



**Town of Davidson  
Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting  
Town Hall & Community Center Council Chamber – 251 South Street  
Tuesday, August 27, 2024 at 6:00 PM**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. ANNOUNCEMENTS / PROCLAMATIONS**

**a. National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month**

**III. CHANGES / ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**IV. PRESENTATION**

**a. Mecklenburg County Homes Program**

**Summary:** The Helping Out Mecklenburg homeowners with Economic Support (HOMES) Program is returning for another season beginning July 1 – Nov. 22, 2024. This year, the County is partnering with the Town of Davidson to provide grant funding to qualifying residential homeowners to help address the rising costs of retaining their homes. Grant funds will be paid to the Mecklenburg County Tax Collector, who will reduce the total amount of taxes due for qualifying recipients' primary residence. The amount granted will be equal to 35% of the Mecklenburg County tax amount on the last available tax bill. If you live in the Town of Davidson, additional funding (up to \$566) may be available. Funds will be granted in the order in which the applications were received until funds are exhausted. Mecklenburg County Community Services Manager Shakirah Francis will be presenting on the County's behalf.

**V. PUBLIC COMMENT - The Board shall provide at least one period for public comment per month at a regular meeting.**

Prior to the start of the public comment period, persons wishing to address the Board of Commissioners will register on a sign-up sheet stationed by the meeting room door.

**VI. PUBLIC HEARING**

**a. To hold a public hearing on authorizing the Town of Davidson to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a Housing Authority pursuant to Housing Authority Law N.C.G.S. § 157.**

**Presenter:** Alexander Cahill, Affordable Housing & Equity Director

**Summary:** In lieu of creating a housing authority, the Town Board, if it deems wise, can either designate a redevelopment commission created under the provisions of Chapter 160 of the General Statutes to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a housing authority, or may itself exercise such powers, duties, and responsibilities. In the event the Town Board designates itself to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a housing authority, it may assign the administration of the housing programs, developments, and policies to any existing or new department of the Town. Town staff are making a presentation on this potential exercise of powers under N.C.G.S. 157 and what it will enable the Town to do moving forward. After a public hearing is scheduled, the Town board will be asked to approve this resolution.

**Action/Proposed Motion:** To open and hold a public hearing in accordance with the provisions of N.C.G.S. § 157.

## VII. CONSENT

Consent items are typically non-controversial and routine items. Prior to the board's adoption of the meeting agenda, the request of any member to have an item moved from the consent agenda to old business must be honored by the board. All items on the consent agenda must be voted on and adopted by a single motion.

**a. Consider Approval of July Draft Meeting Minutes**

**Summary:** Draft Meeting Minutes from the July 9 Affordable Housing Work Session and Regular meetings.

**b. Consider Approval to authorize the Town Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding between the Davidson Community Foundation and the Town of Davidson to accept \$400,000 to be used towards the buy-down purchase of 8 units at Parkside Commons.**

**Summary:** To approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the Davidson Community Foundation and the Town of Davidson to accept \$400,000 towards the purchase of 8 units at Parkside Commons. The Town Board previously approved the affordable housing plan for Parkside Commons and the funding structure.

**c. Consider Approval to authorize the Town Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding between the Davidson Community Foundation and the Town of Davidson to accept \$20,000 to be used towards funding the Essential Home Improvement Program (formerly known as Critical Home Repair) and to approve Budget Amendment BA 2025-04.**

**Summary:** To authorize the Town Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding between the Davidson Community Foundation and the Town of Davidson to accept \$20,000 to be used towards funding the Essential Home Improvement Program (formerly known as Critical Home Repair).

**d. Consider Adoption of Ordinance 2024-06 and Consistency Statement, An Ordinance to Improve the Diversity of Tree Canopy throughout Davidson.**



**Summary:** In 2019 the Board of Commissioners adopted changes to Section 9 of the Davidson Planning Ordinance (DPO). The changes reflected the results of the community Street Tree Inventory (2018) and the Tree Canopy Assessment (2019). The changes included a number of significant revisions, including establishing a Town Arborist position to assist in ordinance administration and direct town initiatives. As part of their recommendation to the Board of Commissioners in August 2019, the Planning Board advised that the Arborist conduct a review of the ordinance changes after implementation.

Based on the Town Arborist's review as well as experience in administering the ordinance since 2019, the proposed amendments listed in the accompanying Schedule of Changes are intended to foster greater collaboration among landowners, developers, and the town with the specific aims of providing clear replacement standards for individual lots and achieving greater canopy diversity for all project types.

**e. Consider Approval of Amended Lake Norman Transportation Commission Interlocal Agreement and Resolution 2024-15**

**Summary:** The Lake Norman Regional Transportation Commission (LNTC) was established to study, investigate, initiate, develop, and advocate for transportation improvements in and around the areas of Iredell County and northern Mecklenburg County. Town staff worked with LNTC staff to prepare the attached interlocal agreement which has been amended for the Town of Cornelius and the Town of Huntersville to rejoin this agency, along with the established members comprising the Town of Mooresville, the Town of Davidson, the Town of Troutman, the City of Statesville, and the County of Iredell. Other amendments include clarifying membership, how contributions would be paid if members terminate membership, referencing adopted Land Use and Transportation Plans, and it auto-renews instead of expiring every two years.

**f. Consider Approval of the Extension of the Axon Contract for Bodyworn Cameras and Tasers**

**Summary:** The FY25 Police Department budget includes funding for Axon Officer Safety Program 10 contract. This program covers 31 body worn cameras, Taser 10s, and associated consumables for the period of the contract. Negotiating a 5-year contract with Axon provided the Town of Davidson savings over the life of the contract of \$111,220. The first-year cost of the contract is \$87,045.23 and the following 4 years are fixed at \$82,492.44.

**g. Consider Approval of Capital Project Ordinance 2024-07 for Fire Station 1 design and engineering and Budget Amendment 2024-06 to allocate \$140,000 of Unassigned Fund Balance**

**Summary:** Capital Project Ordinance 2024-07 will be established to fund the design, engineering, construction, and related expenditures of a fire station. Budget Amendment 2025-06 allocates \$140,000 from the sale of MI Connection that remained after the purchase of property on which the station will be built.

- h. Consider Approval of Resolution 2024-16 which directs the Finance Director to assign \$400,000 of fund balance for future debt service on the construction of a new fire station 1.**

**Summary:** On April 16, 2024 at a Financial Planning Workshop, Town Staff reviewed a plan with the Board to set-aside \$2,500,000 for future debt service on the construction of a fire station over the next 5 years. Town Staff proposed that the first \$400,000 come from Sales and Use Tax and interest earnings if actual collections exceeded budgeted revenues in FY2024. Sales and Use Tax actual collection exceed budgeted collections by more than \$210,000 and actual interest earnings exceeded budget by more than \$670,000. Approval of this resolution will direct the Finance Director to assign \$400,000 for future debt service on a fire station construction loan.

- i. Consider Approval of a Budget Amendment for a NCDEQ-CWRAR Recycling Grant**

**Summary:** Budget amendment 2025-05 recognizes the revenue and expenditures that will fund a Social District recycling and public awareness campaign from a Community Waste Reduction and Recycling (CWRAR) grant from the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ)

- j. Consider Approval of FY2025 Tax Levy Order of Collection for Mecklenburg and Iredell Counties and FY2024 Settlement Statements**

**Summary:** Enters the FY2024 Tax Collector's Settlement Statement for Mecklenburg and Iredell Counties into the official record of the Town of Davidson. The "Order of Collection" authorizes the Tax Collector to collect the ad valorem taxes as assessed by the office of the Tax Assessor. This item includes both Mecklenburg and Iredell Counties.

- k. Consider Approval of Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization Memorandum of Understanding and Resolution 2024-17**

**Summary:** The Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization (CRTPO) is the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Charlotte Urban Area. Federal legislation requires Urban Areas with populations larger than 50,000 to have an MPO, whose primary function is to carry out the transportation planning process among the member jurisdictions within its established planning area boundary. The CRTPO's Board endorsed an update to its Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). The MOU is amended to reaffirm the establishment of CRTPO, its Policy Board, and the Technical Coordinating Committee.

- l. Consider Approval of the updated Affordable Housing and Equity Board Bylaws**

**Summary:** The Affordable Housing and Equity Board unanimously recommended approval of the updated bylaws at their August 15, 2024, meeting. The updated bylaws provide greater clarity on the role of ex-officios, officer positions, meeting decorum, and other operations that are crucial to the success of the board.

**m. Consider Approval of Midterm Appointment to the Affordable Housing and Equity Board.**

**Summary:** The Affordable Housing and Equity Board recommends appointing Michelle Trovato to serve until December of 2024.

**n. Consider Approval of the Creation of a Sustainability Board and Bylaws**

**Summary:** The transition of the Town's current Sustainability Committee into an Advisory Board will serve to advise the Board of Commissioners directly on sustainability priorities and funding. The Climate Action Plan outlines ambitious goals and targets for our organization and community to achieve in terms of sustainability and environmental stewardship. To effectively implement this plan and ensure its success, a dedicated advisory board will bring a structured mechanism for informed recommendations to be made directly to the Board of Commissioners in addition to Town staff.

**o. Consider Approval of Noise Ordinance Variance Request – Davidson College Fall Fling September 28, 2024**

**Summary:** Davidson College has requested a noise ordinance variance for Saturday, September 28, for Fall Fling on the Old Tennis Court Lawn from 10:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. Staff has reviewed and have no objections.

**p. Consider Approval of NCDOT 2nd Supplemental Agreement for EB-5933 Kincaid Multi-Use Trail**

**Summary:** The NCDOT and the Town of Davidson entered into Project Agreement in 2019 for the grant funding and construction of the Kincaid Multi-Use Trail project. In 2023, the NCDOT and the Town of Davidson entered into a Supplemental Agreement for additional funding for construction activities. The proposed 2nd Supplemental Agreement is to extend the completion date of the Project to July 30, 2026.

## **VIII. BUSINESS ITEMS**

**a. Discuss Draft Resolution in Support of Legislation Authorizing Referendum**

**Presenter:** Jamie Justice, Town Manager

**Summary:** The Town of Davidson is a member of the Metropolitan Transit Commission established in 1999, and is supportive of providing diverse roadway infrastructure and public transportation options to its citizenry. The town, city, and county managers have been working for many months to draft legislation that would, if approved by the North Carolina General Assembly, allow the citizens of Mecklenburg County to decide by referendum whether they will authorize an additional sales tax for investment in roadway and public transportation systems. Staff will present the information about the proposed legislation and sales tax. The town board will be asked to approve the resolution at the September 10, 2024 town board meeting. Staff recommends the town board suspend the rules of procedure to allow a public comment period on this agenda item at the September 10, 2024 Town Board meeting.

**Action/Proposed Motion:** This item is for discussion only.

**b. Consider Approval to Amend the Rules of Procedure to Allow for a Public Comment Period on the Proposed Resolution in Support of Legislation Authorizing Referendum**

**Presenter:** Jamie Justice, Town Manager

**Summary:** The Town Board will be asked to approve the proposed Resolution in Support of Legislation Authorizing Referendum at the September 10, 2024 meeting. Staff recommends suspending the rules of procedure to allow a public comment period on this agenda item.

**Action/Proposed Motion:** Motion to amend the Rules of Procedure to allow for a Public Comment Period on the Proposed Resolution in Support of Legislation Referendum at the Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners meeting on Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

**c. Discuss 2024 Parks and Recreation Master Plan**

**Presenter:** Leslie Willis, Parks & Recreation Director

**Summary:** In January 2024, the Town contracted with LandDesign to administer a Parks and Recreation Master Plan update. The current plan was completed in 2014 and an update to the Master Plan was necessary for future grant funding. Over the course of 7 months, 5 public-input sessions, and 2 surveys were administered to gather the current needs within the community. The current needs and national trends will be used to guide and make decisions regarding new and existing park amenities, recreational programs and investments for the next 10 years.

**Action/Proposed Motion:** This item is for discussion only. Consider adoption of the 2024 Parks and Recreation Master Plan at the September 10 meeting.

**d. Discuss Proposed Davidson Planning Ordinance (DPO) Updates to Chapter 5: Affordable Housing**

**Presenter:** Jason Burdette, Planning Director

**Summary:** Planning Department staff is working with Affordable Housing & Equity Department staff to develop an update to the Davidson Planning Ordinance (DPO) Chapter 5: Affordable Housing. Goals for the update include ensuring that best practices are aligned with the DPO, improving developer-based affordable housing plans and the process to manage said plans, developing incentives to secure more built units, addressing the rental gap (as documented in the Affordable Housing Needs Assessment and Implementation Strategy), simplifying the chapter's structure, and providing improved clarity and options for developers. Potential options include both administrative (built units or payments-in-lieu), or legislative (opting out of the requirements of the chapter and electing to pursue conditional approval).

**Action/Proposed Motion:** This item is for discussion only.

**e. Consider Approval of Resolution 2024-18 authorizing the Town of Davidson to Exercise the Powers, Duties, and Responsibilities of a Housing Authority Pursuant to Housing Authority Law N.C.G.S. § 157**

**Presenter:** Alexander Cahill, Affordable Housing & Equity Director

**Summary:** In lieu of creating a housing authority, the Town Board, if it deems

wise, can either designate a redevelopment commission created under the provisions of Chapter 160 of the General Statutes to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a housing authority, or may itself exercise such powers, duties, and responsibilities. In the event the Town Board designates itself to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a housing authority, it may assign the administration of the housing programs, developments, and policies to any existing or new department of the Town. Town staff are making a presentation on this potential exercise of powers under N.C.G.S. 157 and what it will enable the Town to do moving forward. After a public hearing is scheduled, the town board will be asked to approve this resolution.

**Action/Proposed Motion:** Motion to approve Resolution 2024-18 authorizing the Town of Davidson to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a Housing Authority pursuant to Housing Authority Law N.C.G.S. § 157.

**f. Consider Approval of Resolution 2024-19 - 2024-2025 County, State, and Federal Advocacy Agenda**

**Presenter:** Austin Nantz, Assistant Town Manager

**Summary:** The Town of Davidson has historically created a legislative advocacy agenda to further the Town's goals and advocate for the best interests of Davidson. Resolution 2024-19 includes advocacy items for Mecklenburg County, the State of North Carolina, and the Federal Government. This item was previously discussed at the August 13 board meeting.

**Action/Proposed Motion:** Motion to approve Resolution 2024-19 - 2024-25 County, State, and Federal Advocacy Agenda.

**IX. SUMMARIZE MEETING ACTION ITEMS**

Town Manager will summarize items where the board has requested action items for the staff.

**X. ADJOURN**



## **PROCLAMATION National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month**

**WHEREAS**, September is recognized as "Suicide Awareness Month" to raise the visibility of mental health and proactive suicide prevention resources in our community. We also want to start the conversation, destigmatize it, and help connect people with the appropriate support services; and

**WHEREAS**, According to the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, more than 49,000 people die by suicide annually in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, According to Hope For The Day, with an average of 132 suicides completed daily and each one directly impacting 100 additional people, including friends, service members, family, social media connections, and neighbors we can safely assume everyone has been impacted by suicide; and

**WHEREAS**, The Town of Davidson places its' full support behind those who work in the field of mental health, education, and law enforcement; and

**WHEREAS**, Community partners like Davidson LifeLine, the Charlotte chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness, and the Davidson Co-Responder Program serve on the front lines of a war that many refuse to discuss due to stigma; and

**WHEREAS**, We encourage all residents to take time to understand mental health through education and recognize that we need to take care of our mental health while we take care of each other.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Rusty Knox, Mayor of Davidson, do hereby proclaim September 2024 as **"NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION AWARENESS MONTH"** in Davidson and urge all community members to play a role in suicide prevention and promote mental health and wellness as we strive towards zero suicides.

**Proclaimed** the 27 day of August 2024.

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Rusty Knox, Mayor



# Our Mission

To provide Mecklenburg County homeowners, who are struggling with the rising costs of homeownership, a relief resource in the [HOMES program](#).





# Helping Out Mecklenburg's Homeowners with Economic Support

- The **HOMES Program (Helping Out Mecklenburg's homeowners with Economic Support)** serves as an ally to Mecklenburg County homeowners who are struggling with the rising costs of owning a home.
- The HOMES Program could save you up to **\$648** this year! PLUS, if you live within the Charlotte city limits, additional funding (up to **\$367**) may be available; and if you live within the Town of Davidson, additional funding (up to **\$566**) may be available, **so you could receive up to \$1,214!**

## 2024 HOMES PROGRAM







## Am I Eligible?

# Requirements



The property must be located within Mecklenburg County, North Carolina.



The property must be the owner's legal primary residence at the time of application and consistently for the past three consecutive years as verified by recorded legal documents.



The resident grant recipient's name(s) must be on the recorded deed or title.



When the qualifying person's name is not on the deed but on a recorded life estate, the person may participate in the program.

# Income Limits for the 2024 Program

## FY2025 Income Limits (Charlotte HUD Metro Area)

| # of Persons in Family           | 1        | 2        | 3        | 4        | 5        | 6        | 7         | 8         |
|----------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|
|                                  |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |           |
| Household Income Must Not Exceed | \$59,400 | \$67,850 | \$76,350 | \$84,800 | \$91,600 | \$98,400 | \$105,200 | \$111,950 |

There is NO AGE REQUIREMENT, and your house does not have to paid off!

# Program Applications Received

- FY21: 677
- FY22: 1,122
- FY23: 2,551
- FY24: 7,622

Last Year  
\$2 Million in HOMES  
grants were awarded!



# What to EXPECT



Applications will be processed on a first-come, first-served basis until funds are exhausted.



If your property tax is escrowed, you can still apply



If your property tax has already been paid at the time you apply, the awarded grant amount will go towards your next property tax bill the following year.



Payments go directly to the County Assessor's Office.





The HOMES Program application period is  
July 1, 2024 through November 22, 2024.  
Applications are available in English and Spanish.

**Apply Online:**  
[MeckNC.gov/4HOMES](https://MeckNC.gov/4HOMES)

**Paper Applications:**  
(Obtained, Mailed-In and/or Dropped Off)  
**Community Resource Centers (CRCs)**

**Valerie C. Woodard**  
3205 Freedom Drive, Bldg. A  
Charlotte, NC 28208

**Ella B. Scarborough**  
430 Stitt Road, Charlotte, NC 28213

**Applications Obtained (In-Person Only):**

**County Assessor's Office**  
3205 Freedom Drive, Suite 3500, Charlotte, NC 28208

**For Assistance Call:**  
[\(980\) 314-4663](tel:9803144663)

# HOMES Program Leadership Team

**Yulonda D. Griffin, Director**  
Department of Community Resources

**DeLisa Tolbert, Division Director**  
Community Resource Centers

**Denise Syles-Ballard,**  
**Assistant Division Director**  
VCW - Community Resource Center

**Shakirah Francis, Program Manager**  
Community Services/HOMES

**Jamie Nagle, Supervisor**  
Community Services/HOMES



# Thank You!



## Do You Have Any Questions?





## **AGENDA MEMO**

**To:** Davidson Board of Commissioners

**From:** Alexander Cahill, Affordable Housing & Equity Director

**Date:** August 27, 2024

**Re:** To hold a public hearing on authorizing the Town of Davidson to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a Housing Authority pursuant to Housing Authority Law N.C.G.S. § 157.

### **ITEM SUMMARY/OVERVIEW**

In lieu of creating a housing authority, the Town Board, if it deems wise, can either designate a redevelopment commission created under the provisions of Chapter 160 of the General Statutes to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a housing authority, or may itself exercise such powers, duties, and responsibilities. In the event the Town Board designates itself to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a housing authority, it may assign the administration of the housing programs, developments, and policies to any existing or new department of the Town. Town staff are making a presentation on this potential exercise of powers under N.C.G.S. 157 and what it will enable the Town to do moving forward. After a public hearing is scheduled, the Town board will be asked to approve this resolution.

### **ACTION/PROPOSED MOTION**

To open and hold a public hearing in accordance with the provisions of N.C.G.S. § 157.

### **RELATED TOWN GOALS**

#### **Strategic Plan Alignment**

Affordable Living, Equity & Inclusion - Work together to foster a culture of equity, belonging, inclusion, and advance the Town's Affordable Housing program. Provide, create, and support opportunities for all. Treat everyone with respect, dignity, and recognize every voice.

#### **Core Values**

Davidson's historic mix of people in all income levels and ages is fundamental to our community, so town government will encourage opportunities, services, and infrastructure that allow people of all means to live and work here.

### **NEXT STEPS**

The housing authority powers under N.C.G.S. § 157 become effective August 27, 2024, if approved.





**Date:** August 13, 2024

**To:** Town Board of Commissioners

**From:** Alexander D. Cahill, Affordable Housing & Equity Director

**Subject:** N.C.G.S. § 157 Resolution

### **Summary**

In lieu of creating a housing authority, the Town Board may either designate a redevelopment commission created under the provisions of Chapter 160 of the General Statutes to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a housing authority, or may itself exercise such powers, duties, and responsibilities. In the event the Town Board designates itself to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a housing authority, it may assign the administration of the housing programs, developments, and policies to any existing or new department of the Town. Town staff are presenting on the potential impacts of such a designation and providing more information in this memo.

### **Background**

The Town of Davidson has a strong history of supporting affordable housing, as noted by its inclusion within both the Davidson Planning Ordinance, the Town's core values, and Strategic Plan. As Davidson continues to innovate and move forward in this space, additional legal authority may be required to advance the Town's strategic goals and priorities of the Town. This resolution seeks to address the supply, subsidy, and stabilization components of an effective affordable housing program.

### **What does this allow the Town to do?**

If the Town Board authorizes the designation under N.C.G.S. § 157, the Town may implement, but is not required to, any of the actions listed below:

- Require affordable units in multi-family rental housing projects. At least twenty percent (20%) of the units in the project must be set aside for the exclusive use of persons of low income (60% or less AMI);
- Rent or lease dwelling accommodations set aside for persons of low income only to persons who lack the amount of income that is necessary to enable them, without financial assistance, to live in decent, safe, and sanitary dwellings;
- Make and execute contracts and other instruments necessary or convenient to the exercise of the powers of the authority;

- Sell, exchange, transfer, assign, or pledge any property real or personal or any interest therein to any person, firm, corporation, municipality, city, or government; to own, hold, clear and improve property for affordable housing development;
- Procure insurance or guarantees from the federal government of the payment of any debts or parts thereof secured by mortgages made or held by the authority on any property included in any housing development;
- Borrow money upon its bonds, notes, debentures or other evidence of indebtedness and to secure the same by pledges of its revenues, and by mortgages upon property held or to be held by it for affordable use;
- In connection with any loan, to agree to limitations upon its right to dispose of any housing development or part thereof or to undertake additional housing developments;
- Lease or rent any dwelling or other accommodations or any of the lands, buildings, structures or facilities embraced in any housing development and to establish and revise the rents or charges;
- Provide for the construction, reconstruction, improvement, alteration or repair of any housing development;
- Take over by purchase, lease or otherwise any housing development located within its boundaries;
- Manage as agent located in whole or in part within its boundaries any housing development constructed or owned by the Town;
- Act as agent for the federal government in connection with the acquisition, construction, operation and/or management of a housing development;
- Investigate living, dwelling and housing conditions and into the means and methods of improving such conditions;
- Determine where unsafe, or insanitary dwelling or housing conditions exist;
- Study and make recommendations in relation to the problem of clearing, replanning and reconstruction of areas in which unsafe or insanitary dwelling or housing conditions exist;
- Prepare, carry out and operate housing developments; and
- Approve, assist, and cooperate with, a nonprofit corporation in providing financing by the issuance by such nonprofit corporation's obligations (which obligations shall not be or be deemed to be indebtedness of a housing authority) for one or more housing developments, specifically including, but not limited to:
  - programs to make construction and other loans to developers or owners of residential housing,
  - to acquire, operate or manage such a housing development
  - to administer federal housing assistance subsidy payments for such projects

### **Process**

The following process is required to be followed in order to designate under N.C.G.S. § 157:

### **Public Hearing**

A public hearing must be held and noticed at least 10 days preceding the day on which the hearing is to be held. We seek to hold the public hearing on **August 27, 2024**, and have the Board vote to approve the resolution on that evening.

### **Findings**

To establish the powers under N.C.G.S 157-4: (1), the Board must determine at least one of the following findings:

- (1) Whether insanitary or unsafe inhabited dwelling accommodations exist in the city and said surrounding area, and/or
- (2) Whether there is a lack of safe or sanitary dwelling accommodations in the city and said surrounding area available for all the inhabitants thereof.

### **Recommendation**

Staff believe the finding is made in congruence with (2) as determined in and by the adoption of the Affordable Housing Needs Assessment. As such, staff recommend the Town Board adopt the resolution.

### **Staff Contact**

Alexander D. Cahill, Affordable Housing & Equity Director, [acahill@townofdavidson.org](mailto:acahill@townofdavidson.org)





# Discuss a Resolution authorizing the Town of Davidson to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a Housing Authority per NCGS §157

Alexander D. Cahill  
Affordable Housing & Equity Director  
August 13, 2024

[www.townofdavidson.org](http://www.townofdavidson.org)

# Overview/Agenda

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- Next Steps
- Discussion



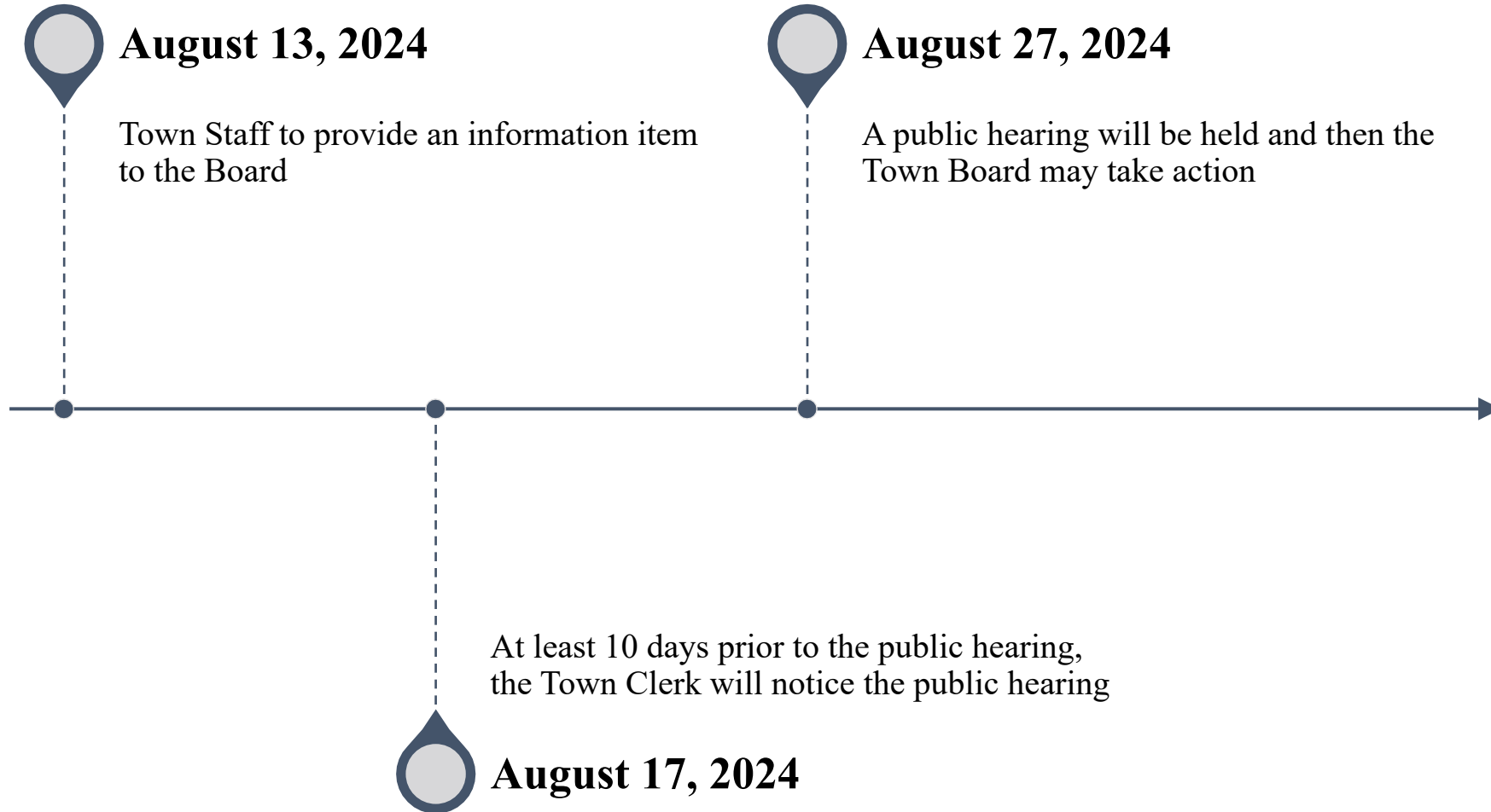
# Background: Implementation Strategy



## AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK



# Timeline



# What state provision does this occur under?

## Under N.C.G.S. § 157-4.1:

In lieu of creating a housing authority as authorized herein, the council of any city may, if it deems wise, either designate a redevelopment commission created under the provisions of Chapter 160 of the General Statutes to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a housing authority as prescribed herein, **or may itself exercise such powers, duties, and responsibilities**. Any such designation shall be by passage of a resolution adopted in accordance with the procedure and pursuant to the finding specified in the first and second paragraphs of G.S. 157-4.

In the event the council of the city designates itself to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a housing authority, it may assign the administration of the housing programs, projects, and policies to any existing or new department of the city.

# Why do this?

- This resolution will ensure that we're operating within the legal guidelines, provide the Town Manager/Town Staff with the authority to act in the best interest of our community members, **and provide additional powers to educate, preserve, create, and support the existing and future affordable housing inventory**
- It will help support financing and innovative methods around developing Town-owned land
- It will allow the Town to be able more flexible in the future as innovation in affordable housing space continues to occur
- It will cement the equity component missing from current affordable housing conversations by creating mechanisms to protect and provide for those at the lowest-income levels
- It will allow us to build equity/affordability into our sustainability program per the Climate Action Plan

# What will this allow us to do?

- Require affordable units in multi-family rental housing projects. At least twenty percent (20%) of the units in the project must be set aside for the exclusive use of persons of low income (60% or less AMI)
- Rent or lease dwelling accommodations set aside for persons of low income only to persons who lack the amount of income that is necessary to enable them, without financial assistance, to live in decent, safe, and sanitary dwellings
- To identify any substandard housing and develop program, procedures, policies, and financing to improve
- To sell, exchange, transfer, assign, or pledge any property real or personal or any interest therein to any person, firm, corporation, municipality, city, or government; to own, hold, clear and improve property for affordable housing development. Allows the formation of land trusts, land leases, and other forms of property ownership and land management structures for affordable housing



# What will this allow us to do?

- To procure insurance or guarantees from the federal government of the payment of any debts or parts thereof secured by mortgages made or held by the authority on any property included in any housing development.
- To borrow money upon its bonds, notes, debentures or other evidences of indebtedness and to secure the same by pledges of its revenues, and by mortgages upon property held or to be held by it for affordable use.
- In connection with any loan, to agree to limitations upon its right to dispose of any housing development or part thereof or to undertake additional housing developments. To lease or rent any dwelling or other accommodations or any of the lands, buildings, structures or facilities embraced in any housing development and to establish and revise the rents or charges.

# Findings

The Town Board of Commissioners must make at least one of the two following findings, as required under N.C.G.S 157-4, to approve this resolution:

- (1) Whether insanitary or unsafe inhabited dwelling accommodations exist in the city and said surrounding area, and/or
- (2) Whether there is a lack of safe or sanitary dwelling accommodations in the city and said surrounding area available for all the inhabitants thereof.

# DISCUSSION



WHEREAS, as setforth by the State of North Carolina in NCGS § 157-2, the providing of safe and sanitary dwelling accommodations for person of low income are public uses and purposes for which public money may be spent and private property acquired; and that it is in the public interest that work on such projects and programs be instituted as soon as possible; and

WHEREAS, as further setforth in NCGS § 157-2, the state of North Carolina has declared that there is a serious shortage of decent, safe and sanitary housing in North Carolina that can be afforded by persons and families of moderate income; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Davidson caused to be created an Affordable Housing Needs Assessment which demonstrated the need for affordable housing options within the Town to serve citizens of low and moderate income.

