October 2016 Survey Results

Results from October 6th Open House and online Survey Monkey.
146 Respondents (23 at Open House; 123 via Survey Monkey)
Poll open between October 6th and October 27th

Q1

Are incentives necessary to encourage more growth in Metro Everett?

- Absolutely Not
- Probably Not
- Neutral
- Probably Yes
- Absolutely Yes
Q2

Do you believe that 1,000 units of market-rate housing in the next 7 years will improve Metro Everett?

Q3

Should housing for low-income persons be increased in Metro Everett?
Q4

Should the city provide economic incentives to create more housing in Metro Everett?

Q5

Should the city provide tax credits for business that create new jobs in Metro Everett?
Q6

Should the city provide more funding for public art, even if this raises charges to property owners or others to fund?

Q7

Should the city commit dedicated resources towards enforcement of blighted properties in Metro Everett?
Q8

Should the city reduce off-street parking requirements in Metro Everett?

Q9

Should the city encourage more frequent turnover in on-street parking spaces in Metro Everett?
Q10

Should the city increase allowable building heights and development capacity near transit and light rail?

Q11

Should the city pursue the lower Hewitt Avenue plaza?
Q12

Should the city pursue development of more public open space areas in Metro Everett?

Q13

Should the light rail station be located near Broadway?
Q14

Should parking for light rail be located close to I-5?

- Absolutely Not
- Probably Not
- Neutral
- Probably Yes
- Absolutely Yes

Q15

Are pedestrian improvements between Everett Station and downtown needed?

- Absolutely Not
- Probably Not
- Neutral
- Probably Yes
- Absolutely Yes
Q16: Do you have any comments on our Draft Action Strategy Report?

Less homeless people in metro Everett would be a huge improvement. Current public spaces are completely overrun by the homeless, and are unusable for residents.

Other than the link preceding the poll so I have a better sense of what's being discussed, no.

The metro Everett area has a ton of potential! Please keep this place growing!

Just don't gentrify low-income areas of town, please.

Need to improve area around Everett high school and evcc, kids should not be finding needles everywhere.

I trust our City Council to make these decisions, but it is nice to learn what is going on and allow my voice to be heard. Thanks!

No more entertainment options are necessary for the young professionals in the area.

A lot of information.

Broadway avenue is a main entrance to Everett. The EVCC area is taking a positive direction. More attention is needed for the middle section of Broadway from Everett Ave down to the college.

Work on fixing traffic in and around Everett to satisfy current residents before thinking of attracting more. Everett residents are fed up with traffic and the homeless/drug situation and high amount of crime. We are sick and tired of the theft and property damage. Do nothing and you drive out mid-higher tax paying residents and end up with a low income city. Work on making Everett more attractive to mid-higher income families which helps the tax base pay for items in the plan. Everett is a pictorial city with appeal, and would be nice to attract more than low-income or homeless flocking here from around the state for all the free services this city provides. Please help the quality of life for those of us taxpayers that are already here. A concern in building more open space is that it would end up like the beautiful train station and overrun with vagrants, and people fearful of that area. I know that Everett is
working on these issues, but it’s what plagues us here and now, so difficult to concentrate on 2035 light rail and development to support it with these immediate problems. Thank you for listening.

It looks great, hope it comes to pass.

Great planning and foresight now I really hope it can be implemented

Everett has so much potential. I work there and wanted to live there, but could not find affordable and nicer housing in the area.

In order to develop metro Everett, you absolutely must address the homeless issue. Under the bridge at I-5 and Smith Ave, the homeless numbers are increasing, many are building shelters out of junk, and there is more garbage and graffiti again. It had improved early this summer, but is falling back to its previous horrible conditions. Why is the shelter not responsible for keeping their area clean?

Upzone, and streamline zoning regulations

It would be nice to have more family centered activities like an aquarium and indoor water park

This should have been implemented 20 years ago - think St.Louis!

A pretty weak survey that wasn't specific enough on details. What about historic preservation? What about streetscapes and trees? Let's keep making our beautiful city even more so.

Pedestrian consideration is needed. Do something about crosswalks that are not triggered by the buttons to start with.

Move low barrier housing closer to downtown Everett where residents can be closer to counselors, chc, hospital, UGM, transportation, etc!

Neutral on the *location* of Light Rail, but do think getting it here in a timely manner is *crucial,* both economically and for livability.

Dedicated bike paths. Plan for lots of parking - one reason I don't use current transportation more.

I may after I read it.

You need an "I don't know" option here. That's what I used Neutral for.

One of the things I love about living in Everett is having the resources and amenities of a medium-sized city that still maintains a small-town feel, all within walking distance of quiet, residential neighborhoods. I think the work done on this plan is fantastic and I look forward to seeing it implemented. I would just like to highlight that part of what makes Everett unique is its quiet, small-town feel. Also, while I believe that the transportation upgrades (including light rail) planned are, in general, a good idea, these must come with a corresponding increase in resources allotted to law enforcement to ensure that Everett remains a safe place to live, work, and play. The goal needs to be encouraging positive elements to come to Everett while discouraging and removing negative elements. I would also like to see an increase in the budget percentage (if at all financially possible...I realize that it may not be) for arts and the public library system, as these are important cultural and civic cornerstones of the community.

PLEASE build Senior Apartments, age over 62, NOT 55 +!

Everett has a lot to gain as being a successful city center if the planning accounts for growth and capitalizes on being a destination for entertainment, food and art!

Parking needs to be as close to the transit station as possible. If it is too close to I-5, it can cause backups in that area further congesting central Everett during rush hours

Wonderful! But please, PLEASE remember affordable Senior Housing. Seniors like to be close to thier doctors and hospital, as well as groceries etc.

To be clear, I think building heights could be higher near the transit station, but I do not support increasing building height increases elsewhere at this time. For example, I would not be in support of highrises that block views in current residential areas. Putting highrises near the transit stations would create views where none currently exist, due to that land being located in a dip in the terrain.