

Incorporated 1889

Household Yearly Gross Income

Income Range

\$15,000 - \$29,999

\$30,000 - \$49,999

\$50,000 - \$74,999

\$75,000 - \$99,000

Over \$150,000

\$100,000 - \$150,000

<\$15,000

# Survey Results Summary

# CITY OF LIVINGSTON GROWTH POLICY

December 12, 2019 – February 17, 2020 Total Surveys Collected: 1,196 (online and handwritten)

Respondent Age	
Under 18	.4%
18-24	3.0%
25-34	16.3%
35-44	21.8%
45-54	20.4%
55-64	21.30%
65+	15.75%

%

4.8%

11.4%

18.6%

23.4%

17.3%

15.6%

8.8%

RESPONDENT	DEMOGRAPHICS

Place of Residence	
Within the city limits of Livingston	81.2%
In Park County outside of Livingston City Limits	24.7%
Elsewhere in Montana	3.3%
Out-of-state	3.9%

Home Ownership	Full-Time vs. Part-Time Residence
Other 8% Renter 20%	Part-Time 15%
Homeowner 72%	Full-Time 85%

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

## **Most Popular Policies**

- Attract skilled trade industries.
- Attract professional level jobs.
- Workforce development and training.
- Retention and expansion programs for existing businesses
- Buy local campaign.
- Redevelop railroad properties for economic development.
- Attract tech sector jobs.

## LAND USE

## **Most Popular Policies**

- Regulate big-box stores (design standard, location, etc.).
- Limit the number of billboards.
- Discourage urban sprawl.
- Cluster homes to protect green space.

## **INFRASTRUCTURE**

#### **Most Popular Policies**

- The city should promote energy efficiency.
- New development should pay impact fees to help pay for upgrades to infrastructure.
- The city should promote resilient designs for infrastructure.
- The city should promote water conservation to reduce growth pressures on water and wastewater facilities.
- The city should plan for better broadband services.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

#### **Most Popular Policies**

- Build a new separated grade crossing on the west side of town.
- Design transportation improvements for people with disabilities.
- Design pedestrian-friendly transportation improvements.
- Invest in sidewalk and street improvements in older parts of town.

## NATURAL RESOURCES

#### **Most Popular Policies**

- Enact appropriate measures to protect ground water resources.
- Enact appropriate measures to protect water quality in the Yellowstone River.
- Protect natural areas such as floodplains, wetlands, wildlife habitat.
- Support clean-up of contaminated brownfields and superfund properties.
- Reduce non-point water pollution through best practices for stormwater management.
- Promote practices that result in good, healthy air quality.
- Discourage development in hazardous areas with steep slopes, poor soils, floodplain and other high-risk areas.
- Reduce waste and promote recycling in the city.
- Promote landscaped areas and preserve the urban forest.

## HOUSING

#### Most Popular Programs

- Weatherization energy conservation.
- Allow residential units above first floor commercial spaces.
- Down payment assistance for first time home buyers.

## Agree / Strongly Agree

- There is a shortage of rental units.
- It is difficult to recruit employees due to shortage of affordable housing units
- The cost to purchase a home is too high for the average worker.
- Rents are too high for the average worker.
- There are run-down homes in town that need repair.
- The city needs better regulations for short term rentals.

## Housing Needed in Livingston

