

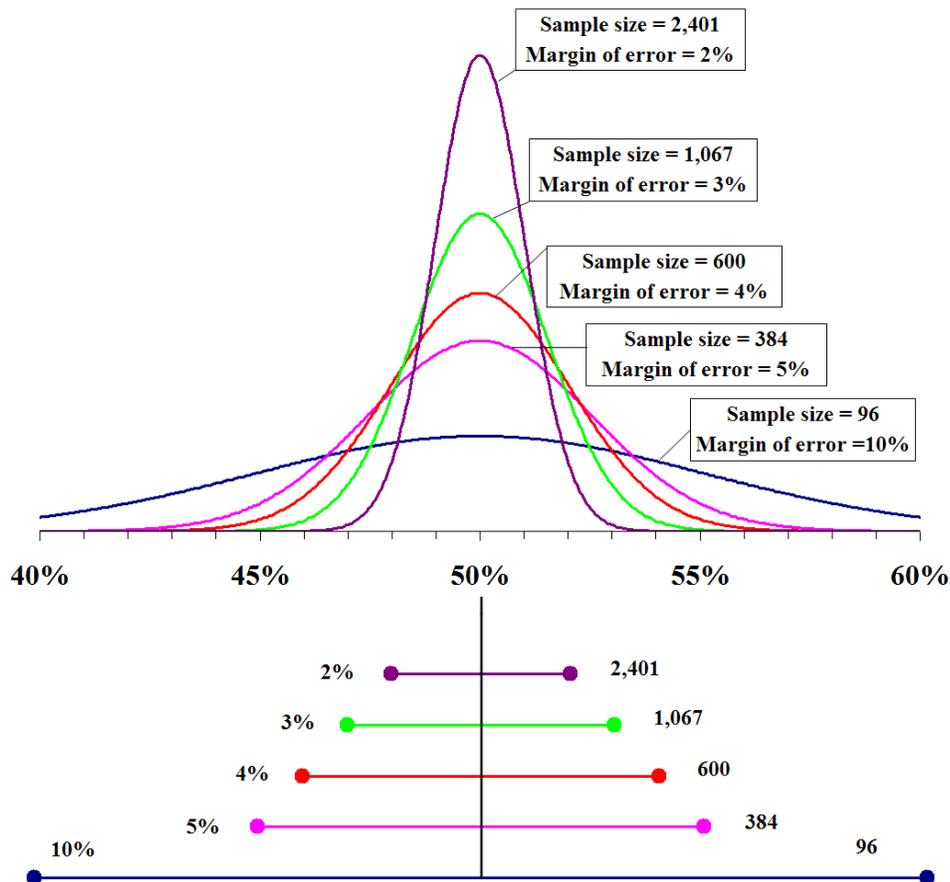


# Memo

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 Subject: Results of Citywide Property Maintenance Survey

A total of 490 people completed the property maintenance survey, 408 of those identified themselves as residents living in Stevens Point, and the remainder identified themselves as non-residents, with the majority of those owning property in the City but not residing here. If we only calculate the resident responses based on the 2016 population estimate for the City of 26,717, this gives the survey results a 95% confidence level (the probability that the sample result accurately reflects the attitudes of the population), and a 4.8% margin of error (the range that our general populations response may deviate from our sample). This is a very good overall response with data that has met or exceeded typical industry standards for a survey of this type. A graph with an explanation of margin of error and confidence level is below:



*The **margin of error** is the plus-or-minus figure usually reported in newspaper or television opinion poll results. For example, if you use a margin of error of 4% and 47% percent of your sample picks an answer you can be "sure" that if you had asked the question of the entire relevant population between 43% (47-4) and 51% (47+4) would have picked that answer.*

*The **confidence level** tells you how sure you can be. It is expressed as a percentage and represents how often the true percentage of the population who would pick an answer lies within the confidence interval. The 95% confidence level means you can be 95% certain; the 99% confidence level means you can be 99% certain. Most researchers strive for a 95% confidence level.*

There are several items in which we have some pretty clear indications of public opinion. The survey results are attached broken down by question with graphs and percentage of responses per category as they were exported from Survey Monkey.

Overall observations; there was fairly good and uniform response throughout the Districts (Q2) averaging about 9% each, with District 8 being the highest at 14.1% and lowest being District 11 at 4.5%. The average amount of time in years that respondents have lived in the City was 21.4 years (Q3). The number 1, 2, and 3 concerns on both a neighborhood (Q4) and citywide level (Q7) were identical; with the first being keeping sidewalks clean and clear of snow/debris, the second being general exterior appearance/upkeep of properties, and the third item of importance of 10 options given to respondents was lack of regulations/enforcement on rental properties.

Relative to parking of registered vehicles the highest response, or 34% indicated they needed to be parked on a hard surface (Q8), and slightly over 15% felt it was acceptable to park one vehicle on the grass but only in the rear yard. The acceptability of the hard surface on which they can be parked (Q9) the 4 major hard surfaces were all viewed as acceptable by 80% or more of respondents; blacktop, concrete, gravel and paver blocks (in that order). Along that same vein many felt alternate (even/odd) overnight parking (Q10) should be allowed everywhere (49%) and 24.5% felt it should be allowed at least in the area within the City where parking is an issue. In total, over 74% of respondents favored some level of on-street overnight parking.

With regard to recreational vehicles (Q11) the most popular response with 32% of respondents indicating it is appropriate for recreational vehicles (campers, boats, ATV and trailers) to be parked on the grass in the side or rear yard, while 22% indicated that they should be on a hard surface, and almost 12% felt it was acceptable for them to be parked anywhere, without a limit or restriction on the number of them stored on the property.

With regard to expansion of gravel parking/driveways areas (Q13) 50% of respondents felt they should be able to expand those areas with the same material, even if it isn't an approved material under the current code, and 19% said it should be allowed but under a more restrictive standard if it is a non-complying material, 27% indicated it should not be allowed for expansion. Along those same lines (Q14), generally the most popular response was that there should be no

limit or requirements for minimum amounts of green space (41%). Although when we looked at the combined responses, 55% indicated they felt there should be some level of green space requirements, with 37% of those favoring limits that take into account lot size and neighborhood, and 18% believing there should be a straight across the board uniform requirement throughout the City.

General consensus (42%) was that “temporary” canvas or UV polyethylene canopy type enclosures (Q15) should be allowed without a permit regardless of the length of time they are in place, with 24.5% saying they should be regulated as any other structure and 17% indicating they should be regulated but only if they are in place for over 6 months, essentially an even divide between regulation of some type, and no regulation of these types of enclosures.

Regarding trash and recycling containers (Q16) most people (over 60%) felt they could be put out the day before and as long as they were picked up the day after, that was acceptable, effectively giving people 24 hours before and after the scheduled day of pick up for container placement at the curb. The most popular response (by a 2:1 margin) related to the storage of said containers (Q17) when they weren’t at the curb for pick up, was anywhere on the property as long as they were off curb and out of the right of way (ROW).

Over 80% of respondents wanted to see an annual bulk item/item drop off or pick up (Q18). With 53% indicating an annual drop off at a centralized location would be very useful. This would likely be less time consuming and costly, versus the previous bulk item curb side pickup that had been offered by the City in the past. Some communities (Wausau, Weston and Mosinee) typically hold these cumulatively for 3 or 4 days with extended evening hours until 7 PM on Wednesday or Thursday, and Saturday hours typically until 2 or 3 PM. Most items are accepted, some with an additional fee and typically only accepted from residents and landlords who pay for garbage and recycling on their property taxes.

Over 65% of respondents felt that the age and neighborhood characteristics (Q19) should be taken into account with older neighborhoods and they may need to have more flexibility when it comes to regulatory standards.

49% of respondents (Q20) felt all rentals should be inspected and regulated, 32% felt they shouldn’t be and it was an overreach of government, the remaining combined 14.5% that chose an option, felt they should be regulated but only older units that predated inspections, or were greater than 3 units. Of the respondents that chose an option for this question about 63.5% felt rentals should have some level of regulation (inspection/permitting).

With regard to short term rentals, such as air B & Bs, etc. (Q21) there wasn’t conclusive direction on how these should be regulated, if at all, but it also doesn’t appear that many of respondents understood what these types of rentals were, as it received the highest number of a “not sure/no opinion” response for any question in the survey, with almost 32% choosing that response.

There was a strong feeling that the term family should not be defined as it relates to residential dwellings (Q22) with 44% supporting this response and the lowest response was in defining the term family in all residential districts with only 8% supporting this option. There was even stronger support when asked to define what would be an acceptable definition of “family” (Q23) with 48% indicating it should not be defined at all, but be solely based on density and not genealogy of persons living there.

It was clear that people did not want regulation of the interior of typical dwellings (Q24) with over 77% choosing that response. There was support by almost 49% for regulation and inspection of public and private employers’ workplace facilities (Q25).

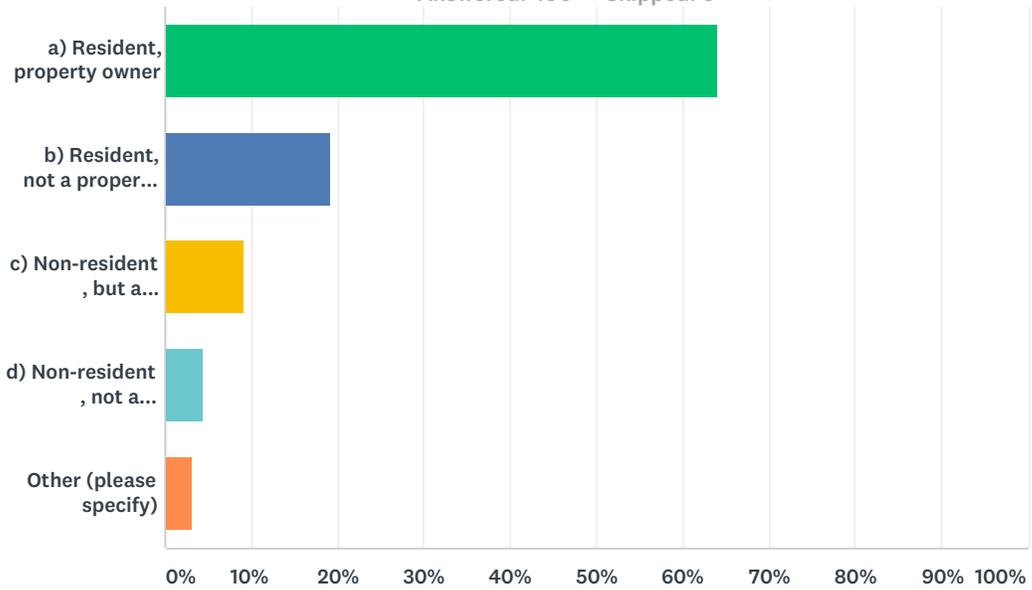
Lastly (Q26) the majority of the comments seemed to favor either end of the spectrum, from too much regulation, to not enough regulation, with a few comments in between. Interestingly, several items that came up with regularity were back yard fires/burning and noise, relative to limits and enforcement.

Items that the City may want to be considered as we go into winter and 2018 as it relates to this survey is alternate day on-street overnight parking, which may also have a secondary benefit with winter snow removal from the street and boulevard areas. Along these lines some of the comments I received at 2 listening sessions were bringing back the sand/salt barrels on the corners in the areas where sidewalk use is high, and given that was the number one concern of survey respondents both on a neighborhood and citywide basis, it may be worth considering.

The other item for further discussion or consideration is an annual bulk item drop off at a central location such as the City garage in conjunction with a waste handler, this works very well in other communities and is an opportunity for annual purge of unwanted items by residents. In a meeting with the local Central Wisconsin Apartment Association members this idea was well received, in particular if it could be coordinated around student move out in May.

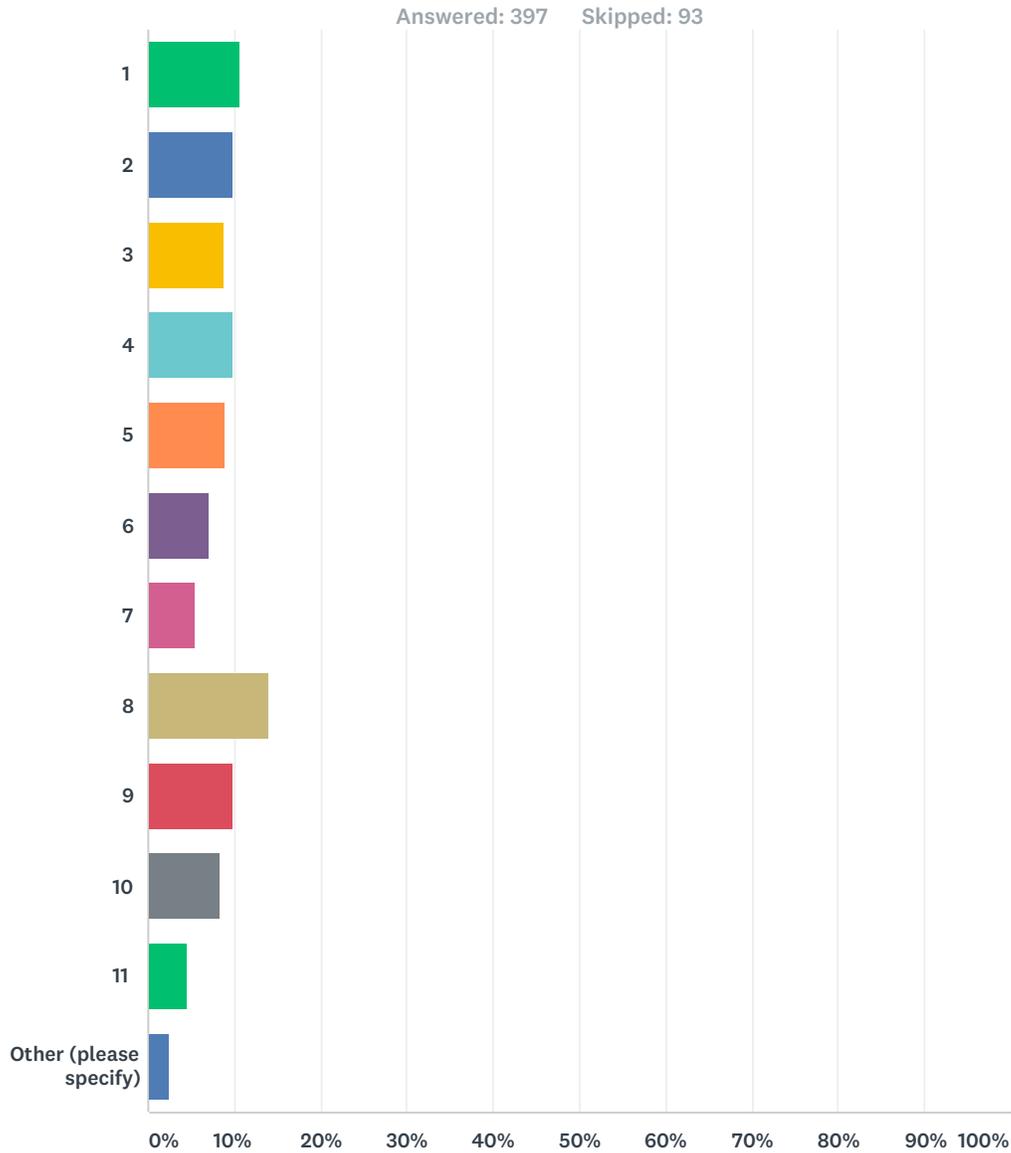
# Q1 Which statement best describes you?

