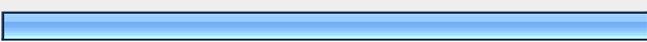
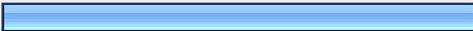
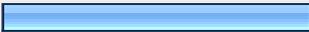


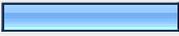
Plan Fort Collins - Community Feedback (Snapshot & Big Ideas)
 Final Results (through April 16, 2010) - Responses to "other" ideas and open-ended questions begin on page 14.

1. Please provide your name, email, and/or phone number.			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Name:		100.0%	45
Email Address:		95.6%	43
Phone Number:		73.3%	33
		<i>answered question</i>	45
		<i>skipped question</i>	0

2. What is your gender?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Male		52.5%	21
Female		47.5%	19
		<i>answered question</i>	40
		<i>skipped question</i>	5

3. What is your age?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Under 15		0.0%	0
15-19		0.0%	0
20-34		24.4%	10
35-44		17.1%	7
45-54		29.3%	12
55-64		22.0%	9
65 & better		7.3%	3
		answered question	41
		skipped question	4

4. Where do you work?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Private Business		31.7%	13
Government		19.5%	8
Non-profit		14.6%	6
Education		14.6%	6
Student		0.0%	0
Retired		9.8%	4
Elected Official		0.0%	0
Other		2.4%	1
I do not work (not retired)		7.3%	3
		answered question	41
		skipped question	4

5. Where do you live?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
NW Fort Collins: North of Drake/West of College		29.3%	12
NE Fort Collins: North of Drake/East of College		22.0%	9
SW Fort Collins: South of Drake/West of College		26.8%	11
SE Fort Collins: South of Drake/East of College		19.5%	8
Northern Colorado region		2.4%	1
Other		0.0%	0
answered question			41
skipped question			4

6. Please evaluate the importance of the following arts and culture challenges and opportunities.						
	Extremely	Very	Somewhat	Not at all	No opinion	Response Count
Coordinate within the arts and culture community	20.5% (8)	17.9% (7)	51.3% (20)	5.1% (2)	5.1% (2)	39
Fund arts and culture organizations, programs, and facilities	15.0% (6)	27.5% (11)	50.0% (20)	5.0% (2)	2.5% (1)	40
Use arts and culture as an economic catalyst	15.0% (6)	45.0% (18)	25.0% (10)	15.0% (6)	0.0% (0)	40
Distinguish Fort Collins as an arts and culture destination	17.5% (7)	32.5% (13)	32.5% (13)	17.5% (7)	0.0% (0)	40
Integrate public art into public spaces, buildings, and streets	20.0% (8)	40.0% (16)	25.0% (10)	15.0% (6)	0.0% (0)	40
Other (please specify)						4
answered question						40
skipped question						5

7. What other arts and culture ideas do you think the plan should address?		
		Response Count
		11
	<i>answered question</i>	11
	<i>skipped question</i>	34

8. Please evaluate the importance of the following built environment, land use, and growth management challenges and opportunities.

	Extremely	Very	Somewhat	Not at all	No opinion	Response Count
Focus on infill and redevelopment	40.0% (16)	37.5% (15)	12.5% (5)	5.0% (2)	5.0% (2)	40
Plan neighborhoods to accommodate future population and lifestyle shifts	32.5% (13)	47.5% (19)	12.5% (5)	7.5% (3)	0.0% (0)	40
Maintain a balance of jobs -and- housing and land for future jobs	35.0% (14)	37.5% (15)	22.5% (9)	2.5% (1)	2.5% (1)	40
Maintain infrastructure (in areas with older water, sewer, sidewalks, streets, electric, etc.)	45.0% (18)	47.5% (19)	5.0% (2)	2.5% (1)	0.0% (0)	40
Expand new infrastructure (water, sewer, sidewalks, streets, electric, etc.)	15.4% (6)	30.8% (12)	46.2% (18)	7.7% (3)	0.0% (0)	39
Define gateways that distinguish Fort Collins	12.5% (5)	25.0% (10)	45.0% (18)	15.0% (6)	2.5% (1)	40
Define appropriate levels of change for Downtown (e.g., building heights, commercial development, historic preservation)	22.5% (9)	40.0% (16)	27.5% (11)	7.5% (3)	2.5% (1)	40
Define appropriate levels of change and historic preservation in older neighborhoods	22.5% (9)	42.5% (17)	25.0% (10)	10.0% (4)	0.0% (0)	40
	Other (please specify)					4
	answered question					40
	skipped question					5

9. What other built environment, land use, and growth management ideas do you think the plan should address?		Response Count
		17
	<i>answered question</i>	17
	<i>skipped question</i>	28

