

**CITY OF EVANSTON  
CITIZEN INPUT SESSION  
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**Topic:** Certain trends are occurring in society and the world that will have an impact on the City; which should we consider in our planning process?

**Trends:**

- ❑ Family units forming later in life – affects housing mix/needs
- ❑ Home-based businesses (can be supported and recognized)
- ❑ Linking communities
- ❑ Deteriorated environment
- ❑ Vocational – closing the achievement gap/training for kids who don't go to college
- ❑ Privatization of public services
- ❑ Development of alternative energy sources
- ❑ Save indigenous species
- ❑ Outsourcing of jobs from America – globalization
- ❑ Gap increase between haves and have nots
- ❑ Lack of employment and training for people (youth) without college degrees - puts a stress on public services
- ❑ America moving from manufacturing to information economy
- ❑ Sustainability – environmental, energy
- ❑ Failure to recognize move away from democracy toward a corporate economy – loss of jobs due to this; loss of tax revenue
- ❑ Information via internet increasingly available
- ❑ Global warming
- ❑ Decisions based on fear
- ❑ Living longer – working longer