

*City of Sturgeon*

# City Survey Results

**Fall 2006**

## City Survey Results

### Services

Please rate the following public services by placing an **X** in the box, N/O=No Opinion.

	Very Good	Good	OK	Poor	Very Poor	N/O	Totals
<b>1. City Board of Alderman</b>	10	14	25	12	2	13	76
Percentage	13.16	18.42	32.89	15.79	2.63	17.11	100
<b>2. City Hall</b>	13	19	21	8	5	8	74
Percentage	17.57	25.68	28.38	10.81	6.76	10.81	100
<b>3. City Planning &amp; Zoning</b>	13	14	21	9	4	14	75
Percentage	17.33	18.67	28	12	5.33	18.67	100
<b>4. City Water Taste/Quality</b>	17	32	17	4	2	4	76
Percentage	22.37	42.11	22.37	5.26	2.63	5.26	100
<b>5. City Water Pressure</b>	18	34	18	3	1	3	77
Percentage	23.38	44.16	23.38	3.9	1.3	3.9	100
<b>6. City Trash Collection</b>	37	28	9	0	0	4	78
Percentage	47.44	35.9	11.54	0	0	5.13	100
<b>7. City Sewer Service</b>	21	29	18	1	0	9	78
Percentage	26.92	37.18	23.08	1.28	0	11.54	100
<b>8. City Park Board</b>	15	17	32	1	2	9	76
Percentage	19.74	22.37	42.11	1.32	2.63	11.84	100
<b>9. Parking Downtown</b>	16	32	23	4	0	2	77
Percentage	20.78	41.56	29.87	5.19	0	2.6	100
<b>10. Ameren UE Service</b>	23	29	16	2	0	7	77
Percentage	29.87	37.66	20.78	2.6	0	9.09	100
<b>11. Boone Electric Service</b>	14	17	2	0	0	40	73
Percentage	19.18	23.29	2.74	0	0	54.79	100
<b>12. Postal Service</b>	33	35	7	1	0	2	78
Percentage	42.31	44.87	8.97	1.28	0	2.56	100
<b>13. Fire Protection</b>	50	22	4	0	0	1	77
Percentage	64.94	28.57	5.19	0	0	1.3	100

	Yes	No	Totals
<b>1. Internet Notification</b>	26	52	78
Percentage	33.33	66.67	100
<b>2. Post Agendas</b>	49	28	77
Percentage	63.64	36.36	100
<b>3. Pay by Credit Card</b>	12	64	76
Percentage	15.79	84.21	100

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### City Regulations and Law Enforcement

VS=Very Satisfied, S=Satisfied, N=Neutral, D=Dissatisfied, VD=Very Dissatisfied, N/O= No Opinion.

	VS	S	N	D	VD	N/O	Totals
<b>1. City Law Enforcement</b>	13	24	17	22	3	6	85
Percentage	15.29	28.24	20	25.88	3.53	7.06	100
<b>2. Visibility of Officers</b>	13	26	14	14	3	6	76
Percentage	17.11	34.21	18.42	18.42	3.95	7.89	100
<b>3. Timeliness of Response</b>	6	18	25	1	3	20	73
Percentage	8.22	24.66	34.25	1.37	4.11	27.4	100
<b>4. Feeling of Being Safe</b>	17	38	9	5	2	5	76
Percentage	22.37	50	11.84	6.58	2.63	6.58	100
<b>5. Enforcement of Laws</b>	13	37	12	6	5	4	77
Percentage	16.88	48.05	15.58	7.79	6.49	5.19	100
<b>6. Enforce of Building Codes</b>	5	21	18	9	10	20	83
Percentage	6.02	25.3	21.69	10.84	12.05	24.1	100

Check two issues on which you would like to see local law enforcement increase their efforts.

	Total Votes	Percentage
<b>Drugs/Alcohol</b>	35	24.65
<b>Traffic/Speeding</b>	20	14.08
<b>Burglaries</b>	14	9.86
<b>Shoplifting</b>	1	0.7
<b>Domestic Violence</b>	3	2.11
<b>Peace Disturbance</b>	12	8.45
<b>Animal Control</b>	37	26.06
<b>Weeds</b>	19	13.38
<b>Fraud/Counterfeiting</b>	1	0.7
<b>Totals</b>	142	100