WHEREAS, in accordance with policy of the State and as a result of the findings of the Needs Assessment the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Davidson seeks to exercise the powers, duties and responsibilities of a housing authority as authorized by NCGS § 160A-456(b) and Chapter 157 of the North Carolina General Statutes to encourage and support the maintenance and creation of affordable housing options in Davidson; and

WHEREAS, on August 27, 2024, in accordance with NCGS §§ 157-4.1 and 157-4 and after publishing the statutorily required notice, the Town Board held a public hearing during which all residents and taxpayers of the Town and surrounding areas and all other interested persons were given an opportunity to be heard.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Davidson:

1. RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners FINDS:
  - a. There is a lack of safe or sanitary dwelling accommodations within the Town of Davidson and the surrounding area available for all inhabitants of the Town.
  - b. There is a lack of safe, sanitary housing units available at rental rates affordable to persons of low and moderate income within the Town of Davidson; as well as a lack of for-sale housing units available for purchase by persons of low and moderate income.
  - c. The need for safe, sanitary affordable units within the Town is such that the private sector alone is unable to meet the need.
2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Davidson hereby designates to itself the authority to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a housing authority as prescribed by Chapter 157 of the North Carolina General Statutes.

3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners hereby assigns the administration of housing programs, projects and policies to the Town's Affordable Housing and Equity department under the direction and authority of the Town Manager.
4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all actions heretofore taken by an authorized representative acting on behalf of the Town of Davidson in furtherance of the foregoing resolutions are hereby ratified, adopted and approved in all respects.
5. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the authorized representatives of the Town of Davidson acting on behalf of the Town are hereby authorized to take all such other actions as they may deem necessary or appropriate to give effect to the foregoing resolutions.

Effective this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024





July 9, 2024

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING WORK SESSION  
TOWN OF DAVIDSON BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

The Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners held an Affordable Housing Work Session on Tuesday, July 9, 2024 at the Town Hall and Community Center in Room 120. Present were Mayor Rusty Knox and Commissioners Tracy Mattison Brandon, Ryan Fay, Steve Justus, Autumn Rierson Michael, and Ted Stauffer. Town Manager Jamie Justice, Assistant Town Manager Austin Nantz, Housing and Equity Director Alexander Cahill, Planning Director Jason Burdette, Town Attorney Karen Wolter, and Town Clerk Betsy Shores were also present.

- **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Knox called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

- **PRESENTATION/BOARD INPUT & DISCUSSION**

Staff presented an overview of the work that has occurred on the Town-Owned Land Affordable Housing Development process including what has occurred in the process to date, financing and partnerships, examples of affordable housing development, and the results from the site analysis done by Give Impact and Dewberry Engineering in consultation with Town staff.

Next steps include working with a partner such as the UNC School of Government Development Finance Initiative (DFI) on an RFP/RFQ, bid process, or development partner selection this Fall. Information will be presented to the Board of Commissioners this Winter, and we anticipate beginning work with the selected partner on Town-owned land construction and development process in the Spring of 2025. Town staff will also be working to identify opportunities for community engagement throughout the development process, and present this plan to the Town Board.

No actions were taken during the work session.

- **ADJOURN**

***Commissioner Rierson Michael made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).***

The meeting adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

**Attest:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Elizabeth K. Shores, Town Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Rusty Knox  
Mayor



July 9, 2024

**SECOND TUESDAY MEETING  
TOWN OF DAVIDSON BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

The Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners held its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, July 9, 2024 in the Town Hall and Community Center Board Room. Present were Mayor Rusty Knox, Commissioners Ryan Fay, Steve Justus, Tracy Mattison Brandon, Autumn Rierson Michael, and Ted Stauffer. Town Manager Jamie Justice, Town Attorney Karen Wolter, and Town Clerk Betsy Shores were also present.

- **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Knox called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

- **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Communications Director Jessica Johnson announced the following:

The Town of Davidson is proud to announce we are joining the Plastic Free Challenge and encourages community participation throughout the month of July. This effort is inspired by and embraces the spirit of the Plastic-Free July® global social movement striving to end plastic pollution. Community members who register to participate in the Davidson Plastic Free Challenge will be entered into a drawing for an eco-friendly prize.

Saturday, July 13 the Concert @ the Circles will feature Chris Taylor & The Rumor. An acoustic artist will perform from 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. with the headline artists playing from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Charlotte Area Transit System (CATS) is conducting a series of Better Bus Project Community Meetings from July 11 through July 18. On Monday, July 15, CATS will host a public input meeting in the Town of Davidson, from 6:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. at the Davidson Gateway (Stop 46497: Davidson Gateway Dr. & Griffith St.) The Better Bus project is an initiative aimed at enhancing the public transit experience for riders across the greater Charlotte region. This meeting series is part of an ongoing community engagement effort to gather public feedback.

The Davidson Police Department will host the first of two Dog Walker Watch training sessions on Thursday, July 25 at 6:00 p.m. in the Briefing Room of the Davidson Public Safety Building at

216 S. Main Street. The Dog Walker Watch program encourages neighbors to support local law enforcement by acting as additional eyes and ears while walking their dogs in Town.

The Police Department invites the community to have 'Coffee with a Cop.' All are welcome to stop by for casual conversations with officers from the Davidson Police Department at 77 Grounds Coffee (605 Jetton Street) from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 3. Coffee with a Cop is a national program which aims to bring police officers and the community members they serve together—over coffee—to discuss issues and learn more about each other.

Mayor Knox read recognized the passing of **former Town of Davidson employee Bill Brannon**. Bill was hired by the Town of Davidson in September 1974 as Treasurer and Town Clerk. In 1976, Gene McEver resigned as part-time administrator and Bill was given the title. During his 16 years as an employee, Bill worked for 4 Mayors and 15 commissioners. Bill signed every check and they never exceeded the annual budget. In August of 1990, Bill retired from the Town.

- **CHANGES/ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Town Manager Justice requested moving Consent item b. **Consider Approval of Davidson Tax Assistance Program (DTAP) Interlocal Agreement and Budget Amendment 2025-03** to Business item b and add a closed session pursuant to NCGS §143-318.11. (a) (3) - Consult with Attorney.

*Commissioner Rierson Michael made a motion to adopt the agenda as amended. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).*

- **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The public comment period opened at 6:09 p.m. and closed at 6:13 p.m. One person spoke during the public comment period.

Steve Sonnenberg spoke about Affordable Housing and the Community Survey.

- **PUBLIC HEARING**

The Board of Commissioners held a public hearing on an Ordinance to Amend Davidson Planning Ordinance Section 9 Tree Canopy, Landscaping, & Screening. Planning Director Jason Burdette presented an overview of the Ordinance to amend the Davidson Planning Ordinance Section 9 Tree Canopy, Landscaping, & Screening. Based on the Town Arborist's review as well as experience in administering the ordinance since 2019, the proposed amendments listed in the accompanying Schedule of Changes are intended to foster greater collaboration amongst landowners, developers, and the town with the specific aims of providing clear replacement standards for individual lots and achieving greater canopy diversity for all project types.

*Commissioner Fay made a motion to open the public hearing at 6:20 p.m. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).*

One person spoke during the public hearing.

***Commissioner Mattison Brandon made a motion to close the public hearing at 6:23 p.m. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).***

- **CONSENT AGENDA**

Approval of June Meeting Minutes

Approval of FY2025 Fire Protection Services Agreement with Mecklenburg County

Approval of Budget Amendment 2025-02

***Commissioner Rierson Michael made a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).***

- **BUSINESS ITEMS**

(a) Affordable Housing & Equity Director Alexander Cahill presented an update on the **Parkside Commons Affordable Housing Unit at 423 Jetton Street**. The Town of Davidson, in conjunction with the Davidson Community Foundation (DCF), is purchasing eight townhouse units from Taylor Morrison of Carolinas, Inc. These eight units were required by the Davidson Planning Ordinance (DPO) to be designated and deed-restricted as affordable units. In order to maintain long-term affordability, the Town, with financial support from DCF, is purchasing the units and selling to an income-restricted buyer. The Town Board approved the affordable housing plan for Parkside Commons at the May 28, 2024, meeting.

***Commissioner Justus made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-13 authorizing the Town Manager to enter into a Purchase Agreement with Taylor Morrison of Carolinas, LLC for one unit at Parkside Commons and authorize the Town Manager to approve the conveyance of 423 Jetton Street to an income-qualified buyer under the Town's affordable housing program. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).***

(b) Town Manager Justice discussed with the Board the Davidson Tax Assistance Program (DTAP). The intent of this program is to support the Town's goals of anti-displacement, affordable living, and preservation of affordable housing. Mecklenburg County has agreed to administer the Davidson Tax Assistance Program (DTAP) in conjunction with their HOMES program, under the Department of Community Resources. This item was discussed at the June 25 meeting.

***Commissioner Mattison Brandon to approve the Davidson Tax Assistance Program (DTAP) Interlocal Agreement, Resolution 2024-14, and Budget Amendment 2025-03 with the amendment as recommended by staff to change the reference of the HOMES program to DTAP. The motion passed unanimously (5-0)***

- **CLOSED SESSION**

*Commissioner Fay made a motion to move to closed session per NCGS §143-318.11 (a) (3) – Consult with the Attorney at 6:31 p.m. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).*

*Commissioner Rierson Michael made a motion to end the closed session and return to open session at 7:16 p.m. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).*

- **ADJOURN**

*Commissioner Stauffer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).*

**Attest:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Elizabeth K. Shores, Town Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Rusty Knox  
Mayor

## NTMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDNG ('MOU') is entered into this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_, 2024 by and between the Town of Davidson (the "Town") and the Davidson Community Foundation ("DCF").

### PURPOSE

The purpose of this MOU is to establish a general framework for cooperation and collaboration between the Town and DCF for implementation of the Affordable Housing Plan and Letter of Intent for the Parkside Commons Development located in the Town of Davidson. Funding through this MOU will serve eight (8) future low to moderate income homeowners by ensuring that the affordable units constructed within the Parkside Commons Development ("Parkside") are priced at a level that is affordable to buyers making eighty percent (80%) or less than the current AMI for Mecklenburg County as published by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (the "AMI").

### UNDERSTANDING AND AGREEMENT

The Parties understand and agree to the following:

1. The Parties agree to work together to execute the Affordable Housing Plan and Letter of Intent for the Parkside Commons Development (the "AHP") (attached hereto as Exhibit A) as follows:
  - a. The Town shall purchase from the Developer of Parkside eight (8) affordable units at the guaranteed price of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) per unit as those units become available. Each unit will be subject to Affordable Housing Restrictions that impact the use and resale of the units to ensure the affordable units continue to be affordable to low and moderate income households over an extended period of time.
  - b. The Town through authority granted in NCGS 160D - 1316 shall then, as soon as practicable and in accordance with its established Town-owned property sales process sell the affordable unit to an Eligible Buyer defined as a household earning 80% or less than the current AMI (the "Resale Price").
  - c. In order to achieve a Resale Price that is affordable for an Eligible Buyer, DCF shall grant to the Town four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000) (the "Grant") for the restricted purpose of reducing the Resale Price of each affordable unit up to \$50,000 per unit.



2. DCF shall make the Grant payment to the Town as a lump sum payment on or before July 8, 2024.
3. The Town shall create a Restricted Fund within which to hold and account for the Grant funds until such Grant funds are depleted (the "Restricted Grant Fund").
4. In the event the Town chooses to terminate implementation of the AHP for any reason or no reason, any funds remaining in the Restricted Grant Fund shall be returned to DCF within 30 days of the Town's determination to terminate.
5. Each party agrees to indemnify and hold the other party and its employees, elected officers and agents (Indemnities) harmless from and against any and all third party claims and associated liabilities, obligations, damages, judgements, penalties, expenses including legal cost imposed upon or incurred by or asserted against any of the Indemnities for any claim, whether in tort or contract, to the extent that any such claim arises out of the negligent or wrongful acts or omissions of the indemnifying party, its employee or agents in connection with the MOU, provided the Indemnatee provides the indemnifying settlement of the claim and is given all right and power to defend or settle such claim. Obligations of indemnity shall survive the expiration of this MOU.
6. Parties may amend this MOU by written mutual agreement.

## SIGNATURES

The Town of Davidson and the authorized representative of the Davidson Community Foundation have executed this Understanding on this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024, (the "Effective Date" of this Understanding. This Understanding will expire on June 30, 2027.

TOWN OF DAVIDSON

(Printed Name)

DAVIDSON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

By (Signature)

(Printed Name)

## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ('MOU') is entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024 by and between the Town of Davidson (the "Town") and the Davidson Community Foundation ("DCF").

### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this MOU is to establish a general framework for cooperation and collaboration between the Town and DCF for implementation of the Essential Home Improvement Program (formerly entitle 'Critical Home Repair'), a program under the Comprehensive Housing Affordability Plan (CHAP) located in the Town of Davidson. Funding through this MOU will serve as supplementary money to complete two (2) essential home improvements for low to moderate income homeowners, at or below 80% AMI (Area Median Income) as defined by the Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Statistical Area Calculations. This money is in conjunction with the Town's ARPA funding.

### **UNDERSTANDING AND AGREEMENT**

The Parties understand and agree to the following:

1. The Parties agree to work together to execute the Essential Home Improvement Program as follows:
  - a. The Town shall conduct outreach activities to draw awareness to the existing program.
  - b. The Town through authority granted in NCGS § 160D and NCGS § 157 shall then, as soon as practicable and in accordance with its established Essential Home Improvement process, administer the Program.
  - c. In order to achieve a program that is affordable for an Eligible home, DCF shall grant to the Town twenty-thousand dollars (\$20,000) (the "Grant") for the restricted purpose of Essential Home Improvements as established under the Essential Home Improvement Policy (see exhibit A).
2. DCF shall make the Grant payment to the Town as a lump sum payment on or before August 27, 2024.
3. The Town shall create a Restricted Fund within which to hold and account for the Grant funds until such Grant funds are depleted (the "Restricted Grant Fund").
4. In the event the Town chooses to terminate implementation of the Essential Home Improvement Program for any reason or no reason, any funds remaining in the Restricted

Grant Fund shall be returned to DCF within 30 days of the Town's determination to terminate.

5. Each party agrees to indemnify and hold the other party and its employees, elected officers and agents (Indemnities) harmless from and against any and all third party claims and associated liabilities, obligations, damages, judgements, penalties, expenses including legal cost imposed upon or incurred by or asserted against any of the Indemnities for any claim, whether in tort or contract, to the extent that any such claim arises out of the negligent or wrongful acts of omissions of the indemnifying party, its employee or agents in connection with the MOU, provided the Indemnatee provides the indemnifying settlement of the claim and is given all right and power to defend or settle such claim. Obligations of indemnity shall survive the expiration of this MOU.
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TOWN OF DAVIDSON

By \_\_\_\_\_

(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_

(Printed Name)

DAVIDSON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

By \_\_\_\_\_

(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_

(Printed Name)

## AMENDMENT TO THE BUDGET ORDINANCE

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Governing Board of the Town of Davidson, North Carolina, that the following amendment be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025:

**Section 1:** To amend the Affordable Housing Fund, the appropriations are to be changed as follows:

| <u>Acct. No.</u> | <u>Account</u>                   | <u>Decrease</u> | <u>Increase</u> |
|------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 52-40-4920-442   | DCF Funded Critical Home Repairs |                 | \$ 20,000.00    |

Budgeted expenditures will fund the Essential Home Repair Program funding will come from a Davidson Community Fund grant.

**Section 2:** To amend the Affordable Housing Fund, the estimated revenues are to be changed as follows:

| <u>Acct. No.</u> | <u>Account</u> | <u>Decrease</u> | <u>Increase</u> |
|------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 52-40-3431-315   | Grants         |                 | \$ 20,000.00    |

The Davidson Community Foundation will provide a grant to fund the Essential Home Repair Program.

**Section 3:** Copies of this budget amendment shall be furnished to the Clerk of the Governing Board, and to the Budget Officer and the Finance Officer for their direction.

Adopted this 27th day of August, 2024



**TOWN OF DAVIDSON BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
ORDINANCE 2024-06**

*An Ordinance to Improve the Diversity of Tree Canopy throughout Davidson.*

**1. TEXT AMENDMENTS**

**TEXT CHANGES – PROPOSED AMENDMENTS**

The following is a list of proposed text changes to the Town of Davidson Planning Ordinance (DPO). The listed changes are being undertaken to improve the diversity of tree canopy throughout Davidson by affording greater flexibility of caliper-size during species selection and planting, and to clarify replanting standards and permit approval duration. Proposals are organized by page number.

| PROPOSED TEXT CHANGES                                   |           |                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| PAGE                                                    | SECTION   | TITLE                             | ISSUE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | PROPOSED ACTION                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| SECTION 9 – TREE PRESERVATION, LANDSCAPING, & SCREENING |           |                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 9-6                                                     | 9.3.1.B.3 | REQUIREMENTS,<br>CALIPER & HEIGHT | The current text requires a minimum caliper of 2.5 inches and doesn't specify how trees may be grown. This limits the range of species available for selection and leads to a more homogenous canopy, less resilient canopy.                                                                                                                                                                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▫ Modify the text to include a range of 1.25 – 3 inches.</li><li>▫ Acknowledge that trees may be container grown or "ball and burlap," which means grown in the ground.</li></ul> |
| TEXT CHANGES                                            |           |                                   | <p><b>Old Text:</b> Trees planted to satisfy the Tree Coverage Requirement must have a minimum caliper of at least 2.5 - 3 inches and a minimum height of eight feet at the time of planting.</p> <p><b>New Text:</b> Trees planted to satisfy the Tree Coverage Requirement must have a minimum caliper of at least 1.25 - 3 inches and a minimum height of eight feet from the based of the trunk</p> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

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|              |           |                       | at the time of planting. Depending on availability, trees may be container grown or “ball and burlap.”                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                  |
| 9-9          | 9.3.3.B.1 | PERMIT REQUIRED       | The Approval Process does not address lots involving demolition, which often entails the loss of mature specimen trees.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Include text requiring replanting of trees removed for lots involving demolition.                                                                |
| TEXT CHANGES |           |                       | <p><b>Old Text:</b> N/A – Does not exist.</p> <p><b>New Text:</b> Note: For building permits wherein complete demolition is involved within the National Register Historic District, if the demolition involves tree removal within a required setback area outside the building envelope then the applicant shall replace the trees removed on site with comparable specimens (i.e., large mature trees for large mature trees).</p> |                                                                                                                                                  |
| 9-10         | 9.3.3.B.6 | PERMIT ISSUED         | The DPO does not specify how long approved permits remain valid.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Include text clarifying the periods for which permits remain valid.                                                                              |
| TEXT CHANGES |           |                       | <p><b>Old Text:</b> N/A – Does not exist.</p> <p><b>New Text:</b> ...have been satisfied. Tree removal granted as part of a building permit approval shall be valid for the life of the associated building permit (i.e., six months, per DPO 14.14.4). Tree removal granted as part of an individual tree permit not associated with a building permit shall be valid for nine months.</p>                                           |                                                                                                                                                  |
| 9-11         | 9.3.4.1.a | GENERAL PURPOSE, LOTS | The ordinance does not directly address replanting requirements for trees planted on individual lots as part of a previously approved plan.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Add text clarifying that trees removed on individual lots as part of a previously approved plan shall be replaced on site or in the development. |
| TEXT CHANGES |           |                       | Old Text: N/A – Does not exist.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                  |



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|              |         |                         | New Text: ...and vegetation/preservation removal. Trees planted on an individual lot as part of a previously approved plan to meet Section 9 requirements may be removed but shall be replaced by a comparable species within the lot or development, subject to Arborist approval.                                  |                                                                                                |
| 9-12         | 9.4.1.D | PLANTING SPECIFICATIONS | The proposed text changes in 9.3.1.B.3 modify the minimum caliper range, requiring this section to be updated as well.                                                                                                                                                                                               | Add text referring to the range established in 9.3.1.B.3.                                      |
| TEXT CHANGES |         |                         | <p>Old Text: Large and medium maturing trees shall have a minimum caliper of three inches; small maturing trees shall have a minimum caliper of two inches.</p> <p>New Text: Small, medium, and large maturing trees shall have a minimum caliper size as specified in 9.3.1.B.3.</p>                                |                                                                                                |
| 9-13         | 9.4.1.E | SPECIES                 | The ordinance does not require a minimum diversity of species. When coupled with the existing, limited caliper range, this leads developers to select only one or two species of fast growing trees – typically oak and maple. This is to the detriment of the tree canopy diversity and resiliency throughout town. | Modify the text to include a minimum of three different tree species for development projects. |
| TEXT CHANGES |         |                         | <p>Old Text: A diversity of tree species shall be utilized to prevent the spread of pests and disease.</p> <p>New Text: A diversity of tree species shall be utilized to prevent the spread of pests and disease. Commercial and residential</p>                                                                     |                                                                                                |

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|              |        |                | development projects shall include at least three different tree genera to meet 9.4.1.                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                     |
| 9-18         | 9.10.1 | ADMINISTRATION | The ordinance does not provide direction on where to locate the required planting lists.                                                                                                                                              | Add direction that applicants shall contact the Arborist to obtain a copy of the most current list. |
| TEXT CHANGES |        |                | <p>Old Text: N/A – Does not exist.</p> <p>New Text: ...in consultation with the Arborist. Prior to submittal of required landscape plans, applicants shall obtain the most current specifications listed below from the Arborist.</p> |                                                                                                     |

## 2. PUBLIC PLANS AND POLICIES

The proposed text changes are consistent with existing policy and ordinance frameworks adopted by the town. Specifically, the changes reflect guidance provided across a range of adopted plans and policies as follows:

### Strategic Plan

- **Goal E:** Sustainability and Natural Assets – Preserve Davidson’s natural assets and develop, implement, and actively encourage innovative solutions to environmental, energy, and climate-based challenges.
  - Priority Strategy 4: Finalize and implement the Urban Community Forestry Plan (Tree Canopy Master Plan).

### General Planning Principles

- **We must wisely manage the finite land and natural resources in the town’s planning area.** The natural environment enhances our quality of life, both physically and socially. We will preserve this irreplaceable asset for future generations through:
  - Tree canopy that is preserved, enhanced, and established as new development and redevelopment occurs.

### Davidson Comprehensive Plan

- **Goal 2.2 A Network of Natural Areas & Open Space**
  - *Policy 2.2.2: Integrate Green Space Throughout the Built Environment*  
Being cognizant of the importance of green space to human health, continue to thread green space throughout the built environment by growing, enhancing, and protecting the urban tree canopy, and providing natural green public spaces, neighborhood gardens, and greenways. To the extent possible, encourage native landscaping.

### Urban Community Forestry Plan

- **Goal 8:** Increase and augment the town’s tree canopy with new plantings.

### Historic Preservation Plan

- **Action 4.4.A:** Outline a “Historic District Focus Area” in which to make targeted improvements to the public realm (e.g., specific design elements in sidewalks, lighting, trees, etc.). This approach should be considered across the entire National Register district...

All proposed changes meet the requirements set forth in Davidson Planning Ordinance 1.5.1 Implementation of Adopted Plans & Policies: “Any amendments to, or actions pursuant to, this ordinance should be consistent with these adopted plans and policies, as amended.”

### 3. SIGNATURE

Adopted this 27<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024.

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Rusty Knox  
Mayor, Town of Davidson

**Attest:**

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Elizabeth K. Shores  
Town Clerk

**Approved as to form:**

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Karen Wolter  
Town Attorney



**TOWN OF DAVIDSON BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
CONSISTENCY STATEMENT FOR  
ORDINANCE 2024-06**

*An Ordinance to Improve the Diversity of Tree Canopy throughout Davidson.*

**I. SUMMARY OF ACTION / CONSISTENCY STATEMENT**

Description of Action: The Board of Commissioners hereby adopts this statement of consistency pursuant to N.C.G.S § 160D-605(a).

- Motion:
- Second:
- Vote:

**II. PROPOSAL / REQUEST**

This Text Amendment proposes to revise select portions DPO Section 9 to improve the diversity of tree canopy throughout Davidson by affording greater flexibility of caliper-size during species selection and planting, and to clarify replanting standards and permit approval duration.

**III. SUMMARY OF PETITION / PROPOSAL**

This Text Amendment proposes to revise select portions of DPO Section 9 to achieve the goals stated above. Providing administrative clarity, flexibility, and maintaining current standards are also aims of these text amendments.

| SUMMARY OF PLAN/POLICY ALIGNMENT                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                          |
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| Areas of Consistency                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Areas of Inconsistency                                                                                                                                   |
| <u>Strategic Plan</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <b>Goal E:</b> Sustainability and Natural Assets – Preserve Davidson’s natural assets and develop, implement, and actively encourage innovative solutions to environmental, energy, and climate-based challenges.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Priority Strategy 4: Finalize and implement the Urban Community Forestry Plan (Tree Canopy Master Plan).</li></ul></li></ul> <u>General Planning Principles</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <b>We must wisely manage the finite land and natural resources in the town’s planning area.</b> The natural environment enhances our quality of life, both physically and socially. We will preserve this irreplaceable asset for future generations through:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Tree canopy that is preserved, enhanced, and established as new development and redevelopment occurs.</li></ul></li></ul> <u>Davidson Comprehensive Plan</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <b>Goal 2.2 A Network of Natural Areas &amp; Open Space</b></li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <b>N/A,</b> None of the proposed amendments appear to be inconsistent with adopted plans and policies.</li></ul> |

- Policy 2.2.2: Integrate Green Space Throughout the Built Environment, *Being cognizant of the importance of green space to human health, continue to thread green space throughout the built environment by growing, enhancing, and protecting the urban tree canopy, and providing natural green public spaces, neighborhood gardens, and greenways. To the extent possible, encourage native landscaping.*

## Urban Community Forestry Plan

- **Goal 8:** Increase and augment the town's tree canopy with new plantings.

## Historic Preservation Plan

- **Action 4.4.A:** Outline a “Historic District Focus Area” in which to make targeted improvements to the public realm (e.g., specific design elements in sidewalks, lighting, trees, etc.). This approach should be considered across the entire National Register district...”

#### IV. SIGNATURE

Adopted this 27<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024.

Rusty Knox, Mayor  
Town of Davidson

NORTH CAROLINA

IREDELL COUNTY

**AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF  
MOORESVILLE, THE TOWN OF DAVIDSON, THE TOWN OF TROUTMAN,  
THE CITY OF STATESVILLE, THE TOWN OF CORNELIUS, THE TOWN OF  
HUNTERSVILLE AND THE COUNTY OF IREDELL, CREATING THE LAKE  
NORMAN REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

This Interlocal Agreement is entered into as of July 1, 2024, by and between the Town of Mooresville, the Town of Davidson, the Town of Troutman, the City of Statesville, the Town of Cornelius, the Town of Huntersville and the County of Iredell, individually a Party or collectively referred to herein as “the Parties,” all of which are municipal corporations or a body politic organized under the laws of the State of North Carolina.

**WITNESSETH**

**Article 1. Authority**

- a. North Carolina General Statute 160A-461 permits one or more units of local government to enter into contracts or agreements with each other in order to execute any undertaking. To this end, North Carolina General Statute 160A-462 authorizes such units of local government to establish a joint agency charged with any or all of the responsibility for the undertaking.
- b. The Town of Mooresville, the Town of Davidson, the Town of Troutman, the Town of Cornelius, the Town of Huntersville and the City of Statesville are each municipal corporations organized under the laws of the State of North Carolina, having the powers, duties, privileges, and immunities conferred by law on municipalities in North Carolina. The County of Iredell is a body politic organized under the laws of the State of North Carolina, having the powers, duties, privileges, and immunities conferred by law on counties in North Carolina.

**Article 2. Name and Purpose**

- a. The name of the agency created under this Agreement shall be the "Lake Norman Regional Transportation Commission" (hereinafter "Commission").
- b. The purpose of the Commission is to study, investigate, initiate, develop, and advocate for transportation improvements in and around the area of Iredell County and north Mecklenburg County.

### **Article 3. Governance**

- a. The Commission shall consist of two (2) members from each Party. One member shall be the Chief Elected Official of each Party. The other member shall be the Town, City, or County Manager of each Party. Each member may designate an alternate to serve in the place of the member on the Commission in the event of the member's absence.
- b. When serving in the place of a member, an alternate has all the authority of that member for any activity of the Commission.
- c. A quorum of the Commission shall consist of a majority of its members whose associated Party has fully paid its annual funding obligation; provided, that at least two of the members constituting a quorum shall be Chief Elected Officers or their designated alternates.
- d. The Commission shall elect one of its members as Chairperson of the Commission to serve a term beginning July 1 of each year and ending on June 30 of the following year and until a successor is elected. Only one member from each Party shall be elected within a six-year period. (Exceptions can be made with a unanimous vote of a quorum of the Commission.)
- e. Regular meetings shall be held on the second Wednesday of each month subject to change by a vote of the Commission. (The Chairman and/or Executive Director can be given the authority to cancel or reschedule a meeting by unanimous vote of a quorum of the Commission.) A quorum shall be required to vote on any motions, but the absence of a quorum shall not prohibit the presentation of items on the agenda for the information of those present.

### **Article 4. Voting and Authority**

- a. An affirmative vote by a majority of the members constituting a quorum shall be required for the passage of all motions except as provided in this Agreement. In the event of a tie, the pending motion shall be postponed for consideration at the next regularly scheduled meeting.
- b. A Party shall have provided the annual funding under Article 6 in order for its members to vote and only members from a Party that has provided its annual funding shall be included in the calculation of a quorum.
- c. Any recommendations made by the Commission to the Parties shall become effective only if a majority of the Parties' governing boards vote in favor of such recommendations.
- d. Each Party reserves the authority to specifically not authorize the Commission to represent its interests on any particular matter or generally to any legislative body, board,



administrative hearing, or such other occasion in which the Commission is asked, invited, or required to attend. Each Party also reserves the authority to dissent or abstain from any positions or decisions made by the Commission.

#### **Article 5. Staffing**

- a. The Commission shall have the authority to contract with an executive director upon such terms and conditions adopted by the Commission.
- b. The contract shall contain specific objectives of the Commission, including support of each Party's adopted Land Use and transportation related plans.

#### **Article 6. Funding**

- a. Total annual funding for the Commission shall come from the Parties in the amount of \$65,749.99.
- b. The annual funding for the Commission shall be apportioned among the Parties as follows:

Iredell \$10,000.00  
Mooresville \$15,390.12  
Statesville \$8,363.00  
Davidson \$4,330.99  
Troutman \$1,296.13  
Cornelius \$8,922.33  
Huntersville \$17,447.42

Totals \$65,749.99

- c. The Commission does not expect to receive revenues beyond the respective contributions of its parties. The Commission shall not incur any expense or cost for which it does not have the funds readily available to pay. Should any proposed cost exceed the Commission's ability to pay, said cost shall only be incurred upon a majority vote of the Parties both as to incurring the cost and as to the additional contribution of each Party. No Party shall be required to incur an additional expense unless it has agreed to the need for the cost and to the payment of additional funds.
- d. The Commission may request funding from the Parties in addition to the annual funding for a specific purpose as defined in the motion to make the request. The motion shall also include how the additional funding shall be apportioned. Each Party reserves the authority to deny requests for additional funding.

- e. Each Party shall deliver the annual funding established in this Article to the Town of Mooresville as set out in Article 7 within ten business days of the start of each Party's fiscal year. Unless the Commission's motion for additional funding specifies otherwise, each Party agreeing to provide additional funding shall deliver the additional funding to the Town of Mooresville within thirty (30) business days of receiving the request.

