

TOWN OF COEYMANS – COMMUNITY SURVEY 2006

Please take a few minutes to complete this survey. After completion, please return or mail the survey to Town Hall, 18 Russell Avenue, Ravena, NY 12143, no later than (INSERT RETURN DATE). Thank you for your participation.

INSTRUCTIONS:
 Please read each question carefully. Some questions require you to choose only one answer but others allow for two or more answers. **IMPORTANT!** If you mark more answers than allowed, none of your answers to that question will be counted.
 Please use a #2 pencil or a BLUE or BLACK pen. We are having answers tallied using computer software.
 Please completely fill in marks like this: ● NOT like this: ∅ or ⊗

1. Please enter your Resident ID Number in the boxes below. This number is located on the address label of your survey notification postcard. If you did not receive a postcard and called to request this survey form, your Resident ID Number should already be filled in below.

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RESPONDENT PROFILE

2. How many individuals in the following age groups reside in your home? **If there is no one in your household that falls within a given age range, mark “N/A” for that range.**

Age Range of Household Members	Number of Household Members						
	N/A	1	2	3	4	5	6
a. 0 - 5	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. 6 -10	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. 11 - 15	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. 16 - 20	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. 21 - 30	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. 31 - 40	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. 41 - 50	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
h. 51 - 60	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
i. 61 - 70	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
j. 71 +	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

3. How long have you lived in the Town of Coeymans?
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| a. <input type="radio"/> 0-5 years | c. <input type="radio"/> 11-20 years |
| b. <input type="radio"/> 6-10 years | d. <input type="radio"/> 21 + years |
4. How many acres of land do you own in the Town of Coeymans?
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| a. <input type="radio"/> Less than 1 acre | d. <input type="radio"/> 20 – 49 acres |
| b. <input type="radio"/> 1 – 5 acres | e. <input type="radio"/> 50 or more acres |
| c. <input type="radio"/> 5 – 19 acres | f. <input type="radio"/> None – I do not own my land |
5. What is your approximate combined household income?
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| a. <input type="radio"/> Less than \$19,999 | e. <input type="radio"/> \$60,000 - \$79,999 |
| b. <input type="radio"/> \$20,000 - \$29,999 | f. <input type="radio"/> \$80,000 - \$99,999 |
| c. <input type="radio"/> \$30,000 - \$39,999 | g. <input type="radio"/> \$100,000 or more |
| d. <input type="radio"/> \$40,000 - \$59,999 | |

6. How would you categorize your home in Coeymans?
- a. Primary residence
 - b. Second/seasonal home
 - c. I own land, but I do not have a residence in Coeymans
7. For the purposes of this survey, please identify the general area in which you live or own property in the Town of Coeymans. **Please mark (●) one response**
- a. Coeymans Hamlet
 - b. Village of Ravena
 - c. Coeymans – 9w Corridor
 - d. Coeymans Hollow
 - e. Alcove

QUESTIONS

8. In your opinion, what are the positive aspects of living in the Town of Coeymans? **Mark (●) only three or none of your answers will be counted.**
- a. Rural lifestyle
 - b. Scenic beauty
 - c. Low crime rate
 - d. School District
 - e. Close knit community
 - f. Community services
 - g. Recreational facilities
 - h. Close to work & shopping
9. Where applicable, how would you rate the following facilities, services and conditions? **Please mark (●) one response for each statement.**

Facility/Service	Do Not Know or N/A	Excellent	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
a. Town Government Services/Management	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Road Maintenance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Sidewalk Maintenance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Snow Removal	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Parks and Recreation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. Police Services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. Fire Services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
h. Emergency Services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
i. Water Service	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
j. Sewer Service	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
k. Code Enforcement	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
l. Development Approval Process	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
m. Current Density and Population	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
n. Senior Services & Activities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
o. Youth Services & Activities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
p. Selection of Stores/Shopping	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
q. Level of Business Activity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

