

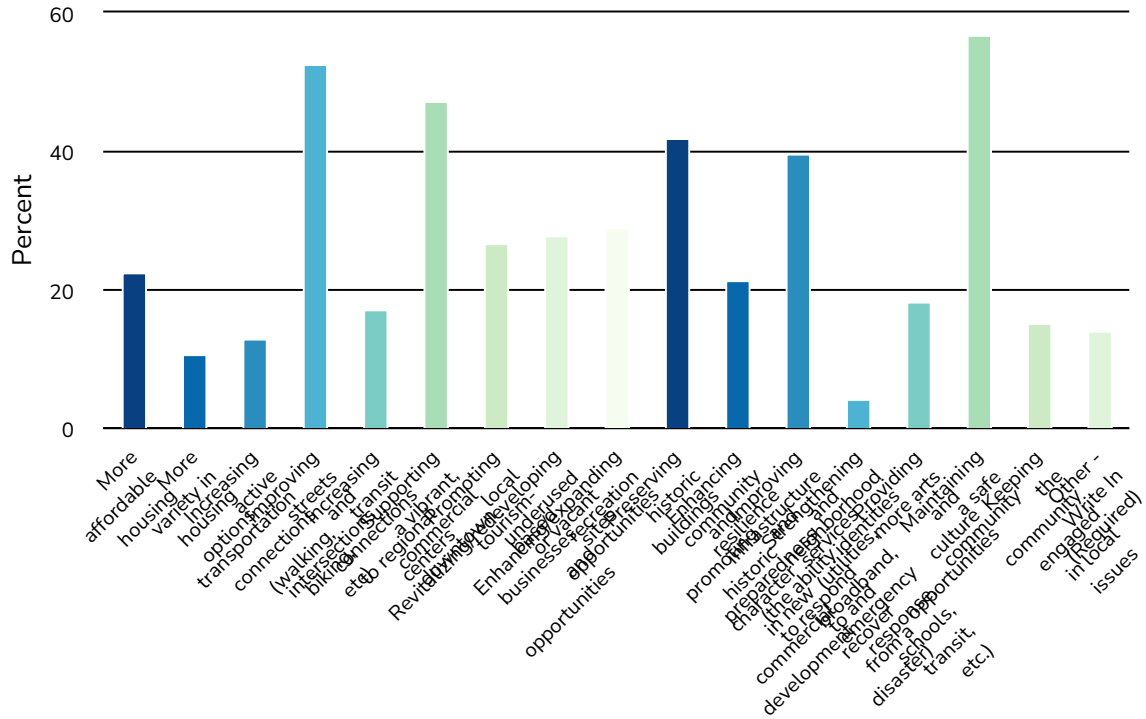
Report for City of Tenino Comprehensive Plan Community Survey

Response Counts



Totals: 93

1. What do you think Tenino's top five priorities should be in the next 20 years? (select up to 5)



Value	Percent	Responses
More affordable housing	22.6%	21
More variety in housing options	10.8%	10
Increasing active transportation connections (walking, biking, etc)	12.9%	12
Improving streets and intersections	52.7%	49
Increasing transit connections to regional centers	17.2%	16
Supporting a vibrant, commercial downtown	47.3%	44
Promoting local tourism-based businesses and opportunities	26.9%	25
Revitalizing/redeveloping underused or vacant sites	28.0%	26
Enhancing/expanding recreation opportunities	29.0%	27
Preserving historic buildings and promoting historic character in new commercial development	41.9%	39
Enhancing community resilience and preparedness (the ability to respond to and recover from a disaster)	21.5%	20
Improving infrastructure and services (utilities, broadband, emergency response, schools, transit, etc.)	39.8%	37
Strengthening neighborhood identities	4.3%	4
Providing more arts and culture opportunities	18.3%	17
Maintaining a safe community	57.0%	53
Keeping the community engaged in local issues	15.1%	14
Other - Write In (Required)	14.0%	13

Other - Write In (Required)	Count
Affordable water and sewer (a flat base rate of \$155.89 is outrageous) and PLEASE create a roundabout at the intersection between Old Hwy 99 and Sussex Ave! Turning left onto Sussex from Old 99 is a nightmare during peak traffic.	1
Bringing additional internet options- I love tenino telephone but the service is not fast/reliable enough to support me working from him or in the community regularly.	1
Community Food Gardens	1
Eliminating debt, cutting taxes (or at least not increasing them), replacing chlorine with UV light in the water treatment. Chlorine is poisonous and more expensive over time	1
Get the water and sewage chepper	1
Improving the intersections of 507 (Bucoda Hwy) & Old Hwy 99, and Sussex & Old Hwy 99. Traffic backs up frequently because there's no traffic control. I think two traffic lights in town would be nice.	1
Keeping our community the way it used to be, stop new growth before it becomes over grown and we can't support it. We struggle now with not affording our police, schools and other government. We need to focus on what we have and stop trying to build more, and let more growth happen.	1
Lowering taxes as far as possible.	1
Please put a roundabout where 99 and Sussex by market fresh!	1
Promoting & recruiting stronger economic opportunity	1
bring in more restaurants and stores beyond antique stores	1
employment / industry	1
sidewalk repair	1
Totals	13

2. What do you think are the biggest barriers to accomplishing these priorities?

ResponseID	Response
1	Money
2	The debt right now the city has and then on top of that taxes and prices of everything is crazy high. We need to pass savings on to residents of Tenino in someway
3	Too many opinions. Should just come up with a 5 year, 10 year and 20 year plan.
4	Money
5	Tourism could increase sales tax revenue and help with other areas of need in the city. However, synergy of businesses is needed to really become a tourism destination. Need investment in hotels, and incentives for doing business.
6	Tourism could increase sales tax revenue and help with other areas of need in the city. However, synergy of businesses is needed to really become a tourism destination. Need investment in hotels, and incentives for doing business. Transportation infrastructure is expensive.
7	Not sure
8	Funding, staffing, community support.
9	Money
10	Tenino has tourism potential that would bring in revenue for infrastructure but need hotel infrastructure to support tourism. How can we incentivize doing business in Tenino?
11	mismanagement of funds
12	Bureaucracy, greed, and greedy bureaucrats.
13	Greed
14	People in the community that don't want anything to change.
15	Balancing a budget and eliminating waste in government.
16	Conflicting opinions
17	Money
18	Need staff who do not over spend and keep running us into financial crisis
19	Govt poor planning we are rural town not Olympia or Tumwater! Keep it small

ResponseID Response

20	People refusing to embrace growth and the community not supporting local small businesses (we don't need more Edward Jones, we need a sit down espresso shop, paint and fire pottery shop, bakery, etc). Make Tenino a destination not a thru way.
21	Funding and a bad economy.
22	Funding
23	Funding, specifically for improving streets and adding sidewalks.
24	Mayor, funds
25	Money and people's willingness to help
26	Funding Community participation
27	Money
28	Lack of community participation.
29	The "good old boy" mentality that some people have.
30	People wanting to get free things from the city government, people not wanting to change
31	Politicians
32	Money, understanding priorities of the community not just what the highest bidder will pay - no chains, no insurance buildings - think local businesses that families can support, take classes at, etc
33	Funding
34	Not having the best interests of the community and not allowing the community to have a say.
35	The deficit budget. We should not be spending money we do not have. Stop spending unnecessary money and focus on paying the debt off.
36	A lack of available funding.
37	Unity and finances
38	Funding
39	Budget. Long term structure with inevitable major role changes are hard to sustain a 20 year plan.

ResponseID Response

40 I'm unsure

41 Leadership

42 Money, lack of vision

43 Lack of vision and interest from leadership.

44 Funding

45 Funding

46 Spending money on stuff that it shouldn't be spent on

47 Funding and the Sussex Ave being a main travel road - we need north and south town to be easier to cross on the eastside

48 Tourism needs more infrastructure. High Cost of street upgrades

49 Time any money? Would love to clean up some of the shaggy businesses on the main strip. Keep Tenino safe and clean place for our children and elders!

50 Counsel

51 Cost probably?

52 Budgetary issues

53 our mayor

54 Funding and lack of interest.

55 Local participation

56 Unsure

57 Budget, permits, staff

58 poor government and planning the town government does not appear to support businesses starting out. No gas service and water and sewer prices way to high

59 Budget, economic, and political realities.

ResponseID Response

60	We are a rural town- Xfinity services in town but just less than a mile past the elementary school they can't serve the homes off the road- in bad weather we have no cell service no internet and during good weather the internet is not strong enough/stable enough to work from home. Housing is more expensive in tenino period there is not many rental opportunities for families due to the cost and my father in law is ready to quit driving but is still very active however any bus options take all day or are in reliable
61	Our priorities have been focused on other things in the last few years, where they should have been focused on these things to begin with. Our communities safety, should have been top priority in our budget.
62	I'm unsure, I'd say the biggest barrier would be lack of available finances.
63	Funding. A state agency transportation improvement board used to help small communities with projects like this. Not sure if they still have funding given recent federal cuts.
64	Poor city leadership
65	Cash
66	Less public involvement
67	Na
68	Lack of funding. Socioeconomic status.
69	Making them priorities.
70	Money
71	Revenue
72	Budget?
73	Finding ways to engage residents with city/downtown events and issues. City budget issues.
74	Obviously budget constraints are a difficulty, plus disruption of services when construction is happening. The side streets opposite the park side of Sussex are the main arteries when Sussex is blocked (Lincoln Ave). We need our sidewalks repaired and useable for all.
75	Incentfizing people to get involved and contribute to decisionmaking.
76	Poor management.

