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**MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** MAYOR & MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL  
**FROM:** MICHELLE HALSTEAD, COMMUNICATIONS & INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS DIRECTOR  
**SUBJECT:** ONLINE SURVEY RESULTS: 2013 BALLOT PROPOSAL  
**DATE:** AUGUST 14, 2013

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Over the last two years, city council sought input from residents, businesses, land owners and non-profits on how best to achieve the city's vision of a "Quality Community for a Lifetime." From community meetings to surveys, stakeholders have consistently said that investing in our community, providing programs and services that address growing population needs is the best way to achieve our vision and build a better Commerce City.

City Council directed staff to create an online survey to augment the input gained during town hall meetings held Aug. 6 – Aug. 14, 2013. The city used a dedicated [surveymonkey.com](http://surveymonkey.com) link to obtain anonymous opinions on the ballot initiative under consideration. The survey's availability (July 26 – Aug. 16) was promoted through a variety of means, including social and earned media, mailers, telephone calls and the city's website.

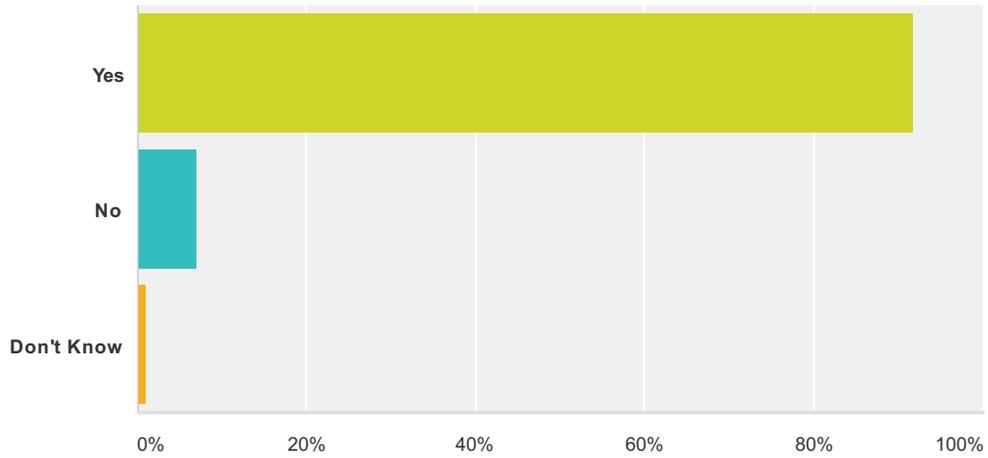
In summary:

- 351 survey participants
- 92 percent believe investments are necessary to achieve city vision
- 85 percent believe investments would improve quality of life
- 77 percent would definitely vote yes; 14 percent probably vote yes for one-cent (1%) sales tax increase to fund projects if referred

The survey data is attached, including open-ended responses to questions. Please reach out for additional information.

**Q1 Do you believe the proposed projects are necessary to achieve the city's vision of a "Quality Community for a Lifetime"?**

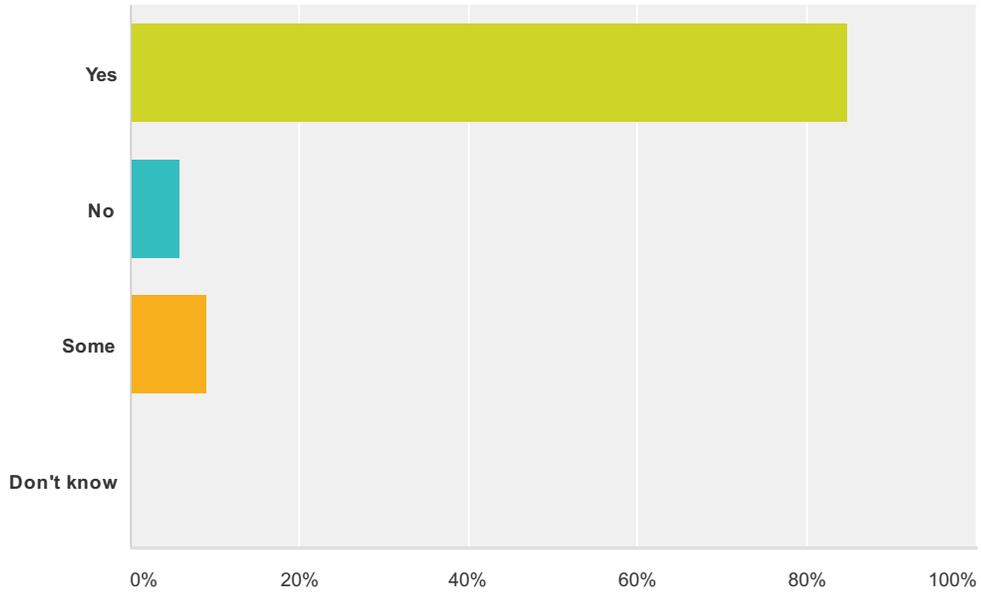
Answered: 351 Skipped: 0



Answer Choices	Responses	
<b>Yes</b>	<b>91.74%</b>	322
<b>No</b>	<b>7.12%</b>	25
<b>Don't Know</b>	<b>1.14%</b>	4
<b>Total</b>		<b>351</b>

