11 PM
32	No new development	4/16/2022 1:03 PM
33	We don't need anymore land clearing.	4/16/2022 10:29 AM
34	I LIKW FISHKILL TO BE RURAL AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE.	4/16/2022 10:28 AM
35	The town is becoming overdeveloped!	4/16/2022 10:02 AM
36	I can't think of anything we need to add, there is a good mix of shops and services already.	4/16/2022 9:56 AM
37	I think the Town's Rec center offers a lot in terms of activities for young and old. Of course, I wish there was a bike lane where I live but I don't believe that is feasible.	4/16/2022 9:31 AM
38	I have no ideas	4/16/2022 9:09 AM
39	Too much traffic.	4/16/2022 7:52 AM
40	No comment	4/16/2022 6:56 AM
41	Taxes need to be lowered	4/15/2022 10:30 PM
42	I'm guessing some conservative big wigs own this town, have no vision gir progressive innovation and just want to keep it the way it is — as in sad, depressing and feeling uneducated.	4/15/2022 10:05 PM
43	There's too much development now. It has to stop. There is way too much traffic.	4/15/2022 9:14 PM
44	I can't think of anything	4/15/2022 8:31 PM
45	Until we find a way to develop the disgraceful old Shop Rite property (Dutchess Mall) I don't want to see any more green space plowed under.	4/15/2022 7:59 PM
46	my needs are satisfied with what we have	4/15/2022 7:44 PM
47	At capacity	4/15/2022 7:11 PM
48	We're already restaurant haven. No more room	4/15/2022 7:40 AM
49	Creates traffic	4/14/2022 6:47 PM
50	Too crowded. Expand the subsidized housing on route 52 heading west. You can add senior housing there or housing for vets.	4/14/2022 5:13 PM
51	na	4/14/2022 8:40 AM
52	Fishkill has multiple services already available. Do not need more. Recreational activities and areas to safely walk would be better.	4/14/2022 6:13 AM
53	N/A	4/13/2022 7:35 PM
54	NA	4/13/2022 7:25 PM
55	No new development needed.utilize empty mall	4/10/2022 11:57 AM
56	N/a	4/10/2022 7:46 AM
57	I don't know what types of business is really needed here.	4/9/2022 3:35 PM
58	We have enough. There is nothing we are in need of in Fishkill.	4/8/2022 8:00 PM
59	We got what we need	4/6/2022 4:07 PM
60	We have enough	4/5/2022 3:26 PM

61	don't want area to be over crowded	4/3/2022 10:21 PM
62	We have adequate services, but our access to them is hindered by traffic and parking	4/2/2022 11:06 AM
63	WE ARE FINE WITH WHAT WE HAVE.....NO MORE NEW BUILDS.....	3/31/2022 3:42 PM
64	We are over developed	3/31/2022 10:14 AM
65	There are enough restaurants, bars, hotels, and recreation in Fishkill.	3/31/2022 9:53 AM
66	This is small town.we have enough restaurants. And anything else needed is a short bus or car ride away. Fishkill is lacking nothing as far as business is concerned.	3/31/2022 9:13 AM
67	It's a great town. We have everything we need in Main Street!	3/31/2022 9:04 AM
68	we really do not need more development.	3/31/2022 9:02 AM
69	I don't think we need anything else at this point.	3/30/2022 2:14 PM
70	Fishkill has everything I would use.	3/30/2022 2:05 PM
71	There is already too much density. Apartment units proposed at Nazarene Church should be voted DOWN. Apartments on Osborne Hill road right off of Rt.52 - an abomination. More traffic. Little thought is given to this traffic stress issue.	3/28/2022 7:27 PM
72	The current variety of businesses seems to be adequate to me. Town services are also adequate.	3/27/2022 1:04 PM
73	The town is losing its character	3/26/2022 8:02 PM
74	Fishkill is amply supplied with shopping and service establishments.	3/26/2022 5:14 PM
75	No comment	3/26/2022 3:12 PM
76	There are enough businesses and services for me.	3/26/2022 2:53 PM
77	This is a beautiful quaint and historic area. I would not like anymore commercial and housing areas here.	3/26/2022 2:39 PM
78	Not at this time. But in the near future.	3/26/2022 11:13 AM
79	Moving to Florida in the next 4 years	3/26/2022 10:20 AM
80	No new apartments	3/26/2022 9:54 AM
81	We have everything we need within a short distance.	3/26/2022 9:24 AM
82	New restaurants would be nice but where would you put them?	3/26/2022 9:02 AM
83	No to further business and residential development. It is too congested and the natural habitat continues to be destroyed.	3/26/2022 8:54 AM
84	Have enough/too much now	3/26/2022 6:42 AM
85	Infrastructure is doing a fine on its own.	3/26/2022 6:27 AM
86	I haven’t thought about it.	3/26/2022 4:57 AM
87	There seems to be sufficient businesses already.	3/26/2022 3:27 AM
88	We do not need any more businesses anywhere along 52 The area is already too busy.	3/25/2022 11:18 PM
89	Not at this time	3/25/2022 8:37 PM
90	To much development leads to more traffic and lower standard of living. Open spaces reduces stress	3/25/2022 8:28 PM
91	We have enough here and local towns offer enough other choices as well.	3/25/2022 8:14 PM
92	n/a	3/25/2022 7:55 PM
93	There are way to many businesses here now	3/25/2022 7:48 PM
94	I hope to move soon.	3/25/2022 7:39 PM

95	There are enough empty stores in Fishkill, new construction is a front, bring in businesses to occupy structures that already exist and property that is already developed.	3/25/2022 7:31 PM
96	I can't really think of anything missing.	3/25/2022 3:54 PM
97	.	3/25/2022 10:26 AM
98	We have enough housing developments. Prices are out of reach for most native citizens especially for seniors when new housing units are built. So it is not for the natives in area. Not everyone who is retired has a large pension plan.	3/25/2022 6:45 AM
99	There are quite a few duplications of services in the area.	3/24/2022 11:13 PM
100	We are saturated with services.	3/24/2022 8:07 PM
101	If anything is going to be added, it should utilize an existing structure, such as in the old outlet center	3/24/2022 7:22 PM
102	The town has all that is needed. We do not need another GAP or Walmart. Besides there is plenty of vacant space in the old outlet center to start another business.	3/24/2022 7:19 PM
103	We have overbuilt already. The only building that I support now is the kind for our neighborhood that will encourage people to start coming back out (arts, theater, music venue, movies, etc ..)	3/24/2022 6:12 PM
104	There's already enough	3/24/2022 5:54 PM
105	Not enough knowledge on specifics for Town. Seems that most requirements for general community happiness can be found in greater Southern Mid-Hudson area, although that does require driving. We must recognize that this community is for all residents, not only for those over 50.	3/24/2022 4:55 PM
106	I think everything is covered already!	3/24/2022 3:21 PM
107	We still need to figure out new developments	3/24/2022 3:17 PM
108	n/a	3/24/2022 1:40 PM
109	There is a finite amount of land	3/24/2022 1:14 PM
110	There are plenty of business locations. We should put effort into revitalizing areas that have already been built up but are standing empty. Do something with the old Dutchess Mall - live/work, affordable housing.	3/24/2022 10:52 AM
111	N/a	3/24/2022 5:59 AM
112	None	3/24/2022 12:35 AM
113	M/A	3/23/2022 11:42 PM
114	N/A	3/23/2022 9:20 PM
115	Everything is already accessible in Fishkill or on Rt 9	3/23/2022 8:38 PM
116	Too congested already.	3/23/2022 8:22 PM
117	I don't want to entice more people to come to Fishkill. It's crowded enough. But I want our restaurants and businesses to thrive, so it's two opposing feelings.	3/23/2022 6:26 PM
118	There is too much developed space with open storefronts and entire buildings that are just abandoned	3/23/2022 6:11 PM
119	Fishkill has about everything necessary for a fulfilling life except traffic	3/23/2022 5:49 PM

Q17 Do you have concerns about new business or service development?

Answered: 304 Skipped: 12



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	60.20%	183
No	39.80%	121
TOTAL		304

Q18 If yes, please elaborate

Answered: 189 Skipped: 127

Q18 If yes, please elaborate

Answered: 189 Skipped: 127

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	too many strip mall type developments...it's all for the car	5/9/2022 10:24 AM
2	Quality of life issues	5/9/2022 9:51 AM
3	Traffic congestion needs to be solved for growth to be enabled without negatively impacting residents of Fishkill	5/9/2022 7:54 AM
4	The area by Walmart has been extremely over developed. I feel the extensive building on the wetlands in that area has made the flooding problem extremely bad. I moved here when there was only a white house and Trinity Broadcasting by Merritt Blvd. The development in that area is way overdone.	5/8/2022 11:53 PM
5	If not something neutral like green space for all to enjoy, make sure anything that comes to town will add to the tax base. Fishkill has already done it’s fair share of hosting non-tax participants.	5/8/2022 2:14 PM
6	See above. Too much overdevelopment of Hotels.	5/8/2022 11:22 AM
7	See answer 16	5/8/2022 6:46 AM
8	Are they sustainable	5/7/2022 6:54 PM
9	Transparency during permit process. Politics.	5/7/2022 6:24 PM
10	Town space already feels congested. We have retail spaces that are empty. No need for new businesses to take up more space.	5/7/2022 11:03 AM
11	Extra stress on traffic, water, schools	5/7/2022 10:15 AM
12	Would create even more traffic congestion.	5/7/2022 9:01 AM
13	Large warehouses like the gap have ruined the landscape and appeal. Businesses like these should not be centrally located or as visible as the gap.	5/7/2022 7:51 AM
14	Overcrowding	5/7/2022 7:35 AM
15	.	5/6/2022 10:24 PM
16	I think (as a VoF resident) that any new building in the Village should be discouraged. We have a nucleus of beautiful historic buildings that lend beauty to the Village, and very little space.	5/6/2022 9:10 PM
17	Just have to plan traffic and parking and walkability. Please don’t bring a concrete store into the middle of town	5/6/2022 8:39 PM
18	The impact on current residents	5/6/2022 11:01 AM
19	Feel we are overbuilding residential dwellings when it comes to grocery stores	5/5/2022 12:06 AM
20	tax policies are business proxibitive;	5/4/2022 12:12 PM
21	Entry/Exit onto Rt 52	4/26/2022 2:33 AM
22	no more buildings, use the tons that already exist	4/24/2022 12:53 PM
23	Town Zoning & Building Official is doing a poor job. Manner in which Planning Board interacts with residents during approvals process is unacceptable. Healey application was pushed through in what appears to be a back room agreement.	4/24/2022 12:20 PM
24	Keeping a watchful eye on the Hyndai development	4/24/2022 9:32 AM
25	Overdevelopment of unnecessary businesses and housing developments.	4/23/2022 7:12 PM

26	Not enough reuse of existing buildings	4/23/2022 9:18 AM
27	Want to keep as much green space as possible	4/23/2022 2:56 AM
28	See my previous answer.	4/22/2022 10:01 PM
29	?	4/22/2022 8:05 PM
30	Just if it will create more traffic congestion	4/19/2022 5:01 PM
31	Traffic, traffic, traffic.	4/19/2022 11:27 AM
32	No more development	4/19/2022 7:59 AM
33	See previous comments	4/19/2022 6:23 AM
34	Traffic issues	4/18/2022 2:21 PM
35	Traffic, quality of life, infrastructure will all be put to the test, just so that a contractor can make their money and leave. Resulting in the town and it's people trying to figure out how to make it work again.	4/18/2022 12:25 PM
36	We already have empty space (old service merchandise and Chevron property) and no where else to put any more. At what point do we stop.	4/18/2022 11:45 AM
37	Corruption	4/17/2022 5:33 PM
38	Traffic on 9D is already bad and there's talk of putting more housing and a marina, a sports center for a religious group, plus an Aldi supermarket all within a short distance of Brockway. Traffic would become intolerable if all three of these things came to fruition. Meanwhile there are opportunities arising from the closing of prisons.	4/17/2022 5:07 PM
39	It will spoil the village atmosphere.	4/17/2022 2:41 PM
40	Some things are redundant, and cause more congestion	4/16/2022 10:19 PM
41	favoritism with locally-elected government officials	4/16/2022 6:27 PM
42	n/a	4/16/2022 3:31 PM
43	See previous answers! We need to preserve green spaces	4/16/2022 2:03 PM
44	I feel there isn’t enough control over Height and length of buildings. Compared to preexisting building in the area. Examples are Harley Brothers and Guardian Storage!	4/16/2022 1:37 PM
45	N/a	4/16/2022 1:11 PM
46	Potential traffic	4/16/2022 1:05 PM
47	More traffic, more people, quality of life negatively impacted	4/16/2022 1:03 PM
48	Stop building on new wild lands, there are plenty of already developed lots that can be reused for new development. Specifically the plaza next to Home Depot. There is absolutely no reason to destroy the perfectly good forest across the street when that whole developed lot with services sits abandoned. Stop killing nature for profit.	4/16/2022 1:02 PM
49	Several of the businesses in the area that are being proposed involve new construction. Continental Commons should not be allowed to happen. New construction on rt 9 should not occur until the vacant buildings on rt 9 are cleaned up.	4/16/2022 12:23 PM
50	New businesses should use existing structures	4/16/2022 10:29 AM
51	The town is becoming overdeveloped!	4/16/2022 10:02 AM
52	Traffic. More development = more traffic and we don't need more traffic.	4/16/2022 9:56 AM
53	Increase population needs to be better controlled	4/16/2022 9:09 AM
54	My only concern is that we’re not building for the next generation fast enough - young families and new comers to Fishkill need to see economic development and opportunities or they won’t stay here and continue paying taxes	4/16/2022 8:53 AM
55	I’ve lived here for 30 years and most of the “improvements” that were promised when large	4/16/2022 8:42 AM

	corporations moved to the area really haven't benefited me as a resident. I have never been able to earn a good wage locally from any of these businesses because of the high concentration of low wage jobs at Gap, Walmart, Caremount etc. I do not see the tax advantage as a resident yet Gap and others get long term tax incentives. The centralizing of all retail in one area of rt 9 has caused overwhelming traffic and has caused the demise of so many amazing small businesses. I moved here from NYC to have a quiet healthier lifestyle and now I have nothing but tractor trailer road noise constantly at night. Merrit park has drastically changed the community and if these developments are to be build going forward they need to be held to account to fulfill their commitments to building the additional resources necessary to support the increased population (schools etc). We need revenue but please be mindful that individuals still live here and need to have our concerns considered. I am just about being taxed out of living here.	
56	We need to be local business friendly, people enjoy the variety they offer.	4/16/2022 6:56 AM
57	Taxes are already driving people to Florida	4/15/2022 10:30 PM
58	No more car dealerships. No more box stores. No more real estate developers. Go small local business.	4/15/2022 10:05 PM
59	Fishkill has a lot of empty stores in the plazas on Route 9. Use them instead of developing every inch of green space.	4/15/2022 9:14 PM
60	Traffic which is why we need more walkable areas. Maybe a shuttle from town hall to the train station. Encourage people to visit but not drive	4/15/2022 8:45 PM
61	The new car dealership lot next to the rug store	4/15/2022 8:31 PM
62	We need better utilization of existing facilities rather than building more.	4/15/2022 7:59 PM
63	do not commercialize our town. make all hotels and businesses pay taxes	4/15/2022 7:44 PM
64	Over development creates pollution, increased traffic, and unnecessary crowds.	4/15/2022 7:30 PM
65	Don't rezone or allow larger than currently allowable residences or businesses on Route 52. Redeploy existing abandoned parcels (next to Home Depot, Fishkill) that are adjacent to highway infrastructure.	4/15/2022 7:24 PM
66	We dont need anything else	4/15/2022 7:11 PM
67	If housing is built there simply is not enough space for people or cars	4/15/2022 6:45 PM
68	So crowded	4/15/2022 7:40 AM
69	Haphazard development of undeveloped parcels while existing properties languish vacant and unimproved results in rampant sprawl, prolonging drive times and requiring more driving and trips, thereby creating more traffic.	4/14/2022 6:35 PM
70	The Rt 9 development like walmart and the Gap wharehouse make the town look like a warehouse district. If I wanted to live in a big city i eld not have moved here 25 yrs ago	4/14/2022 6:21 PM
71	Need more open space and less traffic	4/14/2022 4:56 PM
72	Need to study impact on local traffic & environment before approving permits.	4/14/2022 10:45 AM
73	na	4/14/2022 8:40 AM
74	The area at Dutchess Mall would also be an ideal spot for a drug/alcohol rehab center.	4/13/2022 11:19 PM
75	N/A	4/13/2022 7:35 PM
76	New businesses often contribute to gentrification- Beacon constantly has new businesses opening that exclusively cater to tourists (gift shops that sell expensive soaps and candles), while their laundromat just closed because they could not pay rent	4/13/2022 7:25 PM
77	Current taxpayers subsidizing the development and/or town red tape consuming project assets to the detriment of a well-built project	4/13/2022 7:09 PM
78	None needed	4/10/2022 11:57 AM
79	Be careful not to overdevelop	4/10/2022 9:03 AM

80	Too many chain stores. Need more local business owners. We need an old fashioned butcher, a good Italian deli and a bakery.	4/10/2022 7:46 AM
81	I would not want to see any big car dealerships move here. Would not want to see anything industrial move here to pollute. Don't need anymore Banks either.	4/9/2022 3:35 PM
82	We have too many nail salons and dollar stores. We need retail that attracts people who want to spend money. Even courting a supermarket such as Fresh Market or Wegman's would help the area.	4/9/2022 10:55 AM
83	Ensure that whatever project the town approves the business posts an appropriate amount in bond to ensure the project is completed. Not like the eyesore ant the intersection of routes 52 & 82	4/8/2022 8:02 PM
84	When does it stop? I am all for new business and services provided they occupy existing locations/structures.	4/8/2022 8:00 PM
85	We should build more on places that have been vacant (Dutchess Mall, space at 52/82 that was never finished) before looking at open spaces.	4/6/2022 4:07 PM
86	Too much commerce leads to more traffic	4/5/2022 3:26 PM
87	large-scale, big box types of development detract from the community's character and can lead to more traffic problems	4/4/2022 1:02 PM
88	Fate of the recently abandoned prison property on Red Schoolhouse road.	4/4/2022 9:32 AM
89	Concern about more housing , apartment and condo complexes in an already overextended area	4/2/2022 11:06 AM
90	Prevent building on and encroaching on historic sites	4/2/2022 10:56 AM
91	Too many people that the design of the town is not ready for. I tried to get my family to live up here and they told me they would rather sit in traffic in Brooklyn were there are tons of parks and things to do than sit in traffic up here. We were on Main Street at the time and traffic was horrible.	4/2/2022 9:57 AM
92	do not need more gas pumps, but maybe more areas to charge electric cars	3/31/2022 6:21 PM
93	More Traffic	3/31/2022 3:58 PM
94	THE NEW BUSINESS SHOULD BE PLACED IN VACANT PLACES, I.E. THE DUTCHESS MALL	3/31/2022 3:42 PM
95	Wesley Residence in the Village of Fishkill. Traffic is a nightmare already. If approved the Church should lose it's non profit tax exempt property taxes.	3/31/2022 1:17 PM
96	n/a	3/31/2022 9:53 AM
97	Traffic, incomplete projects, no follow through on the town when projects don't follow the rules.	3/31/2022 9:13 AM
98	please remember the traffic and infrastructure limitations we already have before building new things	3/31/2022 9:02 AM
99	Traffic	3/31/2022 8:59 AM
100	9D can't handle new business	3/31/2022 8:38 AM
101	We do not need additional businesses as this would create more traffic	3/31/2022 6:53 AM
102	I would like to see any existing buildings that are not being used to be used by any new businesses rather than destroying more natural spaces that we have left.	3/30/2022 7:05 PM
103	Concerns about new businesses brining more traffic.	3/30/2022 2:14 PM
104	I am very comfortable here in Fishkill with the small town atmosphere and view. There is elbow room here and I would be very displeased if that should be changed.	3/30/2022 2:05 PM
105	Don't encourage it!!!	3/28/2022 7:27 PM
106	Yes, previously stated above - reject the Wesley Project which will add to an already burdened traffic issue in addition to water, electric, etc issues.	3/28/2022 11:31 AM

