

**R-5**



# CITY OF HOPEWELL CITY COUNCIL ACTION FORM

**Strategic Operating Plan Vision Theme:**

- Civic Engagement
- Culture & Recreation
- Economic Development
- Education
- Housing
- Safe & Healthy Environment
- None (Does not apply)

**Order of Business:**

- Consent Agenda
- Public Hearing
- Presentation-Boards/Commissions
- Unfinished Business
- Citizen/Councilor Request
- Regular Business
- Reports of Council Committees

**Action:**

- Approve and File
- Take Appropriate Action
- Receive & File (no motion required)
- Approve Ordinance 1<sup>st</sup> Reading
- Approve Ordinance 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading
- Set a Public Hearing
- Approve on Emergency Measure

**COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** Comprehensive Plan Study Update

**ISSUE:** The Community Survey results have been summarized and eight preliminary goals have been drafted from the survey results. Staff will provide an overview of the survey results, the goals, and next steps in the planning process.

**RECOMMENDATION:** None

**TIMING:** None

**BACKGROUND:** The Planning Commission, Development Staff, and consultants have conducted community meetings, stakeholder interviews and are excited about survey participation. This Comprehensive Plan Workgroup has worked diligently to draft eight goals, each including a “Reality Statement”, where we are now, “The Goal” where we want to be, and “The Pathway”, broad statements on how we get there. Prior to providing this information to the public, as promised, the Work Group, is providing City Council with an update on their progress.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** None at this time

**ENCLOSED DOCUMENTS:** None

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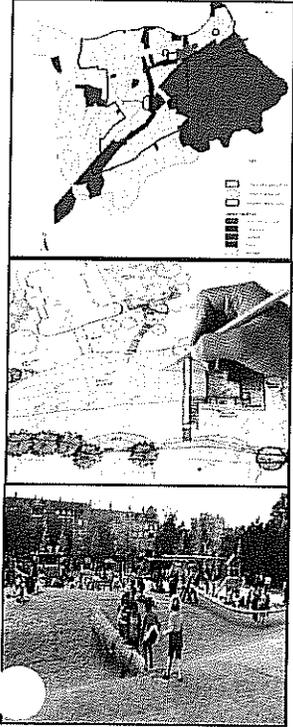
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# CITY OF HOPEWELL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMMUNITY SURVEY RESULTS

MARCH 15, 2016



## PURPOSE

A comprehensive plan is a vision for the future. It sets policies, guidelines and goals intended to direct present and future physical, social, and economic development for the next 10 years.

## VISION

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## INPUT

For questions about the planning process or if you need transportation to any of the meetings please contact:

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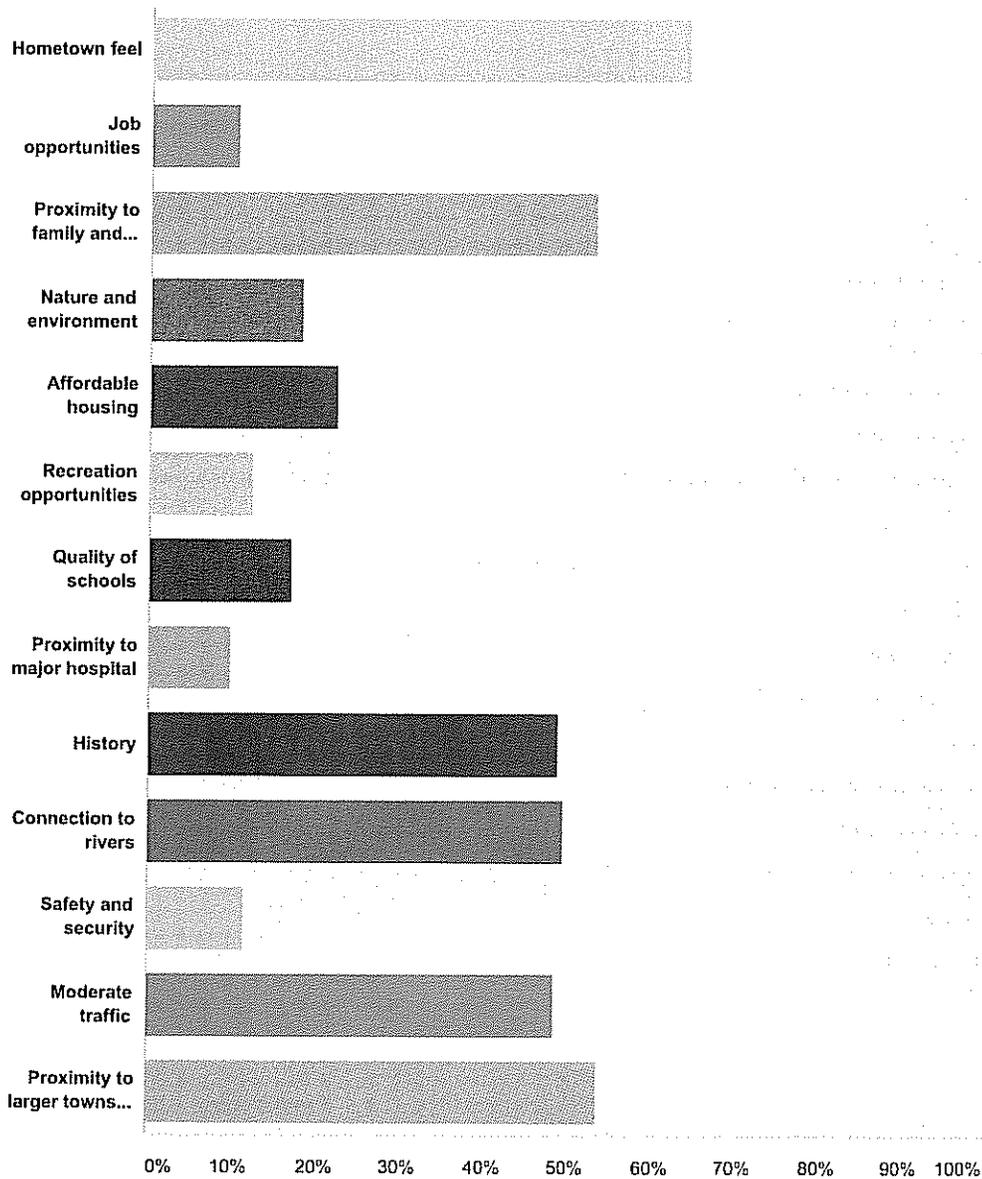
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### Q1 What are the things you like best about Hopewell? (choose the five answers that are most important to you)

Answered: 558 Skipped: 42



Answer Choices	Responses
Hometown feel	64.34% 359
Job opportunities	10.39% 58
Proximity to family and friends	53.23% 297
Nature and environment	18.10% 101
Affordable housing	22.40% 125

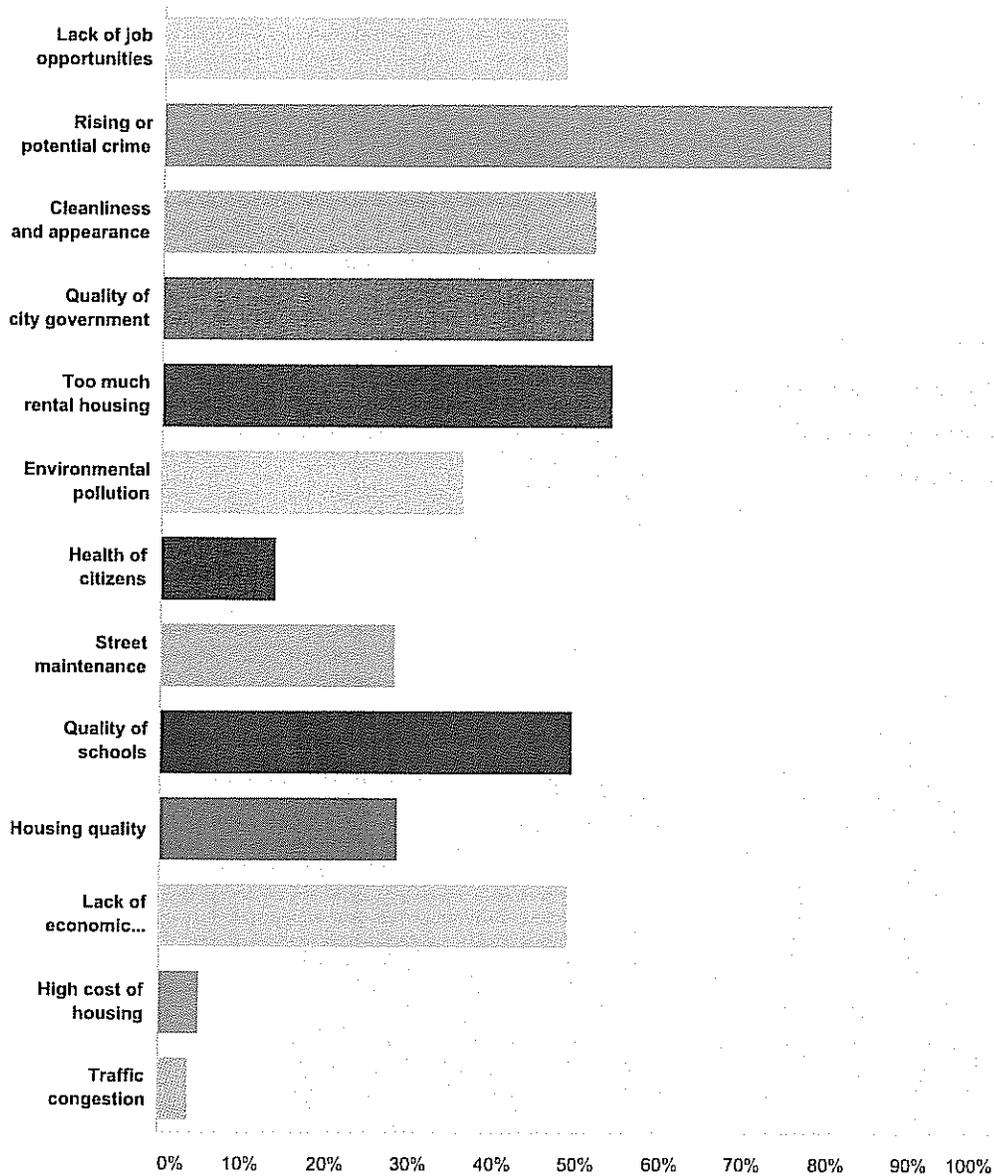
Recreation opportunities	12.37%	69
Quality of schools	16.85%	94
Proximity to major hospital	9.86%	55
History	48.92%	273
Connection to rivers	49.46%	276
Safety and security	11.47%	64
Moderate traffic	48.39%	270
Proximity to larger towns and cities	53.58%	299
<b>Total Respondents: 558</b>		

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	I honestly can not come up with 5 reasons. The main reason for living in Hopewell was the lower price for housing & the proximity to work.	12/29/2015 1:38 PM
2	Safe and healthy small town	12/28/2015 10:08 AM
3	Small city atmosphere	12/27/2015 4:43 PM
4	Some neighborhoods are still closely related and friendly. I've travelled to other cities, and this one is 'so saveable'.	12/24/2015 12:12 AM
5	Caring Police Department	12/23/2015 6:00 PM
6	a \$4 a month storm tax was assessed without a concern of the public!	12/23/2015 2:29 PM
7	PROXIMITY TO FORT LEE	12/23/2015 12:06 PM
8	Possibilities of what it could be	12/16/2015 9:38 AM
9	availability of services i.e. shopping, restaurants, etc.	12/11/2015 7:08 PM
10	Tradition	12/11/2015 12:10 PM
11	grew up here as a child, lived nowhere else	12/11/2015 11:33 AM
12	I work in the community	12/11/2015 10:14 AM
13	The job for which I relocated is here.	12/10/2015 5:40 AM
14	Volunteering	12/7/2015 2:34 PM
15	My Church is in Hopewell	12/7/2015 1:27 PM
16	none	12/6/2015 11:50 AM
17	none	12/6/2015 8:50 AM
18	none	12/6/2015 8:37 AM
19	well run government but lousy Council	12/4/2015 8:51 AM
20	Hub - quickness of going to the bank, small grocery store (Randolph Market), post office, cleaners - and getting back home.	12/3/2015 11:43 PM
21	can't list 5	12/2/2015 3:13 PM
22	Proximity as a Hub - to small stores, banks, restaurants, post office, and quickness of "getting it done and getting back." Proximity to SouthPark Mall, and the tri-city areas for appointments.	12/1/2015 9:33 PM
23	Entertainment	12/1/2015 5:28 PM
24	I can not name 5 things. I only live in Hopewell because I live in my grandparents house. Most everything else is BAD, here in Hopewell.	12/1/2015 12:17 AM
25	Having a local hospital.	11/30/2015 10:30 PM
26	I do not live in Hopewell. I work in Hopewell for the Redevelopment and Housing Authority	11/30/2015 3:45 PM

27	M	11/26/2015 10:44 PM
28	Do not live in Hopewell	11/26/2015 8:20 AM
29	It's "Home"	11/26/2015 4:47 AM
30	Proximity to ocean and mountains	11/25/2015 10:55 PM
31	Nothing any more	11/25/2015 2:10 PM
32	need to clean up residue from years of chemical misuse	11/25/2015 1:41 PM
33	No place like home	11/25/2015 12:41 PM
34	I do not reside in the City of Hopewell	11/25/2015 10:10 AM
35	Get Rid of the Rental Property in Hopewell!!!!	11/25/2015 9:54 AM
36	Quality of city Government	11/25/2015 9:29 AM
37	Military	11/25/2015 9:17 AM
38	close to where I work	11/25/2015 8:01 AM
39	Unlike a "development", Hopewell has a heart and a soul. A person can make a difference in this town if they so choose.	11/24/2015 1:56 PM
40	Character	11/23/2015 10:02 PM
41	Love living in a city that is bordered by two rivers	11/16/2015 1:54 PM
42	I do not have three more reasons	11/16/2015 1:11 PM
43	I do not like living here.	11/14/2015 9:53 PM

**Q2 What are the things that concern you the most about Hopewell's future? (choose the five answers that are most important to you)**

Answered: 571 Skipped: 29



Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Lack of job opportunities	48.16%	275
Rising or potential crime	79.86%	456
Cleanliness and appearance	51.84%	296
Quality of city government	51.49%	294

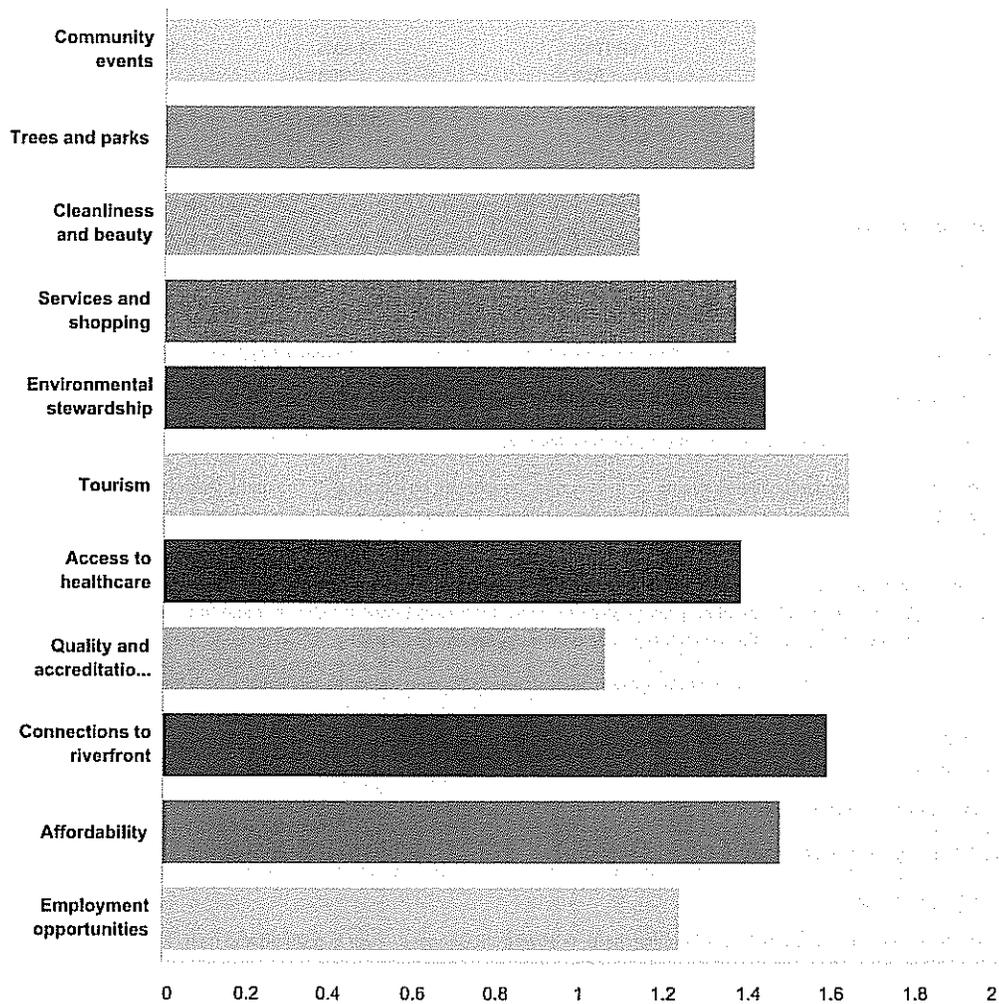
Too much rental housing	53.94%	308
Environmental pollution	36.08%	206
Health of citizens	13.84%	79
Street maintenance	28.02%	160
Quality of schools	49.21%	281
Housing quality	28.37%	162
Lack of economic development	48.86%	279
High cost of housing	4.90%	28
Traffic congestion	3.50%	20
<b>Total Respondents: 571</b>		

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	Crooked power hungry City Council	12/31/2015 5:02 PM
2	LACK OF ALL INCLUSIVE ACITIVITIES FOR OUR YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS	12/30/2015 8:57 PM
3	The lack of summer programs for children age 7-12 and teens 13- 17	12/27/2015 12:51 PM
4	Rising Taxes	12/24/2015 10:29 AM
5	too much low income housing	12/23/2015 4:17 PM
6	too much subsidized housing	12/23/2015 2:29 PM
7	lack of quality outpatient mental health services	12/23/2015 1:03 PM
8	You ask about too much rental housing. What is too much?	12/23/2015 11:04 AM
9	Too much Section 8 Housing	12/22/2015 12:07 PM
10	Lack of animal control - dogs, cats, buzzards	12/20/2015 8:21 PM
11	Too few downtown stores, shops, and places closing.	12/16/2015 4:18 PM
12	City Promotion	12/16/2015 1:45 PM
13	number of public housing developments	12/15/2015 8:01 AM
14	high property taxes !!!!	12/14/2015 2:29 PM
15	Some civil servants who wear a badge are bullies and overstep and violate civil rights.	12/14/2015 12:03 PM
16	Eliminate or condense the Section 8 Housing , it's too much of that going on in Hopewell, also too many people hanging on the streets and loitering in front of Public Businesses .	12/14/2015 9:46 AM
17	roads in hopewell	12/11/2015 4:28 PM
18	Resources of school system	12/11/2015 11:44 AM
19	The declination of things/buildings/houses, etc. that used to be eye-appealing, that now are just run down.	12/11/2015 10:59 AM
20	need to move low income housing out of downtown, and make it like Shockoe Slip in Richmond	12/10/2015 11:02 AM
21	Hopewell is in a need of a development program or activities for the youth. Helping Hands New Hope For US is a group who consistently host events or workshops to keep the children involve.	12/7/2015 3:59 AM
22	charity bikers brotherhood trafficking narcotics	12/6/2015 9:50 AM
23	Lack of youth opportunity	12/4/2015 10:51 PM
24	Corrupt city government	12/2/2015 10:20 PM
25	concern sith city government = city council	12/2/2015 3:13 PM

26	Too much development of downtown, when on 1st and 2nd Streets (off of Winston Churchill Drive) there are no sidewalks or proper drainage - and I am NOT black and do not live in those areas - I have just always noticed this through my job. Same is true with the blocks near Sunnyside Avenue @ Courthouse Road area, and I don't live there either. Also, poor quality of keeping the roads repaired - especially from Luray to Mesa Drive! It's like a n exploded minefield.	12/1/2015 9:33 PM
27	Millennial engagement	12/1/2015 5:28 PM
28	City Council need to stay off the front page of Richmond Times.	12/1/2015 9:27 AM
29	There is no good quality restaurants or grocery stores in Hopewell(Cavilier Square).	12/1/2015 12:17 AM
30	City Government will not raise taxes to meet public's needs	11/30/2015 9:50 PM
31	City council squabbles, not financing schools	11/30/2015 3:32 PM
32	Lack of appreciation for historic structures/neighborhoods and esthetics	11/30/2015 12:51 PM
33	programs for the youth	11/30/2015 11:41 AM
34	Lack of activities for the youth beyond the 7pm hour	11/30/2015 11:34 AM
35	Too many individuals involved with the city are looking out for themselves and not for what benefits the city.	11/30/2015 9:30 AM
36	Department heads not living in city.	11/27/2015 8:00 AM
37	fiscal responsibility	11/26/2015 8:49 AM
38	Lack of quality restaurants. Lack of mixed-income housing.	11/26/2015 8:20 AM
39	Fixing the bridge in City Point that runs onto Ramsey Ave	11/25/2015 11:23 PM
40	Too much public housing, lack of cooperation between council members	11/25/2015 10:55 PM
41	Taxes	11/25/2015 10:45 PM
42	lack of opportunities for the youth	11/25/2015 6:52 PM
43	Too many housing projects with residents who provide NOTHING beneficial to area	11/25/2015 6:17 PM
44	Some of the City Council members are incompetent.	11/25/2015 6:17 PM
45	Projects and paying a higher welfare rate than any of those around us!	11/25/2015 3:18 PM
46	Too much Government Assisted Living	11/25/2015 12:57 PM
47	Hopewell should have a gateway to I295 on the western edge of the city.	11/25/2015 11:54 AM
48	Recreation/Sports for the youth	11/25/2015 11:04 AM
49	Some members of city council are a joke and are hurting Hopewell. We also need to get rid of ALL public housing which all most ALL of our crime is tied too	11/25/2015 10:01 AM
50	Dept Heads and Councilors RARELY follow up with any issues that are presented to them This is very disrespectful to those of us who actually pay taxes in the City	11/25/2015 9:14 AM
51	Subsidised housing	11/25/2015 8:14 AM
52	Poor/dangerous traffic flow around Beacon Theater area	11/24/2015 7:38 PM
53	The poor house stock and the ratio of rentals to owner-occupied dwellings creates an unhealthy economic climate that drives demographics and serious quality of life issues in the City.	11/24/2015 1:56 PM
54	The city looks increasingly depressed, unkempted - just sad.	11/19/2015 2:00 PM
55	no grocery store	11/19/2015 9:55 AM
56	We have an inept city council that will not listen to their constituents. They are only focused on themselves and what will take them to the next step on the political ladder.	11/16/2015 1:54 PM
57	Internal fighting within council and departments.	11/15/2015 3:45 PM
58	Several members of our city council are idiots. They only care about themselves, not the citizens or employees.	11/14/2015 9:53 PM
59	Embarrassing City Council!!!!!! Their representation is shameful.	11/14/2015 2:08 PM

### Q3 How important do you feel the following features are to the future of Hopewell?

Answered: 571 Skipped: 29



	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Important	Total	Weighted Average
Community events	63.96% 355	31.17% 173	4.86% 27	555	1.41
Trees and parks	63.38% 353	32.68% 182	3.95% 22	557	1.41
Cleanliness and beauty	86.55% 489	12.74% 72	0.71% 4	565	1.14
Services and shopping	66.49% 373	30.30% 170	3.21% 18	561	1.37
Environmental stewardship	59.59% 323	36.90% 200	3.51% 19	542	1.44
Tourism	44.58% 247	46.39% 257	9.03% 50	554	1.64

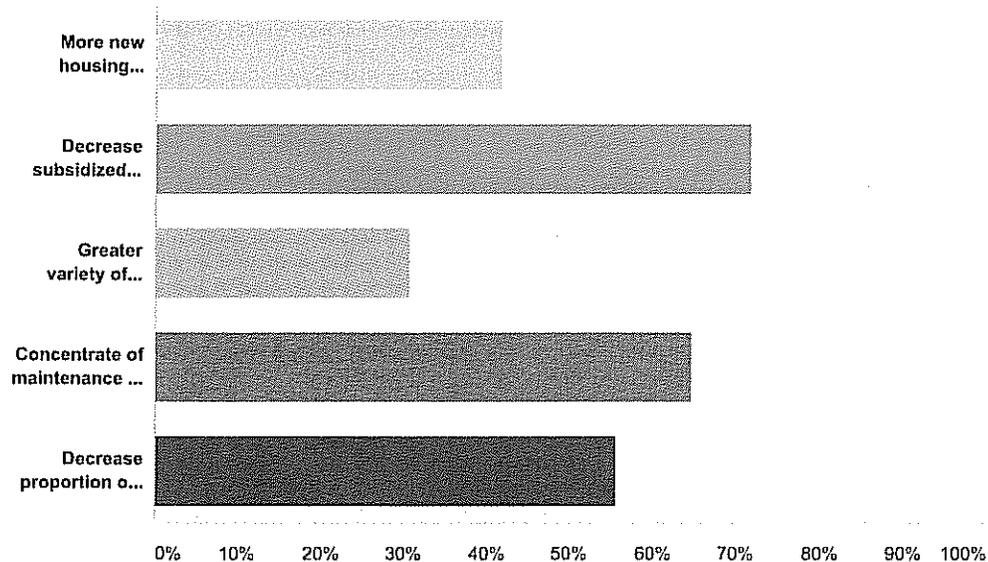
Access to healthcare	65.93%	30.59%	3.48%	546	1.38
	360	167	19		
Quality and accreditation of schools	95.02%	4.09%	0.89%	562	1.06
	534	23	5		
Connections to riverfront	50.83%	39.27%	9.91%	545	1.59
	277	214	54		
Affordability	57.17%	37.80%	5.03%	537	1.48
	307	203	27		
Employment opportunities	79.21%	17.92%	2.87%	558	1.24
	442	100	16		

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	Youth Services are Extremely Important	1/1/2016 8:58 PM
2	Need to put training in place for blacks to get a higher paying job	12/24/2015 1:24 AM
3	Friendlier police force and more Community Policing; police getting out of cars and communicating with citizens	12/24/2015 12:12 AM
4	gas tax is higher in hopewell than surrounding area - wasted money	12/23/2015 2:29 PM
5	More modern attractive housing, lessening the blight, beautification	12/14/2015 2:55 PM
6	Hopefully more cultural and educational events for the younger people can be introduced. Too many children are not being taught properly because their parents are on drugs or absent or simply uneducated. Bring colleges closer to the area.	12/14/2015 12:03 PM
7	I think modernizing Hopewell and updating which allowing larger retail chains for example ( Walmart and or Target ) Chic-fil-a , Arby's , chipotle just to mention a few to help stimulate Hopewell's Economic Growth rather than to drain it from the Property owner's and get these welfare people off the streets and get a job !	12/14/2015 9:46 AM
8	entice an upper education institution to have extension offices/classes/training within the city limits... be it technical training or liberal arts college, our kids need access to more than we have; maybe get the plants involved in tech training so the students can walk into decent jobs; encourage local business to do internships and provide a model for other communities for economic/educational development	12/12/2015 11:16 AM
9	please invest in the school system	12/11/2015 10:18 AM
10	section 8 housing must be reduced	12/6/2015 4:23 PM
11	property taxes too high	12/6/2015 9:50 AM
12	FACE IT - there are no great attractions of tourism here, or Riverfront Beauties - river is polluted and nasty looking - only fair to fish in (the only positive) and you still shouldn't eat the fish - STILL traces of Kepone and other contaminants.	12/3/2015 11:43 PM
13	Riverfront will never be a "selling point" here UNTIL much emphasis - with Federal Money/State Money, grant money, and donations from chemical plants here take place to "seriously" clean up the water. As an analogy, if you have an extremely dirty pool, who would want to get in to it, or park a beach chair beside it and sit with shades on? I can't believe in this day and time, we can't get serious about this, and develop huge "fix all" pills with scientific involvement/testing, that are dropped over into the water by boats and sinks to the bottom, is slowly time released over months to eventually clean the water. This method would have to be done over and over, during the "years" in different areas - as what took place to get it as dirty as it is now. As well, neighborhoods need to be cleaned up and beautified by city workers - so it has eye appeal, and so others would want to live here.	12/1/2015 9:33 PM
14	safe living environment	12/1/2015 11:37 AM
15	Recreation facilities	11/30/2015 10:30 PM
16	Walkability/attention to historic neighborhoods near downtown	11/30/2015 12:51 PM
17	Poor Housing!	11/30/2015 8:37 AM
18	Effective leadership.	11/27/2015 8:00 AM
19	SAFETY	11/27/2015 12:48 AM
20	affordability for what?	11/26/2015 10:29 PM
21	Employment opportunities should provide "good" jobs that pay decent-ethical wages.	11/26/2015 8:20 AM

22	Keeping crime as low as possible	11/26/2015 4:47 AM
23	The explosion of people hanging out on street corners concerns me.	11/25/2015 3:18 PM
24	senior care for established citizens and veterans	11/25/2015 1:41 PM
25	We need access to neighboring communities that have services, shopping and employment opportunities. It's not necessary for Hopewell to be autonomous in all areas.	11/25/2015 11:54 AM
26	Recreation/Sports for the youth	11/25/2015 11:04 AM
27	Get Rid of the Rental Property in Hopewell that is one of the main reason the City has such a HIGH CRIME RATE & Looks Run Down!!!	11/25/2015 9:54 AM
28	Home ownership and investment into the community	11/25/2015 9:42 AM
29	citizen safety	11/15/2015 3:45 PM
30	The city of hopewell is going down the toilet under the leadership of Brenda Pelham.	11/14/2015 9:53 PM
31	Reduction in crime	11/14/2015 8:06 AM
32	Reduction in crime	11/13/2015 1:51 PM