10. Please indicate the three things that would make the biggest improvement to the area where you reside: **Mark (●) only three or none of your answers will be counted.**

- a. Get property owners to take better care of their houses/property
- b. Develop sidewalks
- c. Prevent loss of open space and rural character
- d. Limit the impact on residential areas from commercial/industrial development
- e. Allow small, neighborhood retail and service establishments
- f. Provide public sewer
- g. Provide public water
- h. Limit traffic and/or slow traffic
- i. The area where I live is fine

11. Please indicate your level of agreement or disagreement with each of the following statements. **Please mark (●) one response for each statement.**

The Town of Coeymans should _____:	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
a. Encourage a mix of commercial, institutional, industrial and office development in the Town.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Develop design standards or guidelines to improve the appearance and function of commercial areas.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Utilize town funds / local incentives to promote economic development.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Create better buffers between residential and commercial areas.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Construct new sidewalks and trails to improve residents' ability to walk comfortably and safely to nearby destinations (i.e., parks, schools, stores).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. Spend public money to conserve open space / undeveloped land or environmentally sensitive lands (steep slopes, wetlands, streams, mature forests).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. Change zoning regulations to protect open space within new developments.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
h. Spend public money to acquire more parkland.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
i. Promote and encourage local agriculture and farm viability.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
j. Encourage a diversity of housing types (for singles, families, "empty nesters", seniors, etc.).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
k. Encourage the expansion of activities for youth	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
l. Reduce land use restrictions. Allow individual property owners to have more rights in determining appropriate use of their land	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
m. The Town should do nothing; the market and/or property owners will determine the best use of land.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

12. In general, what type of development do you feel the Town should encourage? **Mark (●) all that apply**

- a. Residential
- b. Small scale, neighborhood commercial
- c. Large scale commercial
- d. Office / light industrial
- e. Mixed use development with residential, office and small scale commercial
- f. Large industrial
- g. No new development

13. In what location(s) would additional commercial development be appropriate? **Mark (●) only three or none of your answers will be counted.**

- a. Near the Village of Ravena.
- b. In the vicinity of the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk School.
- c. In the Hamlet of Coeymans, near the Hudson River.
- d. Along corridors such as Route 144 and Route 9w.
- e. In the western portion of the Town

14. In your opinion, what are the least positive aspects of living in the Town of Coeymans? **Mark (●) only three or none of your answers will be counted.**

- a. Lack of local jobs
- b. Not enough shopping
- c. Not enough recreation
- d. Lack of public water
- e. Lack of public sewer
- f. School district
- g. Nightlife/Activities
- h. Traffic

15. Would you like to see more public use areas near the Hudson River?

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. Unknown

16. How often do you shop or seek services in the Town including the Village? **Please mark (●) one response.**

- a. Several times a week
- b. At least once a week
- c. Once every few weeks
- d. Once a month
- e. Once a year
- f. Never

17. How often do you shop or seek services in cities or towns other than Coeymans? **Please mark (●) one response.**

- a. Several times a week
- b. At least once a week
- c. Once every few weeks
- d. Once a month
- e. Once a year
- f. Never

18. If no changes are made, what will be the most important problems facing the Town of Coeymans over the next 10 years? **Please mark (●) only five or none of your answers will be counted.**

- a. Availability of affordable housing options
- b. Availability of a variety of housing options
- c. Loss of farmland and agriculture
- d. Loss of open land / undeveloped land (not farmland)
- e. Adequacy of parks and recreation facilities
- f. Adequacy of infrastructure (water and sewer)
- g. Maintaining highest quality schools
- h. Loss of freedoms and property rights
- i. Crime and public safety
- j. Damage to natural resources
- k. Level of traffic and congestion
- l. Rate of residential growth
- m. Rate of commercial growth
- n. Appearance of commercial development
- o. Availability of places to walk and bike safely

19. Please provide any additional comments that you have on the above questions or any other additional comments or suggestions below.

THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING!