

Winterville Charrette | Public Meeting No. 2 Survey Results | April 17, 2017

The number of responses are listed in each # box. Comments from each questions included.

1. What should future new structures look like in Winterville?

#32 They should be based on historic and traditional house forms already in Winterville.

#8 They should be decided by the personal desires of the property owners or developers.

#6 They should look like adjacent properties.

Comments:

2. How should new growth be managed?

#24 As part of a long-term plan with a unified appearance code for Winterville.

#26 As part of a system of overlay districts with specific guidelines.

#3 It is okay the way it is handled now, no changes needed.

Comments:

- By referendum –by understanding the forces and sources of growth rather than the symptoms and results.
- Dissatisfaction with the way it is currently being handled.
- More information is needed.
- Commercial properties should be restricted to certain areas –not interspersed with residential

3. Is mixed-use development (residential + commercial/retail) a good idea for Winterville?

#16 Yes #16 No

Comments:

- Not vacant retail.
- As long as the building meets review board requirements. In preexisting designated commercial areas.
- Depends on the type of business and its location. Placement is key.
- This may add to artistic, creative, home business.
- Commercial and residential district should be separate from residential

4. Where should new commercial buildings be built: in Five Points, in the historic town center, or elsewhere?

Comments:

- Five Points/Town Center **(#22)**
- By Wok Star with umbrellas, seats, + cute shops
- Both
- Depends on function but there probably is no room in the town center
- Maybe some smaller areas near the bike trail (Post Office)
- Not in the historic town center
- Athens Road-Moore's Grove
- If the buildings fit the historic appearance, the new buildings can be anywhere
- 5 Points including Henry Meyer Road

5. Would you be in favor of having design decisions about new construction unified and encouraged with a new review approval process for proposed changes?

#28 Yes **#5** No

Comments:

- Complex: More regulation on the business district, new residences, and infill housing.

6. Would you be willing to serve on a Design Review Board if one was established?

#11 Yes **#16** No

Comments:

- As a consultant, not as a resident
- It is being established + with great secrecy.
- Maybe
- Only if it was forced

7. Complete this sentence: Traffic is _____ in Winterville.

Comments:

- Okay Now (6)
- Too Fast (12)
- Increasingly heavy (7)
- Inappropriate to accommodate for large trucks (4)
- Perhaps our biggest problem

- In need of revamping+ planning
- Isn't too bad –yet
- Not a problem
- Difficult to enforce
- Heavy with truck traffic
- A growing threat
- Need to eliminate 18-wheelers (3)
- Okay on Main Street, but bad on other roads
- Okay downtown, but 5 Points needs attention
- Not pedestrian-friendly
- Mixed flow times. Peak: 7-8AM + 5-6PM
- Late
- Getting worse (2)
- Related to work

8. Do you think a roundabout is a good idea for the 5-Points intersection? Why or Why not?

#18 Yes **#8** No

Comments:

- To slow + calm traffic
- It would cause accidents
- Too confusing
- Unsafe
- People don't know how to use them
- If commercial development occurs, we don't want people to fly through town. We want them to stop.
- It should slow traffic to help businesses
- More information on roundabouts is needed.
- Will need to fit with the "Winterville" look.
- I want to eliminate multiple lanes of traffic poisoning my air
- Keep traffic moving!
- Must look good
- Improve left-hand turns
- It would organize vehicular, bicycle, and pedestrian traffic, and eliminate stop, wait, and go.
- Should discourage large trucks
- I'd prefer a more traditional re-structuring of this intersection with a light

- Make it large enough so it does not look like a roundabout
- It would slow down speeds and remove the need for traffic lights.
- Should help the flow and less pollution

9. Have a comment, concern, or an idea? Put it here. (More to say? Use the back!)

Comments:

- The roundabout could also be a pocket park
- Current structures in “Historic District” should be grandfathered in
- Thank you for your time,
- Really disappointed this was about the Historic Preservation Commission! Took away from the design.
- Great job!!
- We need a brewery
- A review board with advisory power only.
- Skeptical of idea of closing Dozier –seems like it would turn what is now a neighborhood into two, long cul-de-sacs (yuk!).
- Since the Charrette Workshop, the only and constant message from city government is that we must have a group of mayoral appointees to police any changes in appearance of buildings. This group is being formed in secret (there are minutes of this decision, and requests for these names is denied). There are a few homeowners who are “house-poor” and informal discussions have identified them as targets –for improving real-estate values. Public discourse by our leaders is much different than action –Workshops never have minutes or actions/decisions recorded. So that when actions deviate from the group understandings, there’s no recourse.