

Williamsville Survey Results
Scientifically Random Distribution
Return Time Frame: September 30th – October 14th 2005
601 Surveys Distributed/209 Returned (35%)

Responses with a 55-75% response (positive or negative) have are shaded in pink

Responses with a 75%+ response (positive or negative) are shaded in yellow

Survey Results by Quadrant Location

Extra stats				
	Blue (Homeowner)	Pink (Renter)		
Returned Survey Distribution	75.1%	24.9%		
	Northwest	Northeast	Southeast	Southwest
Total Percentage Returned by Quadrant	9.1%	32.1%	37.3%	21.5%
Number of Surveys Sent to Quadrant	69	225	189	121
Number of Surveys Received from Quadrant	19	67	78	45
Proportional Percentage Returned by Quadrant	27.5%	29.8%	41.3%	37.2%

COMMUNITY IDENTITY AND DESIGN					
	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
1 Williamsville has a distinct identity that makes the Village unique to Western New York	47.6%	41.3%	5.8%	4.3%	1.0%
2 The Village of Williamsville is a safe and convenient community for pedestrians to walk in	32.7%	43.3%	10.6%	8.7%	4.8%
3 Generally, the physical design and appearance of commercial buildings in Williamsville present an attractive and inviting business environment	16.7%	56.5%	18.7%	7.2%	1.0%
4 Generally, the physical design and appearance of residences and residential buildings in Williamsville present an attractive place to live	28.8%	62.0%	6.8%	2.0%	0.5%
5 Commercial design standards that regulate the appearance of Main Street development and/or redevelopment would help maintain and/or enhance community character	40.3%	44.7%	11.2%	2.9%	1.0%
6 Residential design standards to guide homeowners as they redevelop their properties would help maintain and/or enhance community character	20.8%	39.6%	25.6%	10.1%	3.9%

CULTURE AND HISTORY						
		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
7	The cultural and historic amenities and programs that are available in the Village of Williamsville are satisfactory	13.7%	54.1%	26.3%	5.9%	0.0%
8	Efforts by the Village government to highlight Williamsville's historical assets are adequate	10.7%	39.5%	35.1%	13.7%	1.0%
9	The Village government should promote the attraction of additional cultural interests (theater, music, arts) to enhance existing offerings	31.1%	40.8%	24.3%	2.9%	1.0%
10	The Williamsville Water Mill should be redeveloped as a historic community resource and/or focal point for Village life	47.1%	31.9%	11.8%	5.4%	3.9%
11	The Village should retain ownership of the Williamsville Water Mill	36.6%	20.8%	24.3%	10.4%	7.9%
12	Describe your ideal vision for the future Water Mill redevelopment	Open Question				

COMMUNITY AND GOVERNMENT SERVICES						
		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
13	We have adequate police services in Williamsville	38.6%	50.2%	6.3%	4.8%	0.0%
14	We have adequate fire protection and emergency medical services (EMS) in Williamsville	48.8%	47.8%	3.3%	0.0%	0.0%
15	Routine maintenance of roads in the Village is adequate	16.4%	50.7%	13.5%	15.0%	4.3%
16	Snow plowing of roads in the Village is adequate	31.2%	56.9%	8.9%	3.0%	0.0%
17	I would be willing to pay more for enhanced Village infrastructure (e.g. road maintenance, Main Street amenities, new sidewalks, landscaping)	5.4%	19.5%	27.8%	22.4%	24.9%
18	The Williamsville Library is an important community service that should continue to be maintained by the County	44.2%	32.5%	14.6%	5.3%	3.4%
19	I would be willing to support the Williamsville Library as a taxpayer if it were owned by the Village or Town (or both)	21.4%	37.9%	14.6%	12.6%	13.6%
20	There is good communication between school and Village officials to ensure proper planning for new students can be accomplished	4.5%	21.1%	67.8%	4.0%	2.5%

HOUSING						
		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
21	The Village offers a wide variety of housing types (single family, apartments, patio homes, town houses) for residents of all ages	22.0%	64.1%	9.1%	3.8%	1.0%
22	There are housing opportunities for people of all income levels available within the Village	12.6%	49.5%	18.9%	14.6%	4.4%

TRANSPORTATION						
		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
23	Traffic on Main Street impacts pedestrian and vehicular mobility, negatively affecting Village quality of life	57.4%	26.3%	9.1%	5.7%	1.4%
24	Traffic on Wehrle Drive impacts pedestrian and vehicular mobility, negatively affecting Village quality of life	41.3%	25.5%	21.2%	10.1%	1.9%
25	The Village is adequately served by public transportation	10.8%	36.9%	36.9%	11.3%	3.9%
26	Williamsville should develop a network of trails (both pedestrian and cycling) that link existing parks, open spaces, and civic uses	34.6%	38.0%	19.7%	6.7%	1.0%
27	Parking in the Village business district is adequate	6.9%	36.8%	18.1%	26.5%	11.8%
28	Indicate which areas or streets in the Village have parking issues	Open Question				
29	Pedestrian safety is an issue at some intersections	38%	33%	20%	8%	0%
30	Indicate which intersections	Open Question				
31	Commute to work each day	Yes	66.3%	No	33.7%	
		0-15 min	15-30 min	30-45 min	45-60 min	60+ min
32	If yes, what is your travel time to work	49.6%	41.4%	6.8%	1.5%	0.8%

RECREATION						
		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
33	Village parks and natural resources are identifiable and easily accessible	19.8%	61.4%	9.2%	9.2%	0.5%
34	Island park is an ideal location for community-wide festivals	32.4%	59.4%	5.3%	2.4%	0.5%
35	Indicate other locations that could be used as a gathering place for community-wide festivals	Open Question				
36	Park and playground equipment throughout the Village is well maintained	10.4%	48.0%	36.1%	4.5%	1.0%
37	There is a need for additional park/playground equipment in the Village	4.4%	16.7%	52.9%	20.6%	5.4%
38	Indicate any needed play equipment and where it is required	Open Question				
39	There are adequate recreational facilities for youths (under 13)	8.2%	27.2%	55.9%	8.2%	0.5%
40	There are adequate recreational facilities for teens (13-19)	5.6%	11.8%	62.1%	15.9%	4.6%
41	There are adequate recreational facilities for seniors	7.6%	23.7%	55.1%	10.1%	3.5%
42	Indicate any needed facilities	Open Question				
43	There are a wide variety of activities/programs for youths (under 13)	6.2%	24.9%	61.1%	6.7%	1.0%
44	There are a wide variety of activities/programs for teens (13-19)	4.7%	16.6%	64.2%	10.9%	3.6%
45	There are a wide variety of activities/programs for seniors	5.2%	24.7%	62.9%	6.7%	0.5%
46	Indicate any needed programs	Open Question				
47	I would be willing to pay more for additional recreational services provided by the Village	2.5%	14.0%	30.0%	26.0%	27.5%

ENVIRONMENT						
		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
48	Our natural areas should be sensitively protected , but better used by residents	26.0%	55.4%	15.7%	2.0%	1.0%
49	Williamsville should seek to become a community that boasts an interconnected system of green spaces	28.0%	38.2%	26.1%	6.3%	1.4%
50	The Glen Park Nature Center is underused	20.2%	42.4%	29.1%	7.4%	1.0%

MAIN STREET BUSINESS DISTRICT						
		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
51	The Main Street Business District enjoys a reputation as a high profile business location in Western New York	11.8%	44.8%	27.6%	13.8%	2.0%
52	The Main Street Business District offers a high quality retail shopping experience	12.2%	52.7%	21.5%	11.7%	2.0%
	The buildings in the Main Street Business District are well maintained	9.8%	58.3%	19.6%	11.3%	1.0%
54	The Main Street Business District offers a pedestrian friendly shopping experience	10.8%	52.5%	12.7%	15.7%	8.3%
		1-2x per week	Once per week or less	1-2x per month	Less than once per month	Never
55	I walk from my home to patronize the stores and services offered within the Main Street Business District	29.6%	16.7%	20.7%	17.7%	15.3%
56	I use my automobile to patronize the stores and services offered within the Main Street Business District	36.1%	28.3%	15.6%	10.7%	9.3%
57	Check the boxes to the right to indicate the types of stores and/or services you use within the Main Street Business District	Adult apparel	Gifts	Casual Dining/ Café	Grocery	Antiques or Home Décor
		30.1%	52.6%	81.8%	54.5%	26.3%
		Children's Clothing	Dining	Furniture	Crafts	General Goods/ Drug store
		5.7%	44.5%	6.7%	15.8%	44.5%
Question 56 - Other		Open Question				
58	Are there any additional stores and/or services you would like to see in the Main Street Business District	Open Question				

PERSONAL INFORMATION					
		1	2	3-5	6 PLUS
59	How many people live in your household	29.6%	39.3%	30.1%	1.0%
		20-34	35-49	50-64	65 plus
60	What is your age	12.6%	28.2%	31.6%	27.7%
		Own	Rent		
61	Do you own or rent your home	81.6%	18.4%		
		0-2 years	3-5 years	6-10 years	11-15 years
62	How long have you lived in the Village of Williamsville	9.6%	16.8%	16.8%	10.1%
		No Plans	1 year	1-2 years	Beyond 5 years
63	Do you have plans to move from the Village in the next:	76.0%	4.5%	4.5%	8.0%
					7.0%

Survey Results by Age Group

RECREATION (20 TO 34 YEARS)						
		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
33	Village parks and natural resources are identifiable and easily accessible	30.8%	50.0%	15.4%	3.8%	0.0%
34	Island park is an ideal location for community-wide festivals	42.3%	38.5%	15.4%	3.8%	0.0%
35	Indicate other locations that could be used as a gathering place for community-wide festivals	Open Question				
36	Park and playground equipment throughout the Village is well maintained	23.1%	50.0%	15.4%	11.5%	0.0%
37	There is a need for additional park/playground equipment in the Village	3.8%	23.1%	50.0%	11.5%	11.5%
38	Indicate any needed play equipment and where it is required	Open Question				
39	There are adequate recreational facilities for youths (under 13)	20.0%	44.0%	36.0%	0.0%	0.0%
40	There are adequate recreational facilities for teens (13-19)	12.0%	16.0%	48.0%	24.0%	0.0%
41	There are adequate recreational facilities for seniors	12.0%	28.0%	56.0%	4.0%	0.0%
42	Indicate any needed facilities	Open Question				
43	There are a wide variety of activities/programs for youths (under 13)	20.0%	40.0%	40.0%	0.0%	0.0%
44	There are a wide variety of activities/programs for teens (13-19)	12.0%	28.0%	44.0%	16.0%	0.0%
45	There are a wide variety of activities/programs for seniors	8.0%	28.0%	60.0%	4.0%	0.0%
46	Indicate any needed programs	Open Question				
47	I would be willing to pay more for additional recreational services provided by the Village	0.0%	12.0%	32.0%	28.0%	28.0%

RECREATION (35 TO 49 YEARS)						
		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
33	Village parks and natural resources are identifiable and easily accessible	17.5%	61.4%	8.8%	12.3%	0.0%
34	Island park is an ideal location for community-wide festivals	42.9%	51.8%	3.6%	1.8%	0.0%
35	Indicate other locations that could be used as a gathering place for community-wide festivals	Open Question				
36	Park and playground equipment throughout the Village is well maintained	10.9%	49.1%	34.5%	3.6%	1.8%
37	There is a need for additional park/playground equipment in the Village	8.9%	16.1%	50.0%	23.2%	1.8%
38	Indicate any needed play equipment and where it is required	Open Question				
39	There are adequate recreational facilities for youths (under 13)	5.6%	29.6%	53.7%	11.1%	0.0%
40	There are adequate recreational facilities for teens (13-19)	1.9%	16.7%	57.4%	14.8%	9.3%
41	There are adequate recreational facilities for seniors	3.6%	16.4%	70.9%	5.5%	3.6%
42	Indicate any needed facilities	Open Question				
43	There are a wide variety of activities/programs for youths (under 13)	3.6%	34.5%	52.7%	9.1%	0.0%
44	There are a wide variety of activities/programs for teens (13-19)	0.0%	23.6%	60.0%	9.1%	7.3%
45	There are a wide variety of activities/programs for seniors	1.8%	20.0%	74.5%	3.6%	0.0%
46	Indicate any needed programs	Open Question				
47	I would be willing to pay more for additional recreational services provided by the Village	3.4%	19.0%	25.9%	19.0%	32.8%

RECREATION (50 TO 64 YEARS)						
		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
33	Village parks and natural resources are identifiable and easily accessible	16.9%	63.1%	6.2%	12.3%	1.5%
34	Island park is an ideal location for community-wide festivals	27.7%	64.6%	4.6%	1.5%	1.5%
35	Indicate other locations that could be used as a gathering place for community-wide festivals	Open Question				
36	Park and playground equipment throughout the Village is well maintained	4.6%	50.8%	41.5%	1.5%	1.5%
37	There is a need for additional park/playground equipment in the Village	4.6%	15.4%	56.9%	18.5%	4.6%
38	Indicate any needed play equipment and where it is required	Open Question				
39	There are adequate recreational facilities for youths (under 13)	6.2%	20.0%	63.1%	9.2%	1.5%
40	There are adequate recreational facilities for teens (13-19)	6.2%	3.1%	67.7%	16.9%	6.2%
41	There are adequate recreational facilities for seniors	7.7%	21.5%	56.9%	9.2%	4.6%
42	Indicate any needed facilities	Open Question				
43	There are a wide variety of activities/programs for youths (under 13)	4.8%	15.9%	66.7%	9.5%	3.2%
44	There are a wide variety of activities/programs for teens (13-19)	6.3%	4.8%	69.8%	14.3%	4.8%
45	There are a wide variety of activities/programs for seniors	6.5%	22.6%	64.5%	6.5%	0.0%

46	Indicate any needed programs	Open Question				
47	I would be willing to pay more for additional recreational services provided by the Village	0.0%	15.9%	33.3%	28.6%	22.2%

RECREATION (64 YEARS AND OVER)						
		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
33	Village parks and natural resources are identifiable and easily accessible	19.6%	66.1%	8.9%	5.4%	0.0%
34	Island park is an ideal location for community-wide festivals	22.8%	70.2%	3.5%	3.5%	0.0%
35	Indicate other locations that could be used as a gathering place for community-wide festivals	Open Question				
36	Park and playground equipment throughout the Village is well maintained	11.3%	41.5%	43.4%	3.8%	0.0%
37	There is a need for additional park/playground equipment in the Village	0.0%	13.0%	55.6%	24.1%	7.4%
38	Indicate any needed play equipment and where it is required	Open Question				
39	There are adequate recreational facilities for youths (under 13)	6.3%	25.0%	60.4%	8.3%	0.0%
40	There are adequate recreational facilities for teens (13-19)	4.2%	16.7%	66.7%	12.5%	0.0%
41	There are adequate recreational facilities for seniors	8.0%	32.0%	38.0%	18.0%	4.0%
42	Indicate any needed facilities	Open Question				
43	There are a wide variety of activities/programs for youths (under 13)	2.1%	19.1%	74.5%	4.3%	0.0%
44	There are a wide variety of activities/programs for teens (13-19)	2.1%	19.1%	72.3%	6.4%	0.0%
45	There are a wide variety of activities/programs for seniors	4.1%	32.7%	49.0%	12.2%	2.0%
46	Indicate any needed programs	Open Question				
47	I would be willing to pay more for additional recreational services provided by the Village	0.0%	12.0%	32.0%	28.0%	28.0%

61	Do you own or rent your home	Own	Rent
	Age 20-34	80.0%	20.0%
	Age 35-49	91.4%	8.6%
	Age 50-64	81.5%	18.5%
	Age 65+	71.9%	28.1%

Open Ended Questions

Question 12 - Describe your ideal vision for the future Water Mill redevelopment

A historical museum, periodic events with re-enactments, historical apparel
Absolutely no condos! Museum and learning center for hydro-electronic & geo-thermal technologies with restaurant/bakery/gift/cider store
Absolutely prohibit high-rise development. If the Village can retain control of any changes, private ownership may be desirable.
Any commercial or multifamily residential project that will pay its share of the taxes
Any development should be left to a non-political group
As a historic site. The Mayer Bros. Cider should continue. The museum should be open to the public. There should be access to Glen Park from the mill site. The parking on Rock St. and the lots that are there should be designed better. More Gardens and benches around the area. Maybe the mill could be an art gallery and garden cafe. I don't want to see high priced condos anywhere near the site. Keep it for public use.
Bulldoze it
Cider making, shops - No Condos
Cider Mill
Cider Mill, stores, history display, tea room
Continued use of retail w/ unique product line, would like to see cider being pressed on site again.
Exactly what it is - another cider mill & quaint gift shop, etc. Very glad that Mayer Bros is there for the time being. Don't sell to developers.
Falls & Park overlook, Williamsville historical information, Restaurant & Pub themed "Millstones", Williamsville gift shop
First get the cash back that was over spent! Make a plan & go with it - You don't need 100 studies & talk sessions. One building does not make a community. If you choose to make a building a symbol of a community -make it work for that community
Get it back on the tax rolls and stop charging taxpayers for it if someone wants it as a viable business. Mayer Bros. is a huge asset
Historic / Nature Museum
Historic Site; Cider-OK; Housing-No
Historical information regarding Williamsville could be housed there and maybe a store or a boutique
I agree unless a private business entity would make it a destination for the Town Residents
I don't want to see the water mill turned into high-rise condos or another restaurant. Mayor Bros taking occupancy there is perfect & most ideal solution I see from a residents perspective. Adding a farmer's market there is a good idea too.
I like the fact that Mayer Bros is at the Mill right now. I've stopped two weeks in a row.
I like the idea of a lunch place with a bakery. We do not need a noisy neighbor. The Cider Mill is great but a bakery would also add to the mix to preserve the "smallness" of the establishment.
I think Mayer Bros should be able to keep the mill.

I would like it to remain a Mill. And it should still make it's own Cider, NOT sell Mayer Bros. Cider. The UV process makes the original mill cider taste much better than Mayer Bros.
I would like the mill to maintain its historic value. I do not want to see the mill sold and turned into condos or other businesses
I would like to see another restaurant
Ideally, the mill would be a gathering place. Several restaurants, park setting & maybe theater would go well. Needs to be used as a coffee shop or museum.
If the Village does not maintain ownership it should be sold only with restrictions as to what can be done with the property
It is known by the area, but advertisements in other parts of NYS could be improved
It should maintain the integrity of Williamsville as a village - No condos, chain stores, fast food, etc.
It's impossible for me to answer until I know the financial impact of redeveloping/retaining ownership. If too expensive, charge admission instead.
I've never seen the actual Mill myself, but if they made it an attraction to draw people in, bring business to places around. Describe how it works, what has done in the past. It probably would cost too much to actually work it, but make it an attraction -not a lamp shop.
Keep Mill as Cider press - perhaps develop a small restaurant inside/outside - shops - or a large room for gathering - rental for weddings- if parking can be arranged.
Keep Mill as is outside, sell souvenirs etc. inside & perhaps have a bakery in there. Have cider yearly
Keep open under private funds - Do not use public tax money- set up guidelines for private ownership.
Keep the Glen Park overlook accessible to all residents, not jus a few high-rise inhabitants
Keep the Mill. No hotels or Inns. Keep it quaint, not commercialized
Lease it to an independent business and add restrictions on the way they can physically alter the building
Let Mayer Bros lease it
Long-term lease to Mayer Bros. Rehab red & white houses for business or B & B. Do not sell any of the property
Maintain the Water Mill as an authentic piece of Williamsville history. No condos or apartments
Make the Mill a moneymaking operation. Community Restaurant owned by the Town..Diner
Mayer Bros should take over and keep the mill as it is.
Meyer Bros would be an ideal business to have in the Mill building. If they would continue Mill use as in the past & establish good retail gift shop
More info about the history of the mill on signs and placards. Make the mill part of a tour of Williamsville - incl. Lunch at the Eagle House & other stops at historic sites - Glen Falls, etc. This should be heavily promoted.
Multi use rather than one purpose. It should retain its historic past by getting the waterwheel to function and also use as maybe a pub & grill
Museum, giftshop, dining
Needs private ownership and operation