ResponseID Response

77 Marketing. Tenino has all the charm and character of a nestled New England town, but lacks the marketing and advertising to draw in tourists, attract new businesses, and thus stimulate revenue for town improvements, such as building renovations. The town seems to lack the kind of aesthetic cohesion that would make it a destination for visitors and tourists. Some parts feel "preserved," other parts feel "old," and still other parts feel like there cars parked on the front lawn. Tenino has good bones, but is sorely in need of revitalization and moderate renovation to increase, not only its curb appeal, but also its sense of identity as something more than another Washington town that used to be relevant. Tenino has an interesting and solid history, and a charming layout. But it gives more the impression of a town you'd like to drive through, but doesn't entice you to stop. It just looks dingy and run-down. I'm not insinuating uniformity, but rather aesthetic cohesion. Clean and fix the buildings, decide on an actual identity for which Tenino can be known (Skagit has tulips, Leavenworth has the German thing, Issaquah has the salmon run, etc) which will draw attention (and revenue) to the locale. Tenino can be *known* for something beyond a quarry swimming hole. Figure out what that is, lean into it, make it enticing, and market it. Seasonal festivals? Larger farmers market? We have master stone carvers and master woodworkers, why not be an artisan hub? We have a fantastic Main Street, where's the huge Christmas Market every weekend in December? We used to make railroad ties right? Where's our lumberjack games and chainsaw carving in the summer? Clean the place up, revitalize it, and give the people a reason to stop and spend.

78 Money.

79 Politics of being a small community and not wanting to grow. We can keep our small niche community while also finding ways to responsibly grow housing and economy.

80 Money

81 city council

82 Funding; frequent transit routes to destinations

83 Funding, staffing, community engagement.

84 Stuck in past. Need to think of future more. Take 507 back from trucks. Enforce noise ordinances.

85 Across all five priorities the biggest barriers are limited funding and inconsistent community buy-in. These goals require long term investment, but progress often stalls due to budget constraints, shifting leadership, or resistance to change. Without broad support and sustained resources, even the most well-planned efforts can fall short.

86 I want to keep Tenino small. A good place for a young family to grow.

87 Money. It always boils down to funding.

88 Money

ResponseID Response

89 Funding.

90 Funding

91 I'm not sure. The sidewalks in the neighborhood near the high school, middle school and upper elementary are in need of repair. Especially by the food bank. The sidewalks are cracked, uprooted or covered in places while in other places the side walk is fine. While still not all streets have sidewalks and should to provide a safe walking path to students and residents.

92 Don't know

93 Funding

3. On a scale of 1 to 5, how well does this statement reflect your vision for Tenino’s future? In 2045, Tenino is a vibrant small town that celebrates its artisanal history. Our community is integrated with the natural landscape and carefully stewards its resources. Our lively, walkable downtown supports local entrepreneurs and provides the retail, services, and amenities our residents need. Our community is welcoming to all.

	1 (This does not reflect my vision for Tenino)	2 (There are elements of this statement that I agree with, however this does not reflect my vision for Tenino)	3 (There are elements of this statement that reflect my vision for Tenino, but it needs some work)	4 (This largely reflects my vision for Tenino, but is missing a part of my vision)	5 (This perfectly reflects my vision for Tenino)	Responses
Rating Count	3	7	22	27	22	81
Row %	3.7%	8.6%	27.2%	33.3%	27.2%	
Totals						81 100.0%

4. In a few words, what makes Tenino great today?

ResponseID	Response
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2	The people the ones born raised here the ones with roots here those are the best!
8	Self-sufficient, small
9	The people
10	History, sense of community, fantastic park and nature areas.
11	small town kindness
12	History, small size, and greenery.
14	Location
15	The citizens are the best part of Tenino. They are dependable, honest, and hard working. If you want to keep Tenino great, listen to the citizens and don't push political agendas or personal beliefs.
16	It hasn't been ruined yet... no corporations
17	The people
19	Small quiet rural city
20	That Olympia is close.
21	I think the community is what makes tenino great today.
22	Small town strong community feel
23	Low crime and most folks and businesses seem to take pride in the area they live in.
24	Community
25	Small town, community,
26	The historical character and the antique shops
27	Small community feel with people helping each other
28	Community based food production.
29	The small town feel.
30	No stop lights, low crime, good neighbors, green spaces

ResponseID Response

31 No stop lights. No round a bouts.

32 Community atmosphere and recreation

33 B

34 The community and its small town feel.

35 Not the tavern nazi bar

36 Tenino has something for everyone.

37 Small town with friendly atmosphere and clean streets and alleys

38 Small town, safe and appreciate the clean streets and ensuring homeless camps do not move in

39 Our park, the history, close knit community, clean downtown

40 Great community and town.

41 Local law enforcement, vibrant business community, excellent parks and school

42 Our police Department, our schools, the people

43 Community, rural character and nature

44 The small community feel we maintain.

46 Family friendly events

47 Charming, artsy, family and kid friendly, close to nature, agriculture

48 Strong sense of community. Safe. History.

49 The park, clean walking trail, Don Juan's&Daves, responsible speed limits through town with good sidewalks.

50 Not much

51 How the community rallies for events like Oregon Trail Days and the art markets

52 History. The close knit community.

53 the community

ResponseID Response

54	Historic feel with modern touches such as the paved trail, play grounds, and baseball fields.
56	Small town feel, history.
57	Community members that stop to chat and care about one another, small town feel, no big chain businesses, low crime, safety, small classroom sizes
58	safety for the most part
59	History, community, recreation, park and natural areas
60	The inclusive, diverse and accepting atmosphere create a safe place for all. The utilization of a local theatre has brought many people to this town and provided a positive outlet for many community members. The town needs access to better internet and cell phone coverage
61	It is a small town and in a world of fast paced growth, this a town that still has that charm and feel of a small town. No fast food, shopping centers and street lights. We have a wonderful community that cares for one another.
62	I enjoy being able to walk to everything in town from our home. The streets are nice, and I feel safe walking. There are some properties that don't pick up dog poop but other than that it's great.
63	We enjoy the quiet small town vibe, that welcomes diversity.
64	Unfortunately the days of Tenino being great are few and far between, between lack luster leadership at the city and state level. The city and surrounding area is taking a big downturn. The one bright spot is the city is still small and somewhat tight nit in some old school ways.
65	Community activities & park & walking trails
66	Community
68	Small town community that is willing to go above and beyond for each other
69	My community and ease of doing business
71	Small town!
72	The park
73	The passion for growth and community connection by several community leaders.
74	Community support for the schools is amazing.

ResponseID Response

75	George Sharp and the initiative he has brought through the EDC. Our business must be supported in order for the downtown core to be visited thereby increasing vitality for all.
76	Not much
77	Don Juan's
78	It's small town character.
79	The community & access to open space & people
80	The lively downtown area and kindness from everyone.
81	small, close knit community
82	Cultural events. Venues. Entertainment.
83	Safe, friendly, great location
84	Independence
85	small town charm, central location, fairly quiet
86	That is is small and not full of chain businesses. Keep Tenino small and local
87	Cute small town, steeped in history.
88	A Sense of community and the park and outdoor rec
89	Small, safe, community
90	Community, unique, safe, history
91	Small town close to bigger towns
92	Being a fairly safe place to live & the community
93	Small town character, nature, and agriculture

5. What do you think would make Tenino even better 20 years from now?

ResponseID	Response
2	If we had more activities things to do in town that won't break the bank
8	I don't know...
9	Tenino needs to be a go to place like Leavenworth, WA, Solvang CA or Niles Canyon, CA. We should work towards celebrating our history.
10	A hotel. Promoting cute shops in the downtown. A theater and a Senior Center. More things to do. Might need the ability to build up more than two stories.
11	Bigger and better community events - bring back the musket shoots, the giant shopping carts and horses in the parade, keep the pool open more days, fix the potholes, figure out a solution for lease barriers for businesses.
12	Hard to say. Repairing the rutted, potholed, crumbling streets would be good.
14	Growth
15	Continued small growth, it's inevitable. Maintain conservative fiscal beliefs but acknowledging a percentage of change in social settings.
16	Some affordable housing but nothing too overboard. It is the highest priority to protect the large farms surrounding tenino
17	Better tourism attractions and more parking options downtown.
19	Slow growth make due with what's here don't ruin history of town with aggressive government growth plans
20	Embracing growth and supporting small businesses that draw people to the community.
21	More reasonable businesses downtown. Things the community can actually afford.
22	Continuing to support schools and local businesses, providing more family friendly activities, continue to preserve historical buildings, keep the small town community
23	Mixed use buildings downtown that better integrates visually with it's more historic buildings, while also adding housing opportunities. It would make that area more vibrant by increasing foot traffic and commercial opportunities, and make it more visually appealing.
24	Make it so I don't have to leave town. A bigger store, more dining options, activities, etc.
25	Better roads, more small business

ResponseID Response

26 A lively arts community

27 build on it and bring people together.

28 Low-income housing.

29 More activities/recreation for children of all ages in our town. Updated schools and continued public transportation to connect with other cities/towns.

30 No city debt, an updated water treatment facility that uses UV light instead of chlorine, low taxes

31 No stop lights. No roundabouts. Teachers that don't let the kids know their political views or sexual orientation. Schools that don't promote gender changes. Schools that are transparent and keep parents informed.

32 Control traffic, have more local businesses and restaurants, plenty of natural spaces, limit growth

33 B

34 Preservation of the past and not destroying it for money and growth.

35 More diversity in ethnicity and culture!

36 A renewed commitment to maintaining Tenino's infrastructure. Better walkability and transit connections.

37 Preserved history with functional modern vibe

38 Expand school properties to support housing growth, improve side streets, add digital speed check signs coming into town

39 More draw to Tenino to keep our local businesses thriving. I think our town is great just improving the we have established.

40 Better more affordable utilities.

41 Continued investments in economic and cultural development

42 Bringing in people who want to invest in our economy, getting more citizens involved and having better transparency

43 Leveraging outdoor recreation to draw in more people for tourism

44 Cleaning up our neighborhood streets. (Sidewalks, paving etc). Revived historical buildings. Larger more vibrant seasonal activities. More locally owned, thriving businesses, more variety in those.

ResponseID Response

46 Safe, family friendly community

47 More restaurants, night life, more walkable on the Eastside, slower traffic from Yelm, different transportation to Centralia and Oly

48 Maintain the unique flavor (no urban sprawl). Maintain history. Natural areas

49 Cleaning up old businesses. Loving the flowers around town! Keeping our park clean and growing! Would love to see another really solid food choice that was higher end. We have lots of so-so places but no clean bar (missing 1776!) and would love something that compliments runs clean and quality like Don Juans. We love the community events and keeping the library clean and available is important.

