

City of Sturgeon

City Survey Results

Fall 2006

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

	Yes	No	Totals
1. Internet Notification	26	52	78
Percentage	33.33	66.67	100
2. Post Agendas	49	28	77
Percentage	63.64	36.36	100
3. Pay by Credit Card	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
1. City Law Enforcement	13	24	17	22	3	6	85
Percentage	15.29	28.24	20	25.88	3.53	7.06	100
2. Visibility of Officers	13	26	14	14	3	6	76
Percentage	17.11	34.21	18.42	18.42	3.95	7.89	100
3. Timeliness of Response	6	18	25	1	3	20	73
Percentage	8.22	24.66	34.25	1.37	4.11	27.4	100
4. Feeling of Being Safe	17	38	9	5	2	5	76
Percentage	22.37	50	11.84	6.58	2.63	6.58	100
5. Enforcement of Laws	13	37	12	6	5	4	77
Percentage	16.88	48.05	15.58	7.79	6.49	5.19	100
6. Enforce of Building Codes	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
Drugs/Alcohol	35	24.65
Traffic/Speeding	20	14.08
Burglaries	14	9.86
Shoplifting	1	0.7
Domestic Violence	3	2.11
Peace Disturbance	12	8.45
Animal Control	37	26.06
Weeds	19	13.38
Fraud/Counterfeiting	1	0.7
Totals	142	100

Streets and Sidewalks *BC = Boone County

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

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	Yes	No	Totals
5. City Street Lighting	49	28	77
Percentage	63.64	36.36	100
6. Improve Exist Sidewalks	60	13	73
Percentage	82.19	17.81	100
7. Add Sidewalks/Streets	46	26	72
Percentage	63.89	36.11	100
8. Tax on Streets/Sidewalks	35	37	72
Percentage	48.61	51.39	100
9. Motorists Drive to Fast	39	35	74
Percentage	52.7	47.3	100
10. Appropriate Speed Limits	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
1. Sturgeon to Grow	38	28	3	3	3	1	76
Percentage	50	36.84	3.95	3.95	3.95	1.32	100
2. Control Additional Growth	24	27	12	8	2	2	75
Percentage	32	36	16	10.67	2.67	2.67	100
3. Design Regs for New Cons	14	19	21	14	4	2	74
Percentage	18.92	25.68	28.38	18.92	5.41	2.7	100
4. Design Regs for Exist Cons	9	19	16	22	9	0	75
Percentage	12	25.33	21.33	29.33	12	0	100
5. Owners Do Whatever	16	11	16	16	14	2	75
Percentage	21.33	14.67	21.33	21.33	18.67	2.67	100
6. Taxes for Econ Develop	12	24	24	10	2	5	77
Percentage	15.58	31.17	31.17	12.99	2.6	6.49	100
7. Taxes Retail Develop	14	38	12	4	2	4	74
Percentage	18.92	51.35	16.22	5.41	2.7	5.41	100
8. Taxes for Ind Develop	17	35	11	5	3	3	74
Percentage	22.97	47.3	14.86	6.76	4.05	4.05	100
9. Revitalize Downtown	18	32	14	6	2	3	75
Percentage	24	42.67	18.67	8	2.67	4	100
10. Overall Appearance	4	26	23	12	9	1	75
Percentage	5.33	34.67	30.67	16	12	1.33	100
11. Employment Opportunity	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
a. Yes	5	20.83
b. No	19	79.17
Totals	24	100

Housing

Do you rent or own your home?

