



SURVEY #2 RESULTS

Envisioning Future Holliston

[Abstract](#)

Raw survey results for all questions asked in the second Survey. Survey was open 6/1 – 8/9.
Data is provided without analysis or commentary.

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Section 1: Environment (Water Resources & Open Space)

Q1	Preserving drinking water and air quality, water resources, wetlands, marshlands and natural habitats.					
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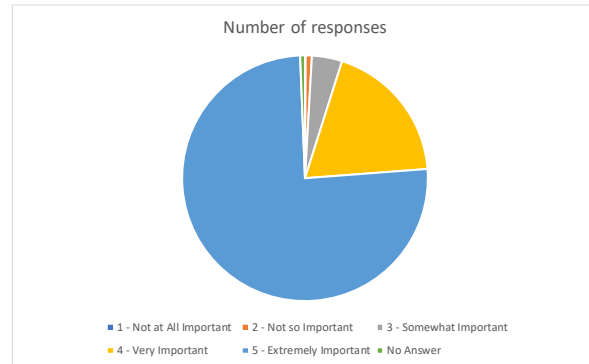
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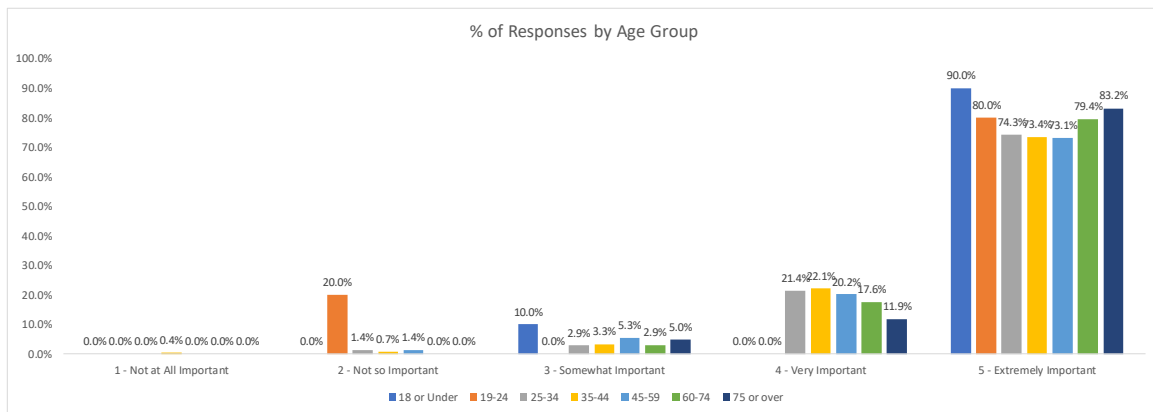
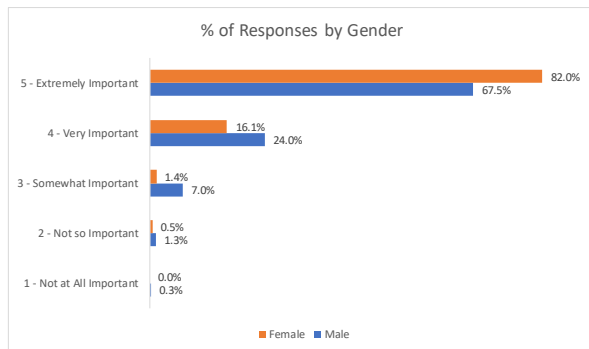
Male	1	5	27	93	262		4.57
	0.3%	1.3%	7.0%	24.0%	67.5%		

Female	0	3	8	95	483		4.80
	0.0%	0.5%	1.4%	16.1%	82.0%		

0.22



18 or under	0	0	1	0	9		4.80
	0.0%	0.0%	10.0%	0.0%	90.0%		
19 - 24	0	1	0	0	4		4.40
	0.0%	20.0%	0.0%	0.0%	80.0%		
25 - 34	0	1	2	15	52		4.69
	0.0%	1.4%	2.9%	21.4%	74.3%		
35 - 44	1	2	9	60	199		4.68
	0.4%	0.7%	3.3%	22.1%	73.4%		
45 - 59	0	5	19	72	261		4.65
	0.0%	1.4%	5.3%	20.2%	73.1%		
60 - 74	0	0	8	48	216		4.76
	0.0%	0.0%	2.9%	17.6%	79.4%		
75 or over	0	0	5	12	84		4.78
	0.0%	0.0%	5.0%	11.9%	83.2%		



Q2	Preserving public open spaces, beaches, conservation areas and walking trails.					
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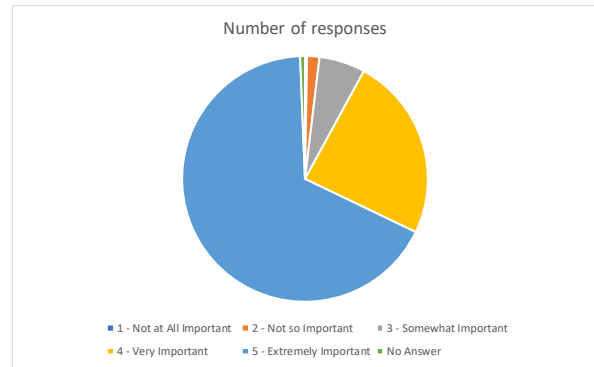
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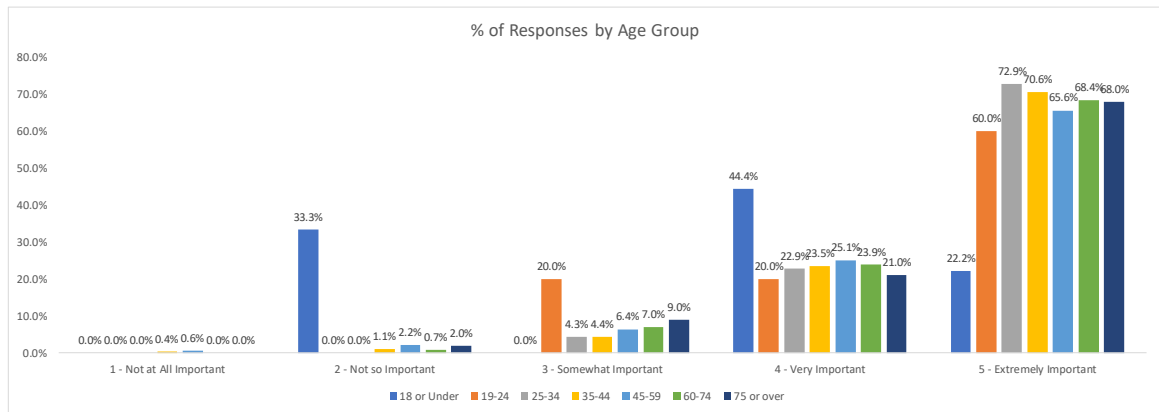
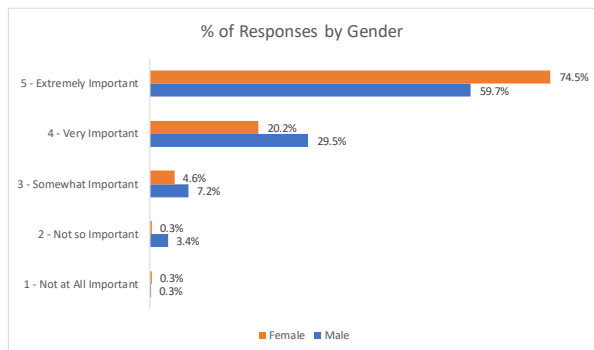
Male	1	13	28	114	231		4.45
	0.3%	3.4%	7.2%	29.5%	59.7%		

Female	2	2	27	119	438		4.68
	0.3%	0.3%	4.6%	20.2%	74.5%		

0.23



18 or under	0	3	0	4	2		3.56
	0.0%	33.3%	0.0%	44.4%	22.2%		
19 - 24	0	0	1	1	3		4.40
	0.0%	0.0%	20.0%	20.0%	60.0%		
25 - 34	0	0	3	16	51		4.69
	0.0%	0.0%	4.3%	22.9%	72.9%		
35 - 44	1	3	12	64	192		4.63
	0.4%	1.1%	4.4%	23.5%	70.6%		
45 - 59	2	8	23	90	235		4.53
	0.6%	2.2%	6.4%	25.1%	65.6%		
60 - 74	0	2	19	65	186		4.60
	0.0%	0.7%	7.0%	23.9%	68.4%		
75 or over	0	2	9	21	68		4.55
	0.0%	2.0%	9.0%	21.0%	68.0%		



Q3	Promote actively seeking out land acquisitions that protect natural and water resources, and expands open spaces.
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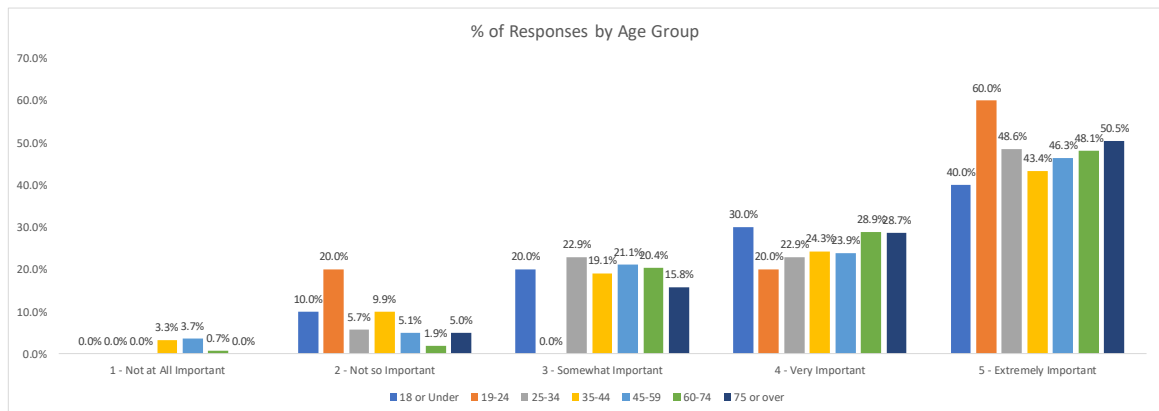
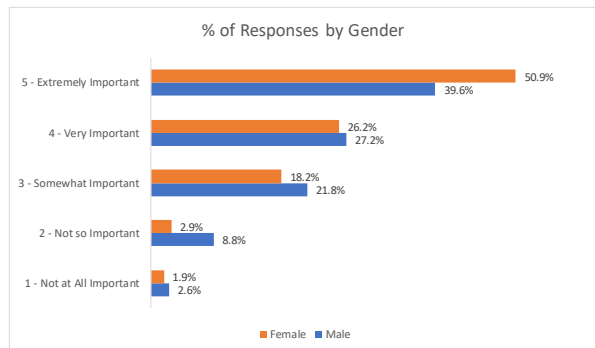
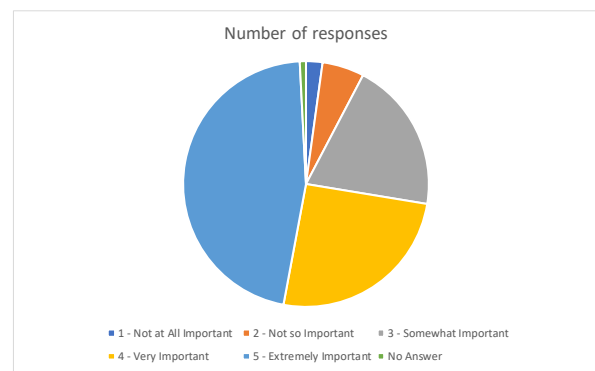
	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	24 2.2%	61 5.5%	220 19.9%	280 25.3%	511 46.2%	9 0.8%	4.09

Male	10 2.6%	34 8.8%	84 21.8%	105 27.2%	153 39.6%		3.92
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Female	11 1.9%	17 2.9%	107 18.2%	154 26.2%	299 50.9%		4.21
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18 or under	0 0.0%	1 10.0%	2 20.0%	3 30.0%	4 40.0%		4.00
19 - 24	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	3 60.0%		4.20
25 - 34	0 0.0%	4 5.7%	16 22.9%	16 22.9%	34 48.6%		4.14
35 - 44	9 3.3%	27 9.9%	52 19.1%	66 24.3%	118 43.4%		3.94
45 - 59	13 3.7%	18 5.1%	75 21.1%	85 23.9%	165 46.3%		4.04
60 - 74	2 0.7%	5 1.9%	55 20.4%	78 28.9%	130 48.1%		4.22
75 or over	0 0.0%	5 5.0%	16 15.8%	29 28.7%	51 50.5%		4.25



Q4	Promote development placement (zoning) that protects water resources and open spaces.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	15 1.4%	30 2.7%	137 12.4%	280 25.3%	634 57.4%	9 0.8%	4.36

Male	8 2.1%	18 4.7%	57 14.8%	113 29.3%	190 49.2%		4.19
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Female	5 0.9%	6 1.0%	61 10.4%	140 23.9%	375 63.9%		4.49
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18 or under	0 0.0%	2 22.2%	0 0.0%	3 33.3%	4 44.4%		4.00
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19 - 24	1 20.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	3 60.0%		4.00
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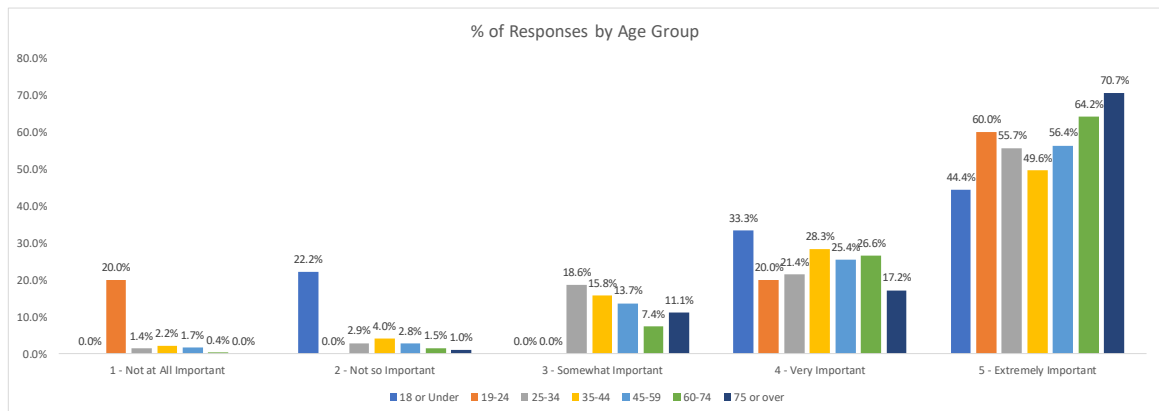
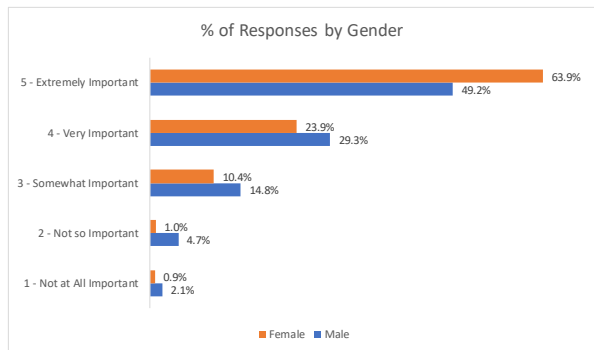
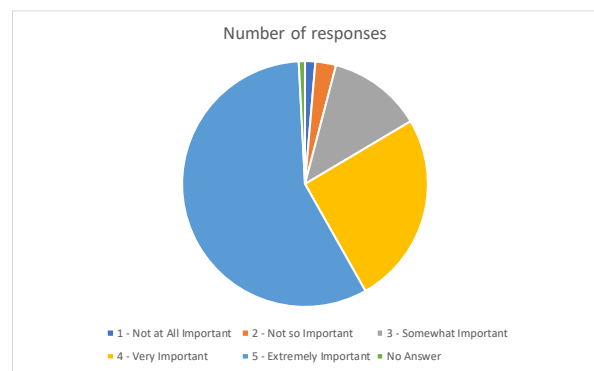
25 - 34	1 1.4%	2 2.9%	13 18.6%	15 21.4%	39 55.7%		4.27
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35 - 44	6 2.2%	11 4.0%	43 15.8%	77 28.3%	135 49.6%		4.19
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45 - 59	6 1.7%	10 2.8%	49 13.7%	91 25.4%	202 56.4%		4.32
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60 - 74	1 0.4%	4 1.5%	20 7.4%	72 26.6%	174 64.2%		4.53
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75 or over	0 0.0%	1 1.0%	11 11.1%	17 17.2%	70 70.7%		4.58
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Q5	Preserve agricultural assets (farms) throughout the community.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	27 2.4%	63 5.7%	191 17.3%	300 27.1%	513 46.4%	11 1.0%	4.11

Male	14 3.6%	34 8.8%	93 24.1%	103 26.7%	142 36.8%		3.84
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Female	9 1.5%	21 3.6%	72 12.3%	158 27.0%	326 55.6%		4.32
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18 or under	0 0.0%	3 30.0%	1 10.0%	2 20.0%	4 40.0%		3.70
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	0 0.0%	4 80.0%		4.60
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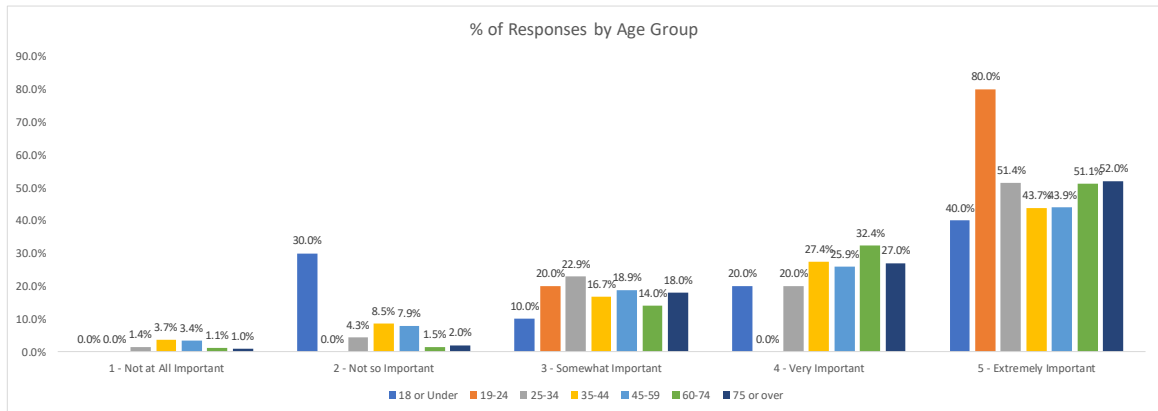
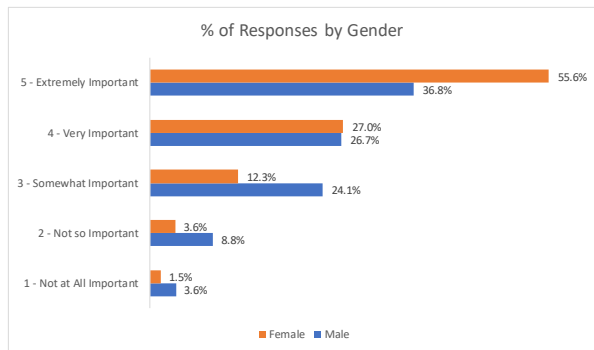
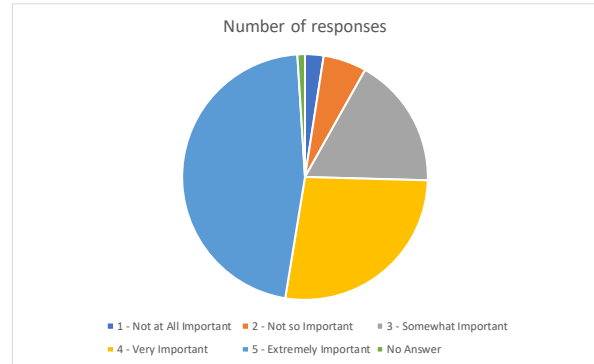
25 - 34	1 1.4%	3 4.3%	16 22.9%	14 20.0%	36 51.4%		4.16
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35 - 44	10 3.7%	23 8.5%	45 16.7%	74 27.4%	118 43.7%		3.99
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45 - 59	12 3.4%	28 7.9%	67 18.9%	92 25.9%	156 43.9%		3.99
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60 - 74	3 1.1%	4 1.5%	38 14.0%	88 32.4%	139 51.1%		4.31
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75 or over	1 1.0%	2 2.0%	18 18.0%	27 27.0%	52 52.0%		4.27
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Q6	Provide well-maintained high quality open spaces, beaches, lakes and conservation areas.
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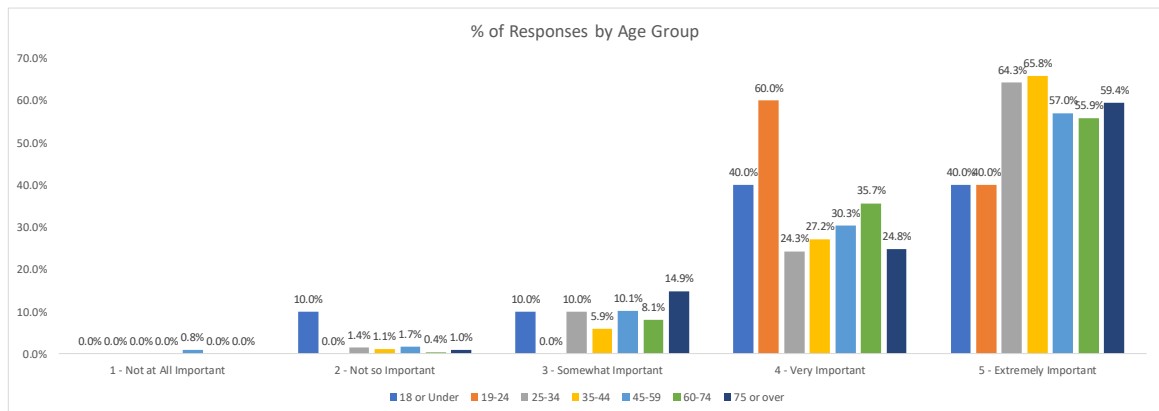
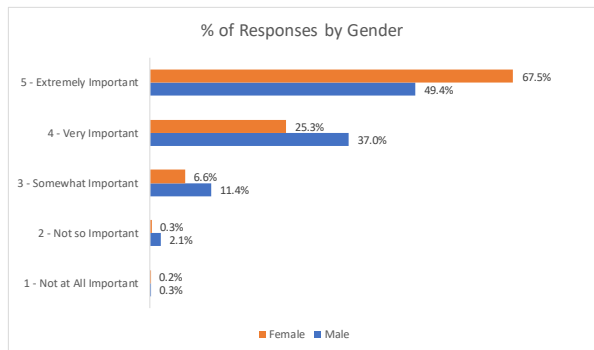
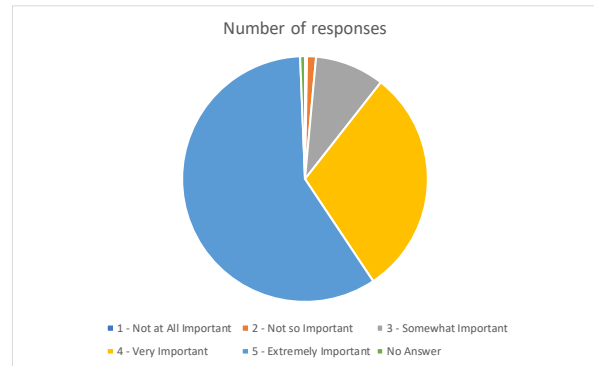
	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	3	13	101	332	649	7	4.47
	0.3%	1.2%	9.1%	30.0%	58.7%	0.6%	

Male	1	8	44	143	191		4.33
	0.3%	2.1%	11.4%	37.0%	49.4%		

Female	1	2	39	149	397		4.60
	0.2%	0.3%	6.6%	25.3%	67.5%		

0.27

18 or under	0	1	1	4	4		4.10
	0.0%	10.0%	10.0%	40.0%	40.0%		
19 - 24	0	0	0	3	2		4.40
	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	60.0%	40.0%		
25 - 34	0	1	7	17	45		4.51
	0.0%	1.4%	10.0%	24.3%	64.3%		
35 - 44	0	3	16	74	179		4.58
	0.0%	1.1%	5.9%	27.2%	65.8%		
45 - 59	3	6	36	108	203		4.41
	0.8%	1.7%	10.1%	30.3%	57.0%		
60 - 74	0	1	22	97	152		4.47
	0.0%	0.4%	8.1%	35.7%	55.9%		
75 or over	0	1	15	25	60		4.43
	0.0%	1.0%	14.9%	24.8%	59.4%		



#	What other community character & design goals do you recommend?	Time
1	The town needs to have the courage to deal with the invasive weeds in Lake Winthrop. The lake is dying and on one seems to care.	6/2/2022 15:36
2	less housing being built. too many developments in town.	6/2/2022 16:57
3	Making natural space accessible and connected to each other.	6/2/2022 17:14
4	Continue to monitor progress relative to tainted land areas	6/2/2022 17:16
5	Increasing solar panel usage on public buildings	6/2/2022 17:40
6	We should consider issues with sound. We are about 15,000 people and loud traffic and lawn equipment interfere with quality of life and family gatherings. We should consider limits on noise.	6/2/2022 18:46
7	Increase solar farms in our community	6/2/2022 19:23
8	Dog waste is a significant source of water pollution, plus it's just plain gross. Limit dog access (have some dog-free outdoor areas), enforce dog rules about picking up waste and dog-free areas. Actively address noise and light pollution. Stop any use of herbicides/pesticides on town lands, and promote pollinator friendly gardening rather than lawns, and also native plants use.	6/2/2022 19:57
9	Invest in solar for all public buildings	6/2/2022 20:27
10	Preserving trees	6/2/2022 20:39
11	Alternative power programs	6/2/2022 21:18
12	Preserve open spaces please	6/2/2022 21:31
13	Reduce emissions and plastic waste.	6/2/2022 21:59
14	Use native plants in our town landscaping projects	6/3/2022 6:31
15	Providing clean drinking water to all homes	6/3/2022 7:23
16	Increase walkability within town.	6/3/2022 8:28
17	its not about "preservation" which for cost reasons usually restricts, its about enabling use	6/3/2022 8:47
18	town sponsored composting, encourage battery operated (not gas) landscaping equipment	6/3/2022 9:03
19	Reduce the overwhelming tax burden this town endures. Find a way to save money instead of spending it. I hope and pray this town will become more fiscally responsible, and stop gouging the residents for money for more boondoggles, like the lights in the center of town, which have created major traffic jams morning and evening. We need to stop dreaming up ways of spending tax payer money, and start finding ways to save it. The people of this town are tired of being a piggy bank for selectman and town officials who want to spend money on every hairbrained idea that comes along.	6/3/2022 9:48
20	The town needs more town owned fields for youth sports.	6/3/2022 9:56
21	safer areas to walk on the streets of holliston - sidewalks!!!	6/3/2022 10:32
22	Inspect garbage trucks to reduce oil leakage on Holliston roads.	6/3/2022 10:57
23	Support the reduction of extremely loud trucks (just a few) using town roads	6/3/2022 12:01
24	Air pollution remediation; keeping clean air and water	6/3/2022 14:20
25	Conscientious recycling, investing (eg banks not connected with fossil fuels)renewable energy for town buildings (will save \$ over time)safe options with mosquito control	6/3/2022 15:45
26	Improve the water quality	6/3/2022 16:26

27	Addressing invasives on public lands.	6/4/2022 5:59
28	Preserving / upgrading drinking water quality (separate from preserving wetlands, marshlands, and natural habitats. These were lumped together in question 1 but they're separate issues)	6/4/2022 13:04
29	rapidly reducing carbon emissions - municipal, industrial and residential	6/4/2022 14:07
30	Increased public transportation on weekdays and weekends. Add sidewalks for pedestrians that want to walk to Ashland.	6/4/2022 22:07
31	Recreational facilities	6/5/2022 16:26
32	Creating more open playgrounds and even a performance area would be nice.	6/5/2022 19:32
33	Protection of pollinators (ie controlled and safe mosquito spraying, working w/Eversource to stop their Round-up spraying on easements ie at the Community Farm, continuing Parks & Rec's safe and organic field and woods maintenance)	6/5/2022 21:33
34	More trees planted on school grounds - no shade on school playgrounds	6/6/2022 7:07
35	Increase the number of trees within the community within 10 years	6/6/2022 9:51
36	Land leases for farming at reduced tax rates; conservation easements in exchange for reduced property taxes; town sewer system (piped dream that may be)	6/6/2022 12:11
37	Curbing littering on the corner of Jeffrey Ave, near Rogers Road and opposite the pond, that the trucks all leave when they park there.	6/6/2022 13:40
38	Preserving the rail trail.	6/6/2022 16:21
39	Clear weeds from lake Winthrop	6/6/2022 17:52
40	Zoning and other bylaw changes that strengthen efforts towards sustainability, mitigating the impact of climate change, and preserving natural resources/spaces	6/7/2022 14:16
41	Town facilities should use sustainable landscaping practices and residents should be encouraged to do the same.	6/7/2022 16:13
42	Having a green streetscape	6/7/2022 17:53
43	Whatever makes it possible to have more businesses in town. Sewer systems.	6/7/2022 19:38
44	Improve drinking water	6/7/2022 21:24
45	I am very concerned about the quality of our town's water!!	6/7/2022 21:34
46	Increase tree planting to offset new construction	6/8/2022 6:09
47	STOP building solar farms in Holliston! I am all for solar energy (we have solar panels on our house!), but these solar farms are a real shame. They are killing the natural landscape, creating erosion and irrigation problems, as well as hurting nearby home values, and taking away important habitats for local wildlife. We are creating more issues than we are solving!!	6/8/2022 9:01
48	Zoning Protection from Heavy Industrial Businesses like Casella.	6/8/2022 11:05
49	Dealing with invasive species in conservation areas, green maintenance of town outdoor spaces (e.g. paying attention to and minimizing pesticide use -- I don't know what is currently being done), incentivizing or requiring use of fewer single use plastics in town businesses (replacing plastics with compostable materials).	6/8/2022 19:24
50	Tighten rules governing land development so that projects such as 555 Hopping Brook never even get considered and housing development proceeds at a slower pace.	6/8/2022 21:42
51	Discontinue the use of large amounts of rocksalt on on roads during the winter months.	6/9/2022 7:45

52	Clean Air, Clean Water & Well Maintained Parks and Green Areas.	6/9/2022 9:33
53	Town should invest in more renewable energy sources for Town-owned buildings. I have always thought solar panels in the High School parking lot (vehicles would park underneath) would be an ideal solution for the HS energy needs	6/9/2022 11:00
54	Flood protection and starting a town wide composting program to reduce waste	6/9/2022 13:18
55	Transition to renewable energy	6/9/2022 19:20
56	promote more recycling	6/10/2022 6:46
57	Making town buildings greener (solar, recycle, compost...) and address the awful water quality and supply needs	6/10/2022 14:02
58	How about having a long range plan about what types of industry we are willing to have in our town? Strong zoning laws. What about enforcing the laws against industrial landowners who clear cut their property on weekends to circumvent the planning process.	6/14/2022 10:41
59	Designated dog park!	6/14/2022 17:19
60	Land preservation / tree removal bylaw	6/14/2022 17:53
61	Maintaing woodlands and animal habitats	6/14/2022 20:54
62	Preserve Lake Winthrop	6/14/2022 21:27
63	Creation of a Lake Winthrop Commission that can assume needed authority and oversight to address the problem of invasive weeds	6/14/2022 22:10
64	Less commercial development	6/15/2022 9:53
65	reduce Town's carbon footprint	6/15/2022 10:00
66	Anything that helps us do our part to combat climate change. I wish we had a municipal compost pickup, but I'm guessing that would be expensive?	6/15/2022 10:01
67	More parking for the rail trail.	6/15/2022 10:03
68	Clean up Lake Winthrop, figure out how to get rid of algae blooms	6/15/2022 10:04
69	land management that allows our population to access that land and utilize it for hiking / biking / fishing etc	6/15/2022 10:37
70	We have to start welcoming new business that will bring desperately needed revenue.	6/15/2022 10:38
71	solar power in areas that do not impact residential neighborhoods	6/15/2022 10:53
72	More solar power on Holliston schools and town property	6/15/2022 11:08
73	Promoting solar energy and perhaps providing tax exemptions	6/15/2022 11:10
74	Restrict commercial	6/15/2022 11:19
75	Drinking water and air quality are my top priorities	6/15/2022 11:44
76	Maintain safety of dumps and landfills (closed and open)	6/15/2022 12:13
77	Good maintenance of walking trails	6/15/2022 12:19
78	Can we look into building solar panels in the school parking lots to help offset the energy expenditures at the schools? Ashland high school has done this (the overhead kind like at Lista on Jeffrey Ave here that do not take away parking space) and it seems like a brilliant idea.	6/15/2022 12:23
79	clearing of poison ivy on road sides and walk ways	6/15/2022 12:23

	Trees: get a tree-planting program instead of the current tree-removing trend. Town-owned electric vehicles and DPW machinery, electric school busses, Native plantings by parks & DPW, public education about residential pesticides and fertilizers that hurt pollinators and pollute the lake, incentives for green technology and LEED certification for any and all new building, Incentives for ground and air source heating/cooling pumps, especially in municipal buildings.	6/15/2022 12:25
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	Helping residents learn how to use less water, especially through landscaping. Offer incentives for residents to phase out lawns and move towards water friendly planting.	
81	Ban residential irrigation.	6/15/2022 13:04
82	Not sure if environmental but sidewalks on Central St	6/15/2022 13:16
83	Clean water, better waste management, recycling & town clean up!	6/15/2022 13:23
	Clean up contaminates sites. Provide sidewalks so people can walk/bike instead of drive.	
84	Do another solar panel program.	6/15/2022 13:36
	Preserving and provide a good quality drinking water is the most important to all of the above.	
85		6/15/2022 13:52
86	More sidewalks and bike lanes to promote emissions free transportation	6/15/2022 13:59
87	prohibit new development and encourage redevelopment.	6/15/2022 14:16
	It would be wonderful if the town supports the environment by transitioning to all native plantings.	
88		6/15/2022 17:41
89	sewerage, underground wires, renewable energy sources	6/15/2022 18:11
	Get rid of the Waste Management garbage plant; they use a lot of water and discharge toxic waste.	
90		6/15/2022 18:19
91	Going Electric for lawn mowers, plows etc	6/15/2022 18:19
92	Discourage housing development	6/15/2022 23:25
93	Control invasive species on town land	6/16/2022 5:58
94	Make sure that individuals must follow the laws as they exist.	6/16/2022 11:41
95	I am not sure	6/16/2022 12:10
96	Clean air—control truck emissions	6/16/2022 13:14
	be open to the reality that we live i(environmental speaking) in an extremely altered ecosystem and that invasive plant species can fill a void created by development and can provide pollinators with nutritional forage habitats	
97		6/16/2022 15:52
	Support the golf course and existing farms which add to Holliston's beauty and open space.	
98		6/16/2022 16:01
	Sustainable growth options should be pursued by town where builders, businesses and residents can thrive through constructive partnerships.	
99		6/16/2022 16:33
100	Bee HOuses around the town. Pollinator-friendly gardens.	6/17/2022 7:33
101	Decreasing carbon emissions and transitioning to renewable sources of energy.	6/17/2022 8:40
	Decrease noise pollution created by trucks. Set limit of Decibels for vehicles in the town. Decrease Light pollution, including older structures that are grandfathered under older laws.	
102		6/17/2022 9:24
	Increasing density zoning in areas that are not environmentally sensitive to reduce sprawl in areas that are.	
103		6/17/2022 13:20
	Townwide curbside composting. Putting our water bill infrastructure fees to use to improve the quality of drinking water in town	
104		6/17/2022 14:42

105	Improve playgrounds at schools	6/17/2022 14:45
106	Pollution rules (companies must pay a tax/fee for the amount they pollute per year if it exceeds a certain extent)	6/17/2022 15:22
107	Nature and human based solutions to make lake Winthrop very clean. Environmental education at schools.	6/17/2022 15:40
108	Outdoor/environmental education and learning opportunities within school day.	6/17/2022 16:11
109	More assistance to residents who own wetlands.	6/17/2022 17:19
110	Water resource protection, environmental clean up of know contaminated areas, ban single use plastics, have recycling bins in public spaces, reduce reliance upon fossil fuels	6/18/2022 10:45
111	continue town access to renewal sourced electrical energy	6/18/2022 16:01
112	Density is the best way to preserve open spaces - 500 people in an apartment complex is much better for the environment than 500 people in 125 houses.	6/18/2022 17:33
113	Fewer large trucks on streets and roads	6/19/2022 9:15
114	Better water	6/19/2022 11:57
115	Keeping our scenic roads filled with trees and woods, also supporting the wildlife that lives there.	6/19/2022 13:22
116	Better energy sources-- solar panels, water sources, wind sources. Tree farms and nurseries. Continuous tree pruning and underground wiring. Town recycling and swap shop area to keep areas clean and to provide town unity--works in many towns.	6/19/2022 19:14
117	Holliston is blessed by nature, geographic location and past local government actions. Town funding has been sufficient to protect and sustain environmental assets; other issues should have funding priority.	6/20/2022 8:39
118	Modernize our parks and beaches, we are behind other towns.	6/20/2022 11:01
119	limit building, have a moratorium on building houses	6/20/2022 15:46
120	Prevent clear cutting	6/20/2022 15:53
121	Public water systems so we can connect to public water supply.	6/20/2022 20:55
122	By creating outside multi usage areas we can get outside an expand socially with our local residents a instead of all of this isolation.	6/21/2022 17:00
123	Make Holliston more walkable	6/21/2022 22:44
124	Keep the beaches clean	6/22/2022 10:03
125	Use of Geothermal As an energy resource	6/22/2022 10:09
126	Elevating projects such as the farmers market to reduce Holliston's carbon foot print and promote the agricultural economy in the area.	6/22/2022 10:22
127	I would love to see easier access to existing and new open spaces that currently exist. Extension of the rail trail to Stoddard park and the Adam's Street Lot are two examples I can think of.	6/22/2022 10:28
128	Improve and secure facilities already available, buy other property opportunistically.	6/22/2022 10:41
129	Wildlife protection, climate change preparedness	6/22/2022 10:50
130	No large commercial distribution centers in town period	6/22/2022 11:03
131	Increased use of solar panels (eg school parking lots), electric school bus fleet.	6/22/2022 11:03
132	Partnering with School Board to treat the fields and open spaces at all campuses as important to the community's use of the outdoors and a representation of Holliston's image.	6/22/2022 11:09
133	Reduced truck and cut-thru commuter traffic	6/22/2022 11:39

134	I believe we have plenty of conservation land already in Town that is underutilized. Emphasis should be on increasing the usage. I do not believe the town should continue buying private property under the guise of conservation, including former farmland. That said, I believe better zoning and clearer directions on requirements related to resource usage for residential and commercial development is essential, so we don't have further exploitation of our Town.	6/22/2022 11:57
135	Stop other boards from brining businesses to town that will impact ground water, increase noise levels and add more big trucks and traffic on our already stressed roadways. Have the zoning board of appeals work with the planning and conservation boards to protect our water, land and environment. Take input from the building inspector and do not ignore that feedback to serve a separate agenda. Every surrounding town is rejecting vehicle storage lots. Holliston should follow and stop increasing the ones we already have.	6/22/2022 13:29
136	Protection of endangered and threatened species	6/22/2022 13:40
137	- Reduce town carbon footprint by reducing the number of gas hookups allowed for new development and by having a carbon fee added to building permit fees for new gas stove hookups. - Promote water conservation by requiring lawn sprinkler registration and yearly fees.	6/22/2022 13:41
138	Insure that the town works to be carbon free. Add solar units to town buildings and upgrade heating and cooling systems. Replace town vehicles with electric vehicles where feasible.	6/22/2022 14:22
139	Maintenance of current wetlands and natural landscape to perserve what is quickly getting overrun by urban sprawl.	6/22/2022 14:42
140	Reduction in road traffic	6/22/2022 14:43
141	Decrease all possible use of fossil fuel.	6/22/2022 15:03
142	Rebates/incentives for alternative energy sources like solar and wind tech.	6/22/2022 15:15
143	Solar energy as a replacement to more costly and energy impactful sources	6/22/2022 15:20
144	Keep traffic at reasonable levels	6/22/2022 15:36
145	Municipal swimming pool with the development of a new High School	6/22/2022 16:33
146	More public park/rec space	6/22/2022 19:50
147	Improved walking trails and beaches	6/22/2022 20:51
148	Watch development to maintain water table.	6/22/2022 21:15
149	Making sure new income projects for the town do not put environmental goals at risk	6/22/2022 21:35
150	Get us good water and get rid of the ridiculous lights downtown	6/22/2022 21:53
151	invest in green energy within town properties, limit buildings to only "green buildings" can be built for homes/businesses. Net zero should be the goal! No fossil fuels	6/23/2022 7:55
152	Properly maintain public parks and athletic facilities (tennis courts and basketball courts). At high school develop tennis courts and basketball courts.	6/23/2022 8:40
153	get rid of fafard out of holliston	6/23/2022 14:01
154	Green trees	6/23/2022 14:09
155	Limiting noise and air pollution	6/23/2022 14:09

156	Relieve traffic congestion.	6/23/2022 14:10
157	Continued exploration of sewerage over septic	6/23/2022 14:14
158	Drinking water & air quality are absolutely #1 for us. Parks, beaches, trails, and farms are #2.	6/23/2022 14:19
159	Incentives for homeowners and businesses to switch to solar and other climate friendly energy sources.	6/23/2022 14:24
160	Increased solar utilization for electricity supply, become more self-sufficient off-grid to reduce community impact and reduce risks to safety of our residents.	6/23/2022 14:25
161	Incentives for those using solar panels, energy efficient systems in their homes	6/23/2022 14:29

1. Climate Action - no new gas stations
2. Climate action- more EV stations, including fast chargers (fee stations)
3. Climate action - apply for grants for electric school busses and state funded charging stations ; town neglected to apply last round.
4. Climate action - require solar on all new construction, especially projects like hopping Brook
5. Climate action- require graves to be Ev ready (40-50 amp plug)

1. Reduce town carbon footprint - by reducing the number or gas hookups allowed for new development
2. Reduce carbon foot print - by have carbon fee adder to building permit fees (new gas stove hookup would have higher Building inspection fee than new electric outlet.
3. Reduce carbon foot print - Reduce trash tonnage by having town sponsored composting.

1. Promote water conservation- Reduce typical lawn sizes to promote water conservation and native plant and animal habitat.
2. Promote water conservation- requiring year lawn sprinkler registration and hefty fee (similar to dog Registration)
3. Promote water conservation- require grey water system in all new construction; promote conversion for all existing

1. established a lake Winthrop committee that has jurisdiction rights to getting things done.
2. Promote a walkable town. Sidewalks for all streets/ streets near rail trail. Norfolk st,

162	East Holliston (locust, rt 16)	6/23/2022 14:31
163	No more solar farms it's ruining the environment and making it difficult for wildlife	6/23/2022 14:33
164	moratorium on house & condo construction	6/23/2022 14:41
165	more planting of trees and bushes flowers	6/23/2022 14:41
166	Public Sewer to promote business growth, especially restaurants	6/23/2022 14:47
167	Encourage town residents and business to practice water preservation, and other climate friendly practices	6/23/2022 14:55

168	Water	6/23/2022 14:55
169	Provide sport courts	6/23/2022 15:22
170	Protect our water supply it is very fragile and precious	6/23/2022 15:24
171	Noise reduction (leaf blower bans on sundays?) and specific zoning to ensure loud businesses aren't operated within residential communities	6/23/2022 15:25
172	Keep open spaces a priority. Also, provide better quality drinking water	6/23/2022 15:26
173	Additional walking and biking trails	6/23/2022 15:27
174	Lowering the town's carbon footprint Increasing walkability and decreasing vehicle traffic	6/23/2022 15:34
175	I'll answer in additional comments (which I'm sure are at the end).	6/23/2022 15:45
176	I would hope the town would prevent large distribution fulfillment centers in our Industrial parks as this would create heavy truck traffic congestion, pollution.	6/23/2022 15:56
177	Drinking water quality should be the biggest priority	6/23/2022 16:06
178	Find a way to end or favorably modify the overly restrictive outdoor water ban. Also, I would like better communication from the town for when mosquito spraying programs will be in the area so residents can close their windows ahead of time. The existing blackboard notification system would be a good tool for this.	6/23/2022 16:28
179	Keep Holliston non-commercial, meaning please do not ever let big box stores come to our town. I want Holliston to feel like I'm still in the country. Also, the vacant gas station on Washington and Green Street needs to be demolished. We need nicer sit down restaurants so we don't have to drive to Wellesley. MOST OF ALL, WE NEED A NEW HIGH SCHOOL. WHAT HAPPENED TO THE ROI THE PREVIOUS SUPERINTENDENT SUBMITTED? HAS IT BEEN SUBMITTED EACH YEAR SINCE? WE DESPARATELY NEED A NEW HIGH SCHOOL, STOP PUTTING ON BANDAIDS. MULTIPLE MILLION DOLLAR HOUSES BEING BUILT IN OUR TOWN TAKING OUR WOODS AWAY, SHOULD HELP PAY FOR A NEW SCHOOL BY NOW.	6/23/2022 16:31
180	Take or leave area at the town dump to allow residents to take or leave usable goods. Similar to model of the Town of Wellesley.	6/23/2022 16:35
181	More sidewalks/bike lanes to encourage walking/biking	6/23/2022 17:28
182	Access to sites for people with some parking and access off of existing property and rail trail options where possible	6/23/2022 17:28
183	Improve quality of our drinking water	6/23/2022 18:28
184	Sewer for downtown	6/23/2022 18:31
185	Addressing the noxious weeds at Lake Winthrop	6/23/2022 18:45
186	Limit development. I'm tired of hearing people complain about wildlife in their backyards when we keep building on their habitats.	6/23/2022 20:44
187	Water quality and other environmental exposures to levels deemed safe based on European standards and not those that the US government currently provides. Will make are kids and futures safer, healthier and our community will become more attractive.	6/23/2022 21:05
188	Walkable and bikeable trails wherever possible	6/23/2022 21:37
189	Replace septic systems with town sewer systems. Build sidewalks on all Holliston streets.	6/23/2022 21:47

190	Other environmental goals I recommend are enforcing landowner encroachment of wetlands; water flow through wetlands; surveying storm drain pipes for breakage; encouraging pollination plant planting on town land and residents'.	6/23/2022 21:48
191	Develop a solid network of parks. Have more really nice gardens in town, like the ones in front of the town hall, and church in the center of town.	6/23/2022 22:56
192	Limit housing construction. Water resources are limited, more housing equals more pressure on resources.	6/23/2022 22:57
193	Maintain and upgrade (as necessary) rail trail	6/24/2022 7:50
194	Move toward use of solar and green energy sources for town buildings.	6/24/2022 7:56
195	Improve weed problem in Lake Winthrop	6/24/2022 8:46
196	high quality water filtering for water coming INTO the home. we added a whole house filter due to the high chlorine content. it took color out of clothing.	6/24/2022 9:03
197	Requiring solar on new parking and buildings.	6/24/2022 10:37
198	Incorporating green infrastructure into all community activities for the protection of water quality	6/24/2022 10:41
199	Establish town owned solar panel fields to generate low cost electric power to residents	6/24/2022 11:14
200	less new developments	6/24/2022 12:09
201	Compost services, more resources for community garden,	6/24/2022 18:04
202	bringing in environmentally-friendly companies	6/24/2022 20:20
203	control traffic through town and major construction.	6/24/2022 20:42
204	Besides preserving lakes I would like to see a priority to preserve local ponds also	6/25/2022 14:21
205	Eliminate the traffic lights in the center that benefit the few and impact the majority who wait in idling cars and pollute the air	6/25/2022 14:37
206	I think safe and non brown drinking water should have been it's own category not lumped with wetlands. I worry about the towns drinking water and don't want to be flint. Our towns water needs to be a priority.	6/25/2022 16:13
207	Look for ways to link open spaces, parks etc with walking, biking trails away from roads.	6/25/2022 18:26
208	Forests are great for carbon sequestration; let's severely minimize any tree removal.	6/26/2022 10:22
209	clean water from our distribution system is a priority	6/26/2022 21:32
210	expansion of gas lines to reduce reliance on heating oil	6/27/2022 13:01
211	Enable recreation like mountain bike riding, hiking and dog walking	6/28/2022 6:32
212	Roads are dismal. Please, please fix	6/28/2022 8:02
213	Formal sustainability and resiliency plan for the town. We seem to be very tactical with our current approach with no formal overall plan with key milestones and goals.	6/28/2022 11:13
214	Provide street lights on trails, provide parking areas for trials.	6/28/2022 13:43
215	reduce plastic use, encourage composting at HOAs and apartments with free pickup	6/28/2022 21:04
216	Would love to see sidewalks on Norfolk St so people could access the trails at Patoma & Stoddard	6/28/2022 22:26
217	Clean water and at an affordable price per cubic foot.	6/29/2022 7:34
218	Clean drinking water	6/29/2022 7:45
219	Parks	6/29/2022 20:48
220	Making the town offices run on sustainable energy, improving and promoting hazardous waste disposal programs, limiting to noise pollution from roads	6/29/2022 21:19

221	Improve walkability and maintain rail trail	6/29/2022 21:19
222	Remove toxins from Lake Winthrop	6/29/2022 22:33
223	The litter and trash around the fields is ridiculous and disgusting. More trash bins would be helpful.	6/30/2022 5:30
224	Water system that can support not going on water restrictions yearly	6/30/2022 9:14
225	planting trees everywhere possible, schools, parks, along sidewalks	6/30/2022 9:44
226	Work on a plan to make Holliston the greenest and most sustainable town in MA. More walking and bike paths to ensure kids can bike and walk to school and adults can do the same locally. Work on solar options as a town — for example the schools can get solar panels to ensure their energy supply and reduce long term costs, provide workshops on how to reduce watering lawns and plant more native trees, look at green materials for building town properties.	6/30/2022 13:17
227	Encourage reduced carbon technologies throughout town	6/30/2022 15:22
228	Investing in sidewalks that lead to downtown, so that more people can walk instead of drive.(Norfolk St, Central St...)	6/30/2022 15:34
229	Use solar panels on school and municipal buildings.	7/1/2022 12:55
230	Programs for generating electric with solar, public electric car stations, educational programs that engage public school children and the elderly in town	7/2/2022 16:05
231	Less developments especially around wetlands	7/2/2022 16:30
232	Protect forested areas from becoming developed or cut down	7/3/2022 12:53
233	There have been a lot of healthy older large trees cut down recently around our neighborhood. It seems to clear lots for building - possibly. There needs to be a tree planting program for planting trees that will be large i.e. oaks and such - not just the smaller ornamental trees. In just the two years we've been her, we've noticed more trees cut and no apparent replacements for them. People should be discouraged from cutting down old growth trees and encouraged to plant more trees on their property - where possible.	7/4/2022 0:28
234	Carbon neutral goal	7/4/2022 7:42
235	Educational Environmental Tours of open spaces, wetlands, beaches and how we fit into scheme of environmental protection	7/4/2022 9:26
236	Cleaner drinking water	7/4/2022 15:10
237	Protect our wetlands	7/5/2022 9:29
238	Controlling new buildings- first use empty building like on Lowland St. Also control of tree-cutting and finally, restrictions on pesticide use in public places and strict guidelines for private use so we're not unthinkingly poisoning the earth.	7/5/2022 16:31
239	Stricter penalties to those who litter and waste water.	7/5/2022 18:44
240	More active conservation and management of town-managed forests and properties (as opposed to hands-off "preservation.")	7/5/2022 22:50
241	Restoration of areas that have been degraded by use. Preserving/Restoring/Maintaining habitat for native species, both plant and animal.	7/8/2022 11:07
242	maintaining our beaches, lakes and walking trails	7/8/2022 19:06
243	Enforce existing laws	7/8/2022 21:09
244	Monitor use of fertilizers and it's effect on water quality	7/9/2022 1:19
245	Finish rail trail to Sherborn. Eliminate water use restrictions. Modernize Patoma, Pleasure Point, lake access.	7/9/2022 8:09

246	How will Holliston "enforce" the goals? How will the Health agent and Board of Health be more involved and active in these efforts? Very important: how will Holliston more intelligently and harmoniously integrate industry with residential and agricultural, such that outside and construction industrial are not in conflict with homeowners?	7/10/2022 16:19
247	NOISE CONTROL! Air quality: keeping big trucks off side roads at the east and west ends of Holliston	7/10/2022 19:03
248	Wildlife areas	7/11/2022 13:52
249	I very much don't want to see any more gigantic warehouses being proposed and seriously considered by the town anywhere. The traffic can't take it and our roads are not built for industrial use.	7/12/2022 11:15
	Without seeing the rest of the survey, it is hard to rank how important these items are for me, so I just put not important to most of them, but that doesn't adequately capture how I feel. I had trouble answering because I think the phrasing of many of these questions is problematic, as many of them discuss preserving and protecting, and this may be at odds with much needed CHANGE in Holliston. They all sound desirable at face value, but what would "promote development placement (zoning) that protects water resources and open spaces" mean, for example? How might that undermine efforts to expand affordable housing in Holliston? How might it deter the building of the high school, if we decide that we need to build on what has been deemed open space that people want to preserve?	
	I answered #1 because I want to express that making sure that we have quality water in our community is important and we need to make sure we are fixing whatever we need to fix so that no Holliston resident has brown water, as so many have experienced.	
	I support "quality" beaches and trails, but to me this means accessible to all. I am frustrated that the grills were removed from Stoddard Park as I think they were an attractive feature to many people who don't have backyards or access to swimming pools. The grills drew in diversity. Some Holliston residents commented that the people who were using them "weren't from here", which is racially coded language. The grills are no longer available and the beaches in our town, one place where we saw racially diverse crowds, are less diverse. I fear that "quality" will mean different things to different people.	
	Some idea I have around environmental goals would be making Holliston a place where "green" businesses want to set up shop. I'm not sure if Holliston has a community farm, but a farm co-op where people could grow together and then each receive a share of the produce would be great. Holliston is a right to farm community, which is great. I would like to see it made illegal to have HOA bylaws in town which ban having any sort of farm animals.	
	Can we incentivize Holliston residents to sign up for compost services?	
250	Can the sustainability coordinator develop a committee to brainstorm how Holliston can reduce its carbon emissions from both a business and residential standpoint?	7/13/2022 10:31
251	less building permits for new houses/developments	7/15/2022 16:09
252	no hopping brook development	7/16/2022 10:19
253	Electric car charging station and solar options for small biz	7/18/2022 7:46
254	Making recycling and other environmental issues part of school curriculum	7/18/2022 9:02

255	Treatment to Get rid of weeds in lake winthrop	7/18/2022 10:28
256	Honestly the conservation of land and funding of farmland is a great thing to push for.	7/18/2022 12:15
	all town building are LEED-certified	
257	LED lights in all town lights	7/18/2022 15:07
258	Clean/filtered town water source	7/18/2022 15:07
259	promote solar energy	7/18/2022 16:13
260	Forest management	7/18/2022 16:47
261	Use only mosquito sprays that are not toxic to pollinators	7/18/2022 17:23
262	More signage and information along the rail trail!	7/18/2022 18:10
263	Become more energy efficient by engaging the town people to use energy more wisely	7/18/2022 19:49
264	Clean reasonably priced municipal water	7/18/2022 20:04
265	Fixing the well issues for those of us with contaminated water.	7/18/2022 20:20
266	supporting pollinators (bees)	7/18/2022 20:38
267	Better recycling and composting	7/18/2022 21:07
268	Get Holliston Public School students and other local organizations involved in helping the town reach its environmental goals.	7/18/2022 21:29
269	Noise ordinance to limit the loud auto noise in town. Motorcycles, truck air brakes, etc...	7/18/2022 21:57
270	Reduce air pollution, change traffic patterns to encourage less traffic, increase home owner rewards for conservation efforts, i.e. solar panels, wind farms	7/18/2022 21:58
271	We need conservation laws/fines on the books that actually have teeth. That is currently Not the case. Best example I know of is Fafard development wetland violations and town well issues due to the same development	7/18/2022 23:07
272	Much better water than we currently have that does not smell like bleach when it comes out of the tap.	7/19/2022 1:33
273	keeping our drinking water clean	7/19/2022 8:02
274	Keep large scale Fafard developments and similar types of land development corporations out of Holliston	7/19/2022 9:00
275	School should be teaching kids how to properly recycle and minimize waste.	7/19/2022 10:21
276	WRT Conservation areas, "Well maintained" is the key. As much as conservation is a critical environmental aspect, simply letting it be creates not only unsightliness and electrical hazards due to overgrown limbs and climbers seen all over town, it also breeds mosquitos and brings wild life closer to homes causing potential harm to both the wild life (road kills etc) as well as to families (diseases like EEE and encounters with unexpected animals like bears, bob cats, coyotes, fisher cats etc)	7/19/2022 10:24
277	Dispose of downtown abandon gas gastation.	7/19/2022 10:29
278	I would prefer 3 well maintained areas to 5 poorly maintained ones.	7/19/2022 11:16
279	More hazardous waste days. But really we are extremely concerned with our drinking water first and foremost.	7/19/2022 13:02

	Become a Tree City through the Arbor Day Foundation, to have town regulations to protect our trees and to educate our citizens about their importance. Also, continue to	
280	make available information on more sustainable ways to heat and cool our homes.	7/19/2022 13:21
281	New buildings getting solar and more options for electric cars.	7/19/2022 15:05
282	Cleaning out streams like Jar Brook to promote water flow vs stagnant pools	7/19/2022 15:39
283	Town sewage top priority	7/19/2022 16:56
284	Reduce carbon footprint. Maintain good quality drinking water.	7/19/2022 21:26
285	Information and access to recycling of household items so they don't end up in landfills.	7/20/2022 5:53
286	Monitoring culverts to ensure proper water drainage, ensure loss of trees is minimal due to new construction,	7/20/2022 8:33
287	Cleaner and healthier setup for us and next gen	7/20/2022 9:20
288	Allowing for further development of downtown. Creating the ability to draw restaurant and store openings.	7/20/2022 10:39
289	noise reduction	7/20/2022 12:41
290	Picking up litter along our roads, especially Washington Street. IMO a lot of the trash blows out of the large trash trucks to/from the transfer station near Locust St. so maybe regulating that more closely would help.	7/20/2022 14:02
291	Limit housing development and decrease vehicle congestion	7/20/2022 19:35
292	Stop building massive housing developments that clear cut our last remaining trees and forests	7/20/2022 23:54
293	Being more careful of over developing our town	7/21/2022 8:05
294	Need more trees planted in public spaces and along roadways.	7/21/2022 11:26
295	Elevate air quality	7/21/2022 15:01
296	A considered and conservative approach to residential and commercial development in our town, as in where are we with the cap of how many homes our town will have and what is the ceiling for how much square footage of retail/commercial space?	7/21/2022 15:33
297	Decrease out of town traffic on route 16!	7/21/2022 17:13
298	reduce traffic exhaust and noise	7/21/2022 17:49
299	Reducing carbon footprint	7/22/2022 9:34
300	Reducing town use of plastic. Free rain water barrels and composting support/pick-up	7/22/2022 9:55
301	Include weekly compost pick up to trash pickup services already in place.	7/22/2022 11:34
302	Limit use of chemical fertilizers	7/22/2022 11:53
303	A better balance between letting larger homes water their lawns and water bans.	7/22/2022 15:23
304	i would like it if you kept zoning at a rate that allows for more affordable housing than we have now. Truth of the matter our affordable housing isn't really affordable and our over 55+ housing is not affordable.	7/22/2022 19:03
305	I'm really nervous about the drinking water (magnesium, PFAs, etc). There are superfund sites nearby. Maybe an interactive map on the city website where people could input their own testing information (since people private test) and we could see plumes. erinonstine@gmail.com -- I don't mind assisting in the web-creation portion if you have access to data and a site to post it to.	7/22/2022 20:37

	think holistically about all the wildlife in the area and how we can protect and ensure their habitats, for example find ways to connect habitats so wildlife can move around (e.g. underpass road crossings etc), limit/better regulate the usage of chemicals that may harm wildlife and environment, more education and resources for the public on how to help in environmental protection and restoration efforts	7/22/2022 22:58
306		
307	Better drinking water and less traffic pollution	7/23/2022 0:49
	primary focus should be on clean drinking water due to history of area, proximity to ashland	7/23/2022 9:33
308		
309	Increased protection of shared open spaces	7/23/2022 9:59
	Carbon neutral tax relief (subsidize solar panels), bury overhead wires from Winter St to Highland St	7/23/2022 10:15
310		
311	consider reducing the traffic through town	7/23/2022 10:54
312	Additional parks and recreation space	7/24/2022 16:27
	specifically taking steps to protect the drinking water supply by limiting sprinkler use, protecting aquifers by limiting fertilizer use, and maximize protection of wetlands.	7/24/2022 18:08
313		
314	Combat global warming	7/24/2022 20:13
315	Water will be an issue in the coming decades. Take steps now before we end up like AZ.	7/25/2022 17:29
316	Linking rail trail to parks and conservation areas	7/25/2022 18:58
	Protecting and preserving are bodies of water in Holliston. Especially the dams at Weston Pond and Houghtons Pond	7/26/2022 20:47
317		
318	Increasing renewable energy sources, like installing solar on the HHS roof or over the parking lot. And adding charging stations for electric vehicles.	7/27/2022 13:11
	We have to address noise pollution from landscaping companies, tree services, construction and commercial trucking outfits. The noise carries throughout neighborhoods, affecting both wildlife and the quality of life here in Holliston.	7/27/2022 13:56
319		
320	Increase access to recycling bins throughout the town (place one beside each public garbage); incentivize the use of renewable energy by businesses and residents; set up a car charging station in town or instal chargers at parking spaces	7/27/2022 14:21
321	Trash and recycling continue weekly	7/27/2022 16:23
322	light pollution reduction and phase out of inefficient / excessive sky lighting	7/28/2022 8:32
	The town should avoid site pollution agendas as it relates to installation of unsightly commercial structures that abut or infringe on resident's peace and tranquility/views from their homes/affecting home resale value. I just drove along Marshall for the first time in a few years and was shocked at a solar farm directly across the street from 3 homes, this is an example. In addition, avoiding noise pollution. We all want to enjoy events, but as a resident I have had to voice my opposition to loud electronic music and drums due to permits multiple times over the years to the Select Board; it should not have to be a regular activity on my part.	7/28/2022 13:33
323		
324	Sidewalks, specifically so that people can walk to Stoddard and Patoma parks. Buy the gas station near Supperette, provide electric charging stations there	7/28/2022 15:50
	Town wide composting, food gardens at the schools to be used in school lunches/ snacks, tool/service share programs (library like system	
325	http://portlandmainetoollibrary.org/ one example of many)	7/28/2022 18:11
326	A more robust recycling program, including more frequent hazardous waste collection	7/29/2022 7:54

327	Restricted application of herbicides and pesticides.	7/29/2022 15:11
328	teach residents how to compost	7/30/2022 10:52
<p>It's hard to answer these questions given the way they are grouped and worded. No one would argue with, for example, the value of "preserving drinking water and air quality," but repeatedly using words like "preserve" and "promote" does not encourage us to think about the change Holliston needs to move towards and be part of. MA is struggling with "staggering housing costs" for example: https://www.bostonglobe.com/2022/05/05/opinion/bakers-housing-law-is-ruffling-suburban-feathers-good/?p1=Article_Inline_Text_Link How can Holliston become part of the solution for creating greater access to affordable housing that is so desperately needed?</p>		
329		7/30/2022 12:52
330	Reduce truck traffic, reduce congestion on Washington St, prevent sprawl	7/30/2022 22:06
<p>While environmental responsibility is extremely important, it is equally important to provide affordable housing so that people of all socioeconomic backgrounds can enjoy the parks, beaches and other public outdoor spaces. Environmentally sustainable, affordable housing using green energy and building practices should be a top priority.</p>		
331		7/31/2022 9:30
332	Establish cost/benefit rules/metrics in achieving environmental goals relative to cost to residents.	7/31/2022 10:09
333	community solar, sewer system, education on sustainable ways for the public	7/31/2022 18:30
<p>Any reduction in the use of fossil fuels and more solar electric generation by the town would be very helpful. Access to EV car chargers free or otherwise, would help promote the transaction to electric vehicles.</p>		
334		8/1/2022 9:19
<p>When it comes to trash collection, I don't think it's fair that a household of 9 are entitled to the same amount of weekly trash/recycling collection as a household of 2, 3 or 4 people. Also, the recycling collection guy once told me that he only takes what fits in 35-gallon blue cart, everything else he wouldn't take. He said I have to bag it with a yellow trash label, which means they are not considering that content as recyclable and is mixed with trash. So, how serious is our town's recycling?</p>		
335		8/1/2022 16:23
336	Creating zoning that focuses on the environment and reasonable size restrictions	8/2/2022 8:04
<p>Increased drive for sustainability such as solar power at town facilities, rain barrel program to reduce water usage, promoting composting (for example many of us pay our own way to a compost company-since we are reducing waste could we get some small credit from the town?)</p>		
337		8/2/2022 10:22
338	Analyzing drinking water quality and replacing water lines that need updating and replacing to ensure the cleanest drinking water is going to houses.	8/2/2022 20:52
339	increase uses of renewable energy sources if possible.	8/2/2022 21:50
<p>Provide financial and planning resources to improve and sustain good roadways, sidewalks, and bikeways</p>		
340		8/2/2022 22:22
341	Preserve what we have now.	8/2/2022 22:36
342	protecting and trimming trees	8/3/2022 10:52
343	Increase environmental education to increase awareness.	8/3/2022 13:04

344	No More Building at Hopping Brook! TOO MANY TRUCKS ALREADY	8/3/2022 14:13
345	support for electric vehicles, extending walk/bike ways throughout town to promote safe movement in all areas of town	8/3/2022 15:48
346	improvement for green transportation to promote walking and biking through bike paths and sidewalks on the streets	8/5/2022 10:33
347	light pollution mitigation	8/6/2022 11:09
348	Prioritize regenerative & organic local agriculture/horticulture practices. Proactively remediate known areas of ground contamination. Thoughtfully capture & deal with stormwater runoff from public infrastructure like parking lots and roadways (e.g., divert into rain gardens).	8/6/2022 11:32
349	Sewer system and investigate options for tying into the mwra	8/6/2022 16:02
350	Continuing the work on Green Street and addressing the gulf station.	8/7/2022 9:27
351	1. Control of invasive species on land/water. 2. Better control of beaver population, especially near nearby housing.	8/7/2022 12:19
352	Become a tree city - protect our old growth trees.	8/7/2022 12:51
353	Avoiding increase of traffic and noise pollution from large industry	8/7/2022 13:19
354	develop non-fossil energy (wind, solar, hydro) to power public buildings and projects. Require new buildings to have heat pumps, insulation and other energy-saving features.	8/8/2022 11:51
355	Whatever encourages biodiversity and discourages habitat loss.	8/8/2022 13:25

Section 2: Community Character and Design

Q8	Preserve historic charm, friendly small town feel and safe, quiet neighborhoods.
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Total	25 2.3%	44 4.0%	145 13.1%	310 28.1%	578 52.3%	3 0.3%	4.25

Male	13 3.4%	22 5.7%	65 16.8%	115 29.6%	173 44.6%		4.06
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Female	7 1.2%	15 2.5%	66 11.2%	157 26.6%	346 58.5%		4.39
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18 or under	0 0.0%	2 20.0%	0 0.0%	7 70.0%	1 10.0%		3.70
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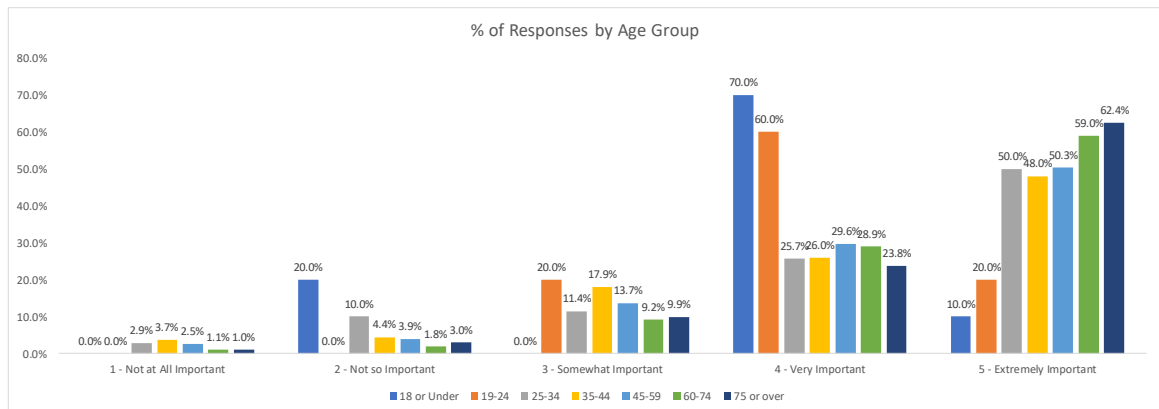
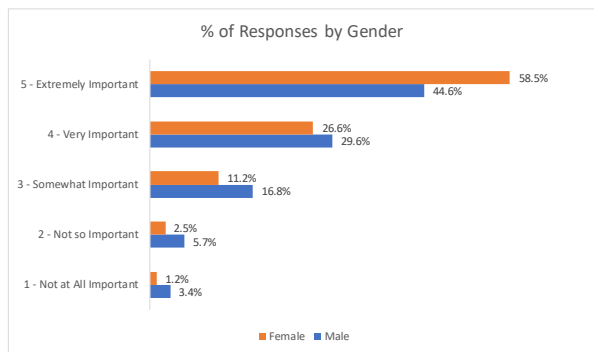
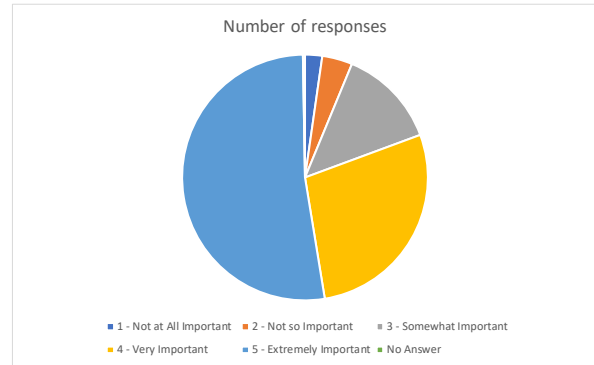
25 - 34	2 2.9%	7 10.0%	8 11.4%	18 25.7%	35 50.0%		4.10
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35 - 44	10 3.7%	12 4.4%	49 17.9%	71 26.0%	131 48.0%		4.10
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45 - 59	9 2.5%	14 3.9%	49 13.7%	106 29.6%	180 50.3%		4.21
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60 - 74	3 1.1%	5 1.8%	25 9.2%	79 28.9%	161 59.0%		4.43
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75 or over	1 1.0%	3 3.0%	10 9.9%	24 23.8%	63 62.4%		4.44
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Q9	Promote the town's history, historic buildings and sites.
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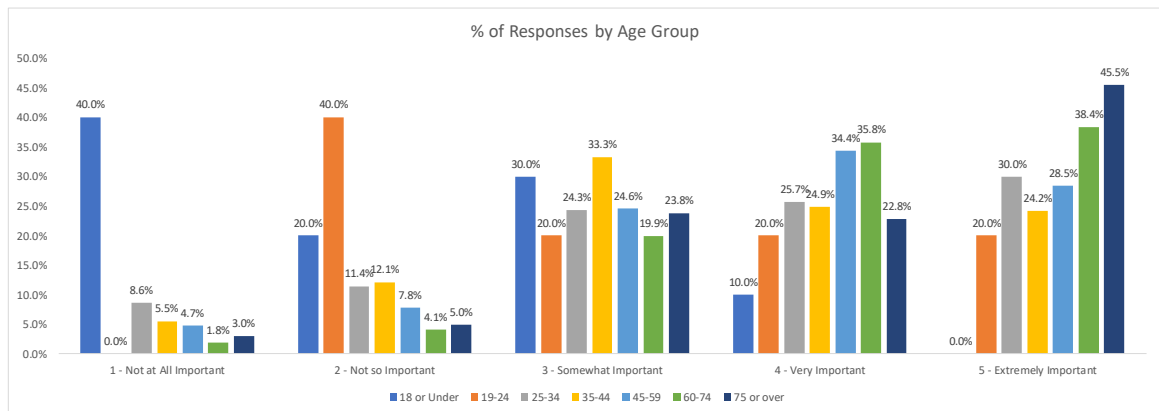
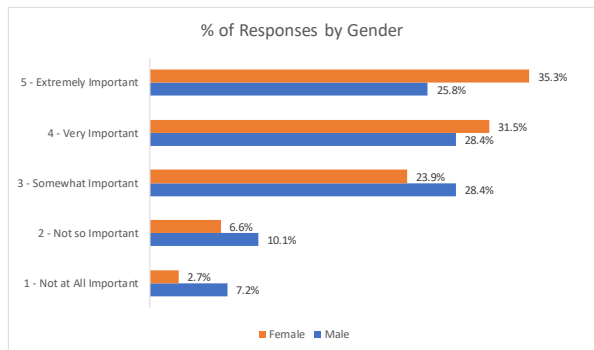
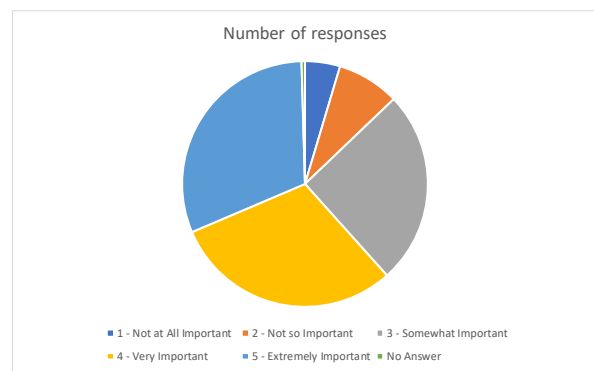
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Total	51 4.6%	91 8.2%	282 25.5%	334 30.2%	342 31.0%	5 0.5%	3.75

Male	28 7.2%	39 10.1%	110 28.4%	110 28.4%	100 25.8%		3.56
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Female	16 2.7%	39 6.6%	141 23.9%	186 31.5%	208 35.3%		3.90
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18 or under	4 40.0%	2 20.0%	3 30.0%	1 10.0%	0 0.0%		2.10
19 - 24	0 0.0%	2 40.0%	1 20.0%	1 20.0%	1 20.0%		3.20
25 - 34	6 8.6%	8 11.4%	17 24.3%	18 25.7%	21 30.0%		3.57
35 - 44	15 5.5%	33 12.1%	91 33.3%	68 24.9%	66 24.2%		3.50
45 - 59	17 4.7%	28 7.8%	88 24.6%	123 34.4%	102 28.5%		3.74
60 - 74	5 1.8%	11 4.1%	54 19.9%	97 35.8%	104 38.4%		4.05
75 or over	3 3.0%	5 5.0%	24 23.8%	23 22.8%	46 45.5%		4.03



Q10	Preserve existing traditions, community events, festivals, parades, and civic and social clubs that encourage social interactions.
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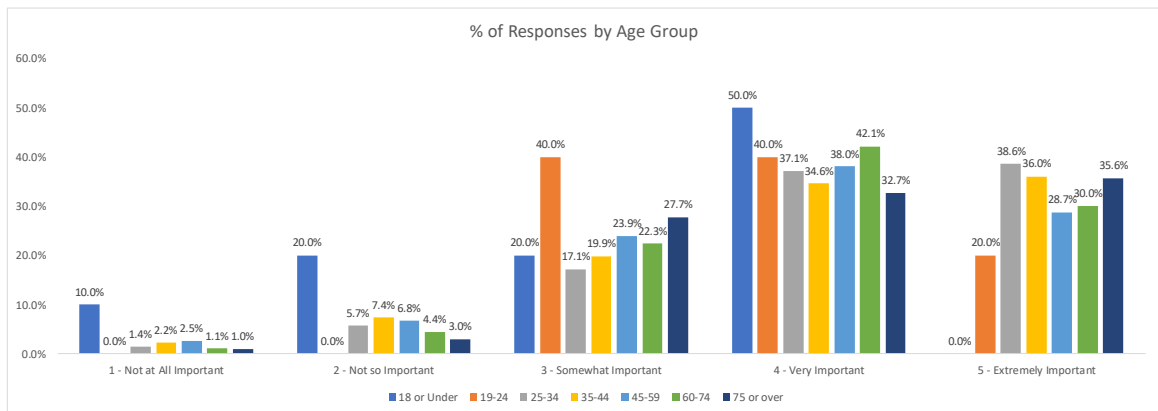
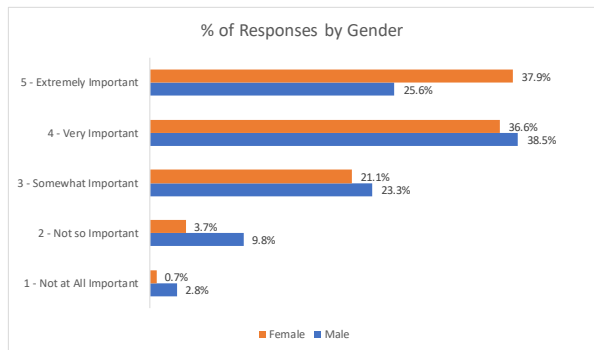
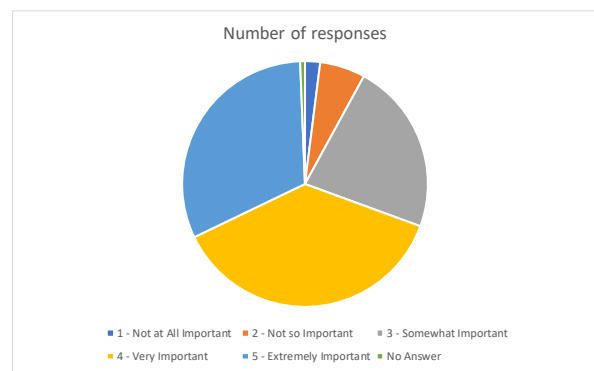
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Total	22 2.0%	66 6.0%	250 22.6%	412 37.3%	348 31.5%	7 0.6%	3.91

Male	11 2.8%	38 9.8%	90 23.3%	149 38.5%	99 25.6%		3.74
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Female	4 0.7%	22 3.7%	124 21.1%	215 36.6%	223 37.9%		4.07
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18 or under	1 10.0%	2 20.0%	2 20.0%	5 50.0%	0 0.0%		3.10
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	2 40.0%	2 40.0%	1 20.0%		3.80
25 - 34	1 1.4%	4 5.7%	12 17.1%	26 37.1%	27 38.6%		4.06
35 - 44	6 2.2%	20 7.4%	54 19.9%	94 34.6%	98 36.0%		3.95
45 - 59	9 2.5%	24 6.8%	85 23.9%	135 38.0%	102 28.7%		3.84
60 - 74	3 1.1%	12 4.4%	61 22.3%	115 42.1%	82 30.0%		3.96
75 or over	1 1.0%	3 3.0%	28 27.7%	33 32.7%	36 35.6%		3.99



Q11	Expansion of community events and festivals.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	45 4.1%	106 9.6%	378 34.2%	338 30.6%	233 21.1%	5 0.5%	3.55

Male	21 5.4%	50 13.0%	133 34.5%	106 27.5%	76 19.7%		3.43
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Female	14 2.4%	43 7.3%	192 32.5%	199 33.7%	143 24.2%		3.70
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18 or under	2 20.0%	2 20.0%	3 30.0%	3 30.0%	0 0.0%		2.70
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	2 40.0%	2 40.0%	1 20.0%		3.80
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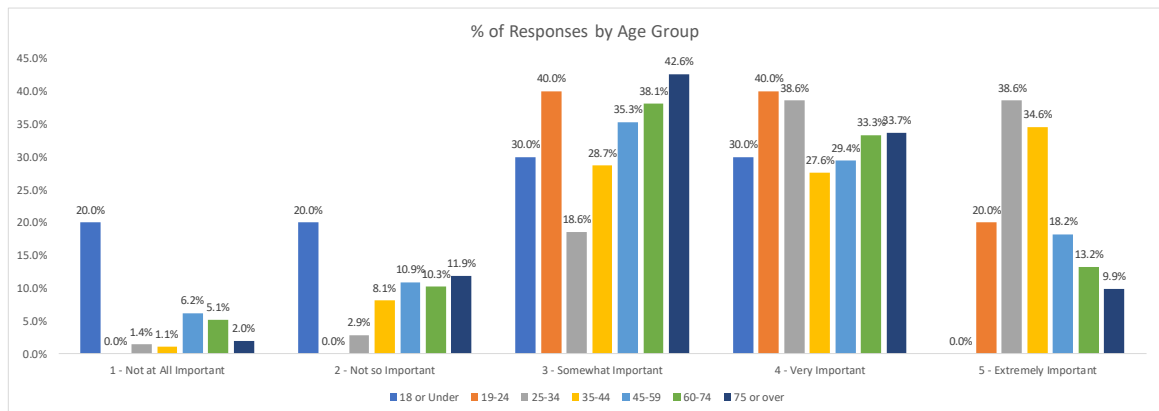
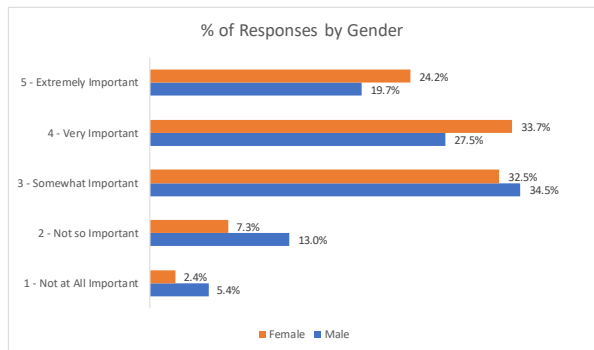
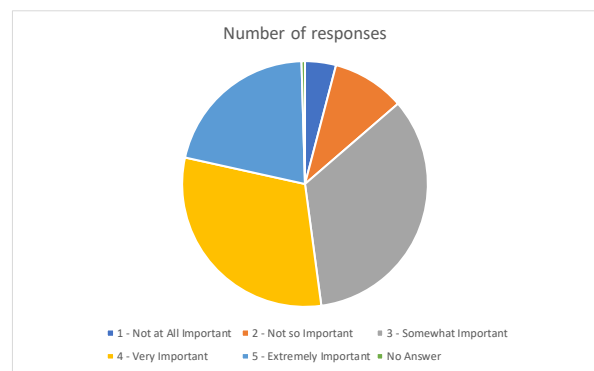
25 - 34	1 1.4%	2 2.9%	13 18.6%	27 38.6%	27 38.6%		4.10
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35 - 44	3 1.1%	22 8.1%	78 28.7%	75 27.6%	94 34.6%		3.86
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45 - 59	22 6.2%	39 10.9%	126 35.3%	105 29.4%	65 18.2%		3.43
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60 - 74	14 5.1%	28 10.3%	104 38.1%	91 33.3%	36 13.2%		3.39
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75 or over	2 2.0%	12 11.9%	43 42.6%	34 33.7%	10 9.9%		3.38
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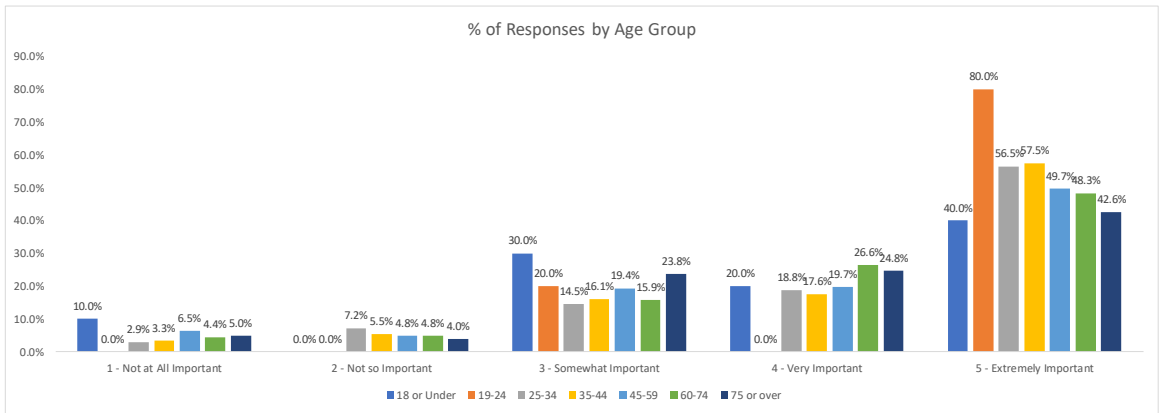
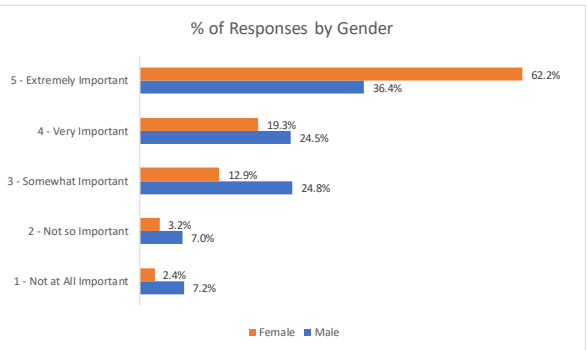
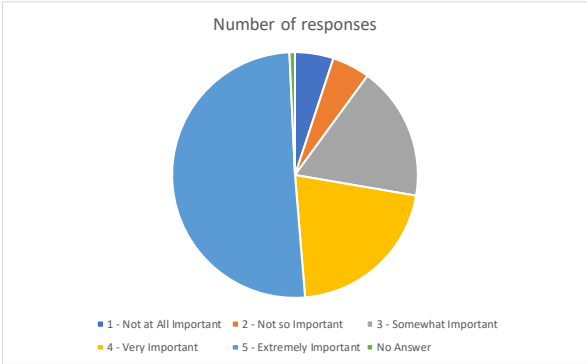
Q12

Promote inclusivity and diversity.

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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	56 5.1%	55 5.0%	195 17.6%	232 21.0%	559 50.6%	8 0.7%	4.08
Male	28 7.2%	27 7.0%	96 24.8%	95 24.5%	141 36.4%		3.76
Female	14 2.4%	19 3.2%	76 12.9%	113 19.3%	365 62.2%		4.36
	0.60						

18 or under	1 10.0%	0 0.0%	3 30.0%	2 20.0%	4 40.0%		3.80
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	0 0.0%	4 80.0%		4.60
25 - 34	2 2.9%	5 7.2%	10 14.5%	13 18.8%	39 56.5%		4.19
35 - 44	9 3.3%	15 5.5%	44 16.1%	48 17.6%	157 57.5%		4.21
45 - 59	23 6.5%	17 4.8%	69 19.4%	70 19.7%	177 49.7%		4.01
60 - 74	12 4.4%	13 4.8%	43 15.9%	72 26.6%	131 48.3%		4.10
75 or over	5 5.0%	4 4.0%	24 23.8%	25 24.8%	43 42.6%		3.96



Q13	Attract more young people and families.
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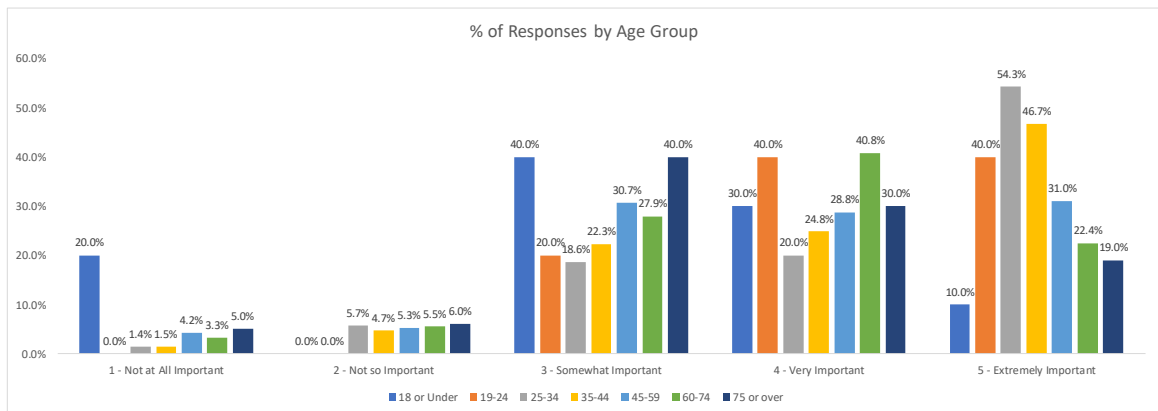
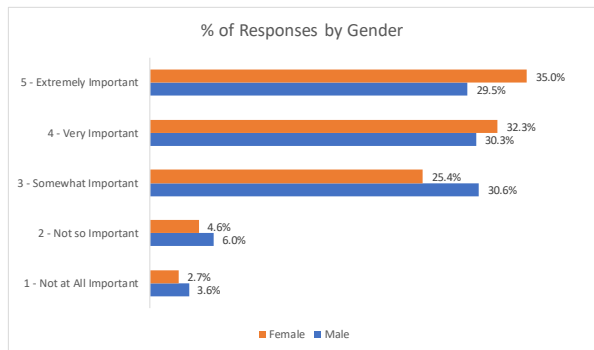
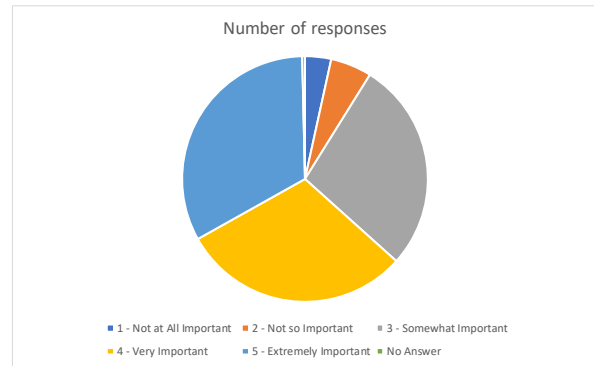
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Total	38 3.4%	60 5.4%	307 27.8%	334 30.2%	362 32.8%	4 0.4%	3.84

Male	14 3.6%	23 6.0%	118 30.6%	117 30.3%	114 29.5%		3.76
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Female	16 2.7%	27 4.6%	150 25.4%	191 32.3%	207 35.0%		3.92
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0.16

18 or under	2 20.0%	0 0.0%	4 40.0%	3 30.0%	1 10.0%		3.10
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	2 40.0%	2 40.0%		4.20
25 - 34	1 1.4%	4 5.7%	13 18.6%	14 20.0%	38 54.3%		4.20
35 - 44	4 1.5%	13 4.7%	61 22.3%	68 24.8%	128 46.7%		4.11
45 - 59	15 4.2%	19 5.3%	110 30.7%	103 28.8%	111 31.0%		3.77
60 - 74	9 3.3%	15 5.5%	76 27.9%	111 40.8%	61 22.4%		3.74
75 or over	5 5.0%	6 6.0%	40 40.0%	30 30.0%	19 19.0%		3.52



Q14	Promote responsible residential and commercial growth that doesn't overbuild or overcrowd the community.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	19 1.7%	43 3.9%	131 11.9%	298 27.0%	606 54.8%	8 0.7%	4.30

Male	7 1.8%	21 5.4%	48 12.4%	114 29.5%	196 50.8%		4.22
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Female	9 1.5%	12 2.0%	67 11.4%	150 25.5%	350 59.5%		4.39
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18 or under	0 0.0%	1 10.0%	1 10.0%	3 30.0%	5 50.0%		4.20
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	2 40.0%	2 40.0%		4.20
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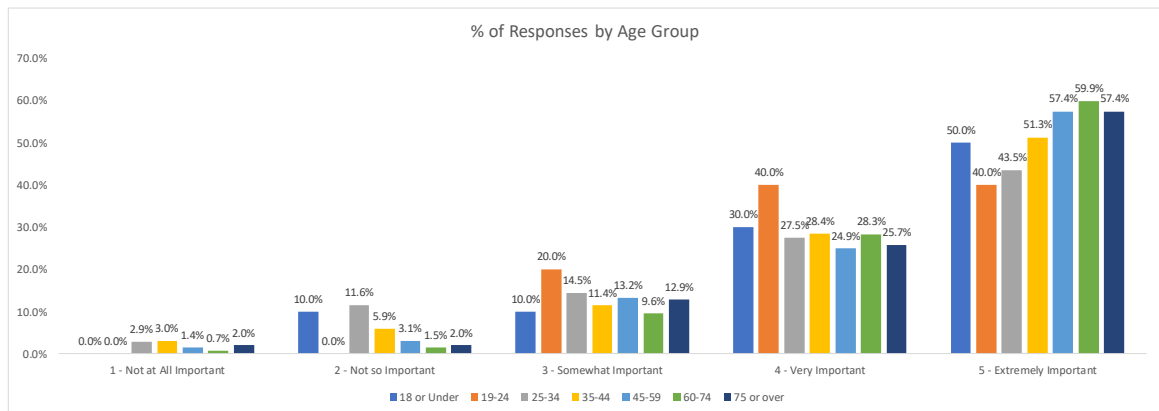
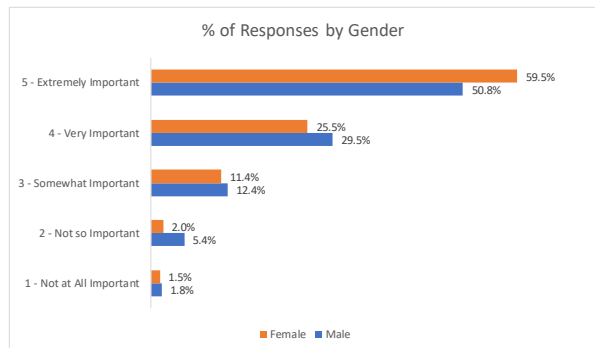
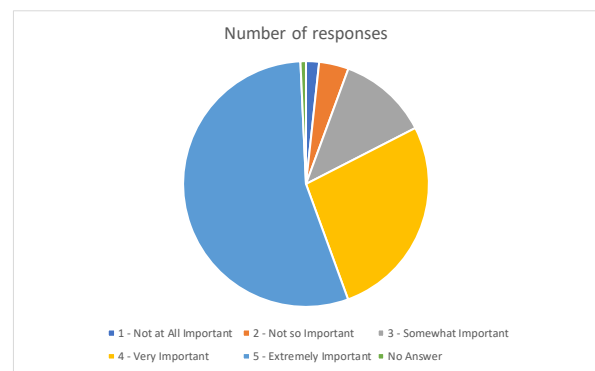
25 - 34	2 2.9%	8 11.6%	10 14.5%	19 27.5%	30 43.5%		3.97
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35 - 44	8 3.0%	16 5.9%	31 11.4%	77 28.4%	139 51.3%		4.19
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45 - 59	5 1.4%	11 3.1%	47 13.2%	89 24.9%	205 57.4%		4.34
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60 - 74	2 0.7%	4 1.5%	26 9.6%	77 28.3%	163 59.9%		4.45
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75 or over	2 2.0%	2 2.0%	13 12.9%	26 25.7%	58 57.4%		4.35
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Q15	Provide improved design standards and aesthetics to new commercial and residential development, especially downtown.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	37 3.3%	66 6.0%	246 22.3%	331 30.0%	417 37.7%	8 0.7%	3.93

Male	12 3.1%	32 8.3%	98 25.5%	109 28.3%	134 34.8%		3.83
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Female	13 2.2%	22 3.7%	121 20.5%	194 32.9%	239 40.6%		4.06
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0.23

18 or under	1 10.0%	0 0.0%	4 40.0%	3 30.0%	2 20.0%		3.50
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	5 100.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%		3.00
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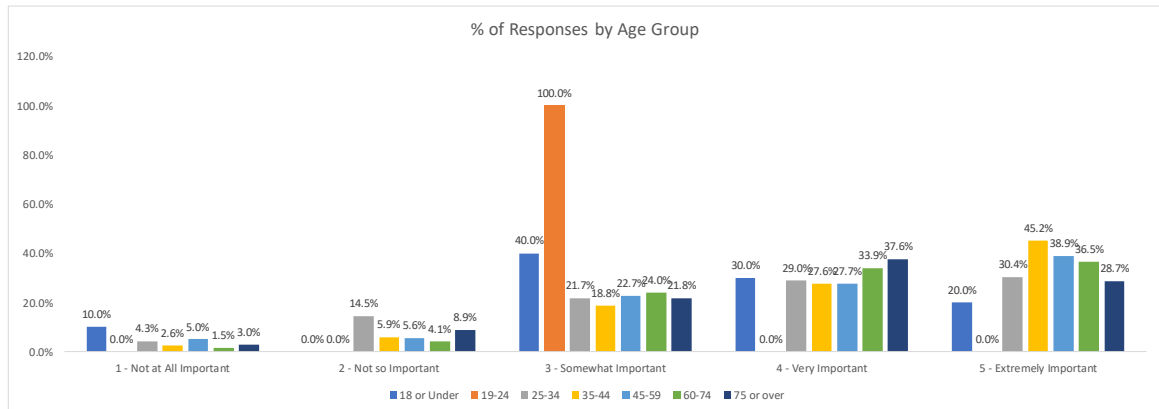
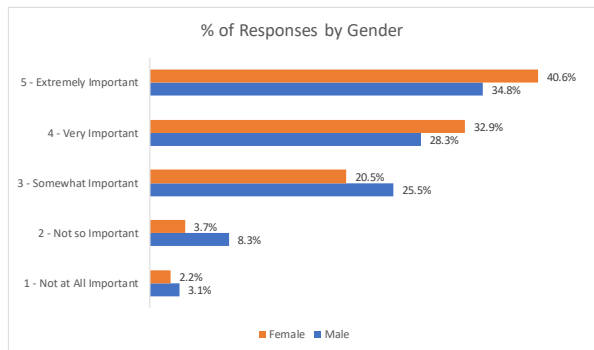
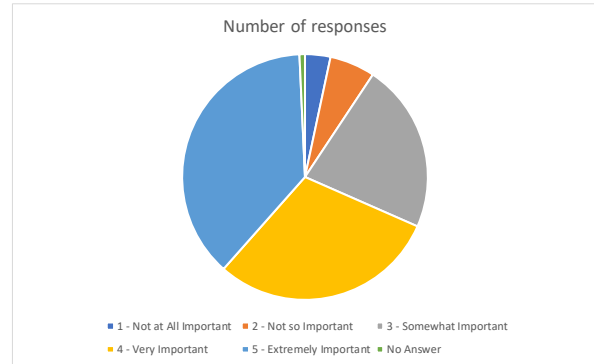
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35 - 44	7 2.6%	16 5.9%	51 18.8%	75 27.6%	123 45.2%		4.07
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45 - 59	18 5.0%	20 5.6%	81 22.7%	99 27.7%	139 38.9%		3.90
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60 - 74	4 1.5%	11 4.1%	65 24.0%	92 33.9%	99 36.5%		4.00
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75 or over	3 3.0%	9 8.9%	22 21.8%	38 37.6%	29 28.7%		3.80
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Q16	Promote ways to eliminate or improve blighted, vacant or nuisance properties.
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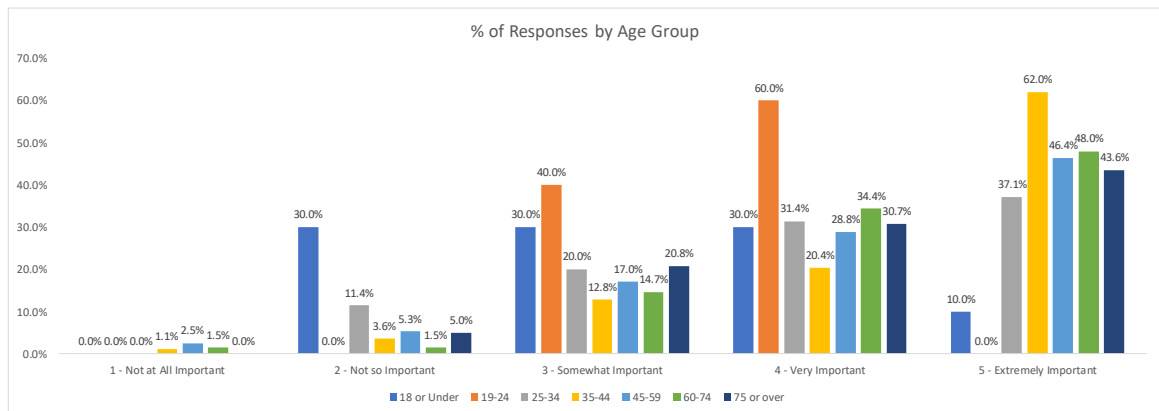
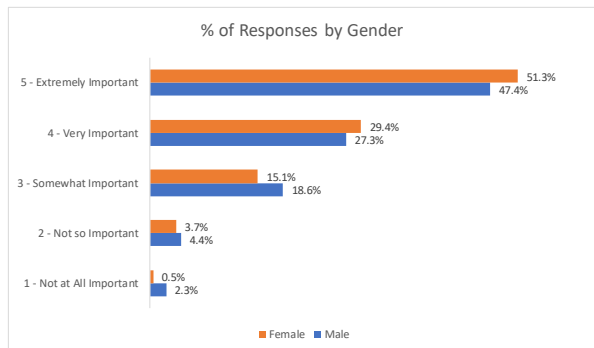
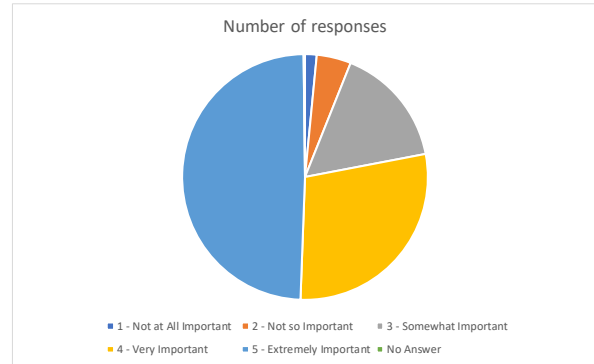
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35 - 44	3	10	35	56	170		4.39
	1.1%	3.6%	12.8%	20.4%	62.0%		
45 - 59	9	19	61	103	166		4.11
	2.5%	5.3%	17.0%	28.8%	46.4%		
60 - 74	4	4	40	94	131		4.26
	1.5%	1.5%	14.7%	34.4%	48.0%		
75 or over	0	5	21	31	44		4.13
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#	What other community character & design goals do you recommend?	Time
1	If you enter Holliston from Sherborn, everything looks nice. If you enter from Milford, you pass all sorts of industrial parks. It's just not a nice look.	6/2/2022 16:18
2	A better representation of diverse population.	6/2/2022 16:57
3	Encourage more leisure businesses (restaurants, entertainment)	6/2/2022 17:11
4	Better fund the Senior Center and Library	6/2/2022 17:35
5	Focus on developing community engagement areas for middle school and high school students because yes, they do have the school properties, but they need to have something outside of the school (this is coming from a retired Holliston high school teacher). If you ask Holliston teenagers what there is in town for their age group, they will say 'nothing'.	6/2/2022 17:45
6	Wider buffers between conflicting uses. Resident and commercial, residential and industrial. When there is a difference in user there tends to be conflict. Having wider buffer zones can help mitigate conflict.	6/2/2022 19:23
7	Reduce traffic blockage downtown due to the traffic lights	6/2/2022 20:45
8	I would like a new high school asap. We have a good school system, a nice town but a horribly outdated and ugly high school. It is not a good look for the town.	6/2/2022 21:59
9	While community character and visual charm is important, we need to be careful not to pour all of our funds into beautifying the town when there are other pressing issues like water quality and schools that have been steadily slipping in rankings. If we want to attract young families to our community, it is going to take more than a pretty downtown. We need to make sure schools are performing and the community is safe, accessible, and convenient for young families.	6/2/2022 22:58
10	A more walkable/bike-able town would be very nice, throughout the area - not just the bike trail but along all streets. So many streets have no sidewalks but are still used for walking, or others have sidewalks that seem to be neglected. Thanks	6/3/2022 6:31
11	Provide a place that tweens and teens can gather safely	6/3/2022 8:20
12	Creating a walkable downtown that encourages people to come to shop and dine	6/3/2022 8:47
13	Activities for ALL ages. The elderly need a place in this community too.	6/3/2022 9:12
14	Finding ways to save tax money and not spend it!	6/3/2022 10:00
15	Better maintenance of roadsides from overgrowth on designated scenic roads	6/3/2022 10:57
16	Bury the power lines going through down town. Have commercial codes that prevent buildings and lots from appearing unkempt (like the building near Blair square with all the cement statues strewn around). Apply for more grants to cover septic costs for commercial use.	6/3/2022 15:17
17	Preserving our town green and the churches around the town	6/3/2022 16:08
18	Outdoor arts festivals esp music and dance I can't get a 5 on goodwill park 😊	6/3/2022 18:08
19	Updating the downtown to a more colonial model.	6/3/2022 18:13
20	A larger place to gather downtown - Blair Sq is nicely located but small.	6/5/2022 10:19
21	Make the community business friendly. Extend the commuter rail to Holliston or provide a shuttle to the Ashland commuter rail on weekdays and weekends.	6/5/2022 19:32
22	Continue to improve town owned golf course	6/5/2022 20:48

	1) Restrictions on aggressive neon/LED signage/lighting. I have seen other town centers negatively impacted by flashing or overly-bright signage	
	2) Not sure what Question 7 is getting at but I do think some areas should be Zoned for accessory dwelling units. Would like to see a reduction to the sprawl of "McMansions" and more residential opportunities for ie. the elderly to stay within our community	6/6/2022 11:43
23		
	Dog park - place for people to exercise dogs without restriction	
24	Place for teens to play basketball, etc. lit in late afternoon/early evening	6/6/2022 12:11
	Walkability, connecting key public recreation properties to sidewalks and/or walking trails. That Stoddard Park only has safe access by car is not acceptable. Norfolk St. is dangerous to walkers and bikers and yet the Park is less than a mile from Town.	
	Consider other undeveloped town property connected to the Rail Trail for potential recreation use, community gardens, or dedicated pickleball court. Offer more adult recreation courses. Line the hidden tennis courts at Patoma Park for pickleball.	6/6/2022 14:45
25		
26	In front of the 8 Arch Bridge could use some fixing up.	6/6/2022 16:21
27	Outdoor dining downtown ; better landscaping downtown- flower boxes etc	6/7/2022 14:16
	As housing density in the region must change to adapt to a growing population, the Town will be stronger by focusing on local tourism and a "shop local" approach which, when combined with more active transportation to and in downtown, will drive greater commercial activity for the benefit of the community.	6/7/2022 17:33
28		
	A community center/rec center where teens could go to play basketball, meet up with friends; more townwide activities	6/7/2022 17:36
29		
30	Better communication of events going on in town	6/7/2022 19:38
	Avoid the bias of these questions. Having changes to the culture and people in this town won't change it's safety. Have bigger businesses that attract people to stop and stay in town rather than drive through (breweries, dispensaries, bigger stores an attractions)	6/7/2022 21:23
31		
32	More sports fields and better maintenance of existing fields	6/7/2022 21:56
33	Historic but people-friendly downtown - still too car/centric	6/8/2022 6:09
	I would love to see something done behind the Middle School where the old Flagg building used to be. Maybe a covered picnic area or basketball courts?	6/8/2022 6:59
34		
	Continue with downtown marigold project and beautification. Holliston is one of the most eye-friendly towns when driving down Rt 16. Continue with a lot of flowers	6/8/2022 9:32
35		
	Please get rid of the empty gas stations in town! Downtown Holliston could be such a quaint downtown local, but the empty gas station is such an eye sore!! And a more friendly arrangment of parking for the library and behind fiskes. Maybe make that one big municipal parking lot?	6/8/2022 9:51
36		
37	provide public bathrooms	6/8/2022 11:05
	Pleasure Point needs updating. If this is deemed as the Resident side it should be even more desirable than Stoddard Park.	6/8/2022 15:52
38		
39	Sewer for more options	6/9/2022 0:09

	Welcoming signs in downtown Holliston in multiple languages that reflect the town's diverse population. Town festivals that reflect the town's diverse population and give groups the opportunity to connect and share culture. More walkability via expanded sidewalks beyond downtown. Connecting sidewalks in neighborhoods to make walking and biking to the rail trail easier, especially for kids.	6/9/2022 7:45
40		
41	Keeping traffic out of Mudville	6/9/2022 8:34
	Apply common sense to balance industry and character. A community can't thrive with nice places and poor infrastructure (lack of tax revenue).	6/9/2022 8:36
42		
43	Continue to make improvements at the senior center.	6/9/2022 9:33
44	Inclusion and Diversity	6/9/2022 13:12
	A community bandstand (Goodwill Park, perhaps?) that could host performances, fireworks, etc...	6/9/2022 13:18
45		
46	Would like to more proactively expand our existing industrial parks, promote the arts and foster civic engagement	6/9/2022 16:38
47	Increase commercial development to support tax base	6/9/2022 20:21
48	A walkable place for kids indoors or out, with out impacting local shop owners	6/9/2022 20:24
49	Keep up with trash pick up, lawn mowing, pruning, maintenance of benches, courts, etc.	6/10/2022 13:50
	Youth Center-the youth in our community have very limited options outside of organized sports and schools. Parks and Rec Dept has done a terrific job with creating a plethora of options but how can we provide safe, inclusive, healthy spaces for our youth, specific to the teenage years and is drop-in rather than sign-up.	6/10/2022 15:13
50		
51	Dog park? Endangered animal protection?	6/10/2022 16:11
52	making the community bike friendly, roads, downtown, areas leading to bike trail...	6/13/2022 9:02
	bury the power lines on main streets, make downtown a true destination for New England charm	6/13/2022 13:56
53		
	I do not understand #10 above. Those four places are already places for people to gather. For other goals: the fenced-in, slightly hidden space on Central St. next to the rail trail, across from Casey's -- could that be turned into a park? It seems to be some kind of construction storage site. It's ugly!	6/13/2022 19:51
54		
	Look into road safety, there is a large number of trucks on Concord Street. They are noisy, and they frequently speed. There are many areas in Holliston where pedestrians cannot cross the road safely. The sidewalks are in terrible shape, and lacking completely in most neighborhoods.	6/14/2022 17:19
55		
56	Maybe more parking at the parks? I usually don't go because I assume there won't be room.	6/14/2022 18:20
	Expanded farmers market and winter indoor version! Encourage more updated storefronts downtown especially foot traffic type ones- cafes/boutiques/fun brewery etc.	6/14/2022 20:54
57		
58	Promote sustainable design / ag feel of town / preserving farmlands	6/14/2022 21:27
	Downtown needs to be improved, old businesses that don't have any people going into them need to be repurposed. More restaurants and a lively downtown would be desirable to me.	6/14/2022 22:10
59		
60	Bring back Strawberry festival	6/15/2022 8:09
61	Preserve Lake Winthrop	6/15/2022 9:33

	I think we have enough events. The Holiday Stroll was one of the best and I hope we can continue it. Although I care about design (#8), I don't want to be so strict that we make it difficult for new businesses. We need more commercial taxpayers pretty desperately if we want to continue to fund good schools, beautiful parks, etc etc.	6/15/2022 10:05
62		
63	Sidewalks on busy streets like Central St that continue the length of the road.	6/15/2022 10:12
	The High School is a disappointment and think this is a major piece for people moving in the community. The kids walk around with little oversight during classes. Why don't the teachers and staff control this? Drug use and dealing seems to be well known and nothing is done.	6/15/2022 10:14
64		
	I understand the problem with commercial zoning but we need commercial tax revenue and should attract and help keep businesses like the Wine House, Bar Athena, Crafted. We lost Gracefully Restored to Hopkinton.	6/15/2022 10:37
65		
66	Protect and promote what we have already	6/15/2022 10:38
	These questions are leading and point to desired outcome of squashing all new development and any modernization of our antiquated town. "town character" isn't a thing. A decrepit library, firehouse, and high school are REAL THINGS that we are doing noting about.	6/15/2022 10:47
67		
	Public art!!!! See what Natick has done with public community art. Local artists with mosaics, wall murals, temporary installations (tunnel of love), etc. Most was championed by the Natick Center Cultural District- talk to Athena. We need that here!!!!	6/15/2022 10:53
68		
69	more small, independently-owned restaurants and shops; no chains	6/15/2022 11:08
	Need to be a mix of commercial and residential. Need to help business survive in Holliston	6/15/2022 11:19
70		
71	Community rec center, keep up with schools	6/15/2022 11:32
72	Bigger businesses	6/15/2022 11:35
	not sure what/how you mean with "creating a sense of identity"? If identity, you mean the Town Of Holliston, then yes, the town's history etc. should be important-	6/15/2022 11:54
73		
74	inclusive play areas for high special needs	6/15/2022 12:08
75	More sidewalks!	6/15/2022 12:23
	It would be nice to beautify East Holliston somehow. It's not a very welcome sight driving from picturesque Sherborn down 16 into Holliston. I hate that I feel bummed out heading into my town from that direction. The first thing you see entering Holliston is a self-storage place and a dilapidated used car lot? Never mind the truly ugly 118 Washington St building. In my opinion, this side of town would really benefit from some new design efforts.	6/15/2022 12:40
76		
	Find a use for the Gulf Station space and the under-used building across from Bertucci's. Continue to create small sewer systems as needed to support commercial pockets. Please keep Pleasure Point natural; do not "develop" it. Maybe install a composting toilet there (expensive but effective) The boat storage is nice. Facilitate parking and foot traffic in the downtown, to keep small merchants healthy. Plant more trees (restore the elm canopy) to shelter the streets, decrease heat, absorb flooding, and provide good places to gather in the town center. Call for more police enforcement of traffic laws to tame the traffic.	6/15/2022 13:02
77		

	New resident here, but very frustrated with residents invoking "town character" as a reason to be against any change ranging from development that meets zoning regulations, adding stoplights for safety, and increasing density in housing (or multi dwelling units). The Holliston I want to see is welcoming to more people though the development of some multifamily units, allowance of accessory dwelling units, and some softening of residential zoning. Likewise, the town needs to say yes to responsible development (commercial). This does not have to compromise what we have.	6/15/2022 13:16
78		
79	School grounds better landscaping/hang-out areas for kids.	6/15/2022 13:51
	New development should be in existing developed areas. Prevent development in wooded, farmed or other undeveloped areas. New development should not have to look old - keep the great old fabric, but let the new be new. Require all new development to be net zero energy use and prohibit new fossil fuel use. Also: sidewalks, sidewalks, sidewalks!	6/15/2022 13:57
80		
81	Water splash pad for children	6/15/2022 14:08
82	Splash pad at goodwill	6/15/2022 14:28
83	Attract restaurants to town	6/15/2022 15:54
84	Stronger regulations on look and appeal (signage, store fronts, etc).	6/15/2022 17:29
85	Would like to see a slightly more modern look and feel to the town.	6/15/2022 18:19
	Get rid of the abandoned gas station. Move the car repair places away from the town center. Allow outside tables and seating outside the town's coffee shops.	6/15/2022 19:28
86		
87	Updated Senior Center and A bigger more modern library	6/15/2022 20:46
	Responsibly develop options for blue collar families to be able to afford to move into town.	6/16/2022 12:34
88		
89	encouraging small local businesses that promote a sense of community like the Bird and Bear.	6/16/2022 12:40
90	MAke some building in town look fresh and cool.	6/17/2022 9:24
	Don't limit the design to just Downtown. It also needs to include Historic East Holliston! The gateway to our town is currently abandoned, blighted and just an eyesore	6/17/2022 10:36
91		
	It would be neat to have incentives for "green" businesses especially downtown. If a business is going to invest in sustainable practices (providing food from local sources, commit to low carbon footprint, etc) it would be nice if we could reward them!	6/17/2022 14:53
92		
93	Improve landscape at all schools	6/17/2022 14:56
	Maybe care about more of the residence other than putting new sidewalks for the small area of Mudville... Possibly get sidewalks going up Concord Street to the town line for the families and live along the Queens area... This town is very small sighted and who they want to impress	6/17/2022 15:22
94		
95	Promote smaller businesses over chains unless excessive financial gain towards town	6/17/2022 15:46
96	Efforts to increase diversity	6/17/2022 16:07
97	More businesses in town	6/17/2022 16:09
	I do not shop anywhere in Holliston because there really are not great options in the downtown area. Would be great to have a grocery store and locally-owned restaurants.	6/17/2022 16:11
98	The vacant gas stations are an eye sore.	

99	Better Connected town with Sidewalks so there is safe page to these great resources mentioned above like the Rail Trail and Stoddard Park	6/17/2022 16:21
100	continued positive signage that promotes inclusion and diversity	6/17/2022 17:19
101	Preserving the historic nature of the town, as well as the trees and open spaces that have defined it. Preserving this historical aesthetic involves not increasing traffic with new businesses and developments, especially chains. Support local business!	6/17/2022 17:26
102	Question 1 on this page is kind of loaded with too many things. I would rate safety as a 5, but the rest as a 3 or lower.	6/17/2022 17:35
103	We need an area for newly independent teens and pre-teens to go that isn't Goodwill Park	6/18/2022 10:45
104	I'd like to include Blair Sq and Goodwill Park as more important but without parking those two locations are very difficult to navigate.	6/18/2022 13:50
105	We are in desperate need of safe and fun place for young adolescents to gather like a skate park.	6/18/2022 14:53
106	Destination shops, eateries. Replace the shut down gas station with a community area-pavilion with food trucks and tables? Shops in Downtown as well on central from downtown to Blair square could use a facelift.	6/18/2022 16:01
107	I have no idea what 7 & 8 mean.	6/19/2022 9:15
108	Classy summer planters and holiday decorations, especially in the downtown area.	6/19/2022 13:22
109	The library--take care of it. A survey went out and??? We don't need Hopping Brook "Amazon" facilities--we need our culture and places to gather.	6/20/2022 8:39
110	I think our current structure is adequate concerning both facilities and administration/regulations.	6/20/2022 11:01
111	Lot of focus on Blair sq but in reality the parks and beaches are much bigger assets than that small piece of land.	6/20/2022 14:20
112	Attracting young families will depend on the school ratings, which will gain a significant boost with a new high school. Also, not mentioned in the questions here is the important of safe and appropriate gathering spaces for teens, which is virtually non-existent in Holliston. What about a skate park or bike park / track?	6/20/2022 15:46
113	Sidewalks in every neighborhood and connecting neighborhoods to promote safely walking	6/20/2022 17:42
114	stop tearing history down	6/20/2022 20:55
115	Sidewalks in queens, crosswalks along 126, better street lights, street lamps along 16 downtown	6/21/2022 11:24
116	Our tax burden is too high and Holliston needs to focus on bringing more businesses to town.	6/21/2022 17:51

	We need a multi functional design recreational community center. This would create unity and direct mentoring in social areas that are needed. Our sidewalks role up at 8pm basically. There is nothing like a YMCA or Health Club to go to. We don't have basic needs in 2022 to survive. We have to leave town to get supplies that only a grocery store will have. Many of what this growing town needs we give to other businesses from other towns. Some how we should evaluate how we can keep our own money...money that we can use for safety and growth instead of raising our taxes. Holliston history is rich but depleting quickly. Let's start something new along the lines of developing tomorrow !	6/22/2022 0:46
117		
118	Stop wasting money on granite curbing, such as that in Mudville. Underground utilities.	6/22/2022 10:22
119	No large warehouses or other businesses in the industrial parks that will significantly increase traffic.	6/22/2022 10:28
120	In my opinion, this is most critical. Attracting the next generation to Holliston is one thing, but we need to incentivize people to spend in our local economy. Our family doesn't go out to eat here, we don't shop here, we don't attend gyms here, we don't buy beauty services here - we spend tens of thousands of dollars in other communities that have more to offer.	6/22/2022 10:50
121	Improve what is there focusing on character of environment and culture rather than specific historical sites.	6/22/2022 10:58
122	Continue to deter heavy traffic from town streets	6/22/2022 11:03
123	Enforce zoning bylaws that prevent the blight of current land uses: mayhem of vehicles parked all over commercial properties; no landscape screening on outdoor storage, dumpsters and junk yards; non-dark sky compliant lights glaring at drivers along streets and toward residences; enforce permit conditions and follow-up on compliance with conditions.	6/22/2022 11:04
124	Improve the schools- that will draw families	6/22/2022 11:39
125	I believe we have to have a better balance of progression and tradition. To me it feels Holliston has embraced tradition too tightly at the expense of progression (i.e. lack of sewer in towns, lack of planning to attract shared spaces). I look at how towns around us that have grown such as Medway, Millis and Ashland that now have retail and commercial bases that Holliston poorly lacks.	6/22/2022 12:48
126	town pool	6/22/2022 13:29
127	Recreational fields need improved. When we travel to other towns the fields/facility are almost always in better shape and more modern than what we have. Allow more use of the hs field for evening games that puts all sports under the lights for prime-time events/games. Holliston youth teams should not have to travel to another town to use their fields for lights.	6/22/2022 13:41
128	Not allowing huge businesses such as CRG warehouses (distribution and fulfillment centers) to come into our residential community and destroy the character of the town while creating horrific traffic nightmares.	6/22/2022 14:42

	In order to attract young families we will need more home building. BecaUse housing is so expensive now, most young families could not afford Holliston. Perhaps we should look at other types of housing such as condominiums for all	
129	age groups.	6/22/2022 14:43
130	More trees	6/22/2022 15:15
	Even though families and kids are great, I'm concerned that attracting more families will increase the pressure on schools. Being an older person, I'm therefore concerned about tax raises.	
	Concerning properties, I'd love to see the properties with a lot of junky cars sitting around be contacted to remove those cars.	
131		6/22/2022 15:20
132	Community pool	6/22/2022 15:46
133	Lowering taxes for seniors	6/22/2022 16:40
	Please figure out what to do with the eyesore that is the old gulf station. It's an embarrassment that our town Square is centered around an abandoned building, and a hoarders record store that won't open.	
134		6/22/2022 17:10
135	Concentrate of community goals especially for late middle and high school teens	6/22/2022 18:38
	Improve vibrancy of downtown. Too many stores that don't generate much foot traffic or tax revenue. How many antique shops do we need? Add plumbing to downtown district to add more restaurants and other businesses. Add eat in brewery and other family friendly businesses	
136		6/22/2022 21:15
137	I think you've cover my concerns	6/22/2022 21:56
138	a Dog Park, Pickleball courts,	6/23/2022 7:55
139	Keep the "new england" feel that is unique to Holliston.	6/23/2022 13:43
	Build a bandstand at the high school for summer concerts or another site with adequate parking.	
140		6/23/2022 13:56
141	More family oriented activities	6/23/2022 14:00
142	A safe place for teens	6/23/2022 14:01
	get rid of fafard out of the community and make them pay for the lack of contribution to the environment (/not accepted roadways)	
143		6/23/2022 14:09
	More playgrounds on western side of town. Goodwill Park is almost 4 miles away, and the school playgrounds are even farther.	
144		6/23/2022 14:10
	Clean up downtown, especially the old gas station. Make sure signs look like a historical community. Keep all of the hanging plants, flags and holiday decor. Use some of the old homes as shops as appropriate. Clean up the look of cvs	
145		6/23/2022 14:15
146	Continued upkeep of the rail trail	6/23/2022 14:19
	Holliston is a wonderful community. I think bringing families & kids together to increase our various bonds should be one of our highest goals.	
147	Traditions/festivals, as well as our parks & beaches, are great places to start.	6/23/2022 14:20
	safe, welcoming neighborhoods that come together representing what a great place this is to live	
148		6/23/2022 14:31
149	Pave the bike path	6/23/2022 14:32

Need a better place than Blair or green, it need to be larger; buy out the two gas stations near green so we can have a proper town common.

1. established a lake Winthrop committee that has jurisdiction rights to getting things done.

2. Promote a walkable town. Sidewalks foe all streets/ streets near rail trail.

150	Norfolk st, East Holliston (locust, rt 16)	6/23/2022 14:33
151	With all the building, traffic lights, additional police needs, traffic, etc., I don't know we have actually retained the "small town" charm that once was. It would be interesting to determine whether there's a way to return to that.	6/23/2022 14:44
152	east holliston needs a park	6/23/2022 14:47
153	More businesses.	6/23/2022 14:50
154	Fix the balancing rock	6/23/2022 15:06
155	More and better sidewalks.	6/23/2022 15:09
156	Modify Zoning laws that encourage the development of smaller lower cost single family homes. Discourage the building of oversized properties in Historic Neighborhoods like the one the town permitted in Mudville. Place the same value of quite neighborhoods on established residential areas like Washington St.	6/23/2022 15:18
157	Make this a safe community by having paramedics on our ambulance and full time firefighters it is a career	6/23/2022 15:27
158	Do something with the gas station in town!! Eye sore and prime real estate	6/23/2022 15:44
159	Support the schools	6/23/2022 15:45
160	Holliston is a small town and I don't think anyone would suggest it should be developed to be large, however having a clear downtown zone geared for developing light retail and restaurants while protecting the parks and quieter neighborhoods is important. Also protecting the existing historic properties that exist.	6/23/2022 15:56
161	Maintaining the Rail Trail, athletic fields	6/23/2022 16:18
162	Bury the power lines through downtown to make the view less urban and ugly. Require property owners to maintain property. For example, the old Bank of America building is deteriorating. also the gas station in town.	6/23/2022 16:22
163	continue marigold project	6/23/2022 16:25
164	Commercial growth is a must! Having better by laws on commercial properties is also extremely important. When entering Holliston from Sherborn commercial spaces all the way to police station is not at the standard it should be. Younger families are looking for commercial spaces that are well kept have signage standards and that are comparable to surrounding towns.	6/23/2022 16:28
165	Attracting more restaurants, cafes, bars, and other eateries.	6/23/2022 16:28
166	SIGNS THAT DESIGNATE THE DIFFERENT PARTS OF HOLLISTON. FREE BEACH PARKING FOR RESIDENTS.	6/23/2022 16:35

Please please get real businesses downtown that are beneficial to people. An abandoned gas station and "Record" store that has never been open for years and years is embarrassing.

Stop driving out the businesses that would attract people to the area. Its shameful how Gracefully Restored was forced out due to a rent hike only to re-open in our neighboring town of Hopkinton.