### Streets and Sidewalks \*BC = Boone County

	Yes	No	Totals
<b>1. Improve Existing Streets</b>	40	35	75
Percentage	53.33	46.67	100
<b>2. New Connecting Streets</b>	20	53	73
Percentage	27.4	72.6	100
<b>3. BC to Improve Streets</b>	46	25	71
Percentage	64.79	35.21	100
<b>4. BC Improve Snow Remov</b>	59	18	77
Percentage	76.62	23.38	100

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	Yes	No	Totals
<b>5. City Street Lighting</b>	49	28	77
Percentage	63.64	36.36	100
<b>6. Improve Exist Sidewalks</b>	60	13	73
Percentage	82.19	17.81	100
<b>7. Add Sidewalks/Streets</b>	46	26	72
Percentage	63.89	36.11	100
<b>8. Tax on Streets/Sidewalks</b>	35	37	72
Percentage	48.61	51.39	100
<b>9. Motorists Drive to Fast</b>	39	35	74
Percentage	52.7	47.3	100
<b>10. Appropriate Speed Limits</b>	66	12	78
Percentage	84.62	15.38	100

### Economic Development

Rate your level of agreement with the following statements.

SA=Strongly Agree, A=Agree, N=Neutral, D=Disagree, SD=Strongly Disagree, N/O=No Opinion.

	SA	A	N	D	SD	N/O	Totals
<b>1. Sturgeon to Grow</b>	38	28	3	3	3	1	76
Percentage	50	36.84	3.95	3.95	3.95	1.32	100
<b>2. Control Additional Growth</b>	24	27	12	8	2	2	75
Percentage	32	36	16	10.67	2.67	2.67	100
<b>3. Design Regs for New Cons</b>	14	19	21	14	4	2	74
Percentage	18.92	25.68	28.38	18.92	5.41	2.7	100
<b>4. Design Regs for Exist Cons</b>	9	19	16	22	9	0	75
Percentage	12	25.33	21.33	29.33	12	0	100
<b>5. Owners Do Whatever</b>	16	11	16	16	14	2	75
Percentage	21.33	14.67	21.33	21.33	18.67	2.67	100
<b>6. Taxes for Econ Develop</b>	12	24	24	10	2	5	77
Percentage	15.58	31.17	31.17	12.99	2.6	6.49	100
<b>7. Taxes Retail Develop</b>	14	38	12	4	2	4	74
Percentage	18.92	51.35	16.22	5.41	2.7	5.41	100
<b>8. Taxes for Ind Develop</b>	17	35	11	5	3	3	74
Percentage	22.97	47.3	14.86	6.76	4.05	4.05	100
<b>9. Revitalize Downtown</b>	18	32	14	6	2	3	75
Percentage	24	42.67	18.67	8	2.67	4	100
<b>10. Overall Appearance</b>	4	26	23	12	9	1	75
Percentage	5.33	34.67	30.67	16	12	1.33	100
<b>11. Employment Opportunity</b>	2	1	10	24	27	7	71
Percentage	2.82	1.41	14.08	33.8	38.03	9.86	100

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12. If you live outside of the Sturgeon City limits would you be interested in voluntarily annexing your property?

	Total Votes	Percentage
<b>a. Yes</b>	5	20.83
<b>b. No</b>	19	79.17
<b>Totals</b>	24	100

### Housing

Do you rent or own your home?

	Total Votes	Percentage
<b>1. Rent</b>	10	17.54
<b>2. Own</b>	47	82.46
<b>Totals</b>	57	100

Regarding housing in N. Boone County, rate your level of agreement with the following statements.

SA=Strongly Agree, A=Agree, N=Neutral, D=Disagree, SD=Strongly Disagree, N/O=No Opinion.

	SA	A	N	D	SD	N/O	Totals
<b>1. Subsid Rental Low-Income</b>	6	23	17	12	10	6	74
Percentage	8.11	31.08	22.97	16.22	13.51	8.11	100
<b>2. Subsid Rental Elderly</b>	14	37	11	5	2	6	75
Percentage	18.67	49.33	14.67	6.67	2.67	8	100
<b>3. Ownership for Low-Income</b>	11	34	21	9	2	2	79
Percentage	13.92	43.04	26.58	11.39	2.53	2.53	100
<b>4. Ownership for Mid-Income</b>	9	44	12	6	1	4	76
Percentage	11.84	57.89	15.79	7.89	1.32	5.26	100
<b>5. Ownership for High-Income</b>	7	31	14	13	7	4	76
Percentage	9.21	40.79	18.42	17.11	9.21	5.26	100
<b>6. Manufac Homes on Lots</b>	8	25	21	13	7	2	76
Percentage	10.53	32.89	27.63	17.11	9.21	2.63	100
<b>7. Manufac Homes in Parks</b>	7	32	20	10	4	3	76
Percentage	9.21	42.11	26.32	13.16	5.26	3.95	100
<b>8. Town-House Rental Devel</b>	8	34	24	2	2	5	75
Percentage	10.67	45.33	32	2.67	2.67	6.67	100
<b>9. Afford Housing Disabled</b>	14	41	15	1	0	4	75
Percentage	18.67	54.67	20	1.33	0	5.33	100

