



Nome Fall 2020 Comprehensive Plan Survey

Introduction

Please help us plan for the future you want to see in Nome. This survey will take approximately 30 minutes.

The Nome 2030 Comprehensive Plan will guide physical and economic development in the City for the next ten years. The State of Alaska requires that this Plan address land use, physical conditions, the environment, open space, natural resources, community services and facilities, transportation, and economic development. We are also asking for your input on subsistence, social services, and recreation. Our goal is to create a Plan for development priorities that reflects our shared community values, builds on our strengths, identifies our challenges, and seeks creative and collaborative solutions.

In addition to this survey there will also be other opportunities to provide input at public meetings that follow federal Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines later this year and early 2021. If you would like to be more involved in developing the Plan, there is a place at the end of the survey to provide your contact information or you can let the City Clerk know of your interest. Thank you!
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Land Use and Housing

1. Front Street has long been Nome's "Main Street". It is located in a flood zone and requires special building codes to protect people and buildings. These requirements can add additional expenses for property owners. Should Front Street continue to be a focus of commercial development?

- Yes
- No
- No opinion

Other Suggestion

2. What area(s) should be the focus of commercial development, such as offices, stores for grocery, shopping and services, restaurants, bars and entertainment?
Please select your top three priorities.

Front Street

East End area

Bering Street

Harbor area

Foster Building/Recreation Center area

Airport area

Alaska Commercial area

High School area

Norton Sound Regional Hospital area

Icy View area

Other suggestions

3. Nome's Zoning Code identifies locations for commercial, industrial, residential, resource development, and open space/recreation (see attached zoning map). Do you agree with the locations?