167	reduce/eliminate 1 or 2 of the excess traffic lights which appear to have contested traffic at Central St & Washington. Safety crossing Washington st was the concern/reason for the traffic lights, but did we have to go to the extreme & install three, when 1 probably would have been sufficient?!?!? The traffic jams are ridiculous & result in wasted time & pollution. If removing the lights is unacceptable, please consider alternatives speed bumps/large signs/rotary	6/23/2022 16:38
168	6/23/2022 16:39
169	A dog park would be great	6/23/2022 16:46
	Never been to Stoddard or Pleasure Point, can't get in without paying for a pass.	
170	A day pass for residents is way TOO HIGH. Can't afford it.	6/23/2022 17:01
171	Fix decrepit gas station and nearby empty storefronts.	6/23/2022 17:02
172	Flashing beacon crosswalks at busy intersections such as Norfolk and Central	6/23/2022 17:45
	Continue to encourage walking and biking. More bike racks places would be helpful. Love the small town feel and small businesses. Would love to see some redevelopment of unused warehouse spaces. For example there is an overgrown huge concrete pad near the rail trail that could be a solar farm, skate park for kids,....	
173		6/23/2022 18:28
	It is important to increase commerce w/in the town for revenue purposes but to do so in a way that upholds the small town community aesthetics	
174		6/23/2022 19:11
175	Continue to support the rail trail	6/23/2022 19:14
176	Provide place for teens to gather	6/23/2022 19:29
177	Library	6/23/2022 20:00
178	Keeping downtown feel small quaint with historical overtones	6/23/2022 20:23
179	no large warehouses, no 24/7 operations that increase noise and traffic	6/23/2022 21:00
180	Not having solar farms constructed in residential/scenic roads.	6/23/2022 21:21
	RESTAURANTS. We need to solve the lack of restaurants here. If that means a sewer system downtown DO IT.	
181		6/23/2022 21:37
182	Provide sidewalks to the parks, so that people can walk to them, safely	6/23/2022 21:47
183	Add more small public areas and/or parks	6/23/2022 22:14
	Greatly expand funding for library. Expand library, build a new library, essentially, in the same location but expand the library and its property in that location.	
184		6/23/2022 22:44
	It is important to keep the recreational spaces in good condition like the tennis courts and fields at Goodwill Park and at Patoma Park for all to use.	
185		6/23/2022 22:56

	Preservation of local historic farm stands and farm houses. I like having historic homes in a town protected from developers demolishing them. I grew up in Norfolk and they would burn down historic homes as practice exercises for the fire department... as a developer swallowed up the land... it really bothered me.	6/24/2022 6:15
186		
187	Make all street lights motion detected during non rush hours.	6/24/2022 7:50
188	More sidewalks	6/24/2022 8:35
	Improve sports and athletic complexes around town which promote activity and town spirit via sports.	6/24/2022 8:46
189		
190	extend design guidelines to all forward-facing/route 126/16 commercial properties. the impact of entering town from either direction is blighted by terrible commercial design standards.	6/24/2022 9:27
	We need a community center...could be combined with the senior center. A central gathering place that is welcome to all...a community pool...Lake Winthrop is nice but with climate change and septic only Holliston...do you really want to swim in it?	6/24/2022 10:00
191		
192	Focus on celebrating diversity and inclusivity	6/24/2022 20:04
	We need more businesses downtown that can be sustained. Lack of sewers makes that impossible to attract restaurants.	6/25/2022 11:26
193		
194	We need to make sure the quality of our town remains, business is ok as long as it doesn't change our town like the big warehouse project near Milford.	6/25/2022 18:55
195	Improve opportunities, attraction and ease for people to gather.	6/25/2022 21:08
	traffic laws especially large trucks, avoiding chain stores for example McDonalds, promoting small business, promoting unique restaurants. more use of seniors as resources and the senior center being more available to community. More opportunities for volunteer work. Continue growth of Youth and Family Services department and more summer programs for kids.	6/26/2022 5:46
196		
197	Quality not quantity. I do not see growth as a goal but more of a detriment to the town. Restrictions that promote sustainable/net-zero buildings should improve the quality of life here.	6/26/2022 16:34
	I think the community needs to be open to ways to use abandoned properties. For example, I know that no one wants another gas station to go down town, but if it is zoned for that and a gas station is sitting to go in there, I would rather have that than the existing eye-sore that is. People need to remain open-minded and realistic with their expectations.	6/27/2022 11:41
198		
199	Our downtown area needs to be more walker friendly. More places to eat and shop	6/27/2022 11:52
200	Holliston needs more source of revenue to develop the town and have a new high school.	6/27/2022 20:51
201	More movie nights on different days during the week so more people have a chance to attend	6/28/2022 8:02
202	Build more industry in industrial parks. Figure out a way to get non chain restaurants in town like at the mill buildings. Etc	6/28/2022 11:13
203	Maintain roads!! Water quality is sub standard and expensive!!	6/28/2022 13:43

204	We need a formal "style guide" for the town so that all new fixtures (benches, lighting curbing, etc) and community structures match and tie in with each other.	6/28/2022 19:03
205	Modern strip mall/plaza and recreation center with beatification	6/28/2022 21:04
206	Reject or severely limit polluting and/or predatory commercial development; that is, too-big buildings with too much traffic for our network of older roads that are incapable of handling it, and a police force too small and thinly stretched to enforce the laws.	6/28/2022 21:43
207	No trucks on Prentice St - it is not a highway	6/28/2022 22:26
208	I moved to this town 40 years ago because it was a beautiful quaint town, that had alot of things to offer. I would like it to stay this way. I love the goodness of Holliston	6/29/2022 8:25
209	Replacement and repair of existing sidewalks to promote walking safely in the downtown area.	6/29/2022 10:42
210	Further changes at Blair Square. Sidewalks along rail trail.	6/29/2022 10:53
211	Diversity & inclusion needs to be a major goal.	6/29/2022 14:09
212	Downtown landlords need to brighter aesthetics of stores and buildings.	6/29/2022 20:48
213	More groomed walking trails, more parks for family activities and meeting points, farm friendly activities, small scale restaurant	6/29/2022 20:53
214	Clean up the downtown/vacant gas station. Clean up/new landscaping in front of the schools. Preserve the historic homes & architecture of downtown buildings. Allow for more family friendly restaurants, ice cream shops, an indoor/outdoor family friendly bar & grill on the rail trail.	6/29/2022 21:21
215	Attracting more racially, ethnically and economically diverse people to live in town, making community service opportunities more visible	6/29/2022 21:24
216	Improve ball fields	6/29/2022 21:26
217	Hopkinton	6/29/2022 22:05
	I would love for the to be more activities for the kids and place for them to meet up for activities.	
218	We need to clean up our existing field and make it a place our students are proud of. Other towns around us have done amazing jobs with their facilities.	6/30/2022 7:16
219	Downtown that people actually want to spend time in	6/30/2022 10:08
220	SIDEWALKS, SIDEWALKS, SIDEWALKS, SIDEWALKS, SIDEWALKS, SIDEWALKS, SIDEWALKS	6/30/2022 10:57
221	Brewery or other gathering spots with food and drink	6/30/2022 13:30
222	Always maintain NE charm	6/30/2022 15:22
223	Promote secular spaces	6/30/2022 21:03
224	Embrace diversity on all accounts and grow with a mindset that encourages all people to live here, not just focused on preserving historically white charm. Also create access points for businesses to participate in town and are not deterred based on out dated infrastructure or lack of sewage.	6/30/2022 22:31
225	A better high school	7/1/2022 12:55

	I would prefer q10 be restated as clean up and more effectively maintain (these spaces). As written it feels like new development/build is needed when getting us to improved care of current is desired. Also should Weston Pond area also be added?	7/1/2022 15:18
226		
227	Take less time getting projects completed.	7/2/2022 16:30
228	More Public art	7/2/2022 18:46
	Supporting growth outside of just downtown. Railroad Street businesses, bazel's plaza ... all connected to rail Trail	
229		7/2/2022 20:42
	Maintaining current areas for town residents first and foremost, while making them welcoming to people from out of town.	
230		7/3/2022 20:24
	A sports complex with clean and well maintained baseball fields, lax fields, soccer fields where Holliston can welcome other towns and be proud of where you live, and not look like an embarrassment with poorly maintained fields and ungroomed sports fields	
231		7/4/2022 0:28
	Address the abandoned gas station in the center of town. The town needs more restaurants and such and that is a prime spot that is blighted and in a prime spot.	
232		7/4/2022 15:10
233	The rail trail is becoming a community focal point	7/5/2022 9:29
234	Hightened Public advertisement of community events	7/5/2022 9:41
	Restricting chain or franchise stores from moving in, would ruin the charm of the town.	
235		7/5/2022 18:44
	More sidewalks for walking, and maybe a dog park alongside the rail trail, Traffic lights on the intersection to Norfolk Street and Central Street, and on Prentice Street and Hollis Street. Too many accidents.	
236		7/5/2022 22:50
	More inclusive activities of the changing population. We have more Indian families in this community and want to see more culturally relevant and diverse activities for all	
237		7/7/2022 9:40
	I wish the town had a better variety of eating establishments and I understand the challenges of why there are not more.	
238		7/7/2022 21:48
	Expand diversity both racially and economically by providing lower income housing.	
239		7/8/2022 19:06
	Somewhat maintain Holliston's charm, but also update the infrastructure to bring in new businesses. Attract younger families	
240		7/9/2022 8:09
	Improve central street business corridor to be more inviting to foot traffic; pursue further waste water enhancements for downtown; take Gulf Station by eminent domain to reduce hazard and expand upon 9 Green St improvements	
241		7/9/2022 11:06
	New high school. Modern businesses that I can get what I want without driving to Milford or Bellingham's. High school again. Fields for sports. Rail trail amenities. High school. Respectable restaurants that can depend on a sewer. Walkable downtown. High school.	
242		7/9/2022 23:11
	Hoping that question #9 also applies to private homes that are a blight in some neighborhoods !	
243		7/10/2022 9:07
244	Development of vibrant downtown. More shops restaurants etc.	7/11/2022 11:36
	An overall plan for Holliston! Appalling that there is nothing in place to guide and secure the direction and continuity of Holliston's future	
245		7/11/2022 12:07

246	At least a minimal standard for properties so they don't look like dumping grounds or vehicle graveyards or overgrown fire hazards.	7/11/2022 13:52
247	The survey mentions increasing the number of children and families. Our taxes are too high and more kids means more taxes going to the schools. We need a plan that protects the town infrastructure and quality of life of people by keeping heavy industrial centers away from the residential areas. Then we can invest in making things look nicer downtown.	7/13/2022 10:31
248	Bring back Celebrate Holliston!	7/13/2022 18:26
	<p>The town's history, as are all American towns, is fraught with colonialism. I do not wish to celebrate genocide, kidnapping, and enslavement, of the native people who were here long before the Morses and the Winthrops. I DO wish to educate about the true history of the town and talk about the ways we can authentically honor the area's original inhabitants, the Nipmuc people. I would love to create a committee that includes Nipmuc people and ask what the town can do to offer reparations. One easy thing would be to rename Lake Winthrop back to its original name, Lake Weenakeening. Perhaps other ways to honor would be to provide plaques in the town illustrating and telling of the town's complicated racist history. We could indicate the ways in which Holliston was designed by the U.S. government to be a white town, intentionally racially segregated.</p> <p>Question #1, Preserve historic charm, friendly small town feel and safe, quiet neighborhoods, is fraught with bias. I am sure that this is not the intention, but this language is coded to indicate maintaining the town status quo – which is inherently segregated and white. It all sounds good at face value, and most respondents will answer that this is important to them, but this question doesn't address what would be sacrificed if this is a priority. When people think of safe, small towns, they do not think of black and brown people. From the time we are babies, Americans are implicitly and explicitly taught racial bias and one of the racial stereotypes we learn is that black and brown skin means danger.</p> <p>Overcrowded and overbuilding are more vague terms that undermine change. Holliston needs to more commerce. We are a small town that cannot survive on its real estate tax base and our housing is becoming increasingly out of reach for more and more people.</p>	
249	I think we have some excellent town festivals and I would like to see the town have more that celebrate all different kinds of cultures. We need a Juneteenth festival, a Pride Parade, a Diwali festival, etc.	7/15/2022 7:18
250	youth center, more after school things	7/17/2022 22:02
251	update senior center	7/18/2022 7:46
252	This town has no businesses that I would go to, 1 restaurant, no quality social establishments. Need to make it easy with right incentives for new businesses to set up shop.	7/18/2022 12:09
253	redesign senior center physical plant to be welcoming and refreshing	7/18/2022 12:47
254	Continue to provide support for entire golf course property that town owns	7/18/2022 13:29

	Making areas pedestrian friendly/creating sidewalks on busy streets to	
255	encourage walking over cars	7/18/2022 14:01
256	Rebuilding play scapes at both Placetino and Miller!	7/18/2022 14:48
	Upgrade/replace roads and sidewalks heading west from Holliston center to Highland St. and then to Milford line - I realize this is state roads, but the poor road quality, embarrassingly bad sidewalk, and lack of curbs really take away from the character and perception of the town heading in and out. Once the Hopkinton project is complete this summer, this will be the worst stretch of a	
257	main town road in any of the neighboring towns.	7/18/2022 15:07
258	we aren't Sherborn keep it that way	7/18/2022 15:08
259	Absolutely none	7/18/2022 16:13
260	Make pleasure point appealing	7/18/2022 16:26
261	Dog park for week nights and weekends!	7/18/2022 16:47
	More restaurants, small stores and small town feel to down town. We don't need 2 banks and a gas station right in the middle of town! We need a place to	
262	walk around, sit down and have coffee or a lunch with picnic tables etc.	7/18/2022 17:03
263	A better library	7/18/2022 18:46
	Making sure there is a walkable sidewalk down the full length of Washington St, more people are trying to connect with the bike path, once the pass Locust St, the sidewalk disappears	
264		7/18/2022 19:01
	Sidewalks on main roads that are within two miles from the the schools. In particular, on Norfolk Street. This allows for students to walk to and from school and to walk to the center of town and rail trail safely.	
265		7/18/2022 20:04
266	Drive commercial tax revenue	7/18/2022 20:20
267	Continue to promote and enhance the Rail Trail as a community asset	7/18/2022 21:20
268	More sidewalks!	7/18/2022 21:58
269	More built up downtown	7/18/2022 23:00
	A recreation center for residents. Indoor pool, courts, exercise room s. Rooms for crafts, tutoring , etc.... Huge plus for families looking for a town. Place for after school programs. Positive setting for young people.	
270		7/18/2022 23:07
	clear weeds from curbs in neighborhoods, they are out of control and really make the neighborhood look unkempt. Also to keep roads paved appropriately, not just patch over and over	
271		7/19/2022 9:06
	New to the town with a young family so we definitely are supportive of all things that promote this small town, family feel. Don't know the parks above so didn't rate the above.	
272		7/19/2022 10:24
	Make the dead gas station near superette a little lice cream and wine/beer cafe with outdoor tables.	
273		7/19/2022 11:03
	With COVID, social interactions are affected so, this may be an opportunity to focus on modernizing town look, services infrastructure and amenities.	
274		7/19/2022 11:16
275	Lessen downtown traffic/congestion.	7/19/2022 12:23
276	Focus on bringing business into the town.	7/19/2022 12:23
	Blair Square is quaint but there just isn't the space to do more. Would love investment into Stoddard and Pleasure point.	
277		7/19/2022 12:58

278	More cultural diversity	7/19/2022 13:21
	Our community is prohibitive to new families in so many different ways, if we want to infuse our community with additional funds, diversity, and engagement we need to encourage multi family or apartment buildings along with accessible public transportation. We can maintain history and culture while opening up to new families. I also find the town website and town events extremely confusing in understanding how to participate and get involved; there are opportunities to	
279	make this more accessible to the community as well.	7/19/2022 13:57
280	Limit the square footage of new houses so we don't become a community of mini mansions. Build more affordable homes so we can be more diverse.	7/19/2022 14:57
281	Attract businesses that will help bring tax revenue to town. Finding a way to lower real estate taxes to help older residents stay in their homes.	7/19/2022 15:33
282	Restricting industrial entities that would affect the environment and the town image/feeling	7/19/2022 16:50
283	Dog park	7/19/2022 18:10
284	More family-friendly restaurants	7/19/2022 18:41
285	Solve Parking problems at Goodwill park	7/19/2022 21:26
286	Might be nice to have some outdoor seating along the railtrail... if you could eat outside at Caseys... Make Blair Square more of a happy hangout atmosphere	7/19/2022 22:28
287	I think the rail trail is also important to prioritize as a community resource to preserve.	7/19/2022 23:02
288	Less used car dealerships	7/20/2022 8:33
289	Establish programs for teens and preteens to gather safely,	7/20/2022 10:02
290	Require people with farm animals to have more than an acre of land. Small 20 x 20 coups with 3 goats is animal cruelty.	7/20/2022 10:39
291	Side walks down Central St. from Washington to Willow Gate to promote Safety, Community, and environmental consciousness through walking and biking to town rather than driving.	7/20/2022 11:11
292	more sidewalks	7/20/2022 14:02
293	We seem to have become a used car capital, with used car dealerships up and down Washington Street, especially clustered in East Holliston. Not too classy and do not present this as an attractive town. Also, the town needs to be much more aggressive clearing out the eyesore golf station in the center of town. That mess has been dragging on for too long.	7/20/2022 15:53
294	Less signage. There has been a sign explosion in town over the last several years that is over the top and takes away from the character of the town. At one intersection on Fiske St there were 8 signs added in the last year. Eight signs! Absurd.	7/20/2022 20:14
295	Walkability to downtown from various neighborhoods (without danger from cars/bicyclists)	7/20/2022 21:42
296	Make it very inexpensive for someone to turn the abandoned gas station in the middle of town into something useful and cool. NOT a big name chain, a drug store or an office.	7/20/2022 23:54

	Put the Rail Trail under the DPW to be able to maintain and improve the best most utilized park in town. The trail has been mostly volunteers working to create a great experience.	7/21/2022 12:27
297		
298	Use better architects	7/21/2022 18:36
	Diversity and inclusion are essential. Some of the old traditions exclude people rather than invite them in.	7/22/2022 11:34
299		
	Give businesses guidelines for signage so as not to destroy the feel of downtown. For example, the way Holliston Dental has painted their new building shows no respect for the building or the overall look and feel of the town. Such a shame.	7/22/2022 11:53
300		
301	Zoning is critical.	7/22/2022 19:29
	Get sewer service. The town would be so much better if we all didn't have septic systems and we could have bistros and dining that was nice.	7/22/2022 20:37
302		
	The town seems to lack enough artisanal charm to make it cohesive. There is Little Beehive Farm and Outpost Farm type stuff and an antique store but there is no hub, other than Casey's. I think you're right, if the storefronts were more quaint and there were more restaurant options, and the empty stores were filled, maybe the downtown strip would be a place you'd like to wander after a nice lunch and an ice cream. Since Goodwill Park is so close to downtown, maybe it could beckon people with more picnic tables and a splash pad or something.	
303	Maybe a skate park? Couple basketball hoops that lower for small kids?	7/23/2022 0:49
	need more spaces for young people/ teenagers to gather and spend time free from scheduled activities, perhaps more places accessible from the rail trail, ice cream shops, read/study places, cafes	7/23/2022 9:51
304		
305	More businesses that encourage social gathering (restaurants etc)	7/23/2022 9:59
	Replace blighted buildings downtown increase downtown foot traffic through well curated new businesses (dining) improve appearance of numerous business districts/stop mall areas	7/23/2022 11:00
306		
307	Burying overhead wires (see previous answer). Picturesque town becomes an eyesore	7/23/2022 11:44
308	LIMIT banks and reals estate offices downtown. Attract more stores	7/23/2022 12:41
309	Guard rails to streams/water ways should be upgraded/updated	7/24/2022 18:08
	limit downtown development to appropriate designs so as to keep the small town feel	7/25/2022 5:10
310		
311	I often push my son in a wheelchair downtown. Some curbs do not have ramps. Please fix.	7/25/2022 13:07
	Newer sidewalks downtown at least, maybe in other areas so people can walk safely.. Take a look at Medway & Millis sidewalks.	7/25/2022 19:26
312		
313	I still think we need a town sewage system.	7/25/2022 22:24
	Make Holliston more welcoming to people of color via community events and representation	7/26/2022 9:23
314		
	Need restaurants! There is no where good to eat here and not much around. Even small restaurants, not chains, would attract people and keep the ones who have recently purchased homes here.	7/26/2022 9:48
315		
316	Please please please get rid of the broken down gas station in the center of town	7/26/2022 20:47

317	Address vacant building in center of town	7/26/2022 23:22
318	Enhancing downtown examples brick sidewalks lanterns and the overall streetscape.	7/27/2022 1:00
319	Want more playground in pool areas free for children	7/27/2022 13:06
320	PLEASE Help to modernize the town to better accommodate young families. (More restaurants, festivals, holiday traditions/events, more modern things to do, etc) similar to surrounding town. Plus, there are so many vacant stores, buildings, gas stations and this space could be better utilized to attract families and economically support the town. We moved to Holliston for the great schools but find ourselves spending all our time in other surrounding towns with more to do.	7/27/2022 13:11
321	Add in a sewer system to allow more up to date restaurants and family establishments to exist. PLEASE update and reuse vacant buildings and spaces to improve the character of the town. Modernized buildings/mini plazas are critical to attracting younger families and keeping our town relevant for next generations. You can preserve the history, historic buildings and quite charm while also building to ensure a strong economic future for the town. Getting to far behind will only make it harder when we realize we need to catch up.	7/27/2022 13:18
322	Install sidewalks with granite curbing on Washington St., Central, Prentice	7/27/2022 13:56
323	1) Having a Historic District that actually means something in terms of preservation, like guidelines/codes for maintaining historic buildings (like the newly royal blue & purple dentist office downtown, now an eyesore). 2) Providing more safe and appropriate spaces for our TEENS. Our 13-15 year olds are too old for most camps, too young for most jobs, and have no place to hang out in town, leading to increased screen time or getting into trouble.	7/27/2022 14:21
324	Attractive schools with great upkeep	7/28/2022 11:11
325	We must improve the downtown store fronts and transition empty lots to fruitful businesses.	7/28/2022 11:31
326	Better management of salts / open space near town yard	7/28/2022 11:37
327	The town should work with Landscape/Hardscape Design Consultants with experience designing these types of locales, they take into consideration the accessibility, impacts to residents, noise control (like planting shrubs and trees to buffer noise for residents), etc. and if they don't design the space, their input could be helpful in reviewing final designs by the many groups in Holliston who each have a plan to augment these areas. A cohesive design between all of these locales would be a more strategic and holistic vision, rather than hodge-podge ideas. Also, Holliston should keep in mind their responsibility for creating a parking and traffic nuisance already by attracting people from out of town to Blair Square. Out of town visitors clog up neighborhoods for residents by overtaking available parking; are these visitors eating in Holliston? Spending money here, or simply using our resources for their enjoyment and causing unneeded congestion, then leaving? The town should develop and make available with obvious signage the unused parking lot near the fire station, for example, and spread the parking opportunities around these places instead of concentrating it in one small area.	7/28/2022 15:04
328	Preserving historic businesses, Fiskes, Superette	7/28/2022 15:50

329	Please buy gas station near supperette... don't put business back in that spot	7/28/2022 18:49
	The tween/teen population needs fun, safe spaces to gather. Particularly kids that are not team sport participants. Perhaps a "service team" program through park & rec? Connecting teens to mentors / groups that need volunteers help in exchange for community service credits. Or pay then with ice cream or gift certificate for food at one of the local pizza shops after the completion of a	
330	project or certain number of hours.	7/29/2022 9:29
331	A solid plan to improve the water piping infrastructure in town.	7/29/2022 12:27
332	Already stated need for community shopping plaza.	7/29/2022 15:11
	Encourage/promote pedestrian and bike paths to access downtown areas and schools. For example, a bike rental vendor in town might promote local businesses by attracting casual bikers to the downtown area to rent a bike, with	
333	easy access to the rail trail.	7/30/2022 12:06
	coordinate downtown stoplights so that it doesn't take 5 minutes to travel 3	
334	blocks	7/30/2022 12:42
335	New High School	7/30/2022 12:50
	Need to increase restaurants in town. It is what will get people out in the town. Could make homecoming at the high school a bigger community event—have	
336	parade or carnival that day	7/30/2022 12:52
	Feel we could do more on the rail trail, farmers market at goodwill(bigger space), highland farm into something like outlook in natick, no apartment buildings as	
337	people don't take care of the space and cause overcrowding	7/30/2022 22:06

Truly "Envisioning Future Holliston" challenges us because that vision must include configuring the community in new ways that promote greater health and well-being for more of us. That vision must include advancing Holliston's capacity to address the challenges ahead of us as a community, region, commonwealth and as a nation. How does this need push us to rethink and reinvent our community character and design?

Equating "historic charm" and "small town feel" with "safe, quiet neighborhoods" is biased. To continue to promote this narrow framing of Holliston as we move forward is very short sighted.

To "promote the town's history, etc." without addressing what's missing in that history is very problematic. Holliston is highly segregated by race, ethnicity, and income. This did not happen by accident. This history needs to be told. What would it take for Holliston to build a capacity to own its true history and use this awareness to build a more inclusive Holliston moving forward?

To "promote inclusivity and diversity" is critical to Holliston's future for numerous reasons. Placing this in a stand-alone question in this section positions it more as an "add-on" and devalues this important element of cultural change and growth and development for the community. We want to emphasize the need to define planning that makes Holliston more welcoming and more accessible to people who are non-white and of different sexualities, genders, religions, socioeconomic statuses, and neurological types.

338 7/31/2022 9:30

Improve the corner of Central and Washington, the newly removed building and removing the old gas station would help. Envision enhanced parking with traffic light access already in place (Mechanic St) and perhaps additional greenspace, perhaps picnic tables + benches + a centerpiece or public artwork or maintained garden (volunteer or intern opportunities?)

339 7/31/2022 10:09

This region desperately needs more affordable housing, and Holliston needs to de-segregate in order to become more inclusive and welcoming. Stoking fear with coded language about "safety" "historic charm" and "small-town feel vs. overcrowding" isn't going to do anything to produce this change, in fact it only works against it. I find this entire section disturbing.

340 7/31/2022 15:29

More space designated for pop up and craft industry ...we need more small business

341 8/1/2022 9:51

Ensure that the state refurbishes the sidewalks that fall under their purview within the town. We are redoing the town owned sidewalks, but the ones under state ownership are incredibly dangerous and pose a threat to those who use it. This should be a priority for the state and shouldn't be delayed.

342 8/1/2022 16:23

No more cookie cutter, white clapboard, \$1m new homes that clear cut trees and plant monoculture lawns

343 8/2/2022 9:36

Make improvements to the senior center.

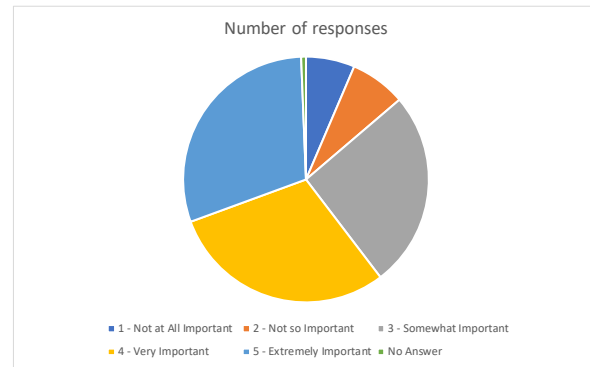
344 8/2/2022 10:21

345	Reuse of former Axton Cross site for new DPW headquarters.	8/2/2022 12:37
346	Investing more in our lovely library in all ways	8/2/2022 20:52
347	provide more benches and/or picnic tables in areas where people gather	8/2/2022 22:59
	Provide support for existing commercial, cultural, religious, and municipal offices and library facilities- their preservation and upkeep. Act assertively to clean up and redevelop abandoned businesses (gas station for example). Preserve iconic	
348	New England Town Center.	8/2/2022 23:23
	What can be done about that gross unused gas station at the corner of Green	
349	and Washington?	8/3/2022 14:13
	when considering aesthetics, I support an expanded view, based on a diversity of voices/perspectives, of what is 'acceptable'.	
	I support expanding small business and supporting farms in combination with new development which allow residents to access goods and services close to home (i.e. mixed use buildings allow for residential space and shops for	
350	residence to walk to)	8/3/2022 19:00
351	Family events	8/4/2022 22:46
352	New High School to keep property values up by keeping schools strong	8/5/2022 19:29
353	Clean up and add curb appeal to the vertices intersection	8/6/2022 11:32
354	dogwoods, pear trees etc for street shade = less pollen. Public lots beautification	8/7/2022 7:12
	Encourage more high-quality (but quiet) cafes and restaurants downtown (like	
355	Bar Athena)	8/7/2022 9:27
	The main point is to preserve the character of Holliston. I am not enthused about any development, but anything that is added should be strictly in character for	
356	the town unlike "the Hub".	8/7/2022 12:34
357	Maintaining the edges of the rail trail to eliminate the poison ivy.	8/7/2022 12:51
358	More activities, gathering spot for teens.	8/7/2022 13:10
	Purchase the gulf station in downtown, tear it down and make a small park with	
359	trees/bushes to beautify that corner and make downtown more pleasant.	8/7/2022 13:19
	More outdoor gathering spaces like European cafes where people can meet and sit for a long time with coffee or a drink or snack purchased from establishments. Put picnic tables and chairs on sidewalks and other public spaces where people can bring a snack or drink or be waited on by private vendors. Enlist the cooperation of private businesses or churches that can spare space on lawns, parking lots, etc. and let people enjoy meeting in the open air during the warmer months and allow vendors to serve food and drink to them. We are so isolated in our automobile culture we never get to just go downtown and sit down with	
360	friends or even meet people except inside a restaurant.	8/8/2022 18:54
361	somewhat greater attention to historical signage	8/8/2022 21:29
	The holliston grill building is disgusting and needs to be updated. The empty tun	
362	down gas station has GOT TO GO!	8/9/2022 9:46

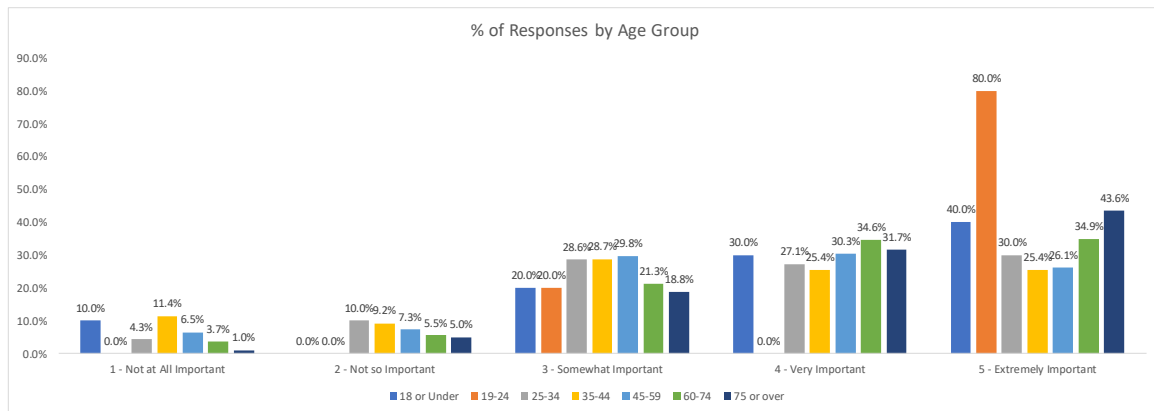
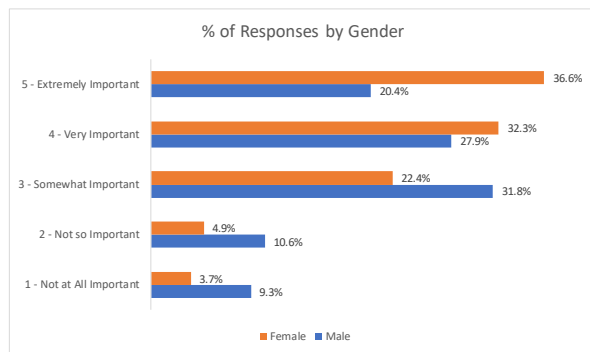
Section 3: Housing

Q23		Preserve existing programs that promote affordable housing.						
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		1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total		71	81	286	329	331	7	3.70
		6.4%	7.3%	25.9%	29.8%	30.0%	0.6%	
Male		36	41	123	108	79		3.40
		9.3%	10.6%	31.8%	27.9%	20.4%		
Female		22	29	132	190	215		3.93
		3.7%	4.9%	22.4%	32.3%	36.6%		

0.53



18 or under	1	0	2	3	4		3.90
	10.0%	0.0%	20.0%	30.0%	40.0%		
19 - 24	0	0	1	0	4		4.60
	0.0%	0.0%	20.0%	0.0%	80.0%		
25 - 34	3	7	20	19	21		3.69
	4.3%	10.0%	28.6%	27.1%	30.0%		
35 - 44	31	25	78	69	69		3.44
	11.4%	9.2%	28.7%	25.4%	25.4%		
45 - 59	23	26	106	108	93		3.62
	6.5%	7.3%	29.8%	30.3%	26.1%		
60 - 74	10	15	58	94	95		3.92
	3.7%	5.5%	21.3%	34.6%	34.9%		
75 or over	1	5	19	32	44		4.12
	1.0%	5.0%	18.8%	31.7%	43.6%		



Q24	Promote an increase of new, affordable housing development.
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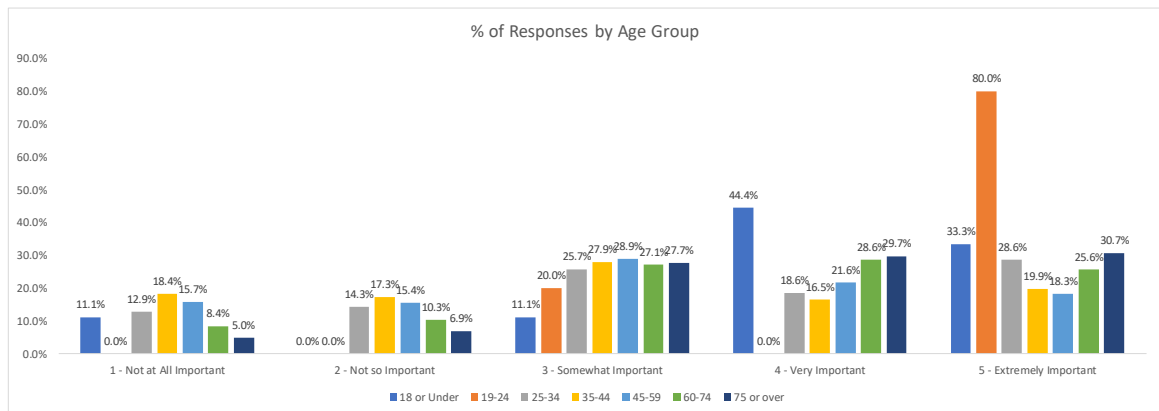
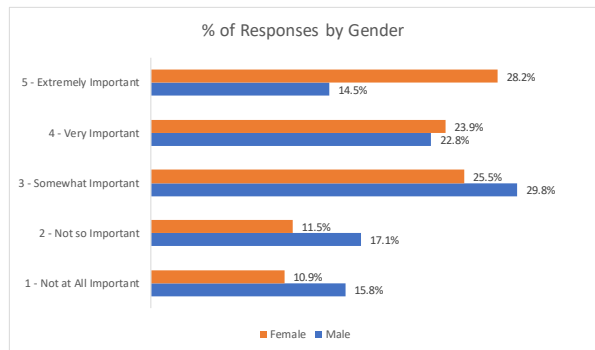
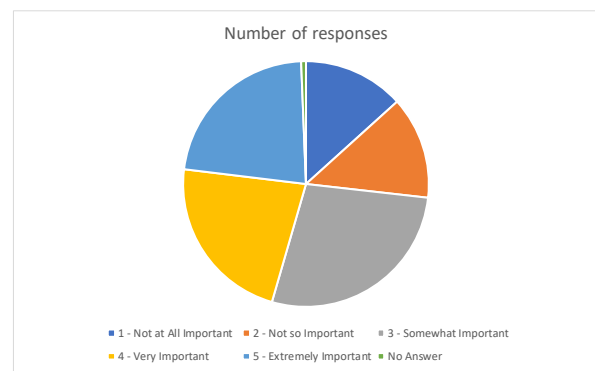
	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	147 13.3%	149 13.5%	306 27.7%	248 22.4%	248 22.4%	7 0.6%	3.27

Male	61 15.8%	66 17.1%	115 29.8%	88 22.8%	56 14.5%		3.03
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Female	64 10.9%	68 11.5%	150 25.5%	141 23.9%	166 28.2%		3.47
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18 or under	1 11.1%	0 0.0%	1 11.1%	4 44.4%	3 33.3%		3.89
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	0 0.0%	4 80.0%		4.60
25 - 34	9 12.9%	10 14.3%	18 25.7%	13 18.6%	20 28.6%		3.36
35 - 44	50 18.4%	47 17.3%	76 27.9%	45 16.5%	54 19.9%		3.02
45 - 59	56 15.7%	55 15.4%	103 28.9%	77 21.6%	65 18.3%		3.11
60 - 74	23 8.4%	28 10.3%	74 27.1%	78 28.6%	70 25.6%		3.53
75 or over	5 5.0%	7 6.9%	28 27.7%	30 29.7%	31 30.7%		3.74



Q25	Integrate moderate income housing development into existing neighborhoods.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	149	158	330	262	199	7	3.19
	13.5%	14.3%	29.9%	23.7%	18.0%	0.6%	

Male	70	64	129	78	45		2.91
	18.1%	16.6%	33.4%	20.2%	11.7%		

Female	56	70	164	161	138		3.43
	9.5%	11.9%	27.8%	27.3%	23.4%		

0.53

18 or under	1	2	1	3	2		3.33
	11.1%	22.2%	11.1%	33.3%	22.2%		

19 - 24	0	0	3	0	2		3.80
	0.0%	0.0%	60.0%	0.0%	40.0%		

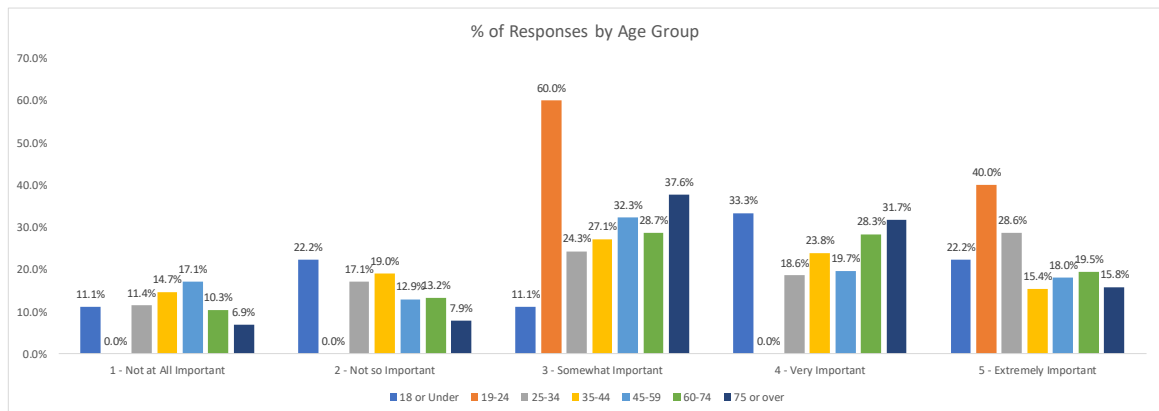
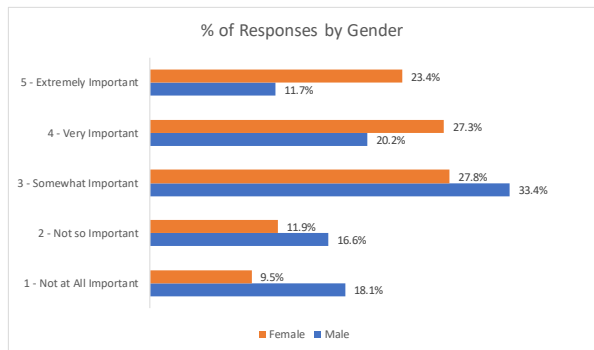
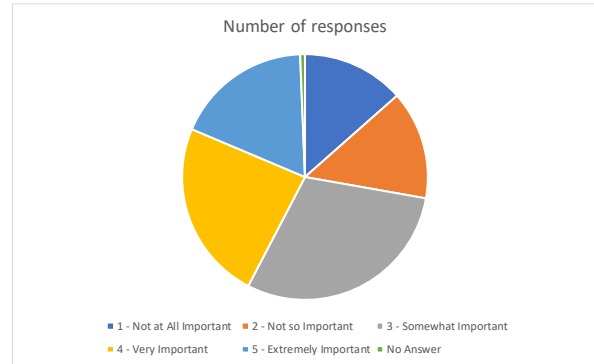
25 - 34	8	12	17	13	20		3.36
	11.4%	17.1%	24.3%	18.6%	28.6%		

35 - 44	40	52	74	65	42		3.06
	14.7%	19.0%	27.1%	23.8%	15.4%		

45 - 59	61	46	115	70	64		3.08
	17.1%	12.9%	32.3%	19.7%	18.0%		

60 - 74	28	36	78	77	53		3.33
	10.3%	13.2%	28.7%	28.3%	19.5%		

75 or over	7	8	38	32	16		3.42
	6.9%	7.9%	37.6%	31.7%	15.8%		



Q26	Preserve current rate and density of new housing developments.
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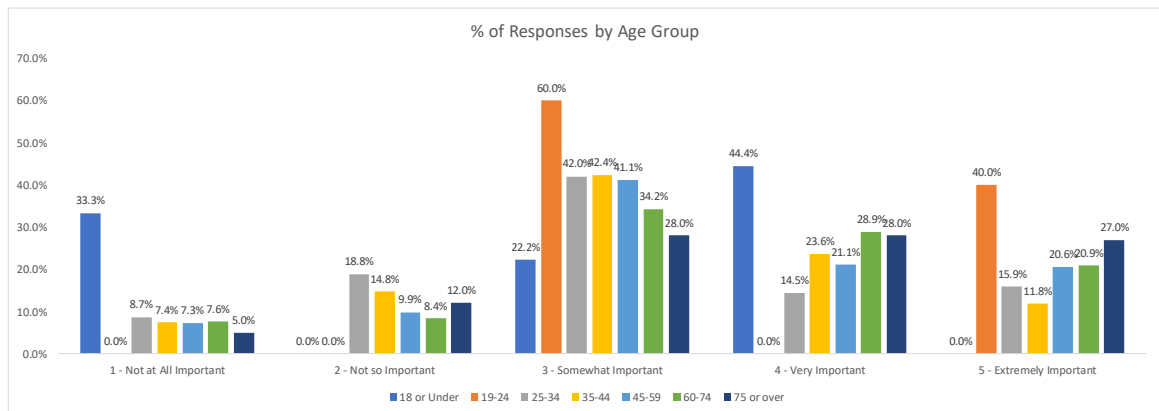
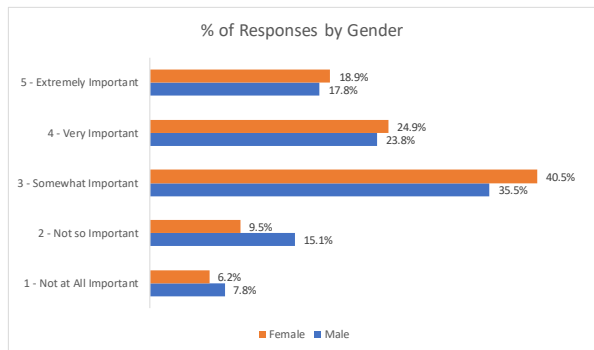
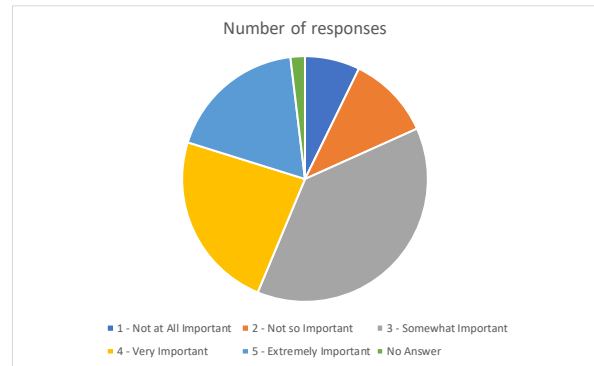
	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	80 7.2%	122 11.0%	420 38.0%	260 23.5%	202 18.3%	21 1.9%	3.35

Male	30 7.8%	58 15.1%	136 35.5%	91 23.8%	68 17.8%		3.28
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Female	36 6.2%	55 9.5%	234 40.5%	144 24.9%	109 18.9%		3.41
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18 or under	3 33.3%	0 0.0%	2 22.2%	4 44.4%	0 0.0%		2.78
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	3 60.0%	0 0.0%	2 40.0%		3.80
25 - 34	6 8.7%	13 18.8%	29 42.0%	10 14.5%	11 15.9%		3.10
35 - 44	20 7.4%	40 14.8%	115 42.4%	64 23.6%	32 11.8%		3.18
45 - 59	26 7.3%	35 9.9%	146 41.1%	75 21.1%	73 20.6%		3.38
60 - 74	20 7.6%	22 8.4%	90 34.2%	76 28.9%	55 20.9%		3.47
75 or over	5 5.0%	12 12.0%	28 28.0%	28 28.0%	27 27.0%		3.60



Q27	Expand assistance programs to keep housing affordable for all residents.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	102	128	302	290	276	7	3.46
	9.2%	11.6%	27.3%	26.2%	25.0%	0.6%	

Male	47	68	106	98	65		3.17
	12.2%	17.7%	27.6%	25.5%	16.9%		

Female	42	46	157	166	180		3.67
	7.1%	7.8%	26.6%	28.1%	30.5%		

0.50

18 or under	2	0	0	3	4		3.78
	22.2%	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%	44.4%		

19 - 24	0	0	1	2	2		4.20
	0.0%	0.0%	20.0%	40.0%	40.0%		

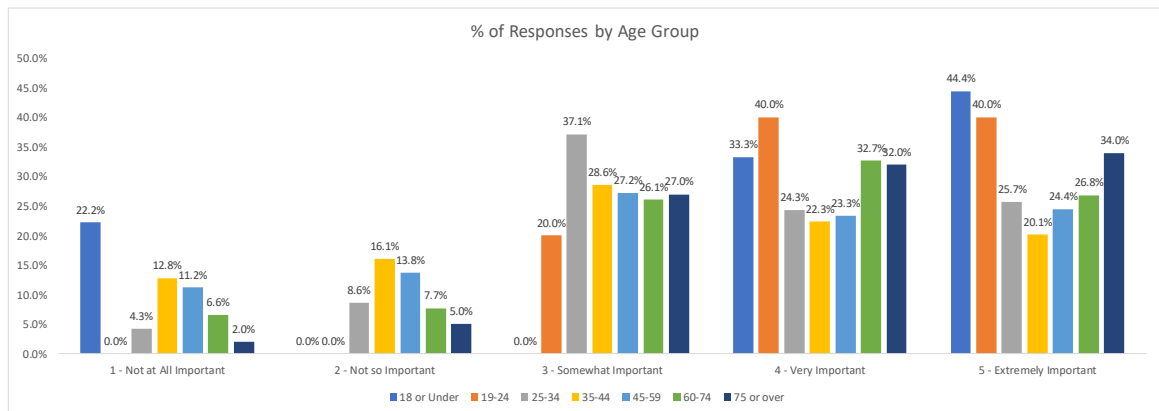
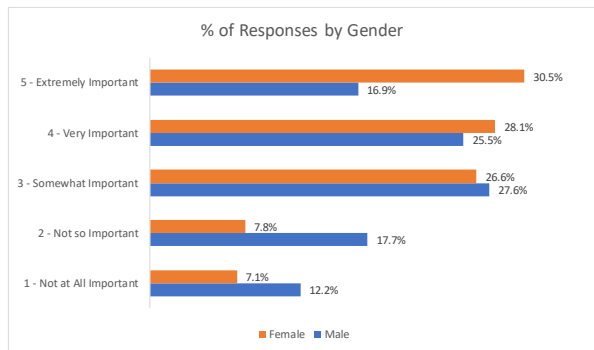
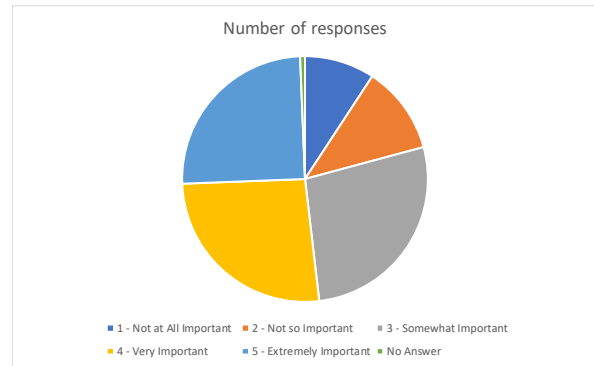
25 - 34	3	6	26	17	18		3.59
	4.3%	8.6%	37.1%	24.3%	25.7%		

35 - 44	35	44	78	61	55		3.21
	12.8%	16.1%	28.6%	22.3%	20.1%		

45 - 59	40	49	97	83	87		3.36
	11.2%	13.8%	27.2%	23.3%	24.4%		

60 - 74	18	21	71	89	73		3.65
	6.6%	7.7%	26.1%	32.7%	26.8%		

75 or over	2	5	27	32	34		3.91
	2.0%	5.0%	27.0%	32.0%	34.0%		



#	What other housing goals do you recommend?	Time
1	Better septic designs	6/2/2022 15:46
2	allow for smaller street frontage necessary in residential/agri zone	6/2/2022 17:01
3	no more building	6/2/2022 17:08
4	Consider densifying some areas. Look into water conservation technologies order in order to facilitate population densification.	6/2/2022 17:31
5	Allocate tax relief regarding seniors on fixed incomes	6/2/2022 17:34
6	Holliston could more densely populated, but I would not want to see it become Framingham or Natick. I would hope for happy middle.	6/2/2022 17:37
7	Residential values continue to grow and not be hurt by adding lower income housing.	6/2/2022 17:45
8	Integrate affordable housing into multimillion dollar neighborhoods (don't know how)	6/2/2022 17:45
9	I think this town is not very affordable for many Holliston seniors especially if one spouse dies. The 55and over condos are very expensive and often attract people from more affluent towns who can pay for them.	6/2/2022 18:47
10	Some communities have build neighbors with attached housing of encouraged small houses -like 1500 square feet, the developer is allowed more density and the trade off is both more home and affordable. We should pursue this option	6/2/2022 19:16
11	Promote co-housing development.	6/2/2022 20:03
12	So tired of acres of land being sold and developments popping up everywhere in neighboring towns -- I don't want that for Holliston.	6/2/2022 20:27
13	Allow duplexes anywhere; actively encourage mixed uses in downtown with housing upstairs; utilize DPW site on Arch St for market affordable housing since land is free-partner with builder; buy property at 75 Exchange for market affordable housing (meaning without subsidies selling for \$300,000 or less.	6/2/2022 20:45
14	I don't know enough about this to comment	6/2/2022 21:38
15	Don't force affordable housing into community. Taxes are already too high to pay for what we get.	6/2/2022 22:06
16	The taxes brought in by High density housing will not pay for our services and will cost the tax payers more (services like schools and fire). We need to preserve our land and water.	6/3/2022 9:03
17	change zoning to encourage more multi family dwellings	6/3/2022 9:25
18	I recommend Lowering real estate taxes, so that people who have lived in this town their whole lives can afford to stay here. Real estate valuations are clearly inflated, and the people in this town are suffering extreme stress trying to make ends meet while paying exorbitant real estate taxes. If people want a school system with all the bells and whistles, let them send their children to private schools. A public school cannot be expected to be like a private school. Consider the cost to tax payers every time a decision is made about money. The people of Holliston should not be treated like an ATM.	6/3/2022 9:59
19	More assistance for seniors and disabled to be able to afford staying in their homes(tax abatements).	6/3/2022 10:48
20	I do not want to see every available piece of land being developed into either 55+ communities or homes that are super close together - for example what is going on on RTE 16 in Sherborn and even on Washington St in our own town. Every large parcel of open space becomes multiple homes.	6/3/2022 10:57

	Maintain property values even if it means increasing taxes. People want the perks of a sherborn or newton but don't want to appear "elitist" or don't want to pay the associated taxes. We should have a portion of affordable housing but this idea that Holliston should be affordable to everyone is detrimental to the long term sustainability and financial health of the town. I'm glad property taxes are high (though they are not as high as other towns). We need the revenue. I have lived here 20 years and planned for tax increases. I can afford to live here. I cannot afford to live in Sherborn or Newton or Wellesley and there is nothing that says I have a right to live there even if I can't afford it. I support affordable housing but Holliston is at a point where we need to decide if we	
21	want to be a sherborn or a Framingham.	6/3/2022 14:20
22	Encourage diversity	6/3/2022 16:26
23	New moderate housing needed. Reduce the number of homes so called McMansions! and maintain open space.	6/3/2022 18:09
24	would limit new housing and promote more industrial expansion to help the tax base	6/4/2022 5:13
25	I realize that there is a balance to be struck re: housing, open space, density, etc.	6/5/2022 10:19
26	no mor sham open space just to satisfy x zoning when creating mutlti house developments	6/6/2022 7:07
27	Repeat note: Some areas should be Zoned for accessory dwelling units. Would like to see a reduction to the sprawl of "McMansions" and more residential opportunities for ie. the elderly and economically-disadvantaged to stay within our community	6/6/2022 9:51
28	No more huge expensive homes to be built. Need homes like those in Brentwood, Queens, older developments. Modest homes that can be expanded when necessary. No more big expensive developments.	6/6/2022 11:43
29	Committment to bring in responsible business to support tax revenue while committing to keeping property taxes in check.	6/6/2022 14:02
30	Provide lawn and yard service for those not capable.	6/6/2022 14:45
31	Further study is needed to really identify an approach that will allow for greater density of housing in areas that also allow for active or public transportation for commuting and access to shopping and services in town.	6/7/2022 16:13
32	We need to grow as a community it also need to preserve green space	6/7/2022 17:33
33	Make mixed commercial/residential properties possible via sewer so we can have nice things that make more people want to live and spend money here	6/7/2022 21:22
34	Less massive developments, more character	6/7/2022 21:48
35	Would be nice to limit building in areas that are already congested.	6/8/2022 9:01
36	Please stop with the huge new neighborhoods that are a tax on the school systems and water/resource supplies!	6/8/2022 9:41
37	I think we should encourage more affordable housing programs and I think there needs to be an education to the community that affordable housing is needed by many professional people with college education. Affordable housing doesn't mean crime and violence. Many highly educated, well employed peopled need affordable housing and are great assets to our community and should be welcomed.	6/8/2022 11:05
38	Reducing future large scale multi unit residential buildings.	6/8/2022 14:31
39	Expand on in-law bylaw - increase size	6/8/2022 21:42
40	Tax relief for the young and the elderly.	6/9/2022 7:45
41	Educate towns people about the many benefits of having diversity on soc-ec status.	6/9/2022 8:34

42	Mixed use housing downtown providing more retail options as well as affordable housing	6/9/2022 13:12
43	Stop making Holliston unaffordable for seniors.	6/9/2022 13:18
44	Continue Habitat for Humanity (why is Habitat house on Concord St. finished but empty??), explore accessory dwelling units	6/9/2022 15:52
45	Lower tax rate for seniors	6/9/2022 19:20
46	Increase rental housing	6/9/2022 20:24
47	Affordable housing that is actually affordable. We couldn't sell our cutting home & stay in Holliston.	6/10/2022 14:02
48	Be mindful of the impact on schools with housing growth. The school department has seen minimal fluctuations with increases in class sizes. Increased building and housing initiatives may also lead to unanticipated costs to the quality of education and demand for increase in budgetary necessities.	6/10/2022 14:11
49	Would prefer not overbuilding such as too many condos, new neighborhoods etc	6/10/2022 16:11
50	My issue with expanding affordable housing is developers use it as a means to build in conservation areas where others would have been prohibited, while then only being required to make 25% of the development affordable. Affordable housing is a great idea, but current regulations open the door for developers to abuse the system.	6/11/2022 8:57
51	consider smaller lot sizes and small single family ranch style homes in a Mudville style development for Seniors and new families. Environmental shielding - trees, hedges, lawns, a must.	6/12/2022 11:35
52	our property tax rate is the highest in the area, need to bring it down to be competitive with other towns while increasing overall town revenue	6/13/2022 9:02
53	I feel Holliston is getting too built up. Everywhere you look there are woods being cut down and houses being built, and they aren't affordable housing, just massive, expensive new houses.	6/13/2022 19:22
54	Don't focus on the mansions, there is plenty of luxury housing in Holliston. Look into better land use with cluster housing. Improve transportation options, the regional bus is not very useful. This area is nearly impossible to live here without a car.	6/14/2022 15:26
55	Promote smaller homes on bigger lots / fewer giant subdivisions with poor planning	6/14/2022 20:54
56	Larger minimum lot requirement	6/15/2022 9:58
57	Reduce current rate of dense high cost development	6/15/2022 10:03
58	I don't know much about our current housing programs or density, so I'm not sure how to answer these questions. I do feel we need to do our part to support affordable housing, and I'd love to see more tax breaks or other help for low/moderate income seniors.	6/15/2022 10:04
59	We need to invest this money into infrastructure to support a growing community and not assistance	6/15/2022 10:35
60	no more mcmansions! Jesus I've had enough of them.	6/15/2022 10:44
61	enforcement of rules relating to trash/debris on residential properties which detract from property values	6/15/2022 11:08
62	Help to build communities (projects) of smaller affordable homes	6/15/2022 11:13

63	Keep the zoning the way it is	6/15/2022 11:30
64	"affordable" housing will never achieve what it has been implemented to do. To make things more affordable, we need tax cuts	6/15/2022 11:44
65	Slow the rate of housing development	6/15/2022 11:54
66	Tax abatements for elderly in order to ensure they remain in Holliston. Re question # 4- question difficult to answer as I am not clear what the current rate and density is and whether the idea is to curb or increase development.	6/15/2022 12:13
67	Residential development drains the tax base. Increase oversight of dense development. Allow accessory dwellings. Change zoning so that elders with equity in houses can rent apartments and young people can find housing.	6/15/2022 12:55
68	Very in favor of increasing density for housing to allow for multi family units, and allowing accessory dwelling units. Rather than offering seniors property tax exemptions to stay in their homes, I would rather see the development of varried, smaller housing unit (NOT single family homes) that are more welcoming to people at different life stages and incomes. Owning a home is not in reach for some folks, and not desired for others because of upkeep etc. We need to make something other than the detached single family home a real option in Holliston if we want to keep the community diverse and vibrant.	6/15/2022 13:15
69	More condo developments, but not affordable or low income housing.	6/15/2022 13:36
70	Allow density in established developed areas to the greatest extent that utilities or the environment can handle it. Allow and incentivize accessory dwelling units.	6/15/2022 13:52
71	Reduce property taxes for elderly.	6/15/2022 13:57
72	Eliminate multi-family building projects	6/15/2022 15:39
73	The town needs to give services to the people that pay full tax rates. I live in a 55plus community and the town made a deal with Pulte to keep our roads private. We get no services and pay the same amount of taxes as others	6/15/2022 19:28
74	Slow the building out of our town-it's too crowded already	6/16/2022 19:03
75	Make builders pay for infrastructure enhancements needed to support population growth including roads, water, sewage and schools. Dont allow them to cut corners on sustainable growth and environmental priorities	6/16/2022 21:06
76	Stop chopping down trees.	6/17/2022 9:15
77	Change zoning bylaws to allow by right, the building of duplexes on ANR lots and future possible "teardowns" on existing single family house lots without the need for a special permit as long as within the title V limits for septic treatment .	6/17/2022 14:39
78	Assist seniors with housing upkeep	6/17/2022 14:53
79	Town wide sewer & improved water supply, NEW HIGH SCHOOL	6/17/2022 15:46
80	Feel that there is enough affordable housing around town at this time	6/17/2022 16:10

81	Building more duplexes throughout Holliston's neighborhoods is a good way to accomplish these goals in an affordable way. Furthermore, yards should be smaller so that housing development is more environmentally sustainable.	6/17/2022 17:22
82	Holliston is not affordable and building is outrageous	6/17/2022 17:50
83	We need to proactively welcome black families to Holliston through proactive policies and incentive programs to offset the discriminatory housing policies that have persisted around the country for hundreds of years. Holliston should be a leader in creating unique programs in this area.	6/18/2022 2:53
84	We should improve septic so that downtown can have more housing (and businesses) and then absolutely need more sidewalks and bike paths on roads such as central, Fiskes or any of the main roads leading into town. Not only would this help all but in particular children within 2 miles who walk and do not ride the school buses.	6/18/2022 13:50
85	Need over 55+ without "luxury" items. Seniors need options for 1 level, 2-bedroom homes. Luxury kitchen is not a priority to an 80+ yr old senior. Priced in the \$300k range. Many seniors feel stuck in their current home, which is not too large to upkeep, with a steep staircase to the second floor since the house was built in the 1960's. Sale of current home is less than the price of the units on Monroe Dr.	6/18/2022 17:33
86	Abolish SFH only zoning, significantly reduce minimum lot sizes, remove overly restrictive zoning measures. Massachusetts has more people than acres, you will never have affordable housing without increasing density in the town.	6/18/2022 23:11
87	Discourage "cookie cutter" developments where all houses look the same. Encourage aesthetic diversity and character in architectural design.	6/19/2022 11:57
88	There seems to be a good deal of development. Open space and even small space seems to be disappearing. It would be nice to clean up vacancies and to improve the look of industrial businesses along Washington Street and other areas before adding more homes and more businesses. Fix what is here and then invite more to town.	6/19/2022 19:33
89	Again, our current assets are adequate and therefore not priority demands on our financial resources.	6/20/2022 10:47
90	help elderly that already have and care for homes	6/20/2022 17:42
91	Possibly giving alternatives to many of the old zoning regulations for possible growth. Such as the area in front of the High School for recreational facilities adjacent to the High school and safety for students and our youth to access.	6/21/2022 22:44
92	NOT allowing properties under 1 acre to have nuisance, or farm animals such as goats and chickens. Allowing double wide driveways.	6/22/2022 10:14
93	I think it's socially and fiscally responsible to provide access to affordable housing, even if it results in a net increase in density. As important is ensuring this affordable housing is not isolated from the community	6/22/2022 10:31
94	Keeping a good spread of housing availability dispersed throughout the community consistent with community character rather than concentrated affordable housing.	6/22/2022 10:50
95	I think we need to rethink density in housing, in order to have a more housing sustainability as well as affordability. We also should have changes in building codes to allow more environmentally friendly techniques, as well as the use of composting toilets	6/22/2022 11:03

96	more affordable 55+ housing - no way to 'downsize' to a 55+ in Holliston without taking out a mortgage	6/22/2022 11:39
97	Build up not just out (business on first floor, residential above)	6/22/2022 14:22
98	See recommendation for prior section. In regard to that section does the town have a program to help residents (especially older residents) maintain their homes. There are too many homes falling apart especially along Washington Street that are eyesores and ruin the character of the town.	6/22/2022 14:42
99	I'm not really sure about these answers since I don't know a lot about housing, except that I would like to keep as much open space as possible.	6/22/2022 15:15
100	Help diversify Holliston	6/22/2022 16:33
101	Making sure our existing housing is well maintained and affordable	6/22/2022 17:10
102	Improve infrastructure of existing neighborhoods (side walks, improved lighting, improved sidewalks down Washington street to create safe walking through town from one end to other)	6/22/2022 20:59
103	I know 40B is state, but is there any way to increase the percent of affordable housing in these projects.	6/22/2022 21:53
104	Net zero building requirements. Please no more townhouses/high density houses- they drain our schools and services.	6/23/2022 10:48
105	Support programs that preserve and improve existing affordable housing units	6/23/2022 13:43
106	Quieter neighborhoods, enforced speed limits !!!! To ensure children can ride bikes etc	6/23/2022 13:58
107	get rid of fafard and lower these insanely high property taxes here in holliston (and for WHAT?)	6/23/2022 14:07
108	Moderate housing choices for senior citizens that don't require very low assets. Senior housing that is not income-based is extremely expensive.	6/23/2022 14:09
109	Affordable housing for families with children	6/23/2022 14:11
110	There should be a balance between affordable housing and the preservation of our neighborhoods. There's a nuance in how best to add-on to existing neighborhoods with new plots for affordable housing. Doing that well takes a lot of thought, skill, and preparation.	6/23/2022 14:20
I don't think we need to increase housing , think we need to limit new development to maintain as much green space.		
Promote smaller homes, allow Tiny house development.		
1. Reduce town carbon footprint - by reducing the number or gas hookups allowed for new development		
2. Reduce carbon foot print - by have carbon fee adder to building permit fees (new gas stove hookup would have higher Building inspection fee than new electric outlet.		
3. Reduce carbon foot print - Reduce trash tonnage by having town sponsored composting.		
111		6/23/2022 14:33

112	Reduce or level out the rate of housing expansion to at least retain a town-like feel to the community.	6/23/2022 14:41
113	moratorium on housing construction	6/23/2022 14:44
114	taxes lower when more places are available and being made	6/23/2022 14:47
115	More apartment and rental options for younger people	6/23/2022 14:48
116	More affordable over 55 communities.	6/23/2022 14:55
117	Integrate moderate income housing development into existing neighborhoods	6/23/2022 15:03
118	Keep trucks out of our neighborhoods and following the latest guidelines for truck exclusion	6/23/2022 15:26
119	More affordable housing and less high end developments	6/23/2022 15:45
120	Being a small town I don't think developing lots of additional residential units should be a priority; especially at the expense of historic properties. In my experience developers will target historic properties that need work and maintenance to tear down and redevelop denser units. I would like to see programs aimed to promote renovation and preservation of the existing historic homes that are abundant (and pretty awesome!). For the redevelopment that does need to happen I wouldn't want to see denser unit requirements or undue burdens on developers. I would rather maintain the aesthetic qualities and existing character of the small town neighborhoods.	6/23/2022 15:52
121	Building of affordable moderate homes and less luxury homes with large yards	6/23/2022 15:56
122	First priority should be maintaining property values, even if it means increased taxes.	6/23/2022 16:21
123	I DO NOT WANT TO SEE APARTMENT BUILDING AFTER APARTMENT BUILDING IN HOLLISTON. WE NEED MORE SINGLE FAMILY DETACHED HOUSES IN THE \$400 TO 500K.	6/23/2022 16:34
124	make sure water can handle the number of homes being built. Also traffic is becoming a HUGE problem, making me want to move out.	6/23/2022 16:52
125	Consider cutting back of the continued development of new homes. Most are only attracting people with high budgets. We also need to preserve more open land.	6/23/2022 17:02
126	Maybe programs encouraging creation of ADUs. People might be willing to create units for relatives or rentals to the public	6/23/2022 17:45
127	Town sewer is Important	6/23/2022 18:35
128	Tax abatements for seniors	6/23/2022 19:23
129	Build some smaller homes. The McMansions are ridiculous	6/23/2022 20:55
130	Town should pay for septic repairs as step towards town sewage system.	6/23/2022 22:14
131	Review zoning laws for obstacles to creating more affordable housing and multi-family housing.	6/23/2022 22:44

	Keep holliston as quaint as it is now. None of these crazy apartment developments happening in Medfield, and these weird dense neighborhood developments happening in Norfolk. Don't sell out the town for lower quality development patterns. In some towns, Builders are swallowing up land and building on postage stamp lots... not into that development pattern, it feels like a step backwards.	6/23/2022 23:30
132		
133	What about rent control for the town? It's insane what rental prices are in this town!!!	6/24/2022 8:46
134	Increasing population growth is not necessarily beneficial to the existing community.	6/24/2022 9:27
	Affordable housing is not truly affordable so that is why I have indicated not supporting it.	6/24/2022 11:14
135		
	It is not easy to provide low and moderate housing - it needs initiatives	6/24/2022 15:40
136		
	Insentivize building of smaller homes.	6/24/2022 20:04
137		
	Taxes should be at a level that long term residents can afford to stay in the community they helped build.	6/25/2022 18:26
138		
	Promote mixed use development, particularly near town center.	6/25/2022 19:36
139		
140	Smaller, energy efficient homes	6/26/2022 7:04
	It is important to have a town be affordable enough for its employees to live there, as well as the next generation. This ensures continuity.	6/26/2022 11:53
141		
	Limits on luxury homes.	6/26/2022 21:32
142		
	I dont really have any issues with our current housing in Town	6/27/2022 11:41
143		
	Assisted living for seniors who want to remain in town but require additional services	6/27/2022 11:52
144		
	encourage multi family dwellings to help with aging population - in-law apartments	6/27/2022 18:36
145		
146	Figure out how to add restaurants to town	6/28/2022 8:53
	Affordable senior housing-retirees have to move as nothing available in town!! Shame on us for losing Andrews and Flagg schools!!! other towns preserve!!!	6/28/2022 11:13
147		
	Provide affordable water for low cost like some neighboring towns such as Grafton. Need good lawns for beautification and lack of affordable water is not helping houses look neat	6/28/2022 19:03
148		
	Expanding restrictions on lot coverage and impervious coverage for remodeling and home additions.	6/29/2022 8:25
149		
	Increase affordable options	6/29/2022 10:42
150		
	We have a housing crisis. I would like to see more affordable housing in our town.	6/29/2022 13:59
151		
	No more building! Preserve open space and save the trees	6/29/2022 14:09
152		
	More neighborhoods, remove unruly and unsanitary houses	6/29/2022 20:48
153		
	No more apartment buildings to keep the small quaint residential feel of the town and people take care of houses more than apartments	6/29/2022 20:51
154		
155	Beautify properties that have been let go	6/30/2022 9:44

156	Allow senior citizens to stay in their homes as long as possible.	6/30/2022 10:37
157	I worry about the elderly people in this town who can't afford to stay in their houses. I would be open to exploring more tax relief for them so that they can stay.	6/30/2022 21:03
158	Don't create more housing that impinges on environmental space	6/30/2022 21:31
159	Manage tax rate to make housing more affordable	7/1/2022 12:55
160	Less mega mansions and more "normal " housing. Less cutting down trees and less new developments	7/2/2022 18:46
<p>No additional sprawl. No more "McMansions." Do cluster type developments - like Natick did on Rte 27 - so the homes are smaller and in a clump - rather than dotted across previously beautiful pastoral landscapes. Work with current owners to utilize existing structures better and when new properties come on the market, be strict in what can be built. Why not require the 555 Hopping Brook location to be a residential type construction rather than industrial? The Village Plaza - for example - could be much more functional. At present, the parking lot is mostly empty (whenever I go there) and takes up a large footprint. Why not encourage more attractive redesign with apartments above - if the owner would consider it. Once again - the abandoned gas station could be a well-designed small mixed use residential/retail spot. Use existing opportunities rather than building new - whenever possible. Also - instead of allowing more "McMansions" encourage/require, green building for new homes. In Asheville NC, they have incredible examples of small homes that are beautiful looking and sustainably built - mixed in with older homes. It looks appropriate and there is a big market for smaller homes.</p>		
161		7/4/2022 9:26
162	Oversight of construction, management and operation of goals of new construction	7/5/2022 9:29
163	We need to preserve our towns value and property values. Taxes should go to schools and community and not to subsidize housing	7/6/2022 16:52
164	Maintaining high real estate values is important to existing residents.	7/7/2022 9:40
165	Focus on attracting young families. Focus on bringing back the view of Holliston being upscale with a rural small town feel.	7/8/2022 11:40
166	Do not over develop with high density residential. Infrastructure cannot currently support large spikes in population. Fix the towns infrastructure before overburdening it	7/9/2022 8:09
167	Promote affordable housing according to voters requirements. Not the beliefs of the selectmen.	7/9/2022 20:34
168	Some senior housing (ex: Cole Court) has second floor housing w/ out elevators , stairs only for seniors. This seems very impractical for folks with mobility issues ! More accessible senior housing is in order, I'd think.	7/9/2022 23:11
169	Increase density to allow for more low and moderate housing	7/10/2022 9:07
170	Minimum lot sizes. Enforce and extend our zoning laws to reduce appeals for things that promote higher density.	7/12/2022 21:13
171	Build more modest single family homes. All that gets built now are enormous homes, or condos.	7/13/2022 10:31
172	Similar to the tax break that is given to senior citizens, we should offer a tax break to low income residents.	7/14/2022 16:57
173	no more housing developments	7/17/2022 7:50

174	Housing for in between- people who make too much for housing assistance but not enough for a million dollar house on old cart path	7/18/2022 10:05
175	1) Upgrade current affordable housing conditions. 2) providing safe and decent homes 3) create attractive neighborhoods	7/18/2022 10:28
176	Especially think of seniors trying to keep their home they need some breaks on the taxes if they have lived her for 20+ years	7/18/2022 14:01
177	Lower taxes	7/18/2022 16:03
178	Preserve the small town feel, no large complexes, keep historical houses	7/18/2022 16:47
179	Reduce real estate taxes for seniors	7/18/2022 17:03
180	No more over 55 age homes.	7/18/2022 17:49
181	Calm the zoning laws on owned land so people can build sheds, mother in law units and such.	7/18/2022 18:47
182	Housing that provides Sufficient tax revenue to maintain public services and schools	7/18/2022 20:07
183	Town sewer system	7/18/2022 20:21
184	seek ways to limit property tax increases	7/18/2022 20:59
185	Promote an increase in handicap accessible housing development! Please!	7/18/2022 21:13
186	Neighborhoods open to families, not too many 55+ developments.	7/18/2022 21:57
187	we need that 10 percent affordable housing goal to avoid more 40 B projects. I suggest a fund that would buy as many of the 147 and 152 turner road condos as possible that could all be turned into low /affordable income properties. There aren't too many houses left in town anymore that would fall into that category	7/18/2022 23:33
188	Still don't know enough about the town in that regard.	7/19/2022 10:21
189	Water shortage looming every year, city water can't meet the needs of large high end homes with expansive lawns. Some thought needs to be put into that aspect	7/19/2022 11:03
190	Town sewer	7/19/2022 11:16
191	Lower utilities	7/19/2022 13:02
192	this is CRITICAL! more tax payers regardless of income means more \$\$\$ coming into the town. It's so simple. Our local zoning laws and fear of "over-crowding" have racist undertones of redlining are unfounded by research of towns that open up to more mixed income families. We WILL benefit from being more inclusive and we absolutely need to prioritize affordable housing. Additionally affordable housing cannot be created in a silo and needs a strategic understanding with transportation options when being created as to not isolate new families.	7/19/2022 13:47
193	Tiny houses, multiple on lots	7/19/2022 17:32
194	Has there been consideration to being able to support the growth of the community through continued building. ie. water levels, traffic, school resources?	7/20/2022 7:30

195	Control growth of any and all housing - current growth is becoming overcrowded	7/20/2022 9:20
196	Expand assistance? How about we lessen the tax burden across the board, or at least for our seniors so the6 can afford to remain in their homes!	7/20/2022 10:02
197	Don't make it a mega town; it would loose its character	7/20/2022 10:39
198	Clean Water	7/20/2022 11:10
199	affordable senior housing	7/20/2022 13:25
200	Stop continuing to build without the infrastructure to support it.	7/20/2022 15:53
201	NO MORE BUILDING IN THE TOWN, NO MORE ROOM	7/20/2022 20:14
202	Limit overcrowding and congestion	7/20/2022 20:36
203	Stop building massive housing developments that cater only to the wealthy	7/21/2022 8:05
204	Decreasing development of large homes in green spaces	7/21/2022 10:08
205	What is really missing for town are actual middle class homes and their development. We have some emphasis on affordable housing for the poor and we've sadly gone down the road of left and right McMansion's, but where is the middle class housing and maybe developments of housing that middle class people can afford? It's a question that we should answer before we decide to become the next Needham or Westwood (solidly middle class towns, but because of decisions made, now are very exclusive communities).	7/21/2022 17:26
206	Define affordable as being something that someone who works for the town can afford.	7/21/2022 18:36
207	Side walks on central	7/22/2022 9:55
208	Put a limit on these high-end development communities coming in with massive, expensive houses that all look the same. They take away from the character of the town, make it only so very wealthy people can move into them, and if enough of them come in, lead to overcrowding and even worse traffic.	7/22/2022 11:34
209	More affordable housing and less mini- mansions. Easing costs for seniors to stay in their homes.	7/22/2022 15:23
210	i think housing should be on a sliding scale so that people who are needy can get a leg up in a nice community	7/22/2022 19:38
211	These are hard to answer since I don't know what the current state is. All I know is that we are two college educated, working adults and we can barely afford to live here. We are clearly drawn to the large plots of land that the town has to offer, we don't want high density housing -- so I don't know what the answer is.	7/22/2022 22:58
212	public sewer would be great	7/23/2022 9:33
213	No apartment developments like other towns are starting to do.	7/23/2022 9:51
214	interventions in the market, though well-intentioned, lead to unexpected and often disastrous outcomes. controlling for one variable is a fool's errand.	7/23/2022 9:59
215	Allowing Condo/apartment builds	7/24/2022 17:44

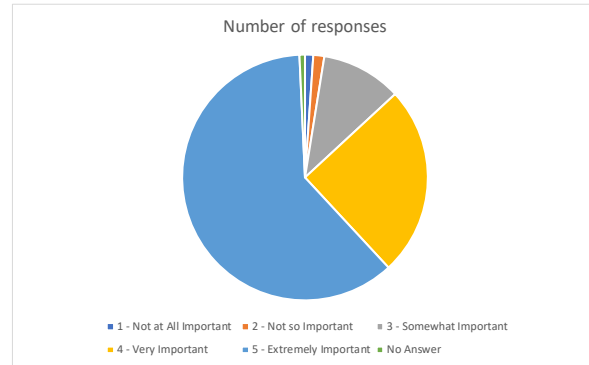
216	I would like to see a group home for disabled residents 10 years from now for my special needs kids.	7/25/2022 5:10
217	A new central location for a Senior Center. Hopkinton and Milford both have great facilities.	7/25/2022 18:58
218	Housing should be concentrated near essential services, schools	7/25/2022 21:26
219	Assist first time buyers	7/27/2022 11:59
220	There is simply too much new construction and it is disrupting the wildlife, forcing animals into neighborhoods. The row of new homes on Norfolk Street in between the powerlines and Hill Street have caused an influx of coyotes, foxes and their prey animals down into the Holly Hill development. I suspect this is happening in other neighborhoods as well. Without wooded areas, there is simply no where for the wildlife to go.	7/27/2022 15:31
221	Keep the small town charm and feel and stop building million dollar homes. Growing up in Holliston in the 80s/90s was great until the town started building million dollar or more houses. When those houses were built it started to bring people to the town with different values than those who grew up here. All the new developments are taking away the beauty of the town, also reducing areas where animals can live. We now have animals that normally live in the wild literally living in our back yards.	7/28/2022 7:02
222	Increase quality of affordable areas of town	7/28/2022 8:32
223	Tax proportionately - big properties / homes should pay proportionately more than dense downtown housing (w/o exception for large lots!)	7/28/2022 11:31
224	Young adults cannot afford to buy a house in Massachusetts. Affordable housing means prices under \$350,000. We need more affordable duplexes not more \$750,000 houses	7/28/2022 18:11
225	Fewer new resource hog "McMansions" and more eco friendly building initiatives. Pressure on property owners with empty houses to sell or rent to get families houses.	7/29/2022 7:54
226	Ensure that wetlands is maintained and open space is available to every neighborhood	7/29/2022 10:25
227	Housing is a critical need. Need lower middle class housing	7/29/2022 12:27
228	Consider limited water resources and limit more housing developments. Promote sustainable, synergistic business tax revenue as the primary tax revenue is already from residential taxes. (Ie no mega warehouses)	7/30/2022 10:52
229	The town needs to develop affordable and/or subsidized 55+ housing. Single residents cannot retire and afford to live in Holliston.	7/30/2022 12:26
230	Lower land taxes for owners of houses-surrounding towns have less land taxes they pay	7/30/2022 12:52

	Holliston's future must include becoming a part of the solution for greater access to affordable housing that is urgently needed in this region. This parallels and works in tandem with the need for Holliston to work to dismantle the racial segregation that dominates this region and the commonwealth as a whole. https://www.bostonglobe.com/2022/05/05/opinion/bakers-housing-law-is-ruffling-suburban-feathers-good/?p1=Article_Inline_Text_Link There are trade-offs that are therefore necessary when it comes to future planning related to Holliston's configuration of open space, community character and design, and the urgent need to create more affordable housing.	7/31/2022 6:38
231		
	There is no way to outbuild or outrun the need for housing. We can either be like Sherborn or like Medway, but the choice will greatly impact the future character of the town. I prefer Sherborn to be honest. High density housing whether high, moderate, or low income puts a huge strain on town resources and further burdens the roadways with traffic congestion.	7/31/2022 9:30
232		
	I would like to see Holliston become a leader in affordable housing solutions. Innovations in this area require trade-offs, but if we want to be a truly welcoming and integrated community, we might have to re-configure some of our open spaces.	7/31/2022 14:48
233		
	None! You're already killing the taxpayers of this town. Every May/June we see the for sale signs go up as children graduate the high school and families leave to find lower tax living elsewhere. Stop with the 'fluffy' liberal 'feel good' stuff and get a life...	7/31/2022 15:29
234		
	Increase inventory of nice, well integrated apartments	8/1/2022 9:32
235		
	Provide ways to help seniors stay in their homes or find ways to downsize without leaving town.	8/1/2022 9:51
236		
	Focus on density rather than massive homes with massive lawns that are water intensive	8/2/2022 9:22
237		
	Support permitting ancillary dwelling units to help alleviate current affordable housing shortage.	8/2/2022 22:59
238		
	Why can't we turn one of the industrial parks into a community village where there is safe affordable housing (especially for seniors- single level homes) with retail shops and service providers (like hair salon, grocery store)...we can't seem to achieve this is	
239	Mudville/Downtown Holliston.	8/2/2022 23:23
	I am not clear on what current programming and rules exist for affordable housing, but am in support of isocio economic integration throughout our community.	8/3/2022 16:11
240		
	More subdivisions with larger homes similar to Hopkinton	8/6/2022 11:09
241		
	New housing developments should be a low priority or excluded.	8/7/2022 12:19
242		
	For #4: we would slow down new single family home development by square footage.	
	New Housing that is in the vicinity of 2500 square feet would help with zoning, density and affordability. Housing developers mange square footage on lots.	8/7/2022 12:34
243		
	1. Encourage more building of one level homes for downsizing senior citizens. 2. Decrease acreage required for above, alone, or 55 clusters.	
244	3. House more duplexes in neighborhoods.	8/7/2022 12:51
	Encourage more modest homes rather than McMansions. Make Holliston more affordable, especially for younger families and retirees.	8/7/2022 13:10
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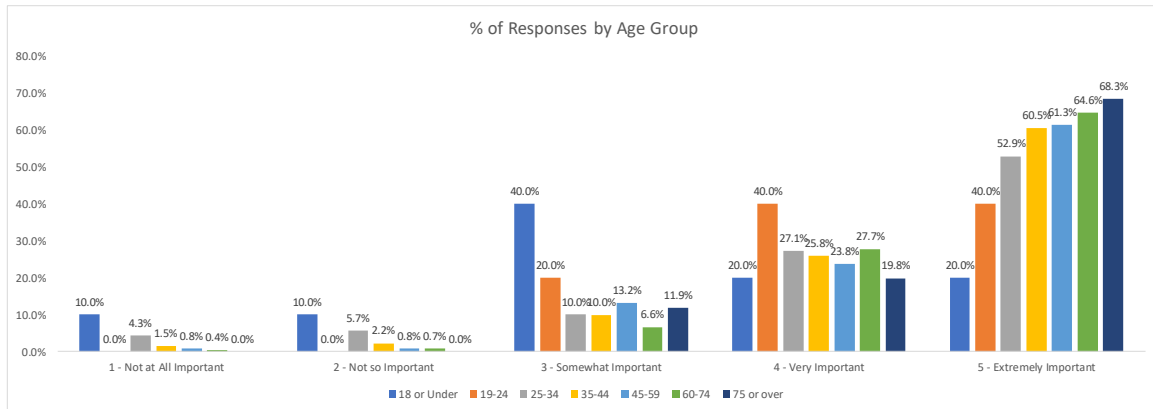
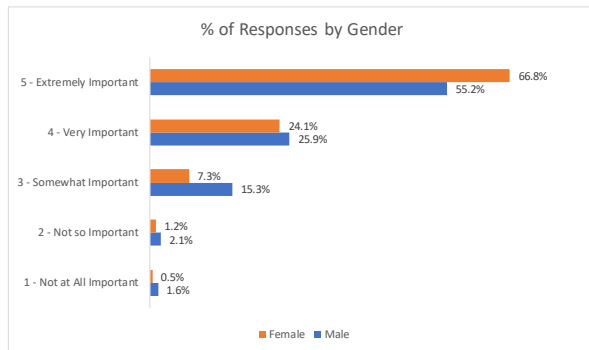
	We need apartment rentals for people who are young and starting out, lower income families, and most important, for the elderly who can't manage their home anymore but want to stay in our community in Holliston. Maybe some of the old mill buildings could	
246	be used for a start.	8/8/2022 17:49
247	i dont know enough about housing to respond intelligently.	8/8/2022 18:54
	More affordable housing to promote more diversity in town. Essential, in my opinion.	
248	Town is way too Lilly white, we need a more diverse community ... Desperately.	8/8/2022 21:29

Section 4: Town Services

Q29	Preserve a strong commitment to public safety.						
1105							
	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	12	16	117	276	676	8	4.45
	1.1%	1.4%	10.6%	25.0%	61.2%	0.7%	
Male	6	8	59	100	213		4.31
	1.6%	2.1%	15.3%	25.9%	55.2%		
Female	3	7	43	142	393		4.56
	0.5%	1.2%	7.3%	24.1%	66.8%		
0.25							



18 or under	1	1	4	2	2		3.30
	10.0%	10.0%	40.0%	20.0%	20.0%		
19 - 24	0	0	1	2	2		4.20
	0.0%	0.0%	20.0%	40.0%	40.0%		
25 - 34	3	4	7	19	37		4.19
	4.3%	5.7%	10.0%	27.1%	52.9%		
35 - 44	4	6	27	70	164		4.42
	1.5%	2.2%	10.0%	25.8%	60.5%		
45 - 59	3	3	47	85	219		4.44
	0.8%	0.8%	13.2%	23.8%	61.3%		
60 - 74	1	2	18	75	175		4.55
	0.4%	0.7%	6.6%	27.7%	64.6%		
75 or over	0	0	12	20	69		4.56
	0.0%	0.0%	11.9%	19.8%	68.3%		



Q30	Expand emergency medical services, including EMTs and Fire Department.
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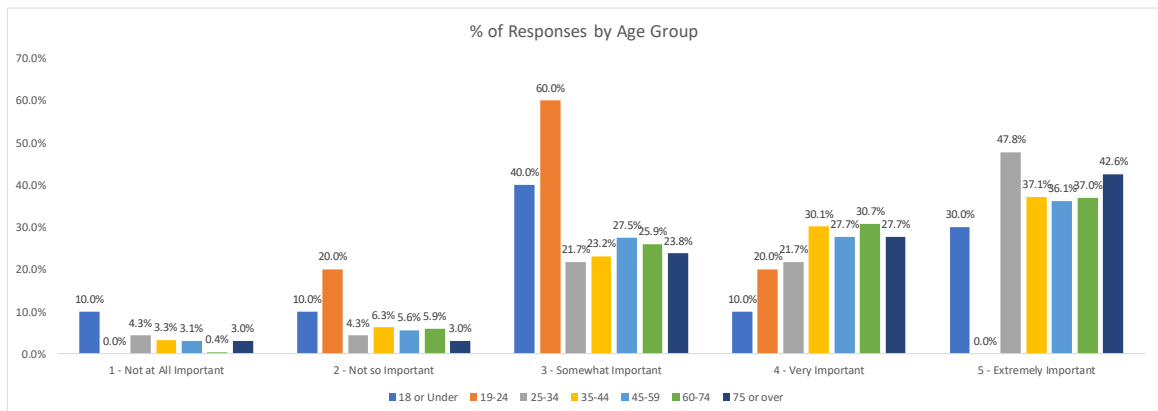
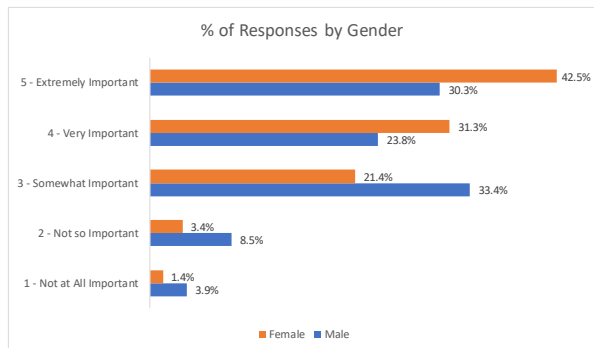
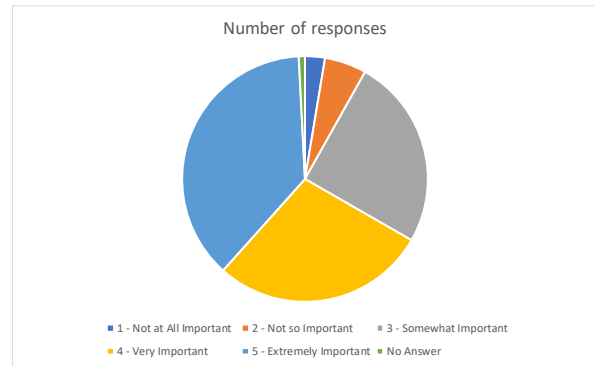
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Total	29 2.6%	61 5.5%	278 25.2%	313 28.3%	415 37.6%	9 0.8%	3.93

Male	15 3.9%	33 8.5%	129 33.4%	92 23.8%	117 30.3%		3.68
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Female	8 1.4%	20 3.4%	126 21.4%	184 31.3%	250 42.5%		4.10
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18 or under	1 10.0%	1 10.0%	4 40.0%	1 10.0%	3 30.0%		3.40
19 - 24	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	3 60.0%	1 20.0%	0 0.0%		3.00
25 - 34	3 4.3%	3 4.3%	15 21.7%	15 21.7%	33 47.8%		4.04
35 - 44	9 3.3%	17 6.3%	63 23.2%	82 30.1%	101 37.1%		3.92
45 - 59	11 3.1%	20 5.6%	98 27.5%	99 27.7%	129 36.1%		3.88
60 - 74	1 0.4%	16 5.9%	70 25.9%	83 30.7%	100 37.0%		3.98
75 or over	3 3.0%	3 3.0%	24 23.8%	28 27.7%	43 42.6%		4.04



Q31	Preserve existing services and facilities provided by the town.
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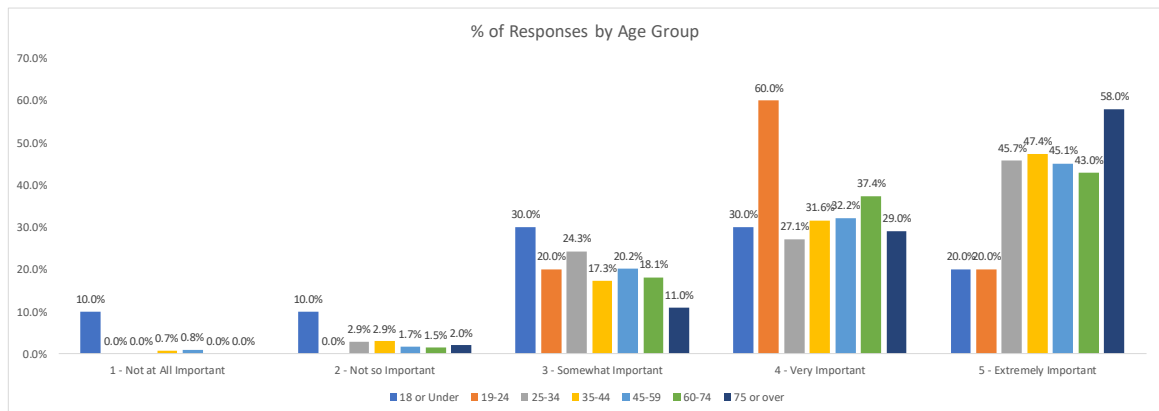
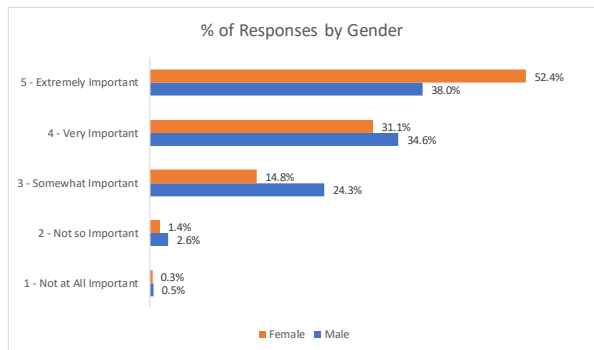
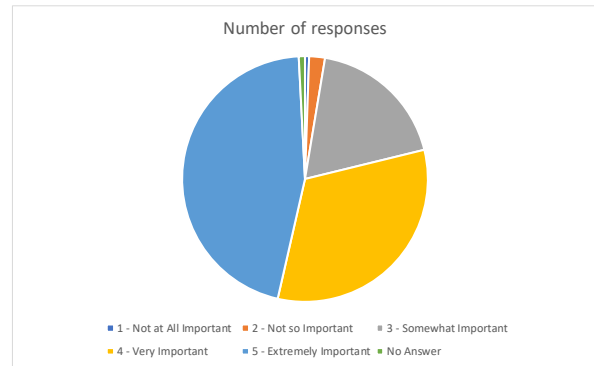
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Total	6 0.5%	23 2.1%	205 18.6%	358 32.4%	504 45.6%	9 0.8%	4.21

Male	2 0.5%	10 2.6%	94 24.3%	134 34.6%	147 38.0%		4.07
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Female	2 0.3%	8 1.4%	87 14.8%	182 31.1%	307 52.4%		4.34
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0.27

18 or under	1 10.0%	1 10.0%	3 30.0%	3 30.0%	2 20.0%		3.40
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	3 60.0%	1 20.0%		4.00
25 - 34	0 0.0%	2 2.9%	17 24.3%	19 27.1%	32 45.7%		4.16
35 - 44	2 0.7%	8 2.9%	47 17.3%	86 31.6%	129 47.4%		4.22
45 - 59	3 0.8%	6 1.7%	72 20.2%	115 32.2%	161 45.1%		4.19
60 - 74	0 0.0%	4 1.5%	49 18.1%	101 37.4%	116 43.0%		4.22
75 or over	0 0.0%	2 2.0%	11 11.0%	29 29.0%	58 58.0%		4.43



Q32	Provide adequate maintenance of municipal buildings, infrastructure, and other assets.
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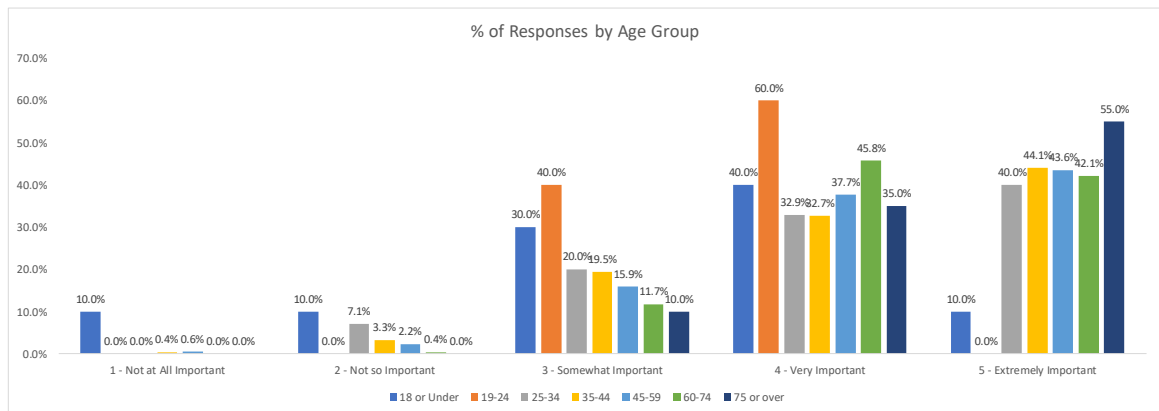
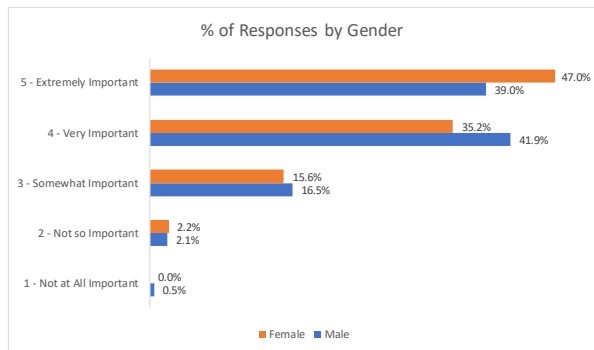
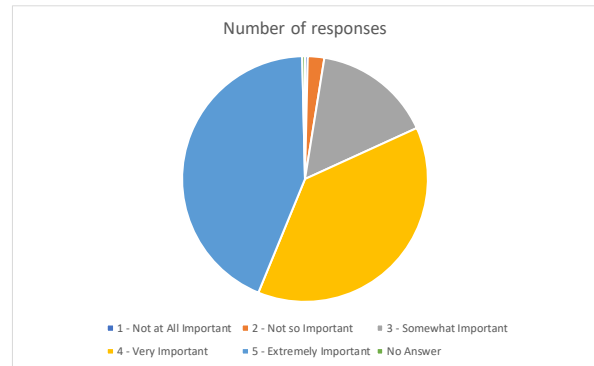
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Total	4	24	173	420	480	4	4.22
	0.4%	2.2%	15.7%	38.0%	43.4%	0.4%	

Male	2	8	64	162	151		4.17
	0.5%	2.1%	16.5%	41.9%	39.0%		

Female	0	13	92	208	278		4.27
	0.0%	2.2%	15.6%	35.2%	47.0%		

0.10

18 or under	1	1	3	4	1		3.30
	10.0%	10.0%	30.0%	40.0%	10.0%		
19 - 24	0	0	2	3	0		3.60
	0.0%	0.0%	40.0%	60.0%	0.0%		
25 - 34	0	5	14	23	28		4.06
	0.0%	7.1%	20.0%	32.9%	40.0%		
35 - 44	1	9	53	89	120		4.17
	0.4%	3.3%	19.5%	32.7%	44.1%		
45 - 59	2	8	57	135	156		4.22
	0.6%	2.2%	15.9%	37.7%	43.6%		
60 - 74	0	1	32	125	115		4.30
	0.0%	0.4%	11.7%	45.8%	42.1%		
75 or over	0	0	10	35	55		4.45
	0.0%	0.0%	10.0%	35.0%	55.0%		



Q33	Improve town water quality.
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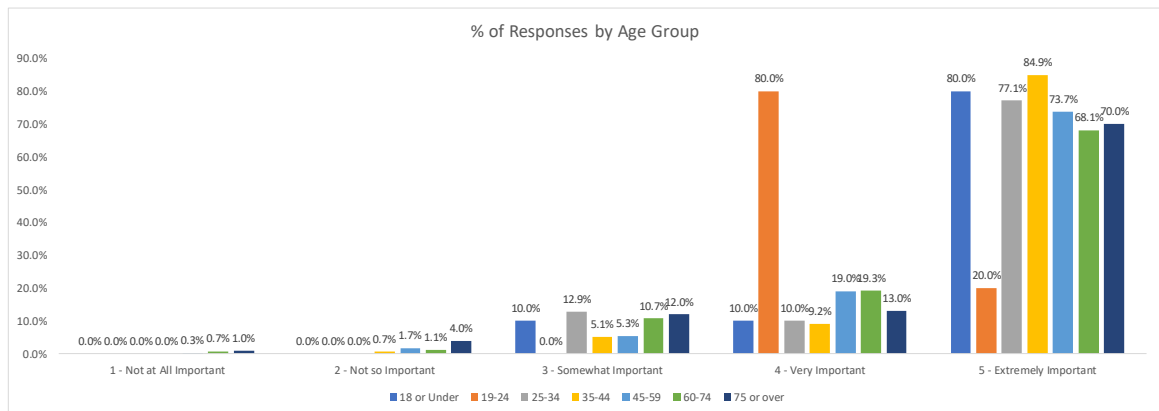
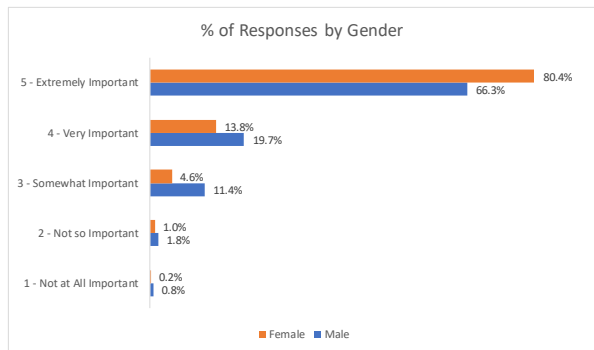
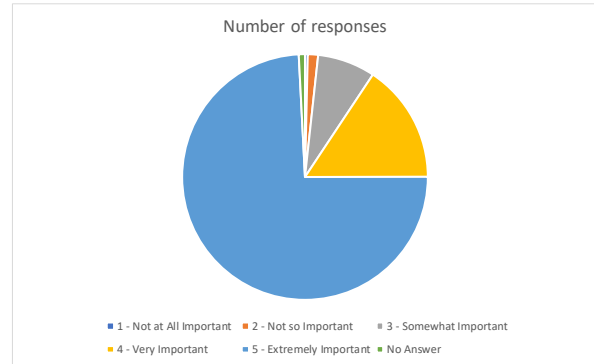
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Total	4	15	84	173	820	9	4.63
	0.4%	1.4%	7.6%	15.7%	74.2%	0.8%	

Male	3	7	44	76	256		4.49
	0.8%	1.8%	11.4%	19.7%	66.3%		

Female	1	6	27	81	472		4.73
	0.2%	1.0%	4.6%	13.8%	80.4%		

0.24

18 or under	0	0	1	1	8		4.70
	0.0%	0.0%	10.0%	10.0%	80.0%		
19 - 24	0	0	0	4	1		4.20
	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	80.0%	20.0%		
25 - 34	0	0	9	7	54		4.64
	0.0%	0.0%	12.9%	10.0%	77.1%		
35 - 44	0	2	14	25	231		4.78
	0.0%	0.7%	5.1%	9.2%	84.9%		
45 - 59	1	6	19	68	263		4.64
	0.3%	1.7%	5.3%	19.0%	73.7%		
60 - 74	2	3	29	52	184		4.53
	0.7%	1.1%	10.7%	19.3%	68.1%		
75 or over	1	4	12	13	70		4.47
	1.0%	4.0%	12.0%	13.0%	70.0%		



Q34	Promote connecting those struggling with mental health and substance use disorders with available social services.
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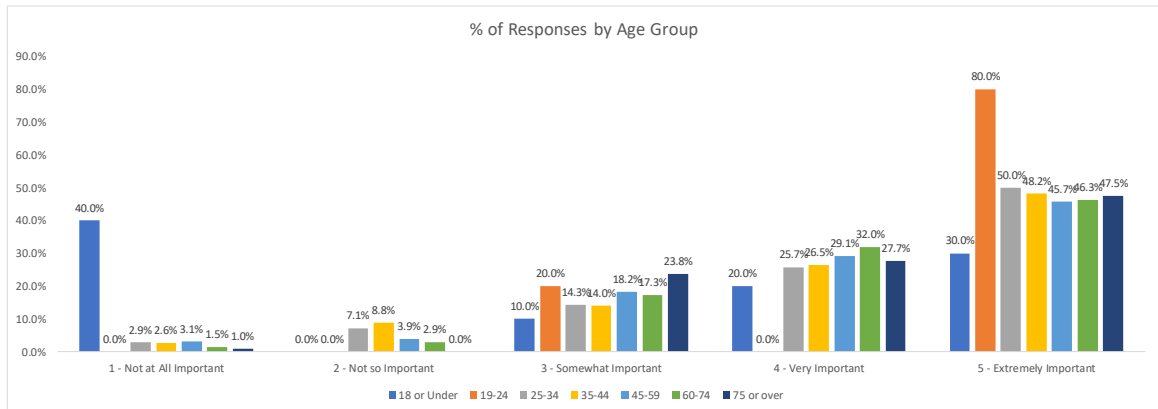
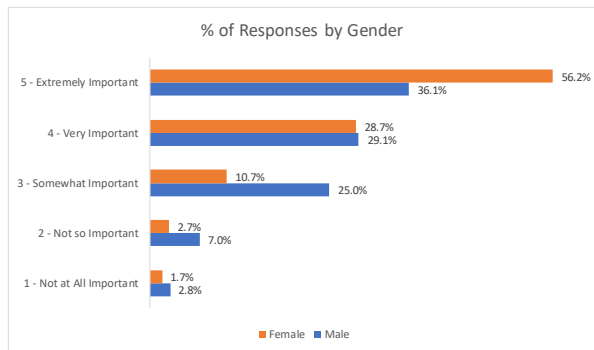
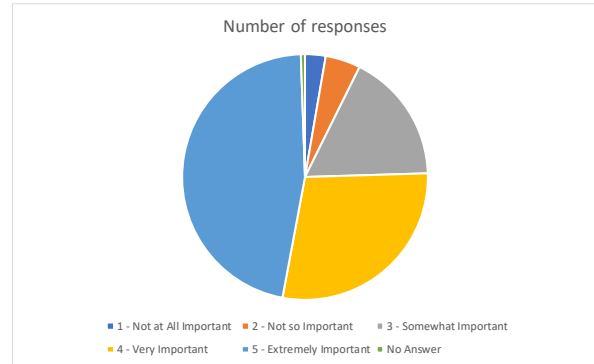
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Total	30 2.7%	51 4.6%	190 17.2%	314 28.4%	514 46.5%	6 0.5%	4.12

Male	11 2.8%	27 7.0%	97 25.0%	113 29.1%	140 36.1%		3.89
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Female	10 1.7%	16 2.7%	63 10.7%	169 28.7%	331 56.2%		4.35
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0.46

18 or under	4 40.0%	0 0.0%	1 10.0%	2 20.0%	3 30.0%		3.00
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	0 0.0%	4 80.0%		4.60
25 - 34	2 2.9%	5 7.1%	10 14.3%	18 25.7%	35 50.0%		4.13
35 - 44	7 2.6%	24 8.8%	38 14.0%	72 26.5%	131 48.2%		4.09
45 - 59	11 3.1%	14 3.9%	65 18.2%	104 29.1%	163 45.7%		4.10
60 - 74	4 1.5%	8 2.9%	47 17.3%	87 32.0%	126 46.3%		4.19
75 or over	1 1.0%	0 0.0%	24 23.8%	28 27.7%	48 47.5%		4.21



Q35	Provide resource connections with organizations that address food security.
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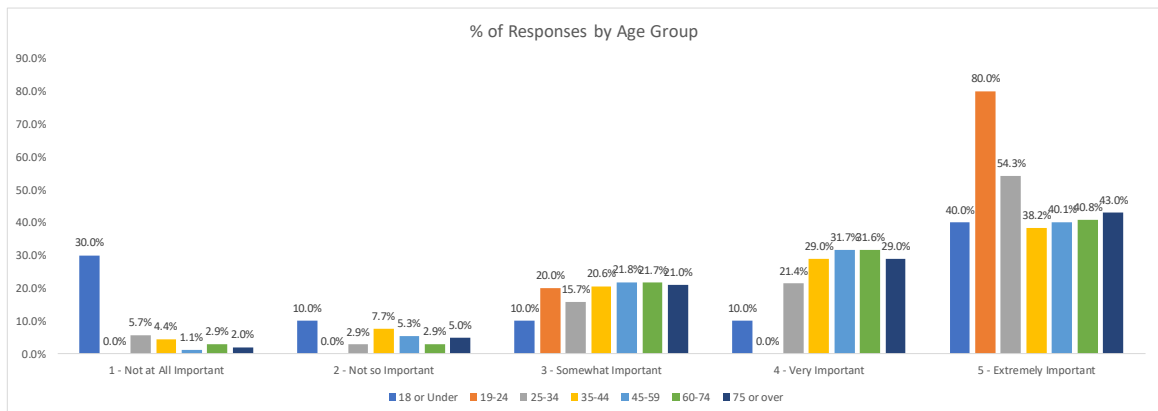
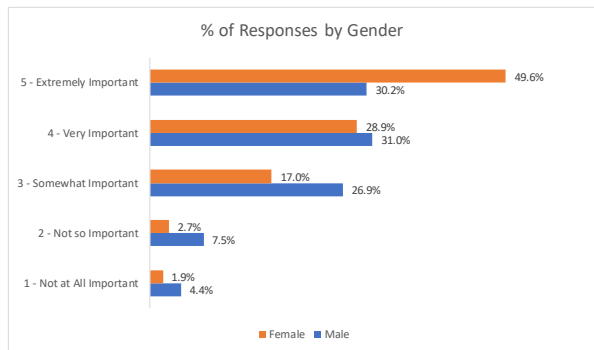
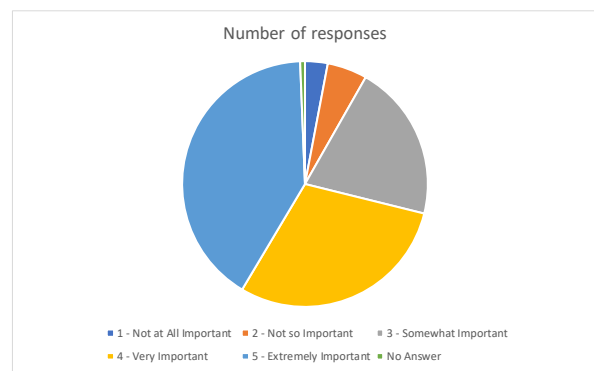
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Total	33 3.0%	58 5.2%	228 20.6%	328 29.7%	451 40.8%	7 0.6%	4.01

Male	17 4.4%	29 7.5%	104 26.9%	120 31.0%	117 30.2%		3.75
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Female	11 1.9%	16 2.7%	100 17.0%	170 28.9%	292 49.6%		4.22
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0.46

18 or under	3 30.0%	1 10.0%	1 10.0%	1 10.0%	4 40.0%		3.20
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	0 0.0%	4 80.0%		4.60
25 - 34	4 5.7%	2 2.9%	11 15.7%	15 21.4%	38 54.3%		4.16
35 - 44	12 4.4%	21 7.7%	56 20.6%	79 29.0%	104 38.2%		3.89
45 - 59	4 1.1%	19 5.3%	78 21.8%	113 31.7%	143 40.1%		4.04
60 - 74	8 2.9%	8 2.9%	59 21.7%	86 31.6%	111 40.8%		4.04
75 or over	2 2.0%	5 5.0%	21 21.0%	29 29.0%	43 43.0%		4.06



Q36	Develop a prioritization list of future services, facilities and infrastructure needs that balances tax revenues, state/federal aid and long-term planning.
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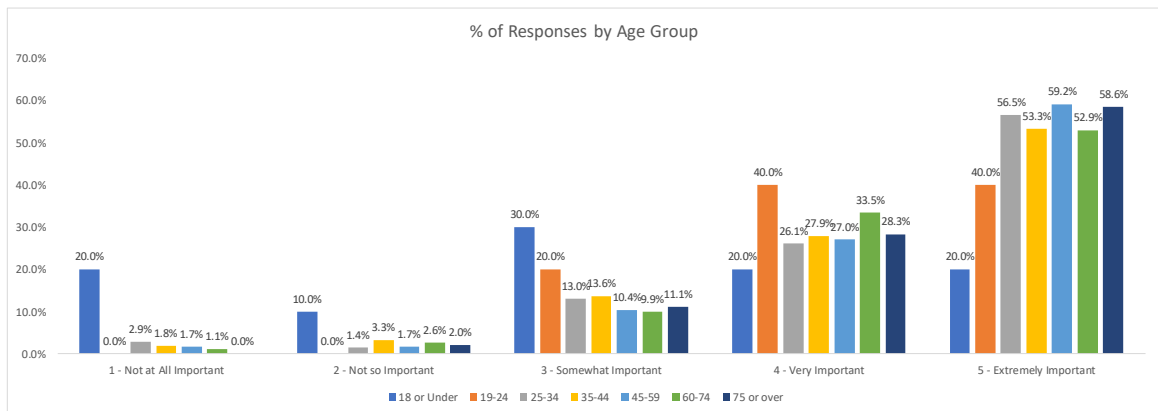
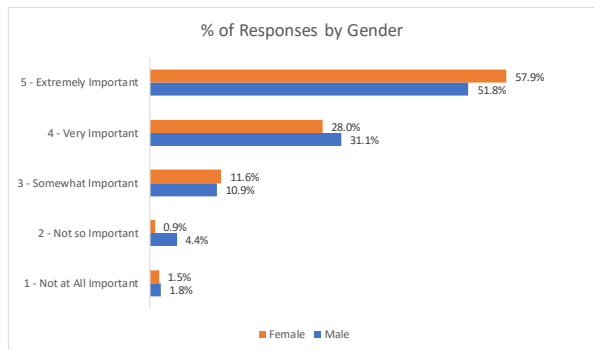
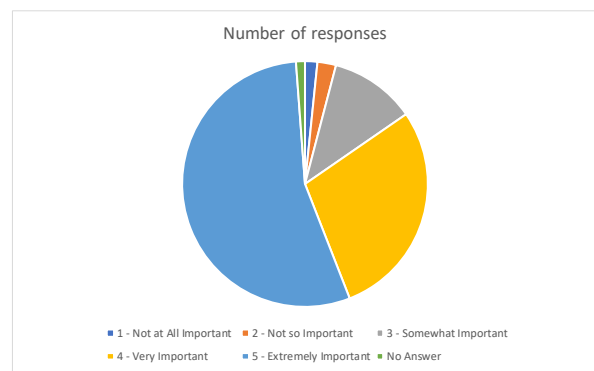
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Total	18 1.6%	27 2.4%	125 11.3%	317 28.7%	605 54.8%	13 1.2%	4.34

Male	7 1.8%	17 4.4%	42 10.9%	120 31.1%	200 51.8%		4.27
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Female	9 1.5%	5 0.9%	68 11.6%	164 28.0%	339 57.9%		4.40
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0.13

18 or under	2 20.0%	1 10.0%	3 30.0%	2 20.0%	2 20.0%		3.10
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	2 40.0%	2 40.0%		4.20
25 - 34	2 2.9%	1 1.4%	9 13.0%	18 26.1%	39 56.5%		4.32
35 - 44	5 1.8%	9 3.3%	37 13.6%	76 27.9%	145 53.3%		4.28
45 - 59	6 1.7%	6 1.7%	37 10.4%	96 27.0%	210 59.2%		4.40
60 - 74	3 1.1%	7 2.6%	27 9.9%	91 33.5%	144 52.9%		4.35
75 or over	0 0.0%	2 2.0%	11 11.1%	28 28.3%	58 58.6%		4.43



Q37	Provide opportunities for effective and transparent communication with the community.
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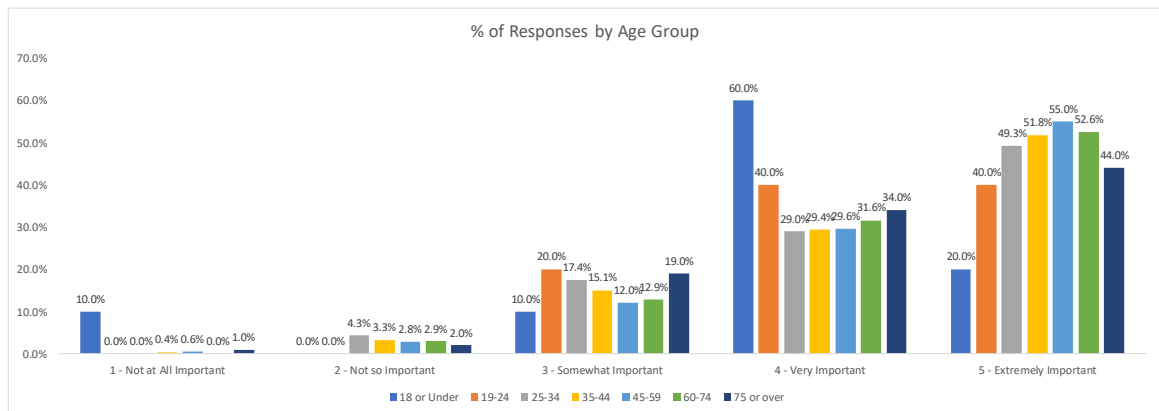
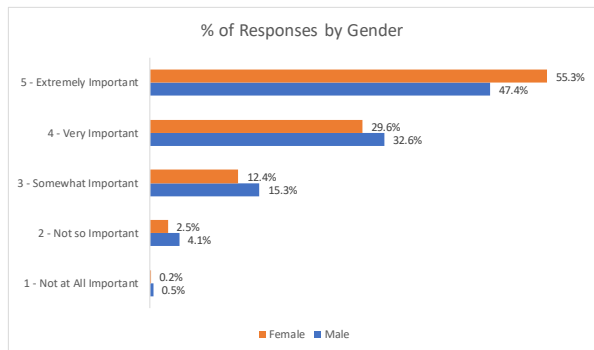
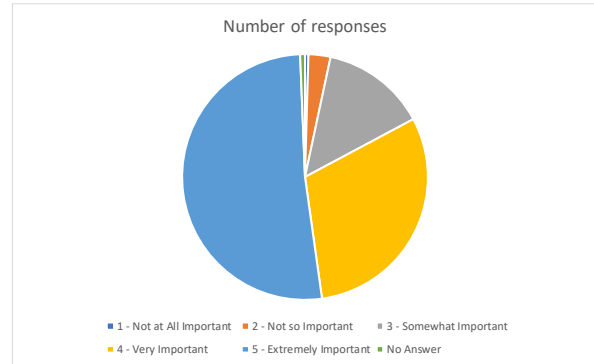
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Total	5	32	153	338	570	7	4.31
	0.5%	2.9%	13.8%	30.6%	51.6%	0.6%	

Male	2	16	59	126	183		4.22
	0.5%	4.1%	15.3%	32.6%	47.4%		

Female	1	15	73	175	327		4.37
	0.2%	2.5%	12.4%	29.6%	55.3%		

0.15

18 or under	1	0	1	6	2		3.80
	10.0%	0.0%	10.0%	60.0%	20.0%		
19 - 24	0	0	1	2	2		4.20
	0.0%	0.0%	20.0%	40.0%	40.0%		
25 - 34	0	3	12	20	34		4.23
	0.0%	4.3%	17.4%	29.0%	49.3%		
35 - 44	1	9	41	80	141		4.29
	0.4%	3.3%	15.1%	29.4%	51.8%		
45 - 59	2	10	43	106	197		4.36
	0.6%	2.8%	12.0%	29.6%	55.0%		
60 - 74	0	8	35	86	143		4.34
	0.0%	2.9%	12.9%	31.6%	52.6%		
75 or over	1	2	19	34	44		4.18
	1.0%	2.0%	19.0%	34.0%	44.0%		



#	What other town service goals do you recommend?	Time
1	Our water is disgusting. I can't drink it there is so much chlorine in it.	6/2/2022 15:46
2	We need a better response for animal control/safety. We call Ashland but they sometimes don't answer	6/2/2022 16:55
3	Expand transport systems for seniors	6/2/2022 17:34
4	Sidewalks on central street	6/2/2022 17:37
5	Need to have 5, 10, 15, 20 year plan for getting town up to speed with those around it on serviced like full time fire, full sewer for downtown	6/2/2022 17:45
6	Fix the roads. Add more sidewalks.	6/2/2022 18:46
7	I think there should be a facility such as a youth center where the kids can gather without high fees to go or belong.	6/2/2022 18:47
8	I recommend we stop the false narrative that each business permitted in town will change the residential tax responsibility. Residential covers like 86% (this is probably a low, conservative guess) of the tax base, this is not going to change in any of our lifetimes, but quality of life changes quickly, paying 86% of the tax base should make residential concerns the most important. One bad, poorly thought or researched business/Industrial permit decision can have far reaching, negative impact. Focus on service, companies that give not just take and use resources.	6/2/2022 19:16
9	High school. Library. We need to look the part of a town on the rose of we want to attract new businesses and residents.	6/2/2022 19:57
10	To break down the silos between elected boards, give Town Admin. authority to require cross-boards communication and collaboration.	6/2/2022 20:45
11	Do away with town meeting	6/2/2022 21:11
12	Expanding our emergency services, making sure we have a very tight plan for a school emergency and again, a new state of the art attractive high school is ideal. A really nice design for the school too.	6/2/2022 21:38
13	A 50 year old building should not be considered obsolete. Adams is older than the HS and it isn't being torn down for a middle school. These are assets that need to be maintained.	6/3/2022 9:03
14	make most use of gazebo area, farm market,	6/3/2022 9:12
15	I recommend that finding a way to lower real estate taxes and other exorbitant fees the town charges become a priority. This town needs tax relief, not people looking to find a way to spend even MORE MONEY. People who want to spend more money should be given a real estate brochure for Weston or Wellesley and encouraged to move away. The most important thing this town can do is become fiscally responsible to its constituents.	6/3/2022 9:59
16	More accountability and transparency - and access to documentation - for decisions made by the town administrator	6/3/2022 10:53
17	Build a new high school	6/3/2022 11:21
18	Staff the twin maintenance with enough people to preventative maintenance rather than reactive break/fix maintenance. Better maintenance of the existing school grounds.	6/3/2022 14:20
19	Improve Fire & EMS infrastructure. Explore addition of 2nd floor over apparatus bays at Central Station as was originally planned for.	6/3/2022 15:17

20	Increase the number of leaf/yard waste pick ups available. Provide more widely distributed, prominent/easily findable updates to town website for these type of occasional services.	6/4/2022 12:22
21	I have trouble answering some of these questions because I am not clear on current levels o f service or needs.	6/5/2022 10:19
22	Community high speed internet that is free. Also encourage more competition to Verizon and Comcast. Build an electric vehicle charging station in Holliston.	6/5/2022 16:26
23	1) Promote more businesses in town and Support sewer services for businesses 2) New High School but I suspect this survey will get to that...	6/6/2022 9:51
24	Really appreciate communication from town like Town Administrator's newsletter, Senior Center, Library Director. Enjoy being kept aware of upcoming events, etc. Wish other groups could find a way to advertise upcoming events on town's website. We are one community and I miss so many events because I'm not aware they are happening.	6/6/2022 11:43
25	Continued and expansion of sustainability related services such as town-wide composting, EV charging stations, and other forward-looking services that support net zero efforts. More "open" hours/days at the Town recycling center; town-sponsored composting where residents can reap the benefits of composting leaves and food waste; a furniture swap area at the recycling center	6/6/2022 14:02
26	#1 New High School, #2 New combined DPW/Fire Department on current HS property, #3 Senior Housing where the current property of the Highway Department is. #4 Current Fire Station gets zoned for restaurant and housing	6/6/2022 14:45
27	Promote services for seniors (transportation, safety, social and educational improvement).	6/7/2022 14:16
28	#2 and 3 seem to contradict each other	6/7/2022 16:13
29	We need to make sure the water is clean and safe and we need more street lights	6/7/2022 17:33
30	Reduce police budget and re-allocate to other town services. Public safety is fine here, and we don't need anything else for the police dept.	6/7/2022 21:22
31	New high school	6/7/2022 22:28
32	HFD needs a total overhaul and reorganization. Not sure the current fire chief is willing or able to make the recommendations mentioned in the MRI study. Also, your nighttime police staffing hasn't changed in decades. Need to increase that.	6/7/2022 23:15
33	I think that investing in social services to address mental health crisis is important in order not to overtax police and the fire department with those issues.	6/8/2022 11:05
34	Better grounds keeping at the parks and fields	6/8/2022 14:31
35	I don't find any deficits currently.	6/9/2022 7:45
36	Emphasize data based decision making with respect to allocation of town resources.	6/9/2022 8:34
37	Allow few small businesses to start shops	6/9/2022 12:11
38	A website with modern capabilities (effective search, clickable phone numbers, ability to send email copy to self for record keeping...), sign up for meeting/topic alerts based on map proximity/address (ex: lowland industrial, woodland st schools...), leverage the blackboard push notifications for broader communication, harmonize town hall hours (varies by dept and season and day of week),	6/9/2022 20:21

39	Child care	6/9/2022 20:24
40	The Finance Committee has down a great job during very tough time to keep Holliston on a good financial pace. Please let them keep it up. Not many towns have AAA rating.	6/10/2022 14:02
41	Many town residents are unaware that EMS/Fire Dept is on-call. People may have more of an opinion if they are aware of what this model really looks like. Personally, I believe it is a priority to learn from surrounding towns like Millis, Medway, Ashland and Hopkinton to develop a long term plan for full-time Fire/EMS. This will undoubtedly come at a cost but I believe it can be supported.	6/10/2022 14:11
42	Wanted to emphasize how important improving the quality of our drinking water is!	6/10/2022 16:11
43	Maintain all the playgrounds. The ones at the school are run down, embarrassing and I feel guilty allowing my children to play on them while at school.	6/11/2022 8:57
44	true or not, our town is perceived to not have safe drinking water. have to fix that!	6/13/2022 9:02
45	Get outside experts to assess on call firefighter model and recommend on best practices. Fund the 26th police officer	6/13/2022 19:51
46	Transparency in the way things are done in Holliston. Holliston should have a Civilian Review Board for the Police Department.	6/14/2022 15:26
47	I would like to see the town sewage proposal expanded to a larger area from at least Rossini Sq to Blair Sq. with an option for residents to hook up to it. Perhaps residents could pay for connecting to the sewer over the course of 5-10 years and have the payment added to their tax bill? The expanded area seems like more complete coverage for existing businesses and would make those areas more favorable to development. I think it's possible to put in place safeguards that encourage small, diverse, local business development and dissuade over development that detracts from the historic character of our town. Maybe look to Concord or Wellesley as examples.	6/14/2022 17:19
48	Mental health is a huge challenge for families, students and more. I would love the town to fund some kind of stop-gap services for those who can't quickly find a therapist or other mental health provider.(I think we do this a bit now but the needs are growing.) I'd also like to ask for more training around mental health for police officers. I know we have some, but I think they specifically need to know how to handle someone having a psychotic break or exhibiting some of the more serious symptoms of bipolar and schizophrenia as well as autism. And knowing that police officers don't have the time to become social workers, I would like to see us hire more social workers to go out on calls with police when needed. And maybe they could also provide some extra training for officers. Policing has never been more complex or challenging. We should be offering a ton of professional development.	6/15/2022 10:04
49	Would like to see the town have a ALS ambulance and not require mutual aid for that service. Also possibly have staff at the station and not always on call.	6/15/2022 10:05
50	I am not under the impression our public safety resources are over stretched. I think we need to prioritize water and public works projects and ensuring their time and spending is effective.	6/15/2022 10:35
51	Make a plan and actually stick to it. Don't say you are all in on DPW (over new police office) and then at town meeting turn around and say that you need more money for a new police officer. It is outrageous that there is no plan in place at this time.	6/15/2022 10:37

52	How about not gouging struggling parents with a \$720 school bus bill? Thats insane and immoral. Education is NOT A PROFIT CENTER.	6/15/2022 10:44
53	The town can only do so much. This list makes it sound like the town is trying to do too much	6/15/2022 11:13
54	Integrated communications	6/15/2022 11:30
55	Teenager hang out - for those 12-15 years old	6/15/2022 11:35
56	assistance for special needs community	6/15/2022 12:02
57	I would love to see some priority given to helping middle and high schoolers find a welcome and safe place to gather after school where there might be some supervision.	6/15/2022 12:25
58	Get a tree warden who understands the value of trees to the environment. Preserve and support the public library building and services. Control TRAFFIC. Continue looking for resources. Emphasize police enforcement of traffic, especially in the town center. Preserve the call fire department structure, and work with the chief and EMTs if changes are needed there to have town ALS coverage. Bring municipal services back to the center of town when possible, rather than spreading them out.	6/15/2022 12:55
59	Strongly support long-range town planning efforts like this one. Also support implementation of the recommendations in the recent report on fire/EMS services.	6/15/2022 13:15
60	More emphasis on safer roads-more police presence on roads for safer travel	6/15/2022 13:29
61	Improve education - eliminate programs that benefit few (French) as it's lottery and spend resources on programs that benefit all - home economics etc. you'll spend less on mental health and invest heavily in our students/future! Very few countries speak French & our schools already offer Spanish so eliminate complexity and improve education for ALL since such programs only benefit few selected by lottery and deprive all other children of equal education.	6/15/2022 13:36
62	already listed above but it is impossible to overstate the importance of safe water, long term planning and effective communication.	6/15/2022 13:52
63	Needs to provide fast way to communicate with community	6/15/2022 13:59
64	Time for the fire dept. or some of it , to go full time. Ambulance to paramedic level.	6/15/2022 15:34
65	Paid fire department	6/15/2022 15:39
66	Sewer system and clean MWRA water	6/15/2022 18:04
67	Enforce the 25 mph speed limit where signage is posted.	6/15/2022 18:11
68	??? fulltime EMT , FT 1-3 Fire dept dual certified as EMT /FIRE PERSON as business grow in town to help assist wth cost	6/16/2022 14:42
69	We can't do everything. Prioritize.	6/16/2022 19:03
70	THis town is fine.	6/17/2022 9:15
71	All expenditures of revenue and investments in infrastructure should contribute to the aggregate values of the taxable properties in the town with the potential goal as a moving target, the increse in aggregate values could lead to a reduction in mil rates over time.	6/17/2022 14:39
72	Cheryl Lane's sidewalks were ripped up and never replaced - there is overgrowth on all of the trees and make it impossible to use.	6/17/2022 16:10
73	A Plan to not only tackle all the upcoming needs of the town but a plan to maintain the ones that we have to extend their life span and usability.	6/17/2022 16:11

74	Youth center or nature park across from middle school to keep them off of goodwill playground after school	6/17/2022 17:50
75	Community center or other safe accessible options for tweens/teens	6/18/2022 14:53
76	Sewer for downtown.	6/18/2022 17:33
77	Municipal sewer	6/18/2022 23:11
78	Connect services with other communities--fire, police, etc. to create larger staff coverage and longer hour coverage.	6/19/2022 19:33
79	Eliminate public employee unions. They create too much administrative friction; we pay our senior and subordinate managers to handle executive functions. As we've seen during Covid, such unions hold a go/nogo veto power over actions which are the responsibility of executives. Unions are primarily interested in protecting the job, compensation and retirement of those employees whose job performance is rated just above the "unsatisfactory line"; the organization's mission is secondary to them.	6/20/2022 10:47
80	full time fire dept seriously needed, surrounding towns already have	6/20/2022 17:42
81	Better water	6/21/2022 9:51
82	A paid civilian committee to become a middle man between government and the our tax payers. This doesn't work if you have old opinions and no new ingenuity.	6/21/2022 22:44
83	The fact that Holliston does not have a full time fire department with full time ALS ambulance service is an embarrassment. Holliston has fallen well behind surrounding communities in this regard. This should be Holliston's number 1 priority.	6/22/2022 9:11
84	Clarify "Public Safety". I would like to see some ideas for improving participation in town planning/meetings for people with families. Having town meeting at 7pm on weeknights and then having the vote excludes many working adults with children from being able to participate.	6/22/2022 10:31
85	Water quality should be another high priority. This is interestingly becoming more frequent of a concern for prospective families. Our town water is being very publicly studied by BU and is thought to be dangerous, particularly for young children and pregnant mothers. There should be some transparency about how this (and the frequent brown water) are being addressed in an effort to mitigate concerns from those who are debating on relocation to Holliston vs. other Boston suburbs.	6/22/2022 10:44
86	Overall improve services that already exist, focus on a town reputation of good schools, public safety, pleasant culture and scenic.	6/22/2022 10:50
87	We should think about public transportation improvements to help residents reduce their carbon footprint	6/22/2022 11:03
88	Lower taxes	6/22/2022 11:57
89	consolidate all town-owned buildings (outside of first responders' facilities) into a single building. Sell off excess town buildings for residential or retail use with stipulations around land and building improvements. Consolidate Fire/EMS/Police into single facility. Sell off excess.	6/22/2022 12:24
90	Pave the dead ends of Union and Mechanic streets that have been abandoned by the Mudville project, and not put it off until next year.	6/22/2022 15:15
91	More inclusion of the public schools in the service of the towns resources.	6/22/2022 15:36
92	Promote transportation for seniors	6/22/2022 16:33
93	Fixing the issue with well five should be at the top of the list	6/22/2022 16:40
94	Focus on social and cultural facilities and events for our Holliston teenagers	6/22/2022 17:10

	Slow down streets (both main and residential). Speeding and traffic safety is problem. Especially caused by people passing through town/neighborhoods. Issues of younger drivers not practicing safe driving. Have experienced more issues in my 5 years in town than 10 in Westborough.	6/22/2022 20:59
95		
96	Better traffic safety!! Clear signs especially on Highland and Prentice	6/23/2022 6:48
	why should we replace a 50 year old high school? Why hasn't it been maintained? Adams is much older building and it doesn't need to be replaced. Hmm? The Town Hall is extremely old and look how beautiful it is! It's the centerpiece of our downtown.	6/23/2022 10:48
97		
98	Update governance and management structure of town	6/23/2022 13:43
	get rid of fafard and sue them. lower taxes and focus on delivering back to the community rather than the increasing cost for the lack of services (eg water quality, police, lack of local businesses)	6/23/2022 14:07
99		
	The bulk pickup service is not adequate. You can only schedule one item at a time and can't always get an appointment to do that. I requested from the Police Department (two times) a Speed Limit sign (maybe down to 15 mph) on Gorwin Drive between the halves of Karen Circle, a curvy section near cemetery, and was twice told that it would be considered in the next few months.	6/23/2022 14:09
100		
101	Repair roads, sidewalks, water pipes, street lights	6/23/2022 14:10
102	Improve water pressure	6/23/2022 14:11
103	Water quality is a very big issue!	6/23/2022 14:16
	In Holliston, water quality is still #1. But basic social services are the bedrock of our communities. Not only should be maintain our infrastructure, we really need to be looking to modernize our technology - and how we use data to optimize what we're able to offer to our residents.	6/23/2022 14:20
104		
105	increase community engagement in local government responsibilities, awareness and participation/involvement	6/23/2022 14:29
	Trash service...bigger barrels, this is a family town with growing families, if I have a house with X amount of bedrooms I pay higher taxes, therefore I should get a bigger barrel to accommodate the occupants	6/23/2022 14:31
106		
107	Have an automated way to pay water bills. It is appalling that Holliston still doesn't have this implemented. I have brought this to your attention before as well. Implement cityhallsystems like Ashland, MA does	6/23/2022 14:32
108	Public sewer to promote business growth, especially restaurants.	6/23/2022 14:48
109	Having a modern senior center.	6/23/2022 14:55
	Expand emergency medical services, including EMTs and Fire Department And instead of volunteering they should be full time fire time department	6/23/2022 15:03
110		
111	I don't think Holliston has a strong commitment to Public Safety. We have had at least 2 life flights after vehicle crashes. Speed is a major issue with Traffic passing through.	6/23/2022 15:17
	Follow the recommendations of the MRI study and appropriate sufficient funds could be done quite easily for the safety of residents - the I'll are not serviced properly we lag behind all the surrounding towns holliston is in crisis mode!	6/23/2022 15:26
112		

Some of these are great ideas but I personally believe they would be more effectively handled at the state government level.