### Q4 How can the state of housing in Hopewell be improved? (select all that apply)

Answered: 584 Skipped: 16



Answer Choices	Responses
More new housing (including redevelopment and rehab)	41.78% 244
Decrease subsidized housing	71.75% 419
Greater variety of housing (townhouses, apartments, condos, etc.)	30.65% 179
Concentrate of maintenance and upkeep	64.73% 378
Decrease proportion of rental housing	55.48% 324
<b>Total Respondents: 584</b>	

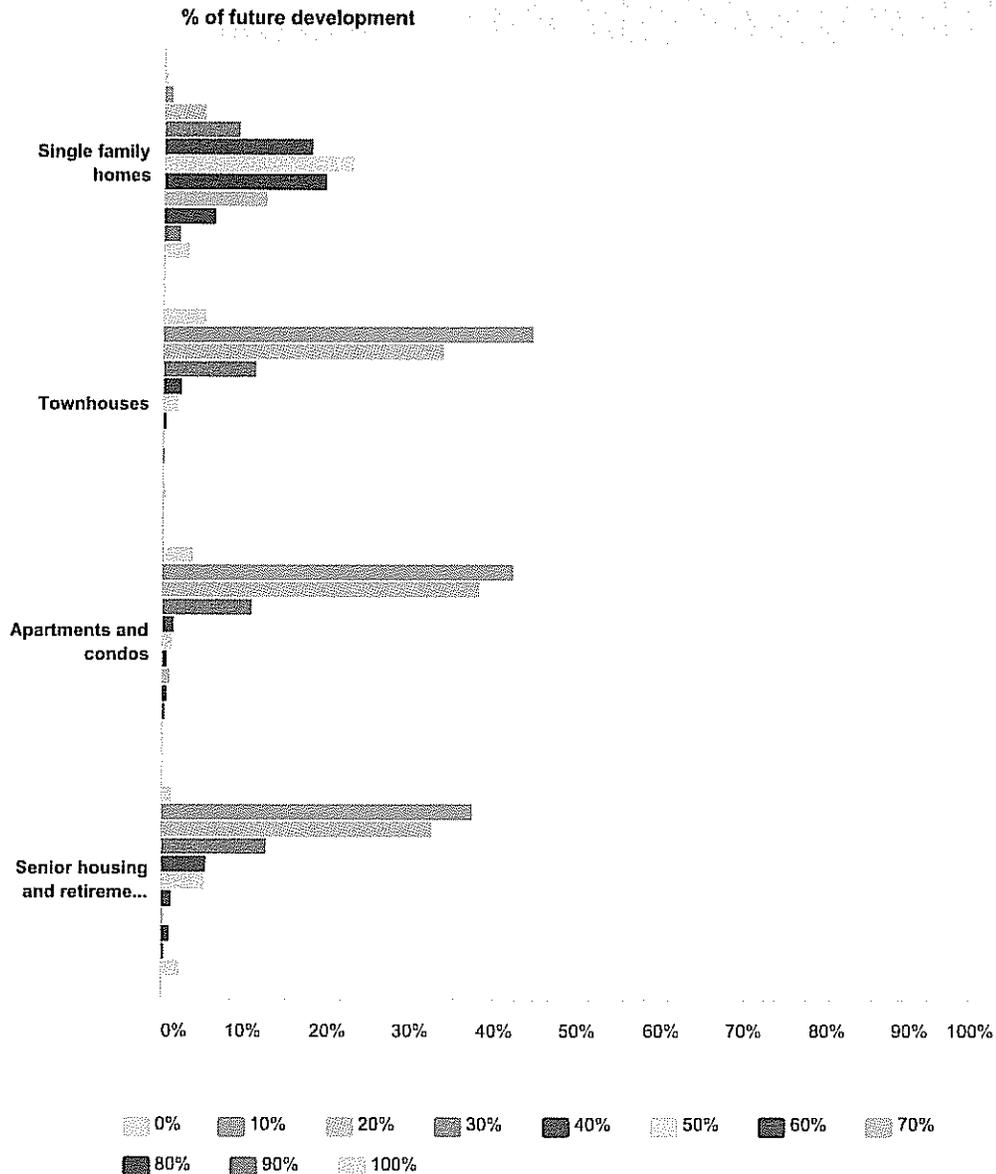
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1	Inconsistency in housing in neighborhoods. Low quality/low rent duplexes/apts. and new homes side by side, for example. No evidence of planning for similar dwellings in same areas	12/31/2015 2:39 PM
2	Get rid of at least 1/2 of section 8 housing.	12/26/2015 10:00 PM
3	Age qualified housing for better access	12/25/2015 7:40 PM
4	affordability	12/24/2015 10:29 PM
5	If low income make sure the area is safe and do monthly checks if not on lease you got to go for low income tax payers money	12/24/2015 1:24 AM
6	Have enough of the variety of townhouses and apartments; really need to hold landlords accountable for upkeep of their rental properties (upkeep and facade)	12/24/2015 12:12 AM
7	Less section 8, more families	12/23/2015 6:00 PM
8	rental property is not the problem, in many cases that housing is maintained better than owned property	12/23/2015 2:29 PM
9	Deal with the bedbug infestation @ Kippax Place	12/23/2015 1:37 PM

10	When a property sits vacant, owner must maintain it and not use it for ANY OTHER PURPOSE!!!	12/23/2015 11:43 AM
11	By up all the shack houses in B Village, then tear them down and sell the land.	12/23/2015 11:04 AM
12	the need to tear down housing that was never meant to be permanent ie. B village, to make room for new housing	12/15/2015 11:56 AM
13	a unified work	12/15/2015 11:06 AM
14	Reduce number of ancient single family homes in disrepair	12/14/2015 2:55 PM
15	Make housing affordable for working parents so they won't face eviction. Encourage young people to invest in their own house.	12/14/2015 12:03 PM
16	Cracking down on People who is letting there property and houses go down and making them clean it up or summons them.	12/14/2015 9:46 AM
17	I don't believe much will change until Hopewell becomes more attractive for people to move to... and that means eliminating the infamous "Hopewell Smell" from the factories.	12/11/2015 11:14 AM
18	Better Rental Housing	12/10/2015 10:10 AM
19	professional condos that attract young professionals from RIC	12/7/2015 6:18 PM
20	Hold rental property landlords accountable to state and local codes.	12/7/2015 1:27 PM
21	code enforcement not aggressive on enforcement	12/6/2015 9:50 AM
22	help repair existing homes	12/4/2015 8:18 PM
23	City keep the areas clean and beautify - all over hopewell neighborhoods - not just downtown and Beacon Theatre/Library area!	12/3/2015 11:43 PM
24	Tear down old houses	12/2/2015 10:20 PM
25	We have enough. Just keep proper upkeep of that and don't increase the numbers!	12/1/2015 9:33 PM
26	more housing with river access	12/1/2015 11:37 AM
27	More business catering to young professionals	12/1/2015 7:57 AM
28	Revitalize existing historic housing and structures	11/30/2015 11:10 PM
29	raise real estate taxes to stop rental purchases or impose rental fees	11/30/2015 9:50 PM
30	Subsidized housing is not the source of the problem. People who have good jobs, no felonies, good health, etc don't need that type of assistance.	11/30/2015 4:44 PM
31	Forcing poorer people out is NOT a solution. We need to improve the quality and appearance of subsidized housing and try to reduce the stigma associated with it.	11/30/2015 1:28 PM
32	Beautifying existing neighborhoods through rehab	11/30/2015 12:51 PM
33	Reduce size of schools - focus on creating walkable age qualified village around hospital, library, community center.	11/30/2015 8:37 AM
34	Home Ownership Education	11/29/2015 7:14 PM
35	If you decrease rental & subsidized housing, new housing will occur.	11/26/2015 10:29 PM
36	There seems to be a high concentration of small, older, low-income housing. Need a greater variety of housing types that are energy efficient.	11/26/2015 8:20 AM
37	Reduce/eliminate section 8	11/25/2015 3:35 PM
38	Quality of housing rather than expansion of housing is more important.better options and less dumps.	11/25/2015 3:18 PM
39	established lawful zoning for single 1 person dwellings	11/25/2015 1:41 PM
40	A vibrant, healthy community must have pride of ownership among a majority of homeowners.	11/25/2015 11:54 AM
41	Recreation/Sports for the youth	11/25/2015 11:04 AM
42	more mid-range housing \$220,000's	11/25/2015 10:22 AM
43	clean up and repair empty houses	11/25/2015 10:13 AM
44	Get Rid of ALL public housing	11/25/2015 10:01 AM
45	NO MORE LOW INCOME HOUSING OR APARTMENTS!!!	11/25/2015 9:54 AM

46	Landlords being held accountable for their properties. Code ensuring this is done and reminding all City employees that when they see a blatant violation, to report it. I know that most of the Dept. Heads and many employees do not live in the City but it is still everyones responsibility.	11/25/2015 9:14 AM
47	This is the single most important issue facing the City!!!	11/24/2015 1:56 PM
48	Provide 5 year tax credits to encourage PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT GROWTH!	11/23/2015 10:45 AM
49	Motorcycle clubs should not be allowed to have a clubhouse within city limits.	11/19/2015 7:07 PM
50	good jobs so people can afford to buy rather than rent a home	11/19/2015 2:00 PM
51	Hold landlords accountable for keeping there houses and apartments in good condition with heavy fines.	11/17/2015 5:14 AM
52	Hopewell cannot grow if the subsidized housing communities continue to grow and expand. No homeowner wants to live near subsidized housing.	11/16/2015 1:54 PM
53	Hold our slum lords accountable.	11/14/2015 9:53 PM
54	Get the wind right and burn everything from 21st street to the river in City Point. There is no market rate housing worth owning.	11/14/2015 2:08 PM
55	Make housing a little more affordable for lower middle class	11/14/2015 8:06 AM
56	Make housing a little more affordable for lower middle class	11/13/2015 1:51 PM

**Q5 As the City's population grows, what mix of residential development do you think would be desirable? (provide your ideal percentage mix - percentages should total 100%)**

Answered: 553 Skipped: 47

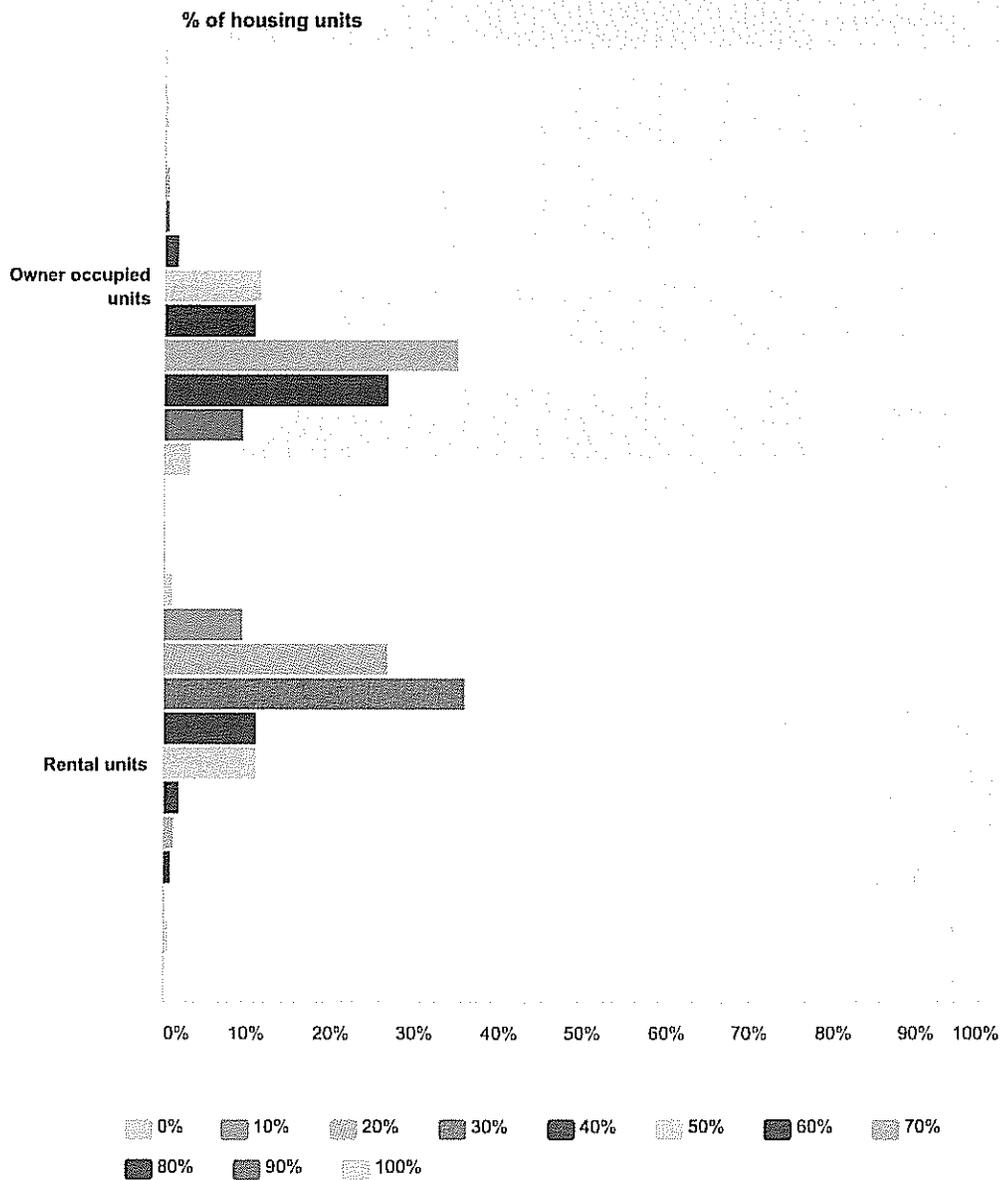


% of future development												
	0%	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%	Total
Single family homes	0.37%	1.10%	4.94%	9.14%	17.92%	23.03%	19.56%	12.61%	6.22%	2.01%	3.11%	547
	2	6	27	50	98	126	107	69	34	11	17	

Townhouses	5.30%	44.40%	33.81%	11.20%	2.24%	1.83%	0.41%	0.20%	0.20%	0.00%	0.41%	
	26	218	166	55	11	9	2	1	1	0	2	491
Apartments and condos	3.79%	42.12%	38.12%	10.78%	1.40%	1.20%	0.60%	1.00%	0.60%	0.40%	0.00%	
	19	211	191	54	7	6	3	5	3	2	0	501
Senior housing and retirement communities	1.31%	37.31%	32.65%	12.69%	5.41%	5.22%	1.31%	0.37%	1.12%	0.37%	2.24%	
	7	200	175	68	29	28	7	2	6	2	12	536

**Q6 What mix of owner occupied vs. rental residential units do you think would be ideal? (provide your ideal percentage mix - percentages should total 100%)**

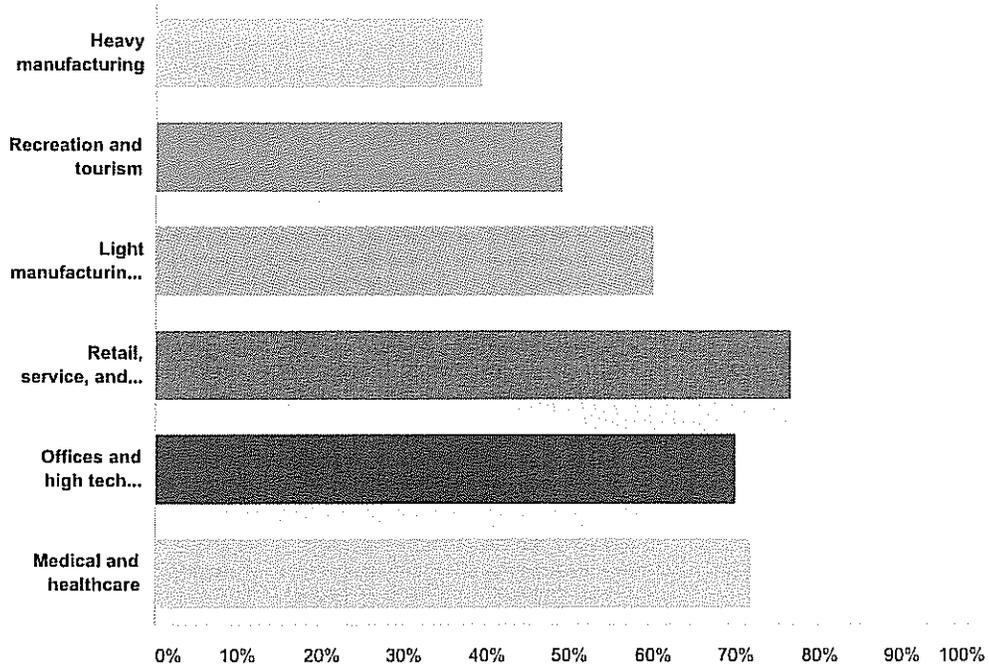
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% of housing units												
	0%	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%	Total
Owner occupied units	0.36% 2	0.00% 0	0.72% 4	0.72% 4	1.62% 9	11.55% 64	10.83% 60	35.02% 194	26.71% 148	9.39% 52	3.07% 17	554
Rental units	1.09% 6	9.31% 51	26.82% 147	35.95% 197	11.13% 61	11.13% 61	1.82% 10	1.28% 7	0.91% 5	0.00% 0	0.55% 3	548

**Q7 If the number of jobs in the City increases, what kinds of jobs would be desirable? (select all that apply)**

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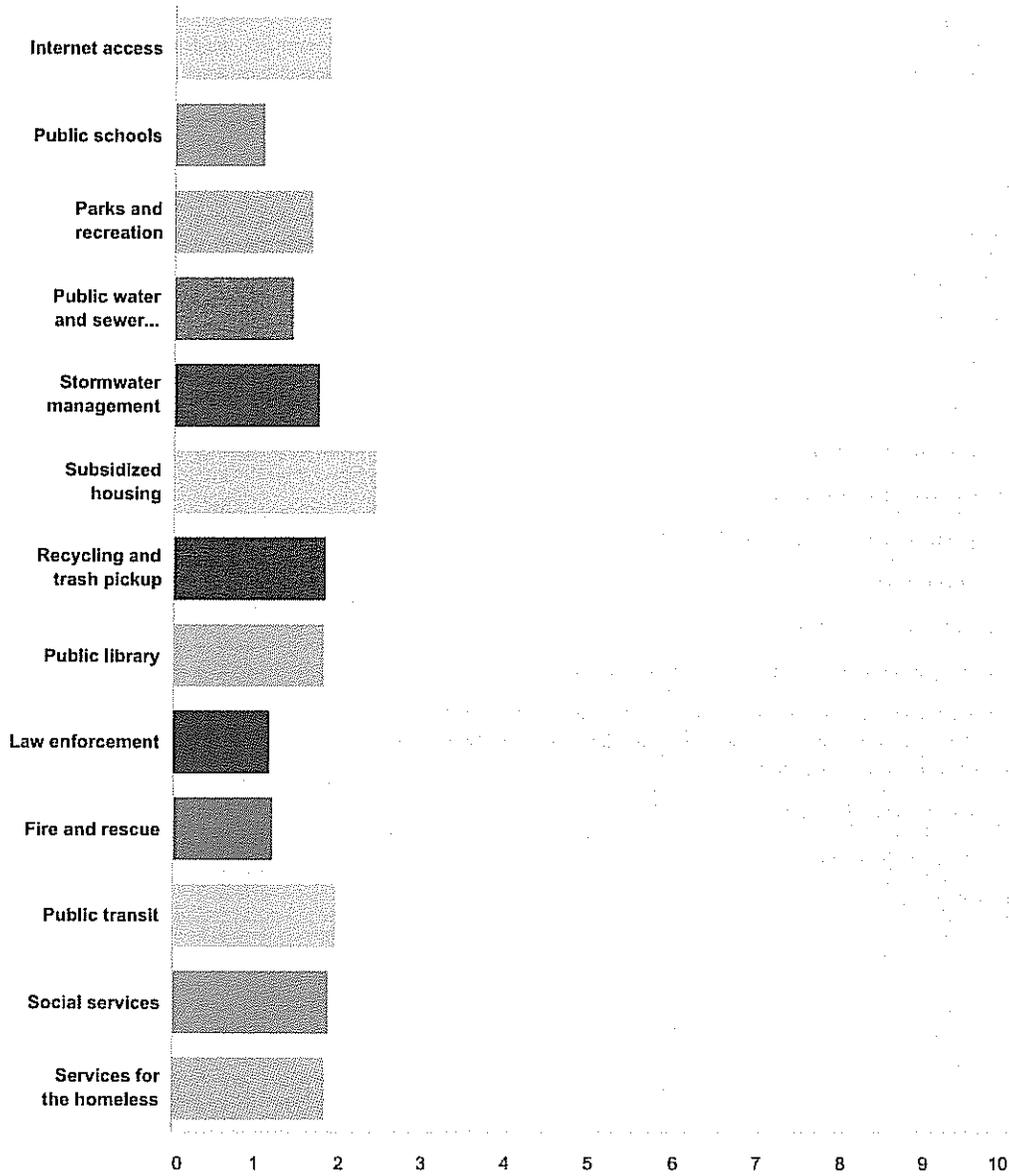
Answer Choices	Responses
Heavy manufacturing	39.45% 230
Recreation and tourism	49.06% 286
Light manufacturing and warehousing	60.21% 351
Retail, service, and restaurant	76.67% 447
Offices and high tech services	69.98% 408
Medical and healthcare	71.87% 419
<b>Total Respondents: 583</b>	

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	Whatever the data suggests is the best for the area	12/31/2015 2:39 PM
2	Any jobs Hopewell could attract would be a plus.	12/26/2015 10:00 PM
3	Legal	12/24/2015 10:29 PM
4	Need to train blacks in Hopewell to qualify for jobs here	12/24/2015 1:24 AM
5	Need internship jobs for students graduating from high school	12/24/2015 12:12 AM
6	the city gov'n't is disfunctional!!!	12/23/2015 2:29 PM
7	Education	12/23/2015 1:37 PM

8	restaurant	12/15/2015 11:12 AM
9	faith based	12/15/2015 11:06 AM
10	restaurants	12/15/2015 10:36 AM
11	Educational, Research and Development.	12/14/2015 12:03 PM
12	Walmart , Target , Cic-fil-a , Arby's, Cipoile , Sonic . Add more features to make a more of an appeal especially people traveling off 295 interstate . I think Colonial Corner should be bought out and have a Walmart and restaurants added for a jumpstart . Out of state people don't want to see a deserted city with over half the buildings that haven't been used in several years , it's a crying shame and a waste of tax payers money , when revenue is needed desperately in Hopewell. We are far behind the times and we need to stand up and stop letting these small chains rule this city , it's TIME to put an end to the past !	12/14/2015 9:46 AM
13	Education... university or college extension classes/services....	12/12/2015 11:16 AM
14	education	12/11/2015 1:12 PM
15	Education	12/11/2015 11:44 AM
16	more positions in the school system	12/11/2015 10:14 AM
17	Any jobs other than strippers, bartenders and drug dealers	12/7/2015 10:47 AM
18	any really	12/2/2015 3:13 PM
19	more teachers	11/30/2015 3:32 PM
20	We definitely need more quality restaurants here.	11/30/2015 2:37 PM
21	Any good paying jobs would work	11/25/2015 3:18 PM
22	tech savy industries as opposed to labor jail industries!	11/25/2015 1:41 PM
23	Recreation/Sports for the youth	11/25/2015 11:04 AM
24	Any type job that give a hand up	11/25/2015 8:14 AM
25	Education - including branch campuses for vocational training	11/24/2015 7:38 PM
26	Since we already have an established industrial sector I am not opposed to the expansion of heavy manufacturing, as long as they are sensitive to the environment. The bottom line is that Hopewell needs jobs. If had increases in all of these sectors it would be fantastic!!!	11/24/2015 1:56 PM
27	The city needs a Walmart type store.	11/19/2015 7:07 PM
28	All full times jobs are desirable!	11/16/2015 1:54 PM
29	Public Safety.	11/14/2015 9:53 PM

### Q8 What should Hopewell's priorities be for improving public facilities and community services?

Answered: 593 Skipped: 7



	Highest Priority	Medium Priority	Low Priority	Total	Weighted Average
Internet access	30.35% 173	52.28% 298	17.37% 99	570	1.87
Public schools	92.67% 544	6.64% 39	0.68% 4	587	1.08
Parks and recreation	39.58% 228	54.51% 314	5.90% 34	576	1.66

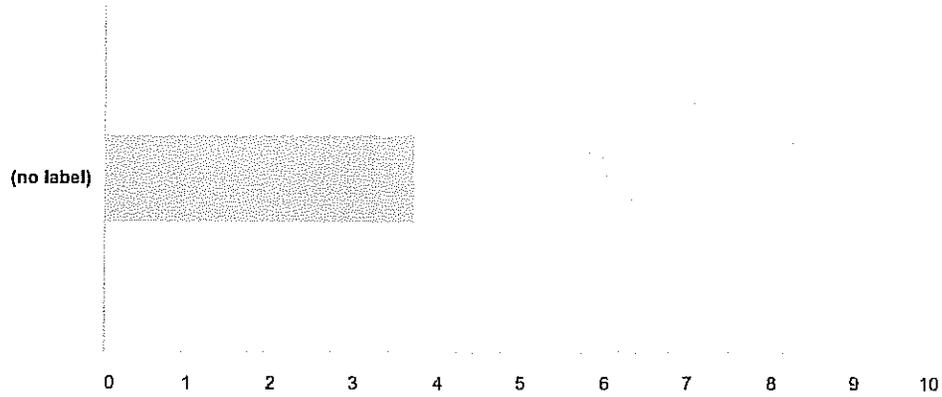
Public water and sewer systems	60.38% 346	35.08% 201	4.54% 26	573	1.44
Stormwater management	36.57% 207	50.71% 287	12.72% 72	566	1.76
Subsidized housing	14.56% 83	25.96% 148	59.47% 339	570	2.45
Recycling and trash pickup	28.77% 164	58.60% 334	12.63% 72	570	1.84
Public library	33.75% 190	51.15% 288	15.10% 85	563	1.81
Law enforcement	85.74% 499	12.89% 75	1.37% 8	582	1.16
Fire and rescue	80.66% 467	16.75% 97	2.59% 15	579	1.22
Public transit	27.19% 155	48.42% 276	24.39% 139	570	1.97
Social services	33.99% 191	44.13% 248	21.89% 123	562	1.88
Services for the homeless	36.98% 213	43.40% 250	19.62% 113	576	1.83

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	Public Facilities, Schools and Rec. Center need to be accessible to entilies/people providing community services	1/1/2016 8:58 PM
2	Road repair and curb and gutter	12/31/2015 4:23 PM
3	accessibility	12/24/2015 10:29 PM
4	The medium priorities are recommended because programs appear to be already in place	12/24/2015 12:12 AM
5	Take care of our fire/police officers, take care of crime	12/23/2015 6:00 PM
6	Better Roads	12/23/2015 3:06 PM
7	taxes should not subsidize the beacon or marina!!!	12/23/2015 2:29 PM
8	redidents that don't recycle should be charged an extra fee because of having more trash	12/15/2015 12:28 PM
9	This town perpetuates drug activity and homelessness. No cultural restaurants or entertainment. Beacon is not enough and should be affordable for young people.	12/14/2015 12:03 PM
10	Focus more on the welfare of our elderly and helping them who has served our community by working hard at their jobs over the years rather than catering to these people who abuse the system by expecting a handout and not getting off there behind and hanging on the street begging for money and get some revenue in here and getting them into a job so all this welfare , section 8 mess can cease .	12/14/2015 9:46 AM
11	Use citizen recieving pibic money to improve surroundings.	12/12/2015 3:34 PM
12	Encourage massive individual and faith-based involvement in dealing with social problems.... stand by the faith community... utilize their skills and abilities... turn over what you can to those whose hearts are in work and willing to change lives from the heart not just the physical	12/12/2015 11:16 AM
13	Too much available now for social services.	12/10/2015 4:50 PM
14	By subsidized housing, I mean decreasing the amount of HHA owned neighborhoods and number of Section 8 vouchers for city	12/7/2015 11:33 AM
15	prosecute and uphold the laws stop dropping charges	12/5/2015 12:57 PM
16	Homeless - City should stay out of it, except for about 10 %. Their is State, Federal, and Private Funding already in place for this.	12/3/2015 11:43 PM
17	Highest Priority: More assistance to and designation of historic neighborhoods, including the Indusdtrial Villages, A&B, and continued support of the Historic Downtown .	11/30/2015 12:51 PM

18	Too broad.	11/30/2015 8:37 AM
19	Having a City Council that is not an embarrassment to the city.	11/30/2015 8:35 AM
20	De-concentration of low-income housing. Policies and enforcement of home/building and property maintenance.	11/26/2015 8:20 AM
21	we need to attract business and young families, eliminate crime and make the city LESS attractive to free loaders and the homeless	11/25/2015 3:35 PM
22	Until you get water and sewer charges in line with other localities around the area, people will continue to	11/25/2015 3:18 PM
23	I don't honestly know which institutions and services are in most need of improvement. My response reflects overall importance to me. I rate Internet Access low because it can be obtained directly from providers. Services for the homeless is also ranked low because I expect Hopewell to continue toward eradication of homelessness.	11/25/2015 11:54 AM
24	Recreation/Sports for the youth	11/25/2015 11:04 AM
25	Hopewell should only work on improving the existing subsidized housing and only in conjunction with the RHA.	11/25/2015 9:42 AM
26	Stormwater management was checked as high priority and we are now billed an additional \$4.00 a month and I still see throughout Hopewell citizens and those hired by the City blowing yard debris in the street and nothing is done to stop this. In improving these issues, there must be the "right" people heading these depts. Just throwing more money does not fix a problem.	11/25/2015 9:14 AM
27	The quality of public education is CRITICAL to this community. People want to move to localities where their children can attend a quality public school in a safe environment — hence, that is why I put public education and public safety as priorities.	11/24/2015 1:56 PM