107	I don't want any more big box stores or chains	3/27/2022 5:07 PM
108	NO large scale developments requiring expensive new town infra structure and automobile only access.	3/27/2022 11:46 AM
109	Businesses that don't contribute to the values of Fishkill or health (i.e., ridiculous Vape shops).	3/27/2022 11:06 AM
110	More small family owned businesses	3/27/2022 12:55 AM
111	I don't want that proposed Continental Commons or the proposed development in the village behind the Church of the Nazarene. Traffic is awful. Use of abandoned buildings like where Pergament was should come first.	3/26/2022 6:12 PM
112	Previously developed and now abandoned properties should be utilized with priority.	3/26/2022 5:14 PM
113	Natherein chuch	3/26/2022 4:36 PM
114	Too many new commercial developments when there are already abandoned/closed business areas that should be utilized before construction of new buildings	3/26/2022 3:12 PM
115	There’s already too much traffic in the town.	3/26/2022 2:53 PM
116	It seems like everyone's needs are not being met.	3/26/2022 2:48 PM
117	New business create traffic problems etc. Look what is happening in the City of Peekskill. So much development is destroying a once beautiful place to live. That is why I moved to Fishkill!	3/26/2022 2:39 PM
118	We are overdeveloped. I fear more development and with it the loss of more trees and open spaces, two of the main reasons why I moved to Fishkill.	3/26/2022 12:05 PM
119	As stated before, the impact on nature, wildlife, infrastructure.	3/26/2022 11:13 AM
120	Some do not take into consideration what else is going on - such as Continental Commons that should have never been advanced beyond the planning stage.	3/26/2022 10:30 AM
121	As stated, I am concerned about new construction while there are so many vacant properties to be used	3/26/2022 10:02 AM
122	Traffic studies, water & sewer usage & types of businesses. We don't need a repetition of just restaurants & shoe stores & big box stores, we need a variety, including businesses that will provide good, well paying jobs here so we can attract young people starting out in their careers. We don’t need to try to be a Lake George type tourist attraction. We ne sustainability not seasonal work.	3/26/2022 9:59 AM
123	No new apartments	3/26/2022 9:54 AM
124	We have more hotels, banks, Doughnut shops, resturants and gas station conveinence stores than the whole county needs. Too many and nobody wins.	3/26/2022 9:39 AM
125	That there are so many hoops the developers need to jump through to get a project underway and completed....can take years and years in some cases.	3/26/2022 9:38 AM
126	Poorly considered traffic flow, utility, and school capacity needs for new projects, money going towards leisure facilities before basic infrastructure and broader support for all residents. Alternatively, ensured transparency around how the revenue from those facilities is being spent, with a clearly outlined plan to spend it on basic infrastructure and other broad-ranging needs of residents.	3/26/2022 9:27 AM
127	We have too many people in our community! It’s crowded and getting more so every day.	3/26/2022 9:24 AM
128	not enough roads for the volume of traffic	3/26/2022 9:14 AM
129	Everything leads back to the traffic problem	3/26/2022 9:02 AM
130	See above - way too much development has destroyed natural habitats, congested the town and destroyed the small town flavor we once had here.	3/26/2022 8:54 AM
131	I’m all for expanding the economy but the creation of large senior centers and apartment complexes are not the answer. The crowd moving into the area is younger with families so businesses that support that changing demographic would be appropriate and help for long term sustained economy. Family restaurants, parks, shops, grocery stores coffee shops etc. small brewery to support local	3/26/2022 8:23 AM

132	Local first. Unique and local businesses should get priority over large chains. Yes we need large chains but not at the expense of losing local businesses.	3/26/2022 7:59 AM
133	no new business	3/26/2022 7:53 AM
134	Don't build up Snook Road!	3/26/2022 6:54 AM
135	Buildings that are built too high and residential neighborhoods, specifically four stories. Six stories. Buildings.	3/26/2022 6:27 AM
136	Increased traffic.	3/26/2022 3:27 AM
137	I mentioned this previously	3/26/2022 3:07 AM
138	relieve tax burden	3/25/2022 11:58 PM
139	Would add more traffic	3/25/2022 11:18 PM
140	Construction noise, more traffic, more pollution	3/25/2022 10:46 PM
141	Jackson street corridor feels Dangerous. Development around 52 and Jackson should focus on pedestrians, limit cut through traffic on Florence, and slow speeds.	3/25/2022 9:29 PM
142	The focus should be on serving the present population of Fishkill and neighboring communities, not drawing in more from Westchester and NYC. ;ie walmart/Sams while providing a lot of part time jobs how much is it supporting the town vs. drain on town or village roads and services as police?	3/25/2022 9:11 PM
143	It seems like businesses should go were we have empty businesses as opposed to building new ones. There is also issues with places that are now eye sores because they did not finish building	3/25/2022 9:01 PM
144	Overuse and strain on existing infrastructure and associated cost	3/25/2022 8:44 PM
145	Enough storage facilities that are HUGE and enough high density building	3/25/2022 8:44 PM
146	The development on cedar hill rd	3/25/2022 8:28 PM
147	the duplication is over whelming and the layout is not charismatic to this area. The charm of the fishkill area is ruined. Past administrations OKed anything and now it is as attractive as Newark NJ	3/25/2022 8:28 PM
148	No concerns	3/25/2022 8:24 PM
149	HOW ABOUT DEVELOPING THE ABANDONED SHOPPING CTR BY HOME DEPOT A WASTE OF RETAIL SPACE	3/25/2022 8:16 PM
150	1.it making traffic even worse 2. I do not want our town to be any more commercialized.	3/25/2022 8:14 PM
151	We should exhaust the locations that sit empty, and bolster the already existing businesses before bringing in new businesses.	3/25/2022 8:00 PM
152	Traffic!	3/25/2022 7:55 PM
153	There is no more land	3/25/2022 7:48 PM
154	Ownly of there going to build and disturb our countryside .	3/25/2022 7:34 PM
155	Potential to increase traffic.	3/25/2022 7:32 PM
156	You're going to destroy the natural charm and beauty of this area with a lot of smoke about boosting the local economy.	3/25/2022 7:31 PM
157	traffic, strain on existing infrastructure, schools	3/25/2022 3:54 PM
158	New businesses need to be developed	3/25/2022 10:26 AM
159	My fear is that these “new businesses” would be strip malls or hotels. Fishkill is an historic town that is already over stuffed with these things.	3/25/2022 8:05 AM
160	Proposals to build any high density 4 story apartment complexes in the village and town of Fishkill. Urban sprawl is un wanted and has an negative impact on the quality of life, air and water.	3/24/2022 11:13 PM

161	Traffic	3/24/2022 11:11 PM
162	Over development	3/24/2022 8:07 PM
163	Once again traffic, congestion. I moved to Fishkill because I loved that it was a small quiet town. Yet it is within easy access to the highway and plenty of shopping on route 9	3/24/2022 7:22 PM
164	Just overdevelopment for the sake of making a dollar	3/24/2022 6:12 PM
165	Unplanned and halfhazard rezoning	3/24/2022 4:55 PM
166	Hope to see existing vacant properties rehabilitated rather than green space replaced by more new buildings.	3/24/2022 4:31 PM
167	Should not add greatly to traffic	3/24/2022 3:55 PM
168	Other than the Jackson Street / Main Street intersection there is no more space. Let’s stop building!	3/24/2022 3:21 PM
169	n/a	3/24/2022 1:40 PM
170	Anything that has too many cars going in and out of business	3/24/2022 1:14 PM
171	There have been bad choices in the past. No more development without consideration for the impact that this will have. There is room for small business, not huge business, and there is no more room to build. Use the open available lots and land that are there currently.	3/24/2022 12:50 PM
172	Restaurants that are overpriced for regular people. Too many banks, hairsalons	3/24/2022 11:45 AM
173	no more giant pilot corporate types	3/24/2022 11:25 AM
174	I feel prior administrations were very over-ambitious with development (Merritt Blvd - should have made Toll Brother PAY to upgrade the water/sewer systems - not just hook into and make existing homeowners pay), and this administration is overly biased as to what landowners can and cannot do with their property.	3/24/2022 10:52 AM
175	More congestion on Route 52. Increased truck traffic & noise	3/24/2022 8:17 AM
176	Businesses attract traffic. Among the available sizes should be more which can survive servicing only the more immediate local community.	3/24/2022 6:59 AM
177	We don’t need another Italian restaurant or hotel. We need fewer transients living in the no-tell motel	3/24/2022 5:59 AM
178	None	3/24/2022 12:35 AM
179	New business increases teaffic	3/23/2022 11:42 PM
180	Adding to the already bad traffic worries me	3/23/2022 11:24 PM
181	Not reusing empty locations	3/23/2022 9:20 PM
182	Overdeveloped already more development more traffic and congestion. It sometimes takes a half hour to get from route 9 to my home on 52 during rush	3/23/2022 8:38 PM
183	There is hardly any more empty space, there is no more small town feel	3/23/2022 8:22 PM
184	No continental Commons	3/23/2022 7:42 PM
185	Fishkill is maxed out.	3/23/2022 6:51 PM
186	See my answer above. It's TOO crowded in Fishkill. I moved up here from LI eight years ago, and it's starting to feel like LI again	3/23/2022 6:26 PM
187	It feels like businesses and people who come to Fishkill from other places to patronize those businesses are often cared about more than the residents.	3/23/2022 6:11 PM
188	More development should not be proposed or built when we DO NOT have the infrastructure to accommodate it. Residential development has exploded, we have every possible restaurant except maybe chick fillet but we have enough development for this area	3/23/2022 5:49 PM
189	If new businesses or services increase traffic they should be not allowed.	3/23/2022 4:59 PM

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	The restaurants on main st like Athena and red line and biercafe	5/10/2022 6:36 PM
2	the village	5/9/2022 10:24 AM
3	Community events car shows	5/9/2022 9:51 AM
4	The scenic beauty, especially of the mountains and the Hudson River.	5/9/2022 7:54 AM
5	I like main street in the village. The library. The plaza with Reni's florist. The rec center with the exercise and public programs that it offers. Sarah Taylor park for walking. Sidewalks in the Toll Brothers development and along Merritt Blvd for walking. Love the spring and fall yard sale day and the clean-up day. Also like the June craft fair day. St. Mary's church.	5/8/2022 11:53 PM
6	I like the quaintness of what Beacon has become and I think Fishkill could also host shops to attract similar folks, even a trolley ride between the towns or development of the rail into a walkway/path could bring more people to visit. Already have nice restaurants but could piggy back off of Beacon. Cold Spring does this by having the train.	5/8/2022 2:14 PM
7	Great choice of restaurants.	5/8/2022 11:22 AM
8	Rail trail or nature trails in an around fishkill	5/8/2022 8:36 AM
9	Small town atmosphere	5/8/2022 6:46 AM
10	The library and our Main Street in the village are great!	5/7/2022 6:24 PM
11	Stony Kill Farm Renegades Stadium Local restaurants in the village Main Street in Beacon	5/7/2022 11:03 AM
12	Village restaurants	5/7/2022 10:15 AM
13	I love that this is mostly a quiet community with relatively low taxes. I think we have a good balance of business and residential property. For the most part, I am happy to raise my child here.	5/7/2022 9:14 AM
14	Neighborhood social and recreational activities	5/7/2022 9:04 AM
15	Already has many restaurants and medical facilities.	5/7/2022 9:01 AM
16	I enjoy going to dinner in the village. I enjoy sitting outside in the summer.	5/7/2022 7:51 AM
17	The car shows.	5/7/2022 7:35 AM
18	.	5/6/2022 10:24 PM
19	Historic Village center, decent amount of services, and some (limited) sense of community.	5/6/2022 9:10 PM
20	Veterans Day, any event, but i haven’t attended any the last couple of years. Loved the car show, cupcakes were fun.	5/6/2022 8:39 PM
21	The Historical Importance	5/6/2022 11:01 AM
22	Food Pantry does good work. Like small town feeling - Americana feeling at ball park.	5/5/2022 12:06 AM
23	Value perfect mix of rural and city atmosphere within one area	5/4/2022 12:12 PM
24	Dog park, Block party, Concerts	4/26/2022 2:33 AM
25	I love the village - restaurants, architecture, sidewalks and people.	4/24/2022 6:28 PM
26	van wyck house and mount gullian events	4/24/2022 12:53 PM

27	The Village Character	4/24/2022 12:20 PM
28	I like the restaurants in town. I occasionally visit	4/24/2022 9:32 AM
29	The undeveloped land around the Kipp house. The roadway in to Fishkill on RT 9D which much is undeveloped. The walk on Snook Rd and Van Wyck Lake Rd. The undeveloped land near Cedar Hill Rd.	4/23/2022 7:12 PM
30	the restaurants, parades, pancake breakfasts, outdoor events in the village	4/23/2022 1:45 PM
31	Some nice restaurants	4/23/2022 9:18 AM
32	I would like see a drive in movie theater locally.	4/23/2022 9:10 AM
33	Scenic views, safe, quiet neighborhood.	4/23/2022 2:56 AM
34	Sarah Taylor Park. I also like the small community look/feel.	4/22/2022 10:01 PM
35	low taxes, stadium, access to Stewart and 84	4/22/2022 5:14 PM
36	Blodgett Memorial Library. They deserve more funding and support.	4/21/2022 1:04 PM
37	The parks, hiking, the town events like the car show	4/19/2022 5:01 PM
38	Restaurants	4/19/2022 7:59 AM
39	Rail trail, FRC, v/o Fishkill	4/19/2022 6:23 AM
40	The shopping areas including big box and small main st stores	4/18/2022 10:35 PM
41	I love the block parties in the village.	4/18/2022 7:04 PM
42	Main street entrainment, close to everything, has a actual hamlet with great historical value.	4/18/2022 5:17 PM
43	Na	4/18/2022 2:21 PM
44	Being able to safely walk down my street and talk to my long-term neighbors.	4/18/2022 12:25 PM
45	Stadium, Fishkill Creek	4/18/2022 11:45 AM
46	Restaurants	4/17/2022 7:23 PM
47	Geering Park Stonykill Holiday Events Recreation center before Covid Be Green Consignment Access to major businesses and stores Access to major roads/highways	4/17/2022 5:33 PM
48	I enjoy just about everything about living here. We have great access to all of the Hudson Valley with it's hiking, nature, art, music, restaurants, etc. plus easy access to Manhattan. It's generally quiet and peaceful to live here, but that peace must be preserved or I will go farther north. I love having the Renegades nearby but the music scene is far more important to me.	4/17/2022 5:07 PM
49	The Community Center	4/17/2022 2:41 PM
50	It's history	4/16/2022 10:19 PM
51	McDonald's, Burger King, Home Depot, ShopRite, Pet Supplies Plus, Antonella's, The Medicine Shoppe	4/16/2022 6:27 PM
52	craft fairs in the village of fishkill	4/16/2022 3:31 PM
53	I don’t get involved in local events because of Covid right now	4/16/2022 2:03 PM
54	Parks, trails and not over developed with a small town feeling!	4/16/2022 1:37 PM
55	N/a	4/16/2022 1:11 PM
56	Village restaurants	4/16/2022 1:05 PM
57	Historic significance, location great in every direction to access Hudson valley beauty, nice neighbors who help each other,	4/16/2022 1:03 PM
58	Love Geering Park, love our location in the Hudson Valley. Love the village but they need better restaurants.	4/16/2022 1:02 PM
59	We value history	4/16/2022 11:42 AM

60	Geering park concerts	4/16/2022 10:29 AM
61	I THINK OZZY IS DOING A FANTASTIC JOB! VERY IMPRESSED!	4/16/2022 10:28 AM
62	Stopping building and changing of zoning laws so developers can make more money changing Fishkill into Long Island with everybody on top of each other. No more country!	4/16/2022 10:02 AM
63	I like the convenience of everything available on or near Main Street, gym, pharmacy, churches, library, bank, shops. It's wonderful!	4/16/2022 9:56 AM
64	The Fishkill Recreation center	4/16/2022 9:31 AM
65	Village block party's I would like to see Sara Taylor Park improved and used more for town functions.	4/16/2022 9:09 AM
66	I'd love to see a rail trail and/or biking trail connecting Beacon and Fishkill. Let's make Fishkill part of the vibrant, booming Hudson valley community we're seeing in Coldspring and Beacon	4/16/2022 8:53 AM
67	I like the rejuvenation of the village and hope that continues.	4/16/2022 8:42 AM
68	the area's natural beauty the recycle/shred events	4/16/2022 8:40 AM
69	Dutchess beer garden, Fishkill tire and auto repair, Wells Fargo, cvs, ups store	4/16/2022 7:17 AM
70	Beacon's. Main St., what a transformation.	4/16/2022 6:56 AM
71	Churches	4/15/2022 10:30 PM
72	More recreation events, there are many parks and fields in this town which are under utilized. These fields are often rented out. These should open to all. Concerts, events are few ideas.	4/15/2022 10:23 PM
73	The access to hiking on the ridge, the Renegades, access to Beacon, Howland Ctr and town Crier, and Red Line Diner.	4/15/2022 10:05 PM
74	The sidewalks.	4/15/2022 9:14 PM
75	The recreation center	4/15/2022 8:31 PM
76	Restaurants as well as the historic aspects of the town.	4/15/2022 7:59 PM
77	The long dock, restaurants.	4/15/2022 7:52 PM
78	small parades and craft fair	4/15/2022 7:44 PM
79	Open spaces, small town feeling, town hall, recent improved communication with town residents, town library.	4/15/2022 7:30 PM
80	Rec Center offers a lot of value to families and seniors.	4/15/2022 7:24 PM
81	I love the small town feel	4/15/2022 7:19 PM
82	Block party	4/15/2022 7:11 PM
83	I love the charm of the village.	4/15/2022 6:45 PM
84	Eateries, craft events in Main Street	4/15/2022 7:40 AM
85	Local community events	4/14/2022 6:47 PM
86	The small-town feeling, what little of it exists.	4/14/2022 6:35 PM
87	A small town feel	4/14/2022 6:21 PM
88	Rec center - It's helps a lot of people of all incomes.maybe extend programs for vets. It's there why not use it for them if you need something for them. Maybe a clinic for vaccines for low income residents	4/14/2022 5:13 PM
89	Fireworks at Sarah Taylor Park., Main St. car show	4/14/2022 10:45 AM
90	na	4/14/2022 8:40 AM
91	Open space	4/14/2022 6:13 AM
92	Recreational parks, main Street walkability, restaurants	4/14/2022 12:08 AM