113	We do need a tree warden that actually responds to emails.	6/23/2022 15:27
114	There needs to be a way to get the community involved and understanding what/how and where their tax dollars are spent. Having the minimal attendance at town meeting is not allowing for all residents to take part in town government. Things are often done as a result of those willing to participate and the rest rely on those that do participate to make decisions. An outward PR outreach to all residents to make it easy for them to understand what is happening (why and impact) would be huge for residents. This shouldn't be on Facebook, but maybe a newsletter in the actual mail that is brief, to the point and easy to receive information for any education level resident.	6/23/2022 15:45
115	Holliston is not exactly a rough and tumble neighborhood. Having a lot of historic buildings it is necessary to have a modern and well equipped fire department of course. What is the point of local government if not to make sure people are looked after and the community is taken care of? There are a lot of modern infrastructure projects the town would absolutely benefit from (a sewer system hello!) and figuring out a transparent, efficient, and high value way to implement said improvements going forward is important.	6/23/2022 15:52
116	plan for continuous updating of educational facilities	6/23/2022 16:06
117	Maintain or revive what we have before expanding assets. For example, the restrooms at Pleasure Point and Goodwill Park and Patoma. We need a preventative maintenance plan for existing assets. Someone needs to identify the cost to revive and maintain the existing assets/locations and then start a list of potential capital improvements that includes BOTH the cost of the improvement and the cost of long term maintenance. Also need more sidewalk plowing to make this a pleasant place in the winter.	6/23/2022 16:21
118	Having a full time emergency response with fire and medical assistance is extremely important to me.	6/23/2022 16:25
119	Would love to have town sewage !	6/23/2022 16:26
120	An improved website! Our current one is very outdated, clunky, and difficult to navigate.	6/23/2022 16:28
121	PROVIDE EV SUPERCHARGERS	6/23/2022 16:34
122	Improving our school system. Not too long ago Holliston was rated in the top 20 school systems in the state what happened???!!!!??? Let's return to the rating that we are capable of. FYI - All 3 of our children finished high school years ago. However, a good school system & a good town go hand in hand	6/23/2022 16:38
123	Fix town water so that people don't need to pay to instal a filter if they don't want their water to come out brown. Install a speed bump on prospect street. Install a stop light at the intersection of Highland and Prentice.	6/23/2022 17:01
124	Continued friendly helpful employees and good websites	6/23/2022 17:45
125	Possibly a town centered community center for families/kids to gather and participate in various activities	6/23/2022 18:52
126	EMS Services that are not shared between towns. Its critical that Holliston community has access to critical medical care.	6/23/2022 19:11

	Police visibility on secondary /cut throughs during peak morning and evening commutes and more presence downtown as vehicles go through red lights or talking/texting on cell phones	6/23/2022 21:16
127		
128	Full time EMTs needed	6/23/2022 21:37
	Lower property taxes on homeowners but raise commercial taxes and make clear how much Holliston gets in ARPA funds, for example, but also all state and federal money coming into Holliston. Stop raising property taxes to pay for stuff. Continuously raising property taxes is a form of gentrification and will force many of us to move or lose our homes.	6/23/2022 22:14
129		
130	In the thirty plus years I have lived in town most of the town building have been either build new or had major renovations. There should be a long term plan and buildings should should be properly and timely maintained for longevity.	6/23/2022 22:44
	Communication on what services the town provides, it's priorities, etc. Also would like to see some roads in disrepair to be maintained.	6/23/2022 22:57
131		
132	Sometimes I feel like the new police and fire stations in some towns are overkill. Some towns are dropping tens of millions and I'm not sure how necessary it is.	6/23/2022 23:30
133	I value public safety, but not more policing or active police presence	6/24/2022 8:50
134	I am sure this is out of your hands, but I miss the corner mailboxes	6/24/2022 12:53
	Have a full time, fully-staffed, paid emergency services including EMTs and Fire department	6/24/2022 14:59
135		
136	School building improvement	6/24/2022 18:04
137	Water - I still won't drink Holliston water.	6/25/2022 7:38
138	Provide a full time paid fire department	6/25/2022 16:13
139	Our roads are an embarrassment.	6/25/2022 18:26
140	Town Sewer	6/26/2022 5:46
	Communication needs to be improved. It is important to provide fire and police depts with what they need. Is there anything besides the proposed additional police officer that hasn't been provided?	6/26/2022 11:53
141		
142	Our town is overdue for full time public safety - fire/EMS.	6/27/2022 11:41
143	increase focus on parks and rec. Maybe a community center similar to Ashland	6/27/2022 18:36
144	Invest In Water pipes so we can have new business downtown	6/27/2022 18:56
145	Figure out how to get restaurants in town	6/28/2022 8:53
	Replacement of the DPW/Water facilities (current facilities are beyond useful life and unhealthy work environments for employees)	6/29/2022 8:25
146		
147	The water infrastructure is concerning	6/29/2022 10:42
148	Clean up our water	6/29/2022 14:09
	Water, schools, character in that order. I would support some development to fund the first 2	6/29/2022 20:23
149		
150	Need ambulance/ fire station closer to Ashland boarder with the Ashland station on cedar st closing. Ambulance time too lengthy.	6/29/2022 20:48
151	Increasing diversity among the police that serve our town.	6/29/2022 21:21

152	Address the concerns the unsettling report recently done on FIRE/EMS services. Make the residents of this town aware that we have an on call fire department as most have no clue how lacking Holliston is in this area compared to all the towns in the state. It's extremely concerning. Make the fire department full time - get rid of on call service.	6/29/2022 22:33
	Drinking water needs to be way better!	
153	Our town building and SCHOOLS need to be looked after and maintained and be something to be proud of. We have slipped. I grew up here and the lack of maintenance and grooming of the building just isn't the same.	6/30/2022 6:56
154	Fire department that's not inept, need paramedics staffed 24-7 not pay for volunteers medical when they dont respond to calls except the "fun" fire calls	6/30/2022 9:44
155	Have current & future approved town projects on the website so residents can be kept updated.	6/30/2022 10:37
156	Improve senior services and rec programs	6/30/2022 13:30
157	I didn't opt for expanding emergency services because in my personal experience, I think the PD and FD already do an excellent job of responding to emergencies.	6/30/2022 21:03
158	Schools and public buildings (library) should reflect a commitment to the growth of our community, especially the children within it, and creating up to date spaces that encourages and values learning and growth.	6/30/2022 21:31
159	A better high school	6/30/2022 22:31
160	Full time EMTs	7/1/2022 15:25
161	Improve the town website, communication/links to resources for many of the above mentioned issues, needs or services (mental health, food insecurity, etc.)	7/2/2022 8:15
162	Get younger demographics more engaged	7/2/2022 17:53
163	Promote what we have before expansion.	7/2/2022 18:46
164	Town Sewage	7/3/2022 9:33
165	This may exist already but an email distribution list that notifies residents of upcoming meetings i.e. Select Board, Planning, and the agendas for those meetings, plus zoom info, etc.	7/4/2022 9:26
166	Maintain services commensurate with population needs of the town	7/5/2022 9:29
167	I want to see more for clearing sidewalks after snowstorms. ADA would federal require this. Other towns do it. Use my tax money to pay for these services to preserve the current community	7/6/2022 16:52
168	Focus on building infrastructure that will attract businesses and new home owners, That will bring Holliston up to standard of surrounding towns. We do not need a new DPW, too many more important priorities.	7/8/2022 11:40
169	Support and promote the public library	7/8/2022 16:59
170	We need to focus on lining up financing and state/federal aid to build a new high school. Update the downtown infrastructure to attract more business. These two goals should be a higher priority rather than building a new DPW facility.	7/9/2022 1:19
171	Town buildings include schools. It seems there are serious issues with the school septic systems. The high school is falling apart.	7/9/2022 8:09

172	Sidewalk improvement in neighborhoods , some which are over 50 years old and in tough shape , overgrown and not passable. Many residents are walking on the streets daily as sidewalks are unsafe !	7/9/2022 23:11
173	Very important to have a whole-town plan for use in prioritizing where the money and resources go and allowing residents to make the decisions	7/11/2022 12:07
174	Make sure the police and fire departments, and the EMTS, feel appreciated.	7/13/2022 10:31
<p>I am not sure what is meant by a commitment to public safety. If this is referring to an additional police officer, my answer is no. Safety improves and crime decreases when people have their basic needs met - mental health, food, housing.</p> <p>I do support building out social services for those in need – substance and mental health issues.</p> <p>The town meeting is extremely inaccessible and it is reflected in voter turn out and attendance. It should be a priority of the select board to lobby the state so that people can attend and vote remotely. We definitely have the technology available to make this happen.</p>		
175		7/14/2022 16:57
176	fix traffic lights	7/17/2022 7:50
177	Water quality is sub par (can be rust color one day, clear the next, smell of chlorine the next). Lack of sewer discourages quality businesses from coming.	7/18/2022 11:18
178	Divest from policing into other areas that can assist people - food, housing, social services. Create a culture that helps their neighbors before calling the cops on them	7/18/2022 13:59
179	Need to complete a downtown district sewer system for commercial growth and investments!	7/18/2022 14:21
180	Lower taxes and increase water quality	7/18/2022 16:03
181	Get more business in town. Let them use our industrial parks	7/18/2022 16:13
182	Thank you please to put basic human needs over town beautification projects.	7/18/2022 17:23
183	New highway dept building - it's a disgrace Highway and water should be together.	7/18/2022 17:49
184	better upkeep of the downtown area, better snow removal, better water quality at an affordable price, lower taxes	7/18/2022 18:10
185	A well made losing of community services that show the surrounding towns as well.	7/18/2022 18:47
186	Improve maintenance of town ball fields.	7/18/2022 20:04
187	Improving the school system	7/18/2022 20:21
188	Please consider proposing a town-wide sewer system or town connection to MWRA (as was considered in the early 2000s).	7/18/2022 21:13
189	More capable personnel working in the assessor's office.	7/18/2022 21:57
190	Improve town website to be more user friendly. Use old building near CVS and rail trail for a recreation center site or other gathering space for young people	7/18/2022 23:00
191	IMPROVED WATER QUALITY	7/19/2022 6:48
192	Trash program. The trash barrels are way too small, and we should be able to get a second recycling bin at no cost.	7/19/2022 9:00

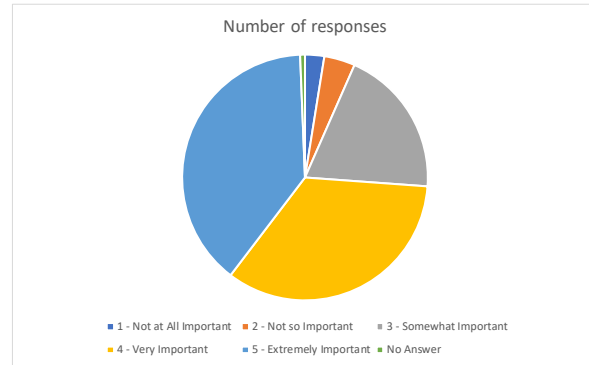
193	Full transparency of town selectmen and treasurers. Funding our police department adequately with modern training techniques for dealing with people suffering from mental health disorders as well as what to do in potential active shooter scenarios in our schools	7/19/2022 9:11
194	Modernize and create tourism opportunities - for points of interest like nature, farms, museums or buildings of historic value, local products, eateries etc along with convenient transportation	7/19/2022 11:03
195	New high school!!! ASAP!!	7/19/2022 12:23
196	Library services, free parks and rec evening summer events	7/19/2022 13:02
197	New employees in our administration seem much more committed to all of the above than previous ones. Continue to respond to questions and needs of the town.	7/19/2022 13:57
198	Cleaner drinking water and better infrastructure for water	7/19/2022 14:57
199	Paramedics on the fire department	7/19/2022 15:05
200	Police presence in all schools	7/19/2022 18:10
201	I really don't know enough about fire/EMT to know if they need more resources.	7/19/2022 22:42
202	Continued focus on those who need support for mental health services and food insecurity. There is more we can do as a community and there are not enough resources to support the need.	7/20/2022 7:30
203	Cheaper Water	7/20/2022 11:10
204	new high school	7/20/2022 13:25
205	MAKE IMPROVEMENTS TO LAKE GROVE CEMETERY	7/20/2022 14:37
206	HIGH PRIORITY for FULL TIME FIRE & EMS SERVICES!!	7/20/2022 20:14
207	The biggest & most important issue we need to rectify is brown water. This should have been addressed years ago. To the residents who cannot drink their water or have to deal with brown water ruining your clothes multiple times, you cant cook with it, want this to be top priority.	7/21/2022 15:01
208	We as a town has spent so little on the fire department for so long it might be time to start spending more. Understand I do not want to pay for it and I hope I never need it but we have to have it when needed.	7/21/2022 18:36
209	Allow those who pay higher taxes to water more often and stop water rate tiering so we stay here	7/22/2022 19:03
210	there should be more transportation	7/22/2022 19:38
211	promote town-wide and neighborhood-level communication and transparency, to build more cohesion in town and create alignment around the future vision and key priorities	7/23/2022 9:33
212	the tax burden in holliston is already significant; the town would be better served looking at ways to eliminate non-essential services and preserving critical pieces of infrastructure than expanding into additional programs at this time.	7/23/2022 9:59
213	Improve the physical structure of the high school building	7/24/2022 9:49
214	Stricter noise ordinance	7/24/2022 17:44
215	Train policemen on how to respond if they encounter an autistic person having a meltdown.	7/25/2022 5:10
216	Adding in a sewer system to allow for more shops and restaurants to come to Holliston	7/27/2022 13:06
217	Sewer system!	7/27/2022 13:11

218	The town needs to address building a new High School. it is out dated and unsafe.	7/27/2022 13:18
219	Increase mental health care service capacity in the town (Youth & Family Services).	7/27/2022 13:56
220	We need excellent 911 services: support the police	7/28/2022 8:32
221	Expand/rehire the library	7/28/2022 15:04
222	Full time EMT (emergency ambulance service) instead of having other towns responding to our emergencies!	7/28/2022 18:11
223	The expansion of emergency medical services continues to be a hot topic in town. I'd like to see a benchmark against other similar towns and to show the financial impacts that a larger program would mean to the town. Let's understand if those that are requesting this are a small percentage of the residents and have conditions where they should be living in a facility where the care they are looking for is available 24/7.	7/29/2022 10:25
224	Provide list of local mental health therapist that can be on call and can triage to other providers. Contract therapists on a pay per action basis.	7/29/2022 12:27
225	New high school	7/30/2022 12:42
226	Advancing "effective and transparent communication with the community" is critical to building stronger community engagement in Holliston. Voter turnout in Holliston is historically low, with for example, less than 10% of registered voters participating in the 2022 Town Elections. The other issue that needs to be addressed is creating a more diverse body of leaders in town governance. This can't happen just by expecting people to jump into these roles. Within the framework of building more "effective and transparent communication," Holliston needs to devise strategies for connecting with and hearing more from underrepresented populations within the community.	7/31/2022 6:38
227	Town government needs to diversify and modernize. The town meeting format of voting is outdated and inaccessible to working families. We should reconsider this structure.	7/31/2022 14:48
228	None! We don't need continuous expansion of government. Enough already. Find a job in the private sector. The taxpayer can not afford your habit...	7/31/2022 15:29
229	Increased recreational services for all ages, be ambitious...build a pool!	8/1/2022 9:32
230	It may be interesting for these surveys to include forced ranking. I'm realizing how many 5's I am selecting which probably doesn't help define what is most critical or immediate. For example, I don't know if the EMT/ FIRE/ Emergency Medicals teams believe they are significantly underfunded but if increasing their funding means our water quality has to diminish, I would vote for more funding to go towards water quality.	8/1/2022 16:07
231	We would love for town water to be drinking water. All my friends in neighboring town drink tap water, why can't we make that happen?	8/1/2022 21:36
232	Free full day kindergarten	8/2/2022 20:52
233	Improve/increase recycling opportunities, improve hours for the Marshall St recycling center,	8/2/2022 23:23
234	Improve town water quality!!!!!!	8/3/2022 15:48
235	would like to see the condominium services (i.e. trash/recycling) pulled into town services. It feels as if condo residents are considered 'outside' the town community	8/3/2022 16:11
236	Larger grocery store, entertainment place for adult and kids, pool (like a country club)	8/4/2022 14:03
237	New High School should be a top priority. Integrating uses for seniors and young families at the High School to make it a true community building	8/5/2022 14:39

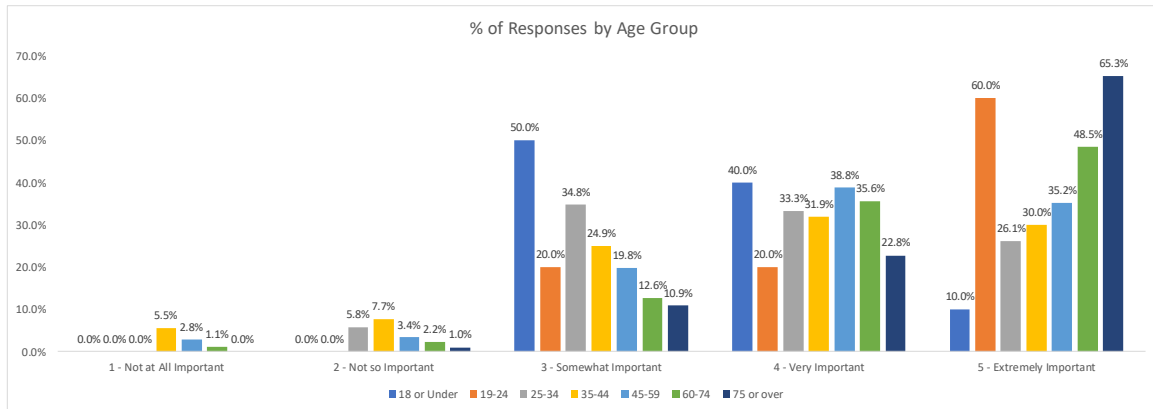
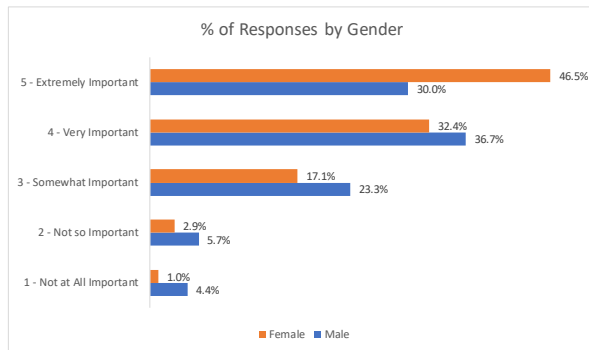
238	Public parking lot safety	8/6/2022 16:02
	Holliston should have a salaried fire department.	
	We should be improving not preserving existing services and facilities provided by the town.	
239	Holliston youth & family services is a wonderful resource.	8/7/2022 12:34
240	Reduce fees for using the dump.	8/7/2022 13:10
241	It's not a town service but open and transparent moderation of the "I'm holliston happy" facebook group would be nice to see.	8/7/2022 16:14
242	TOWNWIDE SEWER SYSTEM --- ELIMANATE THE NEED FOR SEPTIC SYSTEMS. I KNOW HUGE EXPENSE.	8/8/2022 10:24

Section 5: Age Friendly

Q39	Preserve Senior Center offering programs, activities, education and socialization for seniors.						
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Total	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
	28 2.5%	45 4.1%	216 19.5%	378 34.2%	431 39.0%	7 0.6%	4.04
Male	17 4.4%	22 5.7%	90 23.3%	142 36.7%	116 30.0%		3.82
	6 1.0%	17 2.9%	101 17.1%	191 32.4%	274 46.5%		4.21
0.38							



18 or under	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	5 50.0%	4 40.0%	1 10.0%		3.60
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	1 20.0%	3 60.0%		4.40
25 - 34	0 0.0%	4 5.8%	24 34.8%	23 33.3%	18 26.1%		3.80
35 - 44	15 5.5%	21 7.7%	68 24.9%	87 31.9%	82 30.0%		3.73
45 - 59	10 2.8%	12 3.4%	71 19.8%	139 38.8%	126 35.2%		4.00
60 - 74	3 1.1%	6 2.2%	34 12.6%	96 35.6%	131 48.5%		4.28
75 or over	0 0.0%	1 1.0%	11 10.9%	23 22.8%	66 65.3%		4.52



Q40	Promote enhanced accessibility and amenities for those with disabilities.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	16 1.4%	42 3.8%	191 17.3%	381 34.5%	469 42.4%	6 0.5%	4.13

Male	12 3.1%	20 5.2%	93 24.0%	149 38.5%	113 29.2%		3.86
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Female	2 0.3%	16 2.7%	77 13.1%	188 31.9%	307 52.0%		4.33
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18 or under	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 10.0%	5 50.0%	4 40.0%		4.30
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	0 0.0%	4 80.0%		4.60
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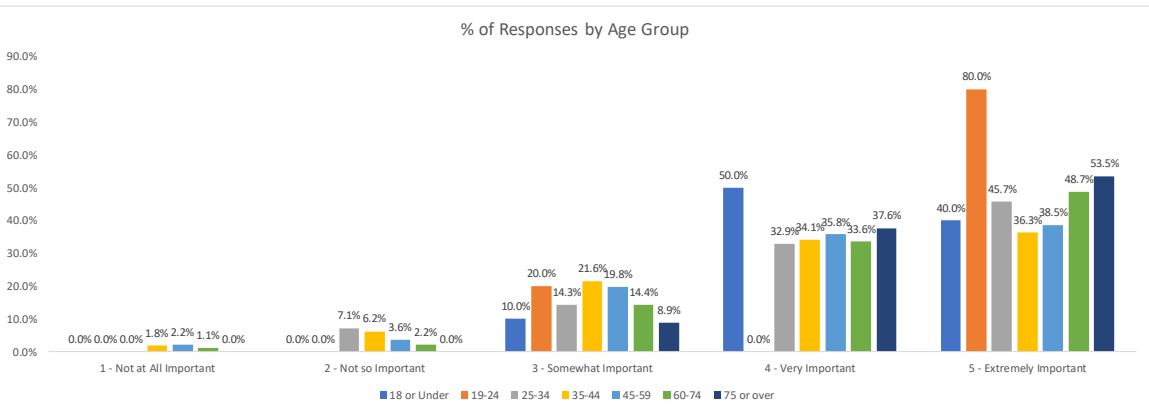
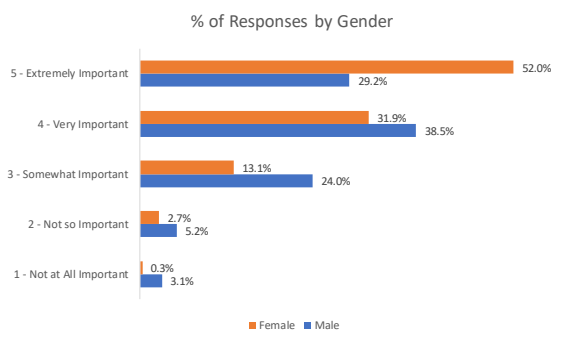
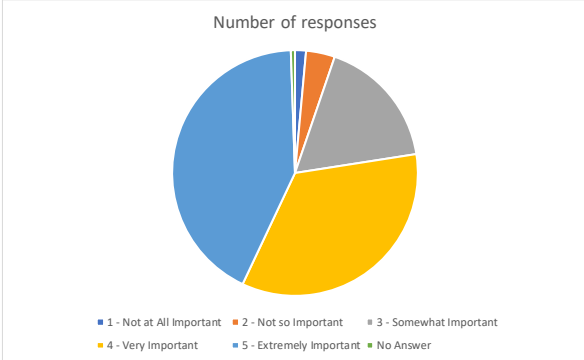
25 - 34	0 0.0%	5 7.1%	10 14.3%	23 32.9%	32 45.7%		4.17
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35 - 44	5 1.8%	17 6.2%	59 21.6%	93 34.1%	99 36.3%		3.97
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45 - 59	8 2.2%	13 3.6%	71 19.8%	128 35.8%	138 38.5%		4.05
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60 - 74	3 1.1%	6 2.2%	39 14.4%	91 33.6%	132 48.7%		4.27
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75 or over	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	9 8.9%	38 37.6%	54 53.5%		4.45
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Q41	Provide investment in facilities and services for older residents (i.e. health clinics, transportation).
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	26 2.4%	60 5.4%	247 22.4%	398 36.0%	366 33.1%	8 0.7%	3.93

Male	16 4.1%	28 7.3%	105 27.2%	141 36.5%	96 24.9%		3.71
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Female	6 1.0%	26 4.4%	113 19.2%	210 35.7%	234 39.7%		4.09
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18 or under	0 0.0%	1 10.0%	1 10.0%	6 60.0%	2 20.0%		3.90
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	1 20.0%	3 60.0%		4.40
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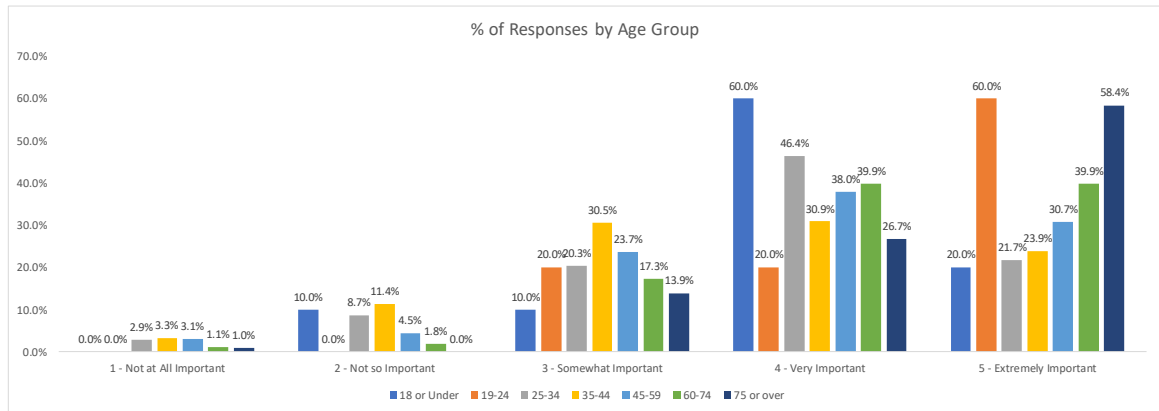
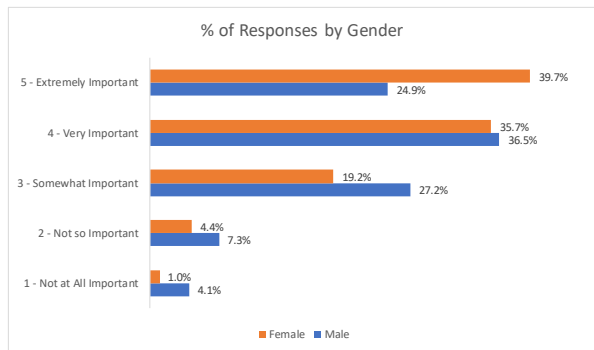
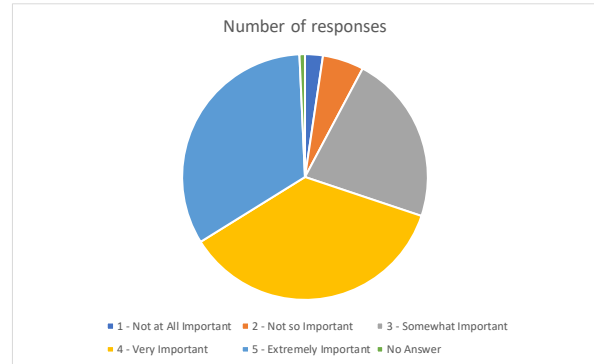
25 - 34	2 2.9%	6 8.7%	14 20.3%	32 46.4%	15 21.7%		3.75
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35 - 44	9 3.3%	31 11.4%	83 30.5%	84 30.9%	65 23.9%		3.61
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45 - 59	11 3.1%	16 4.5%	85 23.7%	136 38.0%	110 30.7%		3.89
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60 - 74	3 1.1%	5 1.8%	47 17.3%	108 39.9%	108 39.9%		4.15
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75 or over	1 1.0%	0 0.0%	14 13.9%	27 26.7%	59 58.4%		4.42
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Q42	Provide more multi-generational programs that reach a wider audience.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	56 5.1%	100 9.0%	340 30.8%	329 29.8%	272 24.6%	8 0.7%	3.60

Male	29 7.5%	47 12.1%	143 37.0%	105 27.1%	63 16.3%		3.33
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Female	14 2.4%	44 7.5%	166 28.2%	190 32.3%	175 29.7%		3.79
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18 or under	1 10.0%	1 10.0%	3 30.0%	3 30.0%	2 20.0%		3.40
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	2 40.0%	1 20.0%	2 40.0%		4.00
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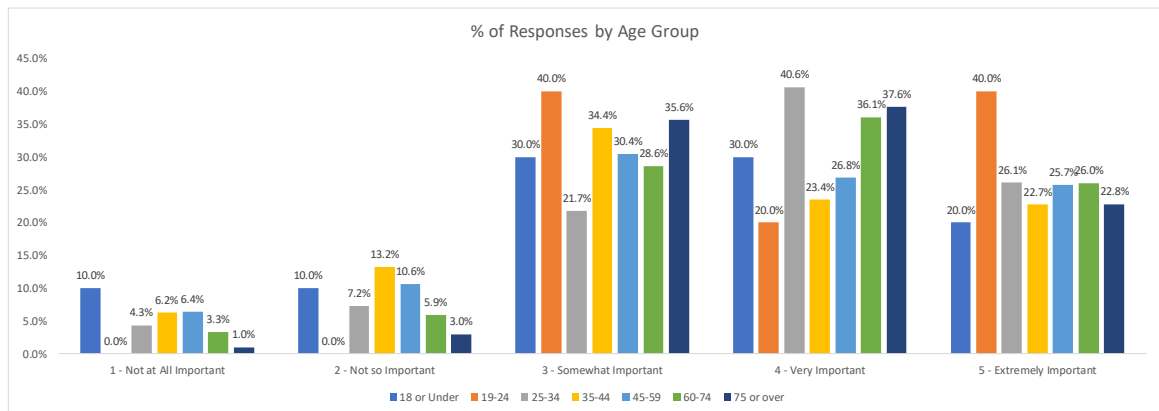
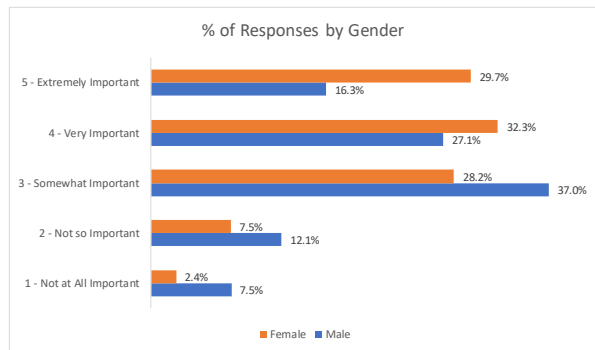
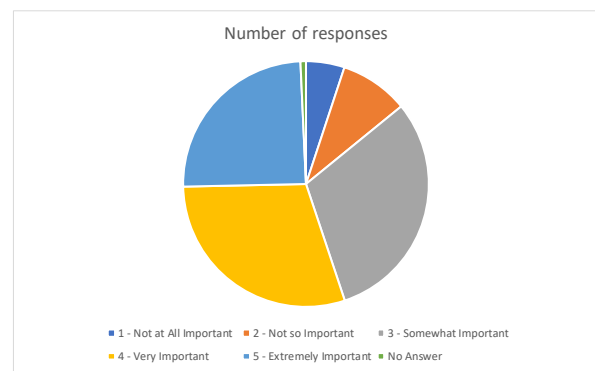
25 - 34	3 4.3%	5 7.2%	15 21.7%	28 40.6%	18 26.1%		3.77
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35 - 44	17 6.2%	36 13.2%	94 34.4%	64 23.4%	62 22.7%		3.43
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45 - 59	23 6.4%	38 10.6%	109 30.4%	96 26.8%	92 25.7%		3.55
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60 - 74	9 3.3%	16 5.9%	77 28.6%	97 36.1%	70 26.0%		3.75
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75 or over	1 1.0%	3 3.0%	36 35.6%	38 37.6%	23 22.8%		3.78
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Q43	Ability to retire and grow old in Holliston.
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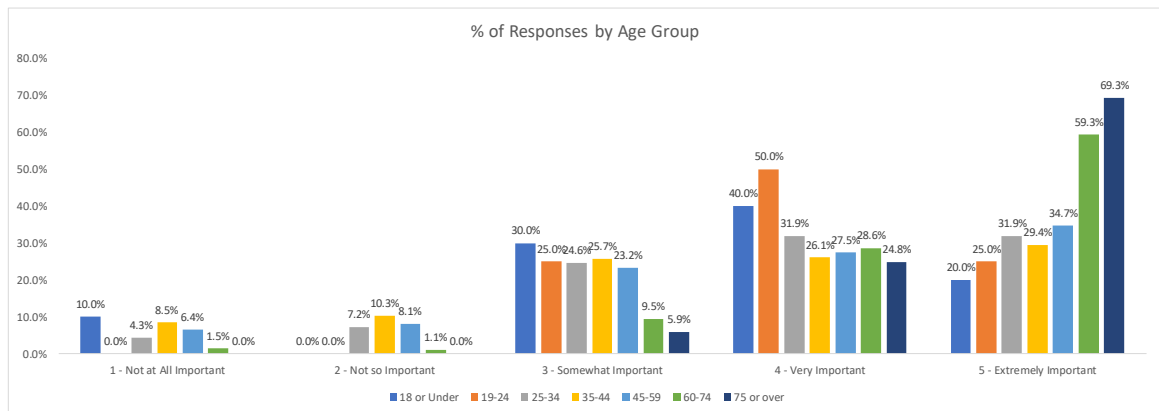
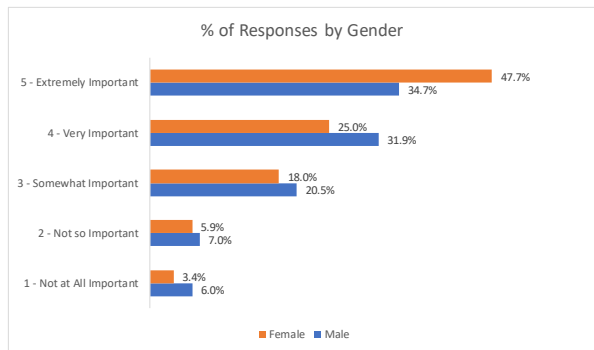
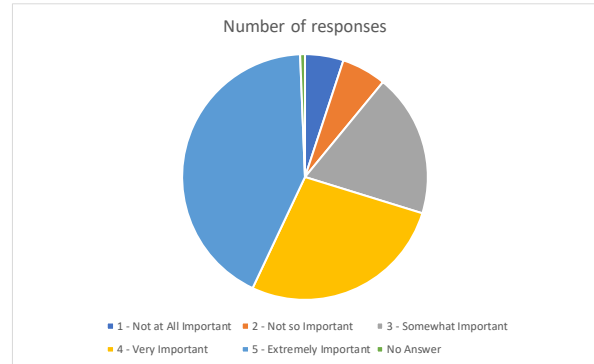
	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	56 5.1%	65 5.9%	208 18.8%	301 27.2%	468 42.4%	7 0.6%	3.97

Male	23 6.0%	27 7.0%	79 20.5%	123 31.9%	134 34.7%		3.82
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Female	20 3.4%	35 5.9%	106 18.0%	147 25.0%	281 47.7%		4.08
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18 or under	1 10.0%	0 0.0%	3 30.0%	4 40.0%	2 20.0%		3.60
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 25.0%	2 50.0%	1 25.0%		4.00
25 - 34	3 4.3%	5 7.2%	17 24.6%	22 31.9%	22 31.9%		3.80
35 - 44	23 8.5%	28 10.3%	70 25.7%	71 26.1%	80 29.4%		3.58
45 - 59	23 6.4%	29 8.1%	83 23.2%	98 27.5%	124 34.7%		3.76
60 - 74	4 1.5%	3 1.1%	26 9.5%	78 28.6%	162 59.3%		4.43
75 or over	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	6 5.9%	25 24.8%	70 69.3%		4.63



Are you planning to retire in Holliston?

Yes	374	34%
No	238	22%
Maybe / Don't know	487	44%
Skipped	6	1%

Why?

Response	#	For #6, why?	Time
0	1	I am currently retired	7/10/2022 9:07
0	2	We love it here and have already retired here. It is home.	7/13/2022 10:31
Maybe / Don't know	1	As a parent, retirement location someone depends on where my kids will end up.	6/2/2022 17:09
Maybe / Don't know	2	Not sure if a job will move us	6/2/2022 17:14
Maybe / Don't know	3	Never considered it.	6/2/2022 17:31
Maybe / Don't know	4	Not originally from here. Family all in Maine.	6/2/2022 18:46
Maybe / Don't know	5	We are many years away from retirement (30+) and can't predict what the future holds.	6/2/2022 20:10
Maybe / Don't know	6	Too young	6/2/2022 20:52
Maybe / Don't know	7	Cost	6/2/2022 21:11
Maybe / Don't know	8	My husband and I want to be coastal when we retire, plus the taxes are a bit high here.	6/2/2022 21:38
Maybe / Don't know	9	Depends on where the kids end up. At one time we had 4 generations living in Holliston. That says a lot about a town when people move back to raise their kids.	6/3/2022 9:03
Maybe / Don't know	10	The town is inordinately expensive and real estate valuations are greatly inflated. The assessors are money hungry, heartless and out of touch with reality. This town is only friendly toward the rich and well off, and the "leaders" of this town think everyone has as much money as they do. The emphasis should be on saving people money.	6/3/2022 9:59
Maybe / Don't know	11	Depends on where our children end up	6/3/2022 10:00
Maybe / Don't know	12	I may want to move closer to the ocean.	6/3/2022 10:32
Maybe / Don't know	13	I don't know if I will be able to afford it once retired.	6/3/2022 12:45
Maybe / Don't know	14	To give my kids the opportunity to keep our house. However, the school system is in such a poor state that I no longer would recommend they have their kids grow up here.	6/3/2022 14:20
Maybe / Don't know	15	The taxes are high, there aren't sidewalks in many parts of town (i.e., less walkability - could be a concern if one has to give up driving at some point)	6/4/2022 22:07
Maybe / Don't know	16	Would like to move to a warmer climate.	6/5/2022 20:48
Maybe / Don't know	17	cost of living	6/6/2022 13:40
Maybe / Don't know	18	Here for the schools anticipate leaving to be closer to either mountains or lake or ocean	6/6/2022 17:52

Maybe / Don't know	19	I am currently retired but when my husband retires we may move to be closer to our children.	6/7/2022 17:36
Maybe / Don't know	20	I would like to. But the availability and accessibility of services to older people isn't that satisfactory based on current anecdotal information.	6/7/2022 20:23
Maybe / Don't know	21	I'm unclear if there will be long term sustainable financial viability of our town beyond reserve accounts - will there be true investment of services/amenities that enable a family to grow old here?	6/7/2022 21:23
Maybe / Don't know	22	Decision will be based in part on proximity to immediate family	6/7/2022 21:24
Maybe / Don't know	23	Only 40 not sure what I'll do when I retire!	6/7/2022 21:34
Maybe / Don't know	24	We may try to stay close to our kids...and we don't know where they will end up.	6/8/2022 6:09
Maybe / Don't know	25	I would prefer to retire to a waterfront location, I'm also in my 30s so can't tell	6/8/2022 9:01
Maybe / Don't know	26	I don't feel there is a reason to stay once our kids are out of school.	6/8/2022 9:41
Maybe / Don't know	27	Too young to know	6/8/2022 15:52
Maybe / Don't know	28	Taxes	6/9/2022 11:00
Maybe / Don't know	29	depends on family	6/9/2022 15:29
Maybe / Don't know	30	May move to be closer to my children who live on the west coast. I think it's time we explored a more central and updated senior center. I would like to see the center focused less on themselves and more on the community at large, with volunteer opportunities here and in neighboring communities, giving back. I'd also like some pickle ball courts to encourage active activities for older adults as well as younger ones.	6/9/2022 15:52
Maybe / Don't know	31	Taxes are high, and once our son graduates, we can look for other housing regardless of school district.	6/9/2022 20:24
Maybe / Don't know	32	Might go closer to the ocean	6/10/2022 15:13
Maybe / Don't know	33	My husband and I are in 30's and early 40's, right now with young kids so we don't know where we'll live in retirement yet. Either holliston or the cape most likely.	6/10/2022 16:11
Maybe / Don't know	34	Weather of the Northeast	6/11/2022 8:57
Maybe / Don't know	35	Sense of community	6/13/2022 19:51
Maybe / Don't know	36	I'd say 'hope to' rather than plan. A lot can happen in 30-40 years	6/14/2022 10:41
Maybe / Don't know	37	The real estate taxes are high, and public transportation is nearly non-existent. My home is on a busy road, and no one is doing anything about the noise and speeding traffic. The sidewalks are run down.	6/14/2022 15:26
Maybe / Don't know	38	Too expensive	6/14/2022 17:53
Maybe / Don't know	39	Too young to consider where I will retire and what I'd want to do.	6/14/2022 21:27
Maybe / Don't know	40	Have another property I could retire to.	6/14/2022 22:10
Maybe / Don't know	41	Cost of living is extremely high in the Commonwealth	6/15/2022 9:33
Maybe / Don't know	42	\$\$\$\$	6/15/2022 9:45
Maybe / Don't know	43	We could get more for our money if we move. That said, we have strong ties here, so no idea what will happen. If we really want people to retire here, I think we need more single-story housing that is user-friendly for those who want to age in place.	6/15/2022 10:04
Maybe / Don't know	44	Can't say one way or the other. Might want warmer climate.	6/15/2022 10:05

Maybe / Don't know	45	Not sure plans	6/15/2022 10:23
Maybe / Don't know	46	It depends on where our children end up but I would like to because I think the community has an opportunity to improve a lot.	6/15/2022 10:35
Maybe / Don't know	47	Depends on if the SB decides that there is more to Holliston than the Mudville area.	6/15/2022 10:37
Maybe / Don't know	48	I'm not ready to make that decision	6/15/2022 10:38
Maybe / Don't know	49	just moved here and am 38. Who knows what the next 30 years will bring	6/15/2022 10:47
Maybe / Don't know	50	I wish I could say that I will retire in Holliston. I see the tax rate growing and no opportunity to "down-size" in town	6/15/2022 11:13
Maybe / Don't know	51	I love the beach	6/15/2022 11:30
Maybe / Don't know	52	We might want the attractions the big city provides	6/15/2022 11:32
Maybe / Don't know	53	Because I am not at the age of retirement and I would prefer to live in a more conservative community more aligned with my views, morals, and lifestyle.	6/15/2022 11:44
Maybe / Don't know	54	Too far in the future right now	6/15/2022 11:58
Maybe / Don't know	55	Lack of walkability and local businesses, high tax rate	6/15/2022 12:13
Maybe / Don't know	56	might gp to the Cape	6/15/2022 13:14
Maybe / Don't know	57	I'm in my 30s and we just moved here. A lot could happen between now and retirement.	6/15/2022 13:15
Maybe / Don't know	58	I would like to retire in Holliston but with my kids out of the schools I find the tax burden excessive. Property taxes are too expensive without more corporate taxation in town, like they see in Hopkinton.	6/15/2022 13:23
Maybe / Don't know	59	Retired now, planning on staying, is a different story. Taxes in this state are very high.	6/15/2022 15:34
Maybe / Don't know	60	We've lived here for 37 years, like where we live and would like to stay here as long as possible.	6/15/2022 16:46
Maybe / Don't know	61	Too young to retire right now	6/15/2022 18:14
Maybe / Don't know	62	I would like to retire in Holliston but at the moment I am not sure I will be able to afford the cost of living in this town.	6/16/2022 5:58
Maybe / Don't know	63	Down-sizing, move closer to urban araa ? Assessing	6/16/2022 11:41
Maybe / Don't know	64	Looking to be closer to family. Tax rate too high, now that our daughter has graduated high school we don't have as many ties to the community	6/16/2022 12:40
Maybe / Don't know	65	Safe comfortable town, proximity to grandchildren vs. a beach community	6/16/2022 15:13
Maybe / Don't know	66	Safe and friendly town	6/16/2022 15:52
Maybe / Don't know	67	Like warmer weather	6/16/2022 21:06
Maybe / Don't know	68	many factors	6/17/2022 10:36
Maybe / Don't know	69	We just bought our first house in Holliston and we are not thinking about retirement yet.	6/17/2022 14:11
Maybe / Don't know	70	I am not sure if we can "age in place" in our current home and I imagine where our kids settle will determine where we land.	6/17/2022 14:46
Maybe / Don't know	71	I'm a child I don't know where my life will take me.	6/17/2022 14:56

		Holliston is the poor man's community of the people who couldn't get in Wellesley... Years of coaching baseball at baseball fields we can't even put garbage cans in for the kids because apparently we can't afford it... Spend it new sidewalks for the Mudville residence with board members who live in that area... While stop signs on Locust Street are held up by rock climbing rope tied to the electricity wires for over a year... New football field at the high school while the paint in the gym at the high school has been peeling off the wall since moving here 13 years ago... Lot of fakeness going on here.. With high taxes and brown water	6/17/2022 15:15
Maybe / Don't know	72		
Maybe / Don't know	73	I'm 17	6/17/2022 17:22
Maybe / Don't know	74	I'd like to be less car-dependent in retirement.	6/17/2022 17:35
Maybe / Don't know	75	Too far away to tell what the future holds	6/17/2022 17:36
Maybe / Don't know	76	Costs would be high	6/17/2022 17:40
Maybe / Don't know	77	I am in my 40's and not thinking that far ahead	6/17/2022 17:50
Maybe / Don't know	78	High Tax Rate	6/17/2022 21:33
Maybe / Don't know	79	It'll depend where my kids (currently 4) end up!	6/18/2022 9:24
Maybe / Don't know	80	I can't afford a home in holliston so not sure I would be able to retire here.	6/19/2022 9:15
Maybe / Don't know	81	Will downsize when it's time to retire. Holliston is too far from cultural activities I enjoy.	6/19/2022 11:57
Maybe / Don't know	82	Depends on friends staying, family health and being able to stay in my two-story house	6/19/2022 13:02
Maybe / Don't know	83	We don't mind paying such high taxes when our children are in the school system, but we might look elsewhere after they graduate	6/19/2022 15:08
Maybe / Don't know	84	My husband and I love the community, and want our children to go through the school system here.	6/19/2022 19:14
Maybe / Don't know	85	Not sure about quality of life after kids leave the home - things to do and keep busy	6/19/2022 19:27
Maybe / Don't know	86	I also own a home in Southboro. Not sure I like Holliston Woods. Do not know how town allowed the sewage system and approved it. Hopping Brook is a disaster. I used to live in Holliston and liked it. Town feels very disconnected.	6/19/2022 19:33
Maybe / Don't know	87	Cost	6/20/2022 8:39
Maybe / Don't know	88	Taxes are high, transportation is limited, senior center is remote, senior benefits unknown	6/21/2022 9:51
Maybe / Don't know	89	We would like single-level housing to age in place, and there are currently very limited options for that kind of housing in Holliston. Neighboring towns might provide more options.	6/21/2022 11:25
Maybe / Don't know	90	We have just moved into town. We'll need a few more years to know if this where we will want to retire.	6/22/2022 0:46
Maybe / Don't know	91	affordability, services, traffic/safety re: sidewalks etc.	6/22/2022 10:10
Maybe / Don't know	92	We are one year into retirement. We would love to stay. We have lived in our home for 31 years, but taxes as we age may be the deciding factor.	6/22/2022 10:14
Maybe / Don't know	93	Im in my 20's	6/22/2022 10:28

Maybe / Don't know	94	I'm leaning towards yes, however for me it's a long way off still and we'll have to see what the future holds. I can say with certainty that if I ever leave Holliston, it will be with a very heavy heart.	6/22/2022 10:31
Maybe / Don't know	95	Would stay to be near kids/grandkids but if they move to be in a better school system, we'll move	6/22/2022 11:09
Maybe / Don't know	96	too far off to know where i'll be in 20 years. also depends on where my children end up.	6/22/2022 13:03
Maybe / Don't know	97	Will it be too expensive?	6/22/2022 13:40
Maybe / Don't know	98	Because that's many decades into my future	6/22/2022 14:22
Maybe / Don't know	99	Weather in the winter may push me south. Plus to escape the high taxes.	6/22/2022 15:03
Maybe / Don't know	100	Might move closer to family.	6/22/2022 15:36
Maybe / Don't know	101	Not sure if taxes continue to be raised we will have to look elsewhere when we are retired.	6/22/2022 15:46
Maybe / Don't know	102	Taxes hinder all to stay	6/22/2022 16:33
Maybe / Don't know	103	Not sure if we will stay in town that long	6/22/2022 20:59
Maybe / Don't know	104	Might not want to pay high taxes when kids are out of the house	6/22/2022 21:15
Maybe / Don't know	105	Weather; taxes	6/23/2022 6:48
Maybe / Don't know	106	Not enough to do here, have to drive everywhere, great place to raise a family, want more cultural events in retirement, want to be more coastal	6/23/2022 7:40
Maybe / Don't know	107	depends on where the kids go... as a family that had 4 generations living in Holliston, it's a lovely town to age in.	6/23/2022 10:48
Maybe / Don't know	108	Lack of leisure activities nearby	6/23/2022 13:56
Maybe / Don't know	109	Property taxes are high.	6/23/2022 13:57
Maybe / Don't know	110	I'm still a long ways a way from retirement. Don't yet know where my career or retirement might take me	6/23/2022 14:04
Maybe / Don't know	111	fafard and taxes and services received for the (real estate) taxes paid	6/23/2022 14:07
Maybe / Don't know	112	too expensive. Property taxes have become disproportionate to services provided.	6/23/2022 14:14
Maybe / Don't know	113	I'm only 35. It's hard to envision retirement with a 2 year old running around!	6/23/2022 14:20
Maybe / Don't know	114	Don't know if/when I'll retire.	6/23/2022 14:28
Maybe / Don't know	115	anything more than 2 years out is difficult to say, too many variables to set a plan	6/23/2022 14:29
Maybe / Don't know	116	Depends on where my kids end up in life	6/23/2022 14:31
Maybe / Don't know	117	Like the home we've created, but may depend on the market and our ability to maintain it as we get older.	6/23/2022 14:33
Maybe / Don't know	118	Taxes are to high	6/23/2022 14:33
Maybe / Don't know	119	Taxes way too high for very few town services, and town isn't friendly to new business.	6/23/2022 14:36
Maybe / Don't know	120	If there are grand kids, that's where I'll be, wherever that is.	6/23/2022 14:54
Maybe / Don't know	121	I like the mountains and may move north	6/23/2022 15:00
Maybe / Don't know	122	I don't know	6/23/2022 15:03
Maybe / Don't know	123	May move to another community for better condo choices.	6/23/2022 15:06
Maybe / Don't know	124	I don't plan ahead that far:)	6/23/2022 15:25
Maybe / Don't know	125	That's a long way off.	6/23/2022 15:27

Maybe / Don't know	126	Not sure	6/23/2022 15:42
Maybe / Don't know	127	Looks to be a long way off	6/23/2022 15:44
Maybe / Don't know	128	Taxes are so high here. Not sure I'd want to stay and pay those taxes for a school system I won't have kids to send to.	6/23/2022 15:45
Maybe / Don't know	129	Poor town planning and management. Not sure the direction of the town so don't know if I want to stay here.	6/23/2022 16:21
Maybe / Don't know	130	Too far away	6/23/2022 16:22
Maybe / Don't know	131	I'm only 35. I don't know where we'll end up!	6/23/2022 16:28
Maybe / Don't know	132	Taxes high,	6/23/2022 16:39
Maybe / Don't know	133	Once kids are grown and out of the house, probably won't want to pay the high taxes. But love the town and the services my taxes have provided for the town.	6/23/2022 16:44
Maybe / Don't know	134	Doubt I will be able to afford to stay even though I've been here over 30 years.	6/23/2022 16:52
Maybe / Don't know	135	We have a home in VT we had planned to retire to but we are really enjoying Holliston	6/23/2022 17:45
Maybe / Don't know	136	Don't have a plan as of yet	6/23/2022 18:52
Maybe / Don't know	137	Planning to move to Maine	6/23/2022 19:11
Maybe / Don't know	138	I expect to downsize my home when the kids leave. The market will determine what the next move is.	6/23/2022 19:49
Maybe / Don't know	139	Not enough affordable options in town, may want to move close to my family	6/23/2022 20:23
Maybe / Don't know	140	Our current home isn't well-suited for aging in place	6/23/2022 20:55
Maybe / Don't know	141	Property taxes are high	6/23/2022 21:05
Maybe / Don't know	142	Taxes are too high for services we get or don't	6/23/2022 21:16
Maybe / Don't know	143	Who knows what life has in store	6/23/2022 21:21
Maybe / Don't know	144	Will move to be closer to family, if financially able	6/23/2022 21:37
Maybe / Don't know	145	Not sure I want snow in my future	6/23/2022 22:56
Maybe / Don't know	146	No immediate family in the area	6/24/2022 7:50
Maybe / Don't know	147	May move to be closer to children in Rhode Island	6/24/2022 8:34
Maybe / Don't know	148	Cost of living in Holliston, not sure I will be able to afford to.	6/24/2022 8:46
Maybe / Don't know	149	The future will tell	6/24/2022 8:50
Maybe / Don't know	150	Depends upon a number of factors	6/24/2022 9:54
Maybe / Don't know	151	Do not want to always rely on car	6/24/2022 10:37
Maybe / Don't know	152	A long way away	6/24/2022 11:33
Maybe / Don't know	153	Cost of living here on fixed income	6/24/2022 14:03
Maybe / Don't know	154	Too far away from retirement age	6/24/2022 14:59
Maybe / Don't know	155	Undecided right now the cost of homes has been skyrocketing	6/24/2022 15:40
Maybe / Don't know	156	Because as my parents have gotten older, it's become more expensive for them to stay here and they're currently looking for a smaller property and likely can't afford to stay here. I assume by the time I retire, things will be more expensive	6/24/2022 20:20
Maybe / Don't know	157	Real estate taxes are very high	6/24/2022 20:42
Maybe / Don't know	158	Taxes and location of family	6/25/2022 14:37
Maybe / Don't know	159	Love Holliston yet offspring are elsewhere	6/26/2022 4:29

Maybe / Don't know	160	Too many cars	6/26/2022 7:04
Maybe / Don't know	161	It has to remain affordable	6/26/2022 10:08
Maybe / Don't know	162	I am just trying to raise my family and get through the school system first. One step at a time - would love to stay in town, but when I retire, I will likely want to downsize. I have no idea what we will do or where we will be, too soon to know.	6/27/2022 9:14
Maybe / Don't know	163	I am many years away from retirement.	6/27/2022 15:55
Maybe / Don't know	164	High taxes may not be worth it once kids out of school system	6/27/2022 18:36
Maybe / Don't know	165	Weather might be a factor	6/27/2022 18:56
Maybe / Don't know	166	Too far away and also don't know where our grandchildren will be	6/27/2022 20:51
Maybe / Don't know	167	affordability	6/27/2022 21:15
Maybe / Don't know	168	Nice quiet community, with opportunities for transit through MWRTA, but it's too soon in my career to be thinking about retirement	6/28/2022 6:32
Maybe / Don't know	169	I'm only 35	6/29/2022 0:07
Maybe / Don't know	170	May move to warmer climate or closer to the ocean	6/29/2022 7:34
Maybe / Don't know	171	I have 20+ years until retirement. Hard to predict the future.	6/29/2022 13:59
Maybe / Don't know	172	Cost	6/29/2022 20:28
Maybe / Don't know	173	Too young to decide	6/29/2022 20:49
Maybe / Don't know	174	I don't know where my kids will be, I'm only 35 :)	6/29/2022 20:59
Maybe / Don't know	175	Taxes are too high to retire here	6/29/2022 21:11
Maybe / Don't know	176	I'm too young to know yet.	6/29/2022 21:21
Maybe / Don't know	177	We haven't decided yet. Might travel.	6/29/2022 22:06
Maybe / Don't know	178	Once my kids move out, We'll probably want to live near them/live and in a place thats has more things to do close by.	6/29/2022 22:08
Maybe / Don't know	179	Taxes are extremely high and who knows what the prices of living are when the happens.	6/30/2022 6:56
Maybe / Don't know	180	Too young to say	6/30/2022 9:15
Maybe / Don't know	181	not sure how long we can afford to maintain our home	6/30/2022 11:57
Maybe / Don't know	182	Too young to consider this	6/30/2022 18:29
Maybe / Don't know	183	I would love to retire in my home here in Holliston, but I'm not sure if we'll be able to afford it.	6/30/2022 21:03
Maybe / Don't know	184	Have a long way to retirement	6/30/2022 21:31
Maybe / Don't know	185	Too far in the future to consider	7/2/2022 17:53
Maybe / Don't know	186	If we can afford it	7/2/2022 20:42
Maybe / Don't know	187	Cost of housing, lack of affordable 55+ housing, taxes	7/3/2022 9:33
Maybe / Don't know	188	Currently raising young children, if the move away we may follow them to be closer, however, we would love to stay here if possible.	7/3/2022 15:07
Maybe / Don't know	189	We like our property, the rail trail, and the overall feel of the town compared to others in the region. If our health holds, it seems a good place to be for as long as we are able. But is is a bit socially isolating (we don't have kids) and if we couldn't drive, we might need to reconsider.	7/4/2022 0:28

Maybe / Don't know	190	We love Holliston and would like to see it be a bit more walkable. It's pretty good but a few more restaurants downtown - instead of gift shops, and a more extensive food market would make it ideal. Superette is nice but it's not possible to do all the shopping there. A food co-op like the one that is opening in Maynard, would be ideal - right downtown.	7/4/2022 9:26
Maybe / Don't know	191	May need to move to a home with easy maintenance and 1 level living	7/4/2022 15:10
Maybe / Don't know	192	Poor transportation in and around Holliston for members who cannot drive	7/5/2022 9:41
Maybe / Don't know	193	Taxes are too high	7/5/2022 16:14
Maybe / Don't know	194	If the town maintains it charm, does not overbuild / create too much traffic, and doesn't introduce chain restaurants and fast food, I'd love to stay forever.	7/5/2022 16:31
Maybe / Don't know	195	Retirement is 30+ years away to know.	7/6/2022 16:52
Maybe / Don't know	196	Still too early	7/7/2022 21:48
Maybe / Don't know	197	We like the character of the town while still being close to everything.	7/8/2022 11:40
Maybe / Don't know	198	I am looking for milder winters and possible lower expenses outside the US	7/8/2022 21:09
Maybe / Don't know	199	I would rather have the town focus on building a new high school and improving infrastructure than finding ways for residents to retire in the town. We should also be focusing on attracting younger families. Holliston was once highly thought of as a prosperous but quaint town. While this is nice, this mindset has set the town back over the years - we have fallen behind other towns around us. This mindset has also impacted our school system as seen in the slip of our school ratings.	7/9/2022 1:19
Maybe / Don't know	200	The future is unknowable	7/9/2022 11:06
Maybe / Don't know	201	Child and grandchildren have moved in with me. Things are in flux.	7/15/2022 16:09
Maybe / Don't know	202	holliston costs too much	7/17/2022 7:50
Maybe / Don't know	203	cost	7/18/2022 7:46
Maybe / Don't know	204	Life is to unpredictable to say at this point in my life	7/18/2022 13:29
Maybe / Don't know	205	Only in our 30s, unknown what our future plans are	7/18/2022 13:59
Maybe / Don't know	206	its not the same holliston it was in the 80-90's	7/18/2022 15:07
Maybe / Don't know	207	The cost is high	7/18/2022 16:03
Maybe / Don't know	208	Will probably downsize when retire and holliston may not be affordable	7/18/2022 17:03
Maybe / Don't know	209	The schools have been a disappointment and the character of the town has been shifting from small-town charm towards a chic Boston suburb. No thank you.	7/18/2022 17:23
Maybe / Don't know	210	I'm unsure I will be able to afford retiring here	7/18/2022 18:47
Maybe / Don't know	211	Depends if my parents are still alive at that time.	7/18/2022 19:17
Maybe / Don't know	212	I'm uncertain of our future plans!	7/18/2022 19:49
Maybe / Don't know	213	I'd like to stay close to my children, not sure where they'll land yet. I'd also need to move to a smaller, single story home. Over 55 housing is very expensive in Holliston, most more expensive than the value of the home I currently live in.	7/18/2022 20:04
Maybe / Don't know	214	too early to tell. kids live at home, work in Holliston schools or work nearby.	7/18/2022 21:07
Maybe / Don't know	215	Response is Maybe because inflation/stock market/taxes are currently great unknowns	7/18/2022 21:13

Maybe / Don't know	216	We don't have a clear vision of our desires as of now and where our children might be.	7/18/2022 21:24
Maybe / Don't know	217	too expensive	7/18/2022 21:29
Maybe / Don't know	218	Love the community and our house	7/18/2022 23:00
Maybe / Don't know	219	Our sons are only 8 years old. We have a long time before we decide where we're retiring!	7/18/2022 23:09
Maybe / Don't know	220	Don't know what programs will be available and what tax rates may make it affordable on a retirement income	7/19/2022 6:48
Maybe / Don't know	221	\$\$\$\$	7/19/2022 8:02
Maybe / Don't know	222	Taxes are very expensive	7/19/2022 9:00
Maybe / Don't know	223	I bought my first house just this past November and am not sure where my life will take me yet. Though the old town agricultural side of Holliston is what makes me consider staying here permanently	7/19/2022 9:11
Maybe / Don't know	224	Just moved here with a young family so still learning and still young!	7/19/2022 10:21
Maybe / Don't know	225	Taxes	7/19/2022 11:03
Maybe / Don't know	226	I suspect like most ppl, the tax rate will make living here undesirable once my kids leave school. There aren't enough activities for the 55-65 y/o age group when kid activities have gone away.	7/19/2022 12:23
Maybe / Don't know	227	Too expensive	7/19/2022 15:05
Maybe / Don't know	228	It will probably be to expensive	7/19/2022 17:32
Maybe / Don't know	229	No one "Retirement Community" facility in Town that provides independent living, assistant and Health services to seniors.	7/19/2022 22:28
Maybe / Don't know	230	Too many variables, too soon to know. I barely know what's happening next month...	7/19/2022 22:42
Maybe / Don't know	231	It is not affordable for those who retire. Not enough rental or affordable housing. Taxes are a barrier for some when they are not longer working.	7/20/2022 7:30
Maybe / Don't know	232	Yearly taxes may prohibit our staying here in Holliston.	7/20/2022 10:02
Maybe / Don't know	233	By the time I'm ready to retire, I will want to downsize my residence and move closer to my kids. Holliston is a great community for young families. As we all age up we will have to adjust accordingly.	7/20/2022 11:10
Maybe / Don't know	234	High housing costs could be an issue when I downsize. Property tax mil rate is higher than most other towns around here too.	7/20/2022 14:37
Maybe / Don't know	235	Too expensive, taxes are too high	7/20/2022 20:14
Maybe / Don't know	236	I'm in my 30s. I love the idea of staying here but who knows where life will take us. The community as a forever home is important and was when we moved here as a young family.	7/20/2022 21:42
Maybe / Don't know	237	Too far away to say yet (15-20 years)	7/20/2022 21:50
Maybe / Don't know	238	taxes are too high	7/21/2022 8:36
Maybe / Don't know	239	Not sure because the town has changed since I moved here with all of the development it is losing the character it had	7/21/2022 10:08
Maybe / Don't know	240	Don't know yet...	7/21/2022 10:27
Maybe / Don't know	241	Cost a lot to live here	7/21/2022 17:13
Maybe / Don't know	242	because i'm still nine and i don't know my future yet	7/22/2022 11:53
Maybe / Don't know	243	Affordability. High real estate taxes.	7/22/2022 15:23
Maybe / Don't know	244	Job	7/22/2022 19:29

Maybe / Don't know	245	High tax rates and lack of public transportation.	7/22/2022 21:48
Maybe / Don't know	246	Might go where it's warmer.	7/22/2022 22:58
Maybe / Don't know	247	I would downsize and travel	7/23/2022 9:51
Maybe / Don't know	248	the tax burden in holliston is significant. if i'm on a fixed income, property taxes are a big factor in deciding whether to stay.	7/23/2022 9:59
Maybe / Don't know	249	Town is friendly but lacks exciting offerings such as high quality restaurants and shops	7/23/2022 10:54
Maybe / Don't know	250	I don't know if I can afford to live in Holliston when I retire.	7/23/2022 14:13
Maybe / Don't know	251	Cost of living, water constraints and unsightly downtown areas. We pay high taxes in town and have ugly vacant buildings (abandoned gas station and blockbuster) older up and running ugly buildings (superette block, antique/grill block, cvs etc) and I own a lovely home and pay a lot for its facade and can't even water my expensive plants and grass. It's hardly affordable and growing unsightly now while I can semi afford it. The thought of retiring in a decaying community isn't appealing despite having lived in town nearly all 45 years of my life.	7/24/2022 16:41
Maybe / Don't know	252	Holliston just does not seem senior friendly if one cannot provide one's own transportation for daily living needs.	7/24/2022 21:00
Maybe / Don't know	253	I love my home and it's paid off, but I may want to move to a bigger house to live with my son. However, I would be unable to afford a larger house in Holliston. So, I may have to move out of Holliston in retirement.	7/25/2022 17:29
Maybe / Don't know	254	Taxes. And assesments	7/25/2022 19:26
Maybe / Don't know	255	I don't know where I will be in my life in 40 years	7/26/2022 9:23
Maybe / Don't know	256	concerned about school quality, lack of downtown area with more relevant businesses	7/26/2022 11:29
Maybe / Don't know	257	Not sure where I will be at that age	7/26/2022 15:04
Maybe / Don't know	258	I am still in my 30s. I have no plans on where I will retire.	7/26/2022 16:20
Maybe / Don't know	259	We're far off from retirement but I'm not sure we could afford to stay here when we do retire	7/26/2022 20:47
Maybe / Don't know	260	depends on continued good health to remain in our home	7/27/2022 11:44
Maybe / Don't know	261	Taxes are very high in this town. Not sure we will be able to stay whether that means to stay in our current home or downsize into another Holliston home.	7/27/2022 14:21
Maybe / Don't know	262	We may want to downsize	7/27/2022 16:23
Maybe / Don't know	263	The taxes are so high.	7/28/2022 11:11
Maybe / Don't know	264	I don't think we get enough services (EMT, DPW, keeping sports fields ready)... also don't want to pay for new high school (my kids went through outdated high school)	7/28/2022 18:11
Maybe / Don't know	265	Too soon to know. If forced to say yes or no, I would say no due to affordability factors.	7/29/2022 7:54
Maybe / Don't know	266	I'm too far away from retirement to be able to make a decision	7/29/2022 10:25
Maybe / Don't know	267	It depends on the cost of living in town and where my family is living in town I retire.	7/30/2022 12:26
Maybe / Don't know	268	Not able to state anything more definitive at this time.	7/31/2022 6:38
Maybe / Don't know	269	We'll decide in a few years.	7/31/2022 9:30

Maybe / Don't know	270	Not sure if I can afford to retire in Holliston due to the astronomical cost of housing	7/31/2022 14:48
Maybe / Don't know	271	Taxes too costly for seniors. In one year to date our real estate taxes have gone up almost \$400 per quarter. For what? If you go ahead with the kinds of things I recognize in this survey the burden will only get worse for seniors and continue to force migration to more sensible communities in or out of State.	7/31/2022 15:29
Maybe / Don't know	272	We move to be closer to our children and grandchildren	7/31/2022 18:30
Maybe / Don't know	273	I may want to be closer to family when I retire	8/1/2022 9:00
Maybe / Don't know	274	Not sure where the future will take me	8/1/2022 9:32
Maybe / Don't know	275	No longer need a 4 bedroom house, but there aren't many options here.	8/1/2022 9:51
Maybe / Don't know	276	The job market is no longer stable in 2022. You can't expect to stay at the same company and retire from there anymore due to significant increases in layoffs and M&A. Since that is the case, for the most part, younger generations must remain agile regardless of their desire to set roots in one location. It is an unfortunate reality.	8/1/2022 16:07
Maybe / Don't know	277	Taxes are very high	8/1/2022 16:23
Maybe / Don't know	278	It'll depend where our kids end up living once they are adults	8/1/2022 21:36
Maybe / Don't know	279	I'm in my 40s, retirement just isn't on my mind	8/2/2022 9:22
Maybe / Don't know	280	If can afford to stay here.	8/2/2022 9:36
Maybe / Don't know	281	Depends on the economy, might not be able to afford to retire here.	8/2/2022 12:37
Maybe / Don't know	282	Dependent on how far children move after growing up. We anticipate maintaining 2 residences in retirement with one being in Holliston	8/2/2022 20:52
Maybe / Don't know	283	Although I love Holliston, cost of retiring in MA is too expensive. Estate taxes are too high. May move to South Carolina or Maine.	8/3/2022 10:52
Maybe / Don't know	284	Not sure what next 30 years will bring	8/3/2022 15:48
Maybe / Don't know	285	taxes and hoa fees	8/3/2022 16:11
Maybe / Don't know	286	We will reevaluate our retirement plans once our children graduate from Holliston High	8/3/2022 19:00
Maybe / Don't know	287	It's a very quiet town, but doesn't have much to do now for family like a good ice-cream place, Entertainment, maybe for it's good for seniors.	8/4/2022 14:03
Maybe / Don't know	288	Depends on where family is	8/5/2022 19:29
Maybe / Don't know	289	we just bought a house here	8/6/2022 16:02
Maybe / Don't know	290	High taxes, poor water quality, bad traffic	8/7/2022 15:33
Maybe / Don't know	291	I would be very happy retiring here, but also unclear where I will end up based on my kids.	8/7/2022 16:14
Maybe / Don't know	292	Taxes are too high And I'm only paying them to send my kids to school.	8/9/2022 9:46
No	1	High taxes and lack of amenities. For sale sign once child goes to college.	6/2/2022 15:40
No	2	This is a great town to raise a family but I'd look for a lower tax base to retire	6/2/2022 16:27
No	3	Taxes, cost of living, weather	6/2/2022 17:45
No	4	Its fricken cold here! When I'm 70, I'm not gonna want anything to do with the cold!	6/2/2022 18:43
No	5	I would downsize and probably move to a lower cost state.	6/2/2022 19:57

No	6	Property taxes are way too high and limited social activities in town	6/2/2022 20:43
No	7	Taxes are too high and I'd rather be somewhere warm	6/2/2022 21:02
No	8	I will likely retire where my children settle and it is too early to know where that will be.	6/2/2022 22:49
No	9	I would want to be able to walk to amenities or take public transportation	6/3/2022 7:23
No	10	Would prefer to be in a warmer climate	6/3/2022 8:47
No	11	It's a wonderful town to raise and educate kids. A Town can't be all things to all people Or it will fail at all of them	6/3/2022 9:12
No	12	Holliston has been a great place to raise our family, but there are not enough restaurants and cultural opportunities in the town to keep us anchored here	6/3/2022 9:48
No	13	Lack of access to grocery stores, restaurants, poor water quality, increased traffic and poor safety measures for crossing streets	6/3/2022 10:53
No	14	Once my kids are out of school we will likely move to a new location with lower taxes and more diversity - of people but also of things like restaurants. Our little town has no options other than pizza when it comes to decent dining out.	6/3/2022 10:57
No	15	After 27 years, we have moved. Holliston is a lovely place to raise a family but we had never planned for it to be our forever home. We wanted to be closer to the city, to our daughter, to culture, to diversity, to politics more in line with our own.	6/3/2022 11:21
No	16	Taxes too high. Moving closer to ocean	6/3/2022 13:01
No	17	I like it here, but I'm here because I work near here.	6/3/2022 18:08
No	18	High tax rate	6/3/2022 18:13
No	19	Want to live closer to the city	6/5/2022 19:32
No	20	want more rural setting	6/6/2022 7:07
No	21	The weather - will retire to a place that is warmer/sunnier and no snow	6/6/2022 12:11
No	22	Too young to think about it	6/7/2022 6:54
No	23	Taxes too much and going higher (schools, fire, DPW, water, sidewalks). No reasonable development of commercial and industrial areas.	6/7/2022 14:16
No	24	I intend to retire somewhere warmer	6/7/2022 18:18
No	25	There is almost nothing to do in the town. There are very restaurants, a scarcity of programming and support for seniors, and the taxes are too high without enough yield.	6/7/2022 21:22
No	26	Taxes	6/8/2022 6:59
No	27	kids grown, always intended on retiring in VT	6/8/2022 9:32
No	28	Taxes too high for seniors and retirees	6/8/2022 14:05
No	29	Holliston is no an easy places for seniors to retire. We have no grocery store or public transportation. The lack of modern day amenities and rural setting don't fit with most people who will require assistance as they age.	6/8/2022 14:31
No	30	Heading south	6/8/2022 21:42
No	31	Taxes too high, don't need great schools, don't want a house with lots of upkeep. Honestly, to me it's natural not to retire in the town where you raised your family.	6/9/2022 8:34
No	32	Too expensive	6/9/2022 9:33

No	33	Prefer urban environment with walkability	6/10/2022 21:59
No	34	imagine retiring nearer to the ocean	6/13/2022 9:02
No	35	I want a farm, all of which are being converted to subdivisions	6/14/2022 20:54
No	36	Massachusetts offers opportunity for the young. Costs are through the roof and does not make sense to return here. Metrowest has outdoor activities but very little to offer for other social activities like restaurants, music, culture, etc.	6/15/2022 10:12
No	37	Lower inheritance tax outside of Massachusetts	6/15/2022 10:14
No	38	Can not afford to. The taxes are too much of a burden. Town is unfriendly to community members that have built this community.	6/15/2022 10:37
No	39	Cost, cost, and also COST	6/15/2022 10:44
No	40	We are many years away from retirement, but will likely want to retire in a seaside community.	6/15/2022 10:53
No	41	It's a great place to raise a family. In retirement, I'd like to downsize to be able to travel more	6/15/2022 11:08
No	42	Better weather alternatives	6/15/2022 11:08
No	43	We have a beach house	6/15/2022 11:35
No	44	Would prefer to be by the ocean	6/15/2022 11:54
No	45	I'm looking forward to retiring somewhere with more culture, diversity, and things to do.	6/15/2022 12:25
No	46	Too blessed expensive, water issues	6/15/2022 13:29
No	47	Town is expensive with very few benefits, resources are not used wisely and there is no real change road map in sight!	6/15/2022 13:36
No	48	Holliston may be home base but there is too much else out there to stay in one place.	6/15/2022 13:52
No	49	THE PROPERTY TAXES IS WAY TOO HIGH.	6/15/2022 13:59
No	50	Move to Boston when the kids get to college.	6/15/2022 14:57
No	51	Property Taxes	6/15/2022 16:35
No	52	Tax rates. No sewer.	6/15/2022 16:56
No	53	Taxes too high for seniors, property too expensive	6/15/2022 18:19
No	54	Not affordable	6/15/2022 23:25
No	55	prefer not to answer	6/16/2022 16:33
No	56	Our taxes are too high. Massachusetts taxes are too high.	6/16/2022 19:03
No	57	This is a nice town to raise a family, but as nice as it is... its kinda boring.	6/17/2022 9:15
No	58	Wish to retire abroad	6/17/2022 9:52
No	59	Im still young and probably going to move somewhere else to pursue career opportunities.	6/17/2022 14:42
No	60	taxes too high, weather	6/17/2022 14:45
No	61	Cost of living	6/17/2022 14:53
No	62	I am a teenager so I don't know where I will retire	6/17/2022 15:40
No	63	Winter...taxes	6/17/2022 15:46
No	64	I see myself retiring near the ocean in New England closer to cultural hub that offer restaurants and events in walkable distance.	6/17/2022 16:11

No	65	Lack of restaurants, stores, other amenities - my perception that many folks want the town to stay the same, despite these limitations	6/18/2022 10:45
No	66	Cost of living, Taxes, location - all great to raise a family but may want a change once we don't need to space and serviced	6/18/2022 14:53
No	67	Taxes too high for deteriorating infrastructures.	6/18/2022 16:01
No	68	Once our kids graduate from the schools and move out, we plan to downsize and move closer to the shore (Cape or Marblehead area).	6/20/2022 14:20
No	69	Not a current resident	6/21/2022 8:49
No	70	In 10 years our youngest will graduate from high school and I've already told my husband that I intend to sell the house and move someplace else. Why would I pay these taxes if I no longer gain the rewards in the school system? I am often surprised that there are any retirees in the community at all given how high the taxes are.	6/21/2022 17:00
No	71	I Grew up here and want a new town to retire in	6/21/2022 17:51
No	72	Ideal place to raise a family. Not an ideal place to retire, and that is ok.	6/22/2022 8:46
No	73	No paramedic level ambulance service in town.	6/22/2022 9:11
No	74	Taxes are too high for the fixed income	6/22/2022 10:04
No	75	Retirement is likely 40 years away for me so I don't know where I'll be	6/22/2022 10:22
No	76	Want to move somewhere else	6/22/2022 10:24
No	77	Want to retire near the ocean, the only reason.	6/22/2022 10:58
No	78	Intend to move to a different climate once my kids are grown	6/22/2022 11:43
No	79	Seeking better weather and lower taxes	6/22/2022 11:57
No	80	Cost of living here, desire to move move north.	6/22/2022 12:18
No	81	downsize and won't need as big of a home and property	6/22/2022 12:24
No	82	Taxes are too high.	6/22/2022 13:29
No	83	I'll be going to The Cape to be near the beaches and family.	6/22/2022 21:35
No	84	Nothing to do	6/22/2022 23:28
No	85	Property taxes are too expensive	6/23/2022 7:55
No	86	winter sucks	6/23/2022 14:01
No	87	We want to move closer to the city eventually.	6/23/2022 14:12
No	88	Cost and cost and also cost	6/23/2022 14:20
No	89	Climate, accessibility	6/23/2022 14:24
No	90	Too long a commute to family and the city	6/23/2022 14:25
No	91	Taxes are too high.	6/23/2022 14:41
No	92	Holliston is too busy/congested.	6/23/2022 14:41
No	93	We want to get out of the suburbs; moving to VT	6/23/2022 14:44
No	94	taxes with no kids	6/23/2022 14:47
No	95	Would like to be by water	6/23/2022 14:54
No	96	Only good for school age families	6/23/2022 14:55
No	97	It very expensive, Schools are not performing well which likely result in decrease in property values. There is little respect for the History of the Town.	6/23/2022 15:17
No	98	Taxes are too high for fixed income residents and resources are not so strong for older adults without kids here. Plus not near a beach	6/23/2022 15:22

No	99	Has become to liberal and doesn't want to make any changes for progress or growth	6/23/2022 15:45
No	100	Need to be closer to the ocean	6/23/2022 16:26
No	101	Cost to live here is way to much and we pay a lot for a small return.	6/23/2022 16:28
No	102	Too expensive and getting even more so	6/23/2022 17:16
No	103	Preference beyond Holliston once our children graduate	6/23/2022 19:55
No	104	Probably go where my kids are	6/23/2022 20:09
No	105	Tax rate too high	6/23/2022 20:44
No	106	There are no restaurants here.	6/23/2022 21:26
No	107	I will retire somewhere more euphoric like Sedona Arizona, Stowe Vermont, or Truro, Ma	6/23/2022 23:30
No	108	Massachusetts politics suck, and taxes are too high. Way too much government waste in this state.	6/24/2022 6:15
No	109	I prefer to retire in a warmer climate with lower property taxes	6/24/2022 9:05
No	110	We'll be returning to Colorado upon retirement.	6/24/2022 10:10
No	111	Taxes too high	6/25/2022 7:38
No	112	Because the taxes are too high when I don't have a child in the school system and I want to try someplace different one day.	6/25/2022 12:52
No	113	Cost of taxes and living overall	6/26/2022 6:07
No	114	Affordability, tax rates	6/26/2022 8:51
No	115	It's too expensive. I will not be able to live here by the time I retire.	6/26/2022 21:32
No	116	Not enough things to do	6/27/2022 16:02
No	117	Moving to a state/town with lower cost of living. MA and TOH are nearly impossible to retire and maintain present lifestyle due to cost of living. In addition, not many affordable 50+ or 65+ communities to choose from with a relative cost of housing to maintain present lifestyle.	6/29/2022 8:25
No	118	Too expensive	6/29/2022 10:42
No	119	Planning to move in the near future	6/29/2022 13:14
No	120	Will follow my kids or move to the beach to retire!	6/29/2022 14:09
No	121	Too far from ocean	6/29/2022 20:23
No	122	We want to move to the mountains when we retire.	6/29/2022 20:31
No	123	Three years here, like the town but taxes seem excessive for minimal level of service. If no kids in school, would not make sense to stay.	6/29/2022 20:48
No	124	It's a nice town to raise a family but wouldn't want to stay after kids are gone	6/29/2022 20:53
No	125	Taxes too high	6/29/2022 22:13
No	126	Want to live close to family.	6/30/2022 7:58
No	127	Moving to warmer climate	6/30/2022 9:44
No	128	Taxes too high	6/30/2022 10:08
No	129	Lack of diversity, poor dining options	6/30/2022 10:57
No	130	Taxes too high	6/30/2022 22:31
No	131	Too few amenities in close proximity, weather, MA and local taxes	7/1/2022 12:55
No	132	High taxes	7/2/2022 8:15
No	133	Taxes too high. Will only go up. Raise your kids here and then get out.	7/2/2022 18:46

No	134	Taxes are too high	7/3/2022 20:24
No	135	I am still young	7/5/2022 22:13
No	136	Cost of living; tax rates	7/9/2022 8:09
No	137	The state is not retirement-friendly, and Holliston is not able to protect an individual's right to enjoy his/her home nuisance-free, despite paying some of the highest property tax in the state.	7/11/2022 11:36
No	138	Most of the money in Holliston goes to education, but the quality and ranking falls every year. Too expensive to live in Holliston for too little return on tax dollars.	7/11/2022 12:07
No	139	Want to live closer to the ocean	7/11/2022 18:55
No	140	The West appeals to me - I want to be somewhere that I can enjoy more of nature.	7/14/2022 16:57
No	141	There is no reason to stay here. No social scene, no businesses I want to frequent, it takes 20 mins to get to a highway.	7/18/2022 11:18
No	142	Plan on moving either back where I am from or to Vermont.	7/18/2022 14:21
No	143	Not a lot of conveniences in town. Need more stores that sell necessary things.	7/18/2022 17:44
No	144	Probably can't afford to retire in our hometown of Holliston	7/18/2022 17:49
No	145	Too expensive	7/18/2022 17:50
No	146	Too cold in winter	7/18/2022 19:01
No	147	Looking for a warmer climate with a lower cost of living than MA	7/18/2022 19:11
No	148	High taxes no use for schools, inconvenient location to metro Boston.	7/18/2022 20:07
No	149	Too expensive - taxes too high if resident doesn't have a child in the school system. Too many town cliques.	7/18/2022 20:21
No	150	Taxes are too high for the quality of life ie - sidewalks on our street will never be repaired, our water is brown and high level of toxins, quality of schools have sharply declined, fear loss of property value due to afore mentioned.	7/18/2022 20:38
No	151	My spouse and I prefer Western Mass, but we work in the area.	7/18/2022 21:57
No	152	somewhere warmer seems like a better option	7/19/2022 10:01
No	153	We moved here for work, the town has not been that welcoming	7/19/2022 10:12
No	154	Want to leave the state of MA	7/19/2022 10:24
No	155	move closer to children	7/19/2022 12:58
No	156	Cold new England weather	7/19/2022 13:02
No	157	Our town is not age-friendly at all. I have watched all my older neighbors STRUGGLE as they deteriorate trying to maintain their homes and livelihood without immediate support. The reality is we don't have many intergenerational households here and many older adults here don't have children or no children nearby to take care of them. We don't have strong town infrastructure or resources to support these individuals.	7/19/2022 13:47
No	158	high taxes, poorly maintained roads, terrible athletic facilities, schools on downward trend, poor town management	7/19/2022 16:50
No	159	Too expensive	7/20/2022 5:53
No	160	We will plan to retire where our young children settle. Also may be on the cape near water	7/20/2022 7:17

No	161	moving north	7/20/2022 11:29
No	162	Taxes too high, a little too sleepy	7/20/2022 13:03
No	163	Tax rate too high	7/20/2022 13:25
No	164	It is very expensive to live here especially on a fixed income.	7/20/2022 15:53
No	165	Town taxes and cost of water are too expensive.	7/20/2022 18:37
No	166	The town is not well planned for retired people	7/21/2022 11:26
No	167	too expensive; too suburban (not easy to walk to amenities from my house);	7/22/2022 9:34
No	168	Nothing to do here for elderly, i.e. no good restaurants, nothing within walking distance, no busses or public transportation, everything is focused around school aged families. This is a great town to raise a family but not to grow old in.	7/22/2022 13:46
No	169	It's only a friendly place for the "in" crowd. Also, it's too far from everything.	7/22/2022 19:03
No	170	it is not amenable to what I foresee I might need. Recently put my mom, in NJ, in an assisted living facility. She went kicking and screaming and turns out she loves it. I think I will willingly go to an assistant living facility but will need more amenities than Holliston offers. Pizza places and churches don't cut it. Yes it's a lovely town but not that interesting. PS: love the library	7/22/2022 19:38
No	171	High Taxes/prefer warmer climate	7/23/2022 0:49
No	172	Will live near our children, wherever they are	7/23/2022 20:44
No	173	Plan to retire to another state without income tax.	7/24/2022 9:49
No	174	Because I want to go somewhere rural for retirement	7/24/2022 16:27
No	175	Property taxes are too high in the north east.	7/25/2022 13:07
No	176	Will downsize once our child is grown	7/26/2022 8:39
No	177	Not enough things to do	7/27/2022 13:06
No	178	Great schools for kids but there is not enough the town offers outside of great schools. Have to go elsewhere for brewery's, variety of restaurants for the family. One main road with tons of traffic	7/27/2022 13:11
No	179	I will be retiring somewhere without snow. Also snow removal in Holliston is awful.	7/27/2022 13:18
No	180	Property values & taxes are too high to remain after our kids graduate from the schools.	7/27/2022 13:56
No	181	excessive taxes - lack of opacity in public affairs (police station revote, cutler heights develop giveaway - and lack of responsibility with failing septic system, andrews schoolgove away - and subsequent give back by developer)	7/28/2022 11:31
No	182	HCOL	7/28/2022 13:33
No	183	Taxes are too high	7/28/2022 14:51
No	184	unaffordable	7/28/2022 15:50
No	185	cold weather and snow	7/28/2022 16:43
No	186	Cost of living	7/30/2022 12:42
No	187	Cost	7/30/2022 12:50
No	188	Not specific to Holliston. We love Holliston. However, Massachusetts total cost of living is far out of line with other areas to retire to.	7/30/2022 22:06

No	189	Too much snow/maintenance	7/31/2022 10:09
No	190	We are not particularly bonded with the community.	7/31/2022 16:45
No	191	Want to go back to the midwest where I grew up	8/1/2022 21:07
No	192	The town is reactive, rather than proactive at long range planning. We have need of more businesses (and sewers systems to support them) to increase revenue and support the schools which historically are the only reason to move here.	8/2/2022 8:04
No	193	I want to be where my kids/grandkids end up.	8/2/2022 23:23
No	194	I love Massachusetts and Holliston but not the climate.	8/3/2022 13:04
No	195	Too expensive, Taxes too high, looking for warmer climate year-round	8/5/2022 10:33
No	196	Climate, culture	8/7/2022 7:12
No	197	MA cost of living is too high	8/7/2022 9:27
No	198	Nothing to do around here	8/8/2022 11:51
No	199	Want to be closer to shoreline/coast when I retire.	8/8/2022 21:29
Yes	1	Why not?	6/2/2022 15:36
Yes	2	We think the town of holliston wants to achieve their goals and living in a small town feels likely it can happen	6/2/2022 16:55
Yes	3	We would love to retire in Holliston, our home now for 40 years; however the taxes are daunting. We benefit from good schools and choose to assist via taxes IF we can afford it on fixed incomes.	6/2/2022 17:34
Yes	4	Existing social connections	6/2/2022 17:35
Yes	5	Holliston relaxed, pretty and friendly.	6/2/2022 17:37
Yes	6	Because we are comfortable in our neighborhood, love the ambience of Holliston, proximity to the ocean, the city, etc. Affordable	6/2/2022 17:45
Yes	7	My husband has been in town over 56 years and 47 for me. We have raised 7 children here and been a member of our parish family al these years. We sold our home on Rollingmeadow to one of our children and actually have 3 adult children and their families that live in Holliston. We were fortunate enough to get into a 55+ subdivision 6 years ago but had we not bought then we may have been priced out of the town. We love the town but currently seniors should not have to be looking at condos in the 700's and up to stay in town and relocate to a condo.	6/2/2022 18:47
Yes	8	Because I love it here	6/2/2022 19:16
Yes	9	I own a business in town. I actually don't plan to retire at all unless I have to	6/2/2022 19:58
Yes	10	We are comfortable here.	6/2/2022 20:03
Yes	11	I am retired	6/2/2022 20:06
Yes	12	I'm only 34, but this is where I am raising my child and hope to stay here forever. I love the outdoor spaces, such as Lake Winthrop, small town feel, community events, and farms	6/2/2022 20:27
Yes	13	Love it here and plant roots.	6/2/2022 20:39
Yes	14	Family here	6/2/2022 20:45
Yes	15	I love we're I live and I want my children to be able bring there families back to where they grew up.	6/2/2022 21:37

		We bought our house with the intention of it being our forever home. We are a young family with 3 small children just entering the schools and plan to be here (and hopefully somewhere warm during the winter) when we retire in 30+ years. We have chosen to put money into our home and property verse looking for vacation/2nd homes elsewhere so we can fully immerse in the town.	
Yes	16		6/2/2022 22:06
Yes	17	Children are in area. Already retired	6/2/2022 22:45
Yes	18	It's my home.	6/2/2022 22:48
Yes	19	Friendly, safe community	6/3/2022 6:35
Yes	20	already have retired, want to stay in my home	6/3/2022 9:25
Yes	21	My friends are all here. As long as I can remain in my house, I will.	6/3/2022 9:56
Yes	22	We are retired and want to stay nearby family living locally	6/3/2022 10:48
Yes	23	I like it here.	6/3/2022 11:16
Yes	24	This is my home!	6/3/2022 12:01
Yes	25	I own my home and can afford the taxes	6/3/2022 12:40
Yes	26	already retired in Holliston	6/3/2022 13:16
Yes	27	Can't think of a better place to retire.	6/3/2022 15:17
Yes	28	We are presently retired in Holliston	6/3/2022 15:45
Yes	29	Already did	6/3/2022 16:08
Yes	30	We've been here almost 40 years and love it tho a bit worried about housing options as we age.	6/3/2022 16:26
Yes	31	I am retired and will continue to live here in Holliston as long as I'm able.	6/3/2022 18:09
Yes	32	Because I already am.	6/3/2022 19:50
Yes	33	Close to my adult children, own the house	6/4/2022 2:27
Yes	34	we have lived here for over 20 years. Move to hear for the quiet town living	6/4/2022 5:13
Yes	35	Already retired	6/4/2022 11:49
Yes	36	Long term resident that has loved living and raising our children here.	6/4/2022 14:07
Yes	37	It's home, where our friends and communities are; one adult child lives nearby; we like Holliston	6/5/2022 10:19
Yes	38	People are friendly and its a safe, beautiful community.	6/5/2022 16:26
Yes	39	It's my home	6/5/2022 21:33
Yes	40	Family has owned property here since 1920. We plan to stay because we love this community.	6/6/2022 11:43
Yes	41	Community, small town environment, proximity to Boston	6/6/2022 14:02
Yes	42	I am.	6/6/2022 14:45
Yes	43	It is a small beautiful residential town.	6/6/2022 16:21
Yes	44	This is our home.	6/6/2022 19:46
Yes	45	like living in my house	6/7/2022 14:45
Yes	46	We belong to this community. It is inherent to our quality of life as a family.	6/7/2022 16:13
Yes	47	Holliston is home now, we are here for the long haul. Also, I am an older parent with kids in middle and elementary, will be close to retirement when youngest is graduating	6/7/2022 17:33
Yes	48	Enjoyable community	6/8/2022 10:55

Yes	49	I love Holliston and plan to maintain a residence here as my foothold in Mass.	6/8/2022 11:05
Yes	50	We have no plans to move, as we like our home and the town.	6/9/2022 0:09
Yes	51	I already have because of the small town quietness combined with the convenience of proximity to necessary services.	6/9/2022 7:45
Yes	52	Can not afford to move.	6/9/2022 8:36
Yes	53	I have lived in Holliston for 46 years. My husband and I have built our home here and this is where we want to stay. It is our home.	6/9/2022 13:18
Yes	54	Already here	6/9/2022 19:20
Yes	55	I'm in my forever home	6/9/2022 20:21
Yes	56	I could not afford to go anywhere else. I have no mortgage on my home.	6/9/2022 20:42
Yes	57	Living here, now. Retired	6/10/2022 6:46
Yes	58	Have always lived here and want to continue	6/10/2022 9:28
Yes	59	Enjoy living here. Don't like change.	6/10/2022 10:13
Yes	60	Because we move here in 1958 & love it. Our 5 boys have gone through the school system and 6 grandchildren have graduated high school. We have been active in many community activities both appointed & elected for over 50 years.	6/10/2022 14:02
Yes	61	Because I own a home here and my children will be in college or just beyond college when I retire.	6/10/2022 14:11
Yes	62	Already did. Holliston is my home.	6/12/2022 11:35
Yes	63	Because I live here, own a home here, and I'm nearing retirement age. I like where I live!	6/13/2022 19:22
Yes	64	love my location	6/14/2022 10:18
Yes	65	Holliston is my chosen "Home Town"	6/14/2022 11:55
Yes	66	No interest in leaving	6/15/2022 8:09
Yes	67	It's my home	6/15/2022 9:45
Yes	68	Long term resident who enjoys the town. It is my home	6/15/2022 9:52
Yes	69	I love our home and the woods	6/15/2022 9:58
Yes	70	Already retired	6/15/2022 10:00
Yes	71	I have	6/15/2022 10:01
Yes	72	We are investing in our home to make it suitable as we age, and home to remain here for the rest of our lives.	6/15/2022 10:03
Yes	73	I'm a 50+ year resident	6/15/2022 11:04
Yes	74	Just moved here in 2020. Plan to die here. Am 77 years old.	6/15/2022 11:10
Yes	75	Town and neighborhood layout, friends	6/15/2022 11:19
Yes	76	this is my home	6/15/2022 12:02
Yes	77	wonderful town	6/15/2022 12:08
Yes	78	Current Age	6/15/2022 12:19
Yes	79	Will be here until kids are grown	6/15/2022 12:19
Yes	80	My wife and I are already retired and are 30 year residents of Holliston	6/15/2022 12:23
Yes	81	Family is here. Love the area.	6/15/2022 12:23
Yes	82	I like it here	6/15/2022 12:40

Yes	83	I will retire here if I can afford it. The rail trail, town center, small neighborhoods with safe streets for walking, and the lake.	6/15/2022 12:55
Yes	84	Can't afford to leave.	6/15/2022 13:57
Yes	85	We've lived here for >45 years	6/15/2022 14:08
Yes	86	probably won't move because this is the community we are a part of	6/15/2022 14:28
Yes	87	Already did	6/15/2022 15:39
Yes	88	Already have	6/15/2022 15:54
Yes	89	40 year investment and counting!	6/15/2022 17:29
Yes	90	I live here!	6/15/2022 18:04
Yes	91	I'm new to the town (3 years), but I love it and can't imagine being anywhere else.	6/15/2022 18:11
Yes	92	I retired.	6/15/2022 18:33
Yes	93	I am already retired and moved here to be near my family	6/15/2022 19:28
Yes	94	My family is close by, as well as my church and friends	6/15/2022 22:58
Yes	95	It is where I live	6/16/2022 10:53
Yes	96	Proximity to family; not ready to sell our home	6/16/2022 12:10
Yes	97	Wonderful town. Easy access to regional things to do.	6/16/2022 12:13
Yes	98	Want to stay in my own home as long as possible	6/16/2022 12:44
Yes	99	Already have, my husband and I are townies growing up here >70 years and hope that we are not taxed out.	6/16/2022 14:42
Yes	100	I have lived here my whole life and love the town.	6/16/2022 16:01
Yes	101	walkable to amenities	6/17/2022 7:33
Yes	102	I already have and I do not see any other desirable option at this time.	6/17/2022 14:39
Yes	103	Would love my grandkids to have Holliston to visit	6/17/2022 16:27
Yes	104	Already retired here. Comfortable community.	6/17/2022 18:55
Yes	105	Already have.	6/18/2022 8:16
Yes	106	We like Holliston	6/18/2022 11:20
Yes	107	like my neighborhood & town	6/18/2022 17:33
Yes	108	love living here near Lake Winthro[, family nearby,	6/18/2022 21:12
Yes	109	Already live here	6/19/2022 10:00
Yes	110	Want to age in place	6/19/2022 10:29
Yes	111	My adult children live here.	6/19/2022 14:21
Yes	112	Already retired when I moved here.	6/19/2022 17:44
Yes	113	Purchased this home because it was to be our family forever home. Hoping not to be priced out of it by taxes in retirement.	6/20/2022 10:32
Yes	114	I already have (2015). My parents were living in town when I was born in 1942 and except for education and active military service, I've been here ever since.	6/20/2022 10:47
Yes	115	I have lived here all my life and there are 7 generations of mine have lived on this land	6/20/2022 17:42
Yes	116	My husband and I love it here and have made our home here.	6/21/2022 12:34
Yes	117	Nice community, access to rail trail, safe.	6/22/2022 11:03
Yes	118	I have lived in holliston for 20 years and it is a beautiful community.	6/22/2022 11:04
Yes	119	I like the community and the small town feel	6/22/2022 11:39

Yes	120	love the town	6/22/2022 11:56
Yes	121	Homeowner, don't want to move	6/22/2022 12:54
		I have lived in this town for 34 years and raised my children here. I have always appreciated the character of the town and its family friendliness. My closest friends are here. If, however, the town were to allow companies such as CRG to move into our industrial parks and build mega warehouses which would then create horrendous traffic problems and change the character of our residential town, I would seriously consider leaving.	
Yes	122		6/22/2022 14:30
		We already did retire in Holliston. Moved from Mudville after 30+ years to an over 55 community in town. We love this town*; our children grew up here and a good number of our friends live here. We also have new friends in our condo development.	
Yes	123		6/22/2022 14:42
Yes	124	I am retired and living here	6/22/2022 14:43
Yes	125	Currently a resident in an over 55 community	6/22/2022 15:15
Yes	126	I'm already retired and I like my Location.	6/22/2022 15:15
		We live in a great neighbourhood. Our neighbours have decided to stay in Holliston too.	
Yes	127		6/22/2022 17:10
Yes	128	I've been here forever... why not?	6/22/2022 18:38
Yes	129	Love it here	6/22/2022 21:53
Yes	130	I am already retired but I plan to stay in Holliston.	6/23/2022 6:06
Yes	131	Holliston is home	6/23/2022 7:09
		Enjoy current environment of Town and proximity of Holliston to Boston and New England locations. Superior area medical institutions also a factor.	
Yes	132		6/23/2022 13:43
		I've lived here for 22 years. If I can still afford to live in Holliston, I will stay once I've retired.	
Yes	133		6/23/2022 14:00
Yes	134	Family is here	6/23/2022 14:10
Yes	135	It's home	6/23/2022 14:10
Yes	136	Already retired	6/23/2022 14:11
Yes	137	Already have.	6/23/2022 14:14
Yes	138	Already am	6/23/2022 14:16
		I like it here. My kids are growing up here and it's nice to have a stable, continuous presence	
Yes	139		6/23/2022 14:20
Yes	140	Already retired. Children and grandchildren nearby	6/23/2022 14:34
Yes	141	Financial reasons	6/23/2022 14:53
Yes	142	I am retired. Haveclived here for 53 years. Love the community.	6/23/2022 14:55
		I am retired but it is very expensive tax rate and only 1/60 of budget goes to the fire department- this is outrageous we NEED better ambulance service for all ages and a properly functioning fire department! Time to say no to the old boys club protecting themselves at the expense of the fragile and I'll!	
Yes	143		6/23/2022 15:26
Yes	144	It is my hometown	6/23/2022 15:33
Yes	145	We love our home and our community	6/23/2022 15:34

		My family purchased a historic property in downtown Holliston that needed (still needs ha) a lot of work and we intend on taking the next 30+ years not only making it a modern, high tech home but also balancing that modernity with the historic construction an detail. To be fair I'd like to retire to Costa Rica but I may not be able to sell my wife on the idea ;)	
Yes	146	Working on it but we got time.	6/23/2022 15:52
Yes	147	I've been here almost 50 years now. This is where I belong.	6/23/2022 16:06
		I like the character of the town and the town's willingness to keep large industry out of the industrial parks that would change the very character of our town by adding pollution and large truck traffic.	
Yes	148		6/23/2022 16:18
		My son is growing up in this town and I want to own his childhood home into his adulthood and my family lives in Massachusetts.	
Yes	149		6/23/2022 16:34
		It's a nice, safe & quiet town with character. Let's keep it that way. A sewer system would have destroyed that unless zoning was passed PRIOR to sewer installation, but that was never going to happen.	
Yes	150		6/23/2022 16:38
Yes	151	I have lived here for 50 years and have long-since retired.	6/23/2022 16:44
Yes	152	We already have retired.	6/23/2022 17:02
Yes	153	I have	6/23/2022 17:04
Yes	154	Want to stay in our home	6/23/2022 17:13
Yes	155	Already retired	6/23/2022 17:28
Yes	156	Already have—love this town	6/23/2022 18:31
Yes	157	It's home	6/23/2022 18:35
Yes	158	I hope I can afford it	6/23/2022 19:23
		I love this town and it's character. If senior amenities were easier, I'd love to retire here	
Yes	159		6/23/2022 21:48
Yes	160	I "own" (mortgage) a house here with my family.	6/23/2022 22:14
Yes	161	I love my house and my neighborhood.	6/23/2022 22:44
Yes	162	it's my home.	6/24/2022 7:56
Yes	163	lived in town for 74 years	6/24/2022 9:02
Yes	164	It's my home	6/24/2022 9:03
Yes	165	friends, family & community	6/24/2022 9:20
		My wife and I are both retired. We've lived here for 30 years and we're staying put!	
Yes	166		6/24/2022 9:27
Yes	167	Like the town.	6/24/2022 10:41
Yes	168	I own a condo & am already retired	6/24/2022 12:09
		My daughter and grandchildren live here and I like the quaint nature of the town. I fear losing that quaint nature.	
Yes	169		6/24/2022 12:53
Yes	170	The small town charm and spacious nous of property	6/24/2022 16:21
Yes	171	Continued proximity to offspring & grandchildren	6/24/2022 18:44
Yes	172	It's where I live.	6/25/2022 5:23
Yes	173	Family and community	6/25/2022 11:26
Yes	174	Grandchildren live in Holliston.	6/25/2022 13:05
Yes	175	already retired	6/25/2022 14:21
Yes	176	Been my home for 38 years and I love this community and my property	6/25/2022 15:11

Yes	177	Already did that	6/25/2022 16:13
Yes	178	This is my home, done price me out of my family home.	6/25/2022 18:26
Yes	179	comfort, familiarity	6/25/2022 19:36
Yes	180	We moved here 4 years ago with the intention of retiring here. We have family members living in town.	6/25/2022 21:34
Yes	181	I am retired and living in Holliston	6/26/2022 5:46
Yes	182	Already retired and planning to stay.	6/26/2022 10:22
Yes	183	I am retired in Holliston. I am happy I chose Massachusetts as the place I wanted to live decades ago. All our children live in other states but I am connected here and would have to start over from scratch if I moved to be near family.	6/26/2022 11:53
Yes	184	It is my home, I want to be here when my kids have kids.	6/27/2022 11:41
Yes	185	My children and grandchildren are either in Holliston or close by as well as other family and friends	6/27/2022 22:33
Yes	186	Have lived here 67years-twice family here-kids and grands live here- I own a multi family, so so fortunate to be able to afford the huge taxes and Increases in utilities- old friends not so fortunate and have had to relocate-dad.	6/28/2022 11:13
Yes	187	Great place to live and this is our home. No desire to live anywhere else.	6/28/2022 14:08
Yes	188	This is our home. We are comfortable here. Healthcare resources abound in the vicinity. We expect to own our home outright in a few years.	6/28/2022 21:04
Yes	189	It is home	6/28/2022 21:43
Yes	190	I recently moved into a 55+ community for the HOA services and less stress than large city, charm and amenities of this area.	6/28/2022 22:26
Yes	191	I have already retired and love the people and the town of Holliston	6/29/2022 7:45
Yes	192	Family	6/29/2022 20:48
Yes	193	Location and accessibility to recreational activities. Proximity to family.	6/30/2022 9:12
Yes	194	Comfort, familiarity, proximity, safety	6/30/2022 9:14
Yes	195	I own & enjoy my home.	6/30/2022 10:37
Yes	196	Quality of life and proximity to family	6/30/2022 13:30
Yes	197	Current plan...	6/30/2022 15:22
Yes	198	Family is close by and we are quite comfortable in our home of 30 years	6/30/2022 15:34
Yes	199	Lived here a long time	7/1/2022 15:18
Yes	200	Can't afford to move.	7/3/2022 12:53
Yes	201	Because I love it here in Holliston.	7/5/2022 9:29
Yes	202	We are settled here - house is a ranch house.	7/5/2022 21:40
Yes	203	I love the town, the beauty, the friendliness, and the safety. I love the access to green space.	7/8/2022 16:59
Yes	204	I love the people I am around	7/9/2022 20:34
Yes	205	Hope to be able to age in place as long as possible !	7/9/2022 23:11
Yes	206	Wish to stay in our house	7/12/2022 11:15
Yes	207	It's a nice, safe community. So long as we don't ruin the water supply and neighborhoods by increases in traffic, noise and odors, it's a good place.	7/12/2022 21:13
Yes	208	I want to stay in New England and I can't afford to move.	7/15/2022 7:18

Yes	209	Friendly small town atmosphere	7/17/2022 22:02
Yes	210	peaceful semi rural community with good schools, nice downtown, rail trail, friendly people	7/18/2022 12:15
Yes	211	Love of community	7/18/2022 12:47
Yes	212	I have no choice been here since 1961	7/18/2022 14:01
Yes	213	I live on the lake in a small home that is perfect to age in	7/18/2022 14:16
Yes	214	Our children are in the area, we enjoy our house and yard	7/18/2022 15:08
Yes	215	I have a home here but the taxes keep going up and there's really nothing to show for if	7/18/2022 16:13
Yes	216	I love it here	7/18/2022 16:47
Yes	217	Resident since birth and would like to remain close to family and friends when retired.	7/18/2022 18:08
Yes	218	I love the town	7/18/2022 18:10
Yes	219	I feel it is a safe community to live in.	7/18/2022 18:46
Yes	220	Affordability and safety	7/18/2022 20:06
Yes	221	I've lived here for over 35 years, and I am already retired. I would like to remain here.	7/18/2022 20:20
Yes	222	already have	7/18/2022 20:59
Yes	223	We love the town and will be staying here beyond retirement.	7/18/2022 21:20
Yes	224	already am	7/18/2022 23:33
Yes	225	My home is here and my family.	7/19/2022 1:33
Yes	226	It is my home, we will have lived in Holliston well over 30 years by the time we retire.	7/19/2022 9:06
Yes	227	Already retired	7/19/2022 11:16
Yes	228	I love my home, garden and garden club here. Going elsewhere means having to start over with friends and garden and be away from family.	7/19/2022 13:57
Yes	229	My house is here	7/19/2022 14:57
Yes	230	I'm raising my family here so it is our home.	7/19/2022 15:33
Yes	231	It's a safe, quiet town.	7/19/2022 15:39
Yes	232	Been here since 75 & no reason to leave considering my family is local and can't afford ocean side mansion !	7/19/2022 16:02
Yes	233	Already retired.	7/19/2022 16:56
Yes	234	We built our home, and we will never move out	7/19/2022 21:26
Yes	235	I am a retiree living in Holliston.	7/20/2022 9:20
Yes	236	Already retired	7/20/2022 12:41
Yes	237	The character and location of Holliston	7/20/2022 15:54
Yes	238	Love the community	7/20/2022 16:44
Yes	239	I love my house, I love the town, and I believe my children will leave here or nearby.	7/20/2022 19:35
Yes	240	Location, small town feel, natural resources, quality local businesses	7/20/2022 20:36
Yes	241	As a 37-year-old homeowner, I do have a ways to go before I retire. But I love my house, and the land I own, and plan to work on improving and preserving my space so that I can enjoy it for a long time. I like that Holliston has a similar outlook on land and historic preservation.	7/21/2022 10:13

Yes	242	Lived here for 30 years	7/21/2022 11:26
Yes	243	We love Holliston!!	7/21/2022 11:56
Yes	244	We wouldn't be able to afford to move anywhere due to housing costs.	7/21/2022 15:01
Yes	245	I recently retired and moved to Holliston	7/21/2022 15:33
Yes	246	The town is possessed of many great qualities and my wife and eye would like to be here for the long term and provide a home for our boys and a place to stay for our grandchildren when they come along.	7/21/2022 17:26
Yes	247	Like it here, better than NY State	7/21/2022 17:49
Yes	248	I have live in Holliston all my life and have no intention of moving away.	7/21/2022 18:36
Yes	249	I am already retired in Holliston	7/22/2022 8:19
Yes	250	We retired here 5 years ago. Found affordable housing.	7/22/2022 10:48
Yes	251	LOVELY TOWN WHERE I'VE RAISED MY FAMILY	7/23/2022 10:15
Yes	252	Already here. Have constructed property to our taste	7/23/2022 11:00
Yes	253	already retired	7/23/2022 11:44
Yes	254	Network of friends and neighbors, small town atmosphere and local outdoor spaces	7/24/2022 12:05
Yes	255	For now, it is where we want to be	7/24/2022 17:44
Yes	256	Family, history	7/24/2022 18:08
Yes	257	We love this town and the people who reside here.	7/24/2022 20:13
Yes	258	I plan to live here my whole life.	7/25/2022 5:10
Yes	259	Already retired	7/25/2022 15:07
Yes	260	We currently have a home here, our doctors are here and we are comfortable here.	7/25/2022 18:17
Yes	261	We like the town	7/25/2022 18:58
Yes	262	I like the town and I like where we live	7/25/2022 21:26
Yes	263	It's pleasant, it's safe, it's home.	7/25/2022 22:24
Yes	264	It's a close knit community	7/27/2022 1:00
Yes	265	Mu wife and I have lived here for 30 years and we're both retired now. Not leaving!	7/27/2022 11:31
Yes	266	Already retired. Holliston combined desirable location with cost; however disappointed with town's commitment to providing equitable services vs taxes paid.	7/27/2022 11:59
Yes	267	I was born and raised here. I raised a family here and my parents are still here. Holliston is my hometown, but I worry about the expense, overcrowding and traffic.	7/27/2022 15:31
Yes	268	Enjoy our home and community	7/28/2022 8:32
Yes	269	Like the town and it is home to me	7/28/2022 14:07
Yes	270	I'd like to stay in my home forever but we are concerned about rising property taxes	7/28/2022 15:04
Yes	271	Family proximity.	7/29/2022 12:27
Yes	272	Have children and grandchildren in the area. Love the Town and my property; will stay as long as I can afford the taxes.	7/30/2022 10:52
Yes	273	It is a small town with a great community and lots of charm. A quiet spot with easy access to lots of other places.	8/1/2022 9:19

Yes	274	I love my house and I never want to move.	8/2/2022 21:31
Yes	275	I chose to retire here back in 2002. We moved here back in 1972	8/2/2022 22:00
Yes	276	I'm already retired	8/2/2022 22:11
Yes	277	already retired	8/2/2022 22:22
Yes	278	already retired and living in Holliston	8/2/2022 22:36
Yes	279	It is a good Town with good people. Businesses and town service personnel are considerate and caring.	8/2/2022 22:59
Yes	280	I love the town; it offers all that I need and is convenient to my family.	8/3/2022 14:13
Yes	281	Close to family	8/3/2022 15:33
Yes	282	Lived here a long time. Want to remain here.	8/6/2022 10:10
Yes	283	Holliston is where I live.	8/7/2022 12:19
Yes	284	My husband and I are already retired here. The taxes are daunting but we are hoping to stay here.	8/7/2022 12:34
Yes	285	This is our home. My husband was born here more than 80 years ago. We feel like we contribute and benefit from our environment in Holliston. It bothers me to see people move here, fight for things that benefit them now and then move out because taxes increase!	8/7/2022 12:51
Yes	286	We already retired here. The school system drew us here at the time and the community activities and people kept us here.	8/7/2022 13:10
Yes	287	Already have - live in one of the 55+ communities of Holliston. It is nice and quiet but right off rte. 16 so have easy access to Holliston center library, post office and just quick trip to Milford for other stuff.	8/8/2022 10:24
Yes	288	I like the proximity to the center, walking distance.	8/8/2022 13:25
Yes	289	We love it here, and we know people here and have relationships with businesses and others that form a support community. We have been in Holliston since 1980	8/8/2022 17:49
Yes	290	I regard my home and its exquisite natural setting as a terrestrial paradise!	8/8/2022 18:54

#	What other age-friendly goals do you recommend?	Time
1	increase walkability from senior living facilities to amenities/downtown	6/2/2022 15:46
2	youth center	6/2/2022 17:08
3	Keep as many Town meetings and organizational meetings virtual as possible. Many people find it difficult to get to places physically and would still like to be able to join in through technological means.	6/2/2022 17:09
4	It's truly challenging in this town to navigate without a car	6/2/2022 17:34
5	No increase in housing for the elderly.	6/2/2022 17:35
6	Park and Rec programs for teenagers	6/2/2022 17:37
7	Come up with ways to attract more young families like stay park or indoor athletic centers.	6/2/2022 17:45
8	Side walk repairs as seniors like to walk and they are often not in good repair for balance. Any expansion of affordable or free senior center programs and services. We participate multiple times a week in activities there. It would be nice if the town had a resource to drive seniors to appts and shopping etc as many do not have family members available to do so during working hours when doctor appts are made. Along those lines if a senior has had a hospitalization or rehab stay maybe services to drop off food or come for a visit.	6/2/2022 18:47
9	All communities suffer with this. We should have programs that allow seniors to work off their tax bill. Greeters at schools, crossing guards etc.	6/2/2022 19:16
10	Promote infrastructure changes so more good quality restaurants and bars could open	6/2/2022 20:43
11	Make town dementia friendly by educating merchants, organizations and others how to communicate with and protect people with dementia to help them safe and feel connected.	6/2/2022 20:45
12	High taxes could cause us to move	6/2/2022 21:18
13	I would like to see more summer programs expanded to serve children with special needs.	6/2/2022 21:38
14	Better side walks downtown/down 16 to access downtown. Sewer so we can bring in more social gather spots (coffee shops, restaurants, salons) down town. For elders to relax and congregate.	6/2/2022 22:06
15	I do think programs where age groups are mixed teaches all how to be a better community. More programs like children, young and high school age engaging with senior citizens at the senior center or in senior housing with projects to engage. Seniors are often lonely. music programs and art for example with students of the town would be nice	6/2/2022 22:45
16	Integration of programming for multiple generations	6/3/2022 7:23
17	Property tax breaks for the elderly. More affordable senior housing.	6/3/2022 9:03
18	schools	6/3/2022 9:12
19	Lowering real estate taxes and excessive fees charged by this town need to be the top priority. If people do not like our school system as is, there are other towns around in which they can reside. The attitude should not be: "If you cannot afford to live in this town, then move out." The attitude of this town should be: "If you do not like our town as is, then DON'T MOVE INTO IT!"	6/3/2022 9:59
20	More safety officers for children in schools. Increase in safety at crosswalks.	6/3/2022 10:53

21	Encourage youth groups to actively volunteer to help elderly with lawn care, taking out garbage cans, etc.	6/3/2022 11:16
22	expand public transportation for elderly	6/3/2022 13:16
23	Don't understand the question	6/3/2022 14:20
24	Check out other local services, cars for broader options	6/3/2022 16:26
25	Question #2 brought up the question as to why there is no disabled access to ANY of the downtown stores all have steps. I mention this as there was an individual trying to enter the Superette and was having great difficulties.	6/3/2022 18:09
26	lower the senior tax rate so we can afford to stay here	6/3/2022 19:50
27	Here again I am not clear on baselines so it's hard to say whether things should be improved	6/5/2022 10:19
28	Increase public transportation. Increase MWRTA service during the week. Expand MWRTA service to the weekend.	6/5/2022 16:26
29	Very vested in community	6/5/2022 19:58
	Play place for older kids. Goodwill park is limited to young children.	
	Place for teens. This has been unsuccessful in past.	
	Place for those in 20s to gather. Music maybe.	
30	Better restaurants with outside seating.	6/6/2022 11:43
31	Transportation options to reach regional public transport more easily at all times of day (e.g. commuter rail and the T).	6/6/2022 14:02
32	Make a plan looking ahead and do not compromise. High School has got to be #1 we are behind our neighbors in quality and size. It is the #1 driver for property values but the taxes could scare retirees. Tough balancing act!	6/6/2022 14:45
33	More clubs for parents of older kids/empty nesters. Easy to meet people when kids are young, now not so much.	6/6/2022 17:52
34	Expand tax base by not disallowing (NIMBY) industrial park opportunities.	6/7/2022 14:16
35	More housing opportunities that embrace aging in place through universal design (i.e. beautiful design and function for people of all abilities)	6/7/2022 16:13
36	I wish there were more activities that got toddlers and older "grandparents" together	6/7/2022 18:18
37	Creating an ecosystem that connects elder folk with younger able bodied folk that can service their needs.	6/7/2022 20:23
38	More places for youth and teens to gather	6/7/2022 21:48
39	More social events	6/8/2022 14:31
40	Control rents in the downtown so that the necessary small stores can remain (the Superette, the Hardware, CVS). Also make sure public transportation remains well-funded (the Metrowest bus system).	6/9/2022 7:45
41	It would be interesting to explore congregate housing in Holliston - a smaller facility with a friendly layout - a library and kitchen that could be shared. Facilities like this are healthier and less isolating than traditional senior living.	6/9/2022 15:52
42	Provide town funds to support senior programs. Presently town does provide funding for any programs or activities. Current programs are paid by individuals donations, grant and senior support fundation	6/9/2022 19:20

43	Help residents in getting multigenerational housing that works with bylaws/zoning, septic...	6/9/2022 20:21
44	Better Senior center	6/10/2022 9:28
45	More activities and event for school age children, like movie nights during the summer.	6/11/2022 8:57
46	Old folks ride bikes, its a fact that's often overlooked. Lets make it safer.	6/12/2022 11:35
47	we should remove any barriers, but not sure how much of this is the towns responsibility	6/13/2022 9:02
48	Have more community events. Focus on the neighborhoods, maybe have a block party where the neighbors can become acquainted with one another. Slow down the traffic, have lights on the crosswalks so that everyone can cross safely.	6/14/2022 15:26
49	Provide alternate transportation opportunities for seniors	6/14/2022 22:10
50	Lower the taxes make it so people can retire and stay in town	6/15/2022 10:00
51	Tax breaks or other financial help for low-/moderate-income seniors!	6/15/2022 10:04
52	How about bringing in restaurants?	6/15/2022 10:12
53	More sidewalks	6/15/2022 10:23
54	We plan to move the second our kids are out of school. Unless this town grows up and enters the modern age. I mean Jesus, installing a TRAFFIC LIGHT was a major problem. A TRAFFIC LIGHT. This town HATES change.	6/15/2022 10:44
55	Reduce the traffic down-town It is difficult to get around town during the day	6/15/2022 11:13
56	Support the seniors with what they need	6/15/2022 11:30
57	More programs at the library	6/15/2022 11:32
58	town assisted tax and water obligations	6/15/2022 12:40
59	The senior center is too far from the town center. Maybe put the DPW or another town facility there and move the Senior Center into walking distance of the retail shops - maybe where the DPW is now or on Woodland Street? Also, elders might be able to help HHS kids with tutoring & gain from the youth as we seek mental health.	6/15/2022 12:55
60	Multifamily units or other smaller scale, lower upkeep housing that works for individuals who can still live independently, but may not want a large space and/or managing a house and yard.	6/15/2022 13:15
61	Senior tax rate reduction so they can continue to live in this expensive town.	6/15/2022 13:36
62	Sidewalks sidewalks sidewalks. Consider a town-run day-care or after school care program staffed by elders and attended by children.	6/15/2022 13:52
63	65 and older.	6/15/2022 15:34
64	Modernize the Senior Center such as what was done in Milford	6/15/2022 15:39
65	Put a new SENIOR CENTER near Blair Square/Rail Trail/Downtown. Perhaps.....the old Highway Facility!!	6/15/2022 17:29
66	New schools especially the high school - it's not fair to our kids!!	6/15/2022 18:04
67	Our senior center is an embarrassment!	6/15/2022 19:28
68	Easier obtained zoning for building of in-law suites	6/16/2022 14:42
69	more amenities in downtown allowed by finding a water to install sewer	6/17/2022 7:33

	The expansion of some kind of local public transport or shuttle system that would link with other regional transit systems. It would be a good goal to reduce the dependency on the individually owned and operated motor vehicle for everyone, not just older people. I think this could be funded partially by a diversion of some of the funds collected by the annual motor vehicle excise tax. Perhaps an expansion of the services provided now by the senior center, but expanded so the people of any age could access it. I also think that the senior center should be expanded to be more multigenerational and perhaps a new center built for that purpose.	6/17/2022 14:39
70		
71	Services for young parents or young adults to help them navigate adulthood (classes on managing bills, child development etc)	6/17/2022 15:40
72	Invest in Holliston Parks and Rec	6/17/2022 16:07
73	community building between different age groups at schools (high schoolers working with Placentino kids, etc.)	6/17/2022 16:27
74	Reading groups between Senior Citizens and Elementary school students. This promotes reading and forges strong community connections.	6/17/2022 17:22
75	Find ways to lower real estate tax for seniors.	6/17/2022 18:55
76	Adult education classes via Park & Rec. Create a Teen Center.	6/18/2022 17:33
77	zoning support for in-law apartments/ co-housing options	6/18/2022 21:12
78	Goodwill park have a more multi-purpose place to gather.	6/19/2022 14:21
79	Maintaining the sidewalks on Washington Street so I feel safer riding bikes on it with my 5 and 6 year old.	6/19/2022 15:08
80	Many of the parents of my college age kids have moved out of town -I'm not sure what can be done except maybe increasing opportunities for social engagement.	6/19/2022 19:27
81	Day trips	6/19/2022 19:33
82	None, we're doing just fine in these areas.	6/20/2022 10:47
83	make it easier for elderly with tax and such	6/20/2022 17:42
84	Fitness, craft shows, more shopping	6/21/2022 9:51
85	We have an idea for our growth and comfortability and would need certain things to do that. We believe Holliston has the potential to grow with us. My hope is that we hire the correct people and place the right people in positions to give our people what they want and need !!!	6/21/2022 22:44
86	Promotion of this is fine but would approach this in conjunction with grants, federal and state programs versus piloting independent programs.	6/22/2022 10:50
87	Sidewalks particularly in east Holliston for safety and access to other town services, rail trail, etc.	6/22/2022 11:03
88	improve walkability and connections from residences to businesses	6/22/2022 11:03
89	affordable 55+ housing	6/22/2022 11:39
90	recreation center for early teenagers	6/22/2022 12:24
91	Safe for children (ie bike lanes)	6/22/2022 14:22

	We would be more likely to use the Senior Center if it were not completely on the other side of town. We are concerned that as we age and may not be able to drive there does not seem to be much public transportation available for seniors. *Also still rankles me that the town was so cheap as to deny us trash pick up. Especially upsetting to see so many houses that have multiple trash bins. When we owned our house in Mudville we had to pay separately for trash pick.....seems that that would be a much fairer system.	6/22/2022 14:42
92		
93	I think the senior center needs improvement. If you compare with Hopkinton ...	6/22/2022 15:15
94	More sidewalks for safer walking.	6/22/2022 15:36
95	Lower property taxes for seniors	6/22/2022 16:33
96	Not aware of Senior support programs. Better awareness needed?	6/22/2022 20:59
97	We need restaurants	6/22/2022 23:28
98	More activities for kids and teens	6/23/2022 6:48
	Equity - all ages. Don't just spend money on the schools. If you build a park, make it accessible to all ages, not just the young. We need outdoor spaces that	
99	all ages can use	6/23/2022 10:48
100	Already covered	6/23/2022 13:43
101	community house, pubs, local recreation	6/23/2022 14:07
102	More transportation for seniors	6/23/2022 14:10
103	Just generally a good quality of living	6/23/2022 14:11
	I like the character of the step up store fronts but they are not accessible to physically handicapped or to families with baby carriages.	
104	Also it would be nice to have an active, attractive senior center closer to town.	6/23/2022 14:14
105	More outlets and programs for teens	6/23/2022 14:16
106	Encourage intergenerational programs	6/23/2022 14:19
107	LOWE RPRPORTY TAXES. Maybe allow business to open at Hopping Brook?	6/23/2022 14:20
108	A more centralized senior center.	6/23/2022 14:55
109	20s year old	6/23/2022 15:03
110	Make it tax friendly for fixed income adults	6/23/2022 15:22
	Help us - we are living in the Stone Age- paramedics and 24 hour reliable ambulance service/ I have suffered twice enough is enough!	
111		6/23/2022 15:26
112	Expand pre-school that can accommodate working parent schedules.	6/23/2022 15:45
	There are MORE THAN PLENTY of 55+, 65+ communities and programs geared towards seniors and specifically the baby boomer generation in the immediate area. Focusing more on young families who will benefit from the great school systems and quiet neighborhoods that drew my family to Holliston. Focus on the generations that aren't as focused on (ie not older).	
113		6/23/2022 15:52
114	Don't understand what age-friendly means.	6/23/2022 16:21
	Build a daycare center next to the senior center - evidence to show this helps elders be less depressed and more active, and we need more daycare that is	
115	affordable	6/23/2022 16:22

	There is a lack of family friendly restaurants and shopping in Holliston. It is very hard for young families to even grocery shop when everything is 20 mins away. I feel that we are often spending most of our time and money in other communities because there is nothing in town. This makes me feel very	
116	disconnected to the community.	6/23/2022 16:26
117	Build a new high school by 2028	6/23/2022 16:34
118	I love more inter generational activities and events!	6/23/2022 17:45
119	Offer all residents vaccines for flu and Covid	6/23/2022 18:35
120	Bus/ Van service for seniors, more mixing opportunities for seniors with other age groups	6/23/2022 21:48
121	Build sidewalks throughout Holliston. For example, I live on Norfolk Street, within minutes of Stoddard Lake, but Norfolk street is busy and extremely dangerous to walk on and there are no sidewalks on a lot of the street, including near Stoddard lake. A serious problem for everybody, especially seniors and children.	6/23/2022 22:14
122	Plowing of more sidewalks in neighborhoods in winter to facilitate safe walking (fresh air/ exercise) in the winter.	6/23/2022 22:44
123	I like the idea of multigenerational programs.	6/23/2022 23:30
124	Compare Sherborn's offerings for seniors which far exceed Holliston's	6/24/2022 9:03
125	well promoted senior services, especially financial, taxes. Clear, easy to find, tax reduction policies for seniors.	6/24/2022 9:20
126	Add pickleball courts to town.	6/24/2022 10:41
127	Town should go GREEN	6/24/2022 12:09
128	Free WiFi throughout the town, public sewers,	6/24/2022 14:59
129	A place for tweens that redirects from goodwill	6/24/2022 18:04
130	Improve Senior Center....plan a multi-use center with the SEnior Center as the hub.	6/25/2022 5:23
131	Provide a new and modern senior center more centrally located	6/25/2022 16:13
132	Transportation for seniors to attend doctor's appointments.	6/25/2022 21:34
133	None, not important to me at this time.	6/26/2022 11:53
134	Being realistic with goals being set for the town. People want all this work done downtown, but there is a cost. Anything we do will impact future Holliston residents - we have to find more compromise and less bickering.	6/27/2022 9:14
135	walkable downtown/parking/shops to eat and drink/be social	6/27/2022 11:41
136	Handicap parking downtown	6/28/2022 11:13
137	Stay the course with plans to increase ease of access to various public spaces.	6/28/2022 14:08
138	Allow commercial chain units such as starbucks, walmart, etx	6/28/2022 19:03
139	Design explicit welcoming activities for LGBTQ seniors and connect to multiage LGBTQ people	6/28/2022 22:26
140	We need more places for parents to have a night off. When my husband and I have a baby sitter, we go out of town to have a fun night (usually just dinner)	6/29/2022 0:07
141	Wish we could do something more about the down town traffic	6/29/2022 7:45

	Combining facilities for efficiency. The Senior Center is in the corner of the town. The Senior Center could be combined with another building for efficiencies such as the Town Library or Town Recreation Building which would promote broader age participation within town resources. Too many stand-alone buildings to maintain over the long term in the Town of Holliston.	6/29/2022 8:25
142		
143	Places for teens to hang out	6/29/2022 10:42
	There isn't much programing or other actives for teens to older adults (not seniors). I often have to travel out of town for activities.	6/29/2022 13:59
144		
145	Teens in town need a place to hang-always tension having them at Goodwill but there is nowhere for them to be teens	6/29/2022 14:09
146	A youth center or other place where kids can be kids.	6/29/2022 20:31
147	Increased opportunities for young moms to connect	6/29/2022 20:59
148	Would love to see a fitness center or some type of indoor cycling gym.	6/29/2022 21:19
149	Community art center	6/29/2022 22:14
150	Single-level housing.	6/30/2022 9:12
151	Sidewalks, handicapped parking downtown, adult education programs	6/30/2022 10:37
152	Improve senior athletic programs	6/30/2022 13:30
153	More fitness related activities for seniors	6/30/2022 15:22
154	I am unsure of this section	6/30/2022 21:31
155	A better high school	6/30/2022 22:31
	Create environment to attract and retain younger individuals and families to town. Too much Emphasis on seniors	7/1/2022 12:55
156		
157	Improvements to sidewalks to make sure they are all safe and more easily usable for those with physical impairments.	7/3/2022 15:07
158	A new high school	7/3/2022 20:24
	Encourage more foot traffic and bicycling. Some of the sidewalks (central street and church street) could be safer for people with those with kids as well as older people.	7/4/2022 0:28
159		
	Making the town more bike-able/walkable. As a senior who likes to bike, I'd never go on Washington St or down Hollis St as traffic is allowed to speed too much. More speed traps, enforcement and improved sidewalks on Washington - down by Linden and beyond. Stanchions in the middle of crosswalks - reminding people to stop for pedestrians in crosswalks, would be a little help. But raised cross walks at Linden, Town Hall, and at other crossings on Washington near the dense downtown, would be much better. People do not stop - esp. for older people waiting to cross. Sad truth.... You are invisible after 55!	7/4/2022 9:26
160		
161	Establish a network of local phone calls to maintain contact with seniors and their needs.	7/5/2022 9:29
162	Community engagement to young kids	7/6/2022 16:52
	Improving schools, school systems and infrastructure to attract younger families.	7/8/2022 11:40
163		
164	Integrating older people more into the community.	7/8/2022 16:59

165	Build a new high school and focus on improving school ranking (at least equivalent to historically ranked). Update the downtown infrastructure to attract new business to increase the tax base. Focus on attracting younger families.	7/9/2022 1:19
166	Maintain infrastructure and put a modern high school in.	7/9/2022 20:34
167	Senior center needs some updating and renovations. Please visit neighboring towns and see the facilities to compare!	7/9/2022 23:11
168	Increased public transportation options that include side streets	7/10/2022 9:07
169	Transportation and activities plus access to other programs (outside the town)	7/12/2022 21:13
170	Keep the senior center going - it provides essential services.	7/13/2022 10:31
171	update senior center	7/17/2022 22:02
172	I don't even own my home so who knows where we will end up	7/18/2022 10:05
173	None specific. Besides cost, I can't see a young family choosing Holliston over Natick, Wellesley, Newton, Needham, Brighton etc -	7/18/2022 11:18
174	Our kids need activities to skate/playgrounds/pools or skateboarding.	7/18/2022 14:01
175	Lower taxes	7/18/2022 16:03
176	senior transportation	7/18/2022 16:47
177	Making sure the town is set up to help low vision aging adults	7/18/2022 18:47
178	Food delivery for seniors	7/18/2022 19:11
179	Live music in outdoor spaces with vendors, like Profound Market, Silos	7/18/2022 19:17
180	Provide more affordable over-55 housing than currently exists.	7/18/2022 20:04
181	proper road repaving (mitigate trip hazards)	7/18/2022 20:59
182	Provide places for elderly, young people and families to play, create, exercise and do other healthy activities together . This type of rec center would be especially beneficial to seniors.	7/18/2022 23:00
183	While I understand the idea of supporting education for each new generation of kids, the school funding part of our taxes is brutal on senior tax bills. Especially tough to swallow for those of us that never had any children	7/18/2022 23:33
184	Continue to promote multi-generational programs and encourage residents to retire in Holliston.	7/19/2022 6:48
185	Put senior center online with town services	7/19/2022 8:02
186	Safer sidewalks, bike lanes, Internet cafes, transportation around town (like San Francisco)	7/19/2022 11:03
187	Better schools!!	7/19/2022 12:23
188	Transpiration to elder care activities	7/19/2022 13:02

We should work towards an "age and dementia friendly" designation.
<https://www.mass.gov/service-details/age-friendly-massachusetts> I would be happy to volunteer to help our town work towards this, I am completing my PhD in this area and have many connections within the MA Healthy Aging collaborative. They have a very clear and comprehensive toolkit and plan to achieve this that is not as costly as you would think to the town. Hopkinton and Framingham are "emerging age-friendly communities," so we are behind our neighboring towns. We also have the opportunity to create a memory cafe; so far Ashland, Bellingham, Franklin, Hopkinton, and Natick have them.....there is really no excuse we cannot join in on this important opportunity; here's more information about them-- <https://www.jfcsboston.org/Our-Services/Older-Adults/Alzheimers-Related-Disorders-Family-Support/Directory-of-Memory-Caf%C3%A9s-in-Greater-Boston#1113566-hopkinton> There are so many local foundations and ASAP/AAA resources in our region that we could apply to

189	funding to help achieve these designations.	7/19/2022 13:47
190	more restaurants and shops	7/19/2022 13:57
191	Hiking groups or going out parties	7/19/2022 14:57
192	lower taxes	7/19/2022 15:56
193	55+ Housing Developments	7/19/2022 18:10
194	See above.	7/19/2022 22:28
195	More mental health services for our middle and high school students. The ability to provide more to our younger students as well who might be struggling and not have a way to express it or understand.	7/20/2022 7:30
196	More sidewalks to provide safe walking for seniors and those with disabilities. Clearer marking of ramps, etc in municipal buildings.	7/20/2022 9:20
197	affordable senior housing	7/20/2022 13:25
198	cut real estate tax by 50% for over 65	7/21/2022 8:36
199	Get more businesses to reduce tax burden	7/21/2022 11:26
200	Improve the Rail Trail. Accessibility, parking and keeping people from dumping on town property.	7/21/2022 11:56
201	keep younger people around older people. don't separate them. (somehow)	7/22/2022 22:58
202	promote more inter-generational dialog and communication	7/23/2022 9:33
203	Would love something that has older residence interact with younger residents	7/23/2022 9:51
204	i feel holliston is already a good place for seniors.	7/23/2022 9:59
205	Lifelong learning programs through library, senior center	7/23/2022 11:00
206	expand services and programs of senior center	7/23/2022 11:44
207	expand sidewalks from downtown to public spaces like stoddard park, the senior center and all the churches/ temples so that those without car transport can safely travel within Holliston	7/24/2022 9:49
208	see above	7/24/2022 21:00
209	Deliver library books to seniors. Have high school kids volunteer to help mow lawns and shovel snow for seniors.	7/25/2022 5:10
210	More programs for middle school and high school aged children where they could hang out vs. going to Goodwill Park	7/27/2022 1:00

211	improved access to and parking at senior center.	7/27/2022 11:59
212	More things to do for young families (holiday events, festivals, shops, restaurants). We travel to all other towns for things to do with our young children	7/27/2022 13:06
213	More holiday events and festivals	7/27/2022 13:11
214	I wish we had a more robust adult education program like Keefe Tech Continuing Adult Education in Framingham does. We could benefit from hobby, language, educational classes that are not limited to senior-aged individuals and are held at hours that do not conflict with typical working hours.	7/27/2022 15:31
215	Have a youth center for kids (middle and high school) to be able to go hang out.	7/28/2022 7:02
216	support local eateries: more restaurants that make it	7/28/2022 8:32
217	town service to reduce tax bills	7/28/2022 11:31
218	Attracting more medical and mental health services in town.	7/28/2022 15:04
219	Expand library services... offer classes	7/28/2022 18:11
220	In home visitations for aged and shut ins sponsored by town.	7/29/2022 12:27
221	Not much input here, the town seems to do these things well.	7/31/2022 9:30
222	prioritize affordable housing	7/31/2022 14:48
223	A focus on reducing town expenses in order to reduce or level off taxes.	7/31/2022 15:29
224	I'd love better resources for working women with young children at home. Felt very isolated during that period of our family's time in town.	7/31/2022 16:45
225	Active / athletic programs for teens	8/1/2022 9:32
226	Allow for another senior living complex to be built in town, so those that have lived here their whole lives can stay in the place they love. When seniors move from their multibedroom homes, this helps unlock housing so new families can enjoy the incredible town that is Holliston. These senior homes should be nice because they deserve it!	8/1/2022 16:07
227	Finding ways for families in different neighborhoods to connect and socialize	8/2/2022 9:22
228	Could we organize a Seniors advisory board to the Town? Maybe that already exists? Maybe a way to get seniors more involved and engaged and share their wisdom	8/2/2022 20:52
229	Educate and enable the elderly to use devices (electronics) to participate from home in community activities- live streaming.	8/2/2022 22:00
230	Designate a central location where citizens can take shelter in case of power loss or other emergencies that occur in sections of town.	8/2/2022 22:36
231	Encourage respect for the elderly. They have lived through much and they have much to offer the younger generations.	8/2/2022 22:59
232	Wish we had a true community center- the one in Hyannis is a good start- a center that really encompasses activities for ALL ages: indoor track, classroom/meeting space, ice skating rink, pool, basketball courts, tennis courts. A community center would also provide job opportunities for our community.	8/2/2022 23:23
233	Better vetting of those who can live at balancing rock - all residents i have encountered are rude	8/3/2022 15:48
234	as mentioned, expand accessible walking paths throughout town	8/3/2022 16:11

235	There's nothing for teens, a safe place for parents to let them go by themselves and enjoy. Like bowling.	8/4/2022 14:03
236	Additional fitness programs for seniors- small exercise facility attached to senior center	8/5/2022 10:33
237	mobility and wheelchair friendly sidewalks improved and added throughout town	8/5/2022 14:39
238	The main age-friendly goal is a town that preserves its character and isnt geared to new development.	8/7/2022 12:19
239	The senior center is a little depressing and needs a face lift.	8/7/2022 12:34
	1. Transportation to town meetings for those no longer driving.	
	2. Morning or early PM town meetings (maybe Saturday) for those that dont drive at night.	
	3. Prohibit youth sports if town meeting on Saturday.	
240	4. Having handicap accessible bleachers at town fields and gyms.	8/7/2022 12:51
241	Increase funding for senior center, tax breaks for seniors.	8/7/2022 13:10
242	A downtown apartment building with elevator, walking distance to center of town, for oldsters who need to leave their big houses behind.	8/8/2022 17:49

Section 6: Climate Resiliency & Sustainability

Q47	Promote planning and mitigation to address impacts related to a changing climate.
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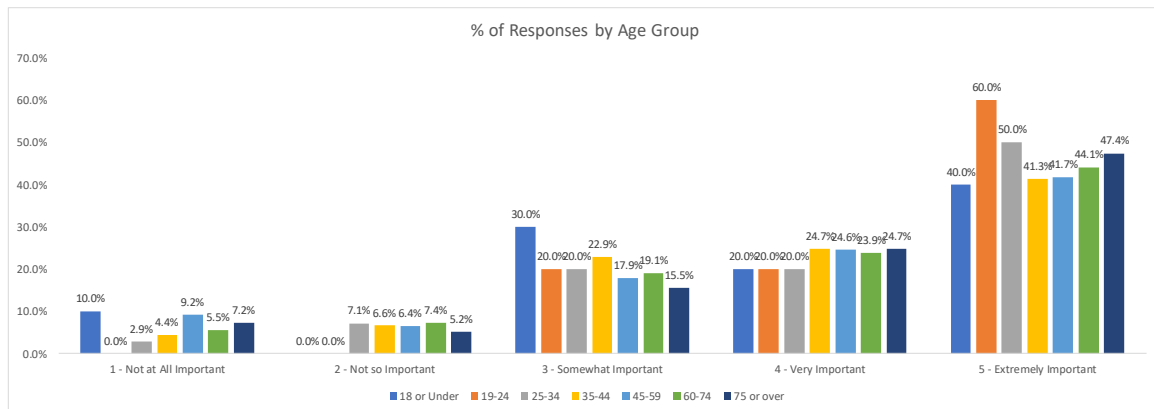
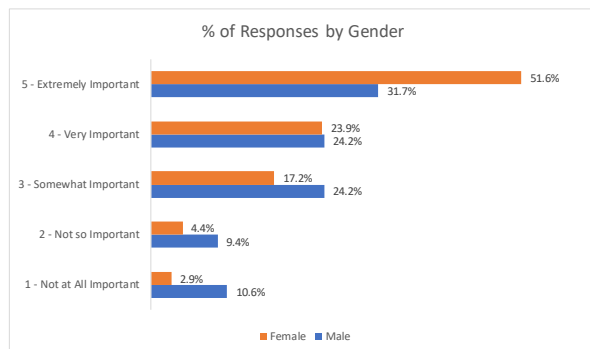
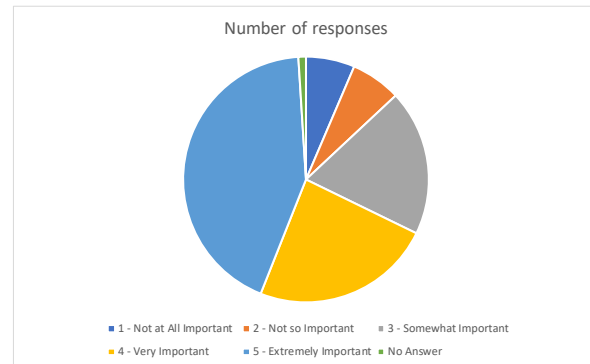
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Male	41 10.6%	36 9.4%	93 24.2%	93 24.2%	122 31.7%		3.57
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Female	17 2.9%	26 4.4%	101 17.2%	140 23.9%	303 51.6%		4.17
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0.60

18 or under	1 10.0%	0 0.0%	3 30.0%	2 20.0%	4 40.0%		3.80
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	1 20.0%	3 60.0%		4.40
25 - 34	2 2.9%	5 7.1%	14 20.0%	14 20.0%	35 50.0%		4.07
35 - 44	12 4.4%	18 6.6%	62 22.9%	67 24.7%	112 41.3%		3.92
45 - 59	33 9.2%	23 6.4%	64 17.9%	88 24.6%	149 41.7%		3.83
60 - 74	15 5.5%	20 7.4%	52 19.1%	65 23.9%	120 44.1%		3.94
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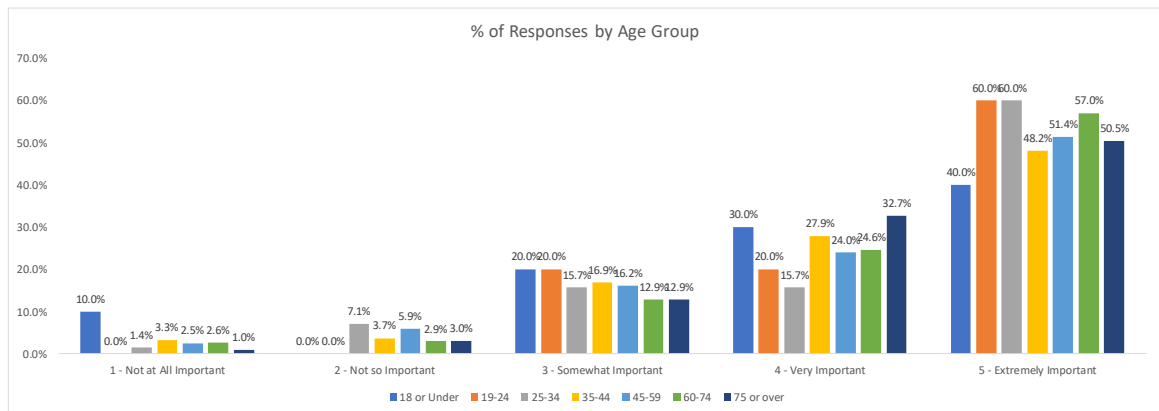
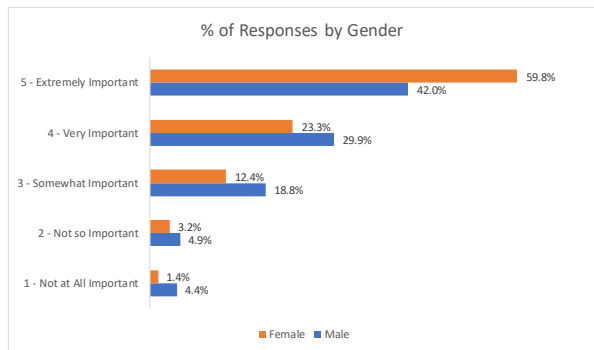
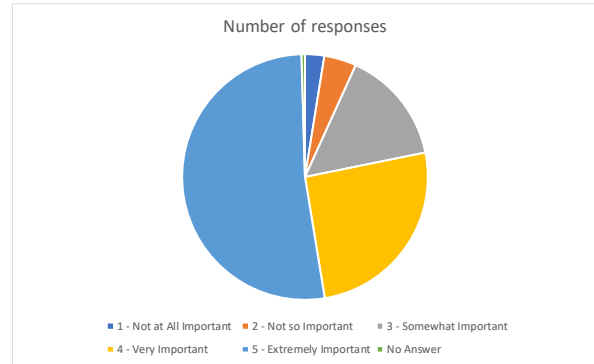
Q48	Promote waste reduction, reuse and recycling.
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Total	28 2.5%	47 4.3%	166 15.0%	283 25.6%	576 52.1%	5 0.5%	4.21

Male	17 4.4%	19 4.9%	73 18.8%	116 29.9%	163 42.0%		4.00
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Female	8 1.4%	19 3.2%	73 12.4%	137 23.3%	352 59.8%		4.37
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18 or under	1 10.0%	0 0.0%	2 20.0%	3 30.0%	4 40.0%		3.90
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	1 20.0%	3 60.0%		4.40
25 - 34	1 1.4%	5 7.1%	11 15.7%	11 15.7%	42 60.0%		4.26
35 - 44	9 3.3%	10 3.7%	46 16.9%	76 27.9%	131 48.2%		4.14
45 - 59	9 2.5%	21 5.9%	58 16.2%	86 24.0%	184 51.4%		4.16
60 - 74	7 2.6%	8 2.9%	35 12.9%	67 24.6%	155 57.0%		4.31
75 or over	1 1.0%	3 3.0%	13 12.9%	33 32.7%	51 50.5%		4.29



Q49	Promote reduction in energy consumption and vehicle emissions.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	67	77	202	268	482	9	3.93
	6.1%	7.0%	18.3%	24.3%	43.6%	0.8%	

Male	35	31	81	95	145		3.73
	9.0%	8.0%	20.9%	24.5%	37.5%		

Female	19	30	103	152	283		4.11
	3.2%	5.1%	17.5%	25.9%	48.2%		

0.37

18 or under	1	1	3	1	4		3.60
	10.0%	10.0%	30.0%	10.0%	40.0%		

19 - 24	0	0	1	2	2		4.20
	0.0%	0.0%	20.0%	40.0%	40.0%		

25 - 34	5	8	7	13	37		3.99
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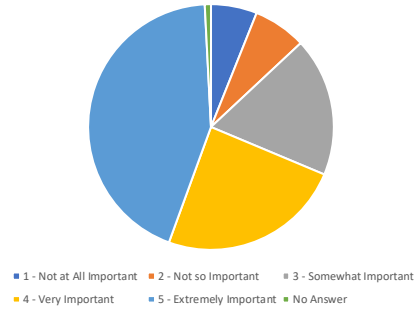
35 - 44	15	22	59	67	108		3.85
	5.5%	8.1%	21.8%	24.7%	39.9%		

45 - 59	26	32	64	86	149		3.84
	7.3%	9.0%	17.9%	24.1%	41.7%		

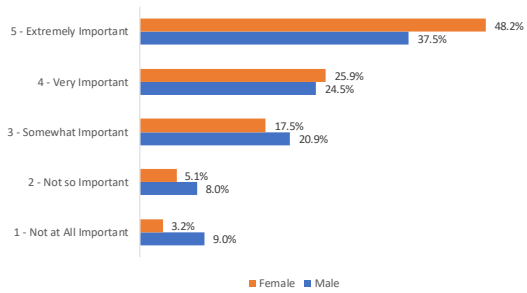
60 - 74	12	11	47	72	131		4.10
	4.4%	4.0%	17.2%	26.4%	48.0%		

75 or over	6	2	19	25	46		4.05
	6.1%	2.0%	19.4%	25.5%	46.9%		

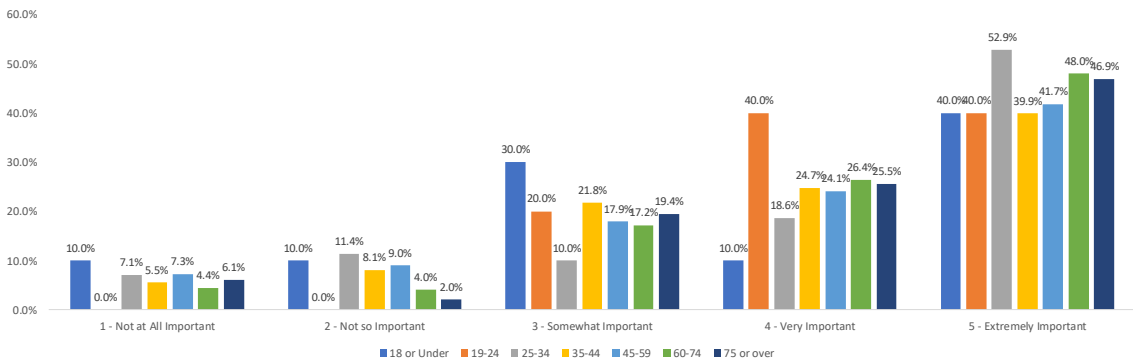
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% of Responses by Gender



% of Responses by Age Group



Q50	Promote energy efficiencies and renewable sources of energy.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	48 4.3%	58 5.2%	181 16.4%	246 22.3%	562 50.9%	10 0.9%	4.11

Male	26 6.7%	19 4.9%	76 19.7%	96 24.9%	169 43.8%		3.94
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Female	14 2.4%	28 4.8%	84 14.3%	129 22.0%	331 56.5%		4.25
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18 or under	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	3 30.0%	1 10.0%	6 60.0%		4.30
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	0 0.0%	4 80.0%		4.60
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25 - 34	2 2.9%	6 8.6%	8 11.4%	9 12.9%	45 64.3%		4.27
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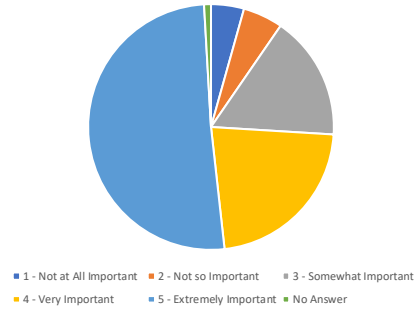
35 - 44	12 4.4%	14 5.1%	51 18.8%	67 24.6%	128 47.1%		4.05
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45 - 59	20 5.6%	24 6.7%	57 16.0%	82 23.0%	174 48.7%		4.03
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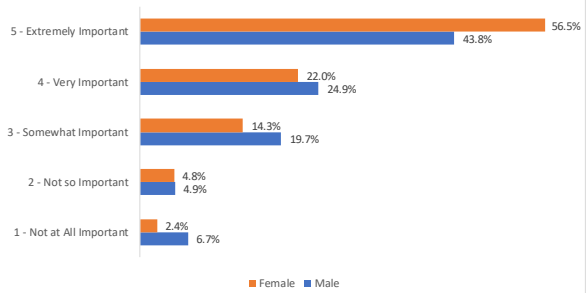
60 - 74	10 3.7%	11 4.1%	37 13.7%	66 24.4%	147 54.2%		4.21
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75 or over	4 4.1%	1 1.0%	22 22.4%	17 17.3%	54 55.1%		4.18
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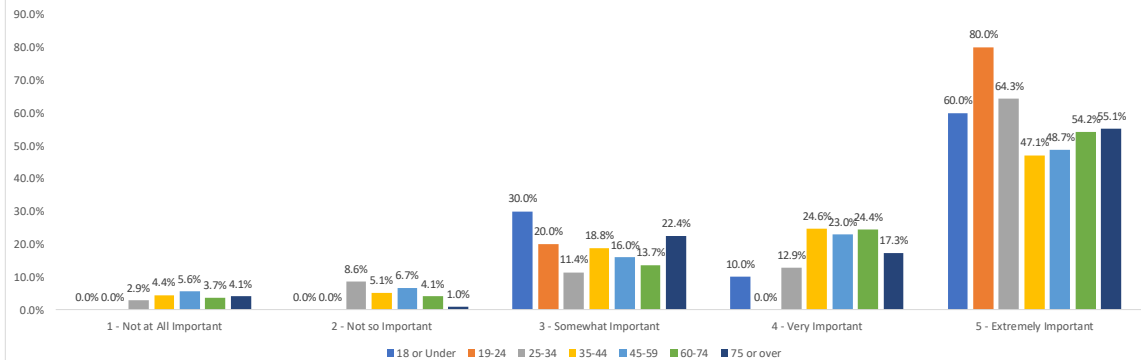
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% of Responses by Gender



% of Responses by Age Group



Q51	Provide public outreach and education on energy conservation and opportunities.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	66 6.0%	92 8.3%	263 23.8%	279 25.2%	400 36.2%	5 0.5%	3.78

Male	31 8.0%	42 10.8%	100 25.8%	104 26.8%	111 28.6%		3.57
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Female	22 3.7%	38 6.5%	132 22.4%	150 25.5%	247 41.9%		3.95
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18 or under	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	5 50.0%	1 10.0%	4 40.0%		3.90
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	3 60.0%	1 20.0%		4.00
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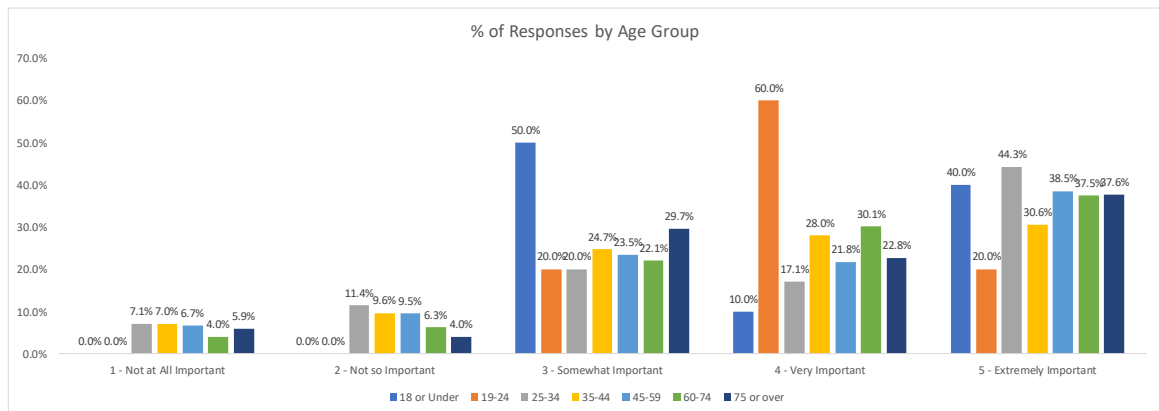
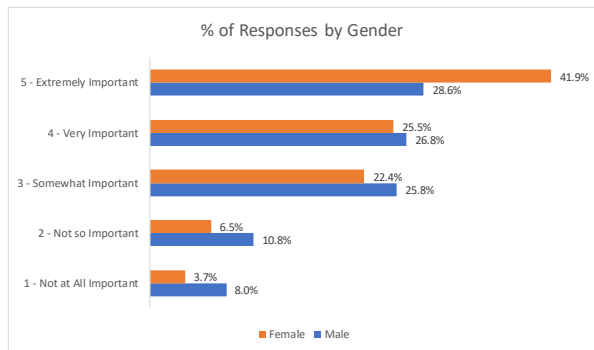
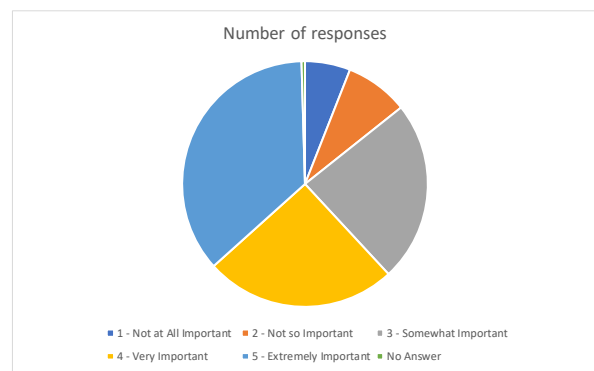
25 - 34	5 7.1%	8 11.4%	14 20.0%	12 17.1%	31 44.3%		3.80
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35 - 44	19 7.0%	26 9.6%	67 24.7%	76 28.0%	83 30.6%		3.66
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45 - 59	24 6.7%	34 9.5%	84 23.5%	78 21.8%	138 38.5%		3.76
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60 - 74	11 4.0%	17 6.3%	60 22.1%	82 30.1%	102 37.5%		3.91
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75 or over	6 5.9%	4 4.0%	30 29.7%	23 22.8%	38 37.6%		3.82
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Q52	Promote investment or seek commercial partners for EV charging stations.
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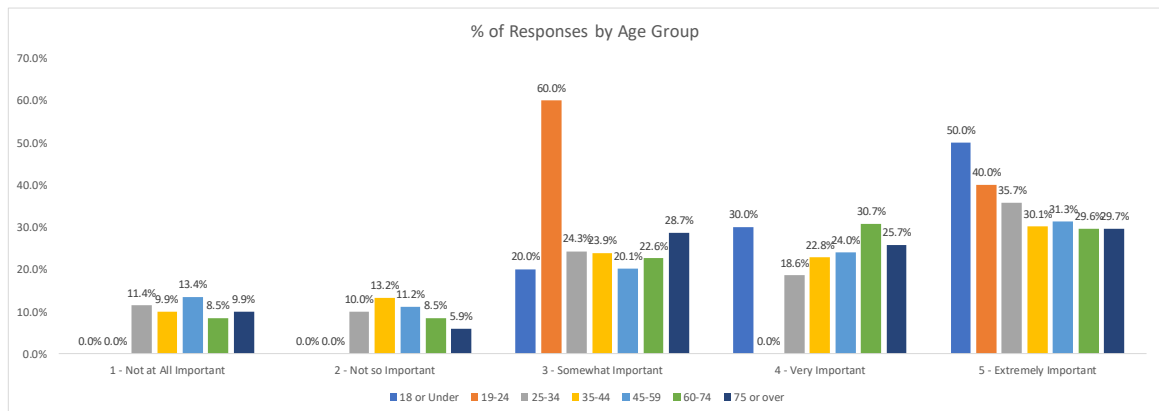
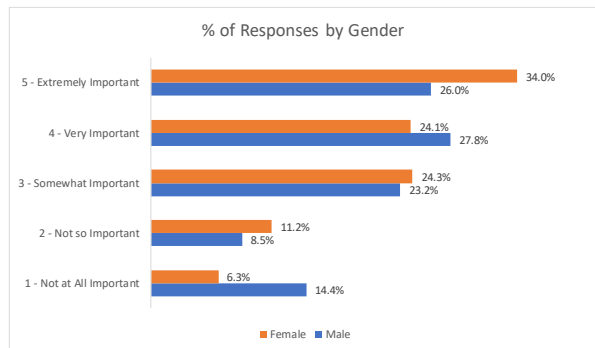
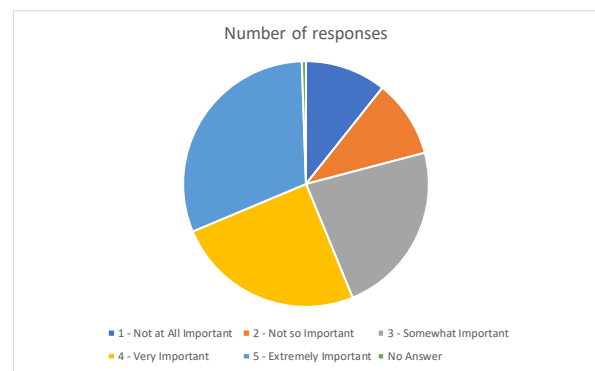
	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	118	113	253	275	340	6	3.55
	10.7%	10.2%	22.9%	24.9%	30.8%	0.5%	

Male	56	33	90	108	101		3.43
	14.4%	8.5%	23.2%	27.8%	26.0%		

Female	37	66	143	142	200		3.68
	6.3%	11.2%	24.3%	24.1%	34.0%		

0.26

18 or under	0	0	2	3	5		4.30
	0.0%	0.0%	20.0%	30.0%	50.0%		
19 - 24	0	0	3	0	2		3.80
	0.0%	0.0%	60.0%	0.0%	40.0%		
25 - 34	8	7	17	13	25		3.57
	11.4%	10.0%	24.3%	18.6%	35.7%		
35 - 44	27	36	65	62	82		3.50
	9.9%	13.2%	23.9%	22.8%	30.1%		
45 - 59	48	40	72	86	112		3.49
	13.4%	11.2%	20.1%	24.0%	31.3%		
60 - 74	23	23	61	83	80		3.64
	8.5%	8.5%	22.6%	30.7%	29.6%		
75 or over	10	6	29	26	30		3.59
	9.9%	5.9%	28.7%	25.7%	29.7%		



#	What other climate resiliency and sustainability goals do you recommend?	Time
1	We need charging stations in downtown.	6/2/2022 16:55
2	town should own/operate solar farms not just allow them on streets like Marshall	6/2/2022 17:01
3	Make a clear connection between the items in this section and the items in the first section regarding conservation and natural spaces.	6/2/2022 17:31
4	Solar on top of buildings?	6/2/2022 17:45
5	Working with solar companies and the state to offer town subsidies for residential homes	6/2/2022 17:45
6	All new housing should have EV charging wiring installed. Most people will charge at home. Parking lots need planting, we need to avoid heat islands, we should be planting trees along roads. All boards should consider the impacts of projects on the climate, we should aim to be a carbon neutral community and that starts with decisions on growth	6/2/2022 19:16
7	Encourage solar farms in town.	6/2/2022 19:57
8	I never really know if adds I see for clean energy things are scams or who the reliable people are. I'm always confused about it.	6/2/2022 20:27
9	Save trees!! Manage our open spaces so invasive plants do not continue to kill trees and native plants. Educate homeowners on managing their own land and using native plants, removing invasive ones.	6/2/2022 20:45
10	Emissions goals are unrealistic without plans for the waste from "clean energy" and the cost to the average citizen to meet those goals	6/2/2022 21:11
11	I am not sure I know enough to comment.	6/2/2022 21:38
12	Provide information re options for sustainable energy (solar panels) to residents, promote own water usage via wells etc - more available information on how to...	6/2/2022 22:06
13	I do think our town has done a good job with promoting reducing trash and increasing recycling and composting efforts hence my neutral grades. I do think some of these other measures should also be spearheaded on a state level.	6/2/2022 22:45
14	Schools and public buildings should install solar panels (potentially in parking lots)	6/3/2022 7:23
15	All public buildings need to remove fossil fuels, be net zero. School buses need to be electric and we need to reduce the amount of bus runs. Our 3 kids are on 3 bus runs, and the buses are 30-40% full (we're at the start or end of the line, so we know!) you need to add sidewalks to increase walking/biking.	6/3/2022 9:03
16	this is divisive politics. The town is about 50% Republican 50 Democrat. Theres plenty of other things to spend money on that wont divide	6/3/2022 9:12
17	limit gas powered landscaping machines	6/3/2022 9:25
18	Anything that does not burden the tax payers any more than they are already burdened. The leaders in this town enjoy spending our money. We need leaders who pride themselves on saving it.	6/3/2022 9:59
19	Eliminate Open Burning and provide frequent town leaf & brush pickup (to reduce vehicle trips to Marshall St)	6/3/2022 11:16

	Develop a partnership with a company for either solar or EV charging for houses. A town charging station is okay, but I want one at my house and I want it solar powered. Group discounts for the town. Make it a marketing initiative and have a goal of xx% solar and use that to attract people to town.	6/3/2022 14:20
20		
21	Eliminate traffic lights to reduce the volume of idling vehicles	6/3/2022 16:08
22	More solar projects	6/3/2022 18:08
23	More solar benefitting the town infrastructures	6/4/2022 2:27
	Greater investment in making clean energies (solar panels, heat pumps) more affordable for residents	6/4/2022 22:07
24		
	Make a plan to transition to zero emissions for town facilities and vehicles, and publicize all progress toward this, to model for residents. Require all new construction in town be solar-ready. Increase funding of Sustainability Coordinator to at least the level that allows a permanent half-time position; preferably full time. We need to get to net zero in the next 8-10 years, which is a huge job. Everything we can do in this are is crucial to the future habitability of Holliston and the rest of the planet	6/5/2022 10:19
25		
26	Offer tax incentives for residents to install solar and ev charging.	6/5/2022 16:26
	Plant more trees on playgrounds, public spaces.	
	Solar panels on rooftops of public buildings	
	EV charging stations at public parking lots, schools	
27	Clean up & plant trees on some of the dirty, wasteland areas around town.	6/6/2022 11:43
	Promote less water consumption within our community - consider public sewers again	6/6/2022 12:11
28		
	Public transportation options designed to help reduce single driver cars and increase accessibility to other metrowest towns and to Boston.	6/6/2022 14:02
29		
	Encourage fewer vehicle trips for commuting/shopping/recreation by expanding walkable, bikeable access, building more connections to rail trail, developing new trails/paths that connect neighborhoods, and bringing more essential services and shops to the downtown area.	6/7/2022 16:13
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31	Climate change is real, more subsidies for solar	6/7/2022 17:33
32	Preservation of existing tree canopy.	6/7/2022 17:36
	Sewer, town subsidized solar panels for houses, wind farms and solar farms in town	6/7/2022 21:22
33		
34	Improvements that are income generators or create net zero facilities	6/7/2022 21:23
35	See previous comments RE solar farms in Holliston	6/8/2022 9:41
	We need bigger trash barrels!!!!!! I have 2 recycling and can't recycle any more than I do. The tiny barrels don't reduce waste, it just means I have to store it longer. For what I'm paying in taxes, the barrel size is laughable and quite frankly, insulting	6/8/2022 9:51
36		

37	Promote or create incentives for businesses to use compostable packaging (cups, straws, bags etc). Move schools to compostable lunch packaging, utensils etc.	6/9/2022 0:09
38	More incentives for solar panel installation.	6/9/2022 7:45
39	Town wide composting program, flood protections, incentives around energy consumption	6/9/2022 15:52
40	Climate change is a myth.	6/9/2022 20:42
41	I chose #3 because I think the town is already doing a good job.	6/10/2022 14:02
	How can we publicize the option to utilize electricity derived from the Town of Holliston solar program?	
42	How can we create a town compost option? Perhaps this is already in place and I am unaware.	6/10/2022 14:11
43	Water usage? Tree planting?	6/10/2022 15:13
44	Time to consider a tree protection bylaw that taxes contractors for each tree removed that is not essential to safety or an equivalent tree replanted. Proceeds to fund Town open spaces.	6/12/2022 11:35
45	need to be careful not to overstep on state and federal programs as well.	6/13/2022 9:02
46	Encourage people to have gardens and less space devoted to lawns. Eliminate watering the lawns. It wastes water. Have a robust recycling program. Place solar on as many town buildings as possible. Bring in speakers who will inform the public about the challenges we will face, and how to mitigate climate change.	6/14/2022 15:26
47	Composting	6/14/2022 17:19
48	Offer compost pickup with trash pickup, get the dams repaired or removed	6/14/2022 20:54
49	Plant more trees in open spaces	6/15/2022 8:09
50	Climate issues should be addressed at a regional or state level; the Town should focus on other priorities. Climate is a much bigger issue than just the Town of Holliston	6/15/2022 9:33
51	We need larger trash cans	6/15/2022 9:44
52	Promote better recycling. We should be able to put out as much recycling as we want not limited to one blue bin.	6/15/2022 10:00
53	Don't just clear land for PV, require building to put PV on roof when building. All commercial project should be required to put PV. What community enhancements are required when new project are approved?	6/15/2022 10:12
54	We have a town electrical program, why is there not a solar option through this program. One I can trust.	6/15/2022 10:37
55	How about giving residents 1st crack at discounted energy from the massive solar farm on MARshall?	6/15/2022 10:44
56	AGAIN - the town is trying to do too much	6/15/2022 11:13
57	Increase the garbage can size	6/15/2022 11:30
58	I don't think going backwards -to wind and solar will do anything to reverse or stop climate change. Climate change has been happening since the beginning of time and we, as humans adapt.	6/15/2022 11:44

59	Build above-lot solar panels at the schools as previously mentioned in a prior section.	6/15/2022 12:25
60	This is our hope for remaining a vital community in MetroWest. Use all the resources of the schools (youth, HHS & Keefe) to build & retrofit future-thinking 21st century facilities. All new municipal hires should be fluent in resilient & sustainable technologies and retrofitting existing sites. Commercial development is important, but not if it hurts the environment. Make Holliston a model of enlightened environmental policies - this may require some education for town agents.	6/15/2022 12:55
61	Do more with water bans; help residents transition away from lawns and other water hog landscapes. Bring in nuclear power (I'm serious!). Make composting available at no cost to all residents.	6/15/2022 13:15
62	More SAFE walkable streets to decrease use of car	6/15/2022 13:29
63	Not all drive electric vehicle so investing in EV charging stations for handful of residents hat have electric vehicle makes no sense as this can be easily accomplished by those individuals in their own home!	6/15/2022 13:36
64	Develope town-scale solar and window power with energy storage ability. Re-activate the residential solar PV program. Prevent development in green space. Allow dense development in previously developed areas. Incentivize markets with locally grown food. Allow and incentivize ADU's Convert all town controlled property and vehicles to all-electric. For example change school buses from diesel to electric or fuel cell. For all new development or rehab, only allow net-zero energy design and require all-electric fuel source.	6/15/2022 13:52
65	provide free school bus ride for students, in order to reduce vehicle emissions.	6/15/2022 13:59
66	Native planting is a relatively inexpensive way to promote the environment.	6/15/2022 18:11
67	MOre solar panels.	6/17/2022 9:15
68	If we developed a local on demand and shuttle service powered by EV's we could gradually shift our dependence off of individually owned and operated vehicles.	6/17/2022 14:39
69	Help the schools become more sustainable, especially if any are going to be rebuilt, looking to make the design more sustainable so less heating/lighting is needed, and possibly adding solar panels on roofs to make up for some of the energy being used within the building	6/17/2022 15:40
70	Realize that EV also has a cost to the environment: battery production, life span, still send heat into the atmosphere, lithium batteries produced in horrendous working conditions	6/17/2022 16:09
71	Believe there are higher priorities to work on	6/17/2022 16:10
72	Advertise the current composting system more. Also, new housing development should use less land per house, and houses should be smaller and taller.	6/17/2022 17:22

73	Electric vehicles and other options are pricey and out of reach for many living paycheck to paycheck	6/17/2022 17:50
74	solar energy for schools and other town buildings	6/18/2022 10:45
75	Sidewalks and bike lanes into town	6/18/2022 13:50
76	increase water rate/fees for houses that use irrigation systems	6/18/2022 21:12
77	Add compost pick-up to garbage and recycling services	6/19/2022 11:57
78	Recycle bins at Goodwill park and Blair square.	6/19/2022 14:21
79	Answered this in another question.	6/19/2022 19:33
80	All utility services currently on poles must be put underground. Set a target to fund a mile of this work in each annual Town Budget. Could complete this in about 20 years in our high-use public roads. Residential developers have done this for 50 years. Home buyers have readily paid the price.	6/20/2022 10:47
81	Water- efficient and clean production better water pipe infrastructure more energy save programs	6/21/2022 9:51
82	You should make every effort to use electric or hybrid vehicles and reduce the town's carbon footprint. Why doesn't the town have solar panels on any of the buildings? Why were acres and acres of forest cut down on Marshall street? Those trees could have sequestered carbon from the atmosphere and the solar panels could have been put in areas which were already cleared.	6/21/2022 17:00
83	Driving zones for diesel vehicles and other major load vehicles!!! Electric Fuel stations and get rid of wastes stations or do better with existing.	6/21/2022 22:44
84	Mandatory recycling, make sure all industrial buildings and schools have white roofs to reduce self-heating	6/22/2022 10:04
85	When and where possible, I'd prefer we avoid commercial partnerships unless they come from local, small businesses.	6/22/2022 10:31
86	Green community standing could be a nice differentiator from other similar towns. Flooding on 16 would be an immediate issue to address.	6/22/2022 10:50
87	Public and efficient transportation to and from MBTA	6/22/2022 11:03
88	solar initiatives	6/22/2022 11:39
89	Education around solar initiatives in town to understand how new solar farms benefit the town, and also to increase adoption residentially.	6/22/2022 11:43
90	I don't see holliston being impacted by climate change compared to towns/cities that run along the ocean. However, the promotion of green energy with incentives for the town's homeowners to convert to solar/wind/thermal along with better access to charging stations will help.	6/22/2022 12:24
91	Promote safe, protected biking lanes	6/22/2022 14:22
92	Gave these suggestion in answering one of the first section of the survey.	6/22/2022 14:42
93	I'd like to know exactly which items can be recycled and which can't be. I know this varies from town to town and I'd like much more detail on our system.	6/22/2022 15:15
94	Collective bargaining to gain better prices for solar	6/22/2022 15:36
95	Improve water supply and delivery	6/22/2022 16:33
96	Under ground water exchange tanks. Wind generated electricity	6/22/2022 17:10
97	Protections for wild animals in our town ecosystem	6/22/2022 20:59
98	Improve and streamline permitting for unique projects.	6/22/2022 21:53

99	If you're concerned about environment, get rid of downtown lights. Tons of idling cars	6/22/2022 23:28
100	Fix the traffic lights in town so that they are just blinking in the wee hours of the morning. Getting stopped at the lights at 4 am to wait for the light to change is polluting and a waste of energy	6/23/2022 6:06
101	we should recycle everything, community swap of materials	6/23/2022 10:48
102	Education on use of pesticides	6/23/2022 14:09
103	EV charging stations are critical	6/23/2022 14:11
104	Reducing waste - and incentivizing reuse/recycling - are fairly straightforward ways for the regular person to combat climate change. None of us are multinational industrial corporations or giant farms of many thousands of cows. So in Holliston the focus should be on what each of us can reasonably do to do our part.	6/23/2022 14:20
105	negotiate a reciprocity agreement with Framingham recycling center to allow Holliston residents to purchase an access sticker to the Framingham facility. Marshall street location is not suitable for the needs of our recycling and solid waste goals in Holliston.	6/23/2022 14:29
106	Trash service...bigger barrels, this is a family town with growing families, if I have a house with X amount of bedrooms I pay higher taxes, therefore I should get a bigger barrel to accommodate the occupants	6/23/2022 14:31
107	Mentioned it earlier but incentives for residents pursuing energy efficient solutions for their cars, homes	6/23/2022 14:32

I applaud Holliston for the steps taken towards sustainability; however, it's been lackluster for the crisis we are in. I was hoping to see more after we hired a sustainability coordinator. We can't do this with 10 hrs a week. This needs to be a commitment to making the hard changes both within town departments and the public.

Here we are about to have the 300 yrs celebration of Holliston; we should be implementing actions that will help insure we can celebrate the next 300 yrs.

1. Climate Action - no new gas stations
2. Climate action- more EV stations, including fast chargers (fee stations)
3. Climate action - apply for grants for electric school busses and state funded charging stations ; town neglected to apply last round.
4. Climate action - require solar on all new construction, especially projects like hopping Brook
5. Climate action- require graves to be Ev ready (40-50 amp plug)

1. Reduce town carbon footprint - by reducing the number or gas hookups allowed for new development
2. Reduce carbon foot print - by have carbon fee adder to building permit fees (new gas stove hookup would have higher Building inspection fee than new electric outlet.
3. Reduce carbon foot print - Reduce trash tonnage by having town sponsored composting.

108	Ev cars are not environmentally sound. Strip mining for rare minerals and no safe way of disposing batteries and child labor is used	6/23/2022 14:33
109	Note that for question 6, I think we should seek partnerships (or grants) rather than spend town funds on EV charging stations.	6/23/2022 14:34
110	More of Evs changing	6/23/2022 14:41
111	Take cate of our health and safety	6/23/2022 15:03
112	Phase out lawn watering, gas powered leaf blowers and lawnmowers	6/23/2022 15:26
113	The fact that climate preservation has become a "politically charged issue" in our society is dumb. We have control over our environment and I think it is the communities responsibility to make sure the community will exist for the next generation.	6/23/2022 15:34
114	When planning industrial growth that is allowed in our town that you keep large fulfillment centers out of our industrial parks. The town needs to limit the amount of large dump trucks passing through town and fine those that use Jake breaks! There is no consistency here...trucks continue to do it without any fines. The sound is just a an incredible roar!	6/23/2022 15:52
115		6/23/2022 16:18

	If we are going to tackle this as a town, then we need to make it into a 'event' or a notable feature about the town. For example, first new england town that is 75% solar for residents. Build a community around it. Unfortunately, we can't seem to solve our water or sewer issues so I doubt that we can agree on something that affects such a large portion of the town. I blame our form of town government which is not conducive to promoting and encouraging change.	6/23/2022 16:21
116		
117	Help residents obtain solar panels by partnering with a solar company to reduce costs/streamline setup/approvals.	6/23/2022 16:34
	I don't want town money paying for the electric bills of charging stations. I don't want them at all. For those of us without money, a garage, or outdoor electricity an electric car is out of reach beyond the price of the car. Don't make me pay for my gas and someone else's electricity for their car.	6/23/2022 16:52
118		
119	Recycling available throughout town. Compost available to residents for free:	6/23/2022 17:01
	Great job with Mass Save partnerships and encouraging rehab of older housing with better insulation etc	6/23/2022 17:45
120		
121	Reduce landfill by charging more and combo of education and fines to teach recycling etiquettes	6/23/2022 21:21
	expand the ability to walk/bike to downtown, well beyond what exists now, to avoid using cars	6/23/2022 21:37
122		
	Don't imagine we can afford electric cars or that we can pay for EV charging stations or want corporations to profit off of sustainability. Public transportation has to be brought back to Holliston with commuter rail, local light rail, bus service, increased sidewalks, etc. . Heavily subsidized electric cars and EV charging stations would help, too. Private solutions to public problems don't work.	6/23/2022 22:14
123		
124	Public forums on even little things residents can do at home for energy efficiency / conservation. Maybe a fair or classes in community education or in conjunction with the schools are possible venues. Restrict lawn watering and encourage non lawn landscaping.	6/23/2022 22:44
	I think a really sophisticated, state of the art, net zero Environmental Education center would be ideal for the town. This center could emphasize local wildlife, pollinators and their importance, gardening, native plants and trees, and have affiliated programs with local elementary school, middle school, high school, local garden clubs, and general public.	6/23/2022 23:30
125		
126	Get bigger trash containers!!! WHAT was the town thinking when they got the tiny trash barrels??? Was this ever put to a vote for the public? People recycle, but they still need to use regular trash containers. Has the town seen what other towns are using? I'm noticing trash on the sides of the roads now....	6/24/2022 8:46
	better water fountain access/FILTERED water at all sports areas to help reduce single use water bottles that litter the ground after every event. Like at airports to fill your canteen.promote reusables in the classroom starting in pre-k/k so that it is reflexive.	6/24/2022 9:20
127		
128	More opportunities for heat pump programs for residential homes	6/24/2022 11:33
129	Town owed & operated solar fields with low cost electric offered to residents	6/24/2022 12:09

130	Water conservation and access to locally produced food	6/24/2022 14:03
	- More EV charging stations- apply for grants for electric school busses - Move towards all EV for municipal car business including fire and police - Solarization on all municipal building including all schools - begin to plan for air source heat pumps for all municipal building to get them off fossil fuel - Require solarization and ground or air source heat pumps on all new construction. - No gas hookups on new construction - Provide town wide composting to help reduce the trash tonnage and help the environment - Implement more reduce your carbon footprint education for citizens of Holliston - provide rain barrels for all municipal building including schools - Make all schools sustainable in the cafe by providing composting of all food waste. -	6/25/2022 15:11
131		
	The town did not consider the family needs of residents with the small trash cans. Every family should get multiple extra trash stickers to cover additional trash since the contract was for larger trash cans.	6/25/2022 18:26
132		
133	Promote economic benefits of sustainable energy options for residents	6/25/2022 19:36
134	Sustainable energy at the same cost so people can afford it.	6/25/2022 21:34
	There should be town recycling of books and household goods. See Wellesley or Wayland	6/26/2022 5:46
135		
	Town sponsored compost pickup, which reduces waste charges. Net zero for all new buildings, especially buildings owned by the town. There may be more rainfall in the future so the town needs plan to manage flooding. Let's keep our forests to sequester carbon. We need to educate our citizenry on the need to change.	6/26/2022 11:53
136		
137	More solar and wind energy.	6/26/2022 21:32
	Again, be realistic with expectations. Charging stations for cars are great, but how many people actually drive cars where those will be used? Energy awareness is great, but not everyone wants to install solar panels on their house - this needs to be ok.	6/27/2022 9:14
138		
	clean water from my tap is more important at this point than going electric cars. We are going to just create a new burden of over taxing our electrical infrastructure.	6/27/2022 11:41
139		
140	promote water use reduction via landscape design similar to southwest	6/27/2022 18:36
	My biggest challenge is that current energy goals consist of reducing the burning of fossil fuels with more reliance on the electrification for our energy needs (heat, cars, etc.). Massachusetts has the third highest electric rates in the Nation. Something needs to be done to control the electric rates for the town before electrification is a viable option. I would like to see an electric energy co-op for the town. The town of Groton with their own Light and Power co-op have a rate of \$0.16 per kWh for Supply and Distribution. Eversource is \$0.36 per kWh.	6/28/2022 14:08
141		
142	with utility companies, sponsor solar installations at no/low cost to consumer	6/28/2022 22:26
	Did any TOH taxpayer find the solar power partnership (quotes) beneficial and execute a project (Feedback loop here and did this work or help any residents??).	6/29/2022 8:25
143		

144	Sewer in downtown	6/29/2022 10:42
145	Could Holliston generate our own power and offer a 3rd option from Eversource? Same question with internet.	6/29/2022 13:59
146	Leed certified town buildings, town solar	6/29/2022 20:48
147	Create expectations for commercial reduction of waste and energy consumption	6/29/2022 21:21
148	More	6/30/2022 9:12
149	The water dept needs to be able to sustain home gardens and landscaping. Impossible to actually keep landscaping alive for first few years to allow it to take. Water restrictions plus terrible quality not sustainable.	6/30/2022 9:44
150	Shaded areas around schools which are NOT air conditioned. Clean water for drinking & at the lake	6/30/2022 10:37
151	Subsidize solar options to encourage use and seek ways so town offices, schools and private businesses consider going solar	6/30/2022 15:22
152	An energy efficient high school	6/30/2022 22:31
153	Question #1 & #3 are better question for state and federal government	7/1/2022 15:33
154	Some of these questions are better for state and federal government	7/1/2022 15:40
155	I do not believe a small municipality needs to advocate for this, but simply provide information/education to resources in this area.	7/2/2022 8:15
156	Rain water reuse, pollinator support programs, community gardening	7/2/2022 17:53
157	More clear cut info in benefits vs cost	7/2/2022 18:46
158	seems like we need better preparation for flooding of roadways and major wind events.	7/4/2022 0:28
159	As stated earlier - tree planting initiative. Yes there are a lot of trees in Holliston but I was in Philadelphia recently and some areas of Philly have way more old growth trees than we do! I've noticed way too many large trees coming down. Trees are probably one of the #1 defenses against climate change so providing incentives for people to plant trees (larger species trees) on their lots - where possible, would be great.	7/4/2022 9:26
160	Publicly support residential energy assessments with evaluation of assessment companies	7/5/2022 9:29
161	Public information on pesticides and overuse of electric and gas. Better control of water waste.	7/5/2022 21:40
162	Solar farms, no more plastic straws	7/5/2022 22:13
163	More ways to earn for moving to Solar. Eversource has a monopoly	7/6/2022 16:52
164	I do not believe it is the duty of the town to promote "Climate Resiliency."	7/7/2022 9:40
165	Solar panels at high school parking lot, elementary and middle school as well as commercial buildings. Promote new building to be green buildings.	7/8/2022 11:40
166	It turns out that solar, hydro and wind power are actually destructive to the earth. We need alternatives. Preserve existing trees and increase tree planting. Promote alternatives to big green lawns. Promote reduction of consumption of goods.	7/8/2022 16:59
167	Add solar panels to high school parking lot (and elementary and middle schools) as well as other commercial building parking lots. New buildings should have requirement of being green buildings.	7/9/2022 1:19

168	Whatever investment made in Holliston is nice but should not be prioritized. Climate change is a global, federal, and state issue. Only so much can be done at local levels and we already have a PTE sustainability coordinator who is supposed to be doing this work.	7/9/2022 8:09
169	Have meetings to explain what can and can't go into recycling. When calling Harvey, I've gotten various answers about this.	7/13/2022 10:31
170	I don't have any ideas but this is at the top of the list in terms of my priorities for the town to problem solve.	7/14/2022 16:57
171	People don't want things to be reduced however tech that allows them to continue with seemingly no change is a win for everyone.. the only problem being costs.	7/18/2022 13:29
172	More communication around composting and lowering the cost of it, rain barrel program year round (I just missed it because we moved here right after). Provide discounts or other incentives for people to add solar panels, planting native plants/having a garden. Make walking/biking safer and easier along 16 and 126. Work with businesses to bring in more sustainable products	7/18/2022 13:59
173	Put solar panels on all public buildings	7/18/2022 17:49
174	Wish I could select Outrageously Important for question 6	7/18/2022 17:50
175	more solar awareness where it can be placed	7/18/2022 18:10
176	solar installation incentives	7/18/2022 21:24
177	The whole idea of electric vehicles is shortsighted and impractical. I hate to see us go down the road of all that expense for a temporary feels good technology. In the end, electric vehicles are less cost effective and way more toxic than our current vehicles. Maybe wait on new tech until hydrogen and ammonia are further along in development.	7/18/2022 23:33
178	Ensure the town is adopting these measures as well as offering them to the residents	7/19/2022 6:48
179	solar for municipal and school buildings	7/19/2022 9:00
180	Updating our current infrastructure to know it is able to support the added EV charging as well as looking into solar for public buildings. I also recommend, as a member of Local 103 IBEW, who would not be able to afford a house in Holliston if it weren't for the wages and benefits they have provided to me, to partner with the Union for any public work that is going to be done in the electrical field. Ensuring work will be done correctly and safely, in a timely manner.	7/19/2022 9:11
181	EV charging stations (near cafes, parks etc) is a great idea to promote EVs	7/19/2022 11:03
182	Reroute truck/semi traffic in down town Holliston	7/19/2022 11:16
183	Our police officers do not need motorcycles for thier work. We can work to update our police and fire resources and infastructure to incoperate more environmentally friendly infastructure.	7/19/2022 13:47
184	Ev rebates	7/19/2022 14:57
185	When new buildings are built, they can go solar.	7/19/2022 15:39
186	Climate is NOT changing!	7/19/2022 16:56
187	Hydro-electric	7/19/2022 17:32

188	Our climate has changed. If we do not change, all these other ideas are worthless!	7/19/2022 22:42
189	I have noticed the town doing more of this but only through the Holliston Reporter. What else can we do to make the initiatives more obvious and promote them to a larger group of people who may not follow the HR.	7/20/2022 7:30
190	More open time available at recycling center. Set up household items exchange program in town so that less goes into trash.	7/20/2022 9:20
191	How can we claim to want to promote reduction in vehicle emissions when we won't even install a sidewalk for residents who live a mile from down town on Central St.?	7/20/2022 11:10
192	promote Black Earth Compost for all residents to reduce landfill	7/20/2022 11:29
193	Town sewers	7/20/2022 12:41
194	Review all town consumption of energy from vehicles to street lights to ensure town is being energy efficient.	7/20/2022 18:37
195	Managed zoning and development for anticipated climate impacts (like building in flood plains that will be expanding, etc)	7/20/2022 19:35
196	Compost program town wide	7/21/2022 10:08
197	reduce the pollution of tractor trailer trucks	7/21/2022 15:33
198	Not sure if this has been put in place, but it would make a lot of sense if we could get information as to where our recyclable items are going, particularly our plastic. My hope is that it is being recycled, but having "chain of custody" documentation and information from E.L. Harvey available and regular review of what is being done with the town's recyclables seems to be advisable if not a full-on necessity.	7/21/2022 17:26
199	Why not burn our trash to generate power?	7/21/2022 18:36
200	Have a properly designed survey that captures what you really want to know. For instance, every item on this survey could be viewed as "Extremely Important" which isn't useful for making decisions on which "Extremely Important" item is most important.	7/22/2022 13:46
201	Stop buying into the anti-science, global warming alarmism. It's guised as good but it's only harmful.	7/22/2022 19:29
202	How about seperate our ;bottles, cans and cardboard. Our bins are ridiculously small .	7/22/2022 19:38
203	There is no styrofoam recycling here. Give us opportunities to recycle everything and we will. Teach the kids at school and they will teach their parents. https://preciousplastic.com/ is a cool company to look at.	7/22/2022 22:58
204	build up preparedness and have response action plans in place to deal with potential environmental crises or disasters together as a community (this may be covered under point 1 of this section)	7/23/2022 9:33
205	Reuse of existing infrastructure and not all new build	7/23/2022 9:51
206	this should not be a focus. and please don't make our trash cans any smaller :)	7/23/2022 9:59
207	Increased importance places on electric vehicle and solar power	7/23/2022 10:54

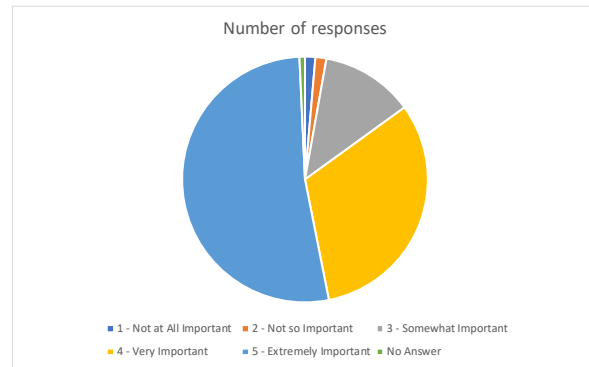
	The Town must explore all opportunities to utilize solar power for our public buildings, especially our schools. We should constantly look for ways to save	
208	money on our electric and heating costs through solar power	7/23/2022 20:44
209	Tax break for those with hybrid or e-cars	7/24/2022 17:44
	take care of basic infrastructure such as leaking water pipes, pump houses and aquifers. Insure flood control and prevention is sufficiently funded to that storm drains can be checked and maintained. Improve drainage for roads that commonly flood. Encourage Eversource to stabilize the electric grid servicing Holliston, Insure Eversource gas is maintaining the gas pipes and pressure	
210	stations.	7/24/2022 21:00
211	These goals should be interpreted broadly, and should include strategies to reduce driving	7/25/2022 21:26
212	This section was difficult to answer as a lot of these issues seem grand. It would help to understand what Holliston might be able to do to address some of these concerns.	7/26/2022 16:20
213	Preserving more green spaces in Holliston and planting of trees.	7/26/2022 23:22
214	Town of Holliston should look at the Town of Wellesley Recycle Center.	7/27/2022 13:18
215	More EV charging stations. Composting workshops. Promote and enforce the Mass law the prohibits idling for more than 5 minutes. How many thousands of cars have idled at the schools during drop off and pick up over the past several years, especially during covid? Promote solar for residents with a partnership, education, etc. Install solar on municipal buildings (top of HHS) or over parking lots (all schools).	7/27/2022 13:56
216	Installation of solar panels that could be used by the schools and municipal buildings. Seems to me we are missing an opportunity to have solar on or at the schools. Also, I think our schools need to be upgraded to have air conditioning. With climate change, it is very hot in these buildings for a good part of the start and end of the school year.	7/27/2022 14:21
217	Trash and recycling need to continue weekly!	7/28/2022 8:32
218	fleet conversion police to ev	7/28/2022 11:31
219	Water quality Prevent use of pesticides that leeches into ground water No more TERF fields!!!!	7/28/2022 18:11
220	Town wide composting. Elimination of lawn pesticide use and promotion of edible landscaping on public and private lots.	7/29/2022 7:54
221	Understand that renewable energy isn't fully possible in this climate.	7/29/2022 10:25
222	Provide community shopping plaza so residents don't have to travel long distances for essentials.	7/29/2022 12:27
223	Promote public transit; attract bike rental vendor to promote cycling. Attract and keep local businesses such as the Superette to support the needs of residents instead of needing to run to the big box stores or order online.	7/30/2022 10:52

	There is nothing here related to climate resiliency & sustainability that is not urgent. Holliston needs to center its planning based on the state's new law "An Act Creating a Next Generation Roadmap for Massachusetts Climate Policy."	
224	https://www.wbur.org/news/2021/03/26/new-mass-climate-law-faq	7/31/2022 6:38
225	All great goals, not sure what is achievable at the local level. My own approach is to throw money at land acquisition (SVT, Mass Audubon, Nature Cons. Trustees of Res., etc). Frustrating we don't have our own (privately run) Conservation Trust that could supplement the town's commendable open space acquisitions.	7/31/2022 9:30
226	The climate crisis is urgent and Holliston should be a leader in this area.	7/31/2022 14:48
227	None! Get a life!	7/31/2022 15:29
228	We are the only town in the area without a EV charging station. Lets start with one near Blair Square so people biking can charge their vehicle while they enjoy the trails. People from neighboring towns will also pass through Holliston and see that we are progressive. The charging station doesn't have to be right off Washington since EV vehicles will guide you to the nearest charging port. The corner of central and railroad is perfect. The latest transportation technology in the shadow of last centuries greatest transportation tech. (rail)	8/1/2022 16:07
229	See my previous answer on recycling residential materials	8/1/2022 21:36
230	Converting town properties to renewable resources, promoting MassSave programs for residents	8/2/2022 9:22
231	Having a better recycle center with more options and capabilities.	8/2/2022 12:37
232	This area is so important for the future. And the good news is in most cases it should pay for itself several times over relative to what it will cost the town if we do nothing or too little. Look for ways to incentivize residents to be more sustainable too	8/2/2022 20:52
233	Teach students about this in school (age appropriate)	8/2/2022 22:11
234	A robust program to explain and promote recycling in town.	8/2/2022 22:36
235	Encourage reasoned discussion of the issue and lower the volume of the intense social dissonance. We are in a 100 year project, not 10 year "crisis response".	8/2/2022 22:59
236	Continue tax credit for installation of solar panels	8/3/2022 10:52
237	Larger Trash Cans....	8/3/2022 15:48
238	renewable energy for residential homes/anywhere	8/3/2022 16:03
239	solar and wind energy support-combine with open space/farm	8/3/2022 16:11
240	Promote Hydrogen & Fuel Cell Technology	8/3/2022 19:00
241	Plant trees. Clean rivers, lakes, affordable insulation.	8/4/2022 14:03
242	Sidewalks! Bike lanes on all roads	8/5/2022 14:39
243	Plant trees in/next to parking lots and streets to provide shade and reduce heat island effects. Capture stormwater runoff and direct towards plants and trees. Encourage biodiverse plantings including local horticulture (polyculture not monoculture) and mixed meadows rather than grass lawns.	8/7/2022 7:12

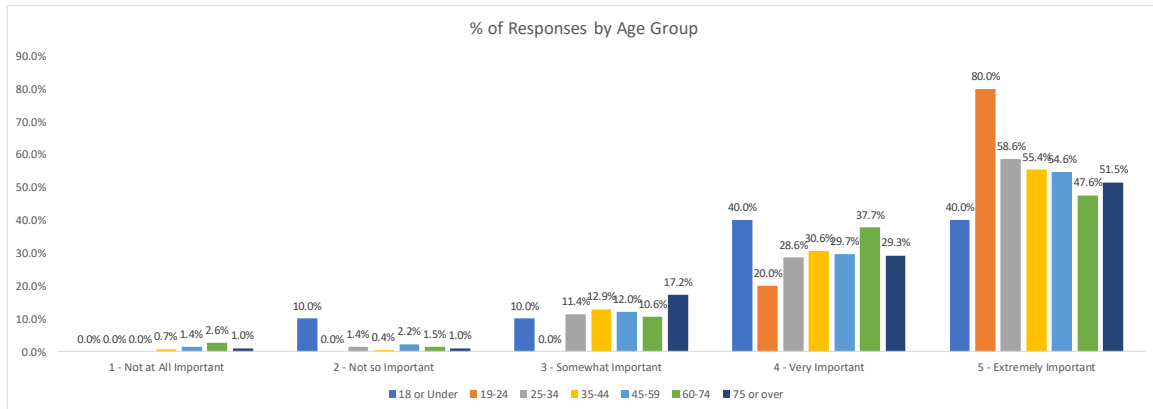
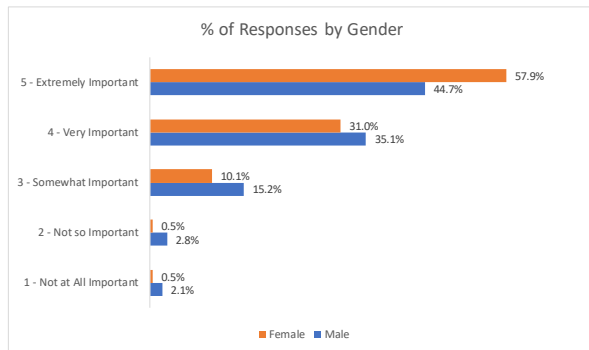
244	Any, as long as they do not cost me money directly	8/7/2022 9:27
245	It is hard to see how a small town can have much effect on these issues. I did not mark most of the questions with a 5.	8/7/2022 12:19
246	We appreciate the curbside recycling. We are concerned about much is actively recycled. An educational program on that would be helpful.	8/7/2022 12:34
247	Include Styrofoam in our recycling programs	8/7/2022 12:51
248	don't allow clear cutting for building. We need old growth trees to sustain us with clean air.	8/7/2022 13:19
249	we already drive 2 hybrid cars. hope to eventually get an all-electric vehicle.	8/8/2022 10:24

Section 7: Economy

Q54	Promote support for existing small businesses.						
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	15 1.4%	16 1.4%	135 12.2%	352 31.9%	579 52.4%	8 0.7%	4.33
Male	8 2.1%	11 2.8%	59 15.2%	136 35.1%	173 44.7%		4.18
Female	3 0.5%	3 0.5%	59 10.1%	182 31.0%	340 57.9%		4.45
	0.28						



18 or under	0 0.0%	1 10.0%	1 10.0%	4 40.0%	4 40.0%		4.10
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	4 80.0%		4.80
25 - 34	0 0.0%	1 1.4%	8 11.4%	20 28.6%	41 58.6%		4.44
35 - 44	2 0.7%	1 0.4%	35 12.9%	83 30.6%	150 55.4%		4.39
45 - 59	5 1.4%	8 2.2%	43 12.0%	106 29.7%	195 54.6%		4.34
60 - 74	7 2.6%	4 1.5%	29 10.6%	103 37.7%	130 47.6%		4.26
75 or over	1 1.0%	1 1.0%	17 17.2%	29 29.3%	51 51.5%		4.29



Q55	Ensure agricultural space is actively used for its intended agricultural purpose.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	29 2.6%	42 3.8%	197 17.8%	364 32.9%	467 42.3%	6 0.5%	4.09

Male	13 3.4%	18 4.7%	89 23.0%	127 32.8%	140 36.2%		3.94
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Female	11 1.9%	19 3.2%	89 15.1%	199 33.8%	271 46.0%		4.19
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18 or under	1 10.0%	1 10.0%	3 30.0%	1 10.0%	4 40.0%		3.60
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	4 80.0%	1 20.0%		4.20
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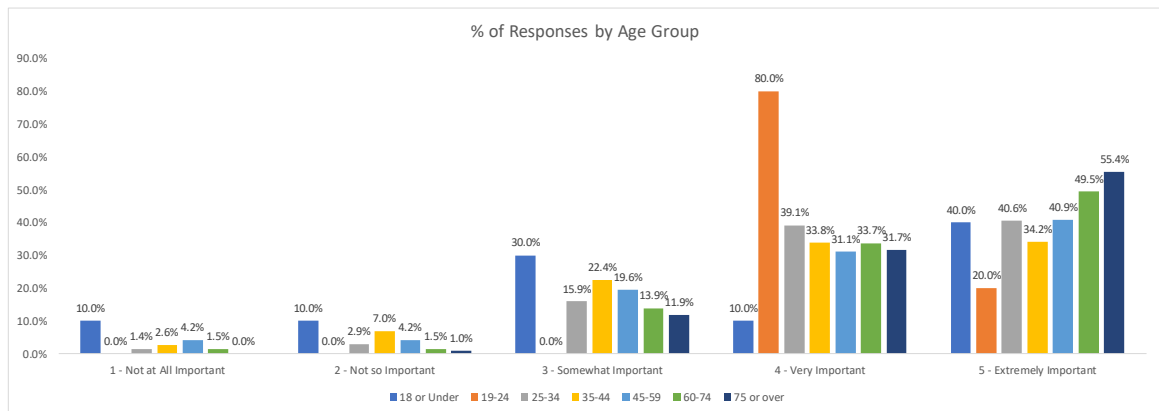
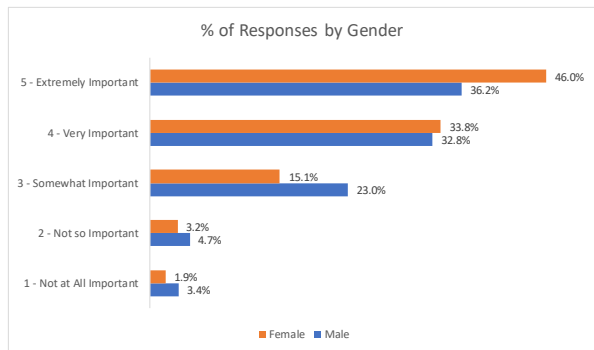
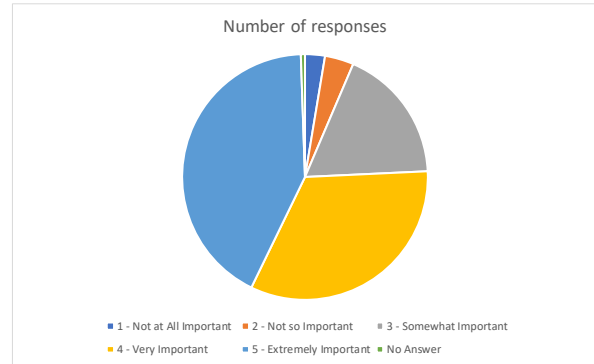
25 - 34	1 1.4%	2 2.9%	11 15.9%	27 39.1%	28 40.6%		4.14
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35 - 44	7 2.6%	19 7.0%	61 22.4%	92 33.8%	93 34.2%		3.90
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45 - 59	15 4.2%	15 4.2%	70 19.6%	111 31.1%	146 40.9%		4.00
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60 - 74	4 1.5%	4 1.5%	38 13.9%	92 33.7%	135 49.5%		4.28
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75 or over	0 0.0%	1 1.0%	12 11.9%	32 31.7%	56 55.4%		4.42
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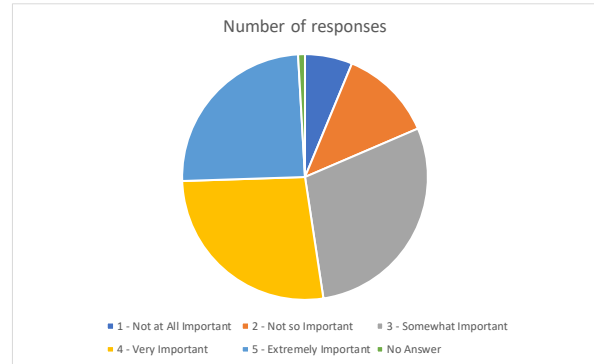
Q56	Utilize town resources (i.e. money, public space, utilities) to support existing, qualifying businesses from closure or disruption.
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Total	69 6.2%	136 12.3%	321 29.0%	297 26.9%	272 24.6%	10 0.9%	3.52

Male	31 8.1%	69 18.0%	118 30.7%	104 27.1%	62 16.1%		3.25
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Female	28 4.8%	49 8.3%	158 26.9%	171 29.1%	182 31.0%		3.73
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18 or under	1 10.0%	1 10.0%	4 40.0%	2 20.0%	2 20.0%		3.30
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	2 40.0%	2 40.0%		4.20
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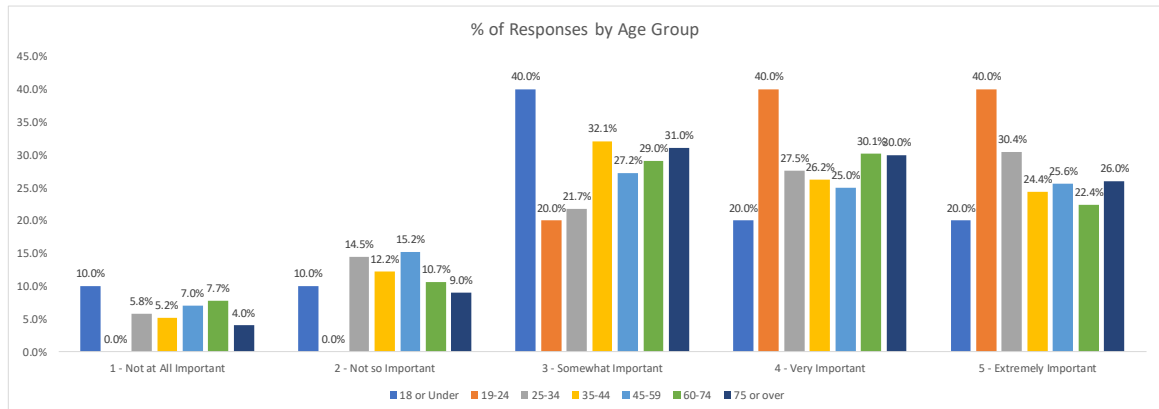
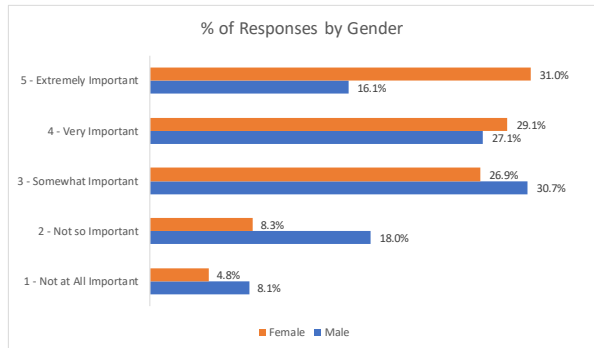
25 - 34	4 5.8%	10 14.5%	15 21.7%	19 27.5%	21 30.4%		3.62
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35 - 44	14 5.2%	33 12.2%	87 32.1%	71 26.2%	66 24.4%		3.52
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45 - 59	25 7.0%	54 15.2%	97 27.2%	89 25.0%	91 25.6%		3.47
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60 - 74	21 7.7%	29 10.7%	79 29.0%	82 30.1%	61 22.4%		3.49
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75 or over	4 4.0%	9 9.0%	31 31.0%	30 30.0%	26 26.0%		3.65
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Q57	Preserve the current residential/commercial tax base ratio of 87% / 13% to retain the character of the town.
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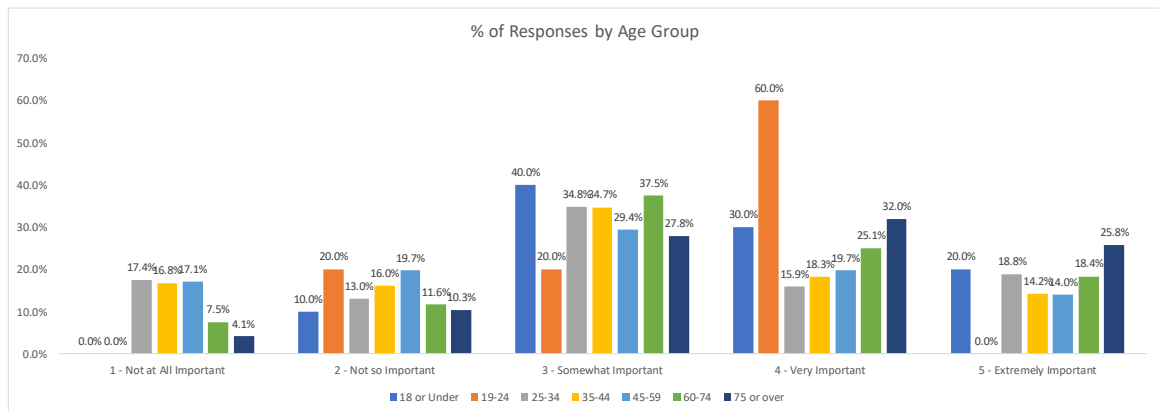
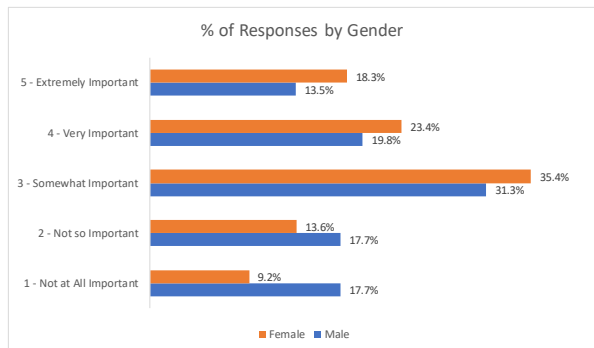
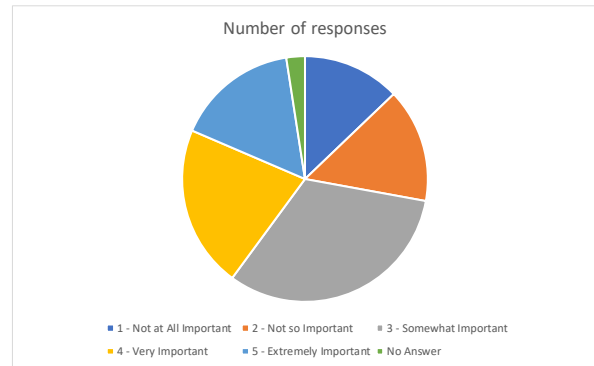
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Total	142 12.9%	166 15.0%	356 32.2%	236 21.4%	178 16.1%	27 2.4%	3.13

Male	68 17.7%	68 17.7%	120 31.3%	76 19.8%	52 13.5%		2.94
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Female	53 9.2%	78 13.6%	203 35.4%	134 23.4%	105 18.3%		3.28
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18 or under	0 0.0%	1 10.0%	4 40.0%	3 30.0%	2 20.0%		3.60
19 - 24	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	1 20.0%	3 60.0%	0 0.0%		3.40
25 - 34	12 17.4%	9 13.0%	24 34.8%	11 15.9%	13 18.8%		3.06
35 - 44	45 16.8%	43 16.0%	93 34.7%	49 18.3%	38 14.2%		2.97
45 - 59	60 17.1%	69 19.7%	103 29.4%	69 19.7%	49 14.0%		2.94
60 - 74	20 7.5%	31 11.6%	100 37.5%	67 25.1%	49 18.4%		3.35
75 or over	4 4.1%	10 10.3%	27 27.8%	31 32.0%	25 25.8%		3.65



Q58	Expand the commercial tax base to benefit municipal services, schools and affordability.					
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Total	47 4.3%	63 5.7%	221 20.0%	332 30.0%	421 38.1%	21 1.9%	3.94

Male	17 4.4%	25 6.4%	80 20.6%	126 32.5%	140 36.1%		3.89
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Female	20 3.5%	30 5.2%	113 19.8%	179 31.3%	230 40.2%		3.99
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18 or under	1 11.1%	0 0.0%	4 44.4%	3 33.3%	1 11.1%		3.33
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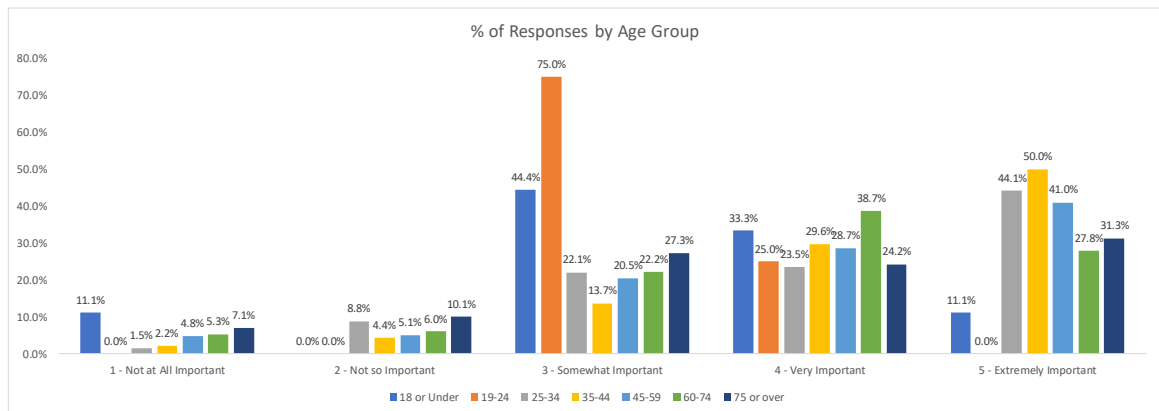
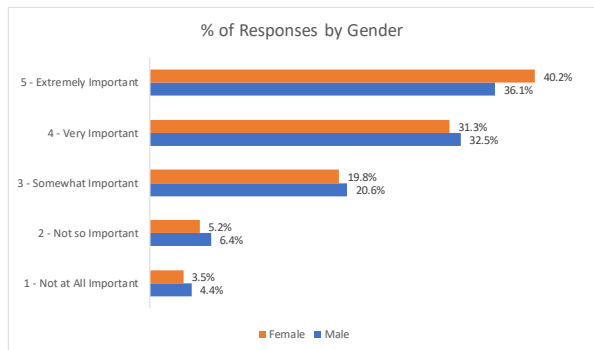
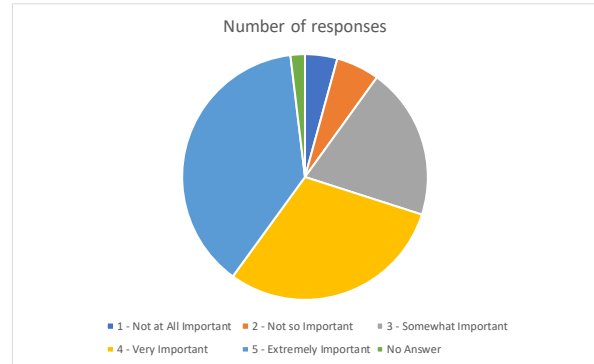
25 - 34	1 1.5%	6 8.8%	15 22.1%	16 23.5%	30 44.1%		4.00
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35 - 44	6 2.2%	12 4.4%	37 13.7%	80 29.6%	135 50.0%		4.21
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45 - 59	17 4.8%	18 5.1%	73 20.5%	102 28.7%	146 41.0%		3.96
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60 - 74	14 5.3%	16 6.0%	59 22.2%	103 38.7%	74 27.8%		3.78
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75 or over	7 7.1%	10 10.1%	27 27.3%	24 24.2%	31 31.3%		3.63
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Q59	Proactively attract new, small businesses that will diversify or expand local goods and services offered.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	27 2.4%	39 3.5%	155 14.0%	345 31.2%	530 48.0%	9 0.8%	4.20

Male	14 3.6%	13 3.4%	65 16.8%	127 32.8%	168 43.4%		4.09
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Female	8 1.4%	21 3.6%	69 11.8%	178 30.4%	310 52.9%		4.30
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18 or under	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	4 40.0%	2 20.0%	4 40.0%		4.00
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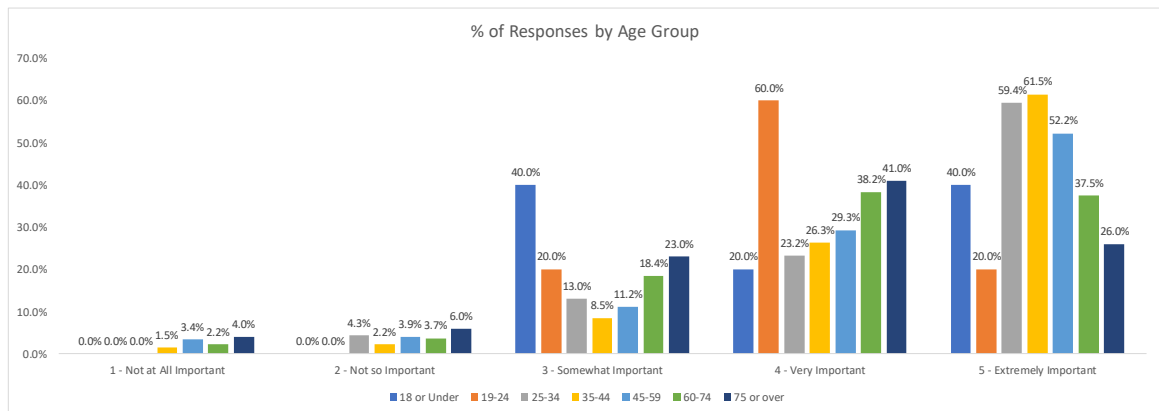
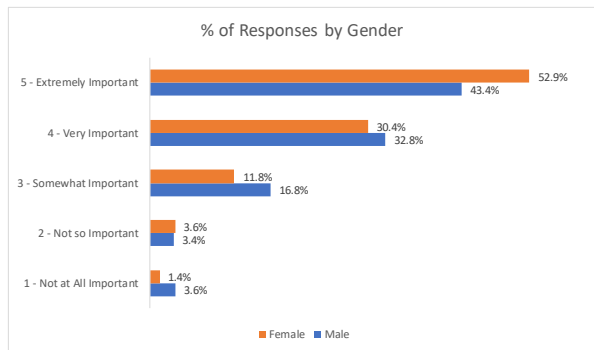
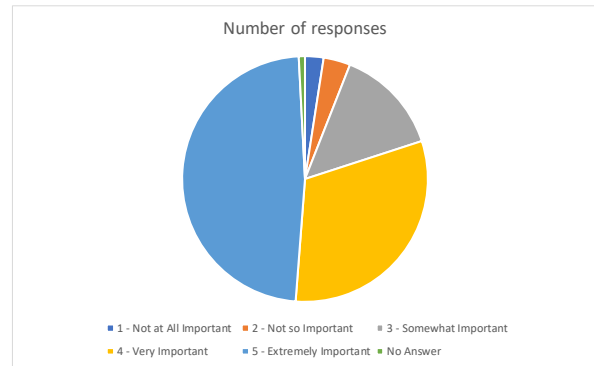
25 - 34	0 0.0%	3 4.3%	9 13.0%	16 23.2%	41 59.4%		4.38
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35 - 44	4 1.5%	6 2.2%	23 8.5%	71 26.3%	166 61.5%		4.44
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45 - 59	12 3.4%	14 3.9%	40 11.2%	105 29.3%	187 52.2%		4.23
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60 - 74	6 2.2%	10 3.7%	50 18.4%	104 38.2%	102 37.5%		4.05
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75 or over	4 4.0%	6 6.0%	23 23.0%	41 41.0%	26 26.0%		3.79
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Q60	Proactively attract new, sustainable corporations to expand goods, services and job opportunities.
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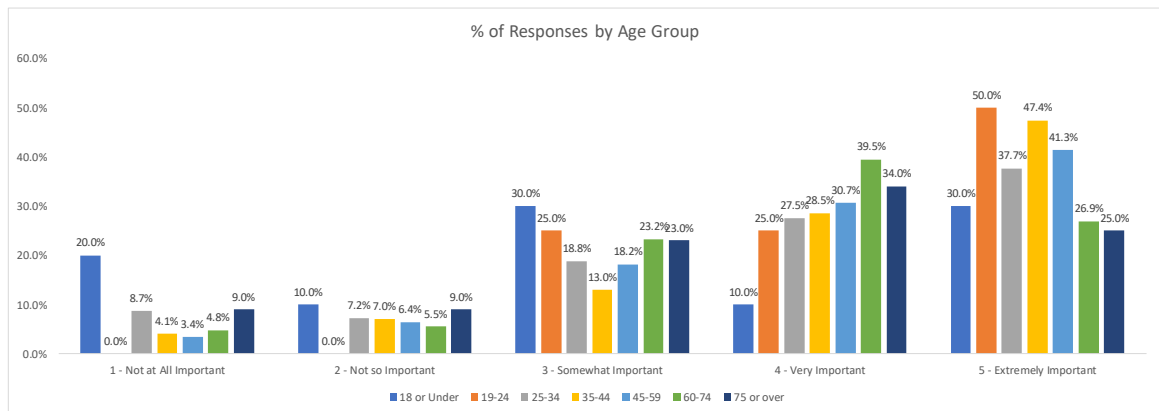
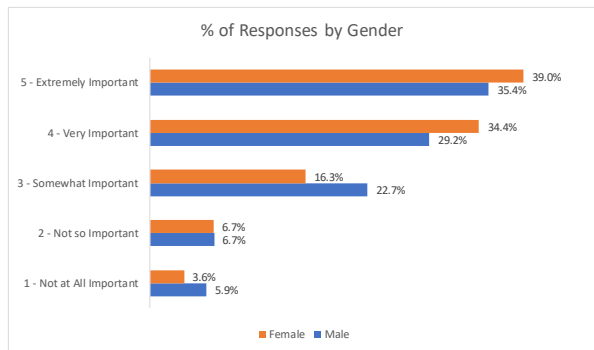
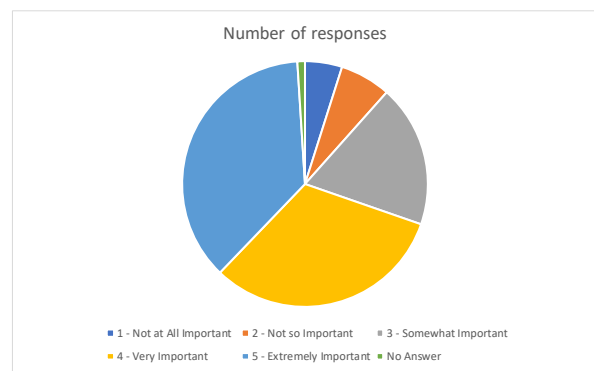
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Total	54 4.9%	74 6.7%	207 18.7%	352 31.9%	407 36.8%	11 1.0%	3.90

Male	23 5.9%	26 6.7%	88 22.7%	113 29.2%	137 35.4%		3.81
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Female	21 3.6%	39 6.7%	95 16.3%	201 34.4%	228 39.0%		3.99
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18 or under	2 20.0%	1 10.0%	3 30.0%	1 10.0%	3 30.0%		3.20
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 25.0%	1 25.0%	2 50.0%		4.25
25 - 34	6 8.7%	5 7.2%	13 18.8%	19 27.5%	26 37.7%		3.78
35 - 44	11 4.1%	19 7.0%	35 13.0%	77 28.5%	128 47.4%		4.08
45 - 59	12 3.4%	23 6.4%	65 18.2%	110 30.7%	148 41.3%		4.00
60 - 74	13 4.8%	15 5.5%	63 23.2%	107 39.5%	73 26.9%		3.78
75 or over	9 9.0%	9 9.0%	23 23.0%	34 34.0%	25 25.0%		3.57



Q61	Expand town sewer to downtown (Washington/Central) to diversify business, wellness and municipal offerings.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	65 5.9%	52 4.7%	217 19.6%	243 22.0%	517 46.8%	11 1.0%	4.00

Male	30 7.8%	20 5.2%	84 21.8%	92 23.8%	160 41.5%		3.86
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Female	20 3.4%	28 4.8%	107 18.3%	128 21.9%	302 51.6%		4.14
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18 or under	2 20.0%	0 0.0%	4 40.0%	2 20.0%	2 20.0%		3.20
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	1 20.0%	3 60.0%		4.40
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25 - 34	4 5.8%	4 5.8%	21 30.4%	10 14.5%	30 43.5%		3.84
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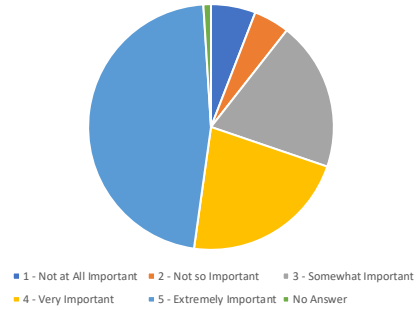
35 - 44	6 2.2%	8 3.0%	49 18.1%	42 15.5%	166 61.3%		4.31
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45 - 59	25 7.0%	9 2.5%	57 15.9%	77 21.5%	190 53.1%		4.11
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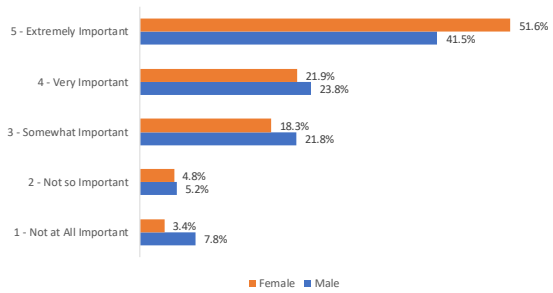
60 - 74	19 7.1%	20 7.4%	53 19.7%	82 30.5%	95 35.3%		3.80
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75 or over	8 8.0%	8 8.0%	29 29.0%	27 27.0%	28 28.0%		3.59
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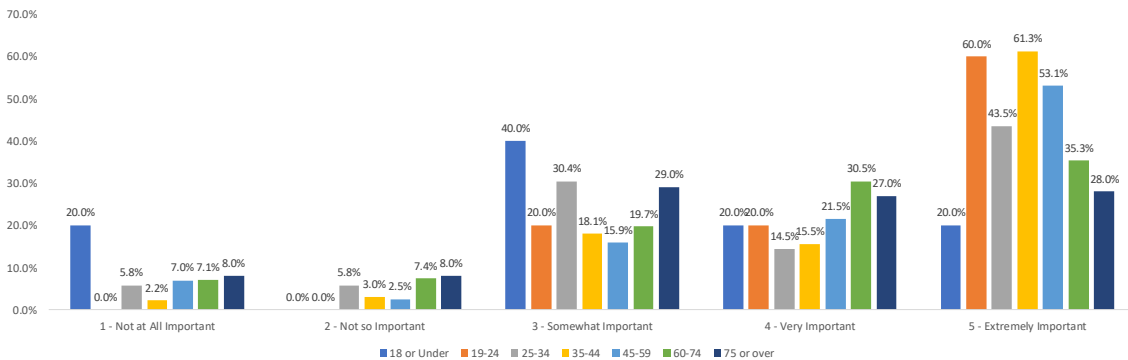
Number of responses



% of Responses by Gender



% of Responses by Age Group



Q62	Ensure town industrial parks are at or near full capacity with tenants.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	54 4.9%	85 7.7%	305 27.6%	329 29.8%	318 28.8%	14 1.3%	3.71

Male	14 3.6%	24 6.2%	102 26.4%	131 33.9%	115 29.8%		3.80
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Female	28 4.8%	47 8.1%	165 28.4%	178 30.6%	164 28.2%		3.69
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18 or under	1 10.0%	2 20.0%	4 40.0%	1 10.0%	2 20.0%		3.10
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	3 75.0%	1 25.0%	0 0.0%		3.25
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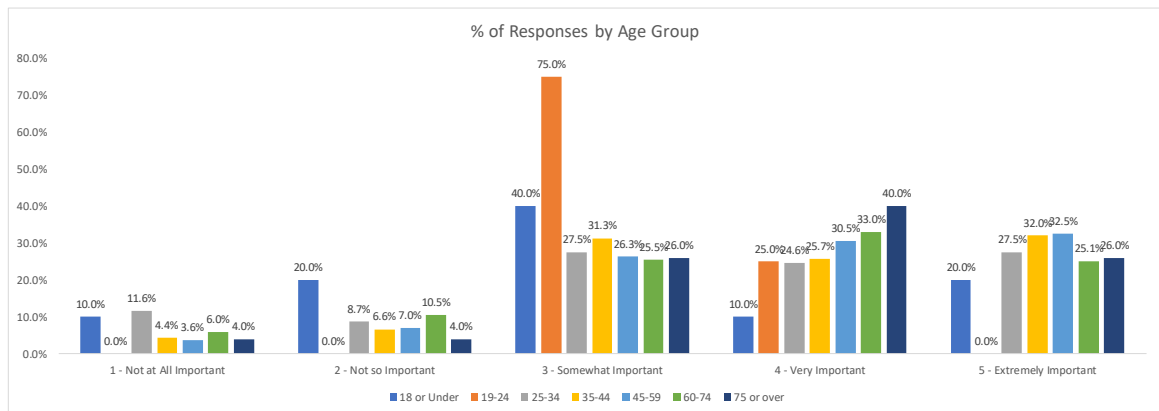
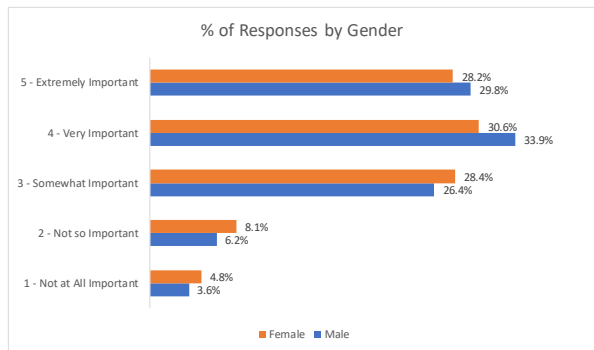
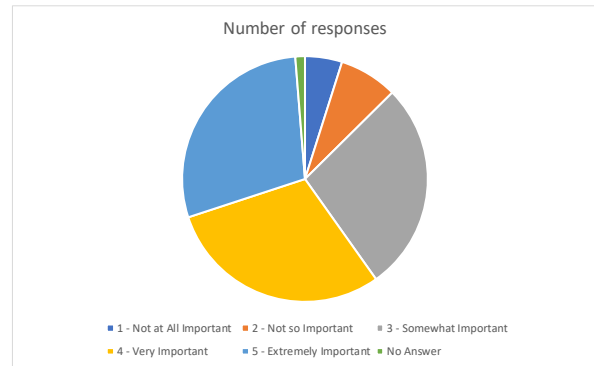
25 - 34	8 11.6%	6 8.7%	19 27.5%	17 24.6%	19 27.5%		3.48
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35 - 44	12 4.4%	18 6.6%	85 31.3%	70 25.7%	87 32.0%		3.74
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45 - 59	13 3.6%	25 7.0%	94 26.3%	109 30.5%	116 32.5%		3.81
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60 - 74	16 6.0%	28 10.5%	68 25.5%	88 33.0%	67 25.1%		3.61
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75 or over	4 4.0%	4 4.0%	26 26.0%	40 40.0%	26 26.0%		3.80
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Q63	Utilize incentives (i.e. rezoning, tax rate adjustments) to attract new businesses and expand commercial tax base.
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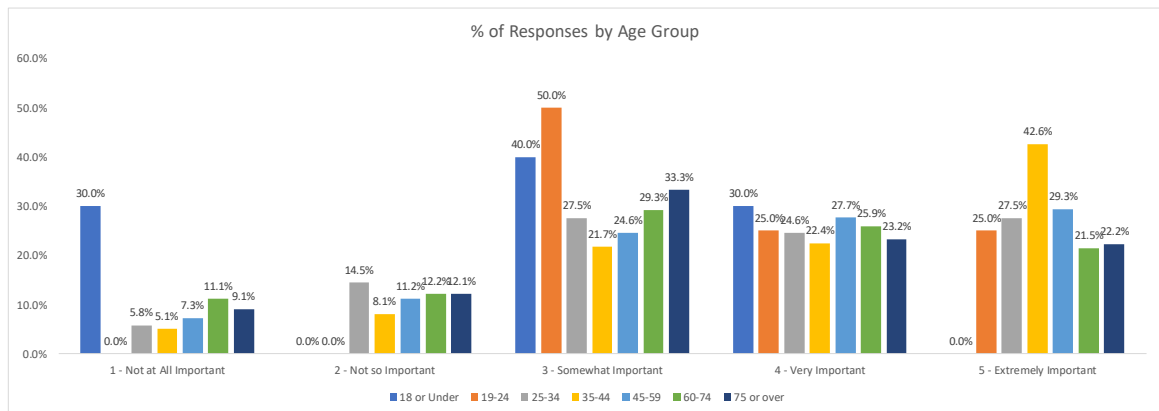
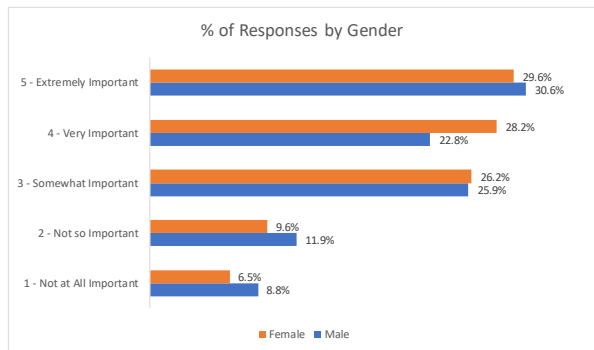
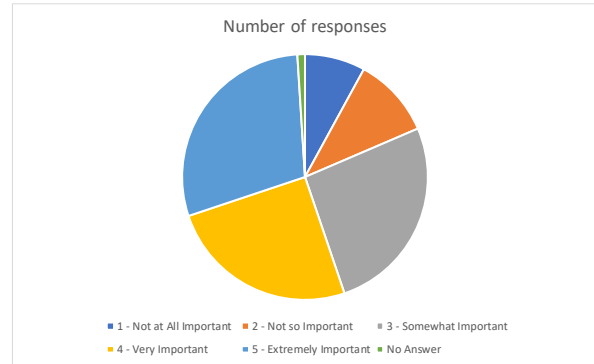
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Total	88 8.0%	117 10.6%	290 26.2%	277 25.1%	322 29.1%	11 1.0%	3.57

Male	34 8.8%	46 11.9%	100 25.9%	88 22.8%	118 30.6%		3.54
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Female	38 6.5%	56 9.6%	153 26.2%	165 28.2%	173 29.6%		3.65
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0.10

18 or under	3 30.0%	0 0.0%	4 40.0%	3 30.0%	0 0.0%		2.70
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	2 50.0%	1 25.0%	1 25.0%		3.75
25 - 34	4 5.8%	10 14.5%	19 27.5%	17 24.6%	19 27.5%		3.54
35 - 44	14 5.1%	22 8.1%	59 21.7%	61 22.4%	116 42.6%		3.89
45 - 59	26 7.3%	40 11.2%	88 24.6%	99 27.7%	105 29.3%		3.61
60 - 74	30 11.1%	33 12.2%	79 29.3%	70 25.9%	58 21.5%		3.34
75 or over	9 9.1%	12 12.1%	33 33.3%	23 23.2%	22 22.2%		3.37



Q64	Enhance enforcement mechanisms to address commercial property neglect, blight, nuisance, noise, and/or pollution.
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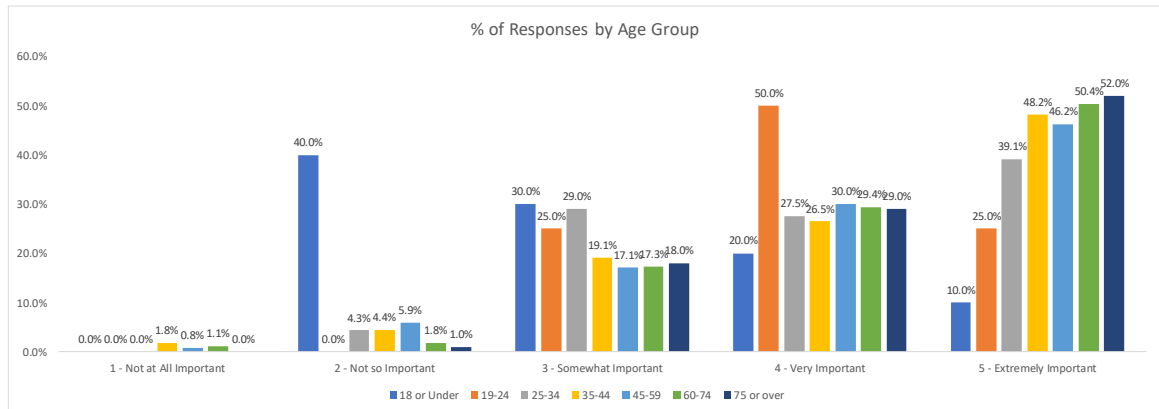
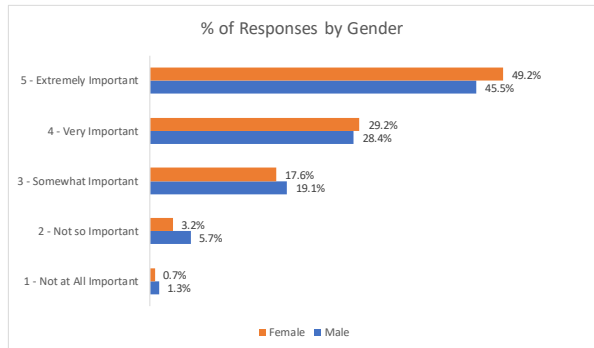
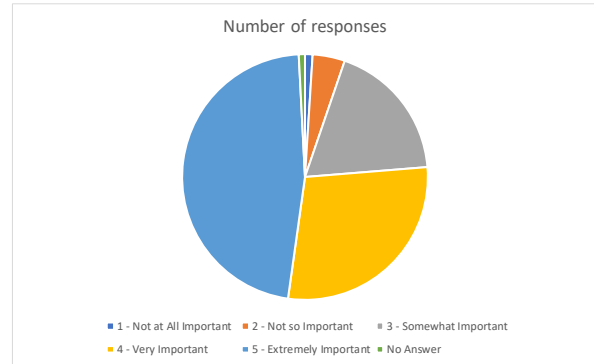
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Total	11 1.0%	47 4.3%	204 18.5%	315 28.5%	519 47.0%	9 0.8%	4.17

Male	5 1.3%	22 5.7%	74 19.1%	110 28.4%	176 45.5%		4.11
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Female	4 0.7%	19 3.2%	103 17.6%	171 29.2%	288 49.2%		4.23
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18 or under	0 0.0%	4 40.0%	3 30.0%	2 20.0%	1 10.0%		3.00
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 25.0%	2 50.0%	1 25.0%		4.00
25 - 34	0 0.0%	3 4.3%	20 29.0%	19 27.5%	27 39.1%		4.01
35 - 44	5 1.8%	12 4.4%	52 19.1%	72 26.5%	131 48.2%		4.15
45 - 59	3 0.8%	21 5.9%	61 17.1%	107 30.0%	165 46.2%		4.15
60 - 74	3 1.1%	5 1.8%	47 17.3%	80 29.4%	137 50.4%		4.26
75 or over	0 0.0%	1 1.0%	18 18.0%	29 29.0%	52 52.0%		4.32



#	What other economic goals do you recommend?	Time
1	Downtown business development and diversity	6/2/2022 16:55
2	driving development to ensure new high school	6/2/2022 17:01
3	traffic. fix lights downtown.	6/2/2022 17:08
4	Target incentives that build the downtown as more of a leisure destination. Restaurants, small entertainment venues, etc. However, we need design guidelines to make sure that the downtown continues to reflect a charming, new england aesthetic, not a strip mall.	6/2/2022 17:09
5	We need to have a new business committee that is working with govt and private investors looking for future revenue. 555 was great example of a good idea but minority voiced concern and it just went away. Can't be doing that as other future business won't come when they believe Holliston is not business friendly	6/2/2022 17:45
6	Encouraging new businesses to come to HOLLISTON, as long as they fit into the town space, meeting sustainability requirements, not adding major traffic to the town.	6/2/2022 17:45
7	Fill this town with businesses. No resident wants to pay more taxes. If businesses can turn their profit, they'd be more than happy to pay taxes to the town. The town needs to stop making it so difficult for value-add business from opening and operating especially on the front end	6/2/2022 18:43
8	Maybe having affordable rents so that places like Gracefully Restored did not have to leave town. Missed Jaspers coffee shop when they left also.	6/2/2022 18:47
9	#10 conflicts with the goals, if you are giving tax incentives then how does that pay for schools. Again, sick of this argument. Corporations will not care about Holliston. When have a big corporation in town now, it utilizes emergency response disproportionately. This is a "simple" gold ring sultan for those who are not willing to think deeply or do the hard work. Let's build office space and incubator space and incur innovation. Let's focus on general services and shops that help residents. Let's not clog the roads and hope the taxes don't get used up on law enforcement of permits and traffic and I stead pay for a school. Empty industrial space is private property not the towns responsibly. Some of the owners over price the property and write off as a loss. Tax that issue, but let's not think it is our job to fill those paces.	6/2/2022 19:16
10	Someone in town hall to reach out to small business. Never during the height of the pandemic (or at any other time) did I hear from anyone alerting me to grants or wondering how I was doing (friends who own businesses in other towns did have their town reach out). I made it through but others did not or are struggling.	6/2/2022 19:58
11	Be mindful of the types of tenets that the town allows in the industrial spaces.	6/2/2022 20:27
12	Be proactive ...hire an Economic Development director to actively recruit businesses or nothing will change!!!'	6/2/2022 20:45
13	We need more commercial businesses in town for more commercial tax revenues	6/2/2022 20:52

14	I would be interested in expanding the town sewer and what that would mean for the houses along Central and off Central.	6/2/2022 21:38
15	Focus on small business growth & sustainability downtown bring in more of the same. Get rid of abandoned buildings and replace with more shops, restaurants, etc to attract revenue to town. Keep moderate sized business in business park and big business out of town.	6/2/2022 22:06
16	I think we need to be very careful of rezoning. Im in favor of changing for businesses that fit our town and even the present day such as growth cannabis companies. However for companies that are not to the scale of our town like the proposed 555 hoping brook transfer tenant I am adamantly against it. Those size buildings do not belong anywhere in our town including industrial parks for a multitude of reasons.	6/2/2022 22:45
17	Create a downtown that is a destination.	6/3/2022 8:28
18	We need a Chamber of Commerce or dedicated business development person. Warehouses could easily be converted to indoor greenhouses and fit with our existing look/feel.	6/3/2022 9:03
19	sustainable businesses is not an economic goal. why does every category have something about sustainability? Who came up with these?	6/3/2022 9:12
20	The economic goals should be concentrated on saving the tax payers in this town money. Increased spending on anything should be strictly forbidden. Lowering tax rates on the residents of this town should be top priority. Anyone who suggests an override should be tarred and feathered and run out of town on a rail.	6/3/2022 9:59
21	Get some commercial businesses/restaurants to town for all to enjoy and to help decrease our taxes	6/3/2022 10:17
22	Utilize fines as a way to hold owners of neglected properties accountable. Use police enforcement of speed limits (ticketing) as a source of revenue for the town - that alone would bring in a small fortune	6/3/2022 10:53
23	In order to maintain the small town feeling of Holliston, we need to consider increasing the commercial tax rate.	6/3/2022 11:02
24	Build a new high school. If the schools aren't top notch, why would anyone move to Holliston with it's high tax rate and distance from so much?	6/3/2022 11:21
25	Have strong by-laws as to commercial/industrial development	6/3/2022 12:40
26	This survey is not comprehensive enough to provide feedback on economic development. I would like to see the town pay for consulting services to develop an economic plan(s)/projections to illustrate the impact of varying types of businesses.	6/3/2022 14:20
27	The need of a sewer system for ALL regardless whether it is business or housing should always be high on a priority list.	6/3/2022 18:09
28	Force blighted downtown properties to clean up to attract new businesses but not new used car lots. Just because they pay property taxes shouldn't mean they have the right to neglect the property. It says to me Holliston doesn't really care. All the used car lots say the same thing. Stop telling us you care about the downtown and around the corner market area when you don't show it at all.	6/3/2022 19:50
29	blanks = not sure; I am not well-enough informed	6/5/2022 10:19

30	Be much more business friendly to attract businesses and alot more commercial tax revenue to Holliston. Property taxes for residents are much too high. The only way to alleviate that is to bring in a much more significant amount of commercial tax revenue. Work to make property taxes much lower for residents.	6/5/2022 16:26
31	Add onto Question 11: enforce penalties regarding unlawful tree removals and violations of wetland permitting	6/6/2022 9:51
32	Light industry and offices to fill up industrial parks. Several buildings underutilized.	
32	No huge companies with hundreds of trucks & cars that will destroy the rural nature of Holliston.	6/6/2022 11:43
33	Utilitlize incentives for diversifying and attracting new business as long as the rules are clear about size, traffic, pollution limitations that would adversely affect residents, the environment, and Town character so as not to get ourselves into a 555 Hopping Brook problem again	6/6/2022 14:02
34	These questions are hard to answer without knowing how much money things cost. Of course all sound great but if we can't afford everything I'd rather forced ranking.	6/6/2022 17:52
35	#3 and 4 seem arbitrary and lofty	6/7/2022 16:13
36	We need business to keep town running but need to make sure that the charm of Holliston is not lost	6/7/2022 17:33
37	Would love more businesses to lower residents taxes	6/7/2022 18:18
38	More businesses, more stuff to do in town, less residential taxes	6/7/2022 21:22
39	Attract businesses that will be amenities to the community and attract visitors	6/7/2022 21:48
40	New downtown!	6/8/2022 6:59
41	SEWER TO DOWNTOWN!!! Bring in more restaurants, bakeries, cafes, ice cream shops to downtown, not the outskirts!!	6/8/2022 9:41
42	expanding sewer downtown is extremely important to attract more businesses and increase our tax base. In order to grow as a town and be able to maintain and better our current services, we need to increase our revenues. Commercial base income is a great way for Holliston to increase revenues and be able to bring more or maintain current services tot he town. Many other towns around us benefit for commercial revenues. A small improvement in our commercial base would be extremely beneficial to the town.	6/8/2022 11:05
43	Bringing in large corporations will completely change Holliston for the worse. We will lose our small town charm. We should focus on re zoning the 7 industrial parks into some commercial space that can also accommodate water/sewage. Adding water and sewer down town is cost effective. Most of these industrial parks aren't benefiting us tax wise. Some businesses do but it comes at a cost. We need businesses that fit the footprint of Holliston. That add real value to the community. It's maddening to think some of these businesses pay the same rates as residents but reek havoc on other residents. Traffic, Pollution, Noise... etc	6/8/2022 14:31

	Questions should have a ranking vs other goals: one choice may counter another choice. I.e. want to pay less taxes but don't want any commerce in industrial parks; want a new school but no new taxes, etc	6/8/2022 21:42
44		
	Town sewer is a necessity in the downtown business district and to Rossini Corner (Bertucci's). Currently prohibitive for a table-service restaurant to operate in Holliston due to need to frequently pump septic/holding tank.	6/9/2022 13:12
45		
	You got it covered except perhaps more active engagement with chambers, advertising, etc. to get large corporations to come here - video might help	6/9/2022 15:52
46		
	Stability of businesses - too much turnover	6/9/2022 20:24
47		
	Do not over regulate businesses.	6/9/2022 20:42
48		
	I don't understand how preserving the current tax basis ration preserves the character of the town. Does one directly impact the other?	
	I do not necessarily agree with tax incentives for new business growth but am curious to see the long term benefit. Do businesses stay after they have received the tax break? Does it actually provide a benefit in the long term?	6/10/2022 14:11
49		
	More restaurants?	6/10/2022 15:13
50		
	Greater investment in schools, but better oversight to ensure they use that money properly. Our schools ranking a have tanked in the last 10 yrs, we don't compensate our teachers as well as other towns, our grounds (except the football field) are run down...where does the money go? Appears to go for passion projects of the administration.	6/11/2022 8:57
51		
	The town should welcome new business that has promise to be a good neighbor to the community, but it should not be expending tax dollars to encourage or benefit any private enterprise.	6/12/2022 11:35
52		
	absolutely need to grow commercial tax revenue to reinvest in school and lower residential tax rate, BUT shouldn't do this by growing industrials like 555. Focus on downtown and office space.	6/13/2022 9:02
53		
	Question #4 in this section is poorly worded. The 87/13 split is too defined and leading.	6/13/2022 13:56
54		
	I don't understand #8 -- "expand" town sewer? We don't have town sewer. What's to expand?	6/13/2022 19:22
55		
	Carefully look at any new or existing business to see what they will add or detract from the Holliston community. A long range plan is desperately needed.	
56		
	Large developments with lots of traffic will destroy the character of Holliston.	6/14/2022 15:26
57		
	I would like to see Washington St implemented as a quiet "no engine braking" zone. I accept it's a busy thoroughfare through town but the trucks are very loud and take away from the charm of the historic district.	6/14/2022 17:19
58		
	Expansion of businesses that build charm, commerce, and community (and are useful to the community like a gym, more restaurants, YMCA, Co-op, or Trader Joe's). NOT things like car storage or asphalt recycling. Also what can be done about run down looking buildings/business parks (such as 118 Washington street, and the general area around Bertucci's). It would be amazing to have a downtown feel like Concord- still charming but very vibrant.	6/14/2022 18:20

59	Be business friendly as currently we are not	6/14/2022 22:10
60	The Planning Board should make decisions based on evidence and whether performance standards are met, rather than feelings and personal opinions	6/15/2022 9:33
61	careful vetting of proposed business with traffic and noise issues a high priority	6/15/2022 10:03
62	I wonder if we have ever engaged a market research firm to better understand how we can attract businesses? What makes us attractive/unattractive and how can we increase/attract the kind businesses we want. Clearly Amazon was too big, but how do we get the kind of interest we want? I don't think making a video showcasing older white people was the right move.	6/15/2022 10:04
63	How about stop turning down every new potential tax generator when they come to the town? Your residents are taxed more than they can afford and yet there is nothing done to relieve the tax burden by bringing in industry, especially when that industry is placed in industrial parks. All the things on this survey require money that we simply dont have. Its time to wake up and realize that the town needs to develop. Sewers for downtown business district are a great idea but not a single residential building should be able to tap into them without the rest of the town getting sewers as well. Tired of the area between School and Church Sts getting all the priority. Holliston is much bigger than just that area.	6/15/2022 10:37
64	Balance commercial growth with small town charm, not big warehouse offerings, but goods and services that support the local community. Great example: the Boston honey company, charming space, honey and ice cream; accessible by rail trail. Win, win, win!	6/15/2022 11:08
65	The town must be more business friendly without losing its small town character. We need more business in town, We MUST get more activity into our industrial parks. The only way to help with our tax rate issue is to attract business to the town	6/15/2022 11:13
66	Support small business	6/15/2022 11:30
67	Sewer for all - welcome to 2022.	6/15/2022 11:35
68	decrease taxes on small businesses so that they can maintain and stay in business-especially now that we are going into a recession	6/15/2022 11:44
69	Money should not be the bottom line when considering any development. Health and quality of life matter more. In industrial parks and other commercial development, who defines "existing QUALIFYING businesses"? Keep the Planning Board strong, and preserve the values of the last town mission statement. Cut the red tape to starting a new business. Consider helping small businesses with trash removal.	6/15/2022 12:55
70	We need to be more open to development, especially commercial, ranging from small business/retail to industrial. The town is far too focused on NIMBYism shrouded in arguments around "town character."	6/15/2022 13:15
71	We need more restaurants, a bakery , etc	6/15/2022 13:29
72	Diversity and innovation in attracting new businesses to town	6/15/2022 13:36

73	Long term planning should guide all decisions. Do not incentivize economic activity for corporations, this is a race to the bottom and the corporations will simply leave if another location offers a better deal.	6/15/2022 13:52
74	Our town needs to have a corporation commercial supermarket, not a small business. This is a tax income for our town. We current spent most of our money to next towns. Our small business are located in the downtown, they often more pricey and do not have everything you are required on daily.	6/15/2022 13:59
75	Expand wastewater collection and treatment to entire town. Consider low pressure sewer systems for lower startup cost.	6/15/2022 14:39
76	Increase number of restaurants	6/15/2022 15:39
77	While increasing the buildout of our industrial parks is economically important, we ought not to do so with distribution centers and fulfillment facilities that will clog our roads with large, commercial trucks! While new sources of tax revenue are a positive, they're erased if there is an opportunity cost to the residents quality of life!	6/15/2022 16:35
78	"Preserve the current residential/commercial tax base ratio of 87% / 13% to retain the character of the town." - The crux of it all! Who do we want to be? Franklin? Sherborn? Somewhere in the middle?	6/15/2022 17:29
79	Sewer for all town not just downtown!!	6/15/2022 18:04
80	Prevent life sucking companies such as AMAZON from taking over the streets and developments in town Obtain/negotiate elimination of eye sore abandoned GULF station downtown Holliston	6/16/2022 14:42
81	Use ARPA funds for its intended purpose-to address the negative impacts caused by Covid-19 on Holliston's small business community. To date (6/16/22) not one ARPA dollar has been spent to help our small business community mitigate losses and to adapt to the consumer.	6/16/2022 16:33
82	Eliminate all unnecessary tax funded programs and services. Be fair and realistic regarding pensions, and don't put the town in debt.	6/16/2022 19:03
83	Expanding Sewer to just downtown seems like a big expense to just benefit the most elite part of the town. Also expanding just for commercial doesnt seem to be enough to justify the tax increase that could come	6/17/2022 9:52

4. Preserve the current residential/commercial tax base ratio of 87% / 13% to retain the character of the town.

I am not familiar with that ratio. I thought residential and commercial property paid the same mil rate. I am not sure about how commercial property values are assessed.

