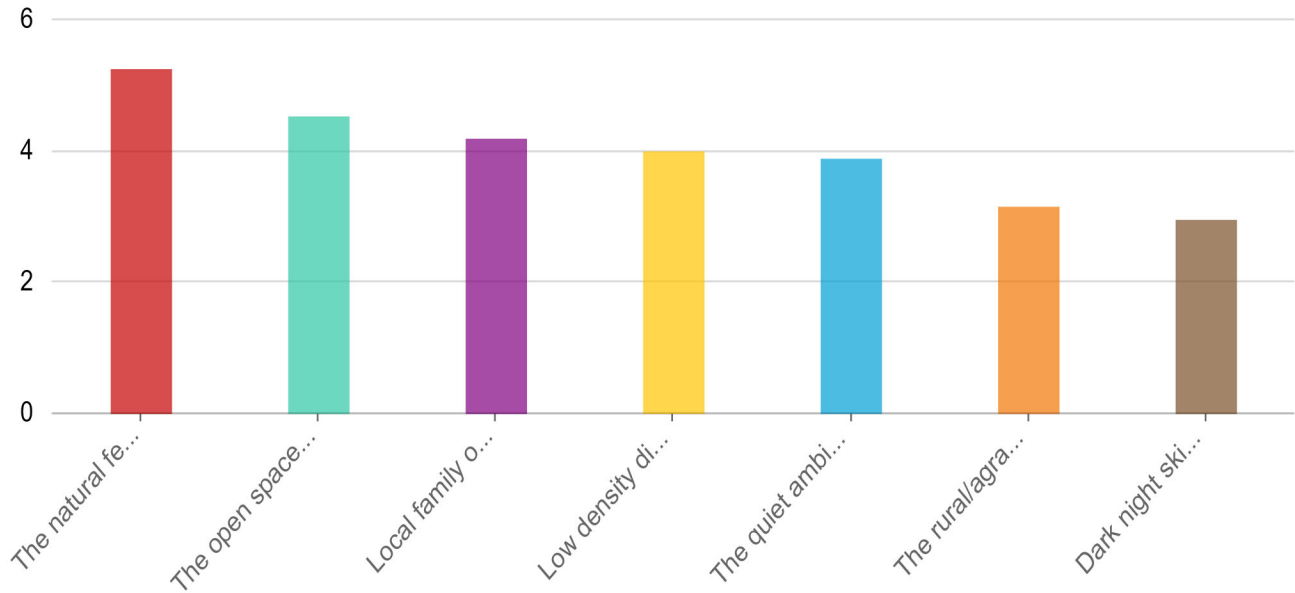


2023 Town of Washington Comprehensive Plan Survey

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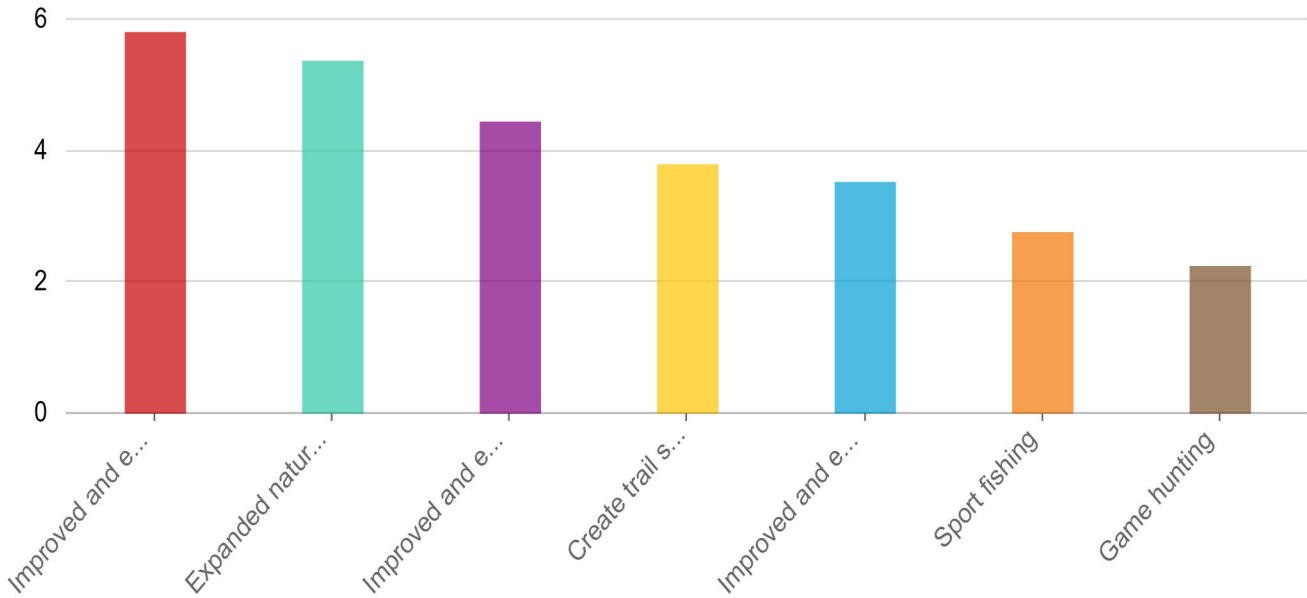
- 1) The primary goals of the Town's upcoming comprehensive plan should...



Rank	Answers	1	2	3	4	5	Average score
1	The natural features (Little Lake, the mountain wetlands, beaches, clear lake waters, bird & wildlife habitats)	33.76% 183	16.05% 87	19.37% 105	12.18% 66	11.81% 5.26	64
2	The open spaces (fields meadows) and forests	9.41% 51	23.62% 128	20.3% 110	18.08% 98	4.54	
3	Local family owned and operated businesses as opposed to commercial chain outlets, stores, and restaurants	17.9% 97	18.08% 98	11.62% 63	11.25% 61	11.81% 4.20	64

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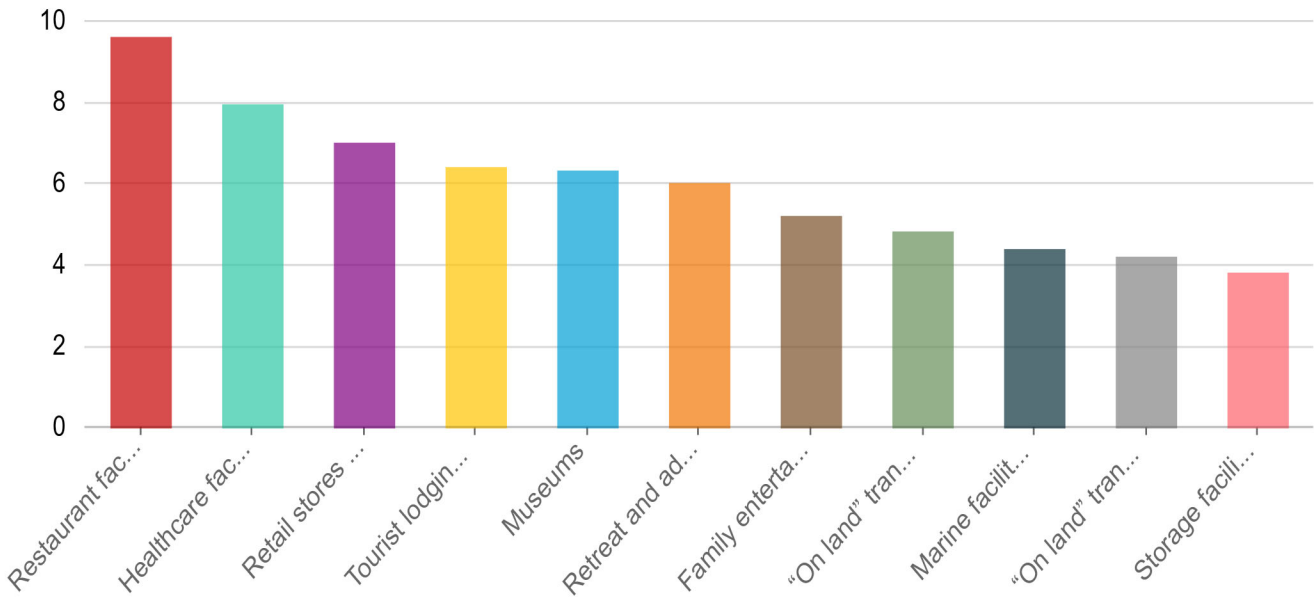
2) When addressing recreation, the upcoming comprehensive plan shoul...



Rank	Answers	1	2	3	4	5	Average score
1	Improved and expanded bike and pedestrian paths along roadsides	45.15% 242	27.8% 149	9.7% 52	6.16% 33	5.41% 5.82 29	
2	Expanded nature trail systems for birders and hikers	28.92% 155	29.66% 159	15.11% 81	11.75% 63	5.38	
3	Improved and expanded public boat launch ramps	11.75% 63	13.81% 74	25.75% 138	22.76% 122	12.87% 4.45 69	
4	Create trail systems for snowmobiles, cross-country skiers and mountain bikers	3.54% 19	11.57% 62	24.44% 131	19.59% 105	3.80	

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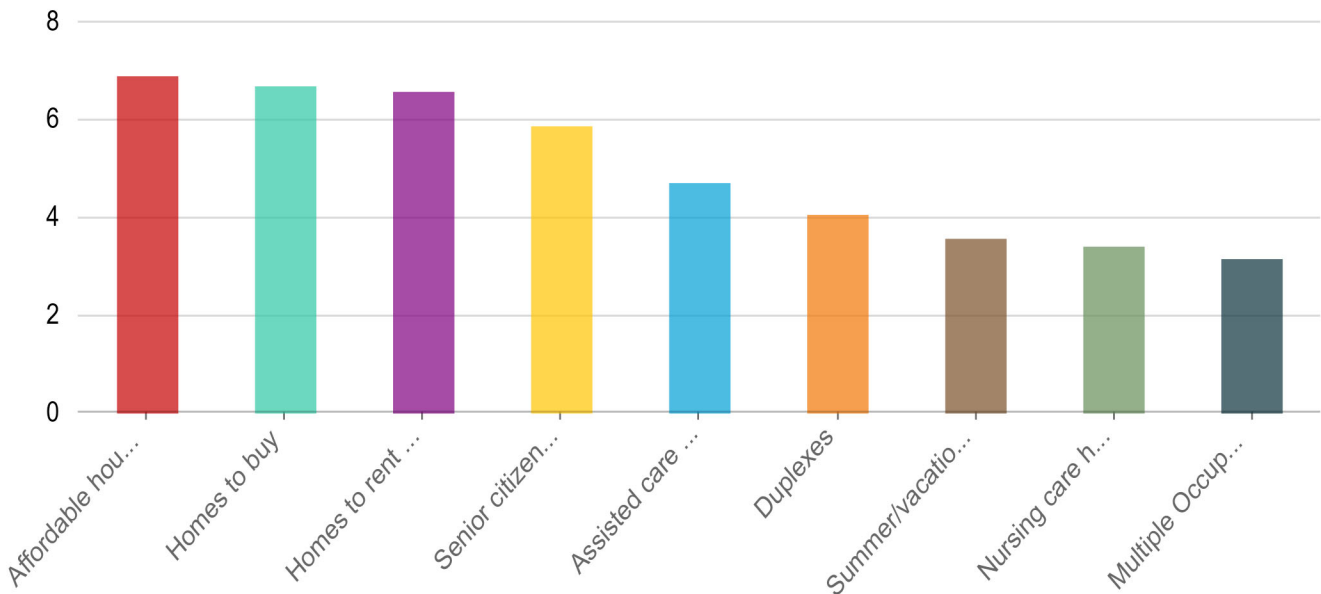
3) When addressing commerce, the upcoming comprehensive plan shou...



Rank	Answers	1	2	3	4	5	Average score
1	Restaurant facilities	42.05%	26.14%	11.74%	8.52%	4.36%	9.63
		222	138	62	45	23	
2	Healthcare facilities.	29.73%	14.39%	11.55%	8.33%	7.98	
		157	76	61	44		
3	Retail stores and shops	3.41%	13.45%	16.48%	14.2%	14.58%	7.03
		18	71	87	75	77	
4	Tourist lodging facilities	3.22%	12.5%	11.93%	12.88%	6.43	
		17	66	63	68		
5	Museums	3.79%	6.63%	13.07%	11.93%	11.36%	6.34
		20	35	69	63	60	
6	Retreat and adult learning centers	5.3%	5.49%	9.47%	9.47%	6.04	
		28	29	50	50		

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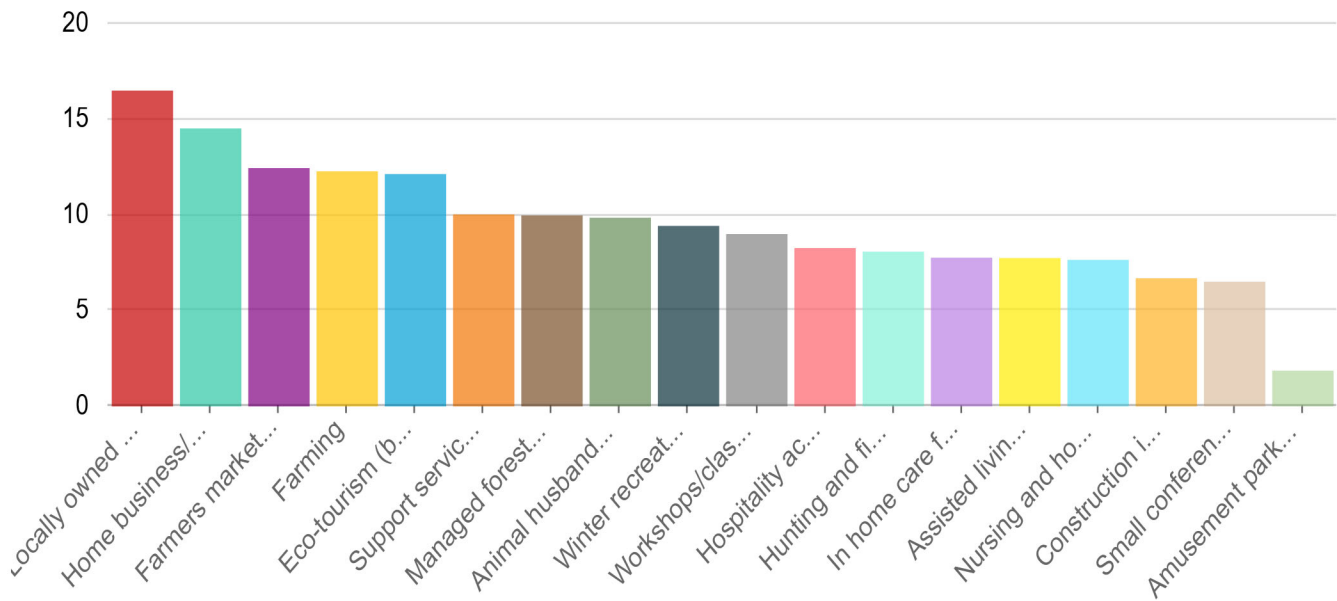
4) When addressing housing, the upcoming comprehensive plan should...



Rank	Answers	1	2	3	4	5	Average score
1	Affordable housing	47.26% 250	10.78% 57	9.64% 51	7.37% 39	5.29% 28	6.90
2	Homes to buy	22.87% 121	27.22% 144	14.37% 76	7.56% 40	6.70	6.70
3	Homes to rent year round	11.15% 59	27.6% 146	24.57% 130	11.91% 63	8.88% 47	6.58
4	Senior citizen housing	6.24% 33	8.7% 46	20.98% 111	27.98% 148	5.88	5.88
5	Assisted care housing	4.73% 25	7.56% 40	10.21% 54	11.72% 62	17.58% 93	4.72
6	Duplexes	0.76% 4	3.02% 16	6.05% 32	14.37% 76	4.07	4.07

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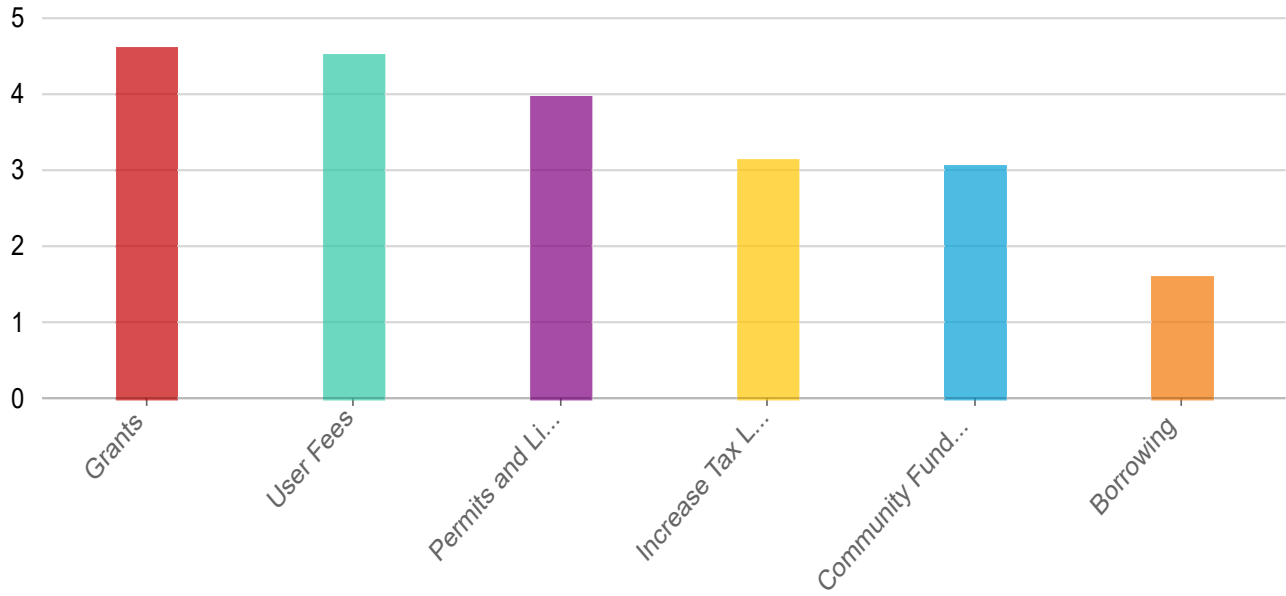
5) When addressing business, the upcoming comprehensive plan should...



