



Ames District Improvement Plan Questionnaire

The Village of Elk Rapids has undertaken a study of the Ames Street District between US-31 and the east village limits. The goals of the project are to:

- Develop a district improvement conceptual master plan for the Ames District that maximizes its best uses consistent with the inherent opportunities and constraints of the district and community.
- Develop a feasible and prudent phased implementation plan for the improvements.
- Develop and administer a public involvement program to solicit feedback from residents, the village board and other staff, and any other entities considered relevant to the development of the project.

A major component necessary to successfully meeting these goals is public involvement. Public involvement is essentially a process by which the Village of Elk Rapids can actively engage community members in the planning process. Your involvement is an extremely vital part of the village's outreach activities; it gives the village and its planning partner an opportunity to glean ideas from the public concerning development plans for the Ames District.

Originally, we were planning to conduct a public information meeting on the evening of April 14; however, given the current COVID-19 restrictions, we thought it better to develop an alternative approach. The following brief questionnaire will allow us to keep the project moving while gaining critical information from you, the public, so the village can make decisions that reflect the community's needs. We are planning to conduct supplemental public information meetings as the project progresses, so you will still have the opportunity to participate on that level as well.

Please take a few minutes to review and complete this questionnaire. Our planning partner will assimilate the responses, and we will share those results with you. Your input is the core of this planning effort; it is a compilation of your feelings, needs, and desires. Your involvement will make the plan legitimate and not simply a shelf study.

If, during your review, you have any questions, please contact Rusti Owens at 517.202.4219. We will be happy to coordinate with you. Please complete this questionnaire by May 8.

Sincere thanks in advance,

The Village of Elk Rapids

LINK TO QUESTIONNAIRE: <https://bit.ly/2RDubi3>