### Q2 Would these projects improve your quality of life?

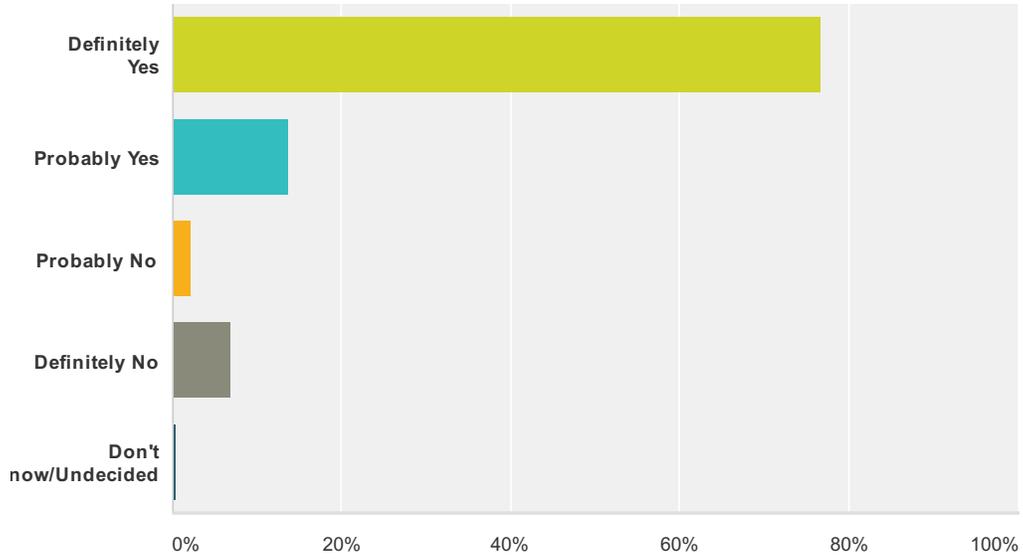
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Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	84.62% 297
No	5.98% 21
Some	9.12% 32
Don't know	0.28% 1
Total	351

**Q3 All of these projects could be constructed within the next five years if the city increases its sales tax by one cent. Would you support a sales tax increase to fund these projects?**

Answered: 351 Skipped: 0



Answer Choices	Responses	
<b>Definitely Yes</b>	<b>76.64%</b>	269
<b>Probably Yes</b>	<b>13.68%</b>	48
<b>Probably No</b>	<b>2.28%</b>	8
<b>Definitely No</b>	<b>6.84%</b>	24
<b>Don't Know/Undecided</b>	<b>0.57%</b>	2
<b>Total</b>		<b>351</b>

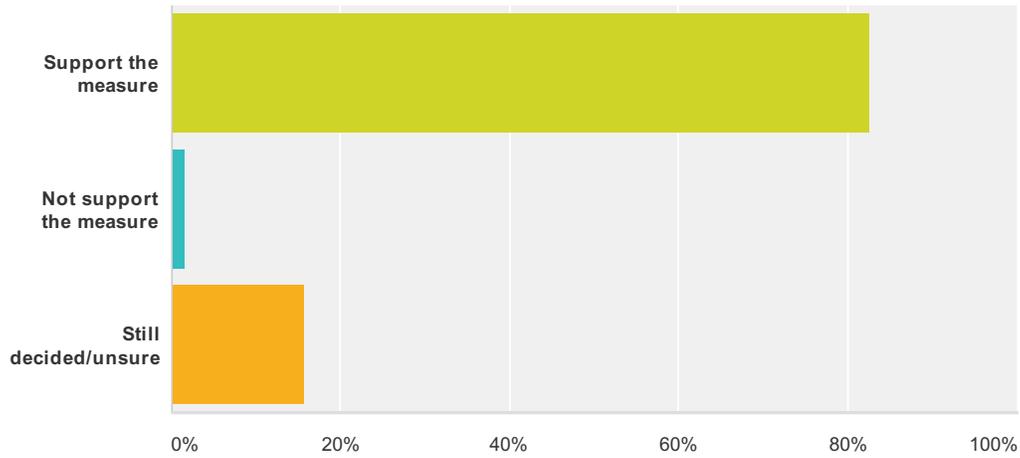
## Q4 What additional information would you need to make a decision?

Answered: 29 Skipped: 322

#	Responses	Date
1	I want to know if there will be an indoor lap pool at the new recreation center	8/9/2013 11:52 AM
2	What is the Impact of sales tax increase on local businesses, especially those businesses that compete with similar businesses in adjoining cities	8/8/2013 9:13 AM
3	It is unclear already as to what is taxable. Need to define this before the city moves forward.	8/7/2013 10:03 PM
4	If there were Lighted Tennis Courts in parks	8/7/2013 12:05 PM
5	When will the projects be constructed with the next 5 years to justify the raise of sale tax by 1 cent. And is that 1 cent on every dollar spent or 1 cent on how much? What is the layed out projected plan dates of building each of these projects? What justifies South Commerce City (South of arsenal) getting a new Seasonal play area vs the North Commerce City (North of arsenal) when there is nothing for family's North of the arsenal to really do as quality family time.	8/2/2013 12:22 PM
6	NA	8/1/2013 5:23 PM
7	the location on the future seasonal outdoor pool	8/1/2013 12:08 PM
8	Why are there no tennis courts in any facilities? Why are the projects tax funded and then charge admission to residents?	7/31/2013 10:23 AM
9	SPECIFIC AND DEFINITIVE DETAILS	7/31/2013 8:58 AM
10	Unsure	7/30/2013 10:04 PM
11	Proposed sales tax and budget numbers	7/30/2013 9:35 PM
12	More informaton on the tax increase. Not sure one cent is correct in your wording???	7/30/2013 9:32 PM
13	Why hasnt it been done yet? It has been proposed for more than 5 years and now we have to ante up more \$, to what end... wait another 5 years and see if the city can learn to budget its money properly?	7/30/2013 3:47 PM
14	How well are we currently stewarding our tax dollars?	7/30/2013 3:40 PM
15	If Hickenlooper proceeded with the "education funding" tax of 5% which will increase most people's taxes to 10% for state taxes. If this is a measure on the ballot, I'm not sure our family could afford to pay all of these taxes and one measure would need to be voted down by our family.	7/30/2013 3:26 PM
16	School and road budget	7/30/2013 1:54 PM
17	Would my neighborhood be part of the service area?	7/30/2013 1:46 PM
18	Deadline dates for final construction	7/30/2013 11:27 AM
19	what exciting rec center are you referring to?	7/30/2013 10:59 AM
20	Would tax go back down once projects are paid for?	7/30/2013 10:56 AM
21	Our taxes are already really high and these are the things that were promised with our high taxes. Not a fan of raising them again. Depending on how much would make a difference if its really one cent I can handle that.	7/30/2013 10:48 AM
22	none	7/30/2013 9:59 AM
23	What is the cost of use at each location? Are they exclusive or open to all public?	7/30/2013 9:58 AM
24	One cent per what?	7/30/2013 9:33 AM
25	na	7/30/2013 8:50 AM
26	will there be an increase in my HOA fees for the Second Creek park and recreation center? Will Tower road be widened from 80th Ave to Pena blvd also and when?	7/30/2013 7:59 AM
27	publish city budget and spending records	7/30/2013 5:56 AM
28	complete written out proposal	7/30/2013 1:51 AM
29	Sizes of facilities - hours for accessibility - hours set aside for seniors' use	7/30/2013 1:09 AM