New Village Hall & sell the old one for cash. We pay enough taxes. Services do not equal load.
Not office space, Not condos.. I'd like to see the mill kept in tact with the remaining space for a café, coffee, dessert establishment.
Not sure exactly how to use building, but the Village should retain ownership.
Not sure yet, but it should be preserved as closely as possible, and a fresh coat of red paint wouldn't hurt.
Our schools should be able to visit the Mill & other historical landmarks - It's important that it remain part of Williamsville's Past and Future
Please keep the Mill as a historical landmark
Prior to purchase, the Village needs to do better research before decisions are made I.e. paying too much for mill w/o an inspection for hazardous materials
Private developer of the water mill only - Village should not be in the real estate business
Private development - No tax dollars
Private enterprise matched to residents desires - could be a store, a mill or mill-store combo or restaurant-or all three combined
Private money, private development, stores, eatery etc.
Private or non-profit; efficiently run; privately/grant supported; original character preserved if reasonable; new uses should not be ruled out.
Private owner so as not to incur additional expense to taxpayers
Recreate to the original Mill & museum & gift store. It's a shame that the old icehouse was removed.
Redevelop and reopen the Mill as a historical site & functional Mill
Rehabilitate the building - it's deteriorating quickly. Village museum highlighting development of the village in the early 19th century. Keep Cider mill operating each fall - perhaps leasing the cider operation from Sept. to Dec. Work with Mayer Bros- let them put the truck on Main St.
Restore it to its previous glory - refurbish, repair and have someone in the Cider Mill. Isn't the Mill and that surrounding area the focal point of the historical and esthetic value of Williamsville
Restore the mill to original operation - develop pathway around back so you can see water wheel actually working. Continue the cider mill plus a gift shop. Other buildings restored if possible.
Retain on-site cider production; add some sort of shop, small park like area.
Retain the structure of the Mill itself, add or connect to buildings on the south end. House a variety of "quaint shops", casual dining/café, area for historical and/or cultural displays, etc. Akron, Ohio has an area that was redeveloped while maintaining historical integrity (grain mills & railroad) I can envision, on a much smaller scale, such a site in the Village that would indeed be a focal point for Village life.
Return to historical usage
Secure the structure for long use (architectural strength and integrity) Make it central to village events. Market its offerings (as they evolve) throughout the region as a destination package, but it should be closely tied with keeping historic and growing the history.
Sell it

Sell the property to an interested party that will maintain the historic nature of the building. The Village at this point should not be in real estate.
Sell to a developer with loss of our initial investment. Set standards for use & restoration/change for building.
Several shops that would attract visitors and sell items of historical significance. I'd like to see a cider mill where families could see cider being made. There should be a museum, where visitors can learn about the village history and where school groups can see the mill in operation. A restaurant would be a good idea.
Shops and Café with better access to Glen Park. So you can enjoy both areas
Something that will attract people to the Village
Subsidized conference center with catering bid to village businesses, returning funds to the village. 6-10 rooms and similar to bed & breakfast.
Tax payers pay too much property and other taxes already
Tear it down, make a parking lot for businesses.
That the site evolve into an old-fashioned community social meeting place where one could "bump" into friends as they shop for a variety of wares -i.e. cheese, maple syrup, cider, gifts, and what ever
The Mill is a valuable historic resource. Its function as a mill should be highlighted/maintained as a glimpse of the village's past. It should not be retail shops unless those shops highlight its function as a mill
The Mill is the center of the Village physically, historically and attraction. Attention and funds should be diverted from other developments to make it the star of the Village. It's the only thing non-village friends know and are drawn to it. Don't miss this time of opportunity
The Mill should stay a mill. Maybe if Mayer Bros wanted to restore it back to its original look - let them rent it out
The mill would be totally restored and enhanced so visitors could see the water wheel in action. Tours could be conducted for a moderate fee. An atrium restaurant could be added to the side overlooking the park. The mill would become an integral part of the park. Let's use this opportunity to give our village a "signature" focal point. I'll be willing to pay my share of the tax burden with the hope that this could eventually generate revenue to offset some of the cost.
The Village needs a good bookstore. A good diner would be nice as well.
The Village of Williamsville should get out of the realty business. The price paid was ridiculous. Proper zoning would prevent unwanted usage. I'm sure a proper investigation would show dirty hands. Even condos with a façade like Albany's Americana Hotel would be preferable to the current poor care on display
The WWM could be tuned into a mini-mall of specialty shops and a café - all with an era appropriate theme and/or décor
This is a unique historical site and should be available for the future generations to understand their history.
To have a company like Mayer Brothers run the mill as a cider mill
Village should sell the watermill. Focus on cultural development, gift shops, with tax breaks given to encourage development. No high price condos
We are glad to see Mayer Bros doing business at the Mill
We should not have paid for such a run down property that has no real value for future income to the Village.
We should retain ownership of the Mill and redesign Main Street, more cultural events, slower traffic

With access to Glen Park, it is just a wonderful surrounding for a historical/commercial endeavor. Develop the Mill & surrounding buildings as best you can using Fed/State aid and commercial naming rights

Would like to see Mayer Bros. Retain the mill with the possibilities of adding a café where customers can sit, overlook the glen falls, & enjoy their cider/coffee/tea & baked goods.

