

**GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT** 

# **Town Plan Survey**

# Town of Georgia Vermont

The Town of Georgia Vermont Planning Commission is conducting this survey to collect public input for the **Georgia Town Plan**. The confidential and anonymous public input collected as part of this survey will be used to identify issues of importance to the community and ideas for future improvement and discussion. The results of this survey will be used to identify topics for additional public meetings in the Spring of 2024 and will help inform the language of the updated Town Plan. Please take a moment to fill out this survey and return by mail addressed to: **Town of Georgia Survey, 47 Town Common Road, St. Albans, VT 05478** or leave at the **dropbox** located at the same address **no later than January 17th**. Thank you!

Prefer to take this survey online? Do other people in your household want to fill it out? No problem! Take the online version of this survey by using the QR Code at right with your smartphone camera, or by visiting the following webpage:

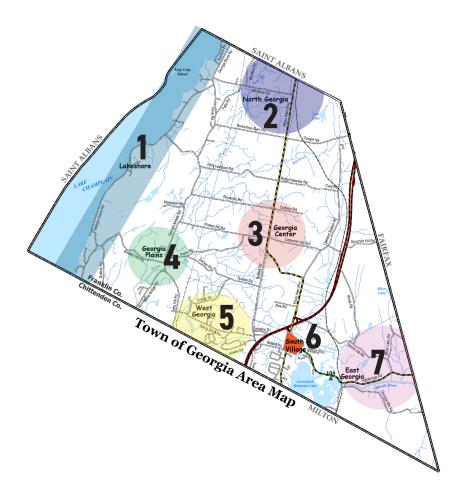
https://tinyurl.com/GeorgiaVTSurvey

1	What is your opinion on the overall amount of growth and development in the Town of Georgia over the past several years? (Select one)									
	☐ We could use a lot more growth	☐ We could use	□ It h	$\square$ It has been just about right						
	$\hfill \square$ We have seen a little too much growth	☐ We have seen	☐ Unsure / No opinion							
In managing future growth and development within the town, how important are each of the following factors to you?										
			Not Important	Somewhat Important	Important	Very Important	Top Priority	Unsure		
Inc	reasing revenue to support a healthy tax bas	9								
Pro	tecting our small town, rural character and s	cenic views								
Pro	tecting our water quality and natural resourc	ces								
Pro	tecting local working farms and agricultural	lands								
Attı	racting additional affordable rental apartmen	ts / duplexes								
Attı	racting additional commercial growth in Sout	h Village								
Attı	racting additional commercial growth in Geor	gia Center								
Attı	racting additional industrial growth in industr	rial areas								
Attı	racting additional residential growth in rural	areas								
Exp	panding opportunities for home occupations									
Alle	eviating traffic congestion									

#### **GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT, Continued**

Would you want to see the Town of Georgia work toward the development of a compact, pedestrian-friendly mixed-use commercial growth center, similar to a traditional downtown, in South Village or Georgia Center? (Select any that apply)

☐ Yes, in South V	/illage	☐ Yes, in Georgia Center	□ No	☐ Maybe / Unsure
Other Location:				



Using the map above, how appropriate do you think each of the following areas of town are for new commercial growth? (Refer to map above)	Not Appropriate	Somewhat Appropriate	Most Appropriate
AREA 1 - Lakeshore			
AREA 2 - North Georgia			
AREA 3 - Georgia Center			
AREA 4 - Georgia Plains			
AREA 5 - West Georgia			
AREA 6 - South Village			
AREA 7 - East Georgia			
Other/rural areas			

#### **GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT, Continued**

5		port the Town of C ommercial and res	<b>.</b>	owth there? (Select		South village area to
	☐ Yes					
	☐ Yes, but woul	d depend on the amou	unt of impact	to local taxes		
	☐ Yes, but only	f it was funded and m	naintained by	a local district with no	tax impact to locals outside	of that district
	□ No					
	☐ Maybe / Unsi	ıre				
6	Are there area	s of town or natur	al resource	s you would like to	see protected? (Write i	n)
			_		(	
7	Are there scen	ic views or viewsh	ieds you wo	ould like to see prot	tected? (Write in)	
Viev	v From / To:			/		
				,		
Viev	v From / To:			/		
8	How importan	t is it to protect th	e view of th	e lake along Georg	ia Shore Road? (Select	one)
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	☐ Not Importan	t □ Somewhat Ir	mportant	☐ Important	☐ Very Important	☐ Unsure
	□ Not Importan	t □ Somewhat Ir	mportant	☐ Important	□ Very Important	☐ Unsure
9	How much do	you agree or disag	ree with the	e following statem	ent? (Select one)	
	How much do	you agree or disag	ree with the	e following statem	, ,	

