



AGENDA
for the Planning Commission
of the Town of Palisade, Colorado
341 W. 7th Street (Palisade Civic Center)

September 20, 2022

6:00 pm Regular Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/3320075780>

Meeting ID: 332 007 5780

I. REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:00 pm

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

IV. AGENDA ADOPTION

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS / PRESENTATIONS

A. PUBLIC COMMENT REMINDER:

All emails are to be sent to the Community Development Director at brusche@townofpalisade.org. Emails for public comment on a specific agenda item received prior to the day packets are published will be included with the staff report. Emails received after the packets are posted will be forwarded to the Planning Commission. Any member of the public who wishes to have a statement or email read into the Minutes is required to appear in-person at the meeting and make said statements to the Commission directly.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes from August 16, 2022, Regular Planning Commission Meeting

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT – For items not on the Public Hearing agenda

Please keep comments to 3 minutes or less and state your name and address. Neither the Planning Commissioners nor staff will respond to comments at this time. The Commission may direct staff to look into specific comments to bring back as an Agenda item at a future meeting.

VIII. UPDATE ON THE PALISADE GAME PLAN (comprehensive plan update)

From Community Planning Strategies (CPS)

www.PalisadeGamePlan.com

IX. ADJOURNMENT



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
PALISADE PLANNING COMMISSION
August 16, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Planning Commission for the Town of Palisade was called to order at 6:00 pm by Chair Amy Gekas with Commissioners present: Riley Parker, David Hull, and Don Bosch. Vice Chair Leora Ruzin and Commissioner Penny Prinster were absent. A quorum was declared. Also in attendance were Community Development Director Brian Rusche and Administrative Assistant Shelley Kopasz.

AGENDA ADOPTION

Motion #1 by Commissioner Bosch, seconded by Commissioner Parker to approve the agenda as presented.

A roll call vote was requested
Motion carried unanimously

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community Development Director Rusche announced the date of August 25, 2022, from 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. for an Open House with CDOT and Community Planning Strategies (CPS). CDOT will be soliciting input of future improvements to Highway 6 Project from the community.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion #2 by Commissioner Hull seconded by Commissioner Parker, to approve the Minutes from the August 2, 2022, Regular meeting of the Palisade Planning Commission, as presented.

A voice vote was requested
Motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT

None was offered.

UPDATE ON THE PALISADE GAME PLAN/COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

Kris Valdez and TJ Dlubac of Community Planning Strategies launched a presentation of the Town of Palisade 2022 Game Plan and delivered the Project Status Summary to the Steering Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

Community Development Director Rusche announced a vacancy on the Planning Commission and submissions should be sent to brusche@townofpalisade.org.

Motion #3 to adjourn by Commissioner Bosch, seconded by Commissioner Hull at 7:09 p.m.

X

Amy Gekas
Planning Commission Chairperson

X

Shelley Kopasz
Administrative Assistant

DRAFT

Town of Palisade

2022 Game Plan

September 20, 2022, Project Status Summary

Project Summary:

The Palisade Comprehensive Plan (the "2022 Game Plan") is a planning document providing a framework for future land-use decisions in Palisade to ensure the vision developed through community engagement is created. The 2022 Game Plan allows the community to collaborate on Palisade's future. Once adopted, the 2022 Game Plan will supersede the 2007 Palisade Comprehensive Plan (the "2007 Plan").

Summary of Completed Tasks to Date:

Below is the list of tasks completed since **August 16, 2022**, when the last Project Status Summary was provided. The table also identifies what section of the project proposal the task relates to.

Task Description	Task Number in the Project Management Strategy
1. Posted the Week 12 community question on the website.	Task 1.5: Community Engagement
2. Tracked comments from Palisade staff for Chapter 3: Natural Hazards and Community Resiliency in the spreadsheet	Task 2.1: Draft Plan Elements
3. Drafted Chapter 5: Multimodal Connections.	Task 2.1: Draft Plan Elements
4. Began drafting Chapter 6: Capital Projects	Task 2.1: Draft Plan Elements
5. Continued mapping and creating graphics for all chapters of the 2022 Game Plan.	Task 2.1: Draft Plan Elements
6. Developed and sent Brian the spreadsheet for the Directors of Palisade to fill out for Capital Projects.	Task 2.1: Draft Plan Elements
7. Posted the Week 13 community question on the website.	Task 1.5: Community Engagement
8. Created maps for the Open House on August 25, 2022, with CDOT.	Task 2.1: Draft Plan Elements
9. Entered Steering Committee comments into the spreadsheet for Chapters 1 to 4.	Task 2.1: Draft Plan Elements
10. Held the Open House with CDOT on August 25, 2022, from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm.	Task 1.5: Community Engagement
11. Recorded comments from the Open House with CDOT into Chapter 5: Multimodal Connections.	Task 1.3 Steering Committee

12. Posted the Week 14 community question on the website.	Task 1.5: Community Engagement
13. Delivered Chapter 5: Multimodal Connections to Brian.	Task 2.1: Draft Plan Elements
14. Posted Week 15 community question on the website.	Task 1.5: Community Engagement

Summary of Completed Community Engagement to Date:

The [2022 Game Plan website](#) has been updated and revised based on comments from the community and Palisade staff. The feedback was that the Question of the Week was difficult to find, and it was hard to locate the correct week in the Padlet community forum. The Library page was also updated from a grid format to a list format to make it easier for the community to find the existing documents and future chapters of the Game Plan.

Multimodal Engagement:

CPS and Town staff participated in the joint Open House with the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) on August 25th. CDOT solicited input on future improvements to Highway 6, and the Project Team capitalized on the great opportunity to solicit feedback from the community on multimodal connections throughout Palisade.

CPS has transitioned from an open community engagement exercise such as the Values Game to focused engagement activities.

Question of the Week - Week 15

What is your favorite festival in Palisade?

What is your favorite festival in Palisade? *

I don't think the Farmer's Market counts as a festival, but it's our favorite! We want to love the Peach Festival, but it was way too busy and unorganized at the entrance last time.

This form was created inside of Community Planning Strategies, LLC.

Google Forms

Question of the Week!

Palisade 2022 Game Plan

COMMUNITY PLANNING STRATEGIES JUN 16, 2022 03:04PM

What makes Palisade special to you? (week 1)

COMMUNITY PLANNING STRATEGIES SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Please see previous responses in the Community Forum below.

The agriculture — ANONYMOUS

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Palisade is unique , every street you walk, no two houses are the same .Cookie cutter subdivisions need multiple floor plans ,60 homes =30 designs . Plus a tree for every other house

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Small town vibe who value local business and residents

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Small scale, agriculture based, pedestrian friendly, friendly.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

The combination of small farm town community, with seasonal economic boons via tourism.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

what makes Palisade Special to me

I love the small town, safe feeling of living on Palisade. Thats why I moved here and that why I have stayed here. I do not want it to become a large subdivision of GJ or big like Fruita. I love the agricultural aspect of it. Please keep the orchards!!!!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

The small town vibe! Feeling safe letting my kids walk and bike around town because traffic is not heavy. The beautiful orchards.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Small town feel, it's a great place to raise kids. I feel safe letting my kids ride bikes around town, to the pool and stay out until the street lights come on. Childhood lived outside on a warm summer day, just like it should be. Makes me nostalgic for times gone by, not in Palisade, parents have that for our children here.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

The small rural tourist flavor, where golf carts or scooters for old farts and bikes for kids is safe. The natural beauty,the bookcliffs, the parks, the river etc. Please don't allow high density housing ruin our town!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

The availability of produce!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

I love the small town feel with some new thriving businesses. There's produce, great restaurants, a bank, a vet. Everything that you need. A great day is one where I don't need to drive to Junction.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Riverbend park is a gem. I go there at least 5 days a week.

What would you like to see less of in Palisade? (week 2)

ANONYMOUS SEP 09, 2022 04:04PM

Less gatekeeping

This is an amazing town with so much opportunity but it has a dreadful NIMBY vibe where newcomers are made to feel unwelcome. Palisade does not live up to the stereotype of small towns being friendly. This is a cold-hearted, insular community that sucks up to tourists due to the revenue they bring but ostracizes anyone "new" who attempts to set up roots here and support local businesses. I often wonder how long you have to live here before the locals stop treating you like absolute pond scum.