5. Expand the commercial tax base to benefit municipal services, schools and affordability..

I think we need to look at how commercial properties are assessed and if the town is assessing it properly and why there are vacant properties. Are the land owners charging to high rents?

10. Utilize incentives (i.e. rezoning, tax rate adjustments) to attract new businesses and expand commercial tax base. We need to look at the differential between what a commercial land lord is paying in taxes and how much he is charging his tenants and why he can keep his property vacant and underutilized and still pay the taxes just to hold it as speculative investment.

84		6/17/2022 14:39
85	Take size of business into account when taxing, to promote smaller businesses and deter larger ones	6/17/2022 15:40
86	Develop ways to prevent this spring's Bubbling Brook development fiasco	6/17/2022 16:09
87	It is okay to have unused fields and properties.	6/17/2022 17:22
88	Attract Minority Business Enterprises (MBEs), Women Business Enterprises (WBEs), Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Business Enterprises (LGBTBEs) etc.	6/17/2022 17:26
89	Increase development in already developed areas to increase revenue without disturbing green spaces	6/18/2022 13:50
90	Gas station downtown maintenance	6/19/2022 14:21
91	I think caution here-- Hopping Brook "Amazon" and neighbors may continue to be a problem. The noise level from the Park now is a problem. Money vs. the environment.	6/19/2022 19:33
92	None, we're doing fine. Important to retain a single tax rate.	6/20/2022 10:47

expanding the tax base in a way that is a good trade between preserving character and modernizing the town via increased tax base. We are falling behind other towns for public spaces, school facilities etc. Bar Athena is a top quality restaurant without access to a sewer while we have the chain restaurant many would be opposed to ever moving in securing a sewer connection.

93		6/20/2022 12:00
94	We need town sewer!!!!	6/20/2022 14:20
95	do not agree with sewer downtown, didn,t realize we had any to Enhance uptown	6/20/2022 17:42
96	Fully fund local municipalities - police, fire, schools, etc.	6/21/2022 8:49
97	Reduce tax rates for seniors	6/21/2022 9:51

98	When I think of Holliston - it's charm and character never come to my mind. I think about the environment and the community of people I know. "Charm" and "character" are ways to create a town that is not diverse, welcoming or forward thinking. Wouldn't it be better to be described as innovative, progressive and ahead if its time? Holliston doesn't have to turn into a commercial district to do that. The town just needs to let go of the assumption that "character" is a selling point. The last thing we thought about when buying our house 14 years ago was the "character".	6/21/2022 17:00
99	I will reiterate that we need to create our own revenue through recreational developments. Health and jobs in Holliston keep Holliston money in Holliston	6/21/2022 22:44
100	not allowing a massive 24/7 distribution center to ruin town	6/22/2022 10:09
101	ensure character of town is not impacted by commercial growth -- carefully consider the impact on residents, residential areas and school/over-all zoning laws	6/22/2022 10:10
102	Tax rate for businesses should be higher	6/22/2022 10:14
103	No tax deals for companies. These are predatory and put communities against one another.	6/22/2022 10:31
104	Again, I believe this is the most significant challenge of this community.	6/22/2022 10:44
105	Big issue that needs to be addressed.	6/22/2022 10:50
106	Engage town youth in creative activities like mural paintings to address blight issues	6/22/2022 11:03
107	Continue to work against new businesses that would greatly increase traffic/pollution, but actively open doors to those who won't instead of making it so hard for anything but a liquor store or auto-shop to open.	6/22/2022 11:43
108	Enforce current laws and regulations, specifically where ignored in Lowland area	6/22/2022 11:48
109	with expansion and incentives aimed at commercial growth we need clear guidelines on the types of businesses. For example 2 million square feet of warehouse space with 2k-3k trucks per day is not acceptable. Same with a parking lot for the auto auction house, nor do we need more cannabis farms. Let's be strategic by focusing on bringing R&D centers for biotech and high tech industries, for example.	6/22/2022 12:24
110	We need to ensure that the new businesses we attract are sustainable for the town. Business that create too much traffic are unsustainable as the town has only a few roads that can handle large truck traffic. (Watching an 18 wheeler turn from Rte 16 onto Central Street is scary and not safe). Just a reminder Rte 16 is the only direct route from Milford to Holliston. As far as downtown is concerned, perhaps with a sewerage system and more municipal parking we could have more restaurants in town.	6/22/2022 14:42
111	I don't really know the answers to 4, 6 and 7. However I know that we should NEVER have big truck/car projects like 555 Hopping Brook and Adesa that will increase traffic, pollution and road damage.	6/22/2022 15:15
112	Keep traffic functional	6/22/2022 16:33
113	More restaurants!	6/22/2022 20:53

114	I don't want distribution and fulfillment centers in our industrial parks. The increase in truck traffic, pollution (noise and air), as well as being a danger to wildlife make this option not appealing.	6/22/2022 21:56
115	I am concerned that if sewers are put in downtown that some of the existing vacant lots would be developed. I am also concerned about the traffic that goes through town during rush hour and specifically the number of large trucks that fly down Washington St. coming to and from the Industrial Parks.	6/23/2022 6:06
116	Creation of a new high school	6/23/2022 6:48
117	businesses need to be complimentary to what residents need - like DAYCARE!!!! after school programs, urgent care, etc.	6/23/2022 10:48
118	guess... .GET RID OF FAFARD!	6/23/2022 14:07
119	Commercial investment but only if it does not affect community quality of life	6/23/2022 14:11
120	Town sewers for all!!! We blew it when we didn't do this. Clean up downtown. Try to keep all of the large trucks from traveling through the center of downtown.	6/23/2022 14:14
121	Taking our existing infrastructure into consideration when attracting new businesses.	6/23/2022 14:19
122	Encourage commercial activity but not at the expense of livability factors (eg. no massive trucks on tiny residential roads)	6/23/2022 14:20
123	More business = more tax revenue for the town = the better we can support our town's programs. Obviously we want those business to be in the character of Holliston - and share our values. But we absolutely want to incentivize business to come - and thrive in! - Holliston.	6/23/2022 14:20
124	Before increasing town spending and taxes, look at how we can increase commercialization to keep taxes down. We pay a lot in taxes in Holliston, it would be nice if it were a little cheaper to make it more affordable to others	6/23/2022 14:31
125	Encourage SMBs to set up in Holliston. The residential taxes for a town that has literally no amenities or shopping facilities is exorbitant. I stay in Holliston and pay taxes but shop in Ashland and Framingham for most things because there is nothing in Holliston	6/23/2022 14:32
126	Find a way to reduce taxes. Spend less!	6/23/2022 14:34
127	Expand town sewer	6/23/2022 15:03
128	Health and safety come before businesses and profit	6/23/2022 15:26
129	Attract the right businesses for Holliston. What mechanisms are in place to prevent another attempt to put in an Amazon or Amazon-like distribution center?	6/23/2022 15:27
130	Bring in new businesses	6/23/2022 15:45
131	We need commercial business in this town to help with the heavy tax burden residents currently have. There are many eyesores downtown that need to be dealt with. Business are up and leaving and nobody around to replace, then what? It is turning into a ghost town. There has to be a balance with quaint town and building business.	6/23/2022 15:45

132	Supporting local businesses that will reflect the future of Holliston while preserving the small town atmosphere is a great thing. There isn't nearly enough stuff to do on a daily basis. No Starbucks tho ;)	6/23/2022 15:52
133	Encourage knowledge based businesses (rather than manufacturing). Just because the industrial park typically has manufacturing related businesses, doesn't mean it needs to continue that way. Hire consultants/marketing teams to develop a plan to encourage IT related businesses.	6/23/2022 16:21
134	We need more businesses - number and variety	6/23/2022 16:22
135	Expanding sewers!!!! All commercial spaces need a face lift. Updating but keeping New England charm that is clean and fresh. Also setting signage laws. Many commercial spaces have all different types, sizes, material, lighting differences. There needs to be a cohesion to signage throughout the town that creates a sense of regulation. As a small business owner in a neighboring town, signage standards and window display laws are extremely regimented and required board approval. As it is tedious and a long process it is necessary to ensure aesthetics and values of town are met.	6/23/2022 16:26
136	Attract more independent restaurants, bars, cafes, and other eateries.	6/23/2022 16:28
137	Bring in more businesses. The business taxes would hopefully lower residential taxes. Seems like some in Holliston want the small town 'Mayberry' feel, but will agree to large home neighborhoods. We need business and residential taxes.	6/23/2022 16:28
138	Continue to oppose the development of a large distribution facility at 555 Hopping Brook	6/23/2022 16:31
139	Raise taxes on businesses	6/23/2022 16:34
140	Just get more real businesses in this town that will be useful to residents day to day life. No more banks please.	6/23/2022 16:35
141	Stop doing things that hurt residents just to get business. Hoppingbrook Park starts their banging that sounds like bombs at 5am, police and town don't care. Really wish I could sleep past 5am. Rail trail has also increased crime and noise for residents with no help from the town.	6/23/2022 16:52
142	We're all in favor of doing what it takes to get new businesses (restaurants & shops) into downtown, and support those that are there already.	6/23/2022 19:14
143	no large warehouses, no 24/7 operations that increase noise and traffic	6/23/2022 20:59
144	Attract more businesses to Holliston	6/23/2022 21:48
145	Reverse that commercial to residential tax ratio to make commercial properties pay a much higher percentage of taxes and residential properties to pay a much lower percentage of taxes.	6/23/2022 22:14
146	People need a place to park if they are going to frequent business. There needs to be a balance.	6/23/2022 22:44
147	Stop that massive transportation trucking center at 555 Hopping Brook	6/23/2022 23:30
148	Let's get off of septic!	6/24/2022 8:46
149	Expanding town sewer would be good for residents too and not limited to downtown	6/24/2022 8:50
150	grant money to businesses along 16/126 to upgrade curb appeal, signage to reflect the actual character of town	6/24/2022 9:20

151	Town sewers. We need public social settings like restaurants and cafes now more than ever. Not just for the enjoyment aspect, and to attract people to want to live here, but to support all those adults working remotely who need a place with free WiFi or to host a customer meeting etc.	6/24/2022 14:59
152	We need a broader tax base with no vacancies in the industrial area. Older residents are tax poor.	6/25/2022 5:23
153	Town sewer is a no brainer. This should have been taken care of years ago.	6/25/2022 7:38
154	Do not increase residential taxes	6/25/2022 18:26
155	Pay attention to what is going into industrial space next to housing and traffic effects	6/26/2022 5:46
156	Would like to see corps. & businesses Pay a higher tax rate without making Holliston business unfriendly	6/26/2022 10:08
157	Growth needs to closely managed, it can easily get out of hand. How might the town ensure industrial parks are full?	6/26/2022 11:53
158	Again, be realistic - you cannot please everyone all of the time. Some of the things that are best for the town, bringing in more business (esp in areas zoned for said business/industrial use) is good for the town. People who say no to development have to understand that their "no" impacts many other town services when that income doesn't come in.	6/27/2022 9:14
159	We need a larger tax base if we want to fund projects like full time fire department. Have to make some compromises. Increasing our commercial tax base is high priority.	6/27/2022 11:41

160	Questions 4 and 5 are presented out of context. People need to understand the implications of question 4. Question 5 could be extremely important/helpful in generating revenue, but ultimately it would change the ratio presented in #4 if property taxes are not also raised. That's actually a good thing (depending on the nature of commercial development), but do people realize that when they answer #4? The ratio is not necessarily what's important - HOW we generate commercial revenue (the number, type and location of commercial operations) ultimately is the key to maintaining the character of the community. Ideally we could dramatically reduce our dependency on property taxes and hence the ratio. But the the question is phrased implies that the current ratio is optimal and essential to maintaining the character of the town.	6/27/2022 11:52
161	work to build commercial tax base. ratio is unsustainable for most people	6/27/2022 18:36
162	We need more sources of revenue to improve education and lower taxes for residents	6/27/2022 18:56
163	Allow big commercial businesses in the industrial parks to grow tax base to support the growth of the other towns needs like Sewage to enable small Restaurants to open up	6/28/2022 8:53
164	Please reply open the gulf station downtown- it looks terrible. The competition will be good for the Mobil station next door. Always had two stations downtown!!!	6/28/2022 11:13

	Echoing point #8: I know it's going to be expensive, and may change the character of the downtown, and won't do anything directly for my Braggville neighborhood; but putting the underutilized sewer capacity off Woodland St. to work by extending it to the downtown area... this idea seems like it's too intriguing to pass up. Something needs to be done to force the town out of the status quo, and this could be it. The proposal should be thoroughly studied and the public kept informed at all stages.	6/28/2022 21:04
165		
166	Expand commercial tax base! We need to invest properly in our schools!	6/29/2022 0:07
167	Balanced with climate/environment impact	6/29/2022 13:59
168	Keep the small town feel, only bring in small/local businesses	6/29/2022 14:09
169	Bring more restaurants and entertainment options to tow.	6/29/2022 20:28
	Lower taxes for businesses, incentivize local hires, lower taxes for residents.	
170	Eliminate town pensions as will always be chasing a massive liability	6/29/2022 20:48
	Please, please, please expand town sewer. And for the love of god please	
171	increase the size of trash bins!	6/29/2022 21:19
172	Bring in businesses to help with the taxes.	6/30/2022 6:56
	We need to come up with solution for industrial growth. Entrant and exit to 495 so that trucks aren't meandering through three towns and force them all to use that route. We also need to determine routings through downtown. Similar to midway with center lane, traffic improved so much through midway after that total project completion.	
173		6/30/2022 9:44
	Small business that add character and opportunities for all. do not accept excessively large companies that look to develop in ways that destroy character of town, destroy wetlands and nature, create gridlock and traffic, noise pollution and large vehicles that speed and damage roadways.	
174		6/30/2022 10:08
	GET GAS STATION SUPER FUND SITE (OLD GULF STATION) REMOVED AND	
175	PAVED FOR PARKING IF NOTHING ELSE.	6/30/2022 10:37
176	I support the economic growth of the town!	6/30/2022 21:31
177	Have enhancement mechanisms in #11 for residential properites.	7/1/2022 15:33
178	Enhance enforcement mechanisms for residential properties	7/1/2022 15:40
	Continue leaning into the cannabis industry. offer lower host community	
179	agreement impact fees to attract more cannabis business	7/2/2022 17:53
	Tough for small businesses here in town. Needs sewers in DT area or we will	
180	never have reasons to not spend \$ elsewhere. More restaurants needed.	7/2/2022 18:46
	Many of the industrial park buildings on Lowland and Jeffrey Ave are empty with "for lease" signs on them. DO NOT allow building of any more industrial type structures/town buildings, without tapping into those existing buildings. If any industry wants to build here, they need to use one of those empty buildings first. I'm sure there are more such empty buildings on Hopping Brook. I also heard that there is some talk of building a new town facility on a lot that would require clearcutting a lot of older trees. This is absurd. There are so many	
181	choices in buildings around town - work with those first before building new.	7/4/2022 9:26
	A business level close to half of the tax base to control residential real estate	
182	taxes	7/5/2022 9:29

183	Would love to have sewer downtown to attract small restaurants and bars. The downtown has limited food options now and would love to attract more small businesses and breweries.	7/5/2022 9:41
184	Don't let big business into Holliston	7/5/2022 16:31
185	More commercial businesses to lower tax cost	7/5/2022 22:13
186	Local jobs and a vibrant economy are vital and should be actively promoted. I believe in property owner rights so I'm not sure about ensuring agricultural use.	7/7/2022 9:40
187	Updating infrastructure to attract new businesses. Increasing commercial tax base to fund infrastructure and school improvements. Seek state and federal funding to also update infrastructure	7/8/2022 11:40
188	pass Hoppingbrook !! - find additional ways to attract new businesses, update infrastructure, add solar panels to large industrial parks/businesses	7/9/2022 1:19
189	More specialized resources to provide support for local economic development administration either from Fed, or state, or public / private partnerships	7/9/2022 8:09
190	Dramatically offset the tax burden to corporations. Make it attractive to do so. Our proximity to 495 needs to be exploited for our benefit. This is not a bedroom community.	7/9/2022 20:34
191	Economic revitalization of downtown area	7/10/2022 19:03
192	Do something to make sure all businesses are operating with license and paying fair share of taxes. No legit business wants to locate in an industrial area that's rundown.	7/11/2022 12:07
193	WE need commercial building with responsible tenants. We need companies that are quiet and hire people (like Ty Wood on Lowland). I have concerns about sewers in downtown because we don't want to pay to increase the value of the property owners.	7/12/2022 21:13
194	Support the businesses we have instead of trying to bring more in. Many are struggling and we don't want lots of boarded up storefronts downtown,	7/13/2022 10:31
195	There are some really good ideas here. I would add, incentivize small businesses owned by people from underrepresented groups (women owned, immigrant-owned, black-owned, queer owned).	7/14/2022 16:57
196	stop 555	7/17/2022 7:50
197	fight hopping brook CMG proposal	7/17/2022 22:02
198	I'd love to see a small fund to help small businesses improve their "curb appeal" to get customers in from the street such as window boxes, signage etc.	7/18/2022 10:05
199	Limit business types. We don't need more banks, convenience stores, car stores, liquor stores. Diversify to attract.	7/18/2022 11:18
200	Really need to ask businesses what they need to stay profitable and that in turn would help bring in new business if the existing issues were addressed.	7/18/2022 14:21
201	While attracting/retaining businesses with appropriate size and scope for our small town, ensure we do not have any more proposals for oversized warehouses (555) that get 'approved' by the town and have to be 'fought' by town residents. That was an easy 'No' at step one of the process.	7/18/2022 14:48

202	leave the farmers be what they do on their land is up the them.	7/18/2022 15:07
203	Town sewer has nothing to do with downtown there is no parking and green street isn't going to help	7/18/2022 16:13
204	Tavern downtown!	7/18/2022 16:26
205	promote small business that people want. There are several places downtown that no one goes in to or they're never open. Use the spaces for restaurants or small shops not a med spa	7/18/2022 16:47
206	The downtown sewer project is critical for environmental health if our community.	7/18/2022 17:23
207	more small business	7/18/2022 18:10
208	Commercial tax base is essential to meet town needs	7/18/2022 20:07
209	Sewer system for entire town - not just downtown area. Develop small malls in extended areas of town.	7/18/2022 20:21
210	I wasn't aware that there was a town sewer system to expand. Would be nice if the town had gone sewer 20 years back when it had the chance. Would allow us to have more cafes and restaurants for ours and neighboring towns residents and bring more money into the town. Archaic sewer system and poor water quality hurt this town.	7/18/2022 20:38
211	as we saw with the 555 hopping brook debacle, the bylaws need to be immediately adjusted so that mega buildings don't sneak into town. An expanding tax base is good. A rote 16 parking lot worse than what we have is a nightmare	7/18/2022 23:33
212	Reduce tax to home owners. It's so expensive and does nothing but go up every year.	7/19/2022 9:00
213	I have seen in my 25 years of life what corporations have done to the small town appeal of my hometown of Framingham and I do not want to see that happen here	7/19/2022 9:11
214	Balance business and residential growth with traffic. Tough to get through town now.	7/19/2022 10:12
215	Attracting big businesses and companies for enhancing commercial tax base - to create jobs, bring younger families, reduce tax burden on home owners	7/19/2022 11:03
216	I love the quaintness of the town, but we need to do more to lower the tax rate and expand business. Doesn't matter how cute a town is if ppl can't afford to live here.	7/19/2022 12:23
217	expand investment in teachers and support staff. Investment is needed to attract and retain the young talented and inspired teachers & staff. Without it, Holliston will continue to fall in the state rankings and fewer and fewer young families will move into town & stay through HS	7/19/2022 12:58

	Our downtown area has an opportunity for revitalization and to leverage our existing resources in a way that makes what we have attractive to people in other towns and in our own town. For example, in Boston, the Boston Public Market (https://bostonpublicmarket.org/) has been hugely successful in just being an open space for vendors and creating a centralized location for consumers. We have SO many farms out here that sell anything and everything, why cant revitalize a space downtown or in one of our empty industrial parks to create something like Boston Public Market? Additionally, our famers market is so sad compared to other towns despite the amount of farms we have. Can we invest in the marketing and recruitment of vendors to our farmers market? There are also so many local buisnesses and places off of Washington Street I never knew about because there is no localized information to learn about all the buisnesses in town or even a sign. If we could have a big map or signage in the center of town that shows all the different buisnesses throughout town, it would increase awareness and encourage people to go beyond Washington	
218	Street.	7/19/2022 13:47
219	Give seniors a better property tax break. Many towns put a top limit on what they pay. Our town offers a tiny incentive for the very poor. It is getting harder and harder to afford my taxes.	7/19/2022 13:57
220	Do something about that gas station in the center of town that has not been used	7/19/2022 14:57
221	Allow special permits for certain industries to have business run outside commercial zoning. Example: selling baked goods from your home.	7/19/2022 17:32
222	More local and family businesses downtown	7/19/2022 18:10
223	I generally prefer to support small businesses over large corporations. Large corporations do what's best for their bottom line. Small businesses do what's best for their business and their community. I'm not sure why, but something is often lost when a small business becomes big.	7/19/2022 22:42
224	It is trivial, but I would love to see a Mexican restaurant or family friendly pub restaurant in Holliston. I frequently go to surrounding towns for dining out and would love to support Holliston businesses.	7/20/2022 7:17
225	More commercial tax base would be good recognizing the impact on neighborhoods close by. Is there a way to balance growth and still meet the needs of residents.	7/20/2022 7:30
226	Make walking downtown more convenient....better communication of businesses available in town,	7/20/2022 9:20
227	New restaurants and stores in downtown are a must!	7/20/2022 11:10
228	Town wide sewers	7/20/2022 12:41
229	proper sewer system to allow restaurants to open here	7/20/2022 13:25
230	Parking. Business downtown will be stifled until convenient parking is greatly improved.	7/20/2022 14:37
231	Town sewer would be great for the entire town not just the select few in the mudville/downtown area that has been proposed.	7/20/2022 15:53

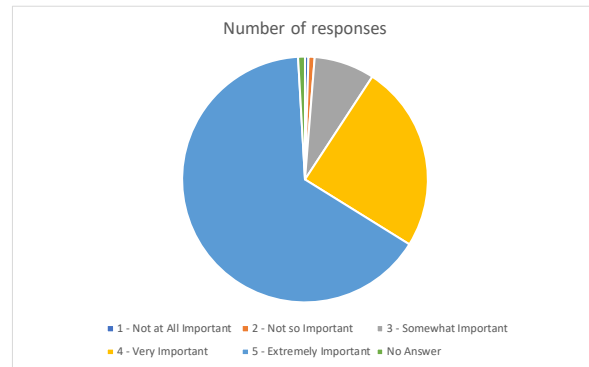
	Without major developments that will impact the character of the town it is very unlikely that the 87%/13% ratio will ever move much. The town needs to understand that. Lots of small mom and pop businesses would barely move the needle. I recognize and accept that as a resident I will bear most of the tax burden as the cost of maintaining the small town feel that I value.	7/20/2022 19:35
232		
233	Do not give tax breaks to corporations. Ever. Small, local businesses maybe.	7/21/2022 8:05
234	Improve parking in downtown business area	7/21/2022 11:56
	How about taxing empty rental space at a higher rate than a fully rented property.	7/21/2022 18:36
235		
236	Comment--questions are hard to answer without much more information and context. Not sure you're getting very good data here.	7/22/2022 10:48
	I support more small businesses coming to Holliston but larger businesses and more industrial parks will make the traffic even worse than it already is and shift the character of the town. I don't think the extra tax money is worth the negative impact.	7/22/2022 11:34
237		
238	When adding commercial properties be considerate of neighborhoods. Don't raise tax base to detriment of small businesses. Lower tax burden on residents when possible.	7/22/2022 15:23
	Lower our taxes. They're brutal! We love it here, but they're a big reason why we're thinking of leaving.	7/22/2022 19:29
239		
240	sewer would help us alot, however no interest in a McDonald's	7/22/2022 19:38
	We need high-end restaurants, the type that would draw city folk. Delicious, sustainable, innovative restaurants. Also, this is comment is maybe in the wrong section but the truck traffic is INSANE. The roads are unsafe to ride, to walk. The noise is terrible. I'm sure the pollution is not great. We are trying to have a bucolic life but the trucks are ruining it. There is no quaint feel for a town when it's on a major trucking line.	7/22/2022 22:58
241		
	proactive economic development planning aligned with the town's sustainability, environmental and cultural goals. we should be proactive and intentional about the types of businesses we want to attract to the town and create additional incentives for the types of industries/businesses we want to attract.	7/23/2022 9:33
242		
243	More retail/restaurants downtown so people do not need to drive out of town	7/23/2022 9:51
	interference in the market, though well-intentioned, produces unintended consequences.	7/23/2022 9:59
244		
	Focus on unique small business offerings downtown. Ensure industrial parks are well maintain and full so that we will not require the addition of new industrial park areas. Make downtown more welcoming and walkable destination	7/23/2022 10:54
245		
246	Against tax incentives in the sense that businesses with tax incentives use more resources than that business would pay for therefore potentially creating an overall negative. Tax incentives are also a race to the bottom if neighboring towns are doing the same	7/24/2022 21:00
	A mix of small stores downtown to encourage through traffic to stop and shop.	7/25/2022 18:58
247		

248	Would really like to see more business in town that directly benefit the town e.g., gym w/ pool, bakery, specialty food shop, microbrewery, cycling studio	7/26/2022 9:48
249	Don't know; need more information. Also applies to questions with answer 3 selected above	7/27/2022 11:59
250	Expand sewer system to allow for more businesses and restaurants/food shops downtown to economically support the town vs us going to all other towns	7/27/2022 13:06
251	Preserve the history while building for future generations. There are many industrial businesses which must bring in a lot of tax money but it's hard to see where the money is being spent.	7/27/2022 13:11
252	Holliston needs less liquor stores	7/27/2022 13:18
253	We need SEWER.	7/27/2022 13:56
254	Support current businesses first! Enhance staying and being part of our community	7/28/2022 8:32
255	Supporting and improving businesses in this town should be our top priority. We are far behind other towns.	7/28/2022 11:11
256	smart growth without undue and biased influence on town planning by amazon or similar	7/28/2022 11:31
257	A large commercial business that is responsible to and could provide additional jobs and tax revenue to Holliston within existing commercial zoning is a great scenario to work towards.	7/28/2022 14:51
258	Restaurants with parking (we barely have two)	7/28/2022 18:11
259	You can only do so much during a time where a depression is looming and the fact that a lot of business is done online. You cannot foster a good environment but you cannot control the economy.	7/29/2022 10:25
260	Already stated	7/29/2022 12:27
261	Target 75:25 residential:commercial tax revenue. Consider limitations of the roadways and the preservation of the quiet, small town character - a difficult balance but can be done with good planning.	7/30/2022 10:52
262	Socio-economic and racial segregation are a problem in Massachusetts, in the region, and in Holliston. Worse, is the fact that people don't recognize the disservice this is to the town's future, and to the future of our children. For example, research shows that racial and socioeconomic diversity is significantly beneficial to student learning, student success, and to their growth as engaged citizens in America's multiracial democracy. https://tcf.org/content/facts/the-benefits-of-socioeconomically-and-racially-integrated-schools-and-classrooms/?agreed=1&agreed=1	7/31/2022 6:38
263	So this is tied to the issues of congestion downtown, in turn tied to the pace of development that stresses existing town services. The goal should not be growth of the industrial base (in particular) to try to catch up with funding needs. It's a losing battle.	7/31/2022 9:30
264	Holliston should prioritize attracting businesses owned by underrepresented groups.	7/31/2022 14:48

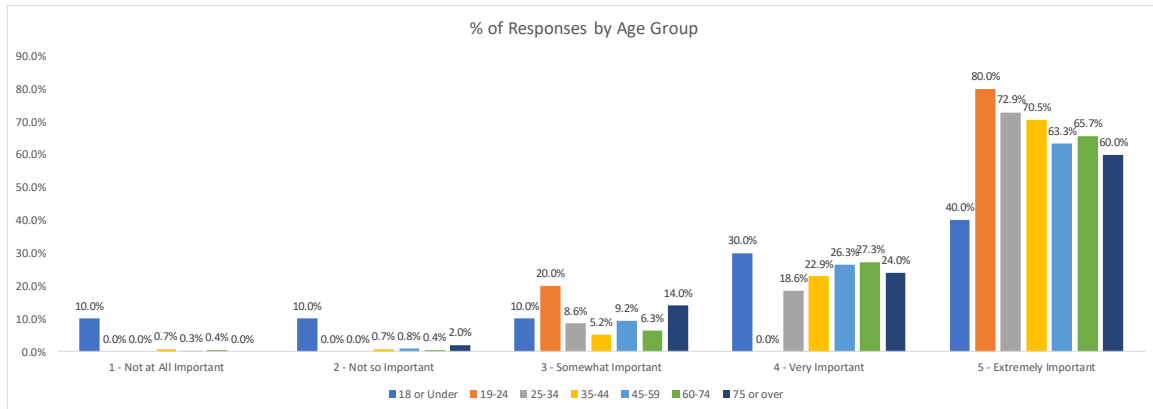
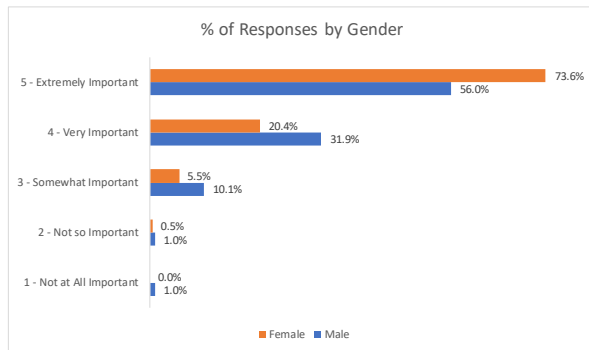
	Perception is reality when it comes to a thriving downtown. The more options that exist downtown, the higher the likelihood people will stroll between stores to shop for gifts, food, drink, etc. We know our town best and what we might need. Lets develop some market research that proves that gaps in supply for Holliston residents and promote that for possible business owners/ investors.	8/1/2022 16:07
265		
	SEWER!!!! Not letting town mobs restrict commercial revenue streams while sitting silently as developers build homes that price out the vast majority of existing residents and clear the town of trees	8/2/2022 9:22
266		
	Keep businesses in Industrial areas manageable to holliston.. not 24 hour trucking	8/2/2022 12:37
267		
268	Find a good use for the closed gas station that blights the town center	8/2/2022 22:59
	See my other notes about: community center, affordable housing village in a current industrial park. People say they want more commercial business yet they say no to everything (retail cannabis, 555, etc). We can't have it both ways. I don't want a ton more businesses here in town- it will become another "city" like Framingham, Natick, Franklin, Ashland, Medway etc.	8/2/2022 23:23
269		
270	Sewer	8/5/2022 14:39
271	New High School	8/5/2022 19:38
272	expand sewer to Mudville too	8/6/2022 16:02
	Proactively remediate areas of known ground pollution. Diversify downtown economic base to include more quality cafes, services & shops, in preference to auto shops. Attract and prioritize businesses with a low environmental footprint (including noise).	8/7/2022 7:12
273		
	Re #2: if you're too strict enforcing, many "non-farming" farms may have to sell and it would be developed.	8/7/2022 12:51
274		
275	some responses I have left blank because I am not well enough informed	8/8/2022 18:54
	Would love to see more biz in town, to lower the burden on the property owner. Would love to get cannabis distributor in industrial park -- we grow it all over town, don't get why people are against selling it legally. All that money we could be putting in coffers is going to Millis.	8/8/2022 21:29
276		
	We are waaaaaay behind every other town near us in this area. There is no commercial tax revenue in this town and it is absolutely killing us. Way behind now in school rankings, taxes through the roof that gets us nothing. We need to keep up.	8/9/2022 9:46
277		

Section 8: Connectivity & Mobility

Q66	Preserve existing nature paths and trails.						
1105							
	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	5	9	88	272	721	10	4.55
	0.5%	0.8%	8.0%	24.6%	65.2%	0.9%	
Male	4	4	39	123	216		4.41
	1.0%	1.0%	10.1%	31.9%	56.0%		
Female	0	3	32	120	432		4.67
	0.0%	0.5%	5.5%	20.4%	73.6%		
0.26							



18 or under	1	1	1	3	4		3.80
	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	30.0%	40.0%		
19 - 24	0	0	1	0	4		4.60
	0.0%	0.0%	20.0%	0.0%	80.0%		
25 - 34	0	0	6	13	51		4.64
	0.0%	0.0%	8.6%	18.6%	72.9%		
35 - 44	2	2	14	62	191		4.62
	0.7%	0.7%	5.2%	22.9%	70.5%		
45 - 59	1	3	33	94	226		4.52
	0.3%	0.8%	9.2%	26.3%	63.3%		
60 - 74	1	1	17	74	178		4.58
	0.4%	0.4%	6.3%	27.3%	65.7%		
75 or over	0	2	14	24	60		4.42
	0.0%	2.0%	14.0%	24.0%	60.0%		



Q67	Promote traffic safety by managing congestion and reducing speed.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	28 2.5%	55 5.0%	199 18.0%	309 28.0%	505 45.7%	9 0.8%	4.10

Male	18 4.7%	28 7.2%	82 21.2%	121 31.3%	138 35.7%		3.86
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Female	5 0.9%	16 2.7%	90 15.3%	156 26.6%	320 54.5%		4.31
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18 or under	2 20.0%	2 20.0%	1 10.0%	2 20.0%	3 30.0%		3.20
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	3 60.0%	1 20.0%		4.00
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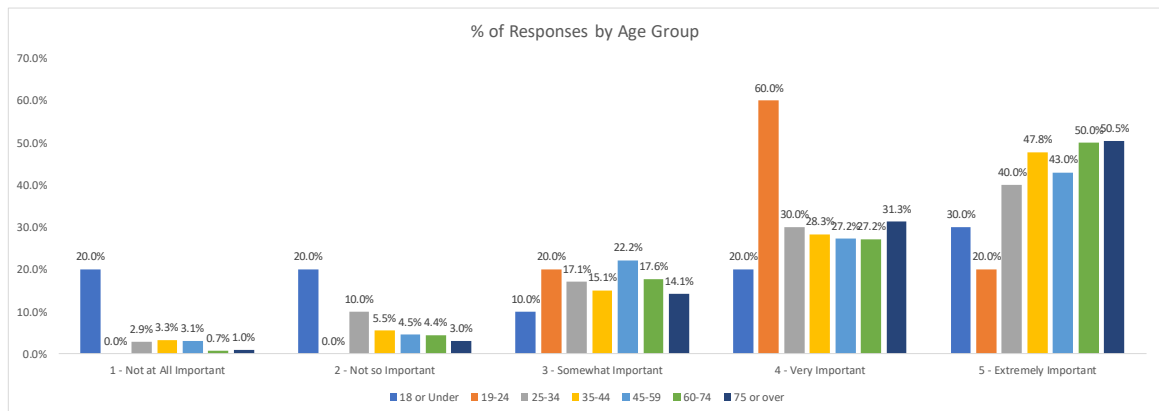
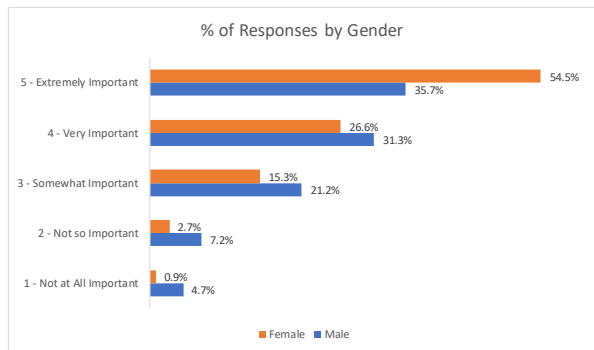
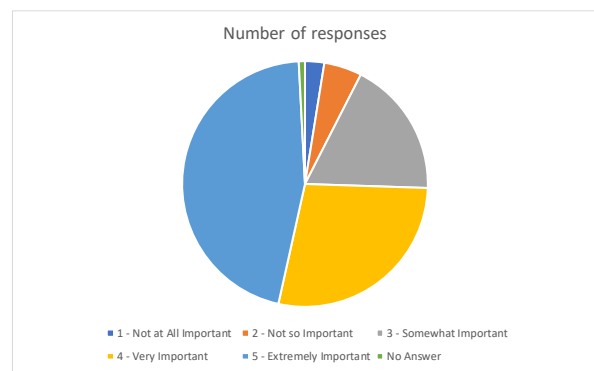
25 - 34	2 2.9%	7 10.0%	12 17.1%	21 30.0%	28 40.0%		3.94
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35 - 44	9 3.3%	15 5.5%	41 15.1%	77 28.3%	130 47.8%		4.12
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45 - 59	11 3.1%	16 4.5%	79 22.2%	97 27.2%	153 43.0%		4.03
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60 - 74	2 0.7%	12 4.4%	48 17.6%	74 27.2%	136 50.0%		4.21
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75 or over	1 1.0%	3 3.0%	14 14.1%	31 31.3%	50 50.5%		4.27
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Q68	Promote traffic safety improvements, pedestrian and bicycle accommodations for downtown, Central Street and schools.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	26 2.4%	63 5.7%	173 15.7%	268 24.3%	567 51.3%	8 0.7%	4.17

Male	12 3.1%	35 9.0%	78 20.2%	105 27.1%	157 40.6%		3.93
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Female	7 1.2%	19 3.2%	73 12.4%	132 22.4%	357 60.7%		4.38
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18 or under	2 20.0%	2 20.0%	2 20.0%	0 0.0%	4 40.0%		3.20
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	1 20.0%	3 60.0%		4.40
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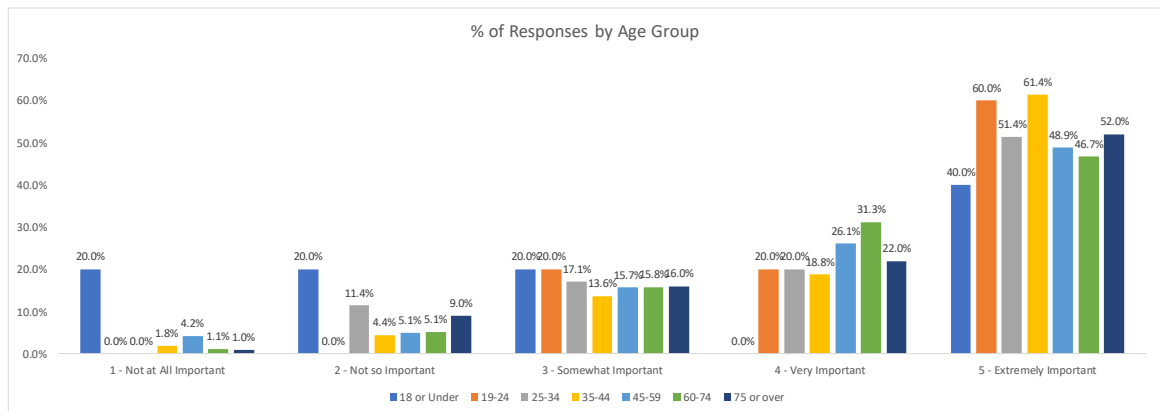
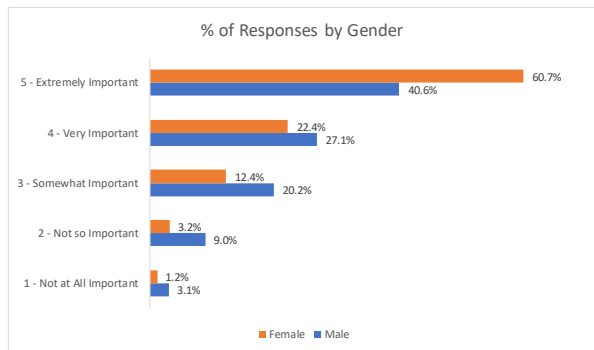
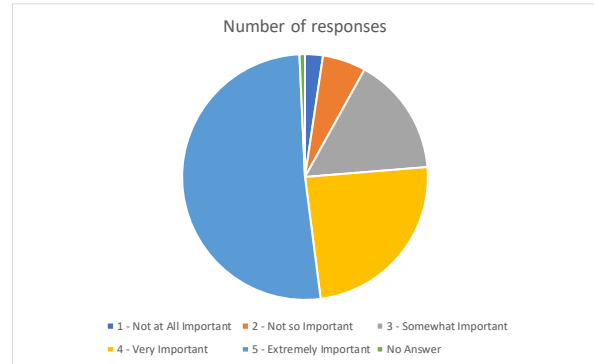
25 - 34	0 0.0%	8 11.4%	12 17.1%	14 20.0%	36 51.4%		4.11
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35 - 44	5 1.8%	12 4.4%	37 13.6%	51 18.8%	167 61.4%		4.33
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45 - 59	15 4.2%	18 5.1%	56 15.7%	93 26.1%	174 48.9%		4.10
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60 - 74	3 1.1%	14 5.1%	43 15.8%	85 31.3%	127 46.7%		4.17
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75 or over	1 1.0%	9 9.0%	16 16.0%	22 22.0%	52 52.0%		4.15
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Q69	Promote easier and expanded access to the regional bus service programs.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	110 10.0%	130 11.8%	341 30.9%	278 25.2%	235 21.3%	11 1.0%	3.36

Male	43 11.2%	59 15.4%	132 34.4%	91 23.7%	59 15.4%		3.17
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Female	46 7.8%	58 9.9%	171 29.1%	165 28.1%	147 25.0%		3.53
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18 or under	1 10.0%	1 10.0%	3 30.0%	4 40.0%	1 10.0%		3.30
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	1 20.0%	1 20.0%	2 40.0%		3.80
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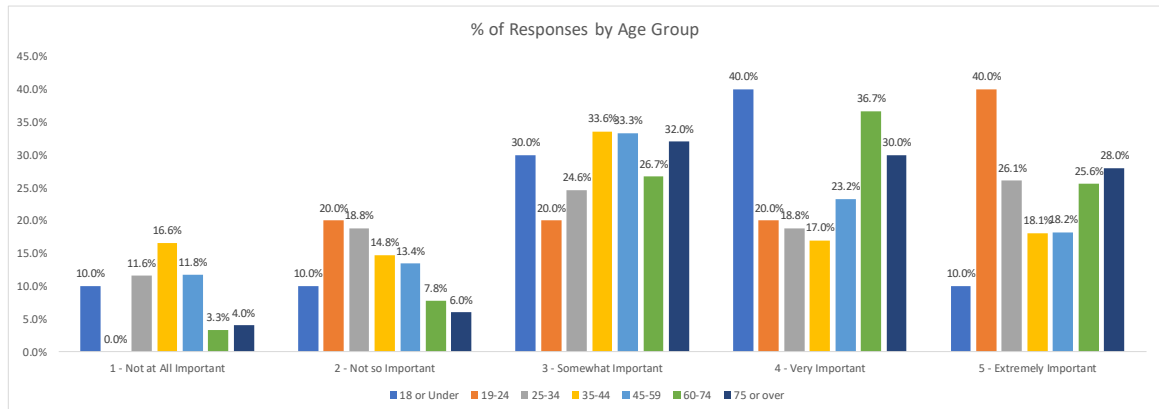
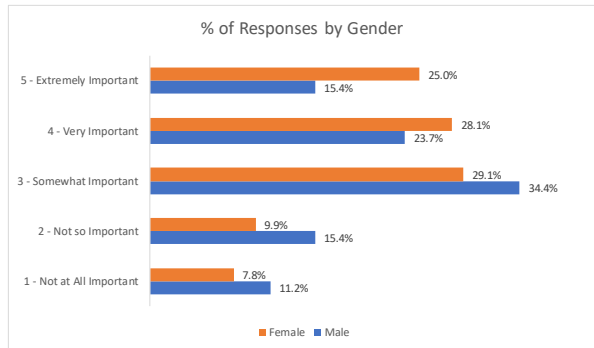
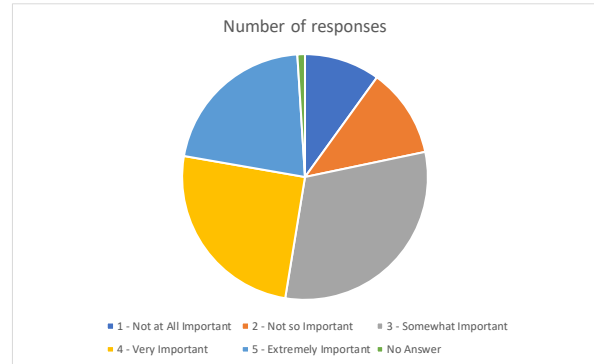
25 - 34	8 11.6%	13 18.8%	17 24.6%	13 18.8%	18 26.1%		3.29
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35 - 44	45 16.6%	40 14.8%	91 33.6%	46 17.0%	49 18.1%		3.05
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45 - 59	42 11.8%	48 13.4%	119 33.3%	83 23.2%	65 18.2%		3.23
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60 - 74	9 3.3%	21 7.8%	72 26.7%	99 36.7%	69 25.6%		3.73
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75 or over	4 4.0%	6 6.0%	32 32.0%	30 30.0%	28 28.0%		3.72
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Q70	Provide more pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure (i.e. sidewalks, bike lanes and shared use pathways).
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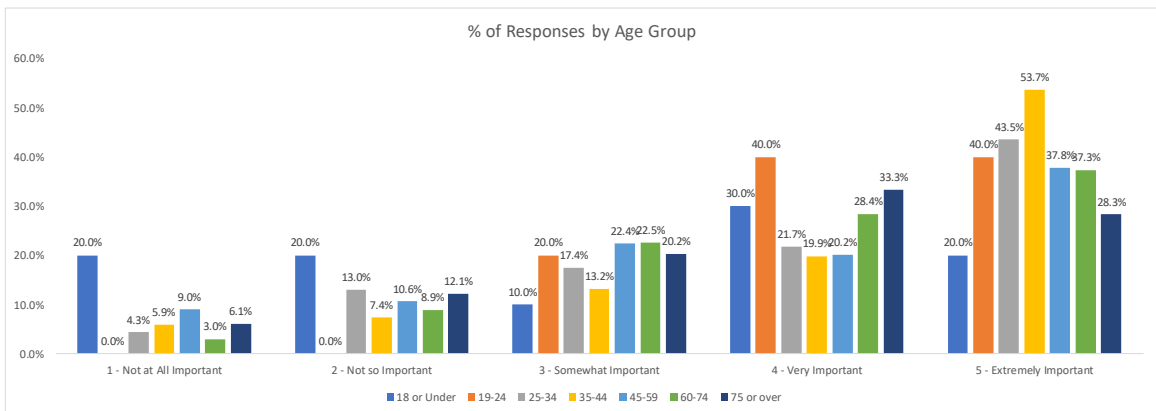
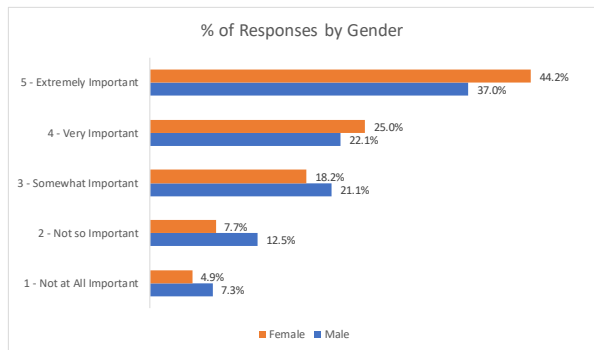
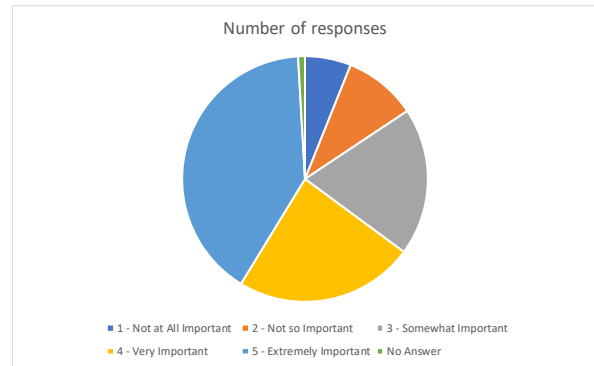
	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	67 6.1%	106 9.6%	215 19.5%	261 23.6%	446 40.4%	10 0.9%	3.83

Male	28 7.3%	48 12.5%	81 21.1%	85 22.1%	142 37.0%		3.69
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Female	29 4.9%	45 7.7%	107 18.2%	147 25.0%	260 44.2%		3.96
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18 or under	2 20.0%	2 20.0%	1 10.0%	3 30.0%	2 20.0%		3.10
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	2 40.0%	2 40.0%		4.20
25 - 34	3 4.3%	9 13.0%	12 17.4%	15 21.7%	30 43.5%		3.87
35 - 44	16 5.9%	20 7.4%	36 13.2%	54 19.9%	146 53.7%		4.08
45 - 59	32 9.0%	38 10.6%	80 22.4%	72 20.2%	135 37.8%		3.67
60 - 74	8 3.0%	24 8.9%	61 22.5%	77 28.4%	101 37.3%		3.88
75 or over	6 6.1%	12 12.1%	20 20.2%	33 33.3%	28 28.3%		3.66



Q71	Provide improved connection between existing trails and destination locations (i.e. Central Street).
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	50 4.5%	87 7.9%	268 24.3%	295 26.7%	393 35.6%	12 1.1%	3.82

Male	23 6.0%	40 10.4%	93 24.2%	105 27.3%	124 32.2%		3.69
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Female	14 2.4%	36 6.1%	147 25.1%	164 28.0%	225 38.4%		3.94
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18 or under	2 20.0%	2 20.0%	3 30.0%	2 20.0%	1 10.0%		2.80
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	3 60.0%	1 20.0%	1 20.0%		3.60
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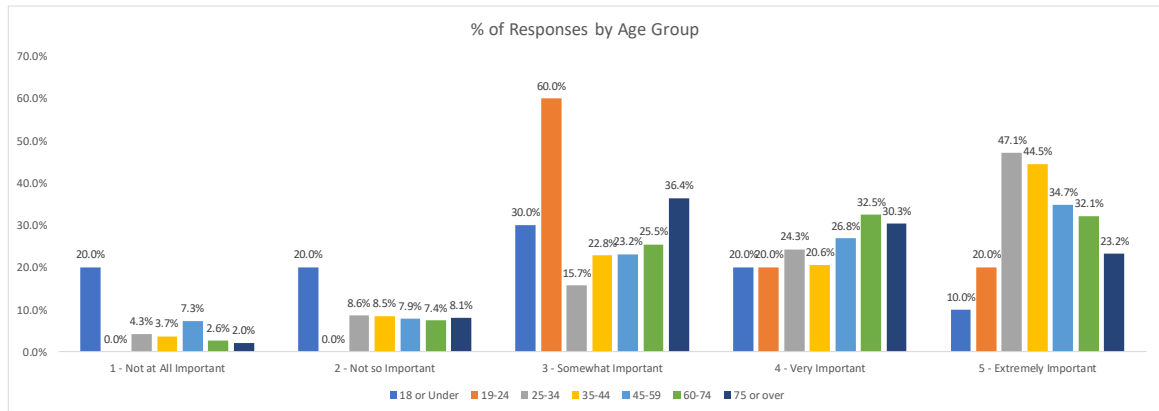
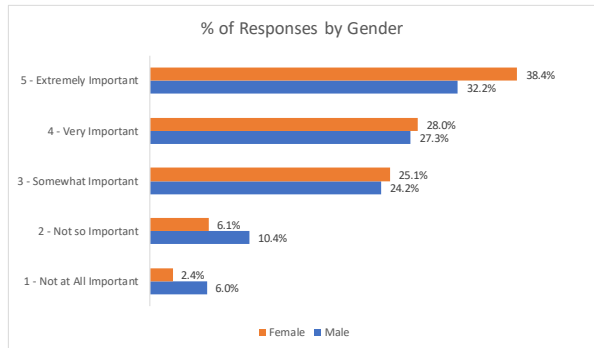
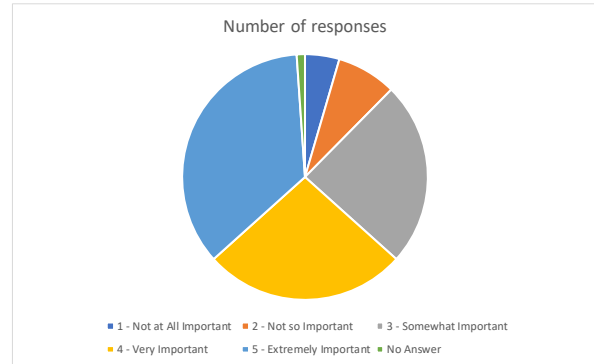
25 - 34	3 4.3%	6 8.6%	11 15.7%	17 24.3%	33 47.1%		4.01
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35 - 44	10 3.7%	23 8.5%	62 22.8%	56 20.6%	121 44.5%		3.94
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45 - 59	26 7.3%	28 7.9%	82 23.2%	95 26.8%	123 34.7%		3.74
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60 - 74	7 2.6%	20 7.4%	69 25.5%	88 32.5%	87 32.1%		3.84
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75 or over	2 2.0%	8 8.1%	36 36.4%	30 30.3%	23 23.2%		3.65
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Q72	Provide adequate funding for road maintenance and drainage programs.
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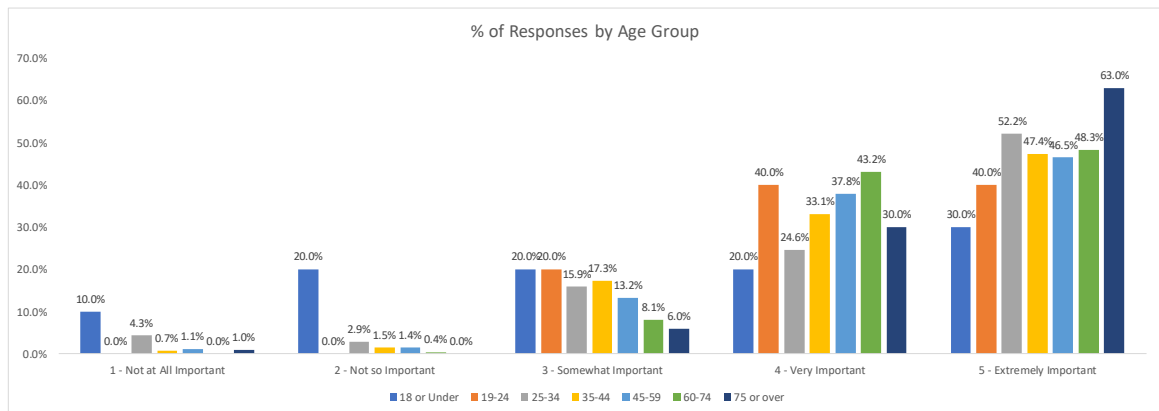
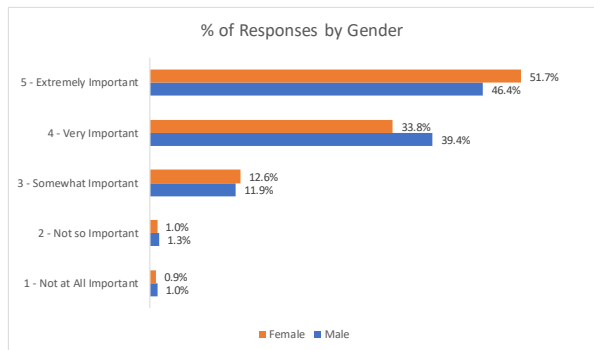
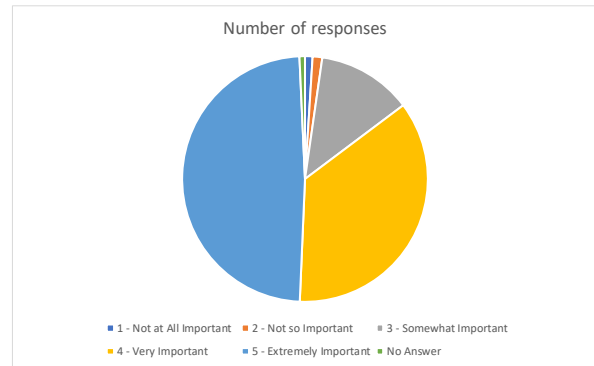
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Total	11 1.0%	14 1.3%	138 12.5%	397 35.9%	537 48.6%	8 0.7%	4.31

Male	4 1.0%	5 1.3%	46 11.9%	152 39.4%	179 46.4%		4.29
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Female	5 0.9%	6 1.0%	74 12.6%	199 33.8%	304 51.7%		4.35
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18 or under	1 10.0%	2 20.0%	2 20.0%	2 20.0%	3 30.0%		3.40
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25 - 34	3 4.3%	2 2.9%	11 15.9%	17 24.6%	36 52.2%		4.17
35 - 44	2 0.7%	4 1.5%	47 17.3%	90 33.1%	129 47.4%		4.25
45 - 59	4 1.1%	5 1.4%	47 13.2%	135 37.8%	166 46.5%		4.27
60 - 74	0 0.0%	1 0.4%	22 8.1%	117 43.2%	131 48.3%		4.39
75 or over	1 1.0%	0 0.0%	6 6.0%	30 30.0%	63 63.0%		4.54



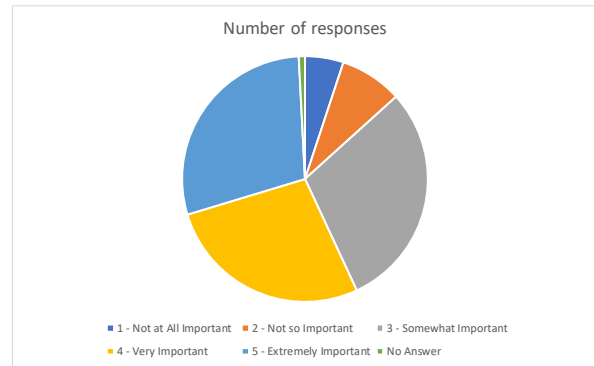
Q73	Improve access to centralized, municipal parking lots with pedestrian connectivity to downtown businesses and rail trail.
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Total	56 5.1%	91 8.2%	329 29.8%	301 27.2%	319 28.9%	9 0.8%	3.67

Male	22 5.7%	40 10.4%	101 26.2%	118 30.6%	104 27.0%		3.63
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Female	23 3.9%	43 7.3%	188 31.9%	156 26.5%	179 30.4%		3.72
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18 or under	2 20.0%	2 20.0%	3 30.0%	3 30.0%	0 0.0%		2.70
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	3 60.0%	0 0.0%	2 40.0%		3.80
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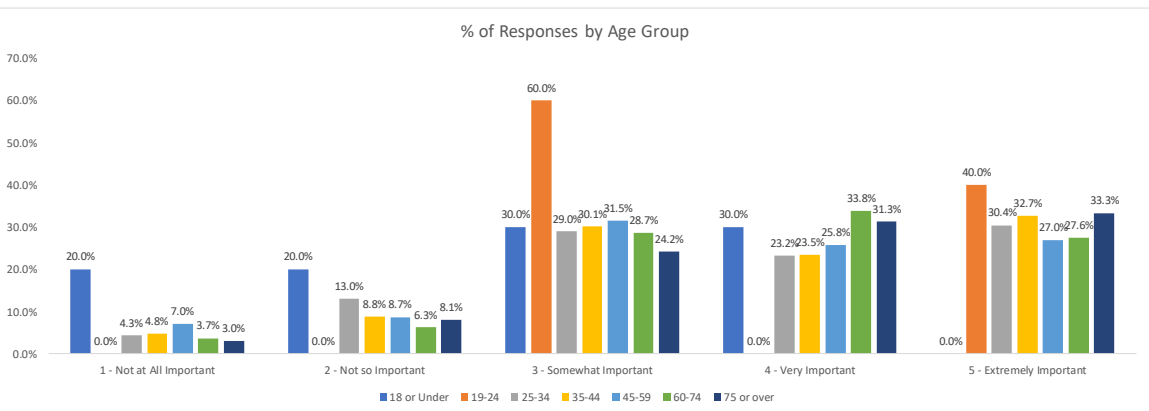
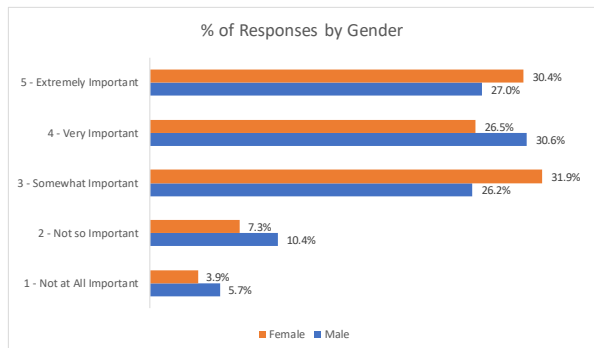
25 - 34	3 4.3%	9 13.0%	20 29.0%	16 23.2%	21 30.4%		3.62
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35 - 44	13 4.8%	24 8.8%	82 30.1%	64 23.5%	89 32.7%		3.71
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45 - 59	25 7.0%	31 8.7%	112 31.5%	92 25.8%	96 27.0%		3.57
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60 - 74	10 3.7%	17 6.3%	78 28.7%	92 33.8%	75 27.6%		3.75
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#	What other connectivity and mobility goals do you recommend?	Time
1	what good are sidewalks? daily on my commute even with sidewalks people walk in the street anyways! waste money on sidewalks people don't use as it is.	6/2/2022 17:08
2	Since the town is so spread out, more downtown / locational parking would be nice as we grow. We have some of that developing, but more would be needed and can serve as an anchor for future business expansion.	6/2/2022 17:09
3	Actively connect the items in this section with energy conservation section such as EV and the first section on conservation	6/2/2022 17:31
4	The new lights in the downtown stretch have created incredible backups and congested streets. Everyone is losing patience and flooding back streets from delays that extend beyond expectations.	6/2/2022 17:34
5	Connection of our paths to other city paths would be good	6/2/2022 17:45
6	Sidewalk connecting downtown to Stoddard Park please!!!	6/2/2022 18:46
7	I would like us to focus on bike lanes, narrow roads, Washington street should be like a boulevard rather than a speedway. We have complete streets policy and safe routes to school - let's make every decision to support these policies	6/2/2022 19:16
8	I would like more sidewalks, especially on Central	6/2/2022 21:38
9	I live on a road that is too close to the schools to qualify for free bussing. However, there are no sidewalks on my street and cars have been consistently caught speeding upwards of 45mph on our road which is posted at 30mph but should really be a 25mph zone considering several blind spots and a narrow road. If we aren't going to offer free bus to all residents, we need to ensure our children have a way to safely walk or bike to school. I'd like to see an expansion of the bus service and/or the addition of sidewalks to high-trafficked residential neighborhoods as well as increased police presence to enforce speed limits and traffic ordinances that are repeatedly ignored by commercial vehicles.	6/2/2022 22:49
10	Students who live within 2 miles of school are not provided with a free bus however there are no safe roots to school without driving for many people.	6/3/2022 7:23
11	Safe routes to school. Eliminate the need to get in a car for a play date - walk!	6/3/2022 9:03
12	I recommend removing the downtown traffic lights to increase the flow of traffic. I used to be able to leave my house and be at church in three minutes. Now it takes me ten minutes on a Sunday. The traffic lights are a complete boondoggle and the selectmen who approved them should be sued and driven from town.	6/3/2022 9:59
13	Put in Stop signs at Prentice/Highland. Very dangerous since lights on Washington encourage Highland to be used as a cut through.	6/3/2022 10:48
14	SIDEWALKS! Safety measures at roads surrounding high school. Reduction of large truck traffic (pass-through) on designated scenic roads.	6/3/2022 10:53
15	Enforce traffic laws. Ticket motorists ignoring pedestrian crossings or running red lights.	6/3/2022 11:16

16	This survey is not comprehensive enough to answer the traffic related questions. For example, Q2 says "promote". Our traffic is so congested on RT 16 that no amount of promotion will make it safer. The question should be something like "develop a plan to reduce traffic congestion and increase safety along rt 16."	6/3/2022 14:20
17	Traffic and speed has been allowed to get out of control through the downtown. Can't see how this can ever change now. Our neighborhoods are becoming race tracks (Cheryl Lane). Let's get control of the neighborhoods.	6/3/2022 19:50
18	Not a new goal but just emphasizing the importance of sidewalks- it would increase connectivity and pedestrian safety throughout the town.	6/4/2022 22:07
19	As I mentioned before, build wifi for the whole town that is free. Also make it much easier to get to Boston on public transportation during both the week and weekends. If the commuter rail could be extended into Holliston, even better. That would bring a lot more business to Holliston as well.	6/5/2022 16:26
20	bike lanes from town up to some of our great resources such as Stoddard Park	6/5/2022 21:25
21	MORE SIDEWALKS. MORE SIDEWALKS. MORE SIDEWALKS. MORE SIDEWALKS. Every street should have sidewalks and every main road should have sidewalks to connect areas of town. More people would walk or bicycle if it was safer.	6/6/2022 11:43
22	Where possible - try to expand the width of some roads - Marshall Street, Adams Street, etc to be safer for cyclists/joggers/walkers - Encourage more use of the town forests	6/6/2022 12:11
23	Mentioned previously, map out all Town public parks and recreation areas and ensure safe access by walking and/or biking. Make Holliston rate high on the walkability scale...safe access by walking to all schools as well as recreation areas.	6/6/2022 14:02
24	Same comment as before I am not understanding if we can/can't afford all of this.	6/6/2022 17:52
25	connect Rail Trail to Framingham commuter rail station	6/7/2022 16:13
26	X	6/7/2022 17:33
27	Sidewalks on all streets	6/7/2022 21:22
28	The only money spent on sidewalks should be ADA for existing ones	6/8/2022 19:24
29	Expanding sidewalks outside of downtown and schools to help connect neighborhoods safely to rail trail, conservation areas, and Lake Winthrop parks, and making walking between neighborhoods easier.	6/9/2022 0:09
30	I think you've covered it.	6/9/2022 7:45
31	Improve the timing of the traffic lights down town.	6/9/2022 8:36
32	Should pave the bike trail to promote it as more of a commuting option to/from neighboring towns. Also place rest room facilities on the rail trail.	6/9/2022 13:12
33	make sure we are ADA compliant, revisit downtown lights (too many, too much congestion, too confusing), improve dangerous intersections with flashing stop signs	6/9/2022 15:52
34	Think about accessibility for aging Holliston residents (curb cuts, plowed sidewalks...	6/9/2022 20:21

35	What regional bus lines? How will you reduce the traffic on Route 16? You are dreaming.	6/9/2022 20:42
36	Develop a policy on the use of motorized vehicles, ie. which classes of e-bikes, mobility assist devices (motorized wheel chairs & scooters) etc may be operated on town recreational areas.	6/12/2022 11:35
37	I bet we could get volunteers and scouts to make the trail systems amazing. Have to address flooding on rt.16	6/13/2022 9:02
38	The rail train connects a substantial distance all the way to Ashland and Milford - I'd use it more practically, rather than recreationally, if not for some of the small yet significant gaps of no or narrow sidewalk that separate it from neighborhoods/services	6/14/2022 10:41
39	Have a more active Parks Department and not just focus on the children. Provide programming for all ages.	6/14/2022 15:26
40	Increase in sidewalks please! Chamberlain street and the connected neighborhoods are HEAVILY residential/populated and have snares/random stretches of sidewalk but need a real, continuous one. The cars go flying through and walking with a stroller or running is really dangerous, especially on the area of Chamberlain St between Jerrold and Prentice.	6/14/2022 18:20
41	Look at dangerous intersections (Highland/Prentice) and make safer - not just about posting speed limit signs	6/15/2022 9:44
42	So many of these questions are hard to answer because I want to say "it depends." Are all of our existing nature paths and trails worth preserving? I have no idea, but if they are, then yes, we should preserve them. Is there a demand for better access to regional bus transportation? Then , yes, we should try to meet that demand. I've soured on sidewalks after seeing the cost. I'd love to see sidewalks in areas that are not pedestrian friendly, but I'm not sure why we're adding so many in Mudville! Mudville was already very walkable. I'd rather have a new library.	6/15/2022 10:04
43	Sidewalks, especially Central St all the way to the Millis line!!	6/15/2022 10:05
44	Need to slow traffic down on some roads. Highland Street is dangerous as this is pass through for towns. Seems worse than Rt 16. I believe someone was killed this week at Highland and Prentice. That intersection is very dangerous and people rarely slow down and pull out in front of traffic without stopping. Highland and Prospect is another bad spot as people go too fast and hard to see coming out of Prospect.	6/15/2022 10:12
45	I definitely think public works projects in these areas need investment / accountability. There is a big difference in roadways when crossing town lines	6/15/2022 10:35
46	Figure out the downtown lights. I have zero faith in the SB's ability to mitigate traffic issues when a knee jerk reaction to a tragic accident has increased traffic issues (both in downtown and in adjoining streets) to an unbelievable extent. Data actually shows an increase in accidents POST traffic light installation per year as compared to the decade prior. Well done SB, well done.	6/15/2022 10:37
47	The traffic lights on Washington st are absolutely horrible. As a resident on Washington st. Traffic congestion is non stop through out the day, everyday.	6/15/2022 10:38

48	central street needs expanded sidewalks, esp if you require students to walk to school	6/15/2022 11:08
49	Traffic safety should be addressed. The town has failed the community at the Highland/Prentice area. It seems the town is more concerned about keeping trucks off of certain roads. (Noise) The town missed it on safety	6/15/2022 11:13
50	more sidewalks/maintenance on main roads	6/15/2022 11:28
51	Keep it small	6/15/2022 11:30
52	maintain roads/pot holes etc. as well as overgrown/dying trees that fall onto power lines	6/15/2022 11:44
53	adequate handicap access to all areas, including trails	6/15/2022 12:02
54	Reduce truck traffic and (very loud) motorcycle traffic on Highland Street.	6/15/2022 12:13
55	More visible and active police presence on the roads. The existing traffic control policies are not being enforced. Update Waze, Google, Mapquest about how narrow the side streets are for trucks (this is long overdue and very important). Expand the walking school bus type programs. Continue Safe Streets and TAC interventions. Fix the timing on the center streetlights.	6/15/2022 12:55
56	sidewalks the length of Central	6/15/2022 13:14
57	More connectivity and "complete streets" is great, but let's be real that we live in a what is effectively a suburb which has been designed around having cars. That's unlikely to change, even with these investments, so we better also manage the roads.	6/15/2022 13:15
58	Sidewalks on Central are also a safety issue-you have to swerve into the other lane for pedestrians and bicyclists-very dangerous. Also, why don't some streets have stop signs? I asked for Central and Granite and it was denied. Almost got hit 2 times there. Also traffic enforcement is minimal, which would generate revenue for the town and make everyone play by the rules	6/15/2022 13:29
59	Sidewalks should extend to all neighborhoods. This is particularly important for neighborhoods without a safe pedestrian/bike route to downtown, less important for cul-de-sac neighborhoods where pedestrians and cars can coexist. Important roads that are not safe for children to go to school or adults to visit downtown businesses and do not have back-trail options: Central Street, Norfolk Street, Goulding Street, Fiske Steet, Highland Street, portions of Washington Street, Prentice Street.	6/15/2022 13:52
60	Bike lanes and shared use pathways it's extremely dangerous for the bikers and drivers. There are too many trucks passing, and the traffic on rt16 is not joke. Bike lanes or shared use pathways will only increase the traffic.	6/15/2022 13:59
61	more bike lanes and shareo lane markings.	6/15/2022 14:39
62	Eliminate downtown traffic lights that add to pollution by stopping the majority of the traffic to benefit very few from side streets	6/15/2022 15:39
63	Fix the roads	6/15/2022 16:56

64	When we get a new Fire Station (it's a when not if) the current facility can be zoned business/residential. The Hardware store gets its front parking back. The traffic lanes in-between Fiske's and Superette can be shifted towards Fiske's. Because the very expensive ladder truck will no longer require that right hand turn from Central onto Washington and the folks parking their cars Infront of Superette will no longer feel that their doors or worse will not get hit by traffic. Get "smarter lights" that don't turn till traffic passes within a reasonable rate. Downtown sewerage would be VERY nice! Move the Rec Department downtown. Perhaps also in the old Highway property. Signage from parking lots to trail etc. I'm stopping now.	6/15/2022 17:29
65	To carefully plan bike lanes i.e., NO CAMBRIDGE ISSUES here in Holliston Need Police dept more visible in accident prone areas e.g. Highland st/Prentice st	6/16/2022 14:42
66	Do we really have the money for these boutique issues? How about lowering taxes so people can afford to stay/buy here instead of providing all these extras?	6/16/2022 19:03
67	There are small parts of missing sidewalks, that are currently blocking large parts of the town from having access to Downtown or the Trail. Examples are Winter St from Washington St and Lowland St between Woodland and the Rail Trail	6/17/2022 9:52
68	4. Promote easier and expanded access to the regional bus service programs. Again we could initiate some kind of local transit or shuttle system to help us reduce our dependency on the automobile.	6/17/2022 14:39
69	Focus on sidewalks for roads with a speed limit of 35mph or higher, as bike lanes are less safe for pedestrians because the cars can physically drive into them and it's very dangerous to walk on roads where cars are driving that speed	6/17/2022 15:40
70	Sidewalk between Curve Street and Woodland on RT 16...	6/17/2022 15:46
71	Require all bicyclists to take road safety course to make sure that they are supposed to follow the same traffic rules as motorists and fine them when they don't. When I was a school bus driver, I had cyclists pass the bus on the right as students were loading and my red lights were on! I also observed too many cyclists run stop signs and red lights.	6/17/2022 16:09
72	Feel that there are higher priorities	6/17/2022 16:10
73	Fix the light on Central and Hollis street to actually use the green Arrow for left turns on Hollis street so not just 1 or 2 cars can make the turn before be blocked out by the line of traffic on central st.	6/17/2022 16:11
74	Holliston is very walkable, focus more on safe intersections such as adding stop signs to the highland-prentice street intersection.	6/17/2022 17:22
75	Get rid of the traffic lights downtown!!!!	6/18/2022 8:16
76	More sidewalks and bike lanes	6/18/2022 13:50
77	extend sidewalk along Norfolk street from Blair square to Stoddard Park	6/18/2022 21:12
78	Add sidewalks in neighborhoods.	6/19/2022 11:57
79	A flashing pedestrian crossing sign on route 16 when crossing from Prospect to Pleasant	6/19/2022 15:08

80	Above looks good	6/19/2022 19:33
81	Bicycle and pedestrian paths and sidewalks on our high-use public roads (especially on "Scenic Roads") should be among the Town's funding priorities. Much cheaper to accomplish if effort is simultaneous with underground utility work.	6/20/2022 10:47
82	More and improved sidewalks and bike lanes all over town (eg. a viable cross walk, then sidewalk connecting Woodland to the Rail Trail on Lowland Street)	6/20/2022 14:20
83	Signage is a big joke Stop signs don't work Have a lot of signage on High Locust area Trucks and commercial vehicles fly through all day. Police arrive after rush hours. Doesn't work	6/20/2022 17:42
84	Transportation to shopping for seniors, pave the rail trail	6/21/2022 9:51
85	Safety in neighborhoods located in schools zones cannot be omitted and sidewalks with any restructuring for safety needs to be implemented. Common sense thinking has yo win out. The money excuse can no longer be used. Find it we to secure safety at all cost. Holliston needs a grant writer !	6/21/2022 22:44
86	Improve/maintain Concord Street sidewalk	6/22/2022 8:46
87	More pedestrian access along the routes 16 and 126 up to the town borders	6/22/2022 10:04
88	side walks for safe walking and cycling on streets with access to rail trail and where cars are always speeding - eg. South St	6/22/2022 10:09
89	see earlier answer	6/22/2022 10:10
90	Let's build Holliston towards being a car-free town, specifically downtown.	6/22/2022 10:31
91	Intersection of Highland and Prentice and Hollis	6/22/2022 10:41
92	Better connection to commuter rail	6/22/2022 10:50
93	Again we need sidewalks, particularly in the High St., Locust St area, as it is unsafe to try to access the rail trail without them.	6/22/2022 11:03
94	Install more sidewalks - not just in downtown area. Along main roads- Norfolk St, Highland St, etc	6/22/2022 11:09
95	BUILD SIDEWALKS ON MAJOR STREETS LIKE PRENTICE	6/22/2022 11:56
96	The Rail Trail is one of the top attractions in the town. It should be a priority to keep it up. I wrote about public transportation in an earlier section. I think the traffic lights have improved the downtown area.It is still problematic from a traffic movement an safety issue that cars traveling East on Rte 16 can turn into the parking lot behind the Suprette. It would be safer for that traffic to turn left on Green Street and right into the parking lot. They could also exit there. There is a light there.	6/22/2022 14:42
97	Regarding #7, the drainage at the dead end of Union St is not done correctly.	6/22/2022 15:15
98	Sidewalk on Locust St.	6/22/2022 15:36
99	Expand on no turn streets for Mudville- Specifically Union Street which is used as a pass-through during rush hour. It is extremely dangerous for small children	6/22/2022 16:40
100	Improved enforcement of traffic safety l/speed limits in residential areas.	6/22/2022 20:59
101	I live on Elm St. There aren't supposed to be large trucks using it as a cut through but there are. Have police enforce existing laws.	6/23/2022 6:06


102	Visible crosswalks with signage : traffic lights at highland and prentice : visible speed markers	6/23/2022 6:48
103	Connect neighborhoods with kids (I.e. Queens) to downtown so kids can safely bike of walking to town. Right now they have to walk on winter street, high street or concord street (all have no or badly maintained sidewalks) which is totally unsafe.	6/23/2022 7:55
104	Kids should have FREE access to bus ridership or at least have a safe route to school! Under two miles kids are expected to walk, really? How about some sidewalks that have adequate light for those kids that leave the house before 7 a.m. to walk to school by 7:30 a.m.	6/23/2022 10:48
105	More sidewalks, slower speeds in neighborhood (Turner Road)- condominiums are a problem with car congestion and speed	6/23/2022 13:58
106	would like to see at least one side sidewalk for all main roads. I live off of Goulding Street which has no sidewalk and Norfolk street also doesn't have sidewalk. Consider reworking the Highland street, Prentice Street, Hollis Street interchange. It's a disaster	6/23/2022 14:04
107	The above are good	6/23/2022 14:11
108	One less traffic light downtown!	6/23/2022 14:16
109	This is super selfish, but our family would love a sidewalk & cross-walk which connects Timber Ledge Drive to Rolling Meadow Drive across the street. It would connect the Wenakeening Public trails to the Lake Winthrop Trail as well as Pleasure Point beach.	6/23/2022 14:20
110	We need more traffic lights. How many ****ing med flights do we need to realize traffic is killing people? "Oh God, the lights are so bad" said one old lady who hates change and affordable housing.	6/23/2022 14:20
111	Pave the bike path, and even expand it...do not add bike lanes, the center of town is already a difficult intersection if you are not familiar with it, adding bike lanes will create more confusion and potentially lead to more accidents. Instead expand the bike path and pave it.	6/23/2022 14:31
112	2. Promote a walkable town. Sidewalks foe all streets/ streets near rail trail. Norfolk st, East Holliston (locust, rt 16)	6/23/2022 14:33
113	Redo sidewalk from Marked Tree Road to downtown. It is quite dangerous now.	6/23/2022 14:55
114	traffic safety by managing congestion and reducing speed	6/23/2022 15:03
115	Again, more and better sidewalks and better clearing if sidewalks in winter.	6/23/2022 15:06
116	Have other points of congregation outside of the downtown.	6/23/2022 15:17
117	Parking is currently not an issue in the downtown area.	6/23/2022 15:27
118	Stop putting in stop signs everyone	6/23/2022 15:45
119	Even if sidewalks or bicycle lanes on roads were improved, I am not sure I would feel safe using them or having my kids use them. Drivers are not paying attention. The rail trail is great and safe. Getting there isn't.	6/23/2022 15:45
120	If you want people to hang around in your commercial areas they need somewhere to go and a way to get there ie connectivity and parking.	6/23/2022 15:52
121	Make sure we continue to follow mobility goals. Connectivity is fine, as is.	6/23/2022 16:21
122	School bussing expansion. Nervous that middle schoolers and high school students share bussing. This age gap can bread many issues.	6/23/2022 16:26

123	If the town wants this done, it would be done. Town is all talk about this subject, than make knee jerk decisions that aren't well thought through	6/23/2022 16:28
124	Ensure that large distribution centers, such as the one proposed at 555 Hopping Brook, are blocked from entering the town as they pose severe traffic and safety concerns as demonstrated by the issues faced in Milford.	6/23/2022 16:31
125	rail trail has been nothing but a nuisance for those of us that live on it. It makes me extremely mad to see town money being spent when the trail committee won't take of issues that have already been brought to their attention.	6/23/2022 16:52
126	Speed bump on prospect street! Stop light at intersection of Highland and Prentice.	6/23/2022 17:01
127	Dedicate town resources to maintaining rail trail rather than rely on volunteers	6/23/2022 17:42
128	Maybe better signage in some trail areas Opportunities for recycling along rail trail (rather than people filling dog waste stations)	6/23/2022 17:45
129	Maybe have a town mini bus service paid for by riders and residents	6/23/2022 21:48
130	Build sidewalks throughout Holliston. For example, most of Norfolk Street needs sidewalks, especially near Stoddard Lake but really sidewalks are needed on all of Norfolk street and throughout Holliston.	6/23/2022 22:14
131	I would recommend building a sidewalk along Washington St. from Locust St. to the the Rail Trail for the safety of neighborhood pedestrians accessing the Rail Trail. There may be other sections that a sidewalk would increase safety as perhaps along Lowland to Woodland from the Rail Trail. This is not nearly as busy as along Washington St. from Locust St. to the Rail Trail	6/23/2022 22:44
132	People FLY on Norfolk Street at the Medway Line. That Hill street intersection makes me nervous. Maybe add a speed limit sign there...	6/23/2022 23:30
133	Sidewalk on Chamberlain St from Prentice St to Gorwin Dr	6/24/2022 6:15
134	Remove one of the three traffic lights in downtown, that would free up congestion in downtown traffic.	6/24/2022 8:46
135	Holliston is not a bike town. With the right infrastructure for pedestrians and bikes, residents should be able to access the rail trail without driving. No need for more parking lots, they only promote driving.	6/24/2022 8:50
136	address congestion created downtown by NUMEROUS new lights. Understand need for safety but someone screwed that up! it promotes road rage & more danger.	6/24/2022 9:20
137	Perhaps mapping of the available paths and connections? I've seen one but it was older.	6/24/2022 11:33
138	town-wide sidewalks. Sidewalks just end randomly on Norfolk Street and Highland Street as examples. Both are walking distance from downtown, but roads are in poor condition and are unsafe to walk on. There is a need for fire hydrants near the Ashland line on Highland street as there aren't any.	6/24/2022 14:59
139	The traffic lights in town cause traffic back up. Will there be plans to change these to blinking like in need ham or address this?	6/25/2022 12:52
140	Our roads are an embarrassment	6/25/2022 18:26
141	Slow traffic down to avoid accidents. Two serious accidents near the high school in two weeks indicate a need for better traffic control.	6/25/2022 21:34

142	Large truck traffic on residential streets	6/26/2022 8:51
143	I think we need to explore ways to improve safety without the use of in effective traffic lights	6/26/2022 10:08
144	Safe bicycling is important.	6/26/2022 11:53
145	Sidewalk on central street out to Gretchen lane	6/26/2022 16:34
146	Would love a sidewalk in lowland industrial park and down central & fiske st to make accessing the rail trail on this side of town easier.	6/26/2022 21:32
147	Central street and other sections of sidewalk are almost dangerous. To encourage health and wellness, climate control and open space without providing a safe way to get there is a loss.	6/27/2022 11:41
148	More ride assistance for senior citizens who cannot drive	6/27/2022 11:52
149	We need crosswalks to get our bikes from one side of route 16 across to the bike path. Cars don't stop!	6/27/2022 15:46
150	Enable more small restaurants to come in to town	6/28/2022 8:53
151	Exchange street traffic light on blocker or when needed only. Sync lights from Highland to Hollis- traffic congestion is dreadful !!! I live in Washington/Prospect- unable to get out of my street often!!! Traffic back up is dreadful !!!	6/28/2022 11:13
152	I applaud the idea of installing all-way STOP signage at Hollis and Highland, and at other problem intersections in town. No, I won't like it when I'm stalled in traffic, but I recognize that safety for all persons, whether they're on bikes, on foot, or in vehicles, should come first... ahead of cars and trucks, especially through traffic, moving through town as speedily as they want. Cars second, people first.	6/28/2022 21:04
153	Again in regards to question #6 Norfolk St should also be included to connect rail trail to Patoma/Stoddard	6/29/2022 7:34
154	Repair and replacement of existing sidewalks prior to building new sidewalks in downtown and remote areas of Town of Holliston.	6/29/2022 8:25
155	The condition of roads and sidewalks	6/29/2022 10:42
156	Public bikes and restrooms along the Rail Trail would make it easier to use.	6/29/2022 13:59
157	Sidewalks!	6/29/2022 14:09
158	I can't reiterate enough how we need to make biking more accessible. We live 1.75 miles from the school and if we want our kids to ride the bus, we have to pay \$720 for them all to ride the bus! The other option to not have to pay the crazy bus fees is to walk or ride a bike. There is absolutely no way our kids can ride their bikes or walk to school because there's no protected bike lanes or sidewalks. There needs to be a safer way to get our kids to school without having to pay so much money to ride the bus, when the alternative is a high probability of our kids getting hit by riding to school.	6/29/2022 22:08
159	Safely walk or ride bike connecting downtown to stoddard and patoma park.	6/29/2022 22:14
160	More police monitoring the lights downtown. The light on Hollis st. Is constantly be run when it's red. It is so dangerous.	6/30/2022 6:56
161	Fix the downtown traffic issues. Parking for rail trails that aren't business parking lots?	6/30/2022 9:44
162	IMPROVE APPEARANCE OF BERTUCCI, USED CAR LOTS, COUNTRY MARKET AREA. PLACE ALL LOOKS RUN DOWN & DIRTY, IMPROVE TRAFFIC FLOW.	6/30/2022 10:37

163	Reduce wasteful spending on additional traffic signals and enforcement	6/30/2022 18:29
164	SIDE WALKS!	6/30/2022 21:03
165	The rail trail is amazing. There should be side walks / bike paths where all people walk	6/30/2022 21:31
166	Community shuttle or bike programs	7/2/2022 17:53
167	Don't believe spending millions on sidewalks on Norfolk is the answer to anything. Nor in Mudville. Need to look at where we would get better bang for the buck. The Rail trail seems to be attracting people and \$ from outside our area. Need to capitalize on opportunities like that.	7/2/2022 18:46
168	If I could rate these a 10 - I would. In my comments about what would make this a place to retire to, I emphasized pedestrian/bike safety. Traffic speeds do not appear to be enforced - especially on Church St and other "cut through" streets. Put a speed bump on Church - not a big investment and it would work... I've seen moveable rubber speed bumps that couldn't be that cost prohibitive. A couple of those on Washington as one approaches the center and a cycletrack along Washington/Woodland, would be huge in encouraging bicycling - safely - on the roads.	7/4/2022 9:26
169	There are gaps in current sidewalks that should be considered. For example Route 16 towards the rail trail.	7/4/2022 15:10
170	Sidewalks along the edges of town. South street, for example, chestnut street, and those other streets to allow residents to safely access the rail trail.	7/5/2022 9:41
171	Sidewalks especially close to downtown	7/5/2022 22:13
172	Where there are sidewalks in neighborhoods, we need town laws and ordinances in place that require shoveling after snowstorms, trimming of low hanging trees and general removal of obstructions to make existing town infrastructure more useful. It's not only about downtown. It's about the neighborhoods where our tax dollars are also going and where property taxes should be preserving the value of our properties. I pay this to make sure my immediate vicinity and neighborhood odd useful to me	7/6/2022 16:52
173	126 is a problem as always. Its hard to balance traffic flow with pedestrian access.	7/7/2022 9:40
174	Good street signs that include the street you are on.	7/8/2022 16:59
175	Who designed the traffic signals in the center of town? They are a disaster.	7/12/2022 21:13
176	On questions 3and 5, my interest depends on what kind of accommodations are being proposed. On question 2, I think the three new traffic lights need to be adjusted so that the time allotted for each lane is appropriate. I have been stuck in long lines to get through the center of town, coming west from Milford and heading towards Sherborn on Washington St., for no apparent reason.	7/13/2022 10:31
177	everyday i see roads with sidewalks yet people walk in the street and don't use them.	7/17/2022 7:50

	ALL OF THIS. We just moved from Boston where everything was walkable/bikable and it was easy to go from home to several small businesses and back without the use of a car. I don't have a car yet out here and it's very difficult to go anywhere without one. I'd like to walk my dog places but without (well maintained) sidewalks it can be dangerous	7/18/2022 13:59
178		
	Fix the timing and algorithm for the traffic lights in town - the traffic on 16 is worse in the Center of Holliston vs. any other town all the way to route 90 on ramp in Newton (Sherborn, South natick, Wellesley, Newton) - It has been a problem since the lights were installed. The priority is to keep the traffic moving on 16...not have the light change every time 2 cars approach from a side street.	
179	Time to finally get this right!	7/18/2022 14:48
180	Need a cross wak sign at central fire	7/18/2022 16:13
181	Bike path from Queens to the rail trail. Sidewalk on winter street.	7/18/2022 16:26
182	reduce noise pollution for cars and vehicles racing down Washington Street	7/18/2022 16:47
183	Address dangerous intersection at highland and prentice	7/18/2022 17:03
	Sidewalk on Central street please. Adjust the lights at Central and Washington so more than 2 cars can get through! Yellow light at Hollis does nothing to improve the situation there. Left turn onto Hollis is still unbearable.	7/18/2022 20:38
184		
185	More sidewalks!	7/18/2022 21:57
	The State may run the show at the downtown lights, but they are awful. They are new enough that I would have thought the sensors would be smart and work the traffic flow way better than they do. You can sit at central street at 5 am with nothing coming east or west on Washington st for 4 minutes before the light changes....yes. Ive timed it....	7/18/2022 23:33
186		
187	Increase and modernize connectivity for driving tourism	7/19/2022 11:03
	Reroute truck/semi traffic from down town Holliston. Better pedestrian cross walk visibility.	7/19/2022 11:16
188		
189	More stop signs on residential streets to prevent speeding around children.	7/19/2022 12:23
	I think all of the above are valuable but I have very little issue riding my bicycle or walking in the downtown area. Hence, my less than enthusiastic scores	7/19/2022 12:58
190		
	A large source of accidents and traffic problems seems to be big bushes or brush that is not managed on corners, i.e., the bushes where chamerlain street meets prentice street, or the intersection of prentice street by the school. Additionally our sidewalks on Chamberlain street are almost unusable due to poor maintaince of the pavement but also bushes in front of people's houses. I usually have to bring my baby in her stroller in the middle of the street as that is safer than our sidewalks.	7/19/2022 13:47
191		
	Over a year ago I requested a stop sign in my neighborhood for a dangerous intersection. I was told, after submitting all nec. documents and a signature list, that there would be a hearing. I've heard nothing.	7/19/2022 13:57
192		
193	Do something about the intersection near the high school	7/19/2022 14:57

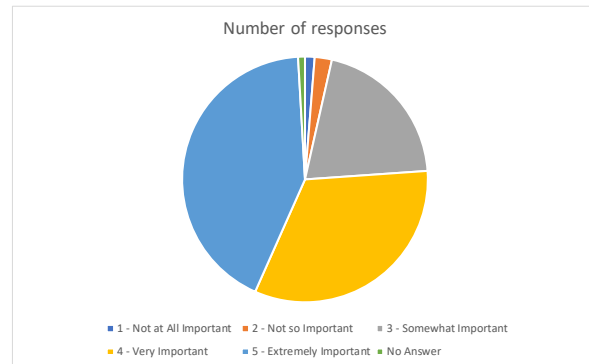
	Address the light at central and Washington. I have been driving through that intersection for 30 years. Since the light has been put in I have witnessed over 10 near misses of critical accidents(mostly left turns on to central), I see people go through red lights constantly (west bound on 16) I think people see the green in front of Green st when its red at central. I have been almost hit 5 or 6 times.	
194	In the previous 27 years I never saw any of that maybe one or 2.	7/19/2022 17:32
	sidewalks! on Central, Fiske, these busy roads that so many people walk along,	
195	and the cars go speeding down...	7/19/2022 21:26
196	Central St. Side walk!	7/20/2022 11:10
197	all crosswalks should have flashing lights	7/20/2022 13:25
	Review all traffic light cycles to ensure the high demand hours light cycles are appropriately adjusted for non prime time hours.	
198		7/20/2022 18:37
	While I would love miles of sidewalks, better 'walkability' etc to me that is a much lower priority for spending. Given the existing needs (like a new/renovated high school) I would not want to pay higher taxes for sidewalks or bike lanes.	
199		7/20/2022 19:35
200	No more traffic  lights	7/20/2022 20:14
	I think this is included in the above questions, but specifically construct a sidewalk from Central street beyond the curve into downtown.	
201		7/20/2022 21:50
202	Bike lanes along an improved Washington St	7/21/2022 11:56
	Sidewalks are great but there are those people that still walk on the road even when there are sidewalks.	
203		7/21/2022 18:36
204	Side walk in central	7/22/2022 9:55
	Please fix the traffic light situation downtown. When we moved here seven years ago the traffic was fine on Washington street. Ever since the new lights, it is atrocious. We should also ban large trucks from driving straight through Holliston.	
205		7/22/2022 11:34
	We screwed up when we did the rail trail we should have had a railroad. That said, I see no value in the rail trail it is a walk i can take in my neighborhood	
206		7/22/2022 19:38
	Get rid of the gosh darn poison ivy. But yes, mostly, I want to ride my bike to the lake with my kid, and it's super dangerous to get to stoddard park.	
207		7/22/2022 22:58
	improve mobility without needing to use the car, e.g. having an inter-town shuttle bus would be great	
208		7/23/2022 9:33
	Sidewalks! I live within 2 miles of school and downtown but can not walk to either. If had easier access then could utilize area more	
209		7/23/2022 9:51
	focus on the critical pieces of infrastructure for this decade; cost-cutting should be a focus vs expanding into new areas right now.	
210		7/23/2022 9:59
211	Dramatically increase sidewalks in and around down town.	7/23/2022 10:54
212	Better synchronization of lights downtown, especially Hollis St at school hours	7/23/2022 11:00
213	Keep the roads up MUCH better. More paving maintenance. Less patching.	7/24/2022 18:08
214	Summer street rail trail crossing - cars going too fast, very dangerous for bikers	7/26/2022 9:48
215	Sidewalks to Lake Winthrop (Norfolk St)	7/26/2022 16:20

216	Help to alleviate congestion between Washington and Central street.	7/27/2022 13:06
217	Add sidewalks on busy streets, and adequate snow removal and street repairs.	7/27/2022 13:18
218	More bike lanes that are clearly marked for safety. More cross walks with flashing lights (eg. the cross walk on Woodland + Lowland is treacherous, and many students use this; also, no one ever stops for the cross walk at Concord + Baker).	7/27/2022 13:56
219	Traffic lights have not enhanced the flow of traffic through town: more congested because of traffic lights!	7/28/2022 8:32
220	We need sidewalks We also need much better enforcement of speed on major residential roads or we need additional stop signs on those roads	7/28/2022 18:11
221	Accessible parking, good signage and promotion of "Park and walk" down town/ business areas.	7/29/2022 7:54
222	Connect rail trail to more outside communities,i.e. Bellingham etc.	7/29/2022 12:27
223	Given the limited ways that "connectivity and mobility" are defined in this survey, the issue that needs deeper examination is that of equity and access. There are trade-offs necessary related to some of these traditional framings to create greater equity and access in Holliston.	7/31/2022 6:38
224	All nice goals, how much can the town afford? How would one "manage" traffic congestion downtown? It is currently a mess.	7/31/2022 9:30
225	Improving walkability, especially to schools, is of the utmost importance and is vital in light of the climate crisis. Improving public transportation and access will also help with racial and socioeconomic segregation.	7/31/2022 14:48
226	More sidewalks and more speed control.	7/31/2022 16:00
227	The sidewalks on Washington that are state owned need to be repaired.	8/1/2022 16:07
228	Sidewalks on Washington street need work! Especially from Highland to summer. They are there, but no one mows them or keeps them in shape. It's very hard and not safe to ride bikes from the Underwood St area to the trail (behind gas station) with kids	8/1/2022 21:36
229	Keep on street parking available. Not all streets need 2 sidewalks...	8/2/2022 12:37
230	Top priority in my mind: We need to extend sidewalks farther down Central and Fiske streets. Those communities are underserved (relative to other directions out of downtown) and the roads dangerous to pedestrians/children. Second there are many informal trail connections to the Rail trail. If some of these can be formalized / mapped/ signage / maintained that could help safe connections	8/2/2022 20:52
231	Cars go bombing down Winter Street, and a ton of kids walk to Washington from the Queens. One of these days, a kid is going to get hit. I recommend putting in a sidewalk going from Washington to Little Road and/or installing a speed bump between 15 & 25 Winter so that cars have to slow down.	8/2/2022 21:31
232	Adjust the timing of the traffic lights between Highland St and Washington/Central	8/2/2022 22:36
233	Ensure that the rail trail maintenance efforts are well staffed and funded via highway dept budget (line items/or alternatives)	8/2/2022 22:59

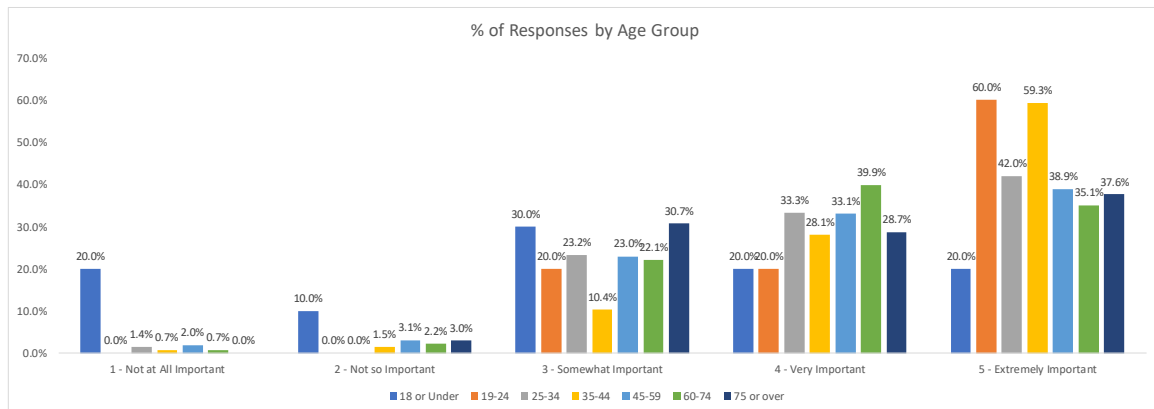
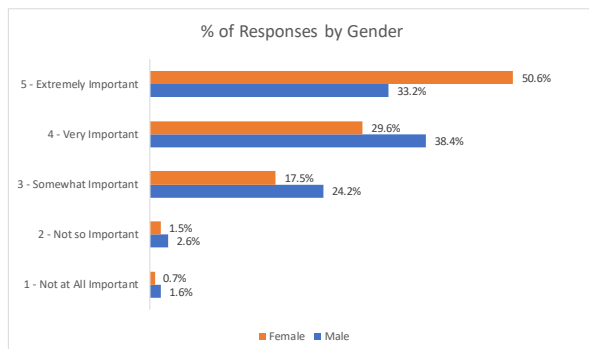
234	Not a goal, but who the heck designed the Stop sign infrastructure at Prentice & Highland!?! Total Cluster IMO	8/3/2022 19:00
235	public parking rejuvenation	8/6/2022 16:02
236	Clear brush, mow and expand shoulders of side streets that do not have sidewalks for the safety of walkers.	8/7/2022 12:51
237	Speed up road repairs.	8/7/2022 13:10
238	Do something about the Central/Norfolk St intersection Gotta be now the most dangerous in town. So many people came me flying down the hill on Central toward Norfolk, they don't slow down thru flashing yellow light, and there are accidents there monthly. Something has to change.	8/8/2022 21:29

Section 9: Public Recreation

Q75	Preserve existing recreational programs and camps.						
1105							
	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	14 1.3%	25 2.3%	225 20.4%	362 32.8%	469 42.4%	10 0.9%	4.14
Male	6 1.6%	10 2.6%	93 24.2%	148 38.4%	128 33.2%		3.99
Female	4 0.7%	9 1.5%	103 17.5%	174 29.6%	297 50.6%		4.28
0.29							



18 or under	2 20.0%	1 10.0%	3 30.0%	2 20.0%	2 20.0%		3.10
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	1 20.0%	3 60.0%		4.40
25 - 34	1 1.4%	0 0.0%	16 23.2%	23 33.3%	29 42.0%		4.14
35 - 44	2 0.7%	4 1.5%	28 10.4%	76 28.1%	160 59.3%		4.44
45 - 59	7 2.0%	11 3.1%	82 23.0%	118 33.1%	139 38.9%		4.04
60 - 74	2 0.7%	6 2.2%	60 22.1%	108 39.9%	95 35.1%		4.06
75 or over	0 0.0%	3 3.0%	31 30.7%	29 28.7%	38 37.6%		4.01



Q76	Preserve existing parks, playgrounds, beach facilities, golf courses and conservation areas that offer walking, hiking and biking trails.
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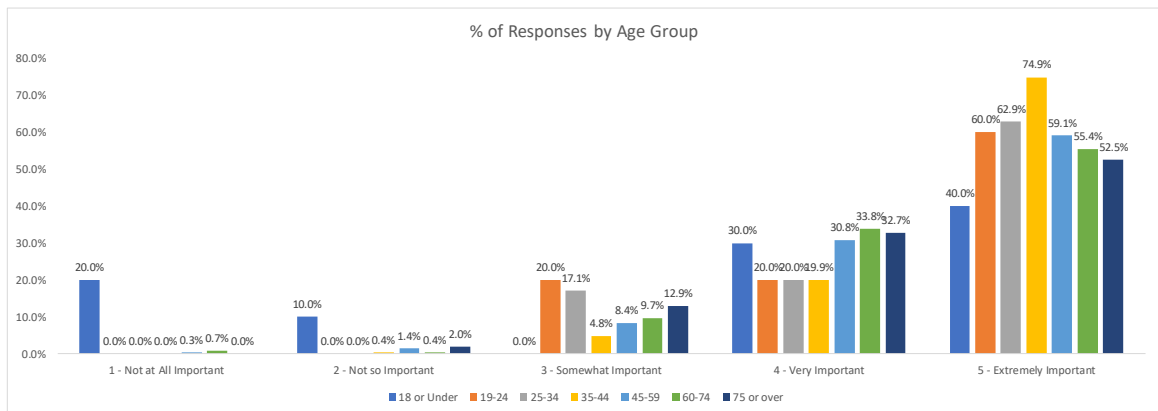
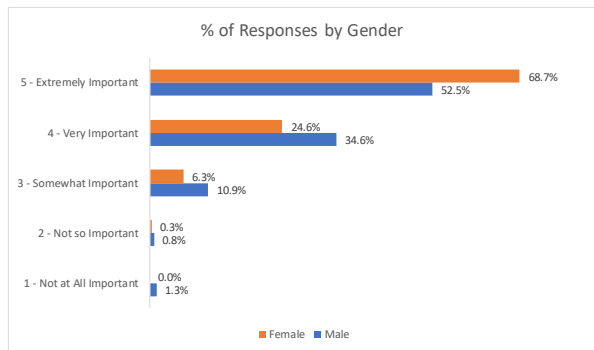
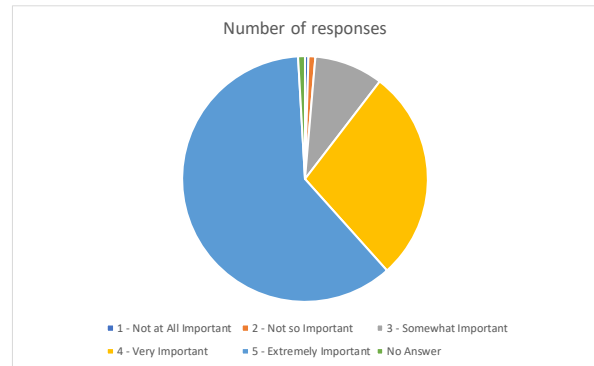
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Total	5	10	100	309	671	10	4.49
	0.5%	0.9%	9.0%	28.0%	60.7%	0.9%	

Male	5	3	42	134	203		4.36
	1.3%	0.8%	10.9%	34.6%	52.5%		

Female	0	2	37	144	402		4.62
	0.0%	0.3%	6.3%	24.6%	68.7%		

0.26

18 or under	2	1	0	3	4		3.60
	20.0%	10.0%	0.0%	30.0%	40.0%		
19 - 24	0	0	1	1	3		4.40
	0.0%	0.0%	20.0%	20.0%	60.0%		
25 - 34	0	0	12	14	44		4.46
	0.0%	0.0%	17.1%	20.0%	62.9%		
35 - 44	0	1	13	54	203		4.69
	0.0%	0.4%	4.8%	19.9%	74.9%		
45 - 59	1	5	30	110	211		4.47
	0.3%	1.4%	8.4%	30.8%	59.1%		
60 - 74	2	1	26	91	149		4.43
	0.7%	0.4%	9.7%	33.8%	55.4%		
75 or over	0	2	13	33	53		4.36
	0.0%	2.0%	12.9%	32.7%	52.5%		



Q77	Promote expansion and protection of conservation areas and trails.
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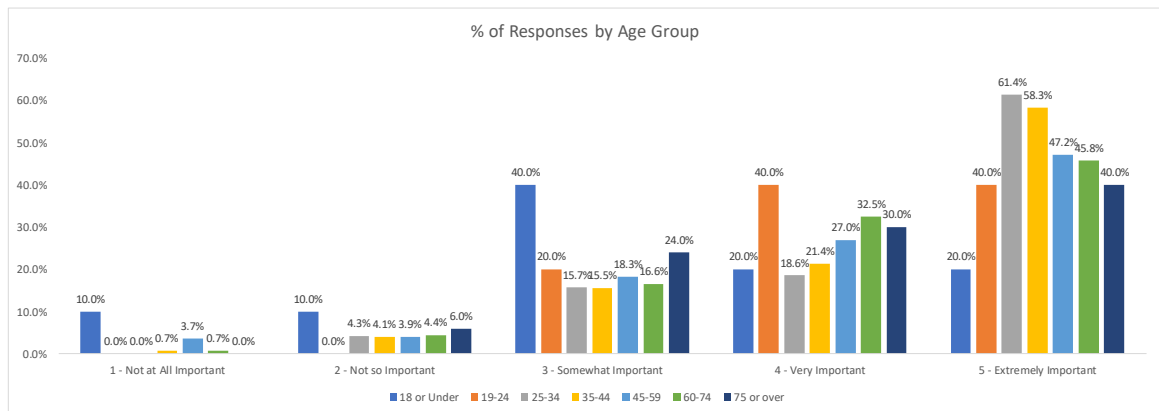
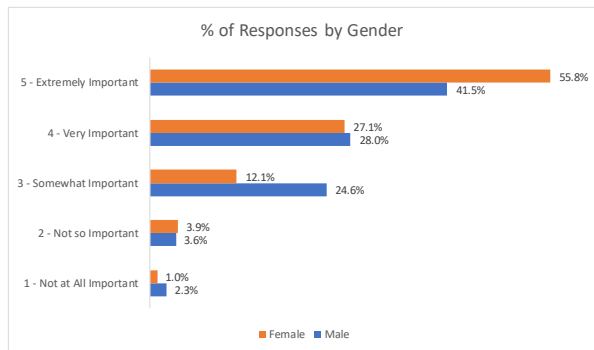
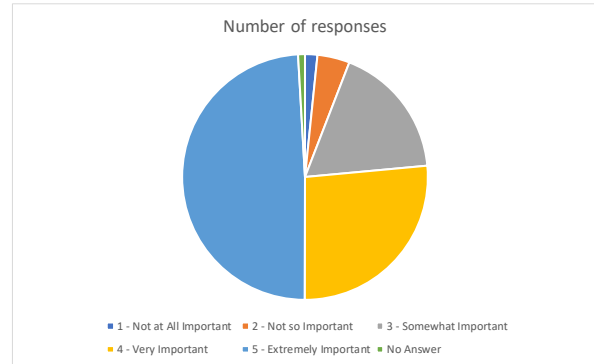
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Total	18 1.6%	47 4.3%	195 17.6%	293 26.5%	542 49.0%	10 0.9%	4.18

Male	9 2.3%	14 3.6%	95 24.6%	108 28.0%	160 41.5%		4.03
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Female	6 1.0%	23 3.9%	71 12.1%	159 27.1%	327 55.8%		4.33
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18 or under	1 10.0%	1 10.0%	4 40.0%	2 20.0%	2 20.0%		3.30
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	2 40.0%	2 40.0%		4.20
25 - 34	0 0.0%	3 4.3%	11 15.7%	13 18.6%	43 61.4%		4.37
35 - 44	2 0.7%	11 4.1%	42 15.5%	58 21.4%	158 58.3%		4.32
45 - 59	13 3.7%	14 3.9%	65 18.3%	96 27.0%	168 47.2%		4.10
60 - 74	2 0.7%	12 4.4%	45 16.6%	88 32.5%	124 45.8%		4.18
75 or over	0 0.0%	6 6.0%	24 24.0%	30 30.0%	40 40.0%		4.04



Q78	Explore commercial partnerships to expand year round recreational opportunities (i.e community center, after-school).
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	23 2.1%	58 5.2%	259 23.4%	333 30.1%	420 38.0%	12 1.1%	3.98

Male	13 3.4%	29 7.5%	119 30.8%	113 29.3%	112 29.0%		3.73
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Female	7 1.2%	22 3.8%	110 18.8%	177 30.3%	268 45.9%		4.16
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18 or under	2 20.0%	2 20.0%	4 40.0%	1 10.0%	1 10.0%		2.70
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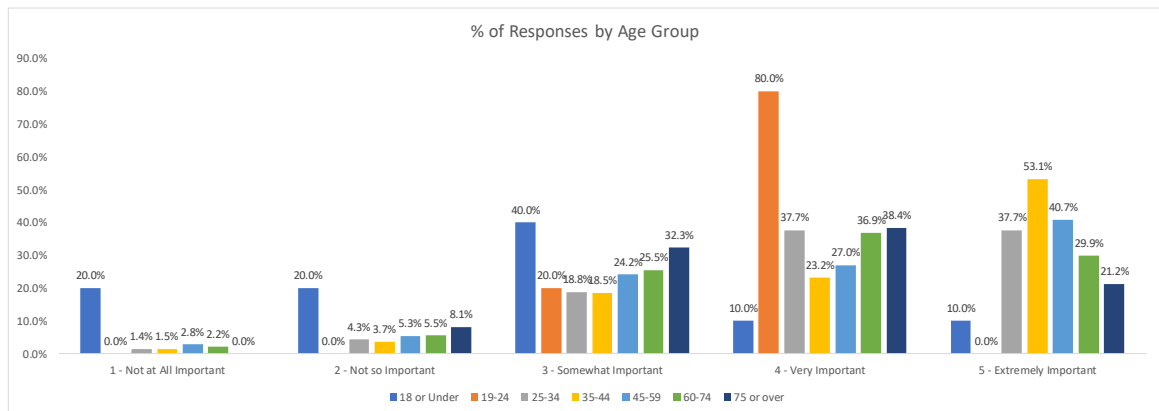
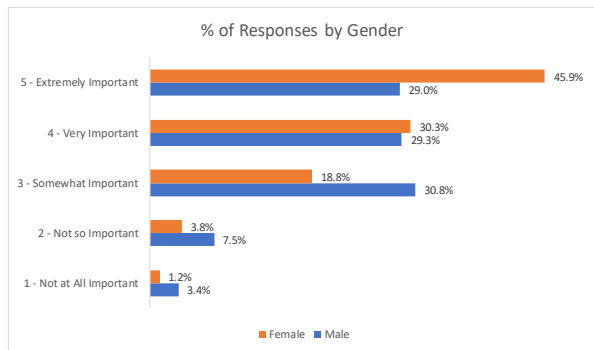
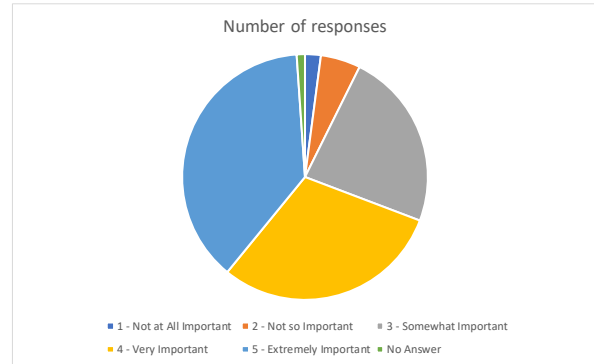
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35 - 44	4 1.5%	10 3.7%	50 18.5%	63 23.2%	144 53.1%		4.23
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45 - 59	10 2.8%	19 5.3%	86 24.2%	96 27.0%	145 40.7%		3.97
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60 - 74	6 2.2%	15 5.5%	69 25.5%	100 36.9%	81 29.9%		3.87
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75 or over	0 0.0%	8 8.1%	32 32.3%	38 38.4%	21 21.2%		3.73
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Q79	Promote entertainment options (i.e. farmer's markets, food trucks, outdoor festivals, kids theater, animal shows).
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	34 3.1%	45 4.1%	211 19.1%	330 29.9%	476 43.1%	9 0.8%	4.07

Male	14 3.6%	19 4.9%	91 23.5%	124 32.0%	139 35.9%		3.92
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Female	13 2.2%	17 2.9%	90 15.3%	171 29.1%	296 50.4%		4.23
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18 or under	1 10.0%	1 10.0%	1 10.0%	3 30.0%	4 40.0%		3.80
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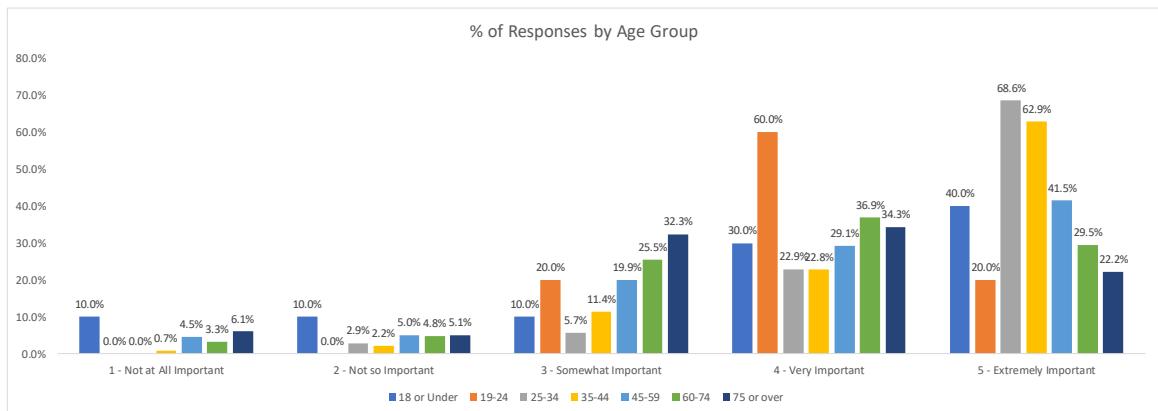
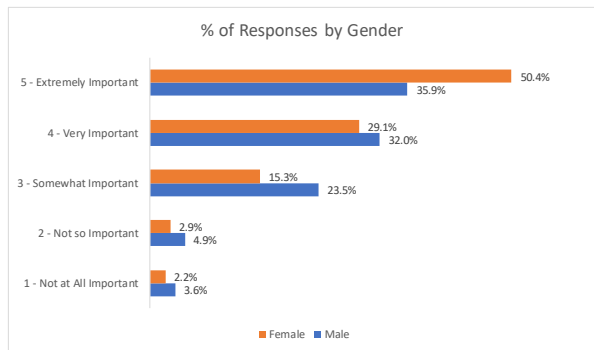
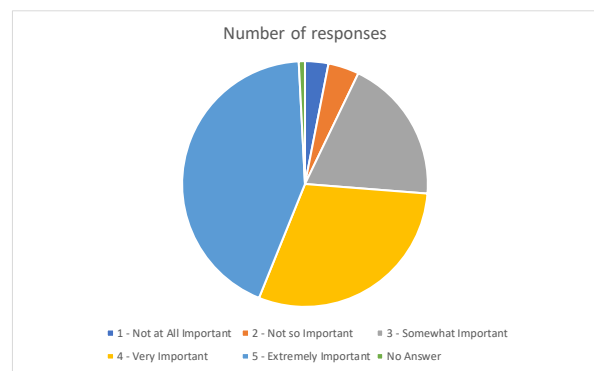
25 - 34	0 0.0%	2 2.9%	4 5.7%	16 22.9%	48 68.6%		4.57
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35 - 44	2 0.7%	6 2.2%	31 11.4%	62 22.8%	171 62.9%		4.45
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45 - 59	16 4.5%	18 5.0%	71 19.9%	104 29.1%	148 41.5%		3.98
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60 - 74	9 3.3%	13 4.8%	69 25.5%	100 36.9%	80 29.5%		3.85
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75 or over	6 6.1%	5 5.1%	32 32.3%	34 34.3%	22 22.2%		3.62
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Q80	Provide well-maintained recreational facilities and conservation trails.
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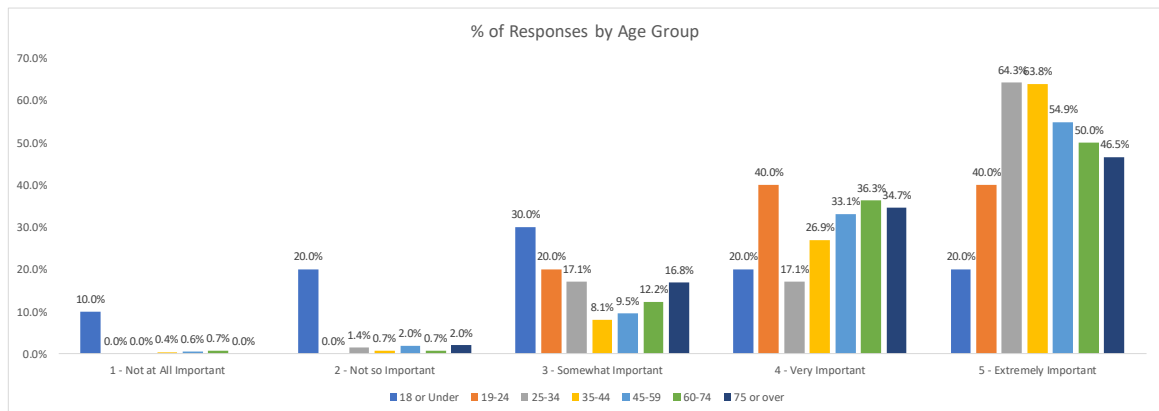
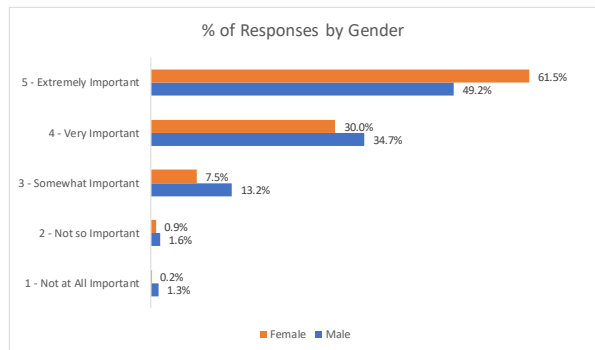
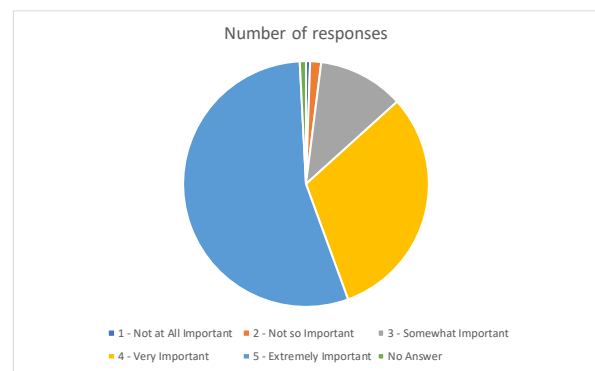
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Total	6 0.5%	16 1.4%	125 11.3%	344 31.1%	605 54.8%	9 0.8%	4.39

Male	5 1.3%	6 1.6%	51 13.2%	134 34.7%	190 49.2%		4.29
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Female	1 0.2%	5 0.9%	44 7.5%	176 30.0%	361 61.5%		4.52
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18 or under	1 10.0%	2 20.0%	3 30.0%	4 20.0%	5 20.0%		3.20
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	2 40.0%	2 40.0%		4.20
25 - 34	0 0.0%	1 1.4%	12 17.1%	12 17.1%	45 64.3%		4.44
35 - 44	1 0.4%	2 0.7%	22 8.1%	73 26.9%	173 63.8%		4.53
45 - 59	2 0.6%	7 2.0%	34 9.5%	118 33.1%	196 54.9%		4.40
60 - 74	2 0.7%	2 0.7%	33 12.2%	98 36.3%	135 50.0%		4.34
75 or over	0 0.0%	2 2.0%	17 16.8%	35 34.7%	47 46.5%		4.26



Q81	Preserve existing access to water through public boat launches, beaches, and town ways to water.
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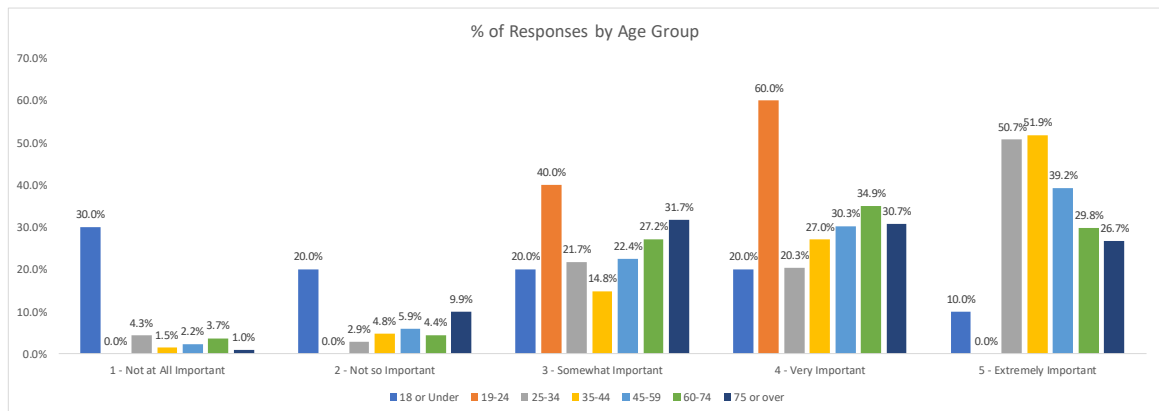
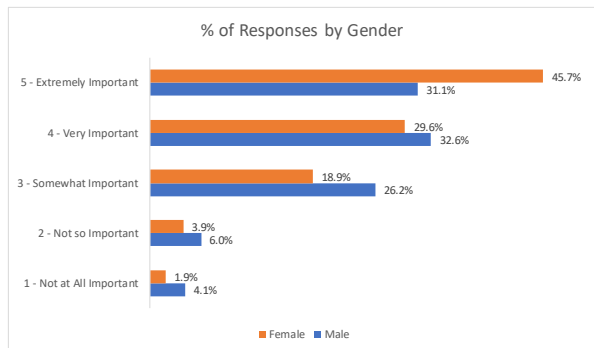
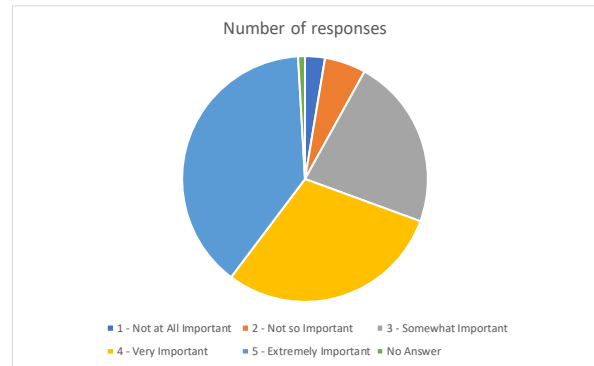
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Total	29 2.6%	60 5.4%	249 22.5%	328 29.7%	429 38.8%	10 0.9%	3.98

Male	16 4.1%	23 6.0%	101 26.2%	126 32.6%	120 31.1%		3.81
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Female	11 1.9%	23 3.9%	111 18.9%	174 29.6%	268 45.7%		4.13
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18 or under	3 30.0%	2 20.0%	2 20.0%	2 20.0%	1 10.0%		2.60
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	2 40.0%	3 60.0%	0 0.0%		3.60
25 - 34	3 4.3%	2 2.9%	15 21.7%	14 20.3%	35 50.7%		4.10
35 - 44	4 1.5%	13 4.8%	40 14.8%	73 27.0%	140 51.9%		4.23
45 - 59	8 2.2%	21 5.9%	80 22.4%	108 30.3%	140 39.2%		3.98
60 - 74	10 3.7%	12 4.4%	74 27.2%	95 34.9%	81 29.8%		3.83
75 or over	1 1.0%	10 9.9%	32 31.7%	31 30.7%	27 26.7%		3.72



Q82	Provide improved water quality to maintain swimming, fishing and water recreation (kayaking, canoeing) of Lake Winthrop.						
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	14 1.3%	26 2.4%	150 13.6%	291 26.3%	612 55.4%	12 1.1%	4.34