10. Please evaluate the importance of the following environment and utilities challenges and opportunities.						
	Extremely	Very	Somewhat	Not at all	No opinion	Response Count
Maintain clean drinking water	82.5% (33)	15.0% (6)	2.5% (1)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	40
Manage water resources, balanced with drought protection goals	60.0% (24)	30.0% (12)	10.0% (4)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	40
Use innovative approaches to manage stormwater and prevent flooding	37.5% (15)	40.0% (16)	20.0% (8)	2.5% (1)	0.0% (0)	40
Meet increasing state and federal regulations for all utilities	35.9% (14)	38.5% (15)	20.5% (8)	2.6% (1)	2.6% (1)	39
Maintain a secure and reliable energy system	55.0% (22)	37.5% (15)	5.0% (2)	2.5% (1)	0.0% (0)	40
Adapt to new electric system technology innovations	45.0% (18)	37.5% (15)	12.5% (5)	5.0% (2)	0.0% (0)	40
Commit to green building	47.5% (19)	27.5% (11)	17.5% (7)	7.5% (3)	0.0% (0)	40
Reduce solid waste (divert from landfill)	43.6% (17)	43.6% (17)	10.3% (4)	2.6% (1)	0.0% (0)	39
Manage hazardous materials	46.2% (18)	35.9% (14)	15.4% (6)	2.6% (1)	0.0% (0)	39
Achieve climate protection goals (e.g., reduce greenhouse gas emissions, reduce waste)	44.7% (17)	28.9% (11)	18.4% (7)	7.9% (3)	0.0% (0)	38
Meet sustainability and environmental policies for City operations	47.4% (18)	34.2% (13)	10.5% (4)	7.9% (3)	0.0% (0)	38
					Other (please specify)	4

	<i>answered question</i>	40
	<i>skipped question</i>	5

11. What other environment and utilities ideas do you think the plan should address?		
		Response Count
		10
	<i>answered question</i>	10
	<i>skipped question</i>	35

12. Please evaluate the importance of the following finance and economy challenges and opportunities.						
	Extremely	Very	Somewhat	Not at all	No opinion	Response Count
Respond to regional retail and employment competition	22.5% (9)	47.5% (19)	25.0% (10)	5.0% (2)	0.0% (0)	40
Make available “shovel ready” land for employment	15.4% (6)	38.5% (15)	23.1% (9)	15.4% (6)	7.7% (3)	39
Make the City fiscally sustainable (balance revenues and cost of services over the long-term)	50.0% (20)	42.5% (17)	5.0% (2)	2.5% (1)	0.0% (0)	40
Maintain opportunities and land for retail and employment	23.1% (9)	33.3% (13)	35.9% (14)	7.7% (3)	0.0% (0)	39
Maintain current City services	27.5% (11)	52.5% (21)	17.5% (7)	2.5% (1)	0.0% (0)	40
				Other (please specify)		3
				<i>answered question</i>		40
				<i>skipped question</i>		5

13. What other finance and economy ideas do you think the plan should address?		Response Count
		15
	<i>answered question</i>	15
	<i>skipped question</i>	30

14. Please evaluate the importance of the following health, wellness, and safety challenges and opportunities.						
	Extremely	Very	Somewhat	Not at all	No opinion	Response Count
Provide opportunities for physical activity and active lifestyles	48.6% (18)	29.7% (11)	18.9% (7)	2.7% (1)	0.0% (0)	37
Maintain community health and wellness, especially for at-risk populations	52.6% (20)	10.5% (4)	31.6% (12)	5.3% (2)	0.0% (0)	38
Make health and human services accessible to those in need	47.4% (18)	21.1% (8)	23.7% (9)	7.9% (3)	0.0% (0)	38
Provide opportunities for community involvement in government	43.2% (16)	32.4% (12)	24.3% (9)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	37
Retain a sense of community and heritage	36.1% (13)	38.9% (14)	22.2% (8)	2.8% (1)	0.0% (0)	36
Satisfy community safety needs (especially police and fire)	47.4% (18)	36.8% (14)	15.8% (6)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	38
				Other (please specify)		1
				<i>answered question</i>		38
				<i>skipped question</i>		7

15. What other health, wellness, and safety ideas do you think this plan should address?		Response Count
		13
	<i>answered question</i>	13
	<i>skipped question</i>	32

16. Please evaluate the importance of the following housing challenges and opportunities.						
	Extremely	Very	Somewhat	Not at all	No opinion	Response Count
Fund, support, and develop affordable housing	28.2% (11)	38.5% (15)	23.1% (9)	10.3% (4)	0.0% (0)	39
Provide housing for diverse groups and a changing population	25.6% (10)	33.3% (13)	25.6% (10)	15.4% (6)	0.0% (0)	39
Provide higher density housing in redevelopment areas	25.6% (10)	35.9% (14)	20.5% (8)	15.4% (6)	2.6% (1)	39
Make available energy-efficient or "green" housing for all income levels	43.6% (17)	15.4% (6)	30.8% (12)	10.3% (4)	0.0% (0)	39
				Other (please specify)		4
				<i>answered question</i>		39
				<i>skipped question</i>		6

17. What other housing ideas do you think the plan should address?		Response Count
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	<i>answered question</i>	10
	<i>skipped question</i>	35