#### **Article 7. Administrative Support from the Town of Mooresville**

- a. The Town of Mooresville shall serve as fiscal agent for the Commission for administrative and staffing purposes. Mooresville will collect and disperse all funds of the Commission; serve as the employer of record for all Commission employees, contractors, or subcontractors; arrange for office space for the staff as needed; report to the Parties on relevant financial matters involving the Commission; and conduct audits regarding such funds. The Commission shall reimburse the Town of Mooresville for performing these duties at the going rate for such services based on the actual cost of the service or goods used, including without limitation the hourly rate for any Town employee needed to accomplish the duties delegated to the Town of Mooresville hereunder. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event will the Commission nor the Parties be liable for costs and expenses incurred by Mooresville in excess of the total annual funding amount unless such amounts are approved by the Commission pursuant to the process described in Article 6 above. The other Parties agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Town of Mooresville for any claims or damages arising from performance of its duties as fiscal agent for the Commission except where the claim or damage is a result of the gross negligence or willful acts of Mooresville, its officers, employees and agents. At the time a project is preparing to commence, the Commission shall determine which party is the most appropriate to act as fiscal agent for that specific project. A project fiscal agent is responsible for all duties stated above for that specific project.
- b. Each Party shall deliver its funds for the Commission to the Town of Mooresville addressed as follows:

Mr. Christopher Quinn  
Finance Director  
Town of Mooresville  
PO Box 878  
413 N Main St  
Mooresville NC 28115

- c. The Town of Mooresville shall serve as the administrator of any websites or other social media approved by the Commission and any charges associated with such administration shall be an expense of the Commission.

#### **Article 8. Advisory Committees**

The Commission shall have the authority to form such committees with such members as it deems necessary to offer advice and provide recommendations to the Commission.

#### **Article 9. Amendment, Removal, and Termination**

- a. An amendment to this agreement shall require an affirmative vote by a majority of the Parties.
- b. Any Party may propose an amendment to this Agreement by submitting it to the Commission for a recommendation. The Commission shall forward the proposed agreement along with its recommendation to all Parties within sixty (60) days of receipt. If all of the Parties adopt the proposed amendment within ninety (90) days of receiving the Commission's recommendation, then the amendment shall be incorporated into this Agreement. No amendment proposed by a Party shall change the apportionment of funding to any of the Parties in Article 6 without the consent of the affected Party.
- c. In the event the proposed amendment concerns adding a new member or members to the Commission, the amendment shall be considered a termination of this Agreement and a new Agreement including all the Parties shall be executed.
- d. In the event a Party votes to remove itself from the Commission, the termination will be effective immediately including the Party's right to vote or participate. The Party's financial commitment for the fiscal year in which the termination occurs shall remain unchanged and no funds shall be returned to the Party, but there shall be no continuing obligation to contribute after the fiscal year of termination.
- e. This Agreement shall be terminated as of the Effective Date if a majority of the Parties vote to remove themselves from the Commission by the same Effective Date.
- f. This Agreement shall continue until such time as it is terminated either by mutual consent of a majority of the Parties or by the termination collectively (regardless of timing) of a majority of the original Parties.
- g. Upon termination, if the Commission holds funds that are not encumbered, then the Commission shall return the funds to each Party in accordance with the percentage of said Party's contributions.

#### **Article 10. Nonbinding Effect**

The Commission does not have the authority to bind the Parties beyond the specific requirements of this Agreement. Decisions made by the Commission are recommendations only and cannot bind the Parties unless such decisions are ratified by the Parties.

**Article 11. Real Property**

The Commission has no intention of purchasing, owning, or holding any real property for the purposes of this joint agency.

(Signature Pages Follow)

Adopted by each Party on the date and year as indicated below, to be effective on the date of its last adoption.

**TOWN OF MOORESVILLE**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Christopher S. Carney, Mayor

Date Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jane Crosby, Town Clerk

(Town Seal)

This instrument has been preaudited in the manner required by the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of finance officer)

**TOWN OF DAVIDSON**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Rusty Knox, Mayor

Date Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Betsy Shores, Town Clerk

(Town Seal)

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\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of finance officer)

**TOWN OF TROUTMAN**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Teross W. Young, Jr., Mayor

Date Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kimberly H. Davis, Town Clerk

(Town Seal)

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\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of finance officer)

**TOWN OF CORNELIUS**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Woody Washam, Mayor

Date Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lori Harrell, Town Clerk

(Town Seal)

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\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of finance officer)



**TOWN OF HUNTERSVILLE**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Christy Clark, Mayor

Date Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Janet Pierson, Town Clerk

(Town Seal)

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\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of finance officer)

**CITY OF STATESVILLE**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Costi Kutteh, Mayor

Date Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Emily Kurfees, City Clerk

(City Seal)

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\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of finance officer)

COUNTY OF IREDELL

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Beth Mull, County Manager

Date Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, County Clerk to the Board

This instrument has been preaudited in the manner required by the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of finance officer)



**RESOLUTION 2024-15**  
**TO APPROVE AMENDMENT TO THE LAKE NORMAN REGIONAL**  
**TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT**

**WHEREAS,** In 2008, the Lake Norman Transportation Commission (LNTC) was born out of a six-month Mayors Transportation Task Force between Davidson, Mooresville, Cornelius, and Huntersville to work together on transportation matters rather than alone; and

**WHEREAS,** In July 2016, the Towns of Cornelius and Huntersville left the organization, and Troutman, Statesville, and Iredell County joined to continue the mission of the LNTC; and

**WHEREAS,** In 2024, the Towns of Cornelius and Huntersville expressed interest in rejoining the LNTC; and

**WHEREAS,** LNTC Staff has prepared an amended Interlocal Agreement for approval by all current LNTC member organizations (Mooresville, Davidson, Troutman, Statesville, and Iredell County) and new members Cornelius and Huntersville; and

**WHEREAS,** The amended Interlocal Agreement will take effect on July 1, 2024.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** the Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the Amended Interlocal Agreement for the Lake Norman Transportation Commission.

Adopted on the \_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_ 2024

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Rusty Knox  
Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Elizabeth K. Shores  
Town Clerk



**Axon Enterprise, Inc.**  
17800 N 85th St.  
Scottsdale, Arizona 85255  
United States  
VAT: 86-0741227  
Domestic: (800) 978-2737  
International: +1.800.978.2737

Q-550698-45491.645WR

Issued: 07/18/2024

Quote Expiration: 09/15/2024

Estimated Contract Start Date: 12/15/2024

Account Number: 109982

Payment Terms: N30

Delivery Method:

| SHIP TO                                                                             | BILL TO                                                                                      |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Davidson Police Dept. - NC<br>216 S Main St<br>Davidson,<br>NC<br>28036-8039<br>USA | Davidson Police Dept. - NC<br>216 S Main St<br>Davidson<br>NC<br>28036-8039<br>USA<br>Email: |

| SALES REPRESENTATIVE                                                      | PRIMARY CONTACT                                                       |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Wilson Riendeau<br>Phone: 7049953704<br>Email: wriendeau@axon.com<br>Fax: | Kim Davidson<br>Phone:<br>Email: kdavidson@townofdavidson.org<br>Fax: |

### Quote Summary

|                               |                     |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| Program Length                | 62 Months           |
| <b>TOTAL COST</b>             | <b>\$403,677.20</b> |
| <b>ESTIMATED TOTAL W/ TAX</b> | <b>\$419,515.08</b> |

### Discount Summary

|                          |                     |
|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Average Savings Per Year | \$21,526.53         |
| <b>TOTAL SAVINGS</b>     | <b>\$111,220.40</b> |

Payment Summary

| Date     | Subtotal     | Tax         | Total        |
|----------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| Nov 2024 | \$83,631.44  | \$3,413.79  | \$87,045.23  |
| Dec 2024 | \$2,500.00   | \$0.00      | \$2,500.00   |
| Nov 2025 | \$79,386.44  | \$3,106.03  | \$82,492.47  |
| Nov 2026 | \$79,386.44  | \$3,106.03  | \$82,492.47  |
| Nov 2027 | \$79,386.44  | \$3,106.03  | \$82,492.47  |
| Nov 2028 | \$79,386.44  | \$3,106.00  | \$82,492.44  |
| Total    | \$403,677.20 | \$15,837.88 | \$419,515.08 |

|                        |              |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Quote Unbundled Price: | \$514,897.60 |
| Quote List Price:      | \$440,758.00 |
| Quote Subtotal:        | \$403,677.20 |

## Pricing

*All deliverables are detailed in Delivery Schedules section lower in proposal*

| Item                       | Description                                            | Qty | Term | Unbundled | List Price | Net Price  | Subtotal            | Tax                | Total               |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-----|------|-----------|------------|------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Program</b>             |                                                        |     |      |           |            |            |                     |                    |                     |
| M00010                     | BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10                        | 31  | 60   | \$256.51  | \$216.65   | \$213.31   | \$396,756.60        | \$15,517.39        | \$412,273.99        |
| <b>A la Carte Hardware</b> |                                                        |     |      |           |            |            |                     |                    |                     |
| H00001                     | AB4 Camera Bundle                                      | 26  |      |           | \$849.00   | \$0.00     | \$0.00              | \$0.00             | \$0.00              |
| H00001                     | AB4 Camera Bundle                                      | 5   |      |           | \$849.00   | \$849.00   | \$4,245.00          | \$307.76           | \$4,552.76          |
| H00002                     | AB4 Multi Bay Dock Bundle                              | 4   |      |           | \$1,638.90 | \$43.90    | \$175.60            | \$12.73            | \$188.33            |
| <b>A la Carte Software</b> |                                                        |     |      |           |            |            |                     |                    |                     |
| 73746                      | AXON EVIDENCE - ECOM LICENSE - PRO                     | 24  | 1    |           | \$40.00    | \$0.00     | \$0.00              | \$0.00             | \$0.00              |
| 73686                      | AXON EVIDENCE - STORAGE - UNLIMITED (AXON DEVICE)      | 24  | 1    |           | \$25.00    | \$0.00     | \$0.00              | \$0.00             | \$0.00              |
| 73683                      | AXON EVIDENCE - STORAGE - 10GB A LA CARTE              | 24  | 1    |           | \$0.60     | \$0.00     | \$0.00              | \$0.00             | \$0.00              |
| 73680                      | AXON RESPOND PLUS - LICENSE                            | 24  | 1    |           | \$19.80    | \$0.00     | \$0.00              | \$0.00             | \$0.00              |
| 73638                      | AXON STANDARDS - LICENSE                               | 24  | 1    |           | \$10.00    | \$0.00     | \$0.00              | \$0.00             | \$0.00              |
| 20248                      | AXON TASER - EVIDENCE.COM LICENSE                      | 24  | 1    |           | \$5.20     | \$0.00     | \$0.00              | \$0.00             | \$0.00              |
| <b>A la Carte Services</b> |                                                        |     |      |           |            |            |                     |                    |                     |
| 101208                     | AXON TASER 10 - 2 DAY INSTRUCTOR COURSE - INSIDE SALES | 1   |      |           | \$2,500.00 | \$2,500.00 | \$2,500.00          | \$0.00             | \$2,500.00          |
| <b>Total</b>               |                                                        |     |      |           |            |            | <b>\$403,677.20</b> | <b>\$15,837.88</b> | <b>\$419,515.08</b> |

## Delivery Schedule

### Hardware

| Bundle                          | Item   | Description                                                | QTY | Shipping Location | Estimated Delivery Date |
|---------------------------------|--------|------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-------------------|-------------------------|
| AB4 Camera Bundle               | 100147 | AXON BODY 4 - CAMERA - NA US FIRST RESPONDER BLK RAPIDLOCK | 26  | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| AB4 Camera Bundle               | 100147 | AXON BODY 4 - CAMERA - NA US FIRST RESPONDER BLK RAPIDLOCK | 5   | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| AB4 Camera Bundle               | 100466 | AXON BODY 4 - CABLE - USB-C TO USB-C                       | 29  | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| AB4 Camera Bundle               | 100466 | AXON BODY 4 - CABLE - USB-C TO USB-C                       | 6   | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| AB4 Camera Bundle               | 11508  | AXON BODY - MOUNT - RAPIDLOCK DOUBLE MOLLE                 | 29  | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| AB4 Camera Bundle               | 11508  | AXON BODY - MOUNT - RAPIDLOCK DOUBLE MOLLE                 | 6   | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| AB4 Multi Bay Dock Bundle       | 100206 | AXON BODY 4 - 8 BAY DOCK                                   | 4   | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| AB4 Multi Bay Dock Bundle       | 70033  | AXON - DOCK WALL MOUNT - BRACKET ASSY                      | 4   | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| AB4 Multi Bay Dock Bundle       | 71019  | AXON BODY - DOCK POWERCORD - NORTH AMERICA                 | 4   | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 100390 | AXON TASER 10 - HANDLE - YELLOW CLASS 3R                   | 31  | 2                 | 01/15/2025              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 100390 | AXON TASER 10 - HANDLE - YELLOW CLASS 3R                   | 1   | 2                 | 01/15/2025              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 100393 | AXON TASER 10 - MAGAZINE - LIVE DUTY BLACK                 | 31  | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 100393 | AXON TASER 10 - MAGAZINE - LIVE DUTY BLACK                 | 1   | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |

## Hardware

| Bundle                          | Item   | Description                                              | QTY | Shipping Location | Estimated Delivery Date |
|---------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----|-------------------|-------------------------|
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 100394 | AXON TASER 10 - MAGAZINE - HALT TRAINING BLUE            | 4   | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 100395 | AXON TASER 10 - MAGAZINE - LIVE TRAINING PURPLE          | 3   | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 100396 | AXON TASER 10 - MAGAZINE - INERT RED                     | 30  | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 100399 | AXON TASER 10 - CARTRIDGE - LIVE                         | 620 | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 100400 | AXON TASER 10 - CARTRIDGE - HALT                         | 190 | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 100401 | AXON TASER 10 - CARTRIDGE - INERT                        | 300 | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 100616 | AXON TASER 10 - HOLSTER - BLACKHAWK - RH                 | 31  | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 100623 | AXON TASER - TRAINING - ENHANCED HALT SUIT V2            | 1   | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 100681 | AXON SIGNAL - SIDEARM SENSOR ONLY                        | 31  | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 20018  | AXON TASER - BATTERY PACK - TACTICAL                     | 31  | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 20018  | AXON TASER - BATTERY PACK - TACTICAL                     | 1   | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 20018  | AXON TASER - BATTERY PACK - TACTICAL                     | 6   | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 70033  | AXON - DOCK WALL MOUNT - BRACKET ASSY                    | 1   | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 71019  | AXON BODY - DOCK POWERCORD - NORTH AMERICA               | 1   | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 71044  | AXON SIGNAL - BATTERY - CR2430 SINGLE PACK               | 62  | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 74200  | AXON TASER - DOCK - SIX BAY PLUS CORE                    | 1   | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 80087  | AXON TASER - TARGET - CONDUCTIVE PROFESSIONAL RUGGEDIZED | 1   | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 80090  | AXON TASER - TARGET FRAME - PROFESSIONAL 27.5 IN X 75 IN | 1   | 1                 | 01/15/2025              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 100399 | AXON TASER 10 - CARTRIDGE - LIVE                         | 100 | 1                 | 01/15/2026              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 100400 | AXON TASER 10 - CARTRIDGE - HALT                         | 250 | 1                 | 01/15/2026              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 100399 | AXON TASER 10 - CARTRIDGE - LIVE                         | 90  | 1                 | 01/15/2027              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 100400 | AXON TASER 10 - CARTRIDGE - HALT                         | 250 | 1                 | 01/15/2027              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 73309  | AXON BODY - TAP REFRESH 1 - CAMERA                       | 32  | 1                 | 07/15/2027              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 73689  | AXON BODY - TAP REFRESH 1 - DOCK MULTI BAY               | 4   | 1                 | 07/15/2027              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 100399 | AXON TASER 10 - CARTRIDGE - LIVE                         | 90  | 1                 | 01/15/2028              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 100400 | AXON TASER 10 - CARTRIDGE - HALT                         | 250 | 1                 | 01/15/2028              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 100399 | AXON TASER 10 - CARTRIDGE - LIVE                         | 100 | 1                 | 01/15/2029              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 100400 | AXON TASER 10 - CARTRIDGE - HALT                         | 250 | 1                 | 01/15/2029              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 73310  | AXON BODY - TAP REFRESH 2 - CAMERA                       | 32  | 1                 | 01/15/2030              |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 73688  | AXON BODY - TAP REFRESH 2 - DOCK MULTI BAY               | 4   | 1                 | 01/15/2030              |

## Software

| Bundle                          | Item   | Description                                       | QTY | Estimated Start Date | Estimated End Date |
|---------------------------------|--------|---------------------------------------------------|-----|----------------------|--------------------|
| A la Carte                      | 20248  | AXON TASER - EVIDENCE.COM LICENSE                 | 24  | 12/15/2024           | 01/14/2025         |
| A la Carte                      | 73638  | AXON STANDARDS - LICENSE                          | 24  | 12/15/2024           | 01/14/2025         |
| A la Carte                      | 73680  | AXON RESPOND PLUS - LICENSE                       | 24  | 12/15/2024           | 01/14/2025         |
| A la Carte                      | 73683  | AXON EVIDENCE - STORAGE - 10GB A LA CARTE         | 24  | 12/15/2024           | 01/14/2025         |
| A la Carte                      | 73686  | AXON EVIDENCE - STORAGE - UNLIMITED (AXON DEVICE) | 24  | 12/15/2024           | 01/14/2025         |
| A la Carte                      | 73746  | AXON EVIDENCE - ECOM LICENSE - PRO                | 24  | 12/15/2024           | 01/14/2025         |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 101180 | AXON TASER - DATA SCIENCE PROGRAM                 | 31  | 02/15/2025           | 02/14/2030         |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 20248  | AXON TASER - EVIDENCE.COM LICENSE                 | 31  | 02/15/2025           | 02/14/2030         |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 20248  | AXON TASER - EVIDENCE.COM LICENSE                 | 1   | 02/15/2025           | 02/14/2030         |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 73638  | AXON STANDARDS - LICENSE                          | 31  | 02/15/2025           | 02/14/2030         |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 73680  | AXON RESPOND PLUS - LICENSE                       | 31  | 02/15/2025           | 02/14/2030         |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 73683  | AXON EVIDENCE - STORAGE - 10GB A LA CARTE         | 310 | 02/15/2025           | 02/14/2030         |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 73686  | AXON EVIDENCE - STORAGE - UNLIMITED (AXON DEVICE) | 31  | 02/15/2025           | 02/14/2030         |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 73746  | AXON EVIDENCE - ECOM LICENSE - PRO                | 31  | 02/15/2025           | 02/14/2030         |



## Services

| Bundle                          | Item   | Description                                            | QTY |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 101193 | AXON TASER - ON DEMAND CERTIFICATION                   | 1   |
| A la Carte                      | 101208 | AXON TASER 10 - 2 DAY INSTRUCTOR COURSE - INSIDE SALES | 1   |

## Warranties

| Bundle                          | Item   | Description                                     | QTY | Estimated Start Date | Estimated End Date |
|---------------------------------|--------|-------------------------------------------------|-----|----------------------|--------------------|
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 100704 | AXON TASER 10 - EXT WARRANTY - HANDLE           | 31  | 01/15/2026           | 02/14/2030         |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 100704 | AXON TASER 10 - EXT WARRANTY - HANDLE           | 1   | 01/15/2026           | 02/14/2030         |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 80374  | AXON TASER - EXT WARRANTY - BATTERY PACK T7/T10 | 31  | 01/15/2026           | 02/14/2030         |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 80374  | AXON TASER - EXT WARRANTY - BATTERY PACK T7/T10 | 1   | 01/15/2026           | 02/14/2030         |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 80374  | AXON TASER - EXT WARRANTY - BATTERY PACK T7/T10 | 6   | 01/15/2026           | 02/14/2030         |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 80396  | AXON TASER - EXT WARRANTY - DOCK SIX BAY T7/T10 | 1   | 01/15/2026           | 02/14/2030         |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 80464  | AXON BODY - TAP WARRANTY - CAMERA               | 31  | 01/15/2026           | 02/14/2030         |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 80464  | AXON BODY - TAP WARRANTY - CAMERA               | 1   | 01/15/2026           | 02/14/2030         |
| BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 80465  | AXON BODY - TAP WARRANTY - MULTI BAY DOCK       | 4   | 01/15/2026           | 02/14/2030         |

## Shipping Locations

| Location Number | Street        | City     | State | Zip        | Country |
|-----------------|---------------|----------|-------|------------|---------|
| 1               | 216 S Main St | Davidson | NC    | 28036-8039 | USA     |
| 2               | 216 S Main St | Davidson | NC    | 28036-8039 | USA     |

## Payment Details

### Nov 2024

| Invoice Plan     | Item   | Description                                       | Qty | Subtotal           | Tax               | Total              |
|------------------|--------|---------------------------------------------------|-----|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Upfront hardware | H00001 | AB4 Camera Bundle                                 | 5   | \$4,245.00         | \$307.76          | \$4,552.76         |
| Year 1           | 20248  | AXON TASER - EVIDENCE.COM LICENSE                 | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 1           | 73638  | AXON STANDARDS - LICENSE                          | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 1           | 73680  | AXON RESPOND PLUS - LICENSE                       | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 1           | 73683  | AXON EVIDENCE - STORAGE - 10GB A LA CARTE         | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 1           | 73686  | AXON EVIDENCE - STORAGE - UNLIMITED (AXON DEVICE) | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 1           | 73746  | AXON EVIDENCE - ECOM LICENSE - PRO                | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 1           | H00001 | AB4 Camera Bundle                                 | 26  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 1           | H00002 | AB4 Multi Bay Dock Bundle                         | 4   | \$35.12            | \$2.55            | \$37.67            |
| Year 1           | M00010 | BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10                   | 31  | \$79,351.32        | \$3,103.48        | \$82,454.80        |
| <b>Total</b>     |        |                                                   |     | <b>\$83,631.44</b> | <b>\$3,413.79</b> | <b>\$87,045.23</b> |

### Dec 2024

| Invoice Plan             | Item   | Description                                            | Qty | Subtotal          | Tax           | Total             |
|--------------------------|--------|--------------------------------------------------------|-----|-------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Invoice Upon Fulfillment | 101208 | AXON TASER 10 - 2 DAY INSTRUCTOR COURSE - INSIDE SALES | 1   | \$2,500.00        | \$0.00        | \$2,500.00        |
| <b>Total</b>             |        |                                                        |     | <b>\$2,500.00</b> | <b>\$0.00</b> | <b>\$2,500.00</b> |

### Feb 2025

| Invoice Plan             | Item   | Description                     | Qty | Subtotal      | Tax           | Total         |
|--------------------------|--------|---------------------------------|-----|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Invoice Upon Fulfillment | M00010 | BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10 | 31  | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00        |
| <b>Total</b>             |        |                                 |     | <b>\$0.00</b> | <b>\$0.00</b> | <b>\$0.00</b> |

### Nov 2025

| Invoice Plan | Item   | Description                                       | Qty | Subtotal           | Tax               | Total              |
|--------------|--------|---------------------------------------------------|-----|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Year 2       | 20248  | AXON TASER - EVIDENCE.COM LICENSE                 | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 2       | 73638  | AXON STANDARDS - LICENSE                          | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 2       | 73680  | AXON RESPOND PLUS - LICENSE                       | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 2       | 73683  | AXON EVIDENCE - STORAGE - 10GB A LA CARTE         | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 2       | 73686  | AXON EVIDENCE - STORAGE - UNLIMITED (AXON DEVICE) | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 2       | 73746  | AXON EVIDENCE - ECOM LICENSE - PRO                | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 2       | H00001 | AB4 Camera Bundle                                 | 26  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 2       | H00002 | AB4 Multi Bay Dock Bundle                         | 4   | \$35.12            | \$2.55            | \$37.67            |
| Year 2       | M00010 | BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10                   | 31  | \$79,351.32        | \$3,103.48        | \$82,454.80        |
| <b>Total</b> |        |                                                   |     | <b>\$79,386.44</b> | <b>\$3,106.03</b> | <b>\$82,492.47</b> |

| Nov 2026     |        |                                                   |     |                    |                   |                    |
|--------------|--------|---------------------------------------------------|-----|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Invoice Plan | Item   | Description                                       | Qty | Subtotal           | Tax               | Total              |
| Year 3       | 20248  | AXON TASER - EVIDENCE.COM LICENSE                 | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 3       | 73638  | AXON STANDARDS - LICENSE                          | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 3       | 73680  | AXON RESPOND PLUS - LICENSE                       | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 3       | 73683  | AXON EVIDENCE - STORAGE - 10GB A LA CARTE         | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 3       | 73686  | AXON EVIDENCE - STORAGE - UNLIMITED (AXON DEVICE) | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 3       | 73746  | AXON EVIDENCE - ECOM LICENSE - PRO                | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 3       | H00001 | AB4 Camera Bundle                                 | 26  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 3       | H00002 | AB4 Multi Bay Dock Bundle                         | 4   | \$35.12            | \$2.55            | \$37.67            |
| Year 3       | M00010 | BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10                   | 31  | \$79,351.32        | \$3,103.48        | \$82,454.80        |
| <b>Total</b> |        |                                                   |     | <b>\$79,386.44</b> | <b>\$3,106.03</b> | <b>\$82,492.47</b> |

| Nov 2027     |        |                                                   |     |                    |                   |                    |
|--------------|--------|---------------------------------------------------|-----|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Invoice Plan | Item   | Description                                       | Qty | Subtotal           | Tax               | Total              |
| Year 4       | 20248  | AXON TASER - EVIDENCE.COM LICENSE                 | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 4       | 73638  | AXON STANDARDS - LICENSE                          | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 4       | 73680  | AXON RESPOND PLUS - LICENSE                       | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 4       | 73683  | AXON EVIDENCE - STORAGE - 10GB A LA CARTE         | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 4       | 73686  | AXON EVIDENCE - STORAGE - UNLIMITED (AXON DEVICE) | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 4       | 73746  | AXON EVIDENCE - ECOM LICENSE - PRO                | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 4       | H00001 | AB4 Camera Bundle                                 | 26  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 4       | H00002 | AB4 Multi Bay Dock Bundle                         | 4   | \$35.12            | \$2.55            | \$37.67            |
| Year 4       | M00010 | BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10                   | 31  | \$79,351.32        | \$3,103.48        | \$82,454.80        |
| <b>Total</b> |        |                                                   |     | <b>\$79,386.44</b> | <b>\$3,106.03</b> | <b>\$82,492.47</b> |

| Nov 2028     |        |                                                   |     |                    |                   |                    |
|--------------|--------|---------------------------------------------------|-----|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Invoice Plan | Item   | Description                                       | Qty | Subtotal           | Tax               | Total              |
| Year 5       | 20248  | AXON TASER - EVIDENCE.COM LICENSE                 | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 5       | 73638  | AXON STANDARDS - LICENSE                          | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 5       | 73680  | AXON RESPOND PLUS - LICENSE                       | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 5       | 73683  | AXON EVIDENCE - STORAGE - 10GB A LA CARTE         | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 5       | 73686  | AXON EVIDENCE - STORAGE - UNLIMITED (AXON DEVICE) | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 5       | 73746  | AXON EVIDENCE - ECOM LICENSE - PRO                | 24  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 5       | H00001 | AB4 Camera Bundle                                 | 26  | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00             |
| Year 5       | H00002 | AB4 Multi Bay Dock Bundle                         | 4   | \$35.12            | \$2.53            | \$37.65            |
| Year 5       | M00010 | BUNDLE - OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 10                   | 31  | \$79,351.32        | \$3,103.47        | \$82,454.79        |
| <b>Total</b> |        |                                                   |     | <b>\$79,386.44</b> | <b>\$3,106.00</b> | <b>\$82,492.44</b> |

Tax is estimated based on rates applicable at date of quote and subject to change at time of invoicing. If a tax exemption certificate should be applied, please submit prior to invoicing.

## Standard Terms and Conditions

### Axon Enterprise Inc. Sales Terms and Conditions

#### Axon Master Services and Purchasing Agreement:

This Quote is limited to and conditional upon your acceptance of the provisions set forth herein and Axon's Master Services and Purchasing Agreement (posted at <https://www.axon.com/sales-terms-and-conditions>), as well as the attached Statement of Work (SOW) for Axon Fleet and/or Axon Interview Room purchase, if applicable. In the event you and Axon have entered into a prior agreement to govern all future purchases, that agreement shall govern to the extent it includes the products and services being purchased and does not conflict with the Axon Customer Experience Improvement Program Appendix as described below.

#### ACEIP:

The Axon Customer Experience Improvement Program Appendix, which includes the sharing of de-identified segments of Agency Content with Axon to develop new products and improve your product experience (posted at [www.axon.com/legal/sales-terms-and-conditions](http://www.axon.com/legal/sales-terms-and-conditions)), is incorporated herein by reference. By signing below, you agree to the terms of the Axon Customer Experience Improvement Program.

#### Acceptance of Terms:

Any purchase order issued in response to this Quote is subject solely to the above referenced terms and conditions. By signing below, you represent that you are lawfully able to enter into contracts. If you are signing on behalf of an entity (including but not limited to the company, municipality, or government agency for whom you work), you represent to Axon that you have legal authority to bind that entity. If you do not have this authority, please do not sign this Quote.

Exceptions to Standard Terms and Conditions

100% discounted body-worn camera and docking station hardware contained in this quote reflects a TAP replacement for hardware purchased under existing quotes #Q-230266. All TAP obligations from this contract will be considered fulfilled upon execution of this quote.

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Signature

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Date Signed

7/18/2024





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July 31, 2024

**To: United States state, local, and municipal public safety agencies**

**Re: Sole Source Letter for Axon Enterprise, Inc.'s Axon brand products and Axon Evidence (Evidence.com) Data Management Solutions<sup>1</sup>**

A sole source justification exists because the following goods and services required to satisfy the agency's needs are only manufactured and available for purchase from Axon Enterprise.

### **Axon Digital Evidence Solution Description**

#### **Axon Body 4 Video Camera (DVR)**

- Improved, 160-degree field of view
- Upgraded sensor provides sharper, more detailed images
- Full-shift battery, even when using Axon Respond real-time services
- Bi-directional communications with Watch Me button allowing support teams to view wearer's footage. (Requires Axon Respond)
- Real-time support allows wearer to view user locations on live maps, receive alerts, and view live streams. (Requires Axon Respond location services)
- Faster recharging
- Optional point-of-view (Flex POV) camera module
- Thirteen-hour battery
- Up to 120-second buffering period to record footage before pressing the record button
- Simplified registration

#### **Axon Body 3 Video Camera (DVR)**

- Improved video quality with reduced motion blur and better low-light performance
- Multi-mic audio—four built-in microphones
- Wireless upload option
- Gunshot detection and alerts
- Streaming audio and video capability
- "Find my camera" feature
- Verbal transcription with Axon Records
- End-to-end encryption
- Twelve-hour battery
- Up to 120-second buffering period to record footage before pressing record button

#### **Axon Flex 2 Video Camera**

- Video playback on mobile devices in the field via Bluetooth pairing
- Retina Low Light capability sensitive to less than 0.1 lux
- Audio tones to alert user of usage
- Low SD, high SD, low HD, and high HD resolution (customizable by the agency)
- Up to 120-second buffering period to record footage before pressing record button

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<sup>1</sup> Axon is also the sole developer and offeror of the Evidence.com data management services. Evidence.com is both a division of Axon and a data management product solution offered by Axon. Evidence.com is not a separate corporate entity.