Rank	Answers	1	2	3	4	5	Average score
1	Locally owned and operated business	52.56% 277	18.6% 98	7.97% 42	6.26% 33	4.17% 22	16.52
2	Home business/cottage industry	15.37% 81	32.07% 169	10.82% 57	11.01% 58		14.54
3	Farmers markets	1.33% 7	6.83% 36	12.9% 68	9.11% 48	16.7% 88	12.46
4	Farming	4.17% 22	8.16% 43	13.66% 72	12.9% 68		12.30
5	Eco-tourism (birding, hiking, biking, kayaking, astronomy, etc)	9.11% 48	7.59% 40	8.92% 47	7.59% 40	6.83% 36	12.15
6	Support services for the elderly	2.28% 12	2.85% 15	4.93% 26	7.02% 37		10.04

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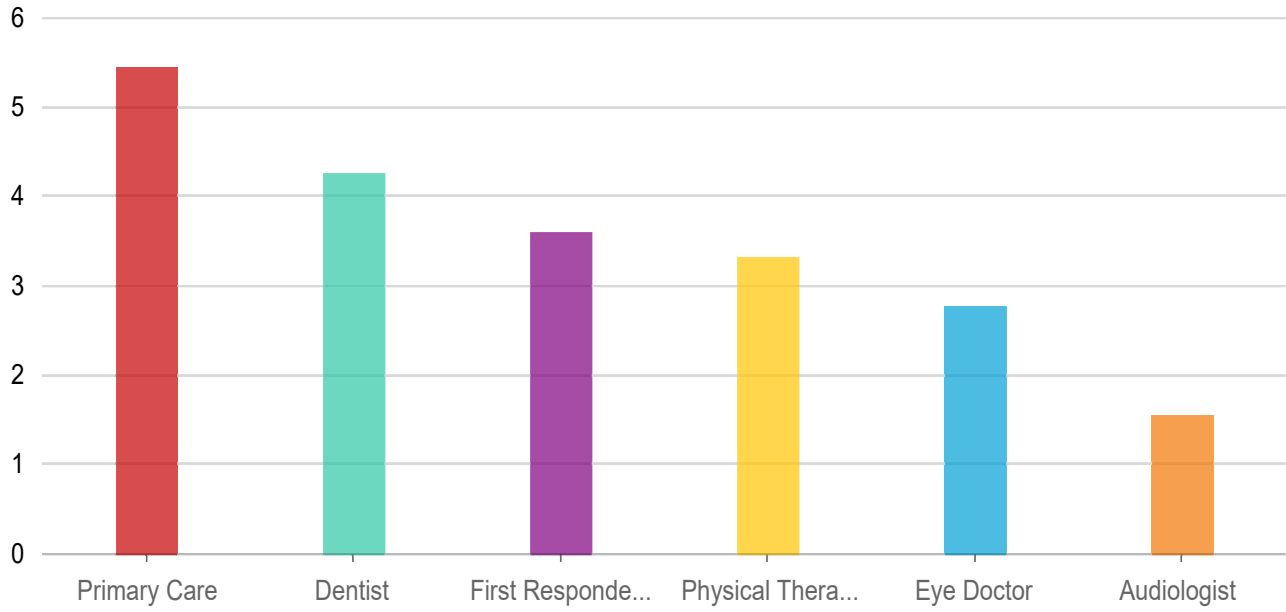
6) Rank in order of preference how the Town should increase revenue:



Rank	Answers	1	2	3	4	Average score
1	Grants	40.15% 218	15.29% 83	19.71% 107	17.5% 95	4.62 34
2	User Fees	32.6% 177	22.47% 122	22.47% 122	12.89% 70	4.53
3	Permits and Licensing	6.08% 33	33.52% 182	28.36% 154	19.89% 108	3.99 52
4	Increase Tax Levy	13.44% 73	13.63% 74	11.79% 64	16.21% 88	3.16
5	Community Fundraising	6.45% 35	12.15% 66	12.89% 70	27.62% 150	3.08 181
6	Borrowing	1.29% 7	2.95% 16	4.79% 26	5.89% 32	1.62

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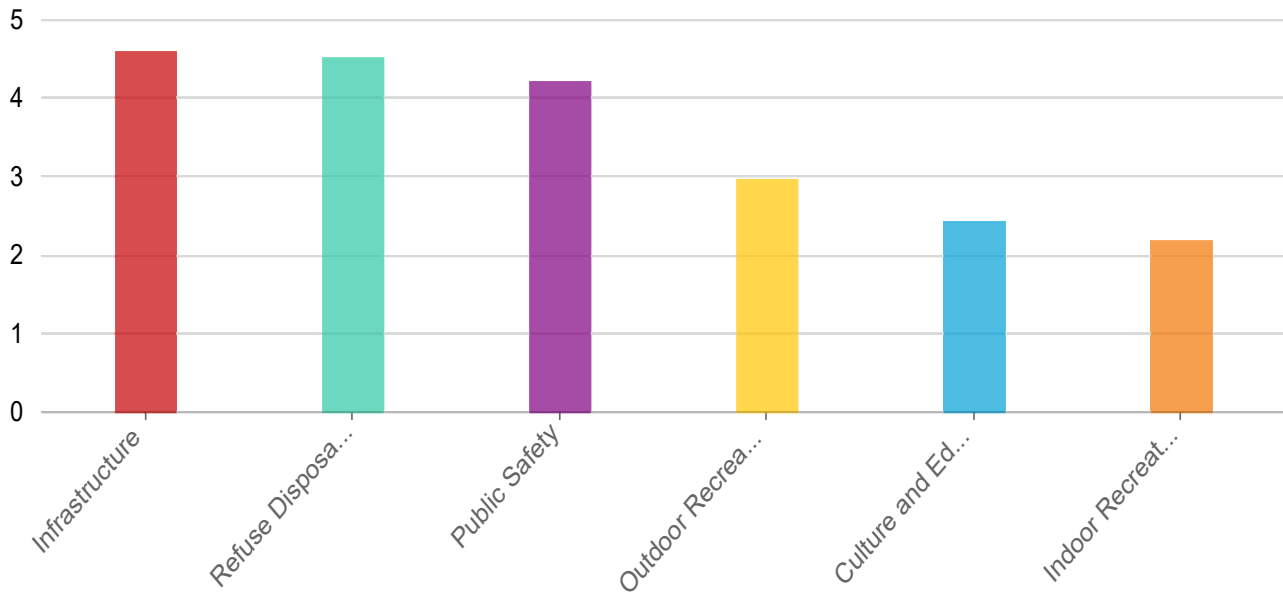
7) Which of the following health care services do you want to see...



Rank	Answers	1	2	3	4	5	Average score
1	Primary Care	63.87% 343	25.7% 138	6.15% 33	2.05% 11	1.12% 6	5.46
2	Dentist	9.68% 52	32.59% 175	37.62% 202	16.01% 86	2.78% 15	4.27
3	First Responder	20.11% 108	24.39% 131	13.04% 70	8.75% 47	5.96% 32	3.61
4	Physical Therapist	5.77% 31	13.97% 75	25.51% 137	28.49% 153	15.36% 83	3.33
5	Eye Doctor	0.56% 3	3.17% 17	15.46% 83	38.18% 205	39.66% 213	2.78
6	Audiologist	0% 0	0.19% 1	2.23% 12	6.52% 35	88.97% 480	1.56

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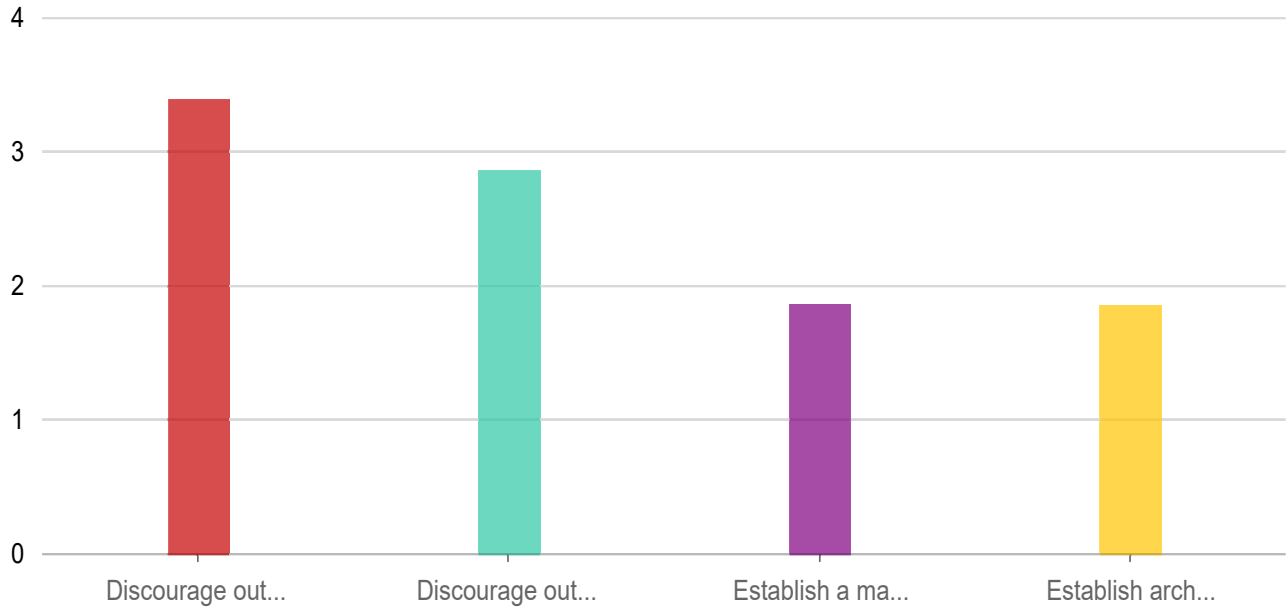
8) Which areas of service are most important to be provided by the Town:



Rank	Answers	1	2	3	4	Average score
1	Infrastructure	32.48% 177	30.09% 164	17.25% 94	10.09% 55	6.79% 4.61 37
2	Refuse Disposal	31.01% 169	26.61% 145	22.75% 124	8.81% 48	4.53
3	Public Safety	27.16% 148	24.22% 132	20% 109	9.72% 53	10.64% 4.23 58
4	Outdoor Recreation	6.06% 33	9.54% 52	14.31% 78	28.81% 157	2.98
5	Culture and Education, and Museums	2.39% 13	5.5% 30	14.86% 81	25.87% 141	14.5% 2.45 79
6	Indoor Recreation	0.92% 5	4.04% 22	10.83% 59	16.7% 91	2.20

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9) The upcoming comprehensive plan should use regulation to:

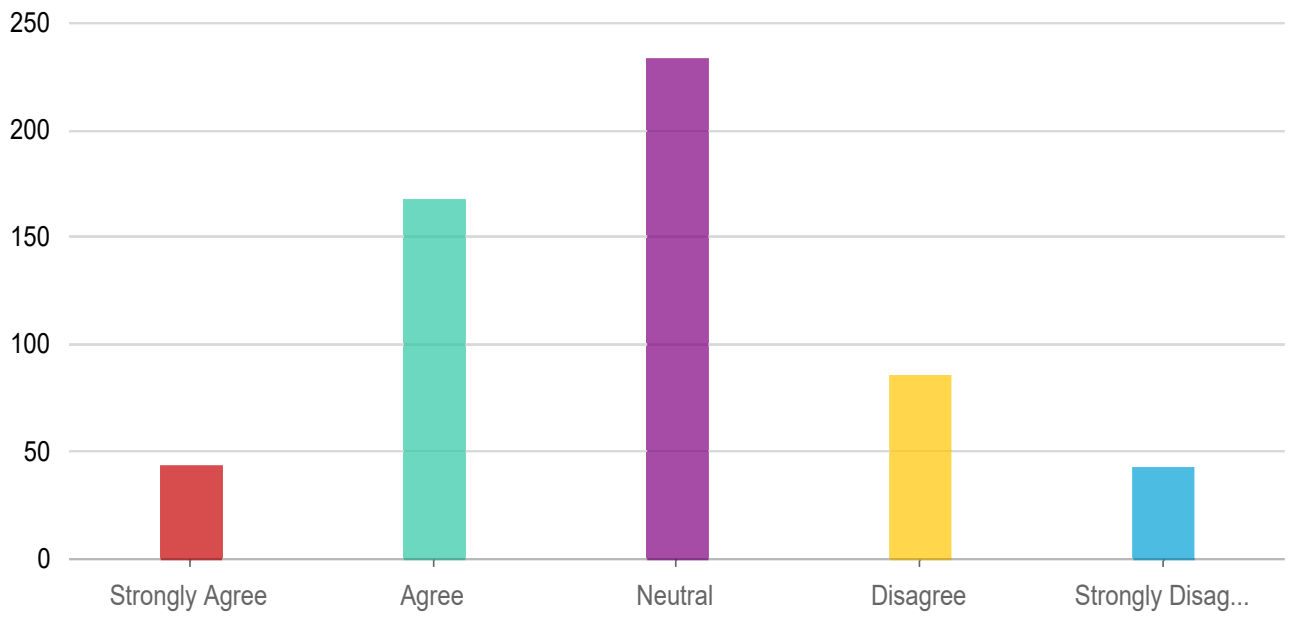


Rank	Answers	1	2	3	Average score	
1	Discourage outdoor "junk" storage visible from roadsides	62.25% 315	21.34% 108	10.28% 52	3.40	6.13
2	Discourage outdoor residential lighting that contributes to light pollution	20.95% 106	53.95% 273	15.81% 80	2.87	
3	Establish a maximum limit on home size	11.66% 59	13.83% 70	24.51% 124	1.87	50 2
4	Establish architectural design standards	5.14% 26	10.87% 55	49.41% 250	1.87	

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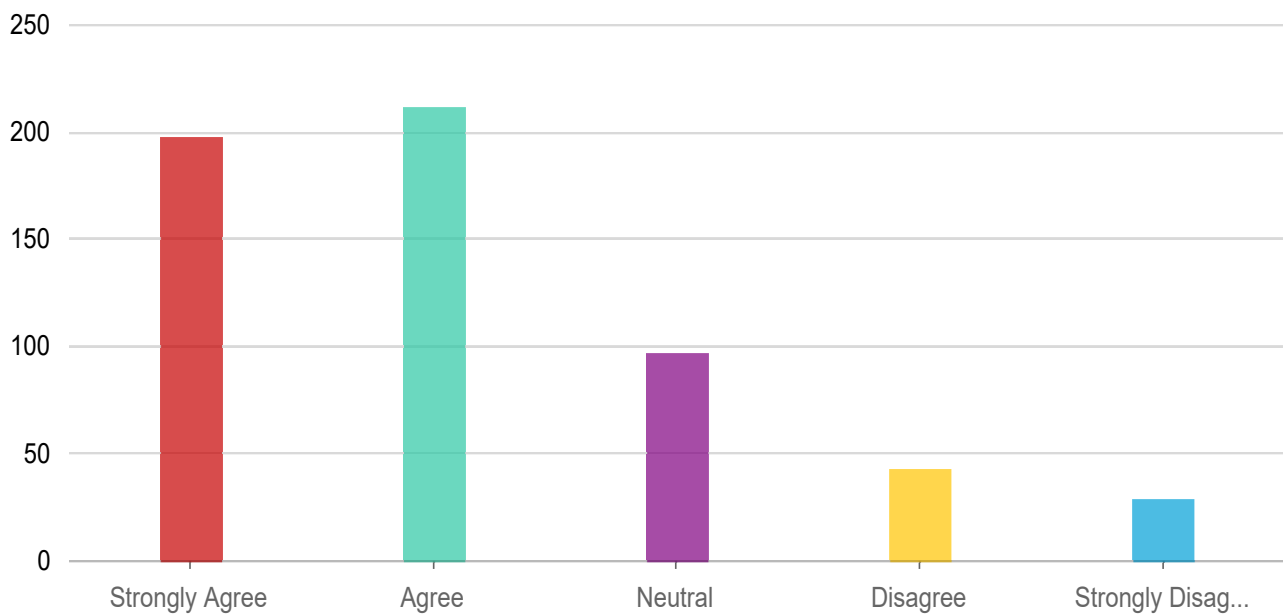
- 10) The Town is developing satisfactorily under existing zoning...



Answers	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree	44	7.32%
Agree	168	27.95%
Neutral	234	38.94%
Disagree	86	14.31%
Strongly Disagree	43	7.15%

Answered: 575 Skipped: 26

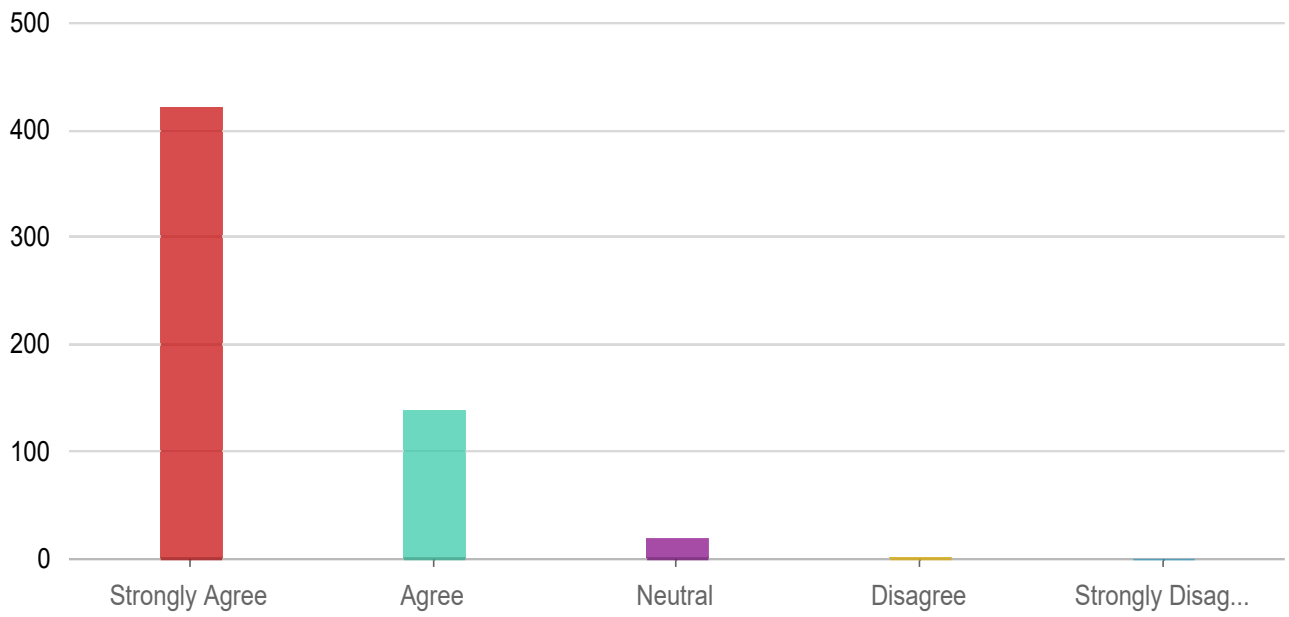
○ 11) Adopting ordinances to regulate cell towers, wind farms and solar...



Answers	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree	198	32.95%
Agree	212	35.27%
Neutral	97	16.14%
Disagree	43	7.15%
Strongly Disagree	29	4.83%

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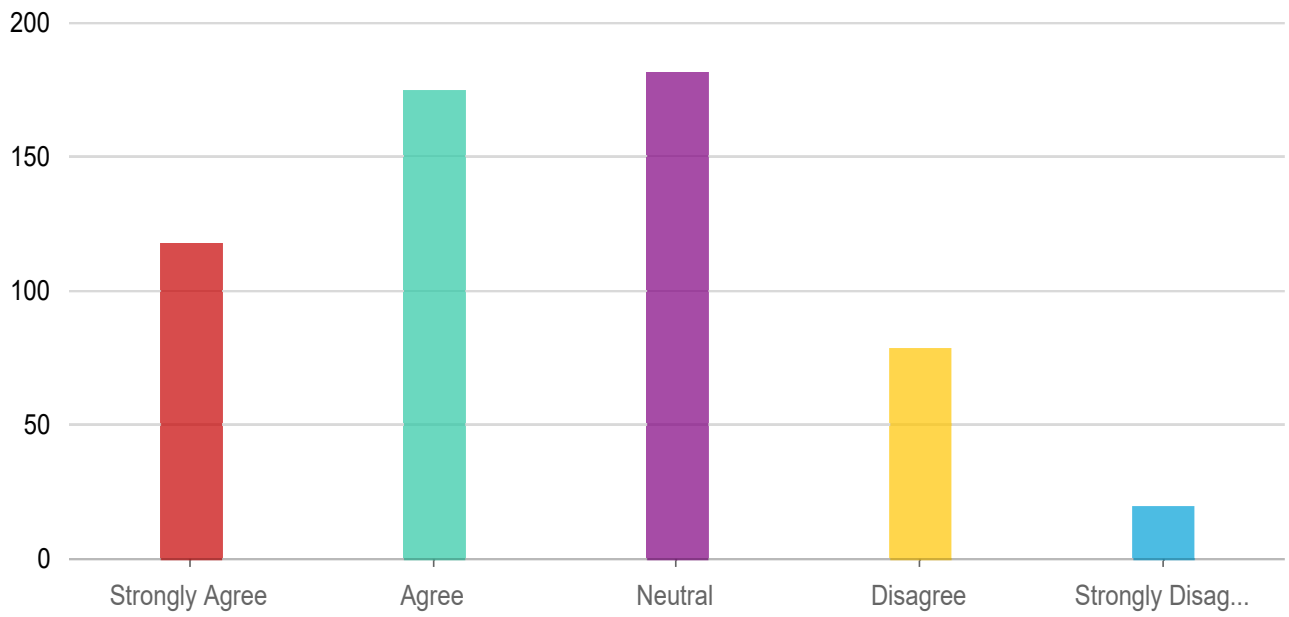
○ 12) It is important to first consider the natural limitations of the Town's...



