

TRASH STUDY – TOWN COUNCIL SURVEY

We need citizen input! Please tell us what you think about continuing Winthrop’s municipal services, related issues and how they affect you by answering the following questions.

1. For the purposes of helping us to determine the precinct you live in, please check which number you reside in: (Check one)

1 2 3 4 5 6

2. Do you own or rent the house in which you live? (Check one)

Own Rent

3. In what category best describes the type of house in which you live? (Check one)

Single-Family Home Multi-Family Home
 Apartment in a Multi-Family Home Condo Complex
 Apartment Complex

4. How many years have you lived in Winthrop? (Check one)

0-2 3-5 6-10 11-20 Over 20

5. In which age bracket do you fall in? (Check one)

20-35 36-50 51-65 66-75 Over 75

6. Winthrop Municipal Services (Schools, Police, Fire and Public Works) need more funding to serve the community.

Strongly Agree Agree Somewhat Agree Somewhat Disagree Strongly Disagree

7. If services are to be reduced or eliminated, I want Schools, Police, Fire, and Public Works maintenance to be given funding priority.

Strongly Agree Agree Somewhat Agree Somewhat Disagree Strongly Disagree

8. I would rather have an option of controlling the amount of trash I dispose of and ultimately the costs charged to me, with a Pay-As-You-Throw Program.

Strongly Agree Agree Somewhat Agree Somewhat Disagree Strongly Disagree

9. Tax deductions are more important to me than controlling my trash disposal and consequently my costs for trash service. Therefore, I would prefer that the Town Council enact a Property Tax Override rather than any other option.

Strongly Agree Agree Somewhat Agree Somewhat Disagree Strongly Disagree

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10. I would be better served if the Town Council eliminated trash collection as a municipal service and I could choose from an approved, private trash removal vendor.

- Strongly Agree Agree Somewhat Agree Somewhat Disagree Strongly Disagree

11. Changing the way we collect trash is too complicated; just charge me a Flat Fee.

- Strongly Agree Agree Somewhat Agree Somewhat Disagree Strongly Disagree

12. I don't care if municipal services (Schools, Police, Fire and Public Works) are cut; I don't want to pay any more taxes.

- Strongly Agree Agree Somewhat Agree Somewhat Disagree Strongly Disagree

13. Additional Comments: (If you wish to make additional comments on any of the options conveyed in this survey or concerns regarding impact of such decisions regarding municipal services, please use the space below.)

Please return this survey on or before **Friday, January 23rd, 2009.**

By Mail (Postmarked by *January 23rd, 2009*) to:

**TOWN MANAGER'S OFFICE – SURVEY
TOWN HALL
1 METCALF SQUARE, 2ND FLOOR
WINTHROP, MA 02152**

Or, if you prefer to deliver this **by hand**, feel free to do so.

Also, please note that there is an **over-night drop box** located to the right of the front entrance doors of Town Hall. All surveys received from either in-person drop off, by hand or over-night drop box, will be date & time stamped when received.