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### Health/Medical

Rate your level of agreement with the following statements. \*BC = Boone County

SA=Strongly Agree, A=Agree, N=Neutral, D=Disagree, SD=Strongly Disagree, N/O=No Opinion.

	SA	A	N	D	SD	N/O	Totals
<b>1. BC Needs More Doctors</b>	11	29	20	9	2	4	75
Percentage	14.67	38.67	26.67	12	2.67	5.33	100
<b>2. BC Needs a Dentist</b>	13	28	20	5	4	4	74
Percentage	17.57	37.84	27.03	6.76	5.41	5.41	100
<b>3. BC Needs an Optometrist</b>	13	28	23	4	3	4	75
Percentage	17.33	37.33	30.67	5.33	4	5.33	100

4. Would you support efforts to create and ambulance site in the City of Sturgeon?

	Total Votes	Percentage
<b>a. Yes</b>	47	68.12
<b>b. No</b>	22	31.88
<b>Totals</b>	69	100

### Efforts Best Spent

Where do you think the City and the Council should focus their efforts?

SA=Strongly Agree, A=Agree, N=Neutral, D=Disagree, SD=Strongly Disagree, N/O=No Opinion.

	SA	A	N	D	SD	N/O	Totals
<b>1. Attract New Industry</b>	29	33	10	2	1	2	77
Percentage	37.66	42.86	12.99	2.6	1.3	2.6	100
<b>2. Attract Retail Business</b>	26	38	7	1	1	2	75
Percentage	34.67	50.67	9.33	1.33	1.33	2.67	100
<b>3. Attract a Hotel/Motel</b>	3	9	30	17	11	5	75
Percentage	4	12	40	22.67	14.67	6.67	100
<b>4. Attract Service Business</b>	12	40	12	6	2	4	76
Percentage	15.79	52.63	15.79	7.89	2.63	5.26	100
<b>5. Attract Health/Medical</b>	9	33	24	4	3	2	75
Percentage	12	44	32	5.33	4	2.67	100
<b>6. Improve Apper of Comm</b>	20	28	19	4	1	2	74
Percentage	27.03	37.84	25.68	5.41	1.35	2.7	100
<b>7. Improve Apper of Downtown</b>	22	31	15	3	1	2	74
Percentage	29.73	41.89	20.27	4.05	1.35	2.7	100
<b>8. Create New Jobs</b>	29	37	6	1	1	2	76
Percentage	38.16	48.68	7.89	1.32	1.32	2.63	100

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### Quality of Life

Complete the following statements. **The quality of Northern Boone County as a place...**

	Very Good	Good	OK	Poor	Very Poor	N/O	Totals
<b>1. to live is</b>	29	38	8	1	1	0	77
Percentage	37.66	49.35	10.39	1.3	1.3	0	100
<b>2. to raise children is</b>	26	37	11	1	1	1	77
Percentage	33.77	48.05	14.29	1.3	1.3	1.3	100
<b>3. to retire is</b>	25	34	12	3	1	2	77
Percentage	32.47	44.16	15.58	3.9	1.3	2.6	100
<b>4. to work is</b>	8	8	19	21	15	2	73
Percentage	10.96	10.96	26.03	28.77	20.55	2.74	100

The quality of life in Northern Boone County compared to 5 years ago is...