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- Multiple mounting options using magnetic attachment: head, collar, shoulder, helmet, ball cap, car dash, and Oakley sunglass mounts available
- 120-degree diagonal field of view camera lens, 102-degree horizontal field of view, and 55-degree vertical field of view

#### **Axon Flex 2 Controller**

- 12+ hours of battery operation per shift (even in recording mode)
- LED lights to show current battery level and operating mode
- Haptic notification available
- Tactical beveled button design for use in pocket
- Compatible with Axon Signal technology

#### **Axon Air System**

- Purpose-built solution for law enforcement UAV programs
- Supported applications on iOS and Android
- Automated tracking of pilot, aircraft, and flight logs
- Unlimited Storage of UAV data in Axon Evidence (Evidence.com)
- In application ingestion of data in Axon Evidence (Evidence.com)
- Axon Respond integration for live streaming and situational awareness

#### **Axon Body 2 Video Camera**

- Video playback on mobile devices in the field via Bluetooth pairing
- Retina Low Light capability sensitive to less than 1 lux
- Audio tones and haptic (vibration) notification to alert user of usage
- Audio mute during event option
- Wi-Fi capability
- High, medium, and low quality recording available (customizable by the agency)
- Up to 2-minute buffering period to record footage before pressing record button
- Multiple mounting options using holster attachment: shirt, vest, belt, and dash mounts available
- 12+ hours of battery operation per shift (even in recording mode)
- LED lights to show current battery level and operating mode
- 143-degree lens
- Includes Axon Signal technology

#### **Axon Fleet 3 Camera**

- High-definition Dual-View Camera with panoramic field of view, 12x zoom, and AI processing for automatic license plate reader (ALPR)
- High-definition Interior Camera with infrared illumination for back seat view in complete darkness
- Wireless Mic and Charging Base for capturing audio when outside of vehicle
- Fleet Hub with connectivity, global navigation satellite system (GNSS), secure solid-state storage, and Signal inputs
- Automatic transition from Buffering to Event mode with configurable Signals
- Video Recall records last 24 hours of each camera in case camera not activated for an event
- Intuitive mobile data terminal app, Axon Dashboard, for controlling system, reviewing video, quick tagging, and more



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- Ability to efficiently categorize, play back and share all video and audio alongside other digital files on Evidence.com
- Multi-cam playback, for reviewing up to four videos, including body-worn and in-car footage, at the same time
- Fully integrated with Evidence.com services and Axon devices
- Automatic time synchronization with all Axon Fleet and other Axon on-officer cameras allows for multi-camera playback on Evidence.com.
- Prioritized upload to Evidence.com of critical event videos via 4G/LTE
- Wireless alerts from the TASER CEW Signal Performance Power Magazine (SPPM) and Signal Side Arm (SSA).
- Best-in-class install times, wireless updates and quick remote troubleshooting
- Optional Axon Respond live stream, alerts, and location updates for situational awareness
- Optional Axon ALPR hotlist alerts, plate read retention, and investigative search

#### **Axon Fleet 2 Camera**

- Fully integrated with Axon Evidence services and Axon devices
- Automatic time synchronization with other Axon Fleet and Axon on-officer cameras allows for multi-camera playback on Axon Evidence.
- Immediate upload to Axon Evidence of critical event videos via 4G/LTE
- Wireless alerts from the TASER CEW Signal Performance Power Magazine (SPPM).
- Automatic transition from BUFFERING to EVENT mode in an emergency vehicle equipped with the Axon Signal Unit
- Decentralized system architecture without a central digital video recorder (DVR).
- Cameras that function independently and communicate wirelessly with the computer in the vehicle (MDT, MDC, MDU) for reviewing, tagging and uploading video.
- Wireless record alert based on Bluetooth communication from Axon Signal Vehicle when a configured input is enabled (e.g. emergency light, siren, weapon rack, etc.).
- Receives alerts from Axon Signal Sidearm.
- Plug-And-Play design allowing for cameras to be easily replaced and upgraded.
- Ability for an unlimited number of agency vehicles recording in the same vicinity with an Axon Fleet system to be automatically associated with one another when reviewing video in the video management platform. This feature is also supported across body cameras.

#### **Axon Signal Unit (ASU)**

- Communications device that can be installed in emergency vehicles.
- With emergency vehicle light bar activation, or other activation triggers, the Axon Signal Unit sends a signal. Upon processing the signal, an Axon system equipped with Axon Signal technology transitions from the BUFFERING to EVENT mode.

#### **Axon Signal Performance Power Magazine (SPPM)**

- Battery pack for the TASER X2 and X26P conducted electrical weapons
- Shifting the safety switch from the down (SAFE) to the up (ARMED) positions sends a signal from the SPPM. Upon processing the signal, an Axon system equipped with Axon Signal technology transitions from the BUFFERING to EVENT mode. Axon Signal technology only works with Axon cameras.





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#### **Axon Signal Sidearm Sensor**

- Can be installed on common duty holsters
- Drawing a service handgun from the holster sends a signal from the Axon Signal Sidearm sensor. Upon processing the signal, an Axon system equipped with Axon Signal technology transitions from the BUFFERING to EVENT mode.

#### **Axon Interview Solution**

- High-definition cameras and microphones for interview rooms
- Covert or overt camera installations
- Touch-screen user interface
- Motion-based activation
- Up to 7-minute pre- and post-event buffering period
- Full hardware and software integration
- Upload to Axon Evidence services
- Interview room files can be managed under the same case umbrella as files from Axon on-officer cameras and Axon Fleet cameras; i.e., Axon video of an arrest and interview room video are managed as part of the same case in Axon Evidence
- Dual integration of on-officer camera and interview room camera with Axon Evidence digital evidence solution

#### **Axon Signal Technology**

- Sends a broadcast of status that compatible devices recognize when certain status changes are detected
- Only compatible with TASER and Axon products

#### **Axon Dock**

- Automated docking station uploads to Axon Evidence services through Internet connection
- No computer necessary for secure upload to Axon Evidence
- Charges and uploads simultaneously
- The Axon Dock is tested and certified by TUV Rheinland to be in compliance with UL 60950-1: 2007 R10.14 and CAN/ CSA-C22.2 NO.60950-I-07+A1:2011+A2:2014 Information Technology Equipment safety standards.

#### **Axon Evidence Data Management System**

- Software as a Service (SaaS) delivery model that allows agencies to manage and share digital evidence without local storage infrastructure or software needed
- SaaS model reduces security and administration by local IT staff: no local installation required
- Automatic, timely security upgrades and enhancements deployed to application without the need for any local IT staff involvement
- Securely share digital evidence with other agencies or prosecutors without creating copies or requiring the data to leave your agency's domain of control
- Controlled access to evidence based on pre-defined roles and permissions and pre-defined individuals
- Password authentication includes customizable security parameters: customizable password complexity, IP-based access restrictions, and multi-factor authentication support
- Automated category-based evidence retention policies assists with efficient database



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- management
- Ability to recover deleted evidence within seven days of deletion
- Stores and supports all major digital file types: .mpeg, .doc, .pdf, .jpeg, etc.
- Requires NO proprietary file formats
- Ability to upload files directly from the computer to Axon Evidence via an Internet browser
- Data Security: Robust Transport Layer Security (TLS) implementation for data in transit and 256-bit AES encryption for data in storage
- Security Testing: Independent security firms perform in-depth security and penetration testing
- Reliability: Fault- and disaster-tolerant infrastructure in at least 4 redundant data centers in both the East and West regions of the United States
- Chain-of-Custody: Audit logs automatically track all system and user activity. These logs cannot be edited or deleted, even by account administrators and IT staff
- Protection: With no on-site application, critical evidence stored in Axon Evidence is protected from local malware that may penetrate agency infrastructure
- Stability: Axon Enterprise is a publicly traded company with stable finances and funding, reducing concerns of loss of application support or commercial viability
- Application and data protected by a CJIS and ISO 27001 compliant information security program
- Dedicated information security department that protects Axon Evidence and data with security monitoring, centralized event log analysis and correlation, advanced threat and intrusion protection, and incident response capabilities
- Redact videos easily within the system, create tags, markers and clips, search 7 fields in addition to 5 category-based fields, create cases for multiple evidence files

#### **Axon Evidence for Prosecutors**

- All the benefits of the standard Axon Evidence services
- Ability to share information during the discovery process
- Standard licenses available for free to prosecutors working with agencies already using Axon Evidence services
- Unlimited storage for data collected by Axon cameras and Axon Capture

#### **Attorney Premier**

- All the benefits Axon Evidence for Prosecutors
- Purpose-built user interface optimizes evidence management, review functionalities, and case relevant information
- Unlimited AI transcription of playable video and audio files
- Native image and PDF redaction software
- Ability to natively play a wide variety of 3<sup>rd</sup> party video codecs (CCTV) and extract file into an MP4
- Ability to obtain evidence directly from members of the community via secure web link
- Unlimited storage and data collected and shared by Axon partner agencies via Axon Evidence (Evidence.com)
- Available unlimited 3<sup>rd</sup> party data source storage plan
- Pro Licenses – all users have access to pro license features, including the Redaction Studio, Transcription Assistant, and Multi-Cam, and Reporting functionalities



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- Transcription is Unlimited and automatic (i.e. all videos ingested into Attorney Premier are automatically transcribed)
- Discovery module designed to optimize all aspects of discovery management

#### **Axon Capture Application**

- Free app for iOS and Android mobile devices
- Allows users to capture videos, audio recordings, and photos and upload these files to their Axon Evidence account from the field
- Allows adding metadata to these files, such as: Category, Title, Case ID, and GPS data

#### **Axon Commander Services**

- On-premises data management platform
- Chain of custody reports with extensive audit trail
- Automated workflows, access control, storage, and retention
- Compatible with multiple file formats

#### **Axon View Application**

- Free app for iOS and Android mobile devices
- Allows user to view the camera feed from a paired Axon Body, Axon Body 2, Axon Flex, or Axon Flex 2 camera in real-time
- Allows for playback of videos stored on a paired Axon Body, Axon Body 2, Axon Flex, or Axon Flex 2 system
- Allows adding meta-data to videos, such as: Category, Title, Case ID, and GPS data

#### **Axon Records**

- Continuously improving automated report writing by leveraging AI and ML on officer recorded video, photo, and audio from BWC, In-Car, Mobile App (Axon Capture), or other digital media
- Collaborative report writing through instantly synced workspaces allowing officers to delegate information gathering on scene
- Instant access to records allowing detectives to begin their investigation and records clerks to update information exchanges on things like missing people or stolen property as soon as possible
- Complete leveraging of Axon Evidence sharing to allow fast, efficient, digital, and secure sharing of records and cases to DAs and Prosecutors
- Robust API and SDK allows data to be easily ingested and pushed out to other systems—preventing data silos
- Deep integration with Axon Evidence putting video at the heart of the record and automating the process of tagging and categorizing digital evidence stored in Axon Evidence
- Automatic association of digital evidence to the record and incident through Axon Evidence integration
- In context search of master indexes (people, vehicles, locations, charges)—promoting efficient report writing through prefilling of existing data which promotes clean and deduped data in the system
- Quick views for users to track calls for service and reports in draft, ready for review, kicked back for further information, or submitted to Records for archiving.
- Federal and State IBRS fields are captured and validated—ensuring the officer



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- knows what fields to fill and what information needs to be captured
- Intuitive validation ensures officers know what information to submit without being burdened by understanding the mapping of NIBRS to state or local crime codes
- Ability to create custom forms and add custom fields to incident reports—allowing your agency to gather the information you find valuable
- Software as a Service (SaaS) delivery model that allows agencies to write, manage, and share digital incident reports without local storage infrastructure or software needed
- SaaS model reduces security and administration by local IT staff: no local installation required
- Automatic, timely security upgrades and enhancements deployed to application without the need for any local IT staff involvement
- Securely share records and cases with other agencies or prosecutors without creating copies or requiring the data to leave your agency's domain of control
- Controlled access based on pre-defined users, groups, and permissions
- Password authentication includes customizable security parameters: customizable password complexity, IP-based access restrictions, and multi-factor authentication support
- Security Testing: Independent security firms perform in-depth security and penetration testing
- Reliability: Fault- and disaster-tolerant infrastructure in at least 4 redundant data centers in both the East and West regions of the United States
- Chain-of-Custody: Audit logs automatically track all system and user activity. These logs cannot be edited or deleted, even by account administrators and IT staff

#### **Axon Standards**

- Internal affairs and professional standards reporting
- Customizable information display, including custom forms
- Customizable workflows and user groups
- Automated alerts
- Compatible with digital documents, photos, and videos
- Connection with Transcription (beta)
- Shared Index with evidence.com and Records
- Data Warehouse allowing custom summary reports and integration into 3rd party analytic tools.
- Workflow analytics to provide SLA on throughputs
- Integration with the TASER 7 and TASER 10 energy weapons for automatically pulling firing logs (alpha)
- Available as an option for Axon Records
- Automatically bundled with Officer Safety Plan 7+

#### **Axon Professional Services**

- Dedicated implementation team
- Project management and deployment best practices aid
- Training and train-the-trainer sessions
- Integration services with other systems



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#### **Axon Auto-Transcribe**

- Transcribes audio to text, producing a time-synchronized transcript of incidents
- Allows searches for keywords (e.g., names, and addresses)
- Embedded time stamps when critical details were said and events occurred
- Produce transcripts in substantially less time than with manual methods
- Pull direct quotes and witness statements directly into reports

#### **Axon Support Engineer:**

- Dedicated Axon Regional/Resident Support Engineer Services
- Quarterly onsite visits
- Solution and Process Guidance custom to your agency
- White-Glove RMA and TAP (if applicable) Service for devices
- Monthly Product Usage Analysis
- Resident Support Engineer also includes onsite product maintenance, troubleshooting, and beta testing assistance

#### **Axon Respond for Dispatch (CAD)**

- Integration with Axon Respond for Devices (Axon Body 3) for location and/or live streaming in CAD.
- Integration with TASER 7 and TASER 10 energy weapons for enhanced situational awareness.
- Native ESRI based mapping with ability to connect to ESRI online communities and your agency's local ArcGIS data.
- SaaS model reduces security and administration by local IT staff: no local installation
- Robust API and SDK allows data to be easily ingested and pushed out to other systems -- preventing data silos.
- Complete leveraging of Axon Evidence (evidence.com) sharing to allow fast, efficient, digital and secure sharing of data to DAs and Prosecutors.
- Future versions/enhancements included with minimal down time and no need to purchase an upgrade to the latest version.
- Native integration with Axon Records.
- Reliability: Fault – and disaster – tolerant infrastructure in at least four redundant data centers in both the East and West regions of the United States.
- Security Testing: Independent security firms perform in depth security and penetration testing.
- Automatic, timely security upgrades and enhancements deployed to application without the need for any local IT staff involvement.

#### **Axon Investigate**

- Video analysis software
- Compatible with video from cell phones, on-officer cameras, in-car camera systems, social media, and other sources
- Oriented to investigators and prosecutors
- Integration with Axon Evidence services
- Automatically identify video file codecs, formats, hash values, and other metadata
- Automatically determine the required codec necessary to play a wide variety of video formats
- Play forwards/backwards and fast forward through almost any video file



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- Scrub forwards/backwards through almost any video file
- Mark and auto export an unlimited number of tagged video frames
- Create subclips from any readable media
- Batch transcode files to standard file formats (including uncompressed, lossless h.264, wmv, and more)
- Add filters to transcode workflow (including resize, deinterlace, pad, crop, blur, concatenate, etc.)
- Provide enhancement capabilities, such as stabilization, brightness adjustments, and frame averaging
- Produce dynamic frame analysis spreadsheets to xml documents
- Validate results compared with hexadecimal analysis tools
- Build and share workflows with other users
- Transcode files directly to Avid Media Composer projects
- Identify duplicate files in any folder based on md5 hash
- Produce detailed written reports via interactive PDF with embedded video and image content within INPUT-ACE
- Extract I-frames
- Decimate
- Canvas Editor (picture-in-picture)
- Add raw FFmpeg arguments
- Perform four types of macroblock analysis
  - 4x4 prediction removed
  - 8x8 prediction removed
  - Color coded block types
  - Quantization parameter evaluation
- Offered INPUT-ACE Software (from Axon Enterprise)
- Variable frame rate (VFR) lightboard designed to accurately calculate time and vehicle speed from any video surveillance camera. This feature is designed to eliminate common errors that might occur during calculations based on frame rate.
- Camera match overlay tool that provides margin of error reports based on scanner, calibration, and resolution accuracy (e.g., a margin of error of +0.5 feet) for data collected from footage.

#### **Axon Justice**

- Productivity tool for prosecutors and defense attorneys
- Streamlined evidence management
- Unlimited Auto-Transcribe for audio and video
- Discovery workflows, fully integrated with Axon Evidence services
- Axon Evidence conversion and playback tools for third-party video, including body-worn, in-car, interview room, and CCTV video
- Chain of custody reports with extensive audit trail
- Free sharing with partners
- Customer-defined data retention policies

#### **Draft One**

- AI-powered report-writing assistant
- Audio from Axon body-worn camera (BWC) footage is uploaded over long-term evolution (LTE) and transcribed automatically so report drafts are available within five



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- minutes of an incident ending, without having to dock camera
- Create a single Draft One narrative from one or more body-worn camera recordings
- Supports audio from multiple devices, including 3rd party devices (anything that's playable on Ecom)
- Supports multiple input and output languages (technically this is in beta so let me know if we can't include)
- Multiple safeguards in place to ensure officers proofread and sign off on reports
- Security: all data processed in CJIS GovCloud environment (in US)
- Compatible with any 3rd-party RMS system
- No statistically significant levels of racial bias towards suspect's race
- Ability to include header and footer language to note when Draft One was used on a given report
- Ability to specify which incident types and level of charges can be used with Draft One
- Ability to warn or block users if they don't edit a certain percentage of words before submitting

#### **Axon Customer Support**

- Online and email-based support available 24/7
- Human phone-based support available Monday–Friday 7:00 AM–5:00 PM MST; support is located in Scottsdale, AZ, USA
- Library of webinars available 24/7
- Remote-location troubleshooting



#### **Axon Brand Model Numbers**

1. Axon Body 4 Cameras:
  - Axon Body 4 Camera Model: 100147
  - Axon Body 4 Flex POV Module Model: 100200
2. Axon Body 3 Camera Model: 73202
3. Axon Flex 2 Cameras:
  - Axon Flex 2 Camera (online) Model: 11528
  - Axon Flex 2 Camera (offline) Model: 11529
4. Axon Flex 2 Controller Model: 11532
5. Axon Flex 2 USB Sync Cable Model: 11534
6. Axon Flex 2 Coiled Cable, Straight to Right Angle, 48" (1.2 m)
7. Axon Flex 2 Camera Mounts:
  - Oakley Flak Jacket Kit Model: 11544





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- Collar Mount Model: 11545
  - Oakley Clip Model: 11554
  - Epaulette Mount Model: 11546
  - Ballcap Mount Model: 11547
  - Ballistic Vest Mount Model: 11555
8. Universal Helmet Mount Model: 11548
9. Axon Air System with Axon Evidence (Evidence.com) 5-Year License Model: 12332
10. Axon Body 2 Camera Model: 74001
11. Axon Body 2 Camera Mounts:
- Axon RapidLock Velcro Mount Model: 74054
12. Axon Flex 2 Controller, Axon Body 2 Camera, and Axon Body 3 Camera Mounts:
- Z-Bracket, Men's, Axon RapidLock Model: 74018
  - Z-Bracket, Women's Axon RapidLock Model: 74019
  - Magnet, Flexible, Axon RapidLock Model: 74020
  - Magnet, Outerwear, Axon RapidLock Model: 74021
  - Small Pocket, 4" (10.1 cm), Axon RapidLock Model: 74022
  - Large Pocket, 6" (15.2 cm), Axon RapidLock Model: 74023
  - MOLLE Mount, Single, Axon RapidLock Model: 11507
  - MOLLE Mount, Double, Axon RapidLock Model: 11508
  - Mini MOLLE Mount, Axon RapidLock Model: 11703
  - Belt Clip Mount, Axon RapidLock Model: 11509
13. Axon Fleet Camera
- Axon Fleet 2 Front Camera: 71079
  - Axon Fleet 2 Front Camera Mount: 71080
  - Axon Fleet 2 Rear Camera: 71081
  - Axon Fleet 2 Rear Camera Controller: 71082
  - Axon Fleet 2 Rear Camera Controller Mount: 71083
  - Axon Fleet Battery System: 74024
  - Axon Fleet Bluetooth Dongle: 74027
  - Axon Fleet 3 Dual View Camera: 72000
  - Axon Fleet 3 Interior Camera: 72037
  - Axon Fleet Hub: 72010
14. Axon Signal Unit Model: 70112
15. Axon Dock Models:
- Axon Dock – Individual Bay and Core for Axon Flex 2
  - Axon Dock – 6-Bay and Core for Axon Flex 2
  - Individual Bay for Axon Flex 2 Model: 11538
  - Core (compatible with all Individual Bays and 6-Bays) Model: 70027
  - Wall Mount Bracket Assembly for Axon Dock: 70033
  - Axon Dock – Individual Bay and Core for Axon Body 2 and Axon Fleet Model 74009
  - Axon Dock – 6-Bay and Core for Axon Body 2 and Axon Fleet Model 74008





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- Individual Bay for Axon Body 2 and Axon Fleet Model: 74011
  - Axon Dock – 1-Bay for Axon Body 3 Model: 71104
  - Axon Dock – 8-Bay for Axon Body 3 Model: 74210
  - Axon Dock – Individual Bay for Axon Body 4 Model: 100201
  - Axon Dock – Multi-Bay for Axon Body 4 Model: 100206
16. Axon Signal Performance Power Magazine (SPPM) Model: 70116
17. Axon Investigate Standard Seat License Package, 1-Year Renewal Model: 8025

### Axon Product Packages

1. **Officer Safety Plan:** Includes an X2 or X26P energy weapon, Axon camera and Dock upgrade, and Evidence.com license and storage. See your Sales Representative for further details and Model numbers.
2. **Officer Safety Plan 7:** Includes a TASER 7 energy weapon, Axon Body 3 camera, Axon Dock, Axon Camera and Dock upgrade, Axon Evidence (Evidence.com) licenses and storage, Axon Respond, and Axon Records Core.
3. **Officer Safety Plan 7 Plus:** Includes a TASER 7 energy weapon, Axon Body 3 camera, Axon Evidence (Evidence.com) licenses and storage, Axon Records Core, Axon Respond +, Axon Auto-Tagging Services, Axon Performance, Axon Citizen for Communities, Axon Redaction Assistant, and Axon Signal Sidearm.
4. **Officer Safety Plan 7 Plus Premium:** Includes a TASER 7 energy weapon, Axon Body 3 camera, Axon Evidence (Evidence.com) licenses and storage, Axon Records Core, Axon Respond +, Axon Auto-Tagging Services, Axon Performance, Axon Citizen for Communities, Axon Redaction Assistant, Axon Signal Sidearm, Axon Auto-Transcribe, Axon VR Training, and unlimited first-party and unlimited third-party storage.
5. **TASER 7 Basic:** Pays for TASER 7 program in installments over 5 years including access to Axon Evidence services for energy weapon program management.
6. **TASER 7 Certification:** Pays for TASER 7 program in installments over 5 years including access to Evidence.com for energy weapon program management, annual training cartridges, unlimited duty cartridges and online training content.
7. **TASER Certification Add-On:** Allows the agency to pay an annual fee to receive an annual allotment of training cartridges, unlimited duty cartridges and online training content.
8. **TASER 7 Certification with Virtual Reality (VR):** Pays for the TASER 7 program in installments over 5 years including access to Evidence.com for energy weapon program management, annual training cartridges, unlimited duty cartridges, online training content, and VR training.
9. **TASER 60:** Pays for X2 and X26P energy weapons and Spare Products in installments over 5 years.
10. **Unlimited Cartridge Plan:** Allows the agency to pay an annual fee to receive annual training cartridges, unlimited duty cartridges and unlimited batteries for the X2 and X26P.
11. **TASER 60 Unlimited:** Pays for X2 and X26P energy weapons and Spare Products in installments over 5 years and receive unlimited cartridges and batteries.



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12. **TASER 7 Close Quarters Dock Plan:** Pays for TASER 7 Close Quarters Plan over a 5-year period in installments including access to Evidence.com for energy weapon program management, rechargeable batteries, annual cartridge shipments, unlimited duty cartridges, and access to online training.
13. **Officer Safety Plan 10:** Includes a TASER 10 energy weapon, the TASER 10 certification bundle, Axon body camera with Technology Assurance Plan (TAP),<sup>2</sup> Axon Evidence (Evidence.com), unlimited body camera and Axon Capture storage, Command Staff Pro license (1 per 100), Axon Signal Sidearm, Axon Standards, and Axon Respond.
14. **Officer Safety Plan 10 Plus:** Includes a TASER 10 energy weapon, the TASER 10 certification bundle, Axon body camera with Technology Assurance Plan (TAP),<sup>2</sup> Axon Evidence (Evidence.com), unlimited body camera and Axon Capture storage, Command Staff Pro license (1 per 100), Axon Signal Sidearm, Axon Standards, Axon Respond, Axon Respond+, Axon Performance, Axon Community Request, Axon Investigate, Redaction Assistant, auto-tagging with implementation, channel services (3), third-party video storage (100 GB), third-party video playback, and Axon Records.
15. **Officer Safety Plan 10 Premium:** Includes a TASER 10 energy weapon, the TASER 10 certification bundle, Axon body camera with Technology Assurance Plan (TAP),<sup>2</sup> Axon Evidence (Evidence.com), unlimited body camera and Axon Capture storage, Command Staff Pro license (1 per 100), Axon Signal Sidearm, Axon Standards, Axon Respond, Axon Respond+, Axon Performance, Axon Community Request, Axon Investigate, Redaction Assistant, auto-tagging with implementation, channel services (unlimited), third-party video storage (100 GB), third-party video playback, Axon Records, Axon VR training, Axon Auto-Transcribe, and My90 by Axon.
16. **TASER 10 Basic:** Pays for the TASER 10 program in installments over 5 years including access to Axon Evidence services for energy weapon program management.
17. **TASER 10 Certification:** Pays for TASER 10 program in installments over 5 years including access to Evidence.com for energy weapon program management, annual training cartridges, unlimited duty cartridges and online training content.
18. **TASER 10 Certification with Virtual Reality (VR):** Pays for the TASER 10 program in installments over 5 years including access to Evidence.com for energy weapon program management, annual training cartridges, unlimited duty cartridges, online training content, and VR training.
19. **Axon Core:** Pays for the TASER 7 CQ, TASER Dock, weapon Axon Evidence license, training and duty cartridges, Axon Body 3 camera, Professional Axon Evidence license, unlimited storage, camera hardware upgrade every 2.5 years, Axon Respond, Axon Signal Sidearm, and auto tagging.
20. **Axon Core+:** Pays for the TASER 7 energy weapon, TASER Dock, weapon Axon Evidence license, training and duty cartridges, Axon Body 3 camera, Professional Axon Evidence license, unlimited storage, camera hardware upgrade every 2.5 years, Axon Respond, Axon Signal Sidearm, and auto tagging.
21. **Corrections Officer Safety Plan:** Includes a TASER 7 energy weapon, Axon Body 3 Camera, Axon Dock, Axon Camera and Dock Upgrade, Axon Evidence Licenses and

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<sup>2</sup> Axon Body 3 or Axon Body 4 & Axon Dock (for cameras) hardware purchased separately. Includes two Axon camera upgrades and one camera dock upgrade, which apply to 5-year contracts only.



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unlimited Axon storage.

22. **Corrections Post OSP:** Includes one TASER 7 energy weapon for every two licenses, one Axon Body 3 Camera for every two licenses, Axon Dock, Axon Camera and Dock Upgrade, Axon Evidence Licenses and unlimited Axon storage for each license.

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Sincerely,

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**Ordinance No. 2024-07**

**Capital Project Fund Ordinance for the Construction of a Fire Station**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Davidson, North Carolina that, pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following capital project fund ordinance is hereby adopted:

**Section 1:** This ordinance is to establish a budget for the construction of a fire station.

**Section 2:** The following amounts are appropriated for the project and authorized for expenditure:

**Design and Engineering Costs of a Fire Station** **\$ 140,000**

**TOTAL** **\$ 140,000**

**Section 3:** The following revenues are anticipated to be available to complete the project:

General Fund allocations: **\$ 140,000**

**Section 4:** The Finance Officer is hereby directed to maintain sufficient specific detailed accounting records regarding this project.

**Section 5:** Copies of this grant project ordinance shall be furnished to the Budget Officer, the Finance Officer and to the Clerk to Town Council.

This Ordinance is effective on the 27th day of August 2024.

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Rusty Knox, Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Elizabeth K. Shores, Town Clerk

Approved as to form:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Town Attorney

AMENDMENT TO THE BUDGET ORDINANCE

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Governing Board of the Town of Davidson, North Carolina, that the following amendment be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025:

**Section 1:** To amend the General Fund, the appropriations are to be changed as follows:

| <u>Acct. No.</u> | <u>Account</u>                   | <u>Decrease</u> | <u>Increase</u> |
|------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 10-40-9910-633   | Contribution to Capital Projects |                 | \$140,000.00    |

Budgeted expenditures will be transferred to the Fire Station Capital Projects Fund

**Section 2:** To amend the General Fund, the estimated revenues are to be changed as follows:

| <u>Acct. No.</u> | <u>Account</u>            | <u>Decrease</u> | <u>Increase</u> |
|------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 10-00-3990-980   | Fund Balance Appropriated |                 | \$140,000.00    |

Fund Balance will be used to fund the Fire Station Capital Projects Fund.

**Section 3:** Copies of this budget amendment shall be furnished to the Clerk of the Governing Board, and to the Budget Officer and the Finance Officer for their direction.

Adopted this 27th day of August, 2024

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

Rusty Knox

Mayor

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Elizabeth K. Shores

Town Clerk



**RESOLUTION 2024-16**

**A RESOLUTION TO ASSIGN \$400,000 OF FUND BALANCE FOR FUTURE  
DEBT SERVICE ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FIRE STATION**

**WHEREAS**, on April 16, 2024 at a Financial Planning Workshop, Town Staff reviewed a plan with the Board to set-aside \$2,500,000 for future debt service on the construction of a fire station over the next 5 years, and

**WHEREAS**, Town Staff proposed that the first \$400,000 come from Sales and Use Tax and interest earnings if actual collections exceeded budgeted revenues in FY2024, and

**WHEREAS**, Sales and Use Tax actual collection exceed budgeted collections by more than \$210,000 and actual interest earnings exceeded budget by more than \$670,000,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** the Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners does hereby resolve:

- 1) To direct the Finance Officer of the Town allocate \$400,000 of Fund Balance to be assigned for future debt service on the construction of a fire station.

Adopted on the \_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_ 2024.

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Rusty Knox  
Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Elizabeth K. Shores  
Town Clerk





# Financial Planning Workshop (Abridged to include only fire station financing) April 16, 2024

Piet Swart  
Finance Director

[www.townofdavidson.org](http://www.townofdavidson.org)

# Long-Term Financial Plan – Fire Station and Pumper

- Model adds debt issuance for new construction of Fire Station #1 at \$17 million and purchase of EV/hybrid pumper apparatus at \$1.8 million in 2028
- Projected FS#1 interest rate 4.5% (20-years)/pumper 4.25%(15-years)
- \$1.7 million of added debt service in FY2029 (3.2 pennies on the Ad Valorem rate)
- Peak \$4.4 million in total debt service payments



# Long-Term Financial Plan – Fire Station and Pumper

2 Options to fund:

1. Two and a half penny increase to Ad Valorem Rate in FY2028
2. One Penny increase to Ad Valorem Rate in FY2028 and \$2.5 million of future debt service set aside.