Answers	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree	422	70.22%
Agree	139	23.13%
Neutral	20	3.33%
Disagree	2	0.33%
Strongly Disagree	1	0.17%

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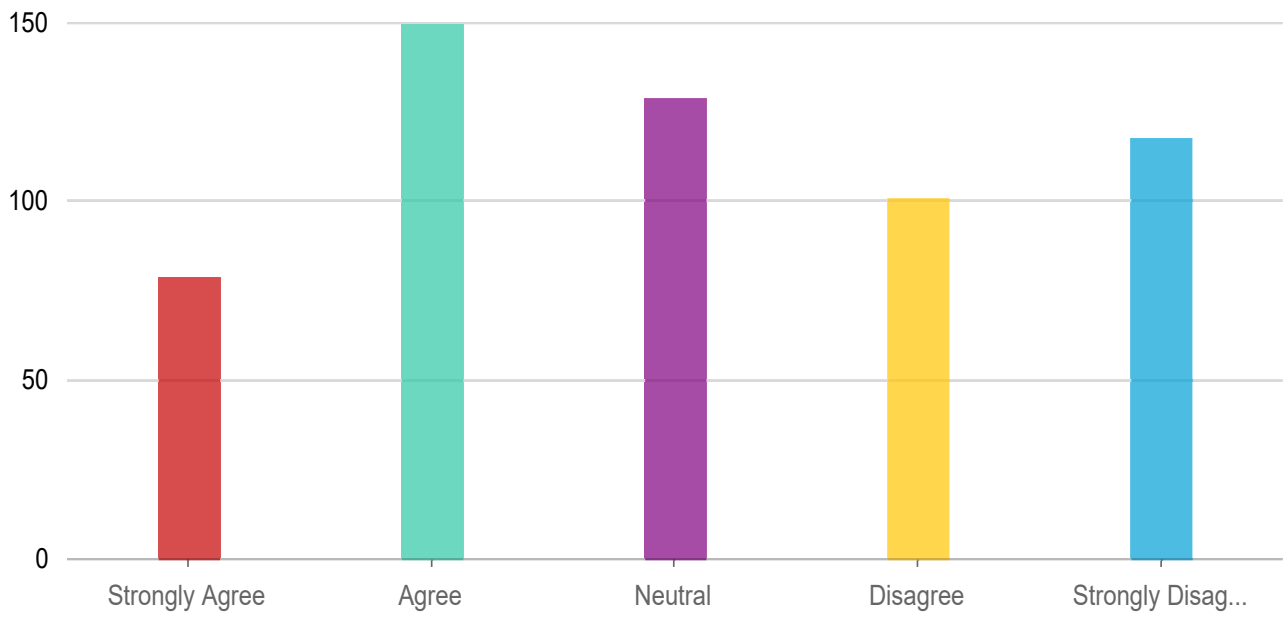
○ 13) Larger sized lots benefit the Town.



Answers	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree	118	19.63%
Agree	175	29.12%
Neutral	182	30.28%
Disagree	79	13.14%
Strongly Disagree	20	3.33%

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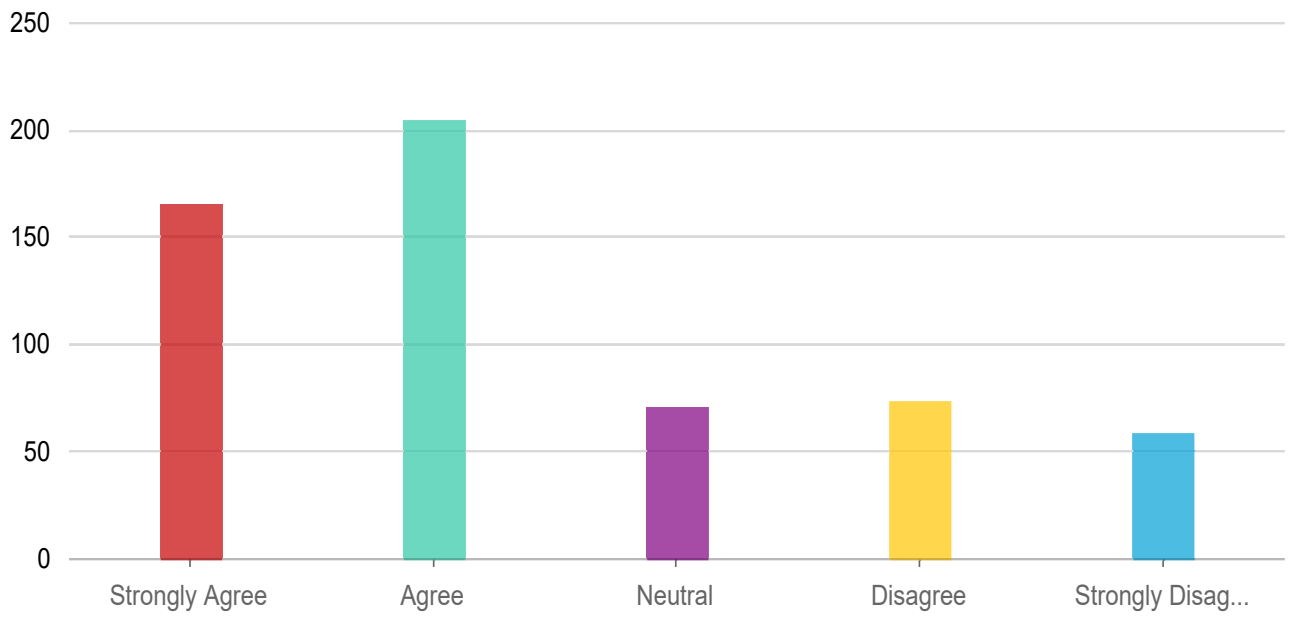
○ 14) Properties being used for short term rentals (houses rented for les...



Answers	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree	79	13.14%
Agree	150	24.96%
Neutral	129	21.46%
Disagree	101	16.81%
Strongly Disagree	118	19.63%

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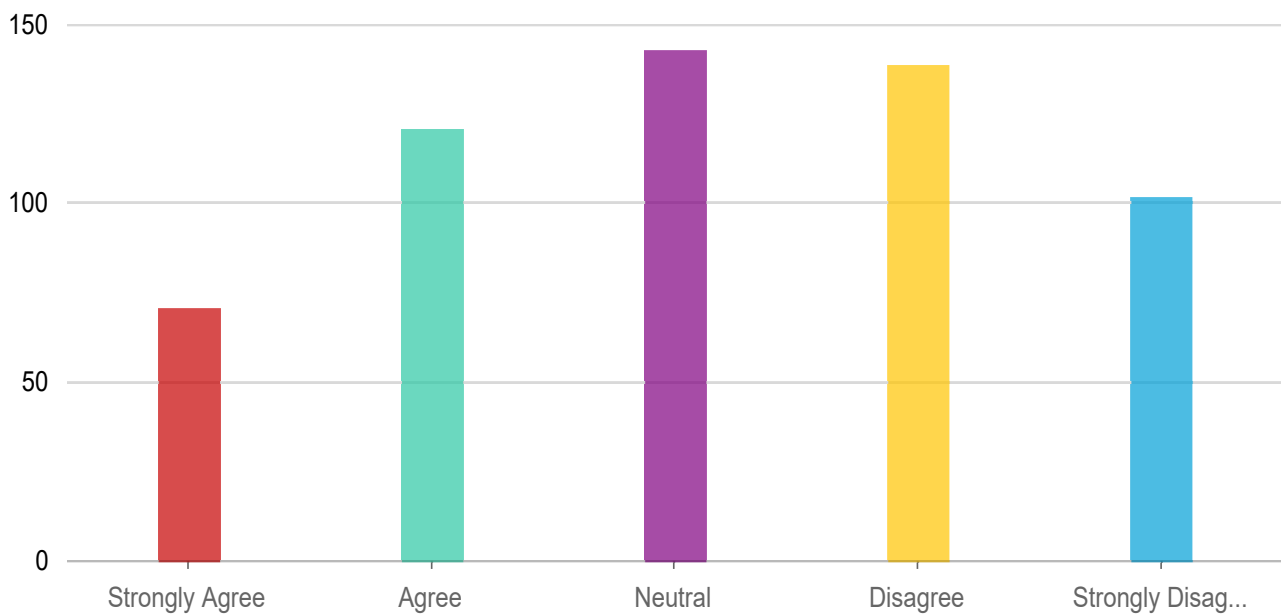
○ 15) Expanding and marketing tourism in spring, fall, and winter would...



Answers	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree	166	27.62%
Agree	205	34.11%
Neutral	71	11.81%
Disagree	74	12.31%
Strongly Disagree	59	9.82%

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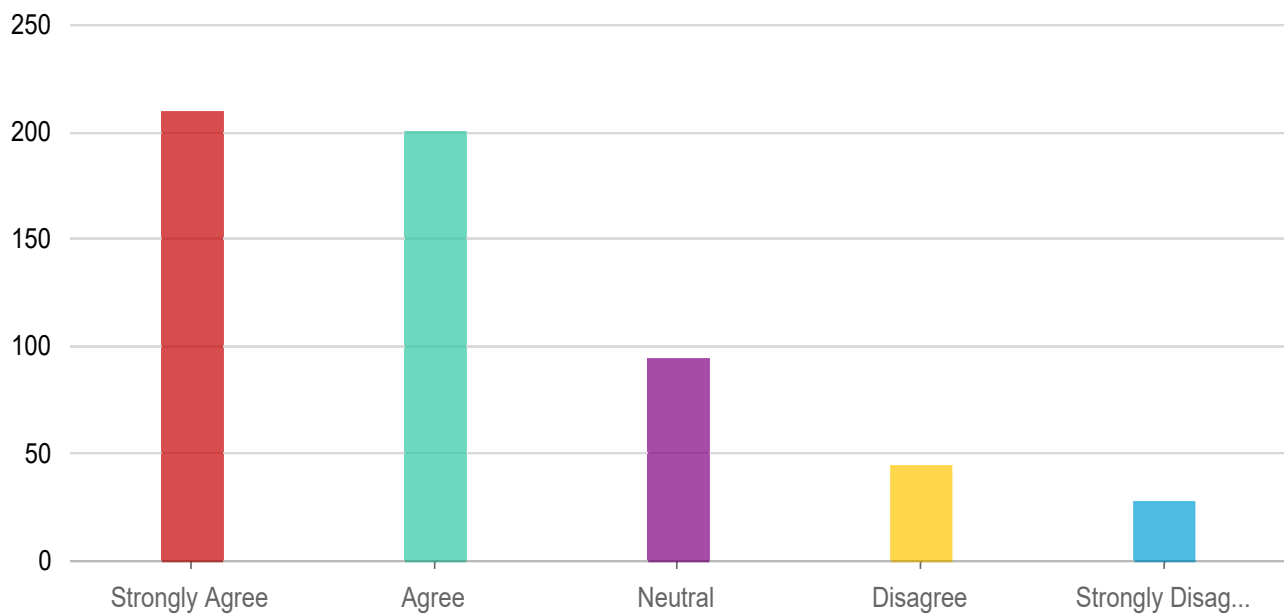
○ 16) More tourism in the summer would benefit the Town.



Answers	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree	71	11.81%
Agree	121	20.13%
Neutral	143	23.79%
Disagree	139	23.13%
Strongly Disagree	102	16.97%

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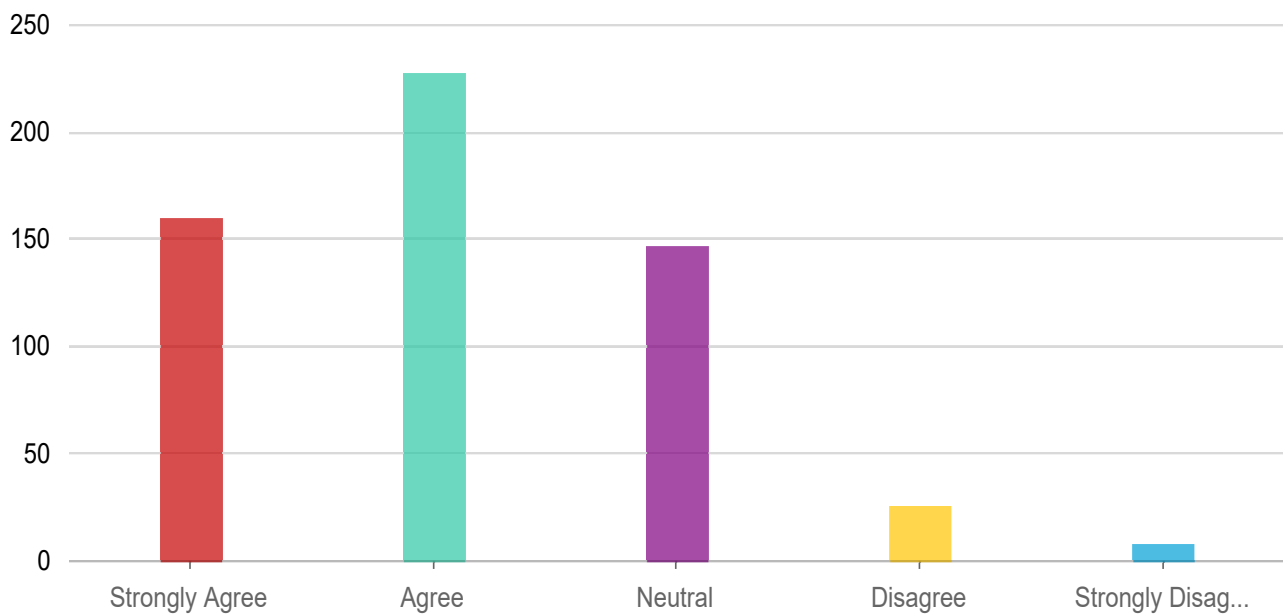
○ 17) The Town should explore options to obtain added tourist revenue.



Answers	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree	210	34.94%
Agree	201	33.44%
Neutral	95	15.81%
Disagree	45	7.49%
Strongly Disagree	28	4.66%

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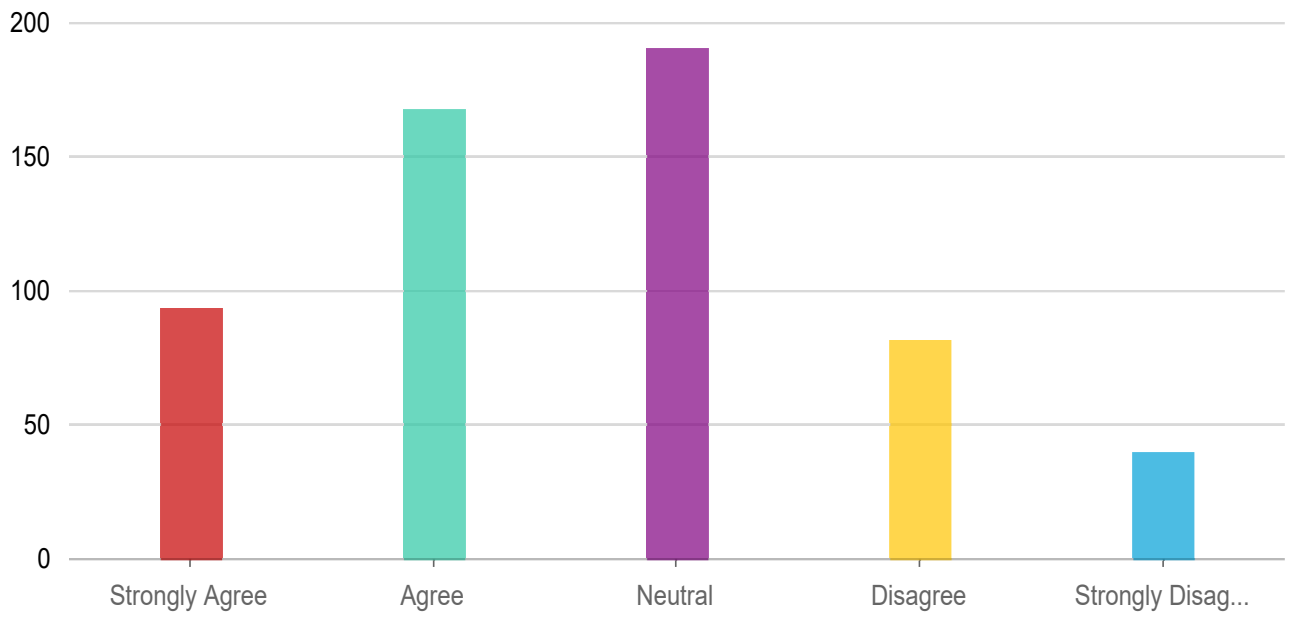
○ 18) It is important that the Town should sponsor a community input...



Answers	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree	160	26.62%
Agree	228	37.94%
Neutral	147	24.46%
Disagree	26	4.33%
Strongly Disagree	8	1.33%

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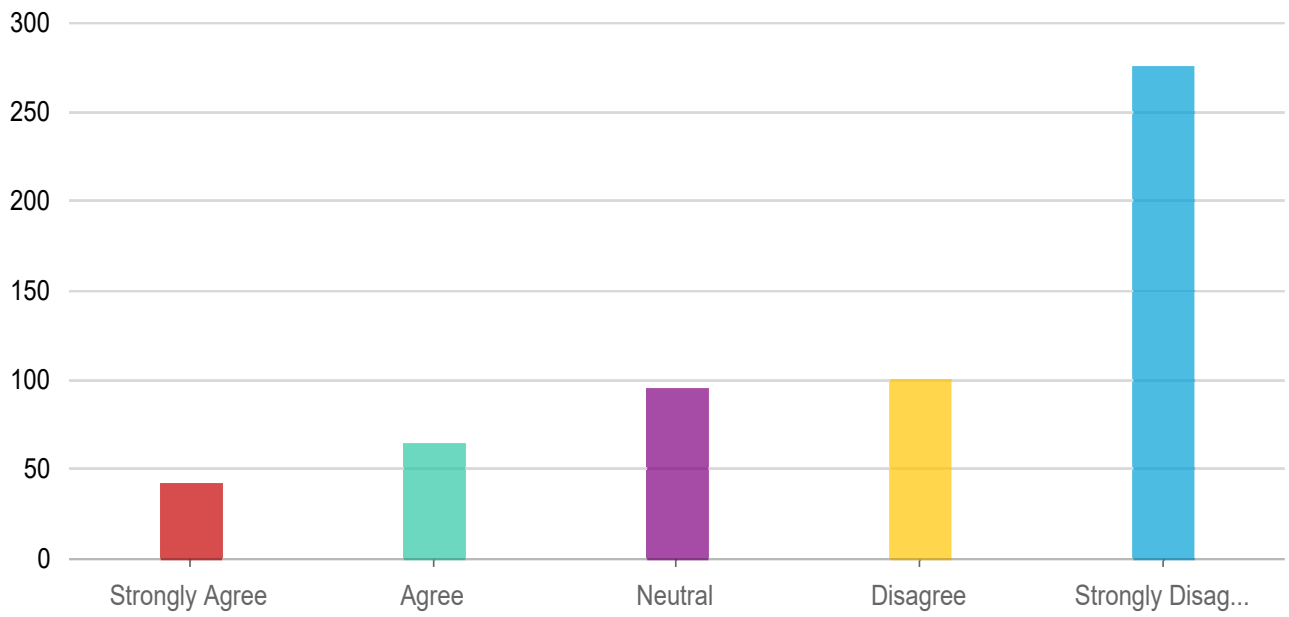
○ 19) A multi-use municipal (fire, police, public works, and government...



Answers	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree	94	15.64%
Agree	168	27.95%
Neutral	191	31.78%
Disagree	82	13.64%
Strongly Disagree	40	6.66%

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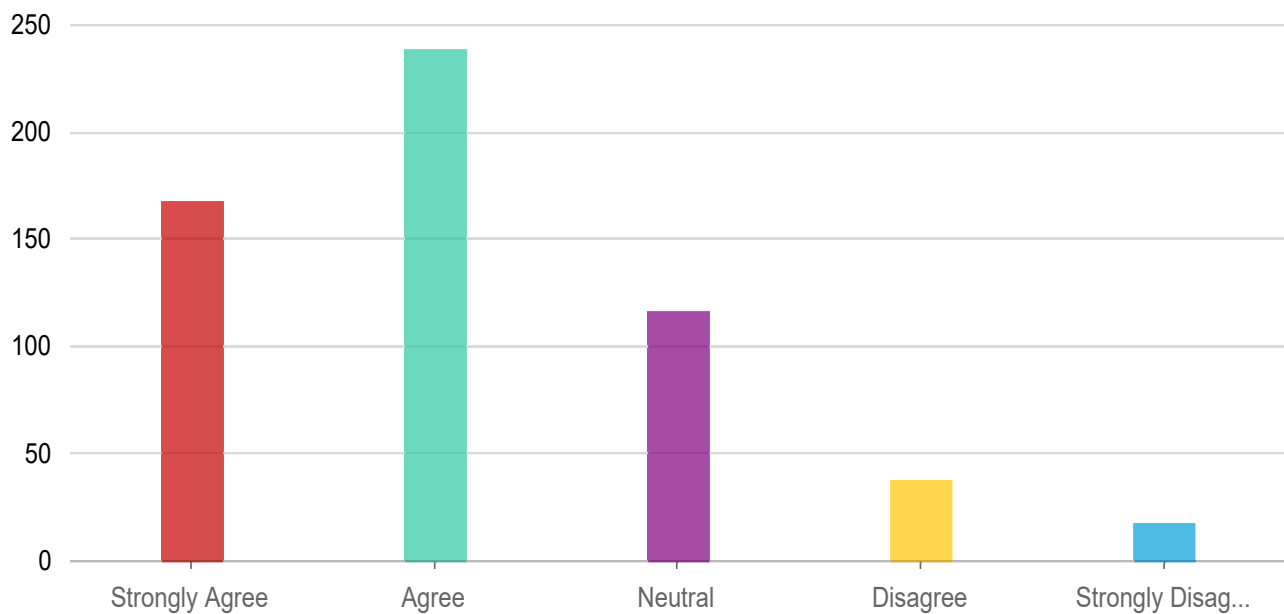
○ 20) Future development and expansion of the airport would benefit the...