93	We are blessed with some good restaurants, with owners who take pride in their business, some excellent sport programs. Library could be oroved	4/13/2022 11:19 PM
94	I used to enjoy the block party and street festivals. I enjoy eating at locanda and the restaurants— wish there was more variety in types of food	4/13/2022 7:35 PM
95	fishkill ridge trail, rec center	4/13/2022 7:25 PM
96	The village	4/13/2022 7:22 PM
97	The dining opportunities in the village	4/13/2022 7:09 PM
98	Overall safety and access to surrounding events.	4/13/2022 4:39 PM
99	We love the block party!	4/13/2022 2:42 PM
100	Rail Trail development - it'd be a tremendous boon to our town linking the river to restaurants in Beacon & the Village of Fishkill, with hotels on rte9 and eventual access to the Walkway over the Hudson.	4/11/2022 9:37 AM
101	Dutchess stadium	4/10/2022 11:57 AM
102	Restaurants on Main Street, Village of Fishkill yard sale, Village craft fair and block party	4/10/2022 9:03 AM
103	The block parties. The Fishkill creek is beautiful and under utilized for recreation.	4/10/2022 7:46 AM
104	I enjoy the parks and the location of shopping. I would love to see more beautification of this area.	4/9/2022 3:35 PM
105	Renegade Stadium is wonderful for this community as well as surrounding communities	4/9/2022 10:55 AM
106	Fishkill United Methodist Church	4/8/2022 10:21 PM
107	Geeking Par, Doug Phillips Park, Fishkill Rec	4/8/2022 8:02 PM
108	Not sure there is anything I can say here. The Village block party is nice, the Town should look into neighborhood celebrations like block parties. Bring neighborhoods together	4/8/2022 8:00 PM
109	There are some great hiking areas and parks, a lot of good dining options, and some great breweries too.	4/7/2022 11:51 PM
110	Use of Main Street for events	4/6/2022 4:07 PM
111	?	4/5/2022 3:26 PM
112	I like the open space resources in the Town of Fishkill (e.g., Stony Kill Farm)	4/4/2022 1:02 PM
113	Stony Kill Farm	4/4/2022 9:32 AM
114	I love the events held on Main St (cupcake festival, Rock Around the Clock, etc…)	4/3/2022 10:21 PM
115	Community events held at the rec center and Geering Park.	4/2/2022 7:11 PM
116	Restaurants , Gerring Park, grocery stores, drug stores , doctor and dentist accessibility	4/2/2022 11:06 AM
117	The people	4/2/2022 10:56 AM
118	Street fair	4/2/2022 9:57 AM
119	block party. we need to do more town celebrations	3/31/2022 3:58 PM
120	IT HAS BEEN MY HOME FOR 60 YEARS.....IT IS JUST HOME	3/31/2022 3:42 PM
121	The downtown area in the village of fishkill is nice. It s	3/31/2022 11:39 AM
122	Senior Rec activities in building and in Gerring Park	3/31/2022 10:26 AM
123	Sarah Taylor Park, dining on Main Street, Regal Cinema, the library, yoga studio	3/31/2022 9:53 AM
124	Clean up the Dutchess mAll eyesore. It’s embarrassing it’s the first thing visitors see as they enter Fishkill from the South. If nothing else, plant Pine trees so we don’t have to look at that eyesore. Can trees be planted along the Rt 9 end of the site?	3/31/2022 9:39 AM
125	More town get togethers	3/31/2022 9:13 AM

126	Love the Main Street festivals. All the places to eat, too	3/31/2022 9:04 AM
127	I like being able to walk to services in the village. I enjoy the community events like parades and holiday parties. I like that I know my mailman's name and my kids are safe to walk to the library or get an ice cream cone	3/31/2022 9:02 AM
128	Outdoor activities	3/31/2022 8:59 AM
129	Dutchess Stadium	3/31/2022 8:38 AM
130	Fishkill Recreation activities for the kids	3/30/2022 2:14 PM
131	Every morning I am astounded with the vision of the sun rising over the hills to the east. The Recreation Department is the best, bringing movies, and activities to the residents. Historic Dutch Church, Mt. Gulian, Van Wyck Homestead, Stoney Kill Farm. I-84	3/30/2022 2:05 PM
132	The walkability of the village. I wish there were sidewalks around the rest of ToF.	3/29/2022 8:02 AM
133	Stony Kill Farm, Blodgett Library.	3/28/2022 7:27 PM
134	Great location. Multiple shopping and eateries,	3/28/2022 6:09 PM
135	totally enjoy the quaint village.	3/28/2022 11:31 AM
136	Beauty & access to everything	3/27/2022 10:04 PM
137	I love our views, history, and connection to nature. I like our proximity to lots of other places that have great food and events.	3/27/2022 5:07 PM
138	When first moved here we had Cecilwood Theatre right in the village	3/27/2022 2:12 PM
139	The village is attractive. Proximity to the river and recreational opportunities (hiking trails, etc.). Proximity to the Beacon train station and to downtown Beacon. Easy access to I-84.	3/27/2022 1:04 PM
140	Stony Kill farm and associated trails	3/27/2022 11:46 AM
141	I wish the Village was easier to navigate. Usually when driving through there, I can't look around at the restaurants or stores because the traffic is so bad. I would love to be able to park somewhere and walk safely along the Village.	3/27/2022 11:06 AM
142	Parks and library	3/27/2022 12:55 AM
143	I greatly value Stony Kill Farm, and feel that few people know about this wonderful treasure in Fishkill. I would love to see better access for cyclists, a bus stop, and a turn lane installed to enter the Stony Kill property. I value the local restaurant options in Fishkill and the proximity to the Hudson River.	3/26/2022 9:18 PM
144	The annual block party	3/26/2022 8:02 PM
145	Chakra Bowls Toro Restaurant Starbucks Dutchess Biercafe Walking around Main Street EP skincare	3/26/2022 7:18 PM
146	I like the concerts in Geering Park.	3/26/2022 6:12 PM
147	The town has has many services and maintains a wonderful feeling in the village	3/26/2022 5:52 PM
148	Parks events. Senior events. Children's events	3/26/2022 5:14 PM
149	Block parties, DCC, the vibrant commercial area including Westage and main st	3/26/2022 4:36 PM
150	Beautiful Village	3/26/2022 3:12 PM
151	The Rec center, Sarah Taylor Park, Geering Park.	3/26/2022 2:53 PM
152	Stonykill Farm	3/26/2022 2:48 PM
153	Main Street is lovely and has great architecture and businesses	3/26/2022 2:01 PM
154	I enjoy the farmers' markets, the music events, the farms, the Rail trail, the peace, and the quiet.	3/26/2022 11:13 AM
155	Clean, well-maintained tennis courts at Geering Park	3/26/2022 10:37 AM
156	Maybe 'sidewalk days' where some streets in the village are closed to traffic.	3/26/2022 10:30 AM

157	A senior center for only seniors and later hours. More activities	3/26/2022 10:28 AM
158	Amount of undeveloped land	3/26/2022 10:20 AM
159	Village charm…Alps Sweet Shop, terrific restaurants Memorial Day Parade, Car show, craft fair Block parties	3/26/2022 10:02 AM
160	Easy access to I-84, my neighborhood	3/26/2022 9:59 AM
161	Block party Car show	3/26/2022 9:54 AM
162	my back yard	3/26/2022 9:39 AM
163	I don't have any such place or even that I can list....I used to love the community - where everybody knew everybody else, when you walked down Main St you saw your neighbors, but that doesn't exist anymore, so T/O Fishkill could be Anywhere, USA to me.....same problems, same disagreements, same old same old.....	3/26/2022 9:38 AM
164	Outdoor dining on Main street, green spaces, no chain restaurants on Main.	3/26/2022 9:27 AM
165	First reformed church…. It’s beautiful!	3/26/2022 9:24 AM
166	Love the block party	3/26/2022 9:02 AM
167	In all honesty, I do much more in Hopewell than I do in Fishkill.	3/26/2022 8:54 AM
168	Outdoor dining for example the Dutchess Bier Cafe. We like Geering park. The amount of green property we own and the surrounding houses own with close proximity to the down town village	3/26/2022 8:23 AM
169	Keep it simple, clean and safe.	3/26/2022 7:59 AM
170	Historical sites and small town feel, love block parties, community events, outdoor recreation	3/26/2022 6:54 AM
171	I love that Amazon will join us.	3/26/2022 6:51 AM
172	Glenham Fire Dept	3/26/2022 6:47 AM
173	parks	3/26/2022 6:42 AM
174	Stonykill.	3/26/2022 6:27 AM
175	The varied restaurants in the Village, and I love the sidewalks so you can park and walk around. I also love the fall festival in the village.	3/26/2022 4:57 AM
176	Restaurants, shopping, small-town feel.	3/26/2022 3:27 AM
177	The location of my townhouse. It’s nice and quiet and no traffic where I live until I get to Rte 52	3/26/2022 3:07 AM
178	Village block party	3/25/2022 11:58 PM
179	What the hell is between the power station and the gap on merit boulevard? It really looks like it does not belong there...	3/25/2022 11:19 PM
180	Restaurants when I can get there early enough to park	3/25/2022 11:18 PM
181	The walkability of the village, the library, restaurants, and doctor’s offices near merritt	3/25/2022 10:46 PM
182	Library! DBC. Block parties. Tomato Cafe. Dutch Church playground. Need more daytime reasons to walk in The village (market, coffee place, co-work spot, better retail like Beacon). Get traffic out and livability and community in!	3/25/2022 9:29 PM
183	Love those very old Mountains and being so close to the river.	3/25/2022 9:11 PM
184	Old fashion neighborhoods Sprawl - houses not condos or townhouses Where you know neighbors and kids can walk and bike and have backyards	3/25/2022 8:44 PM
185	Summer block party on main street	3/25/2022 8:37 PM
186	Block party	3/25/2022 8:28 PM
187	Christmas time with the fire departments, Fishkill farms, Fishkill creek, the mountain. Fishkill covers a lot of acreage. Old time Fishkill people know each other. The present administration	3/25/2022 8:28 PM

	because of the people minded approach with the many issues. The police department is not on an ego trip.	
188	Restaurants	3/25/2022 8:24 PM
189	Block parties, restaurants, history of Fishkill.	3/25/2022 8:23 PM
190	Waterfront access for boating or businesses. Similar to Newburgh waterfront	3/25/2022 8:22 PM
191	THE DUTCH	3/25/2022 8:16 PM
192	Rec center classes Small local shops Main Street is really nice	3/25/2022 8:14 PM
193	I value: our precious aquifer and geologic features, our many historic sites, our community members and the safety of our Town.	3/25/2022 8:00 PM
194	Kayaking on Fishkill Creek	3/25/2022 7:55 PM
195	Like the center of town for the atmosphere.	3/25/2022 7:39 PM
196	The restaurants on Main Street	3/25/2022 7:38 PM
197	Fishing site on the Hudson river for Fishkill residents	3/25/2022 7:34 PM
198	I value the parks and greatly appreciate how the current town leaders really care about the community.	3/25/2022 7:32 PM
199	The mountains and natural areas.	3/25/2022 7:31 PM
200	Art fair on main street	3/25/2022 4:41 PM
201	Allsport, restaurants, shopping, movie theater, Renegades	3/25/2022 3:54 PM
202	I enjoy the fireworks. I enjoy the neighborhood I live in. I enjoyed the peace and quiet before 84 was built.	3/25/2022 8:05 AM
203	We frequent the restaurants in the Village	3/25/2022 7:38 AM
204	Parks, local own businesses as well as a few larger stores. Nice mix. Also health care availability.	3/25/2022 6:45 AM
205	Van Wyck Homestead museum	3/24/2022 11:13 PM
206	I used to enjoy the trails in the stony-kill farm but they’re not kept anymore which is a shame. I enjoy all of the stores we have already and the restaurant and movie theaters	3/24/2022 11:11 PM
207	Santa on Christmas Eve coming through my neighborhood.	3/24/2022 8:07 PM
208	I used to love the little festival type things that the village offered. Such as the craft fair and the cupcake festival	3/24/2022 7:22 PM
209	I like to walk to dinner on Main Street. It makes for an enjoyable evening. The village festivals are fun too.	3/24/2022 7:19 PM
210	Rock around the block ... anything outdoors that gets is together	3/24/2022 6:12 PM
211	I love the rail trail, the beautiful mountain views and the close proximity to shops and restaurants	3/24/2022 6:07 PM
212	Summer concerts….. Geering Park…….Excellent town Highway Dept…..Rec center , both for sports activities and senior activities——helpful staff at town building	3/24/2022 4:56 PM
213	Safety and security; low density; village and surrounding restaurants; ease of access to interstate and downstate transportation; control of development with current administration; clean water	3/24/2022 4:55 PM
214	Town Rec programs, most recently enjoyed kids' Fall and Winter basketball - very well run, great for kids and families. Summer camp, senior center - all great for community. The Village - that it's walkable with many good restaurants. That there is discussion Re: Affordable housing - much needed for seniors, young people & families. Rock around the clock parties.	3/24/2022 4:31 PM
215	Our histrory. My church, which is historic also	3/24/2022 3:55 PM

216	Block party!	3/24/2022 3:21 PM
217	4th of July	3/24/2022 2:57 PM
218	Main Street Restaurants	3/24/2022 2:54 PM
219	n/a	3/24/2022 1:40 PM
220	Sarah Taylor Park, being able to walk on Village sidewalks to P.O and stores.	3/24/2022 1:14 PM
221	Halloween parade, elementary school, block party, restaurants	3/24/2022 12:50 PM
222	car shows, block party, picnic, parades.	3/24/2022 11:45 AM
223	Sarah Taylor park	3/24/2022 11:41 AM
224	Great restaurants. Everything you need is close by (via car).	3/24/2022 10:52 AM
225	Small town vibe, a great village Main St. , the foodie culture	3/24/2022 10:01 AM
226	Community Day	3/24/2022 8:51 AM
227	Fishkill is part of the scenic,historic Hudson Valley. Do not let it continue to grow and become "Westchester North"	3/24/2022 8:17 AM
228	Rombout Rural Cemetery, V/O Fishkill, Historical sites, open space in the northeast corner where Jackson crosses Main, the spur rail line, Fishkill Tire Company	3/24/2022 6:59 AM
229	Fireworks in Sarah Taylor park with a carnival	3/24/2022 5:59 AM
230	Block parties, festivals, farmers market, village of fishkill	3/24/2022 12:35 AM
231	Less oh business more parks	3/23/2022 11:42 PM
232	Small town, good recreation department	3/23/2022 9:33 PM
233	I love the Village , the small outdoor venues and shops.	3/23/2022 9:22 PM
234	Splashdown	3/23/2022 9:20 PM
235	The annual ‘flea market’ on Main Street	3/23/2022 8:46 PM
236	Town events are great and summer concerts in park	3/23/2022 8:38 PM
237	Used to love the craft fair on Main Street, love the Memorial Day parade and the car show	3/23/2022 8:22 PM
238	Gearing park amd the wslking track in sarah Taylor park	3/23/2022 7:42 PM
239	Most recent Town Supervisor has done a good job so far and I hope that continues in light of new board members. Last thing we need is a divisive board.	3/23/2022 6:51 PM
240	I love how beautiful it is. I love how close to 84 it is. I love our shops and restaurants.	3/23/2022 6:26 PM
241	I am quite happy in the Town with what is offered. Everything is close and accessible. The natural environment is beautiful and the proximity to services is great.	3/23/2022 5:49 PM
242	Enjoy the block parties and when they had the car show and craft shows on Main Street.	3/23/2022 4:59 PM

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Traffic in main st	5/10/2022 6:36 PM
2	None	5/9/2022 9:51 AM
3	Traffic congestion and traffic lights which impede the flow of traffic. For instance, I can safely and legally make a left onto route 9D at a location without a traffic light, faster then I can at a traffic light.	5/9/2022 7:54 AM
4	Flooding issues. Panhandlers on the entrance road to Walmart, and on Merritt Blvd.	5/8/2022 11:53 PM
5	Not taking advantage of the historical aspect of the area.	5/8/2022 2:14 PM
6	Too many Hotels. Shameful neglect of Southern Dutchess Mall. A Fishkill embarrassment Shabby maintenance of Route 9 Medians. Extensive efforts to improve Medians and then they are left un-maintained and become unsightly.	5/8/2022 11:22 AM
7	None	5/8/2022 8:36 AM
8	Too much developement. Organization buying out a community, (J. Witnesses) ,not renewing leases for non JW , and not have to pay taxes!	5/8/2022 6:46 AM
9	I don’t like there aren’t sidewalks everywhere or municipal/sewers offered to ALL residents. I don’t mind paying for my trash pick up.	5/7/2022 6:24 PM
10	Depletion of open space	5/7/2022 11:03 AM
11	Too much development	5/7/2022 10:15 AM
12	To much building	5/7/2022 9:56 AM
13	People running red lights and almost hitting my car while driving with my daughter. I don’t like how fireworks are allowed to be set off after 9 PM. I’m also frustrated by large passenger trucks that change their tuning to allow black smoke to billow out of their tailpipes. I think that my daughter shouldn’t have to read bumper stickers with profanity stuck to guard rails at the exit ramps on the Route 52/I84 exchange. All those stickers are akin to graffiti that the TOF decides to leave in place. I’m unhappy that the roads in my neighborhood were repaved so poorly several years ago and cracks have resurfaces all over the place in Forgebrook Meadows.	5/7/2022 9:14 AM
14	For those who don’t drive, public transportation is lacking. My mother has to be driven everywhere and until my niece learned to drive, same with her.	5/7/2022 9:04 AM
15	Traffic on Main Street.	5/7/2022 9:01 AM
16	I do not like the appearance or location of the gap warehouse	5/7/2022 7:51 AM
17	Overcrowded	5/7/2022 7:35 AM
18	Inconsistent cell phone service	5/7/2022 7:25 AM
19	High taxes, even for condo and townhouse.	5/6/2022 10:24 PM
20	Fishkill Village block party, speeding on Rt 9.	5/6/2022 9:10 PM
21	Alcohol driven rock n roll summer party. The homeless asking for money. Walmart always with traffic, but its nice to have the convenience. Just too much traffic. Main Street is not walkable to get to and there is no parking around there. Not enough places worth going to on Main Street. Move the tire center and car store and gravel store.	5/6/2022 8:39 PM