Answered: 490 Skipped: 0



Answer Choices	Responses
a) Resident, property owner	64.08% 314
b) Resident, not a property owner	19.18% 94
c) Non-resident, but a property owner	9.18% 45
d) Non-resident, not a property owner	4.49% 22
Other (please specify)	3.06% 15
<b>Total</b>	<b>490</b>

## Q2 Which Aldermanic District do you live in currently?



Answer Choices	Responses	
1	10.58%	42
2	9.82%	39
3	8.82%	35
4	9.82%	39
5	9.07%	36
6	7.05%	28
7	5.54%	22
8	14.11%	56
9	9.82%	39
10	8.31%	33

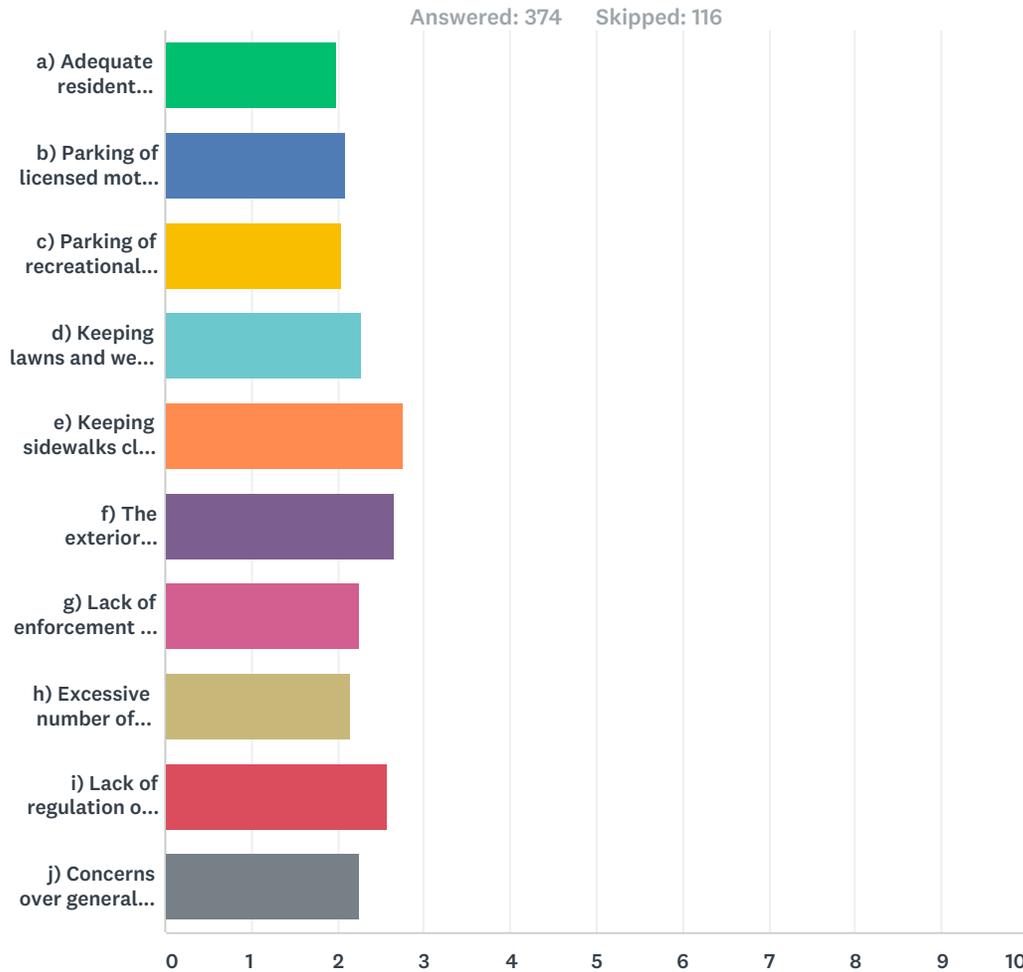
11	4.53%	18
Other (please specify)	2.52%	10
<b>Total</b>		<b>397</b>

### **Q3 How long cumulatively in total years have you been a resident of the City of Stevens Point?**

**Average of 21.4 years**

Answered: 390 Skipped: 100

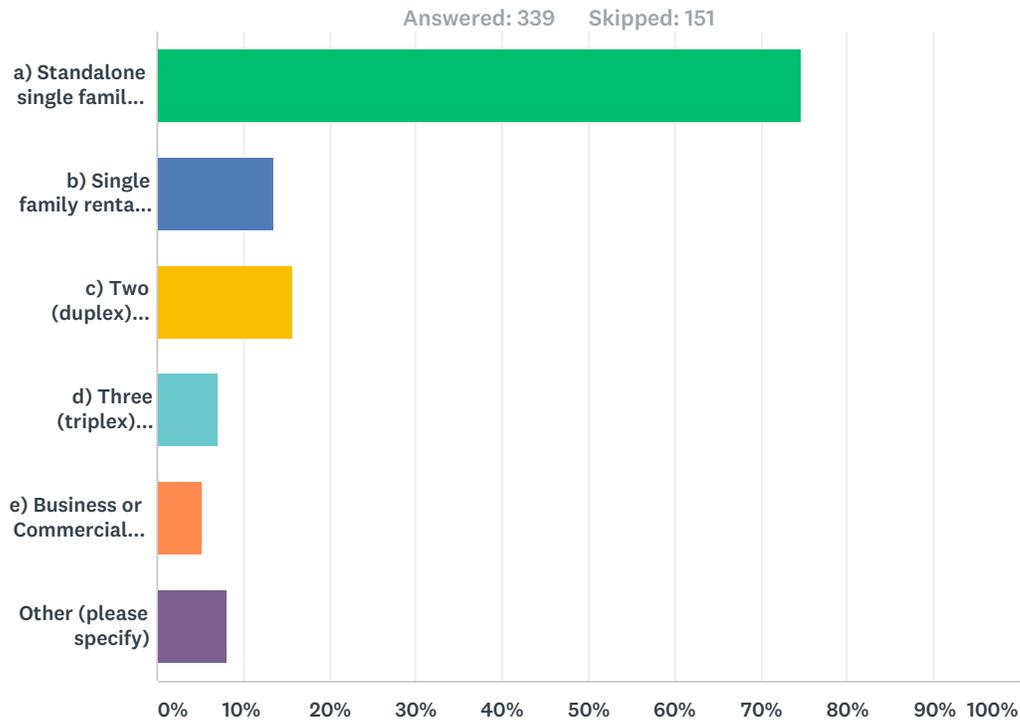
### Q4 When thinking about the general neighborhood area where you currently reside, what do you feel are the biggest challenges or items that impact your enjoyment of living in that area, with 1 being no impact or concern and 5 being a substantial impact or concern?



	not at all concerned	(no label)	somewhat concerned	(no label)	very concerned	Total	Weighted Average
a) Adequate resident parking	51.49% 190	16.53% 61	20.87% 77	4.61% 17	6.50% 24	369	1.98
b) Parking of licensed motor vehicles on the lawn outside of driveway areas	49.73% 184	18.92% 70	14.59% 54	6.22% 23	10.54% 39	370	2.09
c) Parking of recreational vehicles including boats, campers and ATVs on the lawn	53.12% 196	15.99% 59	13.01% 48	7.32% 27	10.57% 39	369	2.06
d) Keeping lawns and weeds neat and orderly	39.25% 146	22.04% 82	20.43% 76	9.41% 35	8.87% 33	372	2.27
e) Keeping sidewalks clear of snow/ice in the winter and dirt/debris in the summer	30.65% 114	15.05% 56	20.97% 78	14.25% 53	19.09% 71	372	2.76
f) The exterior appearance, maintenance and general upkeep of properties	28.69% 107	19.57% 73	23.86% 89	13.94% 52	13.94% 52	373	2.65

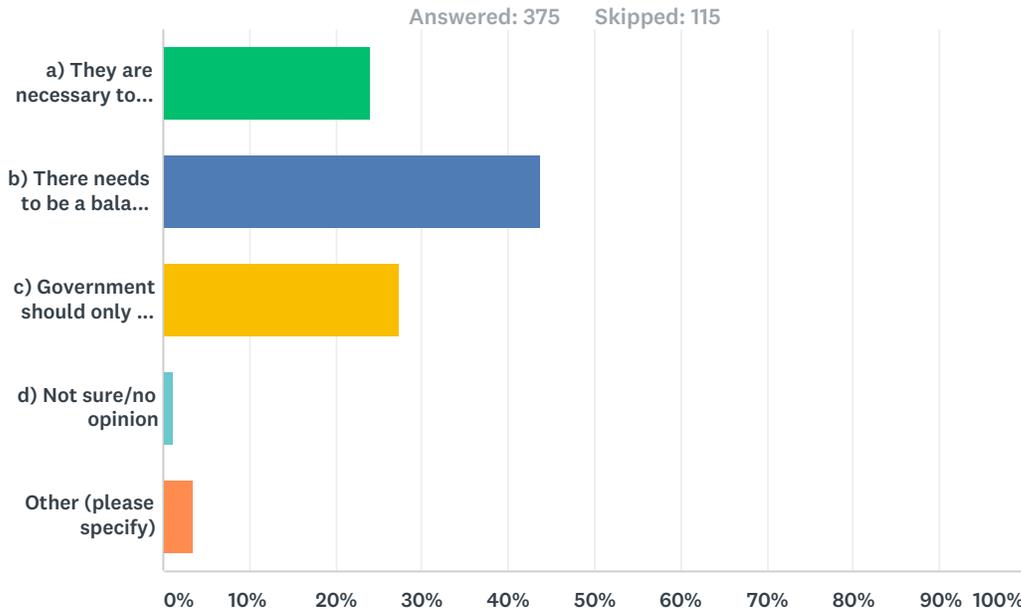
g) Lack of enforcement of current building and land use regulations	<b>42.05%</b> 156	<b>21.02%</b> 78	<b>16.98%</b> 63	<b>9.16%</b> 34	<b>10.78%</b> 40	371	2.26
h) Excessive number of non-owner occupied (rental) structures	<b>48.65%</b> 180	<b>19.46%</b> 72	<b>10.27%</b> 38	<b>10.27%</b> 38	<b>11.35%</b> 42	370	2.16
i) Lack of regulation of rental properties	<b>40.05%</b> 149	<b>12.37%</b> 46	<b>16.40%</b> 61	<b>11.83%</b> 44	<b>19.35%</b> 72	372	<b>2.58</b>
j) Concerns over general living conditions in homes and within the neighborhood	<b>40.43%</b> 150	<b>21.56%</b> 80	<b>19.68%</b> 73	<b>8.36%</b> 31	<b>9.97%</b> 37	371	2.26

# Q5 What type of property(s) do you own? (please check all that apply)



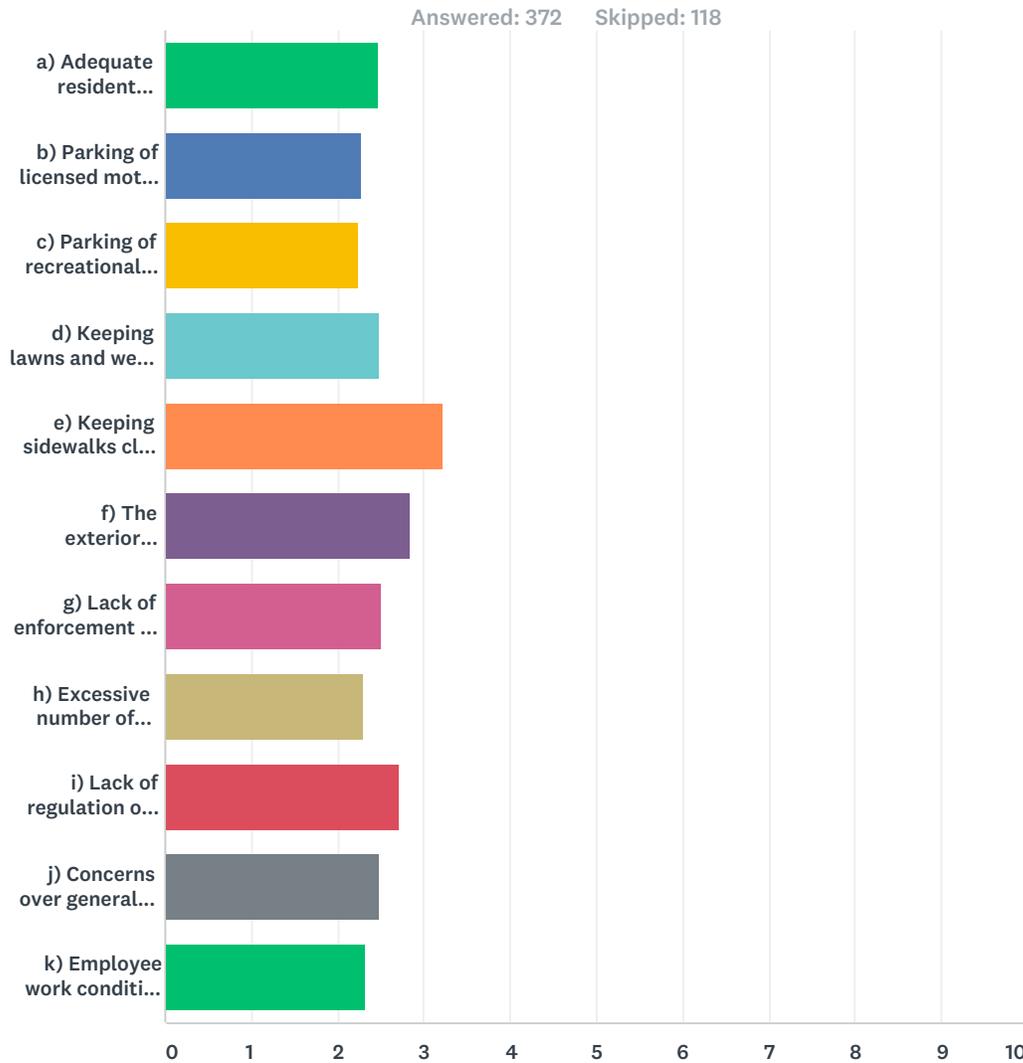
Answer Choices	Responses	
a) Standalone single family residential home (one dwelling unit) owner occupied on a single lot	74.63%	253
b) Single family rental or condominium unit	13.57%	46
c) Two (duplex) dwelling unit rental	15.63%	53
d) Three (triplex) dwelling unit or greater rental	7.08%	24
e) Business or Commercial property	5.31%	18
Other (please specify)	8.26%	28
<b>Total Respondents: 339</b>		

## Q6 Please indicate which of the following best describes your attitude regarding property (land) use and maintenance regulations?