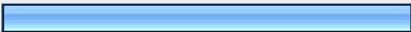
18. Please evaluate the importance of the following natural areas, parks, and recreation challenges and opportunities.						
	Extremely	Very	Somewhat	Not at all	No opinion	Response Count
Fund natural areas, parks, and recreation	33.3% (13)	41.0% (16)	17.9% (7)	7.7% (3)	0.0% (0)	39
Provide environmental sustainability, wildlife habitat, and restoration in natural areas	43.6% (17)	30.8% (12)	20.5% (8)	5.1% (2)	0.0% (0)	39
Provide outstanding visitor experiences in natural areas	23.1% (9)	38.5% (15)	23.1% (9)	15.4% (6)	0.0% (0)	39
Maintain existing parks and trails	38.5% (15)	53.8% (21)	5.1% (2)	2.6% (1)	0.0% (0)	39
Provide new parks and trails	18.4% (7)	28.9% (11)	39.5% (15)	13.2% (5)	0.0% (0)	38
Provide recreation programs and opportunities for all ages and abilities	30.8% (12)	35.9% (14)	25.6% (10)	7.7% (3)	0.0% (0)	39
Restore streams (for stormwater management, wildlife habitat, and recreation purposes)	51.3% (20)	33.3% (13)	12.8% (5)	2.6% (1)	0.0% (0)	39
	Other (please specify)					3
	answered question					39
	skipped question					6

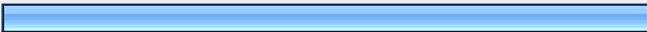
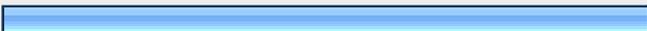
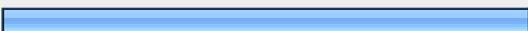
19. What other natural areas, parks, and recreation ideas do you think the plan should address?	
	Response Count
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	answered question
	14
	skipped question
	31

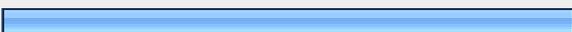
20. Please evaluate the importance of the following transportation opportunities and challenges.						
	Extremely	Very	Somewhat	Not at all	No opinion	Response Count
Provide pedestrian and bicycle facilities	56.4% (22)	25.6% (10)	10.3% (4)	7.7% (3)	0.0% (0)	39
Provide transit service	48.7% (19)	33.3% (13)	15.4% (6)	2.6% (1)	0.0% (0)	39
Provide street maintenance	41.0% (16)	38.5% (15)	17.9% (7)	2.6% (1)	0.0% (0)	39
Incorporate new technologies and trends to improve transportation	35.9% (14)	43.6% (17)	10.3% (4)	7.7% (3)	2.6% (1)	39
Improve transportation efficiency to achieve clean air	56.4% (22)	25.6% (10)	10.3% (4)	7.7% (3)	0.0% (0)	39
Connect the City's destinations and neighborhoods	50.0% (19)	26.3% (10)	15.8% (6)	5.3% (2)	2.6% (1)	38
Connect regional transportation	39.5% (15)	42.1% (16)	15.8% (6)	2.6% (1)	0.0% (0)	38
Build a transportation system that supports a healthy community	50.0% (19)	31.6% (12)	13.2% (5)	5.3% (2)	0.0% (0)	38
Address street safety and provide safety education (especially bike/car/pedestrian conflicts)	35.9% (14)	23.1% (9)	35.9% (14)	5.1% (2)	0.0% (0)	39
Address movement of goods and services	18.9% (7)	35.1% (13)	37.8% (14)	5.4% (2)	2.7% (1)	37
Fund transportation	30.8% (12)	38.5% (15)	20.5% (8)	10.3% (4)	0.0% (0)	39
	Other (please specify)					3
	answered question					39
	skipped question					6

21. What other transportation ideas do you think the plan should address?		
		Response Count
		13
<i>answered question</i>		13
<i>skipped question</i>		32

22. How familiar are you with Fort Collins' current sustainability efforts?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Very		30.0%	9
Somewhat		56.7%	17
A little		13.3%	4
Not at all		0.0%	0
<i>answered question</i>			30
<i>skipped question</i>			15

23. What level of emphasis would you like Plan Fort Collins to place on sustainability?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Very high emphasis (be a regional and national leader)		63.3%	19
Some emphasis (keep pace with peers)		30.0%	9
Not much emphasis (more focus on other things)		6.7%	2
No opinion		0.0%	0
Other (please specify)			3
<i>answered question</i>			30
<i>skipped question</i>			15

24. What sustainability topics do you think will help the community strengthen its human, financial, and environmental well-being?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Topic 1		100.0%	16
Topic 2		100.0%	16
Topic 3		81.3%	13
		<i>answered question</i>	16
		<i>skipped question</i>	29

25. What do you think are the top three big ideas that Plan Fort Collins should address?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Big Idea 1		100.0%	17
Big Idea 2		88.2%	15
Big Idea 3		70.6%	12
		<i>answered question</i>	17
		<i>skipped question</i>	28

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6. Arts and Cultural Challenges and Opportunities (Other):

- Art, Plays and Music Should be brought to Ft Collins more
- astounding that arts & culture are first
- Important goal, but the heavy funding should be left to the non-profit sector unless a cultural facilities district exists?
- find unique arts identity