22	N/A	5/6/2022 11:01 AM
23	Need to court business development better...We do not need any more coffee places or banks. But small businesses and more jobs would be nice. Jobs that pay more than minimum wage.	5/5/2022 12:06 AM
24	Crime;	5/4/2022 12:12 PM
25	No good parks	4/29/2022 9:34 PM
26	Parks	4/26/2022 2:33 AM
27	Dutchess Mall. Please put in a Trader Joe's and Target. You would make a lot of people happy. It's a disgrace to see what that sacred ground has turned in to. Our soldiers deserve so much more respect.	4/24/2022 6:28 PM
28	renegades- are we making money there or losing moneya/	4/24/2022 12:53 PM
29	Strip Mall Development and Large parking lots facing the street	4/24/2022 12:20 PM
30	The empty and unsightly Dutchess Mall site is horrible! The abandoned construction site across from the Brnkerhoff house.	4/23/2022 7:12 PM
31	traffic congestion	4/23/2022 9:18 AM
32	The large ugly buildings recently built.	4/23/2022 9:10 AM
33	Difficult for elderly to get out and about. Housing becoming too expensive.	4/23/2022 2:56 AM
34	I don't like how commercial Fishkill has become. I liked it better when the zoning laws were stricter - when new buildings had to fit in with a small community feel. An example is the unsightly look of places like the gas station on route 9 near Hudson Valley Credit Union. HVCU looks so nice. The gas station looks like the Starship Enterprise.	4/22/2022 10:01 PM
35	Traffic on 9D	4/22/2022 8:05 PM
36	The dutchess mall property and the eyesore at rt 52/82	4/22/2022 5:14 PM
37	Traffic and lack of visibility at some intersections: Old Main St & Rt.52 and the evergreeen trees at Broad St and Main St (Rt.52).	4/21/2022 1:04 PM
38	Nothing	4/19/2022 7:59 AM
39	No park in the village easily accessible by walking.	4/19/2022 6:23 AM
40	Crowded Main st traffic	4/18/2022 10:35 PM
41	Traffic and overcrowding	4/18/2022 7:04 PM
42	Walmart, traffic and hotels that house riff-raff.	4/18/2022 5:17 PM
43	Traffic congestion	4/18/2022 2:21 PM
44	Trying to make a left hand turn out of any intersection that doesn't have a traffic light.	4/18/2022 12:25 PM
45	over development	4/18/2022 12:09 PM
46	The village	4/18/2022 11:45 AM
47	None	4/17/2022 7:23 PM
48	PD Court Government Administration Cost of living Safety Security Child friendly Environmental and health hazards Lack of efficient medical personnel Residents and inclusion/exclusion/ostracizing Cult taking over Pedophiles Sex ring Trafficking Tons of fraud Corruption Misconduct Nepotism Free passes for abusive veterans Discrimination	4/17/2022 5:33 PM
49	It's got to get tougher on developers. This is a prime location with access to all of the Hudson Valley and NYC and we should not buckle under to developers demands.	4/17/2022 5:07 PM
50	I have a concern about the traffic lines that fade and strangers seem to be hestiant when entering lanes not clearly marked. I noticed some close calls.	4/17/2022 2:41 PM
51	The Walmart area, especially the parking area.	4/16/2022 10:19 PM
52	Walmart, The GAP, Wendy's (DRUGS), Stefano's, restaurants on Main Street, Housing	4/16/2022 6:27 PM

	complex behind Sam's Club, Five Brothers (reverse racists), Toll Brothers, WCSD, Chelsea Ridge Apartments, non-sequenced traffic lights	
53	car shows	4/16/2022 3:31 PM
54	Property across from the Brinkerhoff Inn, TRAFFIC from all the people who have moved up recently	4/16/2022 2:03 PM
55	Healey Brothers has grown to big and has monopolized area!!	4/16/2022 1:37 PM
56	Abandon property	4/16/2022 1:11 PM
57	Town hall	4/16/2022 1:05 PM
58	Spouse hates the street fairs/block parties that close Main St but I'm ok with them	4/16/2022 1:03 PM
59	Lack of diversity, access to the Hudson River	4/16/2022 1:02 PM
60	Same restaurants not much to do for younger people. Have to go to Beacon or elsewhere for things	4/16/2022 11:42 AM
61	Religious groups buying up property and removing it from the tax toles	4/16/2022 10:29 AM
62	TOO MUCH TRAFFIC!	4/16/2022 10:28 AM
63	No curbside pick up twice a year, spring and fall, for large bulky items. People do not have a truck to take them to the dump or sites set up by FISHKILL.	4/16/2022 10:02 AM
64	Traffic! Specifically 18-wheelers on Main Street.	4/16/2022 9:56 AM
65	I don't like the fact that Jehova Witnesses can live tax free and build up an area to call their own and make it private and put up signs not to trespass. And then come into my area, the Briarwood Development, onto my property, and try to convert/preach to me. This land they want to convert into buildings for their own use and tax free is land which can be converted to a space used by taxpayers in Fishkill as a park whereby the community as a whole can enjoy the outside, jog, bike ride in safety, enjoy the waterfront.	4/16/2022 9:31 AM
66	I have no dislikes	4/16/2022 9:09 AM
67	It just needs updating. The restaurants aren't very good, there is no good coffee shop/daily cafe to bring people together. The village is so full of traffic we often avoid it, and it's not walking / biking friendly because of that. Perhaps there is a way to diver traffic away from Main Street	4/16/2022 8:53 AM
68	Do not feeel that the community events really pull the community together. Communications with residents has improved greatly recently but in the past it seemed that only small pockets of people knew what was going on.	4/16/2022 8:42 AM
69	More time should be spent on keeping the community informed utilizing todays technology.	4/16/2022 6:56 AM
70	Unkept houses in the village, on main street	4/15/2022 10:30 PM
71	Healey car dealerships, the run down empty shopping centers- Home Depot, the half empty hotels that act as churches (?), and a big need for road repairs with all the potholes and frost heave cracks	4/15/2022 10:05 PM
72	People speeding through red lights more and more.	4/15/2022 9:14 PM
73	The car dealership next to the rug store	4/15/2022 8:31 PM
74	Not much of a town center like neighboring towns Beacon and Wappingers Falls.	4/15/2022 8:02 PM
75	I want the old Dutchess Mall property either redeveloped or razed and return to nature	4/15/2022 7:59 PM
76	Congestion	4/15/2022 7:30 PM
77	Traffic	4/15/2022 7:19 PM
78	Major truck route thru village	4/14/2022 6:47 PM
79	The complete lack of Hudson River access in the form of a public recreational space or park. That we get the brunt of the areas commuter traffic.	4/14/2022 6:35 PM

80	All the developments like toll brother	4/14/2022 6:21 PM
81	Not enough people of color not very diverse. People driving around saying brown people go back to your country should not be allowed. Shouldn't feel afraid to vote. Shouldn't feel afraid to walk in this small town run by all white people. Can't attract diversity or claim diversity if your town board officials are all white and all men. You kicked off the village board the one brown person. You can't be on the board to just build your own selfish agenda. I'm tired of the racism in this town.	4/14/2022 5:13 PM
82	Too much development in area around 84 diner.	4/14/2022 10:45 AM
83	na	4/14/2022 8:40 AM
84	Very few sidewalks	4/14/2022 6:13 AM
85	Traffic on main Street between 84 and Rte 9	4/14/2022 12:08 AM
86	I don't like that the board operates against the supervisor and functions in a way that looks out for their personal interests instead of the best interests of the town. Establishments not being permitted to open because of involved of the village board and I hope this behavior doesn't happen to the town board.	4/13/2022 7:35 PM
87	lack of walkability, traffic on 52	4/13/2022 7:25 PM
88	Too many banks	4/13/2022 7:22 PM
89	The Dutchess Mall	4/13/2022 7:09 PM
90	the board the police officers	4/13/2022 4:41 PM
91	Na	4/13/2022 4:39 PM
92	Traffic	4/10/2022 11:57 AM
93	Main street auto traffic	4/10/2022 9:03 AM
94	Walmart	4/10/2022 7:46 AM
95	The only thing I dislike here are the vagrants that stand outside Walmart shopping center traffic light and beg for money. They have gone all the way up to our condo area and tried to sleep in the area. There is a Walmart shopping cart in laying on the side of the Old Main Street right now. I don't know how it got there. Things like that which make me feel this area could go downhill if no one is dealing with this stuff.	4/9/2022 3:35 PM
96	Walmart	4/9/2022 10:55 AM
97	The traffic and that it is NOT walkable	4/8/2022 10:21 PM
98	The unfinished project at routes 52&82	4/8/2022 8:02 PM
99	I don't like how the village divides the town. I like the village itself but the village divides the town and acts in a way that keeps us from coming together. I get it, the village is technically part of the town but it doesn't feel that way	4/8/2022 8:00 PM
100	TRAFFIC	4/5/2022 3:26 PM
101	I do not like the abandoned, dilapated former Dutchess Mall on Route 9.	4/4/2022 1:02 PM
102	the rush hour traffic on rt 52	4/3/2022 10:21 PM
103	The lack of "Welcome to the Town of Fishkill" signs along Rte 9 and Rte 52. Also, entering the Town from Putnam Ounty. That entire area the old Dutchess Mall is the first area visitors. It looks pretty sad.	4/2/2022 7:11 PM
104	The old Dutchess Mall is an eyesore, empty stores at Westage	4/2/2022 11:06 AM
105	Traffic congestion. And developers who focus only on self profit	4/2/2022 10:56 AM
106	Apartments complexes that get tax insensitives!	4/2/2022 9:57 AM
107	to many medical offices	3/31/2022 3:58 PM
108	THE TRAFFIC	3/31/2022 3:42 PM

109	Strip malls	3/31/2022 10:14 AM
110	The constant DRAG RACING that happens on Route 9 and Merritt Boulevard late at night. It can be heard from MILES AWAY.	3/31/2022 9:53 AM
111	Dutchess Mall is such an eyesore it’s an embarrassment to the town	3/31/2022 9:39 AM
112	I do not like the amount of traffic and that many people use the village as a cut through for 84. I do not like that we cannot walk to a grocery store as Rte 9 is terrifying to cross. I do not enjoy the rudeness of crowds at shoprite or walmart	3/31/2022 9:02 AM
113	Traffic, density of housing developments	3/31/2022 8:59 AM
114	9D	3/31/2022 8:38 AM
115	Not enough parking at Blodgett Library also for restaurants on Main Street.	3/31/2022 6:53 AM
116	I hate that they tore down the historic Jackson House on the corner of Main and Jackson. What a sad, sad shame!	3/30/2022 7:05 PM
117	Traffic, town summer camp is not affordable. I am curious how Wappingers can offer a town camp to its residents AND non-residents who have students in WCSD, M-F 8a-4p for 7 weeks for $500, and Fishkill's camp costs more than double that for less hours. Tons of Fishkill families taking advantage of Wappingers camp instead of Fishkill's strictly because of the price.	3/30/2022 2:14 PM
118	Can't think of one!	3/30/2022 2:05 PM
119	Proposed further development!!!	3/28/2022 7:27 PM
120	no sidewalks	3/28/2022 6:09 PM
121	Knock down Down State Correctional, make a community of over 55 single family homes, and town center	3/27/2022 10:04 PM
122	Difficulty getting around by foot	3/27/2022 5:07 PM
123	I love Fishkill	3/27/2022 2:12 PM
124	Unfortunately the proximity of Rt. 9 detracts from the charm of the village.	3/27/2022 1:04 PM
125	Walmart Super Center	3/27/2022 11:46 AM
126	The traffic!!	3/27/2022 11:06 AM
127	Jackson ave and rte 52 traffic congestion	3/27/2022 12:55 AM
128	Commercial traffic in the village.	3/26/2022 5:52 PM
129	Fireworks at the Dutchess Stadium.	3/26/2022 5:14 PM
130	The abandoned valuable south end of dutchess mall, abandoned Texaco	3/26/2022 4:36 PM
131	Taxs	3/26/2022 4:36 PM
132	None	3/26/2022 3:12 PM
133	The TRAFFIC!	3/26/2022 2:53 PM
134	the site of the old Jackson House, which should never have been torn down.	3/26/2022 2:48 PM
135	The old mall plaza is ugly and underused	3/26/2022 2:01 PM
136	The traffic that has increased since I moved here in 1995.	3/26/2022 11:13 AM
137	The traffic light at Geering Way and Route 52	3/26/2022 10:37 AM
138	All the empty buildings.	3/26/2022 10:28 AM
139	Traffic backups	3/26/2022 10:20 AM
140	TRAFFIC	3/26/2022 10:02 AM
141	Too much tendency to try to be a tourist attraction. Quality of life should come first when	3/26/2022 9:59 AM

	developing a plan for the town. Do the teens have realistic places to gather without safety concerns where they can just be teens? Putting a statue in the triangle at 82 & 52 is a horrible idea. Teens drive through there & if the people proposing the idea actually traveled during school drive time & rush hours you could experience what it is like without an addition sight obstruction for car drivers.	
142	Dutchess stadium. Taxpayer funded baseball. Fireworks after 10pm	3/26/2022 9:39 AM
143	Lack of green space....	3/26/2022 9:38 AM
144	Having to take 84 or 52/9 to get pretty much all points south. Living in Beacon Hills can be confusing in terms of taxes and services. People leave their bulk trash—everything from large cardboard boxes to old TVs, mattresses, and couches in various places across town (deli parking lots, vacant lots, other people's property, town property by roads and streams, etc). Drop off days and locations for these items aren't well-publicized and having to figure out transport for these items is a major deterrent.	3/26/2022 9:27 AM
145	Getting down Main Street is a nightmare.	3/26/2022 9:24 AM
146	The traffic	3/26/2022 9:02 AM
147	Main street congestion	3/26/2022 8:54 AM
148	The amount of traffic, the amount of garbage laying around the abandoned lots and lack of kid friendly local eateries.	3/26/2022 8:23 AM
149	Too many hotels and the bad elements they bring to nearby shopping	3/26/2022 6:54 AM
150	I dislike all of the businesses that started building but are now left abandoned. It’s not a good look, for example the unfinished Dome on 52 near John Jay HS, there is just a cement wall left. What is going on with that? Also on 52 near the nursery, intersection of 82, there is also a structure abandoned.	3/26/2022 6:51 AM
151	The crime drugs and issues the Rocky Glen development has brought to Glenham.	3/26/2022 6:47 AM
152	semi trucks on 52/82	3/26/2022 6:42 AM
153	The pan handlers at the intersection on 9 and Merritt. The intersection at 52 and 82 is dangerous; a traffic circle would be safer. It would also be nice to add a bike/pedestrian lane over Fishkill Creek on 52.	3/26/2022 4:57 AM
154	Traffic, lack of parking in the village, lack of wheelchair access for some of the village restaurants.	3/26/2022 3:27 AM
155	Street events that close off the traffic pattern	3/25/2022 11:18 PM
156	I’d prefer quieter, less busy streets. The sewage treatment plant smells horrible - alternating between noxious chemical and feces, and the village water often smells strongly of chlorine.	3/25/2022 10:46 PM
157	Too many professional offices that could be better located out of village/ that do not contribute to walkability. Too many parking lot forward developments - stores should be accessible from sidewalks, not forcing pedestrians to cross busy streets and parking lots. I would walk/bike more if it wasn’t for the traffic heavy intersections and parking lots I have to cross to get to services. It’s dumb I have to drive to CVS from Florence Ave just because walking isn’t safe!	3/25/2022 9:29 PM
158	Aggressive rude drivers, traffic, traffic, traffic.	3/25/2022 9:11 PM
159	Too much focus on low-income development - housing and business (ie: gap warehouse)	3/25/2022 8:44 PM
160	Re zoning for developers	3/25/2022 8:44 PM
161	NA	3/25/2022 8:37 PM
162	Merritt Blvd. Westage. TAXES.	3/25/2022 8:28 PM
163	Busy, congested	3/25/2022 8:24 PM
164	THE GAP	3/25/2022 8:16 PM
165	Too many “fast food “ places	3/25/2022 8:14 PM
166	TRAFFIC!	3/25/2022 8:00 PM

