Community Survey

Gathering input from residents during the General Plan updating process is essential to the success of the final plan. The Eureka City General Plan survey was created and distributed throughout the community to bring together citizen feedback. Youth from Eureka distributed the survey to all available households "FIND THE DATES". Approximately 99 surveys were completed by citizens and shows the level of commitment of Eureka residents towards their city. These surveys also provide validity to the General Plan process of representing the voice of the community.

Survey results largely confirmed the ideas stated in the General Plan. Some important ideas represented in the survey and General Plan include historical preservation, public facilities, and economic development.

Results

The following charts and tables are presented as results from the 2017 Eureka City General Plan Survey. A copy of the survey is also included.

Figure 13.1: Response to the question, “Which category best describes your age?”

Figure 13.2: Response to the question, “How long have you lived in Eureka?”
Figure 13.3: Response to the question, "Please select the statement that best represents your situation."

Figure 13.4: Response to the question, "If employed, select the option that best describes the industry in which you would work."

Additional Comments: Self Employed Cleaning Business, Child Care, Maint. at Tiatic School District, Retail, Civil Service, Army Dugway Proving Grounds, Government Employee, Disabled, Self Employed, Own a Cleaning Company, US Government Contractor
Figure 13.5: Response to the question, “Which types of new housing do you feel should be allowed in Eureka?”

Additional Comments: Container homes, Have not ever considered any on this list. Don't know if they would be justified in Eureka. Nothing - keep it small. Now, Recreational Cabins, Campgrounds

Figure 13.6: Response to the question, “If the following housing choices were to be allowed in Eureka, which (if any) should be restricted to certain zones within the City?”

Additional Comments: Keep it small, None, Recreational Cabins, Campgrounds

Figure 13.7: Response to the question, “Do you favor or oppose encouraging commercial growth in the City?”

Figure 13.8: Response to the question, “Where in the City should commercial growth occur?”

Additional Comments: Just not in housing areas. Develop a new area for commercial growth, depends on the type - we don't need more pollutions, noise, or traffic, business away from residential, outside of town, certain “home businesses” should be allowed, outer city, west of town near cemetery
Which types of commercial growth should occur?

- Recreation, Businesses that enable us to buy things here at an amount affordable
- Store, bank, doctor
- Recreational
- Industry, Sales, Restaurant
- Any commercial growth that employs people and pays a living wage
- Mining - reopen the mines
- Manufacturing, Distribution Centers
- R/Financial Institutions, Medical Facilities
- Mechanic, Hiking, Rock Climbing
- RV Park Antique Store(s)
- High Tech, Retirement, Electrical and Data Services

Figure 13.9: Response to the question, "Please rank which infrastructure systems will be most impacted by future growth."

Additional Comments: Need public law enforcement, better maintained parks and rec areas, provide community rec. activities (sports for youth and adults), cell phone service, natural gas, worry about earthquakes in Eureka, improve sidewalks, curbs, lighting, flood control system
Figure 13.10: Response to the question, “What improvements would you like to see in the roadway infrastructure?”

*Additional Comments: Proper ditches to handle run-off water so it doesn’t erode the sides of roads, maintain existing roads - keep potholes filled and rain caused ditches filled, Utah Transit, enforcing speed limit you already have, speed humps, proper maintenance* 

Figure 13.11: Response to the question, “How do you feel about the statement: “The City should encourage or sponsor more cultural events?”

*Additional Comments: Tours of places like Knightsville, signs or monument markers that show locations of ghost towns, music festivals, historical tours, city recreation activities, dance lessons/entertainment, athletic teams, swimming lessons, senior events, art shows, plays/theater, town parties, mine tours, motor bike rides, rodeo, mug digs, demolition derby* 

Figure 13.12: Response to the question, “Would you be in favor of annexing adjacent areas to accommodate growth?”

Figure 13.13: Response to the question, “If in favor (regarding annexation), would you be in favor of:”
Figure 13.12: Response to the question, "What do you like about Eureka?"

Figure 13.13: Response to the question, "What would you like to see stay the same in Eureka?"
Figure 13.14: Response to the question, “What do you dislike about Eureka?”

Figure 13.15: Response to the question, “What would you change about Eureka?”
Additional Comments:

I wish the post office was open for more than four hours, but I realize this is a federal concern.

There are many people in town who would love to help run recreation programs if you would just provide the opportunity. Our town is missing out on so much because the City will not give us the chance! This plan is very important to those of us who want Eureka to return to a prosperous town offering and meeting the needs of the population.

Here's to growth!

Better care of our cemetery. Have residents keep their property clean.

A trail system will do nothing for citizens of Eureka, more noise, more crime, we need property for people to build homes - ATV riders spend little to no money in Eureka, a trail system just locks up all the property around the trails - we have plenty of trails.

We love Eureka! We think if the Mayor and Council members could get on the same page to make decisions and enforce ordinances, it would be even better!

I would love to see more for the kids to do.

I love Eureka, it will always be home, I feel safe here!