**Q9 Improvements to sidewalks, walkability, and bikeability are essential to Hopewell's future.**

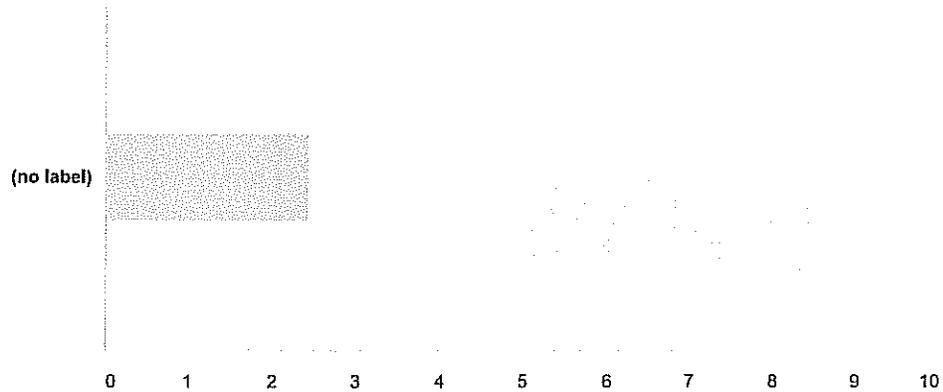
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	Strongly Disagree1	2	3	4	Strongly Agree5	Total	Weighted Average
(no label)	3.55% 20	8.53% 48	30.55% 172	28.60% 161	28.77% 162	563	3.71

**Q10 I am satisfied with the quality of Hopewell's public school system.**

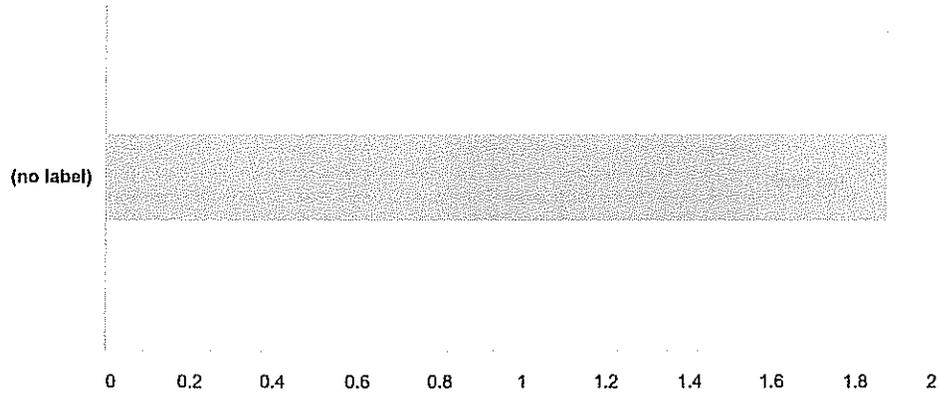
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	Strongly Disagree1	2	3	4	Strongly Agree5	Total	Weighted Average
(no label)	29.03% 164	22.48% 127	28.32% 160	16.46% 93	3.72% 21	565	2.43

**Q11 Young people in Hopewell have sufficient employment and other opportunities to continue living in the city if they choose.**

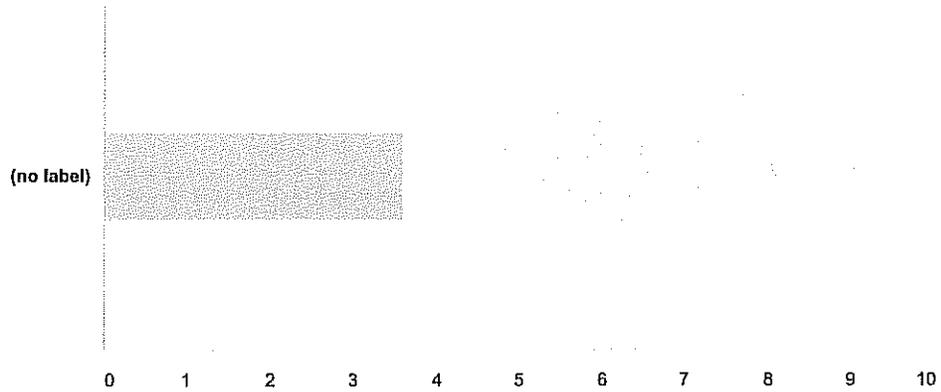
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	Strongly Disagree1	2	3	4	Strongly Agree5	Total	Weighted Average
(no label)	44.72% 254	31.87% 181	17.25% 98	2.99% 17	3.17% 18	568	1.88

**Q12 It would improve my quality of life to have greater shopping, entertainment, and recreation opportunities within walking distance of my home.**

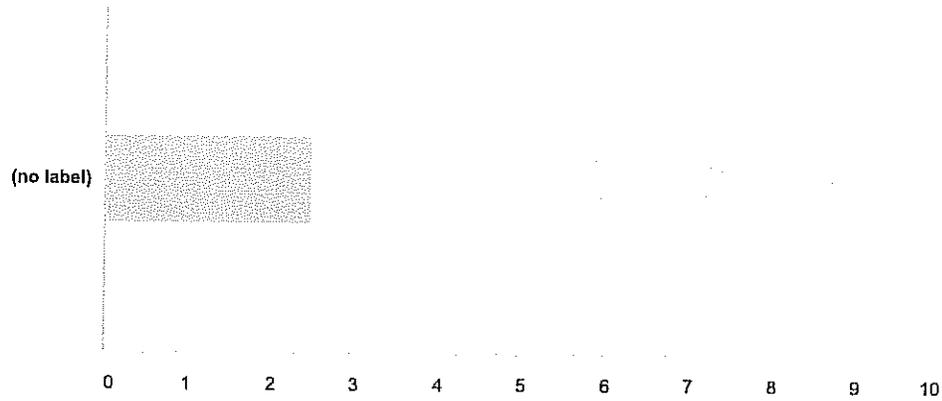
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	Strongly Disagree1	2	3	4	Strongly Agree5	Total	Weighted Average
(no label)	5.11% 29	11.62% 66	31.69% 180	22.54% 128	29.05% 165	568	3.59

**Q13 Affordable housing is needed in the City to serve more residents at or near the poverty line.**

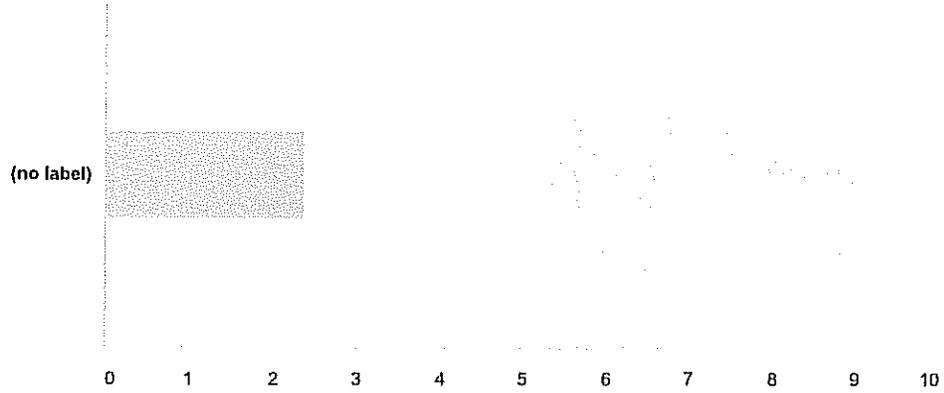
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	Strongly Disagree1	2	3	4	Strongly Agree5	Total	Weighted Average
(no label)	33.33% 187	21.39% 120	22.10% 124	10.87% 61	12.30% 69	561	2.47

**Q14 I am generally satisfied with the function and quality of Hopewell's city government.**

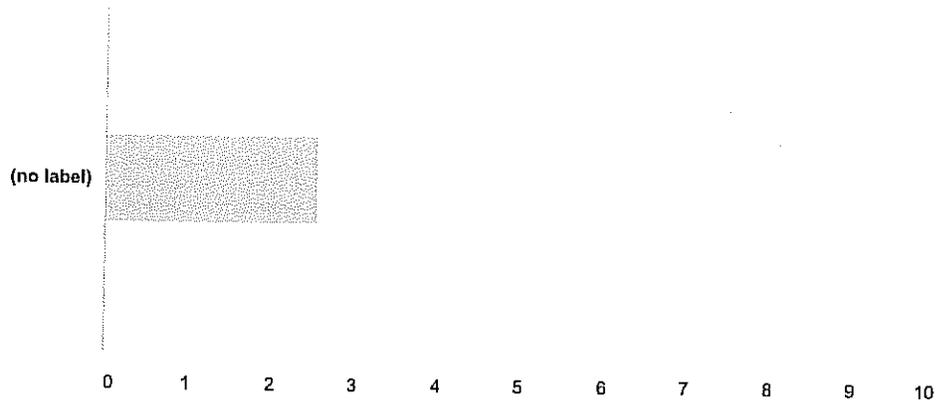
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	Strongly Disagree1	2	3	4	Strongly Agree5	Total	Weighted Average
(no label)	27.99% 157	26.92% 151	30.30% 170	11.94% 67	2.85% 16	561	2.35

**Q15 The city government provides good value for government services and facilities (schools, police, etc.) in relation to the taxes you pay.**

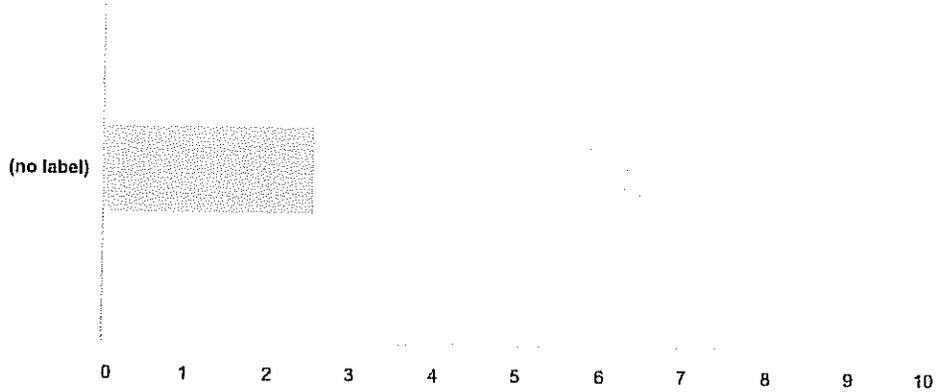
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	Strongly Disagree1	2	3	4	Strongly Agree5	Total	Weighted Average
(no label)	22.44% 125	23.52% 131	35.91% 200	14.00% 78	4.13% 23	557	2.54

**Q16 I am satisfied with the maintenance and appearance of homes and businesses in my neighborhood.**

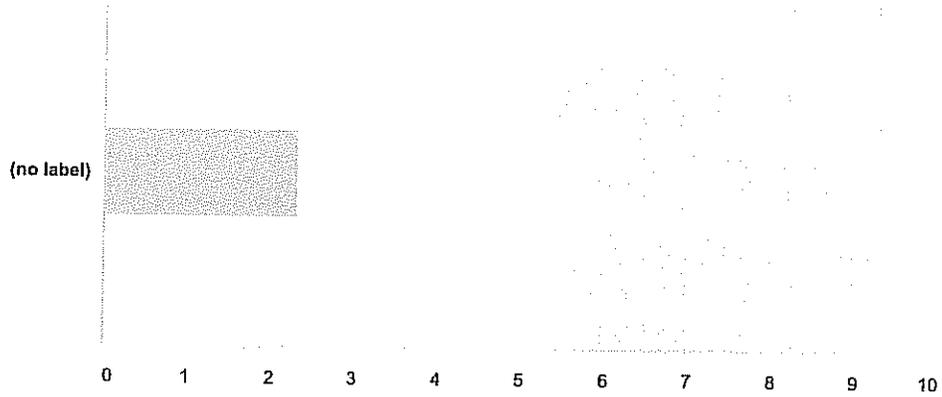
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	Strongly Disagree1	2	3	4	Strongly Agree5	Total	Weighted Average
(no label)	23.05% 130	25.18% 142	29.79% 168	17.73% 100	4.26% 24	564	2.55

**Q17 I am happy with the work that Hopewell's Rental Inspection Program is doing to improve quality and appearance of neighborhoods.**

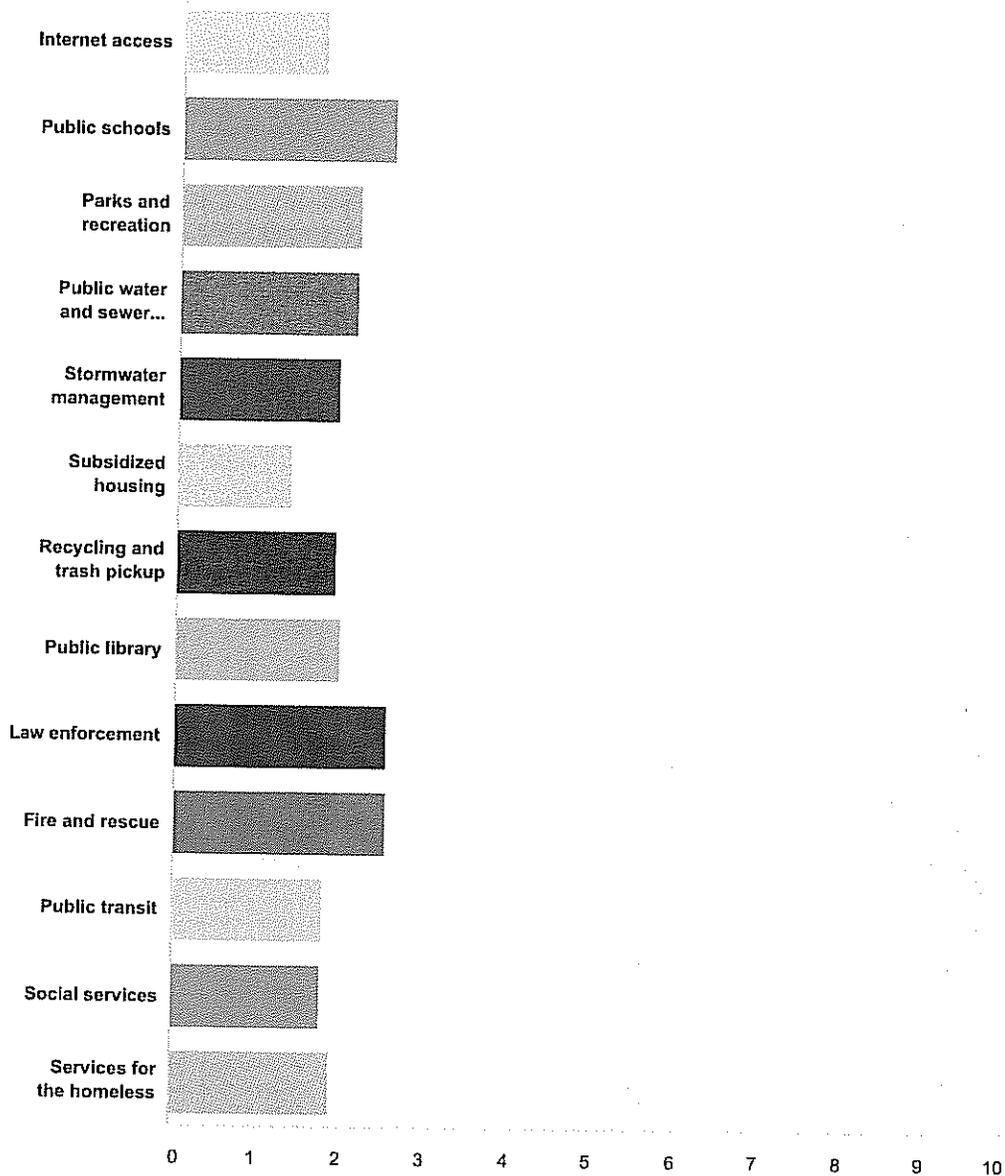
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	Strongly Disagree1	2	3	4	Strongly Agree5	Total	Weighted Average
(no label)	29.03% 162	23.48% 131	35.84% 200	9.50% 53	2.15% 12	558	2.32

**Q18 I would be willing to pay more in taxes to improve the quality or availability of the following city facilities or services:**

Answered: 561 Skipped: 39



	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Total	Weighted Average
Internet access	45.37% 245	37.78% 204	16.85% 91	540	1.71
Public schools	13.33% 74	19.82% 110	66.85% 371	555	2.54
Parks and recreation	20.04% 108	46.01% 248	33.95% 183	539	2.14

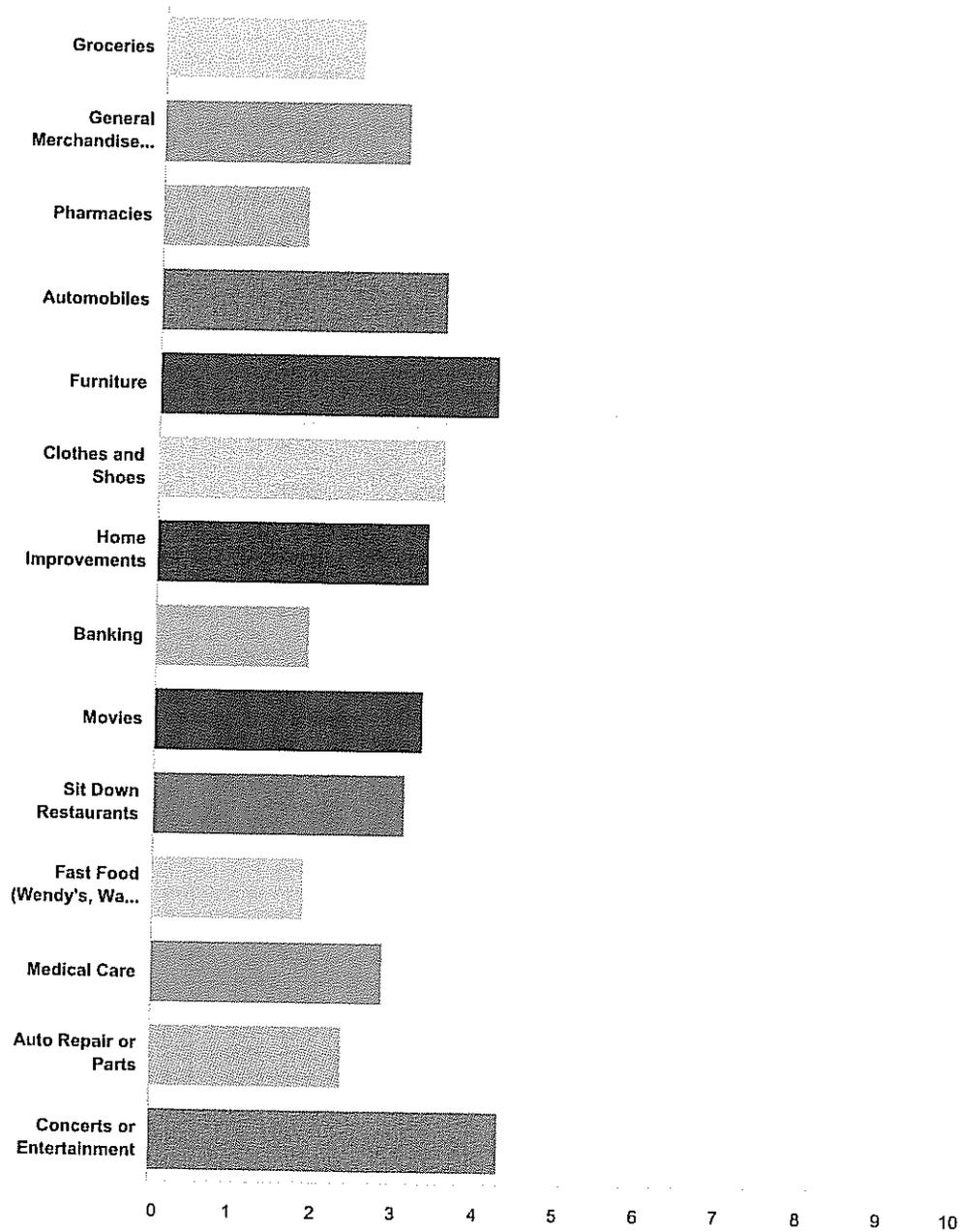
Public water and sewer systems	19.04% 103	49.91% 270	31.05% 168	541	2.12
Stormwater management	26.35% 142	55.66% 300	18.00% 97	539	1.92
Subsidized housing	73.30% 398	17.86% 97	8.84% 48	543	1.36
Recycling and trash pickup	27.86% 151	54.24% 294	17.90% 97	542	1.90
Public library	26.20% 142	51.48% 279	22.32% 121	542	1.96
Law enforcement	13.04% 72	21.01% 116	65.94% 364	552	2.53
Fire and rescue	11.66% 64	23.68% 130	64.66% 355	549	2.53
Public transit	39.03% 210	42.19% 227	18.77% 101	538	1.80
Social services	39.89% 217	42.46% 231	17.65% 96	544	1.78
Services for the homeless	33.76% 183	42.07% 228	24.17% 131	542	1.90

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	The City has more than enough revenue to adequately provide for its residents. Funds need to be managed better.	1/1/2016 9:03 PM
2	Even though I checked some items as "agree", I generally think residents are charged enough taxes now, the money just needs to be utilized to its highest potential.	12/31/2015 2:23 PM
3	YOUTH RECREATION	12/30/2015 9:00 PM
4	Decrease spending instead of raising taxes, reduce salaries	12/29/2015 12:52 PM
5	do not pay city taxes	12/28/2015 10:49 AM
6	We do not need anymore taxes. I personally pay enough and it seems like I am penalized for owning a home. If I rented, I would not have to pay any taxes so I guess I am paying for others that do not and have not. Sorry, this is my opinion.	12/24/2015 10:32 AM
7	I disagree simply because look at separate sewer bills where is the money going and I can't afford that extra bill in my home when I get paid \$9 per hour it is wrong to charge this when 3 months takes care same issue. If you don't pay water off what kind of since does this make to Hopewell resident's no water to use	12/24/2015 1:29 AM
8	Based on the manner that city council make decisions on spending, I do not agree with increasing taxes until they learn to manage what they have on the books.	12/24/2015 12:17 AM
9	throwing money at a problem is not the solution. We need better planning and management!	12/23/2015 2:31 PM
10	Taxes are too high already.	12/16/2015 4:20 PM
11	no increase in taxes	12/15/2015 11:20 AM
12	no more in taxes period	12/15/2015 11:02 AM
13	we pay plenty now-do not increase taxes	12/15/2015 10:43 AM
14	job opportunity	12/15/2015 10:37 AM
15	You already have enough revenue by fining good people for ridiculous obscure laws. People are arrested through entrapment or unjustly. If this is the main way to get revenue no wonder many people move or are not happy. Not only is the crime rate high but some of the police are not respectful and cocky. The Fire Department here and EMTs are outstanding and efficient and very respectful. They represent the best of Hopewell. Sensitivity training is needed for the police dept.	12/14/2015 12:10 PM
16	I feel that I pay my fair share in taxes and again, allowing more revenue to create more jobs and cut out all this welfare to help people who are able body to work that are too lazy!	12/14/2015 9:56 AM

17	Again use the individuals on public funds to assist in bring the community up to standards.	12/12/2015 3:38 PM
18	find a way to cut extraneous costs; outsource some things; don't cost me more that it already costs to live here	12/12/2015 11:26 AM
19	already pay high real estate tax with no return	12/7/2015 6:22 PM
20	I am not willing to pay more taxes. City Council needs to look at the budget they have and distribute the funds better.	12/7/2015 2:29 PM
21	I would not be willing to pay more taxes for anything until I could see that the current amount I pay is appropriated correctly and used effectively.	12/7/2015 1:32 PM
22	customer service is a priority we pay your wages	12/6/2015 9:52 AM
23	taxes or to high now	12/6/2015 8:40 AM
24	Too much stress is made on beautifying downtown Hopewell and what you've done to the Hopewell Marina~ I mean really - fancy brickwork on the ground, fancy expensive lighting on downtown streets, expensive metal roofs, ect... at the Marina. Meanwhile, 1st and 2nd street areas near winston churchill drive have no sidewalks and inadequate drainage from rain. Meanwhile, Cavalier Square needs a lot of improvement! Partner with owners and revitalize Hopewell's only shopping center - give the owner tax breaks/incentives/help - painting or whatever, to beautify and keep it!	12/3/2015 11:53 PM
25	Hopewell regional makes enough money on its own	12/3/2015 1:00 AM
26	I feel that the city taxes are already excessive compared to other localities.	12/2/2015 5:54 PM
27	STOP spending money on development and brick roads and fancy street lights for downtown and for the Beacon Theatre and fancy brickwork for parking at the Hopewell Marina, when some areas near Johnson Street, Sunnyside, Firts Street, etc... don't have proper drainage or sidewalks for the children. Money in Hopewell is being wrecklessly mismanaged instead of using it where it is needed, and properly funding our Hopewell Emergency Crew and Fire Departments! WAKE UP!	12/1/2015 9:44 PM
28	Open Wi-Fi for Students, teachers for 24-7 access to homework and study	12/1/2015 8:03 AM
29	I understand that services cost money and I'm willing to pay more in taxes to improve Hopewell.	11/30/2015 1:30 PM
30	Neighborhood Beautification Projects	11/30/2015 1:00 PM
31	I would pay more taxes for a respectable, community minded law enforcement	11/30/2015 11:38 AM
32	First, city government would have to show me that they are spending wisely at this time before I would be willing to pay any more taxes.	11/26/2015 10:33 PM
33	I am not familiar enough with the Rental Inspection Program to evaluate	11/26/2015 8:21 AM
34	There should be no tax increase, due to the tax revenue of our local manufacturing, tax payers money should be spent more wisely.	11/26/2015 3:47 AM
35	There should be no tax increase, with the amount manufacturing tax revenue.	11/26/2015 3:27 AM
36	Too much goes to welfare and programs for welfare recipients now.	11/25/2015 3:21 PM
37	the police department can kiss my assQ when they tell us where all the money and drugs went from their evidence room? Cheif Dixon??	11/25/2015 1:44 PM
38	Our current parks and rec system is excellent, so I am expecting that current levels of funding are sufficient to maintain future status	11/25/2015 11:58 AM
39	Recreation/Sports for the youth	11/25/2015 11:08 AM
40	Street repair – Hopewells streets are very bumpy	11/24/2015 7:38 PM
41	The rental inspection program is a joke. It is not city-wide!!!! It has not been implemented due to pressure from the real estate lobby. Some in the business are nothing more than slum lords, including our Delegate to the General Assembly.	11/24/2015 1:59 PM
42	most can't be attained without a safer community	11/15/2015 3:48 PM

### Q19 Where do you and your family most frequently shop for the following goods and services?

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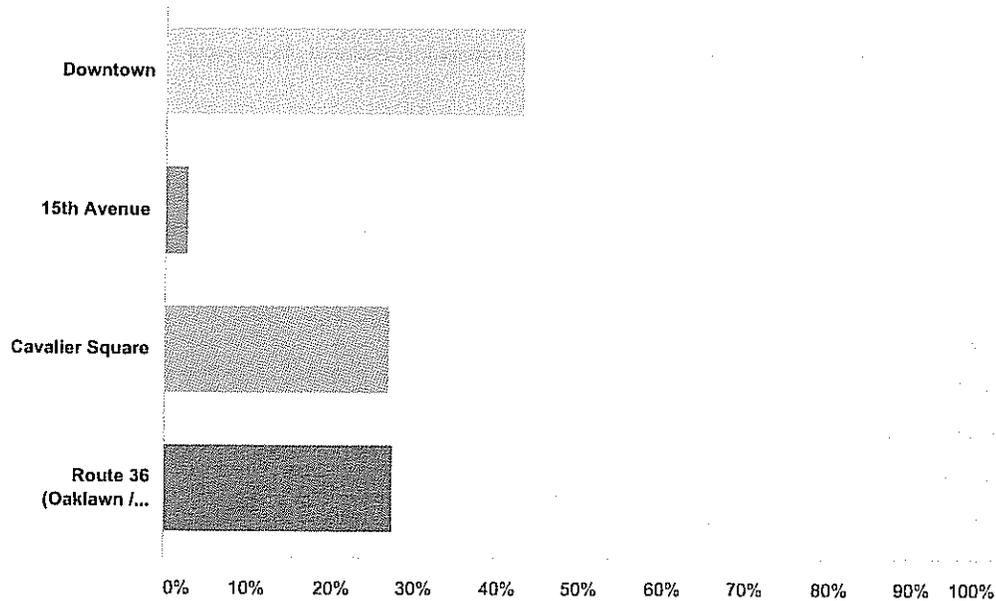


	In Hopewell	Chesterfield Area	Colonial Heights	Prince George	Internet Options	Other	Total	Weighted Average
Groceries	32.19% 169	21.52% 113	28.57% 150	11.05% 58	0.19% 1	6.48% 34	525	2.45
General Merchandise (WalMart, etc.)	3.45% 18	19.00% 99	66.79% 348	0.77% 4	2.88% 15	7.10% 37	521	3.02