	Results
<b>1. Much Better</b>	1
Percentage	1.35
<b>2. Better</b>	25
Percentage	33.78
<b>3. No Change</b>	37
Percentage	50
<b>4. Worse</b>	5
Percentage	6.76
<b>5. Much Worse</b>	2
Percentage	2.7
<b>6. N/A</b>	4
Percentage	5.41
Total Votes	74
Total Percentage	100

### City Parks & Fairgrounds

	1st Choice	2nd Choice	3rd Choice	Totals	No Inc	Up to \$1	Up to \$2.5	Up to \$5	Over \$5
<b>1. Playground Equipment</b>	14	6	4	24	3	8	9	2	0
Percentage	7.87	3.37	2.25	13.49	1.69	4.49	5.06	1.12	0
<b>2. Horseshoe Pits</b>	0	1	1	2	3	0	0	0	0
Percentage	0	0.56	0.56	1.12	1.69	0	0	0	0
<b>3. Shelter Houses</b>	4	2	6	12	6	2	4	1	0
Percentage	2.25	1.12	3.37	6.74	3.37	1.12	2.25	0.56	0
<b>4. Baseball Fields</b>	6	3	0	9	2	2	2	3	0
Percentage	3.37	1.69	0	5.06	1.12	1.12	1.12	1.69	0

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	1st Choice	2nd Choice	3rd Choice	Totals	No Inc	Up to \$1	Up to \$2.5	Up to \$5	Over \$5
<b>5. Softball Fields</b>	0	5	5	10	3	4	0	2	0
Percentage	0	2.81	2.81	5.62	1.69	2.25	0	1.12	0
<b>6. Sand Volleyball</b>	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Percentage	0	0.56	0	0.56	0	0	0	0	0
<b>7. Park Restrooms</b>	8	8	7	23	11	9	1	1	0
Percentage	4.49	4.49	3.93	12.91	6.18	5.06	0.56	0.56	0
<b>8. Soccer Field</b>	1	3	0	4	1	2	1	0	0
Percentage	0.56	1.69	0	2.25	0.56	1.12	0.56	0	0
<b>9. More Park Land</b>	4	8	9	21	6	8	4	1	0
Percentage	2.25	4.49	5.06	11.8	3.37	4.49	2.25	0.56	0
<b>10. Fitness Trail</b>	15	10	10	35	6	14	13	2	0
Percentage	8.43	5.62	5.62	19.67	3.37	7.87	7.3	1.12	0
<b>11. Football Practice Field</b>	4	4	2	10	2	4	4	0	0
Percentage	2.25	2.25	1.12	5.62	1.12	2.25	2.25	0	0
<b>12. Outdoor Basketball Court</b>	3	0	7	10	6	3	0	0	0
Percentage	1.69	0	3.93	5.62	3.37	1.69	0	0	0
<b>13. Roller Hockey Court</b>	0	1	1	2	2	0	0	0	0
Percentage	0	0.56	0.56	1.12	1.12	0	0	0	0
<b>14. Skate Park</b>	2	4	3	9	2	6	1	0	0
Percentage	1.12	2.25	1.69	5.06	1.12	3.37	0.56	0	0
<b>15. Tennis Court</b>	2	1	3	6	1	4	1	0	0
Percentage	1.12	0.56	1.69	3.37	0.56	2.25	0.56	0	0
<b>Total Votes</b>				178					
<b>Total Percentage</b>				100					

### Church & Community Programs

Please choose up to three programs that you feel do or could benefit our community.

	Results
<b>1. After School Programs</b>	50
Percentage	26.6
<b>2. Kids Choir</b>	4
Percentage	2.13
<b>3. Sturgeon Police Programs</b>	14
Percentage	7.45
<b>4. Local Food Bank</b>	15
Percentage	7.98
<b>5. Adult Literacy</b>	3
Percentage	1.6

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<b>6. Vacation Bible School</b>	10
Percentage	5.32
<b>7. Marriage Counseling</b>	5
Percentage	2.66
<b>8. Spiritual Fitness Groups</b>	5
Percentage	2.66
<b>9. Family Counseling</b>	9
Percentage	4.79
<b>10. Youth Programs</b>	35
Percentage	18.62
<b>11. Puppet Ministry</b>	5
Percentage	2.66
<b>12. Backyard Bible Club</b>	2
Percentage	1.06
<b>13. Fellowship for Seniors</b>	17
Percentage	9.04
<b>14 Financial Seminars</b>	7
Percentage	3.72
<b>15. Local Christian Radio</b>	1
Percentage	0.53
<b>16. Other</b>	6
Percentage	3.19
<b>Total Votes</b>	188
<b>Total Percentage</b>	100

### **Business**

Of the following items, indicate up to three businesses you would patronize if they were located in Sturgeon.