**Q5 If you had more information about these items, would it help you better make a decision to:**

Answered: 57 Skipped: 294



Answer Choices	Responses
<b>Support the measure</b>	<b>82.46%</b> 47
<b>Not support the measure</b>	<b>1.75%</b> 1
<b>Still undecided/unsure</b>	<b>15.79%</b> 9
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>

## Q6 Please provide additional feedback for council members to consider

Answered: 172 Skipped: 179

#	Responses	Date
1	An on-ramp to Pena Boulevard from Tower Road leading away from DIA would be a HUGE improvement that would go hand in hand with the widening of the Tower Road. Also re-pavement of 88th Ave between Tower Rd and Buckley Rd, and re-pavement of Buckley Rd between 88th Ave and 96th Ave. These improvements to the city roads and traffic should be considered a necessity. Thank you.	8/14/2013 2:16 PM
2	Thank you for your interest and effort in making this happen. We greatly appreciate it!!	8/13/2013 4:52 PM
3	Although new development is great, it also attracts more people, and therefore more opportunities for crime. Please keep an increase in police power in mind too. I'd hate for us to build and abandon due to crime.	8/13/2013 3:46 PM
4	Highway 2 should also get additional lanes from 72nd to 104th	8/12/2013 4:19 PM
5	96th ave connection from nucla st. to tower road	8/10/2013 2:13 PM
6	Adding a new sales tax when the present economy is still fragile, could backfire and chase current retail and residential generators from Commerce City which would negate the benefit of the increase. Ways and means need to be created to embrace commercial and residential growth in Commerce City to broaden the tax base increasing revenue. Transportation is great since the families that support the business live in the city and pay applicable taxes, but the vehicles their spouses drive travel mostly out of the city or state limiting the environmental impact.	8/10/2013 11:07 AM
7	If this measure is passed I think the council should make sure the recreation center at Second Creek is the first project. This area really needs amenities and is lacking a family center for anyone outside of the Reunion development.	8/9/2013 6:28 PM
8	I live in Reunion, and definitely support the widening of Tower road to 4 lanes; this is a critical infrastructure improvement. I am also excited about the recreation center off 104th in my area, but would probably only use that facility if there is a lap pool that I could workout in. Currently, I am forced to swim with a Masters team in Aurora due to the lack of lap pools in the area.	8/9/2013 11:55 AM
9	We already pay enough taxes!	8/8/2013 4:38 PM
10	We pay high taxes living off 104th and have nothing out here and would love to see a rec center so we don't have to drive into Commerce city. Tower road needs widening ASP. Some great ideas !!!	8/8/2013 9:42 AM
11	I am concerned about impact of sales tax increase on local businesses. Also, there are few businesses in the city that are convenient for some of the northern residents. No Walmart, Home Depot, etc...	8/8/2013 9:15 AM
12	Commerce City is at 8% use tax at this time. That is higher than Denver at 7.62%. If you raise taxes by 1cent I take that to be an increase of 1% so use taxes go to 9%. If this is the case I will have a hard time being competitive to business in the next county. Therefore I would vote against this high of a tax increase.	8/8/2013 8:42 AM
13	The park at Buffalo Run would allow to not walk across a busy 4 lane road, Chambers.	8/7/2013 10:09 PM
14	Businesses are up in the air today on what the auditors view as being subject to the sales tax. The city staff, finance group, and auditors need to more clearly define what is subject to it. How can businesses make a decision on supporting a sales tax increase when what is subject to it is a moving target?	8/7/2013 10:06 PM
15	A new school and park is needed greatly at the proposed Villages at Buffalo Run East. Our current school at Turnberry Elementary is bursting at the seams. A school would complete the neighborhood and enhance further reasons to move near 120th and Chambers. The proposed park would eliminate the families on the east side of Chambers to have to cross their families across the busy 4-lane street of Chambers to reach the nearest park on the west side of Chambers at Buffalo Run.	8/7/2013 9:55 PM
16	Tax tax tax. Give the tax payers some relief!	8/7/2013 3:35 PM
17	The administration of the Commerce City sales and use tax is overly burdensome on businesses located in Commerce City. Vendors in surrounding areas should be required to charge the proper sales tax %	8/7/2013 3:25 PM
18	There are no Tennis Courts in the whole north eastern Commerce City/Reunion area at all. If the goal of this project is to become a community of a lifetime, then Tennis is a sport for anyone for a lifetime, and an easy low-maintenance way to help the health of the community. Thornton has a great park facilities with lighted courts, and it allows leagues and lessons for its residents.	8/7/2013 12:09 PM
19	I want them ALL, especially the Second Creek community center and the Tower Road improvements.	8/7/2013 11:36 AM
20	All these projects are essential if commerce city is going to continue to grow and expand. Please put this on the ballot, and please vote yes!!	8/7/2013 11:15 AM
21	Great job listening to feedback and coming up with a plan that will benefit the whole city, thank you!	8/6/2013 5:55 PM

# New Survey

22	City hall hates CC's blue-collar, working-class history and keeps trying to ignore it. Poor citizens, some relying on food banks and charity to survive, have to pay for the rich to get a new swimming pool? Nonsense!	8/6/2013 5:51 PM
23	I am very excited about this proposal. It would improve the quality of life for ALL CC residents. It would also increase property values with the work that would go into landscaping and generally improving the look and therefor the perception of CC.	8/6/2013 3:23 PM
24	Build a dog park!	8/6/2013 8:02 AM
25	Please consider a longer term sales tax than just 5 years! We could use a LOT of work on trails and parks throughout the city, but especially in the northern range. Longer term funding would be a huge benefit to the city as a whole.	8/5/2013 10:07 PM
26	Commerce City needs a rec center where kids can go and stay out of trouble	8/5/2013 10:01 PM
27	I think these projects would be great for our community and I know my family would fully support this small sales tax increase to reap these huge benefits!	8/5/2013 6:11 PM
28	It seems we can barely fund law enforcement and fire dept. All these tiny taxes add up and are like being pecked to death by a chicken.	8/5/2013 2:13 PM
29	Really need to widen hwy 2 instead of tower road	8/5/2013 2:09 PM
30	How can the city ask the residents to limit watering their lawns to 3 days a week and then proposed to use thousand of gallons of water for swimming pools? Why should the residents pay for these pools, when they are NOT necessary. They torn down a perfectly fine indoor pool at the old Adams City High School, now they want to build new ones? If parks are needed in the new section of Commerce City, ( Fronterra, Turnberry and Villages at Buffalo Run East), add the costs to their property taxes, not the entire city. The entire city WILLNOT be using them. Most of the old Commerce City residents are very low income and cannot afford any tax increases. They have already paid for these things in their section of town. Let those in the newer part pay for the things want like the old part did.	8/5/2013 9:00 AM
31	We would really like to see the Commerce City future park just west of Southlawn on Landmark developed!! This would be a great asset to the community and city!	8/5/2013 8:45 AM
32	Just a good idea for property values to continue upgrading our areas!	8/5/2013 8:00 AM
33	The rec center at 64th is too far for regular use. North needs one- it would be used and appreciated. I think folks up North need to see something like this to feel even more connected to the city of Commerce City. I don't think this increase is much but what we'd get in return is invaluable. Thank you for considering it!	8/4/2013 8:02 PM
34	I believe it is imperative that we add these facilities to improve our community image & value!	8/4/2013 6:11 PM
35	Creating outdoor environments where friends and families can play creates healthy, happy communities. These improvements bring people outside, connecting them with their neighbors and giving them the chance to not only enjoy our beautiful community but makes it easier to live healthy active lives. These kind of improvements would do so much to positively change the image of commerce city to one of a progressive, healthy active community where people connect, have fun and get MOVING! I am so excited about these proposals-we have been wanting to move for some time now because the community feels so bare. Having the King Soopers finally at 104th, and the idea of a new Rec Center in Fronterra is very exciting-and is the kind of community we would choose to STAY in. Thanks for the opportunity to weigh in!	8/4/2013 8:36 AM
36	This area is new I understand. To allow people to have a better quality of life, new amenities are necessary. A new recreational center in new Commerce City will help put the stigma of a lower income area to be deemed more livable. Please consider building a new facility.	8/3/2013 7:24 PM
37	I pay PIDs and PIFs all over town. I'd be happy to pay that to actually go towards my OWN city. I love the ideas. They aren't necessary but they sure would be nice and would be a huge boost to the residents. Let's do it!	8/3/2013 7:03 PM
38	Putting some of these facilities in the North Range would be most appreciated by those of us who pay a large tax burden in homeowner taxes. We could see something for the money we provide. It seems most of our money goes to the older section of Commerce City.	8/3/2013 4:09 PM
39	We NEED the rec center in the north part of Commerce City! The south has so much already, we NEED a pool that everyone can go to and especially an INDOOR pool and full rec center in the north part of Commerce City (any where along the 104th area) Citizens in our area do NOT use the rec center in the southern part of Commerce City, it's 20 or more minutes away so our kids cannot use it. We have so many pre-teens and teens that need somewhere to go. PLEASE build the rec center with indoor pool and other amenities somewhere near 104th and Chambers.	8/3/2013 3:17 PM