	Total Votes	Percentage
1. Rent	10	17.54
2. Own	47	82.46
Totals	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
1. Subsid Rental Low-Income	6	23	17	12	10	6	74
Percentage	8.11	31.08	22.97	16.22	13.51	8.11	100
2. Subsid Rental Elderly	14	37	11	5	2	6	75
Percentage	18.67	49.33	14.67	6.67	2.67	8	100
3. Ownership for Low-Income	11	34	21	9	2	2	79
Percentage	13.92	43.04	26.58	11.39	2.53	2.53	100
4. Ownership for Mid-Income	9	44	12	6	1	4	76
Percentage	11.84	57.89	15.79	7.89	1.32	5.26	100
5. Ownership for High-Income	7	31	14	13	7	4	76
Percentage	9.21	40.79	18.42	17.11	9.21	5.26	100
6. Manufac Homes on Lots	8	25	21	13	7	2	76
Percentage	10.53	32.89	27.63	17.11	9.21	2.63	100
7. Manufac Homes in Parks	7	32	20	10	4	3	76
Percentage	9.21	42.11	26.32	13.16	5.26	3.95	100
8. Town-House Rental Devel	8	34	24	2	2	5	75
Percentage	10.67	45.33	32	2.67	2.67	6.67	100
9. Afford Housing Disabled	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
1. BC Needs More Doctors	11	29	20	9	2	4	75
Percentage	14.67	38.67	26.67	12	2.67	5.33	100
2. BC Needs a Dentist	13	28	20	5	4	4	74
Percentage	17.57	37.84	27.03	6.76	5.41	5.41	100
3. BC Needs an Optometrist	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
a. Yes	47	68.12
b. No	22	31.88
Totals	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
1. Attract New Industry	29	33	10	2	1	2	77
Percentage	37.66	42.86	12.99	2.6	1.3	2.6	100
2. Attract Retail Business	26	38	7	1	1	2	75
Percentage	34.67	50.67	9.33	1.33	1.33	2.67	100
3. Attract a Hotel/Motel	3	9	30	17	11	5	75
Percentage	4	12	40	22.67	14.67	6.67	100
4. Attract Service Business	12	40	12	6	2	4	76
Percentage	15.79	52.63	15.79	7.89	2.63	5.26	100
5. Attract Health/Medical	9	33	24	4	3	2	75
Percentage	12	44	32	5.33	4	2.67	100
6. Improve Apper of Comm	20	28	19	4	1	2	74
Percentage	27.03	37.84	25.68	5.41	1.35	2.7	100
7. Improve Apper of Downtown	22	31	15	3	1	2	74
Percentage	29.73	41.89	20.27	4.05	1.35	2.7	100
8. Create New Jobs	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
1. to live is	29	38	8	1	1	0	77
Percentage	37.66	49.35	10.39	1.3	1.3	0	100
2. to raise children is	26	37	11	1	1	1	77
Percentage	33.77	48.05	14.29	1.3	1.3	1.3	100
3. to retire is	25	34	12	3	1	2	77
Percentage	32.47	44.16	15.58	3.9	1.3	2.6	100
4. to work is	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
1. Much Better	1
Percentage	1.35
2. Better	25
Percentage	33.78
3. No Change	37
Percentage	50
4. Worse	5
Percentage	6.76
5. Much Worse	2
Percentage	2.7
6. N/A	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
1. Playground Equipment	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
2. Horseshoe Pits	0	1	1	2	3	0	0	0	0
Percentage	0	0.56	0.56	1.12	1.69	0	0	0	0
3. Shelter Houses	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
4. Baseball Fields	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
5. Softball Fields	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
6. Sand Volleyball	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Percentage	0	0.56	0	0.56	0	0	0	0	0
7. Park Restrooms	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
8. Soccer Field	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
9. More Park Land	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
10. Fitness Trail	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
11. Football Practice Field	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
12. Outdoor Basketball Court	3	0	7	10	6	3	0	0	0
Percentage	1.69	0	3.93	5.62	3.37	1.69	0	0	0
13. Roller Hockey Court	0	1	1	2	2	0	0	0	0
Percentage	0	0.56	0.56	1.12	1.12	0	0	0	0
14. Skate Park	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
15. Tennis Court	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
Total Votes				178					
Total Percentage				100					

Church & Community Programs

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

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

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

Business

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

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

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

Transportation Services

	Yes	No	Totals
1. Do You Have a Drivers Lisc	74	0	74
Percentage	100	0	100
2. Are You Able to Drive	74	0	74
Percentage	100	0	100
3. Public Transport in Town	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
1. Work	16
Percentage	12.4
2. School/College	6
Percentage	4.65
3. Child Care	4
Percentage	3.1
4. Doctor/Dentist/Therapist	26
Percentage	20.16
5. Hospital	17
Percentage	13.18
6. Bank	15
Percentage	11.63
7. Local Businesses	11
Percentage	8.53
8. Shopping	28
Percentage	21.71
9. Recreation	6
Percentage	4.65
10. Other	0
Percentage	0
Total Votes	129
Total Percentage	100

Indicate where you purchase the majority of each good.

Goods

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

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	Sturgeon	Out of Town	Don't Buy	Totals
6. Hardware	54	29	1	84
Percentage	64.29	34.52	1.19	100
7. Lawn/Garden	25	50	6	81
Percentage	30.86	61.73	7.41	100
8. Lumber	9	58	7	74
Percentage	12.16	78.38	9.46	100
9. Home Interior Accs	4	62	9	75
Percentage	5.33	82.67	12	100
10. Restaurant	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
1. Attorney	0	57	17	74
Percentage	0	77.03	22.97	100
2. Banking	48	29	0	77
Percentage	62.34	37.66	0	100
3. Computer Service	3	44	27	74
Percentage	4.05	59.46	36.49	100
4. Accounting/Taxes	7	48	17	72
Percentage	9.72	66.67	23.61	100
5. Day Care	16	5	48	69
Percentage	23.19	7.25	69.57	100
6. Hair Stylist	22	33	14	69
Percentage	31.88	47.83	20.29	100
7. Building Contractor	15	25	34	74
Percentage	20.27	33.78	45.95	100
8. Electrician	14	31	31	76
Percentage	18.42	40.79	40.79	100
9. Painter	19	17	39	75
Percentage	25.33	22.67	52	100
10. Plumber	22	24	35	81
Percentage	27.16	29.63	43.21	100
11. Interior Decorator	2	21	50	73
Percentage	2.74	28.77	68.49	100

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

About You...

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

	18-30	31-40	41-50	51-60	61-70	71-80	81-up	Totals
2. What is Your Age	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
3. Are You Registered to Vote	67	4	71
Percentage	94.37	5.63	100

	Sturgeon	Hallsville	Columbia	Centralia	Jeff City	Moberly	Retired	Unemploy	Other
4. Where Do You Work	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
Total Votes	73								
Total Percentage	100								

	Sturgeon	Clark	Outside City	Totals
5. Where Do You Live	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
6. Length Lived in Sturgeon	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
7. Type of Housing Unit	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
8. What is Your Occupation	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
8. Continued	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
9. Total Household Income	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
10. Type of Internet Service	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
11. Rate Your Internet Service	22	10	8	2	11	53
Percentage	41.51	18.87	15.09	3.77	20.75	100

	Yes	No	Totals
12. Children in Sturgeon R-5	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.