	<b>1st Choice</b>	<b>2nd Choice</b>	<b>3rd Choice</b>	<b>Totals</b>
<b>1. Auto Parts Store</b>	16	5	1	22
Percentage	8.25	2.58	0.52	11.35
<b>2. Restaurant</b>	3	10	3	16
Percentage	1.55	5.15	1.55	8.25
<b>3. Family Farm Supply</b>	3	9	1	13
Percentage	1.55	4.64	0.52	6.71
<b>4. General Merchandise</b>	20	7	11	38
Percentage	10.31	3.61	5.67	19.59
<b>5. Shipping Drop Off Point</b>	3	5	1	9
Percentage	1.55	2.58	0.52	4.65

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	1st Choice	2nd Choice	3rd Choice	Totals
<b>6. Sporting Goods</b>	1	3	5	9
Percentage	0.52	1.55	2.58	4.65
<b>7. Dry Cleaners</b>	2	1	5	8
Percentage	1.03	0.52	2.58	4.13
<b>8. Appliance Store</b>	0	0	0	0
Percentage	0	0	0	0
<b>9. Carpet/Flooring Store</b>	0	0	2	2
Percentage	0	0	1.03	1.03
<b>10. Furniture Store</b>	0	0	1	1
Percentage	0	0	0.52	0.52
<b>11. Drive up Oil Change</b>	15	4	2	21
Percentage	7.73	2.06	1.03	10.82
<b>12. Financial Advisor</b>	1	0	1	2
Percentage	0.52	0	0.52	1.04
<b>13. Insurance</b>	1	1	3	5
Percentage	0.52	0.52	1.55	2.59
<b>14. Tire Sales</b>	0	3	3	6
Percentage	0	1.55	1.55	3.1
<b>15. Electronics Store</b>	0	3	5	8
Percentage	0	1.55	2.58	4.13
<b>16. Taxi Service</b>	0	0	0	0
Percentage	0	0	0	0
<b>17. Veterinarian</b>	4	8	11	23
Percentage	2.06	4.12	5.67	11.85
<b>18. Other</b>	11	0	0	11
Percentage	5.67	0	0	5.67
<b>Total Votes</b>				194
<b>Total Percentage</b>				100

### Transportation Services

	Yes	No	Totals
<b>1. Do You Have a Drivers Lisc</b>	74	0	74
Percentage	100	0	100
<b>2. Are You Able to Drive</b>	74	0	74
Percentage	100	0	100
<b>3. Public Transport in Town</b>	38	30	68
Percentage	55.88	44.12	100

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4. In cases where you were unable to provide your own transportation, where did you want to go?

	Results
<b>1. Work</b>	16
Percentage	12.4
<b>2. School/College</b>	6
Percentage	4.65
<b>3. Child Care</b>	4
Percentage	3.1
<b>4. Doctor/Dentist/Therapist</b>	26
Percentage	20.16
<b>5. Hospital</b>	17
Percentage	13.18
<b>6. Bank</b>	15
Percentage	11.63
<b>7. Local Businesses</b>	11
Percentage	8.53
<b>8. Shopping</b>	28
Percentage	21.71
<b>9. Recreation</b>	6
Percentage	4.65
<b>10. Other</b>	0
Percentage	0
<b>Total Votes</b>	129
<b>Total Percentage</b>	100

Indicate where you purchase the majority of each good.

### Goods

	Sturgeon	Out of Town	Don't Buy	Totals
<b>1. Groceries</b>	29	57	0	86
Percentage	33.72	66.28	0	100
<b>2. Gas</b>	57	28	0	85
Percentage	67.06	32.94	0	100
<b>3. Automobiles</b>	5	67	3	75
Percentage	6.67	89.33	4	100
<b>4. Auto Repair</b>	23	53	2	78
Percentage	29.49	67.95	2.56	100
<b>5. Tires</b>	12	63	0	75
Percentage	16	84	0	100

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	Sturgeon	Out of Town	Don't Buy	Totals
<b>6. Hardware</b>	54	29	1	84
Percentage	64.29	34.52	1.19	100
<b>7. Lawn/Garden</b>	25	50	6	81
Percentage	30.86	61.73	7.41	100
<b>8. Lumber</b>	9	58	7	74
Percentage	12.16	78.38	9.46	100
<b>9. Home Interior Accs</b>	4	62	9	75
Percentage	5.33	82.67	12	100
<b>10. Restaurant</b>	29	53	4	86
Percentage	33.72	61.63	4.65	100

Indicate where you purchase the majority of each service.

