

## Summary of results of paper surveys: Tonawanda Development: The Possibilities Are Endless

Question 1: Would you support a proposal to move the City Hall complex off Niagara St. to another location (such as the former Spaulding Complex or former Clint Small Stadium—Main and Roosevelt streets) area so that area of the waterfront can be redeveloped?

Total	1st Ward	2nd Ward	3rd Ward	4th Ward
30-YES 18-NO	5-YES 3-NO	4-YES 4-NO	5-YES 2-NO	16-YES 9-NO

Question 2: At the former Spaulding Complex (Wheeler and Hackett streets) would you support relocating City Hall, police, fire, courts and public works in one new complex?

Total	1st Ward	2nd Ward	3rd Ward	4th Ward
23-YES 26-NO	1-YES 7-NO	4-YES 5-NO	5-YES 3-NO	13-YES 11-NO

Question 3: Would you support relocating the Tonawanda Football Clinic and softball fields on East Niagara Street for a potential 11-acre residential development?

Total	1st Ward	2nd Ward	3rd Ward	4th Ward
24-YES 24-NO	4-YES 4-NO	4-YES 5-NO	6-YES 1-NO	10-YES 14-NO

Question 4: Or, a recreational development?

Total	1st Ward	2nd Ward	3rd Ward	4th Ward
18-YES 27-NO	3-YES 5-NO	0-YES 8-NO	4-YES 3-NO	11-YES 11-NO

Question 5: Would you support residential development at the 21-acre Ives Pond area (State and Maldiner streets) with the Tonawanda American Little League relocating to the Veteran's Park/Little League Drive area?

Total	1st Ward	2nd Ward	3rd Ward	4th Ward
27-YES 23-NO	4-YES 4-NO	2-YES 7-NO	4-YES 4-NO	17-YES 8-NO

Question 5: Would you support a relocated City Hall at the former Clint Small Stadium area?

Total	1st Ward	2nd Ward	3rd Ward	4th Ward
23-YES 27-NO	5-YES 3-NO	2-YES 7-NO	3-YES 5-NO	13-YES 12-NO

Question 6: Would you support villas, patio homes or townhouses at the former Clint Small Stadium area?

Total	1st Ward	2nd Ward	3rd Ward	4th Ward
26-YES 24-NO	3-YES 5-NO	4-YES 5-NO	5-YES 3-NO	14-YES 11-NO

Would you support bars and restaurants in a redeveloped section of Young St. between Main and Delaware?

Total	1st Ward	2nd Ward	3rd Ward	4th Ward
36-YES 14-NO	7-YES 1-NO	6-YES 3-NO	7-YES 1-NO	16-YES 9-NO

Question 9: Would you support expanded sports/recreational facilities at Veteran’s Park/Little League Drive?

Total	1st Ward	2nd Ward	3rd Ward	4th Ward
36-YES 15-NO	8-YES 0-NO	5-YES 4-NO	8-YES 0-NO	15-YES 11-NO

Question 10: Would you support a land swap agreement between the City and the Tonawanda School District to swap 4 acres at Veteran’s Park/Little League Drive with 4 acres at former Clint Small Stadium?

Total	1st Ward	2nd Ward	3rd Ward	4th Ward
25-YES 26-NO	3-YES 5-NO	3-YES 6-NO	6-YES 2-NO	13-YES 13-NO

Question 11: Would you support a residential development at Veteran’s Park/Little League Drive?

Total	1st Ward	2nd Ward	3rd Ward	4th Ward
15-YES 36-NO	1-YES 7-NO	4-YES 5-NO	3-YES 5-NO	7-YES 19-NO

**1st Ward Comments:**

Passive recreation at Little League Drive, plant trees, etc. No homes—same for Clint Small.

**2nd Ward Comments:**

Leave Ives alone! Leave Vet’s Park alone! Can’t we leave parks and green spaces alone? As it is, the city cuts down too many trees every year!

This is a mute question (Question #6) since soil testing has limited use of Clint Small. After site is cleaned rated for athletic use, move athletics there.

(Question #8) Only if you’re building a parking ramp so they have a place to park.

(Question #9) Move them to Clint Small.

(Question #10) Not feasible with the clean up needed.