50 New management

51 Better walkability (sidewalks), better streets

52 A larger focus on the history of the quarries. Restoration of historical structures. Revitalization of downtown.

53 to keep tenino a small town

54 More businesses such as restaurants or shops.

56 Business that stay, more community connection, people who want to help improve Tenino instead of cut eachother down.

57 Walkable downtown with outdoor seating for meals, desserts, coffee, and visiting with each other. Community gathering spaces for all ages, especially dry spaces for young families to gather and connect. Opportunities for older kids to mentor younger kids. More opportunities for creating new adult friendships.

58 as stated earlier more restaurants and stores beyond antique stores bring in natural gas and lower water and sewer cost. Property and levee taxes are killing homeowners

59 Historical character, natural spaces, and recreational opportunities maintained/enhanced while infill in and around city center are developed including some affordable multifamily instead of cookie cutter single family developments on outskirts. And disaster resilience plans developed and actionable.

60 Families want to spend more time at home many work places have adapted a hybrid or work from home option however due to xfinities inability to move up driveways or provide service off the main strip many secure large income Families are drawn away from this beautiful area

ResponseID Response

61	Keeping our town small and not allowing growth. This gives us a unique character that other towns are lacking in this modern age.
62	More sidewalks and more use of vacant properties.
63	Improvements to schools. New buildings off main roads.
64	Embrace the fact that growth is going to happen and being prepared for it. Work on having an actual police force and strong infrastructure and schools.
65	Better maintenance of roads & better Restricted to keep trash from outside of houses in town.
66	More things for our youth to occupy themselves that is free
68	Promotion of small businesses, supporting the unique demographic that is Tenino. Very different from thurston county as a whole and people like it that way
69	Strong community
71	?
72	Dog park
73	Affordable, events, activities and thing to do for residents and visitors every day of the week.
74	Tenino is already a highly walkable community. Repairing sidewalks on Lincoln and away from the park side of town would help families that live on that side thrive and be able to walk to the activities. Right now, the sidewalks on Lincoln are terribly broken and not walkable unless you are surefooted. No one with disabilities could navigate the sidewalks with a wheelchair or cane.
75	Upgraded school buildings.
76	Viable businesses that the population could support.
77	Repair, renovation, revitalization. See previous comment.
78	Being able to drive through it without the headaches of waiting for yields/turns backed up in mornings and afternoons.
79	More economic opportunities & strengthen the access to trails in the park. The park is amazing and is unlike any others. We also need to focus on walkability of the city. We cannot reduce the car trips simply just across town if we do not have safe sidewalks & cross walks.
80	Updated schools and more community involvement activities.

ResponseID Response

81 jobs

82 More tourist attractions, founded on our rich, fascinating history.

83 More diversity of amenities, retaining its historical charm

84 Vibrant downtown. Traffic control and enforcement of noise and speeding ordinances. Make Tenino safe to walk in.

85 1

86 Maintaining its small rural feel, while offering local independent places to spend our money.

87 Maintaining/emphasizing historical significance, and a destination shopping stop for quality antiques, boutiques, and local craftsmanship (arts, bakeries, crafted goods, farm to table, etc). Making sure that everyone feels welcome and supported from all walks of life.

88 Sidewalks, police dept, road improvements, another well

89 Preserving the historic elements, while making it a leader in technological advancements.

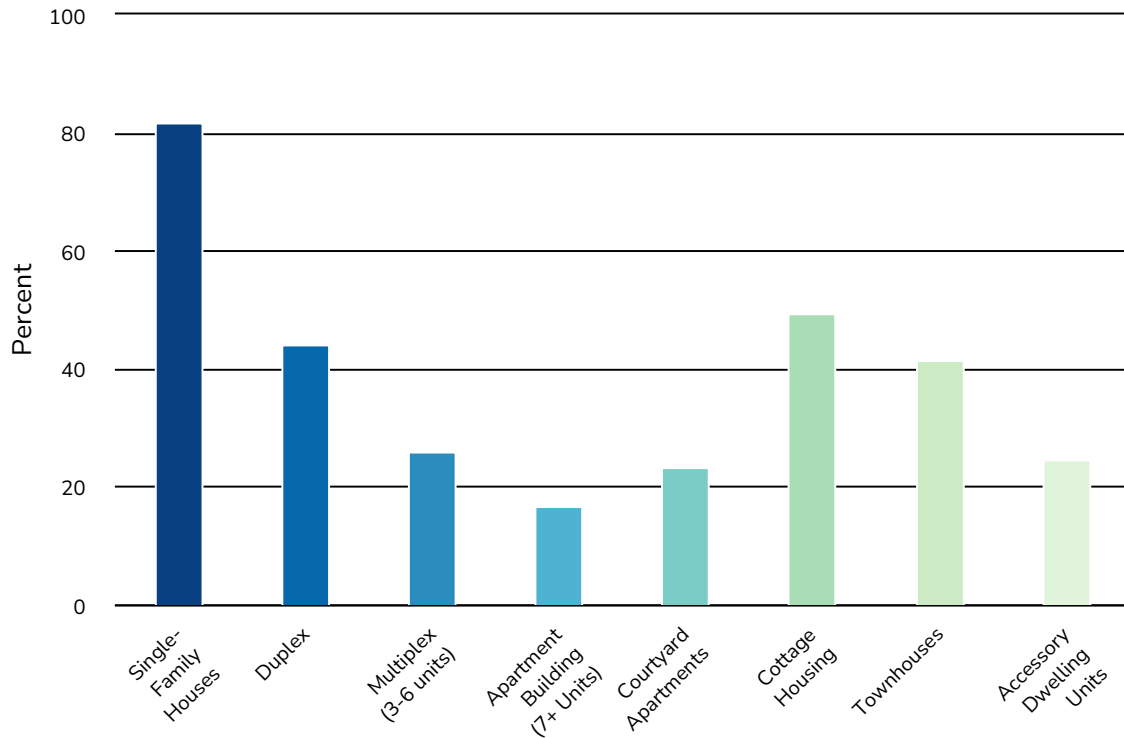
90 A thriving downtown that retains its unique charm. Some self-sufficiency.

91 better sidewalks, traffic signals (morning and afternoon traffic is horrible) and a bigger community center that residents can rent for occasions (possibly using a location on Sussex to help revitalize the downtown area)

92 More restaurants options & more activity options

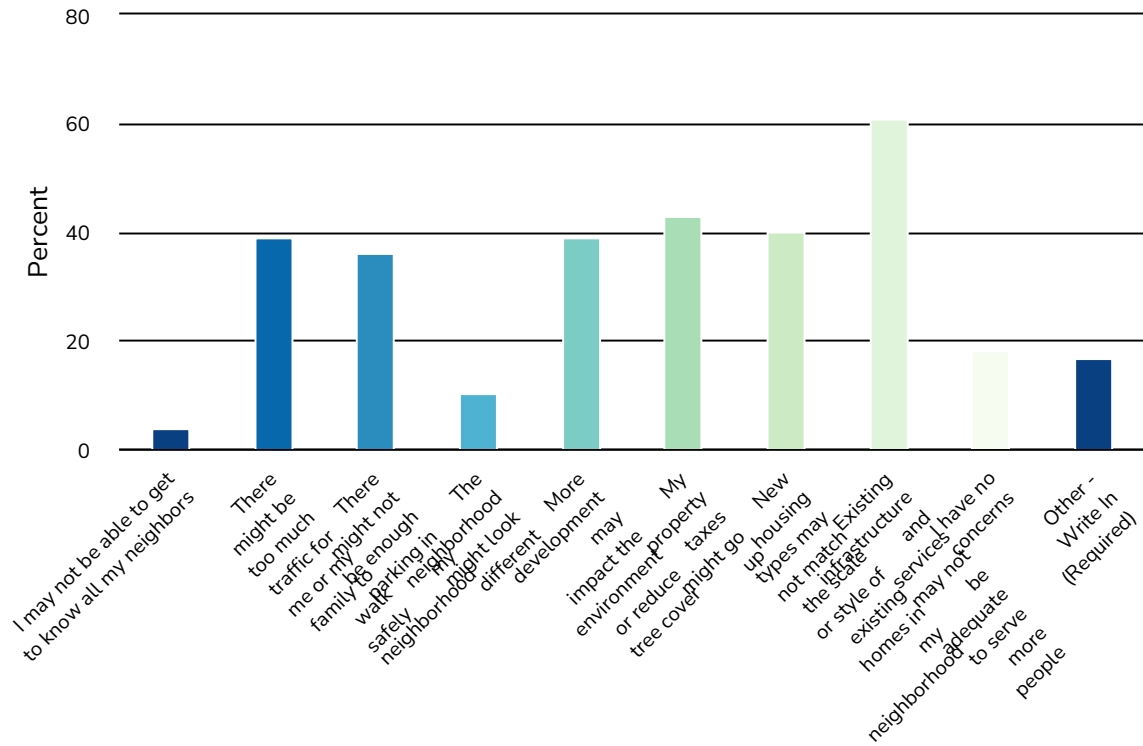
93 More connection to outdoor recreational opportunities and a stronger downtown business core.