COMMUNITY PLANNING STRATEGIES SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Please see previous responses in the Community Forum below.

Corporations like Dollar Store – ANONYMOUS

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Chain stores and large developments

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Week 2

Eliminate the streetlights in the middle of blocks. We don't need them and it's inconsistent throughout downtown. At the very least, they can be barn-doored to just point down. Let's promote night skies and save the town some money too!

YES! 100% agree with this. We have a street light right across from our house and it takes away from our enjoyment of sitting on our front porch at night. There is absolutely no reason for it to be pointing on the street and into my house. Not to mention it's an outdated HPS light which isn't the most energy efficient lighting technology anymore. 100% on board for becoming a Dark Sky community!!! – ANONYMOUS

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Bright lights! (Require dark sky compliance). Less tear downs downtown.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Reduce the amount medium to high density residential zoning. quality over quantity needs to be prioritized.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

what I want to see less of

I do not want to see a lot of big store Corp built here, and I do not want to see more orchards lost to homes. Palisades charm is its SMALL population and small town feel due to that. Please NO more festivals added!! Traffic is horrible already!!

Without tourism income and without housing growth where do you propose the money will come from for infrastructure improvements? I suspect you are not for tax increases either? – ANONYMOUS

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

I was born and raised in Palisade . When I visit there now there isn't much left of the place that I loved. I was so disappointed in all the housing and how many orchards have been destroyed for new housing. Very sad to see how it has changed.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Less chains and cookie-cutter subdivisions.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

I would like to see fewer large subdivisions.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

New home construction, chain stores/restaurants, promotion of tourism in the "off" season, let the locals take a breath and enjoy quiet winters.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Cut down on streetlights near Taylor Elementary - Its not Fort Nocks! Keep Orchards! - offer sellers to use land trust, not create KOA housing trailer parks

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Ok, I will just come out and say it... drunk people on bikes riding 3+ deep and swerving all over the place! Somebody is going to get ran over.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Promotion and marketing of Palisade. While we all enjoy the tax dollars we are also dealing with the ramifications of the recognition our town is receiving. Horrible traffic/parking issues, RUDE visitors, increased crime, etc. There has to be a balance.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Marijuana dispensaries

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

People moving to Palisade bringing with them the failing policies from where they just left!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM
Tourists

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM
Chain stores. Residential cookie cutter subdivisions.

If you sent a postcard to your future self, what do you hope Palisade is like in the future? (week 3)

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM
Dear self....

I'm so glad the town board decided to minimize development in Palisade in the year 2022 or we would have no water! What they did saved the people that rely on it for agriculture and living, even though the developers were desperately trying to develop every strip of land they could..thanks Palisade for protecting our most precious resources!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

I would like to see thriving local businesses and a healthy community that has not outgrown its infrastructure. I would love to see that there are no chain stores and a downtown farmers market where you always see your friends, neighbors and local business owners.

Right! Not a million strangers struggling to push through the shoulder to shoulder crowds. — ANONYMOUS

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Postcard for 2054, dated 2022

Dear self,
It's hard to believe that 32 years has passed since I sent myself this postcard from the summer of 2022, and Palisade is finally celebrating its 150th anniversary of becoming a town! Isn't it wonderful that we have maintained our small town feel, and aren't the surrounding orchards and vineyards amazing!? The town founders and growers would be so proud to see that what they built has lasted 150 years and is as vibrant as ever. Happy Sesquicentennial, Palisade!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

future Palisade

I want it to be the SAME!! Charming- safe- low noise and traffic !! That is why I moved here!!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Dear self,

It's July and another gorgeous day here in our special little town. Went for a stroll this morning to the Farmer's Market and saw several kids riding bikes along the way. One kid even had a lemonade stand. Price was \$1.00. Can you believe that? I'm so grateful we've still got that low-key small town vibe here. New development has been carefully considered and appropriate for the size and culture of this place. We only have one stop light at Elberta and the Hwy. Downtown boasts no chain or box stores. Us old-timers still gather at Slice O' to watch the tourists rent bikes and go exploring. Dolce Vita!

so glad the town did not fall for more growth and big time developers years ago! Its so wonderful to have that small town safe feel when everyone else is letting their towns grow out of control! We still have good water, safe streets, and not all that big town riff raff from overdevelopment!! — ANONYMOUS

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Cycling

I am so grateful that Palisade kept it's small-town feel and invested in open space, parks, children's recreation, preserving orchards, and strong cycling and walking paths. It's a safe place to ride around and take in the beautiful views.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

I hope it has retained and even reclaimed some of it's "Mayberry" charm.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Don't lose our charming ' unique Town

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

I sure hope Palisade started investing in it's youth and celebrating it's senior population by offering Recreation programs to keep everyone engaged and active in the community!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Still quaint, full of orchards, small town feel

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM
SMALL!!!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM
Mayberry

I hope Palisade retains it's small-town feel, without any chain-stores or franchises, good cycling infrastructure throughout town, and ample recreational opportunities out my door. — ANONYMOUS

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM
I would hope that it is the same that it is now. Some tourists. Some small festivals. Friendly people. Bikes and river floaters. Great restaurants.

Which are the three most important issues for you and for Palisade right now? (week 4)

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM
Infrastructure, Responsible Growth and tourism that is economically sound with sustainability efforts towards the impact of the town.

Vague buzzwords & broad aim. Elaborate a little... — ANONYMOUS

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM
Top Three Things

In no particular order:
- Maintaining small town feel
- Protecting the vineyards and orchards from city-sprawl
- Infrastructure improvements for current residents of Palisade

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM
1. Preserve the historic character of town- create a historic preservation district and design standards. Fear- tear downs or major remodels that will change the character of the buildings. 2. Preserve the agricultural heritage 3. Allow for more short term rentals to keep people in town and increase lodging taxes which can be used for a bigger pool, community center and other needed amenities, street and infrastructure improvements.

ST rentals needs more exploration and definition. Usually more construction goes hand in hand with rentals. What is the owner occupied timeframe requirement before something can turn rental? — ANONYMOUS

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM Water, Infrastructure, Growth Management

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM
Providing a sensible development and growth path for the Town of Palisade that allows development of residential areas, but also puts the burden of infrastructure development on the developers. Not the town.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM most important issues

Right now the Traffic is #1 to me. I cant get out of my street most days now. We need roundabouts or stoplights on Elberta from 1-70 to Highway 6. Flashing signs for speed is a waste of money- nobody heeds it!! I think a roundabout somewhere off 1-70 to slow traffic- maybe at Golden gate area, then a traffic light or roundabout at highway 6 from Elberta- you cant even get across it most days June-Oct. too many streets with frontage roads, and too much traffic on highway 6.
#2nd We need MORE Police activity. Where are they? I see them once a week- rest of the time, everyone knows they arent around- its a known fact to the townspeople.
#3 We need Animal control badly. Either a contract with Mesa County, or our own Animal control officer. Loose dogs are out of control here.
#4th Doing more for Residents than the tourists. residents feel like we dont matter anymore. Its all about the tourists.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM
-Sustainable Tourism and community involvement
-Action regarding agricultural water rights and climate change
-Town infrastructure improvement

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM
1.Update infastructure; roads, water and sewer, bridges, etc.