Pharmacies	<b>62.50%</b> 330	<b>17.61%</b> 93	<b>11.17%</b> 59	<b>0.95%</b> 5	<b>2.08%</b> 11	<b>5.68%</b> 30	528	1.80
Automobiles	<b>12.91%</b> 67	<b>25.63%</b> 133	<b>20.04%</b> 104	<b>8.09%</b> 42	<b>4.24%</b> 22	<b>29.09%</b> 151	519	3.52
Furniture	<b>3.58%</b> 18	<b>19.28%</b> 97	<b>27.83%</b> 140	<b>0.20%</b> 1	<b>2.78%</b> 14	<b>46.32%</b> 233	503	4.18
Clothes and Shoes	<b>3.05%</b> 16	<b>21.14%</b> 111	<b>46.48%</b> 244	<b>0.95%</b> 5	<b>7.05%</b> 37	<b>21.33%</b> 112	525	3.52
Home Improvements	<b>6.76%</b> 35	<b>17.76%</b> 92	<b>40.54%</b> 210	<b>19.31%</b> 100	<b>1.74%</b> 9	<b>13.90%</b> 72	518	3.33
Banking	<b>64.71%</b> 341	<b>11.95%</b> 63	<b>10.44%</b> 55	<b>4.17%</b> 22	<b>1.90%</b> 10	<b>6.83%</b> 36	527	1.87
Movies	<b>4.14%</b> 21	<b>14.79%</b> 75	<b>61.74%</b> 313	<b>1.58%</b> 8	<b>1.97%</b> 10	<b>15.78%</b> 80	507	3.30
Sit Down Restaurants	<b>9.21%</b> 48	<b>27.83%</b> 145	<b>42.80%</b> 223	<b>1.92%</b> 10	<b>0.38%</b> 2	<b>17.85%</b> 93	521	3.10
Fast Food (Wendy's, Wawa, etc.)	<b>62.45%</b> 321	<b>16.34%</b> 84	<b>10.70%</b> 55	<b>2.33%</b> 12	<b>0.19%</b> 1	<b>7.98%</b> 41	514	1.85
Medical Care	<b>34.17%</b> 178	<b>18.04%</b> 94	<b>22.07%</b> 115	<b>3.65%</b> 19	<b>0.19%</b> 1	<b>21.88%</b> 114	521	2.83
Auto Repair or Parts	<b>50.29%</b> 262	<b>14.97%</b> 78	<b>13.05%</b> 68	<b>6.53%</b> 34	<b>0.38%</b> 2	<b>14.78%</b> 77	521	2.36
Concerts or Entertainment	<b>18.93%</b> 96	<b>12.03%</b> 61	<b>7.89%</b> 40	<b>0.99%</b> 5	<b>1.58%</b> 8	<b>58.58%</b> 297	507	4.30

## Q20 In what area should Hopewell most concentrate on commercial growth and economic development?

Answered: 501 Skipped: 99



Answer Choices	Responses	
Downtown	42.91%	215
15th Avenue	2.79%	14
Cavalier Square	26.95%	135
Route 36 (Oaklawn / Woodlawn)	27.35%	137
<b>Total</b>		<b>501</b>

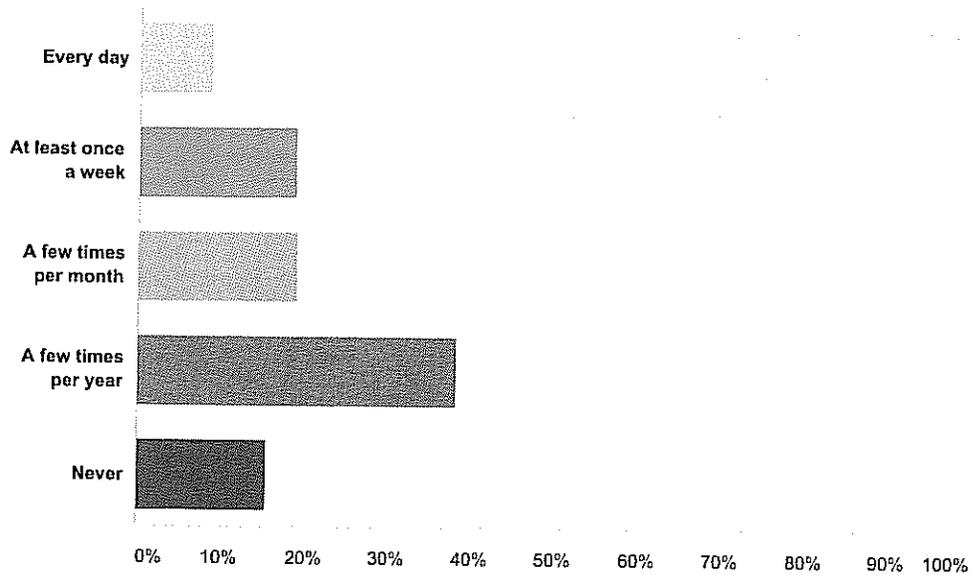
#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	All these areas need help! Concentration should be on empty lots and empty buidings.	1/4/2016 8:58 AM
2	riverfront	1/1/2016 2:00 PM
3	Data should be used to determine which area should be developed first, second, third, fourth.	12/31/2015 2:46 PM
4	There are several different areas within all of these that need work.	12/29/2015 1:55 PM
5	Rt 1o through Hopewell Is the Gateway to Hopewell and presents an impoverished feeling	12/29/2015 12:56 PM
6	Improve Cavalier Sq	12/25/2015 7:47 PM
7	m	12/24/2015 3:42 PM
8	We need a good brand name grocery store in Hopewell.	12/24/2015 10:37 AM
9	Route 10	12/24/2015 1:42 AM
10	Near Thomas Rolfe court cut down on crime in area	12/24/2015 1:34 AM
11	After Rt. 36, then Cavalier Square, then Downtown, then 15th Avenue	12/24/2015 12:31 AM

12	I really don't know. What does commercial businesses think not citizens.	12/23/2015 2:37 PM
13	Riverfront	12/23/2015 11:54 AM
14	Certainly not downtown.	12/23/2015 11:10 AM
15	All above in this order... Cavalier Sq, Downtown, 15th, Rte 36	12/22/2015 12:32 PM
16	City Point could use a grocery store like it use to have.	12/20/2015 8:03 PM
17	Industrial Area and in general along Route 10	12/14/2015 3:06 PM
18	Also all the buildings that have been vacant for decades should be occupied or demolished , it's a eyesore	12/14/2015 10:13 AM
19	no one would come to any of these choices	12/14/2015 8:34 AM
20	Waterfront!	12/12/2015 12:13 PM
21	Its a toss up between downtown and 15th... both are important and both are important corridors; one for the outsiders (downtown) by pulling on Rt. 10; 15th is an important locals corridor and could really use some love...	12/12/2015 11:39 AM
22	Rt. 36 also	12/12/2015 9:01 AM
23	ALL OVER	12/12/2015 7:50 AM
24	the whole place could be revamped, no specific area	12/11/2015 11:43 AM
25	ALL FOUR AREAS	12/11/2015 11:08 AM
26	Tear down Cavalier Square and build a mall with quality stores and restaurants in or nearby.	12/11/2015 10:02 AM
27	River properties	12/10/2015 5:41 PM
28	Old shopping center behind Roseas resturant	12/10/2015 8:36 AM
29	and Cavalier Square	12/7/2015 6:22 PM
30	Hopewell's only true shopping center - help preserve it/keep it! As well do better to beautify ALL neighborhoods, so this will be attractive to the eye, and people will want to live here - from other areas. Stop just concentrating on downtown! You've got the library and Beacon the way you want it, and the fancy streets/lighting downtown, and your beautiful marina. Now, leave those areas alone, and move on! Cavalier Square & Neighborhoods!	12/4/2015 12:13 AM
31	Attract "new" quality businesses including Hotel/Motel bar and resturants near Beacon	12/1/2015 8:29 AM
32	Stay off of 36, I don't consider that Hopewell. I concisder that more of Prince George and Petersburg. Please give more attention to Cavalier Square. When I was a child it was a GREAT place to shop. I can't stand it now. It needs a good quality grocery store; not slinking Save- a-Lot with off brand foods, etc.	12/1/2015 12:28 AM
33	Tourism...which is very neglected in all areas	11/30/2015 10:57 PM
34	Shopping area adjacent to 295	11/30/2015 10:51 PM
35	Route 36 is a close 2nd because it a vital entry point into Hopewell because of 295. Plenty of teachers who live in Richmond, Henrico, & Hanover come into Hopewell by 295 and get off on Route 36 to get to & leave work. Same is true of people coming and leaving using Route 36 to get to and from Petersburg, Fort Lee, and Colonial Heights.	11/29/2015 10:09 PM
36	I295 area	11/27/2015 8:06 AM
37	Being careful not to disruple historic and eco-environment	11/26/2015 8:27 AM
38	Route 36 first and with increased tax base focus on other areas	11/26/2015 4:51 AM
39	Some incentlive should be given to redevelop both cavalier square and colonial corner shopping complex.	11/26/2015 3:57 AM
40	If you get rid of the area apartments	11/25/2015 6:27 PM
41	Not many choices.	11/25/2015 3:25 PM
42	All over thd city	11/25/2015 12:26 PM
43	6th Street / Broadway area	11/25/2015 12:05 PM
44	Recreation/Sports for the youth	11/25/2015 11:21 AM
45	THE River front behind Appomattox Manor going toward the marina.	11/25/2015 11:20 AM
46	The downtown area needs improvement	11/25/2015 10:14 AM
47	No one specific area must be a misture.	11/25/2015 9:49 AM

48	All of the above	11/25/2015 9:30 AM
49	The whole city	11/25/2015 8:30 AM
50	Some of each, actually. City Point area has NOTHING.	11/24/2015 7:44 PM
51	Downtown is the heart and soul of a community. We are making significant strides in this area and should continue to focus there.	11/24/2015 2:05 PM
52	all areas mentioned need to be utilized & addressed	11/20/2015 9:24 AM
53	combination of downtown and Route 36	11/18/2015 8:58 AM
54	Need to focus on all of these areas. We need more family focused sit down restaurants	11/17/2015 5:24 AM
55	You need to focus on cleaning the city before bringing in commercial businesses.	11/14/2015 9:58 PM
56	Everywhere. The whole town sucks.	11/14/2015 2:22 PM

### Q21 How often do you visit Hopewell's downtown business district?

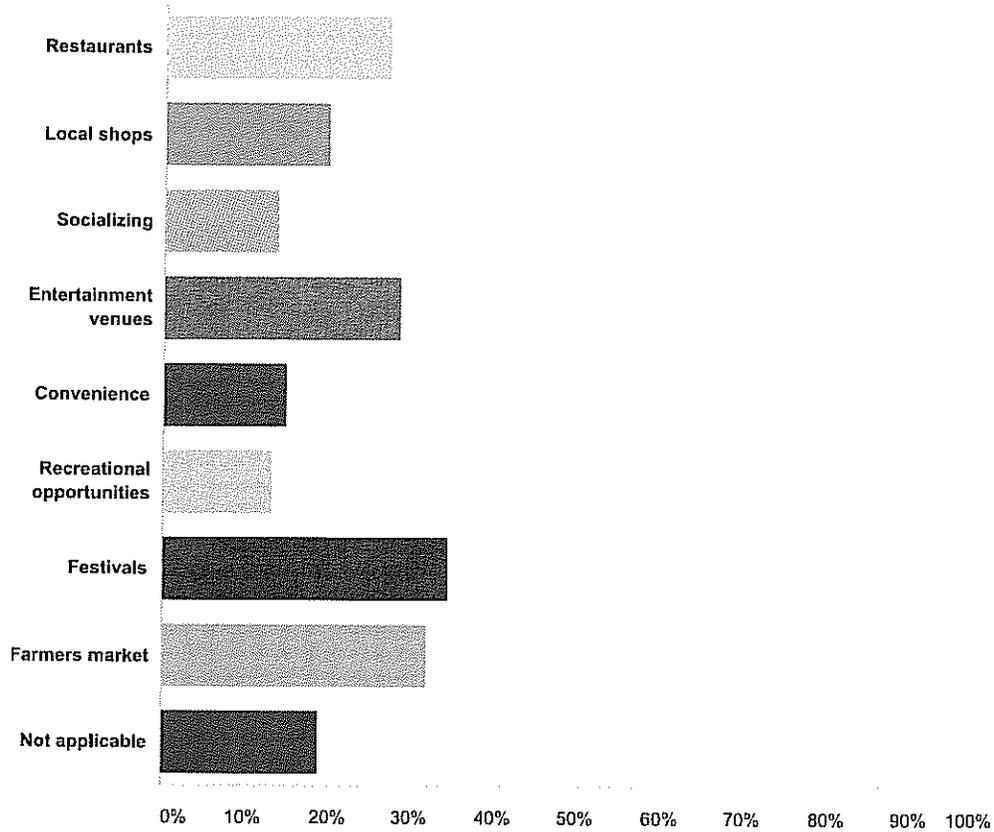
Answered: 538 Skipped: 62



Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Every day	8.55%	46
At least once a week	18.77%	101
A few times per month	18.96%	102
A few times per year	38.29%	206
Never	15.43%	83
<b>Total</b>		<b>538</b>

**Q22 When you have chosen to visit Hopewell's downtown, why did you go? (select all that apply)**

Answered: 477 Skipped: 123



Answer Choices	Responses	
Restaurants	27.04%	129
Local shops	19.92%	95
Socializing	13.84%	66
Entertainment venues	28.51%	136
Convenience	14.88%	71
Recreational opportunities	13.21%	63
Festivals	34.38%	164
Farmers market	31.87%	152
Not applicable	18.87%	90
<b>Total Respondents: 477</b>		

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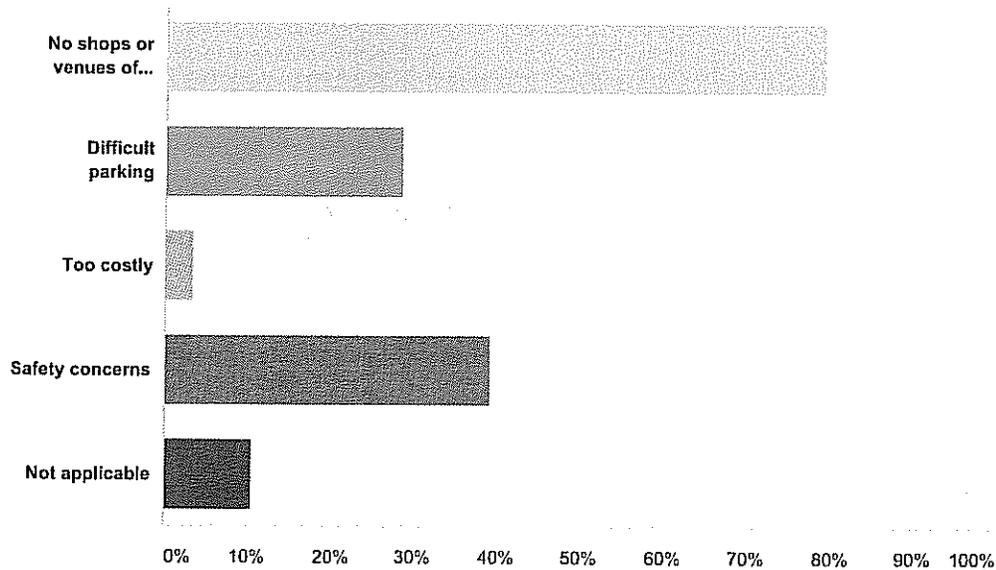
1	Banking, Post office, Courts Building.	1/4/2016 8:58 AM
2	Never	12/31/2015 5:07 PM
3	Banking	12/31/2015 4:32 PM
4	Meetings	12/31/2015 2:46 PM
5	Went with other family members who wanted to see what was down there.	12/31/2015 2:38 PM
6	Live in the area	12/31/2015 11:09 AM
7	CHRUCH SERVICE	12/31/2015 10:25 AM
8	Church	12/31/2015 8:14 AM
9	WORK AND CHURCH	12/30/2015 9:04 PM
10	Church	12/29/2015 7:08 PM
11	To pay something @ City Hall. Horray for Hopewell was not fun & the Pork Butt festival was not fun. A fairground area would have been better.	12/29/2015 1:55 PM
12	Drive through every day	12/29/2015 12:56 PM
13	Library	12/29/2015 12:35 PM
14	liquor store	12/28/2015 2:09 PM
15	Court	12/26/2015 10:13 PM
16	Keep improving for the future	12/25/2015 7:47 PM
17	Bank	12/24/2015 10:37 AM
18	Dollar General	12/24/2015 7:43 AM
19	Doctor	12/24/2015 6:23 AM
20	bank	12/23/2015 5:00 PM
21	BANK	12/23/2015 2:37 PM
22	Eye doctor; library	12/23/2015 2:19 PM
23	Work	12/23/2015 1:23 PM
24	Drive through every day and it looks awful. So why stop? Nothing of interest in the Downtown. NOTHING!	12/23/2015 11:10 AM
25	library	12/20/2015 8:03 PM
26	Library	12/16/2015 2:33 PM
27	library	12/15/2015 12:30 PM
28	banks	12/15/2015 12:17 PM
29	library	12/15/2015 11:18 AM
30	business	12/15/2015 11:10 AM
31	Library	12/15/2015 10:14 AM
32	Sheperd's Place	12/15/2015 10:05 AM
33	my office	12/15/2015 9:51 AM
34	medical	12/15/2015 8:05 AM
35	Library, post office, bank	12/14/2015 3:06 PM
36	Business	12/14/2015 12:26 PM
37	Consignment shops	12/14/2015 10:13 AM
38	to pay taxes	12/14/2015 8:34 AM
39	Eye doctor	12/13/2015 8:33 PM
40	LOVE the farmers' market!!!	12/12/2015 11:39 AM

41	Do my banking	12/12/2015 9:01 AM
42	library	12/12/2015 8:12 AM
43	library	12/12/2015 5:25 AM
44	Library	12/11/2015 5:04 PM
45	Banking	12/11/2015 10:02 AM
46	The Library	12/10/2015 10:15 AM
47	The eye doctor's office	12/10/2015 5:45 AM
48	I work downtown	12/9/2015 4:35 PM
49	bank	12/9/2015 9:06 AM
50	WORK	12/8/2015 2:32 PM
51	Work	12/8/2015 12:32 PM
52	library	12/7/2015 6:24 PM
53	Eye doctor appt	12/7/2015 4:56 PM
54	volunteering	12/7/2015 2:49 PM
55	Eye doctor	12/7/2015 11:07 AM
56	bank	12/7/2015 6:59 AM
57	library	12/6/2015 4:30 PM
58	Government; Library	12/4/2015 10:58 PM
59	Meetings	12/4/2015 4:50 PM
60	1 restaurant - Quick Lunch, 1 market - Randolph Market, Post Office, Barbershop	12/4/2015 12:13 AM
61	The only good sit down restaurant downtown closed ... very sad!	12/3/2015 3:58 PM
62	Banking	12/2/2015 8:37 PM
63	Photographic opportunities and library	12/2/2015 8:30 PM
64	Bank and city hall	12/2/2015 5:58 PM
65	Business meeting	12/1/2015 8:29 AM
66	Public Library ONLY	12/1/2015 12:28 AM
67	Work	11/30/2015 3:58 PM
68	meetings	11/30/2015 3:39 PM
69	pay taxes, banking, dental	11/30/2015 2:19 PM
70	Library	11/30/2015 1:34 PM
71	Church	11/30/2015 11:45 AM
72	DMV, pay taxes, & bank	11/30/2015 12:36 AM
73	Church	11/29/2015 10:42 PM
74	bank	11/27/2015 12:56 AM
75	I only attend meetings downtown.	11/26/2015 10:44 PM
76	Jury duty, post office and the ATM	11/26/2015 12:18 PM
77	Library	11/26/2015 9:24 AM
78	Work	11/26/2015 8:59 AM
79	Beacon Theater, Library, Riverfront (Good job on these.)	11/26/2015 8:27 AM
80	The	11/25/2015 10:13 PM
81	Banking	11/25/2015 9:34 PM

82	Pay taxes	11/25/2015 7:17 PM
83	Eye doctor and library	11/25/2015 6:27 PM
84	Library	11/25/2015 4:40 PM
85	Library	11/25/2015 4:32 PM
86	bank	11/25/2015 2:32 PM
87	Volunteering	11/25/2015 12:44 PM
88	Would like more dining opportunities in the downtown area	11/25/2015 12:05 PM
89	Recreation/Sports for the youth	11/25/2015 11:21 AM
90	Library	11/25/2015 11:20 AM
91	I work in city and do shop in the city	11/25/2015 10:14 AM
92	Walkers Gym	11/25/2015 9:32 AM
93	I don't, it's a dump	11/25/2015 8:30 AM
94	Food Pantry	11/25/2015 8:08 AM
95	historic	11/25/2015 8:03 AM
96	The Farmers Market brought me Downtown every week, and I enjoyed it immensely!!!	11/24/2015 2:05 PM
97	meetings	11/23/2015 3:09 PM
98	Banking	11/20/2015 3:57 PM
99	do not spend much time their unless i go to library or city hall nothing downtown to draw me their	11/20/2015 9:24 AM
100	Quick lunch but we need that coffee shop that was suppose to open last year. What is going on with that????	11/17/2015 5:24 AM
101	Walkers Gym	11/16/2015 10:55 PM
102	Library	11/14/2015 2:22 PM

**Q23 When you have chosen not to visit Hopewell's downtown, why did you choose not to? (select all that apply)**

Answered: 526 Skipped: 74



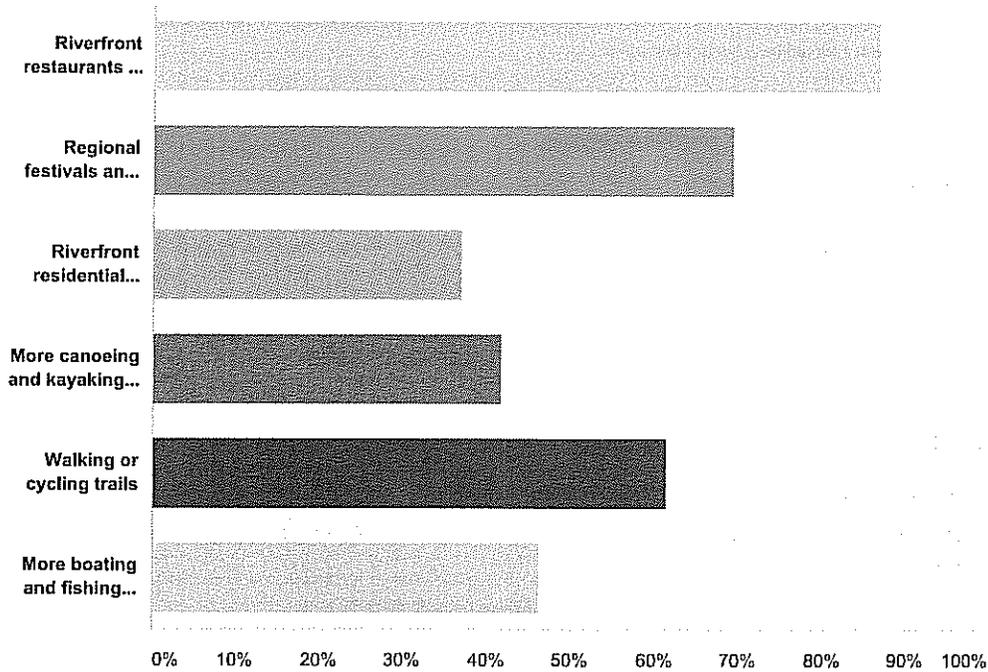
Answer Choices	Responses	
No shops or venues of interest	79.28%	417
Difficult parking	28.52%	150
Too costly	3.42%	18
Safety concerns	39.16%	206
Not applicable	10.46%	55
<b>Total Respondents: 526</b>		

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	No interest. For what	12/31/2015 5:07 PM
2	Did not have the options I needed, coffee shop or place for a meeting, for example	12/31/2015 2:46 PM
3	I think if the downtown area had "quality" department & grocery stores, was more historical, or even nostalgic (for those baby boomers who remember the 50's & 60's in Hopewell), it would attract more shoppers & visitors.	12/31/2015 2:38 PM
4	In the past, I had visited the antique stores, but most are gone now. A large change thrift store is needed in Hopewell too.	12/29/2015 1:55 PM
5	Time to clean up downtown	12/26/2015 10:13 PM
6	places not open at night	12/23/2015 2:19 PM
7	DIRTY AND RUN DOWN	12/23/2015 12:11 PM
8	NOTHING to stop for.	12/23/2015 11:10 AM
9	congestion	12/15/2015 11:10 AM
10	people loitering on the streets and around library	12/15/2015 10:45 AM

11	neither	12/15/2015 10:41 AM
12	homeless people	12/15/2015 10:14 AM
13	depressing	12/14/2015 3:06 PM
14	unfamiliar with kinds of businesses; gravitate to what is familiar	12/11/2015 7:18 PM
15	What I want isn't available.	12/11/2015 5:04 PM
16	no significant draws	12/10/2015 5:41 PM
17	nothing there	12/7/2015 6:59 AM
18	Rt 10 is very dangerous road. Crossing on foot is risky. Reroute or at least Speed bumps to slow traffic way down. Many People think not worth the risk!	12/6/2015 9:26 AM
19	Drug dealing is everywhere	12/2/2015 10:28 PM
20	downtown is slowly emerging as a place for dining and retail. More attention should be placed on city funding of downtown, including the purchase of viable properties by the city for development. More emphasis should be placed on advertising the availability of federal and state tax credits. Let developers know the assets that are here.	12/1/2015 6:50 AM
21	No resraurants...best one is the hospital cafeteria	11/30/2015 11:16 PM
22	The Downtown is easily accessble and has more than ample parking; it would benefit from more restaurants.	11/30/2015 10:57 PM
23	No decent restaurants.	11/30/2015 4:11 PM
24	Appearance	11/30/2015 8:43 AM
25	no restaurants or grocery stores	11/27/2015 11:36 AM
26	homeless people	11/26/2015 9:07 AM
27	The people who loiter outside near the corner store	11/25/2015 11:44 PM
28	No restaurants	11/25/2015 10:41 PM
29	The Hopewell Beacon Theater..come on !	11/25/2015 10:13 PM
30	DO NOT FEEL SAFE!!!	11/25/2015 9:50 PM
31	Homeless population standing around	11/25/2015 8:36 PM
32	And people who hang around down there... that should be on the survey because thats the biggest problem. You must get rid of the apartments to succeed.	11/25/2015 6:27 PM
33	am trying the Beacon for entertainment but nothing else there	11/25/2015 2:32 PM
34	not enough cafe style restaurants	11/25/2015 11:38 AM
35	No Restaurants	11/25/2015 11:20 AM
36	Rifraf	11/25/2015 9:30 AM
37	See 22	11/25/2015 8:30 AM
38	We currently do not have an appropriate mix of businesses.	11/24/2015 2:05 PM
39	Need to clean up the down town and make it inviting to the young and families like Petersburg is doing.	11/17/2015 5:24 AM
40	Not enough choices of food qualit stores	11/16/2015 11:14 PM
41	There are too many people that look like they are up to no good walking in downtown. Until they leave, I would never open a business in downtown.	11/16/2015 2:02 PM
42	Its a dump. Homeless people and subjects selling narcotics hang out on the corner of the street.	11/14/2015 9:58 PM
43	Filthy dirty. Burns all around. Crap stores. Depressing to visit and walk around.	11/14/2015 2:22 PM

### Q24 How can Hopewell better use or develop its riverfront? (select all that apply)

Answered: 521 Skipped: 79



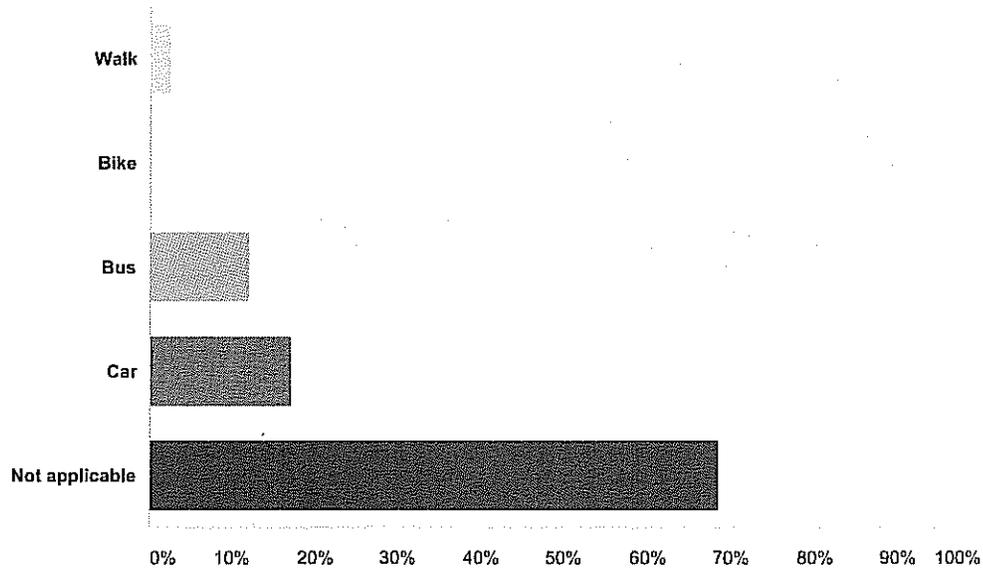
Answer Choices	Responses
Riverfront restaurants and shops	86.76% 452
Regional festivals and events	69.29% 361
Riverfront residential development	36.85% 192
More canoeing and kayaking opportunities	41.65% 217
Walking or cycling trails	61.42% 320
More boating and fishing opportunities	46.45% 242
<b>Total Respondents: 521</b>	

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	It would be nice to revive the Riverfront Restaurants.	1/4/2016 8:58 AM
2	All the activities -supported by data- for areas similar to Hopewell	12/31/2015 2:46 PM
3	Better Civil War Museum	12/28/2015 11:25 PM
4	This is good for tourism but not all that we need to focus on. Too much money has been spent on this project already and we need to focus more on programs for our youth!	12/24/2015 10:14 PM
5	Young adults and teen should be inclusive of events	12/24/2015 12:31 AM
6	marketing! Let people know what we have to offer-tourists and residents-with improved possibilities	12/15/2015 11:59 AM
7	walking trails and riverfront res. development for seniors	12/15/2015 11:04 AM

