

Public Participation Tour II Survey Response Totals and Comments

August 15, 2005: Minneola City Hall, Planning Zones 8, 9, and 10

Total Number of Meeting Attendees: 99

Total Number of Survey Respondents: 28

1. Have you visited the Planning Horizon 2025 website?

YES: 14 NO: 14

2. Did you participate in the Comprehensive Plan online survey about quality of life issues?

YES: 8 NO: 20

3. Do you plan to attend future public hearings about the comprehensive plan?

YES: 26 NO: 1 POSSIBLY: 1

4. Was your top quality of life issue regarding the Comprehensive Plan addressed tonight?

YES: 10 NO: 12 NO RESPONSE: 4 MENTIONED: 2

4b. If not, what is your number 1 quality of life issue? (Several respondents who answered yes to this question also provided additional comments).

Equality of property, use, and value.

Overcrowding, tearing down beautiful hills and running out animals.

Employment opportunities.

I just want a "balanced" growth plan--not a "no growth" plan.

Keeping my job and those of my employees. Killing growth is not the answer!

Overcrowding.

Growth in quality jobs.

Property rights.

Clustering of land can preserve more open space than 5 acre tracts.

Property rights--not satisfied or yet respected.

Roads and Transportation.

Lower taxes (property).

Preservation of small business jobs as employed in residential construction.

Schools.

Jobs, schools.

New addition/growth--jobs.

5. What are your thoughts about the Lake County Comprehensive Plan process?

Severely flawed.

The Sugar Loaf Mountain area from 561 all around mountain area should be left for future growth. Let people enjoy the beauty. There is so little left

Slanted toward no growth.

For a county of 200,000 plus residents, the process of getting input from 25 to 100 people at each meeting does not necessarily reflect the true opinions of the majority of Lake County.

I think more than 1,825 people should be the deciding factor in your decisions.

Underhanded.

Professional approach; open process.

Utilize the Rural Village concept in your planning.

Must be design with smarter controlled growth which includes industrial, commercial, supported by affordable housing.

I have insufficient information at this point to provide input.

Needs more planning.

Preserve space for professional/commercial and light industrial sites. We need this space to grow existing businesses and afford new ones.

These jobs are crucial to our economy.

Adequate.

Over growth. Overflow into rural areas.

This meeting was a real eye opener.

I hope that the input they received and take into consideration will be balanced.

This is a massive undertaking. Thanks for your efforts.

Need wider selection of people--schools, environment.

Better planning along the transportation corridors. Better mix of uses in future projects.

Advertise to get public/property owners more involved. Plan to notify public better.

I applaud your efforts at outreach.

Still needs a lot of public input.

6. Additional Comments:

Ask State of Florida to cancel Green Swamp designation. Also change school construction to allow for future growth.

Please don't tear down the beautiful hills. This is rural and should remain so. If anything, 1 house per acre.

Please stop the greed. We do not want over crowding and want a rural lifestyle. We live on 561-A and don't want over growth.

True opinions of the majority of Lake County.

AM radio is not a good advertisement for your meetings. The public needs to know about your meetings.

More planning, less subterfuge.

Fair and balanced. Listen to what makes sense, not just the squeaky wheel.

Property rights of landowners who have been paying taxes.

Must respect property rights.

Need to address future schools and big business more aggressively.

We need to address business/economic growth or we will face a looming crisis. This needs to be a bigger concern now, while there is time to address it.

Smart growth to ensure local prosperity and good quality of life.

We have a tremendous base of jobs. We need to pursue this.

Needs to be publicized better, and Yalaha needs to be made into a rural village.

Create a mixed-use land use category with increased density to locate around major transportation corridors and intersections.
Please designate Yalaha as a Rural Village!
Public involvement with more accessible advertising.