2. Create recreation programs for residents, specifically youth.
3. Keeping Palisade a small, safe, tight-knit community.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM
1) A return to a focus on the needs of residents for town capital improvements and infrastructure, and impacts on residents of new development; 2) examine and evaluate all tourism-related activities (current and future) against metric of “is this appropriate or beneficial to our town;” 3) revisit and update building and

construction codes – ones for new construction or flippers and perhaps another set that are more suited for in-place (and long term) residents on small to medium-sized improvements to their property. Not one size fits all.

wanting the town to remember the residents live here and moved here because it was small- not getting carried away with the tourism and festivals that get bigger and bigger. leaving the orchards and vineyards which make this little town unique – ANONYMOUS

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

- 1) Fix the intersection of Elberta and Front St. It's awful turning there and dangerous.
- 2) Reinstate Children's Parks and Rec Programs or consider a community center.
- 3) Large sidewalks and cycling pathways.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Build a Waterpark near where the sewage ponds are after they are removed ; Repave our streets; Build homes that are not 5 feet apart

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Roads, sewage & over spending

We have all this money & all these grants but little has been done. The roads are awful. The street sweeper continues to peel up the asphalt that's falling apart. Our timeline to improve our sewage is closing plus it stinks up our park & neighborhoods. We have more town staff with higher wages from just a few years ago but a lot less is being done around town. I believe we could be doing a lot better then what we have been getting.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Figuring out a balance between tourism/tourist's and retaining residents. Too many tourists in town being terrible visitors are going to make residents fed up and want to leave.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Please remember that some of us actually live in town, having made conscious decision to do so many years ago. The last few years, it seems that the entire focus has been on more tourism: more people, more traffic, more live (loud) music, more alcohol, more festivals/events. Business owners have come here to plunder and maximize profits. They give nothing back to the town, yet their businesses have a huge negative impact upon actual residents. Drunks on rental bicycles, food trucks/trailers, and the proliferation of alcohol consumption has not had a positive impact upon those of us who actually live here.

For the benefit of those of us who live in Palisade, it would be extremely beneficial if at least one of the three parks could be designated as requiring dogs be on a leash. It has become unsafe for senior citizens, walking small dogs on leashes, to use any of the three parks. Some of our neighbors now drive their dogs to Canyon View Park in GJ in order to be safe for their animals and avoid confrontation from the off-leash dog owners, many of them very aggressive, who insist they have a right to all three of the park areas. Residents are no longer the focus of the Town, it is all about tourists, music, festivals, and alcohol consumption.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

1. Growth related to housing prices; 2. Ensuring future viability of agriculture 3. Ensuring tourism is thriving but not taking over

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Only 2:

Infrastructure

Making sure us residents don't get run out of our own town, or become so forgotten we choose to leave. You're getting close Palisade!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Responsible use of water, a bike lane along North River Road which goes around and back up Hwy 6 & 24, Responsible growth.

Do you want to see more housing in Palisade and if yes, what types? (week 5)

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

yes. absolutely. towns must grow in order to survive. Palisade needs avoid the pitfalls of high density, and even some medium density residential developments. Or ToP risks becoming East Clifton.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

housing

No- Palisade needs to stay SMALL, Agricultural, and Charming. This is why people come here!!! If we keep building homes- its no longer a small charming town- it will just look like every other place!!!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Palisade does not need any more housing, especially no high-density housing near the orchards or the heart of town. I could see an apartment building out by I-70 as being a benefit, so that there would be an option for people of varying incomes, but it's not a top priority. Another hotel out by I-70 would be nice so that the tourists could spend the night in town more easily, rather than giving their money to Grand Junction, but it's not necessary. In this case, smaller is better, in my opinion.

No more housing in that there's already strain on the sewer systems, traffic and water. In addition, the places to grow involve using agricultural land. More houses mean less green space, hotter weather. — ANONYMOUS

Additional housing isn't necessary for growth. Economic growth, or equilibrium means that cost of services is commensurate with town income. More growth means more services. — ANONYMOUS

Too many Denverites already. — ANONYMOUS

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

NO, NO, NO, HEEELLLL NO!!!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

No but some realistic rent costs would be nice.

Rent is out of control everywhere. So for Palisade's to go below market, it would have to be subsidized or controlled somehow. Which a slippery slope to bigger government and govt assisted. — ANONYMOUS

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

No more housing. The old houses are what gives the town it's charm and makes people want to live and visit here. No need to turn it into suburbia.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Nope!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

No high-density housing of any kind! We are not a suburb of GJ. We are a stand-alone thriving small community consisting of primarily single family housing. IF more housing is proposed/planned it needs to be appropriate in size and style to the neighboring environment, matching the culture of the town -- i.e. smaller homes; no starter castles; no townhome style communities. Further, any new housing needs to meet green building standards.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Fix up run down houses that already exist

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Maybe some, but not a lot - Palisade is unique because of it's smaller size.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

NONE!!! Most of us who have bought homes in Palisade have done so BECAUSE Palisade is a small community!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

I think it's unrealistic to say "no more housing development" but I do not like the idea of high density development.

Do you want to see more commercial uses in Palisade and if yes, what kind of commercial uses would you like to see? (week 6)

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Restaurants that are actually affordable and OPEN regularly, more local mom and pop shops

They need to make \$ in order to be staffed and pay utilities and rent/mortgage to be open. Which isn't sustainable year-round. Especially if the townspeople don't want more tourism (those people shop) nor more residents. Current residents need to shop small and be willing to curb trips to GJ and online shopping. This is a complex issue. — ANONYMOUS

I would absolutely shop and dine out more in Palisade if there were decent shopping and dining available. Most of the retail space available in our very limited downtown area is occupied by business offices and quite frankly it shameful. Those spaces should be reserved for retail and dining only. — ANONYMOUS

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

No we are close enough to a major town for any commercial needs

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Commercial services and businesses in the form of locally owned arts and crafts that will cater to the tourists and locals alike. We need shops so that walk-by traffic will stop in.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

We feel that the restaurant options could definitely be expanded in Palisade, especially during tourist season. Many times the current restaurants are full, and the locals who just want to pop over for a meal without a reservation are out of luck. As locals, we'd frequent more restaurants, even during the shoulder season, if they were available.

As previously mentioned, another hotel by the interstate would be helpful.

Other than that, we don't want to see any more commercial businesses in Palisade. We prefer the small town feel and enjoy the little local businesses we have. (Yes, we know we can't have it both ways... but you asked!) ;)

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

More affordable local restaurants. Encourage small business start-ups to stay here.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Paddleboarding at Riverbend.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

NO!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Yes a few....For restaurants, we've lost the "locals" café now that Fidel's has focused its marketing and menu to tourists. The "greasy spoon" kind of place you find in most small towns in America where locals meet and talk and have an affordable and standard breakfast and lunch items without TV. Thank goodness for Slice O! Other retail could perhaps be a locally owned bookstore specializing in local recreational books/maps -- could also host readings. Perhaps a gourmet foods shop that has an olive/cheese/cracker selection where locals can shop for fresh items (not available at FFT) and visitors can build a box lunch for their day's adventure. I miss the kind of gift shop like Lupita's (housed in the bank building a few years back) with some smaller, unique home furnishings, cards and gift items.

I miss Lupita's Bizarre Bazaar too!!! — ANONYMOUS

A speciality foods store with cheese and sandwiches would be fantastic! — ANONYMOUS

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Clean kitchen

No one asked for a clinic. But a lot of people wanted a small business incubator type place. Where they could rent space with a clean kitchen to make all kinds of items. Palisade is a blue collar community & the town doesn't support us. Instead they focus all their efforts into tourist. But if it wasn't for the local crafts, amazing fruits & vegetables & adult establishments the tourists would move on. Let's find ways to support & encourage our diverse community instead of finding new commercial businesses.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Clean kitchen

No one asked for a clinic. But a lot of people asked for a small business incubator type place. Where they could rent space to make all kinds of products in a clean kitchen. It would be nice to support the business we already have instead of finding new commercial businesses. The tourists love the unique crafts, amazing food & adult establishments. They want local, fresh, handmade items it's what makes Palisade so special. Why not have better support systems during the winter? Quality is what we should be striving for the Town of Palisade.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Sure, year-round restaurants would be great, and honestly more establishments that serve food in general (they don't have to be chains, local is great). I think there's too much alcoholic establishments and too few food establishments.

Agreed! — ANONYMOUS

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

This is kind of a laughable situation in Palisade. We market the hell out of it to get people to visit and then have little to no options for dining, lodging and shopping. Seem's a\$\$ backwards to me.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

I don't feel we need any more commercial use. We pretty much have what we need at this point in time.

