

Business Needs Section Commentary

There are not really any businesses downtown. What's with all these "art" galleries? Get rid of that type of thing and put viable businesses that bring people in and that can be used by locals. Local job creation would be handy as well. These art galleries don't do anything for the local community. The only thing I go "downtown" for is the grocery store which is horrible. Stop spending money on Punks and sculptures for thin that no one cares about. Who wants to sit next to family hoodlums?

I would love to have a Target or Walmart, but not if it's going to damage existing businesses. That said, I do 90% of my shopping at the ones in 65, so it would certainly keep me shopping in Palisade more if we had one.

We have businesses start that aren't economically viable they seem to expect to make a profit from day one, instead of having the means to stay open at least a year before making a profit. These people seem to be ignorant of business + economics, + it's demoralizing to have places opening + closing constantly.

Comments for this section:

They should reverse their anti-business position that is perceived by outsiders

My only complaint regarding the town's interactions with area businesses is the recent spate of noise ordinance violations inflicted upon the Palisade Brewing Co., instigated by a small handful of residents, against a business that a large group of people use regularly for socializing, entertainment, family meals, + community interaction. And these violations have seemed unreasonable, given for music played indoors, + at early evening hours. Don't most towns enforce a noise ordinance after 10 PM?

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Comments for this section:

You can buy liquor on every corner but can't get an ink cartridge or a 2x4? what's up with that

No big box stores!
No chain restaurants!

Comments for this section: Increase tax base.

Don't compromise on agricultural land integrity. It is what made Palisade and supports it.

Cleanup/polish up properties and neighborhoods to improve image.

Improve streets as possible.

Overall a wonderful town

Please keep big commercial enterprises (Big box, grocery) in G.T. no need in Palisade. Promote locally owned businesses NOT CHAINS! Keep agricultural quality and feel. So nice to have a community not entirely overrun by tourists. We see it in Summit County. Have been here in Summit for 17 years and the quality of this mountain community has changed for the worse ~~to~~ because of unplanned developments - towns do not have vision other than increasing tax revenue - POOR PLANNING has ruined community. Don't let this happen to Palisade!

I think we are headed in the right direction.

Nice restaurants, galleries, shops. —
Make Palisade a destination and give visitors a reason to stay "one more night".

Is there a way you "the govt" can help downtown businesses stay afloat, ie help with remodeling + insulating old buildings so energy bills aren't so high, etc. Help with ~~bringing~~ ^{encouraging} people to Palisade to eat, through advertising, etc.

Just heard about the hair store in Palisade. voted in ¹⁵ unanimous by board. - no access to community. - That's crap!!

I would like our clinic back.

I'd like restaurants that are well run & reliable.

I'd like the FFT to have a deli

Artisans would be great - hand made or small production

No chains or neon please

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Comments for this section:

I moved to Palisade because I love it here. I went to school here & in 6th grade told everyone I would live here someday. The only thing that could make that better is if I could do everything in Palisade instead of leaving town everyday.

Comments for this section:

Days of mom + pop ^{stores} are over — Businesses cannot make a living in Palisade — People are too mobile. —

The town needs to take care of the businesses we do have. The money spent on the plays would have improved the town more to put in new sidewalks

Taxes are much to high

Water is much to expensive!

for all the town has to offer!

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THIS IS THE DUTY OF THE
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

I work in Grand Junction Monday thru Friday and do shopping, banking, medical and dental appointments in Clifton and Grand Junction.

I like Palisade because it is a small town, quiet, and safe.

The Town government should lower rates to us who live here!

Just make sure you support the ones that have chosen to be here!!

the right kind of businesses, not Bore.

Please, please, please! Listen to your Community! No Chain Store!

Keep the Government out ~~of~~ of business,
Let the market decide. If it is a business that
fits the needs of Palisade, it will be successful. Free market,
Not Government market.

We would shop here more frequently if there
were businesses that ~~we~~ provided what we need.
We are greatly concerned that Palisade will
become another Aspen full of cutesy shops. The
citizens of Palisade are here all year around.
Many of our businesses attract only tourists who
come and go. We need a balance to cover both
needs, residents and ¹⁵ tourists.

I hope the new little spa business (or
collection of massage therapists) do well/expand.
That's a natural for increased tourism
in the demographic that has disposable income.

I don't spend more here (of disp. income*)
because I travel for recreation a lot.

I think the town needs staff support for big
but maybe not recruitment.

Partner w/ incubator ¹⁵ maybe?

