



City of the Village of Douglas

Welcome!

**Dear City of the Village of Douglas Stakeholder,**

**The City of the Village of Douglas Planning Commission is in the process of updating the City's Master Plan, and needs your input! We ask for your cooperation in answering the questions so City officials can make land-use decisions with your opinions. Responses will be confidential. The results of the survey will guide future land uses and the decision-making process.**



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Stakeholder Background Questions

**The following questions will help the Planning Commission better understand how the opinions of City residents and stakeholders vary across the community.**

1. In which part of the City do you reside? (Please refer to the map below)

- A
- B
- C
- D
- I don't live in the City
- Please write where you live.

## City of Douglas Quadrant Map

INSERT MAP HERE

### 2. What type of Douglas stakeholder Are You?

Rental Property Owner

Full-time resident

Seasonal resident

Not a resident

3. What is your zip code of residency if you are a seasonal resident?

4. If you live in Douglas, in what type of residence do you live?

- Single-family home (5+ acres)
- Single-family home (less than 5 acres)
- Lakefront single-family home
- Duplex (two attached dwelling units in one structure)
- Manufactured home
- Multi-family (3+ unit apartment or condominium)
- Other (please specify)

5. Do you rent or own your Douglas home?

- Rent
- Own

6. How long have you lived in Douglas?

- Fewer than 3 years
- 3 to 9 years
- 10 to 25 years
- More than 25 years



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7. Do you expect to move out of Douglas in the next five years?

- Yes
- No
- I don't know

8. What is your age?

- 18 years or under
- 19 to 24 years
- 25 to 34 years
- 35 to 44 years
- 45 to 54 years
- 55 to 64 years
- 65 to 74 years
- 75 years or older

9. Which of the following best characterizes your connection to the City of Douglas? Please check all that apply.

- Resident (either year-round or seasonal)
- Business Owner
- Commerical Property Owner
- Residential Landlord
- Student
- Work in the City
- Other (please specify)

10. Where do you primarily work?

11. Where are you most likely to go for the following goods and services? (Please select all that apply.)

	Groceries and/or Household		
	Goods	Entertainment	Parks and Recreation
City of South Haven	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Benton Harbor/St. Joseph area	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Holland/Zeeland area	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Grand Rapids area	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Elsewhere in Allegan County	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Elsewhere in Berrien County	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Elsewhere in Ottawa	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Internet	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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12. From the following list, please select the most important reason(s) you have chosen to live in the City of Douglas (check all that apply):

- Arts and Culture
- Cost of living/local tax rates
- Access to Marinas and Lake Mich.
- Diversity of Lifestyles
- Grew up here
- Small Town Charm
- Safe area
- Lakeshore community
- Recreational opportunities
- Proximity to Work
- Not a resident
- Other (please specify)



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Community Planning Questions

13. Regarding the growth of the City, do you think the City is growing:

Too quickly	About right	Too slowly	No Opinon
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

14. Please rate the City's effort to guide and direct growth and development:

Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	No Opinion
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

15. Please rate your level of concern regarding the following issues:

	Very Concerned	Somewhat Concerned	Not Concerned	No Opinion
Traffic congestion	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Traffic speeds	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Necessity for safer crossing areas along Bluestar Hwy	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Quality of City roads	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Quality of groundwater	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Quality of surface water	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Availability of public water	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Availability of public sewer	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Stormwater management from new and infill construction	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Availability/quality of high-speed or wireless internet	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Enforcement of zoning and property maintenance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Loss of open space and/or natural areas to development	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Number of short-term rentals/seasonal homes compared to year-round homes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Need for more public access to marinas.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Unplanned and sporadic commercial development	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lack of affordable housing options	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lack of Employment opportunities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Need for more protections for shoreline resiliency	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Too much residential development on the Lake Michigan shoreline	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lack of Parking	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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Economic Vitality	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Availability/access to recreational facilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Need for more entertainment and social activities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Inadequate public safety services (police/fire)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Inadequate City services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Need for more safe pedestrian connections	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Other / Comments



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16. What type of housing would you like to see in The City of Douglas? (Check all that apply)

- Large lot single-family homes (5+ acre lots)
- Moderate lot single-family homes (1-5 acre lots)
- small lot single-family homes (less than 1 acre lots)
- Duplexes (two attached dwelling units in one structure)
- Multi-family housing (i.e. apartments/condominium, 3+ units per building)
- Manufactured housing
- Accessory dwelling units or guest housing (i.e. two or more living units on a single-family lot)
- Tiny homes (under 500 square feet per home)
- Retirement Community/Senior living facilities
- Assisted living
- I don't want any new housing in the City
- No opinion
- Other (please specify)

17. What types of businesses would you like to see in The City? (Check all that apply)

- Fast food restaurants
- Sit-down restaurants
- Retail stores
- Personal services (hair salons, health business, etc. )
- Assembly, manufacturing and/or other industry
- Finance, business, and/or other professional services Hotels
- and accommodations (motels, hostels, etc.)
- Short-Term Rental (vacation rental businesses, AirBnB, etc.)
- Waterfront businesses
- Grocery stores
- No opinion
- I don't want any new businesses in the Township
- Other (please specify)



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### 18. How satisfied are you with the following aspects of South Haven Township?

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied
As a place to live	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
As a place to raise a family	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
As a place to do business	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
As a place to develop/build	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Quality of life	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Housing choices	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Shopping and services access	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Employment opportunities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Zoning and code enforcement	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Communications to residents from the City	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Police protection	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Fire protection	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ambulance service, response time, etc.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Schools	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Parks and recreation facilities access	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Other (please specify)

### 19. In terms of potential Township priorities, how important are the following?

	Very important	Somewhat important	Neutral	Somewhat Unimportant	Not important at all
Preserving open spaces	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Protecting private property rights	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	1	2	3	4	5
Protecting groundwater	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Expanding commercial development	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Expanding industrial development	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Increasing support for new businesses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Increasing support for tourist-related businesses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Increasing affordable/attainable housing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Increasing options available for housing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Increasing housing options for seniors	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Increasing regulations for short-term rental units	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Improving parks and recreation facilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Expanding public utility options (water/sewer)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Improving public roads	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Improving biking and walking opportunities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Improving broadband/high-speed internet availability	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Promoting shoreline resiliency	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Other



20. Please indicate whether you agree or disagree with the following statements for the City of Douglas

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't Know
The City should acquire more land for parks, marinas, natural areas, and trails.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I would support increased controls on development to protect shorelines, water quality in lakes, rivers, and streams.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The downtown district should expand to Ferry St. with residential/commercial mixed uses.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Wetlands in the City should be protected.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Housing development with smaller lots should be clustered together to preserve open space increase affordability	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Single Family homes should be retrofitted with additional dwelling units to create affordable housing options	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

21. Currently, short-term rentals (AirBnB, VRBO, etc.) must be registered with the City Clerk annually and be inspected by the Fire Department. What should the City be doing to better regulate short-term rentals? (Check all that apply):

- Have a more comprehensive Short Term Rentals Ordinance to regulate these land uses.
- The number of short-term rentals allowed in the City should be limited to a maximum number.
- The City should only allow short-term rentals in certain zoning districts.
- Be subject to follow-up inspections during the year to verify continued safety and ordinance compliance
- Short-term rentals should capture additional tax dollars
- Other (please specify)

Additional questions:

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. \_\_\_\_\_
- 7. \_\_\_\_\_
- 8. \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. \_\_\_\_\_
- 10. \_\_\_\_\_