

2021 Comprehensive Plan Survey – Nome Planning Commissioner Comments

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	John Oden Comments	
4	Need to have the description of each land classification in the zoning map.	
6	Need a no additional housing types needed option.	Added
7	Should show zoning map so people can see what is already zoned for GU, Res, etc.	
8	Should read are additional resources needed to	Revised
General	Need to discuss somewhere, where the money is going to come from to pay for options that will cost the city money.	
11	I thought we were going to incorporate this question into #12.	
13	This question is not in the purview of the Planning Commission and should be left to the people who deal with energy.	
22-23	Repeats of question 21	Deleted
25	I think this question should be broken down into a., b., c., etc for walking, biking, driving buses, etc. and give the option to grade each very important, not so..etc.	Revised
	Sue Steiner Comments	
General	Generic question – How much can people write in the space for other suggestions? What about in print copies?	Comment boxes enlarged.
General	Item A – Page 3	
General	Move goals of plan up.	

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General	New paragraph about Subsistence, etc...	
?	Page 4	
1	Okay	
New	New Question(s) What other visions might we have for Front Street? Season shops or booths? Historic interpretation and restoration? False fronts?	
2	Okay as is	
3	Minor edit: Drop and before resource development, add before open space.	Revised
4	Map is not legible: Make map larger by moving index to bottom Remove box around map Add color Online need to be able to enlarge and hold resolution In print needs to 8.5 x 17	
5	Okay	
General	NOTE: These are really two issues. Housing needs and Homelessness needs. We need a separate section on the homelessness problem. E.g. Home ownership for professionals vs shelters for homeless are too different to be under same heading.	

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6	<p>What additional housing types are most needed in Nome</p> <p>Higher-end market-rate homes - not housing, as housing includes rentals</p> <p>Lower cost market-rate homes (for first time or lower income buyers)</p> <p>Build-to-own home opportunities</p> <p>Higher-end market-rate rentals</p> <p>Subsidized house rentals (like Bering Vue homes)</p>	
General Housing Notes Continued	<p>Subsidized apartment rentals (like BSRHA)</p> <p>Subsidized elder/handicapped housing (like Munaqsri)</p> <p>Low cost efficiency (single room) apartment rentals</p> <p>Affordable housing as an option is way too vague!</p> <p>Subsidized house/duplex/triplex rentals is too specific and narrow</p> <p>Subsidized home construction, similar to the new King Island homes, is under the purview of BSRHA for certain tribes, and funding is severely limited, and shared throughout the villages.</p> <p>Develop a program of pooling or collaboration between the City, government agencies, Native entities, and non-profits to undertake lowered shipping costs of building and home improvement supplies.</p>	
7	<p>If new residential areas are created, what are some possible areas?</p> <p>East end of town: N street east to Greg Kruschek</p> <p>Be consistent with using By-Pass or Greg Kruschek!</p> <p>There isn't much east of the hospital on the north side of Greg Kruschek, and land east of Greg Kruschek is just not reasonable. I would drop this option.</p> <p>North of Greg Kruschek, between snow dump and hospital</p> <p>Dog lot area, north of cemetery, east of Center Creek Road</p> <p>Icy View area</p> <p>New subdivision north of Police Station</p> <p>(add) Large vacant lots in town</p>	
New Question	<p>New Question</p> <p>Homelessness is an increasing problem in Nome, as it is across the country. Here are some suggested housing strategies. Choose three, and feel free to offer other suggestions.</p> <p>Subsidized efficiency (single room) apartment rentals, with behavior requirements</p> <p>Sober housing for people exiting drug & alcohol treatment, requiring sobriety</p> <p>Housing First – 24/7 monitored housing, with in-house access to social services. Sobriety is not a</p>	