Repair the infrastructure first—the sidewalks, streets & sewer systems then have the grandiose projects.

Relocate Ton. Football Clinic to former Clint Small Stadium.

Leave the city the way it is. You could have city hall, fire dept., rec dept., parks dept., and DPW all in one location. Kibler School. Look ahead. Also, leave Ives Pond alone. I skated there 70 years ago. Why ruin everything. Get something going in our downtown district.

I believe that our roads & highways have to be resurfaced. Also the are behind our restaurant (Touch of Italy) is becoming a dump. It looks terrible-someone even threw old tires in there.

**3rd Ward Comments:**

The Spaulding Complex area is a residential section so residential development should take place there. I don’t think city hall needs to be relocated! The present location is perfect!!

Upscale “empty nest” appropriate housing—condos, patio homes. Thanks! Great ideas!

I attended the meeting last week & some of the land spots appear to not be able to be developed due to issues with the land, contamination or wetlands. Since the city is short of funds & don’t approve of moving city hall. It would cost way too much & from what people were saying at the meeting, the land underneath city hall may not be too easily developed.

### **3rd Ward Comments (continued):**

While most communities are looking for more green space, Tonawanda officials want to sell our last green space, for what? More tax base? At what expense? More police, firemen to serve more people. Let's make Tonawanda more green. Look for ways to enhance what is so good for our Tonawanda. I think our officials don't realize how unique what we have left—GREEN SPACE—PLEASE!

Build up downtown before any construction project is started. Tonawanda needs more income before any construction can be done. Have Farmer's Market at Spaulding site. Build affordable Senior Apartments, non-smoking, no pets on a bus line.

I would like to see a more cohesive downtown. Redevelopment of Young St. would be a good start.

### **4th Ward Comments:**

I like city hall at Clinton Stadium area and hockey rinks or aquatic center at Spaulding site. Hotel at city hall site. Thank you for your effort! I miss the Tonawanda News!

Vets Park/Little League Drive needs to be developed for residential only, not recreational.

Do something!! NO Downtown! There is nothing here for people to come to—just the river.

1. Some kind of rotary for traffic flow at Burger King & Walgreen area. 2. Relocation of parking for Smoke on the Water.

Farmer's market at Vet's Park. Leave greenspace at Vet's Park.

I would like to see the city hall, police dept. etc. relocated to the Veteran's Park Little League Drive site. This would free up the waterfront property and also prevent any new homes or athletics at Little League Drive preventing more traffic to Adam St.. We residents on Adam have already suffered enough with the stadium complex being built behind us.

Sculpture park/bike path, walk, meadow and activity offered every 2 months at Little League. Niagara On The Lake like hotel/hotel restaurant on waterfront.

We do not need a restroom behind the towers, we need parking space.

Veterans Park is such a beautiful family-type park, it does not need to become an expanded recreation facility. Because it is part of a residential area, the traffic and noise pollution would be too great.

The city should give the school district the 4 acres it wants.

Repair sidewalks. Update older homes.

Move city hall to old Clint Small. Move football clinic on East Niagara and Ives Pond to Spaulding Complex. Housing only at Little League Drive, East Niagara St., and Ives Pond. Also water front. Move Niagara Hose Fire Dept. to headquarters on William St.. Put housing on Niagara Hose property. Privatize housing complex on Hinds & Gibson Sts., or demolish for better housing.

Publicize and/or seek grants for homeowners to improve properties to increase tax base & help homeowners. Increase marketing with new ideas for using the Niawanda Park Pavilion. Evaluate yearly need for current number of elementary schools.

Legally and in common sense speaking, how was it possible that the right turning lane on Young Street at Smoke on the Water was taken away and given or sold(?) to them? It caused added congestion and possibilities of multiple accidents for 7-10 parking spaces. We see daily cars making illegal turns out of their establishment. For several months they had their propane cooker parked near that area which could have caused extensive damage and lives if someone had served or slid right into it. How the fire department and police totally ignored it is beyond intelligence. During winter plowing the snow from this so called parking area was pushed onto the sidewalk and again was ignored. Whose pockets are being lined? How are the mayor, council, police and fire department turning a blind eye to this injustice, danger and illegal activities? In writing this, I only wonder if it will actually be read or is it possible to actually get a reply.