Answer Choices	Responses	
a) They are necessary to maintain property values and a safe, clean and orderly community	24.00%	90
b) There needs to be a balance between regulation and property owners rights	43.73%	164
c) Government should only be involved when it is a health or safety issue	27.47%	103
d) Not sure/no opinion	1.33%	5
Other (please specify)	3.47%	13
<b>Total</b>		<b>375</b>

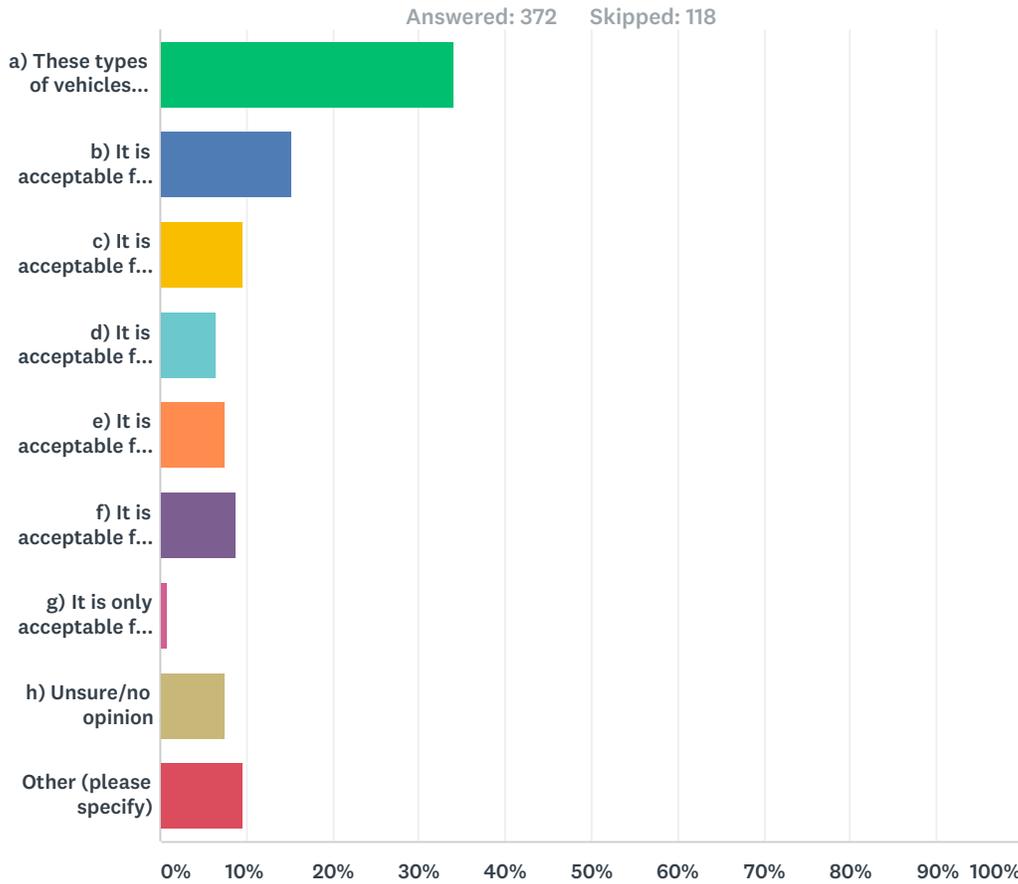
## Q7 When thinking about the overall City of Stevens Point in general terms, please rank the following items from 1 – 5 with 1 being the lowest level of concern and 5 being the highest level of concern within the City of Stevens Point



	not at all concerned	(no label)	somewhat concerned	(no label)	very concerned	Total	Weighted Average
a) Adequate resident parking	29.81% 110	21.41% 79	30.35% 112	10.03% 37	8.40% 31	369	2.46
b) Parking of licensed motor vehicles on the lawn outside of driveway areas	40.16% 149	20.75% 77	19.41% 72	9.70% 36	9.97% 37	371	2.29
c) Parking of recreational vehicles including boats, campers and ATVs on the lawn	43.63% 161	19.24% 71	16.80% 62	10.57% 39	9.76% 36	369	2.24
d) Keeping lawns and weeds neat and orderly	28.03% 104	23.99% 89	26.15% 97	14.29% 53	7.55% 28	371	2.49
e) Keeping sidewalks clear of snow/ice in the winter and dirt/debris in the summer	15.14% 56	14.86% 55	25.68% 95	21.08% 78	23.24% 86	370	3.22

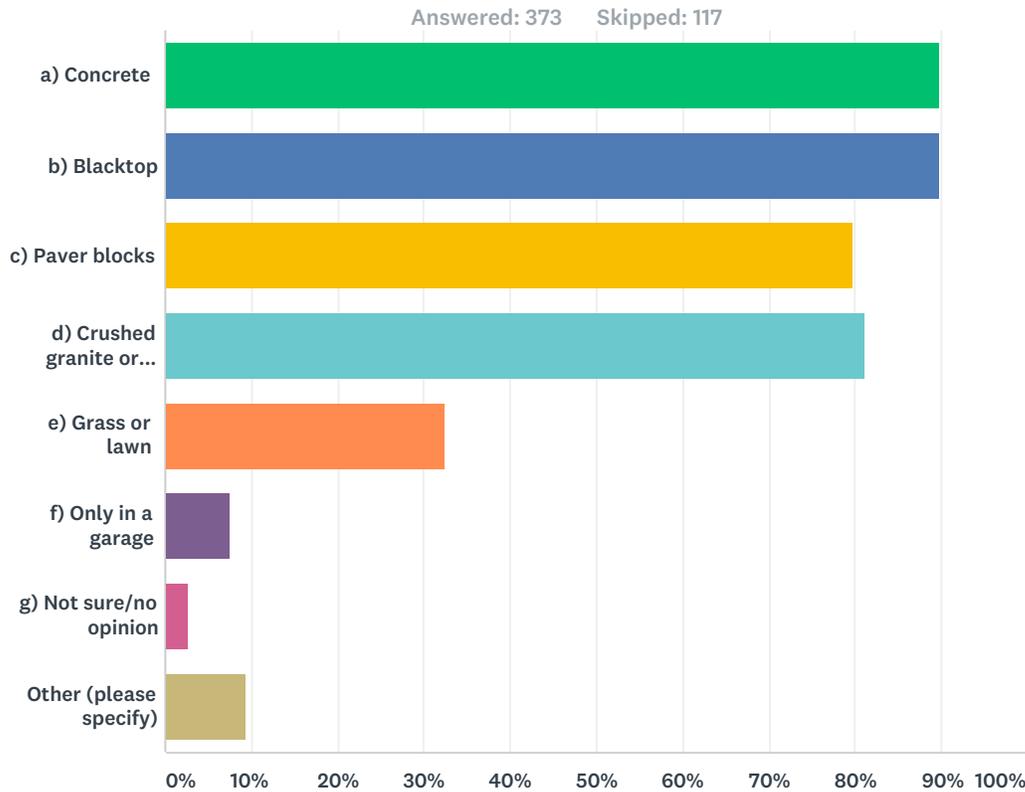
f) The exterior appearance, maintenance and general upkeep of properties	<b>17.84%</b> 66	<b>22.43%</b> 83	<b>29.73%</b> 110	<b>16.76%</b> 62	<b>13.24%</b> 49	370	<b>2.85</b>
g) Lack of enforcement of building and land use regulations	<b>30.16%</b> 111	<b>23.91%</b> 88	<b>22.83%</b> 84	<b>11.41%</b> 42	<b>11.68%</b> 43	368	2.51
h) Excessive number of non-owner occupied structures	<b>43.09%</b> 159	<b>18.70%</b> 69	<b>15.99%</b> 59	<b>9.49%</b> 35	<b>12.74%</b> 47	369	2.30
i) Lack of regulation of rental properties	<b>33.78%</b> 125	<b>12.16%</b> 45	<b>22.43%</b> 83	<b>12.43%</b> 46	<b>19.19%</b> 71	370	<b>2.71</b>
j) Concerns over general living conditions	<b>28.38%</b> 105	<b>21.89%</b> 81	<b>29.19%</b> 108	<b>13.51%</b> 50	<b>7.03%</b> 26	370	2.49
k) Employee work conditions and facilities at business within the City	<b>33.42%</b> 122	<b>23.56%</b> 86	<b>26.03%</b> 95	<b>12.05%</b> 44	<b>4.93%</b> 18	365	2.32

## Q8 When thinking about vehicles licensed for use on a public roadway such as your typical cars, trucks or motorcycles, which of the following do you believe should apply within the City?



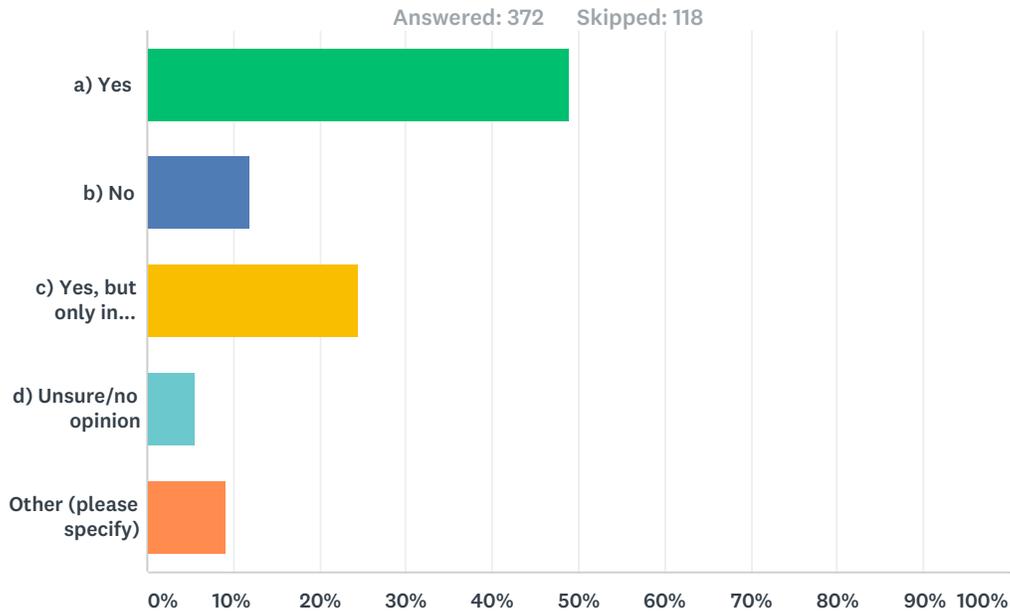
Answer Choices	Responses
a) These types of vehicles should only be parked in a driveway, on an approved hard surface, or in a garage	<b>34.14%</b> 127
b) It is acceptable for one of these types of licensed motor vehicles to be parked on the grass or lawn, but only in the rear yard	15.32% 57
c) It is acceptable for one of these types of licensed motor vehicles to be parked anywhere on the grass or lawn	9.68% 36
d) It is acceptable for up to two types of licensed motor vehicles to be parked anywhere on the grass or lawn, but only in the rear yard	6.45% 24
e) It is acceptable for up to two types of licensed motor vehicles to be parked anywhere on the grass or lawn	7.53% 28
f) It is acceptable for as many of these types of licensed motor vehicles to be parked anywhere on the grass or lawn	8.87% 33
g) It is only acceptable for these types of licensed motor vehicles to be parked in a garage	0.81% 3
h) Unsure/no opinion	7.53% 28
Other (please specify)	9.68% 36
<b>Total</b>	<b>372</b>

### Q9 When you think about appropriate outdoor parking/driveway surfaces, which of the following do you feel are acceptable surface(s) for the parking of licensed motor vehicles? (please check all that apply)