When it comes to managing growth, would you rather have future buildings go up in height in specific areas of Palisade to use less land or for growth to extend further out to maintain the view corridors? (week 7)

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Keep the expansion limited. Be mindful of the views and also night light-pollution.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

We cannot infringe on the views that make Palisade so amazing. The tourists are here because of the small town atmosphere. Agriculture wine and the views. They want to escape the city, Unless tourism is not driving the economy here?

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Neither!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

If we are more selective about what occupies the spaces we currently have, neither of these options will be necessary.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Certain areas are currently an eyesore. Perhaps start with raising standards of maintenance. Maybe limited shorter multi-housing by the interstate where views won't be compromised. Set limits on orchard development and developers must fund some green space/town beautification. But we know developers will pass that expense on to buyers, which will continue the home price increase.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Growth

Keep the growth Further out from our town please! Keep the Palisade corridor open land with orchards and vineyards. Put growth east towards Clifton!!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Could there be a growth plan from this process that makes this question unnecessary? Let's instead improve the management and development of those already targeted zoned areas and existing commercial areas. Use the elements of this new plan to manage those very areas first. No tall structures ever please! Maintaining the view corridors is essential to the culture and integrity of our small community. Would instead encourage the purchase the development rights of any properties east of town to come up for sale to extend our green belt between Clifton and Palisade.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

KEEP AS IS

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Don't ruin the views

Our views make Palisade special. Offering a sweet deal to one lady to remove our only public restroom to put in a several story hotel while tax payers pay for parking along the train tracks shows how our current town administrator runs a buddy system and doesn't follow the current codes. The town attorney insures the town administrator gets what she wants. I miss the days when the former town attorney represented the citizens & safe guarded the town so we were not in so many lawsuits.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Stop trying to "expand" Palisade! No one wants that, we all moved here because it's a small Town. If we wanted to live somewhere larger we would have bought homes in GJ!!!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

No tall buildings. Palisade is all about the views.

What is your favorite natural amenity in Palisade? Why? (week 8)

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

The Rim Trail and Riverbend Park are both stunning places to spend time.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

River, Mesa , Orchards

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

We love the Palisade Rim Trail, views of the orchards, vineyards, Bookcliffs, Grand Mesa, and even views of the Monument off in the distance. There could be a more extensive hiking trail along the river without a negative impact.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Riverbend Park. It's the "gold mine" of our community. Accessible, partially developed to meet many recreational needs. It is treasured by our town residents and treated respectfully in keeping it clean. For many, it is the social center of Palisade. Leave the west end undeveloped and rough. Proceed with caution on any more development and more festivals/events please.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Riverbend Park

What a great park. The only thing that needs improvement is the west end. It was suggested years ago to preserve the old pads that once had the picker homes. Instead the trees & weeds continue to degrade our historical site. It's completely neglected. There is one sign that talks about the history. We say we want to preserve the agricultural history & this would be the perfect place to do that. One picker home would be a great addition! Please don't let it continue to fall apart. It's part of our history!

It would be so cool if the historical society and the town were able to turn that area into an educational spot with recreated homes! I've seen similar setups in Breckenridge, Frisco, and Delta at Fort Uncompahgre. — ANONYMOUS

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

River Bend Park. Sure would be nice to add a swim area and swim beach now that a lot of the Tamrisk has been cleared.

Ability to paddleboard on the pond would also be awesome! — ANONYMOUS

Agreed 100% — ANONYMOUS

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Our world class drinking water!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Hard to beat Riverbend Park

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

The views of Mt. Garfield and the Mesa (oh and the National Monument actually)

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Water

What is your preferred park in Palisade and how do you use it? (week 9)

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

I like the playgrounds at Peachbowl Park for my small children and I like Riverbend for taking walks. The only park we generally don't utilize is the one by the skate park because of the older children and sometimes adults who are around. They are not always kind to me or my children and my kids are often uncomfortable there.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Riverbend. River access, walking trail, picnics, fishing.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

A thought about Peachbowl Park...what a waste! Thos park is a wonderful space but is grossly underutilized because no one seems to care for it. The baseball park is in shambles which is a shame! Kids should be able to use the space for a pick-up game of baseball, the volleyball pits are full of weeds and cat poop, the play grounds are tiny, the open space isn't used or marketed at all. There could be so much more happening there!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

RIVERBEND

Great park with lots of activities. Could use some shade for parents watching children at the playground.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Riverbend Park - we walk there

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

All three. We love Riverbend for it's size and trees. We homeschool, walk, bike and play there. My kids love running around at the playgrounds at peachbowl after swimming. And my son loves the skate park, he wants to go constantly.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Riverbend. It's my sanctuary. I'm a 20 year resident and I use it all year-round. Dog walking, picnicking, quiet walks, meditation, socialization, bird watching, rafting, bicycling, and walking in sun/rain/snow. Hope to take up disc golf soon too!

Riverbend Park for dog walking and various events and festivals.
— ANONYMOUS

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

We love to walk and bike through Riverbend Park. The zipline at the playground there is great for kids as well. Peach Bowl Park has so much potential but needs to have some money invested into it to clean it up and the pool really needs to be expanded for how many people use it on all the hot summer days we have.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Veteran's Park - my church meets there! I would use River Bend substantially more if I could do it as a running loop - I avoid it now because if you run it towards Clifton it just dumps you out on G road, where traffic is going 55 miles per hour.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Veterans Park is beautiful and right in the middle of Town. It would be great if we could fix up the crumbling Community Center and have more community events there.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Why is all the grass at Peachbowl Park dead or dying? I know water is scarce but it seems like we could cut back somewhere else and keep our park facilities looking attractive. If not, could we instead invest in some Zeroscaping?

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

I love all the parks in Palisade. Please keep the homeless from inhabiting them like in GJ so we can continue to enjoy them!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

The bmx park is also wonderful but needs shade and potable water.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Riverbend Park. I go there almost every day with my dogs. (...and yes, I scoop their poop along with any other that I see).

What is your ideal recreational activity in Palisade? (week 10)

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Biking around Town, though Riverbend Park, swimming at Peach Park, and paddleboarding.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

We love to walk around town after dinner. It will be even easier to do this when the sidewalk project is complete!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

We love to ride our bikes along the Scenic Fruit & Wine Byway, and around town. We would like to ride our bikes to the Palisade Rim Trail, too, but River Road doesn't have very wide shoulders.Would it be possible to widen the shoulders along River Road, Hwy 6 (and the roads that zigzag through the vineyards and orchards) to better accommodate cyclists & allow drivers a comfortable distance from them?

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Running! Second - paddleboarding!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Wish I didn't have to drive so far for my kids to participate in organized sports!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Wish we could paddleboard on the ponds

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

the "ideal" recreation in Palisade would be any sort of recreation in Palisade that is geared towards residents rather than visitors, ie: Plunge, Hiking Trails, Wine Tours, River Floating. All great activities no doubt, but if we could have something, anything, more resident focused it would be appreciated.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Biking, paddleboarding, walking and smelling the orchards! I also 100% support the option to take the bus into Grand Junction - yay Grand Valley Transit!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

I walk in Riverbend almost every day, I ride my bike (would love a bike lane along North River Road and Hwy 6&24) and I float the river in the summer.

How do you get where you need to go in Palisade? Does it work for you? (week 11)

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

I walk to do all my errands in Downtown Palisade, eat at the restaurants, and walk around after dinner, and once the sidewalk project is done, that will be much easier. My husband likes to ride his bike, but the lack of shoulders on Highway 6 and River Road, etc, make that a little more complicated. For trips out to the south side of town, we usually drive. Wider shoulders for pedestrians and cyclists would make our job as drivers easier, too.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Mostly biking and walking and usually with my kiddo. It works for us, but it can be a bit scary since we lack sidewalks and there aren't really any dedicated bike lanes.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Biking, walking, driving.