Answers	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree	43	7.15%
Agree	65	10.82%
Neutral	96	15.97%
Disagree	101	16.81%
Strongly Disagree	276	45.92%

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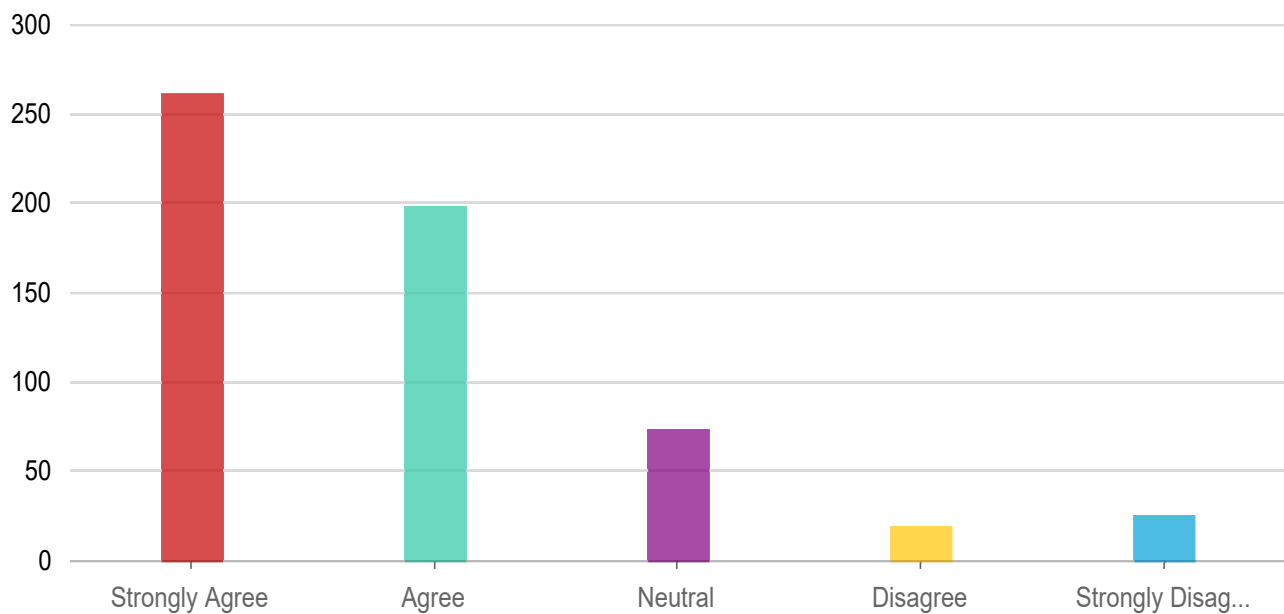
○ 21) The Town should develop a master plan for Mountain Tower Park a...



Answers	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree	168	27.95%
Agree	239	39.77%
Neutral	117	19.47%
Disagree	38	6.32%
Strongly Disagree	18	3%

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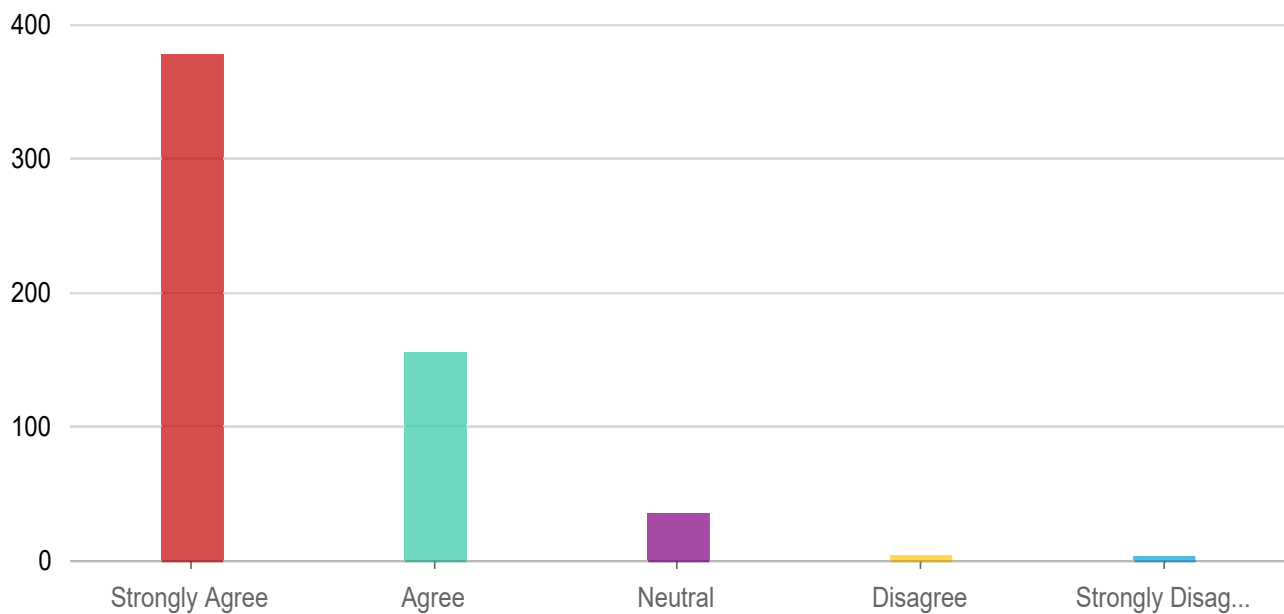
○ 22) The Town-owned easements to the lake should be better marked an...



Answers	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree	262	43.59%
Agree	199	33.11%
Neutral	74	12.31%
Disagree	20	3.33%
Strongly Disagree	26	4.33%

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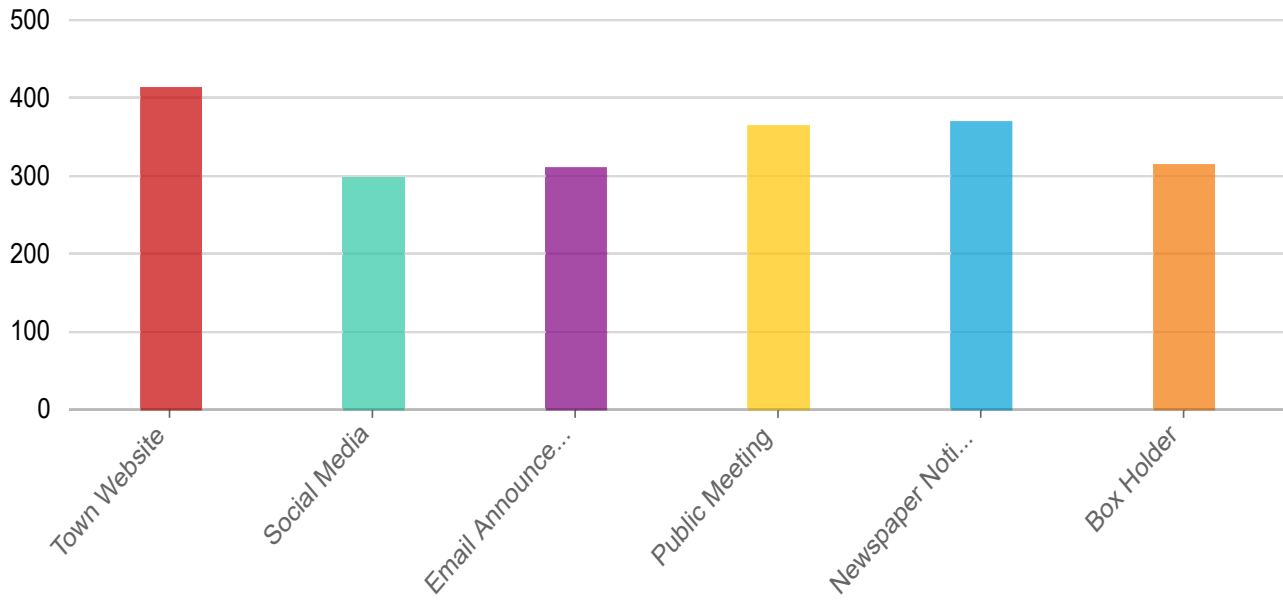
○ 23) It is important that historical records and photographs continue to ...



Answers	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree	379	63.06%
Agree	156	25.96%
Neutral	36	5.99%
Disagree	5	0.83%
Strongly Disagree	4	0.67%

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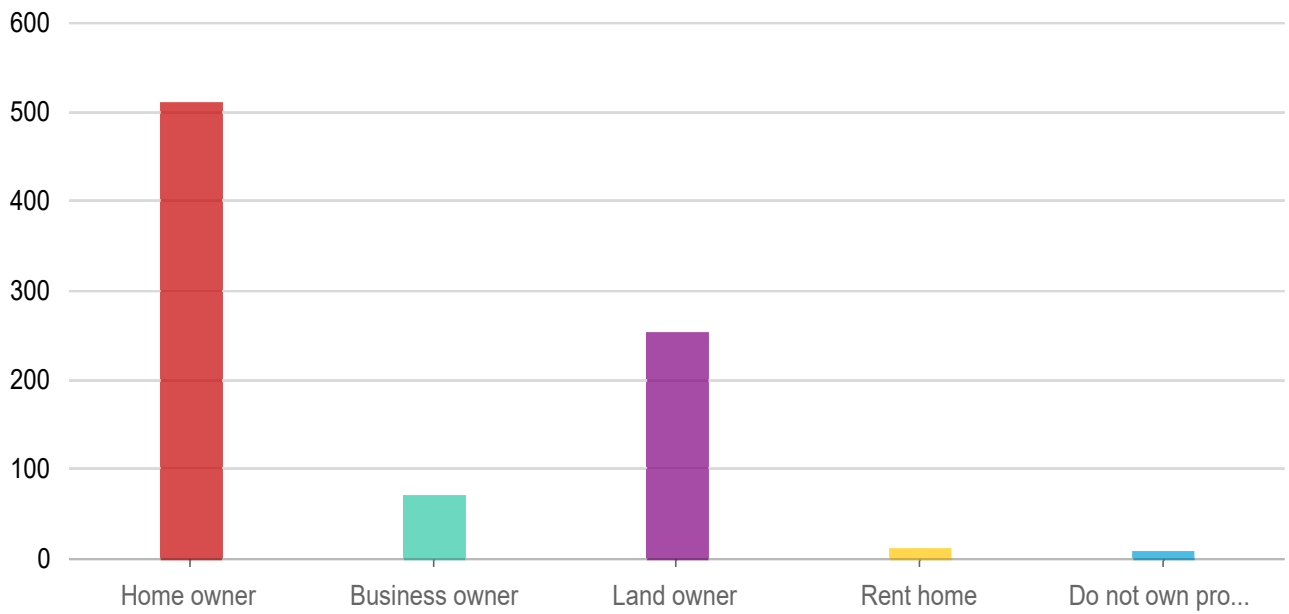
○ 24) What is the best way for government to keep the community informed?



Answers	Count	Percentage
Town Website	414	68.89%
Social Media	299	49.75%
Email Announcement	312	51.91%
Public Meeting	366	60.9%
Newspaper Notice	371	61.73%
Box Holder	316	52.58%

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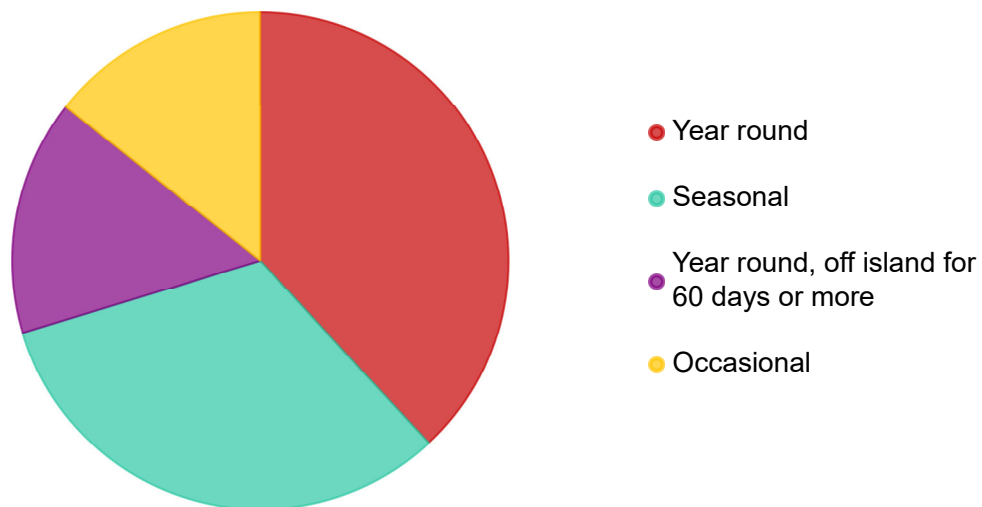
25) What is your property ownership status?



Answers	Count	Percentage
Home owner	512	85.19%
Business owner	72	11.98%
Land owner	255	42.43%
Rent home	13	2.16%
Do not own property	9	1.5%

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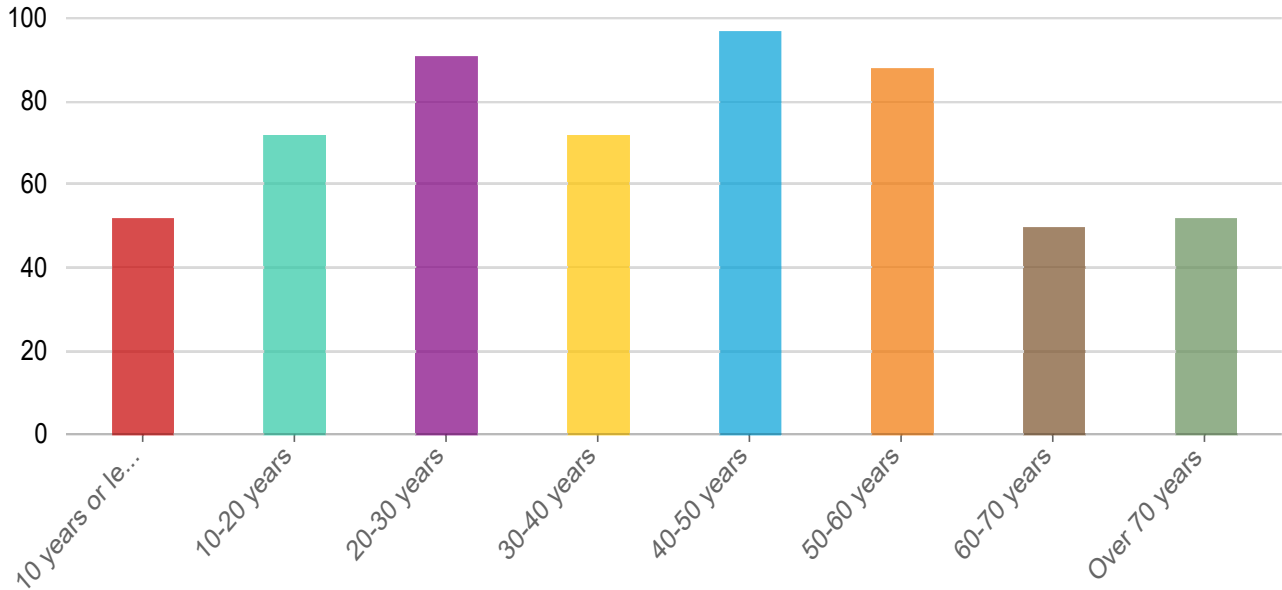
○ 26) What category best describes your residence status?



Answers	Count	Percentage
Year round	226	37.6%
Seasonal	191	31.78%
Year round, off island for 60 days or more	91	15.14%
Occasional	85	14.14%

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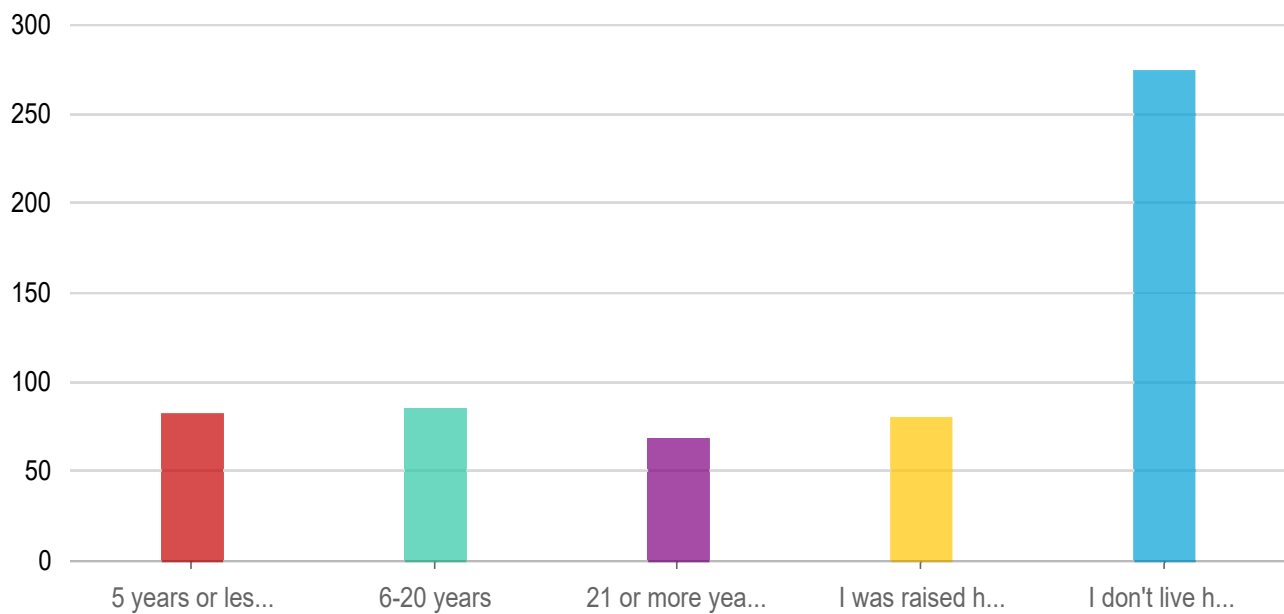
27) How long have you been coming to the island?



Answers	Count	Percentage
10 years or less	52	8.65%
10-20 years	72	11.98%
20-30 years	91	15.14%
30-40 years	72	11.98%
40-50 years	97	16.14%
50-60 years	88	14.64%
60-70 years	50	8.32%
Over 70 years	52	8.65%

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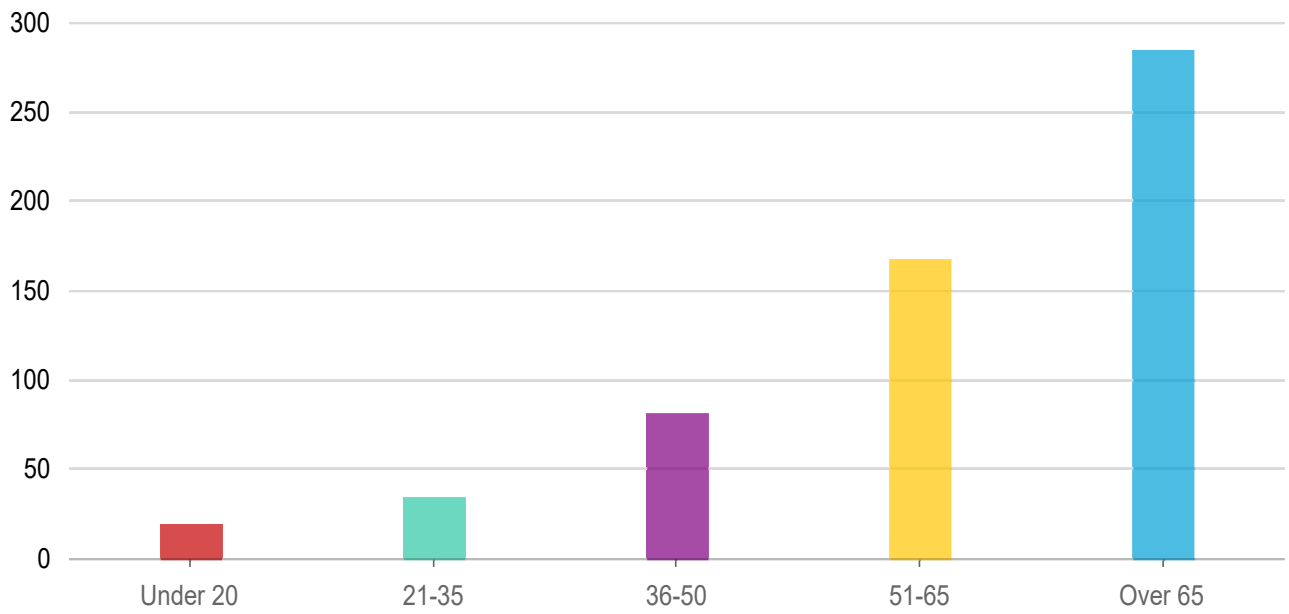
28) How long have you lived year-round on the island?