167	none	3/25/2022 7:55 PM
168	Traffic	3/25/2022 7:40 PM
169	N/A	3/25/2022 7:39 PM
170	The vacant buildings on rte 9 by home Depot there disgusting and a poor site.	3/25/2022 7:34 PM
171	Almost every contact I've had with the town admin except for the supervisor himself has been grim, insulting and/or outrageous.	3/25/2022 7:31 PM
172	The current traffic situation.	3/25/2022 8:05 AM
173	The abandoned mess at 52/82 and where Shop Rite/Service Merchandise was.	3/25/2022 7:38 AM
174	Not a fan of the block parties	3/24/2022 11:13 PM
175	No buses No sidewalks	3/24/2022 11:11 PM
176	I do not like the huge foothold that Toll Brothers established in Fishkill. Major game changer. If there’s going to be development, it should be local first.	3/24/2022 8:07 PM
177	Honestly the only thing I don't like is the traffic on Main St./ Route 9	3/24/2022 7:22 PM
178	The RT 52 traffic has been complained about enough. There is not much I do not like.	3/24/2022 7:19 PM
179	We do not do a good job of promoting the extremely varied food destinations that we have. It's truly amazing.	3/24/2022 6:12 PM
180	The traffic and all the people who have flooded the area from the city, they are rude and disrespectful of the beauty of our town	3/24/2022 6:07 PM
181	Traffic thru village	3/24/2022 5:54 PM
182	Too much new building development	3/24/2022 4:56 PM
183	Mid Hudson Bridge rush hour traffic	3/24/2022 4:55 PM
184	Dutchess Mall = eyesore. For folks driving through - it doesn't reflect well on Fishkill.	3/24/2022 4:31 PM
185	the condition of the old Dutchess Mall. Sad and decrepit	3/24/2022 3:55 PM
186	Other than traffic, nothing	3/24/2022 3:21 PM
187	Angry Town Board meetings	3/24/2022 2:57 PM
188	Walking on Route 52 from Town Hall to center of town.	3/24/2022 2:54 PM
189	The rise of a small group of individuals who believe their vision is the ONLY vision, Keep Fishkill Beautiful	3/24/2022 1:40 PM
190	ALL of the Village "events" that bring in people who have no consideration for Village homeowners' and residents' property. Parking is horrible and often blatently in driveways. There is no sense of community event since most of us do not go and many that do don't live here.	3/24/2022 1:14 PM
191	Need to host more community fair events	3/24/2022 1:04 PM
192	Traffic, not enough sidewalks, not safe for children to walk or ride bikes to the library or other activities.	3/24/2022 12:50 PM
193	Use to like that everyone knew everyone - now the ToF seems like a passthrough. More of a commuter community - which is not a bad thing, but I feel longtime homeowners are at a disadvantage in terms of their wants/needs.	3/24/2022 10:52 AM
194	Traffic	3/24/2022 10:01 AM
195	traffic	3/24/2022 8:51 AM
196	Merritt Blvd the road itself. Could have helped ease 52 traffic if it was four lanes and 40 mph	3/24/2022 8:17 AM
197	Traffic am & pm on Main Street. High density housing units in the village, no small easily accessible grocery store.	3/24/2022 6:59 AM
198	The amount of panhandlers and transients infiltrating the area, especially in the summer	3/24/2022 5:59 AM

	months.	
199	None	3/24/2022 12:35 AM
200	N/A	3/23/2022 11:42 PM
201	Traffic	3/23/2022 11:24 PM
202	No bulk pick up	3/23/2022 9:33 PM
203	The beggars that stand at Rte 9 and Merritt Blvd!	3/23/2022 9:22 PM
204	Abandoned part of Dutchess Mall	3/23/2022 9:20 PM
205	Events that cause main street in the village to close down all day	3/23/2022 6:11 PM
206	Traffic	3/23/2022 5:49 PM
207	Main Street traffic!	3/23/2022 4:59 PM

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Paths	5/10/2022 6:36 PM
2	Sense of community	5/9/2022 9:51 AM
3	waterfront access.	5/9/2022 7:54 AM
4	Planning and engineering that takes care of flooding issues in many areas. Crackdown on the panhandling.	5/8/2022 11:53 PM
5	Town-wide events that are family oriented and fun.	5/8/2022 2:14 PM
6	bike and hiking trails	5/8/2022 11:22 AM
7	more public gatherings	5/8/2022 8:36 AM
8	Community gatherings. More community engagement from politicians.	5/7/2022 6:24 PM
9	Parks and outdoor recreation opportunities	5/7/2022 11:03 AM
10	Community activities and events	5/7/2022 10:15 AM
11	Good stores to shop for clothes, gift shops less gas stations, & restaurants.	5/7/2022 9:56 AM
12	police officers to help keep our neighborhoods safe.	5/7/2022 9:14 AM
13	Public parking	5/7/2022 9:01 AM
14	Marina / public access to the river with some restaurants.	5/7/2022 7:51 AM
15	Road repair	5/7/2022 7:35 AM
16	Cell phone service	5/7/2022 7:25 AM
17	.	5/6/2022 10:24 PM
18	Ability to cross the streets (Main street, Rt 9) without risking your life.	5/6/2022 9:10 PM
19	Less traffic more walkable community friendly trendy vibe	5/6/2022 8:39 PM
20	Town owned Wi-Fi and hotspots	5/6/2022 8:13 PM
21	More shops on Main Street	5/6/2022 7:46 PM
22	N/A	5/6/2022 11:01 AM
23	More stores like Beacon has - niche places like Glazed Over.	5/5/2022 12:06 AM
24	Community events; dining opportunities;	5/4/2022 12:12 PM
25	Parks	4/29/2022 9:34 PM
26	walk ability.	4/26/2022 2:33 AM
27	safe path on baxtertown and jackson; trees and vegetation to beautify and hide ugly buildings on route 9	4/24/2022 12:53 PM
28	Consistent streetscape development including trees, benches, lighting, signage, public art, etc.	4/24/2022 12:20 PM
29	Village-wide events	4/24/2022 9:32 AM
30	Historic preservation, pedestrian plazas, land preservation, bike paths.	4/23/2022 7:12 PM

31	easier transit accessibility	4/23/2022 9:18 AM
32	Less of everything.	4/23/2022 9:10 AM
33	More opportunities to meet people.	4/23/2022 2:56 AM
34	Beautified buildings, trees/flowers	4/22/2022 10:01 PM
35	Sidewalks and bike lanes	4/22/2022 8:05 PM
36	off rt 52 parking in the Village	4/22/2022 5:14 PM
37	Trails	4/21/2022 1:04 PM
38	The town to actually represent the taxpayers of this town and not to be out for themselves or to hold a position whether volunteer or paid.	4/19/2022 11:27 AM
39	Direct traffic at certain times of day if that would help	4/19/2022 7:59 AM
40	Identification, recognition, and promotion of the historic sites within the village and within the town.	4/19/2022 6:23 AM
41	Thorough fares	4/18/2022 10:35 PM
42	With the over population, I feel that Fishkill can use a larger police force.	4/18/2022 7:04 PM
43	Republicans.	4/18/2022 5:17 PM
44	Less traffic congestion	4/18/2022 2:21 PM
45	Police presence with the influx of more people	4/18/2022 12:25 PM
46	rec. areas	4/18/2022 12:09 PM
47	ACCOUNTABILITY	4/17/2022 5:33 PM
48	More safely preserved greenspace.	4/17/2022 5:07 PM
49	Plantings to make village look pretty and what work the Highway Department is doing when not plowing the roads.	4/17/2022 2:41 PM
50	Cross walks	4/16/2022 10:19 PM
51	human decency	4/16/2022 6:27 PM
52	Trees, open spaces left open !	4/16/2022 3:31 PM
53	Improvement of Sarah Taylor Park and Geering park	4/16/2022 2:03 PM
54	Lower taxes In more transparency for example when something is going to happen don't always rely on the website or the TV meetings to get the word out if it's important enough I think a letter should be sent out so you're sure that everyone has been informed	4/16/2022 1:37 PM
55	Thriving businesses	4/16/2022 1:11 PM
56	Republicans	4/16/2022 1:05 PM
57	Considerate people! Drivers, bikers, dog walkers, pedestrians. Of course not a Fishkill issue- but still impacts quality of life.	4/16/2022 1:03 PM
58	Diversity	4/16/2022 1:02 PM
59	Diversity	4/16/2022 11:42 AM
60	TRAFFIC CONTROL.	4/16/2022 10:28 AM
61	Pedestrian-friendly route from the Town Hall to Main Street.	4/16/2022 9:56 AM
62	Fun gathering places… I'm sorry to see the wine bar go (both Paula's and Piano)	4/16/2022 9:09 AM
63	Repave/improve Roads	4/16/2022 8:53 AM
64	Development as a high quality place to live and play.	4/16/2022 8:42 AM
65	Coffee shops	4/16/2022 7:17 AM

66	Local restaurants & businesses. Also a-little more emphases on school & youth sports and events.	4/16/2022 6:56 AM
67	Better maintained properties	4/15/2022 10:30 PM
68	Less hotels and box stores	4/15/2022 10:23 PM
69	Energized, happy people walking around	4/15/2022 10:05 PM
70	Another grocery store.	4/15/2022 9:14 PM
71	Small shops….like Beacon or Cold Spring.	4/15/2022 8:45 PM
72	Trees	4/15/2022 8:31 PM
73	More of a town center along Main St. in the village of Fishkill. Lacking a quaint downtown area.	4/15/2022 8:02 PM
74	Live music entertainment venues	4/15/2022 7:59 PM
75	less traffic	4/15/2022 7:44 PM
76	Sidewalks on 52, less congestion.	4/15/2022 7:30 PM
77	Peace and quiet.	4/15/2022 7:24 PM
78	Community events	4/15/2022 7:19 PM
79	Less people	4/15/2022 7:11 PM
80	Community events	4/14/2022 6:47 PM
81	Green, open spaces, and a complete lack of vacant retail/commercial space that hasn't been touched by paint in 35 years.	4/14/2022 6:35 PM
82	Community events	4/14/2022 6:21 PM
83	People of color	4/14/2022 5:13 PM
84	Less development	4/14/2022 4:37 PM
85	Neighborhood events, concerts, book fair, etc.	4/14/2022 10:45 AM
86	na	4/14/2022 8:40 AM
87	Tolerance	4/14/2022 8:02 AM
88	Open space, walking trails	4/14/2022 6:13 AM
89	Beautification of Rte 9 between 84 and Rte 52	4/14/2022 12:08 AM
90	Family holiday Activities thst are better organized, which would encourage people to come to Fishkill, which in turn helps us economically	4/13/2022 11:19 PM
91	More diversity in stores and restaurants	4/13/2022 7:35 PM
92	More investment in green spaces and making sure housing stays affordable for working class people (meaning- good cause eviction to prevent unjust evictions, limiting AirBnb and other short term rentals, and luxury housing, etc. Building more housing is not going to help when it is going to be bought by wealthy people as "investment properties"and then rented at insane rates.	4/13/2022 7:25 PM
93	Shops	4/13/2022 7:22 PM
94	Safe pedestrian transportation opportunities	4/13/2022 7:09 PM
95	Open air events.	4/13/2022 4:39 PM
96	Occupied storefronts that are currently empty.	4/13/2022 2:42 PM
97	Community events	4/10/2022 11:57 AM
98	Bicycle racks and bike routes	4/10/2022 9:03 AM
99	N/a	4/10/2022 7:46 AM

100	Local events. Clean up of pollution on roadways. Beautification (flowers, plants). Road Repairs (pot holes). Updating of parks (playground at the dog park has mold growing on mulch)	4/9/2022 3:35 PM
101	Quality retail	4/9/2022 10:55 AM
102	Side walks, Crosswalks, public transportation	4/8/2022 10:21 PM
103	Better roads and less traffic	4/8/2022 8:02 PM
104	Town sponsored Neighborhood celebrations like block parties. Seems like anytime there is something it’s alway last at Geering. Spread it around.	4/8/2022 8:00 PM
105	More small, local businesses -- like restaurants, coffee shops, and stores -- and fewer chain stores.	4/7/2022 11:51 PM
106	Empty roads	4/5/2022 3:26 PM
107	Affordable housing for moderate income working families (e.g., teachers, health care workers, police, fire fighters, etc.)	4/4/2022 1:02 PM
108	Sidewalks	4/2/2022 7:11 PM
109	Stores to occupy the above mentioned areas	4/2/2022 11:06 AM
110	Preservation of historic sites, the sites already protected and the many sites and natural resources that need to be.	4/2/2022 10:56 AM
111	Small shops!	4/2/2022 9:57 AM
112	outdoor dining	3/31/2022 6:21 PM
113	LESS TRAFFIC, LESS RESIDENTIAL BUILDING AND POSSIBLY MUNICIPAL PARKING	3/31/2022 3:42 PM
114	Places for social interaction of all ages especially dancing	3/31/2022 10:26 AM
115	Places safe to walk	3/31/2022 10:14 AM
116	Coffee shops, book stores, hobbyist stores, and a BIGGER post office with more staff.	3/31/2022 9:53 AM
117	Walking and biking trails. Let’s use the old railroad tracks.	3/31/2022 9:39 AM
118	Family activities. This area is a home not a city.	3/31/2022 9:13 AM
119	responsible development. please think about how crowded our schools and roads are before putting in more housing	3/31/2022 9:02 AM
120	Community activities, outdoor music, fix the dutchess mall area	3/31/2022 8:59 AM
121	Wider roads with turn lanes	3/31/2022 8:38 AM
122	Preservation of historic places and buildings.	3/30/2022 7:05 PM
123	Cheaper Summer Camp with better hours for working parents. Check out what Wappingers is doing.	3/30/2022 2:14 PM
124	I really like the village faire. I like to see this again.	3/30/2022 2:05 PM
125	less people and cars!	3/28/2022 7:27 PM
126	community days	3/28/2022 6:09 PM
127	Police presence	3/27/2022 10:04 PM
128	The questions above mentioned events: I'm not really aware of local events that happen. If they are happening, they are poorly advertised, so advertising for them needs to improve. If they aren't happening, it would be fun to have more town events! We mostly are going to Beacon, Poughkeepsie, Hyde Park, or Rhinebeck for events, like festivals and parades.	3/27/2022 5:07 PM
129	Recreation for young people and more services for elderly	3/27/2022 2:12 PM
130	bike and walking paths".	3/27/2022 1:04 PM
131	Parks and trails for people and dogs	3/27/2022 11:46 AM

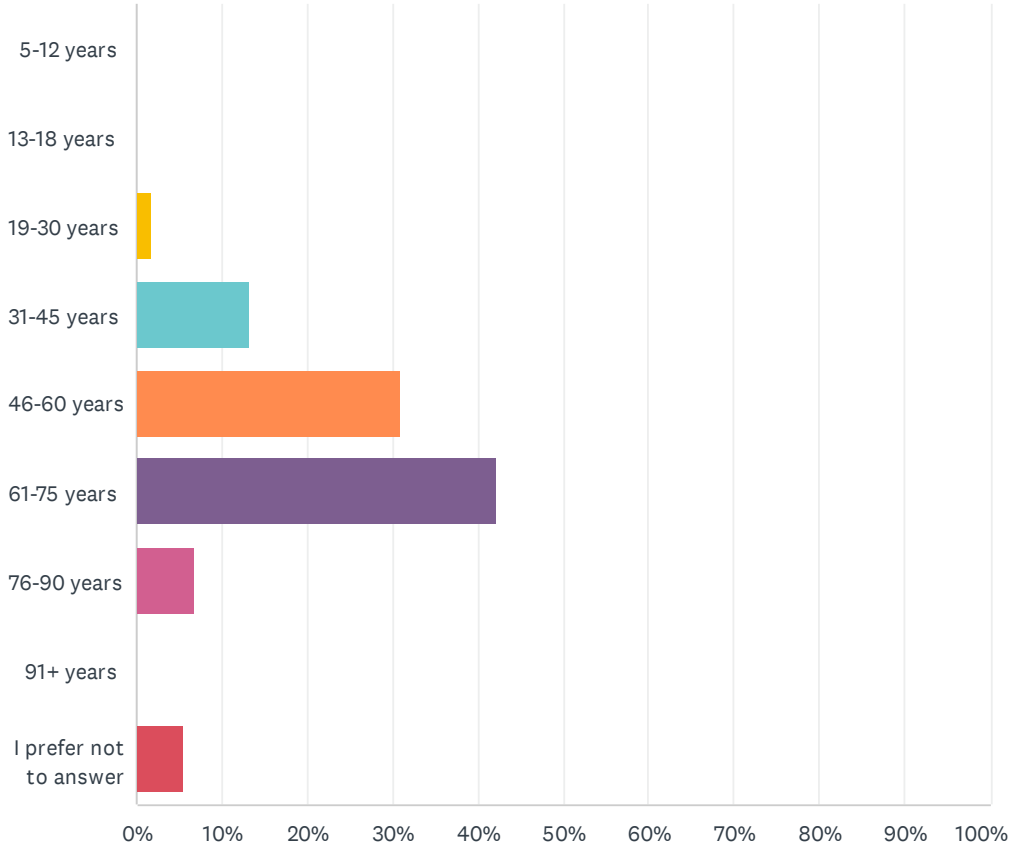
132	Nice people.	3/27/2022 11:06 AM
133	Summer activities	3/27/2022 12:55 AM
134	Community events	3/26/2022 7:18 PM
135	Public transportation. That F bus comes once in a lifetime. God forbid you just miss it!	3/26/2022 6:12 PM
136	Wetlands law enforcement.	3/26/2022 5:14 PM
137	Manufacturing	3/26/2022 4:36 PM
138	Street faors	3/26/2022 4:36 PM
139	Police presence	3/26/2022 3:12 PM
140	No answer	3/26/2022 2:53 PM
141	open green space	3/26/2022 2:48 PM
142	Sidewalks	3/26/2022 2:01 PM
143	Better use of the Dutchess Park pond area. Maybe more playground equipment. Educational events about the wildlife in the lake and the plants surrounding it. Maybe some "Under the Stars" music events or square dances.	3/26/2022 11:13 AM
144	clean, well-maintained recreations areas.	3/26/2022 10:37 AM
145	Less traffic	3/26/2022 10:28 AM
146	The community feeling that was had long ago.	3/26/2022 10:02 AM
147	People taking pride in their property. It is so nice to see the houses in Dutchess Patk being revitalized & brightens up the area,	3/26/2022 9:59 AM
148	Small shops	3/26/2022 9:54 AM
149	less traffic	3/26/2022 9:39 AM
150	Trees	3/26/2022 9:38 AM
151	Bike paths	3/26/2022 9:27 AM
152	Attention to cleanliness of streets and highways…..Connecticut keeps I84 free of garbage, why can't we?	3/26/2022 9:24 AM
153	Community events	3/26/2022 9:02 AM
154	More focus on people, less on developers / developement and more focus on nature and preserving natural habitats and creating MORE green spaces.	3/26/2022 8:54 AM
155	volunteering, pride in town from residents and and facilities. Such as gardens and signs welcoming people and showing our pride in the town.	3/26/2022 7:59 AM
156	People helping people, more volunteer groups	3/26/2022 6:54 AM
157	More youth and community festivals.	3/26/2022 6:51 AM
158	nothing	3/26/2022 6:42 AM
159	More police officers presence . To monitor motorist on the road and the issue tickets for ones that do not follow the rules which there is many. More cameras at the intersections. To deter these individuals .	3/26/2022 6:27 AM
160	Sidewalks!	3/26/2022 4:57 AM
161	Expansion of Sarah Taylor park.	3/26/2022 3:27 AM
162	More pedestrian paths.	3/25/2022 11:19 PM
163	More handicapped parking	3/25/2022 11:18 PM
164	Crosswalks with flashing lights. Reduced speeds. Speed cameras that deter people from cutting through the village. Daytime destinations. Community volunteer sustainability projects	3/25/2022 9:29 PM