Male	6 1.6%	7 1.8%	71 18.5%	122 31.8%	178 46.4%		4.20
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Female	5 0.9%	13 2.2%	50 8.5%	143 24.3%	377 64.1%		4.49
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18 or under	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	3 30.0%	4 40.0%	3 30.0%		4.00
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	2 40.0%	1 20.0%	2 40.0%		4.00
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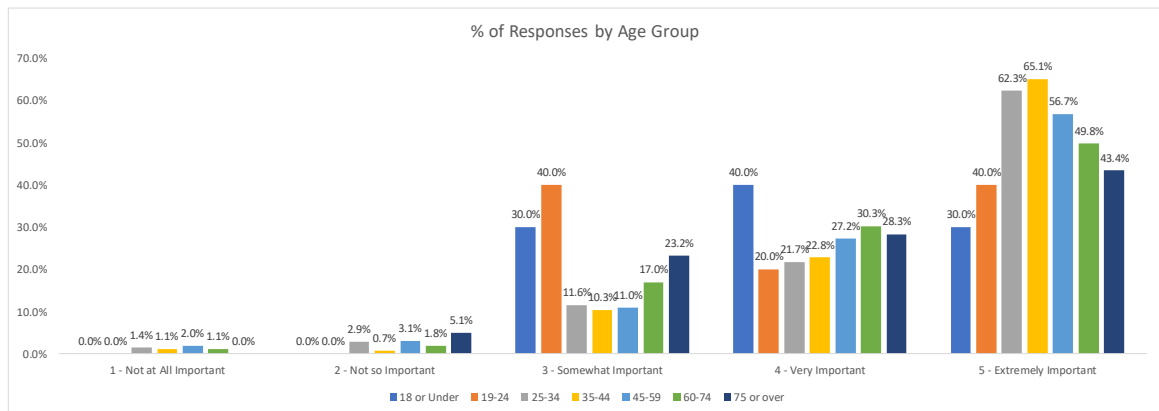
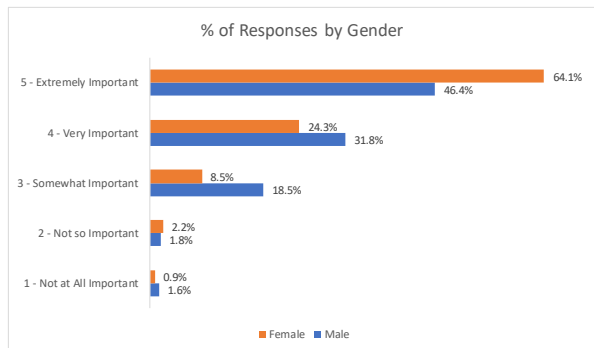
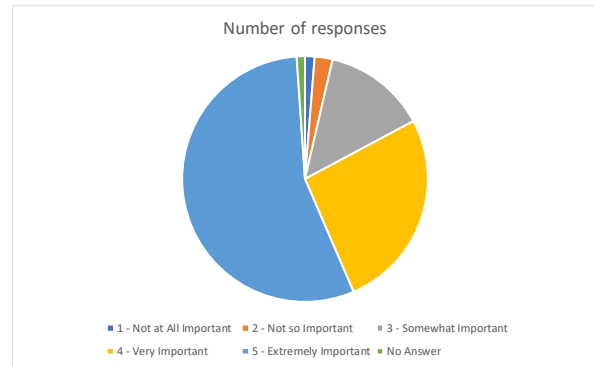
25 - 34	1 1.4%	2 2.9%	8 11.6%	15 21.7%	43 62.3%		4.41
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35 - 44	3 1.1%	2 0.7%	28 10.3%	62 22.8%	177 65.1%		4.50
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45 - 59	7 2.0%	11 3.1%	39 11.0%	97 27.2%	202 56.7%		4.34
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60 - 74	3 1.1%	5 1.8%	46 17.0%	82 30.3%	135 49.8%		4.26
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75 or over	0 0.0%	5 5.1%	23 23.2%	28 28.3%	43 43.4%		4.10
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Q83	Improving conditions of the town's athletic fields.
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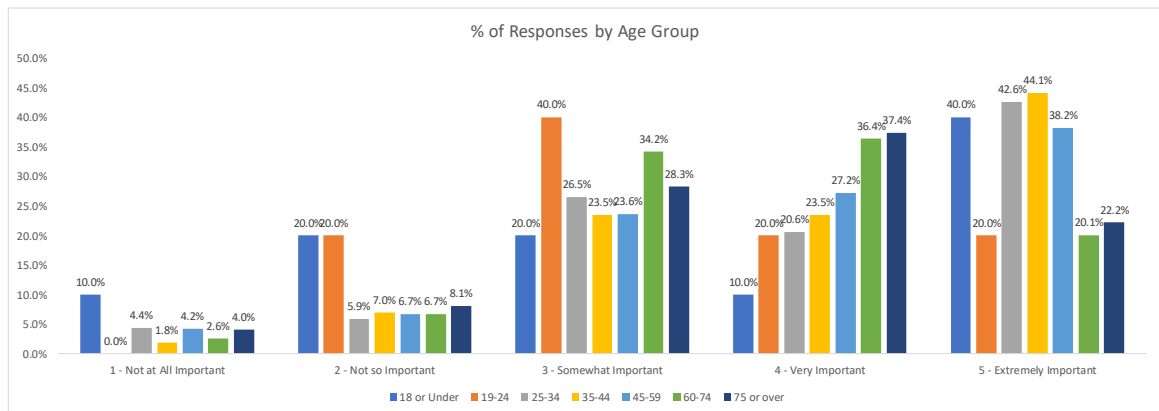
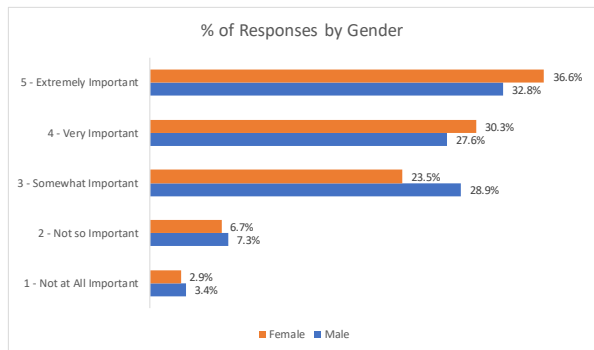
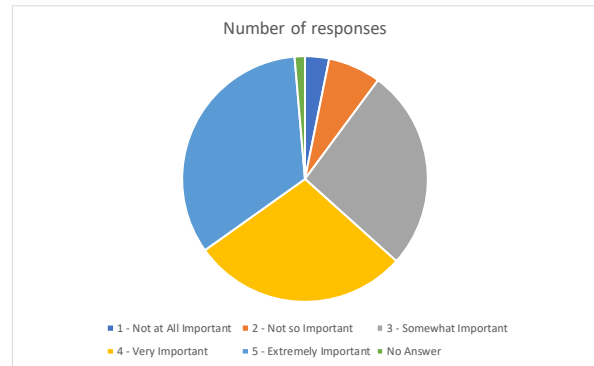
	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	35 3.2%	77 7.0%	293 26.5%	315 28.5%	370 33.5%	15 1.4%	3.83

Male	13 3.4%	28 7.3%	111 28.9%	106 27.6%	126 32.8%		3.79
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Female	17 2.9%	39 6.7%	137 23.5%	177 30.3%	214 36.6%		3.91
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18 or under	1 10.0%	2 20.0%	2 20.0%	1 10.0%	4 40.0%		3.50
19 - 24	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	2 40.0%	1 20.0%	1 20.0%		3.40
25 - 34	3 4.4%	4 5.9%	18 26.5%	14 20.6%	29 42.6%		3.91
35 - 44	5 1.8%	19 7.0%	64 23.5%	64 23.5%	120 44.1%		4.01
45 - 59	15 4.2%	24 6.7%	84 23.6%	97 27.2%	136 38.2%		3.88
60 - 74	7 2.6%	18 6.7%	92 34.2%	98 36.4%	54 20.1%		3.65
75 or over	4 4.0%	8 8.1%	28 28.3%	37 37.4%	22 22.2%		3.66



#	What other public recreation goals do you recommend?	Time
1	Water quality needs to be realized.	6/2/2022 16:55
2	Our athletic fields are an embarrassment	6/2/2022 17:01
3	All the sections you're asking about are all connected. Only a certain segment of the population can or should drive. Make this town more bike friendly so that the children can get around to the recreation fields.	6/2/2022 17:31
4	WE enjoy the town beach, park and rec programs and great parks. Keep up good work.	6/2/2022 17:37
5	The town of Ridgefield, CT where our son lives, offers wonderful musical activities on Thursday evenings in the public park - concerts, bands, etc, for all ages. They are extremely well attended, highly recommend.	6/2/2022 17:45
6	Give some love to the fields the kids play on. They've been neglected for far too long	6/2/2022 18:43
7	Not sure about this but would be nice for seniors if they want to go to Stoddard Park ,not sure if they can go during camp hours. Maintaining and cleaning gazebo at Blair Square and maybe adding a few other covered places especially with the intense heat we are now having do to climate. Senior skin in general does not do well with lots of direct sun exposure. More covered sitting areas for people to congregate. We were pretty bummed when Chamberlain pool closed. It was an affordable and close opportunity to belong to a pool and they did extremely good with covered areas. Places I mentioned Jaspers coffee shop, Gracefully Restored and the Chamberlain pool were places many congregated that are not available now.	6/2/2022 18:47
8	Why do we need to have commercial partnerships? Do we have to monetize nature. Our co serration trails are amazing, we just need to maintain them. They are one of the greatest gifts this town has to offer	6/2/2022 19:16
9	Manage our woodlands for access and sustainability. Monetize them by attracting people who visit or use Rail Trail to also visit our other areas.	6/2/2022 20:45
10	We need to improve the condition of town athletic fields (especially high school fields) and look for areas of additional fields.	6/2/2022 20:52
11	Treat all fields equally. We as a town should be embarrassed about the HS bb field and that students are trying to raise money to fix it. Most of the fields besides Kamitian are a mess.	6/2/2022 21:11
12	People, like myself, move here with kids because it is a great town. Everything on this page is extremely important to expand and continue to do.	6/2/2022 21:38
13	build a town pool at Pinecrest and offer family memberships	6/3/2022 8:28
14	It's really pathetic that when we think of going to the park we go outside of town. We visit dark parks in Natick and Franklin. We go to the playgrounds in Hopkinton and Ashland first, before our own.	6/3/2022 9:03
15	Don't lock the public out of their own natural resources in the name of protection. Encourage good use	6/3/2022 9:12

	Ask the people who use the public areas to volunteer to take care of them. We should not be wasting town money on things not all people find useful. Public money should NOT be used to fund things that only a small group of people in town actually use. Keep costs to a bare minimum. It seems like the leaders in this town cannot wait to spend our money on folly.	6/3/2022 9:59
16		
17	The fields need major improvement and we need more fields. We need more fields with lights. Medway uses their fields as a way to make money and rents their space we should copy their mode.	6/3/2022 10:00
18	Lake Winthrop is used primary by out of town people for swimming.	6/3/2022 10:48
19	Designated Bike lanes for safety	6/3/2022 10:53
20	PortaPotties on rail trail	6/3/2022 11:16
21	weed / milfoil mitigation at lake Winthrop	6/3/2022 12:50
	The land below the rail trail behind Casey's all the way to the middle school would be a great place for a large scale farmers market similar to the Ithaca Farmers Market in NY. I think we need to be careful with how many things we try to offer. Do a few things well because we don't have the funds to do everything well.	6/3/2022 14:20
22		
23	Available bathroom facilities to encourage people to enjoy recreation facilities	6/3/2022 18:13
24	Reconsider use of artificial turf, "rubberized" play surfaces and other potentially toxic and quickly disintegrating materials.	6/4/2022 12:22
25	Continue to support town owned golf course improvement. Only use property to support recreation	6/5/2022 19:58
26	maintain lake so weeds do not prevent future boating, and other recreation	6/5/2022 21:25
	Better restroom facilities at Goodwill park, Stoddard park & Pleasure point. Restroom access near rail trail. There are no public toilets available. Go see restroom at Choate Park in Millis or Medway. Needs to be open dawn to dark.	6/6/2022 11:43
27		
	Assess the current recreation offerings to decide if the current offerings are what the Town wants or if there are new/different offerings that might replace existing offerings. Pickleball is very popular, other towns offer courses and access to courts. In addition to managing the weed problem in the lake to bring back fishing, swimming, and boating, add swim lanes to Stoddard and Pleasure Point swimming areas--low cost and an invitation to encourage swimming for fitness.	
	A larger investment worth considering is an athletic center (indoor swimming pool, running track, hockey rink). These are big money makers in other towns far enough away from Holliston to consider having one in Holliston. Would also support increase, clean, and regular tax revenue.	6/6/2022 14:02
28		
29	Perhaps a community center in the (when it gets old) highway yard. It will have access to the trail and Blair Square!!	6/6/2022 14:45
30	Remove weeds from lake Winthrop	6/7/2022 6:54
31	Town camps should be expanded so people are using town resources rather than going to other towns	6/7/2022 17:33
32	More times for toddler rec activities that working parents can get to	6/7/2022 18:18
33	Make our school fields look less trashy	6/7/2022 21:22

34	Provide more recreational fields. Improve high school fields so they don't have to use town fields. Provide more athletic opportunities for students directly after school, located at schools.	6/7/2022 21:48
35	Athletic fields need a major overhaul! Especially the parking lots, They are atrocious and frankly, an embarrassment when other towns come to our fields.	6/8/2022 9:41
36	Stoddard Park and Pleasure Point need to be up kept better. These two areas are major selling points for our town. We need to focus on better grounds keep and better water quality.	6/8/2022 14:31
37	Looks pretty excellent to me already.	6/9/2022 7:45
38	Again, data based decision making. For example, what's the roi for dollars spent on cultivating Holliston as an arts and cultural destination versus a water destination?	6/9/2022 8:34
39	Bild a community center for the youth of the town and young adults.	6/9/2022 8:36
40	Public outdoor skating rink for wintertime use with lighting. Cross Street at Rail Trail?? Pure Hockey headquarters is on Cross Street; they may be willing to sponsor an outdoor rink with advertising rights	6/9/2022 13:12
41	I would like to see a dog park in our town.	6/9/2022 13:18
42	Pickle Ball Courts, opportunities to participate in a regional swim program	6/9/2022 15:52
43	Consider possible revenues from expanding pinecrest to a fee based recreational club like a ymca (pool, courts, gym...) -	6/9/2022 20:21
44	If you can do this without raising taxes, OK.	6/9/2022 20:42
45	Outdoor facilities for teenage youth. Improve playgrounds at Elementary Schools-they are deplorable.	6/10/2022 14:11
46	First, I'd like to see a trail that connects the rail-trail to Pleasure Point, and to Stoddard if that is possible. Also, I couldn't help but notice the Town's new DPW facility is proposed to be built on recreational property behind the Golf course, destroying two currently maintained recreational trails in a well used forest, and storing diesel fuel and road salt at the base of Miller Hill, where the town well is located. These actions seem to be at odds with the protection of open space and recreational opportunities.	6/12/2022 11:35
47	Clean and maintain the bathrooms at the lake, they are disgusting. Consider offering programs with other towns to expand the choices.	6/14/2022 15:26
48	Allow dogs access to swim in in one of the town's waterbodies	6/14/2022 20:54
49	Create a Lake Winthrop commission or board to protect the lake.	6/15/2022 8:09
50	I loved the new program to rent canoes at Stoddard and food truck festivals are awesome!!	6/15/2022 10:04
51	Improving athletic fields would be great!!	6/15/2022 10:05
52	Clean Up Lake Winthrop. Allow Lights to be installed on Marshall Fields	6/15/2022 10:12
53	Allow grilling at Lake Winthrop. Its obvious the new policy is to keep away the spanish speaking population who used those grills often and had a great time there.	6/15/2022 10:44
54	We have great facilities. Keep these maintained. We do not need expansion	6/15/2022 11:13
55	athletic fields should be on par or better with neighboring towns	6/15/2022 11:28
56	Fox the athletic fields so it's less embarrassing when other teams visit	6/15/2022 11:30
57	Provide somewhere middle school and high schoolers can gather after school safely and in a non-disruptive way.	6/15/2022 12:25
58	reduce water clogging plant growth	6/15/2022 12:40

	Continue supporting the rail trail. Create an adequate and well trained DPW grounds department to maintain fields and cemeteries, and use environmentally safe products and native plantings. Educate the DPW and the public that improved water quality of the lake depends on cutting runoff of nitrogen from landscape fertilizers. Please do not develop Pleasure Point - keep it natural. Stoddard can be always be improved and used.	6/15/2022 12:55
59		
60	New resident; none come to mind.	6/15/2022 13:15
61	Area for live music	6/15/2022 13:29
62	Maintained Sidewalks in neighborhoods	6/15/2022 13:36
63	What we have is already pretty great.	6/15/2022 13:52
	Manage town trails more proactively to minimize long term damage to trees. I have concerns over the density of trails in the Adams st area, it seems users make their own paths and shortcuts all the time.	6/15/2022 14:39
64		
65	Maintain what we have before expanding.	6/15/2022 16:56
66	AEDs at ALL athletic fields	6/15/2022 18:04
	Golf course--open winter trails for cross country skis,	
67	Golf course--reduced fees for seniors and/or first time learners	6/16/2022 14:42
	A "farmers Market" as entertainment? Farmers markets are great venues for increasing the accessibility of locally grown foods to towns that do not have active farms. The Holliston's farmers Market is actually "taking away" business from our taxpaying agricultural businesses in town. Holliston residents have the ability to visit farmstands at their convenience.	6/16/2022 16:33
68		
	4. Explore commercial partnerships to expand year round recreational opportunities (i.e community center, after-school).	
	Perhaps a new multifunctional, multigenerational community center to replace or expand the current senior center.	6/17/2022 14:39
69		
70	It would be great to have current public walking trails be better-marked and better-mapped to improve accessibility!	6/17/2022 14:46
71	Improve school playgrounds	6/17/2022 14:53
72	Update goodwill park bathrooms, and keep them maintained	6/17/2022 15:40
73	Our town's athletic fields are HORRIBLE	6/17/2022 15:46
74	Provide More racks for canoes and kayaks at Pleasure Point	6/17/2022 16:07
75	Believe there are higher priorities	6/17/2022 16:10
76	Open a town swimming pool. Offer more intramural sports like volleyball.	6/17/2022 17:26
	There is only one turf field in the town and too many youth sorts teams that need it. As well, they won't turn on the field lights for town sports so it is incredibly limiting when trying to play games on the turf at night and becomes dangerous when kids can barely see a heavy lacrosse ball flying at them. We need another turf field in this town that has lights.	6/17/2022 17:36
77		
78	Skate Park for Youth	6/17/2022 21:33
	Somewhere for middle and high school students to gather. Some of public spaces (parks) that allow leashed dogs. More sidewalks and bike paths.	6/18/2022 13:50
79		
80	boat rentals at Stoddard and Pleasure Point	6/18/2022 21:12

81	Town pool	6/19/2022 13:02
82	Goodwill park community facility	6/19/2022 14:21
83	I don't know if this exists-- a structure that shuts--inside (at no charge) would be croquet,, badminton, corn hole, etc. that could be used by families on a sign-in and sign-out for a period of time basis.	6/19/2022 19:33
84	None, we have a good mix.	6/20/2022 10:47
85	Improve all of our facilities - we have so many amazing public spaces that are in need of a refresh.	6/20/2022 12:00
86	Dog park	6/20/2022 20:55
87	Baseball field is in bad shape	6/21/2022 9:51
88	Finding and redistricting zoning to accommodate the growth of more recreational facilities and or training facilities !	6/21/2022 22:44
89	More tennis courts!	6/22/2022 10:30
90	As stated earlier, improving access from the rail trail to various locations (Stoddard, Adam's street lot, the trails near the high school).	6/22/2022 10:31
91	Another thing we often go out of town for is the Farmers Market. Would love to see more opportunity to buy local produce, meat, eggs, etc. Things that I need to buy on a weekly basis. Ashland would be a good place to look for inspiration.	6/22/2022 10:44
92	Promote bike riding, improve bike lanes, and give incentives to people using public transportation or bikes with tax credits.	6/22/2022 11:03
93	Town residents (ie. taxpayers) should not have to pay to use Stoddard Park, Pleasure Point, etc. Fees should apply to non-residents.	6/22/2022 11:09
94	Take better care of the recreation fields.	6/22/2022 11:48
95	i promote improvement of existing conservation land at this time...not adding more land to conservation efforts. Further, the athletic fields in Holliston are an embarrassment. Only the turf field at the High school is safe to use and all the rest are just a complete waste of space. We must do better for the kids of our Town and for the adult-leagues too! Fix the High School Fields so we have more fields for all to use! And then move on to fixing Goodwill park fields!	6/22/2022 12:24
96	improve sand, amenities and fields at stoddard park.	6/22/2022 13:03
97	Improve and add field space. Holliston youth programs should not have to travel / play in surrounding towns due to lack of space or lights are required in spring/fall for safety. If a holliston youth sport raises 100% of funds for a tool used in other surrounding towns, allow it to be added at the appropriate complexes.	6/22/2022 13:40
98	Indoor soccer	6/22/2022 15:36
99	As suggested previously, concentrate on afternoon and evening events for teenagers	6/22/2022 17:10
100	Improved maintenance of local rec. facilities. Goodwill Park sports field spectator bench is safety hazard. Should be replaced before a child is seriously hurt.	6/22/2022 20:59
101	I understand that there are going to be some pickle ball courts put in Goodwill park near some houses. This is a loud and intrusive sport. Put them elsewhere in town (like near the Middle or Miller School) where there is available parking but not near residences. ... or in Stoddard Park where there is ample parking but won't negatively impact other residents.	6/23/2022 6:06
102	it's truly embarrassing when residents go before the FinCom and beg for money for the fields.	6/23/2022 10:48

103	Already covered	6/23/2022 13:43
104	Playgrounds on western side of town.	6/23/2022 14:09
105	Walking trails maintenance	6/23/2022 14:11
106	Getting people of all ages outside, active, and in their communities is a crucial goal. Health and community building all benefit!	6/23/2022 14:20
107	Allow grilling at Stoddard again. The clearly racist ban on grills is to keep out our Hispanic neighbors who actually use it for that purpose and the policy sickens me. How racist can we be?	6/23/2022 14:20
108	Whether the park or the track at the high school, turn on the lights until like 10:30 PM, especially during the spring/summer. Hopkinton always has kids playing basketball at night in the summer. Even add basketball courts at the football field and track to use the lights there if you need. The track would get utilized at night if people can use it. Framingham use to have a button you push that turns the lights on for 30 to 60-min, then if a bank of lights goes out you know there is 5-min left and you go and push it again. Get the kids and families outside and moving.	6/23/2022 14:31
109	1. established a lake Winthrop committee that has jurisdiction rights to getting things done.	6/23/2022 14:33
110	conditions of the town's athletic fields	6/23/2022 15:03
111	better signage and information	6/23/2022 15:10
112	Add tennis courts	6/23/2022 15:25
113	Improve the high school softball/baseball fields. The conditions are an embarrassment to our town.	6/23/2022 15:33
114	Spend some money on fields other than football. Not all kids play football. It's a shame the money that has been spent in the HS football field and the baseball field is a mess.	6/23/2022 15:45
115	If we had expanded fields of certain types (baseball/softball for example), the HYBSA or HYSA could do tournaments for revenue to cover expenses of fields.	6/23/2022 15:45
116	The parks and nature trails in Holliston were a big draw for our family moving in.	6/23/2022 15:52
117	It is vital that our parks be utilized in a way that is consistent with the residential density surrounding each park. If houses surround all 4 sides of a park like Goodwill, that the sports provided do not overrun the surrounding residents with bright lights, noise, parking issues, after hours non sport related activity. Spread some of the activities like pickle ball courts (proposed) and lighting to other parks where there is less residential density. This is the right thing to do in order to improve the overall experience for those who live around parks and we are fortunate to have many park options in our town to do just that.	6/23/2022 16:18
118	I would like to see improvement in the maintenance of the high school grounds (trash, adding flowers, mulch, etc.)	6/23/2022 16:20
119	Expand offerings for younger children.	6/23/2022 16:26
120	Why does all the high school athletic programs, except football, have such poor practice fields. Geees, the baseball/softball programs have unbelievably poor fields that never get the help they need. Why does the men's soccer team practice off campus? The town fields are horrible, often uncut and the holes and poor condition.... Does any of our tax money go to the fields!	6/23/2022 16:28

121	Town pool/Swimming lessons for residents only. Boat rentals (canoe, kayak, peddle boat) on Lake Winthrop like Hopkinton State Park.	6/23/2022 16:34
122	Dog parks	6/23/2022 17:42
123	Better signage for recreational areas and trails. Add bike racks more places to encourage biking.	6/23/2022 17:45
124	A community center is definitely needed.	6/23/2022 19:14
125	We are under utilizing Pinecrest Golf course. If we had a pool on the property and promoted family membership it could be a tremendous asset and revenue generating for town.	6/23/2022 20:53
126	Maybe a dedicated cricket ground	6/23/2022 21:48
127	Water play stuff in the parks, i.e. fountains and whatever you call the various water stuff kids and also adults can play in. Create an outdoor and an indoor public pool. Also, what are the "existing recreational programs and camps" mentioned above? I'm not aware of any.	6/23/2022 22:14
128	Keeping the facilities we have in excellent condition. Having a long term maintenance schedule.	6/23/2022 22:44
129	These goals are on point!	6/23/2022 23:30
130	Please consider greater investment in the town's athletic fields and complexes. Holliston has seen a dramatic reduction in sport participation, contrasting with surrounding communities that have larger or well maintained athletic fields which promote sports, participation, and town spirit, often lasting through and beyond high school ages.	6/24/2022 8:35
131	I do not think golf courses require more town support	6/24/2022 8:50
132	Renovate bath house at Pleasure point	6/24/2022 9:03
133	Stoddard park should be a MUST DO summer destination but water quality impedes this. i grew up in NJ where most towns have a well developed lake community of activities. Expand the beach area, a club house for rental, add affordable programs. we paid/still pay about \$300/year for all access & reduced costs for programs. offer sliding scale for all who want to join. arts & crafts, volleyball, swim team area, tennis, boating & swimming lessons. people are paying to do it elsewhere. keep the revenue here!	6/24/2022 9:20
134	Those who utilize public recreational areas should also promote fundraisers for those areas.	6/24/2022 9:27
135	Add pickleball courts to town property in parkland	6/24/2022 10:41
136	Expand public programs to have longer hours that are better for two parent working households.	6/24/2022 11:33
137	to see the fields being used all the time with youth activities.	6/24/2022 12:53
138	Rather than "preserve" I would ask to improve the parks, beaches, fields etc. Don't use chemicals on fields that children play on, offer safe, not broken toys at Goodwill, and invest in a ground cover other than wood chips as many surrounding towns have done.	6/24/2022 14:59
139	Safe places for young people. Tennis/Pickleball courts for adults	6/25/2022 7:38
140	More athletic fields	6/26/2022 7:04
141	Improve water quality of Lake Winthrop, expand access to Lake Winthrop boating, including additional Kayak/canoe storage	6/26/2022 8:51

142	Keeping the town recreational properties & programs restricted to Holliston residents	6/26/2022 10:08
143	I use the rail trail and the hiking trails in town quite a lot. Keeping them in good condition is imperative.	6/26/2022 11:53
144	Lake winthrop use to be a great place to swim, now it seems gross. Need to work on cleaning it up and getting more people to enjoy the lake.	6/27/2022 11:41
145	Add Pickleball courts but not at the expense of tennis courts.	6/27/2022 11:52
146	More programs at the library and parks and rec	6/27/2022 16:02
147	Holliston's athletic fields are an embarrassment. The conditions border on unsafe	6/27/2022 18:36
148	Improve signage and trail-blazing on all town hiking trails. Explore the possibility of creating longer walking trails through town by piecing together a number of smaller contiguous parcels, as has been done in the vicinity of Medway's High School.	6/28/2022 21:04
149	Equity in fields at the high school	6/29/2022 10:42
150	Keep the town beach just for town residents. So much cleaner and more pleasant to go there during covid when this was the rule!	6/29/2022 14:09
151	Athletic fields are lacking and what we have are not in great shape	6/29/2022 20:53
152	Outdoor festivals for families and better promotion of farmers market	6/29/2022 21:19
153	#2 mentions golf courses - I would rather see golf courses turned into nature preserves to offer more varied flora, less pesticide and chemical use, and more responsible use of water.	6/29/2022 21:21
154	Please please build a community center with basketball courts and a town pool! Our town separately needs a safe place where teens and kids can go to be active.	6/29/2022 22:08
155	Lighted ball field complex at patoma with views of lake	6/29/2022 22:14
156	Fix the fields!!!! I cannot believe the conditions of them. These kids need to have pride in where the play which in turn will motivate them to take care of the fields.	6/30/2022 6:56
157	We need one central gathering place. Where all events are hosted. The farmers market it a joke this year, there needs to be events that people want to come to and have easy access to. Having events on the street are ok, but make issue for traffic. We need a downtown green square for these activities.	6/30/2022 9:44
158	PUBLIC RESTROOMS AT STODDARD, PLEASURE POINT, DOWN TOWN, GOODWILL PARK. CURRENT RESTROOMS HAVE NOT BEEN IMPROVED SINCE 1950S. I KNOW THAT FOR A FACT. See restrooms at Choate park, medway.	6/30/2022 10:37
159	Bocce League	6/30/2022 13:30
160	Lake Winthrop always seems to close due to high levels of bacteria. We have youths here ready to thrive and use fields and rec programs. Meet the moment!	6/30/2022 21:31
161	Town fields are embarrassing	6/30/2022 22:31
162	Again partnering with small Businesses to provide some of these services creates a win win situation. Town should not be offering competing classes to businesses. Acting classes, music classes, art etc Why not build up small businesses to do that.	7/2/2022 18:46

163	Add more rentable boat racks at Pleasure Point. I would separate out the Farmers Market from the question it is nested under above. The Farmers Market is not well publicized and I noticed a reduced number of vendors this year. It could be an amazing market and attraction for people who flock to using the rail trail. It needs marketing and outreach to additional vendors to make it robust enough to attract customers. It's a catch 22 - weeny market, not many people, robust market, a lot of customers.	7/4/2022 9:26
164	The town manages many acres which are owned by the people of Holliston and Federal Government. Holliston's anti-hunting policy on town-managed land alienates responsible citizens who are promoting wildlife conservation. There are many modern and safe creative programs (such as "archery only" or "town permit only") for hunting that towns such as Dover, Sherborn, Weston, etc... use to allow their citizens to recreate on public land. A small group of older residents are resistant to considering archery hunting but it would be a great positive for the community to consider it.	7/7/2022 9:40
165	Yea. We're a young couple with kids. Duh. Serve us. We are the future of this community just like you were.	7/9/2022 20:34
166	More children's theater performed outside for the public, and other events mentioned in question 5 would be very welcome.	7/13/2022 10:31
167	We need more recreation opportunities for middle school and teenagers.	7/14/2022 16:57
168	Fix the basketball courts on Summer Street	7/15/2022 7:18
169	There is a gap where the kids who go to the town camps can only be Counselors in training and not campers, my child didn't want to look after little kids all summer (her words not mine!), and wanted to have fun but there is no options but more expensive private camps. After age 13 there isn't much for them to do. And too young to work. Also after school programs should increase to keep them out of trouble. Not all kids do sports!	7/18/2022 10:05
170	School play scapes need to be replaced, updated, now!	7/18/2022 14:21
171	Clean up the beaches stop spending so much money on motion lights for the trail	7/18/2022 16:13
172	Lake has bad smell and weeds need to be cleaned up!	7/18/2022 16:26
173	more access for dog owners to parks and conservation and water areas	7/18/2022 16:47
174	Animal shows? No.	7/18/2022 20:38
175	Town swimming pool	7/18/2022 21:57
176	An indoor swimming pool.	7/18/2022 23:00
177	Banning mountain bikes on most town owned trails is a start. The damage they are doing in the Town Forest and Fairbanks property, despite the claims by NEMBA, is phenomenal	7/18/2022 23:33
178	The towns athletic fields are in good shape by and large	7/19/2022 6:48
179	Tennis courts at Goodwill, the surface is terrible so we never go there (along with nearly everyone else I know). Lighting is too dim to be usable at night. Clay courts would be amazing, even if a small fee was required to use them.	7/19/2022 9:00
180	Funding public rec should be a top priority in maintaining a healthy happy town	7/19/2022 9:11

181	Athletic fields are a great idea!	7/19/2022 11:03
182	Expand summer on the green concerts.	7/19/2022 11:16
183	Our fields are in poor shape. Would love for someone to think big picture about expanding/improving fields in Stoddard park area. If better conditions, could potentially rent for tournaments, etc. it's a beautiful location.	7/19/2022 12:23
184	expand informal recreation opportunities for town youth. They have little or nowhere to gather and participate in non-structured activity.	7/19/2022 12:58
185	We regularly use the trails at the end of Gorwin Drive as do our neighbors and hope those continue to be maintained, we are thankful for the local green spaces.	7/19/2022 13:47
186	Clean or get rid of alot of weeds in lake winthrop	7/19/2022 14:57
187	Dog park	7/19/2022 17:32
188	Town pool	7/19/2022 18:10
189	water fill up stations along the trail - and also, we dont buy a Lake Winthrop pass anymore, because its too hard to enjoy it while camp is in session, Its too bad theres not a separate location for the camp, with designated hours that they may come and swim, instead of the chaos and grouchy people who yell at the counselors for all the commotion with kids everywhere.	7/19/2022 21:26
190	I believe the town has done a good job with public recreation and continues to improve in these areas.	7/20/2022 7:30
191	PUBLIC RESTROOMS!!!!	7/20/2022 13:25
192	Answered this question earlier in the survey. Better parking for Rail Trail access. More attention to public spaces for beautification.	7/21/2022 11:56
193	Why is every lake in new england private? why do we have to pay \$55 to go to OUR lake? Water should be free. Why can't we drink alcohol at the lake? let's be honest, everyone would like a beer waterside. why can't you jump off of the dock and spin? the joy of summer is squashed by these puritanical rules. Let's just make the rule reflect what we want to do?	7/22/2022 22:58
194	more cultural events and programs, including various cultures represented in the community	7/23/2022 9:33
195	Holliston community farm could be a great area (like natick farm) if invested and revamped.	7/23/2022 9:51
196	provide funding to preserve existing facilities and resources. this will promote a sense of community and a healthy lifestyle.	7/23/2022 9:59
197	build additional turf fields for multi-sport use as many of the youth teams, mostly the girls' youth teams of field hockey and lacrosse have no access to use the current turf fields for games or practice and the surrounding towns that we compete against have the games on turf fields and even some practices	7/24/2022 9:49
198	Our fields, schools and beaches need more attention by the town. The HS is a disgrace and was left to parents and students volunteering their time to clean it up. We should be ashamed when other towns come to play on our grounds when compared to their more beautiful structures and manicured landscape.	7/24/2022 16:41
199	Additional Parks/playgrounds/gardens throughout town, some with splash pads for families/children	7/24/2022 17:44
200	Allow people to rent bikes on rail trail, include bikes for disabled people, love the inclusive town summer program! Mark Frank is the best!	7/25/2022 5:10

201	Improve water quality at Lake Winthrop, Expand produce/food options at town farmer's market, boat rental options	7/26/2022 9:48
202	Creating a green necklace of connected conservation areas	7/26/2022 23:22
203	Need more information to answer intelligently	7/27/2022 11:59
204	Expand events for families and offer more modern festivals and offerings (food and adult beverage) and look into an up to date recreation center for kids	7/27/2022 13:06
205	building new high school w/ new fields and pool then charge residence for use, like Newton	7/27/2022 13:18
206	Provide youth center for middle and high schoolers	7/28/2022 7:02
207	Pickle ball court	7/28/2022 8:32
208	Get police to enforce no motorized vehicles on lake winthrop INCLUDING dirt bikes on the ice	7/28/2022 11:31
209	Water quality must be prioritized (#1). School should be in charge of maintaining their sports fields so they aren't at the whim/ mercy of DPW to do it (DPW does have enough staff or budget)	7/28/2022 18:11
210	As. you know, the use of Lake Winthrop is so limited in the summer. Between the swans and snakes, it is not very enjoyable.	7/29/2022 12:27
211	Once the town has worked to improve the recreational and athletic areas in town, there must be a plan to maintain the areas, involving local non profit groups like Kof C, school parent and sports boosters. Try to get new and small businesses in town to volunteer to help on small projects.	7/30/2022 12:26
212	Add athletic fields	7/30/2022 12:42
213	It is embarrassing when other sports teams come to our town. When a large business wants to build, make them build a field.	7/30/2022 12:50
214	Laudable, but burdened with the other issues. Takes the farmer's market as an example. Generally weak turnout, I'm not sure why, perhaps too few vendors?	7/31/2022 9:30
215	yes to all of the above, and make camps and recreational opportunities more accessible and affordable.	7/31/2022 14:48
216	Farmers markets, food truck festivals and community festivals in general	7/31/2022 16:00
217	Expand programs for teens	8/1/2022 9:32
218	Lake Winthrop is an amazing place that has so many potential uses for resident recreational uses! Boating, kayak, swimming, etc. Stoddard and pleasure point need more TLC	8/2/2022 12:37
219	1) Lake Winthrop is a gem we should invest in. 2) the area below 8 arch bridge could use attention and cleanup. It could be redesigned to make a nice little park and alternate entry to rail trail, 3) with Chamberlain pines going away the town is wanting a pool. I wonder if the town could partner with someone to open and manage a pool. What about the grassy area near Winthrop at Stoddard (grassy area next to Stoddard beach softball field)?	8/2/2022 20:52
220	Develop a park area around the dam and stream by the 8 Arch Bridge	8/2/2022 22:59
221	Reiterating my comments about a community center.	8/2/2022 23:23
222	Better playgrounds. Our playgrounds are old and broken compared to neighboring towns	8/6/2022 11:09

Besides "maintaining" existing public recreation it would be good to expand recreational areas for pre-teens and teens. Youth center, weekly or bi-weekly activities - movies, skating, dancing, video or board games, etc. Maybe use middle school/high school gyms on Sat?

223		8/7/2022 12:51
224	Somehow make it rain more so that Lake Winthrop is not so depleted all summer	8/7/2022 16:14

Section 10: Schools & Education

Q85	Provide educational, technological, professional and infrastructure standards in our K-12 public schools that align with surrounding towns.					
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Total	15	25	115	203	727	20	4.48
	1.4%	2.3%	10.4%	18.4%	65.8%	1.8%	

Male	5	9	57	95	215		4.33
	1.3%	2.4%	15.0%	24.9%	56.4%		

Female	4	11	46	87	434		4.61
	0.7%	1.9%	7.9%	14.9%	74.6%		

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18 or under	0	0	4	0	6		4.20
	0.0%	0.0%	40.0%	0.0%	60.0%		

19 - 24	0	0	1	1	3		4.40
	0.0%	0.0%	20.0%	20.0%	60.0%		

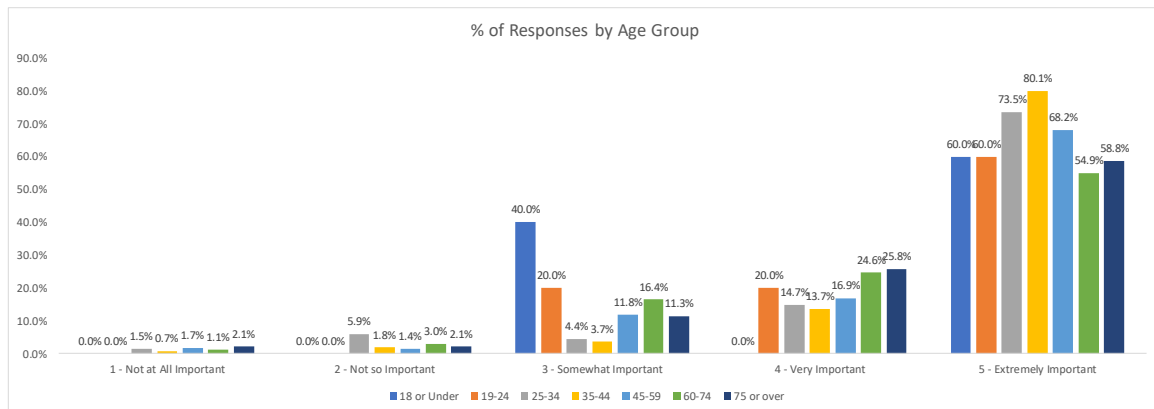
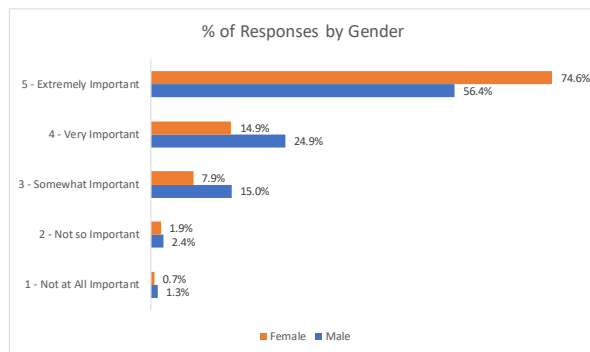
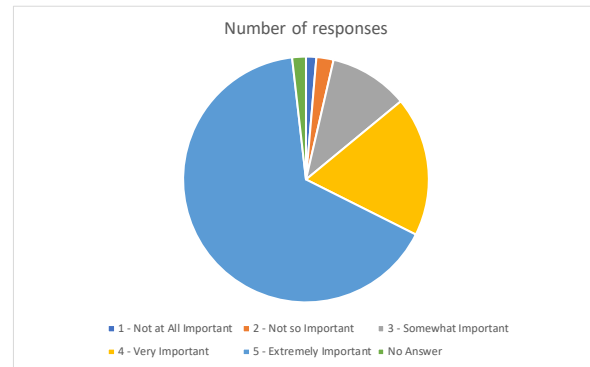
25 - 34	1	4	3	10	50		4.53
	1.5%	5.9%	4.4%	14.7%	73.5%		

35 - 44	2	5	10	37	217		4.70
	0.7%	1.8%	3.7%	13.7%	80.1%		

45 - 59	6	5	42	60	242		4.48
	1.7%	1.4%	11.8%	16.9%	68.2%		

60 - 74	3	8	44	66	147		4.29
	1.1%	3.0%	16.4%	24.6%	54.9%		

75 or over	2	2	11	25	57		4.37
	2.1%	2.1%	11.3%	25.8%	58.8%		



Q86	Promote child and teacher safety.
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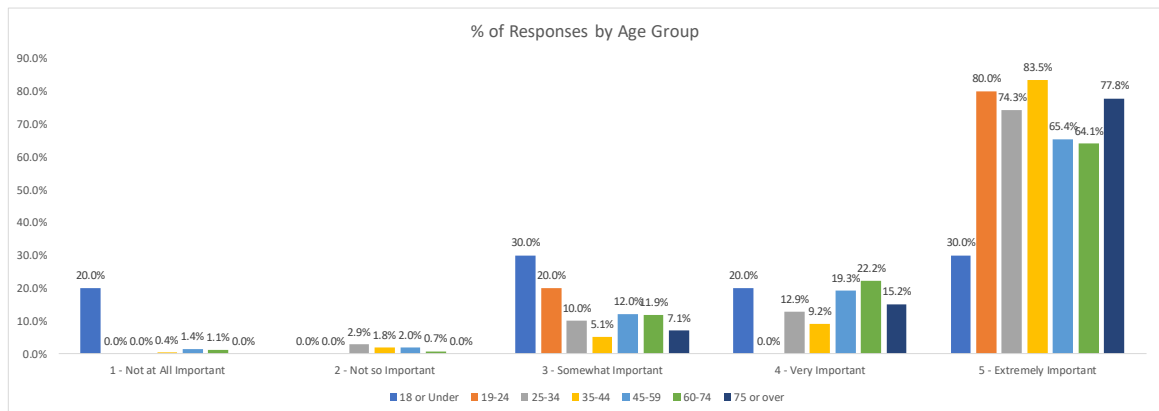
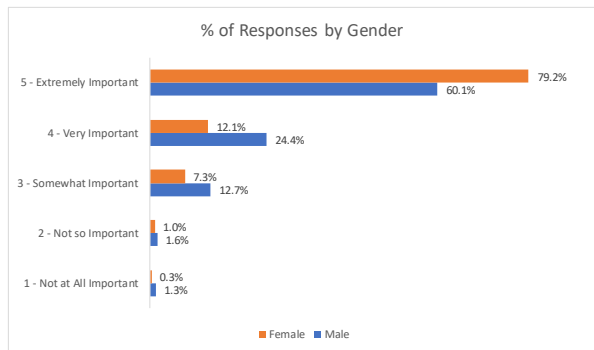
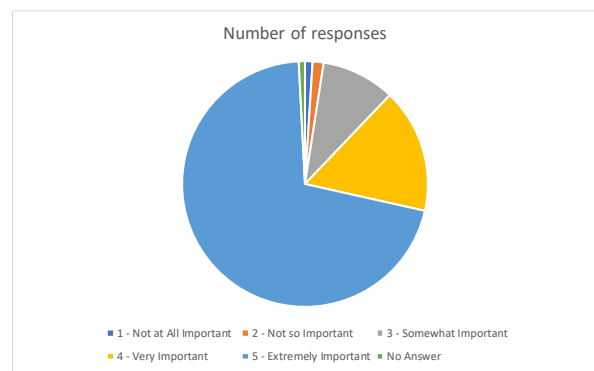
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Total	11 1.0%	16 1.4%	107 9.7%	181 16.4%	781 70.7%	9 0.8%	4.56

Male	5 1.3%	6 1.6%	49 12.7%	94 24.4%	232 60.1%		4.40
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Female	2 0.3%	6 1.0%	43 7.3%	71 12.1%	464 79.2%		4.69
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18 or under	2 20.0%	0 0.0%	3 30.0%	2 20.0%	3 30.0%		3.40
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	0 0.0%	4 80.0%		4.60
25 - 34	0 0.0%	2 2.9%	7 10.0%	9 12.9%	52 74.3%		4.59
35 - 44	1 0.4%	5 1.8%	14 5.1%	25 9.2%	228 83.5%		4.74
45 - 59	5 1.4%	7 2.0%	43 12.0%	69 19.3%	234 65.4%		4.45
60 - 74	3 1.1%	2 0.7%	32 11.9%	60 22.2%	173 64.1%		4.47
75 or over	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	7 7.1%	15 15.2%	77 77.8%		4.71



Q87	Promote investments and partnerships which improve school rankings and student performance.
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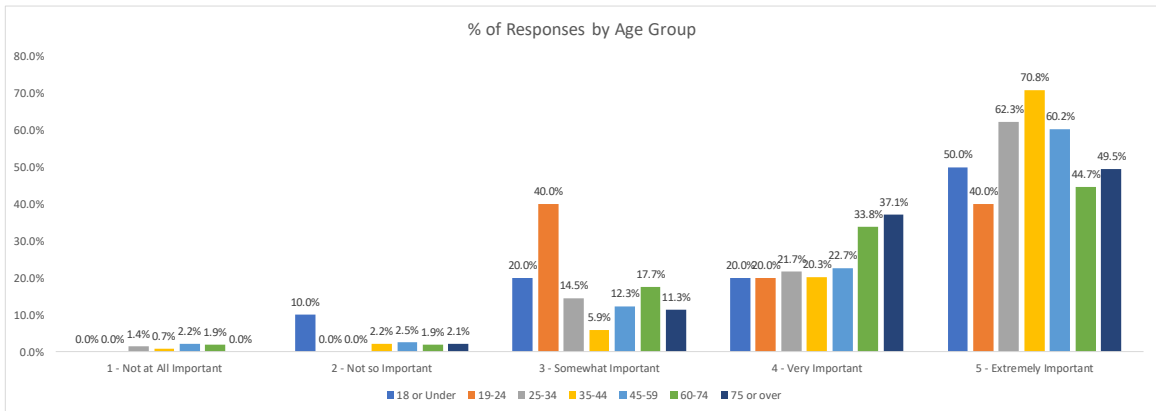
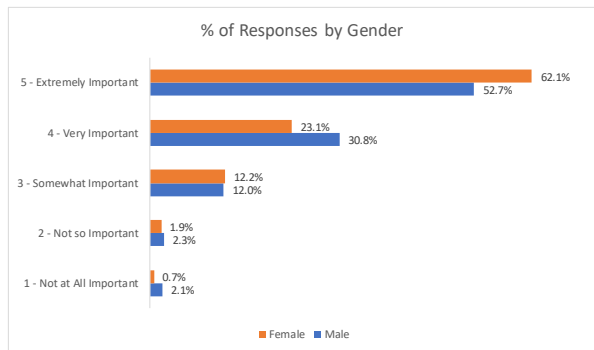
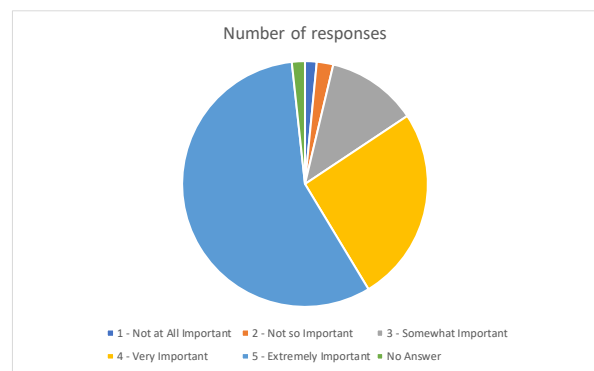
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	1.5%	2.2%	11.9%	25.7%	56.9%	1.7%	

Male	8	9	46	118	202		4.30
	2.1%	2.3%	12.0%	30.8%	52.7%		

Female	4	11	71	134	361		4.44
	0.7%	1.9%	12.2%	23.1%	62.1%		

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18 or under	0	1	2	2	5		4.10
	0.0%	10.0%	20.0%	20.0%	50.0%		
19 - 24	0	0	2	1	2		4.00
	0.0%	0.0%	40.0%	20.0%	40.0%		
25 - 34	1	0	10	15	43		4.43
	1.4%	0.0%	14.5%	21.7%	62.3%		
35 - 44	2	6	16	55	192		4.58
	0.7%	2.2%	5.9%	20.3%	70.8%		
45 - 59	8	9	44	81	215		4.36
	2.2%	2.5%	12.3%	22.7%	60.2%		
60 - 74	5	5	47	90	119		4.18
	1.9%	1.9%	17.7%	33.8%	44.7%		
75 or over	0	2	11	36	48		4.34
	0.0%	2.1%	11.3%	37.1%	49.5%		



Q88	Preserve high quality vocational training at the Keefe Regional Technical School and Norfolk County Agricultural School.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	39 3.5%	45 4.1%	186 16.8%	299 27.1%	524 47.4%	12 1.1%	4.12

Male	14 3.6%	19 4.9%	81 21.0%	112 29.1%	159 41.3%		3.99
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Female	15 2.6%	21 3.6%	81 13.9%	150 25.7%	317 54.3%		4.26
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18 or under	3 30.0%	0 0.0%	4 40.0%	3 30.0%	0 0.0%		2.70
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	0 0.0%	4 80.0%		4.60
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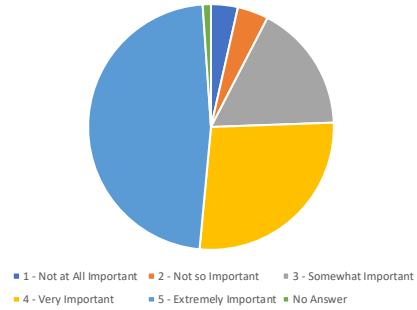
35 - 44	14 5.1%	18 6.6%	64 23.5%	68 25.0%	108 39.7%		3.88
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45 - 59	15 4.2%	17 4.8%	69 19.4%	98 27.5%	157 44.1%		4.03
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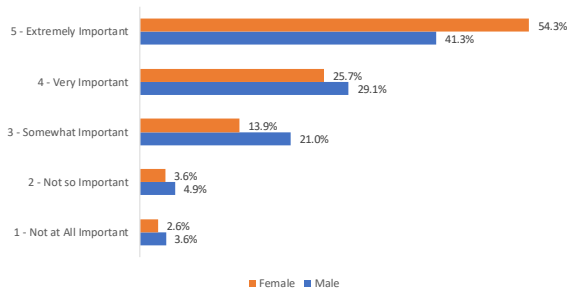
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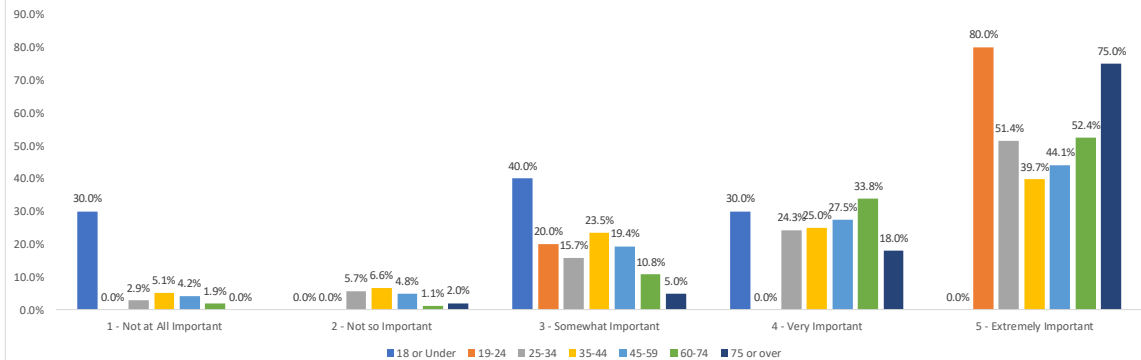
Number of responses



% of Responses by Gender



% of Responses by Age Group



Q89	Promote a balanced working relationship with our teachers, administrators and educational partners.
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Total	14 1.3%	21 1.9%	161 14.6%	272 24.6%	620 56.1%	17 1.5%	4.34

Male	5 1.3%	12 3.1%	84 22.0%	114 29.8%	167 43.7%		4.12
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Female	3 0.5%	6 1.0%	59 10.1%	127 21.8%	388 66.6%		4.53
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18 or under	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	2 20.0%	3 30.0%	5 50.0%		4.30
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	0 0.0%	4 80.0%		4.60
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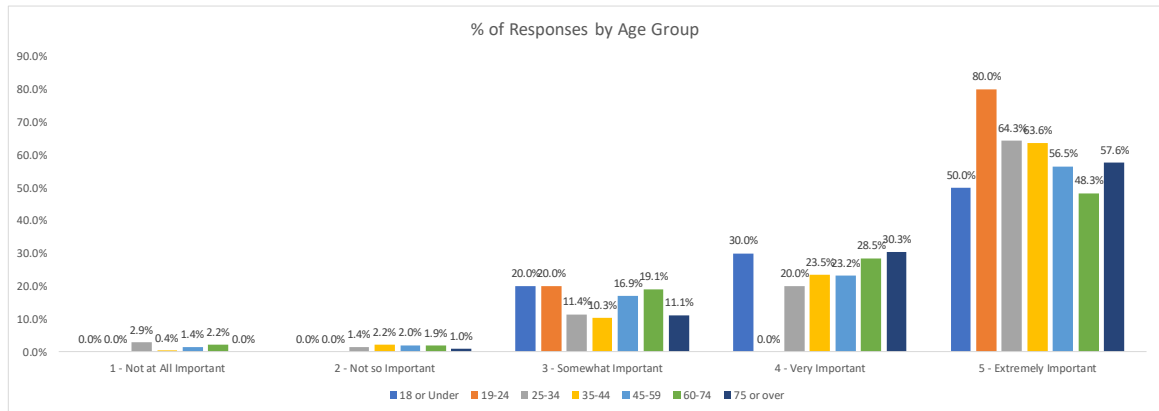
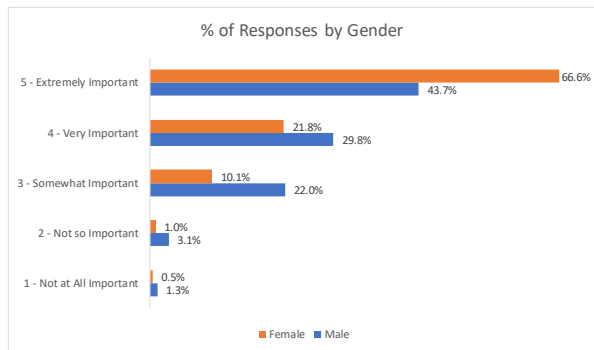
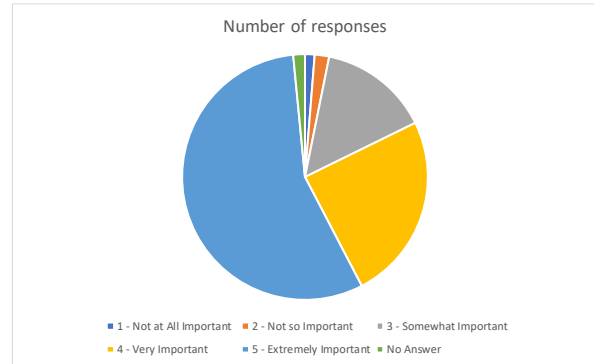
25 - 34	2 2.9%	1 1.4%	8 11.4%	14 20.0%	45 64.3%		4.41
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35 - 44	1 0.4%	6 2.2%	28 10.3%	64 23.5%	173 63.6%		4.48
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45 - 59	5 1.4%	7 2.0%	60 16.9%	82 23.2%	200 56.5%		4.31
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60 - 74	6 2.2%	5 1.9%	51 19.1%	76 28.5%	129 48.3%		4.19
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75 or over	0 0.0%	1 1.0%	11 11.1%	30 30.3%	57 57.6%		4.44
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Q90	Promote integration of after school programs into the overall community.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	24 2.2%	48 4.3%	245 22.2%	323 29.2%	448 40.5%	17 1.5%	4.03

Male	5 1.3%	22 5.7%	113 29.5%	121 31.6%	122 31.9%		3.87
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Female	11 1.9%	21 3.6%	100 17.1%	170 29.1%	282 48.3%		4.18
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18 or under	1 10.0%	1 10.0%	3 30.0%	3 30.0%	2 20.0%		3.40
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	1 20.0%	3 60.0%		4.40
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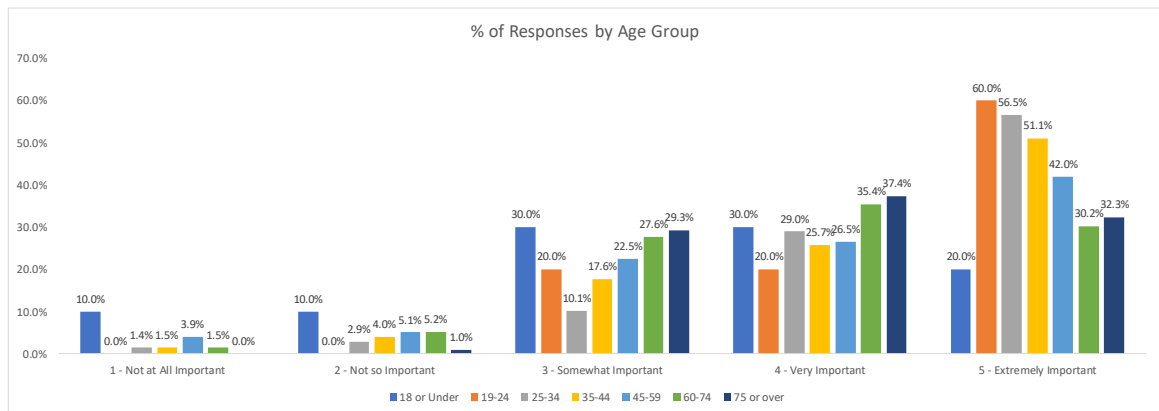
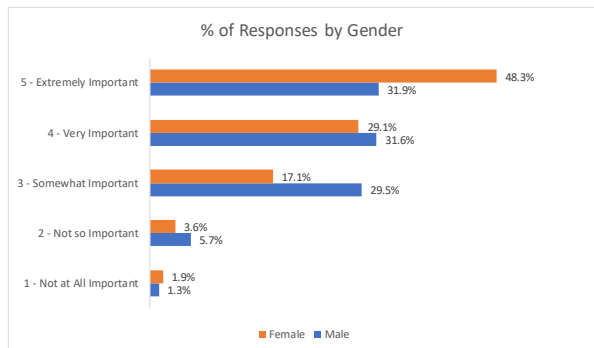
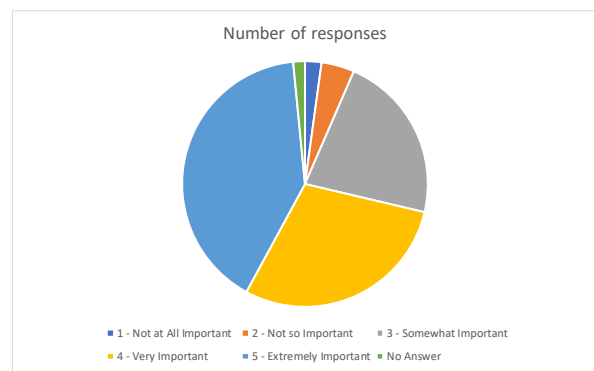
25 - 34	1 1.4%	2 2.9%	7 10.1%	20 29.0%	39 56.5%		4.36
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35 - 44	4 1.5%	11 4.0%	48 17.6%	70 25.7%	139 51.1%		4.21
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45 - 59	14 3.9%	18 5.1%	80 22.5%	94 26.5%	149 42.0%		3.97
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60 - 74	4 1.5%	14 5.2%	74 27.6%	95 35.4%	81 30.2%		3.88
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75 or over	0 0.0%	1 1.0%	29 29.3%	37 37.4%	32 32.3%		4.01
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Q91	Explore a plan for renovation or replacement of high school.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	79 7.1%	94 8.5%	230 20.8%	189 17.1%	495 44.8%	18 1.6%	3.85

Male	32 8.4%	46 12.1%	90 23.6%	65 17.1%	148 38.8%		3.66
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Female	29 5.0%	33 5.7%	123 21.1%	108 18.5%	290 49.7%		4.02
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0.37

18 or under	1 10.0%	0 0.0%	1 10.0%	5 50.0%	3 30.0%		3.90
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	2 40.0%	1 20.0%	1 20.0%		3.40
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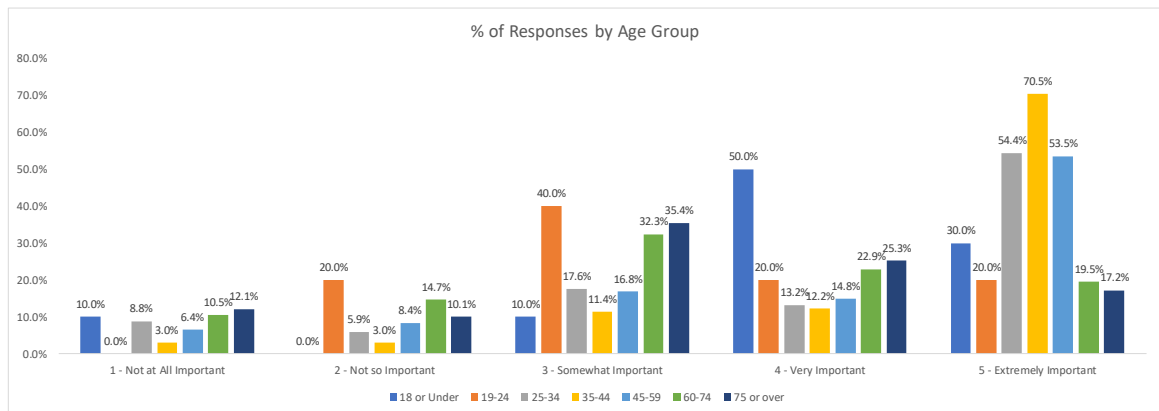
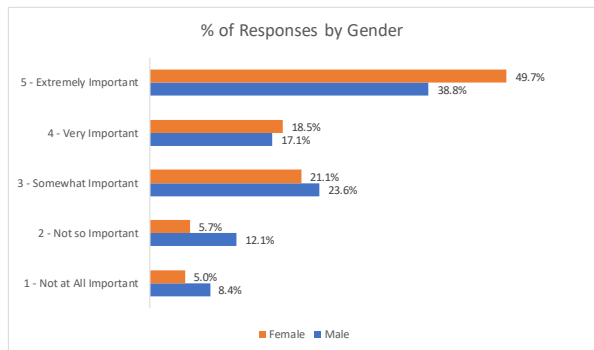
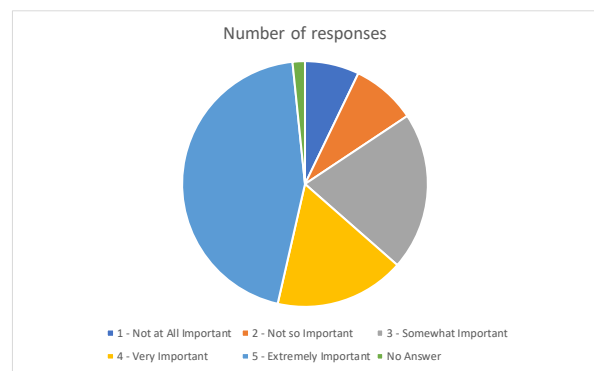
25 - 34	6 8.8%	4 5.9%	12 17.6%	9 13.2%	37 54.4%		3.99
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35 - 44	8 3.0%	8 3.0%	31 11.4%	33 12.2%	191 70.5%		4.44
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45 - 59	23 6.4%	30 8.4%	60 16.8%	53 14.8%	191 53.5%		4.01
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60 - 74	28 10.5%	39 14.7%	86 32.3%	61 22.9%	52 19.5%		3.26
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75 or over	12 12.1%	10 10.1%	35 35.4%	25 25.3%	17 17.2%		3.25
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Q92	Improve technology access, interactive software and reliable hardware for K-12 public schools.
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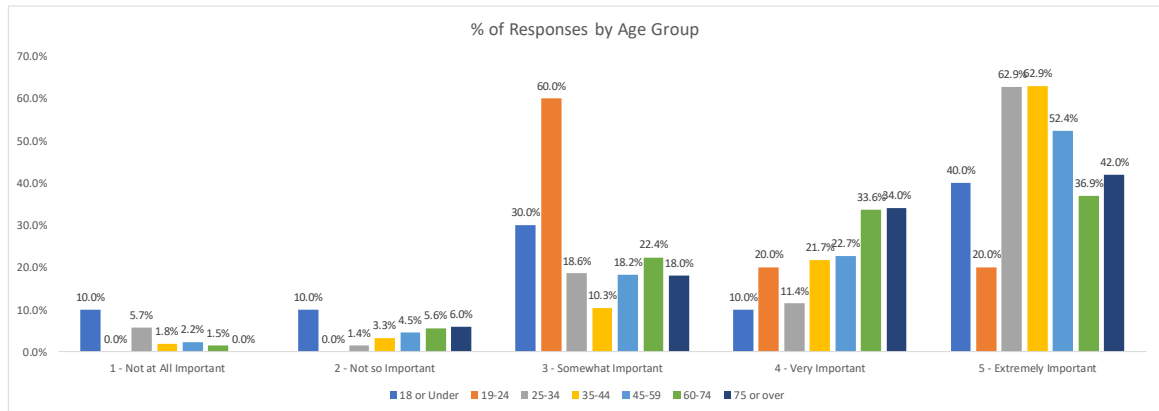
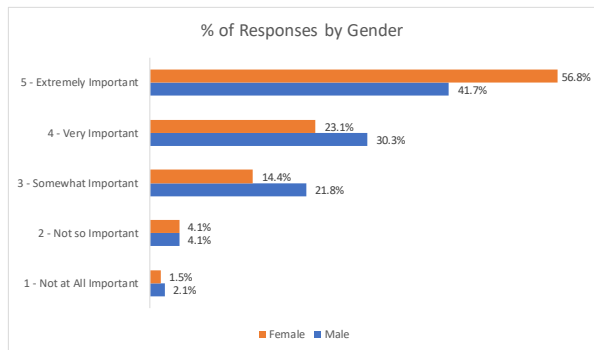
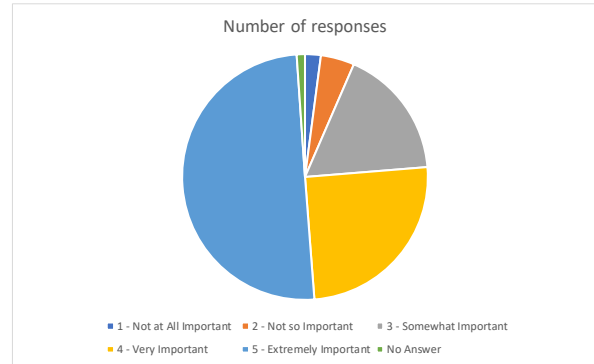
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Total	23 2.1%	49 4.4%	190 17.2%	277 25.1%	554 50.1%	12 1.1%	4.18

Male	8 2.1%	16 4.1%	84 21.8%	117 30.3%	161 41.7%		4.05
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Female	9 1.5%	24 4.1%	84 14.4%	135 23.1%	332 56.8%		4.30
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18 or under	1 10.0%	1 10.0%	3 30.0%	1 10.0%	4 40.0%		3.60
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	3 60.0%	1 20.0%	1 20.0%		3.60
25 - 34	4 5.7%	1 1.4%	13 18.6%	8 11.4%	44 62.9%		4.24
35 - 44	5 1.8%	9 3.3%	28 10.3%	59 21.7%	171 62.9%		4.40
45 - 59	8 2.2%	16 4.5%	65 18.2%	81 22.7%	187 52.4%		4.18
60 - 74	4 1.5%	15 5.6%	60 22.4%	90 33.6%	99 36.9%		3.99
75 or over	0 0.0%	6 6.0%	18 18.0%	34 34.0%	42 42.0%		4.12



Q93	Ensure safe, well-maintained recreational facilities, playgrounds, fields, courts and parking lots.
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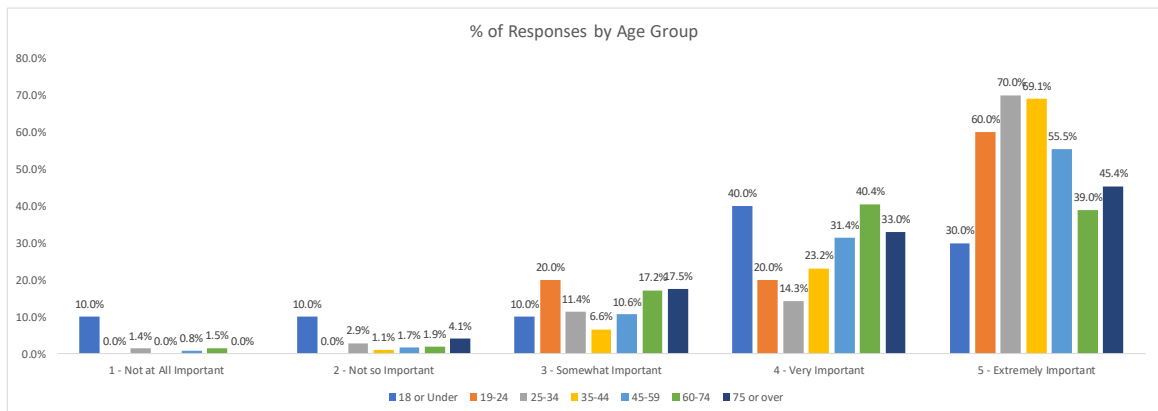
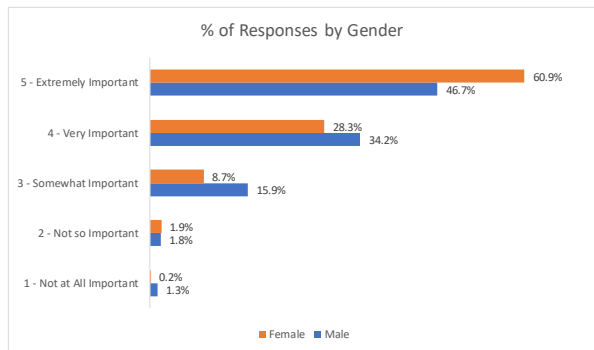
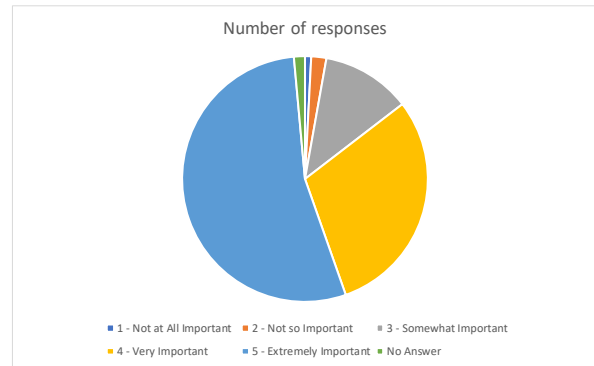
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Total	9 0.8%	22 2.0%	130 11.8%	332 30.0%	596 53.9%	16 1.4%	4.36

Male	5 1.3%	7 1.8%	61 15.9%	131 34.2%	179 46.7%		4.23
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Female	1 0.2%	11 1.9%	51 8.7%	165 28.3%	355 60.9%		4.48
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18 or under	1 10.0%	1 10.0%	1 10.0%	4 40.0%	3 30.0%		3.70
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	1 20.0%	3 60.0%		4.40
25 - 34	1 1.4%	2 2.9%	8 11.4%	10 14.3%	49 70.0%		4.49
35 - 44	0 0.0%	3 1.1%	18 6.6%	63 23.2%	188 69.1%		4.60
45 - 59	3 0.8%	6 1.7%	38 10.6%	112 31.4%	198 55.5%		4.39
60 - 74	4 1.5%	5 1.9%	46 17.2%	108 40.4%	104 39.0%		4.13
75 or over	0 0.0%	4 4.1%	17 17.5%	32 33.0%	44 45.4%		4.20



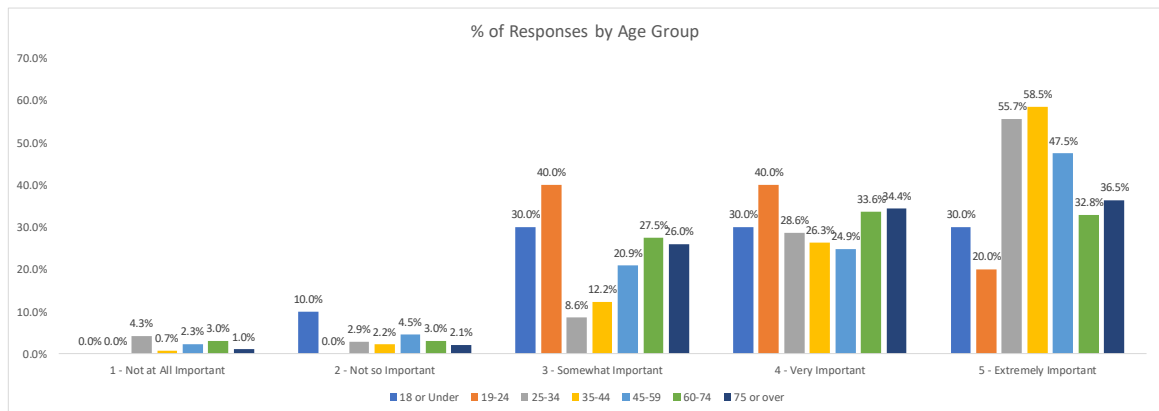
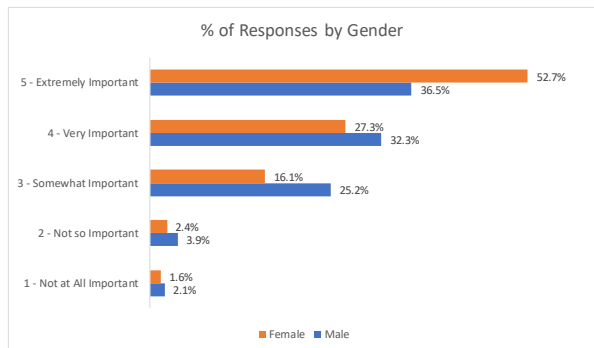
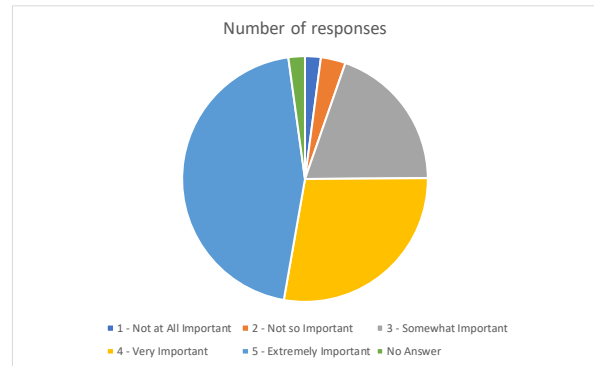
Q94	Administrators communicate prioritization of future updates, needs and desired programs to enhance student and teacher outcomes.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	23 2.1%	36 3.3%	216 19.5%	308 27.9%	498 45.1%	24 2.2%	4.13

Male	8 2.1%	15 3.9%	96 25.2%	123 32.3%	139 36.5%		3.97
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Female	9 1.6%	14 2.4%	93 16.1%	158 27.3%	305 52.7%		4.27
0.30							

18 or under	0 0.0%	1 10.0%	3 30.0%	3 30.0%	3 30.0%		3.80
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	2 40.0%	2 40.0%	1 20.0%		3.80
25 - 34	3 4.3%	2 2.9%	6 8.6%	20 28.6%	39 55.7%		4.29
35 - 44	2 0.7%	6 2.2%	33 12.2%	71 26.3%	158 58.5%		4.40
45 - 59	8 2.3%	16 4.5%	74 20.9%	88 24.9%	168 47.5%		4.11
60 - 74	8 3.0%	8 3.0%	73 27.5%	89 33.6%	87 32.8%		3.90
75 or over	1 1.0%	2 2.1%	25 26.0%	33 34.4%	35 36.5%		4.03



Q95	Promote expansion of educational opportunities for all ages (including Adult programming)
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	34 3.1%	76 6.9%	296 26.8%	323 29.2%	358 32.4%	18 1.6%	3.82

Male	14 3.6%	34 8.9%	131 34.1%	126 32.8%	79 20.6%		3.58
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Female	11 1.9%	32 5.5%	129 22.2%	165 28.4%	244 42.0%		4.03
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0.45

18 or under	1 10.0%	0 0.0%	6 60.0%	2 20.0%	1 10.0%		3.20
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	1 20.0%	3 60.0%		4.40
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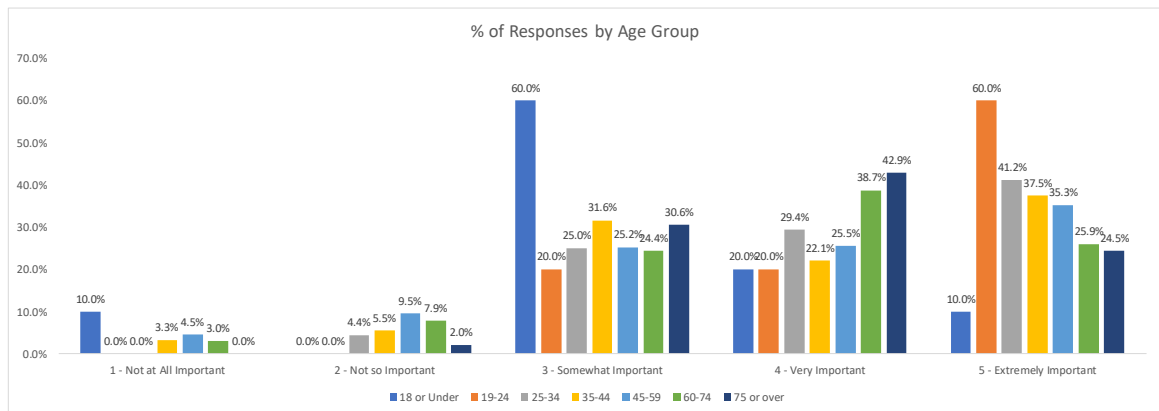
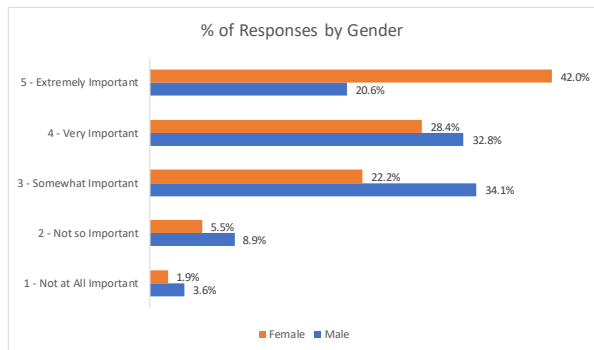
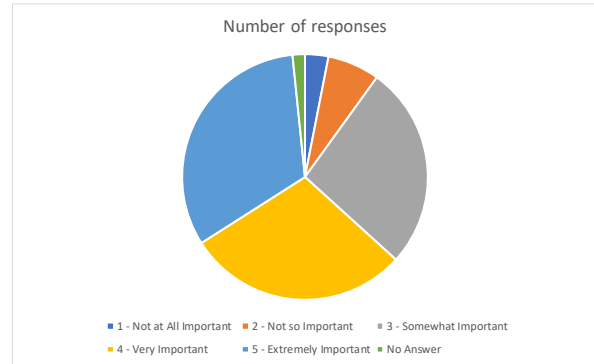
25 - 34	0 0.0%	3 4.4%	17 25.0%	20 29.4%	28 41.2%		4.07
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35 - 44	9 3.3%	15 5.5%	86 31.6%	60 22.1%	102 37.5%		3.85
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45 - 59	16 4.5%	34 9.5%	90 25.2%	91 25.5%	126 35.3%		3.78
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60 - 74	8 3.0%	21 7.9%	65 24.4%	103 38.7%	69 25.9%		3.77
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75 or over	0 0.0%	2 2.0%	30 30.6%	42 42.9%	24 24.5%		3.90
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Q96	Preserve arts and educational programs provided by senior center, historical society, private and religious institutions.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	34 3.1%	91 8.2%	271 24.5%	303 27.4%	390 35.3%	16 1.4%	3.85

Male	13 3.4%	42 10.9%	121 31.5%	108 28.1%	100 26.0%		3.63
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Female	11 1.9%	36 6.2%	117 20.1%	165 28.4%	253 43.5%		4.05
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18 or under	0 0.0%	1 10.0%	4 40.0%	3 30.0%	2 20.0%		3.60
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	3 60.0%	1 20.0%		4.00
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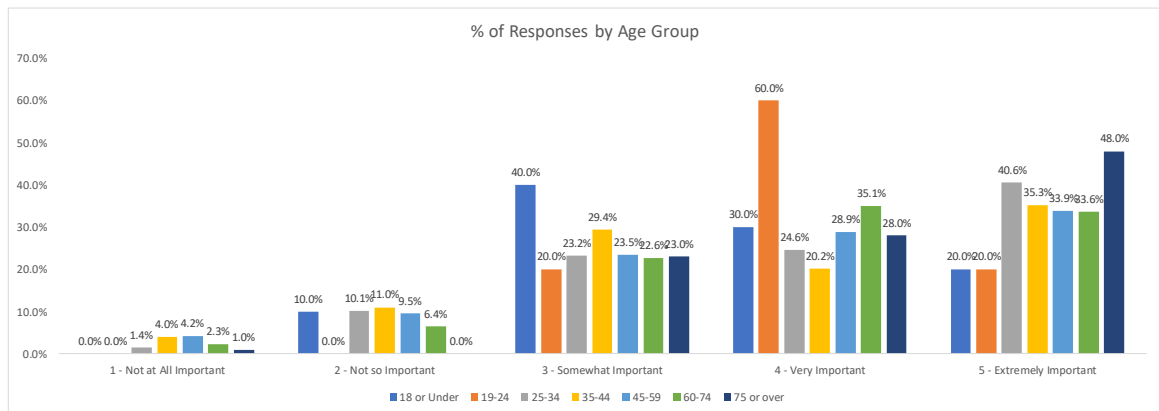
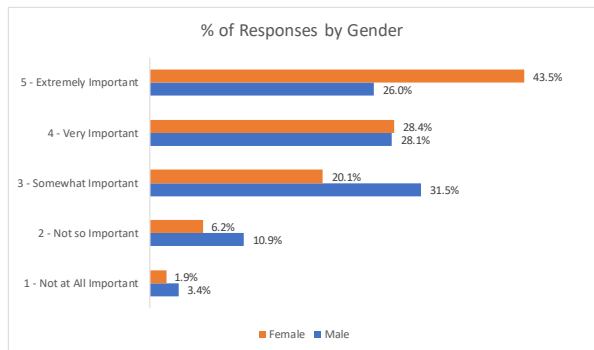
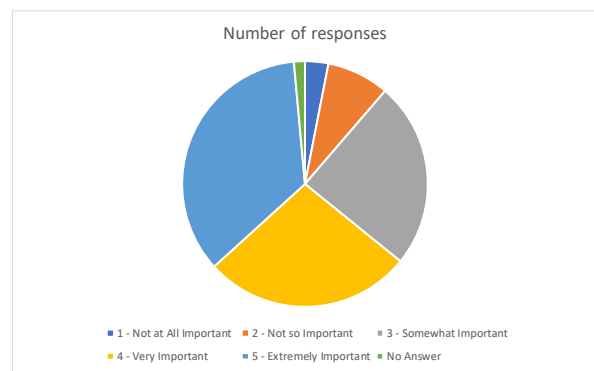
25 - 34	1 1.4%	7 10.1%	16 23.2%	17 24.6%	28 40.6%		3.93
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35 - 44	11 4.0%	30 11.0%	80 29.4%	55 20.2%	96 35.3%		3.72
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45 - 59	15 4.2%	34 9.5%	84 23.5%	103 28.9%	121 33.9%		3.79
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60 - 74	6 2.3%	17 6.4%	60 22.6%	93 35.1%	89 33.6%		3.91
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75 or over	1 1.0%	0 0.0%	23 23.0%	28 28.0%	48 48.0%		4.22
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#	What other goals for our schools and education do you recommend?	Time
1	Stop talking about the high school and do something.	6/2/2022 15:40
2	I don't know what #2 is asking. If you mean having more police and security at schools, I am not in favor. If it's following the Safe and Supportive Schools model, then I agree.	6/2/2022 15:46
3	we don't just need explore a plan for high school, having a plan in place is way overdue especially to unsure future attractiveness for the town for younger families	6/2/2022 17:01
4	Let's be bold. We should strive explicitly to improve our school rankings as a central goal of our local education policy, and to be consistently among the best school systems (for all ages) in MA.	6/2/2022 17:09
5	Rethink the start time which leaves 2nd graders waiting for buses before 7:00 am in the dark.	6/2/2022 17:34
6	We need a 5 year plan like yesterday to replace the high School. All other schools around us have newer schools now and by the time we ever decide to get one the wait will be long and school will be in even worse shape	6/2/2022 17:45
7	More affordable or free programs if kids need to stay later.	6/2/2022 18:47
8	It sure what you mean by 2 and 3. We need to support regulations that solve the problems not harden our schools.	6/2/2022 19:16
9	Ensure students are keeping their school clean, the amount of trash on the high school parking lot and athletic fields is a disgrace for the town. There should be trash bin available and emptied regularly, students should be kept accountable for littering (fines, detention.....) something needs to be done urgently	6/2/2022 20:43
10	Stop channeling all kids to college. Prepare them for life with skills like how to rent an apartment or balance a checkbook. Allow opportunities for kids to get out of their chairs and do more than listen to talking heads. Worry less about how many kids go onto college and more on how kids become independent and can make choices.	6/2/2022 20:45
11	The arts programs in holliston schools are extremely neglected and underfunded. I would love to see that change to build a more robust performing arts program.	6/2/2022 20:50
12	We need a new high school.	6/2/2022 20:52
13	Expand music, drama, and arts programming	6/2/2022 21:02
14	NEED. NEW. HIGH. SCHOOL.	6/2/2022 21:38
15	Keep the kids safe. Please	6/2/2022 22:06
16	I think parents are out of control in this town. The way they berate administrators is atrocious. High school students especially need to learn life skills to communicate their needs and concerns and they should be heard. But time and time again I hear about parents advocating against school policies or teachers or coaches in an aggressive and destructive manor. It should not be tolerated.	6/2/2022 22:45
17	Update special education services to include growing and changing needs of student population- ie families should not feel as if they have to "fight" the school system to get needed services for children	6/3/2022 8:28

	It's awful that our teachers had to put signs in the yard this year to get a contract! It's down right pathetic that teachers can't use the copy machines because you've run out of toner and blamed "supply chain issues" -all lies! You need to restore the relationships between teachers and the town. Zero trust right now. Our rankings are sliding which is a direct correlation to our property values. We can do better!!	6/3/2022 9:03
18		
19	Stop teaching critical race theory evident in the adolescent school materials shared	6/3/2022 9:12
20	To regain our footing and rankings and stop the slide that our schools have taken in the last several years	6/3/2022 9:48
	The main focus should be realizing that Holliston schools are not private schools. If parents want their children to go to a school with all the bells and whistles of a private school, then they should be encouraged to send their children to private schools and reduce the tax burden on Holliston residents. If the school superintendent cannot run the school system effectively on the money given, then a search for a new superintendent should start immediately. Let us tighten our belts, especially in this time of high inflation and ridiculous fuel costs. STOP LOOKING FOR WAYS TO SPEND OUR MONEY. We need creative leaders, not people who claim they need more money to do their jobs effectively.	6/3/2022 9:59
21		
22	We need a new/renovated high school. That should be a top priority	6/3/2022 10:00
	Improve special education services for students with disabilities. Parents should not have to fight for fair and appropriate education for their children with special needs. It's a constant struggle.	6/3/2022 10:48
23		
24	Expanded language programs beyond French	6/3/2022 10:53
25	BUILD A NEW HIGH SCHOOL.	6/3/2022 11:21
	Start at the top and build a stronger school administration with a clear goal and plan to achieve the goals. Then address the issue of yea her morale and competence and increase the rigor of our academic programs. When was the last time a Holliston student went to an Ivy League school?!? And it shouldn't be an exception, it should be assumed that some kids will be attending Ivy League schools. Only after you have clear goals and the right teachers can you know what to do with the IT Infrastructure and buildings. In my opinion, Holliston should not have a sports program at all. Our new personality could be an academic one. Most kids play club sports or town sports anyway. Let them continue with that and focus on academics and learning to be good humans (inclusivity, tolerance etc). Also know that I have two kids that are part of the sports programs and I still think we should get rid of it.	6/3/2022 14:20
26		
27	Enhance SEL, strictly enforce anti bullying, racism, sexism and ableism	6/3/2022 16:26
	I'm for good quality schools and paying our educators well. How can this all be managed going forward at the expense of everything else the town needs? I don't see how any of this is sustainable with the current tax rate, business mix and economy. A few more used car lots won't help.	6/3/2022 19:50
28		
29	New HS is a must. We pay enough in taxes to have this be a #1 priority IMO	6/4/2022 13:04

30	Placentino & Miller are huge for elementary schools. At some point it'd be nice to have an additional school building (or two!) so the 1500+ students could be spread among 3-4 buildings rather than two.	6/4/2022 22:07
31	more adult education programs	6/5/2022 21:25
	Education at Keefe Tech is disgraceful. Go look at other Technical schools around. Keefe Tech's academic program should be disqualified.	
	More afterschool education opportunities.	
32	Bring back adult learning.	6/6/2022 11:43
33	Consider more mental health resources for our students	6/6/2022 12:11
34	If you are looking for people on a committee - let me know!	6/6/2022 14:45
35	If I am racking things here is the order: nature, schools, water, other	6/6/2022 17:52
	Better more continuous support for special education. Provide students on IEP with the same special educator/liaison at each school, changing liaison each year can be disruptive to students who have transition and organizational challenges. More programs options at the high school for students that a 4 year college is not in their future or options for the students who could benefit from Keefe tech but don't win the lottery. If you want kids to use computers in middle and high school start them using them regularly earlier (need a computer 101 course)	
36		6/7/2022 17:33
37	Communicate what's going on in the schools to the entire community.	6/7/2022 17:36
	Remove school resource officer. Stop (if currently) doing active shooter drills. Ensure adequate teaching of history including slavery, LGBT pioneers, DEI topics. Don't let anyone have a gun on the property including police officers with my kids.	
38		6/7/2022 21:22
39	Provide bussing to schools within 2 mile radius for people when walking routes to school are not safe and could not be safely done with a child without a parent	6/7/2022 21:48
40	New high school!!!	6/7/2022 21:56

	There should be an on-going, mandatory service learning component to all grades. It should be a graduation requirement to fill a number of hours each year or by the end of your 4 years of HS of LOCAL community service. Kids should be required to participate in service learning projects at the senior center, food pantry, local churches, childcare centers, volunteering on maintenance and landscaping of public town areas and athletic fields, trash pick up along road sides and school parking lots and fields. Not just running a clothing drive or a food drive. Those things are great, but too individual. They need to work in teams together to accomplish town and school goals. HS kids should also be required to sit in on the May town meeting as a requirement for a Civics or social studies class, with some sort of project. You have to build a desire to invest and be proud of their town from when they are young. That will build deep ties to the town and the kids will feel proud of the work they've done at their school and in their community. There should be a service-learning coordinator that works with all the schools and all the local departments like town clerk, DPW, senior center, etc. Like a Guidance Counselor that helps kids apply to college, but instead helps kids identify and execute service learning opportunities! All these thoughts stem from seeing too much trash in the HS parking lot and around the fields. It's a chaotic, embarrassing mess. Put the responsibility on the kids and have them do the work and take pride their town!!!	6/8/2022 9:41
41	Need a new HS- not renovated	
42	Move it to Highland Farms property and use current HS land for Public Works , Rec Department, Fire and other offices.	6/8/2022 14:05
43	Ensuring that our schools are Safe. That the children of our town are protected in school.	6/8/2022 14:31
44	I am VERY surprised that designing a plan for continuing all day kindergarten is not on this list! Please make sure it is included.	6/8/2022 15:52
45	Community education programs focused on topics of diversity that reflect the richness of Holliston's changing community and which address the needs of diverse groups as well as programs aimed at combatting hate in Holliston (e.g. addressing the homophobia, racism, and antisemitism made clear in repeated episodes of vandalism in our schools and in town). Support for groups like PTO's Mindshare and Diverse Holliston, which are working on creating educational programming in these areas in cooperation with Holliston schools. Attention to bias and equity in our schools' curriculum and outcomes, in accordance with the current strategic plan.	6/9/2022 0:09
46	Have the best school system for a brighter future of our youth.	6/9/2022 12:11
47	Preserve & promote the Arts in our public schools! Participation in the Arts has been proven to lead to high academic achievement and a more balanced individual. DO NOT ARM OUR TEACHERS!! Student and Teacher safety goals can be met with the proper investments in technology: bullet-proof glass, video security cameras, direct links from classrooms to public safety personnel.	6/9/2022 13:12

48	The goal should not be to be on par with the surrounding towns but to surpass them. I cannot believe our ranking has sunk so low since we moved in.	6/9/2022 13:18
49	Make sure there are social and emotional supports in the schools, maintain our immersion program, set high standards and expectations	6/9/2022 15:52
50	Provide consistent communication from schools that answers the questions parents will have when reading (ex: "contact us" Please provide email or phone to save me from going to look it up. Consider a real placentino and miller traffic study to align school start times saving 3-5th graders from waking before 6am.	6/9/2022 20:21
51	We are not Wellesley or Needham and cannot compete with their facilities or access to tax money. We need accountability and communication from the Superintendent on curriculum.	6/9/2022 20:42

I do not understand what is meant in #2 by child and teacher safety. Of course it is a priority that our children and teachers are safe, but are they not right now? And what does it mean to be "safe"?

#1 Encompasses several aspects of schools and implies that we know where other towns are at and that we are not on par. I believe we are on par with technological standards. I believe we must prioritize to funding our schools in a way that attracts experienced, professional talent and reduces turnover. Prioritizing the regular maintenance and upkeep of our buildings including investing in new builds/renovations in a timely manner is of high priority.

52	I believe it needs to be a priority to clearly articulate the shared overarching goals that we as a community have for our children in our schools. These priorities of the community need to be reflected by the decisions made by the school department leaders. I believe some of these priorities are: providing a caring, supportive learning environment for all students, effective class sizes, focus on social-emotional wellbeing, continuing our diverse offerings of Montessori, French Immersion, access to performing and fine arts, High quality educational programs, equitable access for learners of all levels.	6/10/2022 14:11
53	Full day kindergarten and universal PreK	6/10/2022 15:13

Maintain all the playgrounds. The ones at the school are run down, embarrassing and I feel guilty allowing my children to play on them while at school.

54	Communication for administrators seems fine, but one way and they don't listen to families. They need to focus back in on education and core teaching and less on passion projects that fit their personal agendas. It's no coincidence our school rankings have dropped dramatically in the past 10 yrs.	6/11/2022 8:57
55	we should set a goal to have the top ranked public school in the state	6/13/2022 9:02
56	Eliminate the school resource officers from the schools. Use the money that you are paying them for some other worthy investment. The town has needed a new high school for years, it is in bad shape.	6/14/2022 15:26
57	A town playground/park for a farmers market/kids to play/summer concerts etc would be amazing.	6/14/2022 18:20

58	There should be a reduction in the bus pass fee or none at all.. compared to surrounding towns..Holliston is astronomically higher	6/15/2022 9:43
59	Keep the French immersion program - so many families have moved here because of it	6/15/2022 9:58
60	I would like to see more school partnerships with local experts and businesses. We have so many residents with interesting jobs, and I don't think we capitalize at all on the companies and people in and around Holliston that could offer support, training, research etc.	6/15/2022 10:04
61	Infrastructure for the schools, air conditioning and air quality etc.	6/15/2022 10:05
62	The high school is a disappointment. Kids are allowed to walk around and hang out in there areas whenever they want. Why can the roam the school, go in classes they are not part of? Drug use and dealing appear to be rampant and known about with little done. Even Vandalism is a things with little consequences. These are kids and cant always be treated as adults. They need structure and direction.	6/15/2022 10:12
63	Our schools are the foundation of our town and will also attract people to grow our community and allow families to lay roots. The top school districts in the state are desirable towns attracting tax revenue commercially and residentially.	6/15/2022 10:35
64	New HS has to be number one priority. Second would be to figure out where this money for full day kindergarten will be coming from once the ARPA funds run out. This was such a horrible lack of planning and will now force cuts elsewhere or an increase in taxes. Ridiculous management by the SC	6/15/2022 10:37
65	The school technology plan should be more strategic The school needs to empower teachers to empower better learning, we have lost way to much value from our schools The school needs to become more community driven	6/15/2022 10:37
66	Stop charging parents for everything. We already pay crazy property taxes. Move the Miller start time BACK TO a NORMAL Hour.	6/15/2022 10:44
67	We do not always have to compete with the surrounding towns. We do a great job in Holliston. The school buildings are in good shape.	6/15/2022 11:13
68	New high school	6/15/2022 11:30
69	Promote a balanced working relationship with PARENTS, teachers, administrators and educational partners.	6/15/2022 11:44
70	Building a new high school is high on our family's wish list for Holliston	6/15/2022 12:25
71	maintain arts (music, dance, and associated crafts)	6/15/2022 12:40

	These questions don't really get to the heart of the problems in all schools now. It's complicated, and I appreciate those who continue to teach and those who volunteer, especially on the school committee. Holliston needs to maintain and expand our elementary programs, especially the Montessori and French, and including the Spanish immersion. People move here for those programs. Work on these concerns: substitute teachers, vandalism and racist graffiti, students' mental health and substance abuse, curriculum issues, community involvement, arts and AP programming. A new HHS building is not the answer. Invest in retrofitting the building we have and include students in the planning and implementation - they are looking at relevant careers and could benefit from some inclusion and training. Keefe and the Ag school can make valuable contributions. Use the grounds and the atrium for instruction in the natural world. Consider re-instituting civics, home-economics, basic business and shop classes for real-world competence, and then include that in your PR.	6/15/2022 12:55
72		
73	These questions lacked substance and detail and were too vaguely worded for me to feel strongly about them.	6/15/2022 13:15
	Town needs to take better care of existing buildings, instead of thinking a new building is better. I work in a 50 plus high school which has invested in upkeep and it's great. Also a new building doesn't equal student success, investing in school culture and high standards does. So tired of so much of my taxes going to the schools and they're still complaining. One of the reasons I won't retire here.	6/15/2022 13:29
74		
75	Expand inclusion of programming for all. Not all kids can play sports, offer alternative programs, i.e. walk-a-thon, card club, chess club etc.	6/15/2022 13:36
	Modern facilities are important, but the people in our schools matter more than the facilities. Invest in more staff, better paid staff, higher quality staff. Goal should be well rounded independent students with exposure to multiple options.	6/15/2022 13:52
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77	New high school	6/15/2022 14:16
	Provide Drivers education class and supervised road time for all high school students.	6/15/2022 14:39
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79	Do not teach any of that CRT bull.	6/15/2022 15:34
	Stop indoctrinating students with the popular theories and political agendas. Teach kids HOW to think critically, not WHAT to think.	6/15/2022 16:35
80		
81	Schools are biggest attraction to the town. Status is slipping. This and roads have to be top priorities in town.	6/15/2022 16:56
	Let the new Community Center at the Old Highway Department integrate with the downtown, schools, Senior Center, and Rec Center.	6/15/2022 17:29
82		
83	High school and school complex is essential to sustainability of Holliston!	6/15/2022 18:04

	The most important thing that needs to improve is our schools is support for teachers to assure our students are ready for college and our rankings go back to where they were 15 years ago. It is beyond sad that our rankings have dropped so significantly over the past decade. Block scheduling was a wonderful forward thinking undertaking but it is no longer the best option. Our students are missing opportunities because of it and we can. It keep up with surrounding towns comparatively. If we don't have high ranking schools out town will not be a desirable place to live.	6/16/2022 5:58
84		
	Sadly, from what I have read, our schools are not as highly rated as in the past. We must do everything possible to improve our educational standards for our children and compete with surrounding towns.	6/16/2022 12:10
85		
	Increased support for teachers. Teachers are not heard by administrators or school committee.	6/16/2022 12:34
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	To research merging with surrounding town HS	6/16/2022 14:42
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	Concentrate on providing high quality education to the kids. Hire teachers based upon performance.	6/16/2022 19:03
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	Make schools safer - more security	6/17/2022 9:15
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	Maintain investment in student services- continue to have it be accessible and valuable resource for all families and students	6/17/2022 14:46
90		
	Raise pay for substitute teachers to more closely match that of surrounding towns so that the high school no longer severely lacks substitutes	6/17/2022 15:40
91		
	We need to actively recruit a Special Education Director from outside of our current staff. Special Education needs new ideas & programming	6/17/2022 15:46
92		
	Please work hard to improve the high school ratings and facilities.	6/17/2022 16:07
93		
	Building a new high school and improving town/school athletics fields should be the top priority for the town!	6/17/2022 16:21
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	project-based learning; less focus on grades and more emphasis on learning and growth; service learning projects; add early learning center to our high school for high schoolers to work with preschool age children	6/17/2022 16:27
95		
	Our schools need to prioritize the needs and input of teachers over the agenda of administrators. Fads like Project-Based Learning are not informed by the reality of our schools but by the whims of administrators.	6/17/2022 17:22
96		
	I don't understand questions 5 and 6. For question 1, I don't know if other towns are better or worse so I don't want to say we should align without knowing more.	6/17/2022 17:26
97		
	More funding all around for our schools, educators and student programs!!!	6/18/2022 13:50
98		
	Classify all music & art teachers at 1.0 level. Increase the art & music dept. budgets.	6/18/2022 17:33
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	Improved communication with parents and all residents.	6/19/2022 11:57
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	Visibility for parents	6/19/2022 13:22
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	Holliston Library more interactive with community	6/19/2022 14:21
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103	Proper grounds maintenance - even if it's volunteer. An effort should be made to make the outside of our school buildings reflect the level of education that's happening inside it.	6/19/2022 15:08
104	Many of these endeavors miss the mark. The schools have an issue with inclusion and acceptance. Teachers are making a great deal of money but they are doing more than teaching. I don't agree that the money is correct because teachers should teach curriculum not be nurses and safety personnel. Education is a mess and needs to be repaired from the bottom up and the top down. What are the kids in Holliston so unsettled about that they are afraid or wary of their classmates? Teachers can't teach and kids can't learn.	6/19/2022 19:33
105	Elimination of teacher unions. See my earlier comments on public employee unions.	6/20/2022 10:47
106	REPLACE THE HIGH SCHOOL should be the number one focus of the entire town at this point. As my kids get older and I travel to more towns for sports our school is a relic from my high school days in the early/mid 1990's.	6/20/2022 12:00
107	We need a new high school! We also need to fix the start time issue - Miller starts too early. What can we do to update the infrastructure at Miller / Placentino so that we can get the buses in there for both schools at appropriate times?	6/20/2022 14:20
108	A new high school is desperately needed.	6/21/2022 8:49
109	It astounds me that it took the town so long to look at the high school and realize how out of date it is. Given the fact that the surrounding towns replaced their high schools long ago (Hopkinton, Ashland, Medway) why didn't this happen then? It's astounding that my children come home and tell me that the wifi wasn't working. If they're going to have the screen time that they do - in the name of learning - the wifi should work. Otherwise, why do they need Chromebooks?	6/21/2022 17:00
110	Let's get serious about this and do it !!! Hire the right people for Diversity and Inclusion with Recreation development !	6/21/2022 22:44
111	No new expensive schools, work with what we have - add AC, etc.	6/22/2022 10:04
112	If the town has a desire to attract young families, updating the highschool should be prioritized. We'll probably move or seek private education if the highschool isn't up to par with surrounding towns by the time my little one needs to attend.	6/22/2022 10:09
113	Continue to adequately fund and expand special education services.	6/22/2022 10:22
114	Promote Unified Arts Education and improve staffing levels. Stop cannibalizing the school budget in the service of the almighty rainy day fund!	6/22/2022 10:24
115	Schools are historically major drivers in bringing new faces to communities - top of mind for young families - definitely worth investment!	6/22/2022 10:44
116	Schools, safety and environment are what makes young families select their community.	6/22/2022 10:50
117	Sign the union contract with teachers, if HS is replace use the old building for affordable housing.	6/22/2022 11:03

	In regard to student and teacher safety, we need to insure there are more counseling services for students. Programs about bullying and it's effects need to be stressed. Unfortunately Holliston is in need of a new high school. A modestly renovated 50+ year old building is not sustainable.....our students and	
118	community deserve more.	6/22/2022 14:42
119	Affordable preschool, affordable childcare options	6/22/2022 15:36
120	Q4 it's necessary for the High School needs to return vocational classes that have been decimated over the last fifteen years. Not all students WANT or NEED to go to Keefe tech or Norfolk Agriculture, especially if we are to keep Art and Pottery as our only hands-on classes	6/22/2022 17:10
121	Music/drama/arts program needs big investment. Don't want our kids to think sports is the only real option for extracurricular activities.	6/22/2022 20:59
122	Get a tech coordinator that plans for the future instead of cheap past.	6/22/2022 21:53
123	Administration is awful	6/22/2022 23:28
124	Include things like a swimming pool if the high school is going to be renovated so that it will benefit the town.	6/23/2022 6:06
125	Improve mental health access in schools; focus on socio emotional health; introduce anti racist education in elementary school	6/23/2022 6:48
126	Pay teachers a decent salary! The schools are the highlight of our town & our hardworking, talented teachers deserve better. Make the next round of contract negotiations with the teachers union be collaborative, transparent, and something we can all be proud of.	6/23/2022 7:40
127	Pick up/drop off is a disaster. Fix it! focus on the family to ensure that there's not a 2+ hour gap between when siblings go to/get out of school. Young kids are being left home alone. We need to practice what we preach and start recycling at the schools. Plastic at lunch - recycle or don't use. Bring back the basics at school - like handwriting! My 12 year old doesn't know how to write or even type properly. Sad! High paid administrators are on traffic duty for 10+ hours a week - a waste of taxpayer money!	6/23/2022 10:48
128	More officers at the school, more gun safety regulations to ensure kids stay safe at school	6/23/2022 13:58
129	would prefer new high school vs renovated. New High School would allow for a more condensed building to save space for new and improved athletic fields as well as a potential reroute of Hollis Street to make a 4 way intersection with traffic light for Highland, Prentice and Hollis Street	6/23/2022 14:04
130	improve the school system, had to put my girl into private school because placentino was performing under par (while highly rated, wondering why)	6/23/2022 14:07
131	A new high school Air conditioning for all schools Programs for reading, math and written language in elementary schools that will put our students in the best place possible to be successful in the upper grades and the world. We seemed to have slipped from being a super star with our schools to mediocrity.	6/23/2022 14:14

132	Adult Ed classes and expanded park and rec programs would be great!	6/23/2022 14:16
133	Focus on pragmatic, practical curriculum without succumbing to excessively indulgent social cause trends	6/23/2022 14:20
134	#1 for us is modern infrastructure. We want Holliston's children to be well-prepared to live and work in a fast-changing modern world. Their education in schools, athletics, school programs, as well as community-driven clubs and events are mission critical for that goal. And in order for those schools and community organizations to do their jobs in a modern, high-level way, they need modern infrastructure.	6/23/2022 14:20
135	I can't say this loudly enough- the high school CANNOT be RENOVATED. Jesus Christ, we need a new one ASAP. The lack of urgency around this speaks volumes about our priorities.	6/23/2022 14:20
136	provide infrastructure and financial support that eases the scheduling gymnastics that occur to handle the timing of students coming and going.	6/23/2022 14:29
137	For the athletic facilities, once the high school is done using it, use a platform like Play Easy to rent it out to various rec leagues or other opportunities to capitalize on that investment of a facility. Armed security at the schools and/or allow the teachers to carry.	6/23/2022 14:31
138	Shorten school year with start AFTER Labor Day, and earlier year end.	6/23/2022 14:48
139	Higher high school rankings	6/23/2022 14:55
140	plan for renovation or replacement of high school And middle school	6/23/2022 15:03
141	Young people come to Holliston to educate their children and then leave as they can no longer afford to live here or find the benefits for retirees better in other communities. The school system does not MAKE the town, it should not overshadow the other needs of the town. We need a balance not a survey that is tilted by the number of parents of school age children who complete the survey!	6/23/2022 15:26
142	Get rid of SEL. Reallocate all if that money to safety if the schools. Stop teaching CRT in the schools. Fund more to Keefe	6/23/2022 15:45
143	More discipline in children overall from administrators in school. My kids have continually experienced children in their classrooms that require their entire room to evacuate for safety because one or two children are throwing books and chairs. One child should not destroy the comfort and education of 20 others. How does the town better handle the substitute issue? Is it true they are paid \$75 per day to sub? That isn't even minimum wage...	6/23/2022 15:45
144	Enhanced security at school can cause more problems than it solves. The goal of education should be to prepare children for the real world, regardless of what path that takes. That doesn't necessarily correlate with standardized testing. The diverse offerings of the Holliston schools were an attractive aspect that helped us move in.	6/23/2022 15:52
145	I would like to see the town focus on improving existing services rather than expanding them	6/23/2022 16:20

	Focus on student performance and challenge students at all levels (we currently seem satisfied with middle of the road performance. When was the last time a Holliston student was accepted to an ivy league university). In fact, I would prefer to be a school without sports programs and putting that time, effort and funding toward academics. Most kids who love sports already play club sports anyway.	6/23/2022 16:21
146		
147	Invest in the schools to attract residents to stay	6/23/2022 16:22
	A new High School is a must! Again with attracting young families surrounding towns have all upgraded their High Schools and have better fields and facilities.	
148	Holliston can be so much more.	6/23/2022 16:26
	Absolutely no new high school until the ranking gets back up to top 20. Our schools have dropped out of the top 50 and May be even lower (66). School and school administration have to do better for our kids. Also, no raises for teachers until the HS is back in the top 20.	
149		6/23/2022 16:28
	Streamline Holliston Youth sports so residents can see ALL sports that are offered at each grade level. HYS websites seem not to be updated, registration deadlines are missed due to not advertising the sport.	
150		6/23/2022 16:34
	Improving our school system: Not too long ago Holliston was rated in the top 20 school systems in the state what happened???!!!!??? Let's return to the rating that we are capable of. FYI - All 3 of our children finished high school years ago. However, a good school system & a good town go hand in hand	
151		6/23/2022 16:38
152	New high school!!	6/23/2022 17:01
153	I don't understand what #5 means (& I am a teacher in a neighboring district)	6/23/2022 17:45
	Support financially Keefe Tech effort to build new swimming pool. It is a Metrowest resource many towns use (rec programs, camps, swim teams, etc) and will need to be replaced in 2022.	
154		6/23/2022 19:11
	The schools need to be a top priority. They have historically been the reason why people choose to move to Holliston. However, in recent years Holliston Public Schools have been consistently declining in rankings and Holliston is no longer competitive with neighboring communities. Also, student performance has not been where it should be. This is a serious problem for all residents in the town as it affects not only the studnets, but all homeowners (via their property values) as well.	
155		6/23/2022 19:14
156	Equity and inclusion	6/23/2022 19:55
157	Improve academic standards and prioritize this	6/23/2022 21:48
	Enhance the French program. Open up school facilities for community use, more, if it's already happening I don't know about it. Be more aggressive and transparent in what state and fed. aid Holliston schools get, including ARPA funds.	
158		6/23/2022 22:14
	Communication to residents from Superintendent regarding updates on the schools. This did happen for a time.	
159		6/23/2022 22:44
160	Allow qualified teachers or administrators to carry a firearm if they choose to.	6/24/2022 6:15
	I value child and teacher safety, but not at the cost of active police presence or airport-like security measures.	
161		6/24/2022 8:50

We should have good schools, regardless of what neighboring towns are offering.

162	Improve and expand goals in question 12	6/24/2022 9:03
	promoter stronger community ties with folks who think they shouldn't have to pay for schools. create community clean up days & beautification days at schools with education around the impact on the entire community. things like Earth Day, Back to School days, etc.	
163	Day, Back to School days, etc.	6/24/2022 9:20
	<p>1. Review of French immersion and Montessori programs - why aren't these self funded by the individuals who are in them like full day Kindergarten was before ARPA funds allowed full day? Why are a chosen few selected for these programs? How come these programs receive special treatment? Where is the equity in this and why has it been allowed to continue? Pay to participate or everyone participates...stop the elitism.</p> <p>2. Make Kindergarten a full day program. What happens after ARPA funds run out?</p> <p>3. Communication especially at the high school level...communication and leadership is evident at the elementary and middle schools. At the high school, quite frankly it is NON EXISTENT! The high school administration needs to be shown the door and new ideas with a new perspective with individuals who can speak to all stakeholders need to be ushered in. The high school is a disgrace and is in shambles. The teachers are basically holding up the building...but that's starting to crumble too. The high school is more directly tied to ALL of our property values; it's a shame that the current administration just continues to muddle along especially when they don't really want to engage the parents or the community. Good bye Nicole and her minions needs to happen.</p>	
164	a variety of extracurricular activities that attract a wide range of kids	6/24/2022 9:54
165	Improve school rankings. As a parent of a nearly school-aged child this is a big reason we're considering moving out of town to any of the surrounding towns with a significantly higher school ranking.	6/24/2022 12:53
166	Our senior center offers the least educational offering in the area.	6/24/2022 14:59
167	Bring our school back to high standards and scores as we had in the past. We have changed and are no longer on top. That needs to change	6/25/2022 5:23
168	The rankings seem to be going down and we bought in this town for the schools a decade ago. Having a child who learned quickly and needed to be challenged beyond the curriculum we found there were no advanced programs for him from 4th grade on...-!: teachers plus guidance didn't seem to care. So now we're at private school. I would like the schools to reinvest in how to provide advanced kids more enriching programs and learning experiences. Feel like our only choice was private school. Was disappointing.	6/25/2022 7:38
169		6/25/2022 12:52

170	Our teachers need to be paid better, have a better contract and be respected. The way the school board/town treated the hard working teachers and expect them to give and give, teach, be security, nurses, therapists and more is ridiculous. They need to be respected and treated as well as we except them to treat our children.	6/25/2022 18:26
171	A new high school is critical and continued support for special education, Keefe, and The Aggie.	6/26/2022 8:46
172	Your survey areas are already being addressed by the Holliston Public Schools.	6/26/2022 8:51
173	Schools should be treated as any other business or department- they have a budget & should operate within that without needing constant increases in taxes & funding	6/26/2022 10:08
174	Get rid of Dave Kiem	6/26/2022 11:03
175	Education is probably the most important service a town has to offer. Having quality schools draws new families to a community and that maintains the value of current residents' homes.	6/26/2022 11:53
176	Schools are pretty good as is; would like to see the town focus on other priorities for a bit	6/26/2022 16:34
177	High school needs to be updated. Teachers need to be paid more.	6/26/2022 21:32
178	Curious for any update on new high school - the pandemic sort of knocked that progress out of the news.	6/27/2022 9:14
179	The schools get the majority of the Town Budget and still ask for more- more- more, finding a way to better use the resources they get would be the first place to start.	6/27/2022 11:41
180	Absolutely must rebuild the high school. Or dramatically improve facilities and efficiency of operations through extensive renovation. It's time to invest in our teachers - next contract must reflect that.	6/27/2022 11:52
181	New high school needs to be top priority	6/27/2022 18:36
182	We need a new high school. Highland farms location is perfect space to build a new high school.	6/27/2022 18:56
183	Create technology seminars for school children and shadowing work opportunities to nurture career interests in technology during school years	6/28/2022 19:03
184	I would love to help out with a new/renovate high school project. The city I work in is building a new high school thanks to a MSBA grant.	6/29/2022 0:07
185	Aggressive replacement of the aging and out of date Holliston High School. Pay our teachers a competitive wage/contract. Throw out the High School and Superintendent (& staff) and start over again. This group is not holding to their stated vision and not advocating for our children. Time to go!!	6/29/2022 8:25
186	School building replacements and start times	6/29/2022 10:42
187	New high school is critical, increase teacher pay/attract and keep talent	6/29/2022 14:09
188	Provide a new high school and continue to provide increased safety officer presence for each school	6/29/2022 20:28
189	New High School	6/29/2022 21:19

190	Get feedback from the teachers about their needs	6/29/2022 21:21
191	New high school number one priority	6/29/2022 21:36
192	More after school programs! Isince we've moved to Holliston, I've been surprised by the lack of parks and rec after school classes offered to elementary kids. What about Chess? Robotics? Art? Programming?	6/29/2022 22:08
193	New high school needs to be priority	6/29/2022 22:14
194	New high school!!	6/30/2022 6:36

I could go on about the schools but what I noticed this year my son in second grader was not thriving, he was nearly surviving. There was NO fun in his day unless it was recess. He was (hopefully will get it back) a kid who loves going to school, loved learning and acted like school was such a privilege. Yes, he is getting older but we need the kids to have fun at school, look forward to what is coming next, enjoy their peers. Everything is a time crunch and "what we need to cover". Make learning fun again!!!

We need better communication about what our students are doing! There is NO communication.

A new high school is a must! We need to step up and give these kids a learning experience like the surrounding towns.

The teachers need to feel appreciated and feel like they are not over worked. It's not fair. They need to be paid and appreciated. If we want them to come in everyday happy, refreshed and excited to teach well, it starts from the top and the atmosphere that is created by the top. It all trickles down to our students.

195	Let's make Holliston a place we pride ourselves in again!	6/30/2022 6:56
196	Build a new high school	6/30/2022 7:16

If there is not one (which I remember a candidate for school committee mentioning) Holliston must have a plan to fund full day kindergarten within its annual budget and not through special outside funding. There must be after school options for all families who have working parents.

197		6/30/2022 9:15
198	There needs to be a long term plan, contract and strategy. When new companies come in, make them fund the projects. We need all day school for young children as there are little to no choices for daycare and preschool in town. There also should be a central town calendar for school events. People without kids have no knowledge of what's going on and how to support. Even the elections this year the location was confusing as there was conflicting information. A town hall employee told us we missed election for school committee when in fact the polling was actually at the high school.	6/30/2022 9:44

199	LOCK THE DAMN DOORS AT ALL SCHOOLS, ESPECIALLY THE HIGH SCHOOL. STUDENTS LEAVE DOORS OPEN EVERY DAY. Security is a joke at HHS. Plant trees & have areas for outdoor classes, High school needs more space. Keefe Tech academic classes are a disgrace & should not be accredited. Improve appearance of other areas of town, not just DOWN TOWN.	6/30/2022 10:37
200	Yes yes yes for new high school! Let's put money into our children and show them we are invested in creating opportunities of growth for them. And what do you mean by safety? That is a big question that should be specified and considered carefully.	6/30/2022 21:31
201	To be highly rated (top 30) in the state in order to increase learning experience, influence property values.	7/1/2022 15:33
202	To be highly rated (top 30) in the state in order to increase learning experience, influence property values.	7/1/2022 15:40
203	Curriculum and focus on technology is lacking in our schools - the upgrades done in this year's school budget for technology upgrades were long overdue. Computer science/tech classes are few and far between. This should be as important as core physical science and math offerings.	7/2/2022 8:15
204	Engage all age groups as much as possible	7/2/2022 17:53
205	Address the bullying that goes on in all levels of the schools. Worry less about standings and more about students mental well being as well as their grades.	7/2/2022 18:46
206	More focus on art and music programs in the schools - especially as technology is added. Don't expect athletics to be the only or main social network of the community. Increased attention to the arts will support the social/psychological development and well being of more children	7/4/2022 0:28
207	Highly endorse promoting the vocational/agricultural school. Not sure about the condition of the high school so can't speak to what it might need or if it needs updating. Not even sure where the senior center is but I feel like if there is going to be a revamped high school that somehow making it more intergenerational in terms of wraparound activities/mentoring, that would be great.	7/4/2022 9:26
208	Maintain a structured, disciplined environment for children	7/5/2022 9:29
209	Have more "life skills" classes for middle and high schoolers like learning cooking, budgeting, paying taxes, simple home repairs, etc	7/5/2022 22:13
210	School ranking is critical for real estate values.	7/7/2022 9:40
211	New high school should be one of the town's top priorities so we are in-line with surrounding towns and can also attract younger families. Focus on increasing ranking of school back to (or better) than what Holliston was previously ranked.	7/8/2022 11:40
212	Integration of school with general community, even those without children	7/8/2022 16:59
213	build a new high school, continue to support our teachers and the extended day school program	7/9/2022 1:19

	There is nothing more important to the present and future of Holliston. Our schools attract new families, which helps sustain Holliston and its businesses as well as future growth. The current high school situation is a very real problem that doesn't get solved by things like 55\$M bond initiatives for a DPW building. 55\$M is probably 40% the cost of a new high school or at least a substantial renovation. The less we prioritize our schools, the less meaningful this survey becomes.	7/9/2022 8:09
214		
215	10 out of 5. You need a high school.	7/9/2022 20:34
	"Provide educational, technological, professional and infrastructure standards in our K-12 public schools that align with surrounding towns" -- In many cases Holliston pays the same or higher taxes, but isn't falling short compared with surrounding towns that pay less? Why?	7/11/2022 12:07
216		
	This is a tough one because we would like more tings for the schools, but the schools already gobbles up a lot of tax revenue. We need a survey that asks what people would spend their tax dollars on if they knew what the tradeoffs are.	7/12/2022 21:13
217		
218	The high school does not need to be replaced.	7/13/2022 10:31

Yes, of course I want our kids and teachers safe. I do not believe this is achieved through having school resource officers. Historically and currently, police are not always considered safe for black and brown people. The presence of police officers at schools likely has the opposite effect for students of color – they do not feel reassured by this presence. National data show that black and brown students are more likely to be harmed and arrested by school resource officers than their white peers.

I am interested in safety from bullying, sexual violence and harassment, of which female and queer students are particularly targeted. I want mandatory comprehensive sex education from the elementary level and all the way up to high school. I want a school culture that cracks down on sexism, homophobia, transphobia and misogyny.

I am interested in safety from racial, cultural and anti-Semitic bullying. I want a curriculum overhaul that integrates truth telling about our nation's roots in white supremacy, slavery, and genocide, as well as homophobia and sexism. I want administration, faculty, and students to examine their own internalized bias, whether racist, anti-Semitic or otherwise. I want teachers to connect this truth to how students can notice how systemic inequality today persists and how to recognize it. This will all make the school a safer place for the non-Christian kids, the girls, non-white kids, the queer kids. And they will be better humans and citizens.

	I want a no tolerance policy for any sort of bullying or harassment, whether it is deemed as targeting a 'marginalized' group or not. This means offenders must be held accountable using a restorative justice model. They must learn how the behavior harmed another person, why, and learn about respectful and accepting ways to interact with peers.	7/14/2022 16:57
219		

And yes, please, we need a new high school.

	1) hiring more teachers of color to represent what the world looks like 2) continue strong support for the current DEI position 3) Secure funding for DEI position indefinitely	7/18/2022 10:28
220		
221	Pay the teachers more! If you want to find and retain top talent, pay for it.	7/18/2022 13:59
222	Get back to teaching our children history English math and forget wokeness	7/18/2022 14:01
223	New High School.	7/18/2022 14:21
	#1 Priority for Holliston is a new High School. It has been the priority for 20 years - lets get the selectmen to focus on this vs traffic lights and new garbage/recycling bins. Holliston has fallen way behind every town in our area on High School facilities, and it seems to have affected the overall ranking and quality of Holliston Schools - we have been falling down the rankings for 20+ years (when we moved here in 1993, Holliston schools were ranked far higher than Hopkinton Schools, which is the main reason we moved here. That is no longer true. Medway has better facilities as does Hopkinton. Regional schools are better. Ashland may be better. Priority #1 - nothing else on this survey is even close!	7/18/2022 14:48
224		

225	Our schools rankings have dropped alot in 25 years I'd like to see that ranking grow again.	7/18/2022 15:07
226	New high school	7/18/2022 16:13
227	Provide a free and appropriate eduction for children diagnosed with language based learning disabilities such as Dyslexia!	7/18/2022 17:23
228	I fully support a robust education program in our town. I hesitate to say that seeking higher rankings should be a high priority, because an overall high quality student experience does not necessarily go lock step with going higher in school rankings from test scores.	7/18/2022 17:57
229	Revamp school sports leadership. Too many student athletes leaving the school system due to issues with sports leadership.	7/18/2022 20:21
230	Town really needs a new high school and if not possible at least better fields to play on. The turf is fine but the other fields at the high school really are a safety hazard (uneven ground -holes to sprain ankles, etc). for the kids and an embarrassment to the town.	7/18/2022 20:38
231	The high-school really needs replacement to maintain and increase demand to live in Holliston.	7/18/2022 20:54
232	High School needs to start now!	7/18/2022 21:56
233	Classroom set of Romeo and Juliet for the eighth grade!	7/18/2022 21:57
234	It wasn't that long ago we spent a ton of money to fix up the high school. The only viable way to build a new one is to build where the new football field is and then remove the old one. That was a very wet meadow in the 60's, There is a stream they piped underground running under the parking lot, assuming the ConCom will go along with it, a rebuild will get extremely costly fast.....	7/18/2022 23:33
235	Honestly the quality of Holliston public education has declined substantially over the years. The kids are mostly not engaged, nor are really pushed to do their best work. Standardized testing is barely in the middle. Nearly every parent I've spoken with says the same thing about the high school, teachers are doing the bare minimum just to get by. We are not happy and haven't been happy with the schools for years now.	7/19/2022 9:00
236	Teaching students the importance of learning a trade and hands on skills they can use for the rest of their lives should be a high priority in all levels of schooling. When exploring renovation options to the high school it is imperative that you seek to have trade unions such as Local 103 IBEW do the work as they benefit the community at large while providing high quality work in a safe manner.	7/19/2022 9:11
237	We have an 11 month old that we are looking to raise here for years to come so school system is absolutely high priority to us!	7/19/2022 10:21
238	Enhance safety for school children	7/19/2022 11:03
239	Safe guard schools and public gatherings against mass shootings.	7/19/2022 11:16
240	New high school!!	7/19/2022 12:23
241	Identify and hire a superintendent who isn't a bully or a micromanager. Ensure town members have access to school board candidate information so they can make educated voting decisions.	7/19/2022 12:58

	Promote diversity and inclusivity education in our schools through discussions on race, sexual preferences, gender preferences, religious preferences, and understanding discrimination and equity-based problems. If you want to put aside all discussion on ethics, another data-backed argument is good schools bring more wealth to the town; so investing in schools economically has a high ROI. https://www.nea.org/advocating-for-change/new-from-nea/evidence-clear-more-money-schools-means-better-student-outcomes	
242		7/19/2022 13:47
243	Fire our superintendent of schools.	7/19/2022 15:33
244	Too late - 5 kids have already gone through the school system - disappointed	7/19/2022 16:50
245	Police officer in all schools at all times.	7/19/2022 18:10
246	Hire more qualified teachers and improve school rating	7/19/2022 18:41
	If the fin. comm. keeps playing cheapskate with the teachers/union the best teachers will leave the district for greener (\$\$) pastures. Our kids will have lower quality teachers and Holliston's good school ratings will DECLINE.	
247		7/19/2022 22:42
248	To get full day kindergarten to be free for all residents. We are one of only about 38 towns in MA that has to pay	7/19/2022 23:02
	Increased parent teacher offerings (2x a year), analysis of potential imbalance of special education students in traditional track due to lack of supports available in French and Montessori, program evaluation of special education offerings and services	
249		7/20/2022 7:17
	More mental health services at the school in addition to the YFS team. They are wonderful to have in the community but they are stretched thin and need more support. Support school counselors to be better prepared to deal with the diversity and experiences kids are openly experiencing and expressing. They need a space to feel safe and heard.	
250		7/20/2022 7:30
	As a retired Holliston teacher, it is essential that the Administration and School Committee work tirelessly to ensure Professional growth of all staff and provide appropriate access to educational models that will strengthen student learning.....many changes in the cultural experiences of students and teachers have been negatively affective by the Pandemic and teaching has changedour school's culture must reflect and support the needs these changes have created!	
251		7/20/2022 9:20
252	More transparency of what is being taught	7/20/2022 13:25
	Holliston schools used to have a superior reputation. Always highly ranked. But no longer is that true. Great schools attract great families to move to Holliston.	
253		7/20/2022 14:37
254	Definitely a new High School. Provide more athletic fields to the schools.	7/21/2022 11:56
	Child and Teacher safety should be covered by Federal Laws. It should be a Federal crime to interfere with a student or teacher getting to and from a school event or while at school.	
255		7/21/2022 18:36
256	a new high school asap!	7/22/2022 9:34
257	Better teachers	7/22/2022 9:55
258	Art and music/band instruction very important for all levels of education.	7/22/2022 15:23
	get better educators in our schools. that should be your top priority. the programs are great.	
259		7/22/2022 19:38

260	Updated school and payment for teachers. Worried will lose our good school system because we are falling behind surrounds towns and what they offer	7/23/2022 9:51
261	if holliston wishes to foster education and related activities within the community, we should look at how education is changing. public schools will likely become obsolete as there is much better and broader access to educational materials than ever before. maintain the current schools, but embrace the coming changes and look to be out in front of these potentially amazing opportunities.	7/23/2022 9:59
262	Holliston needs a new high school. It is embarrassing when compared to surrounding towns.	7/23/2022 10:54
263	New high school. We have dropped in rankings and it's noticeable.	7/23/2022 14:52
264	adequately fund teacher supplies and support. make sure teachers stay true to core principals of educating children to be able to reason. provide better counseling to assist with career path choices and to help in furthering those choices. better funding existing core programs to enable those programs to fully function. create more student teacher and social work internships.	7/24/2022 21:00
265	Improve the Special Ed department so I don't have to homeschool my kids. Promote inclusion of kids with disabilities in the public school.	7/25/2022 5:10
266	School ranking has deteriorated over the last two decades compared to other towns, needs to up it's game.	7/25/2022 18:58
267	Hiring teachers of color. More professional development for staff in Diversity, Equity and inclusion. More inclusive curriculum and celebration of diverse cultures.	7/26/2022 8:39
268	DEI initiatives in schools and town, lots of hatred against marginalized groups and polarization that needs to be addressed	7/26/2022 9:48
269	I have little knowledge about Holliston schools so am not qualified to answer except about safety	7/27/2022 11:59
270	Look into renovating the high school	7/27/2022 13:06
271	We need a new High School.	7/27/2022 13:56
272	Promote communication between central office and the teachers. Promote administrators and school committee to gain a better understanding of the day to day workings of being a teacher. There is such a lack of understanding of what it is like to be an educator during this time. Superintendent and school committee are very out of touch. The way we do things in education is a system that is broken. Holliston should be a leader in making changes in this field. We are back to testing, testing, testing in our schools rather than teaching. At least with our former superintendent teachers didn't have to teach to the test.	7/27/2022 14:21
273	Make the best decisions for Holliston. Appreciate and support the teachers and community. Holliston has always been known for excellent schools-lets keep that. Stop focusing on 'buzz words' and just make education a priority with quality and fun.	7/28/2022 8:32
274	Please start planning for a new high school. It is inevitable.	7/28/2022 11:11
275	New high school should be a huge priority	7/28/2022 15:04

	Treat teachers like people, not expendable assets (like during covid and the last contract negotiation). Teach computer science programming to more students (not just AP level)	7/28/2022 18:11
276		
277	we need to invest heavily in future generation	7/28/2022 18:49
	Based on our experience Holliston schools are living on past reputation. There are a lot of gaps, inconsistent communication and big areas of need in teacher training, strong needs for more/better training in the special Ed department. The drug use among high schoolers IN and out school is OUT of control. In my option there need to be regular sweeps with a k-9 drug detector. Major call for help by these kids. Staff/teacher burn out is a problem. Lack of oversight of student and poor communication/ out reach to parents is a big problem, particularly at the high school. Reliance of student phone use in class by teachers in the middle school and high school is a BIG problem. Less reliance on technology and more innovative teaching/relationship building in the classroom is needed. There are some teachers doing this, and doing it well- but they are in the minority in our experience.	
278		7/29/2022 7:54
279	Get back to the basics and stop teaching what parents should be doing.	7/29/2022 10:25
	Continue to be open to parental rights in regard to curriculum and school environment.	
280		7/29/2022 12:27
	Modify question #1 above to not align with surrounding towns but rather provide technological, educational, professional, and infrastructure standards that rank among the highest in the state.	
281		7/30/2022 10:52
	The town needs to develop a solution to the early release days and childcare opportunities. There are a lot of these half days and that means parents need to find and pay for daycare or take time off from work. This could mean that half of their vacation days might be used to avoid paying for childcare. Also, combining an early release day with a Monday holiday (presidents day, patriots day, memorial day and labor day) means that I have used almost 2 weeks of time off for childcare.	
282		7/30/2022 12:26
	Promotion of safety is insufficient a goal. Proactively assess, invest and address necessary school safety infrastructure and training for public safety, teachers and students.	
283		7/30/2022 22:06

There is basically nothing listed here related to the quality of HPS that does not have some level of importance. The larger issue is how HPS will change in ways that does a better job of preparing students to play a more active role in building greater equity in America's multiracial democracy.