Answers	Count	Percentage
5 years or less	83	13.81%
6-20 years	86	14.31%
21 or more years	69	11.48%
I was raised here	81	13.48%
I don't live here year-round	275	45.76%

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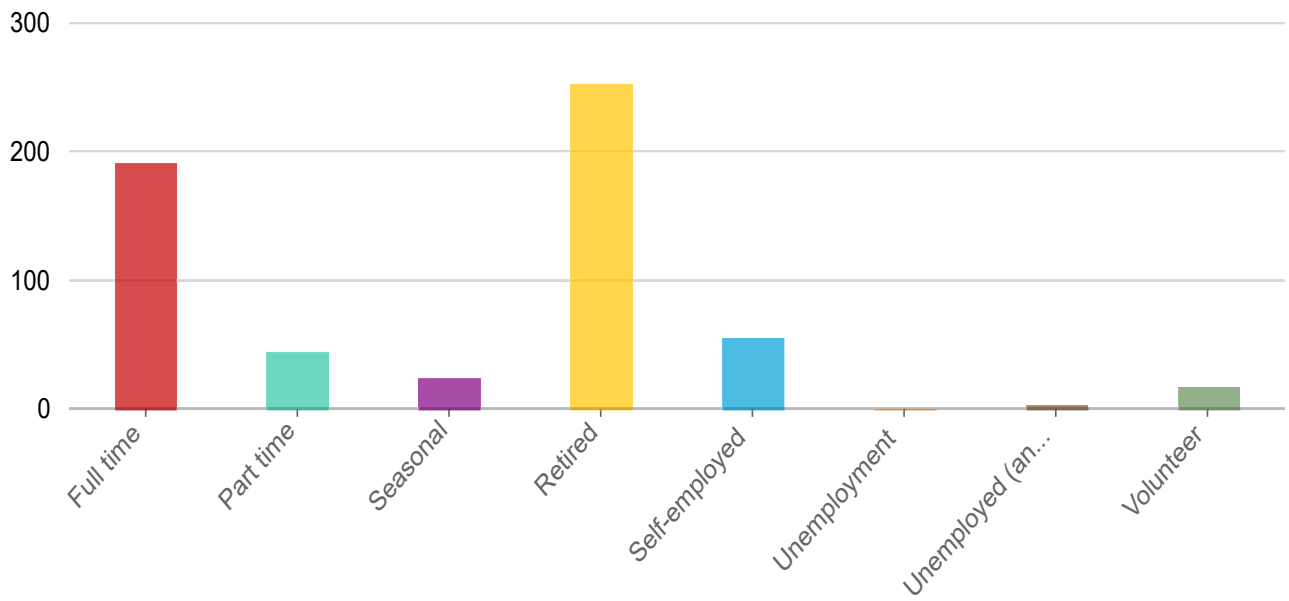
○ 29) What is your age group?



Answers	Count	Percentage
Under 20	20	3.33%
21-35	35	5.82%
36-50	82	13.64%
51-65	168	27.95%
Over 65	285	47.42%

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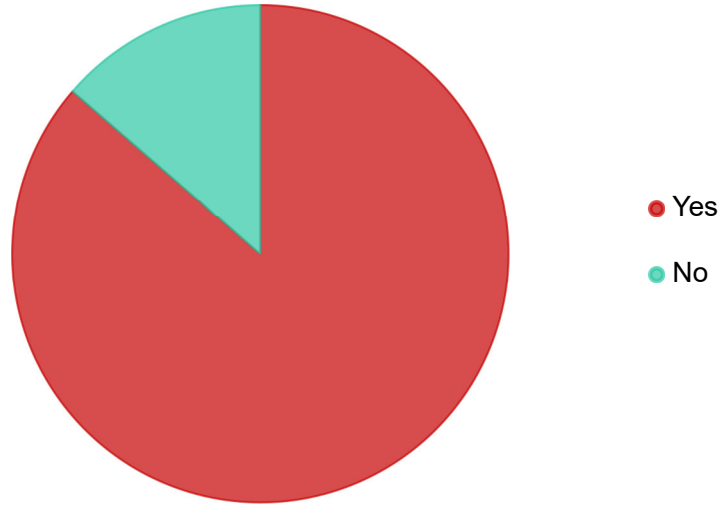
○ 30) What is your employment status?



Answers	Count	Percentage
Full time	192	31.95%
Part time	45	7.49%
Seasonal	25	4.16%
Retired	253	42.1%
Self-employed	56	9.32%
Unemployment	1	0.17%
Unemployed (and looking for work)	4	0.67%
Volunteer	18	3%

Answered: 594 Skipped: 7

○ Did you receive a paper copy of this survey?



Answers	Count	Percentage
Yes	449	74.71%
No	71	11.81%

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o What is the code from your paper survey? *



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some how the tourists should pay to visit, at least enough to cover the cost of garbage disposal. Listen to the former Parks Committees suggestions.	2
To remember this is our home and the town needs to take care of its residences first.	2
Tourism is the number 1 industry on the Island & without the tourists you would not have a lot of people able to live here.	2
WE ARE IN FAVOR OF SUPPORTING TRADITIONAL ISLAND LIFE AND CULTURE DEVELOPMENT ON THE ISLAND AND ITS PARKS SHOULD BE AVOIDED. SUMMER VISITOR POPULATION HAS REACHED ITS MAXIMUM SUSTAINABLE IMPACT. THE AIRPORT SERVES ITS PURPOSE AS IS.	2
We are opposed to airport expansion that would bind the town to a long term monetary commitment. Comment on question 6: Add \$1 for all passengers GOING TO W.I. - fair for all!	2
We have a lovely place to live. Lets not turn it into Sister Bay. Sister Bay has too many motel units Toby or rent. It's a nice tourism town.. Let Sister Bay remain for tourists, Washington Island is different.	2
We like it the way it is. More tourism is not a good idea. Big money can hurt us.	2
Would like to see a discounted multi-trip pass on the ferry, e.g. 10 ticket pass. Would like to see better bike lanes on roads, especially well traveled roads. Would like to see energy independence pursued by wind turbines .	2
6F bond issue agreed number 9D not at all 19 dumb question fire yes 22. Only if the town has a legal recorded easement. 1. It is not the responsibility of the ferry to tax day visitors. The town must figure way of capitalizing visitors 2. town should do bond issue that covers 5 to 6 critical needs such as service treatment facility And rebuilding dump to accommodate future needs and volume	1
- do a study on the impact of land trusts on the island - consider adding a head-tax on the ferry - no solar or wind farms - require park passes (another way to secure revenue from tourists) - we should have stricter zoning on the building of new houses (like number of acres)	1
Number one. All questions answered with a one. Number two. All questions answered with a five with the exception of see, which was answered with a one. Number three. A 2. B 8. C 8. D2. E1. F2. G 1 H 1. I 1. J2. K 8. Number for A through D 1. E 10. F through I 1. Number 51 through 17 and number 23 all as ones. Number 18 and 19 -'s. #20- 10. If they build low income housing, it shouldn't be on the shore.	1

town leadership needs to have the courage to adopt a forward looking approach to improve use of available municipal resources. Many historical short sighted decisions can be looked back on as failing to improve the community and pushing off costs to the future where they become more expensive. Affordable housing is a significant challenge that needs to be addressed if the Island is going to continue to be an amazing place to live.	1
have all taxpayers and residents benefit from the intrusion of tourists as opposed to being inconvenienced.	1
-"Tourists" term used often here, and usu given 100% responsibility for increased costs in the primary category of "infrastructure". If we define infrastructure in the services Town provides as: roads, wastewater, and garbage - the Town has current means of revenue/cost capture in place for all but roads. Roads: 1 loaded dumptruck on a paved road with our road bases of dirt/clay in early spring does more damage than yrs of cars in dry road base conditions. But it is easier to blame/charge a nameless "other" for growth and occupancy challenges present year round, right? Park cost is much lamented as well, but with resounding support we the taxpayers supported purchase, expansion, and investment in parks (Mountain Park) - which way does the wind blow?! -The majority Island based providers of goods and services who remain open year round do so largely from revenues taken in in 4/12 mo or less. -No one wants higher taxes, yet few can suggest services they want less of.	1
#1 Issue is developing a plan for affordable housing. Our current trajectory is leading the Island to a soulless place for the wealthy who have no attachment to the Island's roots. #2 The value of the Island is in its natural aesthetic and the families who have built and maintain these landscape. Any affordable housing development needs to carefully consider location and how we maintain this aesthetic and honor these families. #3. Design restrictions should only apply to commercial facilities, not residential. #4. The Island has become a "mini-Disneyland" - like it or not. Islanders and landowners are paying for the tourism with no direct benefit and 100% of the cost. This tourism must be directly taxed via a Parks and Recs access tax (Use Tax). #5. The Airport should be closed with 90ac sold to cover any funds owed to the Federal Government. This is a cost center and liability inuring to the benefit of a few. The buildings can be repurposed as a Public Works Center.	1
#9: all are important	1
(On questions 1-9, this person gave each item a ranking of 1,5 or 10, so I couldn;t enter the data. They did the same thing with questions 11-23, but that was easier to make Strongly Agree, Neutral or Strongly Disagree.)	1
(Both this person and their spouse only ranked 1-junk ordinance- in questions 9. The other responses had a written "no" in the blanks.)(I think I forgot to mention this on the spouse's comment section.)	1

(For questions 1-9, the person either put a 1 or a 2 for each item, 1 meaning "most important" and 2 meaning less important.) (There was no way for me to record this scoring on the online sheet.)	1
(I forgot to enter this person's comments with the rest of their survey., so here they are.) Increase ATV & snowmobile trails. Encourage new business to the Island. Industrial park. Low taxes for new business.	1
(This person did not rank many of the options in questions 1,3,4,5,6,7)	1
(This person left many of the ranked choices blank, so I just left them in the order they are printed on the survey. The online version doesn't give an option to not rank some items.) Barb O'C-volunteer data entry	1
(This person left several ranking spaces blank on questions 3 and 5 on the printed survey) (After Locally owned and operated business, they wrote "Only as necessary" In the amusement park space they wrote "None" In the Construction industry space they wrote "None" After Winter Activities, they wrote "No snowmobiles")	1
(This person only put checkmarks on choices in Questions 1-9, indicating they agreed with the statements. Many others were left blank.)	1
(This person only ranked 1-11 items in Question 5. The rest were left blank.)	1
(This person only ranked 1-4 items in Question 5. the rest were left blank)	1
(This person only ranked 1-junk management- in question 9. The rest had the word "No" written in the blank)	1
(This person only ranked the first 4 items in question 5 and left the rest blank.)	1
* Keeping the community, at large, updated, informed * Remaining as transparent as possible * Gentle public reminders of important community issues *Gentle public reminders of important community issues that have been resolved Please know that the public service work that our elected officials and the work of our town crew is appreciated every day. Even, if it doesn't seem like that some days.	1
*Rules for the amount of air BnBs. *Affordable housing for people to work year round, businesses with liquor licenses should be open year-round so people have at least one place to eat. *Better clinic that doesn't send everyone off Island. *5 acres or less to build. *Bars need to be open for 8 hours. There's nowhere to eat for people that come up because the grocery store closes so early. (This person did not rank every option in questions 3-6, leaving several blank in each section.)	1

<p>1) In order to generate new revenue streams for the town, a parks pass should be reconsidered. This is both a direct and incremental way to tap into the growing stream of tourists the island sees each year; 2) I do not support airport development. Any issues re: airport development should be brought to a public, anonymous vote; 3) There were several questions that mentioned elderly care as response options; however, none of the response options mentioned childcare which is also a current gap/need in this community. If we want more young families to live and thrive on the island, childcare is part of enabling that to happen.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>1) Start charging at the parks, permit parking for all that visit - free to tax payers 2) Clean and maintain our community parks and ALL buildings - not must the ballfield 3) Hire more employees: town crew and police are under staffed 4) Buy Kaps Marina and hire more employees to run a town marina 5) Improve roadways, more paved shoulders for bikes 6) Spend money marking roads, new fire numbers, new paint on roads, cut the grass more than once 7) Sponsor more island activities in off season 8) Improve town employee wages and benefits - why can't you get anyone one to work? Reward for those that work, terminate those that don't show up.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>1)The Town needs to figure out how to benefit from the day trippers to the island. Only one business entity benefits largely while the community is stressed day to day in the height of the season (traffic, safety, garbage, overcrowding, etc..). Head tax imposed on all is not the answer especially for those that reside here. 2) Properties that get sold to the town, dnr, or put into land trusts needs to be better regulated or STOPPED. Those types of properties no longer contribute to property taxes thus not benefitting the town. 3) Town should parcel off and sell the valley property, keeping the mountain tower land only. They then should buy the golf course and run that as a public park generating revenue.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>1. Encourage housing for young families, workers, etc. is vital, be it apartments, houses, etc. 2. We need a moratorium on streetlighting. etc. to maintain dark skies. 3. Maintain our high quality school. 4. Some oif these questions are vague. For example regarding ordinances about solar power, wind farms, etc. they can be regulated, but not banned, maybe even encouraged.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>1. Housing shortage. 2. Decent south fishing dock for boats. 3. Need a summer help residence hall</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>1. The lack of restaurants on the Island. 2. The high construction costs</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>1. Very concerned about the lack of restaurants that are open especially in the winter 2. The extremely high construction costs make it very difficult to make home improvements.</p>	<p>1</p>

<p>1. Affordable housing is clearly a critical problem. I believe the town should energetically explore opportunities to create and maintain housing that will allow seasonal workers and would-be full-time residents to live in the community. 2. I am very concerned by early discussions about developing the airport. I feel strongly that the arguments presented in favor were at best weak and at worst misleading/untruthful. I remain strongly opposed to proceeding with most of the proposals I have seen so far.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>1. Wind and solar farms should not be allowed. 2. The beauty of the island is that it is not like the mainland. To me it has always been a bit like stepping back in time. That is what attracts people to it. Don't change and try to become like everyone else.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>18. Hasn't that's already been done!</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>1F-unable to stay open 12 months if you do not encourage winter tourism. 3A-only benefit if they can stay open more than 3-4 months of summer tourism. 4A-creates/increases tax base 5A/B-only work if more than 3-4 months of usage outside of tourism. 5B-PleasePlease Please. 9A-YES 9B-NO NO NO NO... 9C-WHY I like ugly 9D -why do you hate rich people who'd contribute more in taxation Why are there only 3 to 4 months of business activity? Do residents enjoy unemployment? 16-better served if timeframe is expanded. 17-only if it's the only external source of \$\$ 26- seasonal treated as illegal, immigrant, except when taxes are collected.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>20 years ago the island did not do it's own plan (I think) but used a plan from elsewhere. I hope you can find a committee to sit down and do one that is honest about accepting the strengths and limits of what WI offers</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>3 only marked most important top three number four only most art most important number one number 17 not if more tourists number 22 are they used we need housing for summer employees plus any system to recruit them so they're available to all businesses</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>4I. discourage, unemployed freeloaders 9. B,C and D no regulation needed 18. Hasn't that's already been done? 22. They are too small no parking space Although the questions in the survey were good, the first page wasn't totally clear with instructions on ranking. Question number five had too many items to rank.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>A bike path from the ferry to uptown would be a benefit. Free of gas powered vehicles like 4 wheelers or golf carts. Safe for bicycles, e-bikes and pedestrians</p>	<p>1</p>

Affordable housing doesn't need to be cheap looking/feeling and can be great for the community when done right. When invested properly, can create a wondrous opportunity for increased community. Think more of downtown Sturgeon Bay with apartments on second and third levels with street access. Smaller operations that are manageable over time and benefit families who invest in them. Perhaps with community center benefits...	1
Affordable housing for Island families so they can stay in the community if they choose. Responsible tourism!! The Island is so special, once its gone, its gone. Kepp the charm. tourist traps are available everywhere, the island should not overindulge	1
Affordable housing for Island families so they can stay in the community if they choose. Responsible tourism!! the Island is so special and unique, once its gone its gone. Keep the charm. Tourist traps are available everywhere, the island should not overindulge	1
Affordable housing is imperative. Summer workers need a decent place to live. Long term rentals are necessary to keep young families in the island. Too many homes sit idle for at least 6 months. For those homes that are airbnb, require a longer rental time (months instead of a week). Other properties are bought up by outsiders who don't live here and then rented out for exorbitant rates. Families can't afford housing. Collect park fees to cover the cost of garbage pick up and clean up. Only allow small family owned businesses. It is what makes the island the island. Nothing commercial. No chain establishments and no new build hotel/motels. Use existing structures. The town should take over the golf course and make it into a public course. The rec center should offer one week passes for summer visitors to increase their revenue.	1
Affordable housing that is reliably available for those working in the service industry is crucial to island residents and future of tourism.	1
Affordable housing, childcare, expanded public library, co-working space would all benefit island residents and visitors.	1
Air B N B need to be regulated. Lake City MN does it. Section 9 Do not over regulate. No cookie cutter.	1
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All field spreading must be eliminated - trucking waste off island for recycling/waste treatment is critical to a sustainable place to live. Don't let us destroy our water source!	1
Allow the clinic to see emergencies such as UTI's, ear infections sore throat and minor problems, A box holder was sent that implied if you weren't a regular patient you should goof Island. Difficult to do when sick to travel.	1

An island sales tax would support the town budget and be distributed across all tourist and visitors and landowners to avoid additional tax levy. What is question 18 saying?	1
As a Detroit Island seasonal resident please consider our needs in any future planning. Our taxes provide sizeable income for the town of Washington	1
As a physician, I have completed hundreds of surveys. This is the least thought out survey I have ever done.	1
As tourism remains the primary industry for the Island the town needs to figure out a way to recover costs associated with the impact tourists have on the island. The Island is unique in so many ways. This uniqueness also results in unique challenges and costs. Imposing an environmental impact fee on tourists would reallocate the cost burden from Island residents/tax payers to those "temporary users". The fees recovered can be used to fund refuse management costs, infrastructure, sanitation facilities, etc. Fee recovery to offset expenses related to water, sewer, street lighting/electricity, refuse collection, etc is used by both small and large municipalities across the State. The Washington Island Ferry Line is, and always has been the gatekeeper of the Island and should be engaged to collaborate to implement a solution to recover the fees.	1
Attachment: Raising revenue from tourism traffic	1
Ban condominium, b and b, air b and b, encourage alcohol free family gatherings and restaurants. Better training and more apparent law enforcement. Better communication with the general public. Less opportunity for the rich to buy up land. More opportunities for year round residents to purchase/rent homes. All secondary housing/seasonal homes NOT available to seasonal residents (empty) needs to be addressed and charged extra taxes/fees to help the locals year round. All businesses should have an obligation to provide trash service to their customers- public trash removal should be provided and covered with the appropriate funds from tourism tax sales. Island exchange- should be maintained for removal of construction materials, metal, appliances etc... not garbage disposal or recycling, drop the tax and make it a fee. Encourage residents to use going garbage or other off island services. Have a zoning person on island that knows island policies.	1
Based on the limited resources and services on the island those resident owners should be granted special fee incentive for ferry use. Passes of some sort. Annual ferry permit.	1
Beware of personal agendas. Do what is best for the island as a whole without losing it's identity.	1

Business owners must be prohibited from the government legislative planning process for their obvious conflict of interest. A ferry company employee must not be an elected official promoting taxpayer paid improvements that benefit the ferry company. One can imagine each business owners' contribution to these 'planning' questions. WIZAP zoning allowed the two newest housing developments that benefit no one except the owners of the 'slave cabins'. Unfortunately wage-slaves can't afford to live there. The Town should have nothing to do with 'public' docking, they must stand or fall on their own lest the Town become liable for their continued existence. New construction housing must be prohibited until existing housing is fully utilized - or demolished and the property restored. I need a plumber, an electrician, a carpenter and a painter, NOT new construction. Town Fathers must be 'old Islanders', not big city yankees come to tell us how to live better. God Bless L. Kahlscheuer	1
Businesses that should be encouraged should include trades people and handymen who do repair, maintenance and small jobs (which is different from construction). Medical care that is needed should include urgent care. The rank ordered questions should have given us the opportunity to say how strongly we agreed or disagreed with the individual items The airport should not be paved A paper copy of this survey was presumably mailed to my Island home but I am traveling and won't be back there until December.	1
Childcare for young families as well as affordable housing and employment. We need to support this demographic to ensure the island has a future.	1
Consider indoor fun like bowling alley and arcade-like facilities.	1
Consider levying a sales tax on everyone including, residents, seasonal, and tourists #18 we don't understand the question	1
Decisions can be polarizing, risking divisiveness in the community. The decision-making process should encourage consensus solutions wherever possible.	1
Desperately needed: Urgent care/fam Patient clinic linked to telehealth network equipped with x-ray, splinting, laceration repair, IV, phlebotomist + limited in-house pharmacy. Item #7 "Urgent Care- not a PCP for a handful." Item #17-"(YES!!)" -explore added tourist revenue. Item #21-"(Keep it wild)"-plan for Mountain Tower Park.	1
Did not replying to early questions with rankings so could not be inputted in computer Keep the feel of an earlier time rather than become Fish Creek or Sister Bay. Protect drinkable water and clean harbors.	1