8	rowing and a ropes, rock climbing wall or other adventure venue	12/14/2015 3:06 PM
9	Animal friendly areas. Bring in more carnivals and festivities besides old ladies craft items that are overpriced.	12/14/2015 12:26 PM
10	I think it would be nice to purify the water to where people can swim and add sand, clear more of the debris and call it City Point Beach and add meter readers to allow people equal time spent there at the beach and will help the maintenance with the cost to keep it up.	12/14/2015 10:13 AM
11	re-look the downtown plan of some 10 years ago... really great ideas....	12/12/2015 11:39 AM
12	Private canoeing/kayaking rental services are WAY too expensive. A publicly subsidized option, perhaps managed by the Community Center, would be a better alternative.	12/11/2015 12:20 PM
13	We have got to get a restaurant of high quality on the riverfront such as the old Navigator's Den.	12/10/2015 6:07 PM
14	concentrate on job creation instead of spending tax revenue	12/6/2015 9:56 AM
15	Expand marina	12/4/2015 10:58 PM
16	Zero - face it, you can't make Riverfront out of filthy water! Work with/push the state/federal government on clean up. Not just trash, scientist to place safe chemicals in the water to make it cleaner. We are in the 21st Century - get up with the times and stress cleaning up the water. Will take forever if you don't seriously get started. Scientists should be able to develop large capsules to sink to the bottom all over locations in the river - thru time release, to clean up the water that last over several months, to a year. Then drop more, etc..., until the job is done. It can be done. Get started. Don't fool yourself, there is no true "riverfront" here - only polluted river!	12/4/2015 12:13 AM
17	Remove the old evergreen	12/2/2015 10:28 PM
18	all of the above will help bring more business downtown.	12/1/2015 6:50 AM
19	Don't like the idea of ruining the riverfront with new residential development	11/30/2015 11:16 PM
20	Keeping the natural beauty, which is a rare asset on riverfronts, is an important, unique quality of Hopewell's riverfront that should be highlighted now and in the future.	11/30/2015 10:57 PM
21	The riverfront can generate so much revenue that it is incredible we haven't utilized it better.	11/29/2015 10:09 PM
22	If Hopewell succeeded, it would be one of very few in the USA	11/26/2015 10:44 PM
23	Some shops and restaurants but do not over develop - it will lose its authenticity and appeal. Integrate library and its programs with river-aquatics information-activities.	11/26/2015 8:27 AM
24	All of the above, we have a under utilized gold mine in the riverfront	11/26/2015 4:51 AM
25	Safe environments for above	11/25/2015 2:48 PM
26	Allow night fishing	11/25/2015 12:44 PM
27	Recreation/Sports for the youth	11/25/2015 11:21 AM
28	We have a beautiful waterfront and need to capitalize on it!	11/17/2015 5:24 AM
29	Need to fund and build the Hopewell Scenic Riverwalk	11/16/2015 2:02 PM
30	The marina is too small. No fuel. The waterfront looks trashy. Clean it up and remove the underbrush.	11/14/2015 2:22 PM

### Q25 If you have children in Hopewell public schools, how do they travel to school most often?

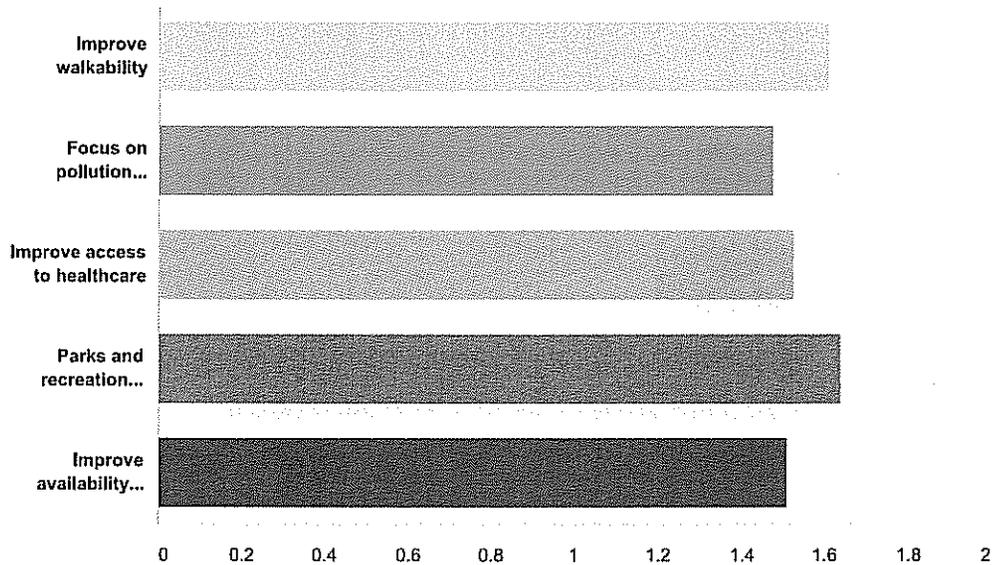
Answered: 532 Skipped: 68



Answer Choices	Responses
Walk	2.44% 13
Bike	0.00% 0
Bus	12.03% 64
Car	17.11% 91
Not applicable	68.42% 364
<b>Total</b>	<b>532</b>

**Q26 Hopewell ranks very low for the general health of residents (129th out of 133 Virginia localities). What policies should the City implement to improve community health?**

Answered: 529 Skipped: 71



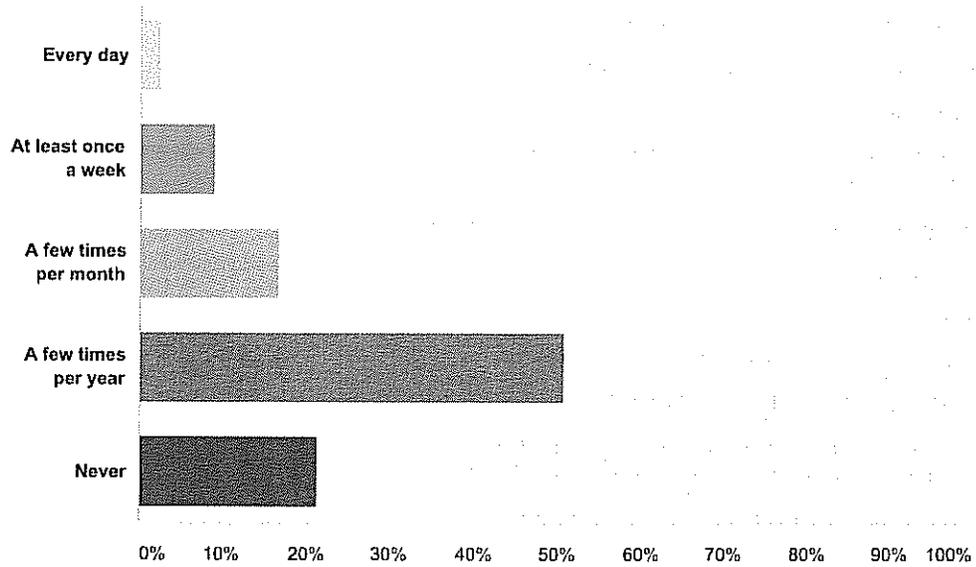
	Highest Priority	Medium Priority	Low Priority	Total	Weighted Average
Improve walkability	49.30% 245	40.44% 201	10.26% 51	497	1.61
Focus on pollution reduction	61.49% 313	29.08% 148	9.43% 48	509	1.48
Improve access to healthcare	55.28% 272	36.18% 178	8.54% 42	492	1.53
Parks and recreation improvements	45.38% 221	45.59% 222	9.03% 44	487	1.64
Improve availability of healthy food	59.27% 291	30.96% 152	9.78% 48	491	1.51

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	Use available data and resources to address the poverty issue.	12/31/2015 2:46 PM
2	Part of the reason for the ranking today, could be due to past environmental policies of the plants in the city, & the citizens who are retired from them now, & not necessarily policies of today, but I'm not sure of that statement.	12/31/2015 2:38 PM
3	Shortly after moving to Hopewell, I was diagnosed with allergic bronchitis (after a particular odorous fog one morning). My doctor told me to move out of Hopewell! Since then I take Claritin daily. Every time the seasons change, there's an increase in the respiratory infections for our area. Reduce pollution, improve access to clinics (no waiting list for weeks to visit a doc), & partner with social services for better heating systems for the poor (wood stoves & kerosene heaters contribute to their illnesses.)	12/29/2015 1:55 PM
4	more police and protection to enjoy anything	12/28/2015 10:18 AM
5	Health Department is in a very bad location..no privacy	12/24/2015 10:34 PM

6	I don't think people will purchase healthy foods; but they will accept educational recommendation on how to cook differently to change the possibility of their life styles	12/24/2015 12:31 AM
7	Community events/activities	12/23/2015 6:14 PM
8	low cost property and subsidized housing contributes to health issues	12/23/2015 2:37 PM
9	Improve the health IQ of the community	12/23/2015 1:44 PM
10	Tear down the shacks and attract younger people to Hopewell.	12/23/2015 11:10 AM
11	better school system and rental property decreasing-better housing attracting higher caliber of residents	12/15/2015 11:59 AM
12	recreation improvements	12/15/2015 11:04 AM
13	Get rid of a kill animal shelter and have people working for the police department and animal control who are more respectful and less corrupt.	12/14/2015 12:26 PM
14	Maintaining the streets and people who have excessive amount of animals needs to be fined.	12/14/2015 10:13 AM
15	promote community gardens... <a href="http://magazine.good.is/articles/gardening-is-good-for-you-and-communities">http://magazine.good.is/articles/gardening-is-good-for-you-and-communities</a>	12/12/2015 11:39 AM
16	education	12/10/2015 5:41 PM
17	Try to get a YMCA Facility or reduce cost for community center	12/10/2015 10:15 AM
18	CLEAN UP CITY PROPERTIES OF CARS AND TRASH	12/9/2015 8:11 PM
19	It is a statistic that health related issues and low income parallel each other. If we eliminated some of the drain that goes along with a huge social service request the overall health quality numbers will increase.	12/7/2015 6:59 AM
20	I have several ideas of revamping some of the playgrounds in the city!!	12/7/2015 4:05 AM
21	none	12/6/2015 11:56 AM
22	reduce poverty, reduce low income housing	12/4/2015 8:58 AM
23	We don't need expensive walkways/bike accesses or expensive projects like River Road, with megabucks.	12/4/2015 12:13 AM
24	none of these are the issue, it is being a low income community	12/1/2015 11:58 AM
25	Government monitoring of air and water pollutions from our local manufacturing plants and garbage pollutions	12/1/2015 8:29 AM
26	the farmers market was wonderful this year	12/1/2015 6:50 AM
27	Economic development - poor health is strongly related to poverty.	11/30/2015 4:54 PM
28	Crime, most people don't want to go out because this.	11/30/2015 9:22 AM
29	AVAILABILITY OF HEALTHY FOOD x 5 !!!	11/30/2015 8:51 AM
30	Subsidized housing encourages poverty and lack of ability access to health care	11/30/2015 8:43 AM
31	The City cannot do this, you would need citizens who were concerned about their health and followed through with seeing doctors, etc..	11/26/2015 10:44 PM
32	We need an OB at John Randolph	11/26/2015 12:18 PM
33	Promote a culture of healthy lifestyle... offer more outdoor recreational events as add-ons to current events. Like Farmers Market walk or Christmas parade of people walk, etc...Focus on marina and riverfront parks.	11/26/2015 8:27 AM
34	I feel this number is due to the amount of subsidized housing.	11/26/2015 3:57 AM
35	Educate the people who are on welfare about cooking and eating healthy. Also drug screen them!	11/25/2015 6:27 PM
36	We have nice fitness facilities which are apparently under-utilized. Perhaps we're missing marketing opportunities.	11/25/2015 12:05 PM
37	Improve Recreation/Sports for the youth	11/25/2015 11:21 AM
38	Whole foods grocery store!	11/25/2015 10:47 AM
39	get rid of HRHA	11/25/2015 8:59 AM
40	The City should consider monetary support for the Farmers Market. They participate in the EBT/SNAP program, and the City could support marketing of that program. This would allow local resident to purchase fresh, healthy food!!!!	11/24/2015 2:05 PM
41	The recreation center is 40 years old. It is obsolete. Desperate need of renovation. The parks are not being maintained properly because the City Council will not do what is needed to fund the City. Cowards!!!!!!!	11/14/2015 2:22 PM

### Q27 How often do you visit City parks or attend City recreation programs?

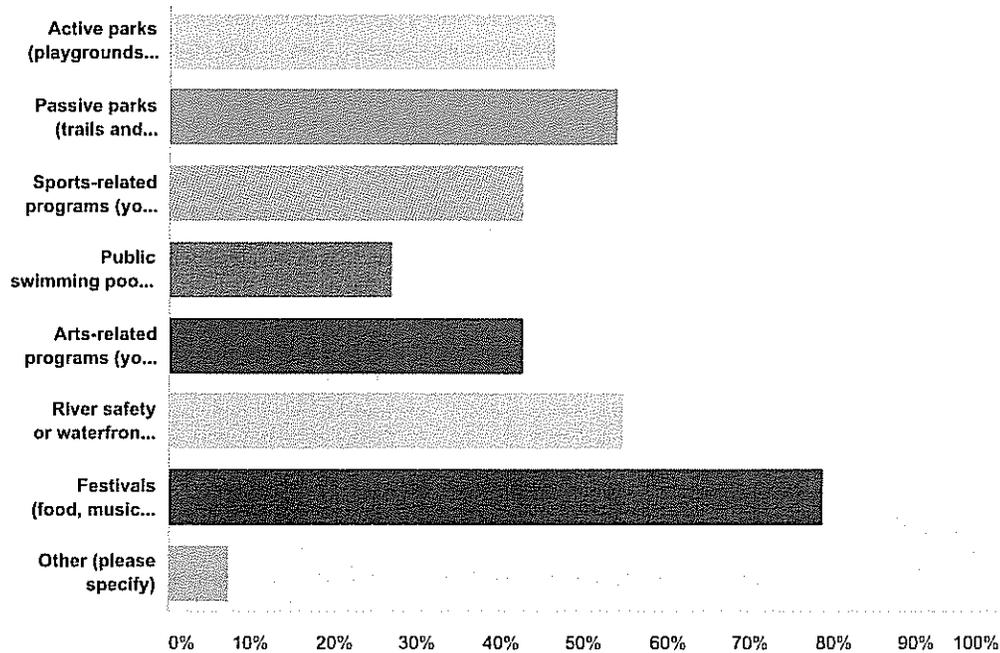
Answered: 536 Skipped: 64



Answer Choices	Responses
Every day	2.24% 12
At least once a week	8.96% 48
A few times per month	16.79% 90
A few times per year	50.75% 272
Never	21.27% 114
<b>Total</b>	<b>536</b>

### Q28 I (or my family members) would like to see more of the following recreational amenities in the City:

Answered: 517 Skipped: 63



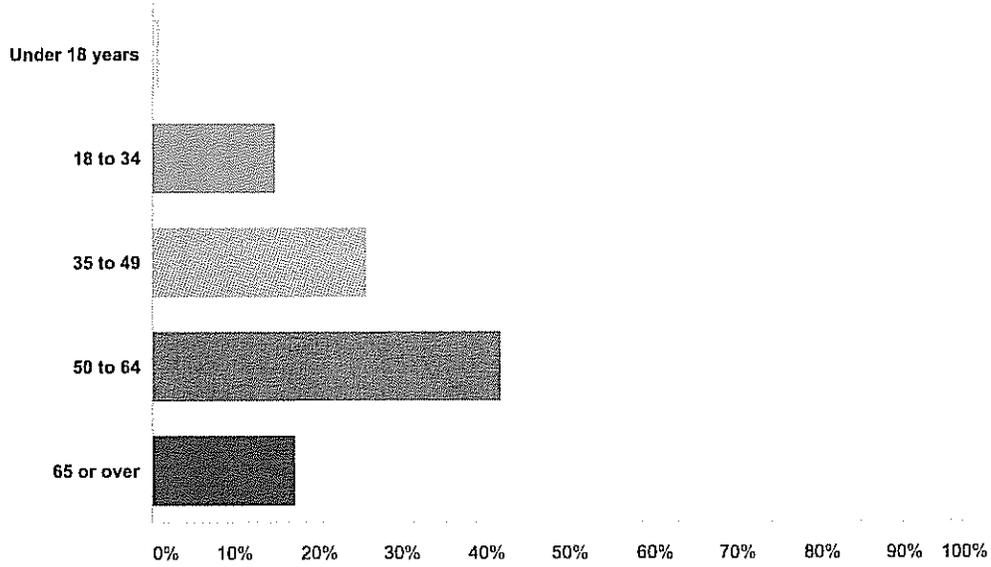
Answer Choices	Responses
Active parks (playgrounds and athletic fields)	46.42% 240
Passive parks (trails and open spaces)	53.97% 279
Sports-related programs (youth or adult sports leagues and classes)	42.55% 220
Public swimming pool facilities	26.89% 139
Arts-related programs (youth or adult art, craft, or entertainment programs)	42.55% 220
River safety or waterfront programs	54.74% 283
Festivals (food, music, culture, etc.)	78.72% 407
Other (please specify)	7.35% 38
<b>Total Respondents: 517</b>	

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	There need to be a youth only facility.	1/1/2016 9:17 PM
2	yoga classes	12/29/2015 7:08 PM
3	Open up the Riverfront to the Public	12/29/2015 12:56 PM
4	Senior services	12/24/2015 1:15 AM
5	Again event for young adult. Recreation does fabulous up to age 12; as the age increase, the activities are lessen.	12/24/2015 12:31 AM

6	less gov't is better.... if commercial business would invest so be it	12/23/2015 2:37 PM
7	Bike trails	12/23/2015 11:10 AM
8	more river related activities for public	12/15/2015 11:59 AM
9	Young adult sports leagues	12/14/2015 3:06 PM
10	Cultural eating establishments and places that are high class for young people to safely go out and more live bands more dancing. Even the elderly have nothing to do except the legion or Moose Club. It's lacking greatly and it feels more like a police state than a free and happy place. Very sad. Yet the crime is high because the kids are not being helped just incarcerated. Very bad balance here and not a wonder there are many who dislike it. Only a handful run this town and some of them are far from respectable. Money does not mean a person is worthy of more respect and partiality.	12/14/2015 12:26 PM
11	A Gold's Gym , or more activities for the younger people to keep them occupied	12/14/2015 10:13 AM
12	Dog park	12/11/2015 12:20 PM
13	Helping Hands New Hope For us is the group!!!! We are willing to set up mentoring groups for boys and girls to help empower their minds to think that there is more out of life!!! We are prepared to help plant seeds and help change someone life!!!	12/7/2015 4:05 AM
14	none	12/6/2015 8:49 AM
15	But would have to be constantly monitored by roaving police, volunteer police, security officers for proper protection from being a victim to crimes.	12/4/2015 12:13 AM
16	Movies	12/3/2015 6:20 PM
17	Ampitheater	12/1/2015 5:33 PM
18	Bicycle and Hiking Trails	12/1/2015 8:29 AM
19	the Beacon Theatre is among the City's finest asset, yet the majority of citizens have no say in building up and retaining a varied selection venue. Not everyone likes "oldies" rap and other types of music offered at present. We have a group of local, talented and experienced theatre professionals who can bring a variety of entertainment Easterling, King, Fulcher. Bring them on board and watch it happened.	12/1/2015 6:50 AM
20	Ice skating/roller skating/putt-putt golf	11/30/2015 10:57 PM
21	more emphasis on elderly recreation	11/30/2015 2:19 PM
22	senior programs	11/30/2015 1:06 PM
23	A 24 hour recreational center for youth and young adults to include swimming, racketball, basketball, game rooms, etc.	11/30/2015 11:45 AM
24	Running events 5k, etc.	11/29/2015 4:37 PM
25	We are fast becoming a city of 60+ citizens so we need programs for seniors as much as youth.	11/26/2015 10:44 PM
26	Active parks and playgrounds seem plentiful already. (Good job.) Outdoor adventure programs. Outdoor Naturalist programs. Rowing-Crewing (also a source of college scholarships)	11/26/2015 8:27 AM
27	Improve what we have, such as light for the soccer fields, bring Atwater park trail system back up to its potential.	11/26/2015 3:57 AM
28	More yoga classes during daytime	11/25/2015 11:33 PM
29	Health Pool	11/25/2015 10:58 PM
30	J	11/25/2015 3:25 PM
31	a dog park	11/25/2015 11:38 AM
32	Recreation/Sports for the youth	11/25/2015 11:21 AM
33	Dog park would be great!	11/25/2015 10:47 AM
34	Improve the neighborhoods first	11/23/2015 11:20 PM
35	Dog Park, expand Community Center	11/23/2015 10:08 PM
36	Better dance schools/gymnastic schools	11/23/2015 10:53 AM
37	The parks on the river need to have a riverwalk, boardwalk, or river trail.	11/16/2015 2:02 PM
38	Stopped using the rec center because it is run down and disgusting. Council do your damn job.	11/14/2015 2:22 PM

### Q29 What is your age?

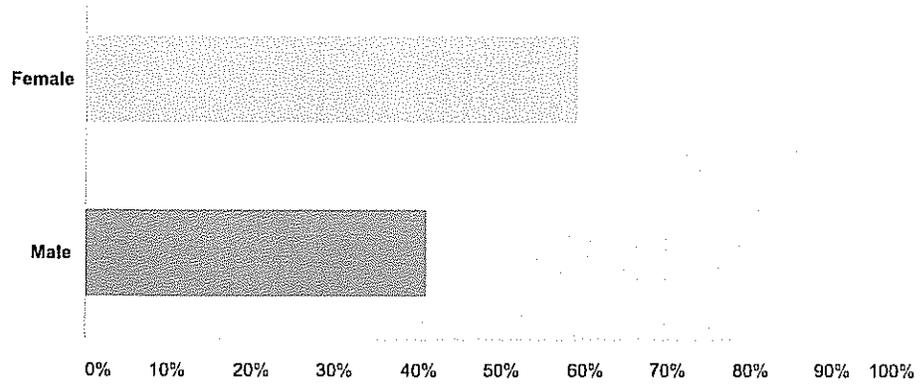
Answered: 527 Skipped: 73



Answer Choices	Responses
Under 18 years	0.76% 4
18 to 34	14.80% 78
35 to 49	25.62% 135
50 to 64	41.75% 220
65 or over	17.08% 90
<b>Total</b>	<b>527</b>

### Q30 What is your gender?

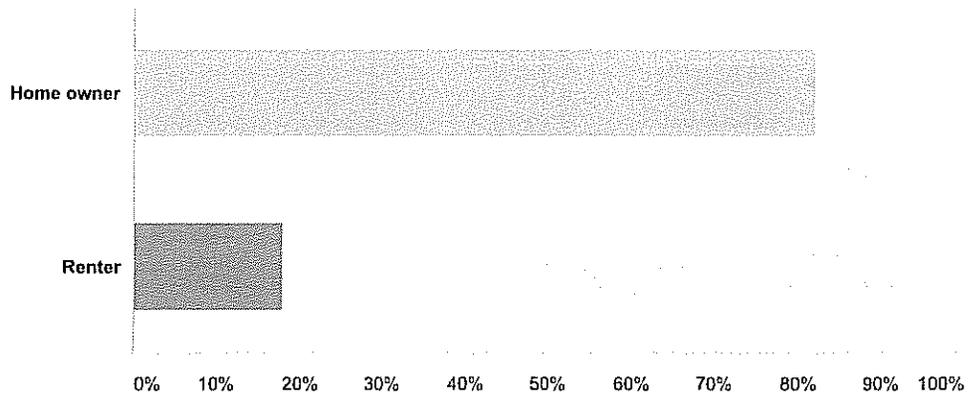
Answered: 527 Skipped: 73



Answer Choices	Responses
Female	59.01% 311
Male	40.99% 216
<b>Total</b>	<b>527</b>

### Q31 Do you own or rent your residence?

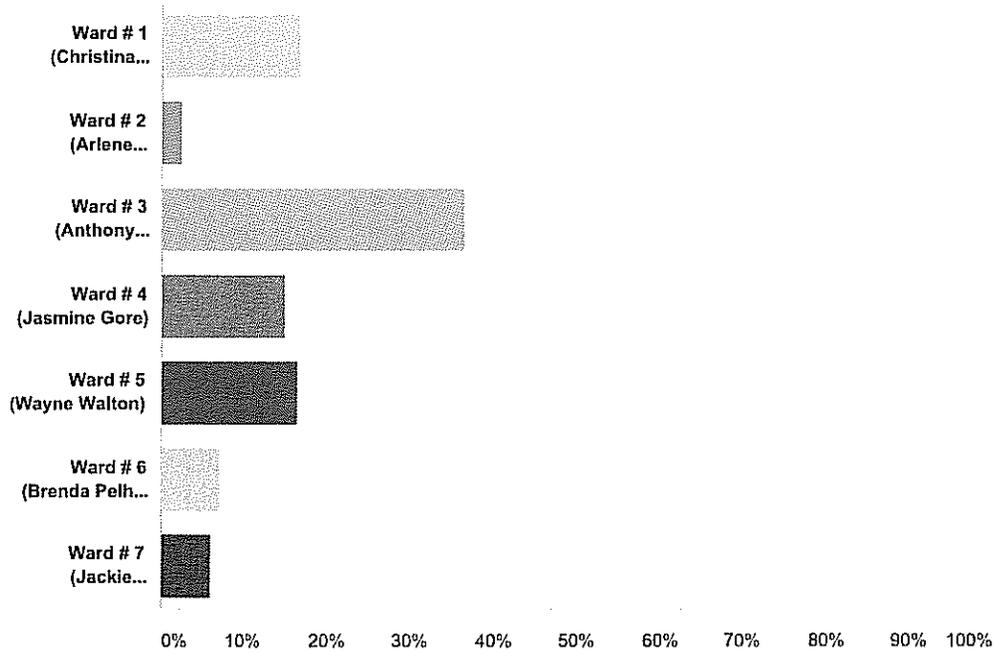
Answered: 515 Skipped: 85



Answer Choices	Responses
Home owner	82.14% 423
Renter	17.86% 92
<b>Total</b>	<b>515</b>

### Q32 If you live in the City, what City Ward do you live in?

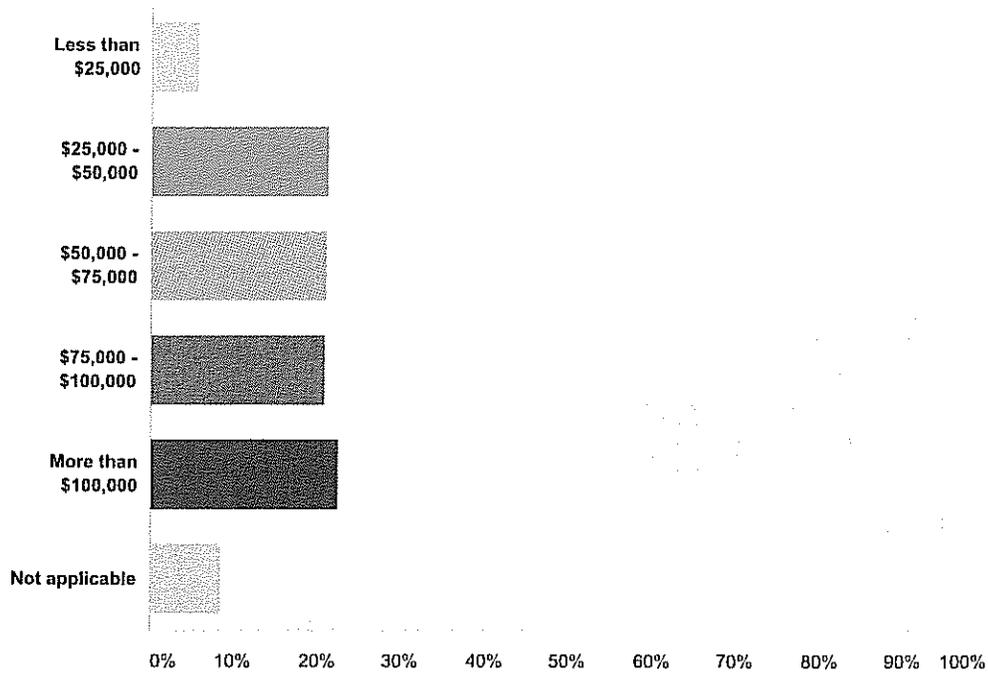
Answered: 414 Skipped: 186



Answer Choices	Responses
Ward # 1 (Christina Luman-Bailey - Vice Mayor)	16.67% 69
Ward # 2 (Arlene Holloway)	2.42% 10
Ward # 3 (Anthony Zevgolis)	36.47% 151
Ward # 4 (Jasmine Gore)	14.98% 62
Ward # 5 (Wayne Walton)	16.43% 68
Ward # 6 (Brenda Pelham - Mayor)	7.00% 29
Ward # 7 (Jackie Shornak)	6.04% 25
<b>Total</b>	<b>414</b>