# Long-Term Financial Plan – Fire Station and Pumper

## Option 1

2028 (Revaluation Year) Increase of 2.5 pennies on the Ad Valorem rate would be the minimum to pay debt service while still retaining stabilization threshold in UFB

- Model does not include the reserving of general fund revenues for debt service until the tax increase in FY2028

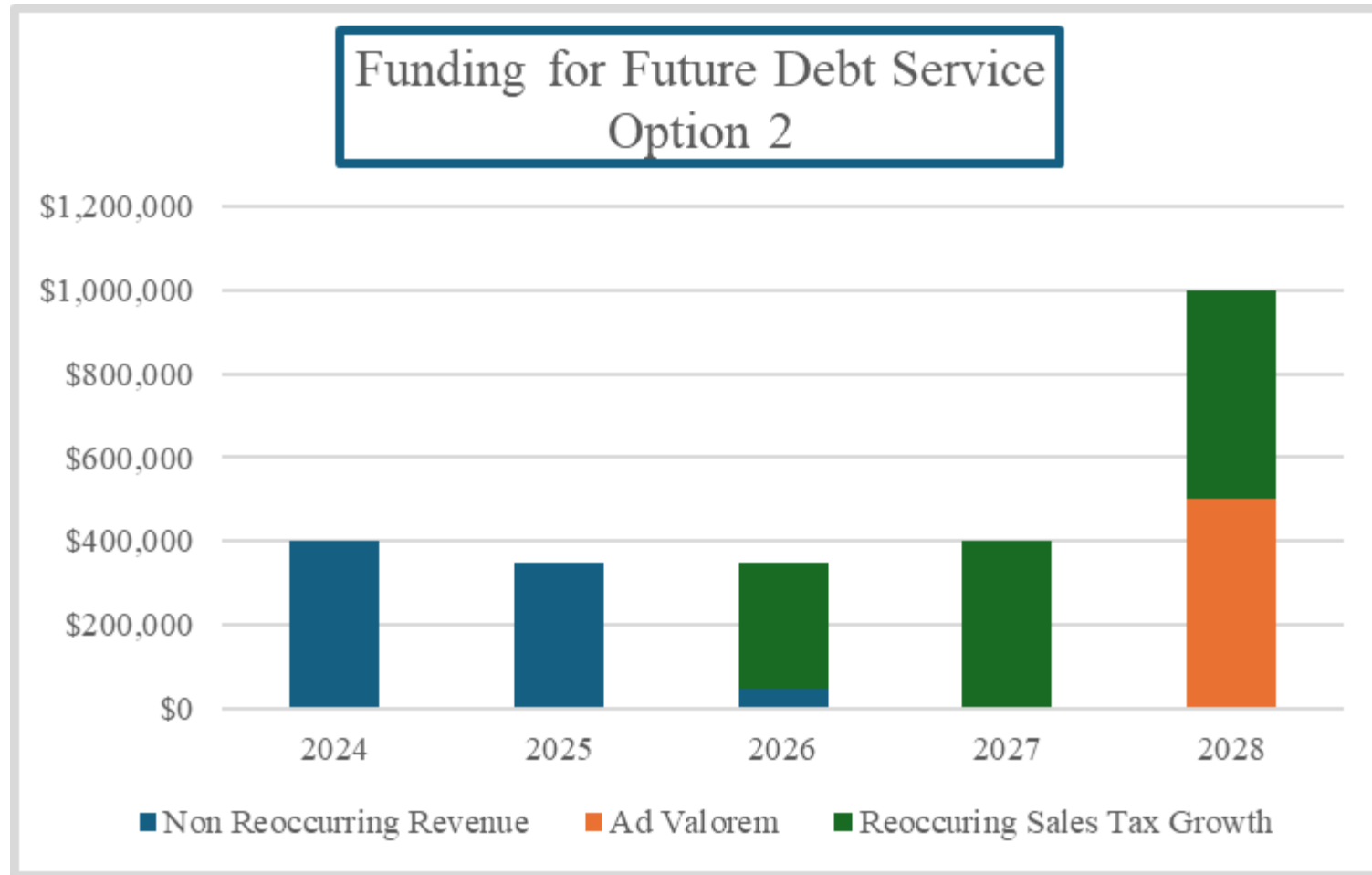
# Long-Term Financial Plan – Fire Station and Pumper

## Option 2

Accumulation of \$2.5 million of future debt service plus a one penny increase to the Ad Valorem Tax rate in 2028

- Model requires the reservation of funds starting in FY2024, and will provide the additional benefit of marking general fund revenues for future debt service
  - Used this tactic to allocate funds for the G.O. Bonds issuance – Bond Rating evaluators commented on the responsible view on debt planning taken by Town
- Option 2 is recommended by staff

# Long-Term Financial Plan – Fire Station and Pumper



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|------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 10-80-6130-470   | Sustainability |                 | \$15,000.00     |

Budgeted expenditures will fund a Social District recycling and public awareness campaign from a Community Waste Reduction and Recycling (CWRAR) grant from the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ)

**Section 2:** To amend the General Fund, the estimated revenues are to be changed as follows:

| <u>Acct. No.</u> | <u>Account</u> | <u>Decrease</u> | <u>Increase</u> |
|------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 10-80-3431-315   | Grants         |                 | \$15,000.00     |

The Town received a Community Waste Reduction and Recycling (CWRAR) grant from the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ)

**Section 3:** Copies of this budget amendment shall be furnished to the Clerk of the Governing Board, and to the Budget Officer and the Finance Officer for their direction.

Adopted this 27th day of August 2024

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

Rusty Knox

Mayor

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Elizabeth K. Shores

Town Clerk



**MECKLENBURG COUNTY**  
Office of the Tax Collector

July 17, 2024

James Justice, Davidson Town Manager  
216 South Main Street  
P.O. Box 579  
Davidson, NC 28036

Re: Tax Collector's Settlement for Fiscal Year 2024 (Tax Year 2023)  
Order of Collection for Tax Year 2024  
Notice of Retirement  
Interim Tax Collector Announcement

Dear Mr. Justice:

Please find the enclosed FY 2024 Tax Collector's Settlement. We will work diligently to collect unpaid FY 2024 and other prior year taxes as we move forward with the FY 2025 (Tax Year 2024) billing cycle.

According to NCGS 105-373(3), the Tax Collector's Settlement must be entered into the official record of the governing board. Please have this document entered into the record to comply with statute.

I have also included the Order of Collection for Tax Year 2024. The order must also be approved by your board after the settlement is received into the record. Please return the signed copy of the Order of Collection to me once executed. A scanned copy can be sent to [Shalon.Page@MeckNC.gov](mailto:Shalon.Page@MeckNC.gov). A hard copy can be mailed to the following address:

Mecklenburg County Office of the Tax Collector  
Attn.: Shalon Page  
P.O. Box 31457  
Charlotte NC 28231-1457

Your attention to both documents is greatly appreciated.

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After nearly 30 years of service in tax collections, I have announced my retirement effective August 1, 2024. It has been an honor and pleasure to serve our community and the governing boards within the county during my tenure.

The Board of County Commissioners appointed Tax Operations Director Julissa Fernández as Interim Tax Collector to fill my unexpired term ending June 30, 2025. She will have the full statutory authority as Tax Collector upon my departure from the position.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Neal L. Dixon', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Neal L. Dixon  
Tax Collector/Director

Enclosures

CC: Piet Swart, Town of Davidson Finance Director  
Shalon Page, Executive Assistant



## MECKLENBURG COUNTY

### Office of the Tax Collector

**To:** James Justice, Davidson Town Manager  
**From:** Neal L. Dixon, Director/Tax Collector  
**Date:** July 17, 2024  
**Subject:** Tax Collector's Settlement for Fiscal Year 2024

Pursuant to the provisions of N.C.G.S. 105-373, this memorandum is the Tax Collector's report of settlement to the Davidson Town Commission for Fiscal Year 2024 (tax year 2023).

The total FY 2024 Real Estate, Personal Property and Registered Motor Vehicle Tax charged to the Tax Collector for collection was \$10,698,167.91.

| <u>Net Levy</u> | <u>Collected</u> | <u>Uncollected</u> | <u>Pct. Collected</u> |
|-----------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| \$10,698,167.91 | \$10,676,231.89  | \$32,891.86        | 99.79%                |

At the end of FY 2024 there were 0 tax bills under formal appeal with the Board of Equalization and Review or the Property Tax Commission. In addition, there were also no real estate, personal property, and registered motor vehicle tax bills in bankruptcy at the end of FY2024. With 0 tax bills barred from collection, the final collection percentage remains at 99.79%.

Reference is hereby made to reports in the Office of the Tax Collector that list the persons owning real property and personal property whose taxes for the preceding fiscal year remain unpaid and the principal amount owed by each person. These reports are available for inspection and review upon request. The Tax Collector has made diligent efforts to collect the taxes due from the persons listed by utilizing the remedies available to him for collection.

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Prior Year Collections

During FY 2024, the Tax Collector pursued collection of delinquent prior year taxes.

Real Estate and Personal Property Tax:

| <u>Tax Year</u> | <u>Net Levy</u> | <u>Collected in FY 2024</u> | <u>Uncollected</u> | <u>Pct. Collected</u> |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| 2013            | \$5,994,162.81  | \$38.79                     | \$2,654.59         | 99.96%                |
| 2014            | \$6,213,153.95  | \$88.48                     | \$4,168.05         | 99.93%                |
| 2015            | \$6,347,714.76  | \$151.32                    | \$3,719.05         | 99.94%                |
| 2016            | \$6,544,054.75  | \$487.40                    | \$4,375.14         | 99.93%                |
| 2017            | \$6,854,298.90  | \$503.97                    | \$6,248.01         | 99.91%                |
| 2018            | \$6,990,851.48  | \$409.99                    | \$6,443.64         | 99.91%                |
| 2019            | \$7,710,692.65  | \$1,133.44                  | \$6,213.93         | 99.92%                |
| 2020            | \$8,007,473.00  | \$1,123.96                  | \$4,477.75         | 99.94%                |
| 2021            | \$8,394,295.74  | \$2,564.35                  | \$7,029.71         | 99.92%                |
| 2022            | \$8,762,569.57  | \$9,164.51                  | \$8,115.08         | 99.91%                |

Registered Motor Vehicle Tax:

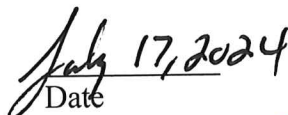
| <u>Tax Year</u> | <u>Net Levy</u> | <u>Collected in FY 2024</u> | <u>Uncollected</u> | <u>Pct. Collected</u> |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| 2020            | \$0.00          | \$0.00                      | \$0.00             | N/A                   |
| 2021            | \$0.00          | \$0.00                      | \$0.00             | N/A                   |
| 2022            | \$0.00          | \$0.00                      | \$0.00             | N/A                   |

Please contact me at [Neal.Dixon@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov](mailto:Neal.Dixon@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov) or 980-314-4488 if you have any questions or comments regarding this settlement report.

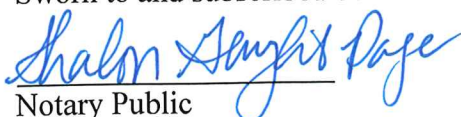
North Carolina General Statute 105-373(3) requires that this settlement be submitted to the governing board. The settlement shall be entered into the minutes of the governing body. Please ensure that this settlement is entered into the minutes of the governing body as required by statute.

cc: Pieter Swart, Town of Davidson Finance Director  
Julissa Fernández, Tax Operations Director  
Frank Wirth, Tax Collections Director

  
Tax Collector

  
Date

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 17 day of July, 2024

  
Notary Public

My commission expires: July 19, 2027  
Date



## ORDER OF COLLECTION

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

TOWN OF DAVIDSON

TO THE TAX COLLECTOR OF THE COUNTY OF MECKLENBURG COUNTY

GENERAL STATUTE 105-321(b)

You are hereby authorized, empowered, and commanded to collect the taxes set forth in the tax records, filed in the Office of the Tax Assessor and in the tax receipts herewith delivered to you, in the amounts and from the taxpayers likewise therein set forth. Such taxes are hereby declared to be a first lien upon all real property of the respective taxpayers in the Town of Davidson, and this order shall be a full and sufficient authority to direct, require and enable you to levy on and sell any real or personal property of such taxpayers, for and on account thereof, in accordance with law.

Witness my hand and official seal, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor, Town of Davidson (SEAL)

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk to the Board

**MECKLENBURG COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
RESOLUTION APPOINTING JULISSA FERNANDEZ  
AS INTERIM TAX COLLECTOR**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes ("NCGS" 105-349) the governing body of each County shall appoint a tax collector to serve for a term to be determined by the appointing body and until his/her successor has been appointed and qualified; and

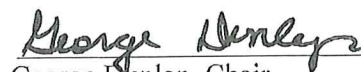
**WHEREAS**, Neal Dixon has served in the capacity of tax collector for 23 years for Mecklenburg County and has given notice of his retirement effective August 1, 2024, leaving an unexpired term which ends June 30, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the County Manager recommends Julissa Fernandez to be appointed as interim tax collector to serve the remaining term of Neal Dixon; and

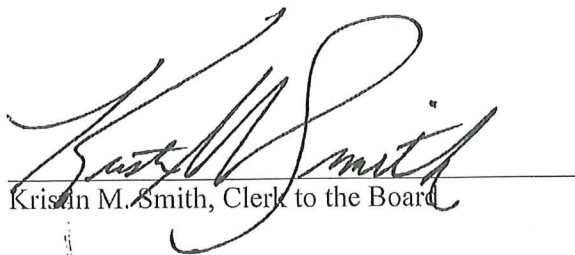
**WHEREAS**, Julissa Fernandez has 8 years of experience working in the office of the tax collector and has the relevant knowledge and skills to assume the duties of tax collector.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners does hereby adopt this Resolution appointing Julissa Fernandez as Interim Tax Collector for Mecklenburg County to the unexpired term of Neal Dixon, expiring June 30, 2025.

Adopted the 2nd day of July, 2024.

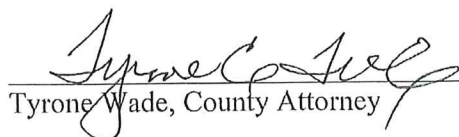


George Dunlap, Chair  
Mecklenburg County  
Board of Commissioners



Kristin M. Smith, Clerk to the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Tyrone Wade, County Attorney

ORDER OF COLLECTION

NORTH CAROLINA, DAVIDSON

TO THE TAX COLLECTOR OF IREDELL COUNTY  
GENERAL STATUTE 105-321(b)

You are hereby authorized, empowered and commanded to collect the taxes set forth in the tax records, filed in the office of the Tax Assessor and the tax receipts herewith delivered to you, in the amounts and from the taxpayers likewise therein set forth. Such taxes are hereby declared to be first lien upon all real property of the respective taxpayers in Davidson and this order shall be a full and sufficient authority to direct, require and enable you to levy on and sell any real and personal property of such taxpayers, for and on account thereof, in accordance with law.

Witness my hand official seal, this 27th day of August, 2024.

\_\_\_\_\_(SEAL)

Rusty Knox  
Mayor of Davidson

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Elizabeth K. Shores  
Town Clerk

To: James Justice, Davidson Manager  
From: Bill Furches, Tax Administrator/Collector  
Date: July 9, 2024  
Subject: Tax Collector's Settlement for Fiscal Year 2024

Pursuant to the provisions of N.C.G.S. 105-373, this memorandum is the Tax Collector's report of settlement to the Davidson Town Commission for the Fiscal Year 2023 (tax year 2022).

|                   |              |
|-------------------|--------------|
| Net Levy          | \$375,816.71 |
| VTS (vehicles)    | 29,061.32    |
| Total Levy        | \$404,878.03 |
| Collected         | \$404,774.94 |
| Uncollected       | 103.09       |
| Percent Collected | 99.97%       |

Uncollected Balances from Prior Years

| Year Assessed     | Balance  |
|-------------------|----------|
| 2018              | 34.64    |
| 2021              | 14.78    |
| Total Uncollected | \$ 49.42 |

*Bill Furches*

Tax Collector

July 9, 2024

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 09 day of July, 2024.

Notary Public *Rachel L. Chambers*

My commission expires on 07/07/27.



CRTPO Staff Contact:  
Neil Burke, AICP PTP  
704-336-2205  
Neil.Burke@charlottenc.gov

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center  
600 East Fourth Street  
Room 267, Second Floor  
Charlotte, NC 28202

### Agenda Items:

- Consent Agenda:
  - 2024-2033 TIP Amendments
  - Mecklenburg Transportation System 2024-2033 TIP Amendment
- Managed Lanes Education Session
- Discretionary Grants Program Supplemental Funding Requests
- 2026-2035 TIP Development Process (NCDOT Prioritization 7.0)
- 2026-2035 TIP Development Process (NCDOT P7.0) Existing & Committed Projects
- CRTPO Title VI and Limited English Proficiency Plan Update
- 2055 Metropolitan Transportation Plan
- Union County Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) Pedestrian Map Amendments
- NCDOT Functional Classification Change Request
- Beyond 77 Coalition Update
- CRTPO Memorandum of Understanding

### CRTPO BOARD MEMBERS

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Town of Waxhaw  
Town of Weddington  
Village of Wesley Chapel  
Town of Wingate

### CRTPO MISSION

The CRTPO provides leadership and collaboration with member communities and partners in developing our region's transportation system.

### CRTPO VISION

A connected and equitable transportation system that provides mobility choices for the region.

#### Title VI Policy

It is the policy of the Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization to ensure that no person shall, on the ground of race, color, sex, age, national origin, or disability, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity as provided by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, and any other related non-discrimination Civil Rights laws and authorities.



## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization Board

**FROM:** S. Mujeeb Shah-Khan, Managing Partner  
Shah-Khan Law, PLLC

**SUBJECT:** Revisions to Memorandum of Understanding

**DATE:** July 17, 2024

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As a follow up to the June 2024 CRTPO meeting, at the request of CRTPO staff, I have drafted a revised Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) for your consideration. As discussed at both the May and June meetings, there were three principal areas for possible revisions to the MOU: technical revisions to the MOU; weighted voting; and cost sharing. Neil Burke's memorandum discusses the weighted voting and cost sharing issues in more detail, and to the extent those are covered here, it is meant as a supplement to Neil's discussion.

### **TECHNICAL CHANGES TO MOU**

As part of the process of reviewing the MOU in 2023, CRTPO staff worked with Stuart Pratt of the Charlotte City Attorney's Office on revisions to the MOU. The revisions Pratt drafted in conjunction with staff were technical in nature, and worked to ensure that current statutory references were used in the revised MOU. Those revisions have been revised by me, staff, and Stuart Pratt. The version before you is the final set of technical revisions. Here is a summary of those changes:

- Preamble: Changes in the preamble correct references to current versions of federal and state law.
- Section I Changes:
  - Modifies terms to use Charlotte Urban Area in accordance with current practice.
  - Changes term CRTPO to Policy Board in multiple instances to mirror current practice.
  - Spells out responsibilities of CRTPO to align with current practice.
  - Discussion of how CRTPO will work in cooperation with Metropolitan Transit Commission (“MTC”) and Charlotte Area Transportation System (“CATS”) when mass transit projects are involved.
  - Clarification on role of municipalities when projects are going through their municipality and what role the municipality plays in alignment decisions.
  - Clarification to Technical Coordinating Committee's roles to reflect current practice.

- Clarification to administrative coordination provided by Charlotte Planning, Design & Development Department to reflect current practice.
- Section II Changes – Concerned with modifications related to termination of MOU and expansion of planning area caused by annexations.

## **WEIGHTED VOTING**

Neil Burke's Memorandum explains the changes to weighted voting. The MOU revisions expand the number of votes from 68 to 74. No members lose votes, and in fact, some members receive an additional vote. The weighted voting rules in the MOU and in the Bylaws do not change.

## **COST SHARING**

Cost sharing is discussed in Neil Burke's Memorandum. The changes proposed in the MOU revisions delete the separate formulas for each county and use the pro-rata model discussed previously, based on census numbers.

## **OTHER ISSUES**

As the members are aware, at the May 2024 meeting, members were offered the opportunity to meet with me and staff to discuss any concerns related to the MOU. As of July 12, 2024, no members have approached me related to the MOU.

If the members of the CRTPO Board have questions concerning this Memorandum, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

SMS/ms

cc: Robert Cook, AICP/Division Manager  
Neil Burke, AICP PTP, Deputy Director



# Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization

## Memorandum of Understanding

Effective Date: [Date to be determined]

Endorsed by the  
Charlotte Regional  
Transportation Planning Organization  
July 17, 2024

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
FOR**

COOPERATIVE, COMPREHENSIVE, AND CONTINUING TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

AMONG

THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,  
THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION,  
THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE, TOWN OF CORNELIUS, TOWN OF DAVIDSON, TOWN OF  
FAIRVIEW, TOWN OF HUNTERSVILLE, TOWN OF INDIAN TRAIL, IREDELL COUNTY, TOWN  
OF MARSHVILLE, VILLAGE OF MARVIN, TOWN OF MATTHEWS,  
MECKLENBURG COUNTY, TOWN OF MINERAL SPRINGS, TOWN OF MINT HILL, CITY OF  
MONROE, TOWN OF MOORESVILLE, TOWN OF PINEVILLE,  
TOWN OF STALLINGS, CITY OF STATESVILLE, TOWN OF TROUTMAN, UNION COUNTY,  
TOWN OF WAXHAW, TOWN OF WEDDINGTON, VILLAGE OF WESLEY CHAPEL, TOWN OF  
WINGATE, and the METROPOLITAN TRANSIT COMMISSION,  
(hereinafter, the State, the Municipalities, the Counties, and the MTC)

IN COOPERATION WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

WITNESSETH THAT:

**WHEREAS**, Section 134(a) of Title 23 of the United States Code states in relevant part:

“It is in the national interest—(1) to encourage and promote the safe and efficient management, operation, and development of surface transportation systems that will serve the mobility needs of people and freight, foster economic growth and development within and between States and urbanized areas better connect housing and employment, and take into consideration resiliency needs while minimizing transportation-related fuel consumption and air pollution through metropolitan and statewide transportation planning processes identified in this chapter; and (2) to encourage the continued improvement and evolution of the metropolitan and statewide transportation planning processes by metropolitan planning organizations, State departments of transportation, and public transit operators”;

**WHEREAS**, a transportation planning process includes the operational procedures and working arrangements by which short and long-range transportation plans are soundly conceived and developed and continuously evaluated in a manner that will:

1. Assist governing bodies and official agencies in determining courses of action and in formulating attainable capital improvement programs in anticipation of community needs; and,
2. Guide private individuals and groups in planning their decisions, which can be important factors in the pattern of future development and redevelopment of the area;

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 136, Article 3A, Section 136-66.2(a) of the General Statutes of North Carolina requires that:

“Each MPO, with cooperation of the Department of Transportation, shall develop a comprehensive transportation plan in accordance with 23 U.S.C. § 134. In addition, an MPO may include projects in its transportation plan that are not included in a financially constrained plan or are anticipated

to be needed beyond the horizon year as required by 23 U.S.C. § 134. For municipalities located within an MPO, the development of a comprehensive transportation plan will take place through the metropolitan planning organization. For purposes of transportation planning and programming, the MPO shall represent the municipality's interests to the Department of Transportation.”;

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 136, Article 3A, Section 136-66.2(b) and (b2) – (b4) of the N.C. General Statutes provides in relevant part that:

“After completion and analysis of the plan, the plan shall be adopted by both the governing body of the municipality or MPO and the Department of Transportation as the basis for future transportation improvements in and around the municipality or within the MPO. The governing body of the municipality and the Department of Transportation shall reach agreement as to which of the existing and proposed streets and highways included in the adopted plan will be a part of the State highway system and which streets will be a part of the municipal street system. As used in this Article, the State highway system shall mean both the primary highway system of the State and the secondary road system of the State within municipalities.

The municipality or the MPO shall provide opportunity for public comments prior to adoption of the transportation plan.

For portions of a county located within an MPO, the development of a comprehensive transportation plan shall take place through the metropolitan planning organization.

To complement the roadway element of the transportation plan, municipalities and MPOs may develop a collector street plan to assist in developing the roadway network. The Department of Transportation may review and provide comments but is not required to provide approval of the collector street plan.”;

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 136, Article 3A, Section 136-66.2(d) of the N.C. General Statutes provides in relevant part that:

“For MPOs, either the MPO or the Department of Transportation may propose changes in the plan at any time by giving notice to the other party, but no change shall be effective until it is adopted by both the Department of Transportation and the MPO.”;

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the State, the Municipalities, the Counties, and the MTC, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Transportation, that their previously established continuing, comprehensive, and cooperative transportation planning process, as set forth in their Memorandum of Understanding effective as of October 10, 2013, be amended and restated to comply with 23 U.S.C. § 134 (Federal Highway Administration), 49 U.S.C. §§ 5303, 5305, 5306, and 5307 (Federal Transit Administration), and N.C. Gen. Stat. § 136-200.2; and

**WHEREAS**, the effective date of this document shall be the date on which it is signed by the Governor of the State of North Carolina, or his designee.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Memorandum of Understanding is amended and restated to read as follows:

**SECTION I.** It is hereby agreed that the State, the Municipalities, the Counties, and the MTC, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Transportation, will participate in a continuing transportation planning process with responsibilities and undertakings as related in the following paragraphs:

- A. The Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization, hereinafter referred to as the CRTPO, is hereby established and shall include the State, the Municipalities, the Counties, the

MTC, and the various agencies and units of local, State, and Federal government participating in the transportation planning for the area and listed as non-voting members in Section I.H below.

- B. The area involved will consist of the Charlotte Urban Area as defined by the United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, in addition to that area beyond the Charlotte Urban Area that is expected to become urban within a twenty-year planning period (collectively referred to as the Planning Area).

Portions of the Charlotte Urban Area located in the following counties are by agreement with adjacent metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) not part of the Planning Area: Cabarrus, Catawba, Gaston, Lancaster, Lincoln and York. The responsibility for implementing a continuing transportation planning process shall be the responsibility of those MPOs, as noted in the mutually adopted agreements between the CRTPO and the adjacent MPOs.

- C. The continuing transportation planning process will be a cooperative one and all planning discussions will be reflective of and responsive to the comprehensive plans for growth and development of the Planning Area.
- D. The continuing transportation planning process will be conducted in accordance with the intent, procedures, and programs of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended.
- E. The CRTPO shall maintain a centralized information repository including, but not limited to, the Metropolitan Transportation Plan; the Comprehensive Transportation Plan; the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP); air-quality conformity analysis; the Bylaws and membership lists of CRTPO and its Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC); copies of all final environmental studies, public hearing maps, roadway corridor official maps, and noise reports on projects within the Planning Area; copies of adopted transportation project alignments; the Transportation Improvement Program (local and state); and any other appropriate archival information. The CRTPO shall endeavor, through the affected local governments and appropriate technological means, to make this information easily available to local governments, residents, and individuals involved in land development and real estate transactions.
- F. A Policy Board is hereby established with responsibility for cooperative transportation planning decision making for the CRTPO and coordinating transportation policy of the Municipalities and Counties within the Planning Area.
- G. The duties and responsibilities of the Policy Board are as follows:
  - 1. The Policy Board, in cooperation with the State and publicly owned operators of mass transportation services, shall be responsible for carrying out the urban transportation planning process specified by the U.S. Department of Transportation.
  - 2. The Policy Board shall be the forum for cooperative decision-making by elected officials of the Municipalities and Counties and by the other members of the Policy Board. However, this shall not limit the Policy Board's local responsibility for (a) ensuring that the transportation planning process and the plans and improvement projects that emerge from that process are consistent with the policies and desires of the Municipalities and Counties; nor, (b) serving as a forum for the resolution of conflicts that arise while developing the UPWP, Metropolitan Transportation Plan, and Transportation Improvement Program.

3. The Policy Board shall review and approve the UPWP, Metropolitan Transportation Plan, and Transportation Improvement Program (or any amendments thereto).
4. The Policy Board shall be responsible for adopting and amending the Comprehensive Transportation Plan. Action of the Policy Board in this regard (and this regard only) shall be construed as definitive action of any and all affected Municipalities and shall meet the statutory requirement of G.S. 136-66.2(b) without further action of the Municipality(ies).
5. The Policy Board shall have the responsibility for: keeping the Boards of the Municipalities and Counties informed of the status and requirements of the transportation planning process; assisting in the dissemination and clarification of the decisions, inclinations, and policies of those Boards; and ensuring meaningful resident participation in the transportation planning process.
6. The Policy Board shall review, approve, and endorse changes to the Federal-Aid Urban Area System and Boundary, in conformance with Federal regulations.
7. The Policy Board shall review, approve, and endorse a Prospectus for transportation planning that defines work tasks and responsibilities for the various governing bodies and agencies participating in the transportation planning process.
8. The Policy Board shall conduct the transportation planning process in conformance with the Clean Air Act, as amended.

The Policy Board is responsible for conducting public involvement and technical analyses to determine the preliminary alignments for transportation projects included in the Comprehensive Transportation Plan and Metropolitan Transportation Plan. For mass transit projects, CRTPO will work in cooperation with the Charlotte Area Transit System and the Metropolitan Transit Commission, or any other relevant governmental agency that has jurisdiction in the CRTPO planning area. These alignments will be used by local jurisdictions through their land development ordinances for right-of-way protection purposes. Once the Policy Board has adopted an alignment, it can be modified only by official Policy Board action as outlined in the Bylaws of the CRTPO and the TCC and in accordance with any applicable procedures detailed in the Public Involvement Plan.

The Policy Board will adopt an alignment for right-of-way purposes even if it was produced through a State or locally funded environmental study process.

All Policy Board alignment decisions are subject to the voting rules contained in Section I.I of this Memorandum of Understanding.

9. Each Municipality's or County's member of the Policy Board shall be responsible for instructing the clerk of his/her local government to submit certified and sealed copies of minutes or resolutions to the secretary of the CRTPO when formal action involving the Comprehensive Transportation Plan is taken by his/her local government.
10. The Policy Board is responsible for the distribution of funds allocated to the CRTPO under the provisions of the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, and successor legislation.

11. The Policy Board shall adopt a set of Bylaws for the CRTPO. Amendments to the Bylaws shall be approved by a vote according to Section I.I.6 below.
  12. The Policy Board shall have the primary responsibility for facilitating resident input into the continuing transportation planning process.
  16. Any other duties the Policy Board identifies as necessary to further facilitate the transportation planning process.
- H. The Policy Board shall consist of both voting and non-voting members. The Policy Board shall have a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson elected in accordance with the CRTPO Bylaws and shall meet in accordance with the Bylaws.

Voting membership: The voting members of the Policy Board shall consist of the Chief Elected Official (or a single representative designated by the Chief Elected Official) of each Municipality and County, as well as two members from the North Carolina Board of Transportation (as specified below) and one member representing the MTC. The Chief Elected Official of each Municipality and County is strongly encouraged to designate an alternate, in accordance with the rules contained within the CRTPO Bylaws.

Each voting member shall have the indicated number of votes below for its respective governing body or agency for all voting purposes:

| Unit                                       | Number of votes |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| City of Charlotte                          | 31              |
| Town of Cornelius                          | 2               |
| Town of Davidson                           | 1               |
| Town of Fairview                           | 1               |
| Town of Huntersville                       | 3               |
| Town of Indian Trail                       | 2               |
| Iredell County                             | 3               |
| Town of Marshville                         | 1               |
| Village of Marvin                          | 1               |
| Town of Matthews                           | 2               |
| Mecklenburg County                         | 3               |
| Town of Mineral Springs                    | 1               |
| Town of Mint Hill                          | 2               |
| City of Monroe                             | 2               |
| Town of Mooresville                        | 3               |
| Town of Pineville                          | 1               |
| Town of Stallings                          | 1               |
| City of Statesville                        | 2               |
| Town of Troutman                           | 1               |
| Union County                               | 3               |
| Town of Waxhaw                             | 2               |
| Town of Weddington                         | 1               |
| Village of Wesley Chapel                   | 1               |
| Town of Wingate                            | 1               |
| N.C. Board of Transportation (Division 10) | 1               |
| N.C. Board of Transportation (Division 12) | 1               |
| Metropolitan Transit Commission            | 1               |
| Total                                      | 74              |

Voting members will vote on matters pursuant to the authority granted by their respective governmental bodies. The term of any voting member that is designated by a Chief Elected Official shall be one calendar year from the date of designation.

Any municipality that does not act to adopt this Memorandum of Understanding by its effective date, and is otherwise eligible for voting membership, may still qualify to have a voting member on the Policy Board if it adopts this Memorandum of Understanding within three months after its effective date. The effective date shall be defined as the date on which the Governor of the State of North Carolina, or his designee, signs this Memorandum of Understanding.

A municipality within the Planning Area must have a local land use plan and development ordinance in place in order to be a voting member. A county other than Iredell, Mecklenburg, and Union that becomes part of the Planning Area in whole or in part with at least 5,000 persons in the unincorporated area will also be eligible to have a voting member on the Policy Board if such county adopts this Memorandum of Understanding and its membership is approved by the Policy Board.

Non-voting membership: One representative from each of the following bodies will serve as a non-voting member of the Policy Board:

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Commission  
Iredell County Planning Board  
Union County Planning Board  
U.S. Department of Transportation – FHWA, FTA

Other local, State, or Federal agencies impacting transportation in the Planning Area, as well as municipalities in the Planning Area that do not otherwise qualify for voting membership, can become non-voting members upon invitation by the Policy Board.