Do not allow the golf course to build condos, or anyone for that matter. Keep this island the way it should be. Quiet and not overpopulated. Air bnbs are also bullshit. Wake up and realize we are throwing families with kids in our school out of houses so that they can turn them into airbnbs. What is and do we want? The retirement island with airbnbs and condos, or our residential traditional Washington island with a community and school. The choice is coming, FAST.	1
Do not turn it into another door, county Village! preserve unique character. Please !!	1
Don't change the airport just because you get grant money. It doesn't make it free.	1
Dump the Rec Center or give tax payers free membership to the Rec Center. We should develop a relationship with N.W.T.C. to recruit trades people to the Island (once we have housing for them).	1
Eco-tourism will drive the future of the island. It needs to be preserved as an escape and a sanctuary for those looking to commune with nature. A strong local food and drink culture should be a primary focus - This is a place of seasonal abundance, and this should be celebrated. Local building codes and general infrastructure should encourage and accommodate the tiny home/modular/pre-built/flat packed architecture/construction movement. We would like to develop a nature retreat (similar to Wild Rice in Bayfield, WI), but feel restricted by dwelling size restrictions and the number of dwellings on a given property. These would be low-impact, solutions that allow dwellings to be more integrated into the landscape. Surface level tourism is dragging the island down. Once you dig in and realize all the amazing things that are happening, it really comes to life. The trick with all of this, is that the island has an inherent sense of freedom that must be maintained and celebrated.	1
Educate citizens and actively lobby state legislature to allow municipalities to creatively raise revenue with a head tax to pay for infrastructure costs.	1
Enforce regulations on campers and encampments. Put the money box back at the dump-I will put in money rather than throw away an empty bag. No pilots' lounge-use the available 2 indoor restrooms already there. Compromise-improve lighting, no paved runways. Zoning doesn't seem to be enforced.	1
Everything that happens on the Island needs to be seen through the filter of waste management, both garbage and septic. Maintaining groundwater quality is critical. Short-term rentals of 2 weeks or less significantly reduce the quality of life on the Island for full-time residents and make it difficult for Island residents to find affordable housing. We need to find a way to reverse the trend of tourism costing the non-business owning islanders more money than they bring in benefit. I also think it is critical to maintain the island's character as a relaxed, friendly, neighborly place to live. Re question 7, I wanted to select primary care as 1 and by that I mean increasing access for walk-in/urgent care and first responder as 2. I do not have an opinion about expanding options for the other 4 choices.	1

expand urgent care and create emergency care	1
Explore other form of town government!	1
Feel it is very important to maintain open areas, minimize noise pollution, and have continued conversations about sustainable tourism. Town leadership should be more open and listen to Island residents including opinions and concerns brought forth through signed petitions.	1
Feel it is very important to maintain open natural areas, preserve parks and natural beauty of the Island, minimize noise pollution, and have continued conversations about sustainable tourism. Town leadership should be more open and listen to input Island residents including opinions and concerns brought forth through signed petitions.	1
Ferry service should be expanded from and to island. Lack of central hub near water with facilities of various sorts is noticeable. Main Street seems to be that "hub" but it's the water that attracts and promotes the area. Seasonal festivals would benefit the community. Family, kid friendly areas are scarce and would benefit residents and visitors. Sustainability should be considered in construction of public spaces, and infrastructure, and standards developed (solar panels, electric vehicles and charging stations) Town should seek available federal and state grants.	1
Find some way to get revenue from the tourists for their garbage, their keeping our police force unnecessarily busy with their stupidity and breaking of laws and certainly our ferry crews from being overworked.	1
finding a balance with short & long term housing rentals affordable housing solutions for people who want to live & work on the island encouraging young people to invest in property and businesses preserving our public lands & securing more public land, connecting the trail systems plan for protecting the island from overbuilding/specific kinds of buildings we see in the county preserving our forests protect the trees on properties	1
For F no more air B&Bs, Five K no more Airbnb's 5P no! It benefits the town, but not the property owner who lives next to a or near of Airbnb number 17 in shoulder seasons only number 19 do not add to our taxes! number 20 absolutely not!	1
For me, tapping the tourists financially, in a more direct way, would most benefit the town. Local businesses reap the reward of the current tourist base, but home/land owners do not derive a direct benefit from the tourists (i.e., lower taxes). Residents end up financing tourists. User fees for tourists and a tourist fee for ferry rides would be the most direct contribution financially to the town.	1

Generally, the Township does not do enough to keep up the public spaces and roads. Schoolhouse beach baths are a disgrace; same as garbage collection and garbage can availability at the park. Island Exchange is a major need to staff; again leadership is lacking and actions are woefully executed. All 17 public access points need to be visibly identified, parking implemented and maintained!	1
Golfing is an unique activity appealing to young and old , fit and not so fit. It could be a great source of income to the town, if the town or county buys it or manages it.	1
Good luck for the development of a balanced growth plan.	1
have all taxpayers and residents benefit from the intrusion of tourists as opposed to being inconvenienced.	1
Have always love Washington Island since my first visit in 1970 at 8 years old. I believe "smart" development (locally owned businesses and not too dense accommodations) and not chasing "easy" tourist dollars will benefit all, perhaps a bit slower than the easy route, but with better long term outcome. To me an example of an easy route to tourist dollars is the rental and proliferation of UTV's on town roads. They are loud, unsightly and polluting as they do not comply with modern motor vehicle emissions standards. Thanks for providing an opportunity to express an opinion on the future of the Island	1
Have pilots pay to use airport. Helo pad is essential,; runway traffic is not. Affordable housing is a big concern. The Island has been advertised too much.	1
Health insurance (community as the group) might encourage young families to settle here	1
Healthcare clinic (urgent care) is desperately needed. What we have now is dysfunctional. If you are truly seeking to improve the quality of life for residents, the clinic deficiencies need to be addressed.	1
Healthy group activities during the long winter months would be helpful. The survey questions seem to have some ambiguity about the consequences of certain response. That concerns me. Lack of knowledge of what is already existing or provided may completely flip what I feel is important. For instance what is meant by "Town provided refuse disposal"? Does that mean roadside service? I would oppose that service. I like the current system. Therefore my response would be different if another option is being explored that I am unaware of. Side note: I think the paper version of this survey was confusing and may receive confusing results. Also number 10 is duplicated on this digital survey.	1
Highly opposed to expansion and paving at the airport. Work to control light pollution. Encourage support for additional public dockage and boat ramps.	1

Housing for workers - labor seems in short supply	1
Housing for workers - Labor seems in short supply.	1
I am looking for more open and respectful communication among citizens with differing views. I am wanting our community to remain demographically diverse, with people of moderate means being able to afford to live and work here. I would like to see greater regard from some of the wealthy, seasonal residents for the intelligence, foresight, and values of the year-round population; particularly those who have ancestral roots here, lest we lose that character and identity. I would like to see island development be generally maintained as it is, with very little new building and/or expansion in the direction of tourist-based ventures. I would like to see clean, charming, and maintained parks. I am in favor of peace, quiet, community-based activities, pastoral surroundings, family-friendly events and spaces, and the preservation of what makes the island so special and unique. I hope not ever to see anything akin to the development currently found in the rest of Door County.	1
I believe our emphasis on promoting tourism is out of control and is eroding the beautiful fiber of our safe, tight knit community and the natural resources of the Island itself ----not to mention the financial drain on the Island taxpayers that have had to bare the burden of maintaining services used by tourists with very little if any benefit to most tax payers. Bigger is not always better which is important to keep forefront in future planning----keep any future building remodeling or new construction plans realistic as far as what can be affordably maintained in the future so as not to unduly burden our young families with crushing tax burden and debt. I strongly oppose any paving or expansion at the airport. I think we should focus on getting our town shop and fire department buildings fixed which has been talked about and needed for 20- 30 years.	1
I believe short-term rentals must be regulated. Stays should be a minimum of one month and rental owners should be made to pay licensing fees to the Town. The increased revenue should go to developing affordable housing for year-round residents. The Mountain Tower Park should not allow any kind of motorized vehicles. Property holders next to the park should be given input into its proposed development.	1
I believe that the history of the town owned lake easements were for safety professionals use. If that's true better marking is unnecessary.	1

<p>I believe the Island would benefit from having twice to 3 times as many families! Building our full-time residency with families increases the size of the school and brings diversity to our community through vocational and creative skills and services. It also creates generational care and investment in the Island. I think bringing jobs like forest management, grant writing, home and alternative healthcare practices i.e. homeopathy, physical therapy, metabolic/hormonal/nutritional healthcare, massage, a health food store and restaurant, a camping gear/outdoor/sportsman's store, construction, alternative education for adults and students, artistic and practical workshops, etc. With a focus on a thriving full-time resident culture as opposed to seasonal tourism. This means, affordable housing, and affordable commercial and community space available or built for various businesses to prosper. A young, healthy, and vibrant community and life is essential to preserving the Island.</p>	1
<p>I can't think of a bigger threat to the island's peace and quiet than expanding and improving the airport, please halt these plans now!</p>	1
<p>I don't golf but I can see that having a golf course is very important to our community, brings money in. I think the town should consider asking the County to preserve it as a Golf Course.</p>	1
<p>I feel it is important to have beatification zoning from the ferry dock to the Main Road stop sign. And also along Main Road to Jackson Harbor Road. This is where visitors first see the island.</p>	1
<p>I feel the entire section "Culture, Recreation and Education" of the budget has grown beyond reason in recent years. The Town has taken responsibility for entities that should be run by private groups and that do not enhance the lives of residents proportionate to the costs involved. Our population is aging; our resources are finite, we cannot afford to support tourists and casual visitors. There needs to be a heavier focus on what benefits those who live here.</p>	1
<p>I have to pay to throw away garbage. People using the town dock pay for its use. Let's be consistent and have the pilots who use the airport pay for the use of the runways.</p>	1
<p>I have witnessed many small idyllic communities like ours become overrun by Airbnb, short-term rentals, and over-tourism. Banning short-term rentals is a critical first step in maintaining a community; once they gain a foothold, residents flee, and when that happens, it's too late. The other big threat is paving the airport, once that happens and people with private jets can land on the island, they will quickly come in with billions of dollars and change the very fabric of the community, not in a good way. We are so happy that the town is being proactive on this. This is one of the few special places left, and as you can see by what's happened in the lower Door Co it can easily and quickly be ruined. Let's not allow this to become the next Sister Bay.</p>	1
<p>I hope you consider the needs of Detroit Island, given the taxes contributed to the town.</p>	1

I know there are thoughts that tourism is something to be "endured" but I think it should be developed more to sustain the community. In many ways, like it or not it is our bread and butter. We are proud of our island and its history and should want to share that. Compared to other tourist spots in the States, I don't see it as very busy here on season. I am also thinking that expansion of non-industrial year round jobs would help, i.e. remote work. Tech Business, small start-ups. We need more than tourism, more year-round employment of a non-industrial nature, and we need more affordable housing in a environmentally and aesthetic manner	1
I like Washington Island as it is now.	1
I love the Island and hope it can maintain its charm and beauty without becoming too commercialized.	1
I strongly encourage retaining the natural and historical quality of the Island's traditional community. Dont turn it into a tourist mecca. Avoid Wisconsin Dells or Lake Geneva.	1
I tend to believe that tourism is the island's best hope for increased prosperity moving forward, so we need to find ways to build income while preserving what's special about the island, a song we've heard a million times. I don't think this is impossible, but it will take careful thought to begin with and consistent management into the future. Increased money flow means better services for all of us, so to me, the question is: How much is enough to support the island's year-round population with needed services and an enhanced quality of life, while protecting those aspects that make the island unlike any other place.	1
I think electrical/internet infrastructure I will need to be a critical backbone of most future plans. Whether we keep the island nature focused and sparse or build up the town and residences, the electrical/internet infrastructure will need to be there.	1
I think it is extremely important for families who want to live on the Island to have affordable housing opportunities. We need the school to thrive and businesses to have staff and that means affordable housing for families and for young people. The decisions about the future of the Island need to be based on creating a core, thriving year-round community.	1
I think the island is doing fine	1
I think the questions about housing and healthcare are best prioritized by people who live on the island year round. I understand that the island's economy is heavily supported by tourism but development of the island should focus on maintaining a balance. The beauty and uniqueness of Washington island is that it is not like the rest of touristy door county. Plans should prioritize the natural environment and local community's needs over tourism. The community of people who live in the island should be the priority over seasonal homeowners and tourists.	1

<p>I think the town should have less tourism because more tourists equals more trash around the island, and more trash around the island means the natural beauty will be disrupted. Also, if we expand and pave the airport, then commercial airplanes would be able to land here, therefore creating even more tourism.</p>	1
<p>I truly hope the deficit that the town has been in gets figured out. As for my thoughts on the golf course. I truly hope every board member, and community member looks very closely at this situation. It's easy to say let's build the island up and bring some economic boom to it. That's great. For the few years it will last. The island has had many staple events slowly leaving the normality of once was. The golf course is the same. Look to your backyard. Many great places once stood in the towns of Gills, Ellison, Sister, Ephraim, Baileys, Fish Creek, Jacksonport, Egg, and even Sturgeon. Those places are gone and never coming back. Make sure you realize that before you start selling things off to many "investors". Take a look at your in house problems first and get those figured out. Don't sell out for a quick fix.</p>	1
<p>I understand animosity toward short-term rentals of houses that could be long-term rentals or sales to Islanders, but as someone who needs to rent for multiple weeks in the summer for my family, I would not want homeowners discouraged from all seasonal rentals. It is hard to find a medium-term rental. Also "encouraging tourism" can mean day trippers or people coming for more meaningful periods. I think the latter builds community and encourages investment in businesses.</p>	1
<p>I want affordable housing but not low-income housing. I don't mind a few condos/duplexes here and there, but I don't want a giant complex or for them to have no land around them. I want the rural feeling</p>	1
<p>I would welcome developing more mountain bike and nordic ski trails for year round tourism growth.</p>	1
<p>If dump hours are to be limited maybe the island should negotiate a Going Garbage contract for all. Also, the ferry could put a tourism tax on day-trippers to get more funds towards the town.</p>	1
<p>If our generation wants young families to have affordable housing, they will need to sell their land for less? People come here because they like what we "are". We need laws a & zoning to keep it the way we are. Comments: Item #9D-too much gov. control! Item #17- for garbage; Item #24 "All are useful; Item #27 "5 generations"</p>	1

<p>If the town crew had enough employees and paid better/had better benefits all the money the town wants for other things wouldn't seem so frivolous. Take care of the town roads, parks (bathrooms are so gross) finding a better garbage system and people would be more inclined to vote yes when asking for a 3rd police officer. The town crew should be a huge priority. There is so much work to be done here. I am absolutely stupefied at the intersections being so overgrown that we have to risk being hit by nosing out past the stop signs to see if the road is clear.</p>	1
<p>If tourism is the towns top industry - the decision should be made to prioritize tourism year round. This includes activities to do all year but also improving accessibility. Improving the airport runway, building a bridge (I know! \$) or enhancing the fairly hours are ways to do this.</p>	1
<p>Implement tourist fee</p>	1
<p>In my opinion we are at our limit for tourists in the summer. Not all residents benefits from this.</p>	1
<p>In my opinion, the town of Washington should find ways to encourage year round affordable living. With our aging community, we need to have a larger workforce to help support the needs of our residents. I also think the department of public works employees need to be paid well enough to make a living without working a second job. Washington Island is an expensive place to live and the cost of living is higher than ever. Finally, I am vehemently against any improvements to the island airport. If we pave the runway, we will be saddled with expensive repairs in the future. The airport is barely used. If the helicopter pad or communications need any improvement, I would support that.</p>	1
<p>In question 9, I would encourage regulation of outdoor junk storage. I would NOT regulate the other three selections (outdoor residential lighting...is this a problem? Architectural design standards...do we want the homogeneity of a planned community? Maximum limit on home size...is this a problem today? If so raise real estate taxes.) I would encourage improving the image of our downtown; I would encourage waste disposal fees added to property taxes, rather than a per bag fee. Rates could relate to property use (residential, rental, commercial, agricultural, etc.); I would encourage annual rental homes and some smaller apartment complexes (4, 6 units max), for affordable housing; I would encourage an improved, staffed and open primary care medical facility to supplement the existing by appointment only facility.</p>	1
<p>In the first question, I do not believe "Low density dispersed housing" is directly opposed to "apartments or condominium," as stated in the first question. I'd like to see an area of much smaller lots with single family homes; that is, higher density but not necessarily apartments and condos. We need to preserve open spaces and discourage any additional suburban tract houses in the middle of ten acre fields. A higher density, village-like community somewhere on the island would be an appropriate way to develop housing while preserving farmland and other open spaces.</p>	1
<p>Incomplete responder.</p>	1

Infrastructure maintenance and striping should be a top priority, but new roads have cracks that should be filled with tar. All roads should be striped annually, and the bike lanes should be expanded. All main roads should look like the 2 mile stretch from the ferry dock to the 4way intersection.	1
Island life is a treasure to keep-historically, culturally and physically. Making bigger is not always good for communities. Ranking directions should of been no larger than 1-10, optimal would be 1-5. (This person did not rank all the choices in Questions 4-9.)	1
Island Passes or some kind of visitation charge should be applied to the tourists to raise money for the upkeep, opening new tourist attractions, payroll for people to care for the nature of the island.	1
It is Incredibly important for people moving up here, to know about the culture. The culture of this Island is what makes it so special. The best way for people to understand what's so special, is to make information about hunting, business, and migrant histories more available, if not the highest priority.	1
It is very important to encourage attendance at town meetings and school meetings. Local discussion groups can be organized and opinions given and evaluated and weighed.	1
It was difficult to rank in order the first 9 questions. Perhaps for each item in the list a respondent could have been asked very important/neutral/not important. Important issues were addressed which is a start.	1
Items 25-29 Indicate a personal investment in the island. All the other responses should be weighted (considered accordingly).	1
I've lived on the Island for five years as of this August, and I love it! It's so quiet and serene, the nights are clear, and the residents are lovely and accepting people. I wouldn't trade the island for anything! Although, I do think that there are some problems, like the tourists. They are rude and disrespectful, they leave garbage and trash everywhere and ruin our beaches. I think there should be more effort to preserve our island and educate the tourists about how to properly treat our island and its residents.	1
Keep airport unpaved Tourist tax needed	1
Keep small resorts alive as they provide a link to Island activities and history.	1
Keep the lovely nature of the island as it is. We don't need more tourism. I believe we are maxed out. We need to find new revenue streams, eg. grants. Thank you. (On Questions 1-9 this person used the rankings 1-4 for every item mentioned, so there may have been five 1's three 2's four 3's, etc for each question.)	1

<p>Keep the Island Unique. I would hate to see it turn into Sister Bay or the lower County. Comments scattered throughout with only check marks no # rankings so not recorded: item #2-"User fee not tax payer"; item #3-"not my problem if someone has too much" (storage facilities); "user fee not tax payer" for museums; on land transportation/tourists-no they pay their own way; on land transportation/resident-"yes for someone in need." Item #4 "Already have" Assisted/Nursing care and Affordable housing; Item#5-"User fee" for Eco tourism/Winter recreation/"We already have hunting sand fishing"/"Seriously who thought of this? "for Amusement Park/"Why should this be a tax payer Issue" for Construction/"maybe" for Small conferences, etc.; Item #6-"NONONO" for Tax levy/"Yes Yes Yes" for User fees/ "Depends on what is needed" for Grants/"no" for borrowing. Item #7-"Need emergency care-walk in" for Primary Care/"This was just upgraded" for First responder. Item #9-"funny" for lighting issue/OMG</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>Keep the rural and recreational emphasis of the town. Encourage small local business, encourage tourism year round. Keep taxes under control.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>Keep the schools strong discourage home schooling</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>LEAVE THE WITNESS TREE AREA IN ITS NATURAL STATE, CLEAR ACCESS IN WASHINGTON HARBOR (EASTSIDE), HAVE PEOPLE WHO NEED COMMUNITY SERVICE HELP WITH THE SE PROJECTS. LETS NOT DEVELOP THE ISLAND SO IT LOOKS LIKE SISTER BAY, LIMIT NUMBER OF SIGNS ON PERSONAL PROPERTY.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>Less is more. No big development. No airport development. Encourage cottage industry over tourism. Lavender is not the only draw to our community. Need more public places in our community where people can gather to visit...there is no lobby in the Community Center or TPAC, just hallways. People need to communicate peacefully and joyfully. How are we going to continue to have a family oriented Island if there are no places for families to be able to afford to live? The big concern is the valuation of homes as they become larger and more extravagant, so does the cost of our taxes. Do we limit the size of houses so this doesn't happen? We can't continue to sustain this kind of community going larger. Zoning is a way to put a limit on what can be spent in order to keep homes smaller. Ultimately if something goes wrong, for example a fire, you will need a bigger fire dept. to fulfill the needs of bigger homes and so on...This isn't progress, this is inflation in every sense of the word.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>Limited Air B and B rentals or increase tax. Short term rental causes high real estate prices for the locals</p>	<p>1</p>