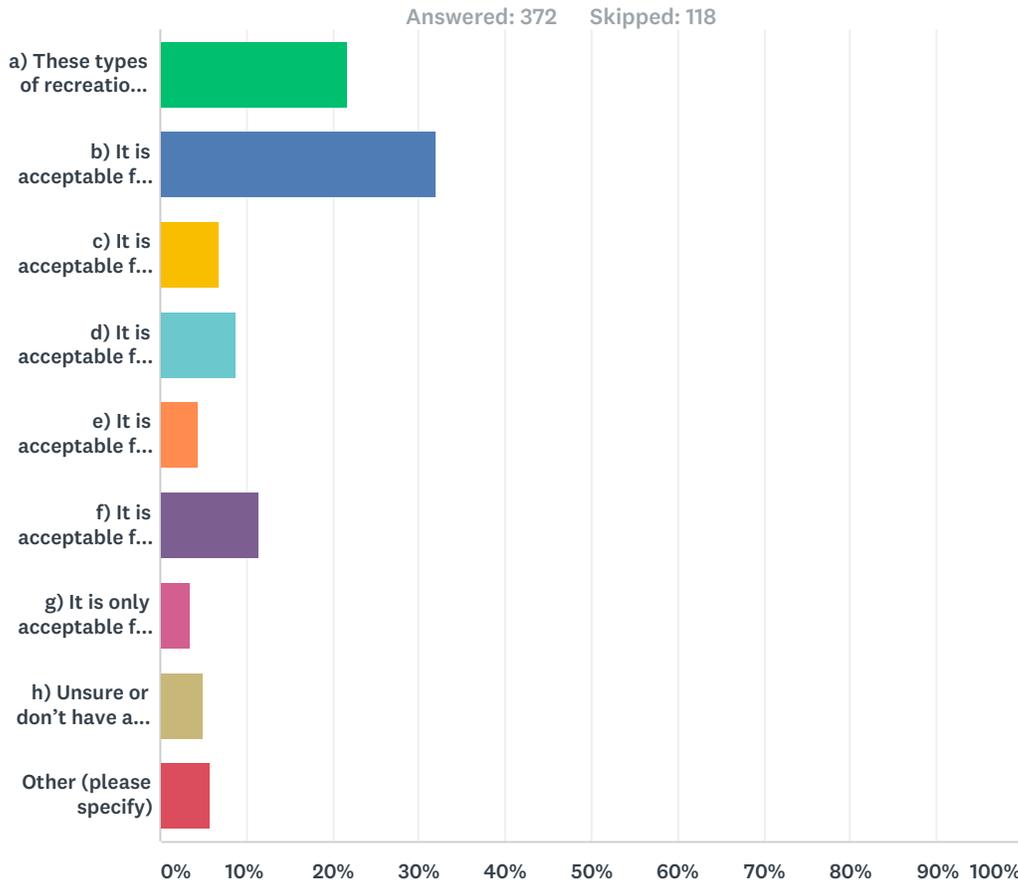
Answer Choices	Responses
a) Concrete	89.81% 335
b) Blacktop	89.81% 335
c) Paver blocks	79.62% 297
d) Crushed granite or gravel	81.23% 303
e) Grass or lawn	32.44% 121
f) Only in a garage	7.51% 28
g) Not sure/no opinion	2.68% 10
Other (please specify)	9.38% 35
<b>Total Respondents: 373</b>	

## Q10 Regarding vehicles licensed for use on a public roadway, do you believe the City of Stevens Point should allow overnight parking on the street in residential areas on alternate sides of the street on even/odd days?



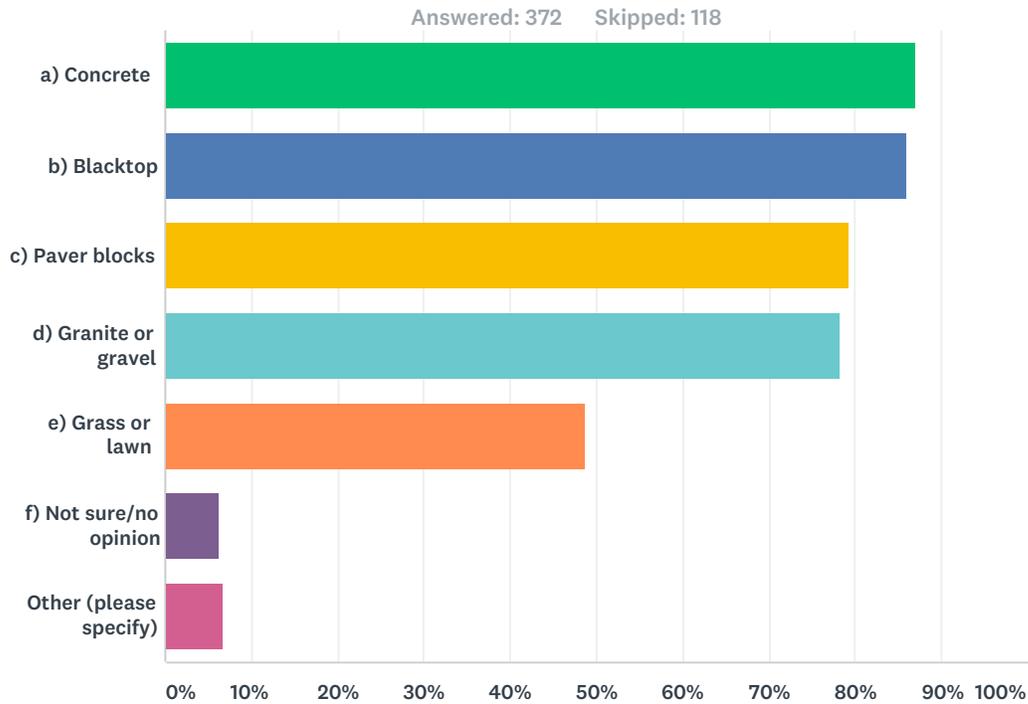
Answer Choices	Responses	
a) Yes	48.92%	182
b) No	11.83%	44
c) Yes, but only in neighborhoods where parking is an issue	24.46%	91
d) Unsure/no opinion	5.65%	21
Other (please specify)	9.14%	34
<b>Total</b>		<b>372</b>

# Q11 When thinking about recreational vehicles (campers, ATVs, boats, trailers, etc) which of the following do you believe should apply within the City?



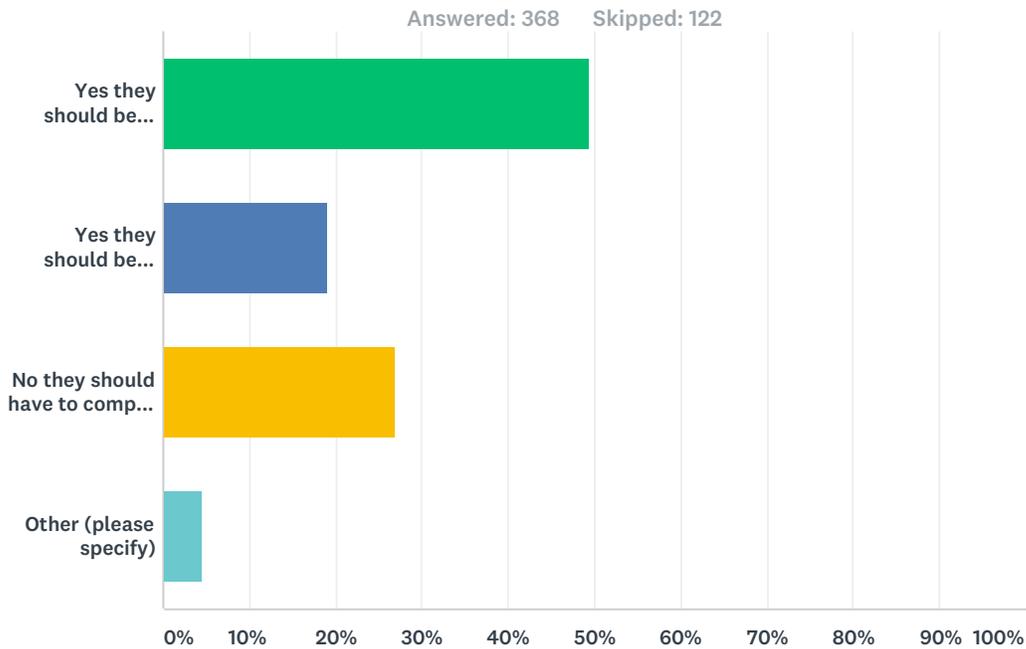
Answer Choices	Responses
a) These types of recreational vehicles should only be parked in a driveway, on an approved hard surface, or in a garage	21.77% 81
b) It is acceptable for one of these types of recreational vehicles to be parked on the grass or lawn, but only in the rear or side yard	31.99% 119
c) It is acceptable for one of these types of recreational vehicles to be parked anywhere on the grass or lawn	6.99% 26
d) It is acceptable for up to two of these types of recreational vehicles to be parked anywhere on the grass or lawn, but only in the back or side yard	8.87% 33
e) It is acceptable for up to two of these types of recreational vehicles to be parked anywhere on the grass or lawn	4.30% 16
f) It is acceptable for as many of these types of recreational vehicles to be parked anywhere on the grass or lawn	11.56% 43
g) It is only acceptable for these types of recreational vehicles to be parked in a garage, out of sight	3.49% 13
h) Unsure or don't have an opinion	5.11% 19
Other (please specify)	5.91% 22
<b>Total</b>	<b>372</b>

### Q12 When you think about appropriate outdoor parking surfaces, which of the following do you feel are acceptable surface(s) for the parking of recreational vehicles; such as boats, trailers, campers, ATVs, etc? (please check all that apply)



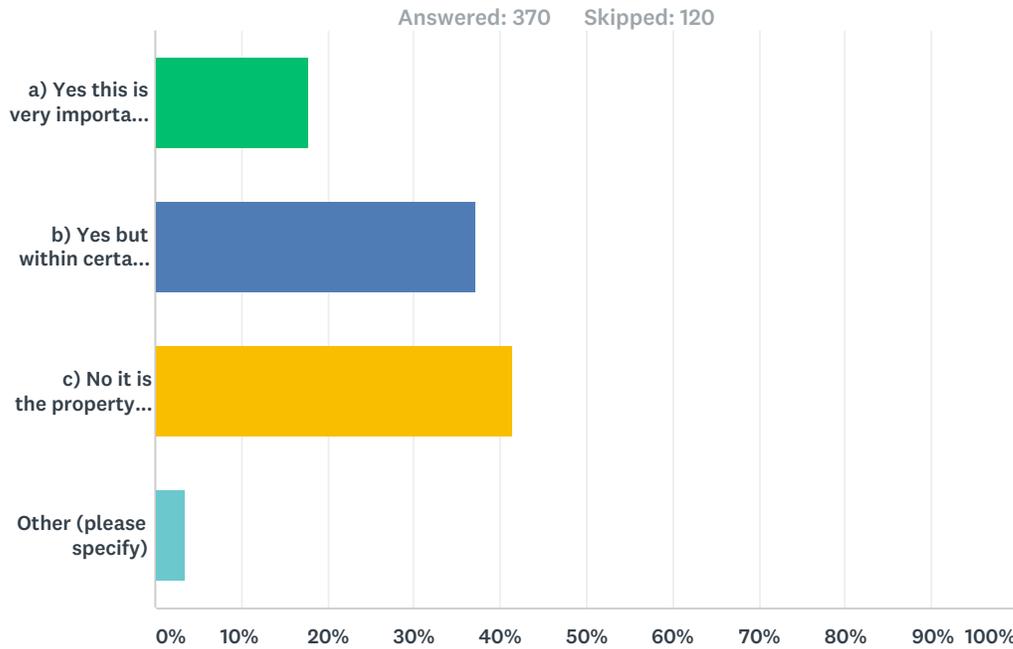
Answer Choices	Responses
a) Concrete	87.10% 324
b) Blacktop	86.02% 320
c) Paver blocks	79.30% 295
d) Granite or gravel	78.23% 291
e) Grass or lawn	48.66% 181
f) Not sure/no opinion	6.18% 23
Other (please specify)	6.72% 25
<b>Total Respondents: 372</b>	

**Q13 Should provisions for appropriate hard surfaced driveway/parking area material apply equally when it comes to expansion of an existing driveway/parking area, verses new construction, meaning should a property owner be able to expand using the current material present (for example gravel), or should they be required to comply with the current code requirements for new construction (if gravel is not allowed)?**



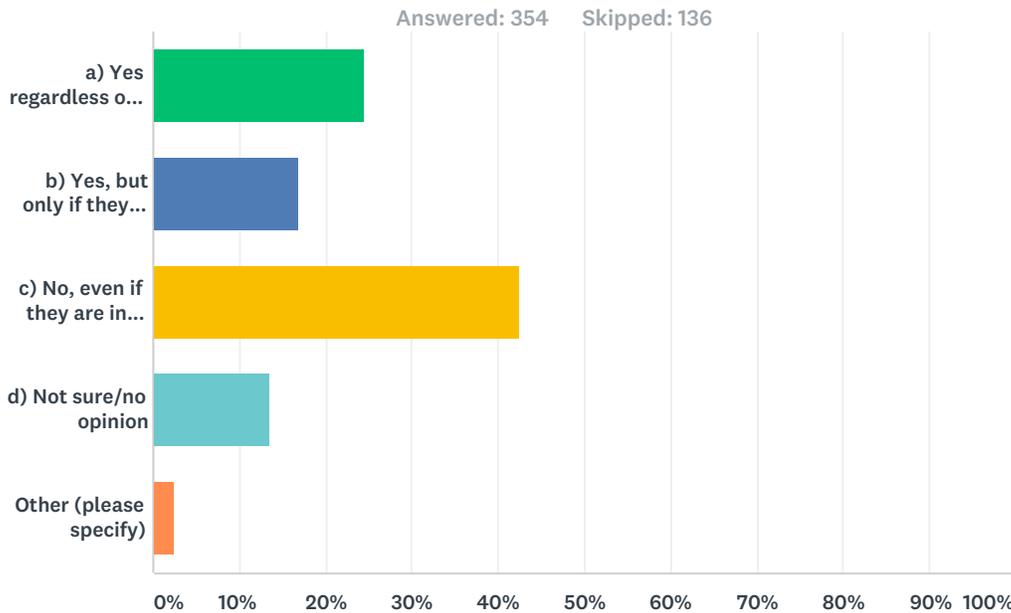
Answer Choices	Responses
Yes they should be allowed to expand their existing non-complying material, even if not approved under code for new construction, up to what would be allowed if the material were complying	<b>49.46%</b> 182
Yes they should be allowed to expand their existing non-complying material, but within specific limits, that should be more restrictive, than if it were new construction with a complying material	<b>19.02%</b> 70
No they should have to comply with current standards if they want to expand	<b>26.90%</b> 99
Other (please specify)	<b>4.62%</b> 17
<b>Total</b>	<b>368</b>

### Q14 When thinking about impervious surfaces (blacktop driveways, sidewalks, building roofs, etc), do you feel this should be limited (e.g. 50% of total lot area) when an owner is looking at either expanding an existing structure or building new home?