### Q33 What is your approximate annual household income?

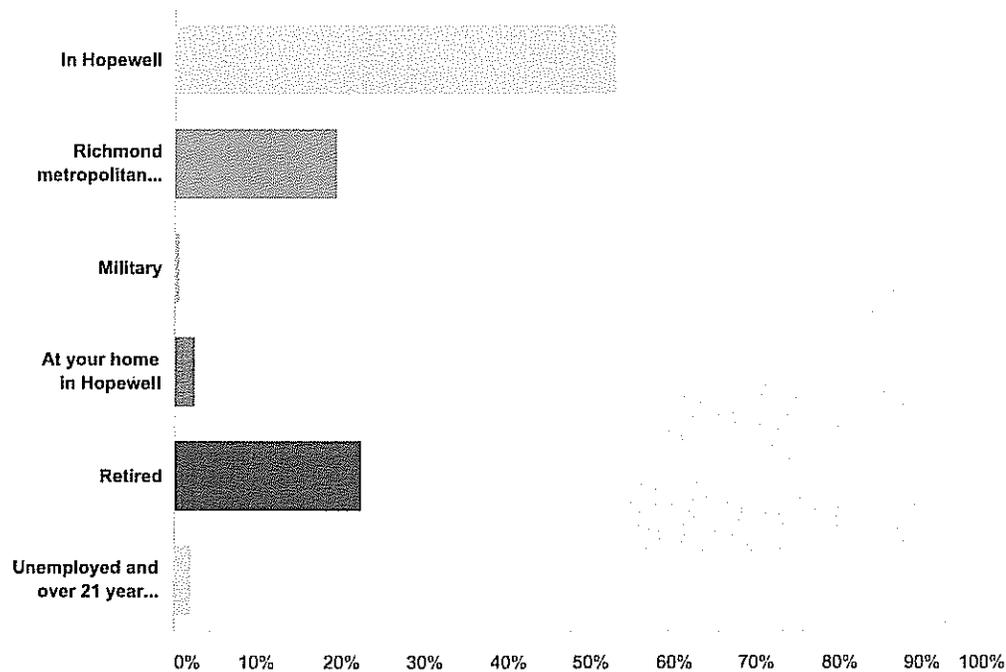
Answered: 515 Skipped: 85



Answer Choices	Responses	
Less than \$25,000	5.63%	29
\$25,000 - \$50,000	21.36%	110
\$50,000 - \$75,000	21.17%	109
\$75,000 - \$100,000	20.78%	107
More than \$100,000	22.52%	116
Not applicable	8.54%	44
<b>Total</b>		<b>515</b>

## Q34 Where is your place of employment?

Answered: 462 Skipped: 138



Answer Choices	Responses
In Hopewell	52.81% 244
Richmond metropolitan area	19.48% 90
Military	0.65% 3
At your home in Hopewell	2.60% 12
Retired	22.29% 103
Unemployed and over 21 years old	2.16% 10
<b>Total</b>	<b>462</b>

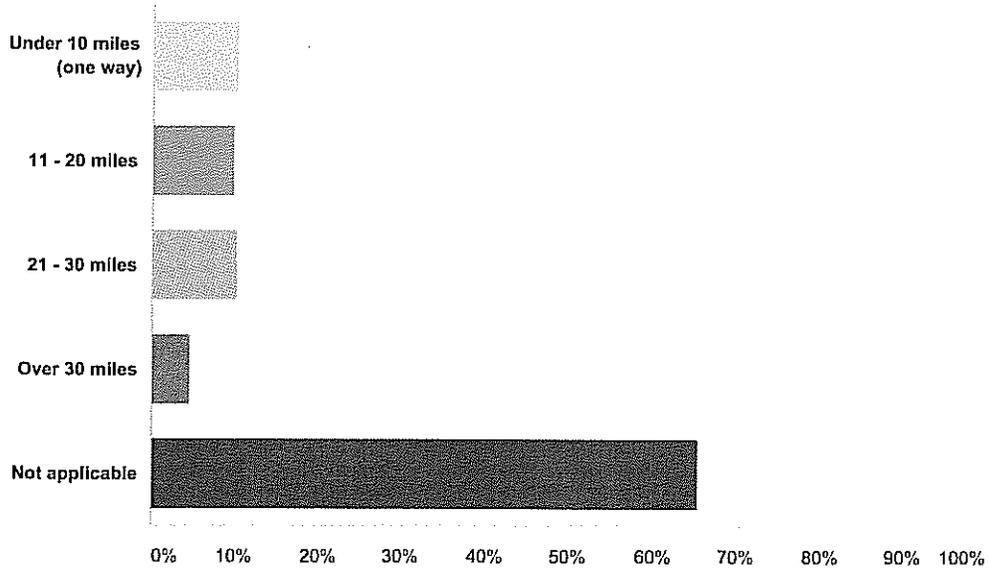
#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	Hanover County	1/4/2016 2:18 PM
2	Surrounding county	1/3/2016 6:07 PM
3	Prince George	1/1/2016 9:25 PM
4	petersburg	12/28/2015 2:12 PM
5	colonial heights	12/25/2015 10:31 PM
6	Prince George	12/24/2015 10:15 PM
7	Chester	12/24/2015 6:24 AM
8	Trying to get a job in Hopewell but get interview no call for job	12/24/2015 1:46 AM
9	Prince George	12/24/2015 1:28 AM

10	COLONIAL HEIGHTS SURGERY CENTER	12/23/2015 12:12 PM
11	Out of the area.	12/23/2015 11:12 AM
12	Fort Lee	12/21/2015 7:44 PM
13	Travel	12/20/2015 3:00 AM
14	Chesterfield	12/16/2015 4:26 PM
15	Sutherland,VA	12/15/2015 2:47 PM
16	Chesterfield	12/15/2015 9:26 AM
17	Outside of town. Only jobs here are service jobs that exploit workers with no benefits and low pay. It's a tough place to raise kids.	12/14/2015 12:44 PM
18	Enon	12/13/2015 8:34 PM
19	Prince George	12/13/2015 9:34 AM
20	disabled	12/11/2015 4:35 PM
21	Prince George	12/10/2015 6:15 PM
22	Retired but Actively Employed in Petersburg	12/8/2015 10:44 AM
23	College student	12/7/2015 7:07 PM
24	Chester, VA	12/7/2015 2:43 PM
25	Chester	12/7/2015 1:52 PM
26	Chesterfield	12/7/2015 9:34 AM
27	Chesterfield	12/2/2015 8:42 PM
28	Civil Service on Fort Lee	12/2/2015 7:52 AM
29	Prince George	12/1/2015 9:39 AM
30	Chesterfield	12/1/2015 12:32 AM
31	And Petersburg area	11/30/2015 10:59 PM
32	full time student	11/30/2015 9:56 PM
33	Chester Va	11/30/2015 8:40 PM
34	Greenville county	11/30/2015 3:22 PM
35	chester	11/30/2015 12:56 AM
36	Hampton Roads	11/29/2015 7:20 PM
37	Fort Lee	11/27/2015 8:14 AM
38	Dinwiddie	11/27/2015 12:58 AM
39	Chester	11/26/2015 10:30 PM
40	Offices in Petersburg - work remotely in Hopewell, Chesterfield.	11/26/2015 8:30 AM
41	Petersburg	11/26/2015 8:06 AM
42	Petersburg	11/25/2015 11:19 PM
43	Prince George, westpoint	11/25/2015 10:43 PM
44	Prince George County	11/25/2015 9:30 PM
45	Chester	11/25/2015 7:01 PM
46	Prince George but husband works in Hopewell	11/25/2015 6:29 PM
47	Williamsburg	11/25/2015 6:24 PM
48	Chesterfield County	11/25/2015 4:24 PM
49	civilian working at Ft Lee	11/25/2015 3:44 PM

50	Colonial Heights	11/25/2015 3:37 PM
51	colonial heights	11/25/2015 3:31 PM
52	Ft Lee civilian	11/25/2015 2:49 PM
53	retired city teacher	11/25/2015 2:33 PM
54	Outside of hopewell	11/25/2015 2:15 PM
55	Prince George	11/25/2015 12:30 PM
56	Local area	11/25/2015 12:27 PM
57	Land Planner, Private Sector-Chesterfield County	11/25/2015 11:39 AM
58	Prince George County	11/25/2015 11:22 AM
59	Prince George	11/25/2015 10:49 AM
60	Richmond/Tricity area	11/25/2015 9:57 AM
61	Ettric	11/24/2015 7:48 PM
62	Housewife/Mother	11/22/2015 7:50 PM
63	Petersburg	11/22/2015 6:15 PM
64	Petersburg, VA	11/17/2015 4:09 PM
65	Prince George	11/17/2015 5:28 AM
66	Colonial heights	11/17/2015 3:52 AM
67	PETERSBURG	11/16/2015 6:58 PM
68	Northern Neck	11/16/2015 1:17 PM
69	self employed	11/15/2015 3:55 PM

### Q35 If you are employed outside of Hopewell, how long is your commute to work?

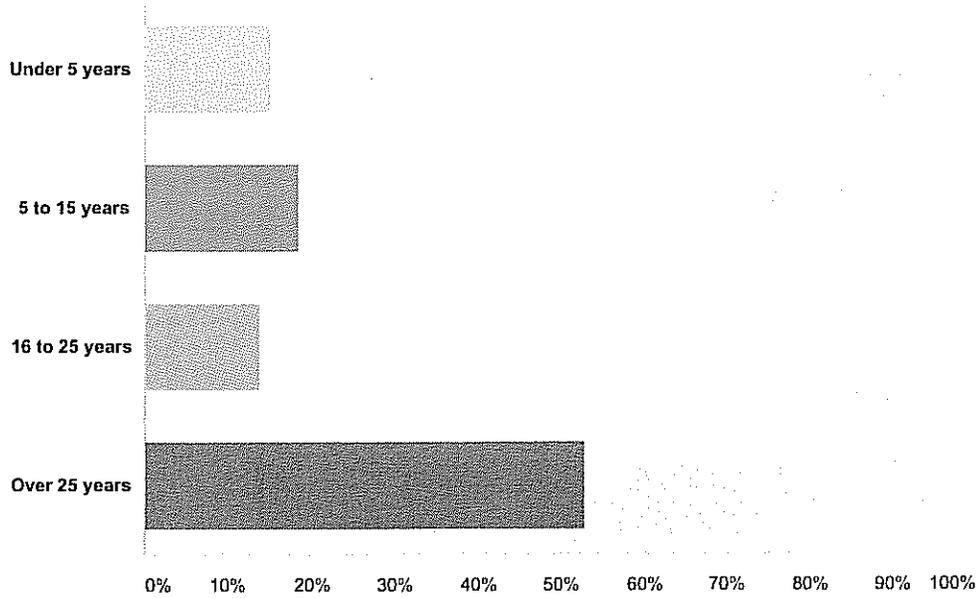
Answered: 482 Skipped: 118



Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Under 10 miles (one way)	10.17%	49
11 - 20 miles	9.75%	47
21 - 30 miles	10.17%	49
Over 30 miles	4.56%	22
Not applicable	65.35%	315
<b>Total</b>		<b>482</b>

### Q36 How long have you lived (or worked) in Hopewell?

Answered: 504 Skipped: 96



Answer Choices	Responses
Under 5 years	15.08% 76
5 to 15 years	18.45% 93
16 to 25 years	13.69% 69
Over 25 years	52.78% 266
<b>Total</b>	<b>504</b>

### Q37 If you moved to Hopewell in the last 10 years, where did you move from, and why?

Answered: 188 Skipped: 492

#	Responses	Date
1	Mechanicsville, housing cost	1/4/2016 2:18 PM
2	Better employment opportunity than the county I left	1/3/2016 6:07 PM
3	Moved from Chesterfield County. The low cost of housing in the City of Hopewell and my children are now grown.	12/31/2015 11:18 AM
4	Not applicable	12/31/2015 8:16 AM
5	I been in Hopewell longer than 10 yrs	12/30/2015 9:48 PM
6	I moved from the Tri-cities area to Hopewell, following my divorce. Cost of living was cheaper & 10 minutes from work now.	12/29/2015 2:16 PM
7	Chester, Virginia, more affordable housing	12/29/2015 12:38 PM
8	Moved from Maryland, moved back to Hopewell my home town	12/27/2015 1:05 PM
9	Na	12/26/2015 9:30 PM
10	chester	12/25/2015 10:31 PM
11	Henrico, first home purchase, house prices	12/24/2015 5:14 PM
12	n/a	12/23/2015 6:17 PM
13	n/a	12/23/2015 2:40 PM
14	N/A	12/23/2015 1:45 PM
15	N/A	12/23/2015 12:37 PM
16	North Carolina, job transfer	12/23/2015 12:11 PM
17	N/A	12/23/2015 11:59 AM
18	n/a	12/23/2015 11:48 AM
19	Job was closer so I moved to chester from Midflohian va.	12/23/2015 11:16 AM
20	Hampton Roads, VA. Employment	12/22/2015 1:00 PM
21	Moved from Chesterfield, wanted greater access to Riverfront.	12/21/2015 8:07 AM
22	Midwest. Return to be near family.	12/20/2015 8:28 PM
23	Williamsburg; retired	12/20/2015 8:04 PM
24	Chesterfield, moved to Hopewell for affordable housing	12/20/2015 3:00 AM
25	Work	12/16/2015 9:45 AM
26	Chesterfield-close to Ft. Lee	12/15/2015 12:48 PM
27	Colonial Heights-got married and wife had home in Hopewell	12/15/2015 12:31 PM
28	Surry-to reduce commute to and from work	12/15/2015 11:19 AM
29	Petersburg	12/15/2015 10:41 AM
30	n/a	12/15/2015 10:00 AM
31	n/a	12/15/2015 9:53 AM
32	South Chesterfield, affordable rental houses	12/15/2015 9:26 AM
33	Thought it would be calmer and less crime than Richmond but we end up 7th as highest crime in VA.	12/14/2015 12:44 PM
34	Chesterfield	12/12/2015 4:14 PM

35	From Chesapeake Va to Hopewell for proximaty to work and neighborhood.	12/12/2015 3:53 PM
36	Petersburg - foreclosure	12/11/2015 7:20 PM
37	Farmville, VA- Job location	12/11/2015 3:19 PM
38	From NC. Better teacher pay in VA.	12/11/2015 2:15 PM
39	Northern Kentucky area. Job.	12/11/2015 11:52 AM
40	I currenllly live in Enon.	12/11/2015 10:04 AM
41	Grew up in Hopewell, lived elsewhere for approx. 20 years, and returned to Hopewell 3 years ago from PA to be near other family members	12/10/2015 4:40 PM
42	Newport News, VA	12/10/2015 12:30 PM
43	From Maryland due to BRAC	12/10/2015 8:40 AM
44	We moved here from NC because my job relocated me to this area. We chose Hopewell, despite admonitions not to, because it meant a short drive to work. We chose our neighborhood on the recommendation of a coworker who grew up in Hopewell.	12/10/2015 5:49 AM
45	Chester, wanted single story home.	12/9/2015 9:21 PM
46	FROM CHESTERFIELD TO RETIRE DOWN SIZE	12/9/2015 8:11 PM
47	Charlotte, NC- job related	12/9/2015 5:34 PM
48	New York State Family who live in Col Hgts	12/9/2015 5:16 PM
49	prince george	12/9/2015 9:03 AM
50	N/A	12/8/2015 12:34 PM
51	Connecticut closer to family	12/7/2015 9:49 PM
52	Connecticut, closer to family	12/7/2015 9:29 PM
53	Lived in Enon Va. Moved to Hopewell for the convenience of travel to work, and affordable home prices. We home school so the school systems were not as important in our decision to move to Hopewell, or we would not have.	12/7/2015 1:52 PM
54	Dinwiddie, to be closer to work.	12/6/2015 12:08 PM
55	Petersburg cheaper	12/5/2015 9:15 PM
56	prince george more affordable housing	12/5/2015 11:14 AM
57	Chsterfille	12/1/2015 5:41 PM
58	Atlanta, GA. looking for a new start to finish career. Have not yet been employed since moving to Virginia after actively seeking employment.	12/1/2015 8:29 AM
59	Henrico County. Only because I moved from an expensive apartment to a reasonable house. That is the only reason. If my house in Petersburg was fixed, I would rather live there than Hopewell, at least there are better stores and resturants in Petersburg.	12/1/2015 12:32 AM
60	Moved from Colonial Heights (born and raised) to take care of a sick grandparent	11/30/2015 2:56 PM
61	Work in Hopewell - Do Not Live in Hopewell	11/30/2015 2:46 PM
62	employment	11/30/2015 2:20 PM
63	N/A	11/30/2015 9:30 AM
64	N/A	11/30/2015 8:53 AM
65	Richmond. Job	11/30/2015 7:12 AM
66	Richmond. My husband is from Hopewell and we love our neighborhood (Mansion Hills)	11/30/2015 6:26 AM
67	moved back into my moms house since vacant	11/30/2015 12:56 AM
68	NEW JERSEY	11/29/2015 2:44 PM
69	Col. Heights. . Divorce	11/28/2015 10:58 AM
70	Moved from NC because family lives nearby and I grew up in Enon.	11/26/2015 12:21 PM

71	I live in Chesterfield and have worked in Hopewell and the Tri-cities area for nearly 10 years. I'm a members of several community and civic clubs in Hopewell.	11/26/2015 8:30 AM
72	I moved from Richmond, VA eight years ago. I was born and bred in Hopewell and returned after retiring to help take care of my parents.	11/25/2015 11:40 PM
73	Dinwiddie, closer to job.	11/25/2015 9:11 PM
74	Chesterfield... We were unfamiliar with the area and liked river access, but have learned of the bad reputation.	11/25/2015 7:18 PM
75	no	11/25/2015 5:17 PM
76	Enon, moved out of parents house, but wanted to stay close and hopewell had cheaper houses.	11/25/2015 4:42 PM
77	Chesterfield Va due to marriage	11/25/2015 4:24 PM
78	Nc, to be near family	11/25/2015 3:32 PM
79	Moved back to Hopewell from Florida after losing my job and Hopewell is home.	11/25/2015 3:19 PM
80	Started teaching in Hopewell in 72. Lived in PG. Moved to Hopewell in 04. Like close location to so many stores available in general area.	11/25/2015 2:33 PM
81	Prince George- starter Home	11/25/2015 1:05 PM
82	North Carolina, for Dr. Fahey.	11/25/2015 12:01 PM
83	Prince George County, Divorce	11/25/2015 11:39 AM
84	from Chesterfield -use to live in Hopewell-went to high school here.	11/25/2015 10:22 AM
85	N/A	11/25/2015 10:18 AM
86	Chesterfield, Work	11/25/2015 10:08 AM
87	Norfolk, VA	11/25/2015 10:02 AM
88	NA	11/25/2015 9:57 AM
89	na	11/25/2015 8:20 AM
90	Enon. Downsizing.	11/25/2015 8:18 AM
91	Chester,VA. Because of the City Point area and the chance to own a waterfront home there.	11/25/2015 12:46 AM
92	Petersburg VA, because Petersburg is being poorly managed and the tax rates are steadily increasing without a improvements to demonstrate where the revenue is being allowcated. Also Hopewell is still extremely inexpensive but unfortunately I have come to realize that the low cost may be a direct result of poor schools, abundant rental properties and what appears to be miss guided management decisions made within the Hopewell City Council.	11/25/2015 12:04 AM
93	Newport News, Va. I came here for a job opportunity.	11/24/2015 7:48 PM
94	N/a	11/23/2015 10:10 PM
95	NC - for as job	11/23/2015 3:14 PM
96	Job Opportunity	11/23/2015 10:56 AM
97	I relocated due to employment from the Hampton Roads area.	11/22/2015 6:15 PM
98	I inherited my parents' home in 2009. They lived in Hopewell and owned a business here for over 40 years. I have visited them often over the years and have spent much time here since their deaths. I also have a home in Arizona.	11/19/2015 2:27 PM
99	Charles City; because of the people I had met in Hopewell. I Could have moved to Richmond or Chesterfield.	11/18/2015 9:00 AM
100	My wife and I moved from Midlothian at the beginning of 2015 because we could afford a nice home on a relatively limited budget in Hopewell.	11/17/2015 4:09 PM
101	Please fix this question it should be moved not moves.	11/17/2015 3:52 AM
102	Question has a grammar error.	11/16/2015 10:58 PM
103	PETERSBURG	11/16/2015 6:58 PM
104	I moved from Chesterfield to Hopewell, because I wanted to live in a small town. I wanted to be able to make a positive difference in my community.	11/16/2015 2:05 PM
105	Owned property	11/16/2015 1:17 PM

106	Check your spelling in the above sentence. This is just another minor reason why this city is in turmoil.	11/14/2015 10:00 PM
107	Another state.	11/14/2015 2:34 PM
108	N/A	11/14/2015 1:05 AM

### Q38 Use the space below for other comments, thoughts, or recommendations:

Answered: 158 Skipped: 442

#	Responses	Date
1	A major effort should be made to get the e-mail address of the Citizenship. So they can be made aware of City/local events of all kinds (Local commercial sponsored events/ grand openings/ etc that will aid local business. Getting the word out should be done with the least expense. Programs to aid local businesses that are struggling. Help the Citizenship be aware they exist and the products/services they provide.	1/4/2016 9:27 AM
2	The has to be a sense of pride for the City. Currently to many City employees live outside of the City. It is hypocritical that City employees find the City good enough to work but not good enough to live or to send their children to school. There needs to be more pride and less politics in order for the City to get better. There need to be more youth service, parental support services and less low income housing.	1/1/2016 9:25 PM
3	Have council work together to accomplish more. And stop fighting!!!	12/31/2015 5:12 PM
4	The problem/solution of homelessness needs to be addressed in the City of Hopewell	12/31/2015 11:18 AM
5	I would like to see storm water project and curbing on Lee St my yard is like a swimming pool when it rains	12/31/2015 10:34 AM
6	Training of your officers with a lack of respect for the community.	12/31/2015 10:30 AM
7	I have been looking forward to this question since starting the survey. Recommendations: restructure the entrance to the tourism building/shops on rt 36, tear down the gray building across from the school on rt 36 (eye sore, makes it look like the school is stuck in a high crime area), offer a tax incentive to the owner of cavalier sq to redo it & the parking lot (curbs with trees would be nice), an adult day care would be good in the old buttenworth furniture site (maybe there's grant money for the city for that), re-do the subsidized apts on 6th ave (looks economically depressed & is a main route through Hopewell), get rid of the abandoned "outlet", buy & tear down the Evergreen Motel (commonly referred to as the hooker motel) & the empty restaurant behind it and turn this space into a tourist center & park area (first thing visitors see after crossing the bridge into Hopewell on rt 10, tear down the abandoned apt buildings (there are several & they decrease property resell value of neighboring structures), there are some abandoned houses that need to just be torn down too (one is on Perry st). You may be getting tax revenue from these & it may be expensive to obtain authorization to tear down, but once the blithe is gone, then the regrowth can occur. Consider a tall (pretty) brick wall surrounding the Appomattox cemetery ('cause frankly, I didn't like going by a bunch of grave to tour Weston Manor). And Weston Manor needs better bathrooms & handicapped accessible bathrooms, & changing/sitting rooms (male & female) for venues & such. We'd have my daughter's wedding there if we didn't have to go past a cemetery & if the bathrooms were better (etc).	12/29/2015 2:16 PM
8	More Farmers Markets and access to the Riverfront would improve Hopewell. Reduce the number of rentals and subsidized housing and do not raise taxes, reduce spending, salaries and benefits	12/29/2015 12:59 PM
9	get rid of the section 8 housing it is a blight on our city it brings drugs crime and violence	12/28/2015 2:12 PM
10	The police, deputies and the teachers can do but so much! Learning starts at home.	12/26/2015 10:15 PM
11	None	12/26/2015 9:30 PM
12	why are there four motorist assist vehicles which are so seldom used? post it if you need volunteers.	12/25/2015 10:31 PM
13	When Police are called to your home for any reason should listen and not come to judgement to quickly to arrest. Never ask a child that is 20 years old to write a statement against her mother. 20 years old in age and 13 in mind seriously what kind of mess is that. Also didn't see what happen from beginning just saw what happen at the end. I was arrested because I push in chest with grandbaby sitting on my left knee and was trying to each with a fork. I threw up my arms and fork scrap skin and blood start to come. All is a scratch on arm. I have a Domestic Abuse on Family. I have been abuse my the same individual 10 times or more . Now have to go to court for this mess because of the woman cop. Male cops have come three times this year so my mouth bleeding lips swollen and said work it out REALLY. Also, I keep his mother nothing is done to him. My point is: IS SHE TRYING TO MAKE CAPTAIN or just a jackass	12/24/2015 1:46 AM
14	Again, Hopewell is a very save'able' community. It appears to me that there are negative people who verbalize they love Hopewell, but at the same time continue to be negative about everything that the City attempts to do in a positive light. Even watching city council meetings are discouraging when Councilors themselves talk to each other in such a negative manner. Regardless of how one councilor may dislike another councilor, everyone should learn to project common courteous behaviors. At the least, be and show they are professionals. Lead by example.	12/24/2015 12:46 AM

15	Our City Council needs to start taking care of those who live, work and thrive in Hopewell. Take care of our police and fire and the rest of the city will follow and thrive. We need to cut down on crime and section 8 housing which is ruining our city.	12/23/2015 6:17 PM
16	n/a	12/23/2015 6:17 PM
17	Deputies need to be back out on 295 more often. Should have inmates picking up trash, it is piling up everywhere on the sides of the roads, very embarrassing for the city. Road improvements are a must, too many potholes and patch jobs are not working. Where are our taxes going???	12/23/2015 3:19 PM
18	the tax on gas needs to be reviewed and reduced. our gas is 10 cents a gallon higher than surrounding areas. the storm tax is outrageous! I would like a call from the city engineer and my counsel member to discuss!	12/23/2015 2:40 PM
19	I work in Hopewell but live in Richmond	12/23/2015 1:06 PM
20	The low income housing is a huge issue. The public school system is also a major concern. My child is not of school age yet and the plan for my family is to move AWAY from Hopewell, not only for my child's education, but also for our safety and security. Let me add that I am very supportive of public safety and do not feel that the problem is not the police or fire department. They are working as hard as they can and utilizing all resources available to them, however they don't have the funding and support they deserve.	12/23/2015 12:46 PM
21	Needs a better city council without a hidden agenda. Overall condition of rental property by the owners is not enforced. Vacated Ally's are not being cared for by the city, nor are they being deeded to the people caring for them. Homes have more that 3-5 vehicles parked in their yards yet nothing is done. With the number of homeless around, Hopewell needs a shelter to take care of these people.	12/23/2015 11:59 AM
22	Until Hopewell City Council begins to act like a professional governing body, and the city staff care more about the citizens rather than their own personal gain, Hopewell will continue to suffer.	12/23/2015 11:12 AM
23	low income housing brings in more crime and problems in our schools. fix up old houses and make them started homes for the young	12/22/2015 5:12 PM
24	Hopewell is quickly declining due to a bad school reputation, a lack of good law enforcement and too much subsidized housing. Hopewell must improve our schools first to help attract young families. Students who are chronic trouble makers should be strictly disciplined or permanently expelled. Administrators and faculty who do not produce positive results should be replaced. When it comes to Hopewell Schools it seems "the inmates are running the prison." Law enforcement needs improvement with better pay and more officers. Without a safe environment to learn and grow Hopewell will never attract new families to help keep this community growing in a positive direction. Generally Section 8 housing does not attract productive citizens who build new businesses and give back to the community. The primary benefactor of subsidized housing is the property owner, not the occupant. Therefore Hopewell should decrease Section 8 housing and force the property owners to improve the dwellings to promote a nice place to live, not sub-poverty level slums. Building Code Enforcement, The Health Department and Social Services needs to get tough on Hopewell's slum lords. I find the city is doing better at promoting new outdoor food and music festivals, concerts at The Beacon and small business Downtown. However our greatest asset and natural resource, The Appomattox River, needs more attention and development. The riverfront park at City Point needs to be better utilized for community events and Riverfront Condos at the Hopewell Marina and Patrick Copeland park would be an awesome improvement and attract new families.	12/22/2015 1:19 PM
25	In order to keep downtown restaurants open AND visitors from outside of Hopewell frequenting them, something must be done to keep the number of people standing on the street corners down to a minimum. I have taken friends and they are very uncomfortable when in the area.	12/21/2015 8:07 AM
26	Thank you for polling the citizens. May the information be used for the good of the citizens, not for private or political interests. falthea flowers foster	12/20/2015 8:28 PM
27	-downtown needs more restaurants and shops which will increase revenue for the city as well as providing job opportunities -the speed limit coming across the bridge into the city needs to be enforced more effectively; I live within walking distance from downtown but avoid doing so because it is so dangerous to cross Randolph St -bring back Hooray for Hopewell!	12/20/2015 3:00 AM
28	There is nothing right about granting city employees bonuses and raises without including your public school employees. They educate and mold the future of this city. A viable plan must embrace school and school staff improvement for the reason stated above. You plan for what you want. If you want uneducated citizens and an increased crime rate keep on suppressing the school system.	12/17/2015 10:27 AM
29	The schools need to instruct the youth how to pull up their pants. How can power lines be underground? (the drunks keep hitting the power poles)	12/15/2015 12:48 PM