	(like garden plots, plant trees, composting)	
165	Do not know	3/25/2022 9:11 PM
166	Streetlight’s	3/25/2022 9:01 PM
167	moratorium on development / expansion	3/25/2022 8:44 PM
168	Marijuana dispensary	3/25/2022 8:44 PM
169	Trees	3/25/2022 8:37 PM
170	Community day	3/25/2022 8:28 PM
171	less new comers	3/25/2022 8:28 PM
172	Spaced out commercial, business and more parking opportunities with good walking	3/25/2022 8:24 PM
173	More sidewalks	3/25/2022 8:23 PM
174	Affordable housing	3/25/2022 8:22 PM
175	A POSITIVE SENSE OF PRIDE	3/25/2022 8:16 PM
176	Community events that all or most ages can attend like some ethnic food festivals.	3/25/2022 8:14 PM
177	community events: music in the park, socials, "meet the officials" events.	3/25/2022 8:00 PM
178	Safe walking path.	3/25/2022 7:55 PM
179	Holiday community events	3/25/2022 7:48 PM
180	community events	3/25/2022 7:40 PM
181	Restaurants	3/25/2022 7:39 PM
182	Community events? Book clubs, bingo, music nights	3/25/2022 7:38 PM
183	Community events fireworks on July 4th ,Community day (carnival)	3/25/2022 7:34 PM
184	Community events and volunteer opportunities	3/25/2022 7:32 PM
185	Better people; more intelligence, sophistication, graciousness, kindness.	3/25/2022 7:31 PM
186	Affordable senior housing complexes.	3/25/2022 7:25 PM
187	Hiking...when will the trail along the Hudson from Chelsea to the bridge be open?	3/25/2022 3:54 PM
188	Events for kids	3/25/2022 10:12 AM
189	Parades. Functions for senior citizens in the parks like picnics or yard sales.	3/25/2022 8:05 AM
190	Building standards. Other than Main Street in the Village, it looks like anything goes elsewhere, particularly along route 9.	3/25/2022 7:38 AM
191	an art gallery	3/24/2022 11:13 PM
192	I have a son who can’t drive due to his disabilities and he needs to be able to move around in the community but he can’t go anywhere because there are no buses and when he does get to places, he can’t walk around without sidewalks	3/24/2022 11:11 PM
193	Corn fields	3/24/2022 8:07 PM
194	I wouldn't mind small restaurants, coffee shops or similar	3/24/2022 7:22 PM
195	Restaraunts. And small shops.	3/24/2022 7:19 PM
196	Outdoor activities	3/24/2022 6:12 PM
197	Recreation and activities for teens	3/24/2022 6:07 PM
198	Open space	3/24/2022 5:54 PM
199	Use of the old ShopRite plaza on Rt. 9 south of 84	3/24/2022 4:56 PM
200	N/A	3/24/2022 4:55 PM

201	Wish there were more neighborhoods with sidewalks to encourage walking, pedestrian activity.	3/24/2022 4:31 PM
202	Little parklike spaces, attractive plantings	3/24/2022 3:55 PM
203	Community get togethers	3/24/2022 3:21 PM
204	Community activities	3/24/2022 3:17 PM
205	working together	3/24/2022 2:57 PM
206	Gardens	3/24/2022 2:54 PM
207	n/a	3/24/2022 1:40 PM
208	Police going after traffic abusers - the hot rods on Rte 9, running red lights car, etc. All seem to be motor vehicle problems.	3/24/2022 1:14 PM
209	Fairs	3/24/2022 1:04 PM
210	Sidewalks and safer roads. Blinking lights at pedestrian crosswalks.	3/24/2022 12:50 PM
211	Affordable housing for the 55+ community	3/24/2022 11:45 AM
212	The better use of Taxpayers' monies. ----- Paying legal costs for frivolous cases is a no-go. Less cronyism.	3/24/2022 10:52 AM
213	More police officer hired	3/24/2022 8:51 AM
214	Issue more traffic tickets . Rte 52, Rte 82. Rte 9 speeding , running traffic lights. Late hour car & motor cycling racing on Rte 52 and Rte 9, I-84 also. Crazy noisy at wee hours of the morning and of course unsafe.	3/24/2022 8:17 AM
215	Small grocery store, more green space, inventory and preservation of historic sites (specifically among them the Fishkill Supply Depot)	3/24/2022 6:59 AM
216	More community parties in the park	3/24/2022 5:59 AM
217	Different cultural restaurants and cafes (example: cajun/creole restaurant, boba tea cafe, Eastern European restaurants)	3/24/2022 12:35 AM
218	Street fairs and festivals block parties	3/23/2022 11:42 PM
219	Sidewalks, bike trails and lanes	3/23/2022 11:24 PM
220	Trees , Flowers, street cleaners !	3/23/2022 9:22 PM
221	Political compromise	3/23/2022 9:20 PM
222	Parks	3/23/2022 8:22 PM
223	Nice parks	3/23/2022 6:51 PM
224	Nothing	3/23/2022 5:49 PM
225	Community events.	3/23/2022 4:59 PM

Q22 Tell us a few things about yourself. Choose your age group.

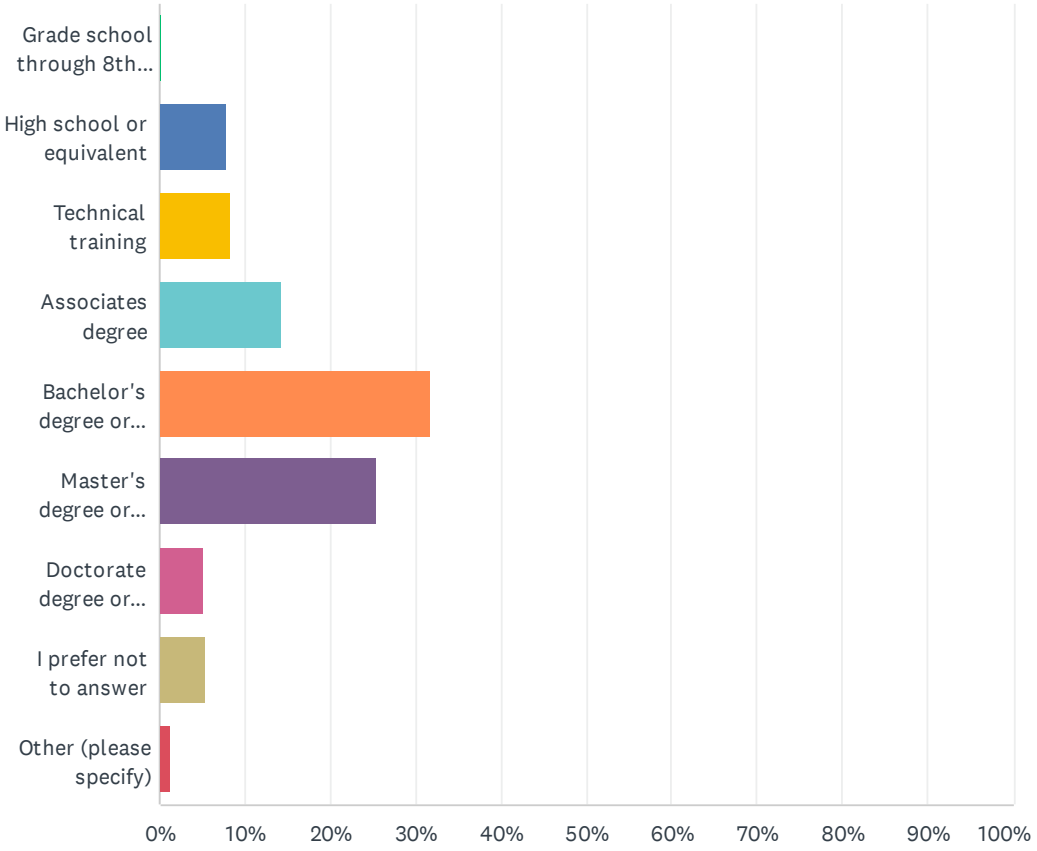
Answered: 311 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
5-12 years	0.00%	0
13-18 years	0.00%	0
19-30 years	1.61%	5
31-45 years	13.18%	41
46-60 years	30.87%	96
61-75 years	42.12%	131
76-90 years	6.75%	21
91+ years	0.00%	0
I prefer not to answer	5.47%	17
TOTAL		311

Q23 Tell us what is the highest level of education you have completed.

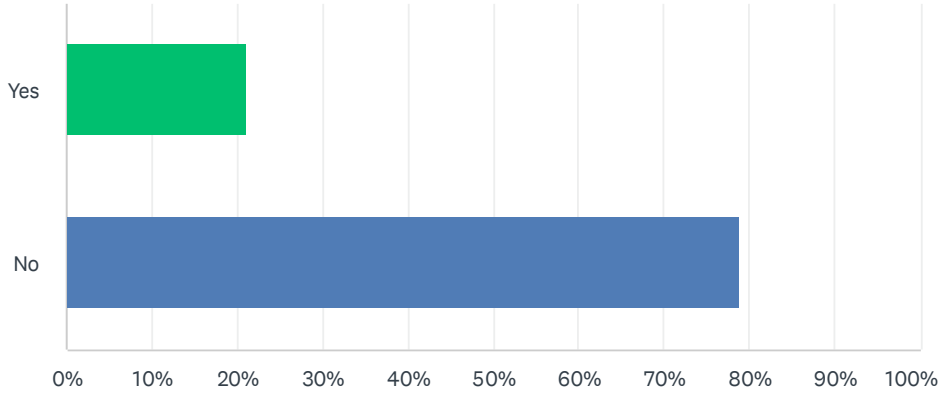
Answered: 314 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Grade school through 8th grade	0.32%	1
High school or equivalent	7.96%	25
Technical training	8.28%	26
Associates degree	14.33%	45
Bachelor's degree or equivalent	31.85%	100
Master's degree or equivalent	25.48%	80
Doctorate degree or equivalent	5.10%	16
I prefer not to answer	5.41%	17
Other (please specify)	1.27%	4
TOTAL		314

Q24 Do you have children under 18 years of age in your household?

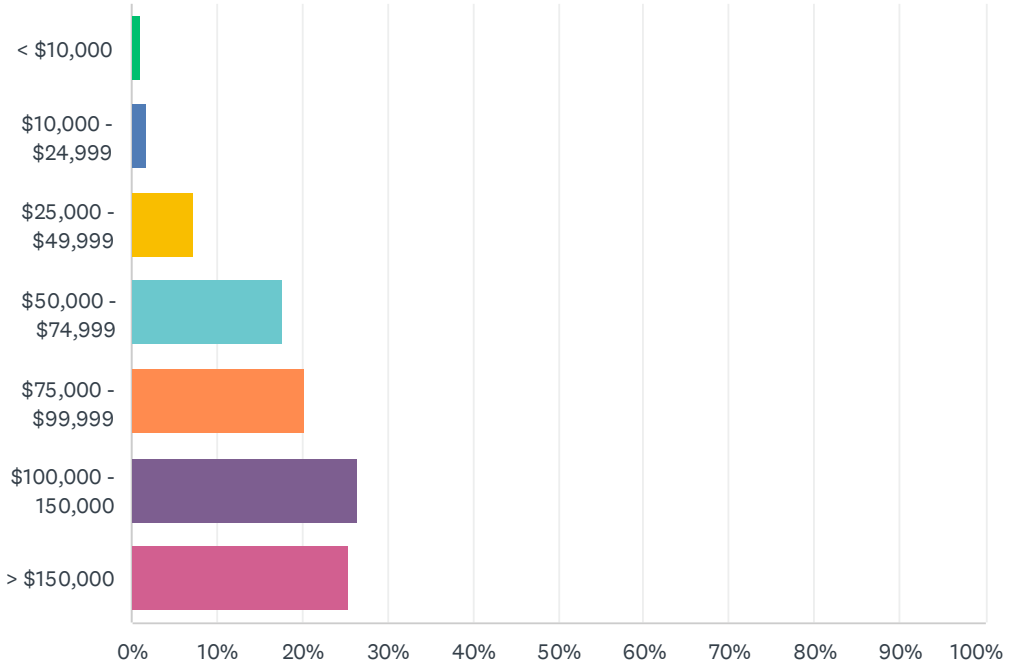
Answered: 312 Skipped: 4



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	21.15%	66
No	78.85%	246
TOTAL		312

Q25 What was your household income in 2021?

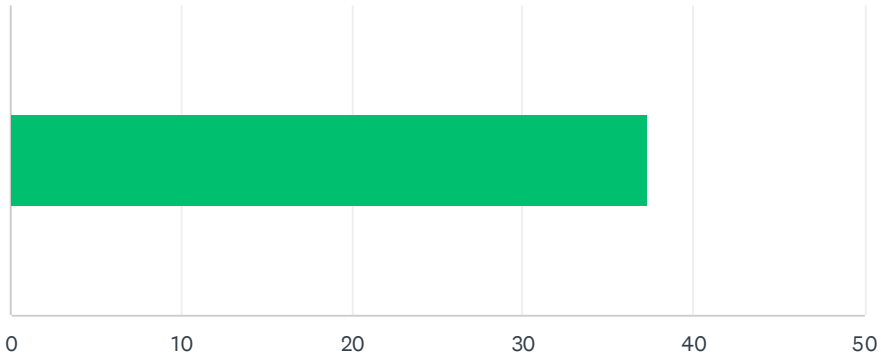
Answered: 276 Skipped: 40



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
< $10,000	1.09%	3
$10,000 - $24,999	1.81%	5
$25,000 - $49,999	7.25%	20
$50,000 - $74,999	17.75%	49
$75,000 - $99,999	20.29%	56
$100,000 - 150,000	26.45%	73
> $150,000	25.36%	70
TOTAL		276

Q26 React to the following 10 statements on a scale of 1 to 5 with:1 meaning "strongly encourage" or "strongly support" or "very important"3 meaning "neither discourage or encourage" or "strongly support" or "neither important or unimportant" 5 meaning "strongly discourage" or "strongly oppose" or "not at all important".The Town of Fishkill should encourage housing for moderate income residents.

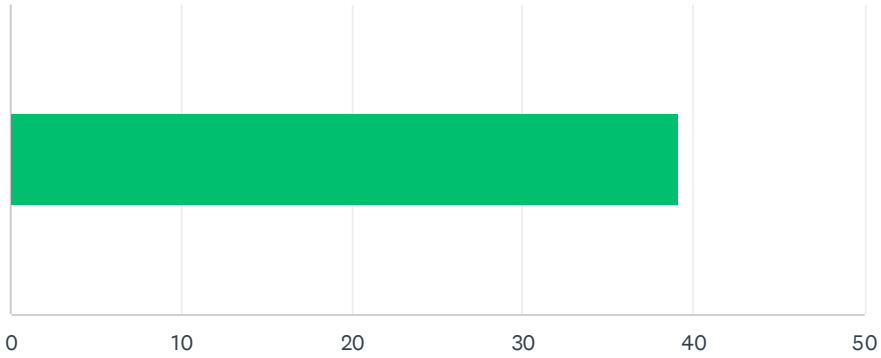
Answered: 311 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
	37	11,611	311
Total Respondents: 311			

Q27 As done with the prior question, react to the following statement on a scale of 1 to 5.The Town of Fishkill should encourage senior housing.

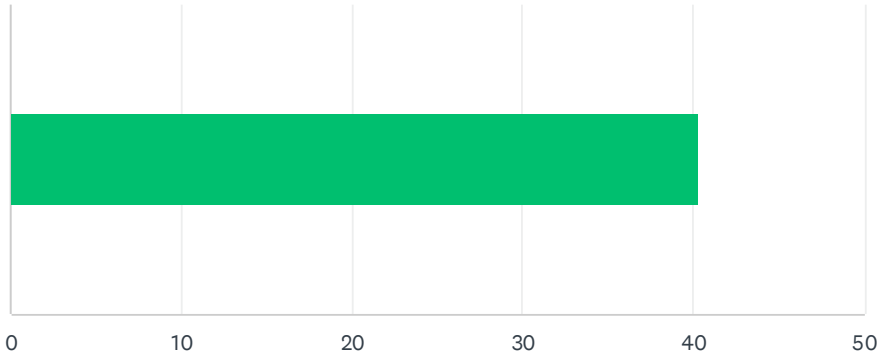
Answered: 310 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
	39	12,134	310
Total Respondents: 310			

Q28 As done with the prior question, react to the following statement on a scale of 1 to 5.The Town of Fishkill should encourage mixed-use developments that could include mixes of housing, stores, services, offices, etc.

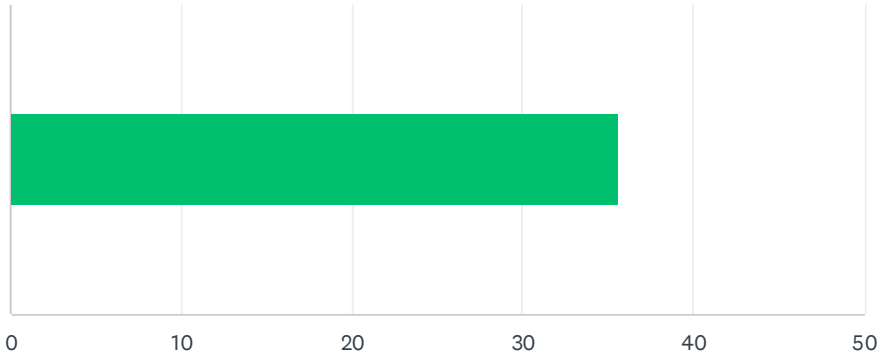
Answered: 307 Skipped: 9



ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
	40	12,384	307
Total Respondents: 307			

Q29 As done with the prior question, react to the following statement on a scale of 1 to 5.The Town of Fishkill should use tax dollars for adding or improving sidewalks that lead to stores or services in or near neighborhoods or along corridors.

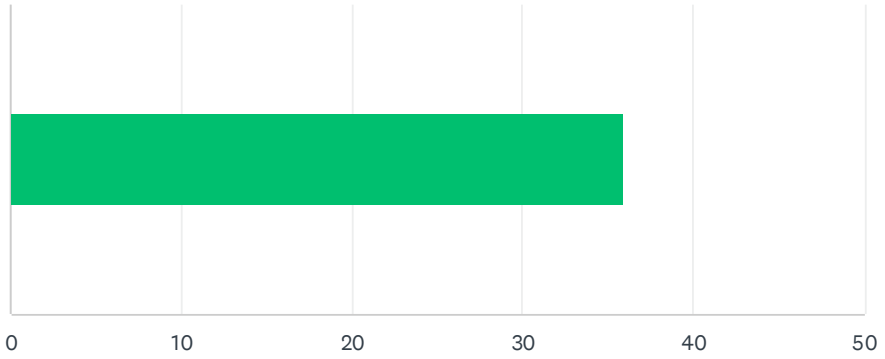
Answered: 308 Skipped: 8



ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
	36	10,956	308
Total Respondents: 308			

Q30 As done with the prior questions, react to the following statement on a scale of 1 to 5.The Town of Fishkill should use tax dollars for expanding water and sewer infrastructure in areas with stores or services, and neighborhoods.