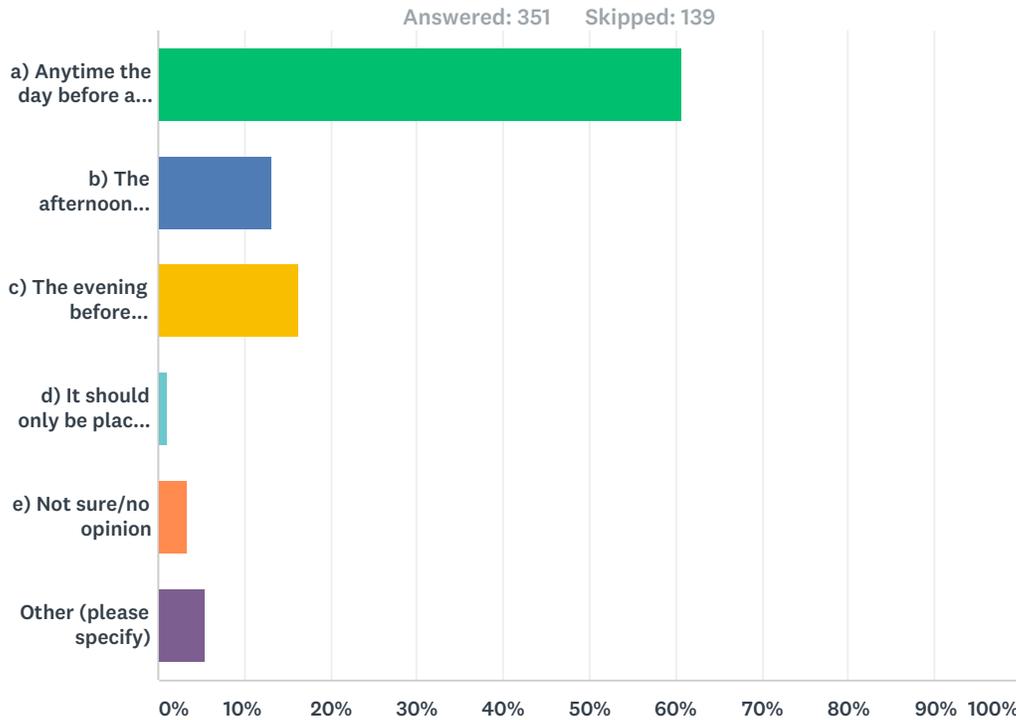
Answer Choices	Responses
a) Yes this is very important and should be uniform throughout the City to help preserve a certain amount of green space	<b>17.84%</b> 66
b) Yes but within certain limits that take into account lot/house sizes, age of neighborhood and current land uses	<b>37.30%</b> 138
c) No it is the property owners right to expand without limit, as long it complies with required setbacks	<b>41.35%</b> 153
Other (please specify)	<b>3.51%</b> 13
<b>Total</b>	<b>370</b>

# Q15 Do you feel coated canvas or UV polyethylene temporary dome or canopy type enclosures should be regulated?



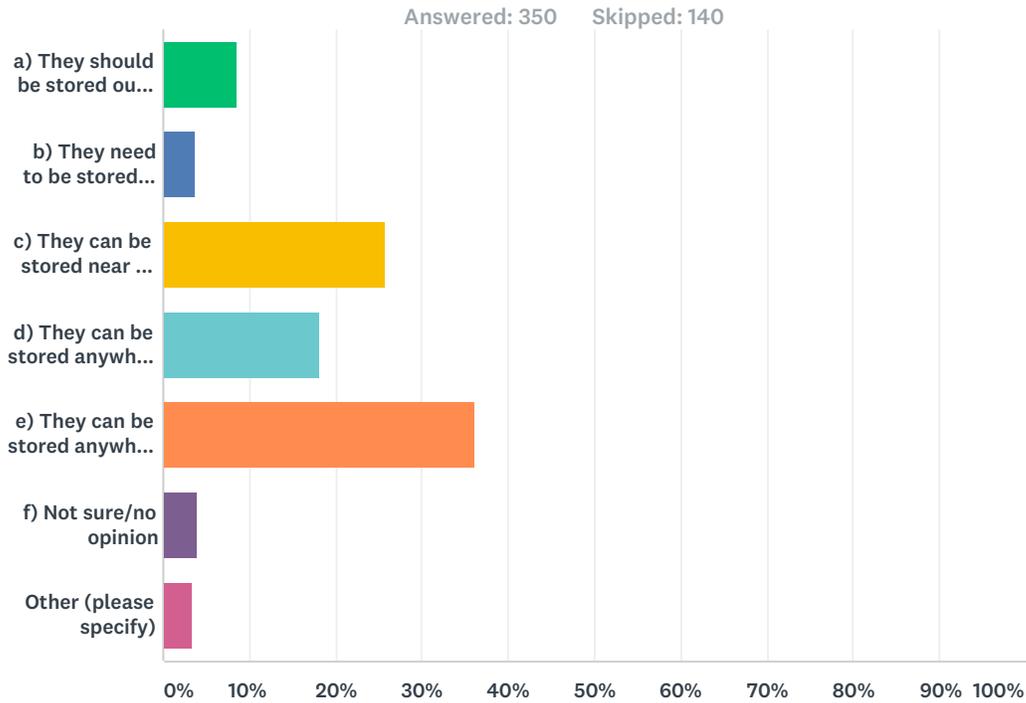
Answer Choices	Responses
a) Yes regardless of the length of time they are erected, the same as any other accessory structure	24.58% 87
b) Yes, but only if they are in place for more than 6 months out of the year	16.95% 60
c) No, even if they are in place for more 6 months out of the year they are temporary in nature and not located on a permanant foundation or pad of any type	42.37% 150
d) Not sure/no opinion	13.56% 48
Other (please specify)	2.54% 9
<b>Total</b>	<b>354</b>

## Q16 Regarding garbage/trash and recycling containers or carts, which do you feel is acceptable relative to the time the container(s) can be placed at the curb prior to pick up and when they need to be retrieved from the curb and stored after scheduled pick up?



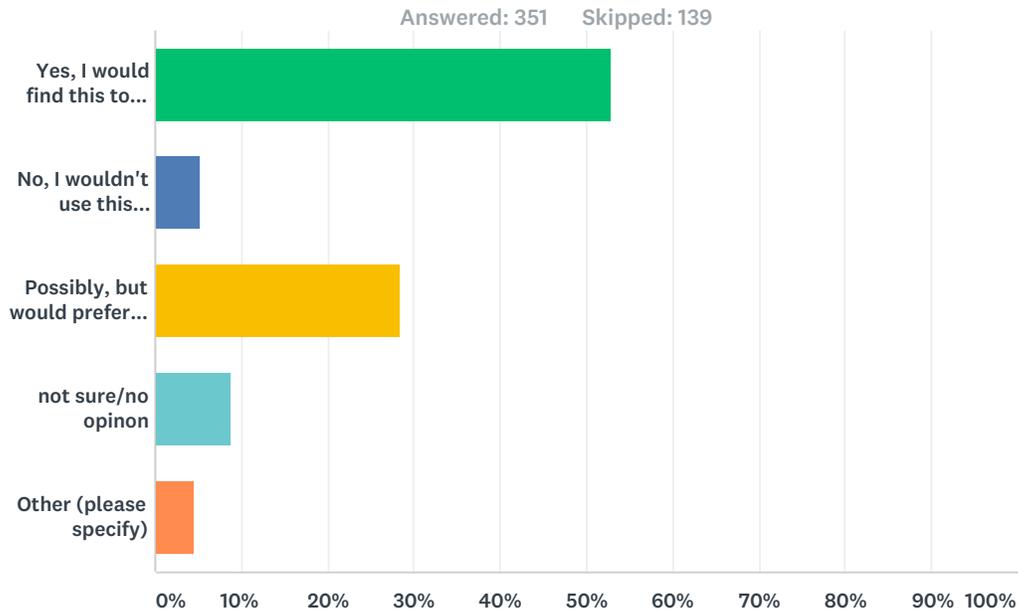
Answer Choices	Responses
a) Anytime the day before and any time the day after the scheduled pick up	60.68% 213
b) The afternoon before scheduled pick up after 3:00 PM and the morning after pick up prior to 8:00 AM	13.11% 46
c) The evening before scheduled pick up after 6:00 PM and the day of pickup prior to midnight	16.24% 57
d) It should only be placed on the curb the day of pick up and should be removed that same day	1.14% 4
e) Not sure/no opinion	3.42% 12
Other (please specify)	5.41% 19
<b>Total</b>	<b>351</b>

# Q17 Where do you feel it is acceptable to store garbage/trash and recycling containers when they are not at the curb on the scheduled pick up day?



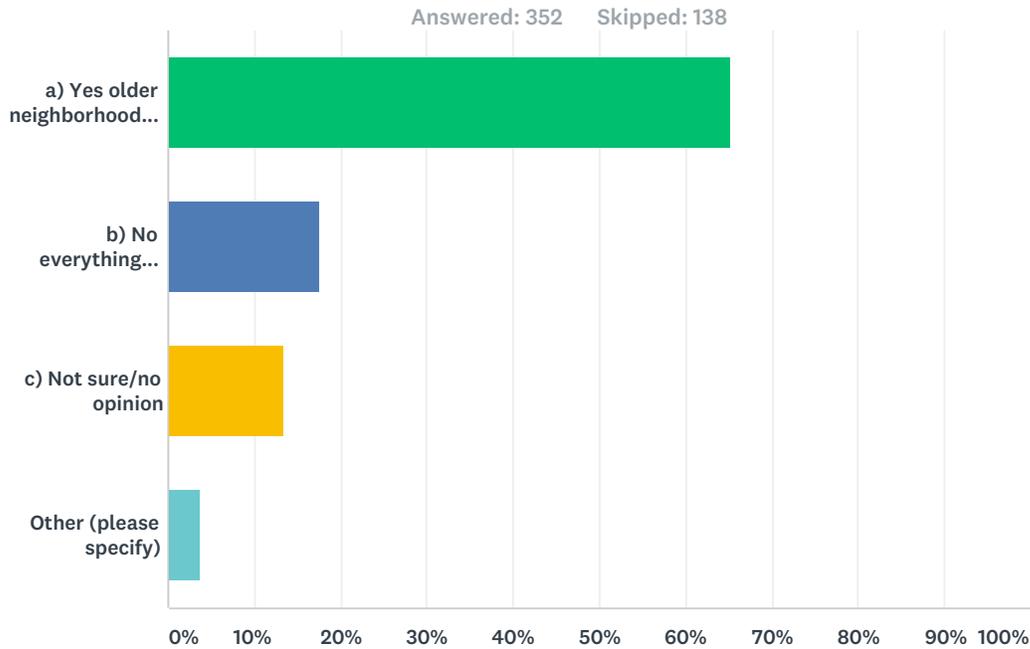
Answer Choices	Responses
a) They should be stored out of the direct line of sight from the street	8.57% 30
b) They need to be stored inside or screened from view in some manner if stored outside	3.71% 13
c) They can be stored near or adjacent to the building but not directly in front of the building facing the street	25.71% 90
d) They can be stored anywhere that is outside of the primary building but the containers should be directly adjacent to the front, side or back of the structure	18.29% 64
e) They can be stored anywhere on the property off the curb and out of the right of way	36.29% 127
f) Not sure/no opinion	4.00% 14
Other (please specify)	3.43% 12
<b>Total</b>	<b>350</b>

### Q18 Do you believe the City should implement a bulk item spring drop off annually (Please note: this is drop off, not a bulk item pick up as they had in the past) at a central location, for both residents and property owners?



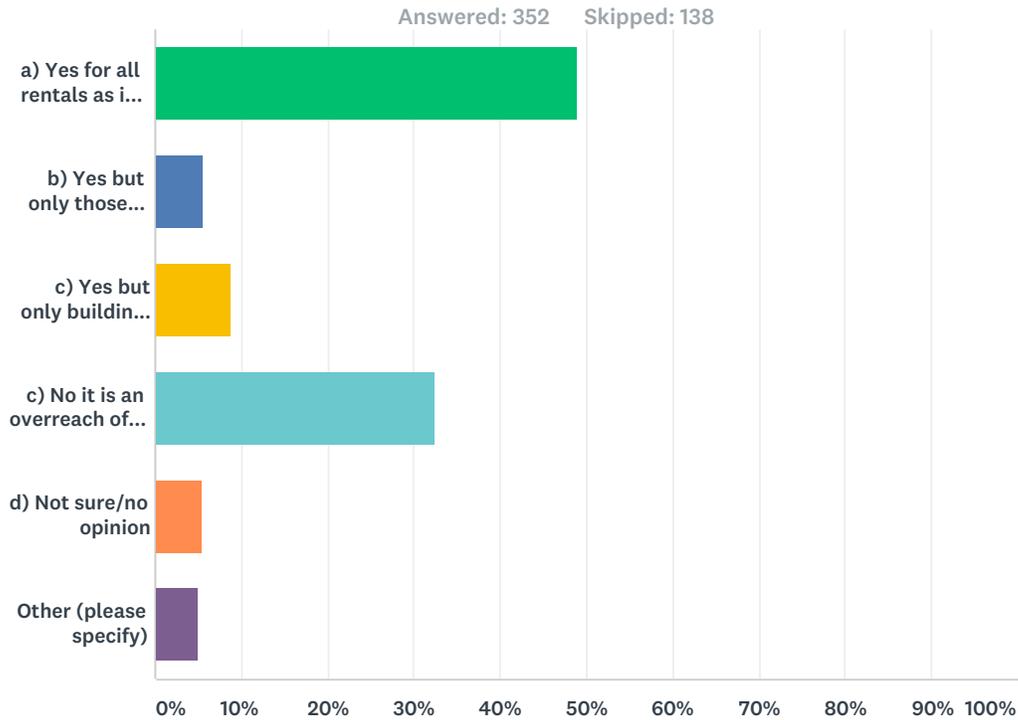
Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes, I would find this to be useful	52.99%	186
No, I wouldn't use this service	5.13%	18
Possibly, but would prefer they pick up the items at curb side	28.49%	100
not sure/no opinion	8.83%	31
Other (please specify)	4.56%	16
<b>Total</b>		<b>351</b>

### Q19 When thinking about the different residential areas throughout the City, do you believe there should be differences incorporated into administrative code based on residential neighborhood characteristics, such as age of development, lot size, etc?