Question 28 - Indicate which areas or streets in the Village have parking issues

Access to Main St. shopping difficult
All
All
All
All commercial streets
All of Main St
All of Main St
All of Main St has parking issues and first block
All of Main Street
Any business, restaurant or otherwise with little or restricted parking
Between Evans and Union
During community festivals - traffic congestion
E. Spring St
Ed Young's lot
Evans St - No parking
Highland Dr - Allows parking on both sides of the street
Hillside Dr
Hillside Dr - I've already had to back down the street when there was parking on both sides of the street.
Hirschfield has no parking in the first block before 5 PM
Main & Cayuga, Main anywhere
Main & Garrison - Quizno's
Main St
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Main St
Main St - Business & commercial parking inadequate
Main St - Cayuga to Mill and Cayuga to Los Robles
Main St - people park so close to cross streets that you can't see around the corner.
Main St needs parking lots
Main St shops have parking problems

Main St, no place to park means patrons will not stop for commerce
Main St. and side streets in the village center
Main St-and little can be done for this problem
Main Street
Main Street
Main Street
Main Street
Main, Cayuga, Columbia, Long, Highland
Main, Cayuga, Evans
Main, Glen, Garrison Park
Mill Street: Speeding cars around the curves make parking dangerous.
More anywhere would be great
My driveway on Reist St is blocked frequently
N & S Cayuga, Main, Evans, Glen
No parking on Main St from Thruway to High School
On Park Dr by Garrison Park -there is too much all day business
Shopping district
Side streets (Eagle) Commercial business on Main ask employees to park on side streets - affects street cleaning, garbage pick-up, etc.
The salon on Eagle has inadequate parking. They park on Eagle blocking driveways. You can't even get down Eagle at the end of the day.
There are only 2 hour parking areas
With all the traffic on Main Street, parking should not be allowed on the street - be practical, more off street parking is needed between 290 and Evans

Question 30 - Indicate which intersections (have safety issues)

All
All
All along Main St
All crosswalks on Main St
All Main St intersections
All of Main Street
All of them especially Mill St and parking lots (Pancake house & Creekview)
All on Main St
All on Main St, All of Wehrle
Along Main St
Along Main St
Any Main St intersection
Any Main St intersection
Any Main St intersection, N Ellicott and Belmont, Eagle & Evans
Cayuga & Main
Cayuga & Main
Cayuga & Main
Crossing main or Wehrle is always dicey
Eagle and Evans
Evans & Main, Evans & Eagle

Garrison & Wehrle, Main & Garrison
Garrison at Park / along the park on Garrison crosswalks & stairs needed
Garrison Rd @ Park - signs on Garrison crosswalk & signs are needed
Garrison/Wehrle/Lehn Springs, Main & Mill
Garrison; Mill
Hirschfield & Main; It has improved somewhat with new lighting
If people use stop & go lights - No Problem
Main - All
Main - Union/S. Forest/Cayuga/Evans
Main & Cayuga
Main & Cayuga
Main & Cayuga
Main & Cayuga
Main & Cayuga needs a turn arrow
Main & Cayuga, Evans, Union
Main & Cayuga, Main & Evans
Main & Cayuga, Main & Garrison
Main & Cayuga, Main & Garrison
Main & Cayuga, Main & Hopkins
Main & Cayuga, Main & Mill
Main & Cayuga, Main & Mill
Main & Cayuga, Mill Union, Evans
Main & Cayuga, Mill, Evans
Main & Cayuga, Reist, Mill
Main & Cayuga, Union, Evans
Main & Cayuga, Union, Mill, Garrison
Main & Cayuga, Union, Mill, Garrison, Los Robles
Main & Cayuga, Union, N Forest
Main & Evans
Main & Garrison
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Main & Garrison, Mill & Main
Main & Garrison, Mill, Cayuga, Union
Main & Los Robles, Main & Cayuga
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Main & Mill, Main & Cayuga
Main & Mill, Main & Evans
Main & Mill, Main & Union

Main & Reist
Main & Union / Main / Garrison / Mill
Main & Union / Main / Garrison / Mill
Main & Union, Main & Cayuga
Main & Union, Main & Cayuga
Main & Union, Main & Evans
Main & Union, Main & Forest
Main and any street, Sheridan & Union
Main at Los Robles
Main close to 290
Main St - All Intersections
Main St - Mill, Union
Main Street lights are not helpful to pedestrian crossing
Main/Pfohl Pl and Scott Dr/Garrison
Main-Mill-Plaza
Mill
Mill & Main Evans/Garrison at Main
Most
People make a turn on red without looking for people crossing & often don't stop. - Main-Union
There needs to be a crosswalk at Garrison Park - Lower speed limit in Village
Traffic light at Main and Hirschfield is red for too long for cars trying to turn left.
Union & Main
Union, Mill, Cayuga /Main
Wehrle & Garrison
Wehrle & Garrison
Wehrle & Garrison
Wehrle & Garrison/ Wehrle & Columbia

Question 35 - Indicate other locations that could be used as a gathering place for community-wide festivals

Along the Lehigh railroad trail & station
Amherst St. Park
Amherst St. Park, but pedestrians would be impacted.
Amherst State Park
Amherst State Park
Amherst State Park
Amherst State Park
At the park/baseball field an area of Milton
Bassett Park
Bassett Park
Bassett Park
Bassett Park
Bassett Park & ECC on Main
ECC
ECC

ECC
ECC - Lots of parking
ECC, State Park
Garrison Park
Garrison Park
Garrison Park
Garrison Park
Garrison Park for smaller occasions
Garrison Park, Glen Falls
Glen Park
Glen Park
Glen Park and Milton Park
Glen Park Nature Center, Main St
Island park is the only location for the Village festivals - but not ideal
Mill
N. Forest Park
One is plenty
Park off Mill, School
Park on Mill..?
Possible s. Long Park when rehab is completed.
State Park on Mill St
Upgrade the basketball court at Garrison Park
Williamsville South
Williamsville Water Mill, Garrison Park

Question 38 - Indicate any needed play equipment and where it is required

A really good play center at Island Park
Any park with arsenic treated wood
At all playground sites
Garrison is outdated, dangerous
Garrison Park-additional equipment for small children
Garrison Park-additional equipment for small children
Island Park
Just needs to be updated and maintained
Milton park needs to be spruced up - tennis courts are a mess
More equipment for children ages 2-5
New Amherst State Park
New Playground at Garrison Park
No more spending
Playground equipment
South Long - Make it more like Garrison Park
South Long - Sand Box
South Long could use improvements I.e. tennis courts.
Update equipment - Milton Park
Upgrade the basketball court at Garrison Park

Question 42 - Indicate any needed facilities

A little movie house like the one from "Gilmore Girls"
A senior center in the village. Audubon too far away
A village operated shuttle would be very helpful for seniors
Basketball courts for teens, trails for seniors
Community Center with programs for teens, adults, and seniors
Fitness Center for all ages - Maybe at Union/Main corner - former cardiac center.
Hills for sledding, parks for playgrounds - north of Main south of Sheridan
More intense transportation for seniors
More teen centers
Need recreational facilities for seniors closer to village
Need to advertise these more
No more spending
None needed. We have more sports facilities, parks, organized activities than any town/village I've ever lived in
Permanent bathroom at Garrison Park
Recreation hall for community board games, cards, etc.
Senior & teen area - uses schools- no new construction
Senior Center or Youth Center in the Meeting House
Senior meeting room
Seniors in Village proper
Village should make more effort to publicize Evergreen Seniors
We much need safer walking trails - safe from traffic
Why was the senior center moved to E Amherst
Youth Center