7. What other arts and culture ideas do you think the plan should address?

- Talented artists from all over should have opportunity to share their works, together with others in large art festival. Same with music, theatre productions.
- Arts & culture have their place but should not be a highly funded effort by City government.
- Shared opportunities between the university and the city.
- History of the area
- More affordable and accessible venues and events. Art is very important for everyone and everyone should have opportunities regardless of financial hardships.
- Beet Street and other initiatives disregard the fact that Fort Collins' culture also includes active sports "performances" viewed by crowds, just as music, art, literature and theatre are. Frey mentioned "tournament centers" as features important to successful future cities.
- I think that cultural events really bring people from the surrounding area into Old Town, specifically. Upgrading Lincoln Center so that it can get a wider variety of high quality performing artists (first rate ones) would be good. The outdoor amphitheatre idea is a great one; I hope that happens some day. Supporting private enterprises such as the Lyric Cinema Cafe and the theatre companies, including Open Stage and Bas is important, as they really make the city special. If we could get a convention center or larger hotel in Old Town (as the city desires), then the additional sidewalk traffic would bring in some art business.
- Develop art along the Poudre River in a park like setting.
- Facilities for artists - the Potter's Guild, for example, has been instrumental in developing potters in Fort Collins, for example.
- I love what's going on with arts and culture in this city - keep it up!
- Development of other cultural districts within the city other than downtown. We are now big enough to support this.

8. Built Environment, Land Use, and Growth Management Challenges & Opportunities (Other):

- Identify market based needs
- Get rid of the disgusting art? Work on telephone boxes etc. in the downtown area
- How about development & growth for economic expansion to bring in HIGH-PAYING JOBS!!!!!!!
- transportation

9. What other built environment, land use, and growth management ideas do you think the plan should address?

- Bike paths throughout, off the roads as much as possible to eliminate the auto-bicycle conflict. Provide bike paths that connect throughout with little road sharing. Kids bike clubs.
- These questions are biased and not sufficiently market oriented.
- Rather than define levels of change, the document should be descriptive rather than prescriptive. Incentives should be offered for desired results and additional costs and/or fees incurred for non-compliance.
- Identify unique characteristics of Old Town and older neighborhoods that need to be preserved to maintain Fort Collins's unique sense of place. "Defining appropriate levels of change" discussed in the last two bullets above I hope will include a discussion of these unique qualities and how inappropriate changes (e.g. tall buildings, too large a footprint, inappropriate materials used, inappropriate architectural styles, etc.) may destroy these qualities.
- Instead of building new places why are we utilizing all the buildings that are already built and not occupied?
- Utilizing and/or redevelopment of existing structures and infrastructure. Focus on sustainability and minimal negative impact to environment and resources. Maintain positive attributes and open spaces, etc.
- There's nothing in this plan about food, food production or related matters. While the City will never be independent of the larger food system, developing some food-production capacity and dealing with food production issues in land-use planning are now overlooked, and should be quite important.
- I think that the town would be better off focusing on re-developing and improving its existing developed areas (North and mid College Avenue to Harmony) rather than encourage a lot of new sprawl to the north east and south east. It is as if we have two town centers, now; Old Town to the northwest and the strip malls in the south east. It strains business because they feel like they need two locations in order to capture the entire population. It increases traffic as well. For the health of the environment and city, we are obligated to make our developed areas denser, even if that means taller buildings and smaller plats. We cannot sacrifice the environment to preserve jobs.
- Dog parks. community mixed neighborhood parks- seniors and young people
- Stop the sprawl, connect neighborhoods, and create mixed use areas in neighborhoods that are currently all residential, or at least make some basic services walkable from the residential areas (a quick stroll to the corner store or the neighborhood coffee shop). Consider universal design and accessibility so the neighborhoods can work for all residents, age 8 to 80.
- To clarify the Downtown, I believe Fort Collins has done well in encouraging taller buildings for housing and office/employment uses - Fort Collins should continue to see its future as a small City with a vibrant downtown employment and housing center, while protecting the historic core. Limiting heights in downtown out of respect for nostalgia will not foster sustainable land use and transportation patterns into the future. Hopefully the market can continue to provide residential units that are priced within reason (for a downtown), but affordability may become a concern.
- I'm not sure that I agree with the statements in the snap shot about growing need for non-child homes for the baby-boomers who are retiring - I see more and more grandparents taking care of children - especially with tough economic times, both parents working, grandparents are an affordable (usually free) daycare option. Maybe a small percentage, but keep in mind, lots of grandparents need space for the children in their lives.
- Designs should lower emissions, water and energy use.
- The plan should evaluate the expected city revenue flow under various scenarios for 10, 20 and 30 years. This should take into account various assumptions about cyclical economic growth, increases or not in city sales taxes and other revenue impacting alternatives as appropriate.
- The Foothills Mall !!!!!!! Our mall has just gone downhill. I understand that it was sold and the new owner has not done anything BUT currently the mall has become a gang/drug hangout. My daughter's friends are starting not to be allow to go there. THIS SHOULD NOT HAPPEN! I even spoke to a food court owner and he told me of several situations that have taken place there and that is one reason he is getting out. As far as what should be done with the mall, PLEASE do not let them make it into an "outdoor mall" like in Loveland. It is not just the economy that is hurting that mall. People want to be comfortable when they shop not have to brave the elements cold or hot, to sit down and have a cup of coffee or whatever, mall walkers, events and on and on. We also do not need a lot of expensive stores, take a real look at who lives here and nearby, we are mostly "middle class" hard working average people. Let the ones who what to shop expensive stores travel, not the majority.