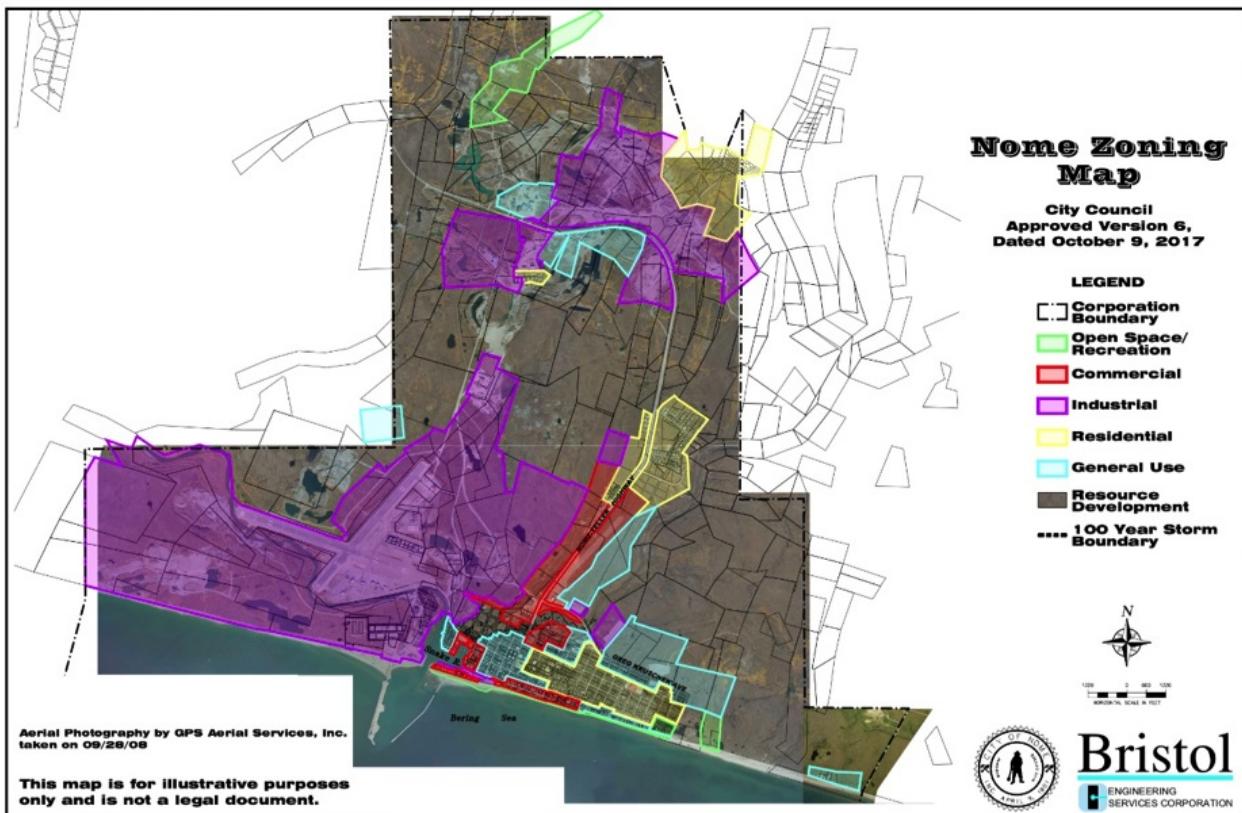
Agree

Disagree

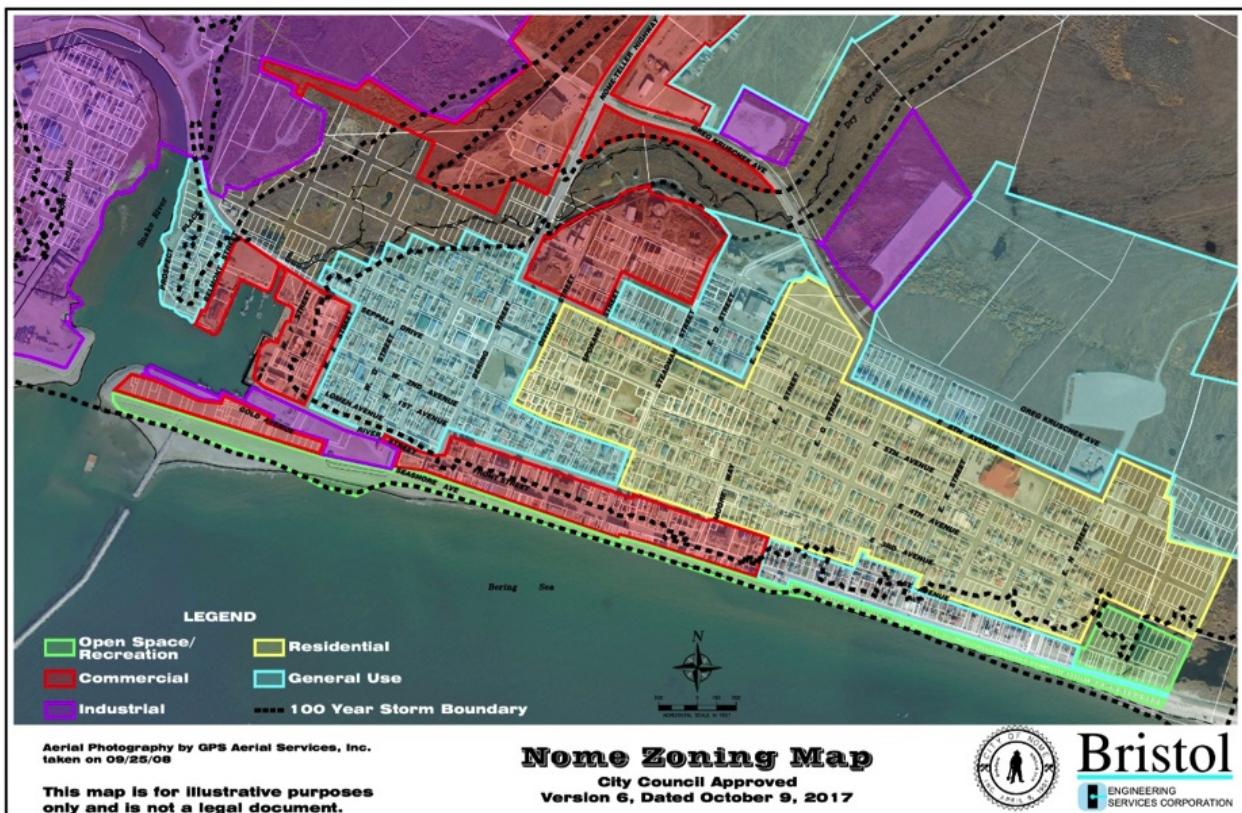
No Opinion

Other suggestions?