Biking, walking, driving. Would like to see speed limits lowered and noise enforcement along front street, along with more pedestrian crossings. From the High School to Ace should be 25mph with nice bike lanes given the amount of kids and pedestrians in the area. Speed should also be lowered near the rim trail, lots of pedestrians, families, and cyclists and vehicles doing 60+ right next to them

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Golf cart and YES!!! We absolutely love that we can drive our golf cart in Palisade.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

I live very close, so honestly I walk most places, it's very rare that I drive anywhere in Palisade, and I LOVE THAT part of it. If it's a little farther I bike!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

I live in town and I try to ride my bike and/or walk to wherever I need to go.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Walking everywhere. Yes, it does. The town can identify those sidewalks that need repair to eliminate tripping hazards.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Walk

I walk or ride my bike all around town. It is very unsafe especially with the increase in tourism. I would love to have a walkable town instead we have a lot of potholes, poor patch work, crumbling roads and lack of continuous sidewalks. Please beautify Palisade with long overdue infrastructure needs!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

I walk and ride my bike to do whatever needs to be done in Palisade. The side streets are not busy which helps and I like the neighborhood feel.

If you could make one improvement to the infrastructure, such as roads, sidewalks, bike lanes, etc. to Palisade, what would it be? (week 12)

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Where sidewalks are not possible, please widen the shoulders to accommodate cyclists, pedestrians, or slower moving vehicles.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

1. Sidewalks! We have a lot of unfinished areas without sidewalks (1st st comes to mind).

2. Paint the roads!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Roads

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Bury all of the overhead lines

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

One change

I would add a roundabout at exit 42 to slow traffic down and also allow people to exit their streets! Traffic is terrible and drives too fast no matter how many signs are out on Elberta!!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Fiber Optics

I would make fiber optics available to each house in Palisade. Access to high-speed internet would enhance the quality of life of everyone here in Palisade.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Safer bicycle paths since Palisade promotes cycling!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

More pedestrian friendly for kids and cyclists!

Wide bike and pedestrian trails from the high school to Ace or even the rim trail. Slow down traffic by the rim trail. 25mph from highschool to Ace. Designated pedestrian crossings, especially to the pool from Riverbend across Front street. Bike lane to Clifton or connecting riverfront trail for cyclists.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Sidewalks a long both frontage roads from the high school all the way through town to the bridge. And, NO more temporary orange fencing during festivals (not a classy look). So,maybe roses or hedges (beautiful natural deterrents) between frontage roads and the highway to permanently encourage crossing in designated areas.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Improve the pedestrian corridor from the wine country inn and golden gate gas station to the rest of palisade. There is no safe pedestrian crossing on the bridge because there is no sidewalk.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

I would like to see a traffic signal at the Hwy and Elberta. We don't need a roundabout. It's not THAT busy. CDOT public meetings are coming for discussion on options. If that project moves forward, then my second would be to improve/modify street lighting to be less harsh and more conducive for night sky viewing. Could be installation of amber color bulbs and eliminating middle of block lights in streets town.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Roads

Our roads are embarrassing, hazardous & long over do. Along with the sidewalks or lack of sidewalks. We want to promote a small town feeling but we do not take care of the residence who do walk, bike, push strollers around town but have to zig zag around the numerous obstacles to get from point A to point B. Typically if the road is going to be fixed that is a time you also add bike lanes and improve sidewalks so picking one seems to be a mute point.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

High speed internet service

Do you have any suggestions to improve transportation services in Palisade? (week 13)

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Palisade is largely a pedestrian and biking town. Would like to see more sidewalks particularly from Iowa to high school, dedicated bike lanes and traffic lights that would allow crossing of highways that can be activated by people needing to cross

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

More bike lanes and sidewalks, please!

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Get drunk people with bikes off our roads

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Perhaps have the clinic opens, there would be a free shuttle/taxi service available for seniors to get to/from the clinic. Also enforcement by police of law signed by Gov Polis (May 2021) regarding off highway vehicles being driven in town. ATVs, four-wheelers, and side-by-sides are not allowed, but I've already seen some in town. (Exceptions could be made for those licensed vehicles used in fruit deliveries during season). We already seen evidence in other towns in CO and in Moab of the danger, nuisance and noise pollution they bring. Lastly, notices included with all bicycle rentals in town on cycling safety and CO laws i.e. reminders to use hand signals when turning and stopping at intersections.

The Town Of Palisade as well as Mesa County allows ATVs and off-road vehicles around town. When you actually look at Moab it is a huge increase of revenue. Some may find it annoying while others enjoy the experience. Our speed limits in town are slow enough and we should encourage more of these alternative vehicles that use far less gas. — ANONYMOUS

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

PLEASE bring fiber optics / high speed internet to us! The service provided by Spectrum is okay at times, but it is flakey.

ANONYMOUS SEP 06, 2022 03:05PM

Reliable high speed internet is critical in this day and age. Remote working requires this, as does doing homework for the high school, not to mention how important this is for the businesses in Palisade. (Thankfully the school district has a 1:1 technology policy, but access to the internet is required to make this truly successful for the students.) We've seen information about bringing fiber optics to each house in Palisade, and this would be a wonderful amenity to this already amazing town.

How is the internet and cell service in Palisade? (week 14)

ANONYMOUS SEP 14, 2022 02:08PM

Terrible

The power goes out in Palisade often. The cell service & internet is slow. Not sure if fiber optic would be better?

The questions so far have been superficial questions. How does this help the people living here? How is this a game plan? How is this helping Palisade improve? What is the vision? How are we creating a comprehensive plan for new businesses, buildings, conservation of Ag land, infrastructure issues and so on???

We all love the parks & such around Palisade which is why we live here. Can we move on to more pressing issues? Can we work through the challenges? We don't need more fluff questions about loving Palisade.

Timestamp	Your Name	What interests you the most about the 2022 Game Plan?	What would a perfect day in Palisade look like to you?	How did you hear about the 2022 Game Plan?
5/27/2022 12:15:07	Teresa Conard	I do not want to see rapid growth covering up valuable, historic and scenic farm land.	An ebike ride down by the river without getting run over by cars everywhere. A nice lunch with friends outside in downtown. Some wine tasting and live music with friends in the evening.	Facebook
5/27/2022 13:18:24	Trevor	Keeping palisades farming heritage the highest priority. "Save the farm land!"	Treat from Mary at slice of life. Hike up the rim or sneak onto the stagecoach trail (shhhhh hush). Quick float down the river. Lunch at 357, followed by vodka Rikky from distillery, pickle ball and a quick dip in the palisade pool next door, swing by mclanes for peach ice cream. Walk the dog at the river bend park. Head up to Talbots to catch a local band. Finish the night at the "Liv"	Email
5/27/2022 13:20:07	Alice Dussart	Growing community ties, having my voice heard, and seeing the plan implemented.	Waking up and walking to the bakery, visiting with my neighbors, playing at the river, and then enjoying a nice dinner with a glass of wine at one of our restaurants.	I was invited to participate by a TOP staff member.
5/27/2022 13:24:05	Summer Talley	Being able to involved in what happens to our community.	A walk down Main Street, browsing through the small shops, hanging at the farmers market on sunday, listening to local music, eating at the one of the local eatery's and grabbing a drink with friends. Bike rides, walks and park play at River bend with the kids or floating down the river. Visiting the alpaca farm or picking fruit... The small town, homey, yet active and farmey- feel is what makes Palisade feel so special and set apart from other towns.	Facebook!
5/27/2022 16:59:39	Bill Hoffmann	The plan is a chance to increase Palisade's livability.	To walk from home for errands. For instance, the post office, Food Town, the library, etc.	I received an email from Brian Rusche.
5/27/2022 17:37:14	Cheryl Young	<p>Responsible development. Growth should be limited to 2% a year. Tearing out orchards to make large RV parks or tiny home communities turns Palisade in a bedroom a "get away" community for the front range. It does not provide affordable housing to residents or workers. The community should support several small home or townhome developments that should be owner occupied and only for first time buyers, even when resold the houses need to be purchased by first time home buyers. The community should encourage these small developments so that you avoid the ski town mentality- that workers live clumped together in their own housing development - segregated from the rest of the community . We should stick with the two pot shops and no more.</p> <p>The increased cost of gas, the fact that no one can afford to live in Palisade, and the fact that school now starts the second week of August is making it impossible for small peach farmers to hire help. Everyone who has moved to Palisade loves the orchards - but many orchards struggle with finding help.</p>	Traffic not speeding on north river road. It would be nice if D-52 would add an ag class for the fall quarter/semester so kids who are interested could work in the orchards, learn conservation based agriculture (cover cropping, irrigation systems, organic practices, etc). There would be greater appreciation from long term residents to be more tolerant and appreciative of new comers and tourists - if cycling tourists would be more respectful when biking the roadways. A busy Sunday market is always part of a perfect day.	Facebook
5/27/2022 17:43:09	Michael Surber	Having a say in what Palisade becomes and avoiding "overrunning" our existing infrastructure.	It's close to perfect right now. Let's not lose that!	facebook
5/27/2022 17:44:17	Lisa "Moose" Levy Kral	I want to be involved in the process that helps shape the future of Palisade.	Going to local markets for local produce and products, enjoying a glass of wine at one of our many beautiful wineries, and cooking dinner with my husband using locally sourced ingredients.	From members of the Town of Palisade
5/27/2022 19:54:23	Kerry Hicks	Having a place to say what we hope for palisade	A hike or run, float the river, the brewery or distillery and maybe a barbecue at my house	Facebook