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	<p>pre-requisite.</p> <p>Transitional housing (2-year limit) for people exiting jail, trying to leave the women's or NEST Shelter, or just needing temporary housing. (If people cannot find affordable housing after two years, they lose this housing.)</p> <p>Permanent supportive housing – same as transitional but no time limit. (The funding trend is much more for permanent than transitional housing.)</p>	
7	<p>Day Shelter – seasonal or year-round, as funding allows</p> <p>Night shelter – seasonal or year-round, as funding allows</p> <p>Build restroom facilities to people who are homeless.</p>	
8	<p>Lots of concern about this section</p> <p>NOTE: This sounds like two separate issues. All active homeowners would benefit from the purchase of lower cost materials to keep the homes they live in, in functional shape. This is different than what to do with the vacant or uninhabitable properties in Nome. I would separate these into two questions.</p>	
	<p>In Nome, one-third of the house are vacant or in severe disrepair, and are on the abatement list to be correct by owner or demolished by the owner. Please select up to three choices for addressing this problem.</p>	
	<p>Urban homesteading correction. The City of Nome offers abandoned properties to applicants in exchange for a commitment to either renovate or demolish and rebuild, within three years.</p>	
	<p>Spot blight – I don't understand this?</p>	
	<p>Identify historic buildings and seek resources for preservation</p>	
	<p>I don't understand how the registration program does anything to encourage rehabilitation.</p>	
	<p>Create a focus are?</p>	

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	Develop a program of pooling...This should be made available to everyone as a way of addressing the high cost of home ownership in Nome!!!	
	The City of Nome identifies owners of properties that need to be renovated or demolished within a set time limit. If not met, or renegotiated, the City condemns the property and assumes ownership. The city can then dispose of the property through other means, or demolish it.	
9	Okay	
10	<p>NOTE: With so many options, allow people to select up to five.</p> <p>Need better clarification between 'Better walking paths/sidewalk' and 'Walking.'</p> <p>Pavilions is repeated</p> <p>Public restrooms are way more than a recreational need!</p> <p>What about motorized ATV or dirt bike trails?</p>	
11	<p>NOTE: This is way too vague! This should specify within or adjacent to City limits that you feel need to be left in their natural state. There are no mountains or rivers in the city of Nome.</p> <p>Or focus on locations of natural environments. (Or list these as options with Question 12)</p> <p>Marshlands between AC and port</p> <p>Inner beach</p> <p>East beach</p> <p>West beach</p> <p>Dry Creek</p> <p>Greenbelt surrounding cemetery</p> <p>Open lands east of Dry Creek</p> <p>Open lands west of the Teller Road from AC to Icy View</p>	

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12	Inner beach East beach West beach Dry Creek Greenbelt surrounding cemetery Open lands east of Dry Creek Open lands west of the Teller Road from AC to Icy View	
14, 15	Question 14 & 15 – Make plenty of space for these comments! This needs to be seen as important as the other questions.	
16	NOTE: With so many, I think we should allow five choices	
17	What actions, if any, should the City to take to prepare for the predicted climate changes?	
	Ken Hughes survey comments	
1	This question wording unfairly prejudices the citizen negatively towards Front Street development. Without also providing the positive benefits of the location it is unfair to present the challenges. Please delete the second and third sentences. <small>[L] [SEP]</small>	
2	Why have question 1 if we have this question? Or else enumerate the challenges of each location as you do for Front Street.	
3	The black and white map is illegible. The box question should be “Suggested changes to the zoning map?” instead of “Other suggestions?” <small>[L] [SEP]</small>	