A 50.0% Area Zoning Map



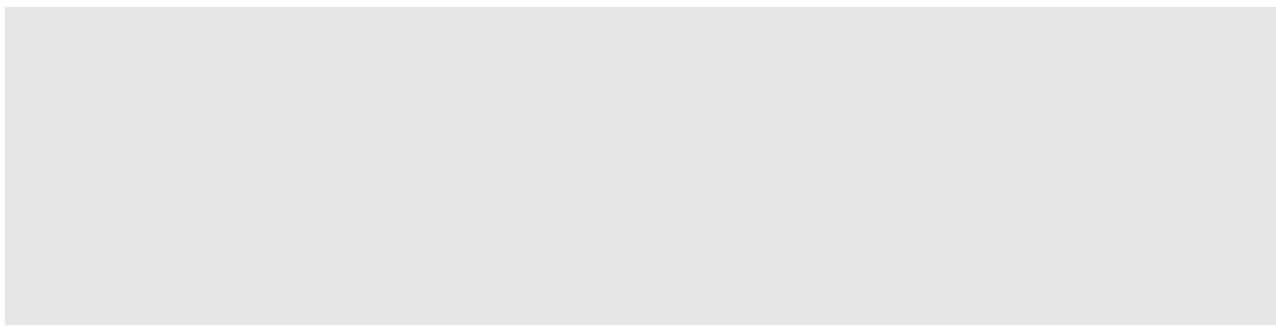
B 50.0% Downtown Zoning Map



4. Nome's Zoning Code was adopted in 2008. Zoning and land use rules and regulations are intended to protect public health, public safety and welfare, natural resources, and promote orderly development (see attached zoning map). Zoning and land use is:

- Too strict
- Adequate
- Not strict enough
- No opinion

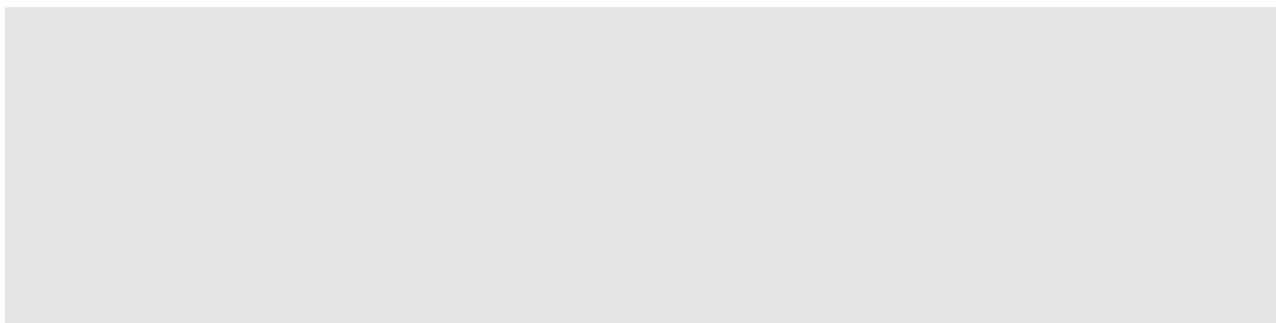
Suggested changes to the zoning map?



5. Nome has enough housing

- Agree
- Disagree
- No opinion

Other suggestions?