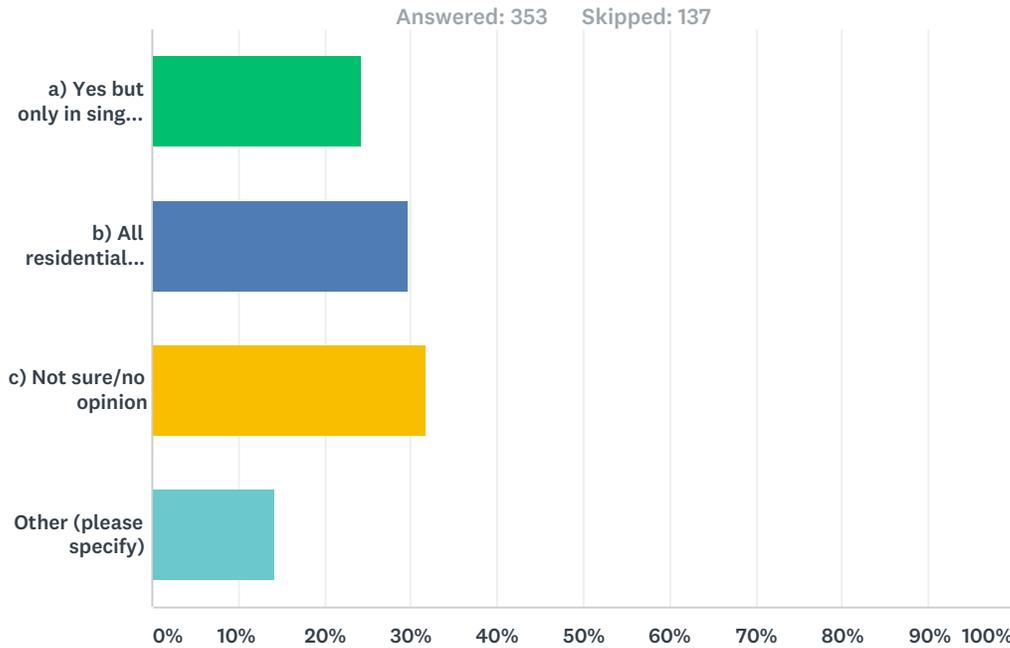
Answer Choices	Responses
a) Yes older neighborhoods have unique characteristics and challenges that aren't necessarily present in newer developments	<b>65.34%</b> 230
b) No everything should be regulated the same based on zoning and approved land use, regardless of age or neighborhood characteristics	17.61% 62
c) Not sure/no opinion	13.35% 47
Other (please specify)	3.69% 13
<b>Total</b>	<b>352</b>

## Q20 Do you believe the City should regulate, inspect and permit residential rental properties on regularly reoccurring basis (for example every 5 years)? check all that apply



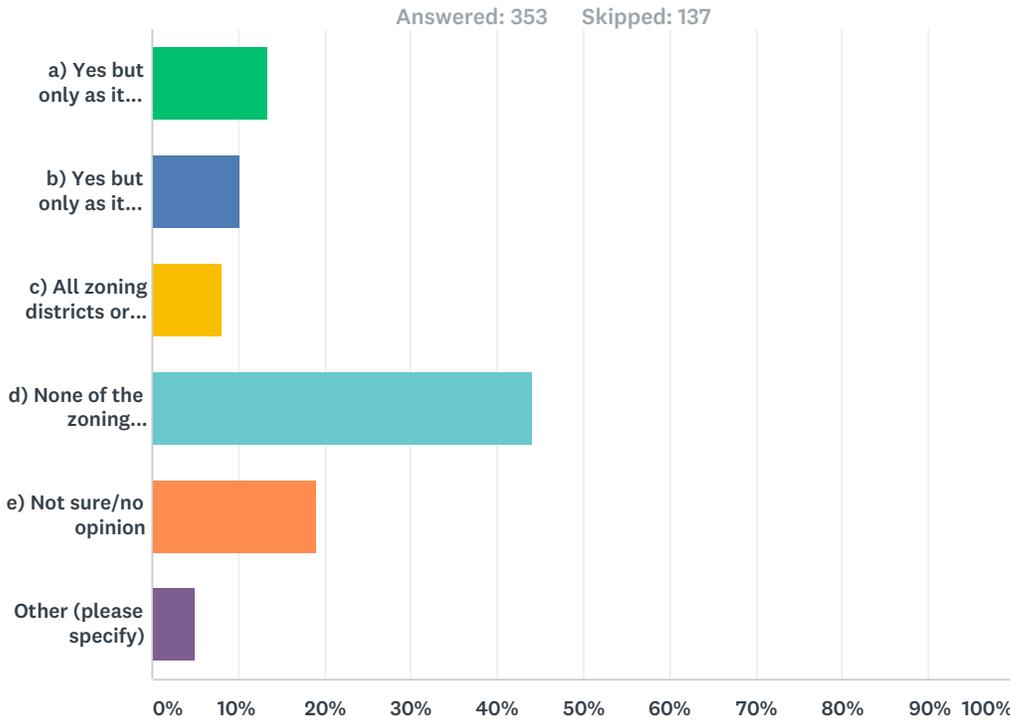
Answer Choices	Responses
a) Yes for all rentals as it is in the public interest	48.86% 172
b) Yes but only those older structures that predate City building inspections	5.68% 20
c) Yes but only buildings with 3 or more dwelling units	8.81% 31
c) No it is an overreach of government	32.39% 114
d) Not sure/no opinion	5.40% 19
Other (please specify)	5.11% 18
<b>Total Respondents: 352</b>	

## Q21 Do you feel temporary or short term (a single night up to 30 days) rentals (non-hotel) in residential areas should be regulated?



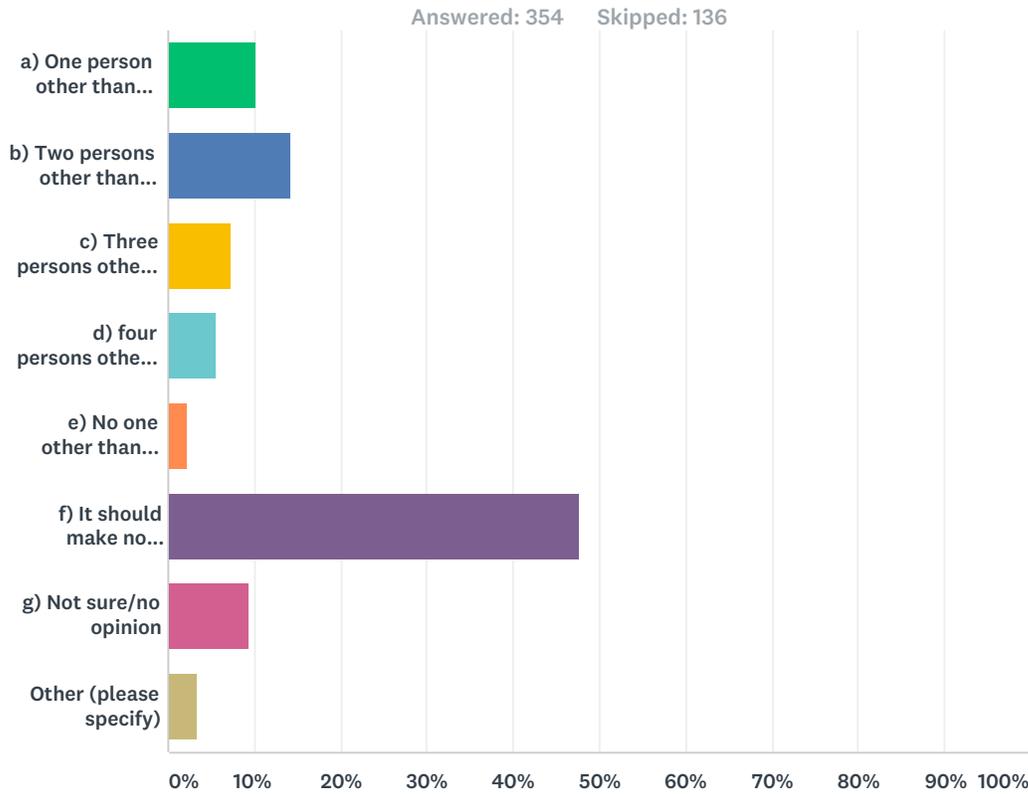
Answer Choices	Responses
a) Yes but only in single family homes/zoning, not existing rental properties and/or appropriately zoned districts where rentals are allowed	<b>24.36%</b> 86
b) All residential type rentals less than 30 days should be regulated separately, regardless of property type or zoning	<b>29.75%</b> 105
c) Not sure/no opinion	<b>31.73%</b> 112
Other (please specify)	<b>14.16%</b> 50
<b>Total</b>	<b>353</b>

## Q22 Do you feel the term “family” should be defined relative to the person(s) who have a common living arrangement in mutually shared dwelling unit and in which context?



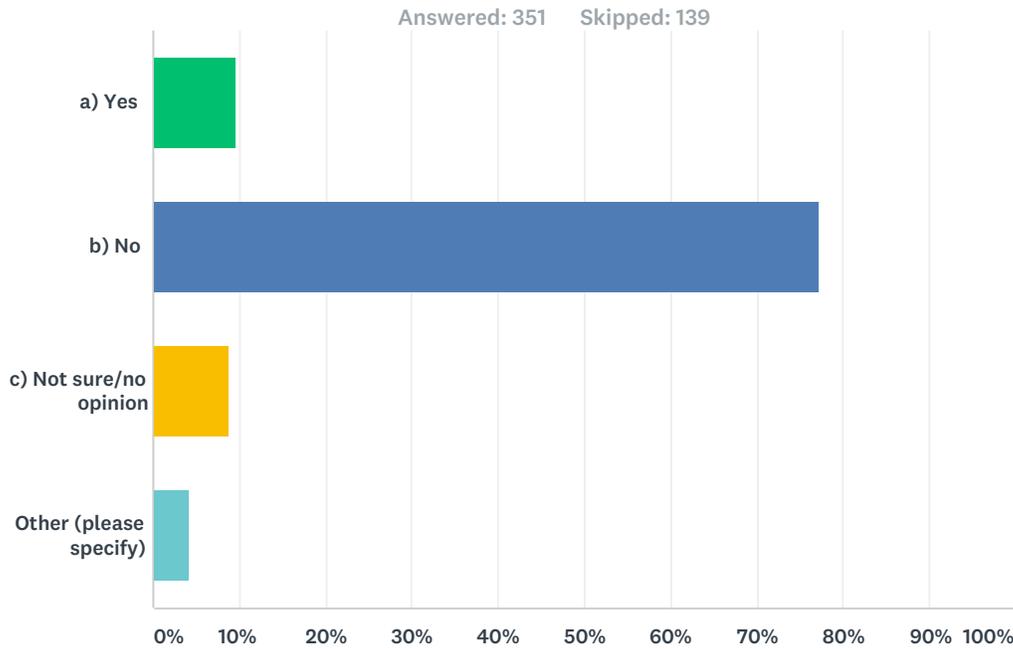
Answer Choices	Responses
a) Yes but only as it relates to single family homes/zoning districts, not multi-family (2 [duplex] or more dwelling units) rentals and those types of zoning districts which would be density based occupancy, not based on genealogy relationships	13.31% 47
b) Yes but only as it relates to one and two family homes/zoning districts, not multi-family (3 [triplex] or more dwelling units) rentals and those types of zoning districts which would be density based occupancy, not based on genealogy relationships	10.20% 36
c) All zoning districts or residential uses should have the term “family” defined based on genealogy relationships	8.22% 29
d) None of the zoning districts or residential uses should have the term “family” defined, it should all be density based occupancy, not based on genealogy or other relationships	44.19% 156
e) Not sure/no opinion	18.98% 67
Other (please specify)	5.10% 18
<b>Total</b>	<b>353</b>

**Q23 If the term family is defined, how many unrelated person(s) outside of a blood, marriage or adoption relationship should be allowed to be included within the definition of a single family (assuming habitable density standards within the structure would not be exceeded)?**



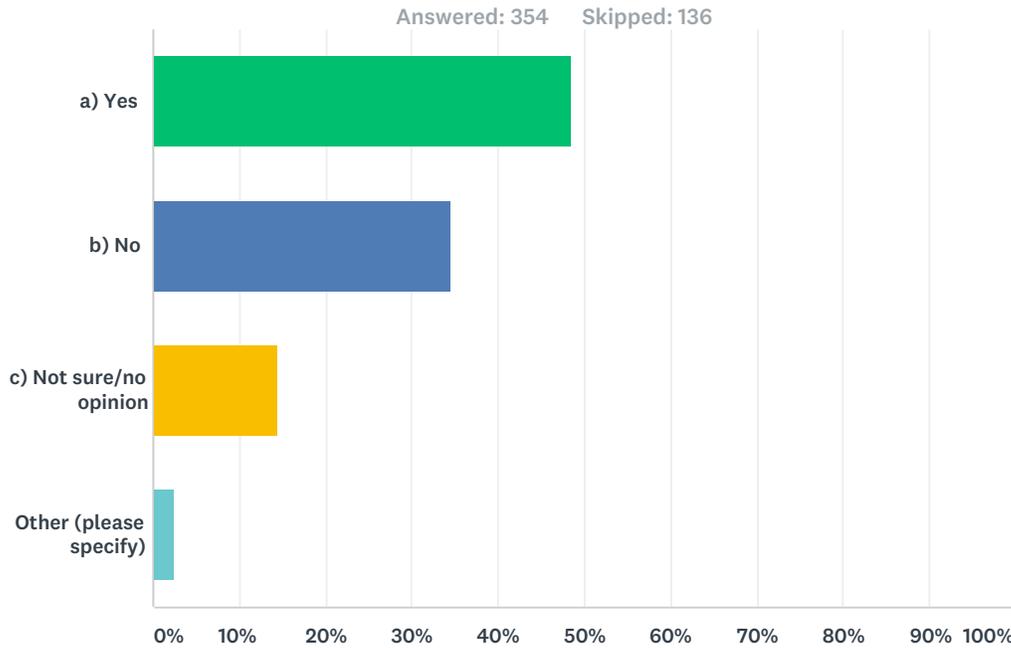
Answer Choices	Responses
a) One person other than those directly related	10.17% 36
b) Two persons other than those directly related	14.12% 50
c) Three persons other than those directly related	7.34% 26
d) four persons other than those directly related	5.65% 20
e) No one other than those directly related to one another	2.26% 8
f) It should make no difference whether or not persons are directly related through genealogy, occupancy and the definition of family should be based on allowable density standards for the structure and zoning district	47.74% 169
g) Not sure/no opinion	9.32% 33
Other (please specify)	3.39% 12
<b>Total</b>	<b>354</b>

## Q24 Do you believe the City should regulate the interior of existing habitable structures for items, such as need for paint, fitment of interior doors, etc. which are not considered an imminent health hazard?



