

Sample Custom Questions

Identifying and Funding Priorities

A. Please indicate how important, if at all, each of the following projects and issues will be for the City to address over the next five years:

	<i>Essential</i>	<i>Very important</i>	<i>Somewhat important</i>	<i>Not at all important</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
New indoor arena at the Fairgrounds	1	2	3	4	5
New Police Department building	1	2	3	4	5
Redeveloping downtown	1	2	3	4	5
Preservation of open space	1	2	3	4	5
Maintain and improve streets	1	2	3	4	5

B. Please rate how important, if at all, each of the following strategic planning areas are to the overall quality of life in the County:

	<i>Essential</i>	<i>Very important</i>	<i>Somewhat important</i>	<i>Not at all important</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
Cooperation between governments	1	2	3	4	5
Economic development	1	2	3	4	5
Education	1	2	3	4	5
Healthy community	1	2	3	4	5
Recreation and cultural opportunities	1	2	3	4	5
Safe community	1	2	3	4	5
Community and social supports	1	2	3	4	5

C. How much of a priority, if any, should it be for the Town to address each of the following in the next two years?

	<i>High Priority</i>	<i>Medium priority</i>	<i>Not a priority</i>
Commuter parking for access to public transportation	1	2	3
Bike storage facilities near bikeways, public transportation and schools	1	2	3
A Town bus that would provide fixed route service circulating around the community	1	2	3
Express public transportation connections to established commuter hubs such as Midtown or Commuter Rail	1	2	3

When evaluating support for a specific proposal, it is especially important to include context about the specific cost of or tradeoffs relating to the proposal.

D. The City is considering building a new, multi-field sports park for baseball, softball, football and soccer that also includes paved walking trails, concessions and a bathroom facility. Would you support a bond election for this sports park if paying for it required a \$90 annual increase for a \$100,000 home valuation?

- Strongly support
- Somewhat support
- Somewhat oppose
- Strongly oppose

E. The City is considering renovating the City Swimming pool or replacing it with a new pool. Please select a statement from the following that best reflects your view:

- In order to keep the indoor pool open, I am willing to continue to pay the current subsidy (about \$9.07 per year, based on a \$170,000 home).
- In order to cover the cost of renovations to the indoor pool, I am willing to increase the subsidy to \$20 per year.
- In order to cover the cost of a new indoor pool, I am willing to increase the subsidy to \$50 per year.
- I am not willing to pay any subsidy, which would result in the closing of the current pool.
- I don't know.

For situations when specific amounts are not yet known

F. Please indicate to what extent you would support or oppose a property tax increase for each of the following to fund new facilities or services:

	<i>Strongly support</i>	<i>Somewhat support</i>	<i>Somewhat oppose</i>	<i>Strongly oppose</i>
Schools.....	1	2	3	4
Libraries.....	1	2	3	4
Public safety/fire and rescue services	1	2	3	4
Animal shelter.....	1	2	3	4
Youth ball fields.....	1	2	3	4
Indoor sports complex.....	1	2	3	4
Outdoor pool/splash park.....	1	2	3	4
Outdoor trails	1	2	3	4

Information Sources

G. Please indicate how much of a source, if at all, you consider each of the following to be for obtaining information about the City government and its activities, events and services:

	<i>Major source</i>	<i>Minor source</i>	<i>Not a source</i>
City website (www.ourfaircity.gov)	1	2	3
Local media outlets (newspapers, radio, local television stations).....	1	2	3
The local government cable Channel ##	1	2	3
City newsletter in the water bill	1	2	3
City Council meetings and other public meetings.....	1	2	3
Talking with City officials.....	1	2	3
City communications via social media (i.e. Facebook, Twitter or YouTube)	1	2	3
Word-of-mouth.....	1	2	3