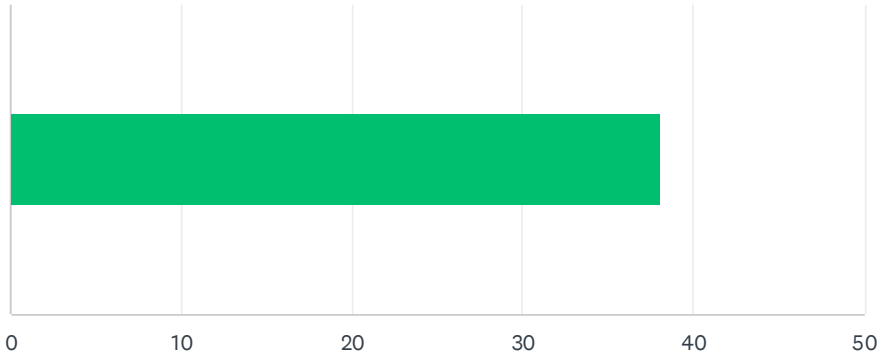
Answered: 304 Skipped: 12



ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
	36	10,925	304
Total Respondents: 304			

Q31 As done with the prior questions, react to the following statement on a scale of 1 to 5. In terms of future growth of the town, the development of renewable energy sources (e.g., solar and wind) is important.

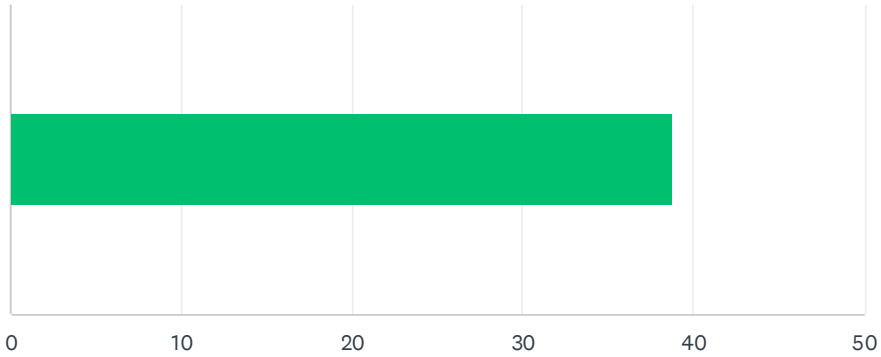
Answered: 307 Skipped: 9



ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
	38	11,691	307
Total Respondents: 307			

Q32 As done with the prior question, react to the following statement on a scale of 1 to 5.In terms of future growth of the Town, green building practices and energy efficient buildings are important.

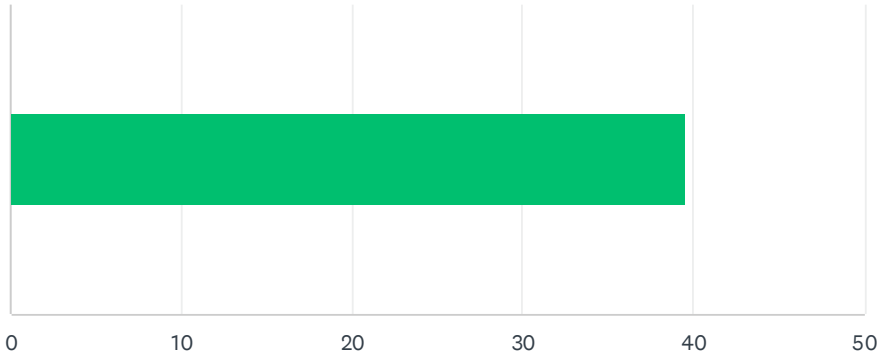
Answered: 309 Skipped: 7



ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
	39	11,979	309
Total Respondents: 309			

Q33 As done with the prior question, react to the following statement on a scale of 1 to 5.The Town of Fishkill should provide economic incentives (e.g., PILOT, Dutchess County EDC/IDA support) to encourage business to start or relocate to the town.

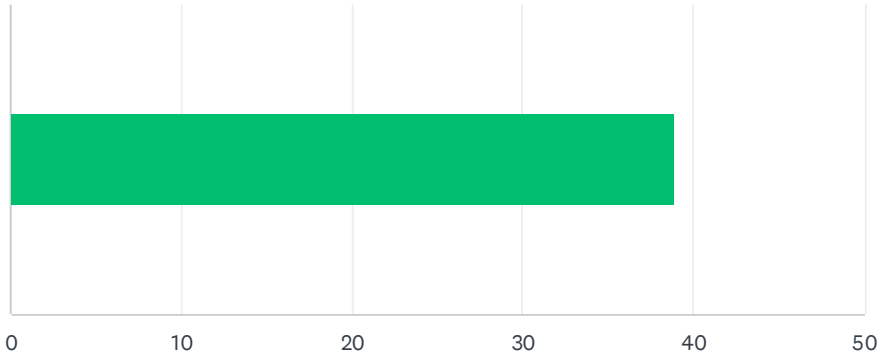
Answered: 305 Skipped: 11



ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
	40	12,049	305
Total Respondents: 305			

Q34 As done with the prior question, react to the following statement on a scale of 1 to 5.The Town of Fishkill should engage in a marketing campaign to encourage business to start or relocate to the Town.

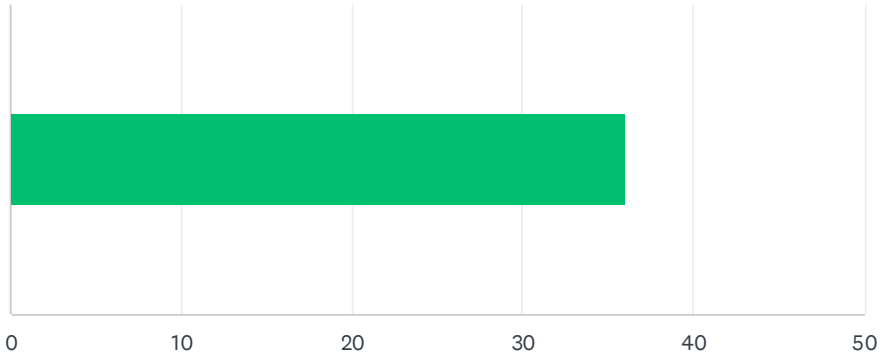
Answered: 304 Skipped: 12



ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
	39	11,842	304
Total Respondents: 304			

Q35 As done with the prior question, react to the following statement on a scale of 1 to 5.The Town of Fishkill should consider updating current ordinances and expanding resource development for residents to care for animals within the community.

Answered: 302 Skipped: 14



ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
	36	10,880	302
Total Respondents: 302			

Results Tallied on May 30, 2022; and
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The Town of Fishkill appointed local residents to serve on the Comprehensive Plan Update Committee (CPU Committee). The CPU Committee's job is to prepare a plan for Fishkill that will be shaped by community participation. We request that you take a few minutes to answer the questions below. Your answers will guide the CPU Committee to create a better plan for our community. Thank you!

See last page for mailing, or dropping off your questionnaire, or completing your questionnaire online!

#1. Select from the options below to show your relationship to the Town of Fishkill and Village of Fishkill. If you live in the Village, you are also a resident of the Town of Fishkill (check all that apply):

30 I live in the Town of Fishkill full-time; **0** I live in the Town of Fishkill part-time;

11 I live in the Village of Fishkill, which is in the Town of Fishkill

33 I rent a home, condominium, or apartment in the Town of Fishkill; **1** I work in the Town of Fishkill;

0 I go to school in the Town of Fishkill; **1** I own a commercial property in the Town of Fishkill;

0 I own a business in the Town of Fishkill; **8** I own a home in the Town of Fishkill;

1 None of the above; **0** I prefer not to answer; **0** Other (specify): **Old Rte 9 is not even on the map I guess my home is not considered on the Comp Plan!**

#2. Refer to the attached map. Which of the following areas of the Town of Fishkill do you **live near** (check all that apply):

9 Glenham; **22** V/o Fishkill; **9** Rombout; **2** Brinckerhoff/Dutchess Park; **1** Dutchess Junction;

1 Lomola; **7** Castle Point/9D corridor; **7** Merritt Boulevard; **3** None of the above;

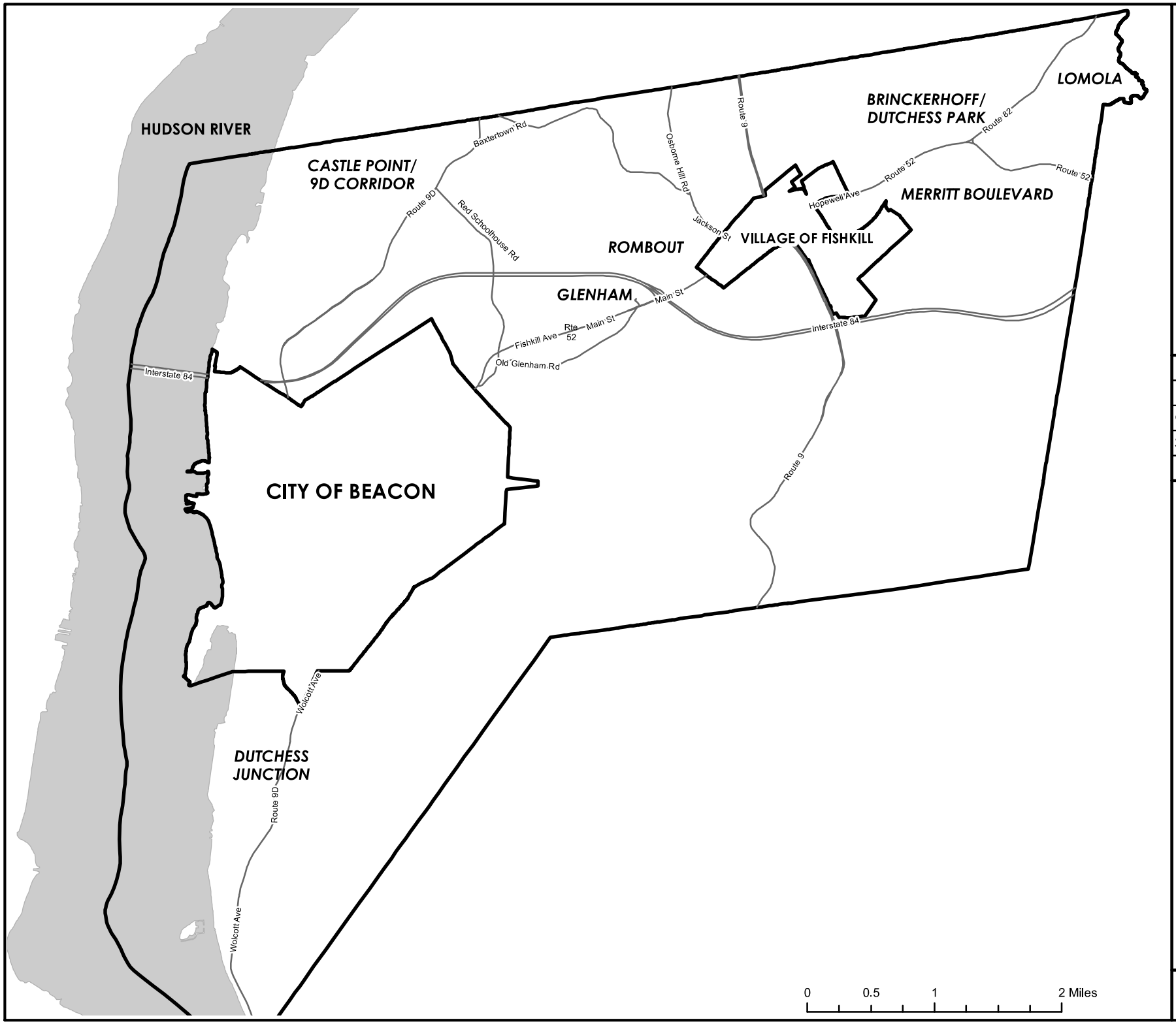
1 I do not recognize any of the above; **0** I prefer not to answer; **1** Other (specify): **Home on Old Rte 9, obviously not in an area of importance to you all/not on your radar. Sad.; Hiko Development; and Rosilia Lane.**

#3. Refer to the attached map. Which of the following areas of the Town of Fishkill do you **go to** (check all that apply):

12 Glenham; **32** V/o Fishkill; **12** Rombout; **9** Brinckerhoff/Dutchess Park; **5** Dutchess Junction;

2 Lomola; **12** Castle Point/9D corridor; **18** Merritt Boulevard; **0** None of the above;

1 I do not recognize any of the above; **0** I prefer not to answer; **2** Other (specify): **You need to broaden this; Dollar store, Rite Aid, K Food.**



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TOWN OF FISHKILL

AREAS OF THE TOWN OF FISHKILL

#4.a Below are 7 general issues of interest and concern. Rate them in order of importance to you with a value from 1 to 7, with 1 being the most important and 7 being the least important. Do not use the same value more than once.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

___ Community connections (recreational and social activities, educational and creative opportunities, volunteering, gardening and beautification, tourism, etc.)

6 7 5 1 4 6 4

___ Economy (Places to work, places to shop, eat, services, and new development in the Town of Fishkill)

8 5 10 3 5 2 2

___ Environmental and natural resources (wetlands, swamps, streams, creeks, forests, woods, aquifers, plant, and animal habitats, etc.)

8 4 1 6 7 4 5

___ Getting around Fishkill (walking, biking, driving, accessibility, transit, traffic, etc.)

11 8 4 7 3 1 2

___ Leisure (historical sites, cultural places, art and other museums, theatre and other entertainment, places to play or see)

2 4 6 7 8 4 3

___ Options for places to Live (rental, ownership, cost and affordability, apartments, single-family homes, condominiums, etc.)

13 5 5 4 0 6 0

___ Sustainability and resilience (changing weather patterns, flooding, solar and wind energy, hybrid/electric vehicles, composting, shopping locally, etc.)

2 5 2 3 2 4 15

4.b If there are other areas of interest or concern, please specify: **Safe well water, safe homes, walking/bike trails, pools, arts ,bookstores, safe, beautiful parks with amenities; traffic, security,homeless shelter needed nearby, fix potholes, less unnecessary lighting.**

#5. How good or bad is traffic in and around the Town of Fishkill on a scale of 1 to 5 with 1 being very good and 5 being very bad? Please circle a number below

1 Very Good	2 Good	3 Neither bad nor good	4 Bad	5 Very bad
0	**2**	**11**	**14**	**6**

#6. Refer to the attached map. Where do you encounter traffic problems (check all that apply)?

25 Route 52 between Route 9 and Interstate 84 (I-84): **14** Route 52 between Route 9 and Rt 82;

16 Intersection of Rt 9 and I-84; **16** Intersection of Rt 9 and Rt 52; **15** Intersection of Rt 9D and I-84;

9 Rt 9D between Red Schoolhouse Road and I-84; **1** Other (specify): **Rte 9 in general, Rte 9 north from I-84 to Rte 52, and Main Street in Fishkill.**

#7. Share any ideas you have for fixing or reducing traffic problems in Fishkill:

Route around Fishkill, no trucks on Rte 52, more traffic lights, another road into Beacon, problems with crossing streets, especially Rte 9, more traffic lights, speed bumps, widen/add lanes, too many fast drivers, another exist off of I-84.

#8. What are your top 3 choices for getting around when you want to or have to go somewhere? Identify your top 3 choices by putting 1, 2 and 3 in front of your 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choices:

32 Drive; 9 Walk; 1 Bike; 3 Take a bus; 2 Use Dial-a-ride; 7 Take a taxi, uber or lyft;

12 Get ride from friend/family; 2 I rarely leave home; 0 Prefer not to say;

1 Other (specify): train

#9. Finish this sentence: "It would be easier for me to get around Fishkill if public transportation 5 days/week instead of just 2; fewer people so fewer cars; free bus and shuttle service for seniors; connect Merritt with Blodgett Road; if people would drive normally; bus times to Beacon were posted at the stop.

#10. If I walk or bike somewhere, I use (check all that apply): 18 sidewalks; 12 neighborhood road;

12 shoulder or side of the road; 2 grass or dirt pathway along the road; 4 Hiking or nature trails;

6 grass or dirt pathway between or behind buildings; 5 through parking lots or driveways;

2 along an old railroad; 7 I do not walk or bike; 0 Prefer not to say;

5 Other (specify): I know no safe place to bike in Fishkill; on quiet roads drivers get away with outrageous speeding; too dangerous for pedestrians; no sidewalks!; I walk around my complex; I only; walk if I can.

#11. Suggest where or how improvements such as sidewalks, bike paths or lanes, or pedestrian or bike crossings would help to provide opportunities for safe biking or walking in Fishkill: Too little space left; make bike lanes and speed bumps; more sidewalks along existing paths; keep sidewalks in good repair; a rail trail for Sarah Taylor Park, west to Beacon; sidewalks on Rte 52 new pedestrian flashers; a trail at a park.

#12. Answer the following questions about the creation or development of new or needed businesses or services in the Town:

#12. a. Do you have wishes, or ideas for new or needed business or service development?

15 Yes; 15 No

#12. b. If yes, what are they? More, better doctors, more medical options; other options for phone/cable service; affordable housing; small business incentives; vacant buildings should be refurbished; manufacturing and technology.

#12. c. If yes, where? Supermarket back to CVS Plaza; Affordable where not developed yet; Old Fishkill Mall

#12. d. If no, why not? overcrowded Village; OK right now as it is.

#12. e. Do you have concerns about new business or service development? 9 Yes; 16 No

#12. f. If yes, please elaborate: businesses that harm, destroy environment, ecosystems & water sources/wells; less of them; destruction and elimination of remaining open natural spaces; clean up Dutchess Mall; increased congestion; more affordable housing for low-income households; nice as it is already; no more buildings over 3 stories; where will new VA facility be; save wetlands; don't push existing people and businesses out; should not be located in closely with adjoining residential areas; people purchase homes and are negatively impacted by noise, traffic, lighting when commercial property is allowed to build adjacent to their property.