6. Which housing types do you think would fit in with existing residential development? (Select all that apply.)



Value	Percent	Responses
Single-Family Houses	81.8%	63
Duplex	44.2%	34
Multiplex (3-6 units)	26.0%	20
Apartment Building (7+ Units)	16.9%	13
Courtyard Apartments	23.4%	18
Cottage Housing	49.4%	38
Townhouses	41.6%	32
Accessory Dwelling Units	24.7%	19

7. What are your biggest concerns related to allowing different housing types? (Select all that apply.)



Value	Percent	Responses
I may not be able to get to know all my neighbors	3.9%	3
There might be too much traffic for me or my family to walk safely	39.0%	30
There might not be enough parking in my neighborhood	36.4%	28
The neighborhood might look different	10.4%	8
More development may impact the environment or reduce tree cover	39.0%	30
My property taxes might go up	42.9%	33
New housing types may not match the scale or style of existing homes in my neighborhood	40.3%	31
Existing infrastructure and services may not be adequate to serve more people	61.0%	47
I have no concerns	18.2%	14
Other - Write In (Required)	16.9%	13

Other - Write In (Required)	Count
Any new multifamily housing units must have on site parking and not rely on street parking. We also need to keep the character of our neighbors. Must enforce the regulations you have in place when property is subdivided. Also need to clean up City right of ways	1
Cost of available houses	1
I want Tenino to stay a small, tight knit community. No more multi family dwellings.	1
It would be horrendous for Tenino to become the next Yelm. No more green, just large apartment complexes and postage stamp houses crammed together	1
Lack of actual planning for impact.	1
More city spending when the government is already too far in debt and passing that cost onto taxpayers	1
More housing and people as long as it is affordable and accessible	1
Our city can't handle more growth. We don't have the means to.	1
School capacity	1
Size and access of schools. Things we're seeing impact Yelm like water and traffic.	1
Too inexpensive/subsidized housing attracts more crime.	1
We ♥ T90!	1
decreasing property value	1
Totals	13

8. What are your thoughts on the current height limit of 35 feet in all of Tenino?

ResponseID	Response
2	I think it's smart no one wants skyscrapers here it's a small town that's all it needs to be
8	Agree
9	For single family homes this is fine. But anything above 35 feet should be apartments for our veterans or senior citizens only.
10	There isn't the real estate to support this. Building up makes sense and can still feel old fashioned.
11	approve
12	I approve.
14	Effects change and growth
15	It keeps a small town feel to the town which is why many residents have moved here.
16	Raise it to 500 so the rednecks can have extra tall tree stands
17	No concerns, OK to go higher.
19	Again govt stay out leave in place no high density housing
20	I think that it's a reasonable limit
21	I think it's important to ensure new developments blend in with existing architecture and preserve the overall aesthetic of a community.
22	No concern
23	For downtown area, it really limits growth. Higher buildings downtown capped at maybe 3 stories would be great for mixed use development.
24	No point
25	It keeps the town vide the same. Less Tumwater-ish
26	High rise buildings above 35 feet will be out of character with the historic town.
27	get rid of height limits. People should be able to build how they see fit.
28	No Higher

ResponseID Response

29	If too tall, views would be blocked.
30	Good. It keeps the look of a small town and allows for scenic views of surrounding greenery
31	It should remain.
32	Excellent, keep it!
34	I think it needs to stay
35	Na
37	I like it!
38	Keep it
39	Don't care
40	No issues
41	It should be raised downtown to allow for second and third story residential in our commercial zone
42	We need to allow for higher density and ability to go up
43	None
44	I'm ok with this. We are a small community. Seeing the trees and sky at night is the point of living in a smaller town like Tenino.
46	I think it helps keep our community personal
47	It's adds to the look of a small town but I don't care as long as it adds to the affordable housing in town
48	Silly. There isn't the real estate to restrict height.
49	Great!
50	Ridiculous
51	Seems like a good limit
52	Appropriate
53	don't know that was a thing

ResponseID Response

54 No thoughts.

57 Great!

58 ok

59 That's plenty tall. Appropriate height limit.

60 If the reasoning is current i agree however if it is a limit out in place years ago with no thought to how many more people could be served then it needs to be re evaluated

61 I like it, we don't need anything bigger.

62 I don't have any preference. Although, it is kind of add to the small town feel having no buildings over 35 feet.

63 Agree

64 This needs to be updated to allow better access and better balance of building to be built

65 Am good with it

66 Nobody should be told what they can and can't do on their own property within reason straight out

68 No thoughts

69 I agree with this

71 Perfect, no higher

72 None

73 None

74 No concens

75 I like it

76 It's fine, no reason to go taller

77 It's dumb. Literally stunting growth.

78 The height limit should stay in place to keep the small town character.

79 I think downtown is tall enough. Could maybe see a taller building at the edges of town if they are tucked in and blend

ResponseID Response

80 I think it's great for downtown to not block the beautiful views.

81 could be negotiated w industrial uses

82 I think we need to build more housing up, than out. The height limit needs to increase.

83 I like that

84 Fine for now. That's 3 stories. Allows lots of multi family development

86 It is great. Id support it being 30 feet

87 I like it— it allows for you to view tree lines.

88 At this point that is good unless the developer is purchasing a firetruck that can reach that high

89 I think the reduced height is not a barrier to more robust development. Keep the cozy feel, and not impede the natural environment.

90 There is a limited footprint in Tenino, we should be building up.

91 perfect, don't change it

92 No issues

93 it's appropriate

9. What other comments would you like to share about housing in Tenino?

ResponseID	Response
2	Try to help the 3x the rent it's out of a lot of people's reach
9	No more trailers. Unless it is a tiny home community for veterans or senior citizens.
16	Don't be like tumwater, grandmound
19	Keep big city planning out we are historical small town with growth limits
20	We need more.
21	Fiscal impacts of developing new housing will affect the low income community of tenino. Property taxes are already outlandish.
24	Expand housing
28	Collective Developments
29	Homes should be built more solid and not so close together.
32	No multi plexes or large condos
35	It's over priced
41	We don't allow for enough multifamily in areas where it would likely develop
42	There's very few options for people in their 20's
43	There is lots of opportunity for infill development in city limits.
44	I love the old housing in Tenino. I would love to see our streets cleaned up....in terms of addition of sidewalks, repaved streets etc. I would love to see our in town neighborhoods with safer walking paths that would be provided by this. Kids have no sidewalks, so biking, skateboarding, walking is done on narrow streets. As a family with children, near the downtown area, this is something I see being a necessity to facilitate safety. For kids and families, for not only school access, but other local community and activity access.
46	None
47	Needs to be more affordable and people need incentives to develop ADUs to help with multi generational housing
49	Not a lot of opinions. Just want to keep our community clean and our schools and rec areas a safe place to be.

ResponseID Response

57 We have lots of big properties with spacing between neighbors, which I love, but we need more opportunities to gather and get to know each other. Also, as our kids grow up, will they be able to buy a home in their hometown?

58 some houses need to remove old cars and rubble from their yards, but never have HOA

59 I dislike lots smaller than quarter acre. The newer developments are all house and no yard. We live in a rural community, those neighbors have less space to garden, play, plant trees that benefit wildlife, etc.. I suggest decreasing density slightly to 4 lots per acre.

60 What housing is here is unattainable to most families- the cost is high to get sub par utility coverage (phone and internet) and what is available for a family with 2 kids is not realistic in its requirements. We want our schools and business to thrive but we are pushing out the newer generation of families by not offering decent high speed internet cell towers and bus service

61 Keep our town small, please

62 I don't like the ideas of apartments or shared units because I don't think we need to add to the population. I believe we should prioritize using vacant properties rather than tearing down and replacing or adding anymore housing.

64 The city needs to look at ways to attract builders, if the housing is built the people will come.

66 People should be allowed to live in RVs on their own property in city limits if it's not obstruction of peace or environment

74 In general, housing in Tenino is limited, mostly due to Tenino being smaller. However, there are multiple vacant or condemned houses on the Lincoln Ave side of Sussex that the city could utilize for housing.

75 The small town look is important.

76 Enforce the existing codes and make people clean up the derelict properties around town

77 The houses are old and poorly maintained. They lack really any curb appeal, giving a dingy apathetic impression of the town as a whole.

78 Townhouses and/or cheaply-built compact housing does not match the character of Tenino.

81 buildbuildbuild

84 Enforce codes. Get cars and trucks off of front yards. Enforce existing rules

86 Only allow single family homes

ResponseID Response

87 We need more houses with character. Bungalow style homes are more charming and appealing to the eye than boxed housing development homes.

88 We need to not lose the character of some of the older sections in our town. Caton St., Wickman Street MacArthur Street. New development in those areas must be in the style of current homes.

89 none

92 Please don't build too much housing that our infrastructure cannot handle, and not too many businesses. Please don't turn us into Yelm!

93 There's lot of opportunities for infill.

10. On a scale of 1 to 5, how well does Tenino’s transportation/road network meets your needs: 1: It doesn’t meet my needs at all – I don’t feel safe and I can’t get where I want to go very easily 5: It’s perfect for me - it feels safe, well-connected, and efficient

Rating

As a Driver?



Count: 75

Not Applicable: 0

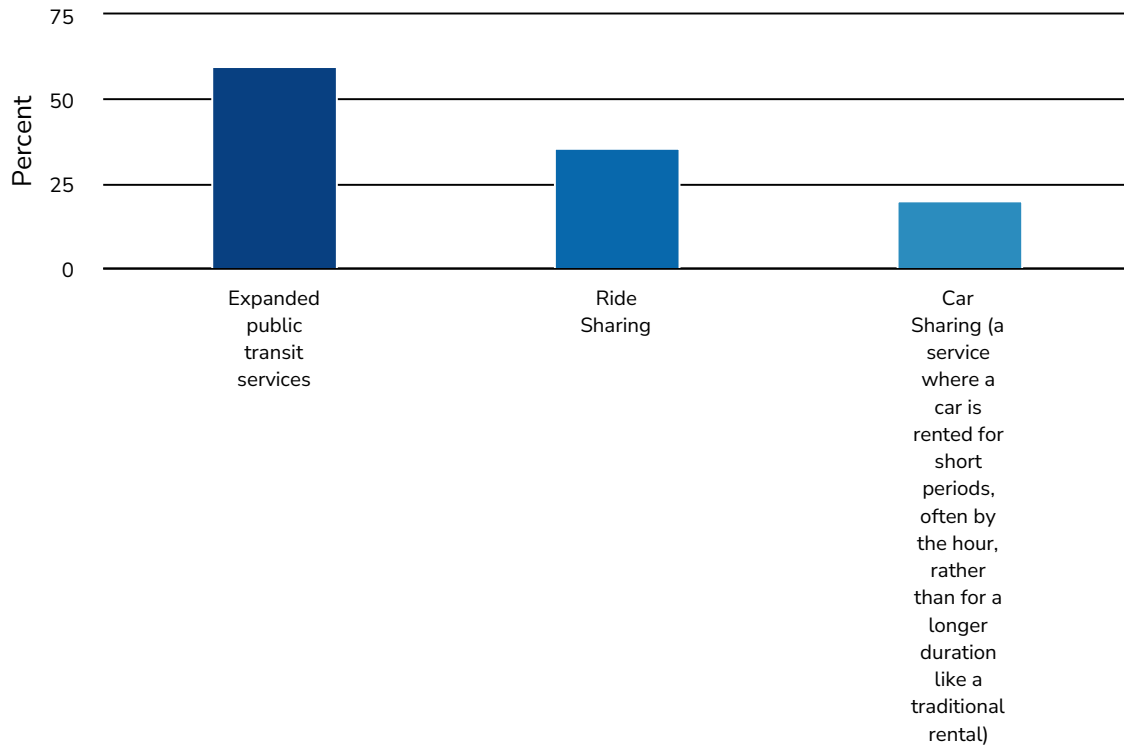
As a pedestrian or bicyclist?


