

<u>How do you feel about local taxes?</u>	Strongly agree ↓	Agree ↓	Disagree ↓	Strongly disagree ↓	No opinion ↓
1. Local (non-school) taxes are reasonable.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2. Local (non-school) taxes are fairly assessed.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3. Town services and expenditures reflect good use of taxes.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4. School taxes are much too high.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5. School taxes are fairly assessed.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
6. School taxes are being well utilized in Rondout District.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
7. Please offer suggestions on the assessment, collection or use of local taxes.	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>				

<u>How do you feel about housing?</u>	Strongly agree ↓	Agree ↓	Disagree ↓	Strongly disagree ↓	No opinion ↓
1. It is easy to find housing in the town that I can afford.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2. The high density or clustering of houses is of concern to me.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3. I favor development of more multi-family structures, e.g., town houses/apartments.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4. Trailer-homes are an acceptable type of housing for many residents.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5. Please provide suggestions for improving the housing situation in Rochester.	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>				

<u>Rural Character & Environment</u>	Strongly agree ↓	Agree ↓	Disagree ↓	Strongly disagree ↓	No opinion ↓
1. The town's streams, vistas, woodlands and topography are vital assets worth preserving and enhancing.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2. The town's open spaces, such as those made possible by family farms, should also be preserved.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3. Incentives for preserving open spaces and family farms are needed, even if the town will be responsible for some of the cost.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4. Preservation of the town's historic sites is important.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5. The rural character of our town could be enhanced if new businesses and multiple housing units had to conform to location, design and/or size restrictions.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
6. A new or updated comprehensive plan is needed for the Town to provide an agreed-upon framework for guiding growth and change.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
7. Development along US route 209 needs to be better regulated in terms of the type and appearance of new businesses.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
8. When available, I prefer to buy my produce and other goods locally.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
9. Existing town statutes and codes need to be more strictly enforced.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

<u>Rural Character & Environment</u> (Continued)	Strongly agree ↓	Agree ↓	Disagree ↓	Strongly disagree ↓	No opinion ↓
10. The town building and zoning codes, if enforced well, can be effective in preserving the town's natural and historic assets.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
11. Please provide suggestions for other ways to preserve the natural and historic character of Rochester.	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>				

<u>Economic Development</u>	Strongly agree ↓	Agree ↓	Disagree ↓	Strongly disagree ↓	No opinion ↓
1. Town government should encourage new economic and commercial activity.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2. New economic and commercial projects should be approved only within a framework that places controls on type, location and size.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3. The town's <u>zoning regulations</u> need changes to place tighter controls on type & size of development that is allowed in our town.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4. The Town Board needs to exert more management oversight to its code enforcement, planning and zoning bodies.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5. Development within the town must respect its historic and rural character.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
6. The Hamlet of Accord should be revitalized by encouraging a clustering of commercial development.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
7. Other hamlets in our town also deserve to be revitalized.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

<u>Economic Development</u> (Continued)	Strongly agree ↓	Agree ↓	Disagree ↓	Strongly disagree ↓	No opinion ↓
8. Commercial development should harmonize with other community facilities for the benefit of both.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
9. Please provide suggestions for other ways to enhance the quality of life in the Town through economic or commercial development.	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>				

<u>Recreation and Culture</u>	Strongly agree ↓	Agree ↓	Disagree ↓	Strongly disagree ↓	No opinion ↓
1. Rochester's recreational facilities (e.g., hiking/biking trails, Rondout Creek, sports fields, swimming pool) are important assets in the town.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2. I support the use of property taxes for the improvement of the town's recreational and/or sporting facilities.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3. The town should promote better access and tolerance for residents who enjoy outdoor sports (e.g., hunting, biking, snowmobiling).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4. More enrichment efforts in the arts, music and crafts are needed in the town.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5. More programs for youth and seniors are needed.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
6. I would support a town-sponsored summer day camp for town youth.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
7. The town needs its own library.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
8. Please provide suggestions on other ways to improve recreational and cultural features of Rochester.	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>				

<u>Communications</u>	Strongly agree	Agree ↓	Disagree ↓	Strongly disagree	No opinion
1. Communications within our Town need to be improved:	↓ ↓ ↓	↓ ↓ ↓	↓ ↓ ↓	↓ ↓ ↓	↓ ↓ ↓
a) between residents and officials/employees	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b) between “weekenders” and full-time residents	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c) between the Town and the schools	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d) among officials of the Town (Board, Planning, ZBA, Tax Assessor, Code Enforcement, Highway Department).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2. I would be willing to attend specially convened community meetings to learn about developments and share my concerns.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3. A Town Newsletter would be useful for improving communications.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4. Putting recordings of Town Board and other official town meetings on public access television is valuable.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5. Improvements are needed to information/communications infrastructure in the town (e.g., cellular service, wider broadband and cable TV coverage).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
6. Please provide suggestions on other ways to improve communications in our town.	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>				

<u>Additional Comments</u> What are your concerns that have not been asked about or that you would like to explain further?	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
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What are YOUR priorities?

Choose and rank up to five items on the following list that represent areas you feel the Town Board should treat as priority issues. Put "1" next to your highest priority issue, "2" next to your second highest priority issue, etc., up to "5."

<input type="checkbox"/>	Property and school taxes that are fair and reasonable
<input type="checkbox"/>	Housing that is affordable for working and/or retired residents
<input type="checkbox"/>	Preservation of the town's rural and historic character
<input type="checkbox"/>	Development of a new Comprehensive Plan to guide planned growth and development
<input type="checkbox"/>	Enhancement of the town's building and zoning codes, and the ability to enforce them
<input type="checkbox"/>	Controlled development along the Route 209 corridor
<input type="checkbox"/>	Making the town more attractive for new economic and commercial development
<input type="checkbox"/>	Provision of controls on new economic activities (such as type, size, location and appearance)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Revitalization of the hamlet of Accord through enhanced commercial and community facilities
<input type="checkbox"/>	Improvements to the town's recreational and sports facilities
<input type="checkbox"/>	Explore ways to promote arts, crafts and music in the town
<input type="checkbox"/>	Establish a library in the town
<input type="checkbox"/>	Create more programs targeted specifically towards youth and seniors
<input type="checkbox"/>	Improving communications on town issues and among its diverse residents
<input type="checkbox"/>	Improvements in communications infrastructure such as cellular service, broadband and cable TV
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____

Who are you? (OPTIONAL)

Name (Please print)	Last _____ First _____
Address	_____
Telephone	()
Email Address	_____

**THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THE SURVEY!
PLEASE PUT IN THE MAIL BY FEBRUARY 26, 2005.**