# HOUSING 10 How much d

How much do you a "The needed housing	•		•					
☐ Strongly Agree	☐ Strongly Agree ☐ Agree ☐ Neutra			□ D	isagree	☐ Strongly Disagree		
How much do you agree or disagree with the fol "The needed housing types in the area are affordab  □ Strongly Agree □ Agree □ Neutr		are affordable	•			☐ Strongly Disagree		
What types of hous needed in the town		re	Not Needed		Somewhat Needed	Highly Needed		
Smaller, affordable starter h	nomes							
Single-family homes								
Two-family / duplex homes								
Rental apartments (year-room	und)							
Accessory Dwelling Units /	In-Law Apartments							
Townhouse / condominiums	S							
Senior Citizen housing / apa	artments							
Assisted living / nursing ho	mes							
Mobile homes / mobile hom	ne parks							
Seasonal homes / camps								
Planned cluster / P.U.D. nei	ighborhoods							
Tiny house / communal living	ng							
Other (write-in):								
Using the map (on you think each of the are for new housing	he following area	s of town	Not Appropriat	e	Somewhat Appropriate	Most Appropriate		
AREA 1 - Lakeshore								
AREA 2 - North Georgia								
<b>AREA 3</b> - Georgia Center								
<b>AREA 4</b> - Georgia Plains								
AREA 5 - West Georgia								
AREA 6 - South Village								
<b>AREA 7</b> - East Georgia								
Other / rural areas								

#### **LOCAL SHOPS & SERVICES**

☐ Strongly Agree	☐ Agree	☐ Neutra	al / Unsure	☐ Disagree	☐ St	trongly Disagree
What types of shop	os and services d	lo you feel ar	e desired withi	n the Town of Ge	eorgia?	
			Not Desired	Somewhat Desired	Highly Desired	No opinion / Unsure
Child care / day care						
Pharmacy						
lardware						
Groceries / market						
Ooggie daycare						
Bookstore						
Professional services						
itness / health center						
Agricultural / farm support						
Casual restaurant						
ake-out & delivery restaur	ant					
Chain / fast-food / drive-th	ru restaurant					
Jpscale restaurant						
Bakery / coffee						
Bar / brewery						
Kids entertainment						
General entertainment						
odging / hotel						
Senior center						
Public transportation						
Other (write-in):						

#### **COMMUNITY AMENITIES AND SERVICES**

Un a scale of 1-5 (where 1 = Poor / 5 = Great) now wo	ula you ra	te eacn o	tne tollo	wing serv	ices?	
	1	2	3	4	5	Unsure
Town Office communication and providing information to locals						
Police presence and law enforcement						
Winter maintenance/plowing of <u>Town</u> roads						
Winter maintenance/plowing of <u>State</u> roads (e.g. Rt. 7, 104A, etc)						
Paving/repair of <u>Town</u> roads						
Paving/repair of <u>State</u> roads (e.g. Rt. 7, 104A, etc)						
Clearing of right-of-ways/mowing/ditching along <u>Town</u> roads						
Clearing of right-of-ways/mowing/ditching along State roads						
Enforcement of vacant property and junk cleanup						
How much do you agree or disagree with the followi "The Town Offices and Library services would serve local Village as it is being developed."	_			n new facil	lit(ies) in S	South
☐ Strongly Agree ☐ Agree ☐ Neutral / L	Jnsure	□ D	isagree		☐ Strongly	Disagree
How much do you agree or disagree with the followi "A community is improved by celebrating diversity and vertical origin, sex, gender identity or expression, sexual	welcoming	all persor	ns, regardl		e, color, re	ligion,
☐ Strongly Agree ☐ Agree ☐ Neutral / L	Jnsure	□ D	isagree		☐ Strongly	Disagree

#### **COMMUNITY AMENITIES AND SERVICES**

	Not Desired	Somewhat Desired	Desired	Very Desired	Top Priority	Unsure
Refurbished / improved facilities at Georgia Beach						
Additional activities or uses at Georgia Beach						
Additional community events						
Activities or facilities for seniors						
activities or facilities for youth						
Community playground / park						
Community garden						
Community gathering / multi-purpose event space						
Off-road recreational walking/biking trails						
n-road bike lanes						
Regarding the question above, do you have any	specific ideas	or recomm	□ nendation	s? (Write in	n)	
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Regarding the question above, do you have any  How much would you desire to see bike lanes of	specific ideas	or recomm	endation	s? (Write in	n)	- Incline
Regarding the question above, do you have any  How much would you desire to see bike lanes of allard Road	Not Desired sidear road si	Somewhat Somewhat Desired	Desired dded to the	s? (Write in Ner.)  Desired  personal part of the following the followin	Top Priority Top Priority	
Regarding the question above, do you have any  How much would you desire to see bike lanes of allard Road eorgia Middle Road	Not Posiced Signal Posiced Desired	Somewhat Somewhat Desired	Desired Desired	s? (Write in Nery	n)  Top Priority	
Regarding the question above, do you have any  How much would you desire to see bike lanes of allard Road eorgia Middle Road eorgia Shore Road	or wider road s	Somewhat Somewhat Desired	dded to t	s? (Write in Aery)	n)  In property of the propert	
Regarding the question above, do you have any	or wider road s	Somewhat Desired	Gendation  Gesiled	s? (Write in Ner)	n)  In a groads?  A specific control of the control	