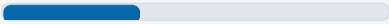
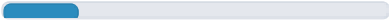


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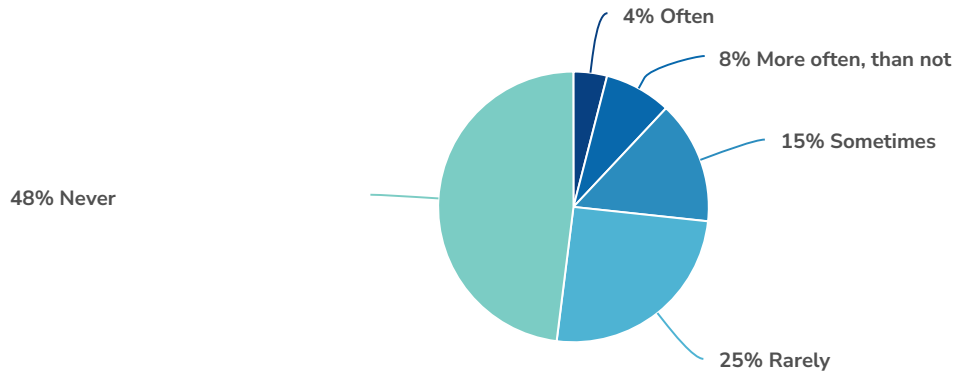
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11. If any of the following public transportation options were available, which would you use?



Value	Percent	Responses
Expanded public transit services	60.0% 	45
Ride Sharing	36.0% 	27
Car Sharing (a service where a car is rented for short periods, often by the hour, rather than for a longer duration like a traditional rental)	20.0% 	15

12. If public transit was available how frequently would you use it?



Value	Percent	Responses
Often	4.0%	3
More often, than not	8.0%	6
Sometimes	14.7%	11
Rarely	25.3%	19
Never	48.0%	36

Totals: 75

13. What do you think Tenino's transportation/road system needs? Is there anything missing?

ResponseID	Response
2	Sidewalks and roads for smooth riding for all
8	Better areas for crossing
9	Sidewalks. Oh and the trestle needs to be widened
10	Round about at crucial intersection. Turn lanes at Tenino Elementary School. Hard to cross the street in downtown. Traffic calming features on Park Street
11	I think the roads need serious help, and the school bus situation is sad
12	Pavement. Repairs. Maintenance.
14	No
15	Just normal road repair is always needed.
16	Train
17	Roundabouts
19	Police enforcement of speed limits
20	Actually offering public transit
21	No.
22	No
23	Sidewalks! And half the road missing from the corner of W 6th Ave and 507/OldHwy99
24	No
25	Potholes fixed,
26	I drive everywhere so I don't use public transport but I do think its important to have.
27	Main drag needs to be flattened so driveways are smoother. The center arc of the road is too high. Rais the speed limit back to 30. 25 means everyone drives at 15-20 now.
28	Collective Ride Share - Car Sharing
29	Covered, lighted, bus stops.

ResponseID Response

30	Better surfacing on existing streets
31	Pot holes
32	Connecting bike trail to rural areas
34	To be better maintained
37	No opinion
38	Speed bumps around the school properties particularly behind baseball fields and park entrance
39	Not sure
40	Some side streets need repaving
41	More sidewalks
42	Uber
43	More bike paths
44	No
46	A cross walk from the market across the main street going through Tenino. School kids and many others cross there but there is no cross walk in the area
47	Eastside crossing for Sussex (near the welcome sign)
48	Roundabouts. Traffic calming features on Park street. People go fast and don't stop for pedestrians.
49	Just road maintenance upkeep for pot holes. Love safe sidewalks.
50	Good roads
51	The turn from Sussex to Wichman needs to be a roundabout or light or something. That is a difficult spot. Also there are a lot of potholes that need to be addressed on side streets
52	More frequent busses to Olympia
53	no
54	Sidewalks! At least from marketfresh to Bowen Way before the turn.

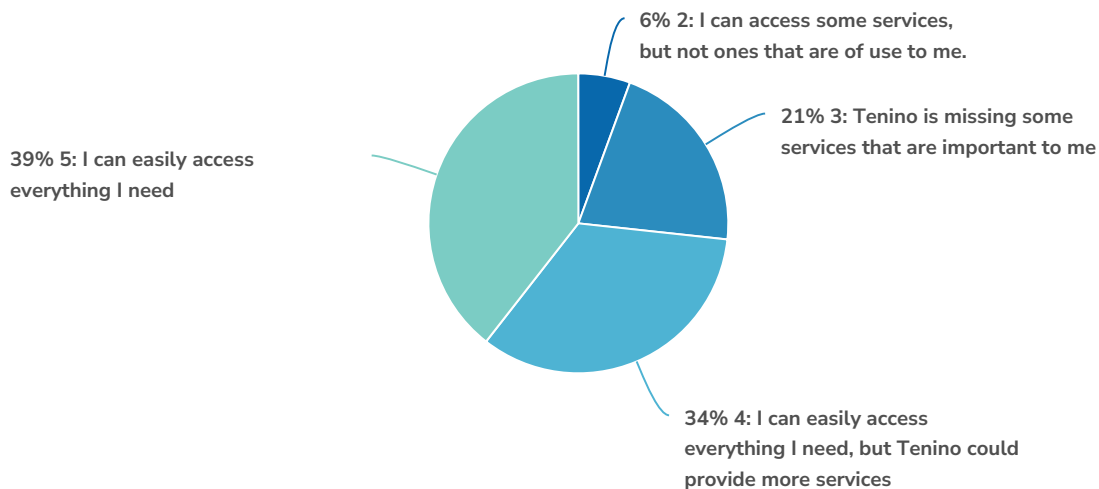
ResponseID Response

57	It's great for me as a driver. Potholes suck, but the city fixes them fast. Access to public transit for youth would be great. Things to get them from rural properties to their friends and Oly life.
58	NA
59	Traffic circle at the NAPA.
60	Public transportation- turn lanes at intersections that do not have lights (near the store ect)
61	City bus service to and from Olympia
62	More sidewalks and crosswalks with lights to encourage drivers to slow down or stop for pedestrians
63	Round about 507 where 99 intersects with Sussex
64	A better maintenance program
65	Better maintenance of roads. Some are good where so many are not maintained
66	Less potholes
68	Other options beside one main artery of traffic through downtown
69	None
71	?
72	Idk. Maybe a roundabout
73	N/A
74	The sidewalks on the Lincoln Ave side of Sussex are terrible!
75	I'm happy with the layout and traffic signage. Keep the pothole filled in a timely manner to prevent bigger repairs.
76	Better crosswalks and driveable streets
77	Road maintenance, possible widening, traffic signals so you're not waiting on a gap in the constant flow of cars to make a turn or merge.
78	Two traffic lights. 507 & Old Hwy 99, both sides of town!

ResponseID Response

79	We need roundabouts by the parts store and by the grocery store. We need to fix the flooding by black bear. We need to fix the backup by the elementary school during pick up and drop off. We need more crosswalks by the park especially. Sidewalks are lacking and I think the city needs to find a way to fund them without waiting for redevelopment of the properties.
80	No they're just fine
81	build for the future
82	A roundabout on SR 507 instead of the Y in town. More sidewalks on side streets. More barriers between the roads and sidewalks.
83	I am happy with it.
84	Enforcement of noise and speeding ordinances is completely missing. Revenue potential for City and better experience for residents. Most trucks violate noise ordinances.
86	It is perfect. Do not bring in more public transit.
87	The roundabout at the Old Hwy 99 and Sussex! :)
88	Roads need repaired. Sidewalks need to be maintained and accessible. And we need more sidewalks at least one side of each street.
89	More foot paths for pedestriations.
90	Roundabouts. Traffic calming features on Park street. People go fast and don't stop for pedestrians.
91	sidewalk repair and bus lines
92	Shared scooters
93	more bike trails

14. On a scale of 1 to 5, how well are you able to access the services you need? Think about utilities, telecommunications, emergency services, schools, recreational opportunities, senior services and other public services.