# New Survey

40	Why does sales tax always increase for projects but once projects are completed and paid for sales tax never drops off? I'm sure there was a sales tax increase 20+ years ago for the current rec center, it's done and paid for but tax never drops off? I guess I'm just not sure how this all works but it seems that if you put in an increase and pay off your project you shouldn't keep charging for that project. Also, I think that the city doesn't try to better these programs or try to "profit" they do a poor job of marketing their services. Take buffalo golf course for example, they could run that restaurant more efficiently but because they "don't care" about profit they run it poorly and don't try to market it or promote it or generally care about customer service - I bet that restaurant takes a loss every year, yet has the potential to fill a big need in this area. Government employees need to run these businesses as if they care if it's their own dollar but they just exist simply to exist. Currently it's a "build it and they will come" mentality but majority of people around here don't even know about city programs or services offered. We need a rec center up North - I think it will fare well and will be supported by the community up North.	8/3/2013 10:09 AM
41	I live in Reunion. Projects that benefit Commerce City do not benefit me. Do more out where I live and then I would be more supportive of projects. I already pay \$5000 per year on property taxes so not really interested in paying more at this time even if it is a sales tax.	8/3/2013 10:01 AM
42	As long as the measure does not leave the tax open ended with additional funds going to a general account that is not transparent to taxpayers, I would support this measure.	8/2/2013 5:02 PM
43	My family and I have lived out in the area for 10 years. For so long we've felt the city wasn't doing enough for youth and family outside of the schools. We would like to see this come into our community. Thank you!	8/2/2013 2:59 PM
44	I have been waiting for this sort of developing to happen in our new neighborhoods. It's time to make it a real community and bring families together! We need a rec center that has child care. We don't have one anywhere near for the public!	8/2/2013 12:52 PM
45	When will the projects be constructed with the next 5 years to justify the raise of sale tax by 1 cent. And is that 1 cent on every dollar or 1 cent on how much? Why wait till after 5 years when parts of, North of the arsenal, is older than that. What is the layed out projected plan dates of building each of these projects? What justifies South Commerce City (South of arsenal) getting a new Seasonal play area vs the North Commerce City (North of arsenal) when there is nothing for families North of the arsenal to really do as quality family time. North of the arsenal has nothing readily available for families to do during the hot summer month, as in any type of Seasonal play area that is open to the public.	8/2/2013 12:28 PM
46	Traffic on Chambers at 112th may be a problem if the new recreation center is built there. Not enough lanes and no sidewalks south of 112th.	8/2/2013 11:58 AM
47	We have a great opportunity to start some new projects that will support the community for many generations to come. This would really help to bring the community together and improve what is already a fantastic neighborhood.	8/1/2013 8:25 PM
48	NA	8/1/2013 5:24 PM
49	Please extend 96th to Tower Rd. The current Buckley and 88th roads are in terrible shape. I'm ashamed to bring relatives to my new house that way, so I have to drive farther north out of the way to avoid those crumbling roads. Also, Chambers Rd is very bumpy all the way from 96th to 120th. Repaving that road would be great. The same goes for all of 96th from highway 76 all the way to the turn at Buckley Rd. Whoever constructed the roads in the area did a terrible job. Everywhere else in the Denver metro the roads are smooth, but the ones going to/from Reunion are terribly bumpy.	8/1/2013 3:25 PM
50	Bottomline this is a growing family community from the southern part to Northern tip and these parks provide community engagement and safe places for parents to take their kids. In addition, there are so many kids playing in the streets of our communities in the north, parks like the Buffalo Run project are a must for their safety and opportunity to interact with neighbor friends.	8/1/2013 12:15 PM
51	What are the costs going to be in ten years to maintain these additions. Is it going to require an increase in taxes again? And how much do they anticipate the increase to be?	8/1/2013 12:10 PM
52	A rock climbing wall in the new rec center	8/1/2013 9:33 AM
53	I would support the tax as long as it is for the next five years to pay for the projects and then stopped.	8/1/2013 8:33 AM
54	The north part of the city is expanding rapidly and those living there need access to these amenities! The drive to the current rec center is too far and these proposed parks need to be completed!	8/1/2013 8:03 AM
55	We need areas close to second creek to continue to help our children thrive! These places would strengthen community but also promote an active lifestyle for kids so they see the importance of fitness, outdoor adventure, etc	8/1/2013 5:05 AM
56	Development in the northern range area sooner rather than later will drive families to look to live there.	7/31/2013 9:32 PM
57	It would be great for our family to have a more easily accessible recreation center in the northern part of Commerce City. We would definitely take advantage of the amenities it has to offer. Also, when you have young children, there can never be too many parks. So those would be welcomed as well.	7/31/2013 5:56 PM
58	These seem like great plans to improve our community!!	7/31/2013 5:44 PM
59	Dog park!	7/31/2013 5:00 PM