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5/27/2022 21:10:07	Connie Solomon	The 2022 Game Plan appears to be a thoughtful and comprehensive and most importantly it takes in consideration the hopes and wishes of the residents .	I like the small town feel of Palisade with its emphasis on the local farming community and its local entrepreneurs. Palisade provides wonderful opportunities for enjoying the great outdoors throughout the year. I like knowing my immediate neighbors and the people across town.	Email from the town
5/27/2022 22:33:25	Jeff Hill	Keeping the town and surrounding area as close to the agricultural roots as possible, while supporting local business and tourism	Calm , coffee on the porch, folks walking, riding bikes, taking the dog to riverbend park, stopping by the post office and shopping for most of my needs without going to GJ	Facebook
5/28/2022 0:57:04	Erin Stephens-Marner	I'm interested in hearing what the community wants from the town.	I'd love to have rec center for the community and way less drink bike traffic.	From Brian.
5/28/2022 1:19:06	Carol Pellowski	Having a vision for the future instead of regrets about letting things happen that are not good for the community.	People out and around town enjoying life with friends and family in a safe and healthy environment.	From newspaper article and Facebook outings.
5/28/2022 8:47:30	Gene Fourney	Commercial Development & Safeguarding Agricultural Land.	Touring Peach Orchards in Bloom	Facebook
5/28/2022 10:14:00	Brandy Savoni	Preserving the great things about Palisade and creating an updated plan that recognizes the needs of the community and communicates with the public.	Allowing development within boundaries that maintain and preserve what makes Palisade great. The absence of big commercial chains paired with keeping mom and pop stores, orchards and vineyards intact. The perfect Palisade would have more bike paths to keep residents and tourists safe and new developments would be limited to those who fit within the guidelines of preservation. Palisade would develop eco-tourism and maintain the small town feel that allows families to feel safe and secure. It would stay family-oriented in developments and new establishments.	Palisade group on Fb
5/28/2022 11:43:54	Jan Kimbrough Miller	balancing growth with maintaining what is unique about Palisade	floating the river, walking or golf cart to restaurants & activities, having the option to enter the "fray" of tourists and activity or hanging out with privacy	many residential rehab investors looking in Palisade. I own 5 properties in Palisade
5/28/2022 15:53:21	Joyce Colglazier	Keeping palisade with small town values	Sitting on my front porch, visiting with my neighbors; talking to folks that are walking by; Sleepy town feel.	Facebook and emails
5/28/2022 16:45:41	Lisa Bishop	smart growth and community involvement	family, friends, sunshine, laughter, local food and drink	town email
5/28/2022 16:47:40	Penny Shiel	Successful management of growth including tourism.	Being able to walk in to town without nearly being runover by speeders (on their way to the marijuana dispensary?), meeting a few people out for bike ride (and they're on the roadway following traffic laws, not on the sidewalk), having a coffee or lunch at one of our local restaurants that's not overcrowded with out-of-towners, enjoying the sounds of the birds on the breeze (not whatever is playing at the Brewery), doing a little shopping at our grocery or The Blue Pig, meeting a few more people along the way and having pleasant conversations with them.	The Friends and Neighbors page on Facebook.

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5/28/2022 18:48:12	Davelyn C Price	Thoughtful decisions based on a distinct plan with input and discussion by the residents as well as the Town Trustees, Planning Commission and Administration of the Town. Include reasonable guidelines for safety and well being of the community as well as environmental concerns which affect the residents of Palisade. Keep in mind that we are an agricultural region which has become much more impacted by tourism the past 10 years. Many of our locals want to keep the small town atmosphere alive. It will be difficult to do so, but careful planning, and with goals in place, we can preserve most of that ambiance. Green space and walking trails, along with well thought-out retail and residential development will strengthen that goal.	A unique place where there is space to walk about or travel about and see folks who seem happy, and where the community looks prosperous and well maintained. The agriculture activity surrounding it is critical in many ways to achieving this special place.	Internet mail from the Town of Palisade
5/28/2022 18:56:22	Christopher britt	To provide input	No tourists	Radio
5/28/2022 22:47:22	Lorna Reed	Farms/land development or lack thereof	A photo tour of the peaches in bloom, a sandwich from A slice of Life to enjoy while wine tasting in EOM on an electric bicycle with blue skies and puffy rain clouds moving in.	Face Book
5/29/2022 10:06:44	LISA L WANGSNES	I LIVE HERE! I want my community to stay small and quaint.	NO traffic, Quiet, no riff raff!!	facebook
5/29/2022 12:28:13	Bob Roukema	Maintaining a sense of small town, encouraging agritourism, and controlling responsible growth	Walking through the farmer's market, having lunch downtown, then visiting a winery or brew pub.	The CAVE
5/29/2022 14:52:33	Anthony Huff	Preserving open spaces and limiting population growth	Live music and tourists	Email from TOP
5/29/2022 23:56:54	Ashley McGee	Future of palisade	Hiking, paddling and end the day with a nice meal with palisade wine or spirits	Cassidee Shull
5/30/2022 10:06:48	Lily scott	Housing & traffic control	Walking by the river or riding bike through the orchards	Facebook
5/30/2022 12:12:54	Garn LeBaron	I want to insure my voice is heard, and let the commission know that slow, steady, well-planned growth is the path forward.	I have them nearly everyday, spending time at home and visiting local shops and businesses.	After the most recent planning commission meeting and then the implementation by the commission of the moratorium on new residential developments.
5/30/2022 12:18:49	Nicola LeBaron	Smart growth with correct infrastructure	I already have perfect days here.	The moratorium
5/30/2022 13:05:56	Rick Fox	zoning and murals	everyday in my home with my wife and golden retrievers	email
5/31/2022 9:39:11	Mary A. Miller	Being aware of what is being considered.	Walking safely to shops, parks, and music venues.	Facebook
5/31/2022 15:09:44	Tim Boyle	It will give the town a platform for making important development decisions based upon proactive citizen input and reduce the amount of angry reactive input that the planning commission and board of trustees is currently subjected to when considering new proposals.	A float on the river followed by a glass of wine with friends at a local winery and finishing with a lovely dinner in an outdoor setting.	Posts on facebook.
5/31/2022 15:38:50	Ty Johnson	Understanding how Palisade plans to handle growth	River activities, live music, beer	Town staff