Natural gas or access to cheaper electricity and internet would be nice.

A medical clinic is needed, preferably with a pharmacy.

Outdoor "street party" with water and juice for children during the hot summer months.

I'd like to see some new homes built in this town.

Buildings repaired or town down.

RV Park.

We could definitely use more businesses.
The Eureka City Council and Planning Commission are creating the Eureka City General Plan. The General Plan will be used to guide the City for the next 5-10 years. A General Plan Creation Committee composed of the Mayor and members of the City Council and Planning Commission, as well as various committee members, merchants, and citizens at large, was created to guide the process of creating the Plan. In addition to information gathered at public meetings, this anonymous survey has been assembled to gather citizen input.

Please take a moment to make your opinions known to the Planning Commission and City Council by completing the following survey. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

How long have you lived in Eureka?

___ Less than 1 year
___ 1-5 years
___ 6-10 years
___ 11-20 years
___ Over 20 years

Which category best describes your age?

___ Under 20 years
___ 20-34 years
___ 35-49 years
___ 50-64 years
___ 65 years and over

The following questions are related to employment.

Please select the statement that best represents your situation.

___ I am retired.
___ I am unemployed.
___ I work in Eureka.
___ I work outside of Eureka, less than 5 miles away.
___ I work outside of Eureka, 5-10 miles away.
___ I work outside of Eureka, 11-20 miles away.
___ I work outside of Eureka, 21-60 miles away.
___ I work outside of Eureka, more than 60 miles away.

If employed, select the option that best describes the industry in which you work.

___ Agriculture, Hunting, Mining
___ Construction
___ Manufacturing
___ Wholesale or Retail Trade
___ Transportation, Warehousing, Utilities
___ Information
___ Finance, Insurance, Real Estate
___ Professional, Scientific, and Administrative Services

Example of the survey used to gather citizen feedback
___ Education, Health Care, and Social Assistance
___ Arts, Entertainment, Recreation, Food Services
___ Public Administration
___ Other. Please explain:

Which types of new housing do you feel should be allowed in Eureka? Choose all options that apply.

___ Detached Single-Family Homes
___ Semi-Detached Dwellings (duplexes)
___ Multi-Family Dwellings (apartments and condominiums)
___ Retirement Condominiums or Cottages
___ Single Room Occupancy (SRO)
___ Assisted Living Facilities
___ Group Homes
___ Mobile Homes
___ Other. Please explain:

Residential growth does not necessarily entail commercial growth. Many communities favor commercial development because the attendant sales tax dollars help fund community improvements. Some communities discourage commercial growth, preferring instead to maintain status as a commuter town or bedroom community.

Do you favor or oppose encouraging commercial growth within the City?

___ Favor
___ Oppose

If you are in favor, where in the City should commercial growth occur? Choose all that apply.

___ No Restriction
___ Downtown Only
___ Other. Please explain:
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Which types of commercial growth should occur?
___ Traffic Management during Special Events
___ Other. Please explain:

Would you be in favor of annexing adjacent areas to accommodate growth?
___ Favor
___ Oppose

If in favor, would you be in favor of:
___ Residential Growth
___ Commercial Growth
___ Both

Eureka City manages a variety of infrastructure systems and services. Infrastructure and services are vital to the health of the community.

Please rank which infrastructure services will be most impacted by future growth. Rank items on a scale of 1 to 8, with 1 being the most impacted and 8 being the least impacted. Each number should only be used once.

___ Water Distribution
___ Sewer Services
___ Wastewater Disposal
___ Electrical and Data Services
___ Streets, Sidewalks, Bridges, and Public Ways
___ Parks and Public Trails
___ Police and Fire Services
___ Irrigation Ditches, Levees, and Reservoirs

Transportation infrastructure ensures efficient movement of good sand people throughout the community. As part of the creation of the General Plan, Eureka City is considering improvements to the transportation.

What improvements would you like to see in the roadway infrastructure?
___ ATV Lanes
___ Bike Lanes
___ Speed Limit Changes
___ On-Street Parking Restrictions
___ Sidewalk Modifications

Please share additional comments about public services and infrastructure:

Example of the survey used to gather citizen feedback
Cultural events provide a way for people to express their ideas, traditions, and values. These events help to establish community identity and can serve an important economic function.

How do you feel about the statement: “The city should encourage or sponsor more cultural events”?

____ Strongly agree
____ Somewhat agree
____ Neither agree nor disagree
____ Somewhat disagree
____ Strongly disagree

What types of events? Please list below.

What would you change about Eureka?

If you could add one thing to the City, what would it be?

Please include any additional comments:

Thank you for your participation!

What do you like about Eureka?

What would you like to see stay the same in Eureka?

What do you dislike about Eureka?

Example of the survey used to gather citizen feedback
Example of Issue Cards used to gather citizen feedback

EUREKA! WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT EUREKA?

EUREKA! WHAT DO YOU DISLIKE ABOUT EUREKA?