#### I. Policy Board Voting Rules

1. Quorum for Policy Board meetings shall be established in accordance with the CRTPO Bylaws.
2. Each voting member of the Policy Board shall be eligible to vote and shall qualify as an “Eligible Member”; provided, however, a Municipality or County must be in good standing, as defined in Section I.L of this document, for its voting member to be an Eligible Member.
3. At Policy Board meetings where a quorum is present, an affirmative vote of the Eligible Members having at least a simple majority of the total votes cast by Eligible Members (according to the table in Section I.H above) shall determine all issues, except as provided in paragraphs 4, 5, and 6 below.
4. When any transportation project concerns a road that does not carry an Interstate, U.S., or N.C. route designation, and is totally contained within a single Municipality’s corporate limits or sphere of influence, its alignment shall not be determined by the Policy Board without the consent of such Municipality.

5. When any transportation project concerns a road that does not carry an Interstate, U.S. or N.C route designation and is within a Municipality's corporate limits or sphere of influence, the Policy Board cannot override the position of such Municipality about the alignment of the road only within its corporate limits or sphere of influence, but not outside its corporate limits or sphere of influence. However, the position of such a Municipality can be overridden by an affirmative vote of the Eligible Members having at least a  $\frac{3}{4}$  supermajority of the total votes held by Eligible Members (according to the table in Section I.H above). Such vote must occur at a Policy Board meeting where a quorum is present.
  6. Amendments to this Memorandum of Understanding or the CRTPO Bylaws require an affirmative vote of the Eligible Members having at least a  $\frac{3}{4}$  supermajority of the total votes held by Eligible Members (according to the table in Section I.H above). Such vote must occur at a Policy Board meeting where a quorum is present.
- J. A Technical Coordinating Committee, also referred to herein as the TCC, shall be established with the responsibility for (1) general review, guidance, and coordination of the transportation planning process for the Planning Area; (2) making recommendations to the respective local and State governmental agencies and the Policy Board regarding any necessary actions relating to the continuing transportation planning process; (3) facilitating coordination and communication between the State, the Municipalities, the Counties, the MTC, and other member agencies of the TCC; (4) facilitating coordination of transportation planning with other planning efforts, such as those concerning land use, public utilities, and maintenance of air quality; and (5) facilitating public involvement and resident participation regarding transportation planning issues. The TCC shall also be responsible for the development, review, and recommendation for approval of the Prospectus, UPWP, Comprehensive Transportation Plan, Transportation Improvement Program, Federal-Aid Urban System and Boundary, and Metropolitan Transportation Plan, and planning resident participation.
- Membership of the TCC shall be defined according to the TCC's Bylaws and shall include technical representation from all local, county and State governmental agencies directly related to and concerned with the transportation planning process for the Planning Area.
- A TCC member (or alternate) cannot be an elected official of any Municipality or County. TCC members from the Municipalities shall be the chief administrative officers (i.e. city/town managers) or their designees. TCC members from other entities may be their chief administrative officers or their designees. TCC members must be employees of the governing body or agency they represent. Each TCC member shall have one vote.
- K. Administrative coordination for the Policy Board and TCC will be performed by the Charlotte Planning, Design & Development Department's Regional Transportation Planning Division Manager (Division Manager), in collaboration with the Chairperson of the Policy Board. Administrative support shall be furnished by the Director of the Charlotte Planning, Design & Development Department. The Division Manager shall supervise additional CRTPO staff as necessary and approved in the annual work program. The Division Manager, or their designee, will serve as the Secretary for the Policy Board and TCC with the responsibility for such functions as follows:
1. Arranging meetings and agendas
  2. Maintaining minutes and records
  3. Preparing the Prospectus and UPWP



4. Assembling and publishing the Transportation Improvement Program
5. Preparing the Metropolitan Transportation Plan
6. Collecting from Municipalities and Counties certified and sealed minutes and resolutions that document transportation plan revisions and submitting these for mutual adoption by the North Carolina Department of Transportation annually or more often if deemed necessary by the Policy Board or the Municipalities or Counties involved.
7. Monitoring the transportation planning process to ensure its execution is in accordance with the CRTPO's goals and objectives
8. Performing other coordinating functions as assigned by the Policy Board
9. Taking lead responsibility for structuring public involvement in the transportation planning process
10. Preparing the quarterly reimbursement requests for Section 104(f) planning funds and Section 5303 funds.
11. Supervising CRTPO staff

The Division Manager shall be hired by the Director of the Charlotte Planning, Design & Development Department. The Division Manager shall regularly report to the Policy Board and TCC on coordination activities and shall electronically or in writing inform interested parties of actions scheduled for consideration by the Policy Board and TCC.

**L. Federal Aid Transportation Planning Grant Funds**

1. All transportation and related Federal Aid planning grant funds available to promote the cooperative transportation planning process will be expended in accordance with the UPWP adopted by the Policy Board.  
The required local match for Section 5303 funds shall be paid by the Municipality or County that is using such funds. The required local match for Section 104(f) planning funds shall be shared among all Municipalities and Counties pro rata based on population. The population totals used to calculate a Municipality's or County's pro rata share shall be based upon the most recent decennial Census.
2. A Municipality or County providing its share of the local-match funding by the beginning of the next Federal fiscal year shall be considered in good standing. Any Municipality or County not providing its share of the funding by the beginning of the next Federal fiscal year shall not be in a good standing during the next two Federal fiscal years.

Administration of funding in support of the transportation planning process on behalf of the CRTPO will be conducted by the City of Charlotte, which will execute appropriate agreements with funding agencies as provided by the UPWP.

**SECTION II.** The State, the Municipalities, the Counties, and the MTC may terminate their participation in the continuing transportation planning process and the CRTPO by giving 30 calendar days written notice to the Policy Board Chairperson prior to the date of termination. When annexation occurs and a Municipality's boundaries extend beyond the Planning Area, the newly expanded boundaries will automatically become part of the Planning Area and will be so designated on the Comprehensive Transportation Plan within 60 calendar days of the annexation. It is further agreed that the State, the Municipalities, the Counties, and the MTC will assist in the transportation planning process by providing planning assistance, data, and inventories in accordance with the Prospectus. Additionally, the Municipalities and Counties shall coordinate zoning and subdivision approval in accordance with the adopted Comprehensive Transportation Plan.

**SECTION III.** In witness whereof, the Division Administrator (Federal Highway Administration), on behalf of the United States Department of Transportation, and the Secretary of Transportation, on behalf of the Governor of the State of North Carolina, have signed this Memorandum of Understanding and the other parties to this Memorandum of Understanding have authorized appropriate officials to sign the same, the City of Charlotte by its Mayor, the Town of Cornelius by its Mayor, the Town of Davidson by its Mayor, the Town of Fairview by its Mayor, the Town of Huntersville by its Mayor, the Town of Indian Trail by its Mayor, Iredell County by the Chair of its Board of Commissioners, the Town of Marshville by its Mayor, the Village of Marvin by its Mayor, the Town of Matthews by its Mayor, Mecklenburg County by the Chair of its Board of Commissioners, the Town of Mineral Springs by its Mayor, the Town of Mint Hill by its Mayor, the City of Monroe by its Mayor, the Town of Mooresville by its Mayor, the Town of Pineville by its Mayor, the Town of Stallings by its Mayor, the City of Statesville by its Mayor, the Town of Troutman by its Mayor, Union County by the Chair of its Board of Commissioners, the Town of Waxhaw by its Mayor, the Town of Weddington by its Mayor, the Village of Wesley Chapel by its Mayor, the Town of Wingate by its Mayor, and the Metropolitan Transit Commission by its Chair.



**RESOLUTION 2024-17**  
**TO APPROVE THE CHARLOTTE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION**  
**ORGANIZATION MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**WHEREAS**, The Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization (CRTPO) is the transportation planning organization serving communities in Iredell, Mecklenburg, and Union Counties to provide leadership and collaboration with member communities and partners in developing our region's transportation system; and

**WHEREAS**, At the July 17, 2024 meeting, the CRTPO voted to amend the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) as follows:

- a. Endorse revisions to the annual member jurisdiction cost share methodology.
- b. Endorse text revisions to the draft MOU document as recommended by ShahKhan Law.
- c. Endorse revisions to the weighted voting provision within the draft MOU.
- d. Endorse the MOU revisions approved by the CRTPO Board and release it for approval by member agencies.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** the Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners does hereby approve Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization Memorandum of Understanding and authorizes the Mayor and Town Clerk to sign on behalf of the Town of Davidson.

Adopted on the \_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_ 2024

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Rusty Knox  
Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Elizabeth K. Shores  
Town Clerk



# Davidson Affordable Housing & Equity Board Bylaws

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## SECTION 1: INTRODUCTION AND ORGANIZATION

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#### 1.1. Purpose

To establish procedures for organizing and executing the duties and responsibilities of the Affordable Housing & Equity Board (AHEB) pursuant to state statute and the Town of Davidson Charter.

#### 1.2. Authority

The Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners formed the Affordable Housing & Equity Board (hereafter referred to as “Board”) in November 2020.

#### 1.3. Functions of the Affordable Housing & Equity Board

The Affordable Housing and Equity Board (AHEB) will help guide the town’s work on the following activities:

- a. Engaging in affordable housing activities;
- b. Engaging in equity and inclusion activities;
- c. providing input and guidance for the town board’s strategic objective to prioritize equity and inclusion;
- d. creating a culture of belonging;
- e. addressing past inequities;
- f. and treating everyone with respect and dignity;
- g. Act as an ambassador on behalf of affordable housing;
- h. Advise on equitable engagement efforts; and
- i. Advise on affordable housing strategic plans.

## SECTION 2: MEMBERSHIP AND OFFICERS

### 2.1. Membership

Appointments by the Davidson Board of Commissioners, are as follows:

- a. Number and Composition. The Board shall consist of thirteen (13) members, plus a representative from each of the following non-profit organizations: Ada Jenkins Center, Habitat for Humanity, Davidson Housing Coalition, Davidson Community Foundation, and the Lake Norman Community Development Corporation.
- b. Ex Officio. The Affordable Housing & Equity Director and non-profit representatives shall serve as ex-officio members of the Board. The ex-officio members will not have a vote on matters coming before the Board.
- c. Members must notify the Chair and/or the appropriate town staff member (typically, the Affordable Housing & Equity Director) in writing to resign from the Board.
- d. All Members will be appointed according to the Board of Commissioners' Rules of Procedure.
- e. Members will serve three-year terms beginning on the first of the calendar year following their appointment.
- f. Members may be reappointed for one subsequent term. Past Members are eligible for reappointment after sitting out three years.

### 2.2. Ex-Officio Membership

Non-profit organizations, foundations, and academic institutions serving as ex-officio members, may, from time to time, be added or removed based on the changing needs of the Board. The procedure for adding or removing a non-profit, foundation, or academic institution as an ex-officio member should proceed as follows:

- a. Adding a Non-Profit, Foundation, or Academic Institution. Any non-profit, foundation, or academic institution may be added as an ex-officio, non-voting member. A motion made in the affirmative and approved by a majority of the current appointed, voting membership will add the non-profit, foundation, or academic institution to the ex-officio membership. There will be no term limit for this appointment.
- b. Removing a Non-Profit, Foundation, or Academic Institution. Any non-profit, foundation, or academic institution may be removed as an ex-officio, non-voting member. A motion made in the affirmative and approved by 2/3 of the current

appointed, voting membership will remove the non-profit, foundation, or academic institution from the ex-officio membership. There will be no term limit for this appointment.

- c. Representatives of non-profits, foundations, or academic institutions removed from ex-officio membership shall be allowed to be appointed to vacancies as voting members of the Board if appointed by the Town Board of Commissioners. There shall be no waiting period required.
- d. Representatives of non-profits, foundations, or academic institution added as ex-officio members may not concurrently serve as appointed voting members of the Board.
- e. The role of ex-officios is the following:
  - a. Be available to the Board as Subject Matter Experts (SME) on affordable housing or equity
  - b. Develop and foster partnerships with the Davidson community and the Town
  - c. Engage in brainstorming around innovative approaches to affordable housing or equity initiatives, policies, and programs

### **2.3. Vacancies**

Vacancies are filled by the Town Board. Should a vacancy occur in the middle of a members' term, a new member will be appointed to the Board according to the Board of Commissioners' Rules of Procedure.

### **2.4. Removal**

Members may be removed from the Board by the Town Board for cause, which includes violation of these Bylaws. It is requested that, prior to taking action, the Town Board notify a member being considered for removal of the reasons for removal and give such a member an opportunity to respond.

### **2.5. Officers**

The officers of the Board will be the Chair, the Vice Chair, and the Secretary. Officers shall meet the following requirements:

- A. An officer is elected for a term of one year.
- B. Officers may be re-elected for up to two consecutive terms.

### **2.6. Chair**

The Chair shall preside at all meetings of the full commission, make committee appointments in consultation with the Vice Chair, and decide all points of order and procedures subject to these rules (unless directed otherwise by a majority vote of the AHEB in session at that time). The Chair shall have the right to vote in the order of their choosing. In addition, the Chair:



1. Shall plan an agenda for each regular meeting in collaboration with the Housing & Equity Director.
2. Shall preside at all meetings.
3. Shall represent the Board and present its recommendations to the Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners or appoint a designee to perform that duty.

## **2.7. Vice Chair**

The Vice Chair shall serve as the acting Chair in the absence of the Chair, and at such time, have all the powers, duties, and voting rights as the Chair. With the resignation or termination of the Chair, the Vice Chair shall ascend to the position of Chair and a replacement for the officer position of Vice Chair shall be selected by Board election from the remaining members who do not currently hold an officer position.

## **2.8. Secretary**

The Secretary's position may be filled by Town staff if necessary. With the resignation or termination of the Vice Chair or the Secretary, a replacement for the officer position shall be selected by Board election from the remaining members who do not currently hold an officer position. The Secretary shall:

1. Take roll call at the beginning of the meeting.

## **2.9. Temporary Chair**

In the absence of both the Chair and the Vice Chair, the Board may appoint any of its members present in session to serve as Temporary Chair until such time that either the Chair or Vice Chair is present, and at such time, have all the powers, duties, and voting rights as the Chair.

## **2.10. Clerk**

The Clerk, provided by the Affordable Housing & Equity Department shall, subject to the direction of the Chair and Board, keep all records, conduct all correspondence of the Board, and generally supervise the clerical work of the Board and its *ad hoc* committees. The Affordable Housing & Equity Director or their designee will serve in the clerk role, and assist in scheduling meetings, coordinating speakers, drafting agendas, and producing other review materials necessary for the Board's work.

The minutes shall include all important facts pertaining to each meeting, including:

- a. Every resolution acted upon by the Board;
- b. All votes of the Board members upon any recommendation, resolution, or other final determination of any question before the Board; and
- c. A record of all votes in a and b above, indicating the names of members voting for, against, absent, or excused from voting.

- d. The Housing & Equity Director or their designee will assist in scheduling meetings, coordinating speakers, drafting agendas, and producing other review materials necessary for the Board's work.
- e. Record minutes of all meetings.

### **2.11. Election of Officers**

Officers shall be elected at the first regular meeting of the calendar year.

### **2.12. Officer Vacancy**

A vacancy in the office of the Chair shall be filled by the Vice Chair succeeding to the office for the balance of the unexpired term.

### **2.13. Public Representation**

Only the Board Chair, or a member designated by the Chair in written form, may speak officially for the Board. Board members may speak publicly as private residents on affordable housing and equity matters, however, they should indicate in such cases that they are presenting their own opinions and not those of the Board (this includes any online or social media posting).

- a. Violators of section 2.12 shall be notified of said infraction by the Chair.

## **SECTION 3: MEETINGS**

The Board conducts meetings in accordance with local and state requirements.

### **3.1. Open Meetings**

All meetings, public hearings, records, and minutes of the Board and its committees shall be made open and available to the public and in conformance with North Carolina Open Meetings Law, N.C.G.S. § Chapter 143, Article 33C.

### **3.2. Regular Meetings**

Regular meetings of the Board shall be held at Town Hall on the third Thursday of each month, beginning at 6:30pm.

All scheduled meetings of the Affordable Housing & Equity Board shall be published on the Town of Davidson website at least 72 hours in advance.

### **3.3. Special or Additional Meetings**

Special or additional meetings of the Board may be called by the Chair, Affordable Housing & Equity Director, or their designee. Procedures for special and additional meetings include:

- a. Written notice of special or additional shall be given to all Board members at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting and shall state the time, place, and purpose of the meeting.
- b. Additional meetings may be scheduled by the Chair, in consultation with the Affordable Housing & Equity Director or their designee, to accommodate a large number of agenda items ready for Board consideration.
- c. The Board may change the time and location of future meetings at any regular meeting, with appropriate notice to Board members, Town Staff, and the public.
- d. Notice to the public shall be given as required by state law.

### **3.4. Ad Hoc Committees**

Ad Hoc committees will follow North Carolina General Statutes on public and open meeting laws and meet the following requirements:

- a. Public notice of the ad hoc committee will be made. Notice to the public shall be given as required by state law.
- b. The meeting will be held in a location open and accessible to the public.
- c. Minutes of the ad hoc meeting will be kept on file with the Town.
- d. All ad hoc committee meetings, records, and minutes shall be made open and available to the public and in conformance with North Carolina Open Meetings Law, N.C.G.S. § Chapter 143, Article 33C.

### **3.5. Cancellation of Meeting**

Whenever there is no business to come before the Board, the Chair, after consultation with the Affordable Housing & Equity Director or their designee, may dispense a regular meeting by giving notice to all Board members not less than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the start time of the meeting.

### **3.6. Quorum**

A quorum is half of the current appointed Board membership plus one. Quorum does not include ex officio members.

- a. If quorum has not been met by the noticed start time, the Chair will open the meeting, make an announcement that quorum has not been met, and recess for fifteen (15) minutes;
- b. At which time the Chair will determine if quorum has been met. If it has not been met, the items, in consultation with the Clerk, will be continued to a date certain and the meeting will be adjourned.

### **3.7. Order of Business**

The order of business at regular meetings of the Board is recommended to be as follows:

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call & Determination of Quorum
3. Public Comment
4. Review/Approval of Minutes
5. Old Business
6. New Business
7. Other Items
8. Staff Updates

## 9. Adjournment

The order of business may be amended by the Chairperson, in consultation with the Affordable Housing & Equity Director or their designee.

### 3.8. Establishing Time Limits

Establishing time limits is important to ensure all agenda items have the ability to be heard by the Board. The following apply to regular Board meetings:

- a. The Chair may set the amount of time commissioners and community members have to speak.
- b. Community members should direct comments and questions to the Board Chair and members. The amount of time set to speak shall be established at the beginning of each Board regular meeting during the Call to Order.
- c. Time limitation shall be enforced by the Chair or the Clerk.

### 3.9. Conduct of Public Comment

In order to ensure full consideration of matters before the Board, Board meeting public comment periods shall be conducted in the following order:

- a. Prior to the start of the public comment period, persons wishing to address the Board members will register on a sign-up sheet stationed by the meeting room door.
- b. Prior to beginning the public comment period, the Chair will collect the sign-up sheet and recognize speakers in the order that they registered. Speakers will address the Board members from the podium and special accommodations will be made for persons with a disability with appropriate advanced notice to Town Staff. Speakers will be asked to identify themselves for the record, stating their name and address
- c. In the event a speaker is not able to attend in person, special accommodations may be requested at least 48 hours in advance of the scheduled meeting. Such requests may be submitted to: [affordablehousing@townofdavidson.org](mailto:affordablehousing@townofdavidson.org).
- d. Speakers who have prepared written remarks are encouraged to leave a copy of such remarks with the Chair.
- e. Speakers shall be civil and courteous in their language and presentation. Insults, personal attacks, accusations, profanity, vulgar language, inappropriate gestures, or other inappropriate behavior will not be tolerated.
- f. In order to provide for the maintenance of order and decorum in the conduct of the meeting, the Chair may declare "out-of-order" any person who fails to comply with this policy. The Chair shall caution any such person to abide by the provisions of this

policy. Refusal to do so shall be grounds for removal of the speaker from the meeting.

- g. Speakers will address comments to the entire board as a whole and not one individual member. Discussions between speakers and members of the audience will not be permitted during the public comment period.

### **3.10. Virtual or Electronic Meetings**

Virtual or electronic meetings, or portions of meetings held virtually, shall be held in accordance with N.C.G.S. § 143-318 and N.C.G.S. § 166A-19.24, as amended.

### **3.11. Emergency Declarations & Inclement Weather**

If and when the Governor of North Carolina declares a state of emergency, emergency procedures as found in N.C.G.S. § 166A-19.24, as amended, will be followed. These procedures should be followed in consultation with the Affordable Housing & Equity Director or designee, and the Town Manager's Office.

## **SECTION 4: AGENDA**

### **4.1. Agenda**

The agenda for each regular, special, or additional meeting, shall be prepared by the Affordable Housing & Equity Director, in consultation with the Chair:

- a. The agenda shall be posted according to the procedures outlined by the Town Clerk's Office.
- b. The Board may consider no business unless such an item properly appears on the agenda, or unless such matter is for consideration by the Chairperson.
- c. Public hearing notices must follow state law, as referenced in N.C.G.S § 160A.

## **SECTION 5: ATTENDANCE**

### **5.1. Attendance**

A Board member who is unable to attend a regular meeting of the Board must contact the Affordable Housing & Equity Director, or designee, and Chair at least twenty-four (24) hours before the scheduled meeting and indicate the general reason for being absent (earlier notification is encouraged). The Board will be notified of the absence at the meeting during roll call.

Members are expected to maintain regular attendance and are expected to attend at least 75% of Board meetings within a rolling calendar year. Members that miss two meetings within a rolling calendar year will be reminded by the Chair of the attendance policy. After three absences within a rolling calendar year, the Chair will coach the Board member on the attendance policy. Four or more absences in a rolling calendar year will result in the removal of the Board member.

### **5.2. Roll Call**

- A. Staff will take a roll call vote. Each member will be marked as follows:
  - i. Present
  - ii. Excused Absence
  - iii. Unexcused Absence
- B. Excused Absences are absences that meet section 5.1 above. Unexcused Absences are any absences that do not meet section 5.1 above.



## **SECTION 6: CONDUCTING BUSINESS**

### **6.1. Decisions**

The vote of a majority of those members present shall be sufficient to decide any matter before the Board, provided a quorum is present. No member shall be excused from voting except as required in sections 6.2 and 6.3. of these Bylaws.

- a. All voting shall be by roll call or a show of hands.
- b. A tie vote shall result in a defeat of the motion.
- c. For recommendations to the Town Board of Commissioners, a defeat of the motion shall result in a recommendation for denial.

### **6.2. Adopted Ethics Policy**

Board members shall follow state statutory mandates.

### **6.4. Motions**

Business is brought before the Board by motions, a formal procedure for taking actions. All motions shall be stated in the affirmative. For recommendations to the Board of Commissioners, the motion shall be for a recommendation of approval. In order to adopt a recommendation, a majority of members present shall vote in the affirmative.

In addition:

- a. Board members who intend to vote against the motion make a motion for approval and are welcome to preface their motion with an explanation of this procedure.
- b. Any member, except the presiding Chair, may make a motion or second a motion.
- c. The member who made a motion may withdraw that motion at any time before a vote.
- d. After a motion has been properly made and seconded, any member of the Board, other than the maker and seconder of the original motion, may offer a substitute motion.
- e. If the substitute motion is properly seconded, it shall be discussed and voted upon prior to consideration of the original underlying motion.
- f. If a substitute motion is approved, the initial motion becomes null and void.

### **6.5. Debate on a Motion**

The Chair shall state the motion and then open the floor to debate on it.

## SECTION 6: CONDUCTING BUSINESS

- a. The Board member who made the motion is entitled to speak first.
- b. A Board member who has not spoken on the issue shall be recognized before someone who has already spoken.

### **6.8. Advisory Recommendations**

All votes taken by the Board are advisory in nature. The Town Board of Commissioners has the final and formal vote on any item.

### **6.9. Committees**

From time to time, as the need arises, the Board may, at its discretion, establish an *ad hoc* committee of the commission.

- a. The Board shall charge every ad hoc committee and every ad hoc committee shall report on its activities as it is directed to do by the Board.
- b. Committee appointments shall be made by the Chair in consultation with the Vice Chair.
- c. Staff are responsible for ensuring that any ad hoc committee meeting is properly noticed in accordance with state and local laws.

### **6.11. Suspension of Rules**

The Board may, upon affirmative majority vote of its appointed and sworn in membership, suspend these rules of procedure for consideration of any matter before the Board, so long as it does not create a conflict with state law.

### **6.12. Parliamentary Procedures**

Consideration of cases and other business shall be in accordance with the Board's Bylaws. If these Bylaws are silent on an issue of parliamentary procedure, the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order shall govern.

### **6.13. Time**

The Board will hold standard hours to ensure all matters of business can be completed and given equal time, and to ensure transparency to the community it serves.

The Board will fix a start time of 6:30pm on the third Thursday of each month for regular meetings, except for when that Thursday falls on a Town recognized holiday (or when a meeting is cancelled in accordance with section 3.4 above).

### **6.14. Decorum Reminder**

The Rules of Decorum for citizen and Board member participation are available upon request from the Affordable Housing & Equity Department. These rules are held by staff, and any updates to these rules do not require a vote by the Board.

## SECTION 6: CONDUCTING BUSINESS

## **SECTION 7: AMENDMENTS AND REVISIONS**

### **7.1. Rules of Procedure Updates**

These rules may, within the limits allowed by law, have amendments proposed to the Bylaws of the Board by being presented at a regular meeting. Amendments to the Bylaws of the Board must be approved by the Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners prior to their adoption.

## **SECTION 8: HISTORY OF RULES OF PROCEDURE**

The Board's Bylaws were originally adopted (INSERT)

### **8.1. Revisions**

June 20, 2024

# **BYLAWS GOVERNING THE TOWN OF DAVIDSON SUSTAINABILITY BOARD**

## **ARTICLE I DAVIDSON SUSTAINABILITY BOARD**

- 1.1 BOARD:** The official name of this Board shall be the Town of Davidson Sustainability Board which shall herein be referred to as the Board.

## **ARTICLE II AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY**

- 2.1 PURPOSE:** The Board provides recommendations and advice to the Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners and Town of Davidson staff regarding Town sustainability initiatives, including but not limited to Climate Action Plan implementation.

## **ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP**

- 3.1 COMPOSITION:** The Sustainability Board shall consist of twelve (12) members which reside in the Town of Davidson, including a resident of the extra territorial jurisdiction (ETJ) and a Davidson College student. Parks and Recreation and Public Works department staff and/or their designated representative shall serve as ex-officio members of the Board. The ex-officio members and Davidson College Student will not have a vote on matters coming before the Board. The Town Sustainability Manager or his/her designee will assist in scheduling meetings, coordinating speakers, drafting agendas, and producing other review materials necessary for the Board's work.
- 3.2 APPOINTMENT:** All members shall be appointed by the Board of Commissioners according to their Rules of Procedure. If no applications are received by residents of the ETJ or Davidson College, the one-member requirements will be waived and the vacancy filled according to the Board of Commissioners' Rules of Procedure.
- 3.3 TERMS:**
- a. General: The term of office shall be three years, although initial appointments shall be made for one, two, and three years so the terms may be staggered. Members may be re-appointed for one subsequent term. All mid-term vacancies will be appointed according to the Board of Commissioners' Rules of Procedure.
  - b. Limits: It shall be the policy of the Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners that terms of membership on Advisory Boards or Commissions are as follows: Persons serving two (2) consecutive three (3) year terms or six (6) total consecutive years shall be ineligible for consideration for reappointment. Time served in midterm appointments are not counted in the six consecutive total years. That person would be eligible to reapply following a one (1) year absence from serving. The board of

commissioners shall have discretion to waive term limits for a particular position on an advisory board or commission.

- c. Resignation: Members must notify the Chair and/or the Sustainability Manager in writing to resign from the Board.

### **3.4 ATTENDANCE:**

- a. Notice: A member who will be unable to attend a regular meeting of the Board must contact the Chair and/or the Sustainability Manager or their designee at least 24 hours before the scheduled meeting and indicate the general reason for being absent. Earlier notification is encouraged.
- b. Record: Attendance shall be recorded as Present, Tardy (more than 15 minutes late), Excused Absence (either 24-hour or emergency notice), or Unexcused Absence.
- c. Forfeiture: If any member of the board attends fewer than 75% of the regular and special meetings held by the board during any twelve (12) month period, the member will forfeit their membership on the board.

### **3.5 CONDUCT:** When participating in a meeting or conducting Board business (whether in person, via email, or other communication methods), members shall conduct themselves in a respectful, ethical, and professional manner. Any member who engages in intentional misrepresentation of information or inflammatory, hostile, or threatening language or behavior toward others, including but not limited to elected officials, staff, or another Board member, will be removed from the meeting. Any member who engages in the aforementioned behavior is also subject to dismissal from the Board by the Chair and/or Sustainability Manager.

## **ARTICLE IV OFFICERS & STAFF**

### **4.1 OFFICERS:** The officers of the Board shall be Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary. Officers shall be elected at the first regular meeting of the annual term. The Term of each position shall be one year. The Secretary's position may be filled by Town staff if necessary. Should the resignation or termination of the Vice Chair or Secretary occur, a replacement for the position shall be selected by Board election from the remaining members who do not currently hold an office or position. The general duties of the officers shall be as follows:

- a. Chair: The Chair shall be appointed for a one (1) year term and may be re-appointed for subsequent terms. The Chair shall plan an agenda for each regular meeting in collaboration with the Sustainability Manager, preside at all meetings of the Board, appoint all standing Committees, and have all the duties normally conferred on such an office. The Chair shall also represent the Board and present its recommendations to the Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners or appoint a designee to perform that duty. The Chair is a voting member of the Board.
- b. Vice-Chair: A Vice-Chair shall be elected for a one (1) year term and may be re-elected for subsequent terms. The Vice-Chair shall serve in the absence of the Chair. If

both the Chair and the Vice-Chair are absent, another member designated by a majority vote of the Board members present shall preside.

- c. Secretary: The Secretary shall be elected for a one (1) year term and may be re-elected for subsequent terms. The Secretary shall submit to the Sustainability Manager (or other Town liaison) the written draft of meeting minutes at least one week prior to the next scheduled meeting.

- 4.2 GENERAL DUTIES OF STAFF:** The Sustainability Manager or his/her designee(s) shall serve as liaison staff to the Board and shall: Keep the minutes and records of the Board; prepare the agenda for regular and special meetings; provide notice of meetings; attend to correspondence of the Board; and provide technical assistance to the Board.

## **ARTICLE V MEETINGS**

### **5.1 MEETINGS:**

- a. Regular: Regular meetings of the Board shall be held once a month in the Davidson Town Hall, or as otherwise permitted in a public manner, on the third Monday of each month. The Board shall adopt an annual schedule of regular meetings prior to the end of each calendar year or as soon thereafter as a quorum is established. All scheduled meetings of the Sustainability Board shall be published to the Town of Davidson website at least 72 hours in advance.
- b. Special: Special meetings may be called only by the Chair or Vice Chair provided that at least forty-eight (48) hours' notice of the time of such a meeting shall be given to each member by the staff. Communication of such notice may be by any reasonable means selected by the staff, including but not limited to U. S. postal system, telephone (including voice mail messages), E-mail, and physical delivery. Staff shall maintain a roster containing contact information for each Sustainability Board member.
- c. Cancellation: Whenever there is no business for a meeting of the Board, the Chair, in consultation with the Sustainability Manager or designee, may cancel a regular meeting by giving notice to all members not less than 48 hours prior to the time of the scheduled meeting.
- d. Work Sessions, Joint Meetings: The Board may hold work sessions, informal meetings or committee meetings, including joint meetings with the Board of Commissioners, with other advisory bodies of the Town, or with governing or advisory bodies of other governmental units, in order to consider or deliberate over business within its purview. Such meetings are official meetings of the Board and require noticing per applicable notice requirements. The time and place of joint meetings is decided by the Chair, the Sustainability Manager, and the Chair of the body with whom a joint meeting is to be held.
- e. Social Gatherings: Genuine social gatherings of a majority of the Board are, by law, exempt from constituting an official meeting unless called or held to evade the spirit and purposes of the North Carolina Open Meetings Law (G.S. 143-318.9 et seq.).