# New Survey

60	Tennis Courts are needed. None of these communities have tennis courts. It would be great if we had at least 1 set of courts with lights.	7/31/2013 4:22 PM
61	I grew up in a community (Eden Prairie, MN) that is consistently on the "Best Places" to live list and it is largely in part due to quality parks and recreation available to its residents. I would 100% support these improvements in my community!	7/31/2013 3:48 PM
62	For two working parents this would be very convient to keep kids active.	7/31/2013 3:26 PM
63	I would love to see a dog park incorporated somewhere in the plans. The existing First Creek Dog park at Havana is very secluded and always empty. I don't feel secure being there on my own. Lots of strange people just park there and sit in their cars. It would be much better to have a dog park within a community somewhere. It would be much safer and I believe more people would actually go there.	7/31/2013 12:34 PM
64	Bring it on! Would love to see an outdoor pool at the new rec also. Splash pad there, too. I really love what Thornton has done at the Carpenter Rec. We visit it often. I love to here they are planning on improvements on Tower. I would like to see it go all the way to 120th.	7/31/2013 12:18 PM
65	The improvements in the northern part of the city are necessary to lessen the feel of isolation up north. It is very hard to find recreation facilities open to people outside of the "Reunion" neighborhood.	7/31/2013 12:15 PM
66	Wooohooo! Do it!	7/31/2013 11:57 AM
67	Commerce City residents have benefited from the improvements completed in the last few years and we can see from those projects that the City does things well. Let's keep moving forward.	7/31/2013 11:45 AM
68	Desperately looking to have a rec center in the Fronterra Village area - would be willing to pay a lot more for an outdoor pool to be built at the same time. THANK YOU!	7/31/2013 11:20 AM
69	This area is up and coming, in order to bring more business and keep those of us that have lived here for 10+ yrs to stay, these improvements are more than necessary!	7/31/2013 10:48 AM
70	A dog park	7/31/2013 10:41 AM
71	Improvement project on Tower Road is very important, it's the matter of public safety.	7/31/2013 10:33 AM
72	At a time when the economy is down is the best use of tax dollars really for parks and rec facilities when these exist within the community already?	7/31/2013 10:24 AM
73	Please complete these projects as soon as possible. Our children would really benefit from them	7/31/2013 10:18 AM
74	Not all of the improvements suggested are needed at the current rec center. Also I believe a Spa Tub (hot tub) would also be beneficial. Something to consider.	7/31/2013 10:10 AM
75	Create the parks already!	7/31/2013 8:58 AM
76	A park off Chambers and 117th is a must. The sign has been there for almost a decade. 2nd creek rec facility is much needed. So is paving 112th from Chambers in both directions. Do something to entice restaurants near King Soopers. Your having allowed Les Schwab Tires on that prime piece of property off Chambers sure doesn't seem to fit the higher standards we would like to have seen developed in that area. It would have fit better off Hgwy 2 and your logic confounds me. Isn't the amazing community being developed north of 96th reason enough to not just put "lipstick on a pig"? We need to be more than just average and our gov't needs to set higher standards. Otherwise CC will continue with the negative stigma it has achieved and just cannot seem to shake. Most residents living north of 96th do not like to tell anyone they live in Commerce City. Instead they use "Reunion", N. Denver, or even Buffalo Run. Shea Homes typically will not use Commerce City in their real estate ads for Reunion. Lets really turn this area surrounding the Golf Course into something we can all REALLY be proud of. With respect, I speak on behalf of many of your constituents and would be happy to further this conversation. Michael P Kearns. 303-286-7402. The Greens at Buffalo Run.	7/31/2013 8:48 AM
77	Please build the rec center and more connecting bike paths!	7/31/2013 8:36 AM
78	A dog park would be very beneficial since the surrounding communities in northern commerce city are very canine friendly!!	7/31/2013 8:26 AM
79	I think the Southlawn Reunion area should get its pool as was promised when people bought here!! Why is it not on the list??	7/31/2013 7:53 AM
80	These projects are a must. However, property taxes are already ridiculously high. There has to be an excess of money that can be used already. If taxes continue to go up, you'll force people out of their homes. Then we'll have a foreclosure problem and our home values will drop.	7/31/2013 7:50 AM
81	Please attract more commerce to the area between 80th & 104th (Tower) as well.	7/31/2013 7:48 AM
82	Our taxes are ridiculously high in Reunion. There is NO WAY we should be paying more. We should be paying LESS or more people will move away.	7/31/2013 6:45 AM
83	Thank you!!!! all of this is well needed plus the south bound on ramp to Pena from Tower.	7/31/2013 6:33 AM
84	I see this as a huge priority for the community!!	7/30/2013 9:41 PM
85	Why is a sales tax proposed when the north part of city pays higher property taxes?	7/30/2013 9:36 PM
86	Please provide more information than raising taxes by one cent. Seems deceptive.	7/30/2013 9:33 PM

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87	I love the idea of a rec center at second creek and the widening of tower road!	7/30/2013 9:30 PM
88	We NEED decent restaurants in the Reunion area - NOT more duplicative cheap, drive-thrus. We also NEED a Catholic church of our own. We certainly don't need another gas station or liquor store. PLEASE City Council, get creative and let us know what we gained from your trip to Las Vegas.	7/30/2013 9:04 PM
89	Thank you for continually reaching out to the community for feedback! I'm hopeful and excited for this much needed growth.	7/30/2013 8:59 PM
90	The existing rec center is too far from the reunion to take advantage of additions or even existing amenities. Please please help to add the amenities close to the reunion neighborhood, so people will stop leaving the community because of amenities! Thanks!!	7/30/2013 8:42 PM
91	An indoor track and child care at rec center would be nice and very useful and helpful to community	7/30/2013 7:24 PM
92	We would love a lap pool outdoors too!	7/30/2013 6:21 PM
93	We really need amenities through Commerce City, not stupid Reunion who charges exorbitant fees to use their pool, etc.	7/30/2013 6:02 PM
94	Increasing sales tax one cent won't go very far. Unless of course you mean one cent for every dollar, then you are talking about a one percent increase in sales tax. Are you trying to trick people or just using incomplete language? Please don't dumb down this intelligent community.	7/30/2013 5:02 PM
95	I pay enough taxes let the rest of commerce city pay for it!	7/30/2013 4:22 PM
96	The only item necessary is the road widening. The rest, seriously???	7/30/2013 4:16 PM
97	Why is this even a question? Of course these items would be enjoyed.	7/30/2013 4:08 PM
98	Support for local schools & libraries should also be considered.	7/30/2013 3:41 PM
99	rec center at 112th first!!	7/30/2013 3:36 PM
100	We also need to recruit more upscale dining for the area. No more fast food, please!	7/30/2013 3:21 PM
101	Outdoor rec center in the reunion area should have a disk golf course!	7/30/2013 3:14 PM
102	A community pool in the frontera area is needed the closest pool is at least 20 min away and we do not get a discount as it is in Brighton. In addition with the growth of the area all pools are too full to make it any fun and most of them are only open in the summer. The pool needs to have a place for lap swimming as well.	7/30/2013 3:04 PM
103	Of all these projects, the only one we would support is the Tower Rd improvement. And then only with NO NEW TAXES. We already pay the highest taxes in the area.	7/30/2013 2:50 PM
104	Conversations with my neighbors (north Commerce City) would suggest significant confusion about differences between city amenities vs neighborhood/hoa amenities. Ongoing education (the color-coded park map is very helpful!) would be appreciated.	7/30/2013 2:42 PM
105	Widening Tower Road is essential to long term economic growth in Commerce City!	7/30/2013 2:37 PM
106	Do not widen Tower Road, instead fix/repave 96th, thats a main access to our community at 88th. Do not add to Reunion rec, they have the audacity to charge 20.00 to enter "their" pool if you are a Fronterra resident. Please please please give Fronterra a rec center and pool, whether it be in door, out door or better yet...both! I was going to sell and move to a pool community, it's that important. My foster kids and developmentally disabled clients, would definitely have an enhanced quality of life! I don't believe 3 additional parks are necessary, just the awesome rec center pleaseeeeeeeeeeease?!	7/30/2013 2:36 PM
107	build entrance to SB Pena from Tower Rd.	7/30/2013 2:33 PM
108	wait five years tell you have the funds before you start the project,find a way to fund these projects with out raising taxes	7/30/2013 2:28 PM
109	the large community park at second creek should include a large sledding hill. This would be an inexpensive but great addition to the area.	7/30/2013 2:19 PM
110	I am very upset about the storm water "fee"/TAX, that is being snuck by citizens through in the north area through our HOAs! We already pay extremely high mills in this area and for water related infrastructure in particular! City Council members, you should be ashamed of yourselves! Very sneaky! I have never paid such high taxes or lived in such an under-served community!	7/30/2013 2:17 PM
111	We have been waiting for something like this and would absolutely love it!!! It would provide us with a deeper sense of community for sure! Instead of having to travel and seek out activities for our kids and ourselves, it would all be right here!	7/30/2013 2:15 PM
112	We have lived in commerce city for 5 years now and are hoping to see some commercial growth as was promised us when we moved here. We appreciate what has been done to date but would like to see more.	7/30/2013 2:10 PM
113	A new community center in the northern part of the city is greatly needed! I am very excited about all the possible additions!	7/30/2013 1:57 PM
114	We have the lowest per child funding for our schools in the state. Please pass the mill levy. I would happily pay that tax.	7/30/2013 1:56 PM