Value	Percent	Responses
2: I can access some services, but not ones that are of use to me.	5.6%	4
3: Tenino is missing some services that are important to me	21.1%	15
4: I can easily access everything I need, but Tenino could provide more services	33.8%	24
5: I can easily access everything I need	39.4%	28

Totals: 71

15. Are there services or facilities missing in Tenino? If so, which ones?

ResponseID Response

8	A public restroom near downtown
9	Safe Walking paths.
10	I do go elsewhere for most healthcare. I know seniors could use more community.
11	arcades/youth areas bowling! :) I mean... we seriously need teriyaki
12	More police. As the community grows, the current arrangement will be less and less adequate.
15	None
16	Marijuana dispensary
17	Community Center
19	None
20	Good medical care, espresso shop (sit down), Asian food, arts and crafts opportunities, various restaurants (not more Mexican food).
21	No
22	Emergency or urgent care
23	We need a basketball court at the park and also tennis or pickleball.
24	Yes. Get more specialized medical care. A hair salon.
25	Internet
26	An auditorium for local theatre groups, productions, special screenings of movies, art exhibitions etc.
27	Teriyaki restaurant
28	Car Sharing
29	No, I can access everything.
30	No
31	I don't know right now

ResponseID Response

32	More baseball/soccer fields
34	A community center
38	None
39	Not sure
40	None
41	Not really
42	No
44	No
46	None
47	Music venue, affordable groceries, nursery
48	Senior Center. A place for youth to hang out. Could use better health care.
49	We have young kids and really enjoy the park and community events for their ages at this time. The music festival in the summer is fun too. Great job Tenino!
50	More police
51	N/a
52	Local police
53	well if we lose our police we won't have that
54	Younger kids recreational activities
57	Community gathering for young families, especially during rainy months and for families with 2 working parents. Gathering space for youth (arcade, ymca, etc). A coffee shop to sit and meet a friend.
58	food service is very limited
59	Overnight lodging.
60	Decent high speed internet Senior services or programs Reliable cell phone service Affordable grocery option Community center of some kind
61	Public transportation

ResponseID Response

62	Not that I can think of off the top of my head.
63	Auto Repair shop
64	As the city grows, I believe more food options will need to be available. This will also add opportunity for youth to get jobs locally.
65	Lower water/sewer bills
66	Youth services! A community youth center!
68	No comment
69	Not sure
71	?
72	Internet
73	N/A
74	None that I can think of
75	I live in unincorporated Thurston County and I would have skipped the previous question if I could have. It is my perception though that infrastructure services already available to City residents.
76	No
77	.
78	N/a
79	Expansion of available services and opportunity for residents to pick better cost effective services. Also sewer is way too expensive for me.
81	jobs
82	Not that I can think of.
83	More recreational activities or more diverse activities.
84	No
86	Id like another option to eat out that is not branded for selling alcohol

ResponseID Response

87 Is there a senior center? Or Youth center? Or community center that houses all of the above?

88 A senior citizens center. Not just lunch but recreation. Better sidewalk so elderly can walk pickle ball courts.

89 Nothing specific I can think of at this time.

90 Recreation Center with all ages activities.

91 laundry facilities open to the public 24/7. Tenino really could use one.

92 Urgent care

93 More recreational opportunities for kids and families.

16. What other comments would you like to share about infrastructure, or public facilities and services in Tenino?

ResponseID	Response
8	Nothing
9	Have a way for kids to earn a day at the pool.
10	Places for family to stay when visiting the area.
11	Please keep the old town feel - love the architecture and how Sandstone and 1776 and Kodiak and Edward Jones have managed to honor it.
12	Public bathrooms.
15	None
16	School zone by the middle school needs work
17	N/A
19	Take care of residents here and don't be influenced by crazy growth plans of surrounding cities >>> they are a nightmare with traffic crime high density housing etc
20	N/A
21	None
22	None
23	I think maintenance does a fantastic job of keeping things working and looking nice.
24	None are useful to me
25	None
26	I love Tenino!
27	NA
28	Home repair collective coordinating aid and equipment
29	None
30	Only that the flow of traffic is good because there are no stop signs or traffic lights on the main road.
31	None

ResponseID Response

32	Urgent care?
34	The food bank needs a new building. It serves so many in our community and they need more space.
38	None
39	None
40	Sewage is way too expensive
41	Continued local Law Enforcement services need to be maintained at proper levels
42	Our Police Dept needs continued support
44	Again....better paved neighborhood streets and sidewalks
46	None
47	Teens need a place to hang out
48	na
49	None
50	Need to hire more police
51	N/a
52	Historical restoration
53	hdjd
54	N/a
57	None. I love our town and appreciate the care you all put into doing it well. Look at other cities and their development for clues. Things like growing sustainably, building cohesive neighborhoods that flow together, managing traffic, and ensuring resources are available for the population.
58	nothing
59	Staff to maintain things is a challenge as I understand it. We have a lot of resources that go underutilized as a result. Park bathrooms, the pool, campgrounds, etc. The staff we do have do so much and we appreciate them.

ResponseID Response

60	I love tenino however I am unable to work from home or stay in town as much as I want due to the un reliable internet (it high speed) and lack of cellular connection- I can fix the phone with WiFi but cannot work from home and have my phone on the internet reliably. These Two issues are stopping younger families from relocating to our amazing town as more and more Biden ss are offering hybrid and work from home options
61	Public transportation would be the only nice thing to have
62	N/A
63	NA
64	Not just Tenino but all surrounding areas need to do a better job on infrastructure. Especially maintaining stripping of roadways.
65	None
66	Na
68	No comment
69	None
71	?
72	None
73	N/A
74	The city is very walkable and accessible to all, except some of the sidewalks are in need of major repair. The whole town is not on the park side. Other people live on the other side of town and want to walk too.
75	Tenino is the best little city. Thanks for investing in the quarry pool, the holiday decor, summer flowers, and metal markers along Sussex. All this enhances our presentation and invites people to stay awhile and spend money.
76	None
77	.
78	N/a
79	Expanding the sewer needs to not make it more expensive
81	jobs

ResponseID Response

82 Thank you for the opportunity to provide input into Tenino's right future.

83 I would like more diversity with food options and more recreational activities.

84 None

86 Tenino is great the way it is

87 Just the cost of water and sewer.

88 Fix our roads

89 It would be nice to see reclaim irrigation water available for residential and commercial water customers.

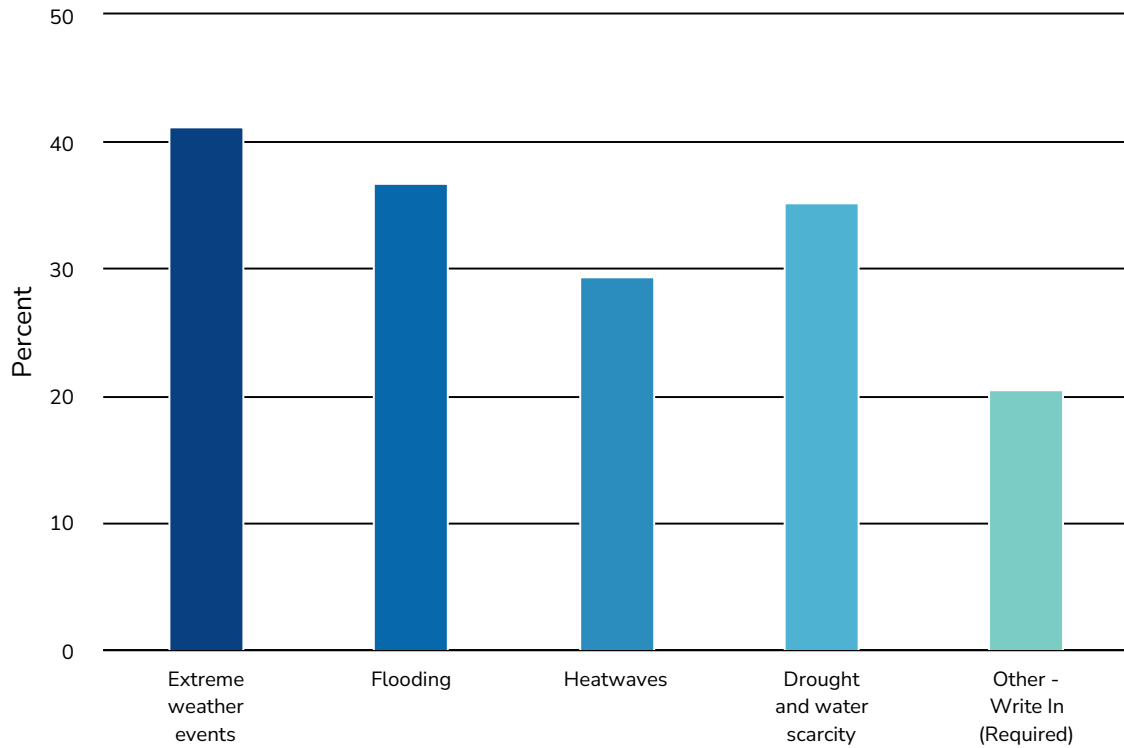
90 Tenino needs guest housing. Hotels, etc.

91 I've lived here since 2019 and the seems the plumbing and sewer systems haven't been updated to accommodate the influx of residents. The sidewalks need repair for safety and we could really use a city laundry mat.

92 Nothing

93 More recreational opportunities for kids and families.

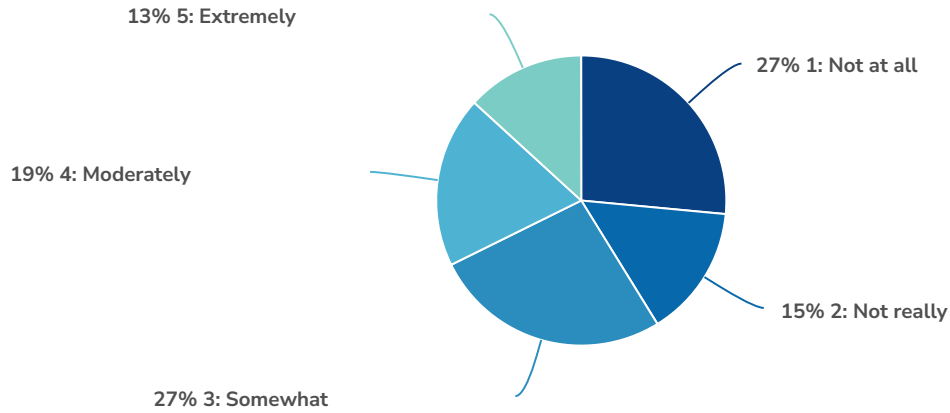
17. In your opinion, what are the most critical climate-related risks facing this community? (Select all that apply.)



Value	Percent	Responses
Extreme weather events	41.2%	28
Flooding	36.8%	25
Heatwaves	29.4%	20
Drought and water scarcity	35.3%	24
Other - Write In (Required)	20.6%	14

Other - Write In (Required)	Count
0	1
Fire	1
Fires	1
Fires	1
I don't believe in climate change	1
Loss of native plants, destabilization of soil, large evergreens falling, need to replace natural trees with those that are more drought tolerant.	1
None	1
None, really.	1
None. Tenino is in an extremely safe area.	1
Seriously?	1
There are none	1
Wild Fires	1
fire	1
nothing climate related most likely poor management of water sources	1
Totals	14

18. On a scale of 1 to 5, how concerned are you about the potential impacts of climate change in Tenino?



Value	Percent	Responses
1: Not at all	26.5%	18
2: Not really	14.7%	10
3: Somewhat	26.5%	18
4: Moderately	19.1%	13
5: Extremely	13.2%	9

Totals: 68

19. What community assets in Tenino (e.g. natural areas, buildings/landmarks, infrastructure, cultural resources, etc.) should be protected against climate impacts and/or natural disasters?