30	I have lived in Hopewell for 71 years. I remember when downtown Hopewell was the place to shop, to meet friends, and to socialize. I remember when the industry supported many public events and were good neighbors with the citizenry. I remember good public schools, good sports programs and the feel of being safe wherever you went. I guess it is sage to say I remember that "good ole days" in the City of Hopewell.	12/15/2015 12:45 PM
31	I am 73 years old and a life long resident of Hopewell. In the 50's & 60's our city was a wonderful place to live. I had a great childhood and received a good education in the Hopewell school system. Over the past years our things have been allowed to happen that has destroyed our city: 1) Section 8 or subsidized housing 2) "Closing" downtown and opening of Cavalier Square 3)Not taking advantage of the rivers 4)Local property owners having too much rental property around them and renters not being held accountable for their upkeep. Solve these problems and we'll have a nice, little city back to where it was in the happy days.	12/15/2015 12:26 PM
32	There is no question that the amount of rental property and lack of adequate housing in Hopewell greatly affects the local school system, or rather, negatively affects the school system. However it should not be an excuse not to try and improve some aspects of what our schools offer. A more proactive, engaged, and yes, educated school board. More private pre-school opportunities (church pre-schools tend to be affordable) Top notch teachers at this level can get children motivated to learn, provide nutrition if necessary-help children from poor backgrounds overcome their handicaps at home. Children who suffer from poor parenting and adverse conditions at home can learn that school is their safe haven. A good performance in school will build confidence that home life sometimes doesn't provide-This has to start early!!!	12/15/2015 12:04 PM
33	fit main road at railroad tracks stop ticket for profit	12/15/2015 11:22 AM
34	City government in a disaster. Please provide a paved parking lot for the library. Please remove benches across from library entrance to preclude loiterers. It would be nice to have a quality restaurant like Mim's was available in town or on the riverfront. The riverfront is the most unique feature Hopewell has and it is not being use up to it's potential. Stop pouring taxpayer money into the Beacon Theater.	12/15/2015 10:48 AM
35	our greatest natural asset is we have two absolutely fantastic beautiful rivers. We need to develop our riverfronts with walking trails and piers. Properly developed would draw a multitude of visitors to our city, I have 257' of Appomattox riverfront. It is beautiful and very scenic. The city could benefit greatly with 1000's of visitors annually.	12/15/2015 10:17 AM
36	I would like to see Hopewell Downtown area with many stores and restaurants that will attract many people to our City.	12/15/2015 10:06 AM
37	take long look at zoning/ code enforcement loosen the barking dog section of the City Code-too "do nothing" no "teeth" in the Code-no pun intended	12/15/2015 9:53 AM
38	Many of the concerns relate to safety. I will not allow my child to participate in many activities because I fear that she is not safe while there. I worry about her in public schools and riding buses because of safety. I will not walk around the streets because I do not feel safe. The subsidized housing is out of control. A lot of crime and violence stem from families that reside in these neighborhoods. That violence rolls over into schools causing teachers to have to work harder in controlling behaviors. Thus limiting time on instruction.	12/15/2015 8:09 AM
39	Improve the housing and do everything you can to beautify the City and make a concerted effort to engage our youth, ask their opinion, help them volunteer, encourage them, incentivize them, reward them, expose them to new activities	12/14/2015 3:16 PM
40	get rid of blue law. repair streets that need it, especially by the high school since streets were changed, causing more traffic.	12/14/2015 2:35 PM
41	Not pleased with how disrespectful some police and animal control people are here. Not pleased with how many drug dealers and thugs and low class people live here. The police and animal control in Richmond have far more on their plate but were much more helpful and nicer overall. Eventually will leave Hopewell. Bad experience and sad the way people conduct themselves. I am certain they are aware of how they act and simply think they have a right yet they are paid by taxpayers. There are some good people here and we need them to keep being as wonderful as they are. Just not enough. Sensitivity and respect are key words. We need more of that here. Too many drug dealers n thugs and yet overdoing police presence. It's very annoying and bad place for young people. The police are too willing to give them a rap sheet instead of helping y hem and directing the. If you make criminals for any reason how can they thrive to make a better community when yhey go out in the world? I don't understand the mentality here.	12/14/2015 12:44 PM
42	The people who choose to live and work in Hopewell do so because they love this town...We should not be asked to provide anything to anyone who is not willing to work for it, except for the retired / elderly.	12/13/2015 8:16 AM
43	I would like to see City Point return, the history, the business and the prosperity. Lincolns last days should be a location where we can be proud.	12/12/2015 3:53 PM
44	I feel the subsidized housing has ruined our hometown. I know we are required to have a certain percentage of it, but I believe Hopewell has gone way overboard with it. It has brought our schools down to where people don't want to move to this area. We also have too many \$1.00 stores and auto stores. We need more nice restaurants and some nice places to shop instead of having to go elsewhere. We have too much rental property that is not taken care of and that needs to be reduced and the owners made to see that their property is taken care of.	12/12/2015 9:09 AM

45	Would love to see a named brand grocery store in Cavalier Square. A bakery or sandwich shop like Panera. Chick Fil a would be great also.	12/12/2015 7:38 AM
46	Better Schools = Better Community Very Simple	12/11/2015 5:53 PM
47	To much enabling instead of empowering especially in school system.	12/11/2015 11:52 AM
48	I commend the police for doing a good job with the resources that they have.	12/11/2015 10:25 AM
49	Need to reduce or get rid of section 8 housing and build new homes to attract more young people into our city with nice restaurants and shopping. We also need to take advantage of our river property.	12/11/2015 10:05 AM
50	This city needs a lot of work still, the downtown area has improved and the Beacon is finally showing possibilities of future greatness if we get the right people running it. Downtown isn't going to get any better tourism wise unless we rid the crowds that hang out on the corners near the out of place Social Services Building. We need to bring in a major grocery chain ASAP as well as some major Restaurant chains, such as a Seafood and Steak Chain. Our City Council continues to be a flipping JOKE!!!! and needs a major overhaul. Our city Leaders need to quit relying on the "old hand picked YES people" and get more input and involvement from new fresh folks, our housing needs to be fixed and it needs to be done with a team of Realtors that focus on the community and care about the community in a non political way, meaning the Ingram, Denton, Mahaney names are not the answers. The homeless population on the 36 corridor is becoming a problem and needs to be resolved NOW.	12/10/2015 6:15 PM
51	Create a community that is progressive, inviting, is geared towards mid to upper mid level incomes. We have advertised to get people to move to Hopewell for the subsidized housing and social services, we have never spent energy attracting citizens that would increase the tax base	12/10/2015 6:06 PM
52	Employment opportunities paying more than minimum wage are needed badly in this community, as are more transportation options	12/10/2015 4:40 PM
53	Clean up the on/off ramps to I 295. Get some of the junk parked around the city removed. Looks like a slum area.	12/10/2015 12:30 PM
54	Need some up scale restaurants downtown	12/10/2015 11:07 AM
55	We need to do something about our schools teaching solely for a test is not doing anything to help our young people. Everyday I see young people who can't even fill out basic questions on a job application form yet they are high school graduates. We are failing these kids.	12/10/2015 10:25 AM
56	Tell Tony Zevgolis to get my street paved ,he will not answer my phone calls!	12/10/2015 10:04 AM
57	The town has a bad reputation. Our downtown is scary with the homeless standing around. Hopewell should look at other towns who have managed to turn things around (such as Apex, NC) and use them as examples.	12/10/2015 5:49 AM
58	the city employees I have dealt with have always gone out of their way to help me. They are the shining light in the community. This battle between the police and sheriff needs to stop. Police should do law enforcement The courts security, warrant serving, jail, etc is the sheriff job. One of them is going to get hurt on 295.	12/9/2015 9:21 PM
59	Apparently, it has become next to impossible for small independent cities to survive. I would consider surrendering our charter and being subsumed by Prince George County. We could take on the status of a town (w/ a town government perhaps for very local issues). Hopewell and Prince George- once combined- could become an economic powerhouse for a county this size (what with all of our natural resources, industry, rail, Ft. Lee, etc.).	12/8/2015 6:53 PM
60	N/A	12/8/2015 12:34 PM
61	The public schools are a disaster. The city school administration is clueless about turning the schools around. We need to replace the current board with people who are not afraid to think outside of the box. Economic development will not occur until this component is fixed.	12/8/2015 10:44 AM
62	I was born and raised in Hopewell, I love this town but the level of affordable housing, rental and welfare recipients are taking priority in the City that is bringing it down and turning this lovely little town into a slum town. I see it everyday at my job and seriously worry about the future of this City. We need to make a stand and take back the City and make it great again. I can remember as a child going Downtown to all the nice shops, Harold's, Carol Ann's, Garfinkles, Sears, I even worked there in high school, now Downtown is a flea market and junk stores that amount to nothing. I haven't been down there in years, except for a few stores on Main. There is so much I would like to see done to this beautiful City and I hope this survey will somehow make a difference. Thank You.	12/7/2015 6:30 PM
63	I actually live in Enon.	12/7/2015 2:50 PM

64	The rental lords in the City of Hopewell need to be made to maintain their rental property, which for some reason they are not. I do not understand why the first response is to raise taxes, instead of really looking at the City Budget and using the funds appropriately. In stead of blowing the funds because certain council members need legal representation and the City/Residence/Citizens have to pay for it. Addressing problems (Water, Sewage, Elderly Care, etc.) when it first arises, not when it's broke. Have the City Employees actually work instead of ride around in their trucks.	12/7/2015 2:43 PM
65	Get rid of Brenda & Tony Z.	12/7/2015 2:05 PM
66	Hopewell has a rich history, and the possibility of a bright future. One of the glaring problems in the city is the amount of low income, HUD/Section 8 housing. The ratio seems to be unbalanced to that of home owners. Unfortunately most of these subsidized properties are poorly kept by the tenants and the landlords. We have ordinances and state laws to take care of this problem and there needs to be a serious push to do so. Few areas of the city are attractive to would be home owners. Hopewell can not grow real estate, but we could free some up along 36 which could lead to larger retailers and jobs the city needs. Art galleries, and fluff in downtown will not attract the traffic we are looking for or the income. Downtown is starting to have the "mayberry" look, but certainly not the feel. The beacon should have more plays (dramas, comedies, etc) as well as possibly showing a movie once a month to draw. Not everyone wants to see bands or acts that are 30-40 years past their prime. Its understandable that these acts are affordable, however the big issue is the beacon should not be owned by the city to begin with.	12/7/2015 1:52 PM
67	I think this is a thoughtful survey with some great questions. Thank you for organizing it and I look forward to reviewing the results.	12/7/2015 11:43 AM
68	Hopewell will never improve until the low housing is drastically cut. Rental property and section 8 needs to be reduced. Drug dealers need to be kicked out of the city. Reducing low housing will reduce the drug population and crime rate. A city cannot prosper with 20% of the population paying taxes and 80% living off of the 20%. It's that simple!	12/7/2015 11:14 AM
69	If you tax rental properties at a higher rate than family owned dwellings or businesses you would encourage more stability. Low income subsidized housing increases the crime numbers and hurts your school system. Rental housing does much the same. A homeowner has "skin in the game" most will take better care and not allow for the vandalism and crime to take over THEIR neighborhoods.	12/7/2015 7:06 AM
70	Priority must be given to increase police and fire rescue. Without these vital services being valued, respected and a priority, the city will continue to lose qualified, vested employees of these services. City Council needs to work with and respect the School Board to create a strong educational system. Too often, the fighting between council gets in the way of progress of this historical city. More emphasis should be placed on the discovery of the historical impact Hopewell and City Point have had on our nations history.	12/7/2015 5:56 AM
71	I received a flyer for someone while in the parade! Thank you for the opportunity to voice my opinion. I was born in raise in Hopewell moved away for 10 years and now ready to make a difference. I am the founder of Helping Hands New Hope for US. We are a group of people who host events and workshops for the youth of Hopewell. We just hosted our 4th Annual Trunk or Treat. Now we are in the process of planning 4 events for 2016. We need the help from the city!!!!!! The children are in desperate need for mentoring and steering them in the right direction and we are here!!!!!! I have other ideas in mind in reference of revamping the Kings Court and Arlington Playground. We are consistent and have the drive. If we have the opportunity to speak in these children lives we hope to steer them!! They need after school activities to help them!!! My contact info Shannon Foskey helpinghandsrhere2015@gmail.com 7574709134	12/7/2015 4:17 AM
72	make hopewell attractive to investors some city employees think we have to kiss ass to get anything processed as far as building,renovating,or improving the appearance of structures.	12/6/2015 10:01 AM
73	Increased industry creates jobs, then income, then demand, then improvements, then entertainment, then charity, etc., etc.	12/4/2015 11:04 PM
74	my wife and I are dissatisfied with city government and the circus like manner in which city council members conducts themselves and how our tax dollars are spent.	12/4/2015 10:28 PM
75	I would love to work within the Hopewell City limits.	12/4/2015 8:29 PM
76	Council is killing the City. Need better leadership and a Council that will not fight and set a clear vision.	12/4/2015 8:59 AM
77	Really need to get Cavaller Square help and beautified. I have NO association or knowledge of the owner/s of that property. I've just lived in Hopewell over 60 years, and I notice too much attention to downtown area. Stress needs to be made to that area and "other" neighborhoods - not subsidized housing areas. They have their funding.	12/4/2015 12:17 AM
78	The city government officials need to live in the city. They don't care what happens here. It's a paycheck to them only	12/2/2015 10:29 PM
79	Give the police a raise and stop wasting money on the Beacon.	12/2/2015 8:31 PM
80	The crime in Hopewell is getting very bad and the properties are getting run down seems like what happened to Petersburg 40 years ago	12/1/2015 6:46 PM

81	Solicit input from low income families, seniors & the future who will someday hold the keys to the city. Invest in those who love & have a great vision for the	12/1/2015 5:41 PM
82	Hopewell could be a good town to live in if there was more opportunity for growth. I recently learned most residents or just above poverty level - what a shame.	12/1/2015 10:14 AM
83	I did not realize that the health of the citizens of Hopewell was so bad. So answers given may not reflect that knowledge.	12/1/2015 9:39 AM
84	The majority of Hopewell problems might be solved by more employment opportunities, improvement in racial relations, more of Hopewell's employment positions to Hopewell residents, and reduce dependence on the plants currently producing/dumping pollutants into the air and water. Hopewell is being poisoned by what we drink, breath, and think. We need to clean up our water, air, and attitudes toward our neighbors	12/1/2015 8:29 AM
85	City council needs to stop the fussing and all and bring Walmart, Applebees, and other great things to Hopewell, especially Caviler Square. Hopewell sucks.	12/1/2015 12:32 AM
86	Hopewell should build on its strengths and not try to be a second rate Chester. Programs should be put in place to encourage revitalization of the smaller homes and town feel of the downtown. Hopewell needs to build off of the Beacon and Appomatox/James rivers with creative restaurants and retail in walkable distance with plenty of public community events in between. There is an opportunity to draw visitation from surrounding areas by portraying the beauty, community and uniqueness of Hopewell. Plus, the trend toward smaller homes and apartments is waiting to be captured in Hopewell which is differentiating from all nearby suburban communities. Hopewell could become a destination!	11/30/2015 11:25 PM
87	Responses regarding city government relate to the majority block of City Council, not city administration.	11/30/2015 10:57 PM
88	Taxes have always been too low to support growth, schools, public works programs and debt. Raise the taxes and everything will improve.	11/30/2015 10:00 PM
89	I would like to see Hopewell do something good for community as a whole.	11/30/2015 9:56 PM
90	The focus needs to be shifted back to our youth in our communities. There needs to be more accountability within our educational system and the current curriculum within the school system needs major modifications. The seniors of our community need more accessibility to downtown and other senior citizen projects. Our city council and local officials need to put an end to personally motivated important decisions that affect the entire city.	11/30/2015 4:40 PM
91	Need more activities for youth	11/30/2015 3:22 PM
92	We need some better methods of informing people of community events and opportunities.	11/30/2015 1:36 PM
93	This survey impresses me that the city is truly looking at the betterment of our community. I would like to see progress within the next 5 years, we have wasted so much time with "personal agendas" in our city government while our city is declining...	11/30/2015 11:48 AM
94	I work in Hopewell but live in Chesterfield.	11/30/2015 10:25 AM
95	One of the biggest issues is schools and crime. Half of our counsel has been investigated for improper acts. With that type of leadership this town will continue to go down hill. Got to fix at the top first then push it down to clean up the streets.	11/30/2015 9:30 AM
96	More food options, benefits/options for seniors, quality job opportunities and recreation for youth/adults.	11/30/2015 8:53 AM
97	The Cities paid leadership not living in or participating in the cities civil, religious and educational activities and their "I'll take the big bucks and live in a better place" attitude leads the way for our continued decline.	11/30/2015 8:49 AM
98	Love Hopewell!!!! The City Council has lost their vision that was present with the previous Council...the School Board is on the right track and has implemented many initiatives over the past five years to improve our schools...rental property needs to be halted or a city ordinance needs to be written and enforced by home owners for upkeep...safety of all is a priority!!! Beautification of our river group is doing a great job...how about improving Route 10 and 36??? The two entries to our wonder city!!! Hope this helps and I see a turn around before I die and leave my beloved city!!!	11/30/2015 6:43 AM
99	I personally believe that Hopewell will only move forward if public housing is decreased significantly.	11/30/2015 6:26 AM
100	City needs to improve the neighborhood streets and not just the rich ones or main streets that bypass. My Luray st has been torn up and just a halfway patch for years. It potholes in middle of street	11/30/2015 12:56 AM
101	I am the data & testing specialist at Hopewell High School. My name Malik Wheat. If you have any questions or concerns about the answers I put on this survey, please email me at mwheat@hopewell.k12.va.us. Thanks.	11/29/2015 10:11 PM
102	Focus on more activities for the youth and the less fortunate families.	11/29/2015 7:20 PM

103	Ashamed of what Hopewell has become over the past years and ashamed to say that I'm from this city. It's no longer safe here and the fear of being a victim of crime is not worth the chance of staying here.	11/29/2015 4:48 PM
104	City leadership needs to get out from behind their desk and get out into the community it serves. Councils leadership is questionable and is lacking.	11/27/2015 8:32 AM
105	Our leadership needs to live in the town that pays their salary. In doing so they experience what the residents experience. Our current leadership (council and management) appear to lack ownership of their responsibilities and display their lack of professionalism in their council meetings and the appearance of the city.	11/27/2015 8:14 AM
106	Hopewell was and could be a great small city again but the city government has to work together and get back on track as to what is important today for all citizens and not just a few.	11/26/2015 10:47 PM
107	I like the ample parking downtown and the fact that the cost of living is reasonable here. However, there's nowhere to but good food. Or to buy much of anything. I would like to see Cavalier Square revitalized, I'd like to see more recreation along the river, I wish city council would stop bickering and learn to work together.	11/26/2015 12:21 PM
108	Less rental/subsidized properties. Operate with in a budget. Fiscal responsibility.	11/26/2015 9:10 AM
109	I've loved working in the small-town, riverfront atmosphere and feel those are the attributes that can be strengthen to make Hopewell a great place to live.	11/26/2015 8:30 AM
110	Hopewell has so much potential yet so much bad is said about the city, some true and some myths. This plan, needs to be followed through with. I feel as if that is a big problem with the City is that we always have these plans but never follow up on them. We also look at short term gains and don't look 10, 15, 20, or more years down the road.	11/26/2015 4:52 AM
111	Fix the East Broadway Bridge. The residents of Ramsey Ave feel isolated from their neighbors and this could potentially cause a safety issue if something occurred on both Water st and Station st. Leaving now way to exit the street.	11/25/2015 11:46 PM
112	Hope you get a good response rate for this survey..would like to see continued great improvements in Parks and Rec as well as the City of Hopewell.	11/25/2015 11:40 PM
113	We need a major supermarket chain in the downtown area along with decent stores downtown. Downtown needs to be brought back to look like it did in the 1960's. Cavalier Square needs to be brought back to a functioning shopping center as in te 1970's. Downtown has nothing to offer local residents. Everything is located on Oaklawn Blvd. Downtown looks like a ghost town.	11/25/2015 10:36 PM
114	A city that has so much to offer, Hopewell can be a diamond one day, again. If we would just let it...	11/25/2015 10:16 PM
115	Used to be proud of being from Hopewell. Was very excited to move back. Regret it sometimes because of what town is becoming. Public housing and section 8 have ruined us. Our poverty rate is out of control and we aren't doing anything to change that.	11/25/2015 10:16 PM
116	There needs to be more attention paid to trash on the streets, vagrants panhandling, and downtown looks like a hangout for homeless people.	11/25/2015 10:09 PM
117	Please keep Cavalier Square. Maybe upgrade some. It is very convenient to shop there.	11/25/2015 6:57 PM
118	Hopewell needs to get rid of Breda Pelham. She is not an intelligent person, yet she is one of the people making decisions for the city.	11/25/2015 6:29 PM
119	Not currently a resident, but interested in the development of the city. Grew up in Hopewell and parents lived there their entire lives.	11/25/2015 5:38 PM
120	hope to sell soon	11/25/2015 5:17 PM
121	I don't think the people who is in certain positions in the city do the jobs that they get paid for. I am very involved in things that go on in the city and we get looked upon from other local city and county like we're trash. Things need to change I would start with the mayor who can't stay out of trouble and work my way down replace all that hold this position. We need better school involvement, we need to offer better sports for our youth keep them out of trouble. Most of them would actually stay in Hopewell instead of going other places to play. I would make our public works maintain what they get paid to do not go to the parks or other places to take naps. We need people on our city council who makes things happen not just talk about it . There are so many things that could improve our city but its been ignored for so long that it's going to take a while to get it back . Hopefully you will do some of these things but I'm not going to hold my breath. Well see	11/25/2015 3:59 PM
122	downtown Hopewell has a LOT of potential, but a lot of folks don't want to go down there after dark. The city needs to clean it up. One way to do that is to attract more business downtown and it appears that is being done. The rirtraff needs to be run off too. Too many loiterers hanging out on street corners. Hopewell shouldn't be a "safe haven" for the homeless and drug lords.	11/25/2015 3:44 PM

123	Until you clean up this city and stop catering to low income people, nothing will get any better. The streets all have pot holes big enough to damage your front end and rims, there are no streets exempt.no one wants projects in their backyard, they do not improve your home value. All seem to have extra people living in them rather than following the rules, and most of the ones we have here are in such disrepair it's redicoulous.why not tear them down and sell the land to someone who would do something good with it,move them all to one area and improve them so they don't look so bad.maybe it would improve the low morale of the people who live in them. Maybe not, I don't know, but they do look terrible.	11/25/2015 3:32 PM
124	Hopewell needs to get away from the ward voting system. Our current city council is horrible. We shouldn't be paying for councilors legal fees (we do in the long run). They should work as a cohesive group not as a fighting group. Low Income and public housing needs to go! Something else to thank city council for.....they have ruined this city. Department heads should have to live in the city so that they care about what goes on. Crime rate way too high.	11/25/2015 3:19 PM
125	Reduce the amount of section 8 housing in hopewell along with government assisted housing projects and watch the city flourish again.	11/25/2015 1:05 PM
126	I feel this survey was a joke. The city is over run with low rent/section 8 housing and too many on welfare. I have lived in Hopewell my entire life and for the first time I don't feel safe and don't trust the police to help me. I see drug dealers living on section 8 housing in my own neighborhood. Meanwhile I am struggling to make ends meet to pay my own way. I don't feel that any improvements to the city's parks or riverfront areason will mean anything when people won't come to the city due to fear for their safety.	11/25/2015 12:50 PM
127	Work here not live	11/25/2015 12:46 PM
128	Recommendations will be our crime rate. We need more officers. I have two children (Elementary and Middle School). I am pretty much satisfied with the school system....so far. Would like to rezone the schools being one school is over populated. Being said that I do wish you don't move the CPO Program. That needs to stay at Dupont!!! Also, stop letting other children from other near by cities attending Hopewell Schools. That is part of the problem with the issues in schools (bringing weapons to school, fighting, etc.) Need to get lower Section 8 housing areas. That is what is bringing our city down!! Who wants to live in a city that is mostly Section 8 housing. If it wasn't for my mother still lives in Hopewell and the economy I would not live here. Something has to be done for my children....our future!!! My last thought, clean up city council. Every time I read the newspaper or watch the news, we have some conflict going on. Other cities and counties are laughing at us. Put your personal conflicts aside and concentrate on our city!!!	11/25/2015 12:30 PM
129	A historic preserved railroad from Hopewell to PETERSBURG. redevelopment of the EVRGREEN MOTEL AND RESTAURANT. treescaping and screening along route 10 and the chemical plants. Industry should be encourage to support this or even undertake it for the community redevelopment of the 6th street as far as Randolph Market. Redevelopment of Colonial Square. Involving the community of Faith in city improvements. Innovative schemes and tax breaks for people living and working in Hopewell. Schemes implemented that encourage structural and Infrastructural improvements to the historic areas those that have a relatively good socio economic population - something to build on. We need to have areas that are sort after to live in . Council can be creative with this respect for nominal budget allowances.	11/25/2015 12:27 PM
130	People in your neighborhood not keeping the appearance of their home up reflects your home and neighborhood	11/25/2015 12:27 PM
131	Thank you for seeking the opinions of Hopewell residents.	11/25/2015 12:07 PM
132	Please improve Recreation/Sports for the youth. Our youth is our future Sport programs are decreasing in enrollment and as an community we are losing our youth.	11/25/2015 11:25 AM
133	Hopewell needs to get rid of all subsidized housing and low income housing.. It is a strain on our pubic services and provide no income for tax revenue.	11/25/2015 11:23 AM
134	Use the water front.....great potential there!	11/25/2015 11:21 AM
135	the city council stinks-that is 4 of the 7 do, until we get a better council that can work together the future of hopewell looks dim.	11/25/2015 10:22 AM
136	There are several members of City Counsel that are anti police/ fire and will always oppose supporting them. Those individuals are toxic to the development of the city. Those individuals continue to support their own agendas and continually make poor decisions with the citizens money and future.	11/25/2015 10:18 AM
137	The Department heads throughout the city do an excellent job! The city council does nothing but bicker and argue like children and is the main obstacle to progress in the city.	11/25/2015 10:08 AM

138	Have found myself becoming more negative due to the lack of follow up from City officials. I understand that many of the Dept. Heads including our police chief do not live in the City, so when they leave each evening and weekend, "out of sight, out of mind". I question why more dept heads choose not to live in the City. If they lived here, they would understand the frustration the homeowners deal with daily. Also, we have a dysfunctional City Council from outward appearances when attending the meetings or watching on TV. The lack of respect displayed to one another is childish. How can the City move forward without the support of those in the City who can actually enforce Codes and ordinances and make change.	11/25/2015 9:57 AM
139	I love Hopewell and like what I see for the future. The negatives I see are...a transient community with single parent households, the odor from the industrial plants, and a very poor representation from the mayor, vice mayor and certain city council members [except Shornak, Wallon and maybe Gore, who do well]. The positives are the Beacon, Library, good city government leadership, especially the police chief, assistant city manager, neighborhood planner and city engineer.	11/25/2015 8:20 AM
140	When we did not live here, my husband owned his own business in Hopewell for approximately 35 years. Wayne Wallon is doing wonderful things through FOLAR. Show City Council how to vote on issues and not on political agendas. Remove Council members who have been found guilty of unlawful behavior. Hopewell is a great place to live, but could be greater, especially if the school system were improved. People would move here if their children were to have a good education and that, at this point, is not available.	11/25/2015 8:18 AM
141	As a City Point resident, I'm deeply frustrated with the dangerous and inadequate traffic flow. (1) the suicidal corner of Main and Appomattox, (2) bridge closed on East Broadway, (3) festivals blocking nearly all street arteries to City Point, (4) Beacon Theater blocking Main Street and the handicapped sidewalk ramps on Appomattox. I support the Beacon – but not their selfish hogging of public streets and sidewalks. Please fix the streets and redesign the scary corner where Main bends into Appomattox.	11/24/2015 7:48 PM
142	It is all about the housing and SCHOOLS!!!! While we do not have large swaths of undeveloped land, we do have large swaths of land that MUST be re-developed!!! Both A Village and B Village MUST be addressed. Both are located within walking distance of downtown and could be marketed to retiring baby boomers and/or millennials who are looking for amenities within walking distance of their homes. We also have a number of neighborhoods that would benefit from historic designation and the use of tax credits and/or renovation loan products. The success of developments such as Cobblestone point to opportunities with retirees. While demographics clearly impact school performance we have used this as a crutch and made excuses for poor operational performance. There are many localities with similar demographics who are performing at much higher levels. We must continue to exert pressure for improvement while we work to improve housing. Families will not come until the schools improve. Hopewell is a GREAT place to live, but we have far too much rental housing that has changed the demographic. This impacts everything else! The City must do everything it can to foster QUALITY redevelopment!!!!	11/24/2015 2:31 PM
143	Some thought ought to be given for attitudinal change among residents. Hope. Maybe some easy wins to show things can change. Enlist the churches to support the plan.	11/23/2015 3:14 PM
144	I think that there is a lot of potential in the city of Hopewell that us untapped and unrecognized. There should be tours provided for outsiders to give feedback as they see the city through "fresh eyes" that people from here take as a given and do not see!!!	11/23/2015 10:56 AM
145	There is not much to do in this city.	11/22/2015 6:15 PM
146	To me Hopewell looks like a depressed area. Many properties are not being maintained. Even long-time Hopewell residents that purchase properties they then turn into rentals are not keeping their properties in order. Perhaps what the community needs is a campaign to Keep Hopewell Beautiful: pick up the trash, especially on Rt. 10 just before the bridge; clean up the junk in yards; trim the bushes/ cut the grass - this would be a good start....	11/19/2015 2:27 PM
147	Hopewell is moving in the right direction, it takes time to change a city for the better.	11/18/2015 9:00 AM
148	Hopewell can flourish if three very important things happen. First, Hopewell desperately needs economic development in the downtown district and along the waterfront (i.e. restaurants, shops, parks, etc.). This will draw people in and expose them to what type of potential that Hopewell possesses. Secondly, Hopewell needs to fix a housing stock issue that is getting out of hand. There are far too many renters living in the city and they are, to a large degree, poorer people who don't have a vested interest in either maintaining property or participating in any civic affairs. Unfortunately, these are also the same individuals that send their children to Hopewell public schools in ever-increasing numbers (which leads me to the final suggestion concerning the need to improve the schools). As long as we continue to make Hopewell a renter's haven and have schools that are predominantly populated with poor kids who, by emulation, often exhibit the same behavioral tendencies of their loser parents, the school system will naturally continue to under-perform by state standards and perpetuate a negative socioeconomic stigma among those who live outside of Hopewell. Simply put, no young people are going to want to settle in Hopewell if the schools are horrible. That's just the honest truth. However, if the city is populated by more responsible and stable middle-class homeowners, and access to riverfront and downtown amenities improve the overall quality of life for Hopewell residents, then Hopewell stands a good chance at getting out of its presently grim state.	11/17/2015 4:09 PM

149	Focus on bringing families to the area. Reduce housing projects and rental houses to make Hopewell a city where people want to move and stay by choice. Reduce crime and improve the schools!	11/17/2015 5:28 AM
150	Less rental houses and housing projects. We need to focus on bringing Hopewell back to a place where people want to live.	11/17/2015 3:52 AM
151	Consider two seperate surveys- one for persons who live in Hopewell and one for people who don't live in Hopewell..	11/16/2015 10:58 PM
152	We need new leadership on city council. 5 of 7 councilors do not have the best interests of Hopewell in their heart. We need to improve our school systems, improve our public safety departments, and make our roads and infrastructure better for the residents, neighborhoods and businesses. We need to invest in riverfront development. We need to work with FOLAR and build riverwalks along the lower Appomattox River.	11/16/2015 2:05 PM
153	If the schools do not improve the city will struggle to improve as a whole. Many people leave Hopewell because of the schools, we may also.	11/16/2015 1:17 PM
154	Don't allow council members who can't manage their own finances, ethics or morals. Should be vetted prior to being allowed to run for office.	11/15/2015 3:55 PM
155	Remove Brenda Pelham from office. While doing that, take Christina Bailey and Holloway out as well. If you can stretch four, get rid of Zevgolis.	11/14/2015 10:00 PM
156	City Council needs to work together to make Hopewell an inviting place for tax-paying young people to live and work.	11/14/2015 8:42 PM
157	I am planning to leave Hopewell as soon as I can. I have had enough embarrassment of having a Hopewell address. What a joke this place is. Since I won't be able to sell my house I will make it a rental and fill it with the same scum that lives all over this place. You want to fix things raise revenue and fund the existing strategy. Every council in the last 15 years hasn't had the guts to raise taxes on industry. They are takers and do not give back. However, Council bends over backwards to give the welfare and gentle kisses. This will be another waste of time that will cost \$150K	11/14/2015 2:34 PM
158	For persons who are appointed by council to voluntarily serve on any City board on commission should have free membership to the recreation center while serving.	11/14/2015 1:05 AM

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# CITY OF HOPEWELL CITY COUNCIL ACTION FORM

**Strategic Operating Plan Vision Theme:**

- Civic Engagement
- Culture & Recreation
- Economic Development
- Education
- Housing
- Safe & Healthy Environment
- None (Does not apply)

**Order of Business:**

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- Approve Ordinance 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading
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- Approve on Emergency Measure

**COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** To consider the release of a City easement located at 100 South Kippax Street, a Hopewell Redevelopment and Housing Authority (HRHA) property.