### Services

	Sturgeon	Out of Town	Don't Buy	Totals
<b>1. Attorney</b>	0	57	17	74
Percentage	0	77.03	22.97	100
<b>2. Banking</b>	48	29	0	77
Percentage	62.34	37.66	0	100
<b>3. Computer Service</b>	3	44	27	74
Percentage	4.05	59.46	36.49	100
<b>4. Accounting/Taxes</b>	7	48	17	72
Percentage	9.72	66.67	23.61	100
<b>5. Day Care</b>	16	5	48	69
Percentage	23.19	7.25	69.57	100
<b>6. Hair Stylist</b>	22	33	14	69
Percentage	31.88	47.83	20.29	100
<b>7. Building Contractor</b>	15	25	34	74
Percentage	20.27	33.78	45.95	100
<b>8. Electrician</b>	14	31	31	76
Percentage	18.42	40.79	40.79	100
<b>9. Painter</b>	19	17	39	75
Percentage	25.33	22.67	52	100
<b>10. Plumber</b>	22	24	35	81
Percentage	27.16	29.63	43.21	100
<b>11. Interior Decorator</b>	2	21	50	73
Percentage	2.74	28.77	68.49	100

## City Survey Results

	Sturgeon	Out of Town	Don't Buy	Totals
<b>12. Realtor</b>	14	27	31	72
Percentage	19.44	37.5	43.06	100
<b>13. Doctor</b>	4	67	6	77
Percentage	5.19	87.01	7.79	100
<b>14. Movie Rental</b>	6	40	27	73
Percentage	8.22	54.79	36.99	100
<b>15. Self-Storage</b>	12	9	50	71
Percentage	16.9	12.68	70.42	100

### About You...

	Male	Female	Total
<b>1. What is Your Gender</b>	30	40	70
Percentage	42.86	57.14	100

	18-30	31-40	41-50	51-60	61-70	71-80	81-up	Totals
<b>2. What is Your Age</b>	10	11	12	8	9	10	1	61
Percentage	16.39	18.03	19.67	13.11	14.75	16.39	1.64	100

	Yes	No	Totals
<b>3. Are You Registered to Vote</b>	67	4	71
Percentage	94.37	5.63	100

	Sturgeon	Hallsville	Columbia	Centralia	Jeff City	Moberly	Retired	Unemploy	Other
<b>4. Where Do You Work</b>	17	0	26	5	0	2	16	2	5
Percentage	23.29	0	35.62	6.85	0	2.74	21.92	2.74	6.85
<b>Total Votes</b>	73								
<b>Total Percentage</b>	100								

	Sturgeon	Clark	Outside City	Totals
<b>5. Where Do You Live</b>	53	0	4	57
Percentage	92.98	0	7.02	100

	0-5 yrs	6-10 yrs	11-15 yrs	16-20 yrs	21 or more	Totals
<b>6. Length Lived in Sturgeon</b>	15	6	7	5	27	60
Percentage	25	10	11.67	8.33	45	100

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	Mobile	Single-Fam	Asst Living	Multi-fam	Apartment	Other	Totals
<b>7. Type of Housing Unit</b>	7	58	0	4	0	0	69
Percentage	10.14	84.06	0	5.8	0	0	100

	Financial	Healthcare	InfoTech	Education	Sales	Laborer	Gov Worker	Managers	Secretarial
<b>8. What is Your Occupation</b>	5	4	0	3	9	7	5	4	11
Percentage	7.25	5.8	0	4.35	13.04	10.14	7.25	5.8	15.94

	Unemploy	Retired	Other	Totals
<b>8. Continued</b>	2	16	3	69
Percentage	2.9	23.19	4.35	100

	\$0-24,999	\$25-49,999	\$50-74,999	\$75-99,999	\$100,000+	Totals
<b>9. Total Household Income</b>	15	20	12	4	7	58
Percentage	25.86	34.48	20.69	6.9	12.07	100

	Dial-up	Cable	Satellite	DSL	N/A	Not Conn	Other	Totals
<b>10. Type of Internet Service</b>	14	0	0	29	1	21	2	67
Percentage	20.9	0	0	43.28	1.49	31.34	2.99	100

	Good	Adequate	Slow	Unreliable	N/A	Totals
<b>11. Rate Your Internet Service</b>	22	10	8	2	11	53
Percentage	41.51	18.87	15.09	3.77	20.75	100

	Yes	No	Totals
<b>12. Children in Sturgeon R-5</b>	16	53	69
Percentage	23.19	76.81	100

## *City of Sturgeon Survey Comments*

### **City Board of Alderman**

1. City board of alderman: too much arguing.
2. City Council should have more people, not just four people to control everything.
3. City board members need to consider the citizens more often.
4. Very disappointed in recent city council activities, specifically handling of law enforcement and pay raise for the city clerk. Sturgeon needs to grow. Need subdivision.
5. If you would use our tax money wisely and keep improving what we have here, you would be doing what we all would appreciate. This is just a small town in a rural community.