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4	Question 3 deals with the locations of zones. This question is supposed to be about the zoning matrix, which is not provided here or in an appendix. Eliminate if your not bold enough to include the matrix because it really looks like a copy of question 3. What does a blank box in the zoning matrix mean? Permitted or not permitted?	
5	How is the thought that Nome has enough housing if the fixer uppers were all fixed up and used for housing people instead of things represented? Maybe Nome has too many people, why do no questions ask about what the ideal population of Nome should look like? Maybe most of the residents want a small town of about 3,000 and most out of starters should just leave? Where is that possibility discussed? [SEP]	
6	This question presupposes that the answer to 5 is Disagree. Why is there no option for housing programs that assist fixing upping? [SEP]	
7	The two choices including Greg Kruschek Road do not share a common border unless it is meant to be the Nome-Teller Highway? East and West of the Hospital is the first thought until you get to the dog lot and that's way the heck West! This needs to be defined better. [SEP]	
8	There are almost no houses on the “abatement list” according to the last meeting. Most of the items here are not resources but programs. How does the NVPR program actually encourage rehabilitation when it's not enforced? Second box is unclear. Why would we not pursue all of these options? [SEP]	
9	Covered ice rink is not an existing recreational facility! It's simply an ice rink.	
10	The Covered ice rink would also serve, as a multi indoor sport/meeting facility if done properly, this simple designation does not do it justice. There is no real hope for more trails to be developed until the current plague of musk ox is handled. Please add musk ox hunting to this list.	

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11	Why is there no urban environment included in this list? It certainly is one of the choices as man IS part of nature.	
12	Are there really any areas within city limits that couldn't be improved? As Californians lack of forestry would attest, no action IS action!	
13	There sure isn't much context for this question. Can it be phrased in a way that shows what these choices would mean in terms of cost?	
14	While I can think of several answers it appears to be a decent question. Right up there with why fill permits for lots in open space zones are being handed out prior to a variance request being approved.	
15	No comment other than I hope the text box in survey monkey expands nicely to accommodate lengthy answers.	
16	<p>Why the comma? Why is gold mining singled out again in this question? There is just as much junk from other industries laying around, aviation and gravel come to mind right away, to say nothing of the old buildings coming apart from residents. One of the lingering effects of historic gold mining is...THAWED GROUND FOR BUILDING UPON!! Why isn't off shore gold dredging covered by "other water quality" or "noise?" Why is uplands gold mining dredging (not currently happening as dredging, not sure what the intent of coverage is here)</p> <p>DAMAGE? When the ground is turned over it increases habitat diversity allowing fish and game to flourish or makes thawed ground for great human habitation elsewhere insinuated as being in short supply. This value judgment skews the question negatively towards mining, one of Nome's primary private industries upon which the city relies to fund itself. THANKS!!</p>	
17	Best answer here is.....promote classes in swimwear sewing instead of Kuspuk making? Will there be any answer or group of answers that is going to make a single bit of difference in the cities preparation?	

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18	Is there going to be a question about if Nome's population should grow, shrink, or stay the same size? Why is it always assumed that Nome will grow?	
19	Third word should be "of" instead of "or." [L][SEP]	
20	No comment	
21	Why.....is this topic now infrastructure?	
22	Why is the same as question 21? [L][SEP]	
23	Why is the same as question 21? [L][SEP]	
26	5 th one down should be either road maintenance or maintenance of city buildings with one or the other not chosen for #5 added to the list. Where would one comment about the services of permits, building inspection services, taxing, and utility billing/provision of service (power/water)?	
27	How about a question that asks about the ability to get/find a suitable job that pays a living wage?	
28	How about adding Overpopulation by humans to the list?	
33	Why mention zoom here? It may or may not be by zoom, let's keep the options open. [L][SEP]	
34	This survey is on the interwebs...how about start with Do you Live in Nome? [L][SEP]	
36	Perhaps another good category might be visitor? [L][SEP]	
38	Better have prefer not to answer, although if left blank would be the same... [L][SEP]	
41	Might want to add to the question "while in Nome." [L][SEP]	

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42	So when is outside of city limits in Nome? When you don't live here but get your mail here? Connected to the power grid? ^[SEP]	
43	Same comment as 38.	
44	Drive needs an s in "A family member/friend drive(s) me."	
General	The infrastructure section has no questions about what comes after the port, what about support for a railway to port clarence, to fairbanks, road development to link us to the rest of the world? Or even what the next big project in town should be, road to icy view from the hospital, utility service in East end?	
General	General lack of questions about the cities financing formulas. For instance, should the city quit charging sales tax for power, raise the rate by 6% and collect a little more from the utilities for the	