<p>Local residents need access to affordable housing but prices are being driven up, in part by people buying for use as B&Bs. Limit the number of those on the island. I think that building a vibrant community, with young families, requires a marked technological update so I am very heartened to see that the island is installing fiber-optic capabilities. A large portion of future jobs will require access to this kind of connectivity. There needs to be an integrated approach to all of this to support the local culture with a special focus on the needs and aspirations of the school. Updating the airport would be very useful. While I understand the reluctance to do that, a paved runway would be much safer and make the airport useful year round. This would be useful for residents, tourists, and first responders. While I have heard this argument, the island does not have anywhere close the infrastructure needed to turn into a Mackinac Island.</p>	1
<p>Love the island and its people. Respect and appreciate the hardworking staff and volunteers who do so much for the island community. I do believe that tourists will willingly pay modest fees to contribute to the well-being of the island.</p>	1
<p>Maintain cemetery roads. Get rid of eyesore properties with multiple abandoned vehicles and items. More times for the garbage dump.</p>	1
<p>Maintain/improve natural solutions, green endeavors, dark night sky over all proposed developments:grass runways only! (Question 4- only ranked 1-4, others left blank with comment "More than 4 only promotes overdevelopment.")</p>	1
<p>Make the 20 year plan based on sustainability, no borrowing, environmental impact and transparency to the public. Close the airport on imposing van fees to fund it.</p>	1
<p>Many of the options presented are intertwined. For instance, one cannot make the island more "senior friendly" if one does not provide expanded medical care and the certainty of affordable emergency transfer off island after hours. Many options for expanded commerce are impossible with affordable housing for more workers.</p>	1
<p>More affordable housing options for year-round residents are essential. The US Census considers households to be housing cost burdened when they spend 30% or more of their monthly income on rent, mortgage, and/or other housing costs (utilities, parking, etc.). By this definition, and per the US Census 2021 ACS 5-Year Estimates, over 17% of the town's households are considered housing cost burdened. That is nearly a fifth of the town's population. Therefore, encouraging large lot sizes over smaller or moderate lot sizes will only stress households pocketbooks further. Land is the driving factor in high housing costs, especially on the Island and in Door County in general. The town can still maintain its rural, small town character while also adding moderate housing density around the core areas, such as Main Road, Detroit Harbor, and Jackson Harbor areas. Affordable rental units are also needed for younger families who are not ready for homeownership but want to be on the Island.</p>	1

<p>Much more thoughtful and comprehensive zoning regulation. Medical and Senior Care should be considered separately from business.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>My approach is based on my conviction that the future residents of the island will include a large increase in upscale, year round remote workers. If we look at the past year, by my count, 4 or 5 tourist services closed, while a gigantic investment was being made in the INTERNET. This investment was not made to stream videos. Washington Island is positioned to be developed as the most desirable, year round, technology based community. It will need year round restaurants, expanded health care, expanded entertainment and education services. I am afraid the comprehensive plan is based on the assumption that the Island can become a thriving 12-week, tourist economy by tweaking the services offered — — is not going to address the planning issues we actually are going to end up facing.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>My biggest concern is the continued development and overuse of our Natural Parks, beaches and land trusts. The excessive amount of tourists and the destruction caused by their lack of education and concern for their preservation. Tourists hanging hammocks that strip the bark of cedar trees at Schoolhouse beach for example, and lack of enforcement for removing rocks from the beach. Walk paths in land trust and nature areas have been worn and vegetation destroyed. Beaches where public access is advertised have been overrun which is changing their landscape. Understood that tourism is necessary to help sustain the island community, but expectations should be raised for tourist compliance and there should be non-resident fees for use of natural resources to help cover the cost of education and preservation. Also, the garbage disposal and collection system should be revised so that either collection coordinated by the town, or residents are given more access to the exchange.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>My primary concern is affordable housing. The rise in VRBO's etc means our Islanders have lost housing stock from which to rent year-round or to buy as entry level purchasers. Also, lower and middle income families can no longer afford vacation rentals or buying vacation homes. This is a terrible development and threatens the specialness of the Island (which is not like Sister Bay; or overdeveloped; or catering only to the most wealthy). I believe changing zoning: 1) to allow more building and renting on smaller parcels (like eliminating the 20 acre AG limits); and 2) to allow smaller units, so people could buy and build smaller places, would increase housing stock and decrease skyrocketing costs. We want families to be able to live here year round; to be able to vacation here and to buy here. I don't want this to become a playground for the rich, or captured by special interests (like proposed Airport development, which is crazy). Thank you for this survey.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>N/A</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>Na</p>	<p>1</p>

Need Island Exchange open on Saturdays Should separate hunting and fishing - 2 very different activities. Hunting is more invasive. Also snowmobiling and cross country skiing very different. Snowmobiling is loud	1
Need services (similar to WICHIP) for personal property assistance - Like window washers, gutter cleaning, snow shoveling, hanging light bulbs to high to reach, etc. with just one phone number to call and with volunteer or low cost assistance.	1
need to earn money from tourism -parks pass - head tax -pave roads- restation- town shop	1
No bridge from the mainland is necessary!	1
No bridge...EVER!	1
None	1
Number 28 former year round for 6 to 20 years Snow mail forwarding delayed return of this survey question 20 is biased by word expansion developer does not need expansion	1
Number 28 former year rounder for 6 to 20 years	1
Number 2B 70 no number 2E 90 no number 2G 100 no Number 5P 100 no number nine a 100 no number 9C 100 no Remember the limitations of the island and respect the uniqueness of not only the locals, but also the land. Preserve the beautiful history.	1
Number five only top two answers given. Comment too many areas to number, laid out very poorly.	1
On the survey I don't think the questions where the items were ranked provided me with the format to express my opinion about how strongly I agreed or disagree about the importance of individual item or issues. I think short term rentals should be licensed and regulated by the town and room tax collected. I feel the Chamber of Commerce should expand their services to provide support to new residents and businesses. How do we get the day tourists to help pay for their use of our unique Island? Yes they support the restaurants etc. but what about the parks, the roads, their garbage. I have been concerned about the environmental impact of over clearing land for building without efforts to replace trees and the deer browsing damage to young saplings. I think there should be Town measures to support reforestation.	1
Once interest rates, municipal bond rates are favorable the town should borrow the money to improve and build new infrastructure/ roads now paying for them long term with tax levies. Support the Rec! TPAC as needed to encourage 'community'	1

<p>One of my main concerns is affordable housing to keep young families here -. They are our future and a vital component of the community. We need to have jobs that pay a living wage. Our infrastructure needs to be examined and strengthened. Refuse disposal remains a key concern here. If there was some way to collect a tourism fee, this could help support our infrastructure and waste disposal, that would help offset some costs. I would like to see the use of grants explored further. There are many grants out there if there is someone who has the time and knowledge of what to look for and how to write a grant. Maybe a part or full time grant writer for the Town could be explored.</p>	1
<p>Our clinic is very poorly managed and has terrible customer service!! This person left many options open on ranked questions 2-9)</p>	1
<p>Our first priority is to regulate enough hours for the dump to ge efficient for users. Not to lose the beauty of our island.</p>	1
<p>Our healthcare on the Island has to change. We need more of an urgent care center so people don't have to leave the Island for care as much as they do now.</p>	1
<p>Overall somewhere in this processI hope you will undertake a comprehensive review of current infrastructure and its capacity at present. Obviously the Island scales up during the summer w/more ferry runs, seasonal workers etc. To what extent do current resources allow for a higher level of activity in non summer months?Are there people and facilities available to support more activity other than in the summer?I do support the island undertaking to gradually increase the level of economic activity in non summer months by attracting year round business especially artisans and craftsmen and how can existing resources and infrastructure be expanded to support even moderate growth and not change the fundamental character of the island. #6: shouldn't top priority be to increase the revenue base by playful moderate growth? #8: everything depends on infrastructure in its broadest sense</p>	1
<p>Paving one runway would likely render the crossing sod runway unusable (opening the town to liability and significant ongoing maintenance) and diminish current, legendary fly-in character. Longer paved runways beyond current length will exceed a threshold allowing significantly larger aircraft—more expensive by a full order of magnitude, which could upend the established community dynamic and real-estate market... think of wealth that can afford to take a multi-million dollar aircraft to a correspondingly large estate (doesn't seem like that has obvious benefits to the community)... and, if we can't collect trash from parks then I don't see why we should do so for an exclusive pilot lounge.</p>	1

<p>Peace and quiet is a major advantage of the Island -- development and increased use of the airport is not in alignment with maintaining life "above the tension line." Nursing home and assisted living facilities do not seem supportable by the Town given both staffing and sewage needs. However, supporting services that help Islanders stay in their homes, including hospice, is important. #6--Regarding increasing revenue, I would have ranked user fees that could be enforced (especially if it means tourists pay a fair share of enjoying the qualities and services of the Island) and borrowing during periods of low-interest as a useful tool higher than increasing tax levy, but only with these caveats. #8--I view 'refuse disposal' as part of Infrastructure.</p>	1
<p>Peace and quiet, natural, rural, community are features that drew us to the island. We need to encourage local trades on island.</p>	1
<p>Perhaps a Washington island visitor fee could be tacked onto ferry ticket (\$1.00?) to help alleviate town expenses</p>	1
<p>Please develop lots for affordable housing and condominiums/apartments. Please improve toilets at existing recreating sites. Try to get state/fed/city support before levy. Many are on fixed incomes. Please encourage businesses on Main street to have a Scandinavian look. No wind farms or solar farms. We need more accommodations, restaurants, and clinics. We already have space at the EMT building. The Fire Department building is a hot mess kicked down the road for decades. We need a fast way to notify for island emergency- or nighttime fire department burns. We need a full service clinic -Prevea? Bellin? Aurora? We need onsite medical dispensing. We need affordable housing/land for young families to keep the school and island growing. We need affordable aging support.</p>	1
<p>Please don't allow the new owners of the Golf course to break up the property into small lots to start a housing development. THE GOLF COURSE CAN NEVER BE REPLACED.</p>	1
<p>Please don't do anything that would compromise what is special about this place! No change is better than 'speculative' change. Thank you.</p>	1
<p>Please support and encourage small business that supports the needs of the island community and tourists. Encourage conscientious long-term employees of the town by rewarding quality workmanship and attention, with increased wages and benefits. The Town Crew needs more expectation and inspiration, with helpful demeanors. Support small farm operations, with benefit to those who choose organic and care for the environment, without adding more toxic load to our gem of a home. Figure the dump out. Huge problem there!! Discourage chemical lawn care that can lead to bigger problems than phragmites or garlic mustard. Improve PR by inviting and respecting public input even if its not the individual town board members passion. Up your game with the social media. What about a blog? Most of us and visitors go to the web first. Thank you for working towards a plan. I appreciate all efforts that lead to improved quality of island life now and in the long term.</p>	1

<p>Please support the airport by sending the approved petition by the Town Board to the BOA and bring the airport up to date by executing a Master Plan without further delay.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>possible Detroit Island easement as the south side is inaccessible by land and there are no docks on the south end making it hardly accessible.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>Preservation of wildlife habitat and watershed protections like the Overlay of the Hones Emerald Dragonfly areas which directly impact our water quality as well as ordinances that protect our amazing dark nights and sound Ordinances to preemptively keep visiting and local large trucks from air breaking - lower and hold all accountable to speeds- add safer corridors for pedestrian /bike passage. Absolutely charge full costs of services directly to citizens like waste disposal - parks - so as to encourage waste reduction and support parks\$. Stop using bag system and use tags /stickers. Hold more community town halls. See the vision of preservation as the greatest asset we live on the island -so unique. Do all we can to protect our air and water our quiet and our dark nights. Sign ordinances as needed</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>Preserve the unique natural areas while you still can. #21 and #22 above re important. The pilots have a weak case for paving the runway.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>Provide dependable and expanded hours for refuse disposal. Open Sunday mornings beneficial to those weekenders leaving the Island. (This person only ranked 8 of the 18 possible answers in question 3. The others were left blank.) (They also put a "?" for questions 11,13 and 19, so I left those blank)</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>Public Safety is coming to a head, and the current infrastructure will be insufficient within 10 years. This will need to be addressed.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>Public safety...people who lie in the middle of roads in the autumn near hills for self photos are a dangerous lot!... on coming traffic cannot see them! Or individuals who walk on to private land to get full photos. Common sense people!</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>question 15...not needed - we have been discovered, social media will market us for free. Other thoughts...It's a double-edged sword...we need tourists, but it is getting sooo busy in the summer.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>Question 24: All including billboards in public place</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>Question 24: platform that includes only vested parties There are inexpensive ways to keep residents informed. Mass notification systems.rgpd</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>Question five was split per page page one had number one through four page 2, which is through our head one through 13 number 13 not answered</p>	<p>1</p>

Question one shows top four question two shows top four questions three shows top four question four shows top five question five shows top six which two are numbered number four number six shows top five number seven shows top four number eight shows top five	1
Questions not ranked left blank To maintain healthy community we need young people. This means affordable housing and good schools. Our school right now is good let's keep it that way! The housing situation stinks! Let's fix it!	1
Section one only top two answers given section 2 top four answers given section 3 top four answers given section 4, top seven answers given E and F both had no for comments. section 5 top four answers given on page one comments for page 2 too many areas to number laid out very poorly section 6 is one and F is six. everything in between blank section 7, top three answers given D and E both say great. section 8 top three answers given b, c and F blank section 9 top two given Answers, B and C blank.	1
Section one questions not answered. Comment these are all important to keep the ambience of the island. Section 2 questions not answered. Comment keep what we already have. Section 3 questions not answered. Comment all of these, but not to excess. Section 4 questions not answered comment all except E and F. Section 5 all except P - P NO Section 6 questions not answered. Comment whatever is necessary but not to accept. Section 7 questions not answered comment keep as at present. Section 9 questions not answered comment all of these Most of the above should continue as in the past. That is "WHY WE LIVE HERE!!	1
Since there are limited resource/services there should be fee incentives for ferry use for those residence who qualify.	1
Some survey questions are inclusive and restrictive, thereby not allowing to vote against anything and deeming everything in the survey important. This is closed thinking and one of the problems with governing bodies. Also, there's nothing in this survey that details whether or not the results will be shared, nor what the plan is to take action on the results of the survey.	1
Spending money to pave the airport is a waste of funds. Creating a space for cross country skiing and snowshoeing could bring winter tourism dollars to the town. I believe it is important to create balance so the island doesn't become like Sister Bay.	1
stop catering to the tourist & seasonal residence & start taking care of the year round residences... The Island is our HOME!	1

Stronger ordinances needed to enforce dogs on leash (not running at large through the community) and prevent human trespassing on private land. Stronger regulations needed to prevent drone use above private land (without landowner consent). Smaller allowed home sizes (such as tiny homes) should be an option for those wishing to have a smaller footprint on their property and environment. Need affordable housing for seasonal workers. Keeping pets on leashes, omitting horse traffic, and keeping vehicles out of state natural areas (like the Jackson Harbor Ridges) are important.	1
Survey returned blank	1
Survey was completed with yes and no answers for most of it. Section one all yeses section 2 yes, on a BE section 3 yes for a BCDFIJK. Section 4 yes for a CGHI section 5. Yes for a BDHJKLMNO QR section 6 completed . Section 7 completed with exes for a BDEF section 8X4. A section 9 no on ABC. Yes for D.	1
Thank you for all that you are doing!!!	1
Thank you for asking. The Town and the people of Washington Island have our admiration and deserve credit for maintaining a life and the standard of living the make the Island so peaceful, unique and attractive.	1
Thank you for doing this survey. I hope the locals do not discourage tourism and housing options (including short term rentals). There really aren't great places to stay on Washington Island (especially on the water) except for short term rentals. Additional trail/hiking and restaurant options would be a great addition to the island.	1
Thank you for doing this survey. It isn't easy to manage & lead a small town community. We want the entire island community - year-rounders, generations-long-residents, committed seasonal/occasional residents, regular visitors, tourists, & others - to thrive. This requires a strong & diversified economy. No one will thrive if too many eggs are in any one basket. We need FT residents of all ages & back-grounds to thrive. We also need people like us - property owners with generational connections but only periodic yr-round residency - to thrive, too. We also need visitors with generational ties (but no property of their own) to thrive. You don't want to place so many limits on private STRs that only the wealthy can afford to own property or visit the island for a week or two. But people with wealth are also essential to the community & economy. Likewise, tourism (& tourists) are essential. The primary goal of this work must be balance & economic diversification so all can thrive!	1
Thank you Islanders!	1

<p>Thanks for this survey. I offer: 1) I encourage that results of this survey be weighed carefully as I feel some unintended leading without proper context. Ex., I could possibly favor larger lot sizes under some circumstances and smaller lot sizes in others. 2) Town needs to reflect on whether it enforces current zoning rules/ordinances as well as it could before imposing more rules. Ex., a few property owners are passively allowed to maintain/grow the "junk" on their properties. Let's address that before we seek rules on light pollution. 3) As a community, we need to wrestle with the challenge of caring for our elderly and invite affordable housing for caregivers. 4) The Town needs to solve for waste disposal costs; its current solutions are inadequate. User fees or increased taxes are a challenge, but seem more practical. 5) Can the ferry line be a source for increased revenue/tax? 6) Can the private sector join together for more/better restaurants -- perhaps like the Observer?</p>	1
<p>Thanks for undertaking this important effort. Question #1 and #5 are difficult to answer. In both cases what's wanted is a mix of all (#1) or most (#5) of the choices.</p>	1
<p>that everyone benefits from the changes that the Island community makes as a whole, and that our Island still provides benefits for the tourists and year-round resident</p>	1
<p>The town board needs to listen to the public input. Another town chairman who leads with integrity and honesty is needed. The affordable housing issue for renters needs to be addressed, The short term housing rentals, ie. VRBO, ARBN have created a negative housing for young families trying to find affordable housing</p>	1
<p>The #1 issue should be affordable housing for Islanders and people who want to live/work on the Island. This will require smaller lots and/or multifamily dwellings.</p>	1
<p>The charm of the island is its small town feel and natural beauty. The recent excessive tourism is starting to harm both the reputation and beauty of the island. We need to be able to support the residents and tourists we currently have, we don't need more. Limited housing hurts our ability to hire summer help, hurting our ability to serve the community. Don't get me started about the dump. We are also an isolated small town, services are limited and need to be available to all (ie health clinic).</p>	1
<p>The charm of the island is its small, mid-west town appeal. People come to visit because it's not commercial and it's quaint, quiet and you can get away from the hustle of life in cities. There are no chain restaurants, the music programs and other home-town activities make the island what it is. I understand that infrastructure, technology, medical and a few other things need upgrading to keep up with the times but don't over-market or commercialize the place or encourage too much development.</p>	1
<p>The county zoning & land use ordinance is horrible which is why we have junk yards on key island intersections. More strict is better! Support programs & services that benefit the residents more. Don't sacrifice the Island for revenue generators (i.e. ATV, UTV businesses)</p>	1