**ISSUE:** The highrise located at 100 South Kippax Street will undergo major renovations in the near future. The renovations will be conducted by Community Housing Partners (CHP) in partnership with HRHA. When complete Kippax will be owned by CHP. While conducting a title search HRHA learned that the City has an easement on the property. They are requesting the City release the easement so that a clean title can be transferred to HRHA. The City has no use for the easement.

**RECOMMENDATION:** City Administration recommends City Council authorize the City Attorney to prepare proper documentaiton to release the City's easemnt on the property and that it futher authorize the signature of the City Manger.

**TIMING:** City Council action is requested on March 15, 2016.

**BACKGROUND:** See provided documentation.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** None

**ENCLOSED DOCUMENTS:** (1) Recorded deed (2) Plat showing easement (3) Proposed deed of vacation

**STAFF:** Stefan M. Calos, City Attorney  
Tevya W. Griffin, Director, Neighborhood Assistance & Planning

**SUMMARY:**

Y	N		Y	N	
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CERTIFICATE OF DEDICATION

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STATE OF VIRGINIA,  
CITY OF HOPEWELL, to-wit:  
APARTMENT PROPERTIES, INCORPORATED does hereby certify  
that the plat hereto attached entitled: "Plat showing easement  
as shown for Prop. Commerce St. Extension thru reserved strip of  
West City Point Annex Subdivision, Hopewell, Virginia, to be  
conveyed to the City of Hopewell, Virginia, owned by Apartment  
Properties, Inc., Norwood Wilson, Jr." dated December 16, 1964,  
prepared by Walter M. Altman, Jr., City Engineer, a copy of  
which is to be recorded along with this Certificate of Dedication,  
is with the free consent and in accordance with the desire of  
the corporation, and the street shown thereon is hereby dedicated  
for public use.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Apartment Properties, Incorporated  
has caused this Certificate of Dedication to be signed and ac-  
knowledged in its corporate name by its President, who has been  
duly authorized so to do by resolution of the Board of Directors  
of said corporation, and has caused its corporate seal to be  
hereto affixed and attested by its Secretary, who has been autho-  
rized so to do by like resolution, this 27 day of January,  
1965.

APARTMENT PROPERTIES, INCORPORATED  
By [Signature] (sr)  
President

ATTEST:  
[Signature]  
Secretary



STATE OF VIRGINIA,  
CITY OF HOPEWELL, to-wit:

I, Stina P. Peach, a Notary Public in and for the City and  
State aforesaid, do certify that Norwood Wilson, Sr. and Norwood  
Wilson, Jr., President and Secretary respectively of Apartment  
Properties, Incorporated, whose names are signed to the foregoing  
Certificate of Dedication bearing date on the 27 day of January  
1965, have this day acknowledged the same before me in my City  
and State aforesaid, and after being duly sworn did make oath  
that they are President and Secretary respectively of Apartment  
Properties, Incorporated and as such have been duly authorized to  
execute the foregoing Deed of Dedication.

GIVEN under my hand this 27 day of January, 1965.  
My Commission expires October 15, 1967.

[Signature]  
Notary Public

Examined by [Signature] 3/31/65  
and delivered to  
[Signature]  
3/31/65

VIRGINIA

In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Hopewell, on this

26th day of March, 1965 at 11:30 A.M.

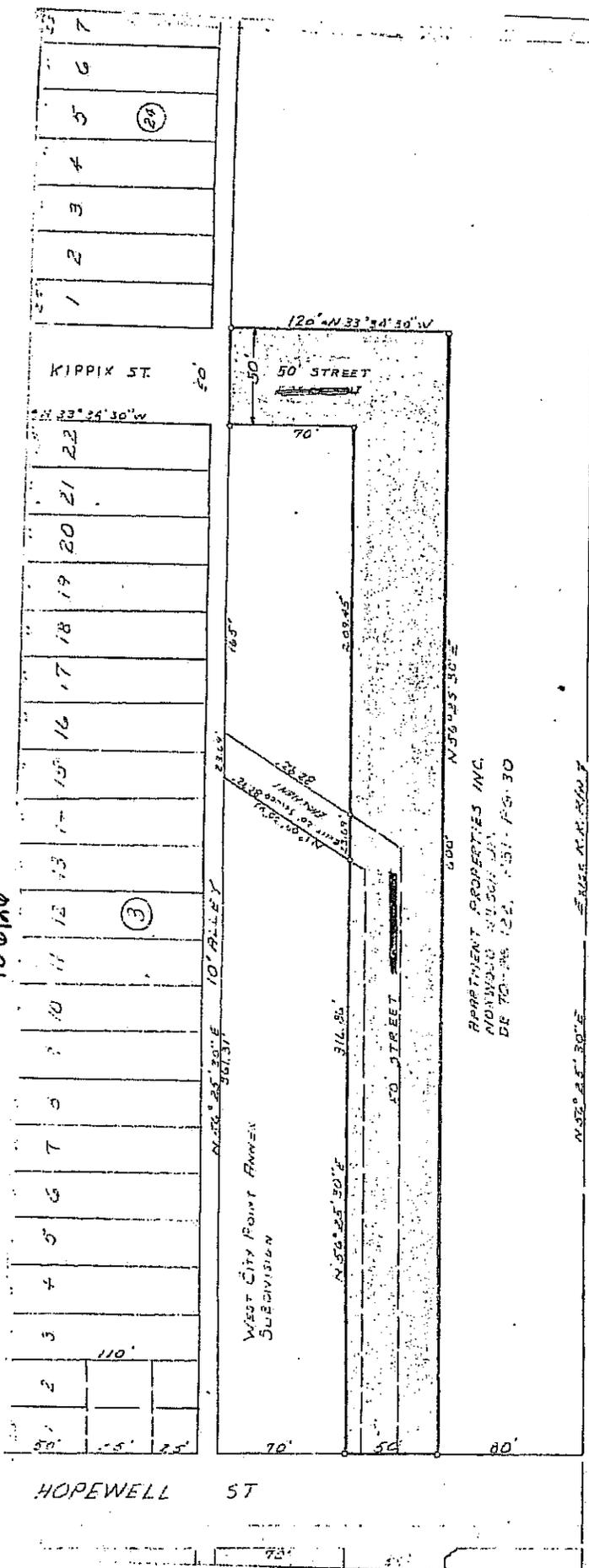
This deed was this day received and, upon the certificate of acknowledgment thereto annexed, admitted to record.

TESTE: [Signature] CLERK.

By [Signature] D. C.

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NORFOLK & WESTERN RAILROAD

CITY OF HOPEWELL, VIRGINIA  
OFFICE OF CITY ENGINEER

PLAT SHOWING ENCUMBRANCE IS SHOWN FOR PRIOR CONFORMANCE WITH EXTENSION TRAPU RESERVED STRIP OF WEST CITY POINT RIVER SUBDIVISION, HOPEWELL, VIRGINIA, TO BE CONVEYED TO THE CITY OF HOPEWELL, VIRGINIA, OWNED BY APARTMENT PROPERTIES, INC. WOOD WILSON JR.

SCALE: 1"=50'

DATE: DEC. 16, 1964

DESIGNED BY: [blank] FILE: [blank] DRAWN BY: [blank]

CHECKED BY: [blank] CITY ENGINEER

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Prepared by:  
Lauren D. Nowlin (VSB# 74827)  
Williams Mullen  
P.O. Box 1320  
Richmond, VA 23218-1320  
PID: 079-0925

**NOTE: THE GRANTOR HEREIN IS A CITY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA. THEREFORE, THIS CONVEYANCE IS EXEMPT FROM "GRANTOR'S TAX" PURSUANT TO § 58.1-811(C)(4) OF THE CODE OF VIRGINIA (1950), AS AMENDED.**

## DEED OF VACATION

THIS DEED OF VACATION (this "Deed") is dated \_\_\_\_\_, 2016, by **CITY OF HOPEWELL**, a municipal corporation of the Commonwealth of Virginia (the "City") to be indexed as Grantor, party of the first part, and **HOPEWELL REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING AUTHORITY**, a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia ("HRHA"), to be indexed as Grantee, party of the second part.

## RECITALS

A. HRHA owns that certain real property lying and being in the City of Hopewell, Virginia, designated in the City's real property assessment records as PID # 079-0925, containing approximately 1.983 Acres, pursuant to Deed dated January 9, 1973, from J.W. Enochs, Inc., a corporation chartered under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, recorded January 10, 1973, in the Clerk's Office in Deed Book 138, page 245 (the "Kippax Parcel").

B. The City is the beneficiary of a certain 50' wide road easement located upon the Kippax Parcel (the "Easement Area") pursuant to that certain instrument entitled Certificate of Dedication (the "Easement Instrument") dated January 27, 1965 recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Hopewell, Virginia (the "Clerk's Office") in Deed Book 95, Page 274 and Plat Book 6, Page 26.

C. HRHA has requested the City, and the City has agreed, to vacate and terminate the Easement Instrument and quitclaim to HRHA any interest in the Easement Area.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the City hereby vacates, quitclaims, remises and releases unto HRHA any and all right, title and interest in and to the Easement Area, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereto, if any.

This instrument covers all the agreements between the parties and no representations or statements, verbal or written, have been made which are inconsistent with the terms of this deed.

The City, acting by and through its Mayor, does hereby approve the vacation of the Easement Area pursuant to Va. Code Section 15.2-2272(1) and the release of any interest it may have in the Easement Area, as evidenced by the mayor's signature hereto.

[Signature pages follow]

WITNESS the following duly authorized signatures and seals to this Deed of Vacation as of the date first set above.

GRANTOR:

CITY OF HOPEWELL, VIRGINIA

By: \_\_\_\_\_ (SEAL)

Name: Brenda S. Pelham

Title: Mayor

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

CITY OF HOPEWELL, to-wit:

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016, by Brenda S. Pelham, the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Hopewell, Virginia.

SEAL:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

Registration number: \_\_\_\_\_

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved as to legal form and sufficiency:

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: David C. Fratarcangelo

Title: City Attorney

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# CITY OF HOPEWELL CITY COUNCIL ACTION FORM

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**COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** Board of Zoning Appeals meeting time change

**ISSUE:** To inform the Hopewell City Council of the change in time of the monthly meeting of the Hopewell Board of Zoning Appeals.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The City Administration recommends that City Council receive and file the change in the meeting time of the Hopewell Board of Zoning appeals and authorize the City Clerk to revise any documentation (ex. talent bank information) of the City regarding this time change.

**TIMING:** City Council action is requested on March 15, 2016.

**BACKGROUND:** Currently, the Hopewell Board of Zoning Appeals meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. At their November 18, 2015 meeting, Board members voted 4 to 0 to change their meeting times from 7:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Due to the nature and function of the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA), they seldom meet more than five times a year. When applications are made to the BZA there are normally no more than two to three applications per meeting. The BZA is requesting the time change to better accommodate citizens, board members and staff. It was thought necessary to present this time change to City Council and the public.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** None.

**ENCLOSED DOCUMENTS:** None

**STAFF:** Mark A. Haley, City Manager  
Charles E. Dane, Assistant City Manager  
Tevya W. Griffin, Director of Neighborhood Assistance & Planning

**SUMMARY:**

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**COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** Budget Resolution to amend Fiscal Year 2015-16 Budget.

**ISSUE:** Provide funds to replace 10 AED (defibrillators) Units in various City Buildings in the amount of \$18,400.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends approving a resolution to appropriate additional funding to the Fire budget to purchase replacement defibrillators.

**TIMING:** March 15, 2016 meeting

**BACKGROUND:** None

**FISCAL IMPACT:** \$18,400 out of Fund Balance.

**ENCLOSED DOCUMENTS:** Budget Resolution

**STAFF:** Donnie Hunter, Fire Chief

**SUMMARY:** Adopt budget resolution amendment to appropriate funds for the fiscal year 2015-16 budget.

Y	N	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mayor, Brenda S. Pelham, Ward #6
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# MEMO

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SUBJECT: City of Hopewell's AED distribution proposal

DATE: 11/20/2015

FROM: Marc Brade, Hopewell Bureau of Fire

TO: City Management/Directors

## RESEARCH

Recently the Fire Department was tasked with evaluating and researching the state/condition of the AEDs (Automated External Defibrillator) distributed throughout the city's departments. Additionally the Fire Department was asked to assist with employee training in use of AEDs, as well as CPR.

The following is a summary of the various departments AED status

LOCATION	AED IN PLACE	NEED AED	TRAINING
<b>LIBRARY</b>	NO	YES-1	NEED
<b>BEACON</b>	NO	YES-1	NEED
<b>PUBLIC WORKS</b>	NO	YES-1	NEED
<b>WWTF</b>	YES-1	YES-1	NEED
<b>VDSS</b>	NO	YES-1	NEED
<b>COURT</b>	YES-2 (not including vehicles)	NO	NEED
<b>CITY HALL</b>	YES-1	YES-1	NEED
<b>PARKS &amp; RECR.</b>	YES-1	NO	NEED

While conducting the research, it was also observed that there are multiple brands of AEDs being used throughout the city. As well as many of the AED machines not being usable and/or having expired products. For example, a machine at one location in the city does not power up. Additionally, one of the machines has defibrillator pads that expired in January, 2007.

Some of the current AEDs used in the city are no longer being manufactured. Nor are they being serviced. Replacement parts are available by 3<sup>rd</sup> party merchants.

BUDGET RESOLUTION AMENDMENT  
FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016

WHEREAS, at the meeting of the City Council of the City of Hopewell held on March 15, 2016, a budget amendment was introduced to appropriate funds for the FY 2015-2016 budget to provide funds for operations for defibrillators.

WHEREAS a budget amendment to appropriate funds in the amount of \$18,400 to provide funds for defibrillators from the Unassigned Fund Balance for the FY 2015-2016 budget, was introduced and,

WHEREAS, sufficient funds exist in the respective unassigned fund balance account,

BE IT, HEREBY, RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Hopewell that:

Sec. 1 The following designated funds and accounts shall be appropriated for funds for operations for defibrillators from the Unassigned Fund Balances.

General Fund-011:

Resources:

Fund Balance .....	\$18,400
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Appropriations:

Defibrillators .....	\$18,400
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**R-9**



# CITY OF HOPEWELL CITY COUNCIL ACTION FORM

**Strategic Operating Plan Vision Theme:**

- Civic Engagement
- Culture & Recreation
- Economic Development
- Education
- Housing
- Safe & Healthy Environment
- None (Does not apply)

**Order of Business:**

- Consent Agenda
- Public Hearing
- Presentation-Boards/Commissions
- Unfinished Business
- Citizen/Councilor Request
- Regular Business
- Reports of Council Committees

**Action:**

- Approve and File
- Take Appropriate Action
- Receive & File (no motion required)
- Approve Ordinance 1<sup>st</sup> Reading
- Approve Ordinance 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading
- Set a Public Hearing
- Approve on Emergency Measure

**COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** Appropriations of Aide To Locality Funding Grant (ATL).

**ISSUE:** 2014 Rollover of \$67,392.86 and Adjusting 2015 Aide To Locality (ATL) Funding from \$64,000.00 to \$71,571.00 that was received through the ATL Grant.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Appropriate \$74,963.86.

**TIMING:** Immediate

**BACKGROUND:** To adjust the Grant Funding for the Hopewell Fire Department.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Appropriate Grant Monies in the General Fund to the Hopewell Fire Department.

**ENCLOSED DOCUMENTS:** Yes

**STAFF:** Chief Hunter HFD

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## Aid to Localities Funding

<b>2013</b>	
2012 Carryover	\$53,908.77
2013 Allocation	\$64,431.00
Total 2013 Budget	\$118,339.77
<b>Expenditures</b>	
Total 2013 Expend.	\$83,296.86
Total 2013 Carryover	<b>\$35,042.91</b>
<b>2014</b>	
2013 Carryover	\$35,042.91
2014 Allocation	\$67,848.00
Total 2014 Budget	\$102,890.91
<b>Expenditures</b>	
Total 2014 Expend.	\$35,498.05
Total 2014 Carryover	<b>\$67,392.86</b>
<b>2015</b>	
2014 Carryover	\$67,392.86
2015 Allocation	\$71,571.00
Total 2015 Budget	\$138,963.86
<b>Expenditures</b>	
Total 2015 Expend.	\$33,785.25
Total 2015 Carryover	\$105,178.61

Virginia Total		324	8,001,024	\$ 25,151,640		312	\$ 26,441,331		312	
Description	FIN	FIPS Code	Population <sup>2</sup>	FY 2015 Allocation ESTIMATED 06/15/14	INITIAL PAYMENT (90%)	Transfer (Quarter)	FY 2015 Allocation ACTUAL 06/25/15	FINAL PAYMENT (10% or 100%)	Transfer (Quarter)	TOTAL PAYMENTS
White Stone	0000111303	484	352	\$ 10,000	\$ 9,000	4Q15	\$ 10,000	\$ 1,000	4Q15	\$ 10,000
Windsor	0000060689	485	2,626	\$ 10,000	\$ 9,000	1Q15	\$ 10,000	\$ 1,000	4Q15	\$ 10,000
Wise	0000052018	486	3,286	\$ 10,000	\$ 9,000	2Q15	\$ 10,411	\$ 1,411	4Q15	\$ 10,411
Woodstock	0000046255	487	5,097	\$ 15,308	\$ 13,777	1Q15	\$ 16,148	\$ 2,371	4Q15	\$ 16,148
Wytheville	0000052019	488	8,211	\$ 24,660	\$ 22,194	1Q15	\$ 26,014	\$ 3,820	4Q15	\$ 26,014
Clinchco	0000111383	490	337	\$ 10,000	\$ 9,000	3Q15	\$ 10,000	\$ 1,000	4Q15	\$ 10,000
South Boston	0000046252	492	8,142	\$ 24,453	\$ 22,008	1Q15	\$ 25,795	\$ 3,787	4Q15	\$ 25,795
Clifton Forge	0000050233	493	3,884	\$ 11,665	\$ 10,498	3Q15	\$ 12,305	\$ 1,807	4Q15	\$ 12,305
Bedford	0000052069	494	6,222	\$ 18,687	\$ 16,818	4Q15	\$ 19,712	\$ 2,894	4Q15	\$ 19,712
Total Towns		191	507,796	\$ 2,609,178	\$ 2,258,260	181	\$ 2,669,296	\$ 311,035	181	\$ 2,569,296

				(a)		(b)		(a + b)		
Alexandria	0000054945	510	139,966	\$ 420,360	\$ 378,324	1Q15	\$ 443,432	\$ 65,108	4Q15	\$ 443,432
Bristol	0000050112	520	17,835	\$ 53,564	\$ 48,207	3Q15	\$ 56,504	\$ 8,296	4Q15	\$ 56,504
Buena Vista	0000052059	530	6,650	\$ 20,000	\$ 18,000	1Q15	\$ 21,068	\$ 3,068	4Q15	\$ 21,068
Charlottesville	0000050812	540	43,475	\$ 130,568	\$ 117,512	1Q15	\$ 137,735	\$ 20,223	4Q15	\$ 137,735
Chesapeake	0000031867	550	222,209	\$ 667,360	\$ 600,624	4Q15	\$ 703,989	\$ 103,365	4Q15	\$ 703,989
Colonial Heights	0000053600	570	17,411	\$ 52,290	\$ 47,061	1Q15	\$ 55,160	\$ 8,099	4Q15	\$ 55,160
Covington	0000052063	580	5,961	\$ 20,000	\$ 18,000	3Q15	\$ 20,000	\$ 2,000	4Q15	\$ 20,000
Danville	0000052049	590	43,055	\$ 129,307	\$ 116,376	1Q15	\$ 136,404	\$ 20,028	4Q15	\$ 136,404
Emporia	0000052051	595	5,927	\$ 20,000	\$ 18,000	2Q15	\$ 20,000	\$ 2,000	4Q15	\$ 20,000
Fairfax	0000051004	600	22,565	\$ 67,769	\$ 60,992	2Q15	\$ 71,489	\$ 10,497	4Q15	\$ 71,489
Falls Church	0000051011	610	12,332	\$ 37,037	\$ 33,333	4Q15	\$ 39,070	\$ 5,736	4Q15	\$ 39,070
Franklin	0000052054	620	8,582	\$ 25,774	\$ 23,197	1Q15	\$ 27,189	\$ 3,992	4Q15	\$ 27,189
Fredericksburg	0000050171	630	24,286	\$ 72,938	\$ 65,644	2Q15	\$ 76,941	\$ 11,297	4Q15	\$ 76,941
Galax	0000050227	640	7,042	\$ 21,149	\$ 19,034	4Q15	\$ 22,310	\$ 3,276	4Q15	\$ 22,310
Hampton	0000046247	650	137,436	\$ 412,761	\$ 371,485	2Q15	\$ 435,417	\$ 63,931	4Q15	\$ 435,417
Harrisonburg	0000050309	660	48,914	\$ 146,903	\$ 132,213	1Q15	\$ 154,966	\$ 22,753	4Q15	\$ 154,966
Hopewell	0000052045	670	22,591	\$ 67,848	\$ 61,063	3Q15	\$ 71,571	\$ 10,509	4Q15	\$ 71,571
Lexington	0000050325	678	7,042	\$ 21,149	\$ 19,034	1Q15	\$ 22,310	\$ 3,276	4Q15	\$ 22,310
Lynchburg	0000046250	680	75,568	\$ 226,953	\$ 204,258	1Q15	\$ 239,410	\$ 35,152	4Q15	\$ 239,410
Manassas	0000050857	683	37,821	\$ 113,588	\$ 102,229	1Q15	\$ 119,822	\$ 17,593	4Q15	\$ 119,822
Manassas Park	0000050224	685	14,273	\$ 42,866	\$ 38,579	2Q15	\$ 45,219	\$ 6,639	4Q15	\$ 45,219
Martinsville	0000052037	690	13,821	\$ 41,509	\$ 37,358	1Q15	\$ 43,787	\$ 6,429	4Q15	\$ 43,787
Newport News	0000050480	700	180,719	\$ 542,753	\$ 488,478	1Q15	\$ 572,543	\$ 84,065	4Q15	\$ 572,543
Norfolk	0000050446	710	242,803	\$ 729,210	\$ 656,289	2Q15	\$ 769,234	\$ 112,945	4Q15	\$ 769,234
Norton	0000050225	720	3,958	\$ 20,000	\$ 18,000	3Q15	\$ 20,000	\$ 2,000	4Q15	\$ 20,000
Petersburg	0000046251	730	32,420	\$ 97,367	\$ 87,630	2Q15	\$ 102,711	\$ 15,081	4Q15	\$ 102,711
Poquoson	0000050231	735	12,150	\$ 36,490	\$ 32,841	1Q15	\$ 38,493	\$ 5,652	4Q15	\$ 38,493
Portsmouth	0000050162	740	95,535	\$ 286,920	\$ 258,228	2Q15	\$ 302,668	\$ 44,440	4Q15	\$ 302,668
Radford	0000054639	750	16,408	\$ 49,278	\$ 44,350	2Q15	\$ 51,983	\$ 7,633	4Q15	\$ 51,983
Richmond	0000058592	760	204,214	\$ 613,316	\$ 551,984	3Q15	\$ 646,979	\$ 94,995	4Q15	\$ 646,979
Roanoke	0000052033	770	97,032	\$ 291,416	\$ 262,274	1Q15	\$ 307,411	\$ 45,137	4Q15	\$ 307,411
Salem	0000054643	775	24,802	\$ 74,488	\$ 67,039	2Q15	\$ 78,576	\$ 11,537	4Q15	\$ 78,576
Staunton	0000052026	790	23,746	\$ 71,316	\$ 64,185	2Q15	\$ 75,231	\$ 11,046	4Q15	\$ 75,231
Suffolk	0000053296	800	84,585	\$ 254,034	\$ 228,631	2Q15	\$ 267,977	\$ 39,347	4Q15	\$ 267,977
Virginia Beach	0000050813	810	437,994	\$ 1,315,427	\$ 1,183,884	3Q15	\$ 1,387,627	\$ 203,742	4Q15	\$ 1,387,627
Waynesboro	0000052017	820	21,006	\$ 63,087	\$ 56,779	1Q15	\$ 66,550	\$ 9,771	4Q15	\$ 66,550
Williamsburg	0000053210	830	14,068	\$ 42,250	\$ 38,025	2Q15	\$ 44,569	\$ 6,544	4Q15	\$ 44,569
Winchester	0000051009	840	26,203	\$ 78,695	\$ 70,826	1Q15	\$ 83,015	\$ 12,189	4Q15	\$ 83,015
Total Cities		38	2,452,405	\$ 7,377,743	\$ 6,639,968	38	\$ 7,779,362	\$ 1,139,393	38	\$ 7,779,362

Note: FY 2015 Allocations estimates calculated with new 2010 US Census data

Summary	Localities	Population <sup>2</sup>	FY 2015 Allocation ESTIMATED 06/15/14	INITIAL PAYMENT (90%)	Transfer Count	FY 2015 Allocation ACTUAL 06/25/15	Transfer Count	TOTAL PAYMENTS
Counties	95	5,040,823	\$ 15,164,719	\$ 13,592,166	93	\$ 15,992,674	93	\$ 15,926,942
Towns	191	507,796	\$ 2,609,178	\$ 2,258,260	181	\$ 2,669,296	181	\$ 2,569,296
Cities	38	2,452,405	\$ 7,377,743	\$ 6,639,968	38	\$ 7,779,362	38	\$ 7,779,362
Virginia	324	8,001,024	\$ 25,151,640	\$ 22,490,395	312	\$ 26,441,331	312	\$ 26,275,599

Scheduled disbursements dates for FY-2015	
Friday, August 22, 2014	Friday, September 26, 2014
Friday, November 21, 2014	Friday, December 19, 2014
Friday, February 20, 2015	Friday, March 27, 2015
Friday, May 29, 2015	Tuesday, June 30, 2015

ATL disbursements are made via an electronic funds transfer (EFT) to the account-of-record of each jurisdiction.

**REGULAR  
BUSINESS  
REPORTS OF  
THE CITY  
ATTORNEY**

BUDGET RESOLUTION AMENDMENT  
FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016

WHEREAS, at the meeting of the City Council of the City of Hopewell held on March 15, 2016, a budget amendment was introduced to appropriate funds for the FY 2015-2016 budget to provide funds for Court Order (Denton).

WHEREAS a budget amendment to appropriate funds in the amount of \$14,872 to provide funds for Court Order (Denton) from the Unassigned Fund Balance for the FY 2015-2016 budget, was introduced and,

WHEREAS, sufficient funds exist in the respective unassigned fund balance account,

BE IT, HEREBY, RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Hopewell that:

Sec. 1 The following designated funds and accounts shall be appropriated for funds for operations for Court Order (Denton) from the Unassigned Fund Balances.

General Fund-011:

Resources:

Fund Balance .....	\$14,872
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Appropriations:

Court Order (Denton) .....	\$14,872
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**CLOSED  
SESSION**

**REPORTS  
OF THE  
CITY CLERK**

**Appointments/Reappointments to Boards and Commissions**

**March 15, 2016**

**VACANCIES**

**Talent Bank Resumes on File**

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**Virginia Gateway Region (4 year term) (1) TBR on file**

**Downtown Design Review Committee (4 year term) (1) TBR on file**

**District 19 Community Service Board (4 year term) (1) TBR on file**

**Keep Hopewell Beautiful (4 year term) (1) TBR on file**

# **REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

- **COMMITTEES**
- **INDIVIDUAL REQUEST**
- **ANY OTHER COUNCILOR**

**ADJOURN**