6. What additional housing types are needed in Nome? Please select your top three priorities

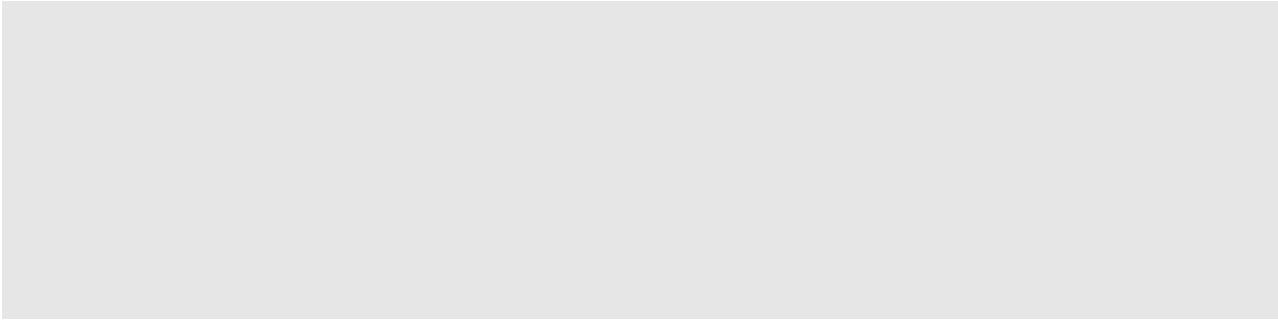
- Market rate housing
- Market rate rentals
- First-time home purchasing opportunities
- Efficiencies for very low-income individuals
- Build to own housing opportunities
- Sober housing for people who need additional support to stay sober
- Affordable housing
- Emergency shelters, identified and stocked with emergency supplies - overnight and day use
- Subsidized apartment rentals
- Transitional housing for veterans and other people who need a temporary home
- Subsidized house/duplex/triplex rentals
- No additional housing types needed

Other suggestions?

7. If new residential areas are created, what are some possible locations

- East end of town - N Street to Bypass Road**
- Hospital area - North of Greg Kruscheck Road (to the east)**
- Dog lot area - North of Greg Kruscheck Road (to the west)**
- Icy View area**

Other suggestions

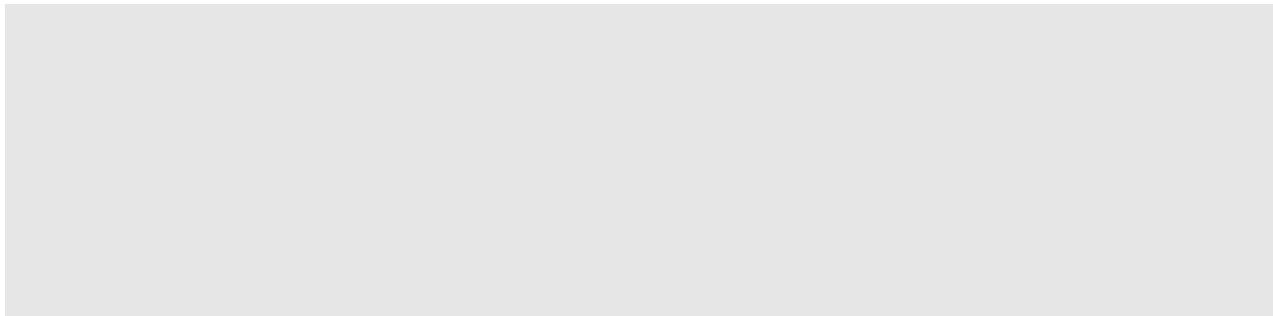


8. Are additional resources needed to maintain and renovate existing housing? In Nome one-third of the houses are vacant or in severe disrepair and on the abatement list to correct the conditions or demolish.

Please select your top three choices of solutions that could address this problem.

- Urban homesteading - for a small fee, Nome would offer City-owned abandoned properties to applicants in exchange for a commitment to renovate and reside in the property for three to five years.**
- Spot blight elimination - Nome offer market value for properties that have history of land use violations.**
- Identify an historic district and seek resources for historic preservation**
- Continue the Nome Vacant Property Registration program to encourage rehabilitation of vacant structures**
- Create a focus area on which to concentrate abatement, clean-up and repair and replacement housing to measure impacts**
- Develop a program of pooling with other governmental and native agencies and nonprofits the purchase of building supplies to lower purchase and transportation costs**

Other suggestions





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Recreation

9. What existing recreational facilities are most important in Nome? Please select your top three priorities:

<input type="checkbox"/> Parks	<input type="checkbox"/> Swimming pool
<input type="checkbox"/> Playgrounds	<input type="checkbox"/> Bowling alley
<input type="checkbox"/> Recreation Center	<input type="checkbox"/> Basketball court
<input type="checkbox"/> Covered ice rink	<input type="checkbox"/> Softball fields

Other suggestions

**10. What other types of recreational opportunities would you like to see in Nome?
Please select your top three priorities**

