

AGENDA
OURAY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
WORK SESSION

April 27, 2023 4:00 – 6:00 pm
Meeting to be held at the Land Use/Road & Bridge Facility
111 Mall Road, Ridgway, CO

Zoom Log In Info:

On the web: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8461045439>
Via telephone: 1 + 719 359 4580 US
Meeting ID: 846 1045 439

A. 4:00 pm – WORK SESSION: Master Plan

The Planning Commission will conduct a work session with Staff and KLJ to discuss and review the Ouray County Master Plan and the results of the recent open house meeting and discuss the county-wide survey.

B. 6:00 pm (appx) – ADJOURN

QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSES FROM APRIL 25 OPEN HOUSE MEETING – INITIAL TALLY

1999 Master Plan Questions and Comments:

1. Do you think the quality of life in Ouray County is dependent on maintaining the natural environment of the County?

- a. ___yes **65**
- b. ___no **1**
- c. Why or why not?

2. Do you think the quality of life in Ouray County is dependent on the amount of additional development that is allowed in the County?

- a. ___yes **45**
- b. ___no **21**
- c. Why or why not?

3. How much do you value the open spaces and the uninterrupted visually significant corridors that exist in Ouray County?

- a. ___Important **64**
- b. ___I don't have an opinion
- c. ___Not important

4. In five words or less, what motivated/motivates you to move to/remain in Ouray County?

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____
- d. _____
- e. _____

5. What is the most important aspect of Ouray County that you would like to see preserved in order for you to want to stay in the county?

6. Typically, adding infrastructure, development, services or programs to an area comes with some level of cost or impact to some or all of the inhabitants of the area. Do you think that it is worthwhile to explore changes to the status quo in Ouray County?

- a. ___yes **42**
- b. ___no **16**
- c. Why or why not?

5. Are there areas in Ouray County where development should definitely not occur except for low impact improvements, not requiring a permanent structure, such as a hiking trail?
- e. yes 55
 - f. no 2
 - g. If you answered "yes," please refer to the Ouray County Zoning Map and check the zoning district or districts below where you think development should definitely not take place except for low impact improvements such as a hiking trail.
 - i. Alpine Zone
 - ii. Colona Zone
 - iii. High Mesa Zone
 - iv. North Mesa Zone
 - v. South Mesa Zone
 - vi. South Slope Zone
 - vii. Valley Zone
 - viii. Public Lands Zone

THE QUESTION BELOW DUPLICATES Q#4.

6. Ouray County has a zoning code that includes some of the most restrictive regulations in the State of Colorado. Do you think that the existing zoning code in Ouray County is: (check one)
- h. just about right
 - i. too restrictive
 - j. not restrictive enough
 - k. I don't have an opinion
- a. In the space below, please share any additional specific comments or questions you may have that relate to the topics of land use, zoning, and development in Ouray County.

Natural Environment Questions and Comments

1. How important to you is maintaining the natural environment (including wildlife, natural vegetation, topography, and water features) in Ouray County?

- a. Important **60**
- b. I don't have an opinion **1**
- c. Not important

2. Are there any specific areas in Ouray County where you have concerns for wildlife or vegetation?

- a. ___no **17**
- b. ___yes **39**
- c. If yes, list the zones or provide a geographic description of the area(s) where you have concerns.

3. It is possible that wildfires and extreme weather events may *increase* in frequency in the future. Do you have concerns about their impact in Ouray County?

- a. ___yes **53**
- b. ___no **5**

4. Do you have concerns about the interface between agricultural activities and the natural environment in Ouray County?

- a. ___no **34**
- b. ___yes **31**

5. Do you have concerns about the interface between the rural lifestyle and the natural environment in Ouray County?

- a. ___no **21**
- b. ___yes **32**

6. In the space below, please share any additional specific comments or questions you may have that relate to the natural environment in Ouray County?

Attendants Demographic Survey Responses

Respondent Age:

under 18	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65-74	75+
0	0	2	1	7	5	27	15

Learned about the meeting from:

Word	Web	email	social	PC	other
29	5	21	4	14	3

Permanent Resident:

Yes	No
57	1

How long lived at each location:

City	Town	Colona	Rural	Other
20	24	7	26	
13.5	12	15.9	14.8	

Upper number is number of respondents saying they lived at a location. Many respondents had lived in more than one location over their time living in the County. Lower number is average length of time living in each location.

If not a permanent resident, which months typically live in Ouray County:

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2

Rent or Own Residence:

rent	own
8	49

If employed, work in Ouray Co:

Yes	No
25	30

Children under 18 living in respondent's residence:

none	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8+
49	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

APRIL 25TH MASTER PLAN OPEN HOUSE

ATTENDANCE DISTRIBUTION:

LOG HILL – 4

CITY OF OURAY – 4

TOWN OF RIDGWAY – 33

COLONA – 0

OTHER – 29