### Should the town try to coordinate with adjacent municipalities to plan for shared community and recreation amenities, so that each municipality doesn't need to construct their own? (Select one) ☐ Yes □ No ☐ Unsure What shared community and recreation amenities might you suggest? (Write in) How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement? (Select one) "Cellular phone service within the town is adequate for my daily needs." ☐ Strongly Agree ☐ Agree ☐ Neutral / Unsure ☐ Disagree ☐ Strongly Disagree How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement? (Select one) "High-speed internet service within the town is adequate for my daily needs." ☐ Strongly Agree ☐ Agree ☐ Neutral / Unsure ☐ Disagree ☐ Strongly Disagree How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement? (Select one) "The Town of Georgia municipality should work to pursue sustainable energy solutions for its operations, such as geothermal, heat exchangers, solar or wind energy sources, reduced energy use, and fossil fuel reductions." ☐ Strongly Agree ☐ Agree ☐ Neutral / Unsure ☐ Disagree ☐ Strongly Disagree How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement? (Select one) "The Town of Georgia municipality should work to encourage and support ways in which homeowners and businesses can pursue sustainable energy solutions, such as geothermal, heat exchangers, solar or wind energy sources, reduced energy use, and fossil fuel reductions." ☐ Neutral / Unsure ☐ Strongly Disagree ☐ Strongly Agree ☐ Agree ☐ Disagree

**COMMUNITY AMENITIES & SERVICES** 

#### **OVERALL PRIORITIES**

(1 = Not Important, 5 = Average, 10 = Top Priority)										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
mproving availability and affordability of housing options										
mproving roadway maintenance and safety										
mproving bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure										
reserving town character and natural resources										
dding new recreational amenities or activities										
ncreasing police presence and enforcement										
ttracting more local shops and services										
nproving municipal government function & communications										
nproving cellular phone and internet services										
ddressing energy use, climate change and sustainability										
ddressing diversity, equity and inclusion in the community										
creasing revenues to support a healthy/stable tax base										
Please feel free to add any additional comments were not covered in this survey: (Write in)	or sug	gestio	ns you	ı want	to sha	are for	the T	own P	lan wh	nich
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were not covered in this survey: (Write in)										
were not covered in this survey: (Write in)  Are there any issues covered in this survey which										

A	BOUT YOU					
32	What is your age?	(Select One)				
	☐ Under 20	□ 20 - 24	□ 25 - 29		□ 30 - 34	□ 35 - 39
	□ 40 - 44	☐ 45 - 49	□ 50 - 54		□ 55 - 59	□ 60 - 64
	□ 65 - 69	□ 70 - 74	☐ 75 - 79		□ 80 - 84	□ 85 +
33	Check all of the following	lowing that may apply:	(Select all t	nat apply)		
	☐ I am a full-time res	ident of the Town of Georgi	ia, VT.	☐ I own land	in the Town of Georgia, VT	
	☐ I am a part-time re	sident of the Town of Georg	gia, VT.	☐ I own a bus	siness in the Town of Georg	gia, VT.
34	If you are a part-tin	ne resident, about how	many mon	ths of the year	· do you typically live h	ere in town?
J-1	' '	,	•	•	, ,,	
		months per year				
		l				
35	Where do you work	(? (Select all that apply)				
	- ☐ I commute to (full-t	time) work location inside c	of town.	☐ I work from	n home part-time.	
	☐ I commute to (full-t	time) work location outside	of town.	☐ I am a self-	-employed contractor at va	rious locations.
	☐ I commute to (part-	-time) work location inside	of town.	☐ I am not cu	ırrently working.	
	☐ I commute to (part-	-time) work location outside	e of town.	☐ I am retire	d.	
	☐ I work from home f	full-time.		☐ Other.		
0.7	l No you own or rent	your place of residence	e in Georgi:	2 (Salact One)		
36				1: (Select One)		
	□ Own	Rent	☐ Other		□ N/A - I do not live in	ı town
37	How long have you	lived in the Town of Ge	eorgia? (Sel	ect One)		
	Less than 1 year	☐ Less than 5 years	☐ Greate	r than 5 years	☐ Greater than 20 ye	ars 🗆 N/A
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## Thank you for participating in this survey!

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