This requires a long term plan for change that is sustained and supported by the community. How do we get there? Is there any consensus that schools that are "racially, ethnically, and socioeconomically diverse provide superior learning environments?" <https://tcf.org/content/facts/the-benefits-of-socioeconomically-and-racially-integrated-schools-and-classrooms/?agreed=1&agreed=1>

Is Holliston prepared to provide "parents with better information (that) can help them choose communities and schools with high-quality options for integrated learning?"

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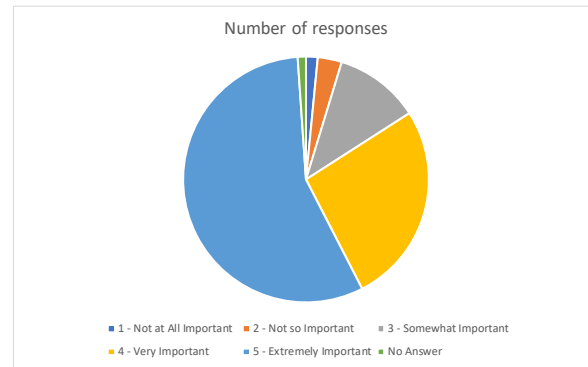
This work defines the challenge ahead of us. Related, all the resources necessary need to be provided to support implementation of HPS New Strategic Plan 2022-2027. But the schools can't do it alone. Stronger engagement and partnership with the Holliston community at large is essential.

284	with the Holliston community at large is essential.	7/31/2022 6:38
285	I like the schools and they do a great job. Infrastructure at HHS needs investment.	7/31/2022 9:30
286	Increase community engagement with school administration to improve communication and access, and diversify school staff and curriculum.	7/31/2022 14:48
287	Keep Politics Out Of The Classroom	7/31/2022 16:00
288	Our schools are preschool through 12th grade, not just K-12 :)	8/1/2022 9:19
289	Focus on the high school	8/1/2022 9:32
290	I believe Education to be the most important building block to a community and we should make every effort to increase our abilities in this area. Our scores on schools doesn't compete with surrounding areas, even though we have incredible teachers. This should be a number one priority of the town.	8/1/2022 16:07
291	New high school needs to happen, followed by other schools. Until then we will be perceived as a 2nd class school system relative to many of our neighbors	8/2/2022 20:52
292	Teach inclusion, diversity, acceptance, and equality starting at a younger age. I was horrified by the anti-Semitic and racist messages in our schools from students this past school year. Provide books in all the school libraries that promote these values and encourage their use in curriculum.	8/2/2022 21:31
293	more education on recycling	8/2/2022 22:22
294	Continue to promote and offer immersion programs (foreign language)	8/2/2022 22:36
295	Always model respect and good listening skills in any and all community meetings related to schools and education. The children are watching how adults work in social settings.	8/2/2022 22:59

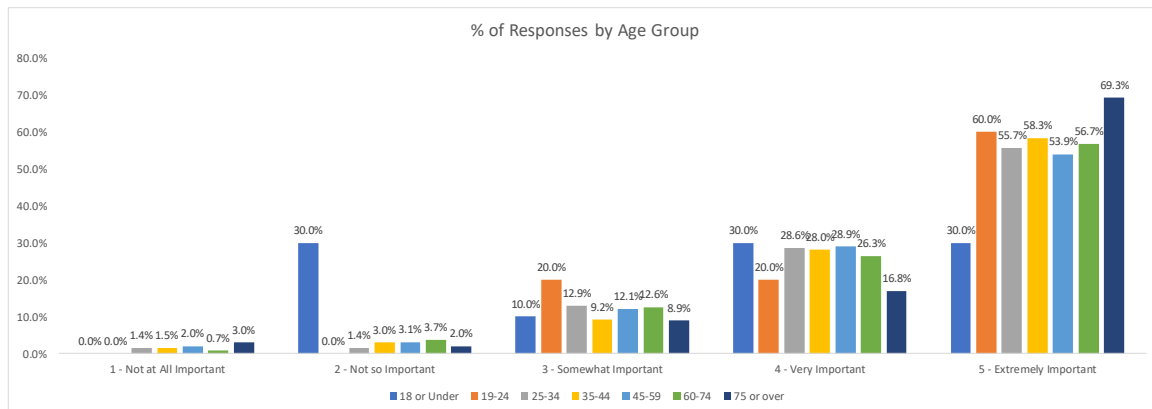
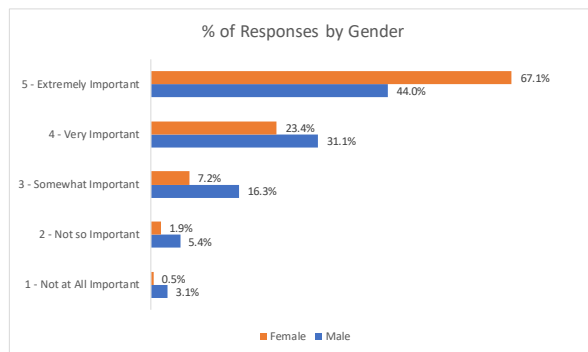
	With the amount of funding schools receive, our ratings should be better. Throwing money at a problem doesn't always solve the problem. Hopkinton has a better school rating and I believe the property tax rate is lower. Weston,	
296	Newton, Natick, Concord and Burlington all have significantly lower tax rates.	8/3/2022 10:52
297	Holliston High School needs a renovation.	8/3/2022 13:04
298	Holliston used to rank higher in MA top education - let's get back up there	8/3/2022 15:48
299	NEW High School and NOT renovations! This was a mistake that was made the last time there was an opportunity to build a new school! An important way to improve town desirability and school rankings but not through MCAS scores (teaching to this test is not the answer to how Holliston became such a strong school destination for so many years).	8/5/2022 14:39
300	Create a Spanish Emerson program in addition to the French program. All of our kids should be bilingual to open more opportunities for them and also keep up with the rest of the world.	8/5/2022 19:29
301	New High School	8/5/2022 19:38
302	New High School; better pay for teachers, paraprofessionals, and substitutes	8/5/2022 19:54
303	Upgrading and/or replacement of existing schools is extremely important.	8/6/2022 10:10
304	School facilities and fields are not well maintained	8/6/2022 11:09
305	Focus on teaching to standards. Remove project-based learning, particularly in the younger grades. There should be much more focus on writing, and much less dependence on technology. Holliston is doing a poor job of preparing the kids for college.	8/7/2022 12:19
306	I feel we don't have to "keep with the Jones'" just because neighboring schools has "new & beautiful" doesn't reflect education. Upgrade technology as nec. for teaching and learning. Have safe, usable fields, playground, parking. Cut back on number of honors programs at HS and concentrate on average kids.	8/7/2022 12:51
307	Clean up the courtyards for more use and beauty. Remove poison ivy and maintain. It could be a real gem.	8/7/2022 13:19
308	I've been out of touch with local education for many years and cannot answer responsibly	8/8/2022 18:54
309	We just paid off the MS bonds, and now thinking about a new HS build? Which would cost over a billion, is my guess ... I'd hope we'd take a serious look at renovation first. Know the field house is in bad shape -- fine, tear it down and build a new, better gym (don't need full field house now, with TVL indoor track pretty much moved to Hopkinton/the Reggie). Use the extra space leftover to build a new wing of classrooms. There's GOTTA be a better solution than building a new HS, and one much more affordable for town residents.	8/8/2022 21:29
310	New high school is an absolute MUST. We are losing people to other towns.	8/9/2022 9:46

Section 11: Library

Q98		Preserve public library facilities, programs, materials and activities.					
		1105					
Total	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
	17	35	124	293	624	12	4.35
	1.5%	3.2%	11.2%	26.5%	56.5%	1.1%	
Male	12	21	63	120	170		4.08
	3.1%	5.4%	16.3%	31.1%	44.0%		
Female	3	11	42	137	393		4.55
	0.5%	1.9%	7.2%	23.4%	67.1%		
		0.47					



18 or under	0	3	1	3	3		3.60
	0.0%	30.0%	10.0%	30.0%	30.0%		
19 - 24	0	0	1	1	3		4.40
	0.0%	0.0%	20.0%	20.0%	60.0%		
25 - 34	1	1	9	20	39		4.36
	1.4%	1.4%	12.9%	28.6%	55.7%		
35 - 44	4	8	25	76	158		4.39
	1.5%	3.0%	9.2%	28.0%	58.3%		
45 - 59	7	11	43	103	192		4.30
	2.0%	3.1%	12.1%	28.9%	53.9%		
60 - 74	2	10	34	71	153		4.34
	0.7%	3.7%	12.6%	26.3%	56.7%		
75 or over	3	2	9	17	70		4.48
	3.0%	2.0%	8.9%	16.8%	69.3%		



Q99	Promote libraries as education centers.
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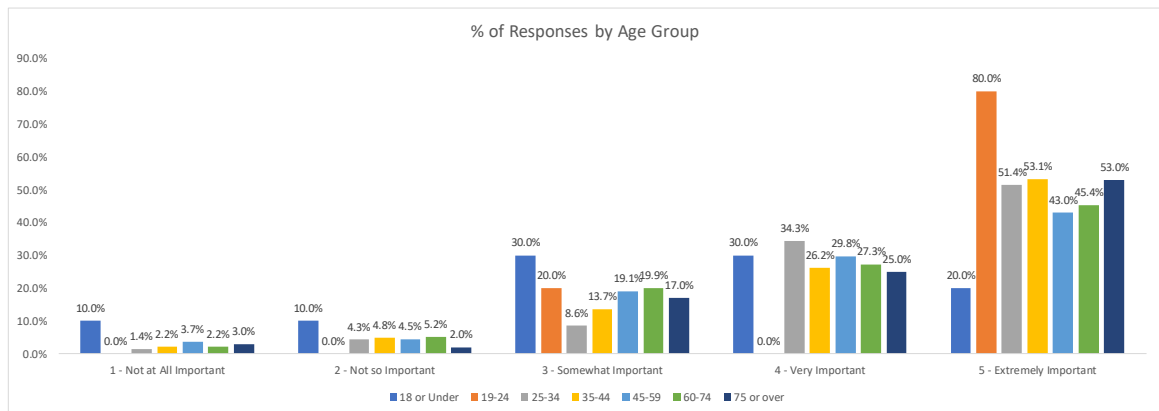
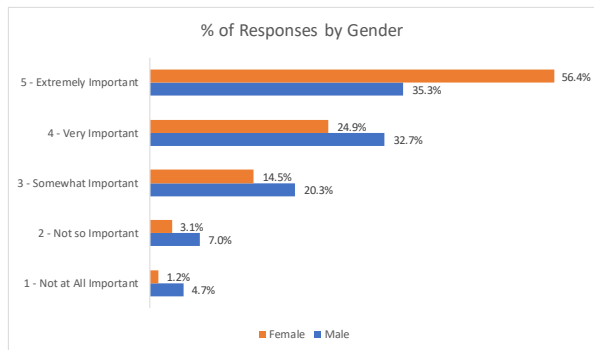
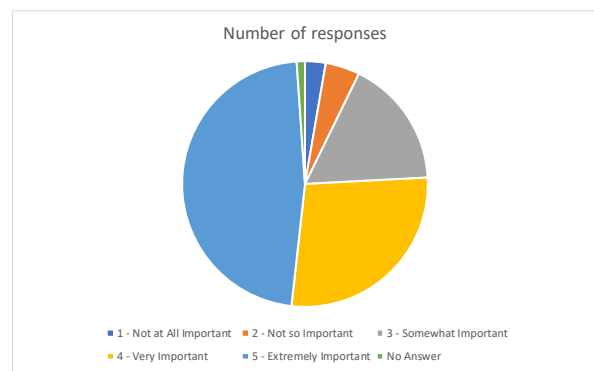
	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	30 2.7%	50 4.5%	187 16.9%	305 27.6%	521 47.1%	12 1.1%	4.13

Male	18 4.7%	27 7.0%	78 20.3%	126 32.7%	136 35.3%		3.87
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Female	7 1.2%	18 3.1%	85 14.5%	146 24.9%	331 56.4%		4.32
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18 or under	1 10.0%	1 10.0%	3 30.0%	3 30.0%	2 20.0%		3.40
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	0 0.0%	4 80.0%		4.60
25 - 34	1 1.4%	3 4.3%	6 8.6%	24 34.3%	36 51.4%		4.30
35 - 44	6 2.2%	13 4.8%	37 13.7%	71 26.2%	144 53.1%		4.23
45 - 59	13 3.7%	16 4.5%	68 19.1%	106 29.8%	153 43.0%		4.04
60 - 74	6 2.2%	14 5.2%	54 19.9%	74 27.3%	123 45.4%		4.08
75 or over	3 3.0%	2 2.0%	17 17.0%	25 25.0%	53 53.0%		4.23



Q100	Modernize library facilities to accommodate changing generational needs and ways information is acquired:
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	30 2.7%	53 4.8%	208 18.8%	318 28.8%	485 43.9%	11 1.0%	4.07

Male	16 4.2%	22 5.7%	89 23.1%	126 32.7%	132 34.3%		3.87
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Female	9 1.5%	22 3.7%	94 16.0%	164 27.9%	298 50.8%		4.23
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18 or under	0 0.0%	1 10.0%	5 50.0%	2 20.0%	2 20.0%		3.50
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	2 40.0%	2 40.0%	1 20.0%		3.80
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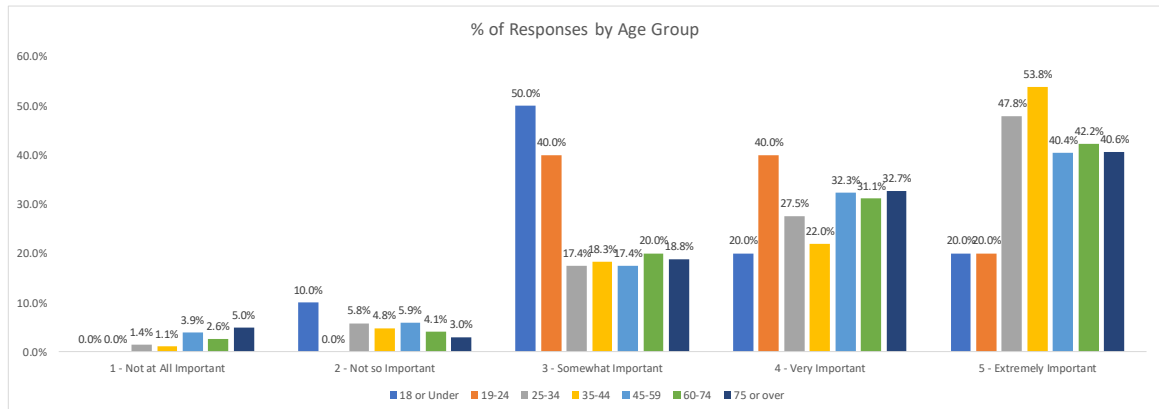
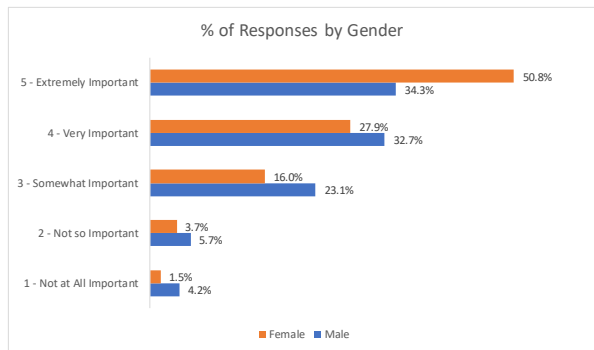
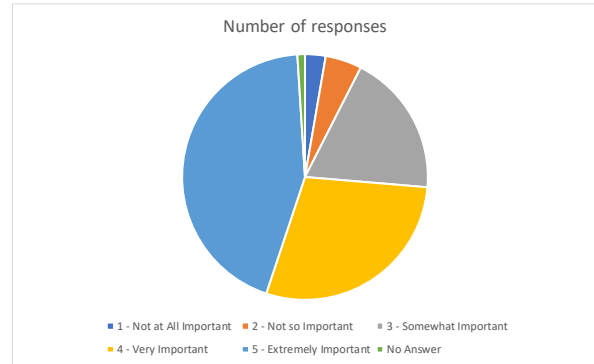
25 - 34	1 1.4%	4 5.8%	12 17.4%	19 27.5%	33 47.8%		4.14
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35 - 44	3 1.1%	13 4.8%	50 18.3%	60 22.0%	147 53.8%		4.23
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45 - 59	14 3.9%	21 5.9%	62 17.4%	115 32.3%	144 40.4%		3.99
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60 - 74	7 2.6%	11 4.1%	54 20.0%	84 31.1%	114 42.2%		4.06
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75 or over	5 5.0%	3 3.0%	19 18.8%	33 32.7%	41 40.6%		4.01
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Q101	a. Serve as a multi-generational meeting place.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	50 4.5%	88 8.0%	306 27.7%	286 25.9%	360 32.6%	15 1.4%	3.75

Male	26 6.7%	46 11.9%	132 34.2%	95 24.6%	87 22.5%		3.44
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Female	18 3.1%	33 5.7%	138 23.6%	161 27.6%	234 40.1%		3.96
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0.52

18 or under	0 0.0%	3 30.0%	1 10.0%	4 40.0%	2 20.0%		3.50
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	3 60.0%	1 20.0%	1 20.0%		3.60
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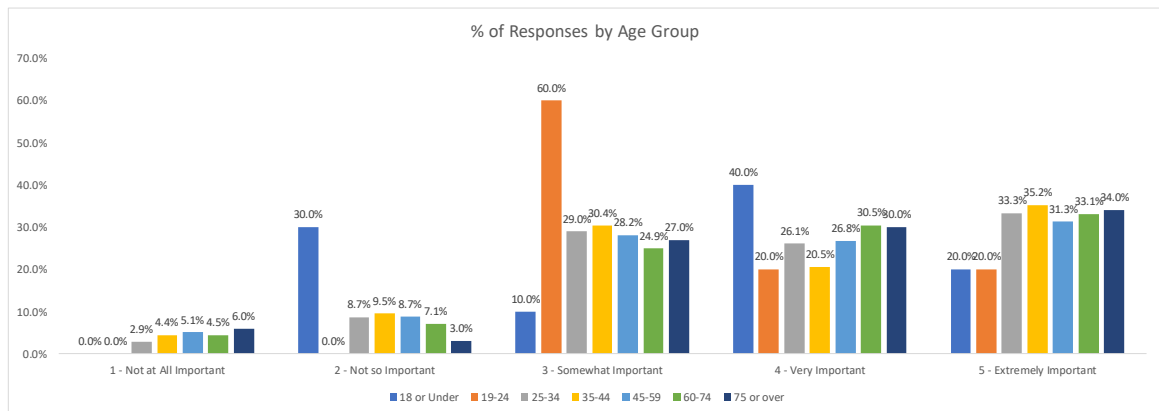
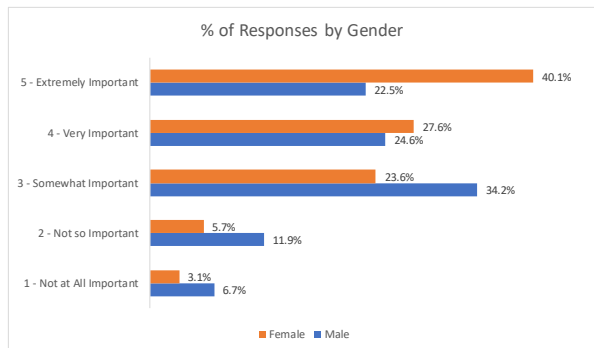
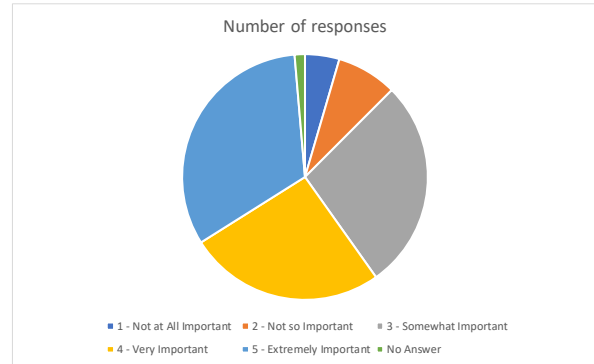
25 - 34	2 2.9%	6 8.7%	20 29.0%	18 26.1%	23 33.3%		3.78
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35 - 44	12 4.4%	26 9.5%	83 30.4%	56 20.5%	96 35.2%		3.73
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45 - 59	18 5.1%	31 8.7%	100 28.2%	95 26.8%	111 31.3%		3.70
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60 - 74	12 4.5%	19 7.1%	67 24.9%	82 30.5%	89 33.1%		3.81
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75 or over	6 6.0%	3 3.0%	27 27.0%	30 30.0%	34 34.0%		3.83
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Q102	b. Promote and expand a variety of activities for young children.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	34 3.1%	58 5.2%	257 23.3%	342 31.0%	396 35.8%	18 1.6%	3.93

Male	12 3.1%	25 6.6%	110 28.9%	124 32.5%	110 28.9%		3.77
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Female	16 2.7%	24 4.1%	118 20.2%	178 30.4%	249 42.6%		4.06
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18 or under	0 0.0%	2 20.0%	1 10.0%	4 40.0%	3 30.0%		3.80
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19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 20.0%	3 60.0%	1 20.0%		4.00
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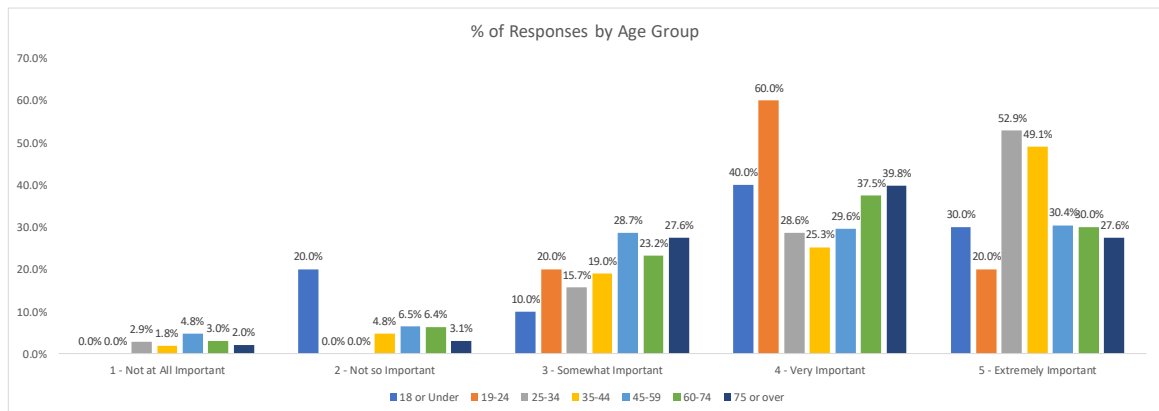
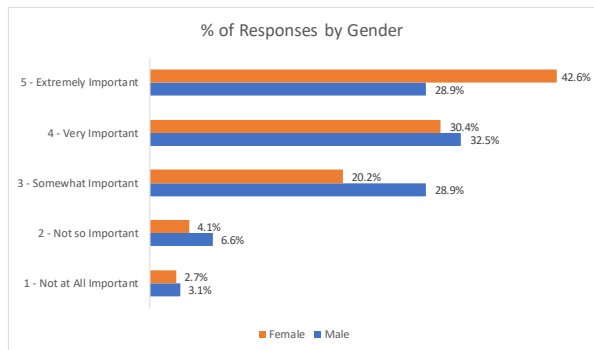
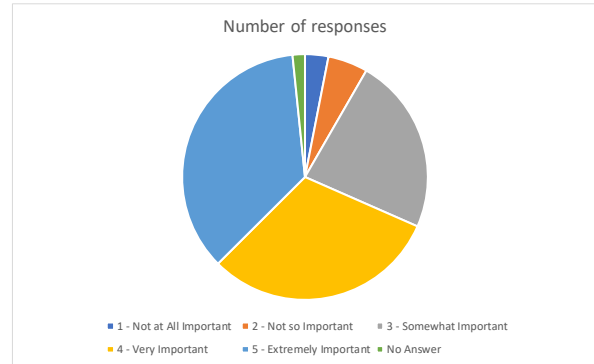
25 - 34	2 2.9%	0 0.0%	11 15.7%	20 28.6%	37 52.9%		4.29
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35 - 44	5 1.8%	13 4.8%	52 19.0%	69 25.3%	134 49.1%		4.15
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45 - 59	17 4.8%	23 6.5%	102 28.7%	105 29.6%	108 30.4%		3.74
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60 - 74	8 3.0%	17 6.4%	62 23.2%	100 37.5%	80 30.0%		3.85
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75 or over	2 2.0%	3 3.1%	27 27.6%	39 39.8%	27 27.6%		3.88
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Q103	c. Allow for rental of rooms/space for residents and town businesses.
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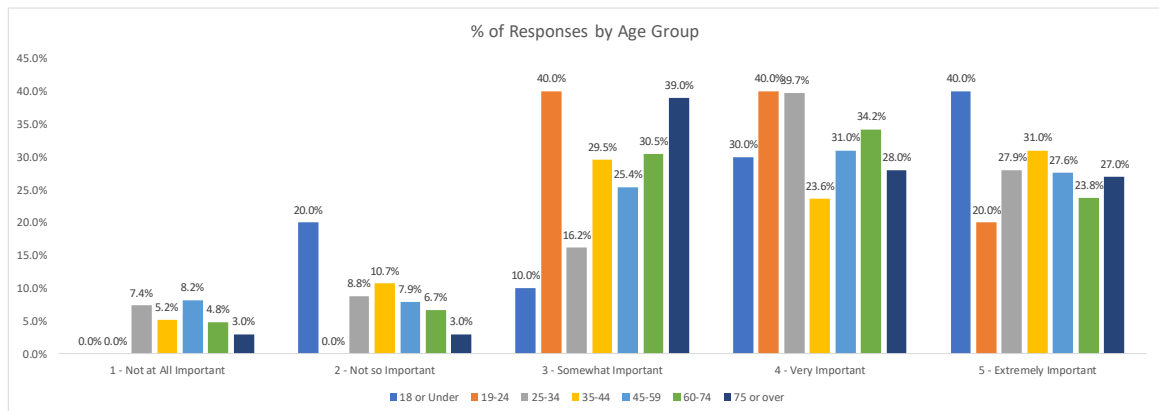
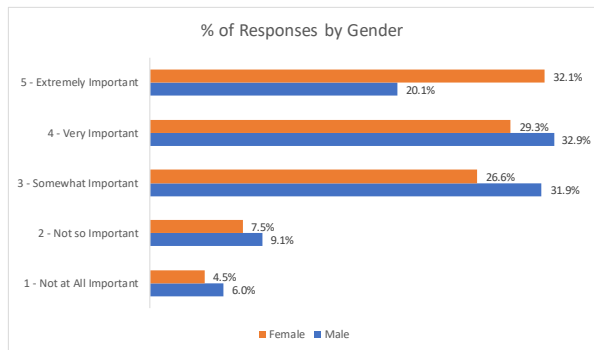
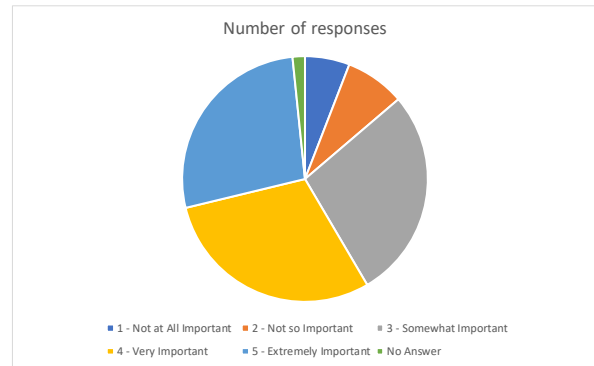
	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	65 5.9%	87 7.9%	307 27.8%	328 29.7%	300 27.1%	18 1.6%	3.65

Male	23 6.0%	35 9.1%	122 31.9%	126 32.9%	77 20.1%		3.52
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Female	26 4.5%	44 7.5%	155 26.6%	171 29.3%	187 32.1%		3.77
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18 or under	0 0.0%	2 20.0%	1 10.0%	3 30.0%	4 40.0%		3.90
19 - 24	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	2 40.0%	2 40.0%	1 20.0%		3.80
25 - 34	5 7.4%	6 8.8%	11 16.2%	27 39.7%	19 27.9%		3.72
35 - 44	14 5.2%	29 10.7%	80 29.5%	64 23.6%	84 31.0%		3.65
45 - 59	29 8.2%	28 7.9%	90 25.4%	110 31.0%	98 27.6%		3.62
60 - 74	13 4.8%	18 6.7%	82 30.5%	92 34.2%	64 23.8%		3.65
75 or over	3 3.0%	3 3.0%	39 39.0%	28 28.0%	27 27.0%		3.73



Q104	Pursue potential alternative spaces for a library.
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	1	2	3	4	5	Skipped	Wtd Avg
Total	161 14.6%	178 16.1%	350 31.7%	185 16.7%	211 19.1%	20 1.8%	3.10

Male	63 16.4%	66 17.2%	118 30.8%	69 18.0%	67 17.5%		3.03
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Female	78 13.4%	90 15.5%	199 34.2%	99 17.0%	116 19.9%		3.15
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18 or under	4 40.0%	2 20.0%	1 10.0%	1 10.0%	2 20.0%		2.50
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19 - 24	1 20.0%	1 20.0%	3 60.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%		2.40
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25 - 34	13 19.1%	10 14.7%	21 30.9%	11 16.2%	13 19.1%		3.01
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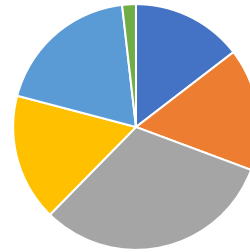
35 - 44	35 12.9%	54 19.9%	78 28.8%	37 13.7%	67 24.7%		3.17
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45 - 59	63 17.7%	49 13.8%	109 30.6%	63 17.7%	72 20.2%		3.09
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60 - 74	35 13.2%	38 14.3%	105 39.6%	48 18.1%	39 14.7%		3.07
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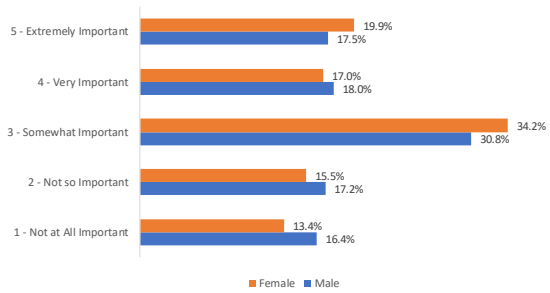
75 or over	9 9.0%	22 22.0%	30 30.0%	21 21.0%	18 18.0%		3.17
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Number of responses

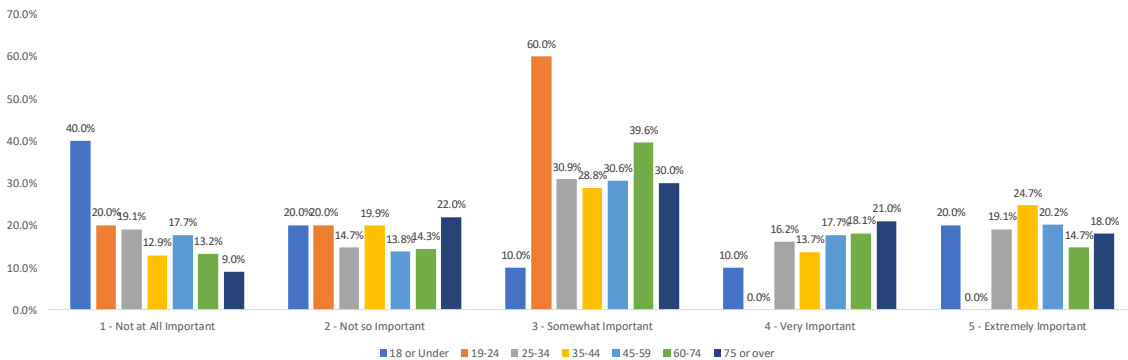


1 - Not at All Important 2 - Not so Important 3 - Somewhat Important
4 - Very Important 5 - Extremely Important No Answer

% of Responses by Gender



% of Responses by Age Group



#	What other goals for our library do you recommend	Time
1	The children's section (downstairs) is a local treasure. Improving and expanding up on it would benefit many families.	6/2/2022 17:09
2	The library needs the support of the town. I am amazed at what it accomplishes with such limited fiscal support.	6/2/2022 17:34
3	Allow use for other events and or put in coffee shop	6/2/2022 17:45
4	Have library consider lending items other than books, how about tools, boats, cross country skis. The library should be a center of the community	6/2/2022 19:16
5	I love the existing space and with Minuteman, Hoopla etc. don't think expansion is needed	6/2/2022 19:58
6	Our library needs attention!	6/2/2022 20:03
7	Think neighborhoods. Instead of a new library, what would be possible at 1750? Never take library out of downtown and never destroy the building	6/2/2022 20:45
8	Question 4, do you mean a new library? I think the current library is perfect.	6/2/2022 21:38
9	I think unfortunately that libraries are becoming obsolete. I think it functions as it is now just fine. I don't think it's of value to modernize or use taxpayer money for drastic improvements as it's not trending up	6/2/2022 22:45
10	The town needs to rent out all their facilities- commercial kitchens as an example! Gyms, auditoriums. Have assets working for the town!	6/3/2022 9:03
11	Libraries are dead. There is no bringing them back. Allow space for other uses	6/3/2022 9:12
12	Want the library to remain downtown.	6/3/2022 9:56
13	I recommend the library live within its budget. Throwing more money at anything in these times is wasteful spending. Times are difficult. Inflation is high. Saving people money is what makes them happy. Any department head that claims he or she needs more money to be effective should receive a pink slip.	6/3/2022 9:59
14	Continue partnering with Minuteman Library and access to e and audio books.	6/3/2022 11:02
15	We don't need expanded technology as a first priority. First we need to make the library a place that people work into their day to day routines. This generation of kids don't really think to use the library. Physically expand the library, add more books and make more space for people to spend time there. And the hours need to be increased. Open until 8 pm most nights.	6/3/2022 14:20
16	Funding to enable longer hours, including Sundays.	6/3/2022 16:26
17	Our library is wonderful thanks to the director & all who work there. Check out surrounding libraries to see what is offered around us, what is popular, what works.	6/6/2022 11:43
18	Add a Starbucks type of facility.	6/6/2022 14:45
19	This isn't exactly a goal but rather an expansion of #4's answer. The current library space is somewhat inadequate but it's important that it be downtown and accessible to all the schools. Something of a dilemma.	6/7/2022 17:36
20	More programming	6/7/2022 21:22

	I love our library, but it needs a facelift and a relocation. Especially if you are going to revamp it to be more of a meeting place for events and activities. Also, the library and holliston rec dept have AWESOME programming for younger kids, but it's the teens that need someplace to go more! We need a public indoor gym with basketball courts and volleybal and climbing walls, etc. where they can go after school instead of harassing people at local restaurants and convenience stores!	6/8/2022 9:41
21		
22	More Programs for all ages	6/8/2022 14:31
23	The library should NOT move out of the town center as did the post office.	6/9/2022 7:45
	Convert library into a Community Center for Town Youth. Will also provide job opportunities for staffing and tutors. They can "drop in" after school to participate in a number of activities, both physical and cerebral. Table tennis, chess, video games, homework areas	6/9/2022 13:12
24		
25	For a small town, they do a fantastic job	6/9/2022 15:52
26	Home delivery service for homebound, seniors...	6/9/2022 20:21
27	the library already does all of the above very well.	6/9/2022 20:42
	I believe the library plays a very important part of the community. I believe we should strongly consider the role location plays when developing the future Holliston Library. The central location of the Millis Library is one reason it is a cornerstone for its community. I believe Holliston would greatly benefit from a library that serves the community in diverse ways much like the Millis Library.	6/10/2022 14:11
28		
29	Compared to surrounding towns, our library is a disappointment. If we can, we generally avoid our library in preference for surrounding towns since they have better facilities and programs.	6/11/2022 8:57
30	Provide state of the art conference rooms and flexible meeting rooms with large screen computer technology. Look at what Ashland has done.	6/12/2022 11:35
	You missed the opportunity to expand and modernize the library by adding to the building. For a town of it's size Holliston has a very small library. Look at the staffing of the library, are they paid a living wage? Is it comparable to other towns? The library does a great job with the few resources it has. Why not truly invest in the library and improve the services that it offers.	6/14/2022 15:26
31		
32	Modernize the library	6/14/2022 22:10
	We need a new or renovated library. I was very disappointed that we didn't take advantage of the opportunity to acquire one of the neighboring buildings when they were vacant. It seems like we're doing absolutely nothing to improve the library facilities.	6/15/2022 10:04
33		
34	The library is a foundation for bridging generations as it is often used by children and seniors. Updating and improving the technology and multi- media opportunities will increase the use and add value to the community	6/15/2022 11:08
35	Our town library is untapped resource and should be better utilized. The space we have is great	6/15/2022 11:13
36	pursue alternative goals for library building. a public place to meet/performaces	6/15/2022 11:28
37	Continue to support it. Valuable resource	6/15/2022 11:30
38	More activities and classes to sign up	6/15/2022 11:32

	We have a Carnegie Library and we should respect it. Please increase town support to help maintain this jewel. They do a great job with what they have. More funds to allow longer opening hours might bring more users. Meeting rooms and study spaces are important. The town should find a way to expand the building we have. It is and should continue to be a crucial center for the	
39	Town.	6/15/2022 12:55
40	I would look at a survey of users; I think we should have a library, but I primarily use the online resources. It's rare for me to go in person. Maybe that means a new service model if my use is the majority.	6/15/2022 13:15
41	Start after school teenager programs that offer community service hours and ability to provide them with exposure to many fields.	6/15/2022 13:36
42	It is already great. Fund it enough to keep it open long hours and maintain supplies and services.	6/15/2022 13:52
43	expand the children room,	6/15/2022 13:59
44	expand meeting space and modernize, a mini version of wellesleys main library would be a great model.	6/15/2022 14:39
45	Maintain what we have before considering new location.	6/15/2022 16:56
46	Library needs expansion and modernization	6/15/2022 19:28
47	Critical that the Library remain downtown walkable to schools	6/17/2022 7:33
48	library is important	6/17/2022 9:15
49	Protect, renovate, expand	6/17/2022 14:46
50	The library building is fine wasting your money and a new library building? Get garbage cans that are baseball fields... Paint the walls inside the high school that are peeling in the gym for over a decade	6/17/2022 15:15
51	Good location for adult programming or other adult classes. Possibly including some sort of IT help? For instance helping someone set up a new device or use a common program like excel.	6/17/2022 15:40
52	Library should be accessible to trails, parks, playgrounds, and pedestrian foot traffic	6/17/2022 15:46
53	Our Library's architecture is the main historical staple of our community. It should not be destroyed or changed in the name of modernization.	6/17/2022 17:22
54	Vital for library to stay downtown, easily walkable for all school age students.	6/18/2022 17:33
55	expand evening hours	6/18/2022 21:12
56	The library is a gem in the town.	6/19/2022 11:57
57	Outdoor activities coordinated surrounding downtown community building such as Goodwill Park(walking distance to Library)	6/19/2022 14:21
58	I filled out the library survey months ago. I left many suggestions. Libraries are very important and I thought it should expand into the vacant bank next door--no longer an option.	6/19/2022 19:33
59	Make public access to a new high school's library safe and easy.	6/20/2022 10:47
60	Perhaps offering free walk-in and/or scheduled tutoring hours after school or evenings for middle and high school students (with snacks).	6/20/2022 14:20
61	We should promote the library downtown. No more banks downtown. More quaint shopping	6/21/2022 9:51

	As far as our family is concerned the library is the heart of Holliston. While there are some programs that appeal to my kids at the Parks&Rec dept, it is the library programs that have piqued their interest the most. There are adult programs as well that have appealed to both my husband and I. Both of us have used the library as a work space. The library deserves a space that shows how important it is to the town of Holliston. Rebuild the high school and use some of the land to rebuild the library. While it is the heart of Holliston, it does not have to be in the center of town. Most of us drive everywhere anyway.	6/21/2022 17:00
62		
	Library expansion and functionality is imperative. We need a multifunction updated hall or facility with state of the art readiness!!!	6/21/2022 22:44
63		
	I love the idea of libraries, senior centers, etc. but don't see them being used that much at current capacity. This could be an area to try out very futuristic ideas.	6/22/2022 10:50
64		
	Libraries are day centers for the poor, the old and the young, they are a life line to many without internet, they are a great meeting and working place. Enhance its services and promote them as a community center.	6/22/2022 11:03
65		
	I would like to see the library able to expand which it probably cannot do in its current space, but I feel that a centrally located library is important, and its current location is central.	6/22/2022 14:30
66		
	Not sure how we can expect our present library building to fulfill all of those goals mentioned above. Suspect another renovation is not feasible, so perhaps a more affordable option would be alternative spaces for some of those functions.	6/22/2022 14:42
67		
	Let people know how great the library is.	6/22/2022 15:15
68		
	Keep a good functionable library	6/22/2022 16:33
69		
	High end communications technologies	6/22/2022 17:10
70		
	Weekend programming for working families.	6/22/2022 20:59
71		
	The library should remain downtown.	6/23/2022 6:06
72		
	Library is very old and limited	6/23/2022 6:48
73		
	All town properties should be available for rent - like a commercial kitchen!	6/23/2022 10:48
74		
	reading events such as comin in every week read a book, get a stamp, after x stamps get a reward. reading is so so important for development	6/23/2022 14:07
75		
	Modernization	6/23/2022 14:11
76		
	More parking!	6/23/2022 14:16
77		
	Libraries are absolutely crucial to our communities. The knowledge, services, and value they provide to everyone goes well beyond the obvious. We cannot neglect them!	6/23/2022 14:20
78		
	Again, the LIBRARY WAS FALLING DOWN a few years ago. We propped it back up with toothpicks. ITs woefully outdated and pales in comparison to our neighbors.	
79		6/23/2022 14:20
	Its a sad reflection on our towns do nothing government.	
80		6/23/2022 14:47
	new build	
81		6/23/2022 15:03
	Preserve public library facilities, programs, materials and activities	
82		6/23/2022 15:06
	A new, modern expanded facility still in center of town.	
83		
	Leslie McDonnel, library director made the library a friendly space where service to residents is a priority- a great example for other departments.	6/23/2022 15:26

84	Libraries are great. However the junk that is allowed in them today is very sad. Kids are being taught stuff they should never be at school. And books are in libraries that they should not have access to without parental consent. Very very sad.	6/23/2022 15:45
85	I don't know about how the library is used any more compared to when I was a kid. Is the library still a place people go for information? Everything is so available online, it is hard to imagine what is needed for the library. Our current library spot is in such a tough spot in town. Parking is terrible and the kids space is tiny. We lived in Ashland when my kids were small and their kid area was amazing with a space for activities and classes and the space overall had a lot more to offer.	6/23/2022 15:45
86	Libraries are a pretty good idea.	6/23/2022 15:52
87	Larger book section and reading areas (which requires a different building). Encourage a partnership between the schools and the library.	6/23/2022 16:21
88	Love the library and town center location!	6/23/2022 17:45
89	Provide free meeting space for non-profit programs, such as the Girl Scouts of Holliston. This has been a huge resource for many troops in town.	6/23/2022 19:11
90	Please prioritize the Holliston Library. It is a missing link on our community. Love the staff however we would benefit immensely from a larger updated library in Holliston.	6/23/2022 19:55
91	Immediately build-out, renovate, expand the library. Increase number of open hours. Vastly increase study and meeting rooms, places to read in the library. The library now is totally inadequate for the needs of Holliston.	6/23/2022 22:14
92	We have a great library. Library needs to promote their offerings more/better.	6/23/2022 22:44
93	A LEED Building for a library makes a bold statement for a community, for example, Walpole town library.	6/23/2022 23:30
94	Expand, keep, & update present downtown library. Consider satellite branches before relocating main library.	6/24/2022 9:03
95	just keep investing!!!	6/24/2022 9:20
96	Needs better parking.	6/24/2022 9:54
97	Full free access to high speed internet	6/24/2022 12:09
98	I love our library. If we rebuild, would want to make sure that building is used for something else.	6/25/2022 5:23
99	Our library is woefully out of date. No updates; no updated programs. It's awful. Look at Ridgefield, Ct. to compare	6/25/2022 7:38
100	Ove the location of the library and wish we were able to have gotten the building on the left , it needs to be expanded and there is not really any other spaces	6/26/2022 6:07
101	Expand tween and teen programming at the library.	6/26/2022 8:51
102	The Holliston library does not compare well with libraries in other towns I am familiar with. There is a lot of room for improvement. I would be interested in the alternative spaces option.	6/26/2022 11:53

103	Please don't move the library. I went to the meeting to learn more about thoughts on the library. Most people love it. We are not Wellesley, so people should not compare us to Wellesley. We are a small town with a small library, but our small library packs a BIG punch and offers so much for the community.	6/27/2022 9:14
104	Love the Library - needs to grow with the times, encourage use and work of finding ways to bring in school age - adult demographics	6/27/2022 11:41
105	Need expansion of internal work/meeting spaces in general (not just those that can be rented); need extensive updating of technology. Should have merged current library with old bank building. Missed opportunity.	6/27/2022 11:52
106	More programs for kids and adults	6/27/2022 16:02
107	The current library structure may not be appropriate for the town's needs in 25 years; maybe more, maybe less. The town should always be aware that changes, as yet unforeseeable, may have to come in the ways such services are delivered in the future. So, "alternative spaces," yes, or alternative formats. Perhaps the library of the future will resemble a combination community center / internet cafe... or whatever they're going to call it then.	6/28/2022 21:04
108	Town Library should be combined with another town facility to promote generational integration (Senior Center, Town Recreation Dept etc). The Internet and access to digital forms of materials has left the current Town Library OBSOLETE!!	6/29/2022 8:25
109	Close it and sell the real estate to a commercial developer with joint ownership with town. Waste of taxpayer money, give online access to residents	6/29/2022 20:48
110	If looking for alt space, would love a library with green space	6/29/2022 20:49
111	Perhaps host more events such as music classes for children or story time events .	6/29/2022 21:19
112	Our library is so dated compared to other towns. It's pretty embarrassing. Ashland has an amazing Childrens program. Dover library is incredible. We should have a library in town that families are flocking to for programs and play dates and reading/learning. Instead everyone goes to other towns. It's sad. A new building with easier access - no steep stair case between floors. It's been like this for well over 30 years. Nothing has changed. Doesn't allow for any parking. Needs a new location.	6/29/2022 22:33
113	Improve the parking situation	6/30/2022 9:12
114	I do not see a need for the library as it is. It's being overshadowed by Hopkinton who has full activities. Either totally reinvent it or use money elsewhere.	6/30/2022 9:44
115	PLACES FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL & YOUNG ADULTS TO GATHER.	6/30/2022 10:37
116	Expand the library! Increase services and facility. The librarians do so well with what they are given. But there are many more opportunities to engage our community and make the library a place for all learners / readers / community members to thrive	6/30/2022 21:31
117	More EBooks	7/1/2022 15:25
118	Again partnering g with local businesses to help keep small businesses in business. Not offering competing classes. Make sure facility is sound and safe.	7/2/2022 18:46

	Make sure the public library is able to provide strong internet access for all who need it. We would love to see the library expand and be able to host more events but would hope it remains in a place that is downtown and easy to walk to	7/4/2022 0:28
119		
120	I love the library and the building is beautiful. Too bad one of the adjacent buildings couldn't be purchased so it could expand to have small rooms to rent for "we work" type space and such. If a new location is sought for an added library, the abandoned gas station should be addressed and perhaps put an additional library facility there. Or - across from the middle school on Woodland - there's a building that was retail and had a second hand kid's clothing store. How about building something there that would be more useful - possibly an additional library space. Although I would ideally like to see that space made into a restaurant - great access to the rail trail!	7/4/2022 9:26
121	Art exhibits for local talents,	7/5/2022 9:29
122	Support and publicize existing capacity and wide access to information	7/8/2022 16:59
123	I go to the library once every two years and I've lived here for 12+. It's purpose should be reconsidered. Combine a library with a senior center, but it's purpose as a standalone entity in 2022 is anachronistic. Books and content is all digital now.	7/9/2022 8:09
124	Need to redefine purpose of a library, as the traditional is no longer valid	7/11/2022 12:07
125	Please do not cancel ongoing programs, such as One Book, One Holliston	7/13/2022 10:31
126	Drag Queen story hour! Hire staff from a variety of backgrounds. We need more diversity in library staff!	7/14/2022 16:57
127	I think an expansion of the library is long overdue. Getting access to state funds that provide funding for library renovations/expansions would be great.	7/18/2022 17:57
128	No one uses libraries anymore.	7/18/2022 20:07
129	Better selection of French books for French immersion students.	7/18/2022 21:57
130	does anyone actually still use them?	7/18/2022 23:33
131	needs to modernize into more than just a physical book shop	7/19/2022 10:01
132	Would love a "community" center that could also house a library, pool, etc. Something "multigenerational". Place to work out, swim, gather, etc.	7/19/2022 12:23
133	I love our library. Maybe expand the number of opportunities to meet authors and discuss their literary works?	7/19/2022 12:58
134	Our library is always last on the list for improvements. Give it the same priority as other town institutions.	7/19/2022 13:57
135	Promote more classes from the library	7/19/2022 14:57
136	We need a new library (total renovation) or move to another location	7/19/2022 15:33
137	Would be great if it was a larger library, so you could get lost in the aisles browsing for books, but am very happy with the library here in general	7/19/2022 21:26
138	Continue to expand and promote programs for all ages.	7/20/2022 7:30
139	Better communication with residents - about programs, access to Middlesex Library online, improvement in help/ info once a person is in the library, better signage in the library showing what types of books are available and where....	7/20/2022 9:20
140	The library does need more space but the downtown location is so beneficial	7/20/2022 13:25

141	Keep it charming and welcoming	7/20/2022 20:36
142	Our library should be expanded and in a place that has better parking	7/21/2022 10:08
143	preserve the current library for community events and build a new, larger library nearby	7/21/2022 15:33
144	I was going to the Hopkinton library. But I won't take my kids there anymore due to the "woke" / trans-pride/ leftist propaganda in the kids' section & the soft-core porno-graphic novels in the teens' section. That's not because I'm a "hater" or phobic. It's because it's wrong to indoctrinate our kids with it. I'll check out Holliston's again, but if it's the same, I'll stop taking my kids there as well. Sad. : (7/22/2022 19:29
145	The library is great. I took my kids there all the time when they were school age. There were tons of activities and they loved taking out books and videos. There needs to be more parking for the library.	7/22/2022 19:38
146	library could have more than one location and further expand its role as an organizer of literacy, educational and cultural programs and events	7/23/2022 9:33
147	Updating the interior	7/23/2022 9:51
148	i would prioritize funding the library and promoting it as an education center vs putting additional funds into public schools. holliston can and should be on the leading edge of the amazing changes in education, including providing facilities, resources and community spaces and events to foster learning.	7/23/2022 9:59
149	Modernization.	7/23/2022 10:54
150	The library has been amazing throughout COVID with their curbside checkout and delivery options. We love the town library!	7/25/2022 5:10
151	More parking	7/25/2022 18:58
152	More programming	7/26/2022 9:48
153	Expand childrens area and childrens programming. Would be great if the library stayed downtown and remained walkable.	7/26/2022 20:47
154	Anything that supports this important town service	7/27/2022 11:59
155	Update High School, and parks and let Rec. Dept use both to generate \$ for town, Expand Recycle Center, see Town of Wellesley, Update Library build in conference rooms so schools can use, rec dept use and they can hold lectures or even book signings.	7/27/2022 13:18
156	The library should offer free after-school and evening tutoring for middle and high school students.	7/27/2022 13:56
157	Have it open as much as possible	7/28/2022 8:32
158	Moving from original building if possible. Needs to be bigger.	7/28/2022 15:04
159	Protect our library from conservative zealots.	7/28/2022 18:11
160	We love our little library. Parking is a challenge. Could thee be a partnership between the library & the park and Rec building for conference room space for lecture programs, and meeting space?	7/29/2022 7:54
161	Keep up with technology to offer residents resources needed to support the schools and general interest.	7/30/2022 10:52
162	Try to promote for students to come do homework there	7/30/2022 12:50
163	I never use it.	7/31/2022 9:30

164	Close and pursue other avenues to achieve some of the goals mentioned. You are pushing for 'buggy whips'. Libraries are all done.	7/31/2022 15:29
165	The library can act as a working space for the new work from home trend. It such an important and historic landmark for our town. I commend those that spend their days as the caretakers of the great institution.	8/1/2022 16:07
166	I love our library. Having it downtown is in my mind a cornerstone of downtown, attracting people to businesses who combine those visits with the library. Being near schools is also important for access of young people after school. It is a lynchpin in our small historic town feel, and helps keep the town more walkable	8/2/2022 20:52
167	Help patrons become familiar with new technology when they want to use library services.	8/2/2022 22:36
168	Keep working on downtown parking close to the library.	8/2/2022 22:59
169	Keep noise level down. Staff at times talk too loud.	8/3/2022 10:52
170	more books!	8/6/2022 16:02
171	Keep the classics!	8/7/2022 12:19
172	If Holliston built a new library we could use the old for multi family housing, meeting rooms, a gallery, and expanded children's facilities would all be wonderful.	8/7/2022 12:34
173	Have more Zoom presentations or have HCAT broadcast of programs offered by library.	8/7/2022 12:51
174	More availability of audiobooks.	8/7/2022 13:10
175	we use the library ALOT - convenient for all to get too and now has better parking	8/8/2022 10:24

Section 12: General Questions

Excluding the direct impact of COVID, my quality of life in Holliston is:

Better than it was 5 years ago	178	16%
The Same as it was 5 years ago	557	50%
Worse than it was 5 years ago	159	14%
Don't know/ Have not been here that long	161	15%
Skipped	50	5%

Do you think the town is better served by a 3-person or 5-person Select Board?

3- Person (current)	167	15%
5- Person	547	50%
Does not matter/don't know	375	34%
Skipped	16	1%

How many Town Elections have you voted in the last 5 years?

zero	231	21%
one	120	11%
two	186	17%
three or more	549	50%
Skipped	19	2%

How many Town Meetings have attended in the last 3 years?

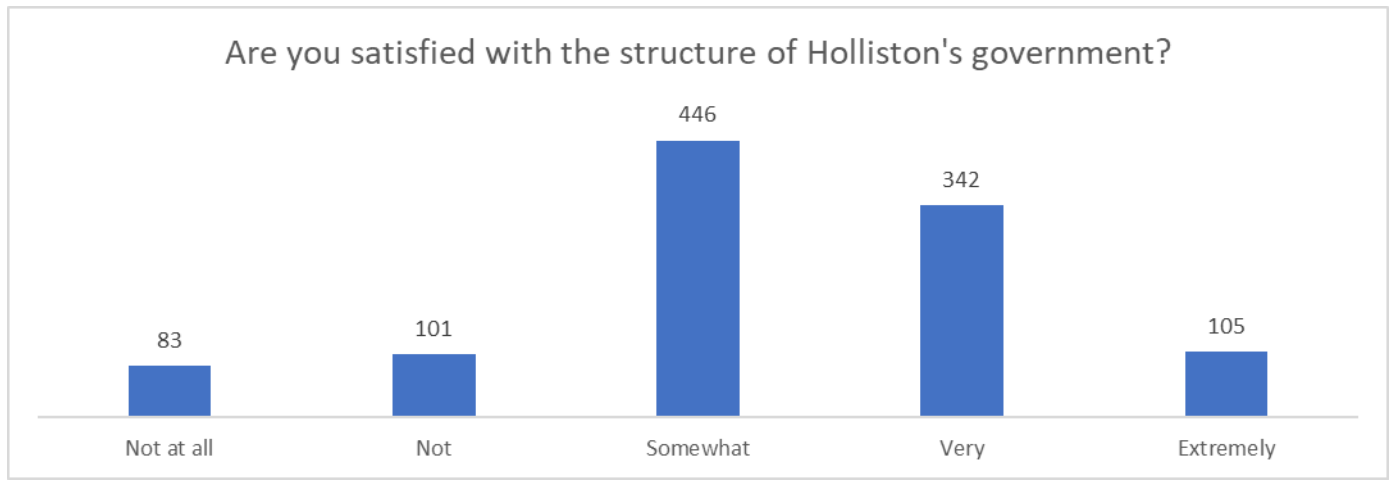
zero	545	49%
one	210	19%
two	178	16%
three or more	157	14%
Skipped	15	1%

Do you participate in a local organization or sit on a town board/committee?

Yes	228	21%
No	732	66%
Have in the past	130	12%
Skipped	15	1%

Have you attended a board/committee meeting via zoom or in person in the past year?

Yes	526	48%
No	500	45%
Have in the past	66	6%
Skipped	13	1%



Average: 3.26

Skipped: 28

#	If you do not attend Town Meeting, Why not?	Time
1	Too many people want to hear themselves talk. I would attend if they were virtual, which I understand as an open town meeting we cannot do.	6/2/2022 15:46
2	Bad times, in person	6/2/2022 16:27
3	When I can not, it is because of the time held. Virtual access is such a must.	6/2/2022 17:09
4	Just moved to area	6/2/2022 17:14
5	I need to do better	6/2/2022 17:34
6	Doesn't make any difference	6/2/2022 17:35
7	No time, I am honestly very happy	6/2/2022 17:37
8	We did when we had kids in school, but as retired seniors, it seems less important.	6/2/2022 17:45
9	New here, do not know much about how it works	6/2/2022 17:45
10	Timing is challenging	6/2/2022 18:05
11	Too much talk about stuff I don't care about. Could be more beneficial to do meetings on specific subjects (maybe they do that already but it could also come down to an awareness issue if that's the case)	6/2/2022 18:43
12	Not aware of schedule/agenda	6/2/2022 18:46
13	A few years ago we spent two long nights at town meeting and there was a vote about whether the town would pick up the trash at the 55+ condos. I believe it was voted that they would but somehow got changed after we left.	6/2/2022 18:47
14	To have a say, a small number of people decide for a wide number of people	6/2/2022 19:16
15	Boring, not a true representation of the population. No ability make significant changes on the floor.	6/2/2022 19:57
16	I attended every town meeting years ago but now I am usually working.	6/2/2022 19:58
17	Covid and scheduling conflicts	6/2/2022 20:03
18	Just moved here	6/2/2022 20:06
19	New to area	6/2/2022 20:10
20	I need it to be on Zoom -- can't make it in person at that time	6/2/2022 20:27
21	Cannot attend during the week due to work, would be great to move the town meeting to Saturday	6/2/2022 20:43
22	Inconvenient time with young children	6/2/2022 20:50
23	No time	6/2/2022 20:52
24	Too long, most important voting is always put last	6/2/2022 21:11
25	Covid, small children	6/2/2022 21:31
26	I moved here about 6 months ago and still am getting the town figured out.	6/2/2022 21:38
27	Work and life commitments including childcare	6/2/2022 22:06
28	I have young children and do not have any options for childcare.	6/2/2022 22:49
29	I am rarely aware it is happening - often find out the same day or after it has already happened.	6/2/2022 22:58
30	Day of week/length of time	6/3/2022 6:31
31	New resident this month	6/3/2022 6:35
32	With young children, it is a difficult time of day. Even with childcare, my kids need to go to bed at that time.	6/3/2022 7:23

33	not interested	6/3/2022 8:47
34	My kids need to be in bed by 9 am. Most if not all topics are already decided on prior to town meeting. When FinCom has their recommendations people usual go with it... there's little room for true debate and conversation.	6/3/2022 9:03
35	They are broadcast and discussions are shared online and in papers	6/3/2022 9:12
36	covid	6/3/2022 9:25
37	Special interests pack the town meeting to ram more spending down the throats of unaware Holliston residents. Not everyone can stay up that late at night to make sure these special interests are defeated. Every dime spent in this town should be voted on by the people at the town election, not at the high school town meeting.	6/3/2022 9:59
38	I work nights	6/3/2022 10:00
39	I wish there was a way to attend from home. I drive to work early in the morning and by the time town meeting starts, I need to eat dinner and to be honest, I want to be in my pajamas.	6/3/2022 10:32
40	Don't go out at night to meetings.	6/3/2022 10:48
41	With young children, work and a home, sitting in a room listening to the same 3 people talk for 4+ hours over multiple nights is not where I see my time valued.	6/3/2022 10:57
42	Too late at night.	6/3/2022 11:02
43	Impossible to hear what is going on. Controversial votes are always set aside or overturned.	6/3/2022 11:16
44	It is hard with young children to attend a meeting that does not start until they are going to bed and have no one to watch them. Town Meeting is set up in a way that excludes many people.	6/3/2022 12:45
45	Too busy , watch on HCATTV	6/3/2022 12:50
46	not up to speed in knowing town business so my vote would be without knowledge of subject matters	6/3/2022 13:16
47	Because our form of government is inefficient and antiquated and I don't want to waste my time listening to people rant about irrelevant topics. The town is run in the background by old timers and seems almost corrupt. The people in positions of power don't have the credentials to be there and make poor decisions or make no decisions. The FIN COM seems to be the only group with credentials that are relevant to the job. As a town we can't organize ourselves out of a paper bag. It's very haphazard and inconsistent. The drama and incompetence around the hopping brook transportation hub is a perfect example of the town either intentionally ignoring a potential issue or the people in charge didn't have the skills and knowledge to stay ahead of it. My husband predicted exactly what the developers would do and it played out how he described it. However my biggest issue is that town meetings are not moderated effectively and they give a voice/platform to people who like to cause drama. That combined with the people who won't change make our form of government miserable, outdated and ineffective.	6/3/2022 14:20
48	I keep forgetting	6/3/2022 18:08
49	Would not be able to drive after dark	6/3/2022 18:09

50	Health reasons	6/3/2022 19:50
51	Have not developed an interest in attending	6/4/2022 2:27
52	Busy life, long commute.	6/4/2022 12:22
53	not available due to work commitments	6/4/2022 14:07
54	I recently moved here and don't know when they're held.	6/4/2022 22:07
55	evening work commitments; general busy-ness	6/5/2022 10:19
56	covid pandemic	6/5/2022 16:26
57	COVID	6/5/2022 19:58
58	hard to attend in person	6/5/2022 21:25
59	Do not know enough about town issues and dates of meetings	6/5/2022 21:33
60	I watch it on cable TV	6/6/2022 11:43
61	I watch it online/tv	6/6/2022 12:11
62	Covid, work and/or child care conflict, only offered as in-person or on cable. I don't have cable.	6/6/2022 14:02
63	Long- I should go though	6/6/2022 17:52
64	Too busy with work and young child.	6/6/2022 19:46
65	New to town- will be attending	6/7/2022 6:54
66	Missed last one due to covid.	6/7/2022 14:16
67	no support for in-home care needed while I'd be away	6/7/2022 14:45
68	Need to have a better option for attending (virtual voting)	6/7/2022 17:33
69	I have a hard time understanding what all the articles are and wish they were written in simpler ways	6/7/2022 18:18
70	I work during the times it has been held	6/7/2022 21:22
71	No time, not sure when they are	6/7/2022 21:34
72	It is difficult to get childcare for the evening, it was nice when they were virtual	6/7/2022 21:48
73	Evening hours during a work/school day. No childcare	6/7/2022 22:26
74	Conflicts with timing/young kids	6/7/2022 23:44
75	Schedule conflicts	6/8/2022 6:09
76	Because I feel like the majority of people are advocating for similar things as I would	6/8/2022 9:01
77	It's at a very very difficult time of the year. EVERYTHING with the schools and activities happens in May or June. Have the town meeting at the end of March when winter activities are over and before spring activities begin. And the person running the meeting has to have a clear and fast paced way of talking!! Town meetings in the past have dragged on because they so way too slow-paced!	6/8/2022 9:41
78	It is too late at night for me.	6/8/2022 11:05
79	Watch it on TV	6/8/2022 14:05
80	Not the towns fault. i need to prioritize it. Would love if meetings continued to be available online.	6/8/2022 15:52
81	Decisions seem made prior to meeting and participants are not versed enough in matters to make good educated decisions.	6/8/2022 21:42

82	My husband attends while I stay home with our son. Babysitting might have been a help, but I am also disabled and find the length and time of day of meeting prohibitive.	6/9/2022 0:09
83	Not a joiner.	6/9/2022 7:45
84	I no longer drive at night and a lack of handicapped parking spaces at the high school.	6/9/2022 8:36
85	Late times with young kids	6/9/2022 11:00
86	Not convenient. Should have the option of attending and voting remotely.	6/9/2022 13:12
87	they go too long and don't stick to a schedule so I never know if my issue will be discussed	6/9/2022 15:29
88	Time	6/9/2022 19:16
89	I can't keep my young kids out until 11pm nor can i afford a babysitter to leave them home.	6/9/2022 20:21
90	Too long. Too many pro forma issues. Too few issues where my vote matters. Sometimes can't get child care. Too tired in the evening. Sometimes I forget.	6/9/2022 20:24
91	Always attend if at all possible. It is the most important election as it impacts all citizens of town the most.	6/10/2022 14:02
92	Difficulty with child care.	6/10/2022 14:11
93	Hard to make, been meaning to start going every year	6/10/2022 15:13
94	Covid/ babysitting issues	6/10/2022 16:11
95	Age	6/11/2022 6:47
96	Kids	6/11/2022 8:57
97	didn't know we had one; moved here from hopkinton where town meeting is well advertised	6/13/2022 9:02
98	I grew up here and only recently moved back but I was happy with the previous meeting I attended	6/14/2022 10:41
99	It seems that they wait to discuss the important items until later, after most people have gone home.	6/14/2022 15:26
100	New to town, I plan on attending in the future.	6/14/2022 17:19
101	Never been involved in any town government	6/14/2022 17:53
102	New to town (moved from Hopkinton)	6/14/2022 18:20
103	I've attended in past (pre-COVID), but my schedule has not allowed last few meetings	6/14/2022 20:54
104	Recently moved to Holliston and don't understand the town structure, how to be involved, and what impact I can have.	6/14/2022 21:27
105	My concerns and beliefs are not important to anyone in town government	6/15/2022 9:45
106	Unclear when they are	6/15/2022 9:58
107	Most of the decisions have been made before we get there or are too complicated to delve into during a short discussion - better to attend pre-meetings on issues of importance before going to Town Meeting to vote	6/15/2022 10:01
108	Usually just read the minutes on the meetings	6/15/2022 10:05
109	Agree, I am not doing my part. But also don't know how I can be effective in my involvement.	6/15/2022 10:12

110	Time or don't know time	6/15/2022 10:23
111	to much wasted time, poorly organized and managed, not community focused.	6/15/2022 10:37
112	I haven't been here long enough	6/15/2022 10:38
113	Not convenient to find how to attend online	6/15/2022 10:44
114	recently moved here	6/15/2022 10:47
115	I do not have enough notice about when they are happening and where.	6/15/2022 10:53
116	Didn't live here until 2020, missed the first one, was sick for the second one	6/15/2022 11:10
117	Conflict with work schedule	6/15/2022 11:13
118	Covid mainly, children and adults now, so less critical re schools, etc.	6/15/2022 11:19
119	It's tedious and inefficient	6/15/2022 11:30
120	Not friendly.	6/15/2022 11:32
121	Child care issues - used ZOOM since it has been an option.	6/15/2022 11:35
122	They last too long	6/15/2022 11:54
123	I have two small kids so the timing is usually tough, but I do read the minutes when they're posted	6/15/2022 11:58
124	child care and therapies	6/15/2022 12:02
125	Past experience was unpleasant.	6/15/2022 12:13
126	too long, many topics that I am not invested in	6/15/2022 12:19
127	Caregiver for my disabled wife	6/15/2022 12:23
128	Town government seems to be in a track. i don't hear a lot can be done to change things because "it's always been done this way".	6/15/2022 13:23
129	Covid. Always attended before the pandemic	6/15/2022 13:29
130	Covid	6/15/2022 13:51
131	Too long and uncertain start time for each article. Biggest hurdle is having kids - how to put the kids to bed then leave the house for the night?	6/15/2022 13:52
132	bad timing. We have children that needs to be in bed and the town meeting is not in a desire time. Unless we can hire babysitter, but we can't, because our has paid the property taxes.	6/15/2022 13:59
133	I always have to work that same night.	6/15/2022 14:08
134	I have a young child and no child care support outside of traditional business hours. I would like to see town meeting happen during the regular business day or on a weekend.	6/15/2022 14:39
135	I work in the evening	6/15/2022 16:46
136	Length	6/15/2022 16:56
137	Inconvenient times and promotion of meeting	6/15/2022 18:04
138	Interpreting what the agenda is isn't easy. No easy way of finding this info either other than digging through an old clunky website.	6/15/2022 18:14
139	Difficult time for me, saturday would be better	6/15/2022 18:19
140	Young children at home	6/15/2022 18:19
141	Unable to hear the speakers. Don't like town meeting votes overturned by special interests.	6/15/2022 18:33
142	I feel you give me nothing and my voice doesn't count	6/15/2022 19:28
143	Watch on TV	6/15/2022 23:25

144	COVID	6/16/2022 8:38
145	Due to work and parenting commitments, the time / duration of town meetings is an obstacle to attendance.	6/16/2022 11:41
146	In my opinion, town meetings are archaic form of government.	6/16/2022 12:10
147	Covid	6/16/2022 12:13
148	Would be nice to have it via zoom for those at home to participate in.	6/16/2022 12:34
149	Just forget when they are	6/16/2022 12:40
150	I prefer the televised version or zooming special meetings such as the NO 555	6/16/2022 14:42
151	Mostly scheduling conflicts	6/16/2022 15:13
152	busy season	6/16/2022 16:33
153	They are too long	6/16/2022 19:03
154	I work in a town and our town meeting is the same night	6/17/2022 7:33
155	They are not for anything important, i have real things to do.	6/17/2022 9:15
156	Need better communication of when and how to attend (virtual/in person)	6/17/2022 9:31
157	Mondays are usually not possible!	6/17/2022 9:52
158	We moved to Holliston in 2022 and have not had a chance to attend a town meeting yet.	6/17/2022 14:11
159	prefer to watch online	6/17/2022 14:45
160	I don't know when they are happening and it is not clear why my attendance is important.	6/17/2022 14:46
161	Timing, not topics I am interested in covered	6/17/2022 14:53
162	I'm a Teen that can't drive to get to the meetings.	6/17/2022 14:56
163	Times are often difficult	6/17/2022 15:32
164	For awhile I was unaware of them (I'm a teenager), and then I started watching them when they were on zoom/town tv channel.	6/17/2022 15:40
165	When I have missed Town Meetings, it was due to childcare issues	6/17/2022 15:46
166	Timing	6/17/2022 16:27
167	scheduling	6/17/2022 17:19
168	I'm 17	6/17/2022 17:22
169	Timing is inconvenient, feel overall disconnected from Town government.	6/17/2022 17:26
170	Scheduling issues.	6/17/2022 17:35
171	Never seems to work with my schedule	6/17/2022 17:36
172	No time, I lead a very active life and I am very involved with the Elks.	6/18/2022 8:16
173	I'm never sure when they are held and I did not want to participate virtually during the pandemic	6/18/2022 9:24
174	As a teacher it is a busy time of year - that is not a good reason, I should go!	6/18/2022 10:45
175	No extra time, but I watch on HCAT when I can	6/18/2022 16:01
176	Not a pleasant experience	6/19/2022 10:00
177	Town meetings are too long and a small number of people who like to hear themselves talk generally dominate the meetings. I don't think it's an efficient or effective way to run the town.	6/19/2022 11:57
178	Times are inconvenient and they last way too long	6/19/2022 13:02

179	Timing - Small children make an evening meeting hard to attend	6/19/2022 15:08
180	No excuse	6/19/2022 17:44
181	Unfortunately busy schedule managing kids and house	6/19/2022 19:27
182	I can't vote in Holliston and Southboro.	6/19/2022 19:33
183	New in town since COVID	6/20/2022 10:32
184	Attended dozens over my life in town; happy for others to carry on the work.	6/20/2022 10:47
185	The topic at most of them are not aligned with what I think is important for the town.	6/20/2022 12:00
186	elderly	6/20/2022 17:42
187	Too long, runs too late for a work night	6/20/2022 20:55
188	I am not a resident	6/21/2022 8:49
189	Do not know about them	6/21/2022 9:51
190	COVID has been a factor for all of my time in Holliston	6/21/2022 11:25
191	Was not aware it was happening, didn't feel it addressed anything that I am interested in.	6/21/2022 12:34
192	We have children and my husband will often attend.	6/21/2022 17:00
193	I'm in college, not around a lot	6/21/2022 17:51
194	Old scares and hopelessness....after 18yrs I feel a change is coming....I hope it continues	6/21/2022 22:44
195	Covid. Attended through Zoom.	6/22/2022 0:46
196	Moved to town recently. Plan to attend in the future.	6/22/2022 8:46
197	No virtual option for those with young families, utilize technology to promote engagement	6/22/2022 9:46
198	work commitments	6/22/2022 10:10
199	Subject matter indifferent, and nothing gets changed. Meetings are just a means to go through the motions.	6/22/2022 10:14
200	I just moved here a few months ago	6/22/2022 10:22
201	COVID, mostly, otherwise, schedule conflicts	6/22/2022 10:24
202	Times scheduled with a busy work schedule does not allow time for me to attend meetings and connect with others in my area.	6/22/2022 10:28
203	We have a young child and my wife and I both work, making it very hard to attend. We wish there was a virtual option, perhaps with voting extended for a few days.	6/22/2022 10:31
204	Timing and length of meetings. Difficult with work and family schedule.	6/22/2022 10:39
205	Timing	6/22/2022 10:41
206	Don't know they are happening or what is being discussed	6/22/2022 10:44
207	COVID	6/22/2022 11:09
208	Time constraints and awareness of what's being discussed	6/22/2022 11:43
209	Time. Zoom meetings were fantastic	6/22/2022 11:48
210	I work some evenings. Would be great to be able to vote virtually.	6/22/2022 12:18
211	Town Meetings are a relic of the past. Families don't have the time to attend them with all the other kids and work commitments.	6/22/2022 12:24
212	New to town	6/22/2022 12:48

	I've lived in Holliston for 13 years but still feel a bit like an outsider. Small town politics always favor long-term multi-generational residents and create strong in-group/out-group dynamics that can be difficult to overcome for newer residents.	6/22/2022 12:54
213		
214	too long and cumbersome. also not aware of meeting agenda's	6/22/2022 13:03
215	Young kids	6/22/2022 13:29
216	Difficulty to make the time with a small kids	6/22/2022 13:41
217	COVID and being out-of-town	6/22/2022 14:30
	Town meeting is the ideal of our democracy, but we live in a very different world now. People are busier and have more responsibilities including work and family life. When I used to go to town meetings they would go on forever as there were always a few citizens who had opinions on every article. A meeting that could have been completed in 1 evening ended up as a 3 night affair.	6/22/2022 14:42
218		
219	Not a political person	6/22/2022 14:43
220	Never know when they are	6/22/2022 15:03
221	It goes too late into the night.	6/22/2022 15:15
222	They often run late into the evening.	6/22/2022 15:36
223	Work conflict	6/22/2022 15:46
224	Old age	6/22/2022 16:33
225	Work will always win... sigh	6/22/2022 18:38
226	Difficult with schedule/small children	6/22/2022 20:53
227	Work schedule	6/22/2022 20:59
228	Don't have time.	6/22/2022 21:35
229	Covid prevented me from attending previously	6/22/2022 21:56
230	Tough with young children at home	6/23/2022 7:09
231	too onerous	6/23/2022 7:40
232	I can't attend meetings in the evening during the week due to work	6/23/2022 7:55
	Most agenda items are already decided by the FinCom recommendation. So what's the point of going, when there's no real debate? Whatever the FinCom decides usually carries. They should be "budget review" only, not the "all knowing" figures they come across as.	6/23/2022 10:48
233		
234	Streamed them	6/23/2022 13:57
235	Not publicized . Please send information in the mail, text message or email	6/23/2022 13:58
236	Single parent and work full time	6/23/2022 14:00
237	had conflicts	6/23/2022 14:04
	its aggravating to listen to hobbieists that have zero business experience and apparently making the decisions, serves no point to join or voice opinion unless you wanna annoy yourself after a happy day.	6/23/2022 14:07
238		
239	Out of town	6/23/2022 14:10
240	Not available	6/23/2022 14:11
	I don't know what the agenda is for these meetings, so I don't know whether or not to attend.	6/23/2022 14:12
241		
242	Timing didn't work	6/23/2022 14:14
243	Don't feel part of things.	6/23/2022 14:14

244	Just too long and complex	6/23/2022 14:16
245	HCAAT	6/23/2022 14:20
246	I honestly am not aware of when/where they take place. That's more on me to find out than the town to tell me.	6/23/2022 14:20
247	It is too much of a hassle and doesn't align with my schedule	6/23/2022 14:31
248	Covid concerns	6/23/2022 14:33
249	Not aware of the times. Could send email blasts 5 and 2 days prior with the agenda	6/23/2022 14:33
250	Too crowded and too long	6/23/2022 14:34
251	Don't usually get to the most popular agenda till the end of the meeting	6/23/2022 14:36
252	Work/time	6/23/2022 14:41
253	Not interested	6/23/2022 14:44
254	time work kids location	6/23/2022 14:47
255	Weekday night not convenient	6/23/2022 14:55
256	Because of work	6/23/2022 15:03
257	Don't have a good understanding of issues.	6/23/2022 15:06
258	conflicts with work schedule	6/23/2022 15:10
259	I just moved to Holliston	6/23/2022 15:18
260	I have had to work during the times they are held	6/23/2022 15:24
261	Was planning to but saw it took several days which seemed a huge time investment. I may not have understood it well.	6/23/2022 15:25
262	Covid and illness	6/23/2022 15:26
263	Still getting settled	6/23/2022 15:27
264	Because they are at night and too long	6/23/2022 15:33
265	Stifling & tedious	6/23/2022 15:34
266	It's useless. The select board makes there own decision no matter who is at the meeting. They override the general public time after time. Almost 20 years in this town and the SB has always been corrupt. Town mtgs are a joke in this town. School committee mtgs are as well. Their agendas are preset Mtgs are a dog and pony show and everyone in town knows it.	6/23/2022 15:45
267	We just moved to town in December. We plan on becoming more involved in local government.	6/23/2022 15:52
268	I used to attend regularly when I was younger. It's difficult for me to maintain attention at night.	6/23/2022 16:06
269	If all meetings were additionally on zoom, I think there would be many more participants	6/23/2022 16:18
270	The format of the meeting is inefficient and encourages people to take a reactive/blocking stance on issues rather than a proactive and cooperative stance. For example, people can stand up and talk endlessly without making a point adn without making an alternate suggestion to fix the problem.	6/23/2022 16:21
271	Time - and other priorities full time job, parent, etc	6/23/2022 16:22
272	Unable to find time	6/23/2022 16:25
273	I would like to be involved but not sure when these meeting are.	6/23/2022 16:26

274	I'm not sure when they are nor the topics that will be discussed.	6/23/2022 16:28
275	Husband works nights and I have to make dinner and put my son to bed 7-9PM	6/23/2022 16:34
276	I am not made aware of them but also not convenient for me with small children.	6/23/2022 16:35
277	I'm elderly and handicapped. I no longer go out at night for anything.	6/23/2022 16:44
278	Busy working schedule has me in the road alot	6/23/2022 16:44
279	Timing is not ok for my job.	6/23/2022 16:52
280	Not aware of when they're happening	6/23/2022 17:01
281	I had been dealing with mobility issues.	6/23/2022 17:02
282	Most issues have been investigated and decided upon before we get to TM	6/23/2022 17:04
283	COVID pandemic. Feels futile. Too many speaking for own personal agenda, not always for the common good. Prefer moving to town meeting representative modal.	6/23/2022 17:09
284	medical issues	6/23/2022 17:28
285	Covid and lack of interest	6/23/2022 18:31
286	They run on too long, are not worded for the average lay person and are intimidating to step up and speak as people are not always tolerant of others	6/23/2022 18:52
287	We really cannot manage it with kids evening schedules for sports, and work commute. Even if this was scheduled at other times, I suspect with our schedules we could not attend.	6/23/2022 19:11
288	Had to work	6/23/2022 19:23
289	Taking care of young children	6/23/2022 19:49
290	Option attend. Zoom has been very helpful	6/23/2022 19:55
291	Time - young children at home that need to be put to bed when meetings are	6/23/2022 20:00
292	My work schedule	6/23/2022 20:13
293	I get up at 4:30 am to go to work at a hospital in Boston, so Monday night meetings until 11 pm don't work for me.	6/23/2022 20:55
294	I'm new to town, and I'm looking for more opportunities to engage with town administrators via social media.	6/23/2022 21:05
295	They should be online with live interaction for verified residents. Hard with small kids to get to meetings in person.	6/23/2022 21:21
296	Too late at night, too long	6/23/2022 21:37
297	Lack of time or awareness	6/23/2022 21:48
298	Not enough notice including little to no advance notice. Publish agendas. Increase number of town meetings. Have some on weekends.	6/23/2022 22:14
299	I worked in the evenings. Retired now so I may be able to attend.	6/23/2022 22:44
300	Don't hear about them. No idea when they occur or what is discussed.	6/23/2022 22:57
301	I'm sooo busy, and haven't had time to visit.	6/23/2022 23:30
302	Work conflicts	6/24/2022 6:15
303	Work conflicts.	6/24/2022 7:50
304	travel.	6/24/2022 7:56
305	Inconvenient times	6/24/2022 8:35

	Cannot because of schedule. I've yet to see any announcements as to when they are online. They should be online always as well as in person with interaction allowed such as "raise your hand" available in most online programs, i.e. TEAMS, Zoom etc.	6/24/2022 8:46
307	COVID	6/24/2022 8:50
308	My presence feels unimportant. Agenda isn't clear &/or followed.	6/24/2022 9:03
309	I'm a caregiver for my disabled wife. I can't leave her alone for long periods.	6/24/2022 9:27
	I don't have 3 hours of my life to waste and never get back. People are busy. You need to figure out a better way to engage people. Town meeting is old school.	
310	Think outside the box!	6/24/2022 9:54
311	Just don't think of it	6/24/2022 10:37
312	not here or covid. Meetings not well run	6/24/2022 10:41
313	work conflict	6/24/2022 11:14
314	new resident	6/24/2022 12:09
315	slow moving	6/24/2022 12:53
316	Newborn and Covid	6/24/2022 14:59
317	rely on educating myself on issues before voting	6/24/2022 18:44
318	Covid, childcare, don't know when it is	6/24/2022 20:00
319	Taking care of kids	6/24/2022 20:04
320	I always find out about them last minute	6/24/2022 20:20
321	My schedule doesn't allow me to add activities at night.	6/25/2022 5:23
	The school system was our main reason for moving here and since we moved our son out of the system in 7th grade I have not been attentive to town politics.	
322		6/25/2022 12:52
323	I read the warrant beforehand and only attend if there are issues	6/25/2022 14:37
324	I did not attend the last two because of COVID	6/25/2022 15:11
325	Work schedule conflicts	6/25/2022 18:26
326	time commitments at home	6/25/2022 19:36
	I work long hours and often do not get home before the Town Meeting begins. I hope to attend the meetings when I retire in December 2023.	
327		6/25/2022 21:34
	Always seems to fall on a super busy day, I watched the one the first year of COVID , not sure my presence will affect any change, I read about them after	
328		6/26/2022 6:07
329	Conflict w work	6/26/2022 10:08
330	Not interested	6/26/2022 10:22
331	Attended many not all	6/26/2022 11:53
332	My husband usually attends for both of us.	6/27/2022 9:14
	Long, dont feel as if I have a strong enough knowledge base of the topics discussed to participate.	
333		6/27/2022 11:41
334	timing and child care coverage	6/27/2022 13:01
	child care and the length of time the meetings take. Also, I often am passionate about only a few of the warrants on each of the town meeting agendas. If I had an opportunity to vote/voice an opinion in a more time efficient manner, I would.	
335		6/27/2022 15:55
336	Not respectful from what I've heard	6/27/2022 16:02

	I think it a terrible way to govern. Having people not very familiar with the inner workings of the town vote on these decisions doesn't make sense to me. I would be more in favor of a mayor/town manager.	6/27/2022 18:36
337		
338	work and family obligations	6/27/2022 21:15
339	not interested	6/27/2022 22:33
340	Too long	6/28/2022 11:13
341	No advance notice	6/28/2022 21:43
342	I just moved here 2 weeks ago	6/28/2022 22:26
343	new resident	6/29/2022 0:07
	Too many that do not discuss the issue but love to hear themselves talk and go on & on....	6/29/2022 7:34
344		
345	Schedule with young children is hard	6/29/2022 10:42
	Not one of my priorities. I think it would be good to attend, but again I haven't prioritized it	6/29/2022 13:14
346		
347	Did not know about the timing.	6/29/2022 13:59
348	Warrant did not have much that I get strong about- not worth Covid risk	6/29/2022 20:23
	It is difficult to attend a 3-4 hour meeting at night after a full day at work, especially with a child at home.	6/29/2022 20:27
349		
350	Child care	6/29/2022 20:31
351	Didn't know about them	6/29/2022 20:49
352	Need to know more about them /when they are being held	6/29/2022 21:19
	Not adequately informed on issues ahead of time to be able to make an educated contribution	6/29/2022 21:21
353		
354	Childcare and too late	6/29/2022 21:24
355	Babysitting	6/29/2022 21:36
356	Childcare	6/29/2022 22:06
357	Childcare/time conflict	6/29/2022 22:13
358	Young kids and the meetings run late	6/29/2022 22:14
359	Poorly communicated time and location	6/30/2022 7:16
360	Have kids at home.	6/30/2022 7:58
	Lack of Awareness/communication I feel the only medium is the elec sign downtown, and if you don't drive by it, you don't know what's happening.	6/30/2022 9:12
361		
362	no interest - issues are straightforward and not negatively consequential	6/30/2022 9:14
	Moved here two years ago. Voted in the last town election after listening to candidates speeches and interviews online. I will prioritize town meetings now that we have dug some roots here. Would be great if they were shared virtually as I will have my first child in September.	6/30/2022 9:15
363		

With town manager not being an elected position there is too much power and going to town meeting feels like you talk to make yourself feel better. I'm a 35 year old resident and feel like the town services need to be blown up! If you ask questions you are seen as complaining. The employees are not passionate about the town, it's a job. I've come from out of state where mayor is a resident, volunteer fire budget is \$100k why's are we spending so much and getting so little. We need to be using state grants like Ashland is. Our taxes are to low for what people expect holliston to be. I love my house and neighborhood but man I get scared that I will have to move. Police are political, fire dept needs to be blown up. The chief while a nice guy, has failed the town. We are essentially paying healthcare for the dept. but expecting Ashland and medway to save our

364	residents with EMS. These topics need to be aired and fixed yesterday!	6/30/2022 9:44
365	I usually did not have child coverage in evening to attend.	6/30/2022 10:08
366	Good question. Always seem to fall on most busy days 7 can't get away.	6/30/2022 10:37
367	Moved here recently, have been busy	6/30/2022 10:57
368	Time	6/30/2022 11:19
369	I work in the evening.	6/30/2022 11:57
370	Just moved in October	6/30/2022 13:17
371	Haven't made it a priority in my schedule	6/30/2022 18:29
372	Child care issues. My husband attends on our family's behalf.	6/30/2022 21:31
373	Out of town for work	7/1/2022 12:55
374	Often I don't know when it is.	7/2/2022 16:05
375	Wasn't aware of date	7/2/2022 17:53
	Feel like it is a circus. People only show up when there is something they care on	
376	the ballot. Need to update our system. Makes little sense.	7/2/2022 18:46
377	personal time	7/3/2022 9:33
378	Waste of our time.	7/3/2022 12:53
379	Covid/no childcare	7/3/2022 14:30
	I don't know ahead of time when they are and what issues will be discussed.	
380	Having young children at home also makes it difficult to attend spontaneously.	7/3/2022 15:07
	Never know when it is and when I know it usually interferes with my kids	
381	bedtime	7/3/2022 20:24
382	time conflicts with work	7/4/2022 0:28
	I would love to attend town meetings but I share a car with my husband and he	
	works until 9 pm so I can't easily get to the High School. A bike lane on Hollis	
383	would be a great help.	7/4/2022 9:26
384	Forget the date and do not have agenda	7/5/2022 9:29
385	Young children at home not able to attend at night	7/5/2022 16:14
386	Just moved here!	7/5/2022 16:31
387	The college classes I teach are at night -not often available.	7/5/2022 21:40
388	It's time consuming.	7/7/2022 9:40
389	Just moved	7/7/2022 21:48
390	Moved to Holliston recently	7/8/2022 11:40

	The length of meetings and the long conversations of topics that do not concern me make it hard. I wonder if there could also be another format, like updates and questions to promote community involvement	7/8/2022 16:59
391		
392	I ravel a lot more than staying here	7/8/2022 21:09
393	New to Holliston	7/9/2022 1:19
394	Schedule	7/9/2022 8:09
395	Not convinced that it makes a difference	7/9/2022 11:06
396	Scheduling conflicts	7/9/2022 23:11
	The meetings should be split over 2 or 3 nights so they don't run so late in the evening	7/10/2022 9:07
397		
398	too long!!!	7/11/2022 12:07
399	We watch it on TV	7/13/2022 10:31
400	not able	7/17/2022 7:50
401	new resident	7/17/2022 22:02
402	covid	7/18/2022 7:46
403	Timing	7/18/2022 11:17
404	Don't know when they are nor what the topics are	7/18/2022 11:18
405	Too long-winded and can go extra nights.	7/18/2022 12:09
406	have lived here for less than 1 year	7/18/2022 12:15
407	In last 3 years due to COVID	7/18/2022 12:47
408	I am underaged to vote at this time	7/18/2022 13:29
409	Work conflicts	7/18/2022 13:34
410	Just moved here	7/18/2022 13:59
	Have only lived here full time for a few years and 2 of those years were in a pandemic.	7/18/2022 14:16
411		
412	Just moved in December 2018. Will at some point in the future.	7/18/2022 14:21
	Meeting agenda is primarily about trivia - budgets, small scale proposals, etc. Very little time on topics that matter (New High School!) and very poor communication/promotion for meetings that really matter. Also not clear the Select Board solicits or listens to Town priorities...if they did, the High School would have been the most important topic for the last 20 years.	7/18/2022 14:48
413		
414	Life long resident with a short fuze...	7/18/2022 15:07
415	Sometimes forget	7/18/2022 17:03
416	Won't matter anyway. Same basic group of people in charge	7/18/2022 17:44
417	Not enough advance notice and the structure is too open.	7/18/2022 17:50
418	The time of day makes it difficult as has COVID.	7/18/2022 17:57
419	I tried online and it was very difficult	7/18/2022 18:10
420	No interest to participate	7/18/2022 19:17
	I did not know when it was. I am very involved in the community I teach in and have a difficult time hearing about when things like this are happening in my own community.	7/18/2022 19:49
421		
422	Conflict with work. It's hard to get to Town Meeting when you work in Boston/Cambridge	7/18/2022 20:04

	It's always the same people with the same ideologies that monopolize the meetings. That's why this town has made no progress in the 30 years my family	
423	has lived here. In fact we have regressed relative to other neighboring towns.	7/18/2022 20:06
424	Schedule conflicts.	7/18/2022 20:21
425	Just not a personal priority	7/18/2022 20:59
426	timing and other commitments.	7/18/2022 21:07
427	Don't know	7/18/2022 21:13
428	Busy life	7/18/2022 21:20
429	I was working in the evenings.	7/18/2022 21:57
430	Need more communication about it	7/18/2022 21:58
431	Time	7/18/2022 23:00
432	covid	7/18/2022 23:33
433	I have five kids and a younger one with Special Needs. Timing is tough as she is out to bed.	7/19/2022 6:48
434	haven't been able to due to scheduling.	7/19/2022 9:00
435	I just moved here this past November and was focused on settling in to my house. I also was only notified of one meeting since moving here but would be open to attending more	7/19/2022 9:11
436	Well, I moved here just in time for COVID and I don't think they are well publicized	7/19/2022 10:12
437	We just moved here a few weeks ago	7/19/2022 10:21
438	Child at home and Covid	7/19/2022 12:23
439	Conflict	7/19/2022 12:23
440	COVID, no students in the school system, lack of (easy) access to the voting materials prior to the meeting, not aware of town meeting until day of meeting.	7/19/2022 12:58
441	I don't know when they are. It's not adequately advertised. I would like to see upcoming agendas	7/19/2022 13:02
442	I cannot figure out when and where they are ahead of time to make adequate plans to attend nor do I feel safe attending in person during COVID.	7/19/2022 13:47
443	I am 85. The seats are uncomfortable and the meeting lasts too long.	7/19/2022 13:57
444	Just moved here	7/19/2022 14:57
445	Age and physical limitations	7/19/2022 16:02
446	Were not allowed to attend in person - watched a few online, but unable to speak or comment. Changes are talked about but never made.	7/19/2022 16:50
447	Too old and sick.	7/19/2022 16:56
448	Don't know when the happen	7/19/2022 17:32
449	Unaware of time/date	7/19/2022 18:10
450	time constrain	7/19/2022 18:41
451	have little children and do not have time	7/19/2022 21:26
452	We have two young children and have only lived in Holliston one year, but plan to attend more meetings	7/20/2022 7:17
453	They are to long and try to cover to much in one session. Not sure if there is a better way but maybe there are more then two town meetings a year to support the ability to move things forward faster.	7/20/2022 7:30

	Difficult given my age and health issues. Try to watch on HCAT, but not always a viable choice for my family's evening.....Why does Town meeting have to be during the week at night? Town by- law....needs changing	7/20/2022 9:20
454		
455	No sense. Nothing changes.	7/20/2022 10:02
456	Time conflict	7/20/2022 10:39
457	Have not attended in person because of Covid	7/20/2022 11:10
458	too long and too late	7/20/2022 11:29
459	can watch on cable	7/20/2022 12:41
	I attended one TM about 7 years ago. My first one. I found I wasn't interested in listening to "characters" repeat themselves over and over.	7/20/2022 14:37
460		
461	I just moved here	7/20/2022 15:54
462	Don't know the agenda	7/20/2022 16:44
463	I have not scheduled my time appropriately	7/20/2022 18:37
464	Not publicized enough, want to know ahead of time what the topic will be	7/20/2022 20:14
465	Just moved to town	7/20/2022 20:36
466	Unaware of them	7/20/2022 21:42
467	I didn't know about them before they happened.	7/20/2022 21:50
468	covid, disinterested	7/21/2022 8:36
469	Not clear always when they are	7/21/2022 10:08
470	New to the town.	7/21/2022 10:27
	Do not feel qualified to give opinions as not keeping up with issues. No issues directly affecting me--less involved in town as children are all grown	7/21/2022 11:26
471		
472	This is new to me. Unclear on the expectations of community members at town meetings. How does my time/contribution make a difference?	7/21/2022 12:27
473	Time - have young kids	7/21/2022 13:54
474	Illness, then Covid have kept me isolated more than I have wanted	7/21/2022 15:33
475	To many people like to hear themselves speak	7/21/2022 17:13
476	I work too many hours.	7/21/2022 18:36
477	Have not been in town for them.	7/22/2022 10:48
478	I'm not aware of when they are.	7/22/2022 11:34
479	i'm a kid	7/22/2022 11:53
480	I don't know? I'm always only slightly aware that they are taking place.	7/22/2022 13:46
481	Timing of meetings.	7/22/2022 15:23
482	With only 3 on the council, it seems rather lame.	7/22/2022 19:03
483	Schedule challenges.	7/22/2022 19:29
	It is not promoted like it used to be. The warrant is not sent to residents any more, so we forget and go out of town or don't even know. Frankly, the only reason I go to the town's website is to see if trash is delayed by a day. I used to go to town meeting all the time.	7/22/2022 19:38
484		
485	we are brand new. i am interested	7/22/2022 22:58
486	Too busy	7/23/2022 0:49
487	covid concerns	7/23/2022 9:33
488	Covid	7/23/2022 9:51

489	covid-related restrictions and policies	7/23/2022 9:59
490	I HAVE NO IDEA WHEN THEY ARE OR WHAT THE AGENDA IS.	7/23/2022 10:15
491	Scheduling difficulties	7/23/2022 10:54
	Find other ways to make opinions known without sitting through bloviation.	
492	Generally satisfied	7/23/2022 11:00
493	Cannot go out at night.	7/23/2022 14:13
494	Was not notified or missed notification of meetings	7/24/2022 9:58
495	long, few people who go on and on	7/24/2022 12:05
496	work normally prohibits	7/24/2022 21:00
497	I don't know when it is.	7/25/2022 5:10
498	Time	7/25/2022 13:07
499	I attended for many yrs in the past	7/25/2022 15:07
500	working during the meeting time/meetings run too long	7/25/2022 16:42
	I feel guilty about it because I want to be involved and I know it's important. It's too late in the evening and they last too long. I'm very tired from my job and don't have the energy.	
501		7/25/2022 17:29
502	Usually forget the meeting is happening until it is to late	7/25/2022 18:17
503	I would rather watch on Zoom	7/25/2022 18:58
504	No time	7/25/2022 19:26
505	Only attend when matters directly affect me	7/25/2022 22:24
506	Full time working single parent	7/26/2022 9:23
	Don't think it will proactively change anything. Some of problems in town are very obvious (e.g., downtown businesses, abandoned gas station, declining schools) so would expect leaders to address	
507		7/26/2022 11:29
508	Do not know when they are held	7/26/2022 15:04
	I know nothing about it. When does it happen? What gets decided? What is the agenda? What impact can I make by showing up?	
509		7/26/2022 16:20
510	We have 3 kids under 5, difficult to get to at this current phase of life	7/26/2022 20:47
511	Working	7/26/2022 23:22
512	I'm a caregiver for my disabled wife.	7/27/2022 11:31
513	find they impact my life very little	7/27/2022 11:44
	Select and Finance committee appear to have decided what they want approved and manage the meeting accordingly. Little opportunity to get information and ask questions in order to vote intelligently. Asking to vote on a multi-million dollar budget with such limited information cannot be done effectively in a town meeting format.	
514		7/27/2022 11:59
	New to the area but would like to attend to voice opinions about the future of the town	
515		7/27/2022 13:06
516	Been living here for 11months and plan to attend upcoming meetings.	7/27/2022 13:11
517	Working	7/27/2022 13:18
518	Town Meeting has never felt welcoming.	7/27/2022 15:31
	No babysitter and I have young children at home. I attended once or twice when it was on zoom.	
519		7/27/2022 16:23

520	Too tired after work and meetings seem long. No childcare	7/28/2022 7:02
521	Too long and agenda order not clear	7/28/2022 8:32
522	Illness	7/28/2022 14:07
523	Not advertised in places I get info like Facebook. Don't always want to spend the time.	7/28/2022 15:04
524	too long	7/28/2022 15:50
525	I dont know when they happen	7/28/2022 16:43
526	Timely notice of date and agenda	7/28/2022 18:11
527	no impact of attending, waste of time especially for immigrants	7/28/2022 18:49
528	Schedule conflicts or did not know about it	7/29/2022 7:54
529	Schedule	7/29/2022 10:25
530	I send my opinions in via internet.	7/29/2022 12:27
531	inconvenient time. Better to give an online option	7/30/2022 12:06
532	I do not find them productive. People can argue over a new fee proposal for an hour and then pass a rather large school department budget with very little discussion.	7/30/2022 12:26
533	Never know when they are	7/30/2022 12:42
534	Never sure when they are	7/30/2022 12:50
535	Attended / watched virtually. This was by far the best way to engage. Unable to attend in person typically due to work schedule.	7/30/2022 22:06
536	I forgot this years.	7/31/2022 9:30
537	Away for work. I would like to be there more	7/31/2022 10:09
538	It is a good way to air different sides of an issue but voting tends to be controlled as one side or another will pack the audience and that is not necessarily representative of the town as a whole.	7/31/2022 15:29
539	Keep abreast of what's going on virtually	7/31/2022 16:00
540	scheduling conflict; sometimes I forget	7/31/2022 16:45
541	Child at home	8/1/2022 9:19
542	Not sure of the agenda, the impact I might have, and occasionally the timing is difficult	8/1/2022 9:32
543	I try to attend whenever I can.	8/1/2022 9:51
544	Online attendance.	8/1/2022 16:07
545	Not well communicated when they happen, what it is discussed. I grew up in another country, so an informative email of when the meetings are and what the agenda for each one is would be VERY helpful to make it a priority among kids' sports and other events.	8/1/2022 21:36
546	COVID has made it unsafe. Taxpayers need to be able to attend meetings remotely and vote remotely.	8/2/2022 8:04
547	They are incredibly long and start way too late in the evening	8/2/2022 9:22
548	Covid	8/2/2022 12:37
549	1) Covid safety, and 2) child obligations	8/2/2022 20:52
550	I have 3 young kids and a full-time job	8/2/2022 21:31
551	I am elderly and do not drive in the dark.	8/2/2022 21:50

552	Mobility issues. We watch it on cable. ALWAYS attended when our health was better.	8/2/2022 22:00
553	We watch on HCAT	8/2/2022 22:22
554	we watch on HCAT	8/2/2022 22:36
555	Good question. My responsibility	8/3/2022 10:52
556	I'd rather just complain! Just kidding! I probably should but don't. If I had something I was really passionate about I probably would.	8/3/2022 13:04
557	Now I do not drive at night, but I do watch on the Cable Channel	8/3/2022 14:13
558	Timing	8/3/2022 15:33
559	No time	8/3/2022 16:03
560	Not aware/connected to the content or timing	8/3/2022 16:11
561	Don't know much how it works.	8/4/2022 14:03
562	Either traveling or working late.	8/5/2022 10:33
563	I have not attended since Covid other than one online meeting which was difficult to follow. The town meeting forum is often dominated by a handful that do not always represent the majority of town residents. I am not sure if this format is still the best way to govern and may be time to reassess if it is too antiquated for today	8/5/2022 14:39
564	Just moved here	8/5/2022 19:29
565	awareness	8/5/2022 19:38
566	I don't find them useful or educational.	8/6/2022 10:10
567	Young kids	8/6/2022 11:09
568	Covid since we moved here, otherwise I try to attend	8/7/2022 7:12
569	Typically work related	8/7/2022 9:27
570	I was disappointed some years ago when the town voted on an item and then when most people had left the article was re-voted overturning the earlier vote. This soured me on town meetings for some years.	8/7/2022 12:19
571	Because they take too long. Public commentary should be limited on time and # of times at the mike.	8/7/2022 12:34
572	1. Usually night 2 if it goes that long but usually too tired or watch on TV. 2. In the future, as we age (more), it probably will be because of driving at night.	8/7/2022 12:51
573	Timing does not work with work/family commitments	8/7/2022 15:33
574	my age	8/8/2022 18:54
575	COVID	8/8/2022 21:29

#	What changes (if any) would you make to the government in Holliston?	Time
1	Be concerned about members who have personal agenda like those who own businesses in town. Their personal interests lie above town interests.	6/2/2022 15:40
2	Planning Board should never have allowed 555 permit; they didn't do their due diligence.	6/2/2022 15:46
	Focus on Virtual First. Engagement is highly improved when we make government more accessible via technology. I very much worry that due to simplicity of implementation, there is a natural gravity to just "going back to normal meetings." But effort to extend access virtually has huge benefits across ALL demographics and increases access to our democratic institutions.	
	Also, we need a more simplified way to spread topics and ideas ahead of the issuance of the town meeting warrant. Most people can't be expected to read that giant document and come to the meeting well prepared. Something simple and snappy is needed there.	
3		6/2/2022 17:09
4	Lower corruption by creating a 5-person Select Board	6/2/2022 17:35
	Old guard mindset that thinks it's still 1982. Need progressive future vision and move away from mindset that you can modernize while still maintain charm. Our tax base can not sustain with current structure. Need more commercial tax bas	
5		6/2/2022 17:45
6	More authority and responsibilities for Town Administrator	6/2/2022 17:58
	Have town meeting on a Saturday to get more participation	
	Why change the select board... is it broken or do some people not want the progressive changes that are taking place so they are trying to squash the voices. These three were elected to represent us. I have lived in town for 20+ years and this select board has had the most positive impact on reside till quality of life, previous boards did not care about this	
7		6/2/2022 19:16
	Make it a representative style or outsource it completely to town administrator that knew how to run a town successfully. We have inexperienced volunteers playing a game of monopoly with millions of tax dollars.	
8		6/2/2022 19:57
9	Make zoom meetings available for all meetings	6/2/2022 20:27
10	Would prefer a mayor and elections with ballot instead of town hall elections	6/2/2022 20:43
	As mentioned now authority for TA to limit the silos. Government should be teamwork !! Train volunteers to do that.	
11		6/2/2022 20:45
12	Eliminate town meeting	6/2/2022 21:11
13	None so far, just please no QAnon people	6/2/2022 21:38
	I'd like to see more transparency on large projects that effect the town. at times it seems projectes are well under way before we hear publically about them from town boards	
14		6/2/2022 22:45
	Put resources toward increasing civic engagement. Get out the vote efforts. Better notification about elections. Make town meeting more appealing— a community gathering rather than a necessary evil.	
15		6/2/2022 22:48
16	Rethink town meeting	6/3/2022 6:31

17	Make government decisions more transparent- create avenues for open communication and feedback other than facebook	6/3/2022 8:28
18	FinCom needs to stick with their true mission - advisory, budget review only, less editorial.	6/3/2022 9:03
19	Stay politically neutral in projects in funding. Focus on all residents	6/3/2022 9:12
20	Better communication. Less conflict between Select Board and Finance Committee	6/3/2022 9:56
21	Hire a town manager whose main focus is to save the tax payers money in these trying times. Anyone who advocates for more spending should be dismissed and driven out of town. Too many new comers arrive in town and decide they want to change this, and build that. Then they receive their real estate tax bills and put their houses up for sale and leave the people who have lived in this town their whole lives with an overwhelming tax burden. This town needs to become more realistic, and it needs to extend relief to the people who have been loyal residents for most of their lives. Make this an affordable town to live in and not an over-taxed, over-burdened hell hole.	6/3/2022 9:59
22	I would like to see more professionally trained and experienced leaders and less volunteers	6/3/2022 10:53
23	Need a professional town manager to administer \$XX million budget without catering to special interests.	6/3/2022 11:16
24	More diversity	6/3/2022 11:21
25	See above. I don't know enough about the options for town government but we need to be able to govern more efficiently, communicate using modern methods (not just a bulletin board in town hall) and gather feedback without drama.	6/3/2022 14:20
26	Five select board members	6/3/2022 16:08
27	Let Travis run it 😊.	6/3/2022 19:50
28	Create 2 special committees, one to examine how to lower property taxes for residents, the other to examine how to make Holliston much more business friendly, with the goal of finding a way to bring in a much more significant amount of tax revenues from businesses, which would lead to property tax relief for residents.	6/5/2022 16:26
29	People that sit on boards must treat everyone with respect	6/5/2022 19:58
30	continue zoom participation	6/6/2022 7:07
31	No recommendations. Love access to meetings over Zoom or HCAT.	6/6/2022 11:43
32	Use available technology in Town Meetings to allow residents to join virtually (not just be cable TV), and to vote virtually. Voting in this day and age should not be restricted to only those who attend in-person.	6/6/2022 14:02
33	5 BOS	6/6/2022 14:45
34	Somehow stop the Finance Committee from setting spending priorities for the town, that is the responsibility of the Select Board.	6/7/2022 14:16
35	Build greater respect and trust in local governance and empower residents to seek positive changes through engagement in local governance. Be positive and get involved!	6/7/2022 16:13

36	Accessibility to town meetings needs to improve. Weekday evenings are hard for parents of young kids.	6/7/2022 20:23
37	Reduce police size, limit police priorities. Reduce taxes, maximize collection. Make it easier for bigger businesses to come to town. Make the town feel less small. Sewer so we can have nice things in town like restaurants.	6/7/2022 21:22
38	I don't feel town meeting is the best form of government. Residents don't have time to be involved in decisions except for one that may affect them passionately.	6/8/2022 21:42
39	The town meeting structure is antiquated and difficult for people to participate in. It is hard for busy working people and people with physical issues to have the stamina to attend. Remote voting over a period of time would help make participation more accessible. We should consider advocating for law changes that would make this possible. Right now, finding out about who is running for town positions and what they stand for as well as what is on the Town Meeting agenda requires people to proactively seek out this information. Providing this information in as many venues around town as possible would likely be helpful -- front and center information posted outside, at the library and other municipal buildings, popular businesses as well as in many social media groups might help.	6/9/2022 0:09
40	It's quite good as is.	6/9/2022 7:45
41	Possibly some training on collaborative problem solving. Sometimes it feels like the townspeople are the kids in a particularly nasty divorce. Egos have no place in muni gov	6/9/2022 8:34
42	Representing the whole not the few that sit on the boards	6/9/2022 11:00
43	Town Manager / Administrator should be more visible and accessible to the public to receive feedback/suggestions/concerns	6/9/2022 13:12
44	It may be time for a charter or a Town Manager. I am definitely concerned about the on-going tension between the Finance Committee and the Select Board. More people need to participate. I'd like to see an intergenerational program on civic education seniors, high schoolers, townspeople in general. I'd be happy to work on this. It could include local, state and federal overviews and be very participatory.	6/9/2022 15:52
45	Fewer elected positions. Use of electors for town meeting.	6/9/2022 20:24
46	I don't have any issues with the organizational structure of the town government. I do believe that surveys like these are exactly what our community needs to identify priorities in town. However, this survey falls short with questions around school department priorities. This town prioritizes education-people move into town for the schools. How are we as a community jointly supporting our schools? It appears on the surface from public meetings that the schools seem to be viewed as something that is not a priority to the town officials -that they despise those who work in the schools because a large portion of the town's budget goes to the schools. The issue to me is that is what our community by and large wants. Our elected officials should work to gain a consensus as to where public education should be on the overall priority list. Perhaps a follow up survey could be to prioritize each initiative.	6/10/2022 14:11

	Better fiscal responsibility, I pay a higher tax rate than friends in Wellesley and we get far less for our money. On top of that, I often pay more for my \$75 water improvement fee on my water bill than I do for use of water - when will that	
47	sunset? We keep raking in money and using it irresponsibly	6/11/2022 8:57
48	more transparency early in the decision process.	6/12/2022 11:35
49	more direct communication with the people	6/13/2022 9:02
50	Appointed Finance Committee	6/13/2022 13:56
51	Accept the governance committee recommendations on best practices regarding budgeting process	6/13/2022 19:51
52	More transparency, better communication you do have everyone's email address.	6/14/2022 15:26
53	Need a town manager	6/14/2022 22:10
54	Agendas, minutes and other official communications are not that easy to find on the town website.	6/15/2022 8:09
55	I like the fact that I live in a Town. Town Meeting is about as democratic as it gets.	6/15/2022 9:33
56	Give the town administrator a raise. He is doing an outstanding job.	6/15/2022 10:04
57	Our SB make up is horrible. Too many pet projects are being pursued (Mudville signs, sidewalks that can't even handle fire trucks, etc.) There is simply too much power set for the board to have only 3 people on it, as it is far too easy to promote or kill something if your buddy/friend on the board will agree with you. This board NEEDS to be set at 5. pure and simple.	6/15/2022 10:37
	the town needs to be more focused on services and less focused on process. Meaning we should have a plan of what we need to do and implement this plan. The town involvement in basic decisions has put the town in a bad position.	
58	We need to support development of programs and reduce what has to come to the community to vote.	6/15/2022 10:37
59	Post all the financial transaction on line so they can be monitored by the public in real time.	6/15/2022 10:44
60	Keep meeting via zoom - provide access to meeting recap information	6/15/2022 11:13
61	Less townie	6/15/2022 11:30
62	Continue ZOOM option for those with small children at home	6/15/2022 11:35
63	I would like the town to consider term limits for our public offices	6/15/2022 12:25
64	Hire a new tree warden who cares about trees and the environment. Educate town officials about emerging technologies and environmental advances. As part of the expanding municipal workforce, consider (as well as hiring high-paid supervisors) offering benefits to our part-time workers who face the public and do a lot of the work. Find a way to bring the proportion of tax money and the line-item accountability that goes into the public school budget into proportion with the other town departments. Oversee the police so that they enforce safer, slower traffic. Keep the mission statement focussed on quality of life rather than bottom-line money.	6/15/2022 12:55
65	make the Town Clerk an appointed position	6/15/2022 13:02

	Make town meeting more accessible by holding it on weekends, providing childcare, and other aspects to make it reachable for people who aren't grey hairs! We are new residents, attended for the first time, and we were probably the youngest people there. We felt that there wasn't enough information on the issues presented, and that we were there to rubber stamp the work of boards. Also absurd that the select board is 3 very supportive of going up to 5. Also the election information was HORRIBLE--we couldn't find voting information on the town's webpage easily, and then the information was conflicting. Likewise, the only way to find out about candidates was to watch 25 minute interviews on	
66	HCAT. Who has time for that? Not many voters.	6/15/2022 13:15
67	Make your voice heard	6/15/2022 13:36
68	Keep improving openness and agility. The old ways move too slow for the modern world. Also, market to all the talented people in town- the town need volunteers in government!	6/15/2022 13:52
69	make town meeting during the business day or on weekends, or have a wider window for voting over several days and allow streaming and rewatching of the meeting.	6/15/2022 14:39
70	The Economic Development Committee in the last two years was a farce. They had no objective frameworks to analyze projects in town, and had a preconceived view that all non-residential development was good for the town.	6/15/2022 16:35
71	Mayor? Works for rest of the country.	6/15/2022 16:56
72	We need fresh ideas and better explanations to why things are done. It's frustrating that options are not always explored. Our finance committee needs to be stronger, maybe structured differently and ways to develop this town so older generations can retire in holliston is important.	6/16/2022 5:58
73	opportunities for zoom meetings	6/16/2022 12:34
74	hmmmm....need to think about this one	6/16/2022 14:42
75	the town should consider town manager form of government for accountability	6/17/2022 7:33
76	Students need more control of what happens in their school. Its stupid how a bunch of Stay at home parents (school committee) decide what happens to our school.	6/17/2022 9:15
77	All good.	6/17/2022 9:52
78	Expand the select board, make all meetings available via zoom so a rebroadcast can be available for viewing at your leisure. Also make sure the 3 main boards of the town are covered equally (Select, FinCon, School)	6/17/2022 16:11
79	More communication and more engagement of residents. Increase diversity, equity and inclusion.	6/17/2022 17:26
80	More transparent	6/17/2022 17:50
81	Clearer definition of responsibilities and roles of Town departments, boards and committees in the Holliston bylaws.	6/18/2022 11:20
82	Better two way communication with public	6/18/2022 13:50
83	increase Select Board, spread out the workload	6/18/2022 17:33

	Open town meeting is a horribly non-representative form of government - current attendance is like having 2% turnout, and it was clear most of us had little knowledge of the matters being decided. Switch to a representative town meeting or council/manager.	6/18/2022 23:11
84		
85	Library trustees consult staff when big decisions occur.	6/19/2022 14:21
	Zoning and building laws that represent what tax payers are paying for - a quiet, woods filled, small town	6/19/2022 15:08
86		
87	I don't think I have enough information to comment.	6/19/2022 19:33
	Maybe tweaks around the edges. MASS constitution and legislation make it difficult to make significant changes but we should support those which will be helpful.	6/20/2022 10:47
88		
89	More transparency	6/21/2022 8:49
	Get things done. The sewers and swirl tic systems should be public water - no more septic	6/21/2022 9:51
90		
91	I think there needs to be additional voices on the governing committee.	6/21/2022 17:00
	Total overhaul of what was to what is needed now. New progressive thinking with new progressive people.	6/21/2022 22:44
92		
93	Remove the FinCom's grip on the school budget.	6/22/2022 10:24
94	Make it more virtually accessible, including the voting process.	6/22/2022 10:31
	More transparency! I'd love to know more of what is going on. Seek out new town faces to get involved - I would love to be more integrated into our town government but I have no idea where to start.	6/22/2022 10:44
95		
	Town staff should enforce the current bylaws and work improve bylaws to affect protection of downtown historical character, especially if sewer is extended to downtown areas. Motivated town employees could seek grants to offset costs of improving services and quality of life.	6/22/2022 11:03
96		
97	All meetings in person and on Zoom	6/22/2022 11:48
	Merge with other towns to have 1 government center that is supported by more residents	6/22/2022 11:57
98		
	Get rid of the selectboard and Town Meeting process. It is incredibly inefficient. If the alternative of government is to convert to a city and have a major and city council so work can advance more efficiently then let us consider this.	6/22/2022 12:24
99		
	ADD fair enforcement for all businesses that are provided a permit and have yearly reviews before a permit is reissued. Ensure all boards like the zoning board of appeals are moving in the same direction. Just because you are appointed and not elected does not mean you treat applicants or residents differently. Do not appoint people who have lost the election to important positions. They were not elected for a reason. Hold people who are elected or appointed accountable for bad behavior and ban them from sitting in these important positions.	6/22/2022 13:40
100		
101	Not sure what the answer is here....not sure a "representative" town meeting format would be any better.	6/22/2022 14:42
	I'm not really sure what would help, except I would get the DPW to be more attentive to the dead ends of Union and Mechanic.	6/22/2022 15:15
102		

103	Sewers so we can attract restaurants	6/22/2022 15:20
104	Reduce staffing	6/22/2022 16:33
105	better communication	6/23/2022 6:06
106	Town Meeting is not a form of government that is productive or progressive. It harkens back to Colonial times and needs to be updated. I think it holds us back as a town.	6/23/2022 7:40
107	Move the town meeting to the weekend	6/23/2022 7:55
108	FinCom needs to be budget review only. They should not be allowed to bully people online, and they should have consequences to their online behavior for lies/half truths they've told.	6/23/2022 10:48
109	Update governance and management structure to be more in conformity with peer towns in Massachusetts. Holliston has not made any significant changes in 27 years while town government has become more complex and demanding.	6/23/2022 13:43
110	Better fiscal management.	6/23/2022 14:14
111	I am not familiar enough with its structure, responsibilities, and authority to make an informed decision at this time.	6/23/2022 14:20
112	Fire them ALL. Literally every single one, starting with the Planning Board	6/23/2022 14:20
113	Keep zoom options	6/23/2022 14:33
114	I'd like to see a 5 person select board. I'd like to see more collaboration between boards. I'd like to see less attacking by certain SB members toward others. I'd like to see a more holistic vision for the town, so different groups can work together to achieve common goals.	6/23/2022 14:41
115	More focused on school performance	6/23/2022 14:55
116	There needs to be more input from the public	6/23/2022 15:17
117	The water department should be run by a qualified water superintendent not overseen by a DPW person. The Select Board does not have the time nor expertise to oversee such an important department which affects the health of all the residents. Our water supply is very fragile and deserves a qualified, educated superintend not be just a side of the DPW! Very poor situation!	6/23/2022 15:26
118	Vote out the old committees that have been on there forever Start brand new every term.	6/23/2022 15:45
119	It seems that most towns our size in this area have a 5 person select board. I have been learning more about how the town government is structured and it would seem that having a 3 person select board gives 3 people substantial power in a town that less than 10% of the town population even votes.	6/23/2022 15:45
120	I would like the government in Holliston to have more financial transparency.	6/23/2022 16:20
121	I'm not familiar with the possible choices for town government structure; however, we need something that doesn't rely of people physically showing up at meetings to participate. We also need people who are running the meetings to be technology savvy and good communicators across multiple channels.	6/23/2022 16:21
122	Would like to be more involved and very passionate in elevating Holliston	6/23/2022 16:26

	Give power back to the teachers, not the committee. The teachers work with students directly and know first hand who needs more help than others and be able to assign homework. Grades 3-5 should be doing homework, oh wait, they can't because HPS doesn't give out any reference books nor can they take their Chromebooks home. Too bad.	6/23/2022 16:34
123		
124	Be more open minded with businesses and attracting them.	6/23/2022 16:35
125	No ideas.	6/23/2022 16:44
126	Make Holliston Town Meeting Representative Modal.	6/23/2022 17:09
	Town website is informative. Would love to see some linked feedback from town democrats and republicans on candidate slates. This is critically important for school board elections where it can be challenging to find info on candidate positions when you are new in town.	6/23/2022 17:45
127		
128	I appreciate our town government.	6/23/2022 19:55
129	5 person Select Board, Town meeting starting earlier and/or on weekend.	6/23/2022 20:55
130	Bring in more business friendly people.	6/23/2022 21:48
	Totally re-work it to have an elected town council and increase the number of town meetings. No more "selectmen."	6/23/2022 22:14
131		
132	A website with more information on who to contact with a particular question would be most helpful.	6/23/2022 22:44
133	Expand use of technology	6/24/2022 8:35
134	Start over	6/24/2022 8:46
	I would disallow ALL employees and board members from using their own personal Facebook pages to communicate to town residents about town business. It's unprofessional, allows tangents away from Holliston's central messaging, and show lack of proper communication channels.	
	Frankly It looks bad...continues the rantings on FaceBook...contributes to the turmoil and doesn't solve problems.	6/24/2022 9:54
135		
136	too many to list.	6/24/2022 10:41
137	Add retired professionals and young voices to mix it up	6/25/2022 7:38
138	5 person Select Board	6/25/2022 11:26
139	Continue Zoom access to public meetings.	6/25/2022 13:05
140	Town council with neighborhood representation	6/25/2022 16:13
	Focus some benefits for teachers over the superintendent or other executives not on the front lines.	6/25/2022 18:26
141		
142	More members on Select Board and other committees.	6/25/2022 21:34
	I would like to see the Select Board work better with the Finance Committee. While some degree of tension can be good, there have been times when the conflict is too much. Civic discussion should be civil.	6/26/2022 11:53
143		
144	Need 5 seats in select board to diversify thought/influence	6/27/2022 11:52
145	keeping zoom meetings I think makes total sense	6/27/2022 18:36
	We need new ideas and forward thinking. People that care for the change and the economic and educational development of the town.	6/27/2022 18:56
146		
147	More information on items up for discussion.	6/28/2022 11:13

148	No teachers on school committee	6/28/2022 21:43
	Would like to see a stronger Town Manager.	
	Travis Ahern has been a breath a fresh air for managing town process, administration and future planning.	
	Believe the Town Manager format will help the Town leap forward from a small town to a medium sized town that takes care of its infrastructure and has plans to execute desperately needed projects such as DPW/Water, New High School and Fire Department substation.	
149		6/29/2022 8:25
150	Some of these volunteers and their spouses are terrible bullies online. Maybe some rules about online behavior is needed.	6/29/2022 14:09
151	Love that they are doing a survey to hear from the people more as it's hard to attend town meetings	6/29/2022 20:51
152	Perhaps a monthly committee for all the local small businesses to work together. Build inspector needs to be more accessible.	6/29/2022 21:19
153	Shoerten your surveys, hahaha	6/30/2022 9:12
154	Better communication of agendas and present discussions rather than just having one warrant that's already decided on.	6/30/2022 9:44
155	I'd like the school committee to change	6/30/2022 10:08
156	Improvements you have made, such as Human Resources, has greatly improved things for town employees. Would like to see current & future town project updates available on like.	6/30/2022 10:37
157	School Committee should return to offering public meetings - covid regulations were used to limit public participation for too long. People who were interested in making public comments/questions were often restricted to zoom while students representatives were allowed to attend in person. That made no sense and a return to true open/in person participation should be available. Also SC and school administration should offer public meetings on topics that have had great debate in the past few years.	7/2/2022 8:15
158	Continue tele-attendance options	7/2/2022 17:53
159	If it weren't for Social Media, I would have no idea what is happening in our town or know of where to access town information	7/3/2022 20:24
160	There should be an easy way to find out about candidates for office and their experience/platform and such. Mary Greendale does a nice job interviewing candidates but I just stumbled on that by accident. Also - the whole 555 Hopping Brook debacle indicated there needs to be some changes with regard to zoning - so that kind of thing can't happen. For example - is there a decibel level requirement? Is there a tree ordinance requiring a replacement quota for any trees of a certain width that are cut down? Bottom line is - money shouldn't be the #1 priority and if we want a small vibrant town with independent businesses, it needs to be done proactively - rather than reactively when something like a 555 situation arises.	7/4/2022 9:26
161	Articles about departments, their	7/5/2022 9:29

162	People making decisions for the town must be honest- shouldn't be decisions made behind closed doors that only benefit a few with questionable methods.	7/5/2022 21:40
163	We need more accountability to our citizens. No one ever responds to the contact us within the website. It's completely useless. Makes it feel like we aren't being heard. Want to have government promote more city ordinances our laws that keep our sidewalks clear of snow, and any obstructions like trees and branches making sidewalks hard to use. These are common sense laws in other cities and states. I'm sure ADA federal regulations say something about this too	7/6/2022 16:52
164	more wide distribution of information such as a Town Newsletter	7/8/2022 16:59
165	Stipends to incentivize active participation	7/9/2022 8:09
166	Hire and vote in people that represent the needs of the community.	7/9/2022 20:34
167	Better communication among the boards/committees! More active health agent	7/11/2022 11:36
168	New Administrator is far superior to previous one, waiting to see what happens	7/11/2022 12:07
169	More transparency	7/12/2022 11:15
170	The best thing that has happened for inclusive town government is virtual meetings. Also, the various town boards and committees frequently do not communicate with each other and rule opposite each other on issues that affect the entire town.	7/12/2022 21:13
	Make it super visible when town positions are open. Maybe people can sign up for text reminders or even email reminders? No one proactively looks at the town website. Given that many of the non-white residents of town are immigrants who are not yet U.S. citizens, and cannot vote and cannot hold an elected office, if the town values diversity and inclusiveness, we need to make sure these folks are aware of when appointed positions are available. Is there any way to petition the state to make it possible for non-U.S. citizens who are residents of Holliston to run for public office and vote? It's extremely unfair that they pay taxes and own property but have no say in the town governance.	
	Term limits. It's the same people running things over and over again and there is zero diversity.	
	This Envisioning a Future Holliston Committee is a perfect example of how the same people hold power in town. A representative from all the existing town boards? This by design excludes voices that are less heard by the town.	
	Create a human rights committee that would advise town boards and committees on how the town could create sustainable, structural change and become more inclusive and welcoming to all types of people. In order for this to work, however, this committee would actually need to have power, not just	
171	check a box.	7/14/2022 16:57
172	Always have zoom meeting opportunity	7/18/2022 12:47
173	We don't know who is running until a week before elections it should be better advertised other than signs	7/18/2022 14:01

Select Board needs to have a vision for the future of Holliston, a clear articulation of priorities, and a robust plan (and accountability) to get it done. Think bigger. Improve finances. Invest. - stop hiding behind the 2 1/2 % rule for tax increases.