#13. List a place, event, or something else, that you like, enjoy or value about the Town of Fishkill: **Village's history, car shows, senior center, It's safe, beautiful, Sarah Lawrence Taylor Park, open, green space, Village shops, sense of community, restaurants, St Mary's Church, craft fairs, block parties, Geering Pk concerts, RR ROW.**

#14. List a place, event, or something else, that you do NOT like or is a problem in the Town of Fishkill: **Too much traffic, abandoned businesses, sites, and buildings; too much religious development, to much new housing, too many potholes, lots with debris to be cleaned up, make library more like the one in East Fishkill.**

#15. Finish this sentence: "One thing I would like to see more of in the Town of Fishkill, is **Delis, less traffic, trees and protected open space areas, more transportation days for seniors; free, safe, well-lit, patrolled, indoor & outdoor leisure activities; more attractive architecture, parades, special events, fireworks; sidewalks, restaurant with gluten-free food, affordable housing for seniors, using Texaco research center & Downstate prison property, a food store in walking distance.**

#16. Tell us a few things about yourself:

#16. a. Choose your age group: **0** 5-12 years; **0** 13-18 years; **0** 19-30 years; **3** 31-45 years;

2 36-60 years; **14** 61-75 years; **10** 76-90 years; **0** 91+ years **3** I prefer not to answer; __

#16. b. Tell us what levels of education you have completed (check all that apply):

4 Grade school through 8th grade; **16** High School or equivalent; **5** Technical training;

7 Associates degree; **7** Bachelor's degree or equivalent; **4** Master's degree or equivalent;

1 Doctorate degree or equivalent; **1** I prefer not to answer; **2** Other (specify): **On the job training, executive management courses, Columbia.**

#16. c. Do you have children under 18 years of age in your household? **2** Yes; **31** No

#16. d. What was your household income in 2021? **3** < $10,000 **6** $10,000 - $25,000

5 $26,000 - $50,000 **3** $51,000 - $75,000 **4** $76,000 - $100,000

1 $101,000 - $150,000 **1** > $150,000 **Comment: should not be an influence.**

React to the following statements, #17 through #26, on a scale of 1 through 5 with:

1 meaning "strongly encourage" or "strongly support" or "very important",

3 meaning "neither oppose or support" or "neither discourage or encourage", and "neither important nor unimportant"

5 meaning "strongly discourage" or "strongly oppose" or "not at all important"

	1	2	3	4	5
#17. The Town of Fishkill should encourage housing for moderate income residents.	17	4	5	0	5
#18. The Town of Fishkill should encourage Senior housing.	29	1	3	0	2
#19. The Town of Fishkill should encourage mixed-use developments (e.g., developments that could include mixes of housing, stores, services, offices, etc.).	10	1	11	1	6

1	2	3	4	5

#20. The Town of Fishkill should use tax dollars for adding or improving sidewalks that lead to stores or services in or near neighborhoods or along corridors. ___

20	1	8	0	1

Comment:Sidewalks along Rte 52

#21. The Town of Fishkill should use tax dollars for expanding water and sewer infrastructure in areas with stores or services, and neighborhoods. ___

9	2	11	0	5

#22. In terms of future growth of the Town, the development of renewable energy sources (e.g., solar and wind) is important. ___

11	2	3	1	9

#23. In terms of future growth of the Town, green building practices and energy efficient buildings are important. ___

15	1	4	1	7

#24. The Town of Fishkill should provide economic incentives (e.g., PILOT, Dutchess County EDC/IDA support) to encourage business to start or relocate to the town. ___

8	1	8	2	5

#25. The Town of Fishkill should engage in a marketing campaign to encourage businesses to start or relocate to locations within the town. ___

7	1	9	2	7

#26. The Town of Fishkill should consider updating current ordinances and expanding resource development for residents to care for animals within the community. ___

9	2	11	1	4

Please mail to or drop off your completed questionnaire at:

Comprehensive Plan Update (CPU) Committee

c/o Town of Fishkill Town Clerk

807 Route 52, Fishkill, NY 12524

OR

You may also drop off your completed questionnaire at:

Comprehensive Plan Update (CPU) Committee

c/o Town of Fishkill Recreation Department

793 Route 52, Fishkill, NY 12524

OR

Blodgett Memorial Library

37 Broad Street, Fishkill, NY 12524

OR

Complete your questionnaire online via a link on the Town of Fishkill website.

BEACON HILLS

The Beacon Hills Water District serves 288 homes in the Beacon Hills subdivision. The source of water is the Village of Fishkill. However, the water flows through the Glenham Water District prior to entering the Beacon Hills Water District. The total amount of water used by the district is shown on the attached graphs. This number is obtained by the master meter at the entrance to the Beacon Hills Water District. This district is considered a consecutive district per the Health Department codes and requires the submittal of a Daily Operation Report to satisfy Health Department concerns. This report must include daily chlorine residuals and daily flows.

The distribution system for Beacon Hills was made up of three booster stations to help ensure adequate pressure throughout the various elevations of the system. Along with these three booster stations are approximately five miles of distribution piping. This piping was substandard, at best. In many instances the distribution piping throughout the subdivision is made up of 2-3" galvanized pipe. Not only was the size of the pipe substandard, the type of material it was made of was substandard. The piping was prone to leaking, providing brown water and inadequate pressures at times of high usage. There were significant leaks which affect the amount of water purchased line item and the repair and maintenance line item.

At one time the Beacon Hills subdivision was a bungalow community, only occupied during the summer. Therefore, as noted, due to the size of the materials and the depth of bury, much of the system is substandard. At once point during severe winters, many of the water services would freeze. The Town has lowered a significant number of these services. However, during extreme winter conditions, we still notify residents to let their water drip to ensure that no freezing occurs.

The system has fire hydrants but due to the lack of adequate pipe size the hydrants cannot be used to fight a fire. The Town has a plan for water main replacement and is awaiting grants for funding.

In 2020-2021 the entire distribution piping was replaced

with new piping.

BLODGETT WATER DISTRICT

The Blodgett Water District serves the following commercial entities: Mobil Car Wash on the west side of Route 9, Wal-Mart, Sams, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Regency at Toll, Extended Stay Hotel, and Gap. All customers have individual meter readings. There is a master meter for everything located west of Route 9. In order to obtain daily flows (shown on the attached graph) the Gap individual meter readings have to be added.

The source of water is the Village of Fishkill. As noted, customers located in this district are all commercial customers. The water mains and distribution are in relatively good condition and have not been problematic.

BRINKERHOFF WATER DISTRICT

The Brinkerhoff Water District serves 1,025 residents. This system was formerly privately owned by Seymour Arkway. The Town accepted operations sometime in the early 1980's. The Brinkerhoff District serves primarily the same residents in the Dutchess Park Sewer District, east of Route 9.

The source water is from three wells ranging approximately 35-50 ft. deep. Wells 1 and 2 produce approximately 300 gallons per minute, and operate on a lead/lag operation on a integral part of the daily water supply. Well 3 is rated approximately 600 gallons per minute and is operated during times of extreme emergencies (fire, severe water main break, or some type of failure of wells 1 and 2). The wells then pump to hydra pneumatic tanks which operate off pressure. The water is forced up the hill and throughout the distribution system. There is no atmospheric storage at the Brinkerhoff Water System. When a pump failure or source failure occurs, the residents begin to lose pressure within minutes. The system is equipped with an auxiliary generator, and loss of water or water pressure is rare.

The system has two issues which are under Health Department mandates. As mentioned, there is no storage tank, Part V of the drinking water standards calls for at least 24 hours storage of a days flow. Additionally, Well 3 has been determined to be under the influence of surface water. This requires the installation of filtration treatment if the well is to be used. At this time the Town Engineer is currently working on a solution for Well 3.

There is approximately 25 miles of water distribution piping, not including service laterals. There is an extensive network of hydrants, curb valves, street main valves, all which need to be maintained.

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GLENHAM WATER DISTRICT

The Glenham Water District serves 862 residents. At this time the Fox Ridge area is still considered out of district residents. The source of water for the Glenham Water District is the Village of Fishkill. All water passes through a master meter located in front of the Church of the Nazarene. At that point, the water flows to a booster station located on the Fire Department property. All water supplied to the Glenham Water District is boosted through this station in order to ensure adequate pressure throughout the various elevations in the district.

Significant monies are allotted in the O&M budget to buy water from the Village of Fishkill. The Village recently installed a new Master Meter.

The Glenham Water District is considered a "stand alone" district by the Health Department. It requires daily monitoring for flows and chlorine residuals, along with all other required sampling for a water system of it's size.

Much of the distribution system dates to the 1940's and can be problematic at best, although most piping seems to be sized appropriately and of an appropriate material. The main booster station is nearing 30 years old and beginning to show it's age. Additionally, there is no standby generator for this district. At some point in the near future, the Town will need to consider a capital improvement project to replace this pump station with a more state-of-the-art system which meets current flow and pressure requirements, which have changed over the years.

The attached graphs show the daily flows for the Glenham Water District. These flows are not based on the master meter from the Village of Fishkill. They are based on a process control meter for the control system at the booster station.

MERRITT PARK WATER DISTRICT

MERRITT PARK / SNOOK ROAD WATER SYSTEM

The Merritt Park Water District includes 500 residents living in the Toll Brothers development along Merritt Boulevard, and sells water to the Town of East Fishkill.

The source of water for the Merritt Park Water District is the Snook Road well and storage tank system. The storage tank is a one million gallon tank located on the mountain behind Merritt Boulevard. The wells are located off of Snook Road in the rear of the historic building.

The administration of the Merritt Park / Snook Road Water System is complicated by having two separate entities to provide what is typically provided by one water district. The main water source of water for Snook Road Water system are the wells located on Snook Road. The wells are plagued by high levels of chloride and sodium which were nearing or at the of MCL levels for the State Health Department. In order to ensure safe water, the district has an agreement with the Village of Fishkill to purchase blend water to lower the levels of sodium and chloride. As a result of the sodium and chloride concerns, the wells, distribution system and mixing lines are tested twice per month in order to satisfy the State Health Department's concerns.

The distribution system and the storage tank were installed since 2006 and do not create any operational concerns. Additionally, much of the distribution system is still owned by Toll Brothers through it's various subdivisions.

The District sells water to the Town of East Fishkill. The potential of the contract is limited until the Town produces a long term solution to chlorides.

ROMBOUT WATER DISTRICT

The Rombout Water System serves 1,051 customers located in the southern Route 9D corridor. This system was taken over by the Town in 1999. At that time, the primary customers were Hudson View, Fishkill Health Relate Center (now Elant), Briarwood Manor, and Vista Point. Also, at that time the source of the water were wells which pumped to a half million storage tank on the property of Fishkill Health Related Center (now Elant). The water system was plagued with poor water quality and a high number of water quality complaints. The Town made the decision to abandon the wells and to purchase water from the City of Beacon. At this time, due to development over the past ten years, the size of the district has changed drastically. The water quality is satisfactory and number of water quality complaints has gone down dramatically.

The age of the distribution pipes varies with the dates that the various subdivisions were built. However, all of the piping is adequately sized and appropriate materials used. They have not been significantly problematic. This system has one water booster station which increase the pressure for the higher elevations.

One of the main operational concerns for the district has addressed. The deteriorated storage tank was taken offline, this allowed pressure increases of about 30lbs throughout the district. The commercial sections of the district were plagued by low pressure. The areas of the district that already had high pressure were compensated by installing pressure reducing valves (PRV's). A pressure zone was created for Hudson View using one main PRV chamber. The Town reimbursed over 225 homes who installed PRV valves on their homes. The increased pressure allowed the Town to discontinue the use of the Stonykill Booster Station.

DUTCHESS PARK SEWER DISTRICT

The Dutchess Park Sewer District consists of 1,899 connections. The bulk of the district is east of Route 9 and consists of the Dutchess Park subdivision, Deer Crossing Condos, Elm Crest Condos, Fishkill Glen, Aveonis, and the Summit (including Wingate Nursing Home). The district extends into the Town of Wappinger, which Wappinger refers to as the Watch Hill District. It also consists of the White Birch subdivision. On the west side of Route 9, the Dutchess Park Sewer District consists of the Forgebrook subdivision, Greenhills of Glenham, Fox Ridge, Rocky Glen, the new Toll Bros. subdivision, and the 84 Diner.

All of the sewage is pumped to the City of Beacon. There is an extensive forcemain which runs from the intersection at Route 52 and Route 82 along the railroad tracks to Washington Avenue where it discharges into the City of Beacon. There are three main pump stations along this forcemain. They are the Dutchess Park pump station which pumps all of the Town's flow from the east side of Route 9 into the forcemain. The Village of Fishkill pump station pumps the sewage from the Route 9 corridor south of Route 52, and the Merritt Park subdivision into the forcemain. The Forgebrook pump station pumps all sewage west of Route 9. Along with these two main pump stations (Dutchess Park and Forgebrook) there are also approximately 50 miles of collection pipes and forcemains. In addition to these, the following pump stations are located throughout the district: Elm Crest pump station, Rocky Glen pump station, A&P pump station, Deer Crossing pump station, Fishkill Glen pump station, Birchwood pump station, Cedar Knolls pump station, Windsor Road pump station, White Birch pump station.

The Dutchess Park and Forgebrook pump stations are in excess of 25 years old. The other pump stations are various ages, depending on when the subdivision was accepted by the Town. In all cases, the pump stations are in reasonably good condition. They all have standby generators which are operational. All areas of the Dutchess Park Sewer System are plagued by similar problems which occur at other sewer districts in the northeast. That is and inflow and infiltration problem (I&I). This situation occurs during wet weather when either surface or ground water enters the sanitary sewers, which are not designed to handle ground or surface water. Inflow occurs in cases where the surface water enters through sump pumps, roof leaders, or direct connections to storm drains. Infiltration occurs when groundwater reached the point where it enters sewer lines through cracked pipes, dislodged joints, or leaky manholes.

During times of extreme wet weather, the flows can almost double or triple at the Dutchess Park Sewer District. In some cases, this causes overflows of pump stations, and surcharging of collection pipes. The cost to undertake and repair this problem is significant and, in many cases, you do not reap any benefit from such a large expenditure.

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The current Rombout Sewage Treatment Facility is a brand new state-of-the-art facility. Construction was completed and the facility put into operation in 2010. The existing plant replaced a run-down, dilapidated facility which shared the existing footprint with the new facility.

All sewage treatment plants that discharge into any waters in New York are monitored by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation SPDES system. SPDES stands for State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System. The SPDES permit outlines critical guidelines for discharges into New York waters. It puts limits on both the quantity and the quality of flow of pollutants which will have a negative effect on the receiving waters. Not only are there limits to the pollutants, but also to the frequency of sampling and methods for analytical work. I have attached operational graphs for the final outflow from the Rombout Sewage Treatment Facility. As you can see, all levels are drastically below the levels outlined in our SPDES Permit.

The following will serve as a description of the treatment processes at the Rombout Sewage Treatment Facility.

A. PRELIMINARY TREATMENT

This serves as a removal of debris and physical solids in the influent sewage. This is done by a piece of equipment referred to as a Muffin Monster, followed by an Auger Monster. Screenings and solids are then disposed of via a reputable refuse removal company. Preliminary equipment is

located inside and is included in the odor control systems.

B. **PRIMARY CLARIFIERS**

The flow is pumped to two primary clarifiers. Only one is in use due to existing flows. The flow is pumped via two variable speed pumps. At the primary clarifiers, whatever solids which will settle and whatever solids which float are removed. It is strictly a physical settling or floating removal. The sludge from the primary clarifiers is pumped to the sludge holding tank. The primary clarifiers are located inside and are included in the odor control system.

C. **SECONDARY TREATMENT**

At the Rombout Sewage Treatment, secondary treatment / biological treatment is achieved by the activated sludge process. This is done using the sequencing batch reactor mode. The basis for this treatment is to develop a healthy environment where micro organisms can be developed which break down the pollutants in the incoming sewage and remove these pollutants to a degree where the SPDES Permit levels can be met. To operate efficiently, the sequencing batch reactor requires adequate dissolved oxygen, adequate food to micro organism ratios, and proper settling times for a clear and solids-free supernate. This is achieved through a computerized process control system which utilizes dissolved oxygen meters, variable speed air blowers, and pre-set sludge wasting times and supernatant periods.

D. **DISINFECTION**

Once the waste is treated through the secondary / biological process, it is then disinfected using sodium hypochloride to the levels set forth in the SPDES Permit and discharged into the Hudson River.

E. **SLUDGE HANDLING**

The sludge which is removed from the system as part of the process control plan is pumped to the sludge holding tank,

then on an average once-per-week basis it is processed through a mechanical thickener to a concentrated state and an average of 8,000 gallons per week is removed by tanker. This is done approximately one day per seven day week. A polymer is used to operate the mechanical thickener, which is a non-caustic and not dangerous chemical. Additionally, we add potassium permanganate to the process, which is an oxidizer and an odor control chemical to limit odors.

F. ODOR CONTROL SYSTEM

The following areas are covered by the odor control system: influent sewage and preliminary treatment, primary treatment, sludge handling system, and interior of the control building. These areas are kept under negative air pressure. The air from these areas is pumped through a carbon air filtration unit. This unit runs 365 days per year, 24 hours per day. Additionally, to aid in odor control we add potassium permanganate when we process the sludge. We currently add potassium permanganate to the flow which comes off the primary tanks prior to the sequencing batch reactors.

G. STAFFING

The Town of Fishkill contracts with CAMO Pollution Control, Inc., a professional operations firm, to operate the sewage treatment plant. CAMO Pollution Control, Inc. has been in business in excess of 40 years. They maintain a staff of more than 50 employees and operates many facilities throughout the Hudson Valley. The Rombout Sewage Treatment Facility is staffed 365 days per year, 7 days per week. A New York State Certified operator is on site on a daily basis. In addition to the operations personnel, a complete staff of maintenance specialists is available in case of equipment failure.

H. SPARE PARTS

A complete line of integral spare parts required to maintain continuity of treatment process is kept on site.

I. CORRECTIVE MAINTENANCE

As noted previously, the operators of the facility have a complete maintenance staff that respond on a 24 hour call basis for any emergency that comes up at the sewage treatment plant. There is an alarm dialer system at the facility which monitors critical components and parts of the operation to ensure that there is no excessive down time that could cause a health emergency. CAMO Pollution Control, Inc. maintains a 24 hour emergency telephone number, (845) 463-7310, not only for the customers of the district, but it also monitors all critical equipment through an emergency dialer system.

J. EMERGENCY POWER

The facility is equipped with a diesel-powered emergency standby generator which has the capability to operate all equipment associated with the treatment plant. Along with this generator is an oversized fuel tank that is equipped with state-of-the-art leak detection equipment which can hold 1,000 gallons of fuel oil to ensure operation during long power outages.

K. CHEMICAL & FUEL REQUIREMENTS

As noted previously, chemicals used during the process as significant are polymers for sludge conditioning, potassium permanganate for odor control, and chlorine for disinfection. The chlorine used for disinfection is liquefied, with the chemical name of sodium hypochlorite. Approximately 20 gallons are used per day, and no more than 500 gallons is on site at a time. New York State has a Chemical Bulk Storage Program which is closely adhered to by the operators at the sewage treatment facility. The sodium hypochlorite, used for disinfection, is only added from May through November and is slightly stronger than bleach used in laundry. As noted, diesel fuel oil is used for heating the building and operating the generator. Approximately 800 gallons is on site at all times. The containment area is a state-of-the-art, non-spill tank.