- 5.2 PUBLIC ACCESS & NOTIFICATION:** All regular meetings, special meetings, and hearings of this Board shall be open to the public as provided in the North Carolina Open Meetings Law. All records, files, and accounts shall be public records as provided in the North Carolina General Statutes.
- 5.3 QUORUM:** A majority of the voting members of the Board present in person or by two-way verbal communication shall constitute a quorum. A majority is more than half. A member who has withdrawn from a meeting shall be counted as present for the purpose of determining whether or not a quorum is present provided that more than one-third (1/3) of the voting members must be present and voting for there to be a quorum. A quorum must be present before any business is transacted.
- 5.4 AUXILARY RULES:** Unless otherwise stated herein, the Board shall conduct its meeting in accordance with the provisions of Rules 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19 of the *Suggested Rules of Procedure for Small Local Government Board* published by the UNC School of Government. The Chair, subject to these rules, shall decide all points of procedure unless otherwise directed by a majority of the Board in session at the time.

## **ARTICLE VI ORDER OF BUSINESS**

### **6.1 AGENDA:**

- a. Program: Items of business at the regular meeting shall appear on the agenda. The agenda shall be set by the Chair in coordination with the Sustainability Manager or designee; any changes to the agenda shall be made by the Chair.
- b. Requests: All items on the agenda should be presented to the Chair and Sustainability Manager or designee at least seven (7) days prior to the regular meeting.
- c. Order of Business: The general order of business shall be as follows:
  - Call to order
  - Roll call and determination of quorum
  - Approval of minutes of previous meeting
  - Notice of changes to the agenda
  - Old business
  - New business
  - Subcommittee and Town staff reports
  - Adjournment
  - At the discretion of the Chair, and subject to the Chair's right to curtail further discussion, comments may be accepted from members of the public. The Chair, in consultation with the Board, may establish the manner and time allotted for each speaker during public comment.

## **ARTICLE VII ACTION BY BOARD**

- 8.1 ACTIONS:** All actions of the Board shall be in the form of a motion, duly seconded, and voted upon by all members present. If no quorum is present, the only motion permitted is a

motion to adjourn, including a motion to adjourn to a specified date and time which may be other than the regular meeting date and time.

## **8.2 VOTING:**

- a. Procedure: Voting shall be done by a show of hands. Voting by proxy is not permitted. If there is a tie vote, the motion fails.
- b. Assignment: Affirmative votes from a majority of the members present and voting shall be required to adopt any motion. The abstention of any member who is physically present or has withdrawn without being excused by the Board due to a conflict of interest or other declared reason shall be recorded as an affirmative vote.

## **8.4 COMMUNICATIONS:**

- a. Public Representation: Only the Chair, or a member designated by the Chair, shall speak officially for the Board. Board members may speak publicly as private citizens on sustainability matters; however, courtesy demands that they indicate in such cases that they are presenting their own opinions. No member of the Town staff has any authority either direct or implied to speak for the Board or to bind it in any way.
- b. Internal: Email shall serve as the primary means of communication between the Chair/ Sustainability Manager or designee and members. Content related to board agenda items should be limited to clarifying questions; discussion of Board business is prohibited. Questions, suggestions, or concerns should be relayed directly to the Chair/Sustainability Manager.
- c. External:
  - i. Official Inquiries: Members that receive official inquiries shall direct those inquiries to the Chair and Sustainability Manager.
  - ii. Mobile/Digital Platforms: Members shall avoid discussing Board business in such forums. If participation is elected, members should engage such arenas with caution and only to clarify facts regarding a topic.
- d. Confidential Information: In the event that any confidential material is distributed with the agenda, such as a memorandum from the Town Attorney advising the Board on a legal issue, such information shall be marked as confidential. Board members shall not discuss, disclose, or distribute any confidential material at any open meeting or with or to any members of the public.

## **ARTICLE VIII ADOPTION & AMENDMENT**

- 9.1 REVIEW OF BYLAWS**: Amendments to the Bylaws of the Board may be presented at a regular meeting. Amendments to the Bylaws of the Board must be approved by the Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners prior to their adoption.

August 14, 2024

Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners  
216 South Main Street  
Davidson, NC 28036

Dear Board of Commissioners:

As the advisor to the Davidson College Union Board, I work with the student leaders to help them plan successful and safe events each year at the College. One of their signature events is a campus semi-formal called Fall Fling. Similar to previous years' events, this year the event will be held outside at Old Tennis Court Lawn as we do not have an indoor space large enough to accommodate this event, and we believe this event safer as an open-air event. This year's event will be Saturday, September 28, 2024 from 10pm-1am. We will contract a professional party cover band to perform during this event. Because the music could go over the decibel limit of 60 dBA for the Town of Davidson's sound ordinance, we would like to request a variance for this event.

In addition to requesting the variance, we also plan to notify neighbors within a three block radius of campus by placing notecards on their doors or in their mailboxes with a warning about the additional noise days in advance of the event. We are happy to increase the area in which we notify residents at the request of the Board. Thank you for your consideration of this request and please let me know if you have any questions, comments, or concerns.

Thank you!



**Brandon Lokey** (he/him)

Associate Director of  
Student Activities

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[davidson.edu](http://davidson.edu)

NORTH CAROLINA  
MECKLENBURG COUNTY

**2<sup>nd</sup> SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT**

DATE: 6/13/2024

NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION

TIP #: EB-5933

AND

WBS ELEMENTS: PE 47698.1.1

ROW

TOWN OF DAVIDSON

CON 47698.3.1

OTHER FUNDING:

FEDERAL-AID #: BGTA-1006(054)

CFDA #: 20.205

TOTAL SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS [NCDOT PARTICIPATION] \$0

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into on the last date executed below, by and between the North Carolina Department of Transportation, an agency of the State of North Carolina, hereinafter referred to as the "Department", and the Town of Davidson, hereinafter referred to as the "Municipality."

**WITNESSETH:**

WHEREAS, the Department and the Municipality on 9/6/2019, entered into a certain Project Agreement for the original scope: Construction of the Kincaid Multi-Use Trail project cross-jurisdictional route. Trail will eventually connecting Davidson to neighboring towns as part of the Mooresville - Charlotte Trail, starting from at the town limits of Davidson and Cornelius north Polaris (parcel) as part of the South Prong Rocky River Greenway, continue north following the SWIM buffer to connect to Eugenia Street. The forthcoming redevelopment of the parcels located north of Eugenia St will include a greenway connection, programmed under Project EB-5933; and,

WHEREAS, the Department and the Municipality on 11/3/2023, entered into a Supplemental Agreement for additional funding for construction activities; and,

WHEREAS, this Supplemental Agreement is to extend the completion date of the Project.

NOW THEREFORE, the parties wish to supplement the aforementioned Agreement whereby the following provisions are amended:

#### **4. PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE**

The Municipality has until July 30, 2026, to complete all work outlined in the Agreement. Completion for this Agreement is defined as completion of all construction activities or implementation activities, acceptance of the project, and submission of a final reimbursement package to the Department.

If additional time is needed to complete the Project, then a supplemental agreement must be executed. The Department may allow up to three additional months for submission of a final reimbursement package by the Municipality, without entering into a supplemental agreement. The Department and/or FHWA reserves the right to revoke the funds awarded if the Municipality is unable to meet milestone dates included herein.

Except as hereinabove provided, the Agreement heretofore executed by the Department and the Municipality on 9/6/2019, and 11/3/2023, are ratified and affirmed as therein provided.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been executed, in duplicate, the day and year heretofore set out, on the part of the Department and the Municipality by authority duly given.

L.S. ATTEST:

TOWN OF DAVIDSON

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

NCGS 133-32 and Executive Order 24 prohibit the offer to, or acceptance by, any State Employee of any gift from anyone with a contract with the State, or from any person seeking to do business with the State. By execution of any response in this procurement, you attest, for your entire organization and its employees or agents, that you are not aware that any such gift has been offered, accepted, or promised by any employees of your organization.

This instrument has been pre-audited in the manner required by the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act.

(SEAL)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(FINANCE OFFICER)

Federal Tax Identification Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Remittance Address:

Town of Davidson

\_\_\_\_\_  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

(CHIEF ENGINEER)

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED BY BOARD OF TRANSPORTATION ITEM O: \_\_\_\_\_ (Date)



## **AGENDA MEMO**

**To:** Davidson Board of Commissioners

**From:** Jamie Justice, Town Manager

**Date:** August 27, 2024

**Re:** Discuss Draft Resolution in Support of Legislation Authorizing Referendum

### **ITEM SUMMARY/OVERVIEW**

The Town of Davidson is a member of the Metropolitan Transit Commission established in 1999, and is supportive of providing diverse roadway infrastructure and public transportation options to its citizenry. The town, city, and county managers have been working for many months to draft legislation that would, if approved by the North Carolina General Assembly, allow the citizens of Mecklenburg County to decide by referendum whether they will authorize an additional sales tax for investment in roadway and public transportation systems. Staff will present the information about the proposed legislation and sales tax. The town board will be asked to approve the resolution at the September 10, 2024 town board meeting. Staff recommends the town board suspend the rules of procedure to allow a public comment period on this agenda item at the September 10, 2024 Town Board meeting.

### **ACTION/PROPOSED MOTION**

This item is for discussion only.

### **RELATED TOWN GOALS**

#### **Strategic Plan Alignment**

Healthy, Livable, & Vibrant Community - Promote collaborative efforts to create livable spaces and healthy places to enhance quality of life for all residents.

Connecting People and Places - Expand, improve, and diversify the town's transportation network to provide residents and visitors with safe, convenient, accessible, reliable, and efficient multi-modal travel choices to connect people across the community.

Sustainability and Natural Assets - Preserve Davidson's natural assets and develop, implement, and actively encourage innovative solutions to environmental, energy, and climate-based challenges.

Economic Development - Attract diverse commercial development contributing to Davidson's unique economy and support new initiatives to create local jobs and add to the vibrancy of the community.

**Core Values**

Open communication is essential to an engaged citizenry, so town government will seek and provide accurate, timely information and promote public discussion of important issues.

Citizens must live in a healthy environment, so town government will protect watersheds, trees, air quality, and other elements of the town's ecology.

Davidson's economic health is essential to its remaining a sustainable community, so town government will judiciously encourage and guide the location of new business opportunities.

Davidson exists in proximity to and is interdependent with other jurisdictions, so we strive for local, regional, state and federal cooperation.

**NEXT STEPS**

The board will be asked to consider approving the resolution at the September 10 town board meeting.





**RESOLUTION 2024-19  
IN SUPPORT OF LEGISLATION AUTHORIZING REFERENDUM**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Davidson is a member of the Metropolitan Transit Commission established in 1999 between Mecklenburg County, the City of Charlotte, and six surrounding towns, and is supportive of providing a diverse roadway infrastructure and public transportation options to its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, Mecklenburg County is a regional economic engine with over 1.2 M residents and one of the fastest-growing metro areas in the country, attracting new businesses, jobs, tourism, and people every day; and

**WHEREAS**, our regional growth creates regional transportation needs that include managing the inevitable increase in vehicle trips, maintaining healthy air quality, reducing emissions and congestion; and

**WHEREAS**, Mecklenburg County is the center of the Piedmont region with roughly half of our collective employment base commuting from outside the county; and

**WHEREAS**, the transportation decisions we make today will shape the future of our municipalities, county, region, and state; and

**WHEREAS**, substantial federal grant funding is available for investment in transportation network infrastructure, which requires a percentage match of local funding to utilize; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Davidson desires that the North Carolina General Assembly pass legislation authorizing the citizens of Mecklenburg County to decide by referendum whether they will approve an additional sales tax for investment in roadway and public transportation systems.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners:

1. Hereby supports the coalition of local jurisdictions in Mecklenburg County (including Mecklenburg County, City of Charlotte, and a majority of towns) to seek authorization from the North Carolina General Assembly authorizing the voters of Mecklenburg County to determine by referendum whether they will approve an additional sales tax for further investment in roadway and public transportation systems.

2. This Resolution shall be effective as of the date of its adoption.

Adopted on the \_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_ 2024

\_\_\_\_\_  
Elizabeth K. Shores, Town Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Rusty Knox, Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Approved as to form:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Karen Wolter, Town Attorney

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE SUPPLEMENTAL SOURCES OF REVENUE FOR LOCAL  
GOVERNMENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM FINANCING.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**PART I. LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS**

**SECTION 1.1.** The General Assembly makes the following findings:

- (1) Transportation plays a vital role in the State’s economy; it makes economic activity possible (e.g., connecting producers to raw materials, workers, and customers) and is a major economic activity in its own right.<sup>i</sup>
- (2) Increased investment in public transportation can lead to significant economic growth as a result of both the short-term stimulus impact of public transportation outlays and a longer-term, cumulative impact on economic productivity.<sup>ii</sup>
- (3) Multiple research studies show a link between access to transportation and economic mobility.<sup>iii</sup>
- (4) Sound transportation investments lower the costs of moving people and goods, thereby increasing economic productivity and improving standards of living.<sup>iv</sup>
- (5) Some studies have suggested that traffic congestion costs the United States economy over \$120 billion annually.<sup>v</sup>
- (6) Potential costs of congestion include those related to increased travel time, added fuel costs, increased unreliability, emissions and environmental damage, excess vehicle operating costs, loss of productivity, increased inventory costs, and higher frequency of cargo delays.<sup>vi</sup>
- (7) Research studies have linked traffic congestion to higher rates of depression and anxiety, lower job and overall satisfaction, and even increased rates of domestic violence.<sup>vii</sup>
- (8) Traffic congestion is typically a bigger problem in more urbanized and rapidly growing areas.
- (9) North Carolina is home to urbanized and rapidly growing areas that are experiencing the negative effects of traffic congestion.
- (10) According to a February 2024 Forbes article, Charlotte, North Carolina scored second in a “hardest commute report.”<sup>viii</sup>
- (11) Congestion begins slowing the employment growth rate in a region at approximately 37 annual hours of commuter delay and halts growth altogether at 180 annual hours of commuter delay.<sup>ix</sup>
- (12) According to the Texas A&M Transportation Institute, the Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia MSA reached 38 annual hours of commuter delay in 2000 and climbed to 53 hours in 2019.<sup>x</sup>
- (13) In 20 years, the Charlotte region’s population will grow by 50% from 2.6 million today to 4.1 million in 2045.<sup>xi</sup>
- (14) As congestion continues to increase, it’s estimated that up to 126,100 jobs and \$3.0 billion in tax receipts could go unrealized by the end of 2050 in the Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia MSA.<sup>xii</sup>
- (15) Additional sources of transportation funding are needed to help these areas address congestion so as not to impede future economic growth.

**PART II. REVISIONS TO CURRENT MECKLENBURG COUNTY SALES TAX FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION**

**SECTION 2.1.** G.S. 105-506.1 reads as rewritten:

**“§ 105-506.1. Definitions.**

The definitions in G.S. 105-164.3 and the following definitions apply in this Article:

- ...
- (3) Public transportation system. – Any combination of real and personal property established for purposes of public transportation. The systems may include one or more of the following: structures, improvements, buildings, equipment, vehicle parking or passenger transfer facilities, railroads and railroad rights-of-way, rights-of-way, bus services, shared-ride services, high-occupancy vehicle facilities, car-pool and vanpool programs, voucher programs, telecommunications and information systems, integrated fare systems, and the interconnected bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure that supports public transportation, bus lanes, and busways. The term includes tunnels and other infrastructure designed to rapidly transport people, freight, or vehicles through automated means. The term does not include, however, streets, roads, or highways except to the extent they are dedicated to public transportation vehicles or to the extent they are necessary for access to vehicle parking or passenger transfer facilities.
- (4) Transportation authority. – For the purposes of Part 2 of this Article, a metropolitan public transportation authority created pursuant to Article 33 of Chapter 160A. For the purposes of Parts 3 and 4 of this Article, a regional public transportation authority created pursuant to Article 26 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes; and for the purposes of Parts 3 and 5 of this Article, a regional transportation authority created pursuant to Article 27 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes.”

**SECTION 2.2.** G.S. 105-507.2 reads as rewritten:

**“§ 105-507.2. ~~Levy and collection~~ Levy, collection, and repeal of sales and use tax.**

(a) If the majority of those voting in a referendum held pursuant to G.S. 105-507.1 vote for the levy of the tax, the board of commissioners of the county may, by resolution, levy one-half percent (½%) local sales and use taxes in addition to any other State and local sales and use taxes levied pursuant to law. Except as provided in this Part, the adoption, levy, collection, administration, and repeal of these additional taxes shall be in accordance with Article 39 of this Chapter. In applying the provisions of Article 39 of this Chapter to this Part, references to ‘this Article’ mean ‘Part 1 of Article 43 of Chapter 105 of the General Statutes’.

(b) No action by a county to repeal a tax levied under this Part may become effective while previously issued or, as provided in this subsection, refinanced, bonds, notes, or other financing secured or payable by receipts derived from the tax allocated to a municipality or a transportation authority by the county remain outstanding. Nothing in this Part obligates a county to exercise any power of taxation or restricts the ability of the county to repeal the tax previously levied. If a county repeals a tax levied under this Part, a municipality or transportation authority may refinance previously issued bonds, notes, or other financing that are secured or payable by receipts for the tax revenue under this Part to reduce debt service as allowed under the law so long as the refinancing does not extend the date of maturity for the previously issued bonds, notes, or other financing.”

**SECTION 2.3.** G.S. 105-507.3(b) reads as rewritten:

1       “(b)       Use. - A county must allocate the net proceeds distributed to it in accordance with  
2 its financial plan adopted pursuant to G.S. 105-507 and use the net proceeds only for financing,  
3 constructing, operating, and maintaining local public transportation systems. Any other unit of  
4 local government may use the net proceeds distributed to it under this Part only for financing,  
5 constructing, operating, and maintaining local public transportation systems. Every unit of  
6 government shall use the net proceeds to supplement and not to supplant or replace existing  
7 funds or other resources for public transportation systems. The net proceeds distributed to any  
8 unit of local government, other than the county that levies the tax, pursuant to this Part may be  
9 included as revenues within the meaning of G.S. 159-81(4), including any modifications of that  
10 statute.”

11       **SECTION 2.4.** G.S. 105-507.3, as amended by Section 2.3 of this act, reads as  
12 rewritten:

13       **“§ 105-507.3. Distribution and use of taxes.**

14       (a) Distribution. – The Secretary shall, on a monthly basis, allocate to each taxing county the  
15 net proceeds of the tax levied under this Part by that county. If the Secretary collects taxes under  
16 this Part in a month and the taxes cannot be identified as being attributable to a particular taxing  
17 county, the Secretary shall allocate these taxes among the taxing counties, in proportion to the  
18 amount of taxes collected in each county under this Part in that month and shall include them in  
19 the monthly distribution.

20       The Secretary shall distribute the net proceeds of the tax levied by a county ~~on a per capita~~  
21 ~~basis among the county and the units of local government in the county that operate public~~  
22 ~~transportation systems to the largest transportation authority that includes the county.~~ No  
23 proceeds shall be distributed to a ~~county that does not operate a public transportation system or~~  
24 ~~to a unit of local government~~ transportation authority that does not operate a public  
25 transportation system.

26       (b) Use. - ~~A county must allocate the net proceeds distributed to it in accordance with its~~  
27 ~~financial plan adopted pursuant to G.S. 105-507 and use the net proceeds only for financing,~~  
28 ~~constructing, operating, and maintaining local public transportation systems. Any other unit of~~  
29 ~~local government~~ transportation authority may use the net proceeds distributed to it under this  
30 Part only for financing, constructing, operating, and maintaining local public transportation  
31 systems. ~~Every unit of government shall use the net proceeds to supplement and not to supplant~~  
32 ~~or replace existing funds or other resources for public transportation systems.~~ The net proceeds  
33 distributed to any unit of local government, other than the county that levies the tax, pursuant to  
34 this Part may be included as revenues within the meaning of G.S. 159-81(4), including any  
35 modifications of that statute.”

36       **SECTION 2.5.** Section 2.4 of this act becomes effective only if Mecklenburg County  
37 levies a tax authorized under Part IV of this act. If Mecklenburg County levies a tax authorized  
38 under Part IV of this act, then Section 2.4 becomes effective on the same date that the tax levied  
39 under that Part becomes effective. The remainder of this Part is effective when it becomes law.  
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41       **PART III. REVISIONS TO CURRENT MECKLENBURG COUNTY U-DRIVE-IT TAX**

42       **SECTION 3.1.** Section 3.1 of S.L. 1997-417, as added by Section 30 of S.L. 2006-162  
43 and amended by Section 2.(h) of S.L. 2009-527, reads as rewritten:

44       **"SECTION 3.1.** A county authorized to impose a tax under Part 2 of Article 43 of  
45 Chapter 105 of the General Statutes is considered an authority under Article 50 of Chapter 105 of  
46 the General Statutes, as enacted by Section 3 of this act, and the board of commissioners of that

county is considered the board of trustees of the authority under Article 50. G.S. 105-554 of Article 50 does not apply to the proceeds of a tax imposed by a county considered an authority under this section. The proceeds of a tax imposed by a county considered an authority under this section must be transferred to the largest ~~city in~~ metropolitan public transportation authority including that county operating a public transportation system and used only for financing, constructing, operating, and maintaining a public transportation system. The proceeds may supplant existing funds allocated for a public transportation system. The term 'public transportation system' has the same meaning as defined in G.S. 105-506.1."

**SECTION 3.2.** This Part act becomes effective only if Mecklenburg County levies a tax authorized under Part IV of this act. If Mecklenburg County levies a tax authorized under Part IV of this act, then this Part becomes effective on the same date that the tax levied under that Part becomes effective.

#### **PART IV. ADDITIONAL MECKLENBURG COUNTY ROADWAY SYSTEMS AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS SALES TAX**

**SECTION 4.1.** Title. – This Part is the Mecklenburg County Roadway Systems and Public Transportation Systems Sales Tax Act and may be cited by that name. This Part gives Mecklenburg County an opportunity to obtain an additional source of revenue with which to meet its needs for financing roadway systems and public transportation systems. It provides the County with authority to levy sales and use taxes. All such taxes must be approved in a referendum.

**SECTION 4.2.** Definitions. – The definitions in G.S. 105-164.3, G.S. 105-506.1, and the following definitions apply in this Part:

- (1) Authority. – A metropolitan public transportation authority created under Article 33 of Chapter 160A, as enacted by Part V of this act.
- (2) Eligible municipality. – Any of the following municipalities in Mecklenburg County: the City of Charlotte and the Towns of Cornelius, Davidson, Huntersville, Matthews, Mint Hill, and Pineville.
- (3) Red Line. – A rail project that includes, at a minimum, service from the center of the City of Charlotte through the towns of Cornelius, Davidson, and Huntersville and, provided that agreement is obtained from applicable local governments outside of Mecklenburg County, continues to a point north of the jurisdiction of the Town of Davidson, and in no event shall the terminus be in the Town of Davidson's jurisdiction unless approved by the Town of Davidson.
- (4) Roadway system. – A roadway together with appurtenances to a roadway which includes, but is not limited to plans, designs, and related studies; rights-of-way, whether conveyed by deed or easement; construction, maintenance, and improvements to streets and highways, intersections, streetscapes and landscaping, pedestrian facilities, bicycle facilities, parking lots, curbs, gutters, storm drainage, bridges, overpasses, grade crossings, street lighting, and traffic control devices; utility relocations; publicly accessible electric vehicle charging infrastructure, hydrogen fueling infrastructure, propane fueling infrastructure, natural gas fueling infrastructure, and vehicle-to-grid infrastructure; current and emerging intelligent transportation technologies, including the ability of vehicles to communicate with infrastructure, buildings, and other road users; projects that facilitate intermodal connections between emerging transportation technologies,



such as magnetic levitation and hyperloop; protective features, including natural infrastructure, to enhance the resilience of a transportation facility; and measures to protect a roadway system from cybersecurity threats.

**SECTION 4.3.** Exemption of Food. – A tax levied under this Part does not apply to the sales price of food that is exempt from tax pursuant to G.S. 105-164.13B or to the sales price of a bundled transaction taxable pursuant to G.S. 105-467(a)(5a).

**SECTION 4.4.(a)** Advisory Referendum. – The Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners may direct the county board of elections to conduct an advisory referendum within the County on the question of whether a local sales and use tax at the rate of one percent (1%) may be levied in accordance with this Part. The election shall be held in accordance with the procedures of G.S. 163-287. The Board of Commissioners shall hold a public hearing on the question at least 30 days before the date the election is to be held.

**SECTION 4.4.(b)** Ballot Question. – The form of the question to be presented on a ballot for a special election concerning the levy of a tax authorized by this Part shall be:

“[ ] FOR [ ] AGAINST

One percent (1%) local sales and use taxes, in addition to the current local sales and use taxes, to be used only for roadway systems and public transportation systems.”

**SECTION 4.5.** Levy of Tax. –The Board of Commissioners may, by resolution, levy one percent (1%) local sales and use taxes in addition to any other State and local sales and use taxes levied pursuant to law only if all the following conditions are satisfied:

- (1) The majority of those voting in a referendum held pursuant to Section 4.4(a) of this Part vote for the levy of the tax.
- (2) An Authority that includes Mecklenburg County has been established.
- (3) At least one eligible municipality or an Authority maintains a public transportation system in the County.

**SECTION 4.6.** Administration. – Except as otherwise provided in this Part, the adoption, levy, collection, administration, and repeal of these additional taxes shall be in accordance with Article 39 of Chapter 105 of the General Statutes. Nothing in this Part obligates Mecklenburg County to exercise any power of taxation or restricts the ability of the County to repeal the tax previously levied.

**SECTION 4.7.** Distribution. – The Secretary of Revenue shall, on a monthly basis, distribute to Mecklenburg County the net proceeds of the tax levied under this Part. Mecklenburg County must distribute forty percent (40%) of the net proceeds of a tax levied under this Part as provided in Section 4.8 of this act and sixty percent (60%) of the net proceeds of a tax levied under this Part as provided in Section 4.9 of this act.

**SECTION 4.8.** Roadway Distribution and Use. – Mecklenburg County must distribute forty percent (40%) of the net proceeds of a tax levied under this Part among the eligible municipalities as provided in this section. Each eligible municipality shall annually submit to the County a copy of the statement certified by a registered engineer or surveyor that is submitted to the Department of Transportation under G.S. 136.41.1(a) of the total number of miles of streets in that municipality that are not part of the State highway system. The word “street” as used under this subdivision has the same definition as provided in G.S. 136-41.1(a). Each eligible municipality shall use the net proceeds distributed to it under this subdivision only for costs associated with financing, constructing, operating, or maintaining roadway systems.

- (1) Procedure. The following amounts must be computed before the distribution of any tax proceeds under this subsection.

- a. The monthly amount for each eligible municipality other than the City of Charlotte is equal to one hundred twenty-five percent (125%) of the greater of the following two amounts:
  1. The amount generated by multiplying the net proceeds distributed under this section during a month by the percentage proportion that the mileage of streets in the eligible municipality that do not form a part of the State highway system bears to the total mileage of the streets that do not constitute a part of the State highway system in all eligible municipalities combined.
  2. The sum of the following:
    - I. The amount generated by multiplying seventy-five percent (75%) of the net proceeds distributed under this section during a month by the percentage proportion that the population of the eligible municipality bears to the total population of all eligible municipalities according to the most recent annual estimates of population as certified to the Secretary of Revenue by the State Budget Officer.
    - II. The amount generated by multiplying twenty-five percent (25%) of the net proceeds distributed under this section during a month in the percentage proportion that the mileage of streets in each eligible municipality that do not form a part of the State highway system bears to the total mileage of the streets that do not constitute a part of the State highway system in all eligible municipalities combined.
- b. The monthly amount for the City of Charlotte is the remainder of net proceeds to be distributed under this section during a month after the amounts for the other eligible municipalities are determined under Section 4.8(1)a. of this act.
- c. The annual amount for an eligible municipality is equal to the sum of the 12 monthly amounts for that municipality.
- d. The baseline amount for an eligible municipality other than the City of Charlotte is equal to the following:
  1. For fiscal years beginning on or after the effective date of the levy of the tax but prior to the first full fiscal year beginning on or after one year after the effective date of the levy of the tax, the baseline amount is zero.
  2. For fiscal years beginning on or after at least one full fiscal year after the effective date of the levy of the tax but before the release of census data by the U.S. Census Bureau for the next decennial census, the annual amount as calculated under Section 4.8(1)c. of this act for the first full fiscal year beginning on or after the effective date of the levy of the tax.
  3. For later fiscal years, the annual amount as calculated under Section 4.8(1)c. of this act for the first fiscal year beginning on or

- 1 after the release of census data by the U.S. Census Bureau for the  
2 most recent decennial census.
- 3 e. The baseline amount for the City of Charlotte is zero.
- 4 (2) Distribution. The distribution of net proceeds under this subdivision is as follows:
- 5 a. For the first 11 months of the fiscal year, the County shall distribute the  
6 monthly amount to each eligible municipality.
- 7 b. For the final month of the of the fiscal year, the distribution is as follows:
- 8 1. If the total net proceeds distributed to the County for the fiscal year  
9 are less than the total net proceeds distributed to the County for the  
10 preceding fiscal year, the County shall distribute the monthly  
11 amount to each eligible municipality.
- 12 2. If the total net proceeds distributed to the County for the fiscal year  
13 are greater than the total net proceeds distributed to the County for  
14 the preceding fiscal year, the County shall distribute the proceeds  
15 as follows:
- 16 I. If the annual amount for each municipality is greater than  
17 the baseline amount for that municipality, the monthly  
18 amount.
- 19 II. Except as provided in Section 4.8(2)b.2.III. of this act, if  
20 the annual amount for any municipality is less than the  
21 baseline amount for that municipality, then the following:
- 22 A. The amount to be distributed to each eligible  
23 municipality whose annual amount is less than the  
24 baseline amount is the amount needed so that the  
25 total amount distributed to that municipality for the  
26 fiscal year is equal to the baseline amount.
- 27 B. The amount to be distributed to the other eligible  
28 municipalities is the monthly amount as reduced by  
29 this sub-sub-sub-sub-subdivision. The amount of  
30 the reduction is equal to the difference between the  
31 annual amount and the baseline amount for all  
32 eligible municipalities combined that receive a  
33 distribution under Section 4.8(2)b.2.II.A. of this act  
34 multiplied by a percentage. The percentage is equal  
35 to the percentage proportion that the population of  
36 the eligible municipality bears to the total  
37 population of all eligible municipalities subject to  
38 distribution under this sub-sub-sub-sub-subdivision  
39 according to the most recent annual estimates of  
40 population as certified to the Secretary of Revenue  
41 by the State Budget Officer.
- 42 III. If the calculation required in Section 4.8(2)b.2.II.B. would  
43 result in the annual amount for any of those eligible  
44 municipalities to be lower than that municipality's baseline  
45 amount, then the county shall distribute to each eligible  
46 municipality the monthly amount.



**SECTION 4.9.** Public Transportation Distribution and Use. – Mecklenburg County must distribute sixty percent (60%) of the net proceeds of the tax levied under this Part to the Authority. The Authority shall use the net proceeds distributed to it under this section only for costs associated with financing, acquiring, constructing, operating, and maintaining any combination of real and personal property for a public transportation system. The Authority may accomplish these purposes by undertaking these activities itself or by entering an interlocal agreement with a municipality in Mecklenburg County that operates a public transportation system to use funds allocated under this subdivision for those purposes as directed by the Authority in the interlocal agreement. An interlocal agreement entered under this section may include a binding commitment on the part of the Authority to allocate all or a portion of these proceeds to the municipality for a defined number of years or until a defined condition is met, such as the satisfaction of any debt that was issued for public transportation systems. In addition, the Authority may enter an agreement with a private entity whereby that entity uses these funds for this purpose as directed by the Authority in the agreement. The net proceeds of a tax levied under this Part that are distributed to the Authority may be included as revenues within the meaning of G.S. 159-81(4), including any modifications of that statute. The following conditions apply to the use of funds distributed under this section.