Answer Choices	Responses
a) Yes	9.69% 34
b) No	77.21% 271
c) Not sure/no opinion	8.83% 31
Other (please specify)	4.27% 15
<b>Total</b>	<b>351</b>

## Q25 Do you believe the City should regulate workplace conditions for employees or public or private employers as they relate to temperature, drinking water and toilet facilities?



Answer Choices	Responses
a) Yes	<b>48.59%</b> 172
b) No	34.46% 122
c) Not sure/no opinion	14.41% 51
Other (please specify)	2.54% 9
<b>Total</b>	<b>354</b>

## Q26 if you have any other related concerns or comments that you would like the City to consider relative to these issues, that were not addressed here please add those here, thank you.

Answered: 98 Skipped: 392

#	Responses	Date
1	streets over 40 years old that need repair. i.e. Pine Bluff Rd.	7/13/2017 10:21 AM
2	don't like the Joel Lemke swale idea	7/13/2017 10:13 AM
3	There are already enough safe guards in place to protect residents & tenants - if a tenant has a concern, they can contact the proper authority. More regulations aren't needed.	7/10/2017 6:08 PM
4	I don't feel residential rentals need to be regulated by the city, unless health or safety is at risk. Let free enterprise work - if properties aren't maintained & updated, they will be difficult to rent and won't command as high a price. And workplace conditions are already regulated by OSHA, so the city doesn't need to get involved in that area.	7/7/2017 6:25 PM
5	Respect the natural landscape and residents who are making an effort to create green landscapes and creative spaces.	7/6/2017 9:13 PM
6	I believe the city needs to be in the business of regulation for the greater good of the community, however there is a fine line between the greater good and over regulation. There needs to be gray areas within ordinance language which allows the exercise of good judgment on a case by case basis. If there is a violation of ordinance which is non agregiuos and does not harm or impact the property owners or others, it should be considered to be allowed as an acceptable practice. This should be evaluated case by case and then revisited after a set period for reexamination. It comes down to common sense and respect for others, living together in an urban setting. Over regulation is generally poorly received and generates greater push back, but cooperative discussion and common sense judgment of application, within a set structure of guidelines, is a community based approach most anyone will be on board with implementing.	7/1/2017 2:06 PM
7	regulation of parking for construction employees and construction vehicles to be limited to "host" property or nearby space off street leased by "host" for the duration of construction project. Current parking regulations near construction projects to be enforced (unlike St. Michaels expansion projects). City approval and regulation of lighting "spill" from proposed projects adjacent to residential projects also to be defined, approved, and inspected prior to occupancy permit being issued at project completion.	7/1/2017 12:13 AM
8	The city has changed since I purchased my home, I call it "college parent blight." We need to make some changes in regulation because the students are out of control/have no respect for neighbors. However, I moved here and bought my house here because the city hasn't been highly regulated. My neighbors for the most part live and let live. I could move home to live near my brothers sisters and extended family near Milwaukee but they have so many rules the thought makes me choke. I will leave if Stevens point homogenizes the city and starts highly regulating what property owners can and cannot do. Residents like their toys but can't necessarily afford to house them in a big fancy garage. I never paved my drive because I'm on wet clay and my neighbors driveways have heaved and cracked. It's just not a good investment in my neighborhood. I'm concerned that people who don't have the money to buy a garage or paving will be restricted from the fun that makes it worth staying in Stevens point. A neighbor across the way stores so many boats and RVs. I don't care, it would be nice if he would fence it from view but it does me no hard to look out my window at his parking lot in the grass. Good for him it probably helps him pay his taxes. I'm very concerned about the direction point is headed and will start to prepare my home for sale in the event I should just move back home to Brookfield.	6/27/2017 9:33 PM
9	Sex offenders should only be allowed to live here after they have been castrated and hands and feet have been amputed.	6/26/2017 6:56 PM
10	Barking dogs and loud music	6/16/2017 7:48 PM
11	Functional condition of roof, siding, and gutters.	6/16/2017 9:40 AM

12	Please send out a survey that in not so one sided against rental properties. The questions are clearly worded sowing bias against them. Just look at how most of the answers are worded. Yes, you have "other" and text boxes available, but I will get most taking the survey will not use them. Sad to see the anti-rental attitude bleed through in this survey.	6/16/2017 7:56 AM
13	Provide basic services like brush pick up.	6/14/2017 12:22 PM
14	no	6/14/2017 11:26 AM
15	It amazes me that the government of this city is trying to take over the property owner rights. WE pay our mortgage, our taxes.	6/10/2017 8:16 AM
16	Distressed rental units need to be addressed with exterior condition and the noise that comes from these units	6/8/2017 6:14 PM
17	I like that City is working to help people maintain their properties, not just notifying of violations.	6/6/2017 12:40 PM
18	We are the county seat, so we have a jail, so when people are released from jail, sometimes they find themselves unable to leave here because they don't have the money or a ride. So sometimes they stay here for a while, maybe at the Salvation Army, maybe with a new friend. All that is fine ... but sometimes people want to stay longer but they might not have any intention of working or contributing to our community. Add the student population from the university, then add all the bars, and you have a recipe for some decline. I love Stevens Point and hope to stay until I retire. But sometimes I think I would look to a close by rural township to retire. It's not just housing and property issues. It's crime as well. Just part of being the county seat and UW town. Thanks for the survey.	6/5/2017 3:39 PM
19	Please consider mixed use developments for infill to the Central City as an allowable type of land use. If safe and comfortable, industrial/biz can be located next to or event underneath residential. Please consider reducing setbacks and lot sizes to allow for great density. Please consider removing all parking minimums throughout the City. Thanks!	6/5/2017 1:38 PM
20	Accessory units need to be addressed 6k sq/ft lots are huge in many cities. If a lot can leave the appropriate green space and meet parking requirements an accessory unit should be permitted. It should not be based on the lot size.	6/4/2017 8:56 PM
21	DO NOT need bike lanes on Bus 51	6/1/2017 7:47 AM
22	Regulate burning hours for fire pits!!!!!!	5/25/2017 3:21 PM
23	I think you have a beautiful and very welcoming community. Stevens Point and the University has been my son's "perfect" fit for his college experience and is looking to stay permanently when he graduates ( we live in Wauwatosa, MilwaukeeCounty). While I realize the great need for off campus housing, the landlords don't seem to be accountable for propey maintain especially inside. For \$12,800.00 he collected for the last 9 months he obviously has done little to keep Property up to building code standards for the 21st century. There should be somehow to ensure the safety of their tenants with possible stronger codes implimented or more enforcement of existing ones. Thank you and Go Pointers!!!	5/22/2017 11:24 AM
24	Rental properties and managers are a problem, they are buying out all the affordable homes for small starter families hindering equity, not caring for the properties, and hindering the growth of new families. When people rent properties they do not have the same pride factor in them as when they own properties. We should keep rental properties within a certain radius of campus and residential properties outside of it. Also landlords should be responsible for maintaining the buildings within more than reasonable condition to not affect surrounding properties values.	5/15/2017 4:15 PM
25	I believe your building inspector needs to loosen up a little.	5/11/2017 10:39 PM
26	I am opposed to relaxation of overnight parking rules. Slumlords in the first district would love to have tenants park on the street so there would be no way to know when they have exceeded occupancy. On street parking makes snow removal during a snow emergency impossible.	5/9/2017 4:32 PM
27	It would be wonderful if some places around the city (such as Division Street) had safer zones for people to walk or bike on, especially in the winter. This past winter I frequently encountered problems walking around the city because sidewalks were not cleared in a timely manner. Also, please look at the gaps in the sidewalks. They are fairly frequent. If you could take particular care within a mile from the college campus I believe the roads could be a bit safer.	5/9/2017 2:51 PM
28	Thank you for giving the survey. It would be nice to have brush pick up once/twice a year.	5/9/2017 8:45 AM

29	<b>When will the city offer grant money or low interest loans for property improvements</b> (garages, driveways, windows, roofs)?	5/5/2017 7:56 PM
30	The City should persue the Federal govt to enforce ordinances of long grass, noxious weeds, yard waste, and garbage in rail road right of ways.	5/1/2017 12:48 PM
31	If the City wants to pay outside council 50-100K of tax payer money to defend an obsolete single family ordinance, they are not very bright!! <a href="http://www.riaclu.org/news/post/aclu-challenges-providence-housing-ordinance-restricting-students-rights">http://www.riaclu.org/news/post/aclu-challenges-providence-housing-ordinance-restricting-students-rights</a>	5/1/2017 11:02 AM
32	Please see #18 concerning recycling. Handling of clean refuse is apparently well managed in Wood County (Wisconsin Rapids) and would serve as a good example for Portage County. The fact that the facility in Stevens Point advises residents to put metals (nails etc) in the "garbage" to go into landfill. The county's recycling "hazardous materials" for-fee only encourages people to toss all types of hazardous material into the landfill. The State of Wisconsin should be chastised for allowing this to continue!	4/29/2017 7:11 PM
33	I wish the city would be more active in regulating outdoor fires. In this neighborhood the houses are so close together that smoke drifts through the neighboring properties. I have never reported my neighbors for burning ordinance violations, but I have let them know that the smoke from their fires bothered me. Their reaction was hostile.	4/29/2017 10:40 AM
34	PLEASE ADDRESS THE LITTERING OF THE RENTAL PROPERTIES AND LACK OF UPKEEP OF THEIR LAWNS AND SIDEWALKS IN RELATIONSHIP TO SHOVELING.	4/28/2017 4:32 PM
35	I think people should be able to place 'free' items by the curb, with a limit of 3 or 4 days. Most items put out in our neighborhood are quickly taken, but if they aren't gone within 3 or 4 days, then the owner should take them away from the curb.	4/28/2017 2:37 PM
36	If you have a fence where you live they should have to take care of it. If it needs painting or take down and put a new one up. And the sidewalk should be edge on the sides to.	4/27/2017 1:47 PM
37	There needs to be way less government reach into private matters. This makes people angry in Stevens Point and several people I know are moving out of the City, due to the city's inability to correct the things that should be corrected, like our ROADS. <b>What are people paying taxes for? So the city can tell them their garbage can isn't in the correct spot and then fine them???</b> Ineffective Leadership, and what seems to be a tightening NOOSE around the necks of hardworking Pointers.	4/27/2017 11:23 AM
38	Though not ordinance related, it would be beneficial for recycling to be picked up week instead of biweekly. Additionally, spring and fall yard waste clean-up should be offered. It is not always feasible or possible to transfer one's yard waste to the drop-off site.	4/26/2017 8:51 PM
39	<b>I do favor a gentler approach to code enforcement.</b> As long as delays are reasonable and the desired result will be achieved within a reasonable time, extensions should be granted. But as soon as delays become unreasonable or stalling, penalties should be pursued.	4/26/2017 3:19 PM
40	Seems government is being invasive and over regulatory.	4/26/2017 2:32 PM
41	I repeat, let's get leaf and brush/branch removal back.....twice a year (spring and fall).	4/26/2017 11:01 AM
42	<b>Abandoned houses within the city need to be regulated on a more stringent basis.</b> This is an atrocity to see homes allowed to sit empty for several years while they continue to deteriorate and drag down the entire neighborhood. In many cases these are perfectly habitable homes which I've seen sit for 5 years or more.	4/26/2017 9:14 AM
43	Thanks to Mark Kordus for wanting to make a difference in our community!	4/26/2017 5:22 AM
44	Please enforce ordinances and do not let slumlords ruin downtown for everyone else.	4/25/2017 8:51 PM