Question 46 - Indicate any needed programs

A senior center in the village. Audubon too far away
After school programs in existing buildings
As a senior, I would like to see more programs
Boy/Girls Club; "Teen" Coffee Shop
Community Center with programs for teens, adults, and seniors
More "night out" events for families
More activities for kids so that they are not spending their time drinking and doing drugs at Amherst State Park.
Need to keep Williamsville South students busy
No more spending
None needed. We have more sports facilities, parks, organized activities than any town/Village I've ever lived in
Satellite senior center near Main St as before.
Senior Center is too far away
Seniors need to know about Evergreen
Sports programs at low cost - Baseball, Soccer, swimming, etc.
Yoga in the park
Youth center toward Main-Garrison area

Question 57 – Where do you shop on Main Street (choices not offered)

Bank
Bank, Hardware, Jewelry
Bank, library
Banking
Banking, Library
Books, periodicals etc.
Bookshop
Bookstore
Church
Copying, cleaners, house of spirits
Dry cleaners
Dry cleaners, Hardware, Doctor
Dry cleaners, useless jewelry stores
Ed Young's is great
Gas Station
Gift
Greek restaurant/Breakfast Diner/Ice Cream Parlor
Greeting Card Shop
Hair & Beauty
Hair salon, barber, library, hardware
Hair Salon, hardware
Haircut, bank
Hardware
Hardware
Hardware
Hardware
Hardware
Hardware
Hardware
Hardware
Hardware
Insurance/Dry cleaners/vacuum cleaner/wine/coffee
Message therapy, exercise
Music Store
Party goods, pastry, beauty, hardware
Starbuck's

Question 58 – What stores/services would you like to see on Main Street?

A service station at Main and Evans
A unique homestyle breakfast location, friendly, affordable to compete with the crowded & costly Pancake house. 2-a bagel café
A well stocked convenient store like Wilson Farms, low-price restaurants like Pizza Hut or Friendly's
An independent bookstore.
Art Gallery
Bagel & coffee place, movie rental store, bookstore
Book Store
Bookstore, diner, farmers market, Buffalo Fleece and Outerwear
Bring back Oplers (5 & 10 store), Movie theater
Cinema, Adult entertainment/supplies
Convenient Store
Doesn't matter unless they are easier to get to or on my side of Main so I don't have to cross.
Dry Goods Store
Gourmet Deli
Grocery
Higher quality artistic/cultural stores, but these can only be supported with proper parking and marketing - Think Lewiston, Elmwood, Niagara-on-the-Lake
How many day salons can survive in such a small area
Independent book store, comprehensive bakery
More "in between restaurants, a book store, coffee shop
No more Hair Salons!
Private library, book store
Small grocery store at Garrison & Main
Something should be done with the abandoned gas station at Garrison and Main.
The variety of stores on Main St is adequate
There isn't a good place in the Village for "diner" type eating, especially breakfast. "Charlie's in East Aurora is a good example.
Wider selection of night life options
Wilson Farms, grocery type store
Would love to see atmosphere where on Fri/Sat night one would walk along main street to shop, eat, commune with others. More outside patio/café in the summer.

Question 63

Amherst is getting too expensive
Because of yearly assessments - which are unfair
Better year round climate
Boyfriend owns home in Colden
Cost of housing, taxes too high.
Following the cheese
Getting married
High cost of taxes for services we receive - plan on moving south
House, Yard too small
Husband's Illness
I have seen the quality of life degrade. Within two years, we will move to East Aurora or Lancaster, Largely due to traffic.
I may move when I get to old
I would like to downsize to an apartment
Local & State taxes
Local & State taxes
Maybe, taxes are crazy high
Might move out of state or country
Mill Street is now a drag strip and it is just a matter of time before a pedestrian will be injured or killed as a result of the speeding that is permitted on Mill Street
Moving to Virginia with family
Need a bigger house, but we do love the Village
NYS & Williamsville taxes are way too high. Residents & land lords are not enforced to keep property up to code
On fixed income, Can no longer afford NYS
Retire? New Job?
Retirement
Retirement
Retirement plans - Taxes too high, pace of life to fast and impersonal
Taxes - School tax bill was 36% higher than last year
Taxes and assessments going up
Taxes are too high
Taxes are too high for services received, see a lot of waste & poor management from Village
Taxes getting out of hand
Taxes in Williamsville/Amherst
Taxes. I love it here but simply can't keep fighting unreasonable taxes.
Too much noise and traffic
Warmer Climate
We live on Evans. Much busier than I expected. They built condos over beautiful green space
We would like to build
We would love to stay in the village when we retire, we need affordable housing
Will leave eventually due to taxes on the House

Final Comments

As long time residents who are involved in community, schools & shopping, we need to get traffic out of the Village and angle parking on Main. Lower speed limit. Business would thrive between Mill and Los Robles if people could easily park. Check out East Aurora
As property tax and school tax etc. increase, the Village must protect their residents and keep costs down!
Attention needs to be given to Garrison/Wehrle intersection due to the volume of traffic from the new businesses on Wehrle Dr - Cars take short cuts through Cadman, Columbia, etc. Traffic heading east on Wehrle do not always slow down.
Can the "through traffic on Main St be diverted elsewhere?
Continue to maintain landscaping on Main St. Pedestrian Crossings. A few storefronts need updates.
Daily traffic has become insane. If something isn't done about it - people will be moving away and I fear a less desirable caliber of folks will move in for they don't seem to mind the noise & congestion overall. Think about it, and you'll know what I mean.
Do we really need a separate Village government? The track record hasn't been good the past few years
East Aurora - Awesome downtown and historic identity
Emphasize the advantages of a walking community. Add sidewalks where there are none; Trimming overgrown shrubbery along sidewalks; pedestrian foot bridge(s) over Ellicott Creek; Planned walking trail from Glen Park to Amherst State Park; More "Walk the Village" campaigns
First make this alleged plan more visible - update articles in the Bee and Metro; fliers/mailers (like this) to all households on a quarterly basis would help and probably get more/better input
Fix Glen Ave bridge
For years we've known about the swampland in East Amherst and yet it was developed.. And thus the results.. Expectations of government paying the price for leaky basements.
Garrison needs more speed signs, it also needs a crosswalk to the park and crosswalk signs
Garrison Park would benefit from additional signs and a pedestrian crosswalk to make crossing Garrison Road safer.
Get the plazas to keep the back of the stores as neat as the front. Many people have homes over \$100,000. From Friday to garbage to garbage pick-up homes have overflowing cans and bags in front of their home. Some - at least 3 days.
Glenwood Ave -behind the park -wider area for pedestrians. Dog Park
Government should not be planning any additional restrictions, expenditures, etc. We have enough zoning laws, parks, playgrounds, etc. You want something to spend money on - Put curbs on Pfohl Pl. Our \$150,000+ homes feel funny without curbs.
Having to pay a Village tax on top of County and school bills always poses a big question - Am I really getting value for the extra expense?
Help direct commuter traffic to Wehrle or Sheridan and still encourage those commuters to benefit from the village. I know that's a quandary, but parking and flow would help. Continue momentum on village events/walks/festivals.
High Traffic Flow