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115	I feel that taxes can be put to better use. There do not need to be that many rec centers	7/30/2013 1:49 PM
116	Great ideas!	7/30/2013 1:45 PM
117	North Commerce City residents need a recreation center up here very badly . Currently we are driving across town to go to a facility that has babysitting and I end up spending all my dollars in another city because I am already there and the businesses are right there too. it would be fantastic if I didn't have to drive across town multiple times per week to work out.	7/30/2013 1:28 PM
118	I support the new rec center and the widening of tower not sure if we need more parks in the other communities as I don't live in them	7/30/2013 1:08 PM
119	We just have a lot of young families in the area and would be great for them to be more active with there families more.	7/30/2013 1:05 PM
120	We're taxed enough already . Enough is enough	7/30/2013 12:38 PM
121	You all are doing a great job - keep up the hard work, I know it's thankless at times! FYI - I'm loving spending my money at King Soopers on 104th & Chambers and not in other communities! thanks!	7/30/2013 11:59 AM
122	what would the cost for entry to the southern pool be? is the spray ground at the commerce city rec center?	7/30/2013 11:01 AM
123	I believe the proposed amenities could help attract home buyers in northern Commerce City which will help bring more shopping, etc.	7/30/2013 10:58 AM
124	We live in Northern Commerce city and it takes 15 minutes to get to either Brighton Rec Center or Commerce City Rec Center. We have used both. We also play ball in Brighton. It would be so nice to have sports fields and a rec center close enough for us to use regularly . We have considered moving because those things are all so far away . Having sports and rec close by would help encourage us to stay in the area.	7/30/2013 10:41 AM
125	N/A	7/30/2013 10:33 AM
126	In NCC - a larger / more improved Pioneer Park. Baseball, soccer fields, basketball courts, tennis courts, skate park. We need areas other than kid parks for the growing population of older kids / teens. Also, we need to promote Commerce City as a whole to other cities with great soccer / baseball and other sports when it comes to rec and competitive sports. Many go to Brighton because of proximity . Commerce City had a great showing at the CARA competitions this year. Program needs trampolines though to help the gymnasts progress! Trampolines are safe in a controlled environment - gymnastics boss man needs to go the research!!	7/30/2013 10:25 AM
127	Why no talk of a new park/ Rec Center/pool in the Southlawn area?? I thought that was in the long-term plan for this area.	7/30/2013 10:20 AM
128	No more tax increases.	7/30/2013 10:09 AM
129	It's about time you are considering projects more on the northern end of town. Please provide a public accounting of the spending/cost for each item. Transparency is key!	7/30/2013 10:04 AM
130	PLEASE have baby swings at ALL parks as well as MULTIPLE dog waste bags and trash cans. The closest park to my house has ZERO baby swings (the only park in all of reunion without baby swings) and only one dog waste area. There is a lot of poop not picked up and I think some of it is due to lack of convenience to dog waste bags. The park is giant, and the bags are located on one side. Also lighting for evening play and SHADE for day play . Not a single tree was planted near the play area. Not one.	7/30/2013 10:01 AM
131	Widening Tower Road should be of the highest priority .	7/30/2013 9:55 AM
132	Good for kids in the area	7/30/2013 9:52 AM
133	The most necessary improvements for the North Range are the Rec center at 112th and the Community Parks. Hold on the Tower Road project until there are retailers along that route.	7/30/2013 9:48 AM
134	I THINK THIS IS SOMETHING OUR COMMUNITY CAN REALLY USE AND ENJOY!! HOPE IT PASSES!	7/30/2013 9:41 AM
135	I have lived in this community now for about 8 years and have seen very little in the way of improvement until the last year . It will be nice to see our city continue to grow and thrive.	7/30/2013 9:38 AM
136	I think the question was worded poorly . You speak of a one cent sales tax increase. One cent per what?	7/30/2013 9:34 AM
137	Living in the community called Commerce City near 104th and Chambers and not having any Rec Center that is near us is unfortunate. It would be beneficial for the kids to families to stay active together by having a rec center that is closer. The choices of either using the Brighton center paying for non-resident fees or driving all the way down to 64th Ave to the Commerce City recreation center is inconvenient and often overlooked for busy families. Please support our kids by offering a more convenient and localized rec center in the assigned area.	7/30/2013 9:29 AM
138	The city needs more sidewalks in the northern new area. Sidewalks just stop when walking to the new King Soopers. A outdoor City pool in the Northern would be nice. Rec center in that area is a must. 60th is too far	7/30/2013 9:12 AM
139	This is exactly what our community needs!	7/30/2013 9:10 AM
140	Would love something in the reunion area since we pay higher taxes	7/30/2013 9:04 AM