<input type="checkbox"/> More parks	<input type="checkbox"/> More pavilions and picnic tables
<input type="checkbox"/> Better walking paths/sidewalks	<input type="checkbox"/> Public restrooms/outhouses that are maintained
<input type="checkbox"/> Trails for biking, skiing, walking, hiking	<input type="checkbox"/> Sledding areas
<input type="checkbox"/> Snowmachine trails/routes within the City	<input type="checkbox"/> Walking
<input type="checkbox"/> Covered ice rink	<input type="checkbox"/> Berry picking areas
<input type="checkbox"/> Tennis court	<input type="checkbox"/> Fishing
<input type="checkbox"/> Handicap accessible playground	<input type="checkbox"/> Dog parks
<input type="checkbox"/> Full-size outdoor basketball court	<input type="checkbox"/> Campgrounds
<input type="checkbox"/> More pavilions and picnic tables	

Other suggestions



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Environmental and Natural Resources

11. Please identity any specific geographic areas, such as the ocean, beaches, rivers, streams and ponds, wetlands, open tundra and hills and mountains you feel need protection from development

12. Nome's energy (electricity/power) is currently generated primarily by diesel-burning engines. What other types of energy production would you like to see in Nome in the future? Please select three options.

Expand wind

Nuclear

Solar

Natural gas

Wave driven energy

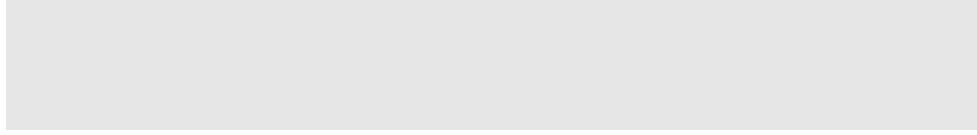
None

Other suggestions

13. What can Nome do within the City limits to maintain and enhance the ability of residents to practice a subsistence way of life and provide continued access to fish and wildlife?

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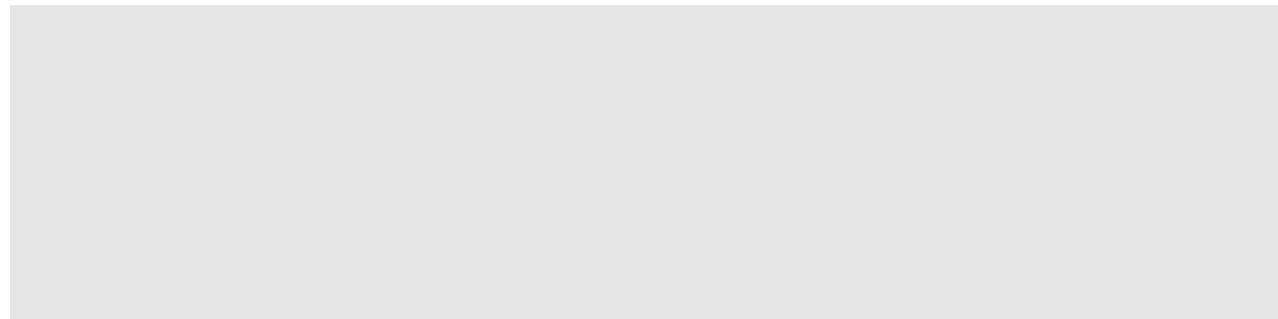
14. What areas of the City do you use for access points to subsistence resources? Please provide any recommendations:

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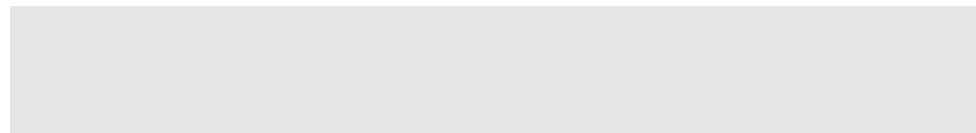
15. What, environmental issues in Nome concern you? Please select your top three priorities

<input type="checkbox"/> Road dust	<input type="checkbox"/> Noise
<input type="checkbox"/> Other air quality issues	<input type="checkbox"/> Hazardous materials disposal
<input type="checkbox"/> Lack of good recycling opportunities for household waste	<input type="checkbox"/> Uplands gold mining dredging damage
<input type="checkbox"/> Lack of good recycling opportunities for electronic waste (e.g. household appliances, computers, cell phones, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/> No hazardous materials disposal sites or plastic and electronic recycling sites
<input type="checkbox"/> Overall quality of drinking water	<input type="checkbox"/> Lingering effects of historic gold mining
<input type="checkbox"/> Fluoride in drinking water	<input type="checkbox"/> Indoor air quality in older housing and office buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> Other water quality issues (e.g. water quality in streams, rivers, ocean)	<input type="checkbox"/> No concerns of environmental issues