NO BOX STORES OR CHAINS leave that
to GS ¹¹
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Promote BUSINESS THROUGH TAX BREAK INCENTIVES
UNTIL BUSINESS IS FIRMLY ESTABLISHED. Promote
ECONOMIC CORRIDOR FROM EXIT 42 TO TOWN TO FUNNEL
BUSINESS INTO AREA. AND CLEAN UP EXIT 42, WITH THE
WEEDS AND CRAP IT MAKES OUR WHOLE TOWN IMAGE LOOK TERRIBLE.
Housing I WOULDN'T STOP HERE, UNLESS I LIVED HERE JUST BASED
ON THAT VISUAL.

* INCENTIVES FOR GROWTH IN BUSINESSES NEEDED
FOR THE DOWN TOWN CORP. FIRST!!

* GROWTH FOR Hwy 6. Speculation SECOND.

ADDITIONAL AREAS BY THE BOARD ON Hwy 6
MOSTLY. ANY GROWTH OUTSIDE THIS CORP
WILL KILL PALISSADE'S ¹⁵ IMPACT. OF THE DOWN TOWN
BUSINESSES:

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44. There is hardly anything to buy down town.
Locals don't buy much from art galleries and
Antique type shops.

45. There are many business outside of town center
that were not even mentioned in your survey.
Business is about all of palissade. Even in
3rd + main some business were left out of the
survey.

46. The choice of business is very limited.

51. The purpose of the town government is to foster a good business atmosphere. It is not the towns duty to recruit business (this is for the chamber) and it is not a good use of our tax payers dollars to foster business. Our dollars should be spent for the benefit of all citizens, not just special groups. The health, welfare and safety of all our citizens is the towns responsibility. The town has done extensive advertising on behalf of the business^(some) in the town center. Wrong - business need to advertise for them selves.

COMMENTS FOR THIS SECTION:

The thing that makes Palisde special is the lack of busy travel. More business activity takes away this characteristic. It is so nice to come home from busy Gd and not have to put up with noise and traffic.

If you keep building and expanding the beauty of Downtown & around Old H.S. tourist & new residents will come. It can't look like a dump in one area and beautiful in the other. Increase lodging tax, sales tax, & festival fees. Does anyone really when they buy something or stay at motel pay attention to tax? Really..... I don't!

Comments for this section: I think it is the responsibility of the Chamber to recruit & promote businesses.

I'm not certain this town can support another grocery store or more restaurants

Comments for this section: NEED TO KEEP BUSINESSES HERE. THEY NEED MORE SUPPORT! MORE BUSINESSES ARE LEAVING DOWN TOWN.

Make Pal High School and Palisade more involved w/each other. There are crowds @ RHS after school hours & weekends & at least half of the people are from out of town need to Eat, buy gas and maybe spend the night.

Keep out big box stores - keep
Small - Family businesses
in town

~~Add ordinances~~

Not in this economy,

~~Growth~~ The benefits of growth are often an illusion. Any substantial growth will ruin this town and decrease our quality of life here.

Comments for this section:

Our policies / fine people are so tremendous, give them their facilities first. Don't build new Jones or Herod Mtn.

Comments for this section:

I support the addition of new homes south of Hwy 6 where they are currently being developed. Not in Vinland or west of existing City limits

DON'T OVER DEVELOP OUR TOWN!
OR WE LOSE WHAT MAKES IT SPECIAL

Comments for this section:

Water/Sewer Rates have tripled in less than 5 yrs. Not using current taxes efficiently. Should be enough. Public policies are not what people who live here want. Town officials out of touch with normal who live here. ... Front office

Comments for this section:

New homes bring New streets, more upkeep
more people, possibly higher taxes for more maintenance.

Palisade is a small community let's keep it that way.
Taxes are high enough here now. It is double from where I lived

Comments for this section:

Double edge sword - smart code enforcement
can be good, but it can be misused and
emphasized the wrong details

THE WATER AND SEWER ^{AND TRASH} IS IN EXCESS WHEN
EACH PERSON PAYS \$75.00 A MONTH FOR
THESE SERVICES

As long as new homes fit "in place" zoning,
building requirements/laws

New-homes are a one time cost in fees that balance
out over the years of the house. They don't actually pay
for others. To think like this would result in unlimited
growth. This will not fit into the ag. model as in # 11

Palisade needs more residents to support
our local businesses during non-tourist
seasons, which are 3-3 seasons a year.

MORE SINGLE-FAMILY
LESS MULTI-FAMILY

A COMMUNITY THAT DOESN'T GROW
DIES.

COMMENTS ON THIS SECTION

Agriculture & the preservation of our ag. land is what makes Palisade special. If we stand subdividing our farms, we won't be any different than Fruita, which must have thrown any zoning laws out the door 20 years ago. ~~that~~