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5/31/2022 17:17:45	Melinda		a nice hike followed by a drink at one of the wineries, brewery or distillery and a nice dinner out	business card, work colleague
6/1/2022 20:48:44	Ashley	Development rules and regulations	My perfect day in Palisade would be bulldozing my orchard and enjoying painting my house with polka dots	You spent more pushing and advertising this than helping the current businesses and growth projects
6/5/2022 12:09:49	Riley Parker	The opportunity to share my input into what Palisade will look like in future generations.	Being able to walk on clean, safe, protected sidewalks; being able to ride a bicycle on designated bike paths, being able to take my dog on a walk around town or at the local parks without being molested by off-leash dogs that seem to be part of the culture of Palisade. Being able to dine locally without paying for the high prices that are commanded by the restaurants that cater to tourists. Being able to enjoy walking in an area that is protected from future development by preservation for future generations.	Participation in the local Planning Comission process.
6/5/2022 13:53:53	JoAnn Rasmussen	Maintaining the small town vibe and quietness of Palisade.	There would be two versions of this, since we live here. One perfect day is during tourist season: we would walk to the event/festival (Palisade Farmer's Market, or a festival), spend a couple hours enjoying that, and then walk home. We would take an evening stroll around town after dinner, and then we would look at the stars from our backyard. On a "normal" day when there isn't a festival, we would hike Palisade Rim Trail or another trail near town in the morning, grab lunch in town, and cap off the day with gazing at the stars again.	The Town of Palisade website. We're not on FB, so please continue posting information on the main website.
6/7/2022 16:03:40	Laurie	Shaping our future town to keep the small town, agricultural, and friendly atmosphere. Smart, well thought out growth.	A stop in town where you say hello to other locals, stop in and shop at a locally owned store to pick up a necessary and affordable item, then grab a good meal at a local affordable establishment before helping some tourists find their way to the local farm stand.	A post on Palisade Facebook page.
6/7/2022 17:47:15	Marsha Kosteva	The creation of a thoughtful and strategic vision document for our special place, while keeping close the values important to town residents, services and businesses. I have experience in master planning to share and am a 20-year downtown resident.	Awake to the sound of bird song by the finches and robins in my yard. Make my way to Slice O'Life and get a coffee and a berry cup. Sit outside and let the day begin its tenor. Check out what new releases Elise has put up on the rack in the Library. Grab two DVD's that look interesting. Catch the whistle of the 11am Amtrak and make note if it's running on time today...or not. Hit FFT if I need something. Stroll home, visiting dogs in yards along the way. Home to couple hours of computer time, then off to my sanctuary "Riverbend Park" around 3-3:30 for weekday afternoon stroll (super hot days excluded!) Have the place pretty much to myself -- maybe get a Heron or Eagle sighting. Dinner time head over to see Oscar at the El Ray food truck for a burrito. Home to enjoy the meal, glass of wine and the close of another perfect day in Palisade. (Note: being retired helps with this routine :))	Been waiting for sometime for this comp plan to get going and get involved.
6/9/2022 13:32:56	Rachel Smith	Keeping Palisade as a small town. With appropriate growth while keeping the community together	Being able to walk to stores/post office/library, using the parks, watching kids safety walk the streets.	Email
6/14/2022 13:57:30	Jessica Cooper	Keeping current aesthetics and favoring economic drivers that benifit all.	Live music, local food and a river float.	Town emails

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6/17/2022 10:34:13	April Rose Gray	Not seeing my town I live in turn into something it shouldn't be.	Walking through town, visiting local business, strolling through neighborhoods, without traffic. Beautiful quiet SMALL town feel. Friendly neighbors. Able to enjoy the scenery without trying to look through large two story subdivisions. Being able to see stars without all the light pollution.	Town meeting.
6/17/2022 16:46:39	Susan Crossed	Working together as a community to come up with a plan that works for everyone.	Walking my dog, looking at the Mesa and the Bookcliffs, star gazing to finish off the day.	Town Email
6/18/2022 15:49:26	Charlene Weidner	Preserving what we have	Waking up and greeting the Rlver, the trees, and the canal. Maybe a walk or a hike. Having commerce to enjoy ie bakery, restaurants, library, wineries, music to attend but the town not so busy and overrun by tourists. Right now we seem to have a good balance. I love my town.	Town Email
6/20/2022 9:30:35	Sarah Matchett	I grew up on the edge of my grandfather's farm on 29 rd. My grandmother's people were from East Orchard Mesa and my Grandfather's from Appleton. I left to head to college and felt sure I'd be back to the western slope in 4 years. It took closer to 30 but we bought here in October 2021 and chose Palisade for it's walkability, community vibe, and attractive downtown. Our primary concern in purchasing here was that many of the downtown buildings were empty and that there didn't seem to be many young families around. I'd like to see Palisade become a thriving, multi generational, income diverse community that attracts 30 year old purchasing their first home as well as 50 year olds who are hoping to stay through retirement.	<p>Up early to meet friends for some lap swimming at the Pool and a walk with the dogs at Riverbend before it gets too hot. Walking home, I see my neighbor's son and his mom heading to the new breakfast and lunch spot where the old Pressed used to be. I decide to join them - it's a Monday but the shop is open as demand is always high and they have no trouble finding workers to staff it. Kids are running around the yard having a blast and parents are hanging out enjoying the grown up time.</p> <p>I head over to the grocery where I can pick up some local produce (even tho it's not farmer's market day) and a few other staples the home to prep for lunch with some friends coming in from GJ. After we eat we wander into town as they like to stop in at all the shops which have opened up in the downtown area.</p> <p>It's summer and HOT so we decide to pick up a tube from the provisioner at the Rim Trail parking lot and float down to river bend. We turn the tubes in at the boat ramp on river bend and walk back home.</p> <p>After dinner we sit out front to enjoy the evening and chat with neighbors. Our conversation is about the new development going in. . Some of us are excited to see some developments with smaller houses coming in, feeling like they will attract a younger population looking to buy their first homes. Other's are nervous that that they will all be bought with VC investment money, driving up the price and keeping out those buyers who might actually want to put down roots here and invest their time and talent in town.</p> <p>We also chat about community resiliency and are wondering how well equipped our town would handle a large emergency (fire, electrical grid failure, etc). We all feel the new medical center going in is a step in the right direction but we all worry a bit that we're too dependent on GJ. We also worry about opportunities for our just graduated from college kids who are either moving away, or who are moving in with us, as they can't find reasonable rent in town despite their full time employment.</p>	Facebook
6/22/2022 11:47:23	LINDA ROSE	What interests me is having the Palisade Community involved and participating together .	Keeping the Town SMALL... COMMUNITY SPIRIT... UPGRADES AS NEEDED.. KINDNESS TO EVERYONE.	FRIEND

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6/28/2022 18:40:00	Julia Puester	Guidance of future development, future amenities, and preservation of Town	People can walk into town, by historically protected homes to robust small independently owned businesses.	Facebook
6/30/2022 11:57:07	LisaMarie Pinder	Be apart of the community	Walk in the park, farmers market, winery, sunset on my patio.	Facebook
6/30/2022 12:11:03	Jennifer Asleson	Making sure the Palisade of the future is protected from the developers of today.	Everyone stopping at stop signs and walking their dog on a leash :-) Seriously, any day in Palisade is the perfect day but unperfect days involve too much traffic, too many new homes, less agriculture, and lack of control over growth. We should not get too big for our britches.	Facebook
6/30/2022 13:09:25	Colleen Balak	What impact future growth will have	Peaceful surroundings, good restaurants open daily, a way to learn in town news and happenings for seniors who aren't online.	Town Email
6/30/2022 17:35:37	Cyndy Bunte	Maintaining existing agricultural tracts	Happy citizens, happy visitors, happy businesses	Facebook
6/30/2022 18:10:56	John (Jay) E. Miller	Primarily zoning and development matters. Having a comprehensive plan that provides useful, well thought out	70 degrees and partly cloudy :). A ride through the orchards/vineyards, with a stop along the way for a fresh cold drink, a chat with the proprietor, and a peach or an apple.	Town Email
6/30/2022 20:40:28	Laurie Ehrich	ideas for the future development of Palisade keeping within the agricultural and rural small town setting. Establish housing and commercial growth limitations to ensure the survival of this agricultural community. Encourage farming (vineyards, peaches, pears, cherries, lavender, field-to-table gardens, hay, etc.) and provide support for this valuable resource. Rebuild old historic structures and maintain the unique atmosphere they provide. Require homeowners to maintain their property. Support local businesses. Avoid fast food outlets.	Surrounded by the natural beauty with bountiful agricultural fields, livestock grazing and small, local businesses thriving. A perfect start to the day is sitting at the Slice of Life Bakery after my morning walk and having a coffee and pastry visiting with others.	Facebook
7/2/2022 7:53:26	Becky Davis	smart growth	Every day in Palisade is already perfect 🍷	Town Email
7/8/2022 10:01:02	Desa Loughman	Having a vision & plan for the future of Palisade	<p>Every day in Palisade is a perfect day. We have friendly, helpful and hard working people throughout town that makes it a great place to live.</p> <p>But we are missing major infrastructure. It sure would be nice to have good quality sidewalks & roads to walk or ride bikes around town. Most roads are in bad shape & most blocks are missing sidewalks. We want to be a walkable town but it's lacking the basics. I'm disappointed that the CDOT project didn't include sidewalks or bike path especially along the frontage roads for all the kids walking to school. It's dangerous for pedestrians & all the tourists bike riding in the streets. I thought we had an ordnance requirement for sidewalks and landscaping for new applications but some businesses or developers don't have to include it?</p> <p>It would be nice to have our Parks & Rec program back that was dissolved overnight years ago with promises of it coming back.</p> <p>It would be nice to see the second phase of the skate park completed. It's used year around by a variety of age groups.</p> <p>It would be nice to not have flashing video signs. I thought we had an ordinance against that? But a new one was installed & I don't think it fits the country feel Palisade has to offer.</p> <p>It would be nice to find ways to encourage Agriculture growth to stay in town so it doesn't continue to be turned into housing that's promised to be affordable but always turns into expensive homes.</p> <p>It would be nice to encourage more small businesses to keep corporate America from ruining our town. We already have Subway coming. How will this new plan promote our small town feel so it doesn't turn into just another town full of the same old corporations? I hope the plan is well thought out so Palisade continues to grow in the right direction.</p>	Town's business card about it