- "Gateways? Seriously? How are they going to help the economic growth of Fort Collins?"
- It's time that Fort Collins gets "serious" about tax base growth and attracting more high-paying jobs, not this gateways, sidewalks, alleys, etc. stuff!"
- The Plan should address regional cooperation on land use issues. There should be a longer term look at the future relative to the region. The plan while not addressing this specifically could address the need to work cooperatively on larger issues.
- The Fort Collins Mid Town should be addressed not just with TOD zoning but with a more comprehensive look at land use and land use policies and encouragement for redevelopment.

10. Environment and Utilities Challenges and Opportunities (Other):

- Be careful data is real data, not junk science.
- Questions are biased and ideologically driven
- Reduce air pollution.
- Exceed sustainability and environmental policies

11. What other environment and utilities ideas do you think the plan should address?

- I think Ft Collins does a good job of balancing resources - water being one of the biggest. Some of the green stuff is hogwash.
- The environmental movement is driven by loud ideologically driven people who have very little experience in non-governmental endeavors. Economic viability for Citizens and city finances should always be considered at least as heavily as the environmental initiative itself. For instance, further tightening green building standards in the city will only serve to be an upward force on the cost of housing and yield very little measurable additional environmental benefits. This will be a costly and unnecessary undertaking. It is easy to ask people if they support efforts toward a clean environment. What would you expect them to say? But if people truly understood the cost benefit analysis of these types of programs, a clear line of diminished returns would become apparent and they would say NO, ENOUGH!
- Reduce air pollution. Restore natural historical flows in the Poudre River. Require all new development to pay for its own infrastructure.
- Using innovative approaches to manage stormwater and prevent flooding - this should coordinate with Parks and Natural Areas (maybe these are appropriate locations for flooding and restoring some natural hydrologic flows). Like the focus on stream restoration by Stormwater.
- We need to find a way to address the issues of our utilities. The truth is we are utilizing all of our natural resources and even with the extremely high costs it's not having families reduce their usage. Many of the bills are completely unaffordable by a large portion of our population.
- Geothermal and other green technologies. Respect and maintain existing trees and wildlife habitats. Trying to "replace" 100 year old trees with saplings is not appropriate. Sensitivity to ecosystems is important.
- All of this is essential. We need to conserve water. We need to produce more wind and solar energy. We need to have aggressive recycling goals. Businesses should be required to recycle. We need better street-side recycling. It also needs to be available during events.
- Maintaining river flows through town. Be able to maintain the riparian area.
- Consider green building technologies impact on cost and cost effectiveness - buildings that are responsive to the environment (passive solar, cross-ventilated) rather than just super-insulated and mechanically ventilated. Explore voluntary taxing district options (as Boulder County does) so that improvements with longer rates of return can be funded by the building rather than the owner.
- Devote more resources to retrofitting residential efficiency, attention to geothermal options, reduce functional obsolescence. Continue to recycle demolished facilities.

12. Finance and Economy Challenges and Opportunities (Other):

- I think as the economy recovers the balance will take care of itself.
- This category should always be first.
- How about updating drainage in older parts of town?

13. What other finance and economy ideas do you think the plan should address?

- Make sure we have balanced budgets. DO NOT find ways to add on fees, costs, etc - must learn to live in budget and we can.
- First, the city financial condition and our economic environment should always be top priority. True cost/benefit analysis should always be applied to all new city programs. And the true cost of such programs should always be made PUBLIC in a myriad of ways, similar to the effort that is given to get out the green message. The arrogance of the city and unbalanced approach to policy development will lead to unSUSTAINable financial commitments. Then what? Imagine . . . the SUSTAIN component of the Plan Fort Collins tag line has nothing to do with our long range economic health!
- Focus on locally owned enterprises. Prohibit new and reduce existing chain stores and restaurants. Require all new development to pay for its own infrastructure.
- Can only maintain current City services, at current level of service, if there is additional funding.
- These questions are ridiculous. Who would not respond in the affirmative?
- Economics need to be considered, but not be the only driving force for development. It is only one of the pillars of sustainable growth and development - the others being environmental and social sustainability. Quality of life is an extremely important issue for Fort Collin's residents!
- Again... utilizing the buildings that are already built for businesses and retail rather than continue expansion.
- Maintaining the high quality of life that attracts people and business to this area, requires that we not turn it into Denver, or Los Angeles, but maintain the beauty and tranquility that still exists. There is an abundance of land and commercial space vacant and ready for remodeling to any new business venture. Trying to attract low impact, eco friendly business, which is the most popular sector of business today, would bring good green jobs to the area, and people who appreciate our special and beautiful area, and create solid corporate citizens who will bring long term stability and revenues to the area while minimizing negative impacts.
- I think making land "shovel ready" is a good idea because ugly eyesores are then removed and the land will more likely be purchased for re-development (thus sparing an undeveloped parcel of land from development. I think that the foothills mall land would be most successful if it was razed and developed into some kind of pedestrian friendly shopping/food/residential area (MORE pedestrian friendly than Centerra, which is just a giant parking lot and very unappealing as a destination).
- If shovel ready land means greenfields, then no. If shovel ready land means infill, then yes.
- Continue to maintain jobs-housing balance. Consider regional sales tax picture but respond in a way that doesn't compromise out values.
- I think the city needs to find more sources of income besides retail. With a growing social change of being more sustainable - one step of that is to consume less - overall I think people of this country need to an will (especially given the economy) consume less goods.
- Corporate retail arms race is unwinnable. Unique facilities for goods and services integrated with arts, culture and transportation systems will provide experiences that can be duplicated nowhere else. These are the long term winners, ala Old Town, FC, LoDo Denver, Cherry Creek Mall, Cherry Creek.
- Having shovel-ready land for retail development means that the majority of resulting jobs will not provide livable wages. Efforts at securing additional jobs should be focused on those jobs that provide a wage of \$25+
- I don't think the city has been proactive at all. We don't have meaningful growth in average salaries which still rank very low for our high education level. Giving land to develop is not the only way to attract good paying jobs - look at Otterbox for example. HP & AB got big land grants and now they are shedding high paying jobs like crazy. Get real data for what creates jobs. If it is land grants, fine; but, I doubt that is the top thing the city can be doing. I'll bet lower property & sales taxes, affordable utility rates, good infrastructure, and magnet community assets are key.