45	In general, the City should adopt ordinances respectful of the many responsible and law-abiding citizens we have. Care should be taken to allow responsible homeowners as much latitude as possible in creatively problem-solving for their properties. A targeted "bad apple" approach to allow stronger reprimands and fines for repeat offender homeowners failing to do basic upkeep of their properties would reward our many responsible homeowners while ensuring the costs of enforcement are born by those doing the neglecting. (For example: those failing to pickup and remove exterior trash and pickup multiple unused non-decorative items left outside the property, as well as safety-related issues) <b>Also keep in mind most ordinances have unintended side effects. For example, the current disallowal of semi-permeable materials for parking and driving areas prohibits many aesthetically pleasing materials that would assist in mitigating storm water runoff issues</b> that cost the City our taxpayer money to address. Care should be taken preserve freedom for those maintaining their properties well, while the costs of addressing neglected properties should be born by those being neglectful. This approach is only fair and respectful of Stevens Point's many excellent property owners.	4/24/2017 2:25 PM
46	Please consider and minimize runoff of pollutants into our waterways.	4/24/2017 11:17 AM
47	Our last summer was totally stressed due to an ordinance citation about some painting. We are elderly and cannot go up on a ladder. Our house is very tall. We brought in three different guys to look at it and no one wanted to climb that high to paint. There are not enough resources to do the work in the timelines set by the city. Line up some contractors who are willing to help people with the fixes and make sure those people aren't unduly profiting. It was a horrible experience for us. Three months of stress til we found a guy who came from Marshfield. Shame on you for causing such stress to citizens.	4/24/2017 8:40 AM
48	I think the city should focus on hoarders/unkempt yards, rental complaints (make it known to renters who to contact if they have rental complaints that the landlord is not taking care of), etc. instead of nitpicking property owners who have an extra vehicle parked on the grass or charging for license of rentals which the cost will most certainly be passed along to the renters (where do you think landlords get their money from- any extra fees imposed will come straight from renters whether you state they can charge their renters this fee or not).	4/24/2017 8:33 AM
49	Unless you're going to enforce the law equally with motorists, stop working on bike lanes.	4/24/2017 7:38 AM
50	<b>Of all the items mentioned, snow &amp; ice on sidewalks is my biggest concern.</b> Thanks for asking for residents' opinions.	4/21/2017 4:52 PM
51	I feel there is an issue with many of the 'grandfathered' college rentals in the city. As I feel minimal maintenance and improvements have been made to them since I was in college between 1998-2002. They were dumps then and can't believe what they are like now. Not all landlords are bad but too many have taken advantage of students for years. Even if the landlord passes the cost of regulation to the tenant, at least the tenant can know they are living in safe housing which is a lot better than now.	4/21/2017 8:19 AM
52	<b>Rental units should all be regulated the same with no exceptions</b> made for housing with less than three units. There are multiple duplexes and single units that are unsafe, having lived in one with small children I can only hope that Portage County begins to more strictly regulate duplexes and single units.	4/20/2017 5:24 PM
53	<b>Less regulation! Let homeowners and landlords make decisions for themselves,</b> unless there is a very imminent threat to individuals! As it is, many ordinances and regulations make owning AND renting much more complicated than it should be. The ordinance that says no more than two non-related individuals can live together attacks college students and low-income people who could save just a little more money by rooming with more people (within reason and still paying a reasonable rent). Let us make our own decisions.	4/20/2017 4:15 PM
54	Stevens Point should focus on low income housing, and address the cost of rent as it is too high for individuals working minimum wage jobs. As well as for current and future students who have a limited income.	4/20/2017 4:03 PM
55	I'm appalled that any government agency would want to dictate and control their constituents	4/20/2017 2:04 PM
56	You people are sociopaths, if not psychopaths, to even consider trying to lord over people's lives like this. You should be ashamed and cry yourselves to sleep.	4/20/2017 1:49 PM
57	The City should stick to maintaining it own properties, and leave everyone else alone.	4/20/2017 12:22 PM
58	no	4/20/2017 12:19 PM

59	My concern is with the city being over involved and trying to control individual people. That is not necessary.	4/20/2017 11:50 AM
60	Denser development and many more parks and natural areas. Please consider more public bathrooms in the winter to allow families to walk small children to parks without unpleasant consequences. And map those public restrooms or port a potties. Young families find such facilities essential when looking for neighborhoods. Implementing speed bumps and maintaining boulevard trees would also help thwart damage from drunk drivers, as the Michigan/Jersey St drunk demonstrated.	4/18/2017 6:43 PM
61	Any of this additional regulation costs the property owners more money and is a burden on landlords, and owners as well as tenants since they pay a higher rent.	4/18/2017 12:51 PM
62	size of city inspection department is over staffed by about 4 people	4/18/2017 6:10 AM
63	Fine and enforce property owners who rake leaves in the street.	4/17/2017 3:35 PM
64	Would love to see a leaf vacuum service, too many bags get used. Also, I believe parking on any city street should be allowed overnight outside of emergencies (snow, etc.), we pay for them, and have yet to hear the reasoning behind not allowing it.	4/17/2017 12:25 PM
65	It is NOT the cities job to create more regulation to hurt people starting a business. I got scared reading this survey because of how the scope of the questions were phased. It's obvious how the creator feels about rentals.	4/17/2017 8:31 AM
66	Please reduce the ridiculous waste of tax payer money suggested by this survey. The city clearly has too many staff funded by tax payers that they need to fill their time on this useless survey. This is nothing but over regulation!!!! REDUCE CITY STAFF!!!! Take the money from those salaries and reduce taxes or offer back to residents to apply for home improvements on their own!!! No one needs this oversight by government. I think the city should publish all the regulation and staffing increases over the past 25-50 years so residents can really see how their tax money is being utilized....or should I say how poorly!!!	4/16/2017 9:40 PM
67	We have owned rental properties in Stevens Point for over 10 years and do not feel the local government needs to get involved which in turn creates more work for them and the rental property owners.	4/16/2017 6:47 PM
68	Off leash animals or animals that are unmonitored during the day in city limits need much more over sight. So many dog owners allow their pets off leash, and casually explain it away when confronted. It's very dangerous.	4/16/2017 5:28 PM
69	Stevens Point has a gross shortage of affordable housing options. There is a glut of predatory landlords offering sub-standard housing at inflated rates because they can get away with it. If rental rates are going to remain at an increased rate the quality of the housing should match it.	4/16/2017 10:34 AM
70	I am concerned that a decision to inspect all rental properties in the city on a very regular basis (less than every 5 years) will drive up costs considerably, which probably would be passed on to landlords. The real danger here is to require too many laws to the point where the administration would become a nightmare landlords and for staff. Generally speaking, I think the current status of things (with some exceptions) seems to be working okay. Again, city inspectors know which properties have been problems; that is where most of the attentions should be focused. Over the 30 plus years we have been in the rental business, I have often asked my student residents whether or not a city inspector stopped over; I have yet to receive a positive answer. Again, maybe my properties are not inspected very often because they have not been problems. I feel a very serious responsibility to my residents, to the neighbors, and to the city to maintain decent housing. After all, the residents pay a lot of money for rent and deserve a decent place to live. I very much appreciate the generally positive and cooperative attitude given by city officials toward landlords over the years.	4/15/2017 7:23 PM
71	The city should crack-down on property owners/tenants who violate the rules (ie. aggressively enforce fines for violations).	4/15/2017 2:36 PM
72	The number of rentals with huge problems needs to be fixed, and the city needs to be willing to allow new development for affordable housing, especially rentals. Don't let the existing landlords dictate that there's "no need" for new rentals when there is a serious issue the quality of housing in Stevens Point due to lack of maintenance.	4/15/2017 11:46 AM
73	Get over yourselves.	4/15/2017 10:23 AM

74	I LOVE our city...Stevens Point is a wonderful place to live already, and I feel that if our government could focus on useful things (not a creative sidewalk crossing), it could be even better and funds better allocated. I'm all for promoting our town, but let's get working on more visible, positive real progress. Thank you!	4/15/2017 9:50 AM
75	Fast drivers lot's of areas Jefferson Street from Michigan to Coops Park Ridge. Patch Street Michinan west. Highway 10 coming in town	4/15/2017 9:46 AM
76	Need a new police department	4/15/2017 7:51 AM
77	Several homes, mostly rentals, need your attention on Madison Street.	4/14/2017 4:08 PM
78	I can't believe you created a gestapo housing inspector position. Picking and choosing which residents to "inspect", but never a city employee's property. Causing great stress to those who cannot afford to correct items your inspector found. You should have a slush fund to help out property owners, not waste \$\$ on gestapo inspectors who hate their jobs. You can do better. You should also fire the snow plow drivers who left the streets a disaster this winter. Stop trying to be like Wausau.	4/14/2017 3:27 PM
79	City should not treat rental property issues like a witch hunt with regard to cosmetic issues. Property ages and will always deteriorate with time. People who over improve their homes should not expect the rest of the neighborhood to do the same. Maintenance is often based on time and money. A property that is rented may not yield huge profits for improvements. The current market does not warrant high rents.	4/14/2017 3:14 PM
80	It is imperative the city look into the idea of cooperative housing as an alternative to overcrowded apartment buildings or duplex's. This would give a younger generation just out of college more incentive to stay in the area as they would be able to live together in large, non-related groups, thus cutting down on their housing expense and boosting the local economy. It would also encourage home ownership by such a cooperative, as opposed to rental units, thus holding the occupants accountable for their own actions vs. the landlord.	4/14/2017 1:05 PM
81	Please stop trying to turn Stevens Point into a big home owners association. Next you will be telling people what to wear and how to talk. You have to wonder why folks move to Plover when you do things like this.	4/14/2017 12:32 PM
82	Unfortunately there is no "one size fits all" here. Older neighborhoods have different needs than newer parts of the City. Crafting Ordinances that are fair is a big lift.	4/14/2017 9:24 AM
83	City officials with inspections are taking every policy overboard and it needs to stop.	4/14/2017 8:42 AM
84	You'll punish the "good" more than expose the "bad" ... be careful about trying to regulate too much	4/14/2017 7:54 AM
85	Get these potholes filled please!	4/14/2017 7:50 AM
86	Some of these are wonderful ideas however I truly wonder if Stevens Point has the means to enforce any of these ideas. Which, if they are not enforced means they don't exist, even if written.	4/14/2017 6:55 AM
87	Need to address having shoreline zoning laws on the river and mcdill to protect them from runoff. Also need to regulate lots that start building and then stop, leaving dirt piles for years for neighbors to look at. Waterfront should be allowed different parking for zoning laws as now people on mcdill are putting campers on the waterfront since they are required to park them behind the house. Let them park the campers elsewhere.	4/14/2017 6:46 AM
88	Rentals should have limited number of cars allowed in driveway. Rentals should be expected to follow noise ordinances (quiet after 11 pm) and landlords should enforce this. Landlords should be held accountable for damages to neighbors properties.	4/14/2017 12:11 AM
89	The city should move more quickly to condemn and tear down highly degraded structures. The abandoned house on the corner of Elk and Wisconsin is one example, but there are dozens more that blight the landscape. Condemn them and create a buildable lot or add the lot to neighboring parcels.	4/13/2017 10:40 PM
90	Council members should serve the public and not their personal opinions or preferences/prejudices concerning how other people choose to live. An education on the constitution and the bill of rights is needed.	4/13/2017 10:08 PM

91	<p><b>When it comes to owner-occupied houses, you need to concentrate on being helpful rather than being "enforcers."</b> If a house needs paint, talk to the owner. Offer to help. Get the neighbors together, or a church group, or any service group, and do the painting. When you see sidewalks that are not cleared in the winter, talk to the owners and get the neighbors involved in helping. Again, get the names of volunteers who are willing to be called in to help if the homeowner needs it. Now if they are just lazy, that's another story. But find out WHY their walk isn't shoveled (or grass isn't mowed, or whatever) before you issue citations or "administrative fees" or whatever you want to call them. There are hundreds of people in this community who are willing and able to help when they know what the needs are. People used to help their neighbors, now they don't even know their names. Don't enable that by being the paint and parked car police. When someone complains, tell the alderperson to get the two parties together to talk. Hlpe people be better neighbors, that'll give you better neighborhoods, and a better City where people will want to live.</p>	4/13/2017 9:30 PM
92	<p>Local governments should have a vested interest in maintaining residential home values through appearance and basic maintenance (with retention of original historic facades) which in turn will increase the desirability of the neighborhood as a place where responsible prospective home buyers would wish to live, create a community, pay taxes and enjoy a quality of life commensurate with their personal investment. As a residential home owner, the deliberately minimally maintained businesses located on my block discourage further investment in our property. The continuing aesthetic degradation of our neighborhood palpably affects the immediate impressions of casual visitors or prospective home buyers. Neighborhoods located around or near UWSP campus face a significant quality-of-life issue; student rental properties. Numerous single family homes have been purchased in residential neighborhoods and then converted into operating businesses. A casual walk around campus neighborhoods during the school year will plainly demonstrate the standards to which these business owners are held by the local government, and the degree to which the standards are enforced. Experience has demonstrated that many of the business in residential neighborhoods have little interest in the effect their operations have upon resident homeowners among whom they have been permitted to operate. Our visiting students (and future alumni) need safe places to live. Up-to-date housing (plumbing, electrical, fire suppression and internet capabilities) and amenities necessary to allow maximum opportunity for a successful collegiate experience should be the minimum. Regular grounds and building maintenance (exterior and interior) with adequate parking should be the norm, as you might find in new properly regulated apartment complex construction. Stevens Point as a whole, benefits from the economic impact that students, professors, administrators and University employees bring to the community, but the impacts on quality of life are not equally shared out among the community. A disproportionate impact occurs on those residential neighborhoods closest to UWSP. I suggest that the number of tenants in a property should be restricted to the number of bedrooms in a structure as it was originally built, not those included in any subsequent appurtenances or additions or subdivisions that create a "rabbit warren" and a parking situation disproportionate to a residential neighborhood. Four bedroom house? Four tenants, four cars. This, along with limiting the number of non-resident property owners per city block would have the effect of expanding the impact of rentals outward from the university center, allowing available rentals near campus to charge premium prices, while bargain hunting students could seek accommodation farther out from campus. A well designed, multi-story parking structure immediately adjacent to campus would be a practical addition to the community.</p>	4/13/2017 9:10 PM
93	<p><b>I think Point currently targets landlords</b> and has a bad perception of them. I feel they are trying to impliment laws and rules for a profit and nothing else. I also think the zoning of green space due to bedrooms needs to be looked at. Currently there is a high demand for 1 and 2 beds but it's nearly impossible to build these units from a profibility stand point. I also want to make a comment that it seems the city "cares" so much about making things look nice yet has not supported or approved things such as point motel or the old motor lot by the campus to be developed. Last one I was home my first thought driving past this area is what a dump something needs to be done. I hope things like this get taken care of and are as important to the city as making sure someone touches up the paint around their windows to make there house look "nice".</p>	4/13/2017 8:38 PM
94	<p>Maintenance of alleys is poor</p>	4/13/2017 8:27 PM
95	<p>The city should pick up the snow that is pushed onto the sidewalk from the street by city snow plows. Especially when the sidewalk is butted up to the curb.</p>	4/13/2017 8:04 PM

96	<b>Any resident should be allowed to park on the street where they live even if by means of a permit,</b> irregardless of what street they live on. The city should have no say in how a property is up kept or not unless hazardous to others. Many property owners choose not to live in a homeowners association so they are not told how to spend their money and what they need to do to the home they own. The city should not have a say.	4/13/2017 8:04 PM
97	I do not believe you need to be certified to work on your own properties	4/13/2017 8:00 PM
98	People burn fires in their backyards with no regard to burn permits. Excessive smoke causes issues. Should be out by 10:00 PM	4/13/2017 6:33 PM