I am handicapped and depend on friends to take me to medical appointments, shopping etc. I write this to lend a clearer understanding of some of the responses I have made to your survey.
I believe the traffic on Main St should be more controlled. Speeders and always going past the Village limit.
I feel there should be some guidelines on keeping the character of homes 75 years & older. I'm not fond of covering up wooden siding with vinyl just because they don't want to upkeep the painting. There are a lot of older homes in the Village and the character needs to be kept. They are high maintenance, but that is what sets them apart. If someone want low maintenance, then buy a newer home with lots of plastic and maintenance usually means replace.
I get the inclination the people in Williamsville authority are trying to get their elders to move into nursing homes.
I have a tree at the end of my driveway that blocks all drivers vision and big limbs fall off daily - Someone is going to get hurt. It is also ruining the sidewalks and driveways. The Village refuses to remove it. I pay enough in taxes and I feel I get not much in return.
I live in the apartments on Wehrle at Garrison and I worry about the signal and traffic there. Plus traffic is loud, I rarely open a window. I love my apt & this area, but am very disappointed in this traffic (trail of cars daily) because of all the business on Parks and Wehrle going towards transit. What's going to be done about that.
I see no solution to the Main St traffic problem. They shouldn't have filled every available inch from Young to Transit and Sheridan to Wehrle - of course we have traffic problems.
I think its extremely safe and pleasant to walk anywhere through the village. It's a blessing to be here.
I think the Village should be dissolved. It is an outdated and expensive form of government for this time. Taxes are too high. If I were younger, I would leave WNY. I advise all who can to get out. Our taxes are too high & our government is in the 19th century.
I wish something better could be done to reduce traffic thru residential streets and the increased litter on our streets.
I wish we had a small complete shopping area like it was 50 years ago around Main & Cayuga. We had grocery stores, drug stores, fruit markets, hardware, post office, bakery, 5 &10 store, and good bus service
Isn't Amherst State Park a part of the Village? It's regrettable that students living south of Main aren't able to walk to Mill Middle and South High because of the traffic on Main.
Issues with drainage south of Wehrle Dr., No or inadequate storm drains on or around Wehrle, Cadman, Monroe, Columbia, and Brookside.
It is a pleasure to live here. I'm from the Boston area & I think the village is great. Good police, good fire protection, and generally a community that cares.
It would be difficult to get out of the side streets onto Wehrle from Aero to the Businesses near Youngs Rd. Why cant there be a thruway exit and entrance in the Youngs Rd area that would take traffic out of the village. I'm guessing this traffic is simply to and from work, not for shopping or supporting our village in any way.

<p>Just wish Main St didn't feel like it was forgotten. It is not a walking Village. Solution: make it two lanes, add angled parking. Commuters will get the hint and use Sheridan. Shoppers will notice and we will have a real Village. Abandoned buildings will be snapped up.</p>
<p>Keep and preserve a quaint, charming village like East Aurora.</p>
<p>Lower school tax, schools are over staffed (I've worked in them), cut school and civic salaries by 15% or more, no more taxes - give us a chance to stay here</p>
<p>Main St traffic is a tremendous detriment to the village. The number one thing we need to do is to get cars off Main St and make it a safe place to walk. The 4 lanes of traffic make it very dangerous to cross the street. I would visit many more stores on Main if it were not so congested. I think we should consider lowering speed limit to 25mph and increase pedestrian crossing areas.</p>
<p>Major Problem - Traffic!</p>
<p>Many trees are old and breaking up on Village property. Sewers in need of repair. Poor water pressure at edge of Village.</p>
<p>Merge with Amherst - would reduce duplication. This is true of other villages in the area. Enforcement of current policies and procedures by maintenance people - Eliminate favors to business people that affect residences.</p>
<p>More police in the Village. Main & Garrison empty business. Keep the Mill. Fill in Montana Mills. Main & Cayuga realty shop is ugly. Lower school taxes!! Enforce speed limit. Noise curfew. Mufflers on cars. Sidewalk snowplow man take a driving course.</p>
<p>More promotion of retail shops. People who work in the Village show little support of the retail shops - If these shops are not supported, how can they succeed?</p>
<p>Move toll booth to relieve traffic congestion on Main St. Access traffic patterns on Wehrle to relieve congestion in residential areas.</p>
<p>My main concern is that I walk everyday with an infant and the drivers are not courteous at all. They pay no attention to the walk signs or at driveways along main. They are all in such a hurry.</p>
<p>My only complaint about the Village is that I don't see any police patrol on Wehrle Dr. The average driver is usually speeding to get to ECC or the business parks on Wehrle. The whole area needs some kind of traffic speed control. Start passing out speeding tickets and you will cause drivers to reconsider their dangerous behavior. I would also like to see the roads updated/repared and maybe some sidewalks for safety.</p>
<p>Need more involvement with Main St shopping district during events. Example - I walked to Main St from my house to see the Memorial Day Parade. Most of the shops were closed. I would enjoy a day of shopping with my family. It would also enhance the festive experience of the Parade if I had something to do with my family besides waiting for the parade to start.</p>
<p>Need parking for stores and businesses</p>
<p>No more taxes. Re funnel what is paid to better use. Cut first, then re-target funds.</p>
<p>No Walgreen drug store at Union & Main</p>
<p>Older homes in the village are left in disrepair. Two family homes have become absentee landlord disasters. Building department is useless. Assess value does not take in neighborhood homes that are not taken care of, but if you keep up your home - your assessment rises.</p>