Other suggestions



16. What actions should the City take to prepare for the impacts of climate change?





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Economic Development

**17. What type of development and growth would you like to see in Nome.
Please select your top three priorities:**

<input type="checkbox"/> More small businesses	<input type="checkbox"/> Value added fisheries production
<input type="checkbox"/> More commercial businesses	<input type="checkbox"/> More tourism opportunities
<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial and manufacturing businesses	<input type="checkbox"/> Parks and nature preserves
<input type="checkbox"/> Port development	<input type="checkbox"/> Government sector
<input type="checkbox"/> Fisheries development	

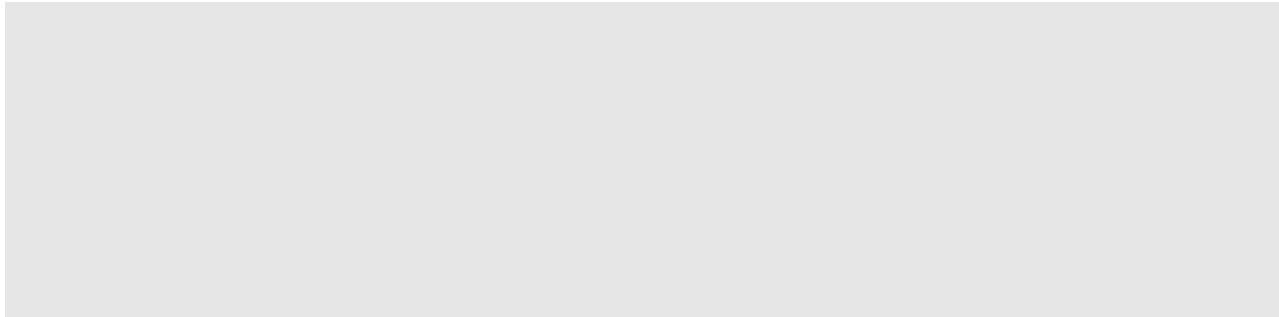
Other suggestions

**18. What type(s) or specific businesses or services would you like to see in Nome?
Please include large or small business or services.**

19. Should Nome use tax dollars to recruit new business and industry.

- Agree
- Disagree
- No opinion

Any comment?





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Infrastructure

20. If Nome uses tax dollars to recruit new business and industry, what should those businesses be?

21. What infrastructure improvements would you like to see in Nome?

Infrastructure uses could include road paving, extension of water/sewer, port and harbor development, or extension of road to Fairbanks?



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Transportation

22. Please identify any re-occurring safety concerns with city roadways which need to be addressed.

23. How important is improving the quality of following various modes of transportation within Nome?

	Not Important	Somewhat Important	Very Important
Biking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Walking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
All Terrain Vehicle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cab	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Private Automobile	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other suggestions



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Community Facilities and Services

24. To what extent do you agree with the following statements about the quality of life?

	Highly dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	No opinion	Satisfied	Very Satisfied
Nome is a good place to live and raise a family	<input type="radio"/>				
Nome's appearance is inviting and appealing	<input type="radio"/>				
Indigenous cultures and histories are valued	<input type="radio"/>				
Nome is safe	<input type="radio"/>				
Nome is affordable	<input type="radio"/>				
Nome is a friendly welcoming community	<input type="radio"/>				
Proximity to nature and open space is valued	<input type="radio"/>				
Nome is a tight knit community	<input type="radio"/>				

	Highly dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	No opinion	Satisfied	Very Satisfied
Nome's public schools provide a quality education	<input type="radio"/>				

Other (please specify)