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7/8/2022 10:16:20	Jesse Loughman	Streets and sidewalks, sewer project, all businesses treated the same (this isn't just a wine town), new town leadership, better feel at town hall (it seems like a prison in there), less alcoholic's on the town board and more local business owners would be a good start	5 years ago	Town Email
7/8/2022 10:25:55	Jesse Loughman	Less grants and more action	5 years ago	Town Email
7/16/2022 13:40:20	Bill Hoffmann	Everything.	I'll answer later.	Town Email
7/16/2022 19:54:39	Emily sanders	Being able to have a voice about the future of the community	Bike ride through the orchards for wine tasting, farm tours and then dinner downtown.	Facebook
7/17/2022 9:47:37	Winslow Robertson	parks and recreation in the area	Surfing a sweet wave on the river in my kayak, then riding to the brewery after eating a few tacos at one of the food trucks	Town Email
7/18/2022 17:33:42	Michelle Walker	An thoughtful update, without destroying the work done in 2007	Calm traffic on Elberta, a safe walk down and across 1st street to downtown, having a reasonable meal at a cafe with reliable hours, not having to constantly worry about town leaders ruining our Palisade	planning commission
7/21/2022 14:06:15	Gail Evans	That it does keeps Palisade from becoming an investors heaven, limit to rentals, short term, and more...not a commercial venue, or over-developed instead of a great place to reside.	The quiet, slow pace with attendant activities for outdoor adventures as it is currently framed. People who live here and care, get involved...not those who just want to commercialize and destroy what draws people here. The horse drawn, the peddlecabs, people strolling, bicycles, etc. A nice park and rec Center on Elberta on lot by bank...dreaming I know....	Town meetings and email
7/26/2022 15:53:35	Bill Binnian	Keeping up to date with technology, opportunity to repair needed streets, and developing better access to Riverbend Park	Enjoying fruit tree blossoms in the spring	Guest Lecture at Rotary Club
7/26/2022 16:02:28	Bill Binnian	Keeping up to date with technology, opportunity to repair needed streets, and developing better access to Riverbend Park	Enjoying fruit tree blossoms in the spring	Guest Lecture at Rotary Club
7/26/2022 16:03:33	Bill Binnian	Keeping up to date with technology, opportunity to repair needed streets, and developing better access to Riverbend Park	Enjoying fruit tree blossoms in the spring	Guest Lecture at Rotary Club
7/29/2022 20:27:31	Winslow Robertson	Provide input to prepare the TOP for the next 20 years	To see a community of young, vibrant people raising families like I was able to do.	Planning Dept. email
8/3/2022 21:26:50	Sandie Cooper	Input provided by community members will be heard and considered in the plan as it moves forward.	Waking up to the sound of ag workers in the orchards, going for a walk with my dog in the park and enjoying a drink or meal at one of the local restaurants.	Friend
8/5/2022 20:11:33	JJ Weis	I grew up in Palisade and I would like to be a part of its future.	I'm living it	Adam McEvoy
8/8/2022 15:34:21	Bill Hoffmann	It is a way to create a current vision about Palisade today and in the future.	To walk to errands around town.	Town Email
8/9/2022 13:40:21	Dave Smith	The future of recreation opportunities	Wake up and go to a state of the art Rec Center at Peach Bowl park and get in a workout and go for a swim. Go to downtown for a breakfast. Check out some wineries. Afternoon Float from Rim trail to new boat ramp at Highway 6 bridge or Riverbend. Apres on a roof top cafe enjoying views of the grand mess and Mt. Garfield	Town meeting
8/9/2022 17:50:32	Christine Moore	The desire to keep our community robust with agriculture while continuing to keep the density low allowing for everything most of us live here gor to remain appealing.	Being able to walk outdoors and see the vistas and safely walk my dog. Following to attend yoga in the park and then visit a local orchard to get my fresh food.	Facebook
8/10/2022 12:00:05	Jo Ann Turner	Keeping the small town feel of Palisade.	Taking a walk around Palisade, going through a few stores, grabbing something to eat or drink in Palisade, socializing with people.	Since we have no local newspaper anymore, and I'm not on the crazy social media, my daughter told me about it.
8/10/2022 15:45:38	Scott Holzschuh	Seeing an economic and socially smart plan to allow for growth while protecting quality of life issues.	As a retired entrepreneur my days allow flexibility to create and recreate at my own pace. Living in 81506 buffer zone I have abundant opportunities each day to make an impact on our land and in the lives of friends and family.	Brian

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8/10/2022 16:16:01	Gin Phillips	I'm not sure I fully understand what kind of feedback the project team wants, but in terms of land use, I'd like to see more conservation efforts of agriculture and open-space in place and less building congestion. In terms of other elements of the plan, I'd like to see more sidewalks throughout town with handicap accessibility, bike lanes (This town thrives on people getting around on bikes, both the local and tourist community. We need safe bike routes throughout town.), a recreation center, mountain biking trails, parks, water conservation measures (i.e., requiring residents to remove grass - at least in front yards - and replace with xeriscaping), working on becoming a Dark Sky community, etc...	Having breakfast at a local restaurant with my family, then going for a mtb ride followed by a town float on the glorious Colorado River with a pit stop at Clark & Co's Distillery, and finishing the day with food and drinks at Peach Street Distillery.	Facebook
8/12/2022 10:31:21	Rick Fox	zoning	Coffee at Slice of Life, then lunch 357, Dinner at Fidels before riding our bikes to a festival	Facebook
8/14/2022 13:34:15	Winslow Robertson	Guiding the Town's Comprehensive plan for the next decade +	Riding my bike, enjoying many dining choices we now have, grabbing a beer or glass of wine afterwards.	Town Email
8/18/2022 15:51:29	Joan-Carol Brigham	Preserving the profile of Palisade as an agricultural, artistic and active community	A long cycle, sitting outside having a bite to eat and a glass of wine, cleaning up, walking downtown and having a lovely dinner outside	Citizens for Smart Growth
8/20/2022 12:51:02	Dennis Lytle	Public input driving decisions	Mountain Biking, Floating the river, running in Riverbend, Beverage and produce tasting, more biking, eating and drinking downtown.	Facebook
8/28/2022 13:06:35	Cameron Robertson	Housing, recreation, transportation strategies	Walking out of the front door of my affordable home, walking by my neighboring healthy, profitable, and protected orchard/farm to a public shuttle that would take me to the riverfront whitewater park or into GJ to the Nat Monument. Afterwards id get some food at any of the supported and thriving businesses in downtown Palisade.	Family