



# Citizen Survey

## Grand Rapids Township 2006 Comprehensive Land Use Plan

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### ABOUT THE SURVEY

The Grand Rapids Township Planning Commission is updating the Comprehensive Land Use Plan, and needs your help in identifying community issues and goals. Grand Rapids Township last updated its Comprehensive Plan in 1990. Since then, the Township has increased in population by over 5,000 persons. Approximately 30% of Township citizens are 18 years of age or younger, while approximately 15% are age 65 or older.

Look carefully at the boundaries of the numbered areas addressed in the questions. Please take a few minutes to complete this survey, which consists of 12 questions. Your input is valuable, and we thank you for your time!



*The survey should take **less than 10 minutes** to complete. All submissions are anonymous.*

1. You (Check any that apply):

- I live In Grand Rapids Township
- I live Outside Grand Rapids Township
- I live Outside Grand Rapids Township, but work or own a business in Grand Rapids Township
- I live North of Leonard Street
- I live south of Leonard Street

2. Did you know that Celebration Village and Knapp's Corner (including Meijer) are not in Grand Rapids Township, but are in the City of Grand Rapids?

- Yes, I Did Know
- No, I Did Not Know

3. What do you think would make Grand Rapids Township a better place to live? Choose as many as you wish:

- A physical township center (shops, plazas, township facilities such as a township hall and library arranged in a village-like pattern)

- Walkways linking neighborhoods and walkways to our schools
- I like the way the Township is developing

4. Please choose one (1) of the following:

- I believe we have adequate community identity.
- I believe Grand Rapids Township needs a stronger sense of community identity that could be provided, for example, by a physical township center.

### Map Section

*Definitions:*

**Traditional suburban layout:**

May include larger lots, winding streets, sidewalks, tree-lined streets.

**Traditional neighborhood layout:**

May include such things as smaller lots, sidewalks, blocks, neighborhood parks within walking distance, and tree-lined streets.



5. (Area 1) - The Grand Rapids Golf Course property. The best future use of this property is (Choose one):

- All single-family residential homes in a traditional *suburban* layout.
- All single-family residential homes in a traditional *neighborhood* layout.
- A mix of residential uses such as single-family homes and attached units such as condominiums, townhouses and apartments.
- A township center that could include such things as Township offices, a mix of residential uses, retail uses, and parks in a traditional neighborhood layout.



6. (Area 2) - The area where Knapp Street and Leffingwell Avenue

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**Regional Commercial:**

Uses similar to those that exist at Knapp's Corner and Celebration Village within the City of Grand Rapids.

**8. (Area 4)** □ North of Three Mile Road, on the west side of the East Beltline . Choose as many as you wish:

- Multi-family residential uses
- A mix of multi-family, and neighborhood commercial uses
- Office and neighborhood commercial uses



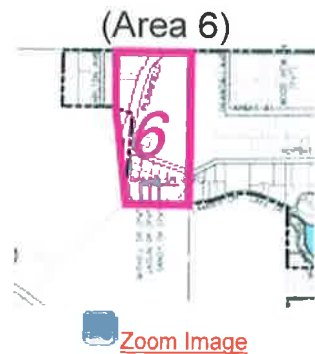
**9. (Area 5)** - South of Three Mile Road, on the east side of the East Beltline. Choose one:

- A mix of residential, office, and neighborhood commercial uses in a planned development
- Lifestyle Center type of development that may include residential and commercial uses, walkways, plazas, and restaurants along interior streets.



**10. (Area 6)** - The northwest area of the Township including a portion of the Plainfield Avenue corridor. This area includes commercial uses and a small manufactured housing community. The Northtown Shopping Center is located in this area. Future development in this area should be (check as many as you wish):

- A mix of residential, office, and commercial uses in a planned development
- Lifestyle Center type of development that may include residential and



commercial uses, walkways, plazas, and restaurants along interior streets.

- Maintain commercial uses and make improvements in landscaping, sidewalks, and sign design for those uses that front along Plainfield Avenue and Four Mile Road.
- Regional Commercial

11. **(Area 7)** - The Cascade Road intersection with Forest Hills Avenue . This area is currently a mix of residential, office, and neighborhood commercial uses. Future development in this area should (check as many as you wish):

- Include improvements in landscaping, sidewalks, and sign design for those uses that front along Cascade Road and Forest Hills Avenue.
- Include improvements in architectural and site design which reflect a small-town atmosphere such as two story-buildings, streetscape design, and gathering places.
- Not change significantly.



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12. Use this space to provide any other comments you may have regarding land use and the future development of Grand Rapids Township (limit 500 characters):

You have **500** characters remaining for your comments.

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Privacy Policy\* This survey does not trace or extract personal user information, and the data that is collected is and can only be used for statistical purposes. These statistics are considered confidential and are held to the same privacy standards as personal information. The survey does offer "cookies" that recognize whether a survey has been submitted. These small text files are placed on your hard drive and prevent you from accidentally

submitting more than one survey.

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