14. Health, Wellness, and Safety Challenges and Opportunities (Other):

- Make Fort Collins senior friendly

15. What other health, wellness, and safety ideas do you think the plan should address?

- Providing opportunities for physical activity can be in gyms, in bike clubs, walking clubs, connect more sidewalks to encourage walking.
- Safety needs are listed almost as an afterthought. Incredible. We have safety nets in place. Government cannot cure all the ills of society. Compassion cannot be legislated. WHERE IS THE LINE OF DIMINISHED RETURNS?
- Do something (enact surcharges?) about eating establishments that serve unhealthy food (e.g. McDonald's, etc.), outlaw drive-thrus, require all restaurants to use only recyclable/compostable packaging, support farmers' markets, support home-based food production such as chickens, etc., plan infill/redevelopment in ways that make walking and bicycling more accessible/feasible.
- Social services are key to a healthy and happy population. It should be a very high priority to all that is possible to assist those most disadvantaged first, and provide safety and support services to all at the highest levels possible.
- Partner with CSU and Private Business to build a unique park for Cycling, and other sports and tournaments.
- adequate transportation for all ages
- I think we score very well here with all of the above services. I'm proud that we have the thinnest population on average in the nation. We have a very active community. Keep those big parks and trails coming.
- Encourage walking, cycling, disease management. Introduce healthful foods into schools and neighborhoods. Continue to expand trails in neighborhoods per the bike plan. Services for seniors will be important, as will outreach to the Spanish-speaking community. The Health District has been a valuable resource.
- A growing trend across the country is the lack of time that children spend outdoors in nature. This affects health (obesity, ADHD, etc.) wellness (depression), educational proficiency, and a vested interest in caring for our environment. With a goal of sustainability, we need to make sure we have future stewards of the land, water and air we're trying to conserve. Keep outdoor open areas available and accessible to residents all over the city.
- Leverage city funds to assist non profits etc to address critical social services gaps that affect citizens to keep socio economic health which will inoculate against criminal activity ala Crossroads Safe House.
- Explore idea that social services to perpetuate education, health, wellness and employment, reduce criminal behaviors.
- Retain a sense of community and heritage, remember what our heritage is not what it seems to becoming.
- Health & human services should be done through the Health District & PVH and not duplicated by the city. If they don't do a good enough job, let's help them doing a better job, but keep city services focused on infrastructure, growth, jobs, safety, etc.
- Although many of these areas are very important, I don't see them as a city function but more of a county/state/or private group function.

16. Housing Challenges and Opportunities (Other):

- The demand and demographics will naturally attract what is needed.
- Again, questions are biased and completely ignore market forces.
- More low income and senior housing
- Make available non- toxic housing for all income levels

17. What other housing ideas do you think the plan should address?

- I think mixed neighborhoods from multifamily units, to single family areas, to apartments, to condos are a good mix. NO HOMEOWNER NAZI's to spoil it.

