KITTERY GROWTH MANAGEMENT PROGRAM ADVISORUY COMMITTEE – PUBLIC SURVEY RESULTS, JANUARY 05, 2011

1. Why do you live in Kittery? ***(Check all that apply)***

Access to Boston, Portland & Portsmouth	57%
Affordable housing	20%
Born here	17%
Access to work	32%
Close to ocean	68%
Good quality of life	67%
Good quality of services	24%
Good quality of Schools	13%
Small town atmosphere	58%
Other reason	6%

2. How would you rate the following town programs?
(1 = Poor / 5 = Excellent)

Fire Department	4.0
Health & Medical	3.2
Emergency Medical Transport	3.4
Municipal Administration Departments	3.2
Police Department	3.3
Public Works Department	3.5
Solid Waste Transfer Station	3.7
Recreation Department	3.3
Boating, Docks/Ramps	3.3
School Department	3.0
Library	3.4
Senior Citizens	3.1
Sewer Department	3.4
Adult Education	3.6
Water District	3.6
Internet Service	3.1
Cell Phone	2.7

3. How important is it for you to have the following available?
(1 = Not Important / 5 = Very Important)

Churches	2.7
Local Shopping Facilities	3.4
Cultural Facilities	3.6
Beach, Shore, Open Space & Wildlife Areas	4.5
Designation of a Walking/Biking Greenbelt	4.0
Extended Municipal Water System	3.0
Extended Sewer System	3.0
Better Internet Cable System	3.5

4. With growth, how would you rate issues facing Kittery in the future?
(1 = Not Important / 5 = Very Important)

Providing affordable housing for local workforce	3.7
Maintaining small town character	4.2
Protecting farm and forest resources	4.3
Protecting natural resources such as shoreline and wetlands	4.6
Providing an acceptable level of town services	4.0
Providing public parking in different areas	3.2
Maintaining Open Space	4.3
Maintaining or decreasing current tax and fee rates	3.8
Protecting the water supply	4.5
Managing automobile traffic	3.7
Keeping Kittery attractive for both younger and older residents	4.3
Making the town an attractive site for small business	4.1

5. Please rate how important it would be to allocate tax funding for:
(1 = Not Important / 5 = Very Important)

Public Access to Waterways	3.5
Bicycle Trails	3.3
Sidewalks/Pedestrian Ways	3.6
Education	4.2
Electrical Energy from Renewable Resources	3.7
Historic Sites and Buildings	3.4
Indoor Recreational Facilities	3.1
Passive Outdoor Recreational Areas (e.g. Walking Trails)	3.7
Cemeteries	2.8
Playgrounds	3.2
Playing Fields	3.3
Protection of Groundwater Supplies and Aquifers	4.3
Protection of Marsh/Wetlands/Vernal Pools/Wildlife Habitat	4.2
Protection of Unique Scenic Areas	4.1
Swimming Pool	2.5
Woodlands	4.0

6. How would you rate transportation ideas with economic development implications?
(1 = Not Important / 5 = Very Important)

Widening the bridge lift spans to accommodate cruise ships?	2.1
Commuter rail service between Kittery and Boston?	3.4
Elimination of the traffic rotary at the junction of Rtes 1 and 236?	2.2
User-paid, trolley transit the Outlet malls, Pepperrell Cove, Foreside, and back?	3.0
Realigning Route 1 for straight highway access to-from the Trading Post-Kittery Circle?	2.4

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7. Do you prefer the Town implementing a growth management policy to: *TOTAL No. of RESPONSES:* 232

Allow growth anywhere?	Concentrate growth where it is now?	Encourage growth where there is little now?
28	163	41
(Scattered development) 12%	*(Centralized development)* 70%	*(Clustered redevelopment)* 18%

8. To create a business/jobs growth incentive, would you support the town implementing a State program that allows the creation of Development Districts using tax increment financing (tax revenues from the District) to fund growth related public improvements while sheltering said increases from reductions of state revenue sharing & aid for education, and lessening the county tax?

TOTAL No. of RESPONSES:	174
YES	130
NO	44
% YES	75%

9. Would you support the expenditure of town funds to acquire and protect more open space for conservation or recreation?

TOTAL No. of RESPONSES:	223
YES	186
NO	37
% YES	83%

10. The Town of Kittery should continue to partner with organizations like the Kittery Land Trust and Maine Coast Heritage Trust to protect more land with critical natural resources such as shoreline, forest, fields and wetlands.

TOTAL No. of RESPONSES:	232
YES	211
NO	21
% YES	91%

11. The town currently has a "mixed use" zone from the Rte 1 mall area to the York town line where little permissible growth has occurred in its 20 year existence. Should this zone be restructured to enable a designed growth pattern for uses currently not permitted?

TOTAL No. of RESPONSES:	202
YES	154
NO	48
% YES	76%

12. Should the town create Historic Preservation Districts including Kittery Foreside/Wallingford Square and Kittery Point Village and establish zoning requirements to preserve their current "New England" character?

TOTAL No. of RESPONSES:	217
YES	175
NO	42
% YES	81%