

**1. What do you consider to be blight?
(Check all that apply.)**

- ☐ Safety, fire and/or health hazards
☐ Visual appeal/attractiveness
☐ Abandoned buildings
☐ None of the above
☐ Don't know
☐ Decline to answer
☐ Other _____

**2. What do you feel should be the goals or the purpose of an Anti-Blight Bylaw?
(Check all that apply.)**

- ☐ To raise property values
☐ To improve visual appearance
☐ To eliminate safety, fire & health hazards
☐ To promote economic development - attract new businesses, new homes
☐ Do not see a need for an Anti-Blight Bylaw
☐ Decline to answer
☐ Other _____

**3. Which of the following properties do you feel an Anti-Blight Bylaw should focus on?
(Check all that apply.)**

- ☐ Foreclosed, empty, or abandoned buildings
☐ Single family residences and condominiums
☐ Business/commercial properties
☐ Town, State, and Federal properties
☐ Multi-family residences & investment properties
☐ Land, fields, wooded lots
☐ Do not see a need for an Anti-Blight Bylaw
☐ Decline to answer
☐ Other _____

**4. Do you feel that an Anti-Blight Bylaw should be limited to any of the following locations?
(Check all that apply.)**

- ☐ Primary buildings (residential, public, & commercial)
☐ Secondary buildings (sheds, garages, etc.)
☐ Front yards
☐ Back/side yards if visible from the street
☐ Back/side yards if visible by an abutter
☐ Do not see a need for an Anti-Blight Bylaw
☐ Decline to answer
☐ Other _____

5. To what degree do the following conditions contribute to blight? (1 = NO IMPACT, 5 = VERY HIGH IMPACT, D/K = Don't Know.)

1 2 3 4 5 D/K	Bikes
1 2 3 4 5 D/K	Broken windows
1 2 3 4 5 D/K	Building materials visible from street & abutters
1 2 3 4 5 D/K	Car parts visible from street & abutters
1 2 3 4 5 D/K	Cracked asphalt
1 2 3 4 5 D/K	Landscaping materials visible from street & abutters
1 2 3 4 5 D/K	Neglected fencing
1 2 3 4 5 D/K	Over-full garbage cans or dumpsters
1 2 3 4 5 D/K	Overgrown, neglected lawn & vegetation
1 2 3 4 5 D/K	Peeling paint
1 2 3 4 5 D/K	Roof in disrepair
1 2 3 4 5 D/K	Rusted items
1 2 3 4 5 D/K	Tarps
1 2 3 4 5 D/K	Tools visible from street & abutters
1 2 3 4 5 D/K	Toys
1 2 3 4 5 D/K	Uncontained garbage & disposable trash
1 2 3 4 5 D/K	Yard equipment (lawn mowers, snow blowers, etc.)
1 2 3 4 5 D/K	Old yard sale signs
1 2 3 4 5 D/K	Holiday decorations out of season

Other _____

**6. What are the most significant causes of blight?
(Check 1 to 3 items below.)**

- ☐ Insufficient current building codes, health codes and zoning bylaws
☐ Difficulty in enforcing existing building codes, health codes and zoning bylaws
☐ Declining home ownership and/or growing number of rental properties
☐ Abandoned/foreclosed property
☐ None of the above
☐ Decline to answer
☐ Other _____

7. What are the most significant reasons for blight? (Check 1 to 3 items below.)

- ☐ Out of town/out of state investment property owners
☐ Property owners who are financially limited
☐ Property owners who are physically limited
☐ Property owners who are time constrained
☐ Property owners who are ambivalent
☐ Property owners who have different priorities
☐ None of the above
☐ Decline to answer
☐ Other _____

8. What would be some of the most effective ways to address blight? (Check 1 to 3 items below.)

- ☐ Strengthening and enforcing existing building codes, health codes, and zoning bylaws
☐ Monitoring vacant and foreclosed properties
☐ Homeowner financial assistance and incentives
☐ Create a new Anti-Blight Bylaw
☐ Financial penalties
☐ None of the above
☐ Decline to answer
☐ Other _____

- ☐ Difficulty in defining “blight” (i.e. very subjective)
- ☐ Difficulty in enforcing (i.e. quantifying, calculating and measuring)
- ☐ Unfairly targeting disabled and elderly residents
- ☐ Unfairly targeting low income and fixed income residents
- ☐ Infringement on property owner’s rights
- ☐ Selective enforcement (i.e. is it only reported complaints or all properties in violation?)
- ☐ Vindictive retaliation complaints (i.e. disgruntled neighbors, ex-spouses, fired employees may make a complaint)
- ☐ No hindrances
- ☐ Do not see a need for an Anti-Blight Bylaw
- ☐ Decline to answer
- ☐ Other _____

- ☐ Abutting property owner
- ☐ Abutting resident/renter
- ☐ Property owner within 300 feet
- ☐ Resident/renter within 300 feet
- ☐ Any Hudson resident
- ☐ Anyone
- ☐ Hudson Public/Safety Officials
- ☐ No one should be allowed to make a
complaint about someone else's property
- ☐ Decline to answer
- ☐ Other

☐ Zero "blighted" properties
☐ 1 - 5 pieces of property
☐ 6 - 10 pieces of property
☐ 11 - 25 pieces of property
☐ 26 - 50 pieces of property
☐ 51 - 100 pieces of property
☐ Over 100 pieces of property
☐ Don't know
☐ Decline to answer

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☐ 11 - 25 pieces of property
☐ 26 - 50 pieces of property
☐ 51-100 pieces of property
☐ Over 100 pieces of property
☐ Don't know
☐ Decline to answer

☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Unsure
☐ Decline to answer

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