The earlier questions were not ranked so could not be entered into the computer. They were commented upon but not ranked I don't want to see the Island turn into a Wisconsin Dells or Sister Bay	1
The first question was very difficult to rank as I believe they are all very important.	1
The focus of the future of our community should not be tourism. The businesses are already overwhelmed by tourists. The focus needs to be on affordable housing, and attracting younger families to the island. The focus needs to be on the people who live here year round. Houses shouldn't be empty 2/3 of the year when people are struggling to find places to live so they can teach or cook or whatever! We need a town funded day care center to allow for families to live, work and grow here. We need teachers for subjects like foreign languages so that our students can compete in the world. Do not treat the island like we're in some big HOA. Stop pandering to the higher tax brackets. Also, where were the demographic questions- household size, income, ages, gender, etc? Why are there questions with items in quotes in them? Why weren't there N/A options? You're looking in the wrong direction for answers.	1
The health care clinic is terrible-needs to be completely changed. The town gives DCMC a huge amount of money and the Islanders receive horrible care in return.	1
The impact of years of unregulated tourism is changing the essence of our island. The parks, beaches, and community are suffering from abuse and overuse. I feel that visitors should be paying for their impact on our natural resources. The residents of our small community cannot bear the expense much longer. Many of our town-owned natural resources, parks and beaches are in desperate need of improvement due to years of deferred maintenance. Preserving and protecting these important resources while also investing to enhance them would ultimately result in a better experience for visitors and residents. How to do this? While we may not be able to collect an entry fee we should pursue other ways to collect revenue from the tourist. Some states are considering Impact fees-green or environmental fees to offset their impact on natural resources. The only way we can successfully implement a fee collection is to secure the cooperation of the Washington Island Ferry Line. Why can't this be done?	1
The island has changed so much since Covid. Too many tourists and garbage and not enough restaurants to support them. As residents, we wait in lines hours sometime to get on and off the island. Not enough housing for workers and family, need some kind of regulation on air bnb or a charge they must give to the island to help build housing for workers.	1
The island is a unique and remarkable place, but needs to be cleaned up - too much junk sitting around!	1
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<p>The island is losing its character to the tourists. While business owners may benefit from increased tourism, those who love the island and use it as a safe haven are finding their peace destroyed. The property owners are the people paying property taxes and financially supporting the infrastructure that is being overburdened by tourist who pay a ferry fee and and make minimal purchases to cause traffic, steal rocks from School House, and overwhelm the sanitary and dump services.</p>	1
<p>The island thrives on aesthetics and quaintness. Many properties add to this. Many do not. Anything near the road should be more aesthetically or historically presentable to maintain that charm. Junkyards and modernized (sleak square and metal) buildings both detract from the islands appeal and culture. Both seem to be growing.</p>	1
<p>The last thing I want to see here is an amusement park. Peaceful is what I want and have now.</p>	1
<p>The number of young families that have left in the past 5 years is very alarming. Please don't let our island become a place only for the wealthy and retired.</p>	1
<p>The Observer no longer reports on crime, but another officer is needed? Please publish crime reports in Town News. It's better to be informed.</p>	1
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<p>The quaint rustic, back in time feel of the Island needs to be preserved.</p>	1
<p>The street signs need to be replaced because they're so faded you can't read them. In future surveys, have more question with fewer choices to rank. One question had I think 18 options to rank which is challenging.</p>	1
<p>The survey had checkmarks on the following section one BDFNG section 2ACD section three ACD FGHI section four a CFGH section five BCDFGHKLMNO, section 6 was complete section 7AF section 8DEF section 9A</p>	1
<p>The survey is a good idea to take a poll of the community members. How the data is used is going to be more important in establishing a starting point. I feel the data can help the board pull a priority list of what needs to be addressed NOW and what can be addressed at a later time.</p>	1

<p>The surveys questions were a little hard to categorize, and of course seemed opened ended. I appreciate the opportunity to input thoughts. Having been with the island for many years, I remember how it was. Thankfully a lot of it is the same. I am taken back a little by the intensity of discussions about the future. The island has been a fairly low income area, but people managed and lived well. With the increase of cost of living, it has diminished the opportunities and choices. The prices have substantially made it more difficult for regular middle class income folks to be a part of things. One of my main concerns is to keep the costs manageable, and not try to mimic the rest of the Door County. It's concerning that the waste disposal issue seems to be a concern. I would think the state should give some help with those things, and the Door county tourism commission could help fund things. I also think a small tax on the ferry should be possible to increase revenue for Town upkeep.</p>	1
<p>The town direction and decision should not be exclusive domain of its few elected board members. Rather, it should once again be in concert with, and respect for the dedicated volunteers, that comprises committees, and all its citizens, as expressed in surveys like this or petitions.</p>	1
<p>The town has a history of mismanagement of funds. They can't even keep the dump open regularly. Higher taxes to the residents is not the answer. Adding a nightly resort fee (\$20.00-30.00) to the hotels and Airbnb's is the way to increase revenue. Only issue with that is holding those resorts and Airbnb's accountable to pay those fees to the island.</p>	1
<p>The town needs more year round revenue ... fall, winter, and spring. This is critical to make Washington Island a destination 52 weeks a year. This would raise wages and make the island more affordable and attractive year round for workers and business owners. As it stands today, the affordability is challenged for a worker who would like to buy a home. Yes the price of a house has gone up, but it's gone up everywhere. There really needs to be a year round demand for the islands primary source of income - tourism - in order to drive longterm sustainability for a year round resident.</p>	1
<p>The town needs to find a way to capture income from the day trip traffic to the island. Right now there is an imbalance between day tourism needs and the cost/labor for the town to provide services for that demand such as garbage disposal, restrooms, parks maintenance, road infrastructure, food supply (restaurants and grocery store). The current model is not sustainable and places a burden on the town and small population of island residents and home owners. Residents and overnight visitors can no longer enjoy public spaces flooded with day tourists. A day tripper head tax or parks fee should be considered. The town and the Ferryline need to work together on a plan to either accommodate the traffic appropriately or reduce it. Affordable housing for people living and working on the island must be a priority over accommodating day tourism or there will be no one available to work and serve all the tourists.</p>	1
<p>The town needs to look at budget cuts seriously. Raising taxes is not the answer, managing costs is!</p>	1

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<p>The town should explore allowing smaller homes, such as tiny homes, which have a much smaller carbon footprint and require fewer resources and less disruption of the surrounding environment. Housing is not affordable for seasonal workers, so it's difficult for businesses to attract the help they need. Anything that can be done to help enforce existing island regulations for issues such as dogs off leash. (We see a lot of issues with loose dogs and nothing seems to be done.) Trespassing is also any issue, including uninvited hunters. Protecting the unique natural features of the island is critical; the Jackson Harbor Ridges have been damaged by horseback riders, dogs, and vehicles. I'd also like to see regulations on use of drones; we have had strangers fly them over our land and it's not pleasant to have to hide on your own property to avoid being in someone's videos! Thank you for this important chance to give feedback; the island is such a special place to so many.</p>	1
<p>The town should not look to expand its role or footprint too much. Preserving the character, peace and tranquility of the island and community should be paramount. Too many services and too much development Will make us like everywhere else and no longer a special place.</p>	1
<p>The town's primary concern should be keeping its island workforce and businesses by encouraging and establishing low-income housing options. As the current population ages and locals are bought out of homes, the workforce on the island will continue to dwindle, and there will be no local businesses or young and middle-aged people remaining to hold up the economy. So, focusing on low-income housing and zoning options that encourage lower square footage homes, would be beneficial to the community at large. I also believe the island has a great wealth of parks and nature systems that need to be fully realized, taken care of, and expanded. Setting up trail systems, improving park facilities and general areas, and focusing on protecting our parks would benefit the economy, locals, and visitors. Our leading industry, tourism, relies significantly on our peaceful and beautiful public land, so focusing on protecting and updating these areas would benefit us all.</p>	1
<p>The towns, direction and decisions should not be the exclusive domain of its few elected board members. Rather, it should once again be in concert with, and respect for the dedicated volunteers that comprise its committees, and all its citizens, as expressed in surveys like this or petitions.</p>	1
<p>There is a place for input from respondent 1 and 2 on the paper survey, so I assume my wife can now submit her own on-line survey since there was only a place for input from "respondent 1" on that survey.</p>	1

There is no place like Washington Island on this earth. I love it with my whole heart and would hate to see it fall the way of so many others. The open fields, the thick woods, the silence, the dark, the stand up character of the community, the small businesses, the lake's constant presence, the bluffs of the escarpment standing royally over the water, the general wildness and quietude of the place, it is sublime and I hope to spend the rest of my life enjoying its sublimity.	1
There should be a noise ordinance that is enforced regarding roosters.	1
This dragging system was impossible on my phone.	1
This is a particularly poorly designed survey.	1
This is a small island and should not try to mimic big city conveniences. People live here for the remote, quiet atmosphere and move here for the same reasons. Encourage restaurants to be nicer and open year-round for residence. Enforce zoning and clean properties. Better use of entertainment facilities we already have.	1
This is a very important and interesting thing to do. Thanks for including the Island community in this process.	1
This island is a rural middle class community. Let's keep the conservative small town USA vibe. It's important	1
This seems like a very dubious survey, with a hidden agenda to kill tourism this our town. Public safety infrastructure is insufficient.	1
This survey is a great start. Fix cell phone coverage for all carriers. Speed up high speed internet infrastructure.	1
This survey is poorly designed and implemented. Questions should have had no more than 4 options and a "NA" and/or qualitative response option. Demographic information should be included (household size, income, gender and age) What on earth is "on land" transportation for residents supposed to mean? Who puts something in quotes in a survey and doesn't define it?? Overall, this survey reads as a plea to placate residents while continuing to pander to tourists and summer residents with big pockets. The town will need to acknowledge, at some point, that what is best for tourists/seasonal residents may not be best for full time residents, and decide policies and actions accordingly. It's a shame to have wasted this opportunity to engage with the community, when residents and taxpayers have a lot to say. I certainly hope no decisions are made on these responses, which will clearly be biased, ill informed and likely incorrect.	1
This survey only had number one filled out on section 3 nothing filled out on section 4 section 5 had number one through eight filled out everything else was blank	1

This survey was done with checkmarks section one ACE section 2BEFG section 3BEJK section 4B E I, section 5AEIJPQR section 6A section 7BCDE section 8ABC section 9BCD section 10 through 23 blank	1
This survey was WAY, WAY, WAY TOO DETAILED. too many choices rather than focusing on main strategies. (This person did not finish ranking items in questions 5,7, and 9)	1
This was poorly done and highly biased	1
Thoughtful implementation of the concepts explored by this survey will benefit the healthy growth of our community. "Knee jerk" reaction to actual and perceived problems is a dangerous approach to precious resources.	1
Thoughts from above question comments that could not be ranked: *No snowmobile or 4 wheeler trails. #2 No to storage facilities. #3 No duplexes or Multiple occupancy Developments-none of these. #4 No amusement parks. #5 NO borrowing. #6 *YES Please* #9 re Discourage outdoor "junk"... (item 9 was all ranked but question #s 2-6 were ranked by individual except for the items with comments-but couldn't be recorded due to specific item Not ranked within question...just crossed out with above comments, No comments listed in this section.	1
Tiny Homes, Please! Zoning Ordinances and minimum square footage requirements are driving away potential builders who can't afford million dollar homes, but would love to contribute to the local economy and run small businesses while raising a family in a small town setting.	1
To increase the tourist business during June-August. Suggest the ferry service expand mainland trips to 7:30 PM plus. This would increase revenue for restaurants and other businesses. Reducing the current last boat rush. The ferry line must be an integral part of the success of the island future discussion.	1
Too many small lots (2 acres) are being used as seasonal campsites, with no zoning enforcement. This puts added strain on the services and infrastructure, with little to no tax revenue. Island should go back to 5 acre minimum lots for buildable lot (as per pre-2018 zoning), and should ENFORCE the current zoning code regarding camping on private land. Should also ENFORCE the zoning regulations re:outdoor storage of junk ! Island should regulate short term rentals—with little affordable housing for young resident families, it's absurd to have houses sitting empty 10 months of the year. REDUCE emphasis on tourism—if we wanted to be in Sister Bay, we would have purchased property there!	1
Too many tourists coming here causing concern for sewage and garbage disposal	1

Tourism is a large part of revenue for the Island. The Island cannot support the large numbers of tourists without a sound infrastructure, places to stay and eat and a strong medical service. It's a revenue stream that the Island needs to ensure keeps coming back.	1
Tourism is out of hand and is causing more problems than it is helping the community. Overtourism has been shown to eventually destroy the character and fabric that tourists are coming to experience. Overtourism destroys communities for the people living in them.	1
Tourism seems to be going well. At what point is the capacity of the island to sustain large numbers of tourists maxed out? There is only so much space and capacity for sewage/septic. A plan to create sustainable tourism rather than continued growth MUST be developed. It is hard to control growth and almost counter intuitive, but we have to figure this out.	1
Tourists should pay a user fee to help maintenance for roads, garbage, park maintenance, and police stations. No free lunch!!	1
Town board does not hold town employees or departments accountable. Fire, Rec, police and sanitation.	1
Town must consider taking over and/or encouraging the golf course as a public recreation space. Condominiums or apartments would be a mistake and bad for the island.	1
town needs to study land trust. Property off tax role and shrinks supply of land which causes prices to rise. Not good on an island with finite land and tax resources the more land in the land trust pretty soon taxes will have to drastically increase The town should not own excess land. No solar or wind farms. Just look off the N Shore to see the mess. Head tax on the ferry. Park fees for all non residents or non land owners Fix the dump. trespassers during hunting season. Raise taxes if necessary to better the residents and land owners. Charge fees to all tourists. Best way is to collect at ferry. Strong ordinances on what can be built. Encourage a clean up of all junk in fields and along roads. Sell park passes at the ferry dock. More signs and information at Northport. People come here for peace and quiet not more tourists. Prime example is iron man .. They should pay 5 times what they pay for what they get to use. the town is for the residents not the tourists.	1
Town resources and focus should be on those things that people cannot provide for themselves (e.g., Public Safety, Infrastructure, and Garbage Disposal). Less town focus and investment should be made on tourism. The town needs for focus on a comprehensive refuse plan. The current system is not effective and is driving bad behaviors that negatively impact the island.	1
Town revenue should be increased with a head tax.	1

<p>Trespassing and respect of owners is an issue. No Solar. No windmills ,look north to see how ugly, plus without tax breaks they don't work. Land trust study land comes off the tax roll, land available decreases, causing supply/demand and prices increase.An island is different when it comes to land issues if you can't expand. Fix the dump The go garbage cans look terrible. People just burn garbage now. Head tax on Ferry. Park user fees for all who don't own or rent property. Clean up all the junk along roads and in woods. Strict zoning laws, big lots. No multifamily. Don't rent town property cheap(ie Ironman). those people will pay 10x that amount what they pay isn't worth it. Think bigger, town shouldn't own more land.Sell excess. People need to remember this is an Island typical planning rules don't apply here.covid has changed secluded places, people and the world is different. The Island needs a plan to save the Island.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>User fees for the parks would generate funds to care for the parks and other public use facilities on the island. Limiting short term rental properties to Island residents who are onsite to manage the properties would reduce the amount of short term rentals. This may also increase the number of affordable homes for sale - attracting year-round residents.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>very poorly formatted</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>Washington Island has become known as "the place that the rest of Door County used to look like". Please do everything in your power to prevent over-development of the Island by off-shore entities who seek only financial profit and selfish gain. Help to encourage a healthier economy that depends less upon tourism and more upon new private business models that can now be assisted by rapidly advancing technology and more agile internet connection to the rest of the world. Most importantly, please protect and preserve the beauty, peace and historical integrity of this crowning jewel of Door County through whatever legal instruments are available. The future of the Island depends upon you.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>We also believe noise ordinance should be reviewed, including UTVs (on and off road), fireworks, and loud cars/trucks.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>WE are ADAMENTLY OPPOSED TO AIRPORT RUNWAY EXPANSION</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>WE ARE ADAMENTLY OPPOSED TO RUNWAY EXPANSION AT THE AIRPORT</p>	<p>1</p>

<p>We have been coming to Washington Island since 1973, and we love it exactly as it is. It is important to keep it natural, low density and have strict regulations on development, lot size and coverage and density. Keep it open and rural. Most importantly, there should be strict regulations on architectural styles in keeping with the look and feel of the Island. A historical preservation board would be required in the future to preserve the charm of the Island. Local, shops restaurants and businesses only. Keep property taxes low. It is important to have vision in place regarding building, otherwise tourism will change the whole look and feel of the Island with "eye sore" massive scale condos and homes not in keeping with local architecture- as is happening on the mainland. The crowds were horrendous. Let's keep the Island local and pristine.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>We love this place; we want it to be affordable for our younger families; we also want to see a solution to the housing issued for our seasonal employees.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>We need apartment buildings, Town owns land, grants are available We need affordable housing... would benefit young and old. We need to figure out why the town job which was always the most desirable job ... is no longer desirable. Something is very broken!!! Why are we paying the same for landfill when half the Island uses going garbage and the other half are paying for bags. Now only open a small hand full of hours a month. BROKEN! Town should not be involved with regulating the kind of house, size of house (beside existing zoning), color of house etc. Town should have warnings for camper abuse, buildings with no permits (both going on all over the Island presently!!!!!!), and trash in yards. Public accesses have been discussed for years.... stop talking about it, survey them, mark them etc. Thank you for your time. VRBOs are not your problem. We don't have enough places to for people to stay as it is.</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>we need housing-affordable.- for esp. young people</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>We need more food options for all of the day people and a place to find out what is open and their menus!</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>We need more well-marked public access sites to beaches-could alleviate over-crowding at School house, public beach, etc.</p>	<p>1</p>

<p>We need more year-round resident focus. I understand that bringing tourists here is a must, but the detriment of the year-round residents is substantial. It seems EVERYTHING is focused on tourists. We need to find a way to encourage more people to move here permanently in addition to providing affordable housing for those who need it. Year-round rentals, or simply instituting regulations on exorbitant house prices geared toward the wealthy to purchase, and leave their home vacant for the majority of the year in addition to regulating purchases of homes with the purpose of converting them into seasonal rentals that further alienate people who want to live and work here year-round. They are priced out of the market. We need more young families to be able to come and have an opportunity to live and work here in order to secure the future of our aging island. We need to focus our attention on the resources needed for that to happen as opposed to focusing on tourist-based commerce.</p>	1
<p>We need to find a way through viable jobs to attract families with young children and keep some of the current youth from leaving or there won't be any town left in 20 years.</p>	1
<p>We need to find a way to have tourists contribute to the overall costs of their footprint on the island.</p>	1
<p>We need to preserve the general character of the Island but accept the fact that we need some localized density, a town center, that has a village feel, a pedestrian feel. We need to preserve more park space for locals and visitors and support public amenities like the Rec Center, TPAC, and those types of institutions that build a sense of community and make this a desirable place to retire or come and raise a family.</p>	1
<p>We need to start making money off of the tourists. They utilize our infrastructure with the only consistent business making money from them being the ferry line. We need to start enacting sustainable tourism procedures so we can take care of our island and the year round residents. We are not on a sustainable route- the main income cannot keep being taxes from year round residents. We also need to start thinking about how to address the affordable housing crisis. Young locals cannot afford to buy here and are lucky if they can even find somewhere to rent yet we are the main workforce in the summer providing for all of the tourists. We need to make changes before it is too late. - park pass - actually charge for major activities up here (triathlon) We live in an amazing place that is worth it- charge the tourists.</p>	1
<p>We need to stop raising taxes or family's won't be able to afford to live here anymore.</p>	1
<p>We really need to think about how to support youth, young adults, and families so that they can stay on the island. We are in danger of becoming a retirement community. Also, I have a comment about the question on recreation... I do not believe you should have put snowmobiles in the same question as cross country skiing. I support expansion of quiet sports, such as cross country skiing, and snowshoeing and hiking. We don't have enough space on the island to expand snowmobiling trails.</p>	1

We should maintain higher standards for new buildings along Main Road. Metal prefab commercial buildings and like structures do nothing for the image of the Island and in my view diminish it. We should try to maintain the character of the Island while we promote reasonable growth. Let's not get sucked in to a build it and they will come mindset. Protect what we are so lucky to have with thoughtful development. Let people pay for use of the rec center, support the arts and education and make it easier to use the dump. Please don't pave the airport! Btw it was darn near impossible to reorder selections on the first page of this survey. Thank you for seeking our input.	1
We shouldn't encourage more tourism, especially in the "off seasons" unless there are restaurants and hotels to accommodate the visitors.	1
We understand the Island has to evolve and keep up with the times, but keeping the feeling as if you're stepping back in time should be the goal.	1
When talking with friends, most of us agreed we couldn't answer question 10 because we actually have no clue what kind of zoning provisions exist for the Island. The biggest concern I have is the lack of affordable year-round housing! We are losing our single young people, families and needed workers because they can't find anywhere to live. I feel we are over-advertised in the summer. There aren't enough restaurants for the number of people and lines are discouragingly long. There is also an obvious lack of public restrooms and businesses won't let you use theirs, even if you buy something. Is this legal? It would be useful to find a way to generate a head tax or something similar, so visitors could help pay for restrooms, trash pick up etc. I already filled out the survey, but didn't have time to write at that point, so I submitted it , so as not to lose all my answers.	1
-would like to encourage more restaurant options -strongly oppose airport expansion -maintain rural feel to the place	1
yfka	1
You need to get a better handle on septic and garbage.	1
Zoning rules that favor affordable and alternative home designs like off grid or tiny homes would benefit the Island and the environment. This would be more aesthetically pleasing than the dirty camper and rusty bus on Wickman Rd.	1

Answered: 329 Skipped: 272