ResponseID	Response
8	All
9	Downtown, the pool, the depot/quarry house
10	All of them if possible...historic buildings (historic district and museum), forests/park, homes.
11	downtown should be protected against flooding
12	Skookumchuck Dam needs maintenance and monitoring. Flood events happen. They should be planned for.
15	Protect the quarry pool.
16	The old ones on Sussex
17	Downtown buildings
19	Can't think of any
20	The forested area south of the Tenino/Yelm trail, the structures in Tenino's park
22	Not sure
23	Downtown and the park when it comes to drought and the potential for wild fires.
25	The swimming area and historic buildings
26	Historic landmarks
27	Parks and historical buildings along with Schools. Grocery store and gas stations.
28	Natural Areas
29	The schools and the grocery store.
30	Protect green spaces from development
31	All
34	The quarry and the main downtown strip

ResponseID Response

38 Unsure

39 Not sure

40 Unsure

41 Historic buildings

42 Don't know

44 All

46 None

47 Water access, food access, shelter for people

48 Historic downtown, Museum. Homes. City Park

49 Historical buildings and schools

50 Quarry

51 The historic buildings/museum

52 All

53 jsns

54 Personal homes and schools.

57 Parks, homes, roads, schools, businesses.

58 people and their homes and property

59 Historic downtown. The park. My house!

60 The bridge needs to have the water flow fixed before it destroys the road and causes collapse of the overpass killing people

61 Buildings

62 Anything historical to the town

63 All

ResponseID Response

64 I'm all for preserving the old town look and feel but at what cost. Putting thousands of \$\$ into the face of a building to look nice as the road and curbside are falling apart doesn't make sense.

65 Dirt parking lot near park

66 Na

68 No comment

69 Not sure

71 Landscape from development

72 ?

73 Tenino City Park/Quarry Pool area

74 The quarry and historical buildings

75 City Park, quarry pool, drinking water reservoirs/aquifer.

76 None, climate change is a joke

77 The huge bloody forests that surround us and may be vulnerable to wildfires.

78 N/a

79 I think that flooding has posed a large threat to Tenino for years and has been ignored and needs to be fixed because it will destroy our roads. Our community assets are our roads, our park, our school, and the historic downtown.

82 Depot museum. Quarry and house. Downtown businesses. Schools.

83 The historic downtown and the park and buildings there associated with the old quarry. Necessary natural resources.

84 Trees

86 The old Quarry and the museum that sits by the railroad

87 A water preservation system?

88 We need a pocket park to protect Ezra Meekers stone on Main Street

ResponseID Response

89 Water, sewer, and storm water plants should be protected against extreme weather events. As well as the water supply should be protected. Reduction of potable water use should be encouraged, through more availability of reclaimed water for irrigation purposes.

90 Historic District, Museum, Park

91 the city park, schools and the power station between the middle school and high school

92 Schools, historic buildings

93 Parks and historic buildings.

20. What other comments would you like to share climate-related vulnerabilities in Tenino?

ResponseID	Response
8	None
9	What do we do if there is a fire like what happened in Southern California
10	A fire plan is important.
11	none
12	Not much.
15	There are none.
16	.
17	N/A
19	It is overstated in this state more pressing problems and making state to expensive to live in
20	N/A
22	None
23	none
25	N
26	What about the risk of fire during dry periods.
27	none
28	Rules limiting cutting down trees. Requirements for Trees in new development
29	None
30	None
31	None
34	None
38	None

ResponseID Response

39	None
40	None
41	N/A
42	Don't know
44	Na
46	None
47	Wind is extreme - underground our utilities if possible
48	Hopefully we can get more water rights.
49	Not too concerned.
50	None
51	I am always concerned about the fire risk in the summer, and especially with fireworks on the 4th of July. I would love if the city restricted firework use in city limits.
52	Green power
53	nsndn
54	N/a
57	We need education about how to help. In California there are days we were instructed to not water our lawns. The public needs to hear often that climate change is real and, if we work together, we can live more sustainably and be better prepared for the inevitable.
58	none
59	Solar initiatives may help energy needs in heat waves. Community center with filtered air and AC may become a necessary resource in summer smoke and heat events.
60	Tenino needs to be aware of pre watering and trimming trees and grass to protect from Fires
61	None
62	N/A
63	NA

ResponseID Response

64	We live in a rainy climate, make it a safer drive and put down quality roadway markings.
65	To keep park walkways free from moss during winter so they are not slippery when walking
66	Na
68	No comment
69	None
71	?
72	None
73	N/A
74	None
75	Whether it's climate-related disasters or natural disasters like earthquakes, I heard we are working towards an emergency plan for powering the high school during city power interruption emergencies. I think this is a good decision for supporting our city's population.
76	None
77	I would like increased forest management for the long term health and safety of the forests and the citizenry.
78	Old Hwy 99 to the west of Bucoda HWY is always flooding due to poor drainage. Even something as simple as a ditch going into Scatter Creek would be better than they way it's been for years...
79	Flooding needs to be fixed otherwise in a disaster we will be trapped. Every exit out of Tenino has a flooding issue. Work with the county to fix the problems outside of the city as well.
82	NA
83	None
84	None
86	none
87	The smoke and air quality— maybe an earlier fire ban? To help combat the inevitable smoke pollution that comes from fire season? (So we only have poor air quality during fire season and not have to have smoke right before fire season from people burning?)

ResponseID Response

88 Why don't we have a flood gauge on the scatter Creek Bridge by Tenino Elementary school that is tied into the Thurston County network

89 It would be nice to see, an effort to reduce urban heat islands. By increasing vegetation by planting trees and creating green spaces, and implement cool roofs using reflective materials. These strategies could help lower surface and air temperatures, improving overall urban comfort and reducing energy costs.

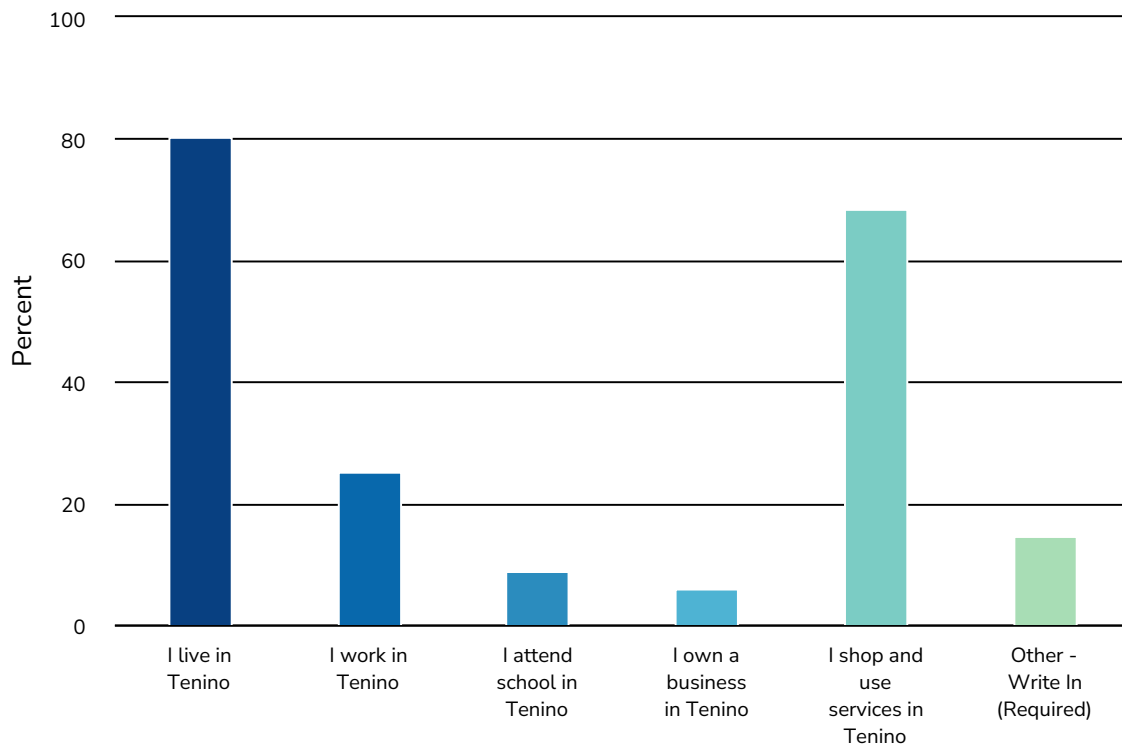
90 n/a

91 I'm not too concerned about this for Tenino

92 None

93 none

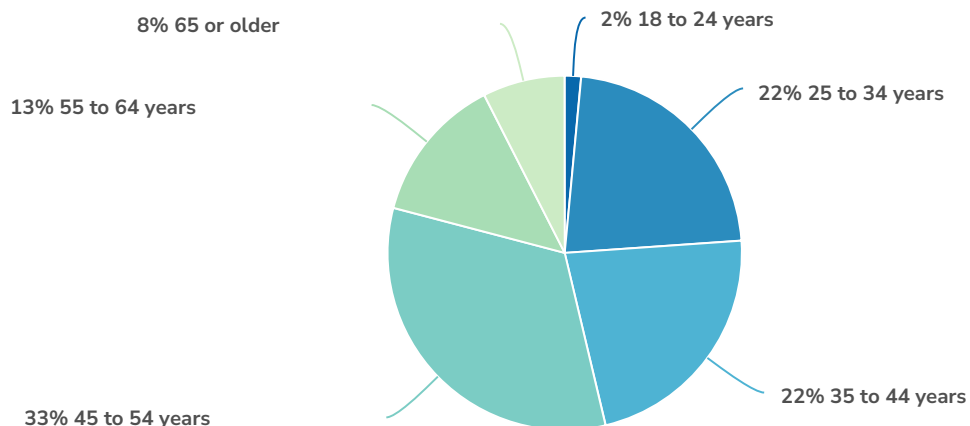
21. What is your relationship to Tenino? (Select all that apply.)