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141	A Rec center up on the north part of the city would be wonderful. As it is we have to go out of the city to get to the closest pool. It would be amazing if the center included an ice rink also as the only places to go ice skating in the Denver area are the Promenade in Westminster and down in the Southlands.	7/30/2013 9:03 AM
142	Great to see this closer to becoming reality!! Great work!!	7/30/2013 8:53 AM
143	City of Brighton already has the Oasis. Commerce City needs something similar	7/30/2013 8:53 AM
144	1% doesn't sound too bad to creat those things however would the 1% go away after 5 yrs???	7/30/2013 8:51 AM
145	As a resident of Belle Creek, there are many things that aren't close enough for our enjoyment. It is much closer for us to go into Brighton for their rec center, but as non-residents we don't enjoy the same benefits. So if there was something, such as a rec center build closer we would be able to better enjoy these.	7/30/2013 8:50 AM
146	An "on-ramp" from Tower to Pena Blvd, when heading South on Tower would be a great idea too along with the Tower expansion. The Pena/Tower interchange has all three other exits, why it doesn't have the fourth is ridiculous.	7/30/2013 8:40 AM
147	Thank you for your continued efforts to improve the city and make more quality services and programs and improvements. In addition to all of these, I would love to see continued work to get an entrance to Pena on Tower Road. The widening is great, but that would be wonderful for the community. I understand the issues of funding and limits per conversations with Jim Benson, but I would love to see that change. Thanks for all you do!	7/30/2013 8:39 AM
148	Fronterra residents do not have a nearby pool. Reunion rec center daily rates are too expensive for us and the Buffalo Run pool isn't open to us. It would be great to have a community pool or water park that is open to EVERYONE -- not just those who live in certain areas	7/30/2013 8:29 AM
149	New rec center would keep me from moving.	7/30/2013 8:24 AM
150	Keeping kids active and off of the streets is always a good thing. not every kid can afford to go to amusement places and with a re	7/30/2013 8:21 AM
151	We have been waiting for a long time for a pool up here.	7/30/2013 8:17 AM
152	We currently are looking to move to an area of town that has those amenities. If the city were going to add them then we would likely be more inclined to stay. Thank you for the work in getting this in place.	7/30/2013 8:16 AM
153	As long as they are open to all residents in the community.	7/30/2013 8:09 AM
154	If there is no expansion of Tower road, then it should not be made wider. I feel that it would just make a huge bottle neck going from a 50 mph two lane road to a one lane road at the bottom of a hill.	7/30/2013 8:07 AM
155	Adding an outdoor pool to rec center right away would get a ton of use I believe. We have nothing in the area close at all!!!	7/30/2013 7:30 AM
156	there are currently so many residents north of hwy 2 and the rec center does not currently meet all of those needs of the residents	7/30/2013 7:19 AM
157	Do it!	7/30/2013 7:16 AM
158	Our community needs this!!!! We are in full support of all the projects!	7/30/2013 7:14 AM
159	This would be great! And could promote a healthy life style and wellness. Decrease obesity! Increase family active time. Love this!	7/30/2013 6:29 AM
160	A new recreation center in the neighborhood would be a great improvement! I know my family would utilize this! Also an outdoor seasonal pool would be a great addition! Can't wait!	7/30/2013 6:26 AM
161	These projects would increase the value of our homes and community.	7/30/2013 6:21 AM
162	I have lived in the northern area of the city for over eight years and have watched the growth. I have always voiced my opinion on a much needed rec center and parks in the north area for the growing population. Our family had thoughts of moving based on the lack of services for the north area compared to the south area of the city.	7/30/2013 6:06 AM
163	Love the north city rec center with gym and indoor pool. Glad to see the city looking at expansion (outdoor pool/water facility) for the future. If you don't live in Reunion, then there really isn't anything here. Most residents use Brighton for their needs versus going to old Commerce City. This will be a great way to keep residents here! I hope it passes!!!!	7/30/2013 6:03 AM
164	Skeptical since funds for second creek park were hijacked for pioneer park and city spends 6million on dog track with no tax revenue from it.	7/30/2013 5:59 AM
165	Raquetball court in the new rec center would be nice.	7/30/2013 5:02 AM
166	It would be awesome since this area of commerce city has to pay to goto reunion for swimming, attend rec center	7/30/2013 4:55 AM
167	Consider Moving the outdoor pool area to the northern part of commerce city!	7/30/2013 4:48 AM
168	If You Want More Taxes, Be Prepared To Publicly Justify All Increases And No	7/30/2013 1:54 AM

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169	I think these projects will make Commerce City an even better city to live in than it already is.	7/30/2013 1:13 AM
170	We bought our home 8 years ago and are SO excited to finally see some Parks & Rec amenities being considered. This is something our community has needed for a long time and will only serve to improve our property values and our quality of life. Currently we drive to Brighton, Thornton, or Reunion to swim (and pay non-resident fees!). It will be nice to have a place of our own. I love our home and our community and having a Rec Center will be the icing on the cake!	7/30/2013 12:50 AM
171	I hope it passes!!!	7/29/2013 9:54 PM
172	I strongly support the idea of a new rec center, especially one with an indoor pool, in the northern part of the city.	7/29/2013 5:10 PM