25. To what extent are you satisfied with the following City services?

	Highly Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	No Opinion	Satisfied	Very Satisfied
Police	<input type="radio"/>				
Fire	<input type="radio"/>				
Ambulance	<input type="radio"/>				
Landfill/monofill	<input type="radio"/>				
Road maintenance of city roads	<input type="radio"/>				
Animal control	<input type="radio"/>				
City planning and zoning code enforcement	<input type="radio"/>				
Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum	<input type="radio"/>				
Kegoayah Kozga Public Library	<input type="radio"/>				
Recreation Center	<input type="radio"/>				
Port & Harbor	<input type="radio"/>				

	Highly Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	No Opinion	Satisfied	Very Satisfied
Cemetery	<input type="radio"/>				
City Hall Services	<input type="radio"/>				
Parks and playground maintenance	<input type="radio"/>				
Spring Clean Up	<input type="radio"/>				
Trash removal	<input type="radio"/>				
Nome Joint Utilities Services	<input type="radio"/>				
Other (please specify)	<input type="text"/>				



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Quality of Life

26. What is Nome doing well?

27. To what extent do the following areas need to be addressed

	Not at all – this is not a concern	To a small extent	No opinion	To a moderate extent	To a great extent – this is a large concern
Vacant and derelict buildings	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Potential for employment that pays a living wage	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Public Safety	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Substance and alcohol use	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Cleaning up litter around town	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Community-wide beautification	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Junk vehicles	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Public schools	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Community health care	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	Not at all – this is not a concern	To a small extent	No opinion	To a moderate extent	To a great extent – this is a large concern
Elder services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Arts and Culture	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Preservation of our historic buildings	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Preservation of our cultural sites	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Dog feces	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Animal welfare	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Homelessness	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Dust control	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Other (please specify)

28. What does Nome need to do better? How can Nome improve and thrive?

29. In one sentence, describe your vision for the City of Nome in 2030.

30. What issues need to be addressed that we didn't ask about?

31. Would you be interested in being involved in a focus group to assist with the Comprehensive Plan development? Please contact the City Clerk's Office with your name and contact information or add your name below.



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About You

These questions are optional. However, your response is important in the planning process, as it helps us to know if outreach efforts represent the population of the area.

32. How long have you lived in Nome?

- Less than one year
- 16 to 20 years
- 1 to 5 years
- More than 20 years
- 6 to 10 years
- Prefer not to answer
- 11 to 15 years

33. How long do you plan to live in Nome?

- Less than one year
- 11 to 20 years
- 1 to 5 years
- More than 20 years
- 6 to 10 years
- Prefer not to answer

34. What is your connection to Nome (select all that apply to you)

- Resident - full time
- Resident - part time
- Non-resident
- Business owner
- Employed in Nome
- Property owner
- Other (please specify)

35. With what gender do you identify?

- Male
- Female
- Other/prefer not to answer

36. What is your age?

- Under 18
- 19 to 29
- 30 to 44
- 45 to 64
- Over 65

37. What is your race?

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Black or African American
- White or Caucasian
- Asian or Asian American
- Hispanic or Latino
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- Other (please specify)

38. If you are 25 years old or older, what is your level of education?

- Less than High School
- Associates Degree
- High School/GED graduate
- Bachelor Degree
- Some college
- Masters or higher

39. Which best describes your living situation

- I own the place I live
- I rent the place I live
- I live with family or friends
- I am homeless
- Other (please specify)

40. In what area of Nome do you live

- Inside of City limits
- Outside of City limits
- Not sure

41. What is your current employment status? Check all that apply.

<input type="checkbox"/> Employed - full time	<input type="checkbox"/> Unemployed
<input type="checkbox"/> Employed - part time	<input type="checkbox"/> Stay at home caretaker
<input type="checkbox"/> Employed - seasonal	<input type="checkbox"/> Student
<input type="checkbox"/> Self-employed	<input type="checkbox"/> Retired
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) <div style="background-color: #cccccc; height: 1.2em; margin-top: 5px;"></div>	

42. What is your primary mode of transportation around town?

<input type="radio"/> I drive	<input type="radio"/> I take the bus
<input type="radio"/> I walk	<input type="radio"/> I ride my bike
<input type="radio"/> I take a cab	<input type="radio"/> A family member/friend drive me
<input type="radio"/> I drive my off road vehicle	
<input type="radio"/> Other (please specify)	<div style="background-color: #cccccc; height: 1.2em; margin-top: 5px;"></div>