Value	Percent	Responses
I live in Tenino	80.6%	54
I work in Tenino	25.4%	17
I attend school in Tenino	9.0%	6
I own a business in Tenino	6.0%	4
I shop and use services in Tenino	68.7%	46
Other - Write In (Required)	14.9%	10

Other - Write In (Required)	Count
Children attend Tenino schools	1
GENERATIONS of us live here	1
I live in yelm, but plan to build a home in tenino in the near future.	1
I live just outside of city limits.	1
I live walking distance of Tenino	1
My child attends school in Tenino	1
My children will attend school here	1
My grandchildren attend school in tenino and I performed in local theatre in tenino	1
Past residents	1
attend events/volunteer	1
Totals	10

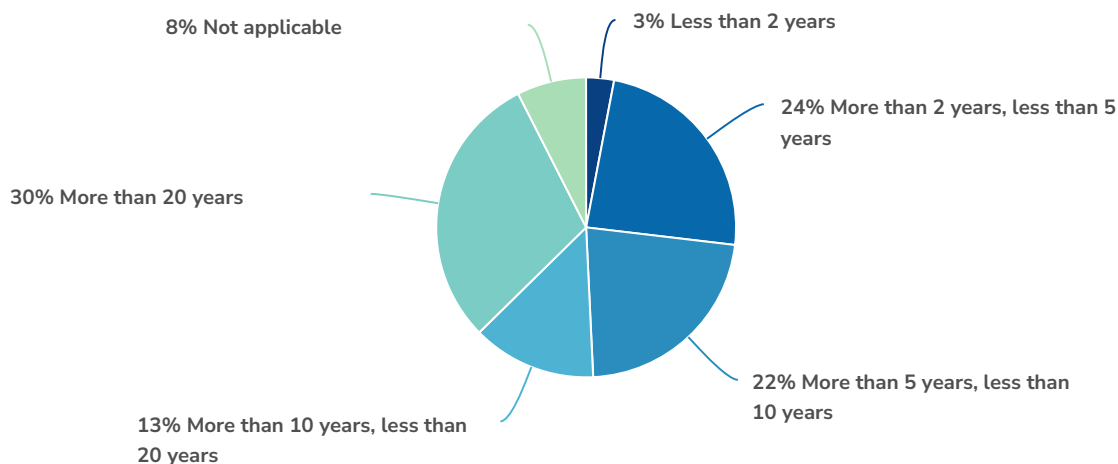
22. What is your age range?



Value	Percent	Responses
18 to 24 years	1.5%	1
25 to 34 years	22.4%	15
35 to 44 years	22.4%	15
45 to 54 years	32.8%	22
55 to 64 years	13.4%	9
65 or older	7.5%	5

Totals: 67

23. How long have you lived in Tenino?



Value	Percent	Responses
Less than 2 years	3.0%	2
More than 2 years, less than 5 years	23.9%	16
More than 5 years, less than 10 years	22.4%	15
More than 10 years, less than 20 years	13.4%	9
More than 20 years	29.9%	20
Not applicable	7.5%	5

Totals: 67

24. How long do you plan on staying in Tenino, and what is influencing your decision?

ResponseID	Response
8	For life; age
9	I will be staying in Tenino until I am taken out of my house feet first.
11	possibly moving soon due to political climate
12	The rest of my life, if we don't have to sell due to high taxes.
15	Although I don't currently live in city limits (I'm about 7 minutes outside) I did live in town for almost a years. I have worked in town for almost 30 years now. I plan on staying until I retire and may move back inside city limits at any time. I love Tenino for it's small town values and feel.
16	I plan to leave soon, nothing against tenino it's a Washington problem
17	Nice community
19	Forever
20	Want to move away soon. Small town mentalities don't work for me.
22	Forever. Love the small town community!
23	As long as possible. Property taxes and cost of living are making me consider other options though.
25	I moved away due to the schools
26	I don't intend to move at all. The best of rural living, beauty of nature and a great community all round me.
27	until i die. I have a nice place where I am at.
28	Forever....
29	I hope a long time. I own my home.
30	Indefinitely; proximity to job
31	Forever, unless property taxes force me out. My land has been in the family since 1950
34	Don't know. Depends on if the state taxes me out of living here.
38	20 years, small schools, small community, no homelessness, great neighbors

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39	Always have a home base in tenino
40	Many years, bought home in 2023
41	Undecided
42	For a long time
44	As long as we can afford WA state (taxes are insane) We love the community feel as a family. We enjoy a small town feel and schools for our kids while also seeing diversity in the community. Having close access to activities for family.
46	We just moved to bucoda last year but still use Tenino on a weekly basis
47	Forever - raising my babies here
48	forever
49	Never moving. EVER! Ha!
50	Death
51	Undetermined, we have no plans to move though.
52	Indefinitely. The area has potential
53	bsbsjeje
54	I want to stay in Tenino for the next 5 years, at least. I love the small town feel with the convenience of a grocery store and gas station. I love the opportunities for my kids to play at several play grounds and to walk on the paved trail. I consider leaving because of the reputations of the schools and the lack of housing available.
57	At least until I retire. I love it here. Not sure if we'll be able to afford to stay once we retire though.
58	depends on what the washington government does regarding property taxes and all the taxes they are trying to force on taxpayers
59	We may stay forever.
60	Rest of my life
61	I plan on living in Tenino the rest of my life as long as it doesn't get grow

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62 We just purchased our home in 07/2024. We love it here and plan to be here for at least 5-7 years, if not more. Biggest influence is the quiet town, being able to walk around and explore, and the short commute to work.

63 20 we love it here. It's a great community

64 I live just outside of Tenino, just go into Tenino frequently for shops and visiting family. I will be around for sometime.

65 Don't know

66 My life

68 Will send our kids to school in Tenino for many years

69 Forever

71 Trying to move back but housing options are limited. Keep my kids in the schools

72 Forever. I bought property. I don't plan on selling it

73 No plans to change

74 I plan on staying in Tenino at least until my child graduates HS in about 10 years

75 To the extent of my lifetime.

76 Unsure

77 It's where I live now.

78 As long as the small town stays small, I'll live here.

79 I cannot afford a house in Tenino so I will be looking elsewhere very soon

81 depends on tax rates

82 50 years. My daughter is being raised here. I like the city and accessible services.

83 I would like to continue living here possibly forever! My boyfriend and I really like Tenino! Perfect small town that's nearby all amenities. Great location, safe neighborhood, love the park and walking trails, nice community events, farmers market, etc.

84 20

86 Forever once we build our home

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87 Approximately another 10 years, then hopefully moving out of town for more property

88 I will probably stay in tonight now for part of the year. As long as dentist and medical is available locally and sidewalks start improving.

89 At this time I have no plan of leaving. I like the small community.

90 forever

91 forever, its a good community

92 Forever. My husband grew up here and we're raising our daughter here

93 forever

25. The answers you've provided will help inform Tenino's Comprehensive Plan update. Please share any other thoughts you'd like to contribute:

ResponseID	Response
16	I hope this actually helps
19	City has to stop being influenced by cities around us. Tenino is small rural historical town there is no reason to buy into high density housing to bring elements to town which will not be positive for current residents!
20	Thanks for putting this surgery together. Hoping Tenino can grow and improve.
23	I think the city should work on improving the downtown area as much as possible by adding mixed use development on Sussex to increase both housing available and commercial opportunities. Revitalization efforts should also focus on styling new structures (and incentivize existing structures - eg. tax reduction) to meet a general design esthetic. For instance, exterior facing stone facades and styled signage. Right now its a strange mix of structures (pole buildings, craftsman, stone, etc.) and the city lacks identity because of it. It would need be well planned to make it work. The contact info question below is missing the text entry block, but please add my email to it: Joe Stone Sr joestonesr@pm.me Thanks!
27	none
31	None
38	As the upgrades to the park are made including the ball fields, please consider leaving these available to be used without reservation or cost.
46	Nothing
57	Thank you so much for doing this! I hope you get a good response rate. This survey was quite long with lots of required fields. I'd recommend shorter more frequent surveys, especially those that can be run on Facebook.
58	none
59	Thank you to the Planning Commission for volunteering your time to do this work with diligence and care. You are appreciated!
60	Tenino is amazing but we need to continue to bring in young vibrant families in order to support our schools sports and business
61	Please don't allow this town to become a Yelm
64	I think Tenino needs to lean hard on its partner, county/state and have them help support them in grants and funding for roads and maintenance. 507 is a well used hwy and the state needs to do a better job making sure the community of Tenino is safe for travel.

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66 Na

72 None

74 I urge the planning committee to think of the other side of town opposite the park side where the sidewalks are in dire need of repairs. The families on this side want to enjoy the town too!

75 Somehow as a team we all have to figure out how to fund improvements to our school buildings which are aging out. Though very important, bonds are difficult to pass. The ability to provide to our students and their families, facilities that are desirable to attend is a huge factor in attracting people to move and live here.

78 Please try to keep the Tenino police. With more people coming in, and more societal problems here lately, we really need them to stay in our community.

84 None

87 Tenino is a pretty clean town— it's cute and has so much potential for more. It's cute as is though.

88 Priorities need to be continue to support local businesses make it a place businesses want to be. Improve the sidewalks and maintain the few that we have and make sure people aren't parking on them or leaving their garbage cans on them so people can walk on them clean up Yards, don't allow motorhomes to park on city property for long periods of time, cell access property to attached homeowners to help your budget, fix several different roads, extend trail to Bucoda. That would be Thurston County parks. Attach the new egg park to Tenino via trail.

89 It is important for the city to grow and develop but not at the expense of the environment.

91 Please consider the sidewalks that need updated along with the sewer and water lines. Adding one or two traffic signals would help a lot when traffic is high. If Tenino is planning on adding housing, these will be essential to review and update for safety and the capability of the current systems. A community center and a laundry mat would be great for the city. Adding busses to our city would be great so that the kids can travel where they need to get from the outskirts of town.

26. If you would like to be notified of future updates, please include your contact information below (optional):