This survey design does not help the Select Board to do this - need a survey design that forces residents to make choices and identify priorities vs filling this out to show that 'everything is a priority'. Max-diff design? Allocate a 100 points? Conjoint? If the result of this 'Envisioning the Future' survey is like the first one 8-10 years ago, and is just a bunch of pie charts showing 1-5 ratings for every question with No synthesis of priorities from free form answers etc, it will be a waste of time.

174		7/18/2022 14:48
175	Increase transparency and outreach to. All town citizens regarding agenda of meetings prior to meetings.	7/18/2022 15:07
176	Open up our industrial parks let big business come to our town stop worrying about truck traffic	7/18/2022 16:13
177	New blood	7/18/2022 17:44
178	A five person select person board	7/18/2022 17:49
179	More centralized, less open democratic	7/18/2022 17:50
180	I think the Finance Committee probably has too heavy an influence on what initiatives move forward. I think there's a difficult to achieve balance between finance and focusing on program outcomes. I think Holliston has probably swung a little too far on focusing solely on finances at the expense of some needed improvements for the Town	7/18/2022 17:57
181	Our property taxes are the highest in the state and our services are poor I think	7/18/2022 18:10
182	Switch to a commission form of governance....each commissioner would be responsible for specific areas of managing the town business. Nominate one to chair over all meetings.	7/18/2022 20:06
183	Mayor?	7/18/2022 23:00
184	Expand the board	7/19/2022 6:48
185	I would need to get to know the current government in town before making an answer	7/19/2022 9:11
186	Communication (updates, status etc) reg town services and improvements	7/19/2022 11:03
187	Stop fighting.	7/19/2022 12:23
188	Explore methods to run a time efficient town meeting. For example, why not take a preliminary vote to determine where the majority of people sit and then open the floor for questions or raise issues and sway opinion. This way everyone starts off with an awareness of how the town is leaning on an issue. To often in the past, voting has moved slowly due to a few squeaky wheels whose opinion represents only a minority of the town. The current format enables and encourages an inefficient meeting, which in turn discourages residents from attending and/or staying for the entire meeting.	7/19/2022 12:58

189	More transparency and marketing to make involvement easier for individuals. I would love some kind of map of government structure that explains each office, the reporting structure, the roles, who is in office, and key items they are in charge of.	7/19/2022 13:47
190	School administrators need to change. Our schools have gone downhill in the 20 years I've been here. Huge disappointment.	7/19/2022 15:33
191	Let public have more input on issues. Feels like every vote goes the opposite of what everyone in town that I talk to is hoping for.	7/19/2022 16:50
192	Invest money in future generation (Children, School)	7/19/2022 18:41
193	There are a lot of committees and a huge requirement for volunteer support for all of them. Not enough people to support everything. Seems to be the same people on the committees all the time and not much diversity so the same ideas are brought forward by the same people. More out reach to the community and education on the importance of getting involved. Is there a way to do more with less committees. Not sure I have the answer. Are we tapping into all the diverse talent Holliston residences can provide?	7/20/2022 7:30
194	Make it Easier for residents to access information on Town website - really complicated for anyone who is not involved with the committees.....may seem clear to this involved....but it is frustrating for the average individual....	7/20/2022 9:20
195	Review the necessity of all department functions	7/20/2022 13:25
196	More communication with residents	7/20/2022 16:44
197	Expand the Select Board.	7/20/2022 19:35
198	More awareness. Particularly for new families. Don't know how to get it.	7/20/2022 21:42
199	For study areas	7/21/2022 10:27
200	The select committee should be expanded to five representatives, to provide better representation for growth in population and to spread the expanded workload around among more people.	7/21/2022 11:37
201	Better advertising of town meetings	7/21/2022 17:49
202	Be more responsive to residents and more transparent about decision making. Had been very active in my previous community. Did not feel welcomed here when we arrived and stopped attending meetings.	7/22/2022 10:48
203	more diversity	7/22/2022 11:53
204	Perhaps a ROBO call to remind people of upcoming town meetings would increase participation.	7/22/2022 13:46
205	I'd make them ask those of us paying higher property taxes what we think of proposals!	7/22/2022 19:03
206	Don't go "woke." Hold on to time-tested values. Trim the budget, reduce waste, get as many dollars back in the taxpayer's pockets as able.	7/22/2022 19:29
207	make sure there is balanced representation based on various demographic criteria (gender, age, ethnic, income level, etc)	7/23/2022 9:33
208	More on town website. Having an up to date website that is user friendly will make it easier for me to take part in more	7/23/2022 9:51

209	adjust the focus for this decade. focus on cost-cutting and preservation of critical pieces of infrastructure and maintaining existing town trails, parks, etc. spending decisions should be doubly vetted.	7/23/2022 9:59
210	Change the traffic lights in town to motion activated. It's annoying for any driver in town to have to wait through that whole cycle for no reason when there is no traffic and will help with heavy traffic times as well	7/24/2022 16:27
211	Make people aware of how they can get involved.	7/25/2022 5:10
212	I get most of my information from Mary Greendale on HCAT - thank goodness for Mary! She's a treasure - please support HCAT and Mary's work with bringing residents important town government information! For example, I don't vote in an election until I've viewed all of Mary's candidate interviews. Thank you Mary!	7/25/2022 17:29
213	The need to look into the future and take steps now to prevent another Amazon fiasco. I know that nobody has a crystal ball but whoever is the town manager has to be able to foresee what is needed to protect the town in the future and letting the townspeople know.	7/25/2022 18:58
214	More diversity	7/26/2022 8:39
215	More accountability	7/26/2022 15:04
216	I wish people (and me) knew more about what and how issues were being decided and how we (I) could make an impact.	7/26/2022 16:20
217	Vetting of members to ensure that special interests are overly represented	7/28/2022 11:31
218	5 person Select Board	7/28/2022 14:07
219	reduce tax rates	7/28/2022 16:43
220	Establish a minimum number of people that have to vote for election to be valid	7/28/2022 18:11
221	Move away from conservative approach and respect diversity	7/28/2022 18:49
222	Get high schoolers involved. Offer short informational videos about topics on the table for discussion. Frequent short opinion polls to get feed back, spark interest and involvement. Families are busy and overwhelmed. A lot of people want to be involved, but don't know how or find the process overwhelming. Friendly, bit size bits of "how to" or "what's up" info could help spark involvement.	7/29/2022 7:54
223	I do not like having a town that is run by a committee of Selectmen (women). I would rather have a town government with a mayor, who gets elected every 2 to 4 years.	7/30/2022 12:26
224	It is critical that work be done to diversify town leadership. The same group of people under-representative of the diverse demographics that define Holliston make all the decisions.	7/31/2022 6:38
225	Not my area of expertise. I applied to the conservation board years ago but someone better qualified got the spot. I may try again.	7/31/2022 9:30
226	Town meeting is outdated and inaccessible to the majority of residents. We need to get rid of it and move to a more modern voting system.	7/31/2022 14:48
227	Continued transparency in processes. Thank you for your service and volunteering your time on behalf of our town.	8/1/2022 9:19
228	Greater accessibility, better education about town meetings	8/2/2022 9:22
229	5 person select board.. we are too big for 3 person and there is so much going on.	8/2/2022 12:37

	Overall satisfied. Glad the Mega facility at Hopping Brook was defeated. Love the	
230	Rail trail and Blair square developments that have progressed in recent years.	8/2/2022 20:52
231	no idea	8/2/2022 21:50
232	I admire and respect in person town meeting government.	8/2/2022 22:59
233	Term limits needed for elected and appointed people.	8/2/2022 23:23
234	Have the Town Meeting by zoom in addition to in-person. This would allow for greater participation and will have no problem getting a quorum.	8/5/2022 10:33
235	I would reassess the town meeting format	8/5/2022 14:39
236	Limit the number of articles in town meetings. Disallow late night re-votes.	8/7/2022 12:19
237	I think it has gotten more efficient.	8/7/2022 12:34
238	Change day of town meetings to Saturday. Continue to have zoom meetings where residents can speak.	8/7/2022 12:51
239	I think you guys do a fine job, especially the finance committee. So impressed with what they've accomplished in my nine years in town.	8/8/2022 21:29
240	Money needs to be spent to get this town in line with other surrounding towns. Sick of the frugality and hold the Fin Com has on this town. We are getting nowhere.	8/9/2022 9:46

#	Given potential financial constraints, what areas of improvement would you like the town to prioritize in the next 3 years?	Time
1	Economic development to drive future revenue which can then be used to increase services	6/2/2022 15:36
2	Improved drinking water quality, downtown/Blair Square and new high school	6/2/2022 15:46
3	Water, sewers, schools	6/2/2022 16:27
4	Downtown business	6/2/2022 16:55
5	Downtown sewer and subsequent build out, High School, all athletic fields	6/2/2022 17:01
6	traffic and the lights	6/2/2022 17:08
7	School improvements. Expanding a charming downtown with more shops and restaurants.	6/2/2022 17:09
8	New high school, downtown revitalization including sewers	6/2/2022 17:11
9	Bring sewers to all! Improve drinking water	6/2/2022 17:34
10	Education, especially a new high school	6/2/2022 17:35
11	infrastructures, school and parks.	6/2/2022 17:37
12	Getting federal grants to help offset cost of creating strong infrastructure (sewer and water downtown) to expand possible more businesses and more tax base.	6/2/2022 17:45
13	Education, education, education because it is what attracts residents to the town and the general perception of Holliston schools has declined over the past 5 years or so.	6/2/2022 17:45
14	Community programs like summer concerts, food truck events, etc.	6/2/2022 17:45
15	More businesses	6/2/2022 18:43
16	More sidewalks/bike paths	6/2/2022 18:46
17	Biggest priority in my opinion is safety both mentally and physically of our kids while in school.	6/2/2022 18:47
18	Build the high school, take a debt exclusion bond like everyone else does and stop making this about the tax base of businesses, additional get more police presence on the roads. Too much speeding	6/2/2022 19:16
19	Need a better way to notify residents of meetings that could affect them. Such as an opt-in email list.	6/2/2022 19:23
20	New high school should be number one priority for our town.	6/2/2022 19:57
21	Health and well being	6/2/2022 19:58
22	More restaurants/interesting small businesses, schools, more community/social activities to meet people	6/2/2022 20:10

23	School	6/2/2022 20:21
24	Preserving the small town feel, keeping out giant industries, preserving our clean environment, and waters / lake	6/2/2022 20:27
25	Community center	6/2/2022 20:39
26	1- Economy 2- school and education you need the economy to finance the schools without the burden of increasing property taxes You will not attract young families with a school system that continues to get worse each year	6/2/2022 20:43
27	Sewer downtown, impose design standards to ensure subsequent business expansion protects the look and small town feel of downtown, hire Economic Dev person to pursue new business opportunities with industrial parks...even if it means having the town build sewage treatment plants for those parks which would be repaid by park's owners and businesses in the parks. Reduce the strain in residents! Look to other towns that have done better at Economic Dev	6/2/2022 20:45
28	New high school, water quality	6/2/2022 20:50
29	2)Athletic fields 3)high school 1)attract more businesses to increase commercial tax rate	6/2/2022 20:52
30	Address overbuilding, create commercial tax base, change gov structure	6/2/2022 21:11
31	New high school, improve other schools as much as possible.	6/2/2022 21:38
32	Downtown sewer to spur economic development, improve education (all levels), increase town board size	6/2/2022 21:59
33	Down town sewer and decrepit buildings. School safety. New high school	6/2/2022 22:06
34	Drinking water and high school	6/2/2022 22:10
35	sewers, water quality, high school renovations	6/2/2022 22:45
36	Water and schools	6/2/2022 22:48
37	Schools, Connectivity/Mobility, Economy	6/2/2022 22:49
38	Drinking water quality; climate change preparedness/meaningful sustainability	6/2/2022 22:58
39	Core infrastructure, preservation of open space, and get businesses into existing commercial/industrial space (that revenue will enable the other priorities). Above all, maintain financial discipline. Set a goal, achieve it. Set another goal, achieve it. Kids, seniors, services are all important, but the pattern of decades of kicking the can down the road is not sustainable and why we are in the position we are with infrastructure.	6/3/2022 6:31
40	Downtown, schools, safe walk ability, up keep of fields and schools, schools ability to keep up with changing needs of students	6/3/2022 8:28
41	Water, school rankings, safety even if it means raising taxes! My job requires me to look at taxes in neighboring towns and we need to keep up!!	6/3/2022 9:03
42	water quality	6/3/2022 9:12
43	Health and Safety (water quality, climate change abatement, sidewalks)	6/3/2022 9:56

The town needs to prioritize spending cuts. That would greatly improve the town. Also, everyone is paying a \$75 infrastructure fee on our water bills. I want to know where that money is being spent? I do not see any water infrastructure projects going on in town (certainly not in my area). I would like to know where that money goes, and if this fee will ever end. The goings on in this town are far too clandestine and the people need a line item account of where all the money is going and whose pockets it is lining. The greatest area of improvement must take place in the minds of the people who run this town. They must stop crying "More Money!" They must start looking for ways to save money. This town has been heading in the wrong direction for many years, and it really needs to stop.

44	Raping the residents bank accounts is not the answer to any problem.	6/3/2022 9:59
45	High School, new athletic fields, expand commercial tax base and sewers.	6/3/2022 10:00
46	water quality, clean up our beaches and sports fields	6/3/2022 10:17
47	Traffic in town has become dangerous. More Stop signs and better enforcement of the speed limits.	6/3/2022 10:48
48	SAFETY on the roads - not only in the center of town but in the surrounding areas/road effected by traffic avoiding the center of town/traffic lights, more crosswalks, appropriate signage at designated crosswalks, ENFORCEMENT of the speed limits	6/3/2022 10:53
49	traffic management and enforcement	6/3/2022 11:16
50	Schools. It's the only thing that will maintain and grow property values.	6/3/2022 11:21
51	Replace the high school, continue replacing water mains, control single trucks producing extreme engine noise	6/3/2022 12:40
52	Open Space-trails, Commercial development , schools-technology	6/3/2022 12:50
53	10 year plan and vision for the town. All other initiatives would simply be reactive and we need to get out of that mode.	6/3/2022 14:20
54	Fire & EMS improvements	6/3/2022 15:17
55	New / expanded library at or near present site.	6/3/2022 15:45
56	Enforce existing regulations or eliminate them if there is no enforcement	6/3/2022 16:08
57	Conservation, education, recreation	6/3/2022 16:26
58	Community center for children/teens, town sewer to allow more restaurants to open, more downtown parking to invite new businesses	6/3/2022 18:13
59	Clean up the blighted downtown properties. Get the downtown on the proposed central sewer system. Attract new businesses to the industrial parks.	6/3/2022 19:50
60	Economic development, sidewalks, school safety	6/4/2022 22:07
61	climate mitigation and adaptation; schools; thoughtful economic growth that supports community and quality of life	6/5/2022 10:19
62	Bring in more businesses to Holliston. Make Holliston more accessible to get into Boston via public transportation. Bring in more commercial tax revenue and provide property tax relief to residents.	6/5/2022 16:26
63	Lower taxes	6/5/2022 19:58
64	Roads and sidewalks, Parks and rec, Mental health	6/5/2022 20:48
65	Maintaining Lake Winthrop and controlling the weeds so we don't loose this wonderful resource. Clean energy.	6/5/2022 21:25

66	infrastructure and small business	6/6/2022 7:07
	To afford all our goals we need to expand the commercial tax base so this needs to be a priority. Second to that are a new High School and continuing Water	
67	infrastructure improvements	6/6/2022 9:51
68	Clean water, public restrooms, EV charging stations (just a few), gathering places, more fun & interesting things to do.	6/6/2022 11:43
69	Improve infrastructure and encourage more local business.	6/6/2022 12:11
	Clear guidelines for business development to bring in new types of business (maybe a couple more restaurants). Consider what needs to/should be downtown vs. outside of the downtown area (fewer auto and auto repair shops, and not another downtown gas station).	
	New sustainability measures; update town buildings to use renewable energy sources; promote sustainable building codes; sponsor incentives for residents to go solar (away from fossil fuels), install heat pumps, purchase EVs, etc.	
70		6/6/2022 14:02
71	#1) High School #2) DPW/Fire combined facility #3) Downtown sewage hook up	6/6/2022 14:45
72	Nature, schools, water	6/6/2022 17:52
	1.Education 2.commercial/restaurant/coffee shops/Main Street growth	
73	3. improve beautiful parks/Rail trail	6/7/2022 6:54
74	Public safety (full time EMS, add ALS, add to PD staffing). Allow more businesses into industrial parks (stop Planning Board from NIMBY decisions).	6/7/2022 14:16
75	Strengthen the downtown and promote more active transportation across all ages by improving access and safety for people on foot and on bike.	6/7/2022 16:13
76	Reviewing zoning by-laws for environmental and other incidental impacts. For example, zoning that requires large lots actually creates more land clearing, huge lawns that are irrigated and chemically treated, and a need to build huge homes to make development financially feasible.	6/7/2022 17:36
77	Water quality	6/7/2022 18:18
78	Diversity/Equity/Inclusion, Infrastructure, and School system improvements	6/7/2022 20:23
79	Sewer, bigger businesses, better school fields	6/7/2022 21:22
80	We need a plan for HHS and open up downtown to wider array of business with wastewater treatment	6/7/2022 21:23
81	Schools, sports fields, business development	6/7/2022 21:48
82	Water quality, new high school, more small businesses and restaurants	6/7/2022 21:56
83	New High School	6/7/2022 22:28
84	The fire department & ambulance issues is the most pressing need. HQ needs a multi million dollar renovation and we must commit to reorganizing the department to better serve its residents. The old model is failing. Make ALL of the recommended changes listed by MRI.	6/7/2022 23:15
85	Pedestrian access, downtown not looking blighted, new HS	6/7/2022 23:44
86	Downtown	6/8/2022 6:59
	Beautification downtown	
87	Quality of high school education- increase pay for subs	6/8/2022 9:01

	New HS, WAY better maintenance of athletic fields, Service learning/community service requirements that span across town departments and build connections with senior center, library, etc., Sewer for downtown to promote more and better businesses.	6/8/2022 9:41
88		
89	sewer downtown, mental health	6/8/2022 11:05
90	New HS	6/8/2022 14:05
	Water Quality, Increase the Commercial Tax Rate so we can capitalize on the limited availability of C/I space in Metro West. Better Performance Grading from our Public Schools.	6/8/2022 14:31
91		
92	Full day kindergarten, improving infrastructure, rethink EMT/fire department (on call system outdated)	6/8/2022 15:52
	Prioritize big spending projects (high school, DPW, etc) and don't spend any money without a plan in place that takes EVERYTHING into consideration.	6/8/2022 19:24
93		
	Approve commercial base permits, sewer in business district, overhaul permitting environment of bldg Dept/boards to be pro-resident and pro-business. Town hall is there to assist, promote, support, and protect improvements and building, but being confrontational and adversarial just makes residents work against them.	6/8/2022 21:42
94		
	Schools, environmental health, keeping housing affordable/more affordable housing. All with an eye to equity and making the town welcoming and making it sure it serves the needs of diverse constituencies. After that, I think downtown sewers and expanded sidewalks would go a long way toward helping build a more vibrant town -- restaurants and cafes are great gathering and community spaces and sidewalks help people access the town more easily and in more environmentally friendly ways.	6/9/2022 0:09
95		
96	Resisting the rapid housing expansion which seems to be happening now.	6/9/2022 7:45
	Water. And I feel like all decisions need to be based on removing those financial constraints. In other words, how will any decision we make improve and diversify our revenue in the future so we don't have to be so tight fisted?	6/9/2022 8:34
97		
98	Have the town give more financial support to the Senior Center.	6/9/2022 8:36
	Mental health, school ratings, taxes (ie it appears we get nothing for these high taxes given the decline in schools year after year)	6/9/2022 11:00
99		
100	Expand Town sewer projects	6/9/2022 13:12
101	infrastructure	6/9/2022 13:18
	Sewer for downtown area, environmental issues, filling up our industrial parks with decent tenants and improving our schools so they're at least as good as Hopkinton's.	6/9/2022 15:52
102		
	Increase commercial tax base. Dont rely on private homeowners to pay for everything	6/9/2022 19:20
103		
104	School safety	6/9/2022 20:21
105	Infrastructure, environment, traffic	6/9/2022 20:24
106	Reduce the price of energy for senior citizens.	6/9/2022 20:42
107	DPW building, continue replacing old water pipes.	6/10/2022 10:13
108	Really affordable housing	6/10/2022 14:02

Why are there financial constraints? Why can't we prioritize our list and work to fund it? I am a taxpayer and want to see our town improve over the next 20 years. Why are we assuming financial constraints? Are we assuming that our community will not fund initiatives? We have booming real estate in Holliston because of our schools. This is the time to envision our future, plan for the town we want and work toward funding it. As a former taxpayer in other surrounding towns, I voted in overrides for the schools in the past. It did increase my taxes. I am not financially in the top half of income earners in Holliston but I do support increases in taxes when I see the path laid out before me. Medway did this years ago and it passed. Now look where they are, they climbed out of a very difficult financial situation, they have full time police, fire/EMS, and a beautiful high school. This was all before Exelon moved in. How can our town leaders learn from other surrounding towns and lay out the plan for the community and let the community decide what we want to pay for.

1. Fully fund the schools-fully....let them ask for exactly what they need.
2. Create a plan for full time Fire/EMS and an adequate station.
3. Prioritize energy efficiency/climate-wise decision-making.
4. Build back the love in the town-stop pitting departments against each other.

109	Work to serve the community not your own political gain or own agenda.	6/10/2022 14:11
110	Schools, environment & water, full time fire department?	6/10/2022 15:13
111	Water, schools, supporting small businesses	6/10/2022 16:11
112	Schools, water, recreation	6/10/2022 21:59
113	School grounds and teacher salaries, public recreational spaces, tightening commercial codes to preserve small town feel (restriction of certain business and office parks, supporting small business, enforcing small town aesthetics on those businesses)	6/11/2022 8:57
114	Clean water, safe streets, open space.	6/12/2022 11:35
115	schools, drinking water, lower residential property tax rate	6/13/2022 9:02
116	Pedestrian/bike safety	6/13/2022 19:51
117	Master plan for development, Traffic Control, more pedestrian friendly, sidewalks everywhere. More transparency from the police department, less traffic stops.	6/14/2022 15:26
118	expanding the area for potential sewage system for residents and businesses.	6/14/2022 17:19
119	More affordable new housing	6/14/2022 17:53
120	1. Bringing more shops/restaurants/small businesses into the downtown 2. Preserving public spaces/environmental safety 3. Increase in kids/family community events	6/14/2022 18:20
121	Land preservation to prevent farmland from being converted to housing developments	6/14/2022 20:54
122	High school expansion/renovation and improved down town.	6/14/2022 21:27
123	Study traffic patterns to improve safety. More speed limit signage and flashing lights at dangerous intersections.	6/15/2022 8:09

	Projects that address basic needs rather than wants should be prioritized. Water quality, affordable housing, road maintenance, tax relief for seniors, good schools are basic needs. Some programs and projects in this survey are luxuries (e.g. Blair Square is a luxury when we already have Goodwill Park). Not sure if the survey could have been designed better - all of the issues are "important" or "very important" - it may be difficult to prioritize projects.	6/15/2022 9:33
124		
	Town now overwhelmingly supports schools. Many other facilities seem neglected	6/15/2022 9:52
125		
	Independent shops and stores, improving French immersion program, increase residential lot size requirements.	6/15/2022 9:58
126		
	taxes!	6/15/2022 10:00
127		
	Improve website	6/15/2022 10:03
128		
	Attract more commercial taxpayers (whether that means sewers or other changes), new or renovated high school, new/renovated library, more social workers at the police dept, more resources for schools/HYFS to help with mental health challenges	6/15/2022 10:04
129		
	Sidewalks and school buildings	6/15/2022 10:05
130		
	Take a hard look at finances and where is the wasted money. Seems like things have not improved but budget goes up?	6/15/2022 10:12
131		
	I would like to see improvement in roads, reduce neglected commercial space, and consider a downtown sewer district	6/15/2022 10:35
132		
	Increase the business tax revenue. Bring in industry in the industrial parks that were designed to handle them. Stop turning away tax generating businesses just because someone who purchased near an industrial park all of a sudden doesn't want industry near their home.	6/15/2022 10:37
133		
	Sewer to downtown and most of washington street. Traffic Congestion on washington street	6/15/2022 10:38
134		
	Schools, Schools, Library	6/15/2022 10:44
135		
	Accentuate the Rail trail which is now the life line of the community. Invest in technology updates for schools and library. Investigate opportunistic commercial partners that add to the small town charm but can also assist in tax benefits.	6/15/2022 11:08
136		
	Preserve open air and community grounds (beaches,fields,parks, etc)	6/15/2022 11:13
137		
	Grow our business community, fill our industrial parks, public safety	6/15/2022 11:28
138		
	promote utilization of industrial parks and promote schools	6/15/2022 11:30
139		
	Schools, athletic fields, fire	6/15/2022 11:32
140		
	Library, bring big companies, more activities for kids	6/15/2022 11:35
141		
	Sewer and new high school	6/15/2022 11:44
142		
	roads and school safety (locked doors, SRO's etc)	6/15/2022 11:54
143		
	Schools, climate	6/15/2022 12:13
144		
	Water quality, road quality, traffic safety (speeding, crossing double lines, etc.)	6/15/2022 12:19
145		
	sidewalks	6/15/2022 12:23
146		
	K-12 Education	
147		
	New high school, improved water quality, enhanced safety measures at problematic intersections and highly traveled parts of town.	6/15/2022 12:25

148	The natural environment. Traffic control. Small business health and expansion. Retrofitting what we have already to 21st century standards.	6/15/2022 12:55
149	Expand the select board, require all candidates to submit a 500 word statement on why they running.	6/15/2022 13:15
150	Increase the commercial tax base by inviting more companies to provide goods and services to the town. Or else let Amazon build their monstrous warehouse.	6/15/2022 13:23
151	Road safety, drinking water, walkable streets	6/15/2022 13:29
152	Education, water quality, lower taxes	6/15/2022 13:36
153	Sidewalks and water quality.	6/15/2022 13:52
154	drinking Water, free school bus and a good size supermarket.	6/15/2022 13:59
155	Road infrastructure, quality of water	6/15/2022 14:08
156	Schools should be a priority	6/15/2022 14:16
157	water system and high school replacement	6/15/2022 14:39
158	If anything at all, the medical services of the fire dept. absolutely should be upgraded to paramedic status. Maybe full time in that respect. This town relies on out of town medicals too much.	6/15/2022 15:34
159	Paid fire department	6/15/2022 15:39
160	don't honestly know -- I have confidence in the select board.	6/15/2022 16:46
161	Schools. Schools. Schools. Roads. Water.	6/15/2022 16:56
162	Town sewer!!	6/15/2022 18:04
163	Education and water	6/15/2022 18:14
164	maintain infrastructure	6/15/2022 18:19
165	Library and senior center	6/15/2022 19:28
166	The high taxes and water bills	6/16/2022 5:58
167	Ed/School needs water quality, street / vehicle safety, not developing large warehouse facilities	6/16/2022 11:41
168	Sewers	6/16/2022 12:10
169	Schools, environment	6/16/2022 12:13
170	WATER [drinking] in West Holliston	6/16/2022 14:42
171	Water quality, town safety & security and improve town image to keep pace with surrounding towns	6/16/2022 15:13
172	DIRECT USE OF ARPA FUNDS TO SMALL BUSINESS	6/16/2022 16:33
173	Lower taxes	6/16/2022 19:03
174	finding a way to extend the sewer will unlock a lot of doors in many categories	6/17/2022 7:33
175	this town is fine as is	6/17/2022 9:15
176	I get text and email alerts from Holliston. Perhaps alert through these sources dates/times and how to attend various town meetings.	6/17/2022 9:31
177	Environmental conservation and housing affordability	6/17/2022 14:11
178	We will definitely need to replace most if not all of our water supply pipes over the next few years and with that we should repave all the roads in the town.	6/17/2022 14:39
179	Clean water, new high school, outdoor spaces	6/17/2022 14:46

180	Prioritize the schools they are way to old and have diminished in the standings as of late leading to a smaller increase in the school community and the amount of families that move to the town.	6/17/2022 14:56
181	Schools and outdoor spaces	6/17/2022 15:32
182	Sustainability/Environmental concerns (pollution) and quality of Education	6/17/2022 15:40
183	High School, Expanded Sidewalks, Highway Dept	6/17/2022 16:11
184	land & nature perservation; promoting equity & inclusion	6/17/2022 16:27
185	Schools and traffic safety	6/17/2022 17:19
186	Improve school quality; increase diversity/equity/inclusion	6/17/2022 17:26
187	Schools	6/17/2022 17:35
188	High school and library improvements	6/17/2022 17:40
189	High school, middle school aged hangout nature space, bringing in businesses	6/17/2022 17:50
190	Security in schools.	6/17/2022 18:55
	- Promote and incentivize racial equity in housing policies	
	- Expand downtown sewage system and reduce rents to attract more small business	
191	- Promote and incentivize environmentally friendly policies	6/18/2022 2:53
192	Get rid of the downtown traffic lights!!!!	6/18/2022 8:16
193	education (schools seem to not rate as high), revitalize downtown, increase commercial base, but only in commercial areas to help with taxes.	6/18/2022 8:16
194	New high school, improving downtown, more outdoor recreational areas	6/18/2022 9:24
195	attracting more business - expanding recreational places/opportunities for after school programs	6/18/2022 10:45
196	Governing - clearer responsibilities. Town services - preservation of community spaces. Maintain existing focus on breadth of services for all age groups in Holliston.	6/18/2022 11:20
197	Schools (new high school and funding support teachers), lessen environmental impact, create sidewalks and bike paths, & place for teens to gather like skate park.	6/18/2022 13:50
198	Education/schools, revitalize downtown, water	6/18/2022 14:53
199	The roads (potholes, dangerous intersections, speed), the schools (Aging High School), keeping up with programs that bring people to this town, and bringing commercial businesses to benefit all.	6/18/2022 16:01
200	Remove unused gas station at Green/Washington. Encourage owners of Washington St.property between Central St. & Empire Auto to revitalize properties.	6/18/2022 17:33
201	Reform zoning and increase municipal sewer access to increase the availability of commercial and industrial development and higher density residential.	6/18/2022 23:11
202	Services for residents	6/19/2022 10:29
203	Schools, water quality, infrastructure, small business development	6/19/2022 11:57
204	Schools	6/19/2022 13:22
205	Downtown gas station fix	6/19/2022 14:21

	Sidewalks and pedestrian areas in the "greater" downtown area. The sidewalks on Washington Street are very poor. The timing of the lights downtown could be adjusted as well to allow more than 3 cars to turn off of Exchange st. at a time. Conservation should be considered as well, as many woods are being cut down to insert multiple homes. I do not wish for the population of our town to increase by very much. I like the small town feel and teacher to student ratio in our schools. That is a big part of why I chose to live in Holliston.	6/19/2022 15:08
206		
207	Schools, library and local businesses	6/19/2022 19:27
208	Environment, streets,, library, schools	6/19/2022 19:33
209	Underground utilities and road improvements should get top priorities.	6/20/2022 10:47
210	Town Sewer System Truck Traffic. Sidewalks	6/20/2022 11:59
	Getting a new high school should be the top thing or get more commercial vendors in town to raise the tax base. The Amazon facility seemed grossly under taxed from the studies I read. I did not agree with that thought in general but at that tax benefit it would have been a horrible idea.	6/20/2022 12:00
211		
212	New High School, downtown sewer, improve water, more / better access to mental health care (add clinicians for HYFS, and possibly at schools)	6/20/2022 14:20
213	traffic control	6/20/2022 15:46
214	fire department	6/20/2022 17:42
215	Public schools, police and fire	6/21/2022 8:49
216	Better water quality. Too chlorinated and some people have brown water	6/21/2022 9:51
	Improving or building a new high school, improving water quality, ensuring the schools are adequately staffed (including having enough substitute teachers)	6/21/2022 11:25
217		
218	Bring in more businesses so that the high school could be rebuilt.	6/21/2022 17:00
	High school school zone safety and recreation facilities development. Helping with zoning restrictions to permit recreational and social growth	6/21/2022 22:44
219		
220	downtown including sewer connection, getting rid of the abandoned gas station	6/22/2022 9:46
	Not allowing predatory real estate practices to enable massive distribution centers to ruin our town	6/22/2022 10:09
221		
222	Water quality, energy initiatives, and ways to lower taxes.	6/22/2022 10:14
	Improve schools, but not by throwing technology at them. increase staffing, get rid of block scheduling at the high school, decrease emphasis on test scores. STEAM, not STEM.	6/22/2022 10:24
223		
224	Improved access to equitable education, healthcare & a plan to mitigate traffic conditions in the downtown area.	6/22/2022 10:28
225	New high school, fix water issues!	6/22/2022 10:30
	Remove/improve current financial constraints. Explore renovation/replacement of high school Expansion of rail trails. Expansion of mental health support services Parenting classes/parenting group support for new parents (establish relationships/build community)	6/22/2022 10:31
226		
227	High school, attract more businesses, water quality/sewer	6/22/2022 10:35

228	Downtown revitalization. The greatest complaint I hear from others in my circle is that there is such limited opportunity to spend our money in Holliston.	6/22/2022 10:44
229	Schools, downtown image, economic base	6/22/2022 10:50
230	Sidewalks, public transportation and low income housing	6/22/2022 11:03
231	Schools number 1, Downtown number 2, non-vehicular connections number 3	6/22/2022 11:03
232	Improving schools	6/22/2022 11:09
233	more affordable housing	6/22/2022 11:39
234	Smart broadening of the tax base, investing in schools so people continue to move to Holliston, ensuring Holliston is a more diverse and inclusive community	6/22/2022 11:43
235	New high school, better sewage system	6/22/2022 11:48
236	Schools...new High School needs to be absolute Priority. and Recreation Fields	6/22/2022 12:24
237	Town sewer, bringing in businesses, manage occupancy of commercial properties filling those that exist	6/22/2022 12:48
238	Preservation of existing open space and agricultural lands	6/22/2022 12:54
239	parks and rec improvements (lower cost for residential beach stickers), expand commercial business, more community events for school-aged kids	6/22/2022 13:03
240	Schools/enforcement (not HPD) that reviews those who do not follow their town issued permit/downtown sewer	6/22/2022 13:40
241	Public sewer for downtown area, traffic and pedestrian safety	6/22/2022 13:41
242	Schools, traffic and road quality,	6/22/2022 14:42
243	See above answer about the DPW, but aside from this concern about my street, I think the reason my quality of life has gone down is the traffic. I wish I knew how improve that, except by making sure the large projects like 555 and Adesa do not happen.	6/22/2022 15:15
244	By the way, aside from the above, my quality of life in Holliston is great.	6/22/2022 15:20
245	Sewers, schools and downtown	6/22/2022 15:36
246	Improve intersection of Prentice and Highland, affordable housing, new high school building	6/22/2022 15:46
247	Traffic, Schools and athletic fields	6/22/2022 16:33
248	Keep school costs down	6/22/2022 17:10
249	Clear industrial growth policies, so the Town doesn't have to deal again with the Hoppingbrook debacle again!	6/22/2022 18:38
250	Give it to the kids and give the elderly some love...	6/22/2022 20:53
251	Getting more restaurants into town	6/22/2022 20:59
252	Schools (infrastructure), increasing commercial tax revenue/new business, music/arts/academic excellence	6/22/2022 21:35
253	Stop lights in accident prone areas, increased teacher salaries, green initiatives	6/22/2022 21:53
254	Water environment schools	6/22/2022 21:56
	I would like the town to prioritize the schools and needs of the teachers, addressing water issues in town (sewer), and making sure new business keeps the town character (no large distribution centers).	

	Do more to make the downtown a viable "destination" by encouraging small businesses to stay in town. Prevent issues like "555" from happening again.. large industrial developments like the one proposed are not appropriate or scalable for Holliston. They affect not only abutting neighbors but they	
255	negatively impact the charm and the small town feel of the town.	6/23/2022 6:06
256	Traffic safety; high school	6/23/2022 6:48
257	Sewer, sidewalks on Norfolk Street	6/23/2022 7:09
258	Get more businesses in town to decrease resident tax burden	6/23/2022 7:55
	maintaining current assets, making Holliston more "livable" while maintaining charm, increase school rankings. I really don't care if my taxes go up, please increase them! We pay little compared to surrounding towns, that offer much, much more!!	
259		6/23/2022 10:48
	Improved transparency of town information. Better utilization of Town website to provide information about town information and services. Upgrade the responsibilities of Town Administrator to be more consistent with the responsibilities now authorized for Town Administrators in other peer and local towns. Eventually create a Town Charter for Holliston to document the basic governing and management responsibilities of key elected and appointed officials and the process to be followed for basic municipal functions.	
260		6/23/2022 13:43
261	Road safety and speed limits ! School safety! Family events	6/23/2022 13:58
262	Athletic fields and look into updating the high school	6/23/2022 14:00
263	prioritize a plan for a new high school	6/23/2022 14:04
264	road, water, recreation and local business expansion	6/23/2022 14:07
	Bring improved septic resources to downtown; support teachers; make improvements to schools where needed (not necessarily new building for HS-- need to evaluate).	
265		6/23/2022 14:09
266	Water and streets	6/23/2022 14:10
267	Revisit the sewer project	6/23/2022 14:10
268	Improve water pressure	6/23/2022 14:11
269	Water quality and roads	6/23/2022 14:16
270	People needs first	6/23/2022 14:19
	infrastructure (water quality, sewer for downtown to promote successful businesses, fields and recreational facilities), school education quality, not overbuild >\$1MM homes	
271		6/23/2022 14:20
	New High School and Public Library, and dramatically improving our tax revenue from Businesses to at least 35% in the next two years. Town fees are absurd. I am paying \$240 for my kid to take a bus to middle school. Its absurd	
272		6/23/2022 14:20
	Center of town sewer to attract better businesses, replacement of high school, Blair square	
273		6/23/2022 14:23
	schools for the future, business growth, water/sewer modernization (i.e. access quabbin aqueduct and build sewage treatment to enable future residents access to high quality water and eliminate home managed septic services)	
274		6/23/2022 14:29
275	Better infrastructure	6/23/2022 14:32
276	Climate and sustainability	6/23/2022 14:33

277	Prioritize starting with - Safety, Schools, Roadways	6/23/2022 14:33
278	Driving safety, protecting the schools and being more open to businesses/restaurants to draw visitors	6/23/2022 14:36
279	Schools	6/23/2022 14:41
280	Addressing climate impacts/sustainability.	6/23/2022 14:41
281	voting	6/23/2022 14:47
282	Roads and sidewalks	6/23/2022 14:53
283	New HS, teacher compensation, community center	6/23/2022 14:54
284	Schools, Infrastructure, Recreational and Open spaces.	6/23/2022 14:54
285	New high school. Improved senior center.	6/23/2022 14:55
286	Better schools, downtown sewer	6/23/2022 14:55
287	Revitalize the downtown, specifically where that old gas station is. better communication and updates of town projects. Promote water conservation and regenerative agriculture, focusing on native plants, composting, more clear info on recycling of waste and household goods	6/23/2022 15:00
288	I don't know	6/23/2022 15:03
289	Traffic Signal at Hollis/Highland/Prentice and New High School	6/23/2022 15:10
290	Roads, sidewalks and Water	6/23/2022 15:17
291	Bike lanes, so kids can bike to school safely	6/23/2022 15:25
292	Paramedics in the ambulance and a full time fire department to protect our health and property. There is money for everything else it is a crime that Holliston is spending 1/60 of its 65 million dollar budget on the important health and safety department only because entrenchment of the old boys benefits. Wake up Holliston!	6/23/2022 15:26
293	Enforcement of code violations, school quality and before/after school programs.	6/23/2022 15:27
294	Schools and safety , Water/sewer	6/23/2022 15:45
295	How to bring more revenue to our town, How to get downtown revitalized so businesses stop leaving and new businesses want to do business here.	6/23/2022 15:45
296	education, infrastructure	6/23/2022 16:06
297	Water quality, preservation of Holliston's downtown character/small businesses, and improving the high school.	6/23/2022 16:20
298	Review the bylaws and remove some of the archaic rules, revamp the website (again, I know), establish a consolidated communication channel for all information on the Town. Our Town's communication plan should not rely so heavily on Facebook.	6/23/2022 16:21
299	Update the High School	6/23/2022 16:22
300	Full time emergency services, improved school playground.	6/23/2022 16:25
301	Commercial spaces and new businesses in town - new high school - renovation of commercial spaces to match appeal of surrounding communities	6/23/2022 16:26
302	Clean water, traffic safety, keeping the rail trail as maintained as possible, better town website, attracting more independent restaurants and eateries.	6/23/2022 16:28
303	BUILD A NEW HIGH SCHOOL FOR ONCE AND FOR ALL HOLLISTON	6/23/2022 16:34
304	Expanding Business, Water Quality, Bringing Sewer to Downtown	6/23/2022 16:35

305	SCHOOL SYSTEM	6/23/2022 16:38
306	Would love to see a plan to eventually have town sewer. And a new high school	6/23/2022 16:44
307	Traffic in town	6/23/2022 16:52
308	We voted electronically with clickers at town meetings in Dover for the past 2-3 years. (Lived there 23 years). Easy and fast tabulations and has been very well received. We have only been in town 6 months so have less background here	6/23/2022 17:45
309	traffic, speed, reduce accidents (Prentice/Highland) make sure overgrowth of trees are cut down to improve driver visibility	6/23/2022 18:28
310	Areas involved in climate change, high school building to be improved	6/23/2022 18:31
311	Drinking water quality improvement	6/23/2022 18:35
312	Increasing our tax base by increasing commercial base thereby lowering taxes, improving our school system to attract young families and provide a higher standard of learning & improve community based activities so there are more things to do within our town	6/23/2022 18:52
313	school, road conditions, increasing restaurants and shops downtown	6/23/2022 19:14
314	Water department	6/23/2022 19:29
315	High school , library, equity and inclusion	6/23/2022 19:55
316	New high school	6/23/2022 20:00
317	Schools	6/23/2022 20:09
318	Education and safety	6/23/2022 20:13
319	There are serious public safety issues related to traffic and congestion. I come home from Boston, and the traffic heading west is often backed up from downtown to Winter St. and sometimes Bertucci's at 4 pm. It's worse than Wellesley. And then there are the recent accidents near the HS.	6/23/2022 20:55
320	insure commercial development does not negatively impact traffic, quality of life, noise, environment	6/23/2022 20:59
321	Economic improvements to incentivize business to come to Holliston to increase our revenue and tax base.	6/23/2022 21:05
322	Environmental excellence and schools	6/23/2022 21:21
323	Downtown. More small business and more restaurants. The more we solve that the more we will bring about money to help with the rest.	6/23/2022 21:26
324	Sewer for downtown, sidewalks for areas around our parks, and plan for a new High School	6/23/2022 21:37
325	Water quality, schools, recreational and town activities/gatherings, recreational spaces, parks etc, senior facilities.	6/23/2022 21:48
326	Sidewalks, library, town sewer expansion, vastly improve water quality while lowering water bills by at least 50%. Water bills and property taxes are ridiculously high in this town.	6/23/2022 22:14
327	Water quality / infrastructure; energy conservation for town and residents; affordable housing	6/23/2022 22:44
328	Town communication on what is happening via emails or postal mail	6/23/2022 22:57
329	Parks in town, conservation in town, historical preservation, stopping mega developments with poor development patterns, preserving existing development patterns in town.	6/23/2022 23:30

330	High School renovation / replacement; expanded business tax base; promotion of rail trail and surrounding businesses	6/24/2022 7:50
331	Get more businesses into town industrial parks	6/24/2022 8:34
332	School & library improvements. Implement a program to help those with alcohol or drug abuse. Especially for the kids, they are using both at earlier ages every day!	6/24/2022 8:46
333	Walking/Biking infrastructure	6/24/2022 8:50
334	Lake Winthrop	6/24/2022 9:02
335	Water safety, environment protection , education for all ages.	6/24/2022 9:03
336	schools, open space, climate	6/24/2022 9:20
337	Schools, roads, recreational areas and environmental impact studies on growth.	6/24/2022 9:27
	1. school system...especially the crumbling high school	
	2. Clean water...Holliston water has forced me to seek water elsewhere.	
	3. Thoughtful business development in downtown with parking lots! Wouldn't it be nice to have a cafe? Small stores? Restaurants...coffee house opened until 8 pm?	
338	Sidewalks are nice but if there is no place to go when you get there what's the point?	6/24/2022 9:54
339	concerned that our water infrastructure is not being dealt with - with the already increased fee. We seem to have built a lot of administration into a small town.	6/24/2022 11:14
340	Fortifying and expanding protections of natural resources	6/24/2022 11:33
341	GO GREEN	6/24/2022 12:09
342	sidewalks on the main roads, at least; more open spaces; quality of life which includes population density and traffic	6/24/2022 12:53
343	school rankings, water quality, social life	6/24/2022 14:59
344	Build out infrastructure to entice businesses so our commercial tax base expands. With money other stuff can happen	6/24/2022 18:04
345	Water quality, focus on sustainability/environment, new high school	6/24/2022 20:00
346	Road maintenance and drinking water	6/24/2022 20:04
347	Repave roads, fix potholes, establish laws for blighted properties and enforce them	6/24/2022 20:42
348	more business in industrial area, improved senior center and youth activities	6/25/2022 5:23
349	lessen food insecurity, increase affordable housing and/or ability of seniors to age in place, and increase roadway and sidewalk safety	6/25/2022 11:26
350	Improving the schools because great schools are what brought us here 12 years ago and sadly did not continue and my son is going into 10th grade now. I believe if you strengthen the schools again people will come into this town actively.	6/25/2022 12:52
351	Food insecurity, Affordable housing for all ages, traffic / pedestrian safety	6/25/2022 13:05
352	Make the town more sustainable in terms of making climate change a priority lens that it should be being that we are in a climate emergency situation	6/25/2022 15:11

353	Safe drinking water, maintaining our small town feel, allowing business but not factories.	6/25/2022 18:26
354	comparisons with surrounding towns to focus on shortcomings	6/25/2022 19:36
355	Sewer, water, sidewalks	6/25/2022 21:08
356	Improve traffic flow and prevent speeding, which causes accidents.	6/25/2022 21:34
357	Schools, Traffic Safety, Maintain & Improve Public Spaces	6/26/2022 0:54
358	Not to overburden small business tax, more staff on Youth and Family Services department, firm laws about traffic such as large trucks and Washington Street and keeping strong and stronger restrictions on places such as Hopping Brook which change Holliston in horriific ways, support agricultural efforts such as farms, orchards, restrictions of the building of more condos ruining nature, animal safety, keep rent down to keep small business affordable, encourage more unique restaurants,	6/26/2022 4:29
359	Water quality, traffic issues	6/26/2022 5:46
360	High school, sidewalks, sewer	6/26/2022 6:07
361	Sidewalks everywhere. Small local businesses (not large). Preserving and adding more trails and open space.	6/26/2022 7:04
362	Clean the water at the lake, more sidewalks, clean drinking water	6/26/2022 8:35
363	High school	6/26/2022 8:46
364	Some visible progress towards sustainability needs to be made. Any new or sizable town building project should have solar panels and heat pumps, either ground source or air source.	6/26/2022 11:53
365	Sidewalks to make downtown more accessible from nearby neighborhoods, community spaces or center for older kids so they won't overwhelm downtown, more and better small businesses/shops downtown, better community events, improve aesthetics of downtown,	6/26/2022 16:34
366	New High School, allowing another gas company to come in and renovate/revitalize the abandoned lot downtown, and keeping local businesses in Holliston (as we have lost some due to high rent prices and they have gone to neighboring towns).	6/27/2022 9:14
367	Public Safety - Fire Department	6/27/2022 11:41
368	High school, teacher comp	6/27/2022 11:52
369	new high school, better transportation to/from school for bikes/walkers, and preservation of town recreational opportunities	6/27/2022 15:55
370	High school, more big businesses, library	6/27/2022 16:02
371	High school, fields, neglected commercial spaces	6/27/2022 18:36
372	1. Get the industrial parks active to generate revenue. 2. Build a new High-school 3. Get water sewage pipes for downtown to attract new business	6/27/2022 18:56
373	better information given to residents who don't attend the schools and don't belong to any organizations. Especially what is going on in our Industrial Parks.	6/27/2022 21:15
374	The roads!!!!	6/28/2022 11:13
375	New/improved high school and attracting more businesses to build up town center.	6/28/2022 13:43

376	Town Infrastructure	6/28/2022 14:08
377	Use emails to distribute town govt updates and news	6/28/2022 19:03
378	Continue to study extending sewerage to downtown. Block predatory commercial developments like 555 Hopping Brook Road. Begin to plan for a new high school -- we're all nervous about it, so let's start planning it so at least we'll have concrete reasons to worry.	6/28/2022 21:04
379	Increase commercial tax base, decrease truck traffic on side roads	6/28/2022 21:43
380	Maintenance of what we already have...parks, roads.... Perhaps the bathrooms at Goodwill	6/29/2022 7:34
381	New DPW/Water facilities New High School Fire Department updated facilities to allow members to stay on site	6/29/2022 8:25
382	Water, school replacement, sewer	6/29/2022 10:42
383	Conservation of natural resources and public spaces, affordable housing, continuing to support the schools	6/29/2022 13:14
384	Environment & Diversity	6/29/2022 13:59
385	Education/schools should be the top priority	6/29/2022 14:09
386	Water, road maintenance, strengthen schools with pay and maintenance of existing facilities	6/29/2022 20:23
387	The schools need to be a top priority. The schools are what attract new residents to the town. The quality of the schools, especially the high school, have declined over the last several years. Neighboring towns are outpacing our schools. If we want to maintain home values, the schools need to be a priority.	6/29/2022 20:27
388	I'd like to see more business to increase our tax base. The schools need a lot of help.	6/29/2022 20:31
389	Ambulance stationed near Ashland boarder to reduce response time to that side of town.	6/29/2022 20:48
390	Sewers downtown, a new high school and more athletic fields	6/29/2022 20:53
391	New high school	6/29/2022 21:11
392	Downtown sewer , new high school, more family friendly events (outdoor movies, concerts, food trucks,)	6/29/2022 21:19
393	Environmental sustainability, increasing diversity and inclusion, increase walkability	6/29/2022 21:21
394	Water, fields, high school	6/29/2022 21:24
395	New high school	6/29/2022 21:36
396	More after school programs, field maintenance, community center, sidewalks and bike riding/walkability. And more local businesses so the town has more places to eat/shop and can get income!	6/29/2022 22:08
397	Water quality and school improvement	6/29/2022 22:13
398	High school , walk ability on the southeast side of town	6/29/2022 22:14
399	1. FIRE/EMS (make it full time) 2. New Library 3. New Goodwill Park (again everyone goes to other towns. Make it more like Choate Park.	6/29/2022 22:33
400	down town sewer	6/30/2022 5:30
401	Schools	6/30/2022 6:36

402	The schools	6/30/2022 6:56
403	Building a new high school and investing in student education	6/30/2022 7:16
404	Improve the school system. Raise its ranking. It used to be great!	6/30/2022 9:12
	Bring in more commercial business in a smart location so it doesn't have a severe impact on traffic. Small business is unlikely to move the needle. Full day securely funded kindergarten (if not already in the budget). Update	
405	infrastructure - especially downtown.	6/30/2022 9:15
406	Downtown sewer, schools and increased commercial revenue, and ALS fire dept.	6/30/2022 9:44
	Schools, the French immersion and traditional programs advance education	
407	standards compared to surrounding towns.	6/30/2022 10:08
	Set priorities for climate change actions. Public restrooms at lake, park, rail trail. Better safety at schools, especially HHS, public kept informed on status of upcoming & future projects. Plant trees. Beautify other areas, not just downtown. Reason for visitors to come here & enjoy the day bringing \$\$ to local	
408	businesses.	6/30/2022 10:37
409	Sewer to attract business to get tax money to improve schools	6/30/2022 11:19
	Water quality, improved sewer, expand senior programs, ensure k-12 maintains	
410	high quality education above state average. Effectively manage growth.	6/30/2022 13:30
411	Environment, energy efficiency, safety and school	6/30/2022 15:22
412	Improve town water and utilities, and town maintenance	6/30/2022 18:29
413	Acquire open space. Once land is gone, it's gone forever.	6/30/2022 21:03
	Put money into the town. Especially into programs that grow the youth within	
414	our community.	6/30/2022 21:31
415	The high school and town fields	6/30/2022 22:31
	Improving and maintaining roads, existing public spaces (ie stoddard) and	
416	schools physical structures	7/1/2022 12:55
417	Attracting new businesses/tax revenue	7/2/2022 8:15
418	Reduce speeding. Enforce traffic laws.	7/2/2022 13:01
419	New high school	7/2/2022 13:47
420	Schools	7/2/2022 16:05
421	The intersection by the high school, full time ems, allow retail cannabis	7/2/2022 17:53
422	Water. Sewers.	7/2/2022 18:46
423	infrastructure, water system, affordable housing	7/3/2022 9:33
	Water quality, preserving open/natural spaces (no more developments),	
424	sustainability (residential and municipal), improvements to Fire Department,	7/3/2022 14:30
	Focus on green space conservation, and maintaining the great areas we already	
425	have	7/3/2022 15:07
	Recreational park for sports/activities that offers a welcoming atmosphere to	
426	other towns...could produce income from tournaments, renting fields, etc. Also,	7/3/2022 20:24
427	new High school is our priority	
	coordinated sustainability projects and climate change mitigation	7/4/2022 0:28

	Sewer upgrade in center of town so more restaurants and small businesses can locate here. Not that there are many storefronts/retail spaces for a ton more but when stores do become vacant - make it attractive for restaurant and other independent businesses to locate here. Get that abandoned gas station resolved... Not sure how liquor licenses work here but I assume that could be a good revenue stream. Focus on getting the existing vacant industrial spaces utilized by appropriate businesses - to get that tax revenue coming in. Ensure that sprawl is contained but business development and housing development - where they happen, are done in a way that is sustainable in design and does not encroach on existing open space areas. Purchase appropriate open space that comes up for sale to keep it from becoming "McMansion" land and just put	
428	some speed bumps down to calm traffic.	7/4/2022 9:26
429	Sidewalks, community, small business incentives- and preserve downtown!	7/4/2022 15:10
430	Public safety, drinking water, energy resources	7/5/2022 9:29
431	Better drinking water, our town water is BROWN	7/5/2022 16:14
432	School system, recreational space, and small business (and not introduce big corporations, franchise chains into town, definitely no fast food)	7/5/2022 16:31
433	Business development, schools, and parks/trails/recreation.	7/5/2022 18:44
434	More traffic lights for safety, perhaps more options for food/cafes and meetups, sidewalks, taking care of hiking trails	7/5/2022 22:13
435	Sidewalk cleanup and accessibility laws or ordinances. More accountability to the citizens about projects in town and use of tax dollars.	7/6/2022 16:52
436	Instead of relying on facebook why not have an email newsletter where residents can sign up to get information emailed to them directly? Facebook and twitter control their feeds and filter out certain posts. Going to a website to check something takes effort. Actively emailing a newsletter would enable residents to get a message directly from the town.	7/7/2022 9:40
437	New high school and update infrastructure to attract new businesses	7/8/2022 11:40
438	Preservation of green space, Address climate change, increase racial and economic diversity	7/8/2022 16:59
439	New High school and update downtown infrastructure	7/9/2022 1:19
440	Schools, commercial areas, revitalization	7/9/2022 8:09
441	High school, high school, commercial viability of downtown (fix the sewers)	7/9/2022 20:34
442	Road (neighborhood) improvements (not simply patching) , senior center updating / renovations , addressing old vacant Gulf station in the heart of downtown , keeping Holliston Public Schools on par with the "W"'s.	7/9/2022 23:11
443	Increased mental health support. Sewer system for downtown. Increased public transportation. Increase of anything related to climate.	7/10/2022 9:07
444	Priority #1: a PLAN that all Committees and Boards are using to guide decisions!	7/11/2022 11:36
445	How about a big picture plan for where Holliston is going and what we're trying to achieve over the next 1, 3, 5, 10 years?	7/11/2022 12:07

Limit growth of businesses that can ruin our water supply. We are asked to raise taxes every year for projects to help combat damage to our aquifers. How about instead of repairing them, we protect them in the first place? Bad water is something that will hurt every resident and homeowner, no matter where they live in town.

Look for ways to bring in desirable businesses.

446	Continue efforts to connect Blair Sq and Central.	7/12/2022 21:13
	New high school	
	Clean water in town	
	Affordable housing	
	Sewer system - this is EVERYTHING! We cannot grow commercially without	
447	sewers downtown.	7/14/2022 16:57
448	New High School must be prioritized!	7/15/2022 14:02
449	new/renovate high school; sewer in downtown	7/15/2022 16:09
450	senior tax relief	7/17/2022 22:02
451	Small businesses, school safety, traffic downtown	7/18/2022 10:05
452	high school infrastructure, affordable housing, town sewer	7/18/2022 10:28
453	New high school	7/18/2022 11:17
	New diverse businesses and to revitalize the town and make people want to do	
454	business here rather than surrounding towns.	7/18/2022 11:18
	Take trees down on rt. 16 that are dead from gypsy moth infestation before	
455	someone gets killed	7/18/2022 12:47
456	Making sure or taxes are spent wisely and not foolishly.	7/18/2022 13:34
	I would like to see the seniors get more support from the town. Other towns	
457	give their seniors much more support.	7/18/2022 14:01
	Downtown needs a sewer to promote business growth and longer hours of	
	operation. No night life is kind of dull. Seems like a huge lost of revenue to	
458	business when everything is shut down so early. Need more restaurants!!!	7/18/2022 14:21
	#1) New High School. #2) New roads/sidewalk and better maintenance (cut	
	weeds, etc) on 16 heading west from Town Center. #3) improved traffic flow	
459	through town by finally fixing the timing/sequence of the lights	7/18/2022 14:48
460	Climate, diversity inclusion, limiting taxes	7/18/2022 15:07
461	Pave Winter Street in the next three years	7/18/2022 15:08
	New water main forget sewer can barley keep with up with what we have why	
462	add more	7/18/2022 16:13
	improve downtown and draw in stores and restaurants that will promote	
463	commerce for Holliston	7/18/2022 16:47
464	More industry more restaurants more businesses	7/18/2022 17:03
465	Human services and sustainability	7/18/2022 17:23
	Promoting sustainable business, spending smarter, more action, less talk and	
466	studies	7/18/2022 17:44
467	Sewer, Water Quality, High School	7/18/2022 17:50

	Water quality, expansion of recreation areas, and education. I think that EMS services is a healthcare function and not a public safety function. I think the Town coordinating and/or having some oversight of a public/private partnership for EMS services would be great. I would support expansion of fire services.	7/18/2022 17:57
468		
	how to get better services for more reasonable taxes, water quality, snow removal	7/18/2022 18:10
469		
470	Open spaces and trails	7/18/2022 18:47
	Schools, town facilities such as play grounds, after school activities for children and summer program	7/18/2022 19:11
471		
	I am concerned that families who live within two miles of the school are charged for busing. Often, middle to lower-income families live within two miles of the center of town. It feels like a great load for us to carry. In addition, if the theory is that my child could walk to school, then it feels only acceptable if there were side walks put in on the very busy road of Norfolk Street. These two issues are connected and make it so that I have to pay for my kids to ride the bus.	7/18/2022 19:49
472		
473	Schools need improvement, quality has been sliding.	7/18/2022 20:04
474	Schools....town maintenance.....water quality.	7/18/2022 20:06
	Improve schools to help maintain/increase housing values. Stop spending \$ on lights in town. People can look both ways.	7/18/2022 20:07
475		
476	Town sewer system, improving school system rankings, town water quality	7/18/2022 20:21
	Water quality, education (please show respect to our teachers and let's steer away from MCAS - the kids can't name the states and the capitals nor can they write in cursive)	7/18/2022 20:38
477		
478	Town-wide sewer system	7/18/2022 21:13
479	High School	7/18/2022 21:56
480	More sidewalks, maintain trails, classroom book sets for schools.	7/18/2022 21:57
481	Indoor pool and water quality	7/18/2022 23:00
482	Tax reduction and improvement of High School	7/19/2022 6:48
483	Schools, schools, and schools.	7/19/2022 9:00
	Preserve open spaces, sustainability of resources, keep Holliston affordable for aging home owners	7/19/2022 9:06
484		
	Updating any neglected infrastructure, as well as funding parks, community programs, expanding protected land for wildlife and agriculture	7/19/2022 9:11
485		
486	Schools, roads, and recreation	7/19/2022 10:12
487	Education/School System, Preserving Outdoor Facilities/Areas, Small Town feel	7/19/2022 10:21
488	Economy, environment, schools	7/19/2022 10:24
	Town services to align/be in step with housing developments. Why is there no sewer? why is water so expensive? Why are so many over grown vegetation areas right next to homes? Why aren't there more tax & job generating businesses in town? Why aren't there Christmas/year-end Holiday decorations around town?	7/19/2022 11:03
489		
490	Downtown traffic/congestion and beautification of abandoned gas station.	7/19/2022 11:16
491	New high school!	7/19/2022 12:23
492	Need to entice ppl to move here. Improving the schools is always a win win.	7/19/2022 12:23

493	improve potable water quality for the neighborhoods dealing with dirty colored water. Resurface Winter St., Ruth Ellen Rd and Richard Road.	7/19/2022 12:58
494	The YMCA project, affordable summer camps for kids	7/19/2022 13:02
495	safe drinking water and new high school. A lot of my suggestions besides that do not require significant financial investment, such as; applying and going for the process of making Holliston age-friendly and opening a memory cafe, making town government more transparent, marketing and convening a bigger farmers market or something like Boston Public Market with existing agricultural buisnesses.	7/19/2022 13:47
496	Improve tax base with more industry but not companies like Amazon!!	7/19/2022 13:57
497	High school	7/19/2022 15:33
498	Roads, bridges, culverts, better pothole filling materiel	7/19/2022 16:02
499	Athletic fields and schools as long as tax rates don't increase. I have lived in town for almost 30 years and taxes have consistently increased as I watched the quality of education and athletic fields in town deteriorate. Unfortunately at this point in time most of my kids are through the "system" and would not benefit from any of these improvement even though they have been talked about for decades (frustrated).	7/19/2022 16:50
500	Sewer downtown	7/19/2022 17:32
501	Water Quality, Town Sewage, New High School, School Safety, and Downtown Business Restaurant Improvement/Expansion.	7/19/2022 18:10
502	Improve school education, hire teachers, acquire instruments for science and technology for education	7/19/2022 18:41
503	If we don't move away from fossil fuels all our other ideas aren't worth a damn because our climate crisis will destroy our society.	7/19/2022 22:42
504	Water, schools, small businesses	7/20/2022 7:17
505	School resources and mental health support.	7/20/2022 7:30
506	Water/downtown sewer improvement; improve culture in the schools; controlling and ensuring sustainable growth of housing and businesses in Town, providing support for senior citizens and families in need.	7/20/2022 9:20
507	Water quality, and road conditions	7/20/2022 10:02
508	Sidewalk on Central St. from Washington St. to Willow Gate Rise.	7/20/2022 11:10
509	improvement in schools and athletic fields to keep Holliston competitive with nearby towns	7/20/2022 11:11
510	sidewalks!	7/20/2022 11:29
511	Plans for new high school, entice more small businesses, improved town fields	7/20/2022 13:25
512	new high school	7/20/2022 14:02
513	Education and recreation	7/20/2022 15:54
514	Town sewer	7/20/2022 16:44
515	Maintenance of existing facilities, improvement to HHS (new or renovation), improvement to town fields/recreational areas, removal of excess signage.	7/20/2022 19:35
516	FULL TIME FIRE & EMS SERVICES	7/20/2022 20:14
517	Safety and small-town character	7/20/2022 20:36

518	Clean water, the Central st sidewalk, improving/maintaining downtown businesses	7/20/2022 21:50
519	traffic flow	7/21/2022 8:36
520	Town wide sewer, the library, the Highschool and slowing down development as it has changed the footprint of our town. There is now more traffic the schools are becoming over crowded and it's all related	7/21/2022 10:08
521	personally would like sidewalks on Central street	7/21/2022 11:26
522	Reform the select board by expanding it to 5 members.	7/21/2022 11:37
523	Improve the intersection of Summer St and Washington St. this intersection is so dangerous!!	7/21/2022 11:56
524	Improve the downtown sidewalks and curbs. Better parking for downtown.	7/21/2022 12:27
525	Improve town infrastructure to allow for more/better food and drink options.	7/21/2022 13:54
526	Water quality, school safety	7/21/2022 15:33
527	Expand tax base by development of a few more commercial venues: grocery store, theatre	7/22/2022 9:34
528	education (new high school), sewer implementation, increase commercial presence	7/22/2022 9:55
529	Side walks on central and good water	7/22/2022 10:48
530	Climate, affordable housing, diversity/inclusivity.	7/22/2022 11:34
531	Traffic on Washington street; sewer system for downtown; stronger commitment to making Holliston a sustainable community	7/22/2022 15:23
532	Conservation, education, safety	7/22/2022 19:03
533	Environment, lower taxes or more benefits for those of us paying high property taxes, and chasing down eyesores!	7/22/2022 19:38
534	Property taxes - find another avenue for funds	7/22/2022 22:58
535	road safety for ped/bike. get some high end restaurants in town.	7/23/2022 9:33
536	Schools, environmental improvements, expand/improve public spaces, actively attract sustainable and knowledge-based businesses to set up in town	7/23/2022 9:51
537	Sidewalks, schools and continued maintenance of downtown and public parks	7/23/2022 9:59
538	focus on critical infrastructure: roads, drainage, water quality, etc.	7/23/2022 10:54
539	Downtown. Improved offerings, better infrastructure and removing blight.	7/23/2022 11:00
540	Traffic flow	7/23/2022 11:44
541	traffic! traffic! traffic!	7/23/2022 14:52
542	Schools and sewers	7/23/2022 20:44
543	Maintaining full occupancy of all businesses downtown	7/24/2022 9:49
544	high school physical structure and athletic fields for all ages/ sports	7/24/2022 9:58
545	Water, town sewage	7/24/2022 16:41
546	Aging and ugly Commercial buildings, high school (even painting the doors from their green to white to match our town colors) and reducing water ban restrictions	7/24/2022 17:44
	Parks & Rec, Mental Health Drop-in center, K-12 social/emotional learning curriculum	

	Improve the roads	
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547	Improve the roads	7/24/2022 18:08
548	infrastructure, open space, water resources	7/24/2022 21:00
549	Improve Special Ed at school, fix the non accessible sidewalks downtown, train the police how to respond to autistic individual experiencing a meltdown.	7/25/2022 5:10
550	better quality water	7/25/2022 13:07
551	Street lights	7/25/2022 15:07
552	Improving the town's water quality.	7/25/2022 17:29
553	School safety	7/25/2022 18:17
554	Better sidewalks and existing ones that have "disappeared" being reinstituted.	7/25/2022 18:58
555	Senior services, climate change issues at the town level	7/25/2022 22:24
556	Improvement in athletic fields. Encouragement of new businesses in downtown area. Exploring sewer for downtown. Make Holliston a welcoming place for people of color.	7/26/2022 8:39
557	Schools	7/26/2022 9:23
558	water quality, education quality, bringing in business that directly improve residents' quality of life	7/26/2022 9:48
559	downtown businesses that are relevant, schools	7/26/2022 11:29
560	Sidewalks	7/26/2022 16:20
561	The center of town, getting rid of unused gas station, continued upkeep of parks, Reno of high school	7/26/2022 20:47
562	Downtown infrastructure. Emphasis on quality of education	7/26/2022 20:47
563	To lower the residential taxes. They are some of the highest in the area if not the state!	7/26/2022 23:22
564	Road improvements	7/27/2022 11:31
565	Environment, natural resources, inclusion and diversity	7/27/2022 11:59
566	Expand sewer system to allow for more businesses/food shops downtown to economically support the town. Also, help to modernize the town and get rid of many of the vacant buildings. Allowing for more modern family friendly events	7/27/2022 13:06
567	(1) Updating/reusing old and vacant buildings/spaces (2) put in a sewer system to allow more family restaurants and establishments	7/27/2022 13:11
568	new building for high school, and recycle center	7/27/2022 13:18
569	New High School, Sewer, Skate Park / Pump Track (or some outdoor space for teens)	7/27/2022 13:56
570	school improvements all around, prioritize our teachers and give them a better cost of living increase in the next contract, increase pay for paraprofessionals and subs.	7/27/2022 14:21
571	School safety, Rail Trail, improvement to the down town area (traffic safety, local businesses)	7/27/2022 15:31
572	Upgrading high school	7/28/2022 7:02
573	Focus on what Holliston is-stop worrying about other towns	7/28/2022 8:32
574	Improve downtown stores, Plan for a new high school.	7/28/2022 11:11

575	Better maintenance and care for immediate downtown neighborhoods who are the true generators of tax base (street sweep, etc.)	7/28/2022 11:31
576	High school, the hiring of more staff at schools, special Ed teachers paras.	7/28/2022 15:04
577	Sidewalks and more parking downtown. Higher school admin that have a history of not hating teachers.	7/28/2022 18:11
578	school teachers and improve child education. Very important	7/28/2022 18:49
579	Environmental & education	7/29/2022 7:54
580	Given that we are expecting a food crisis I'd like to see all farmland used at maximum capacity and residents given the first opportunity to but those goods.	7/29/2022 10:25
581	Already stated.	7/29/2022 12:27
582	Downtown parking and traffic safety.	7/30/2022 10:52
583	Making the downtown area less congested and pedestrian friendly.	7/30/2022 12:26
584	New high school	7/30/2022 12:42
585	The high school, town fields, town sewage	7/30/2022 12:50
586	Public safety, education/infrastructure and infrastructure to sustain small business growth in town.	7/30/2022 22:06
587	Given potential financial constraints? This is worded in a way that is biased and is guaranteed to trigger people's chronic fears regarding a scarcity of resources. This will undercut the change we need. If I say Holliston needs to become more socioeconomically and racial integrated, and people start with the narrow context of "financial constraints," how open will they be to the idea of redistributing resources for example?	7/31/2022 6:38
588	Investment in Conservation and climate change initiatives	7/31/2022 9:30
589	Attract Environmentally friendly business, sewer downtown to attract restaurants/business	7/31/2022 10:09
590	There is no scarcity of resources in Holliston. We need to work on distributing our vast resources more equitably.	7/31/2022 14:48
591	Road maintenance / clearing trees in order to minimize loss of power	7/31/2022 15:29
592	Recreational parks for kids, trails and outdoor community space, town infrastructure improvement, community festivities and specifically improving 126/16 intersection beautification	7/31/2022 16:00
593	downtown infrastructure, conversation about tax base ratio, school safety	7/31/2022 16:45
594	Attract business, town events, library programs	7/31/2022 18:30
595	Improve water quality and clean the lake	7/31/2022 23:12
596	recruitment of businesses in holliston	8/1/2022 9:00
597	New high school, school resources and safety, diversity/inclusion	8/1/2022 9:19
598	Improve the High School. Remove blight. Make space for creative, industrial young people starting craft businesses. Think Portland Maine or Asheville, NC	8/1/2022 9:32
599	Education and infrastructure.	8/1/2022 16:07
600	Water (provide drinking water), tree maintenance to prevent power cuts (especially during storms and winter)	8/1/2022 21:36
601	School safety and teacher pay	8/2/2022 8:04
602	Education, environmental improvements, green space preservation	8/2/2022 9:22

603	Better water, more businesses to help with tax rates and ease tax burden on the residents, master plan for the town	8/2/2022 12:37
604	Infrastructure (sidewalks expansion, replacing, water/sewer) while preserving, protecting and improving our green spaces	8/2/2022 20:52
605	Water quality, sidewalk and/or speed bump on Winter Street, more inclusive and diverse resources in the schools	8/2/2022 21:31
606	Clean-up and maintenance plan for the Winthrop Canal	8/2/2022 22:59
607	1. Education- what needs to be done to improve rankings, 2. Public Safety- do those departments have what they need to serve the community, 3. Infrastructure- what do we need to improve/enhance our infrastructure?	8/2/2022 23:23
608	Encourage small, clean, and low traffic companies to move into existing industrial parks. Thankfully the approval of a large truck terminal was voted down. The infrastructure package would help with improving the roads in Holliston but Dems and Repub can not agree on anything today. Government needs to be better stewards of our money.	8/3/2022 10:52
609	Improving Education	8/3/2022 15:48
610	Road safety, environmental - sustainable energy	8/3/2022 16:03
611	Sustainability, Accessibility	8/3/2022 16:11
612	High school, family entertainment, water or energy efficiency consumption.	8/4/2022 14:03
613	Infrastructure, water quality, roads and schools	8/5/2022 10:33
614	Increase business to lower residential taxes and invest in improving downtown	8/5/2022 11:44
615	New High School, Town infrastructure/water/sewer/sidewalks/bike lanes	8/5/2022 14:39
616	Education, water quality, and land preservation.	8/5/2022 19:29
617	New High School	8/5/2022 19:38
618	High School	8/5/2022 20:17
619	Upgrade schools.	8/6/2022 10:10
620	recreation/environmental, education and public safety	8/6/2022 16:02
621	Contaminated ground remediation. Downtown sewer system.	8/7/2022 7:12
622	Water/sewer, Roads, Small Business attractions	8/7/2022 9:27
623	Remove the traffic lights on route 16, leaving only a flashing yellow.	8/7/2022 12:19
624	1. Getting Green Street & the Gulf station finished. 2. Improving the senior center and a new library would be amazing but FIRE DEPARTMENT should be first. 3. Incentives to bring in small businesses.	8/7/2022 12:34
625	1. Find our own reporter for the printed newspaper of Metrowest or Milford Daily News. They don't seem to know Holliston exists and do not cover government, schools. sports, etc in Holliston. 2. DPW building 3. Downtown Sewer connection 4. Condition of fields/parks	8/7/2022 12:51

	make the schools more attractive. clean out the plant beds and mulch - too many weeds. Make it look like we don't care but we do care. This is the first thing people see when picking a place to raise a family and it sends the wrong	
626	message. Butterfly garden and weeds. Great ideas but no follow through.	8/7/2022 13:19
627	Anything related to education/schools	8/7/2022 16:14
628	Water Quality	8/8/2022 13:25
	Affordable housing, road safety, bringing more business into town to lessen the	
629	tax burden on home owners.	8/8/2022 21:29
630	High school, bringing in more businesses, getting rid of gas station	8/9/2022 9:46

Section 13: Demographics

Ages

18 or under	10	0.9%
19 - 24	5	0.5%
25 - 34	70	6.3%
35 - 44	274	24.8%
45 - 59	359	32.5%
60 - 74	273	24.7%
75 or over	101	9.1%
Skipped	13	1.2%

Gender

Female	592	53.6%
Male	388	35.1%
Two residents completed	2	0.2%
Skipped/Other	123	11.1%

How long have you lived in Holliston?

Less than 5 years	204	18.5%
5 - 10 years	217	19.6%
11 - 20 years	191	17.3%
More than 20 years	481	43.5%
I do not live in Holliston	2	0.2%
Skipped	10	0.9%

Do you own or rent your home?

Own	1064	96.3%
Rent	22	2.0%
Skipped	19	1.7%

Do you have children under the age of 18 in your home?

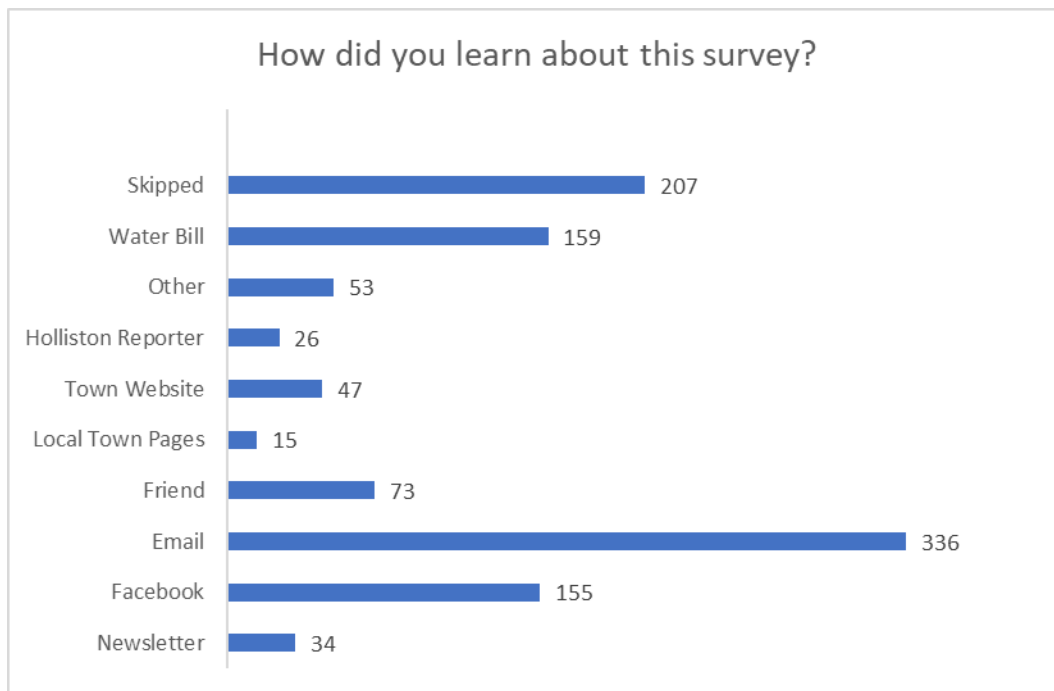
Yes	526	47.6%
No	553	50.0%
Skipped	26	2.4%

Do you own or manage a business in Holliston?

Yes	92	8.3%
No	985	89.1%
Skipped	28	2.5%

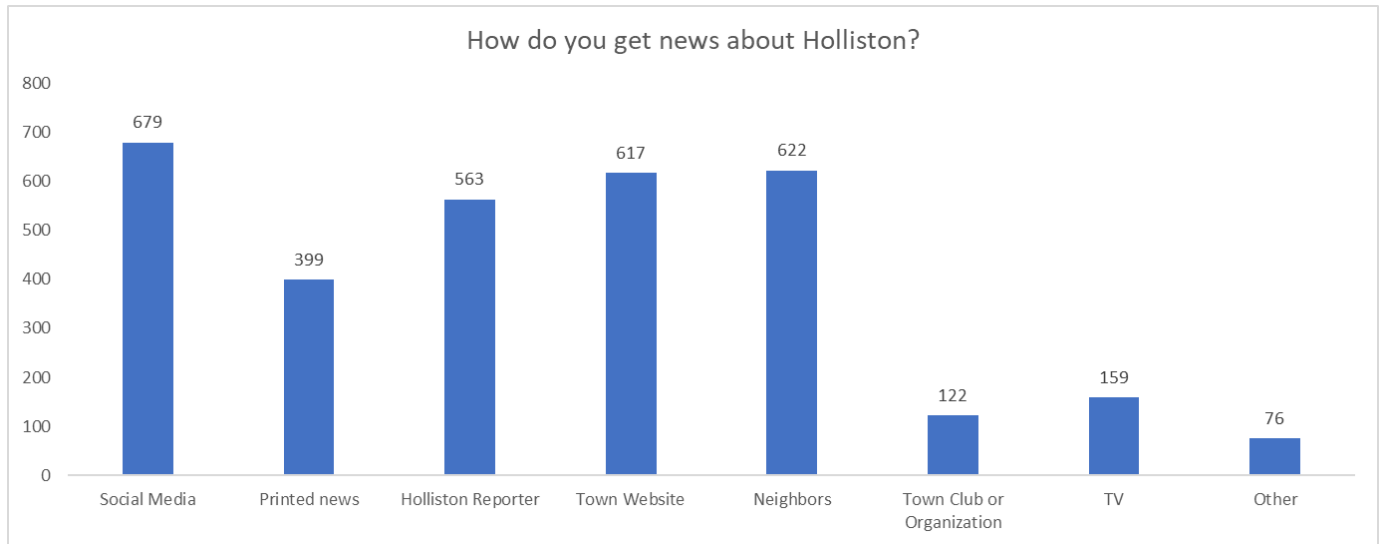
Did you take survey #1?

Yes	438	39.6%
No	603	54.6%
Skipped	64	5.8%



Newsletter	34	3%
Facebook	155	14%
Email	336	30%
Friend	73	7%
Local Town Pages	15	1%
Town Website	47	4%
Holliston Reporter	26	2%
Other	53	5%
Water Bill	159	14%
Skipped	207	19%

Total Responses 1105



<u>Source</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>%</u>
Social Media	679	61%
Printed news	399	36%
Holliston Reporter	563	51%
Town Website	617	56%
Neighbors	622	56%
Town Club or Organization	122	11%
TV	159	14%
Other	76	7%

<u>Number of sources</u>	<u>Count</u>	<u>%</u>
1	163	15%
2	229	21%
3	332	30%
4	209	19%
5	102	9%
6	28	3%
7	14	1%
8	1	0%
Skipped	27	2%

#	Any closing comments?	Time
1	fix lights, stop building developments, get ppl to use sidewalks, no parking on chamberlin st (it's a freaking obstacle course)	6/2/2022 17:08
2	Looking forward to the next 20 year plan. Thank you for all your hard work.	6/2/2022 17:09
3	We are excited to be joining the community of Holliston and appreciate you getting so much input from the community!	6/2/2022 17:14
4	Thank you for asking for my opinion.	6/2/2022 17:31
5	Than-you for gathering this information!	6/2/2022 17:34
6	Get a new high school	6/2/2022 17:35
7	In gernal, this is very nice town. It is very pretty and people are friendly. The programs are nice. We are very happy here.	6/2/2022 17:37
8	We think it's great that you are seeking community input on these goals	6/2/2022 17:45
9	Love this town and hope I can stay.	6/2/2022 18:47
10	Focus on quality of life and schools. People don't select towns to live in based on the Industrial parks they have.people live in Holliston without a grocery store. Think about it, we are small, keep us quaint and people will come to the rail and nature trails, we could have tourism if we focus on the resources of this town, not building it out but using what is here	6/2/2022 19:16
11	This survey is way too long. The first was poorly constructed and I couldn't take it because I had to scroll so much I couldn't see the questions and answers. I cannot access goggle drive from my work pc.	6/2/2022 19:57
12	Thanks for doing this important work	6/2/2022 19:58
13	Thanks for making this survey and working to preserve our awesome town!	6/2/2022 20:27
14	Young families are expensive for the town, empty nesters will leave due to the high property taxes. We need more businesses in town. Something needs to be done to reverse that. Don't rely on Facebook for opinion survey, the minority is often more vocal on social media but does not represent the opinion of everyone.	6/2/2022 20:43
15	Just thank you. I appreciate your efforts.	6/2/2022 20:45
16	Please prioritize attracting businesses to Holliston to increase our commercial tax rate. Continuing to just rely on increases to our property taxes is not sustainable for the majority of our population. Also, please prioritize improved athletic fields and a serious plan for a new high school as the need to continue to attract young families is vital to the community and we are quickly falling behind our neighboring towns in these areas.	6/2/2022 20:52
17	Hope this helps. General malais about participation is really sad	6/2/2022 21:11
18	Thanks for looking for input	6/2/2022 21:38
19	Please help modernize Holliston. There are so many towns around Holliston that are net importers of residents. Holliston can be that destination but it needs investment in the downtown to support that.	6/2/2022 21:59

	Thanks for putting out a survey. Input is valuable. I do think some of the questions didn't allow for a respondent to rank items lower for the simple reason that in those areas we have met with a lot of success. So perhaps answers will be misintrepeted as not important when in reality its that many goals have been met and more resources don't need to be continued to be dedicated or increased.	6/2/2022 22:45
20		
21	Thank you for your tremendous effort. This survey is truly inspiring.	6/2/2022 22:48
22	Thank you for taking the time to review our input.	6/2/2022 22:49
23	Did not hear about survey #1. Thank you!	6/2/2022 22:58
24	Increase quality of life for ALL.	6/3/2022 9:03
25	thank you!	6/3/2022 9:48
26	This survey does not take into account financial constraints. yes, I want better everything but can we afford it? Your question on top priorities is important.	6/3/2022 9:56
	The focus of town leaders in these trying times must be to save money and stop crying for more. Anyone who claims he or she needs more money to run his or her department effectively must be replaced immediately with a fiscally responsible individual who understands the times and understands that the bank accounts of Holliston residents are NOT there to supply endless money to be spent on the whims of a few unaware and out of touch, prodigal people.	6/3/2022 9:59
27		
28	Thank you for doing this. I look forward to seeing the results	6/3/2022 10:00
29	Looking forward to retiring somewhere else - tired of this small minded community	6/3/2022 10:53
30	In the 50 years that I've lived in Holliston, we seem to want to be like Wellesley or Westwood. The problem is that we have a champagne taste on a beer budget. How many downtown surveys have we done? Have we fixed the problems? We need to better prioritize what we need from what we want. They may not always be affordable or the same!	6/3/2022 11:02
31	Hopefully the data produced will influence future decisions	6/3/2022 12:40
32	Thank you	6/3/2022 12:50
33	We need to switch from a reactive to a proactive approach to everything. Step 1 is a long term plan.	6/3/2022 14:20
34	Thank you for your hard work.	6/3/2022 15:45
35	There are a lot of talented employees and volunteers trying to make the best Holliston possible. Thanks to them all	6/3/2022 16:26
36	I enjoy living in Holliston and find all that are in charge are trying their best to preserve the small town charm	6/3/2022 18:09
37	No warm feelings where the town is headed. Feels like year-after-year we talk about the same problems that never get fixed yet the tax rate is crazy and appears that it is going to get worse. There are a lot of smart, educated people that live here and there must be a way for them to get involved in helping to solve some of these problems. Many may be too busy to run for office or serve on boards. I don't really see much use in this survey.	6/3/2022 19:50

	Holliston is a beautiful community, but I would encourage change in order to bring in much more business. Not only will more businesses bring in more tax revenue, it will also lead to more entertainment, restaurant, and recreational choices for residents. In addition it could bring the latest technology to Holliston, which is great for education as well as the environment. Much improved public transportation will lead to less cars on the road and less traffic and pollution. Improved technology will lead to less expensive access to wifi, cable tv and potentially growth in electric vehicles. Holliston could become a leader in those areas if it focuses on that path.	6/5/2022 16:26
38		
39	thank you for asking the residents for input	6/5/2022 21:25
	Very happy with the direction the current administration is moving. Keep up the great work!	
40		6/6/2022 9:51
	Holliston is a wonderful community. Holliston's government is responsive & cares very much about the well-being of all citizens. I am grateful for the town's leaders, volunteers & elected officials for their hard work, dedication, responsiveness & concern for all Holliston residents. It is a pleasure to live here & know how well taken care of Holliston really is.	
41		6/6/2022 11:43
	Progress is important as is modernizing Holliston, but affordability must be managed. We may need to retire some activities/services/offerings to bring in new ones so we don't price residents out of the market and their home.	
42		6/6/2022 14:02
	Don't take shortcuts!!! Prioritize the goals and rank them. Make them all be MEASURABLE.	
43		6/6/2022 14:45
44	Thank you!	6/6/2022 17:52
45	Thank you! We love this town! Appreciate all the hard work that went into this	6/7/2022 6:54
	Stop trying to be what you are not. Be mindful of spending within resources available, but try to increase commercial development. Stop spending so much on schools to the detriment of every other community service.	
46		6/7/2022 14:16
47	I think Diversity/Equity/Inclusion needs to be front and center of any and all	6/7/2022 20:23
48	Please help make this town less boring.	6/7/2022 21:22
49	Please fix our failing fire department	6/7/2022 23:15
50	Please bring more commerce to the downtown area. People are craving it!	6/8/2022 6:59
	Thank you for taking the time to read through my comments! I appreciate the opportunity to make my voice heard. :)	
51		6/8/2022 9:41
	Don't be smart minded Don't be cheap and have short term vision. Happens too often in town. We save a nickel today but end a dollar tomorrow.	
52	We have too many band aids and not enough permanent solutions	6/8/2022 14:05
53	Action vs more studies please; just Do	6/8/2022 21:42
54	Thank you for your hard work.	6/9/2022 7:45

	Get creative. See how other small towns are revitalizing. What will get people to make a point of stopping in our town? Of getting off the rail trail? What about turning unused space into an incubator for entrepreneurs? What about a Holliston navigator app that shows people where to go and what to do. What about scavenger hunts for kids, companies, etc.?	6/9/2022 8:34
55		
56	Please address the schools -mental health, high prevalence of bullying, declining ratings, severely unhealthy start time for Miller	6/9/2022 11:00
57	Please stop raising the taxes. You are driving seniors out of their homes.	6/9/2022 13:18
58	Would appreciate if those running for local office, would supply resumes to a printed Holliston monthly paper, so that we might know, whom we would like to vote for. There's no information.	6/10/2022 6:46
59	It is hard not to answer these questions with a response of 4 or 5. The trick is to provide these things/services within our tax base. Hard choices are needed.	6/10/2022 10:13
60	Thank you for taking a vested interest in the thoughts of our community members. Please continue to do this on a regular basis and suggest that other boards (School Committee) do this as well. It would be really great to have input on next steps once takeaways from Survey #2 are developed.	6/10/2022 14:11
61	Thank you for all your hard work!	6/10/2022 16:11
62	I like Holliston	6/14/2022 10:41
63	Is this survey #1? I don't like your personal questions, after all this is an anonymous response.	6/14/2022 15:26
64	Not sure on last question. I did take a library survey once.	6/14/2022 17:53
65	Can't have tax base and improvements if town keeps denying projects appropriately proposed in areas zoned industrial	6/14/2022 20:54
66	The survey was difficult to complete because all of these ideas are good. I gave the highest or 2nd highest rating to every question. I don't think responders can answer adequately without knowing the trade-offs and costs associated with various good ideas.	6/15/2022 8:09
67	Where is survey #1 - this is the first that I have received	6/15/2022 10:01
68	thank you for doing this	6/15/2022 10:03
69	Thank you!	6/15/2022 10:04
70	Thank you for getting these surveys out to residents.	6/15/2022 10:35
71	Build Holliston into a better place. Preserve the town, but you cannot be afraid of change. Stop with the pet project funding, and realize that Holliston does not exclusively consist of Mudville.	6/15/2022 10:37
72	This community has a strong desire to maintain the charm and expand the benefits. There is a nice fine line to thread that can accomplish both over the next decade.	6/15/2022 11:08
73	Keep up the good work	6/15/2022 11:13
74	Keep plugging at it	6/15/2022 11:30
75	Sewer!	6/15/2022 11:35

	We've lived here just 5 years with two kids under 4 so there are many things in town I have not formed strong opinions on or had the time to get involved in, but I have always appreciated the government of Holliston and the "always be improving" attitude. It's a wonderful place to raise a family.	6/15/2022 11:58
76		
77	Thank you all for your hard work and for the opportunity to weigh in!	6/15/2022 12:25
	Thank you. The questions are perhaps over-general, but the effort is good, and the space for comments helps. Nobody seems to know about this survey though, which may in itself be symptomatic of residents' lack of connection. Can you continue to make it more widely available? If you don't have a high percentage of responses, please do not consider it reliable for making decisions.	6/15/2022 12:55
78		
79	Some answers do not allow for a proper response. Seem more geared towards the response wanted.	6/15/2022 13:16
	I grew up in Holliston and moved back 9 years ago after raising a family in Auburn. I was surprised about the water issues and lack of a full fire department/als.	6/15/2022 13:29
80		
81	Thank you for your hard work and considerations.	6/15/2022 13:36
	Thank you to whoever put this survey together. I hope every person in town fills it out.	
82	Also, sidewalks sidewalks sidewalks!	6/15/2022 13:52
	There needs to be a more focused effort on letting the residents know about this survey.	6/15/2022 16:35
83		
84	Schools are the foundation of any community. If you don't get those right, the rest is meaningless.	6/15/2022 16:56
85	Big question - Who do we want to be???	6/15/2022 17:29
86	Please give our development services as we pay the same taxes as others	6/15/2022 19:28
87	I love surveys...keep them coming	6/16/2022 14:42
88	Thank you for the opportunity to chime in	6/16/2022 19:03
89	I think this town is fine as is	6/17/2022 9:15
	We need to prioritize our community & schools to attract young families who are invested in the Town. We need to attract businesses to increase our tax revenue that does not put stress on our police, fire, ambulance services & that won't disrupt traffic and life in our town	6/17/2022 15:46
90		
91	Thank you for asking for our feedback.	6/17/2022 16:27
92	Thank you for taking input!	6/17/2022 17:22
93	Get rid of the downtown traffic lights.	6/18/2022 8:16
94	thanks for your efforts to improve the town	6/18/2022 8:16
95	Thank you for your work!	6/18/2022 10:45
96	Thanks for doing this.	6/18/2022 11:20
97	Thank you for taking town resident input!	6/18/2022 13:50
98	Thanks for the work you're doing!	6/19/2022 11:57
99	Keep up the great service	6/19/2022 14:21
	I love this town and am appreciative of the input the officials are asking for.	
100	Please keep us a small, rural town!!	6/19/2022 15:08

101	Not sure how these are tabulated or what happens to them.. I never saw results of library survey or Survey #1	6/19/2022 19:33
102	None left for Page 14.	6/20/2022 10:47
103	It seems like we are at a crossroads between the old small town feel and the financial needs moving forward. I know people like me move here for the quality of schools - which have been excellent from a teaching standpoint and having Montessori. However, the facilities are pathetically old compared to almost every other town in Metrowest if not the entire metro area. Something must be done.	6/20/2022 12:00
104	Holliston is a wonderful, welcoming community. The public schools in town need more support by way of funding and transparency in order to be successful	6/21/2022 8:49
105	Let's Grow Holliston together into the future !	6/21/2022 22:44
106	Looking forward to being a part of this community	6/22/2022 8:46
107	Close off Holliston for very large commercial projects - like Amazon-style warehouses, etc	6/22/2022 10:04
108	Please work toward preserving our town and deny construction of a massive distribution center that will obliterate the charm of the town and quality of life for many, many residents. This has already happened in so many communities, why would this be considered a viable option for Holliston?	6/22/2022 10:09
109	Reread your questions to ensure they make sense and the intent is clear.	6/22/2022 10:24
110	Thank you	6/22/2022 11:03
111	I understand that a larger commercial tax base can benefit the Town, but only within reason. Huge distribution and fulfillment centers in our industrial parks are not the solution.	6/22/2022 11:09
112	Do better.	6/22/2022 12:24
113	I am deeply concerned about increased traffic in town, particularly traffic composed of large trucks on both our major and minor roadways. I would very much support efforts to exclude any commercial development in town that would bring even more truck traffic to our neighborhoods. I am also concerned about potential commercial development that would bring dirty, loud and disruptive businesses to town; every office park/commercially zoned area does about residential neighborhoods that would be negatively affected by increases in both truck and auto traffic, noise, and other undesirable aspects.	6/22/2022 12:54
114	Considering we have limited resources.....it's probably best to tackle a few problems and do a great job solving them than trying to solve them all at once.	6/22/2022 14:42
115	Adding a 100,000+ sq ft. distribution center at Hopping Brook Park would be the Death of what is one of the last remaining charming spots near Boston. We have a town that is small, but fair to the community, and I am afraid that if the distribution facility is allowed to go in, it will change our hamlet forever. I dont even know how the town is still considering this. The day that the number of vehicles start to operate there, will ruin our town. I hope that the town does the right thing, and is not acting purely on the lure of potential tax dollars.	6/22/2022 15:03
116	Glad you are doing a survey. I'm sure it is hard to reconcile the competing needs.	6/22/2022 15:15
117	Thank you for all your work!	6/22/2022 15:36

118	Too long	6/22/2022 16:33
119	I do not want uncontrollable business development, I do want to see development that reflects the goals and values our town.	6/22/2022 17:10
120	I wish I new about survey #1	6/22/2022 18:38
121	Thanks for the opportunity to complete this survey.	6/22/2022 20:59
122	Thank you	6/22/2022 21:53
123	Thank you for gathering public comment via the survey	6/22/2022 21:56
124	Thank you for caring what the people of the town think.	6/23/2022 6:06
	<p>1. Having a huge distribution/fulfillment center in our industrial parks would wreak havoc on the character of our beautiful little town, due to the truck traffic that would congest our already overly congested roads. It is already almost impossible to reach the high school & other places families & others need to be during afternoon traffic hours, and this would make it nearly impossible. My husband was hit by a fulfillment van that was not paying attention in Ashland, & I can only imagine that traffic accidents & residents getting hurt would increase here in Holliston, too. We need to retain the character of our small town's ability to let our children walk & bike down the streets without fear of being in a traffic accident. Also, we already cannot pay for re-doing many of the roads that are crumbling in town. By having more traffic on them, this would place an undue burden on us to repave roads. 2. I live in The Queens and our road is crumbling to the dirt below in many places. We are on a "pass-through" street where we get many trucks entering our neighborhood and it is NOT OK that we were told we would NEVER get repaved. Meanwhile, Mudville gets repaved AND GRANITE CURBS? We diligently pay our taxes, have waited much too patiently, & we need to have the infrastructure of smaller roads looked at and taken care of on a timely basis. Every time the town repaves a "larger" road, they need to couple it with a "smaller" one of only a couple of blocks. It's only fair and consistent.</p>	
125		6/23/2022 7:40
126	Everything is obviously important, my responses reflects what I think should be the priorities based on what is already there.	6/23/2022 7:55
127	do NOT attract warehouse businesses! We need to increase the livability of Holliston, not decrease the value by selling our land to the lowest bidder.	6/23/2022 10:48
128	#2 was a comprehensive survey. I look forward to reading the results.	6/23/2022 13:43
129	Make Turner Road safer by eliminating traffic to the condominiums !	6/23/2022 13:58
130	Thank you for all you do and reaching out!	6/23/2022 14:00
	<p>guess again, get rid of fafard and hire a reputable developer. be sensible with property and real estate taxes. deliver for the services charged for. improve the water quality. create some attractions in the local area to improve business, make downtown happening, recreational areas for youngsters and grown ups,</p>	
131	stop over charging for every little thing	6/23/2022 14:07
132	Survey is a good idea. Appreciate the opportunity to participate. Thank you.	6/23/2022 14:11
133	Thank you to all who are working so hard to make Holliston it's best self.	6/23/2022 14:14

It's tough navigating so many priorities with finite resources - not to mention myriad, highly-varied opinions from residents. My advice is to focus on modernizing infrastructure for 2022 & beyond. Infrastructure makes more efficient everything it's connected to - and, sometimes literally, paves the road for bigger and better things at less cost.

134	It can reduce human capital - allowing us to re-invest in other areas of need. Put simply, it improves quality over the short and long term.	6/23/2022 14:20
135	get to work and get that new high school!	6/23/2022 14:20
136	Focus on the Safety of our people, Provide exceptional schools, Take care of our infrastructure and Don't spend without need.	6/23/2022 14:33
137	thanks	6/23/2022 14:47
138	You'll get a lot of 4s and 5s the way the questions are worded (how can one NOT want to improve services?). The key questions are the sewer and tax rate. Getting town sewer and increasing business tax revenue is the only way any of this will be able to be funded and not add to the already high taxes paid by the homeowners.	6/23/2022 14:53
139	Thank you.	6/23/2022 14:55
140	Thanks for doing this.	6/23/2022 15:00
141	Fix the high school and middle school	6/23/2022 15:03
142	email	6/23/2022 15:24
143	Appreciate you collect input!	6/23/2022 15:25
144	Hope this expedites change and not more money for the school department. There are other residents in town whose needs should be met - service that all ages benefit from stop protecting the fire department and look at the problem that it is! Holliston is in crisis mode and most people are unaware of the crisis! Try calling an ambulance and experience it for yourself! Sad, awful situation!	6/23/2022 15:26
145	Holliston's government by and large does an excellent job. Please keep up the good work!	6/23/2022 15:27
146	Honestly have no faith in anything changing with this survey	6/23/2022 15:45
147	Holliston is great so far! As I mentioned in the comments earlier we love the small town atmosphere and the abundance of historic properties (we live in one of em). We would love to see the town develop modern infrastructure and amenities without trying to grow into something it isn't. The downtown needs sewer! We do plan on becoming significantly involved in the local community.	6/23/2022 15:52
148	Good luck prioritizing all of this!	6/23/2022 16:06

We have so many issues in town that it's disheartening. There is no consolidated vision and even if there was, there is no single communication channel where it can be shared. We are trying to be everything to everyone and we don't have the resources to do that. We need to pick a vision and create strategic goals to fulfill that vision. Personally, I think we need to focus on being a town with high but stable property values, a school that focuses on high student achievement and social awareness with a pleasant downtown area. If a project doesn't fulfill one of those criteria then it is not a priority.

I'm a bit disappointed in the questions in this survey because many are very leading, as though there is an agenda already in place. If that is the case, it's a sign that we will continue on our downward trajectory. If the people who created the survey have no experience creating them, then they should have reached out to find people who do this for a living. I'm concerned the committee doesn't have people qualified to develop a 10 year plan.

149 6/23/2022 16:21

I am an owner of a business in Wellesley. I would like to expand and have been looking to open a second location in Holliston. Would like to learn more on how I can be more involved in this effort.

150 6/23/2022 16:26

As noted in other sections, I am strongly opposed to the development of 555 Hopping Brook to be used as a large distribution facility.

151 6/23/2022 16:31

I FEEL LIKE THIS TOWN HAS MISMANAGED FUNDS AND PUT US YEARS BEHIND SURROUNDING TOWNS. HOLLISTON DESPARATELY NEEDS A NEW HIGH SCHOOL, STOP CUTTING INTO OUR WOODS TO BUILD HOUSES AND START BUILDING A NEW HIGH SCHOOL. HAVE YOU WALKED THROUGH THE HS GYM LATELY? ITS DEPRESSING AN EMBARRASSMENT TO ALL. FOCUS ON THE BIGGEST THINGS THAT DESPARATELY NEED TO GET DONE FIRST, THEN GO ON TO THE LITTLE THINGS.

152 6/23/2022 16:34

I am happy living in Holliston and have no complaints.

153 6/23/2022 16:44

every year I feel more and more like this town no longer cares about my neighborhood. Between the rail trail and Hoppingbrook Park it's hard to want to stay here, not to mention trying to get to work down route 16, the traffic lights have made the commute way too long.

154 6/23/2022 16:52

Thanks for asking for feedback

155 6/23/2022 17:45

This was a bit longer than advertised.

156 6/23/2022 18:45

Thank you for including my input.

157 6/23/2022 19:55

Sewer and parking in downtown should be Top priority

158 6/23/2022 21:37

Let's make Holliston the best town in the Metrowest region.

159 6/23/2022 21:48

Stop gentrifying Holliston through high water bills and high property taxes. Build new sidewalks throughout Holliston, a new library, and expand town sewer pipes throughout Holliston.

160 6/23/2022 22:14

You have crafted a good set of thoughtful questions.

161 6/23/2022 22:44

I'm not sure I heard about survey 1.

162 6/23/2022 22:57

This was a great survey. Thank you for preparing it! Great content.

163 6/23/2022 23:30

	Holliston has always been a great place. I grew up here and wanted to raise my kids here. Unfortunately, the state is way to liberal politically for me. I will sell and move once my youngest daughter graduates HS. I wouldn't pull her out of school to start someplace else. It's not fair to her.	6/24/2022 6:15
164		
165	Excellent survey. Relevant questions and good use of technology. Nice job.	6/24/2022 7:50
	I would not mind being more active in the town and attend meetings. During our residency, this his not been possible as much as I would like.	6/24/2022 8:50
166		
	The senior center seems stuck in a business as usual modus operandi despite having changed directors (3 in last 5 years). Maybe look to towns like Ashland and Sherborn as models for improving services, communication, and activities. Holliston could benefit by adding energy and innovation into its humdrum operation.	6/24/2022 9:03
167		
168	there is a lot to tackle but a strategic investment plan in the future of holliston is critical.	6/24/2022 9:20
	These surveys have been very thorough and well organized. They should help future direction of the town.	6/24/2022 9:27
169		
170	Holliston has changed in the last 10 years...it's time for the town to change to reflect its residents.	6/24/2022 9:54
	Nearly ever question in this survey is double barreled, confusing or vague. This makes much of what you are gathering invalid.	6/24/2022 11:14
171		
	Because I and my family--representing 3 generations--reside in Holliston, every aspect of its future is important to me. For this reason, prioritizing items of importance to the community is almost impossible! Of course, the Committee will find a similarity to my survey replies. But also, several aspects of the community have pressing needs, and evaluations/studies of various aspects of the community appear to be simultaneously on-going. This may make presentation of future visions frustrating to residents.	6/25/2022 11:26
172		
	I love Holliston and walnut road neigh or hood is the best group of families I could have ever hoped to meet and get to know! I just can't stand the lights in town and still so disappointed my son couldn't get the additional support we sought from 5-7 grades! And all the amazing gift and home shops that keep closing leaving the town so empty looking.	6/25/2022 12:52
173		
	It would seem from the wide range of categories and questions within each category that it will be difficult to cull out a clear theme (s) from the resulting data. It is likely that we want it all and will be disappointed if something doesn't make the final outcome.	6/25/2022 13:05
174		
175	Thank you all for all your hard work on this project!	6/25/2022 15:11
176	Let's keep the residents the priority!	6/25/2022 18:26
	Holliston needs to find a way to balance needs and programs for the community with available funds. It is not an easy undertaking.	6/25/2022 21:34
177		
178	Thank you!	6/26/2022 7:04
179	Comprehensive survey. Good work.	6/26/2022 11:53

	I enjoy living in Holliston (have lived here for 12 years) and have convinced friends to move here. I just wish that there was more action and less arguing about hot topics - again, we can please everyone all the time, but it is important to make decisions that are in the best interest of the town. If we don't attract more families to move to Holliston (think schools) than all the preservation we try to focus on will be for nothing.	6/27/2022 9:14
180		
181	Thanks for doing this!	6/27/2022 18:36
	We need to take advantage of state funds to develop the town. Holliston is staying behind and not advancing. Need new fresh forward thinking plans so we can grow and make Holliston a great town to be part of.	6/27/2022 18:56
182		
183	Why are we spending 2.5+ months on sidewalks/curb in Mudville when the streets in town are horrible? please please fix the roads.	6/28/2022 11:13
	Small town feel of Holliston is nice but it is TOO small. I dislike having to leave town so often for restaurants, groceries, etc. Would like more options within town and more businesses to share the tax burden.	6/28/2022 13:43
184		
	<p>Agree that the town desperately needs to upgrade aging facilities such as DPW/Water, the High School and updating the Fire Department living quarters etc. Appreciate that the town government is seeking to prioritize these projects and get them underway as kicking the can down the road will only cost more and cost taxpayers in services we deserve.</p> <p>No new sidewalks! This should NOT be a priority or expense to taxpayers at this time. We have bigger fish to fry and maintaining existing sidewalks should be reviewed relative to other priorities.</p> <p>The Mudville rehabilitation project turned into a taxpayers nightmare! How did we go from replacing water pipes which was expected 3+ years ago as a \$1Million dollar a year investment (leveraging our taxpayer funded \$75 water infrastructure fees) to replacing sidewalks, repaving and GRANITE curbs in this now "exclusive" area. Would expect that all neighborhoods receive this same treatment (inclusion). Please send the Select Board to the Fire Department for a ride through Mudville on Ladder 1.</p>	
185		6/29/2022 8:25
186	Please build a new high school	6/29/2022 14:09
187	Thank you for doing these surveys	6/29/2022 20:53
188	Thank you for doing this	6/29/2022 21:19
189	Also sidewalks up Central street	6/29/2022 21:36
	Holliston really is lacking in some big areas and would like to see it working for its residents instead of just getting by or doing the bare minimum. It's really embarrassing when we start to compare ourselves to the surrounding towns and how behind we are in the times/how we operate/community access to library/parks, not much excitement for community events. It's sad that the residents seek connection/culture in surrounding towns - that's extremely telling of where Holliston currently stands.	6/29/2022 22:33
190		

191	Local neighborhoods need infrastructure updates. Street lamps don't work, sidewalks are horrible, flooding...	6/30/2022 9:12
192	You have 2 years to take control of the town and get a plan in place before you slip into a hole where we will never get out of. Stop talking and start doing. Take advantage of grants and companies wanting to come here. Have them fund projects.	6/30/2022 9:44
193	The school system need major help. In all ways. I worry about bullying, possible violence, lack of diversity and the kids are behind surrounding schools in what they are learning.	6/30/2022 10:08
194	Holliston, throughout my life here, has always been a well-run, well-managed town. No scandals. Always steered by people who live here & care deeply about this town. Was terrified by Hopping Brook project last year that would have changed Holliston into a traffic nightmare. Please keep the safe & peaceful nature of the town intact. Manage traffic, address bad intersections. Keep up with maintenance. Keep hiring people with a vision for this special small town. I've been happy here for 70 years & want to see Holliston continue to have great schools, activities for all ages, keep seniors in their homes, welcome diversity, keep the town safe, control speeding on streets, CONTROL TRUCK TRAFFIC ON streets designated NO Trucks. You're doing a great job. Keep it going.	6/30/2022 10:37
195	thank you for conducting the survey	6/30/2022 11:57
196	May be interested in getting more active by joining some committees	6/30/2022 13:30
197	Thanks for gathering this info. It's nice to be asked what I think about my town.	6/30/2022 21:03
198	Please invest in our children - schools, programming, facilities etc. We don't need a "rainy day" fund. We need to support our children to thrive.	6/30/2022 21:31
199	Survey #1 was very confusing. I can't see how it would of any use.	7/1/2022 15:25
200	This survey was waaay too long and had many similar questions	7/1/2022 15:54
201	Thank you	7/2/2022 17:53
202	Need to figure out broader tax base. Wish it was more diverse but how do we attract diversity. Stop the bullying in schools. We put on a facade that everything is great and people know better. Need more honesty and trust building.	7/2/2022 18:46
203	How is this information going to be used, and will it raise our taxes.	7/3/2022 12:53
204	Thank you for allowing residents to have a voice in this process!	7/3/2022 15:07
205	thank you for your efforts to improve and support this little town! I hope we can keep those big trucks in check!	7/4/2022 0:28
206	We love Holliston and appreciate all the good management that has made it such a wonderful town. We just want to see it grow in a smart sustainable way that encourages walking/biking, is inviting to all -with some more affordable housing units, and prioritizes small independent businesses and a thriving downtown.	7/4/2022 9:26
207	Good luck and can you implement a RE tax increase freeze for seniors over 65	7/5/2022 9:29
208	I would really like to see if there's a long-term plan for moving away from septic systems for homes. Perhaps expanding the sewer to downtown would allow us eventually to tap into that. Residents are running out of space for moving their septic systems.	7/5/2022 9:41

209	We love Holliston because it feels like a small town, we need to help the schools and improve our drinking water..	7/5/2022 16:14
210	Holliston is beautiful, I don't think major changes are needed, just preserve the charm of the town	7/5/2022 16:31
211	I hope that we can retain a pleasant town but make it healthier(water, pesticides, trees) and make sure that we have an honest administration on whom we depend.	7/5/2022 21:40
212	Sidewalk cleanup is a property of safety and compliance.	7/6/2022 16:52
	<p>I've looked at the town's goals of improving water quality, conservation of wildlife and forests, economic growth, sustainability, healthy living and eating and greater use of more our public places by more and more people. If we are serious about creative solutions to meet these goals we must consider all ideas with fresh eyes. A town-managed archery hunting program is a safe and legal way to help achieve those goals. It's important to many residents who are not represented in town government and would provide local opportunity to recreate. While hunters work all week and might have three or four Saturday mornings a year to try to hunt during season, retirees and non-working adults have ample time to create town policy and try to restrict recreation on publicly-owned land.</p> <p>Residents of Holliston travel to towns like Milford, Hopkinton, Upton, Sherborn, Dover, and Weston where they allow for archery hunting on public land according to Massachusetts State Law. There are benefits to Holliston residents in the form of meaningful outdoor experiences and healthy meat. There is a reduction on demand for factory-farmed pork, chicken and beef and the fossil fuel it takes to ship those tons of meat from the midwest or Brazil to Massachusetts. Venison is a sustainable resource and the biologists at Mass Wildlife say our community has more deer than it can sustainably support. One deer can produce 60 pounds of Venison which is a welcome store of delicious meat in these times of inflation and rising beef prices.</p> <p>Promoting sale of hunting licenses helps manage wildlife and goes to purchase land for wilderness areas. These "WMAs" are enjoyed by hikers, kayakers, and bird watchers.</p> <p>One of the goals of Holliston is preserving the rural character of our town. An archery-only or town permit-only hunting program is the perfect balance of preserving our rural character and protecting the safety of our residents. Archery hunting is conducted well off trail at ranges of 10-30 yards maximum. Towns like Sherborn dictate how many town permits are issued and restrict hunters to hunt only from elevated tree stands and shooting at a downward safe angle. The hunter identifies the animal from "tip to tail" and target confusion with archery is unheard of.</p> <p>Hunting is conducted legally and safely according to state law with 500 foot setbacks from buildings and never on Sunday. Hunting is a legal and safe form of recreation regulated by state law and the town's anti-hunting policies were created by people who are more active in town government than in the woods and forests. There is no reasonable argument that can be made to not allow for</p>	
213	legal archery hunting in Holliston.	7/7/2022 9:40

214	This survey is very general (i.e. "How much do you support this good thing, rank 1-5"). It could be more helpful to have something like a "Would you rather" or "rank these initiatives into most/least desirable") to identify priorities.	7/8/2022 11:07
215	We need to make Holliston great again - it has been slowly declining. Too stagnant and status quo	7/8/2022 11:40
216	Thank you for doing this. I appreciate the chance for input.	7/8/2022 16:59
217	We need a new high school, focus on updating the downtown infrastructure, and attracting younger families. Holliston was once thought of a top rated town but has been slowly declining in attractiveness to new families and our schools are also continuing to slip in their ratings. Make Holliston great again!	7/9/2022 1:19
218	Stop trying to figure out whose voting. Put in a decent high school. Mingo.	7/9/2022 20:34
219	Property taxes too high and city offerings too low. Need some committed vision around downtown corridor. Town has huge opportunity and town leadership has responsibility to move town forward.	7/10/2022 19:03
220	Hope something happens with these surveys	7/11/2022 12:07
221	Unfortunately I felt the survey could have used the input of all types of people from the start. The instrument itself is flawed because it did not have diversity of thought in its creation. I fear it will not measure what it is intended to measure. One big problem is there is no place to indicate whether you captured the LGBTQ demographic in town, no place to indicate diversity of religion. Representation of diversity on this committee and in this project was flawed from the start.	7/14/2022 16:57
222	Many questions were fashioned to elicit a very positive response. This will lead to respondents wanting all things and the town cannot afford this.	7/17/2022 22:02
223	Please move forward with downtown development. Everyone wants to have a downtown that people can spend time and enjoy. When people are finding a place to live, they look at a lot of factors. Want people to stay in holliston then holliston needs to enhance downtown.	7/18/2022 14:21
224	Holliston is falling behind all of the neighboring towns inside 495 re quality of our High School, quality of roads/sidewalks/traffic - time to really and finally address these issues!!!	7/18/2022 14:48
225	Thank you for taking the time to produce this survey	7/18/2022 17:03
226	More business so our home tax rate can be improved.. RELIEF FOR SENIORS..	7/18/2022 17:49
227	We really love living in Holliston and think that it's a great community. We really supported the planning board not approving the permit for 555 hopping brook. I would rather see our taxes go up than sacrifice development that negatively impacts the community.	7/18/2022 17:57
228	Yes I don't know how the town justifies using \$11 in water and charging \$75 to transport it	7/18/2022 18:10
229	Never received info on survey 1. I moved to Holliston years ago because of the schools, the relationship between parents and teachers, the support people gave to the school, and the community feel. People of all ages worked together to create an environment that helped our children grown into young adults.	7/18/2022 19:11
230	Improve the water, please!	7/18/2022 19:17

231	Thank you!	7/18/2022 19:49
232	Holliston needs to be a town that has an outstanding educational system, and an excellent municipal infrastructure that will support residential and business growth to attract families to want to stay and be productive in our community. In addition a governing structure that will support all of the people and not just the few with "loud" opinions.....	7/18/2022 20:06
233	This survey is an admirable attempt, but answering the priorities questions coherently demands a much greater knowledge of the Town's existing budgets and financial position than I possess.	7/18/2022 20:59
234	Schools rating and technology is falling way behind schools in nearby towns and that is very disappointing. We have higher taxes than most towns for great schools but in the past 6 years we have been here schools ratings have progressively fallen.	7/18/2022 21:58
235	Holliston is wonderful place to live. I am nervous that we will end up like Sherborn where the tax rate is so insane that most of the seniors have had to move. Seniors appreciate stability	7/18/2022 23:33
236	Stop wasting time, money. Actions speak louder than your words and long surveys.	7/19/2022 6:31
237	Thanks for doing this. Please follow up and I would like to take Survey 1. ITS ALL ABOUT EXECUTION NOW!	7/19/2022 6:48
238	Keep Holliston beautiful!	7/19/2022 9:06
239	Was not aware of survey #1	7/19/2022 11:16
240	Thanks foe your efforts!	7/19/2022 12:23
241	Focus efforts on investing in necessary infrastructure (to include downtown sewer and school teachers) so Holliston is attractive to small businesses and couples with young children.	7/19/2022 12:58
242	To make this more accessible, this should have been also given out as paper copy for those not computer or internet literate.	7/19/2022 13:47
243	Very happy you're doing this but I fear we don't have enough resources to carry out all the desires.	7/19/2022 13:57
244	never saw a survey #1	7/19/2022 16:02
245	I have put a lot of time and effort supporting the youth sports programs in town. I have been coaching/volunteering in town for almost 20 years. Serving on the BOD for three different programs for over 10 years each. I have spent countless hours tending to the fields and gyms in town and have tried on several occasions to move things forward in this area but the town has consistently ignored. Look at infrastructure of surrounding towns i.e. schools, fields, town ammenities etc - we are way behind and probably have higher tax rates than all of them. Why would a young family want to choose Holliston over Hopkinton, Medway, Ashland etc?	7/19/2022 16:50
246	Great survey. Thank you for taking steps in the right direction to help continue to improve our great town.	7/19/2022 18:10
247	Thank you for all you do.	7/19/2022 22:42
248	Efforts in this area are a GREAT improvement!	7/20/2022 9:20

249	Don't recall if I attended first one	7/20/2022 10:39
250	Thank you for sending this form. It makes me feel like I have a voice in this town.	7/20/2022 11:10
251	Review town government pensions	7/20/2022 13:25
252	I'm very grateful for everyone who has volunteered their time to make things better in our town. All unsung heroes.	7/20/2022 14:37
253	Preserve our small town by not building any more houses and help to save our people & homes by having FULL TIME FIRE AND EMS SERVICES!!!	7/20/2022 20:14
254	I didn't know about survey #1 :)	7/20/2022 21:42
255	Thanks for caring about the feedback of the community! Holliston is a great place for young families moving out of the city and it's important to provide the interesting/fun/expected things ex-city-dwellers want.	7/20/2022 21:50
256	When will infrastructure fee on water bill go away? Normal charge for water and meter is around \$120, then \$75 to fix the filter station my side of town doesn't use?	7/20/2022 23:54
257	LOVE Holliston!!	7/21/2022 11:56
258	Thank you!	7/21/2022 13:09
259	The water needs to be a priority, we have paid enough & waited way to long for safe drinking water.	7/21/2022 15:01
260	Expand/develop town center in ways that increase social interaction and opportunities for community participation	7/21/2022 15:33
261	Since you asked the question above, English should be the official language of the Untied States, our state and our town.	7/21/2022 18:36
262	Survey answers don't allow people to indicate when they don't have enough information to answer. Also, need more information to understand what people mean by their answers. Hope you intend to have follow-up discussions with residents. Also, some of the issues can be addressed jointly, e.g. diversity and affordable housing, creating an inclusive community through reimagining community traditions, etc. We need to think more creatively about the issues.	7/22/2022 10:48
263	I didn't see a survey #1.	7/22/2022 13:46
264	It's a nice town but we need to make sure our schools are top notch, the importance of arts and music education are not overlooked, and people are not priced out of town by high real estate taxes. Our small businesses are awesome and we need to protect them.	7/22/2022 15:23
265	It's a serious issue that those of us who pay the highest property taxes are also being killed with water rates. This needs to be fixed! We could also help guide the town if asked.	7/22/2022 19:03
266	Thanks :)	7/22/2022 19:29
267	thanks for running this survey! looking forward to reading/hearing about the results	7/23/2022 9:33
268	See huge potential for this town, but it could easily become over crowded with trucks and traffic. Ideally would only like new businesses like restaurants or retail rather than more garage/car places. Love the community aspect for younger	7/23/2022 9:51

children and hope over the years the same could be said for kids as they get older.

	Holliston has a nice small town feel but should be possible to preserve this while improving downtown offerings especially dining and recreation. Surrounds towns are beginning to clearly offer more varied and desirable downtown areas. The highschool is well past due for replacement. There are a number of commercial areas which require beautification. Despite living close to downtown unable to access due to lack of sidewalks and therefor do not utilize downtown as should. And finally how long will the empty gas station remain the main focal point of downtown	7/23/2022 10:54
269		
	My major concern is the horrific traffic down Washington Street. The noise pollution and the exhaust pollution. Perhaps explore banning truck traffic on Sundays?	7/23/2022 11:44
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271	Thank you.	7/23/2022 14:13
272	Schools and sewers	7/23/2022 14:52
	Water quality provided by the town is sub par and I would appreciate that this be addressed expeditiously	7/24/2022 9:58
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274	Fix the roads!	7/24/2022 18:08
275	Thank you for conducting this survey. I love Holliston!	7/25/2022 5:10
	Thank you for this survey and your work. I love living in Holliston and feel very safe and comfortable here. I am forever impressed and grateful for the people who keep the town running so that this is such a lovely place to live.	7/25/2022 17:29
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277	Survey great idea - good luck.	7/25/2022 18:58
278	I am not aware of survey # 1	7/25/2022 19:26
	Love all the flowers downtown so I often donate. Out of towners often compliment!	7/25/2022 22:24
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	I appreciate the reaching out for my perspective. I wish the answers utilized ranking issues against each other since the town will need to prioritize what to improve among many good options.	7/26/2022 16:20
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281	Please get rid of the closed down gas station in center of town	7/26/2022 20:47
282	Thanks for looking forward	7/27/2022 11:59
	PLEASE help to modernize the town more and allow for more things to do. We moved to Holliston for the great school system however we find ourselves going to all other towns for things to do (places to eat, activities for our kids, holiday traditions, etc)	7/27/2022 13:06
283		
	Let's preserve what's important; history, great schools, safety and the environment, while making the necessary changes we need to brighten up our community and ensure a strong economic future.	7/27/2022 13:11
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285	There were no questions on the survey about expanding the size of the trash barrels	7/28/2022 15:50
	I love the lights downtown, i know a lot of townies complained about them but they make a huge difference in trying make turns off of Washington St safely!	7/28/2022 18:11
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287	Thank you & good luck !!	7/29/2022 7:54
288	Would love side walks in my area to allow safe exploration of the city	7/29/2022 9:29
289	Thank you for compiling this data. Let's hope there were many participants!	7/30/2022 10:52
<p>Too many questions were only asking the town to promote a given topic. Promotion is cheap and for many initiatives won't move a needle. The town should certainly be more assertive on development programs that would expand interest in Holliston as a great place for families and for businesses while sustaining the charm and safety of our community.</p>		
290		7/30/2022 22:06
<p>Why is "race" not included in these demographics? Why is "household income" not included? What is the process for analyzing the data from this survey? How diverse is the team who will analyze the data from this survey? How diverse is the team who will determine how to apply the data from this survey to creating the change Holliston needs? What were the demographics of the team that designed this survey? Any future surveys to be developed must have a design team that is more diverse and more representative.</p> <p>Truly "Envisioning Future Holliston" challenges us. That future must see us realize the change we need. The future of our community and the Commonwealth, and the future for our children will depend on how well we build our capacity to lead change.</p>		
291	A sincere thank you to all those working on this initiative.	7/31/2022 6:38
292	Thanks for putting these out. Great work.	7/31/2022 9:30
293	Keep up the good work!	7/31/2022 16:00
294	Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback.	7/31/2022 16:45
295	Thank you for your work on our town!	8/1/2022 9:00
296	Thank you!	8/1/2022 9:19
297	Thank you!	8/1/2022 9:32
298	Thank you for taking the time to read through these comments.	8/1/2022 16:07
299	Sorry I missed the first one. If it's still open, I'll be happy to take it	8/1/2022 21:36
300	A 5 person select board is going to benefit the town.	8/2/2022 12:37
301	Thanks for doing this	8/2/2022 20:52
302	I love this Town. Have been here 50 years and have no desire to move	8/2/2022 21:50
303	Thank you for attempting to get citizen input!	8/2/2022 22:59
304	Thanks for letting me share my thoughts	8/2/2022 23:23

	Too many signs in Holliston. The stop sign on Jennings road is absurd. Lately someone posted signs on many telephone poles of a lost dog. The owners should be responsible for removing them after 1 month. Some signs remained posted for 3 years. Contractors hired to remove snow from streets "plow" snow when there is only bare pavement or they will pass multiple times when it is not needed. The sign recently posted: speed limit is 25mph unless otherwise posted. Something to that effect. Is that really necessary. Maybe I'll forward signs in Holliston I feel are not necessary.	8/3/2022 10:52
305		
306	I fear our town is not keeping up with the surrounding towns in education and with commerce. Sewer in the downtown area might make a big difference.	8/3/2022 13:04
307	Improve Education, Larger Trash Barrels	8/3/2022 15:48
308	Thanks for running this!	8/3/2022 16:03
309	thank you for your efforts!	8/3/2022 16:11
	We've lived in Town since 1989 (almost 33 years) and raised both girls here in this Town. Infrastructure is extremely important in this Town, Water Dept. finally fixed well #5 which is close to our home. The field maintenance on all ballfields needs improvement (it's disgraceful leaving it up to the parents to maintain) and we need to evaluate whether we need a new high school. In closing, thanks to everyone working on this Committee, your work and volunteerism is greatly appreciated!!!	
310		8/5/2022 10:33
	NEW HIGH SCHOOL - should be the #1 focus if the town is considering town values and drawing new families as well as business to the town. As the #1 selling team in the town's #1 Real Estate office I know that this is critical to keeping home values up and to be able to compete with families looking to move to this area over other towns that are now becoming more desirable due to schools (Hopkinton, Medfield have passed Holliston; Medway, Millis Ashland and now even Upton and Mendon are getting attention for their schools and Holliston is not being seen as desirable with families moving to the area that are focused on school systems).	
311		8/5/2022 14:39
312	Thank you for your hard work on behalf of all of our citizens.	8/7/2022 12:34
313	Thanks for collecting this data.	8/7/2022 16:14
	Holliston has 3 - 55+ communities. since the residence pay for snow removal and garbage collection, but have no children in the school system, there should be some way to decrease across the board our property taxes. We pay A LOT of property taxes. Don't mind paying our fair share.	
314		8/8/2022 10:24
315	Water Quality Water Quality	8/8/2022 13:25
316	Biodiversity is my passion!	8/8/2022 18:54
317	Thanks for your work	8/9/2022 8:11