- Over restrictive and over reaching public policy regarding housing discourage growth and natural evolvement of our community. Do we really think it is a good idea to become Boulder north where our kids cannot afford to live here and are forced move elsewhere? Again, WHY IS THERE NEVER EFFORT PUT FORWARD TO IDENTIFY THE LINE OF DIMINISHED RETURNS IN THESE STUDIES?
- High density housing is definitely one option to consider, but not if it destroys those important unique qualities of the community mentioned previously. High density housing may be more acceptable in newer areas of the city - not areas of historic importance.
- The overall cost of living is too high in Ft. Collins. Most people really can't afford to live here.
- It should be our goal to provide affordable housing to all of our citizens through all means possible, including a growing aging population that will likely have less and less resources in the future. We should end homelessness in our community and be sure that all have safe and adequate housing, which I believe we can do if we are creative and dedicated to the effort.
- Attract a good number of people who can take their work anywhere they want to live with Lifestyle amenities.
- Dense and energy efficient is better. Quality not quantity; bigger is not always better. Smaller, well built, energy efficient, xeric-planted communities should be less expensive and more accessible.
- "Focus on the entire housing market - not just deed-restricted ""affordable"" housing. As the city develops, I believe that the attached townhome-type unit (potential for fee simple with party walls) can play an important role in housing households, including those with children. These housing types can be affordable, energy efficient, use land well, and support walking and transit. We should pay attention to what was good about transitional ""row house"" design and also solar access, patio space, etc. Small-lot housing can accomplish similar goals. Identify areas for infill. Townhomes and single-family can co-exist with decent design.
- Infill Fort Collins was a good effort to be applauded. Continue to examine regulatory barriers to infill, cohousing, etc.
- Look to add density near parks - including senior housing. The addition of mixed use can create neighborhood ""third places"" and activate the park. For example, I've always thought that the missing ingredient in City Park (and Fossil Creek Park) is a small retail district, coffee shop, etc.; while senior housing west of the park, as infill, would be ideal, giving seniors access to the park.
- For single-family housing, consider if our design guidelines are pushing a design that has a rear-loaded attached garage with no private yard/patio space. New urban-influenced development can include good private green spaces - Prospect in Longmont as an example - that many households desire despite lifestyle changes.
- Design guidelines sometimes have not resulted in the best multi-family housing. Perimeter blocks surrounding parking lots, or units facing major arterials, may not serve households well, particularly lower-income households with children, who will appreciate green spaces. Encourage good yet flexible design.
- Look more at new housing types such as owner-accessory units - these may be appropriate more widely as long as one unit is owner-occupied."
- "Explore conversion of existing inventory of structures in City, including underutilized commercial buildings for conversion to low income and affordable housing units via interior remodel with high
- Efficiency and non toxic performance to deliver lower operating costs over time. Encourage mixed use
- Urban designs to provide appropriate residential services to residents and locals to leverage commercial viability.
- The city should not be in the housing business; it never works as good as we think. Focus some planning & zoning resources to link private redevelopment with federal housing programs. I just don't like the first question's use of "develop" and the other questions' use of "provide."

18. Natural Areas, Parks, and Recreation Challenges and Opportunities (Other):

- Keep it as it is, within reason - People first, critters second.
- Keep the Poudre River clean
- Reduce artificial habitat plantings of unacclimated species

19. What other Natural Areas, Parks, and Recreation ideas do you think the plan should address?

- Larger open areas, with lots of trees, ball fields mixed with playgrounds, mixed with concrete bike/walk/skate paths throughout.
- Again, everyone is for quality of life. But at what cost? The actual cost side of the equation should be identified along with the OPPORTUNITY COSTS as well.
- Funding natural areas more important than parks and recreation; providing new trails so people can get around sustainably, not necessarily new parks.
- Only provide new facilities if the community is committed to funding maintenance.
- Natural areas should be just that.....natural. I believe that we "over maintain" them at this time. They are best left and enjoyed as naturally as possible. We would do well to not spend so much on "maintenance", and more on acquisition and preservation. Once the natural areas are gone, we will not be able to buy them back at any price. Funds should be used to purchase more and maintain less.
- A cycling park like they have in Lehigh Valley of Pennsylvania would support fitness programs for all ages.
- I think our parks, trails and natural areas are one of our greatest resources. Keep setting aside land, even if it can't be restored or developed into a park right away, otherwise we may lose the opportunity forever. Some of our existing parks need upgrading (newer playgrounds, etc). We need to protect the beautiful and unique Poudre River. The classes at the Recreator are so popular. More classes and more variety will keep people working and, I assume, generate income for the city.
- Less of a police-like patrol of natural areas. Allow recreation in natural areas (i.e., ice fishing, ice hockey, boating).
- The Poudre River is the community's greatest amenity. We should continue to restore it, maintain in-stream flows, expand the trail from Picnic Rock in the west to Windsor in the east, enhance recreation areas (swimming holes), and improve connections to neighborhoods.
- For the cross-cutting topics in the snap-shot, I'd add health and wellness, air and water quality and in joint planning add regional trails/transportation. For summary of challenges and opportunities, I'd add: balancing recreational uses (growing population) and the effects on the ecological processes; also pressures for new uses for natural areas is challenge; and for parks a challenge is funding for maintenance of parks - all that equipment will need maintenance or replacement in the future; and funding for the fantastic recreation programs the city offers the community - we love them and know lots of families that regularly participate in the recreation programs.
- Reduce lawn cutting and trimming in non-athletic toposcapes. Reduce or preferably eliminate toxic weed killers and pesticide applications. Utilized bio controls and organic management of all resources.
- Bring back the parks and recreation classes to more of the central/south end not 90% to the north is would allow a greater central location for everyone. I will not go to the north location and I know many families that feel the same way. Not convenient and have safety issues. It's not the economy.

20. Transportation Challenges and Opportunities (Other):

- Biased questions.
- Get the Rail Tracks and the Train OUT OF TOWN!
- Lower speed limits to 35 mph max throughout city

21. What other Transportation ideas do you think the plan should address?

- More complete bus system making it easier to get to where you need to go without too many changes.
- Transportation management issues are just another mechanism to discourage equal growth opportunities for all. We already have clean air and people can get where they need to go regardless of their economic status. WE CANNOT LEGISLATE FAIRNESS IN LIFE.
- Focus on existing corridors, downtown areas, rather than shifting transportation to new corridors or I-25. Focus on reducing emissions of CO2 and other pollutants.