### **City Hall**

1. The city clerk should be an elected official, 3 yr. Term.
2. Need a new city clerk because of poor customer service relations. (several complaints).
3. City Clerk should be an elected position.
4. The city clerk position should be an elected position.
5. Attitudes need improvement.
6. Laverne should be given insurance coverage after retiring for her several years of dedication of service.
7. You need a different City Clerk, someone who is friendly, admits to mistakes, and has a City Hall that people feel comfortable coming in to.
8. Downtown location for the City office for better access.
9. City will soon need a full-time administrator.

## **City Streets**

1. Parking downtown sometimes crowded.
2. Streets should be refinished with black top prior to the start of winter every year.
3. All streets need to be done over with black top (no more gravel in town).
4. No more pea gravel on the streets in town.
5. Clean out the ditches and culverts and fill them with rock where necessary.
6. I would like to see the money we spend on our roads put to better use. I would like to see our roads have a high quality black top not just spreading gravel down. We moved to a city to have paved roads not gravel roads.
7. I also feel that the method used to overlay the streets should be reevaluated. It's difficult to appreciate the benefits of the street maintenance when you are dealing with clouds of dust for weeks after. Thank you!
8. Streets were great until all the rock and dust.
9. Street program is exceptional.
10. Open N. Wentz Street, trade ground if necessary.

## **City Water**

1. City water needs filtered.
2. I would want sewer/ water per city if I annexed property.
3. We need a large 6-8" water main loop, plan for expansion.

## **City Park**

1. I would like to see new playground equipment in the City Park.
2. More protection for street (city) trees and a planting program.
3. Green space and tree requirements for new subdivisions.
4. Set up a program to replace rotten trees on resident's personal properties to beautify the town.

## **City Sidewalks**

1. I would like to see efforts put into renovating the downtown area streets and sidewalks.
2. I would like to see sidewalks upgraded and installed throughout the town.
3. I think sidewalks should be repaired (built) in the inter city first then spread outward.
4. Sturgeon needs a sidewalk from the high school to town.
5. The walkways (asphalt) across the railroad tracks, both sides of Ogden Street aren't too great. Can they be improved with our sidewalk project, or is the railroad responsible?
6. Sidewalk from Elementary to High School is excellent idea.
7. Design a sidewalk plan.

## **City Appearance**

1. Utility lines need to be buried for all new construction.
2. City needs covenants and restrictions for storefronts in downtown.
3. Remodel old buildings in town.
4. The city needs to demolish old abandoned and vacant homes.
5. Several abandoned houses could be torn down for building new houses. Hazard to town and children.
6. Need to improve the appearance of the downtown area—new sidewalks and attractive streetlight poles. Flower boxes would be a nice addition.
7. Flowers planted in strategic locations around town would make the town more appealing. Flowers at the city office and park would be nice, and a flowerbed could be made around the Sturgeon sign at the north edge of town.
8. The Chamber of Commerce lot east of Larry's grocery store has been unusually attractive this year and adds a bright spot downtown. We've enjoyed it all year. Thank you, Debbie!
9. There are at least five completely abandoned properties in town, some of which are nearly falling down. Can anything be done about them? They leave a poor impression on anyone who might be considering moving here.
10. People should be required to keep trash picked up in front of their houses and driveways.
11. Enforce/update building standards and demolish the substandard.
12. Unoccupied houses need to be condemned and removed; owners need to be urged or forced to fix or remove.