Oust Susan Grelick!! She doesn't want greenspace - She already screwed up on sidewalks on Sheridan Dr. Who walks Sheridan Dr? Those people have every right to complain re: shoveling snow
Parking on highland creates a tremendous hazard for kids in the summer. Garbage trucks and buses have a hard time maneuvering around cars. However if parking is restricted to one side, I don't want it to be on the west side. There are many people on this side of the street who have adequate driveways but do not utilize them. Getting parked cars off the street will help with traffic related issues.
Paving Farber Lane & Lake Ledge - they both look like patchwork quilts. Also, the school children parking on Farber Lane and standing in the street prevent cars both ways. Put the No Parking Signs back.
Please clean up Island Park. Impossible to walk without stepping on droppings. Wanted to bring my granddaughter to the pond, but the smell was disgusting. I was ashamed to bring out of town company there.
Please do something about stop sign at Evans and Eagle. It causes backups even extending around the corner to Main. School in use only 180 days. Many are bussed or picked up. No need for stopping 24-7
Please make an effort to lower the speed on main St. It really feels dangerous to walk at times. Also, Milton park needs some work - Picnic tables should be added, some new playground equipment, etc.
Please plan on using current Village/Town tax dollars. Revamp, restructure, reallocate current resources & tax dollars. We are not interested in any other improvements if it requires taxes
Please slow down Main St. Adding a green median (Like Niagara-on-the-Lake) is a good idea.
Please stop the ridiculous, unrealistic assessments. I know I'll be forced to move within a few years. I'm a responsible, reputable member of the community, but based on what's happened in the last 6 years, your making it too expensive for me to live in this place I love.
Preserve the remaining open space, Work to fill empty store fronts on Main St. i.e. the long vacated former Mobil station on Main & Garrison
Require more green space from all developers. New developments should require 20% minimum.
Sidewalk plowing was such a wonderful benefit to the many pedestrians in the Village, but they seemed to stop plowing my neighborhood in early January last year. I enjoy the Merchant's special events at holiday time - maybe they could do more evening/weekend special events.
Something needs to be done to ticket Main St speeders. How does East Aurora do it? Another big problem is speeders who use Hirschfield Dr (between Main & Wehrle) because of the back-up during PM drive time - Also note Wehrle drivers cut through Cadman, Monroe, Columbia too avoid light at Garrison. Will a proposed thruway entrance move be enough to correct this Wehrle Dr traffic problem?
Stop taxing residents out of their home. Public works are awesome. Do something about pedestrian safety and make it more friendly for pet owners. There are many intelligent people in the village. Listen to them. We want this to be the place to live in Western New York
The Building inspector should do a random check to ensure that residents are maintaining their property.

<p>The charm of old houses and a village Main Street is what brought me here. I would like to see the village stay as historic and citizen-friendly as possible, especially as surrounding towns allow development to take over.</p>
<p>The sidewalk snowplow is infrequent and does not always do a good job. Speed limits not vigorously enforced. When you drive through Kenmore - everyone slows down. When you drive through Williamsville - Most people don't</p>
<p>The sidewalk snowplow used on residential streets goes much too fast, does not clear the snow down to the pavement (concrete) causing icy conditions, damages adjacent lawn areas, and creates extra shoveling for homeowners as the plow "does its thing" long after most of us have already cleared our sidewalks & driveways, thus piling snow back in our driveways and walkways to our homes. My observations indicate that throughout the heavy snow months, most pedestrians walk in the street rather than on the sidewalks, no matter whether they are clear or not. There must be a better way to use our taxpayer \$ and not burden our residents with extra work & threaten our the safety of children that might be playing near the sidewalks (as the plow moves at a much too fast rate.</p>
<p>There is too much traffic on Main St. What is being done to move the thruway exchange in order to lessen the traffic flows through the Village? I also think that too many in Amherst have only their self interest at heart and don't care about anything or anybody but themselves. What ever happened to Community Spirit. I don't think many in E. Amherst have a clue. A self indulgent "ME" mentality - shame on you.</p>
<p>There needs to be a better plan for traffic. If the state refuses to do anything about Main St, the Village needs to. There is a need for traffic calming measures on side streets - signage, one way streets, speedbumps. Traffic is killing the Village.</p>
<p>There should be a pedestrian controlled traffic light/crosswalk to cross Main St. at Ellicott St. - Lots of kids cross in the middle of the block to go to Mill Middle School at the end of N. Ellicott. They also cross from the North side of Main to go to Garrison Park. There are also lots of women who park at the Bank of America and cross there to go to the Hair Salon. An accident is waiting to happen. I have a few more ideas - Glen Park should have a few picnic tables. It should also be lit at night. It has lights on only sometimes. Even though the park is closed at 10pm, lights on all night would make it safer. Amherst State Park also should have more picnic tables. It is so beautiful there in the fields around the orchard. I think the main path through the orchard would benefit from park benches the entire length. There is also a need for more trash cans. There are a lot of dog walkers down there too. A dispenser of "poop pick-up bags" would be handy for dog owners that need one. The park is beautiful as is, but the above mentioned additions would make it more usable to families and the elderly.</p>
<p>Tolls should be moved further east on NYS Thruway to reduce the traffic on Wehrle and Main. New entrances/exits should be placed at Young Rd and Harris Hill</p>
<p>Traffic is awful - what can be done? Hurry up and fix the bridge at Glen Park.</p>
<p>Traffic on Main and residential streets has become too congested - making it difficult to exit one's own driveway, especially at rush hour.</p>
<p>Traffic on Main street is a major problem - See attached sheet</p>
<p>Trees on Main St are dying or dead.</p>
<p>Village development must be curbed and more adeptly strategized. This use to be a wonderful little Village; now sometimes it is a nightmare - Traffic!</p>
<p>We chose in 2003 to live in a high rise condo in the Village- to take advantage of all the wonderful attributes of village living.</p>

We could help the village by making it much more pedestrian friendly, and provide adequate parking for people to visit. Both the 290 exit and the widening of Main St to Transit has created a traffic situation that is excessive much of the time. Between the amount of cars and their usual speeds, it is always a dangerous pedestrian area. Sheridan, Maple, Wehrle, and Genesee are designed to accommodate this type of traffic. There are really no pedestrian areas along those roads, no "village" as it may be. Those roads also have adequate accommodations for off street business parking. I would therefore suggest a traffic environment within the Village to compel the thru traffic to take another route. Therefore; from Union to Evans; -Speed limit 25 (strictly enforced), -Single lane each way, -Center turning lane, - angled parking on each side. I also think we have enough Day spas, Hair centers, and Nail centers within this area. Count them.

We need honest elections. The "retirement-registration" and "appointed" mayor hinders the emotional/mental attractiveness in the village. The Village is much more than physical.

We need new Christmas decorations

We need to develop a plan to grow attractive trees up and down Main St.

We need to slow traffic on Main St. Maybe 2 lanes with a median and diagonal parking. A walkable community with all of our parks would be wonderful. I'd love to have the Williamsville library open but only if the Town/Village can afford to staff it. We need a librarian, custodian and paid part time staff to keep it open. Please do not let our branch go back in time and not be connected to the county system.

We would like stricter traffic controls, especially for speeders on Mil St. and drivers who make left hand turns after lights have turned red.

Would like to see Academy elementary back in school system

Would moving toll booth cut down on Main St. traffic.