

If you could change on thing about Wyoming, what would it be?

Responses were grouped into the following topics:

Land Use & Commercial Development

A popular desire was to bring more and better-quality businesses into Wyoming, and to diversify shopping options, particularly along 28th Street from Grandville to US-131. Attendees wished to see higher-end commercial development, more restaurants, and another Studio 28. Rogers Plaza was frequently a point of discussion, as it used to be a major regional destination that offered a contemporary shopping experience. Attendees commented that the shopping center now has a poor appearance with partial vacancies; however, much potential exists to develop new, attractive businesses. Other attendees shared their desire to address vacant buildings throughout the City through revitalization, bringing in new businesses, or tearing them down.

Roadway Conditions & Mobility

Many attendees shared their wish for roadway conditions to be fixed, such as eliminating potholes. The desire for synchronized traffic lights along 28th Street was also frequently mentioned, as attendees voiced that there is heavy traffic along the corridor and long travel times caused by multiples stops at traffic lights. Other attendees shared their wish to improve existing conditions of sidewalks, enhance parking, reduce Michigan left turns, and widen lanes on 28th Street to make it more comfortable to drive.

Recreation & Community Activities

A few attendees expressed their wish to create more recreational activities and spaces for the youth, such as constructing additional parks. Two young attendees shared that, for the most part, they only spend time at the mall, school, and home as there is not much to do within Wyoming. Other attendees wished to see the flea market return, and another wished for community events to be planned better, such as by fully closing off 28th Street for Metro Cruise.

Image & Identity

Another popular theme was the need for a better-defined identity and sense of place. Attendees expressed their wish to develop a distinguishable downtown for Wyoming as people do not know where the City is located. Two attendees commented on the aesthetic of Wyoming, mentioning they would clean up the weeds in rights-of-way and trash on US-131 on-/off-ramps at 28th Street, which create a negative first and last impression of the City. Other attendees indicated contentment with the way Wyoming is today.

Other

Multiple attendees commented on the high performance of the City's police and justice department, while others commented on the need to decrease the crime rate. Other changes individuals wished to see were lower taxes, improvements to the educational system, upgrades to school facilities, and more affordable housing.