## **Law Enforcement**

1. Unlicensed vehicles need to be ticketed or removed.
2. Law enforcement should be local so that they have a better idea on what happens in town.
3. Law enforcement should focus on theft and drugs rather than small speeding tickets.
4. Many complaints of minor tickets being issued instead of more serious crimes being handled.
5. Enforce the curfew for children.
6. Enforce the upkeep of personal properties.
7. Need to work on drug problems and stop it before it gets worse.
8. Get cars off street and running all night. This must be stopped. Can't understand why it hasn't. We do have laws. Enforce them.
9. On main street there is a "junk" car sitting on a trailer—been on trailer 3 weeks or so, before that sat in front yard of modular home for 1 month. Go anywhere around Sturgeon, and there are houses with weeds—junk cars—trash.
10. Speeding on V out of town is 30 mph most all cars and trucks go way over.
11. And there should be a noise ordinance—no jake brakes.
12. Law enforcement, greatly improved in the last few months, if these officers move on, outsource to BC Sheriff.
13. Visibility is more important than writing tickets for minor traffic offenses, exceptions of course.
14. A local phone number for tips, messages, reports of offenses might be good.
15. On main street, how are sturgeon people to attract more people to settle when laws aren't enforced? Before Sturgeon can attract more people, laws need to be changed—this town has gone down hill in last 10 years.
16. Enforce the weed ordinances, the junk car ordinances, whatever ordinances apply to junk on a property (nuisance ordinances, I think) to make the town more attractive which makes more people want to live here.
17. Speed limit in front of high school should be 30 mph, not 20.
18. I feel like Sturgeon is a great place to live. However, I also feel that we could be doing a better job of enforcing our nuisance ordinances regarding weeds and junk
19. Better, Police Chief Kemp is fired.

## **Community Activities**

1. Seniors need a place where they can go, to have a warm meal, cheaply, and close. A bus to help pick them up, and gives them opportunity to have fun.
2. Children need some activities to keep them safe, and out of “today’s world.”
3. The elderly and children need some things also. The rest of us can manage on our own.
4. Boards of people to set up bake sales and raffles for the terminally ill. We need to pull this community together to take care of our citizens, neighbors, and families.
5. There needs to be a skate board, bike trail and programs to reach and keep children on the right track and off drugs and alcohol and car racing. A pool hall, video games, and such.
6. More activities and after school programs for local children.

## **City School**

1. Slow down the school bus going out of town and in south of town. One of these days they are going to have a wreck and hurt a lot of kids.
2. School should have a dress code, especially the teachers they dress like slobs.
3. Home schoolers using public school activities (sports, music, etc.).
4. I think Sturgeon R-5 would benefit from setting up a preschool.

## **City Regulations**

1. Ban burning inside city limits.
2. Regulations on burning within city limits.
3. I protest the mix of residential and commercial businesses. I think we need some rezoning, maybe have an Industrial Park on the outskirts of town.
4. How come there are no regulations or codes for neighbors to burn wood inside of the city limits. Some of the neighbors don’t like the smoke that fills their house all winter long. I know of 4 homes that are getting smoked out all the time.

## **City Businesses**

1. More businesses.
2. Need to revoke business license for people harboring people just out of prison and letting them stay in a business just to have a place to stay.
3. Pool Hall.
4. No bar.

## **City Growth**

1. We need new builders to expand the community.
2. Many request for Sturgeon to grow.
3. Need more land annexed so we can grow.
4. Need a subdivision for new home construction. This is important!
5. We would like to see another gas station in town, possibly a Dollar General-type store, longer hours at post office and city hall, somewhere to rent movies, and auto mechanic shop, and better animal control. We believe this would make Sturgeon a better place to live.

## **Animal Problems**

1. We need to control the stray animal problem.

## **Miscellaneous**

1. Recycling drop off location.
2. Community Center with regular operating hours.
3. This survey should have been selected for a town of 900+ not out of Columbia, MO for an example. Lot of questions don't fit a small town; need to condemn more old houses instead of letting them fall down, need to get rid of cars all over town and in yards and parked not driveable. Need to find Sturgeon a new attorney for the city. One that is interested in Sturgeon and wants changes made instead of saying we can't do that.
4. Larry's store could use some competition—outdated food and poor selection—also high prices.
5. Anyway the city could assist in buying, moving, and reselling mobile homes as they become available for sale? Mobile homes need to be removed from areas in which they are not zoned for, plus this would make building lots available.
6. I believe Sturgeon is a great place to live and raise children. It has wonderful people and good schools. I wouldn't want to live anywhere else in the world!
7. Thank you for the chance to voice my opinion!
8. P & Z-good start, keep going; P & Z- some vacant lots are too small to rebuild on, may need to relax setbacks case-by-case; tabulate and return these results to the people quickly, may want a town meeting or two to establish working citizen committees; more programs in rec center.
9. Think this is a waste of time and money.
10. I like small towns, so I like Sturgeon.
11. Food bank and utilities assistance.
12. The majority of city residents live here because it is a small town; anyone wanting big town services needs to move to Columbia.
13. Think about recycling.
14. Boone County Taxes. They increased my taxes on personal property last year by \$100. Do not want any more tax increases.