

Responses to commercial development statements

Residents differ by age, length of residence, and location in their reaction to development in the Copper Country, particularly regarding the benefit of future development along the U.S. 41 corridor from Hancock to Calumet. This corridor passes through Calumet, Franklin, Quincy, and Osceola Townships. Calumet Township respondents favor U.S. 41 development by a 2:1 majority; Osceola Township residents agree somewhat less strongly. Franklin Township respondents are about evenly divided. The nine responses from Quincy Township disagree by a 2:1 margin.

All age groups, except those over 60, are less supportive of future Hancock-Calumet development than recent M-26 and Sharon Avenue development (fig. 5). Results by length of residence follow the same pattern. Only residents of more than 30 years favor future Hancock-Calumet development somewhat more strongly than recent M-26 and Sharon Avenue development (fig. 6).

Most supportive of corridor development similar to that along M-26 and Sharon Avenue in the City of Houghton and Portage Township are respondents from Adams and Calumet Townships and the Village of Lake Linden (fig. 7). The lowest level of agreement is found in the City of Houghton and Stanton and Portage Townships.

Respondents from Stanton, D-E-L, and Portage Townships and the City of Houghton are less in favor of future Hancock-Calumet development than recent M-26 and Sharon Avenue development by 19 to 29 total points. Village of Calumet respondents favor future U.S. 41 development by 29 more points than recent M-26 development. Other localities differ in their reaction to development in the two areas by less than 10 total points.