- This battery of question indirectly supports the mason street corridor. An idea rejected by Fort Collins' citizens at least two times. I do not subscribe to "build it and they will come" for this project. Offer incentive for density and economic activity along the route first.
- If we had an efficient economical way of transportation I think it would be idea to offer those services to more people. Many people currently can't afford a bus pass. Why can't we offer them something on a sliding scale fee. I know Catholic Charities does one for half price, but some families don't even have that until they get a job. Jobs have been tough to get this year.
- Liked the idea of getting passenger rail service restored
- "usable senior transportation and more adequate coverage
- fund Dial a Ride for ALL senior's use"
- "Bike commuting is ideal, and the city is on the right track with this.
- I think it is extremely important that we get some kind of a commuter service up and down the Front Range through Denver figured out. Cost-effective service to the airport would be good, too.
- The current local bus system does not provide much assistance to most people in town. It is easier and faster for most of us to drive. Maybe that will change if we focus on getting the Mason Street corridor build, then re-designing the bus routes around that in a way that is more useful. It seems important to include the hospitals, the university, senior and disabled housing, other key medical offices, even MCR. We would be wise to re-direct the resources and expanded our school bussing, I think we would decrease a lot of daily traffic; I know a lot of parents that drive their kids to school every day because the bus doesn't come close enough."
- Make sure that all roads that are frequently used by bicyclists like around Horsetooth reservoir around CSU and other places used both for commuting and exercising have at least 4 feet of shoulder. PLEASE!!!! It's critical for safety.
- "Continue to build the bicycle system and build a regional bicycle system incorporating Loveland and Windsor. Establish a goal of a system that feels and is safe for riders ""age 8 to 80"" - appeal to the majority who would like to bike more but feel unsafe on streets with 45-55 mph traffic and/or narrow bike lanes. Improving signage may help, especially where streets meander.
- Build up our regional transit as well - with Mason Street corridor, the City should continue to build on the 287 corridor and appealing to loner-distance commuters. Imagine a single-seat ride from downtown/CSU to Gunbarrel and Boulder. Consider the "last mile"" and supportive land uses ..."
- On the street safety - any public service announcements concerning cell phone use (especially texting) while driving would be great!
- "Allocate greater proportion of total resources to multi modal infrastructure. Implement full spectrum vehicle sharing to integrate and connect entire city to existing Transfort with the goal to be a fully
- Articulated system completed within 3-5 years."
- Roundabouts improve air quality, reduce congestion, reduce accident severity, and improve gas mileage. They need to be considered at the policy level.

23. What level of emphasis would you like Plan Fort Collins to place on sustainability?

- Transportation
- Keep a high emphasis but continue to be analytical and effective. This is what makes Fort Collins stand out!
- Please be sure to equally balance the triple bottom line, not just one segment.

24. What sustainability topics do you think will help the community strengthen its human, financial, and environmental well-being?

- Zero population growth
- Re-use of existing old buildings
- mixed use projects
- Sustainability of historical qualities
- Protecting and preserving natural areas and resources

- adequate transportation
- Water conservation
- Mixed use/walkable neighborhoods
- Multi-modal transportation
- a strong sense of community (and ownership in this community)
- Natural environment is foundation of all well being
- rehab of existing housing
- Economic development for good jobs
- You already know most of them and I don't want to be redundant.

25. What do you think are the top three big ideas that Plan Fort Collins should address?

Big Idea 1:

- Poudre River
- Mason Street Corridor
- Transportation
- Stopping the sprawl until the older, run-down neighborhoods are fixed up
- Get the railroad tracks out of town and use the Mason corridor for north-south biking, shuttle busses, shops, restaurants, entertainment - no cars. Just like they do in Europe and 16th Street in Denver
- Infill/increased density/no more sprawl
- Job creation
- Transportation - new paradigms
- Sustainability in operations for all departments (saw that listed as a goal in one of the snapshot areas)
- Environment is the foundation of every citizens well being
- The FOOTHILLS MALL
- improve existing housing stock
- Maintaining and even improving the family friendly aspects of FC, in all areas
- Economic development for good jobs
- Transportation Funding
- Cooperating regionally, especially on sales tax

Big Idea 2:

- Density and Height
- Cycling Park
- housing
- Provide super high speed internet throughout Fort Collins as one complete Hot Spot
- Improving connectivity/access by alternative modes (more trails, better transit)
- Redevelopment of abandoned or underused areas
- Embrace Fort Collins as a small City, not just a small town - Good land use - infill, variety of housing types and functioning housing market, employment nodes, creating community
- Decrease energy and water use - innovative ways to deal with growing demand on these resources
- Greener designs deliver immediate and long term dividends.
- MORE FAMILY EVENTS
- find ways to make infill/redev more "palatable" to neighborhoods who oppose
- Economic development for good jobs
- Economic health / job creation and retention
- Fort Collins has no regional agricultural land. We should consider annexation to acquire permanent ag land.

Big Idea 3:

- River Walk and Festival grounds Separate from Streets and Businesses
- clean water for all

- commercial neighborhood centers to create walkable neighborhoods
- Poudre River Park east of College Avenue
- Green jobs & infrastructure
- Community ownership
- Full Spectrum Vehicle Share integrated with Transfort
- find way to fund an expanded Transfort system
- Economic development for good jobs
- Police and fire
- We should begin a community dialogue about where we want to be in 100 years.