- (1) No more than two-thirds of these funds may be used for the capital construction costs of new or expanded rail projects over any period of 30 calendar years combined. Compliance with this section is first determined at the end of the first 30-year period, and then annually thereafter based on the previous 30-year period. Nothing in this subsection will be interpreted to adversely impact the rights of bondholders to any funds distributed or pledged to secure bonds, notes or other obligations used to finance or refinance real and personal property for a public transportation system.
- (2) The Authority shall complete at least fifty percent (50%) of the Red Line as evidenced by a scope of work schedule created and submitted by the general contractor or construction manager on the project before the completion of any other rail project, absent the existence or occurrence of force majeure events that delay completion of the Red Line or make completion of the Red Line impracticable. For the purposes of this Section, a scope of work schedule is defined as a listing of project tasks associated with a project timeline that is updated as the Red Line construction project progresses. For the purposes of this Section, force majeure events include fire, flood, earthquakes, other elements of nature, acts of war, terrorism, riots, civil disorders, rebellions or revolutions, nuclear or chemical contamination, epidemics, quarantines, acts of the federal or State government, a declared state of emergency, strikes or labor disruptions other than those specific to the Authority, or other conditions beyond its reasonable control and which, by reasonable diligence, the Authority is unable to prevent. Should a force majeure event delay or halt the Red Line project, the Authority shall resume the original Red Line schedule as soon as practicable when the force majeure event has ceased or subsided. Planning, design, and construction work may occur simultaneously on other rail projects, but only to the extent that those activities do not interfere with or delay the completion of the Red Line.
- (3) The Authority shall solicit input from the Towns of Cornelius, Davidson, and Huntersville on all aspects of the Red Line design, including conceptual design,

- 1 construction drawings, and station location. If the Red Line extends to the Town  
2 of Mooresville, the Authority shall also solicit input from that Town.
- 3 (4) The Authority shall reimburse the City of Charlotte for the acquisition of the  
4 Norfolk Southern O-Line and related property. The amount to be reimbursed may  
5 not be more than the cost to the City of Charlotte to acquire the property from  
6 Norfolk Southern, including any costs for indebtedness incurred by the City with  
7 respect to the acquisition. The Authority and the City of Charlotte shall jointly  
8 agree to a schedule for reimbursement of these costs.

9 **SECTION 4.10. Repeal of Tax –** The Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners  
10 may by resolution repeal the levy and imposition of the tax in the County as provided in G.S.  
11 105-473(c). The Board of Commissioners, upon adoption of a repeal resolution, shall cause a  
12 certified copy of the resolution to be delivered immediately to the Secretary of Revenue. No  
13 liability for any tax levied under this Part that attached prior to the effective date on which a levy  
14 is repealed shall be discharged as a result of such repeal, and no right to a refund of tax or  
15 otherwise that accrued prior to the effective date on which a levy is repealed shall be denied as a  
16 result of such repeal. If a county repeals a tax levied under this Part, the Authority or a  
17 municipality may refinance previously issued bonds, notes, or other financing that are secured or  
18 payable by receipts for the tax revenue under this Part to reduce debt service as allowed under  
19 the law so long as the refinancing does not extend the date of maturity for the previously issued  
20 bonds, notes, or other financing. No repeal of taxes levied and imposed under this Part shall be  
21 effective until the latest of the following:

- 22 (1) The end of the fiscal year in which the repeal resolution was adopted.
- 23 (2) The date by which all previously issued or, as provided in this section, refinanced,  
24 bonds, notes, or other financing obtained by the Authority or a municipality  
25 secured or payable by receipts from the tax levied under this Part have been  
26 satisfied.
- 27 (3) The date by which the Authority has fully reimbursed the City for the purchase of  
28 the O-Line as required by Section 4.9(4) of this act.
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## 30 **PART V. METROPOLITAN PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**

31 **SECTION 5.1.** Chapter 160A of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new  
32 Article to read:

33 “Article 33.

34 “Metropolitan Public Transportation Authority.

### 35 **“§ 160A-880. Title.**

36 This Article shall be known and may be cited as the "Metropolitan Public Transportation  
37 Authority Act."

### 38 **“§ 160A-881. Definitions.**

39 As used in this Article, unless the context otherwise requires:

- 40 (1) Authority. – A metropolitan public transportation authority as defined by  
41 subdivision (5) of this section.
- 42 (2) Board of trustees. – The governing board of the authority, in which the general  
43 legislative powers of the authority are vested.
- 44 (3) Population. – The number of persons residing in respective areas as defined and  
45 enumerated in the most recent decennial federal census.
- 46 (4) Public transportation system. – Defined in G.S. 105-506.1.

(5) Metropolitan public transportation authority. – A body corporate and politic organized in accordance with the provisions of this Article for the purposes, with the powers and subject to the restrictions hereinafter set forth.

(6) Unit of local government. – Any county, city, town or municipality of this State, and any other political subdivision, public corporation, authority, or district in this State, which is or may be authorized by law to acquire, establish, construct, enlarge, improve, maintain, own, and operate public transportation systems.

(7) Unit of local government's chief administrative official. – The county manager, city manager, town manager, or other person by whatever title, in whom the responsibility for the unit of local government's administrative duties is vested.

**“§ 160A-882. Definition of territorial jurisdiction of authority.**

An authority may be created for any area of the State that, at the time of creation of the authority, meets all the following criteria:

(1) The area consists of a single county that has a population greater than 1 million.

(2) The county borders another state.

(3) The county includes at least one unit of local government that operates a light rail system.

**“§ 160A-883. Creation of authority.**

(a) The Board of Commissioners of a county for which an authority may be created as defined in G.S. 160A-882 may by resolution signify its determination to organize an authority under the provisions of this Article. The resolution shall be adopted after a public hearing thereon, notice of which hearing shall be given by publication at least once, not less than 10 days prior to the date fixed for such hearing, in a newspaper having a general circulation in the county. The notice shall contain a brief statement of the substance of the proposed resolution, shall set forth the proposed articles of incorporation of the authority and shall state the time and place of the public hearing to be held thereof. No county shall be required to make any other publication of such resolution under the provisions of any other law.

(b) Each such resolution shall include articles of incorporation which shall set forth all the following:

(1) The name of the authority.

(2) A statement that the authority is organized under this Article.

(3) The name of the organizing county.

(4) A provision stating that an affirmative vote equal to at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the membership of the board trustees is required to amend the articles of incorporation or to adopt or amend the bylaws of the authority.

(c) A certified copy of the resolutions signifying the determination to organize an authority under the provisions of this Article shall be filed with the Secretary of State, together with proof of publication of the notice of hearing on each of such resolutions. If the Secretary of State finds that the resolution, including the articles of incorporation, conform to the provisions of this Article and that the notices of hearing were properly published, the Secretary shall file the resolutions and proofs of publication and shall issue a certificate of incorporation under the seal of the State and shall record the same in an appropriate book of record. The issuance of a certificate of incorporation by the Secretary of State constitutes the authority a public body and body politic and corporate of the State of North Carolina. The certificate of incorporation is conclusive evidence of the fact that the authority has been duly created and established under the provisions of this Article.

(d) When the authority has been duly organized and its officers elected as provided in this Article, the secretary of the authority shall certify to the Secretary of State the names and addresses of officers as well as the address of the principal office of the authority.

(e) The authority may become a Designated Recipient pursuant to the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended.

**“§ 160A-884. Territorial jurisdiction of the authority.**

(a) The initial territorial jurisdiction of an authority created pursuant to this Article shall be coterminous with the boundaries of the county that organized it.

(b) Except as provided by this Article, the jurisdiction of the authority may include all local public passenger transportation operating within the territorial jurisdiction of the authority, but the authority may not take over the operation of any existing public transportation without the consent of the owner.

(c) The authority shall not have jurisdiction over public transportation subject to the jurisdiction of and regulated by the Interstate Commerce Commission, nor shall it have jurisdiction over intrastate public transportation classified as common carriers of passengers by the North Carolina Utilities Commission.

**“§ 160A-885. Membership; officers; compensation.**

(a) The governing body of an authority is the board of trustees. The initial board of trustees shall consist of 27 members, appointed as provided in this section. For each appointment below, the appointing authority may appoint an alternate that may act in the absence of the primary person appointed. The appointments are as follows:

(1) 12 members appointed by the board of commissioners of the county that created the authority as follows:

a. The board of commissioners shall appoint one member as recommended by the governing body of the municipality that has the second largest population of residents that reside in the county.

b. The board of commissioners shall appoint one member as recommended by the governing body of the municipality that has the third largest population of residents that reside in the county.

c. The board of commissioners shall appoint one member as recommended by the governing body of the municipality that has the fourth largest population of residents that reside in the county.

d. The board of commissioners shall appoint one member as recommended by the governing body of the municipality that has the fifth largest population of residents that reside in the county.

e. The board of commissioners shall appoint one member as recommended by the governing body of the municipality that has the sixth largest population of residents that reside in the county.

f. The board of commissioners shall appoint one member as recommended by the governing body of the municipality that has the seventh largest population of residents that reside in the county.

g. The board of commissioners shall appoint six members in its discretion. No more than one of these members may be an elected official of the county.

(2) 12 members appointed by the governing body of the largest municipality in the county that created the authority as follows:

- a. At least three of these appointments must be made upon the recommendation of an entity that represents business interests in the county. The municipality may reject a recommendation from the entity that represents business interests. If the municipality rejects a recommendation, then the entity that represents business interests shall make another recommendation to the municipality with respect to the appointment. This process shall continue until the municipality accepts the recommendation of the entity that represents business interests.
- b. The governing body shall appoint nine members in its discretion. No more than two of these members may be an elected official of the municipality.

(3) Two members appointed by the General Assembly, one upon the recommendation of the President Pro Tem of the Senate and one upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

(4) One member appointed by the Governor.

(b) Members of the board of trustees shall serve for terms of four years, provided that one-half of the initial appointments shall be for two-year terms, to be determined by lot at the first meeting of the board of trustees. Initial terms of office shall commence upon approval by the Secretary of State of the articles of incorporation.

(c) An appointing authority may appoint one or more of its members to the board of trustees, subject to the limitations of subsection (a) of this section. Service on the board of trustees may be in addition to any other office which a person is entitled to hold. Each voting member of the board of trustees may hold elective public office as defined by G.S. 128-1.1(d).

(d) Members of the board of trustees shall have demonstrated experience or qualifications in the areas of law, finance, engineering, public transportation, urban planning, logistics, government, architecture, or economic development.

(e) Members of the board of trustees shall reside within the territorial jurisdiction of the authority as defined by G.S160A-884.

(f) Every two years, the board of trustees shall elect from its membership a group of officers, which shall include a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, and Treasurer. An election of an officer must be by a majority vote at a meeting where a quorum is present.

(g) No trustee may serve for more than two consecutive terms on the board of trustees, but a person who has been a member for two consecutive terms may be reappointed after being off the board of trustees for a period of at least two years. An initial term that is two years or less shall not be counted in determining the limitation on consecutive terms. This limitation applies regardless of whether the appointments are made by the same appointing authority.

**“§ 160A-886. Expansion of authority.**

Upon approval of authorizing resolutions by the board of trustees and the board of commissioners of the affected county, the territorial jurisdiction and service area of an authority may be expanded to include a whole county within this State that is contiguous to the then existing territorial jurisdiction of the authority. Each of the authorizing resolutions must receive an affirmative vote equal to at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the membership of the applicable board. The authorizing resolutions shall contain provisions with respect to the following:

- (1) The date on which the territorial jurisdiction is to be expanded to include the county.



(2) The extent to which the composition of the board of trustees may be amended, if at all, due to the addition of the county to the territorial jurisdiction of the authority. The authorizing resolutions shall not eliminate or amend the requirements with respect to appointments to the board of trustees that are provided in G.S. 160A-885. Subsections (b) through (g) of G.S. 160A-885 shall apply to any additional appointments to the board of trustees.

(3) Financial, legal, or operational commitments with respect to the county that is to be added to the territorial jurisdiction of the authority.

(4) Any other matter determined to be relevant by the board of trustees and the board of commissioners of the affected county.

**“§ 160A-887. Voting; removal.**

(a) A majority of the board of trustees constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business. Each member shall have one vote.

(b) Each member of the board of trustees may be removed with or without cause by the appointing authority.

(c) Appointments to fill vacancies shall be made for the remainder of the unexpired term by the respective appointing authority charged with the responsibility for making such appointments pursuant to G.S. 160A-885. All members shall serve until their successors are appointed and qualified, unless removed from office.

**“§ 160A-888. Advisory committees.**

The board of trustees may provide for the selection of such advisory committees as it may find appropriate, which may or may not include members of the board of trustees.

**“§ 160A-889. Purpose of the authority.**

The purpose of the authority shall be to finance, provide, operate, and maintain for a safe, clean, reliable, adequate, convenient, energy efficient, economically and environmentally sound public transportation system for the service area of the authority through the granting of franchises, ownership and leasing of terminals, buses and other transportation facilities and equipment, and otherwise through the exercise of the powers and duties conferred upon it, in order to enhance mobility in the region and encourage sound growth patterns. Such a service, facility, or function shall be financed, provided, operated, or maintained in the service area of the authority either in addition to or to a greater or lesser extent than services, facilities, or functions are financed, provided, operated, or maintained for the entirety of the respective units of local government. An authority may take direct action to accomplish these purposes or may enter agreements with another unit of local government in the service area of the authority or a private entity to accomplish these purposes.

**“§ 160A-890. Service area of the authority.**

The service area of the authority shall be as determined by the board of trustees consistent with its purpose but shall not exceed the sum of the following:

(1) The territorial jurisdiction of the authority.

(2) An area outside of the territorial jurisdiction of the authority provided that one of the following conditions is satisfied:

a. If the area is within this State, the governing bodies of the political subdivisions to which service is to be extended approve by majority vote of their governing boards the extension of service into the political subdivision or the purchase of real property within the political subdivision for the extension of service.

- b. If the area is in another state, the extension of service is approved by any applicable federal or State agency and in accordance with the other state's laws.

**“§ 160A-891. General powers of the authority.**

The general powers of the authority include all the following:

- (1) To sue and be sued.
- (2) To have a seal.
- (3) To make rules and regulations, not inconsistent with this Article, for its organization and internal management.
- (4) To employ persons deemed necessary to carry out the functions and duties assigned to them by the authority and to fix their compensation, within the limit of available funds.
- (5) With the approval of the unit of local government's chief administrative official, to use officers, employees, agents, and facilities of the unit of local government for such purposes and upon such terms as may be mutually agreeable.
- (6) To retain and employ counsel, auditors, engineers and private consultants on an annual salary, contract basis, or otherwise for rendering professional or technical services and advice.
- (7) To acquire, lease as lessee with or without option to purchase, hold, own, and use any franchise, property, real or personal, tangible or intangible, or any interest therein and to sell, lease as lessor with or without option to purchase, transfer (or dispose thereof) whenever the same is no longer required for purposes of the authority, or exchange same for other property or rights which are useful for the authority purposes, including but not necessarily limited to parking facilities.
- (8) To acquire by gift, purchase, lease as lessee with or without option to purchase or otherwise to construct, improve, maintain, repair, operate, or administer any component parts of a public transportation system or to contract for the maintenance, operation, or administration thereof or to lease as lessor the same for maintenance, operation, or administration by private parties, including parking facilities.
- (9) To make or enter into contracts, agreements, deeds, leases with or without option to purchase, conveyances or other instruments, including contracts and agreements with the United States, the State of North Carolina, and units of local government.
- (10) To purchase or finance real or personal property in the manner provided for cities and counties under G.S. 160A-20.
- (11) To surrender to the State of North Carolina or a unit of local government any property no longer required by the authority.
- (12) To develop and make data, plans, information, surveys, and studies of public transportation facilities within the territorial jurisdiction of the authority and to prepare and make recommendations in regard thereto.
- (13) To enter in a reasonable manner lands, waters, or premises for the purpose of making surveys, soundings, drillings, and examinations whereby such entry shall not be deemed a trespass except that the authority shall be liable for any actual and consequential damages resulting from such entries.
- (14) To develop and carry out demonstration projects.

- 1       (15) To make, enter into, and perform contracts with private parties, and public  
2       transportation companies with respect to the management and operation of public  
3       passenger transportation.
- 4       (16) To make, enter into, and perform contracts with any public utility, railroad, or  
5       transportation company for the joint use of property or rights, for the  
6       establishment of through routes, joint fares, or transfer of passengers.
- 7       (17) To make, enter into, and perform agreements with governmental entities for  
8       payments to the authority for the transportation of persons for whom the  
9       governmental entities desire transportation.
- 10       (18) With the consent of the unit of local government which would otherwise have  
11       jurisdiction to exercise the powers enumerated in this subdivision: to issue  
12       certificates of public convenience and necessity; and to grant franchises and enter  
13       into franchise agreements and in all respects to regulate the operation of buses and  
14       other methods of public passenger transportation which originate and terminate  
15       within the territorial jurisdiction of the authority as fully as the unit of local  
16       government is now or hereafter empowered to do within the territorial jurisdiction  
17       of the unit of local government.
- 18       (19) To operate public transportation systems, to enter into and perform contracts to  
19       operate public transportation services and facilities, and to own or lease property,  
20       facilities, and equipment necessary or convenient therefor, and to rent, lease or  
21       otherwise sell the right to do so to any person, public or private; further, to obtain  
22       grants, loans and assistance from the United States, the State of North Carolina,  
23       any public body, or any private source whatsoever, but may not operate or  
24       contract for the operation of public transportation systems outside the territorial  
25       jurisdiction of the authority except as provided by subdivision (21) of this section.
- 26       (20) To enter into and perform contracts and agreements with other metropolitan  
27       public transportation authorities, public transportation authorities, regional public  
28       transportation authorities, or units of local government pursuant to the provisions  
29       of G.S. 160A-460 through 160A-464 (Part 1 of Article 20 of Chapter 160A of the  
30       General Statutes); further to enter into contracts and agreements with private  
31       transportation companies, but this subdivision does not authorize the operation of,  
32       or contracting for the operation of, service of a public transportation system  
33       outside the service area of the authority.
- 34       (21) To operate public transportation systems extending service into any political  
35       subdivision of the State of North Carolina unless a particular unit of local  
36       government operating its own public transportation system or franchising the  
37       operation of a public transportation system by majority vote of its governing  
38       board, shall deny consent.
- 39       (22) To operate public transportation systems extending service into another state, but  
40       only if the extension of service is authorized by any applicable federal or State  
41       agency and in accordance with the other state's laws.
- 42       (23) Except as restricted by covenants in bonds, notes, or equipment trust certificates,  
43       to set in its sole discretion rates, fees and charges for use of its public  
44       transportation system.
- 45       (24) To do all things necessary or convenient to carry out its purpose and to exercise  
46       the powers granted to the authority.



- (25) To issue bonds or other obligations of the authority as provided by law and apply the proceeds thereof to the financing of any public transportation system or any part thereof and to refund, whether or not in advance of maturity or the earliest redemption date, any such bonds or other obligations of the authority or another municipality that financed or refinanced real and personal property for a public transportation system to be owned or operated by the authority.
- (26) To contract for, or to provide and maintain, with respect to the facilities and property owned, leased with or without option to purchase, operated or under the control of the authority, and within the territory thereof, a security force to protect persons and property, dispense unlawful or dangerous assemblages and assemblages which obstruct full and free passage, control pedestrian and vehicular traffic, and otherwise preserve and protect the public peace, health, and safety; for these purposes a member of such force shall be a peace officer and, as such, shall have authority equivalent to the authority of a police officer of the city or county in which said member of such force is discharging such duties.
- (27) To contract for the purchase, lease, or other acquisition of any apparatus, supplies, materials, or equipment for public transit purposes with any person or entity that, within the previous 60 months, after having completed a public formal bid process substantially similar to that required by Article 8 of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes or through the competitive proposal method provided in G.S. 143-129(h), has contracted to furnish the apparatus, supplies, materials, or equipment to any unit or agency approved in G.S. 143-129(g) if the person or entity is willing to furnish the items at the same or more favorable prices, terms, and conditions as those provided under the contract with the other unit or agency. Any purchase made under this section shall be approved by the board of trustees as provided in G.S. 143-129(g).

**“§ 160A-892. Authority of Utilities Commission not affected.**

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this Article, nothing in this Article shall be construed to limit or otherwise affect the power or authority of the North Carolina Utilities Commission or the right of appeal to the North Carolina Utilities Commission as provided by law.

(b) The North Carolina Utilities Commission shall not have jurisdiction over rates, fees, charges, routes, and schedules of an authority for service within its territorial jurisdiction.

**“§ 160A-893. Fiscal accountability.**

An authority is a public authority subject to the provisions of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes.

**“§ 160A-894. Funds.**

The establishment and operation of an authority are governmental functions and constitute a public purpose, and the State of North Carolina and any unit of local government may appropriate funds to support the establishment and operation of the authority. The State of North Carolina and any unit of local government may also dedicate, sell, convey, donate, or lease any of their interests in any property to the authority. An authority may apply for grants from the State of North Carolina, or from the United States or any department, agency, or instrumentality thereof. The Department of Transportation may allocate to an authority any funds appropriated for public transportation, or any funds whose use is not restricted by law.

**“§ 160A-895. Competition.**

1        No equipment of the authority may be used for charter, tour, or sight-seeing service except as  
2 allowed under regulations adopted by the Federal Transit Administration.

3        **“§ 160A-896. Effect on existing franchises and operations.**

4        Creation of the authority shall not have an effect on any existing franchises granted by any  
5 unit of local government; such existing franchises shall continue in full force and effect until  
6 legally terminated; further, all ordinances and resolutions of the unit of local government  
7 regulating local public transportation systems, bus operations, and taxicabs shall continue in full  
8 force and effect now and in the future, unless superseded by regulations of the authority; such  
9 superseding, if any, may occur only on the basis of prior mutual agreement between the authority  
10 and the respective unit of local government.

11        **“§ 160A-897. Termination.**

12        The board of trustees may terminate the existence of the authority by adopting a resolution  
13 by majority vote to do so at any time when it has no outstanding indebtedness. The resolution to  
14 terminate the existence of the authority does not become effective unless and until ratified by  
15 majority vote of the board of commissioners of the county that created the authority. In the event  
16 of such termination, all property and assets of the authority not otherwise encumbered shall  
17 become the property of a unit of local government within the territorial jurisdiction of the  
18 authority as specified in the termination resolution and, if accepted by the unit of local  
19 government, the unit of local government shall succeed to all rights, obligations, and liabilities of  
20 the authority.

21        **“§ 160A-898. Controlling provisions.**

22        Insofar as the provisions of this Article are not consistent with the provisions of any other  
23 law, public or private, the provisions of this Article shall be controlling.

24        **“§ 160A-899. Bonds and notes authorized.**

25        In addition to the powers granted by this Article, the authority may issue bonds and notes  
26 pursuant to the provisions of The State and Local Government Revenue Bond Act, Article 5 of  
27 Chapter 159 of the General Statutes, for the purpose of financing public transportation systems  
28 or any part thereof and to refund such bonds and notes and to refund any bonds, notes or other  
29 obligations of another municipality used to finance or refinance real and personal property for a  
30 public transportation system to be owned or operated by the authority, whether or not in advance  
31 of their maturity or earliest redemption date

32        **“§ 160A-900. Equipment trust certificates.**

33        In addition to the powers here and before granted, the authority shall have continuing power  
34 to purchase equipment, and in connection therewith execute agreements, leases with or without  
35 option to purchase, or equipment trust certificates. All money required to be paid by the authority  
36 under the provisions of such agreements, leases with or without option to purchase, and  
37 equipment trust certificates shall be payable solely from the fares, fees, rentals, charges,  
38 revenues, and earnings of the authority, monies derived from the sale of any surplus property of  
39 the authority, and gifts, grants, and contributions from any source whatever. Payment for such  
40 equipment or rentals may be made in installments; the deferred installments may be evidenced  
41 by equipment trust certificates payable solely from the aforesaid revenues or receipts and title to  
42 such equipment may or may not vest in the authority until the equipment trust certificates are  
43 paid.

44        **“§ 160A-901. Power of eminent domain.**

45        (a) The authority shall have continuing power to acquire, by gift, grant, devise, exchange,  
46 purchase, lease with or without option to purchase, or any other lawful method, including the

power of eminent domain, the fee or any lesser interest in real or personal property for use by the authority.

(b) Exercise of the power of eminent domain by the authority shall be in accordance with Chapters 40A and 136 of the General Statutes.

**“§ 160A-902. Tax exemption.**

The property of the authority, both real and personal, its acts, activities and income shall be exempt from any tax or tax obligation; in the event of any lease of authority property, or other arrangement which amounts to a leasehold interest, to a private party, this exemption shall not apply to the value of such leasehold interest nor shall it apply to the income of the lessee.

Otherwise, however, for the purpose of taxation, when property of the authority is leased to private parties solely for the purpose of the authority, the acts and activities of the lessee shall be considered as the acts and activities of the authority and the exemption. The interest on bonds or obligations issued by the authority shall be exempt from State taxes.

**“§ 160A-903. Removal and relocation of utility structures.**

(a) The authority shall have the power to require any public utility, railroad, or other public service corporation owning or operating any installations, structures, equipment, apparatus, appliances or facilities in, upon, under, over, across or along any ways on which the authority has the right to own, construct, operate or maintain its public transportation system, to relocate such installation, structures, equipment, apparatus, appliances or facilities from their locations, or, in the sole discretion of the affected public utility, railroad, or other public service corporation, to remove such installations, structures, equipment, apparatus, appliances or facilities from their locations.

(b) If the owner or operator thereof fails or refuses to relocate them, the authority may proceed to do so.

(c) Except as otherwise agreed, the authority shall provide any necessary new locations and necessary real estate interests for such relocation, and for that purpose the power of eminent domain as provided in G.S. 160A-901 may be exercised provided the new locations shall not be in, on or above, a public highway; the authority may also acquire the necessary new locations by purchase or otherwise.

(d) Except as otherwise agreed, any affected public utility, railroad or other public service corporation shall be compensated for any real estate interest taken in a manner consistent with G.S. 160A-901, subject to the right of the authority to reduce the compensation due by the value of any property exchanged under this section.

(e) The method and procedures of a particular adjustment to the facilities of a public utility, railroad or other public service corporation shall be covered by an agreement between the authority and the affected party or parties.

(f) Except as otherwise agreed, the authority shall reimburse the public utility, railroad or other public service corporation, for the cost of relocations or removals which shall be the entire amount paid or incurred by the utility properly attributable thereto after deducting the cost of any increase in the service capacity of the new installations, structures, equipment, apparatus, appliances or facilities and any salvage value derived from the old installations, structures, equipment, apparatus or appliances.

**“§ 160A-904. Reports to the General Assembly.**

The authority shall annually submit to the General Assembly, on or before February 1, its annual operating report, including a report of its administrative expenditures, and its audited financial report. In odd-numbered years, the report shall be submitted to the Senate and House

1 Transportation Committees. In even-numbered years, the report shall be submitted to the Joint  
2 Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee.

3 **“§ 160A-905. Limitations on rail transportation liability.**

4 (a) As used in this section:

5 (1) Claim. – A claim, action, suit, or request for damages, whether compensatory,  
6 punitive, or otherwise, made by any person or entity against:

7 a. The authority, a railroad, or an operating rights railroad; or

8 b. An officer, director, trustee, employee, parent, subsidiary, or affiliated  
9 corporation as defined in G.S. 105-130.2, or agent of: the authority, a  
10 railroad, or an operating rights railroad.

11 (2) Operating rights railroad. – A railroad corporation or railroad company that, prior  
12 to January 1, 2001, was granted operating rights by a State-Owned Railroad  
13 Company or operated over the property of a State-Owned Railroad Company  
14 under a claim of right over or adjacent to facilities used by or on behalf of the  
15 authority.

16 (3) Passenger rail services. – The transportation of rail passengers by or on behalf of  
17 the authority and all services performed by a railroad pursuant to a contract with  
18 the authority in connection with the transportation of rail passengers, including,  
19 but not limited to, the operation of trains; the use of right of way, trackage, public  
20 or private roadway and rail crossings, equipment, or station areas or appurtenant  
21 facilities; the design, construction, reconstruction, operation, or maintenance of  
22 rail related equipment, tracks, and any appurtenant facilities; or the provision of  
23 access rights over or adjacent to lines owned by the authority or a railroad, or  
24 otherwise occupied by the authority or a railroad, pursuant to charter grant, fee  
25 simple deed, lease, easement, license, trackage rights, or other form of ownership  
26 or authorized use.

27 (4) Railroad. – A railroad corporation or railroad company, including a State-Owned  
28 Railroad Company as defined in G.S. 124-11, that has entered into any contracts  
29 or operating agreements of any kind with the authority concerning passenger rail  
30 services.

31 (b) Contracts Allocating Financial Responsibility Authorized. – The authority may contract  
32 with any railroad to allocate financial responsibility for passenger rail services claims, including,  
33 but not limited to, the execution of indemnity agreements, notwithstanding any other statutory,  
34 common law, public policy, or other prohibition against same, and regardless of the nature of the  
35 claim or the conduct giving rise to such claim.

36 (c) Insurance Required. –

37 (1) If the authority enters into any contract authorized by subsection (b) of this  
38 section, the contract shall require the authority to secure and maintain, upon and  
39 after the commencement of the operation of trains by or on behalf of the  
40 authority, a liability insurance policy covering the liability of the parties to the  
41 contract, a State-Owned Railroad Company as defined in G.S. 124-11 that owns  
42 or claims an interest in any real property subject to the contract, and any operating  
43 rights railroad for all claims for property damage, personal injury, bodily injury,  
44 and death arising out of or related to passenger rail services. The policy shall  
45 name the parties to the contract, a State-Owned Railroad Company as defined in  
46 G.S. 124-11 that owns or claims an interest in any real property subject to the

contract, and any operating rights railroad as named insureds and shall have policy limits of not less than two hundred million dollars (\$200,000,000) per single accident or incident, and may include a self-insured retention in an amount of not more than five million dollars (\$5,000,000).

(2) If the authority does not enter into any contract authorized by subsection (b) of this section, upon and after the commencement of the operation of trains by or on behalf of the authority, the authority shall secure and maintain a liability insurance policy, with policy limits and a self-insured retention consistent with subdivision (1) of this subsection, for all claims for property damage, personal injury, bodily injury, and death arising out of or related to passenger rail services.

(d) Liability Limit. – The aggregate liability of the authority, the parties to the contract or contracts authorized by subsection (b) of this section, a State-Owned Railroad Company as defined in G.S. 124-11, and any operating rights railroad for all claims arising from a single accident or incident related to passenger rail services for property damage, personal injury, bodily injury, and death is limited to two hundred million dollars (\$200,000,000) per single accident or incident or to any proceeds available under any insurance policy secured pursuant to subsection (c) of this section, whichever is greater.

(e) Effect on Other Laws. – This section shall not affect the damages that may be recovered under the Federal Employers' Liability Act, 45 U.S.C. § 51, et seq., (1908); or under Article 1 of Chapter 97 of the General Statutes.

**“§ 160A-906. Civil liability.**

Except as provided in G.S. 160A-905, the authority shall be deemed a city for purposes of civil liability pursuant to G.S. 160A-485. Governmental immunity of the authority is waived to a minimum of twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) per single accident or incident. The authority shall maintain a minimum of twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) per single accident or incident of liability insurance. Participation in a local government risk pool pursuant to Article 23 of Chapter 58 of the General Statutes shall be deemed to be the purchase of insurance for the purpose of this section.”

**PART VI. REQUIREMENTS IF MECKLENBURG COUNTY CREATES A METROPOLITAN PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**

**SECTION 6.1.** If Mecklenburg County creates a metropolitan public transportation authority under Article 33 of Chapter 160A, as enacted by Part V of this act, then that Authority is subject to all the provisions of this Part.

**SECTION 6.2.** The Authority shall conduct a study of the issues listed in this Section. The Authority may use any source of funding available to it to conduct the studies required by this Section. This specifically includes funds provided to the Authority by another unit of government and funds that the Authority receives as a donation or grant from any other public or private source. The Authority shall complete the study required under this Section and publish a report no later than July 1, 2025. The Authority shall publish the report and submit copies of the report to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Legislative Library, the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners, the Charlotte City Council, the Town of Cornelius Board of Commissioners, the Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners, the Town of Huntersville Board of Commissioners, the Town of Matthews Board of Commissioners, the Town of Mint Hill Board of Commissioners, the Town of



1 Mooresville Board of Commissioners, and the Pineville Town Council. The Authority shall  
2 study the following issues:

- 3 (1) Legal and financial considerations with respect to the transfer or use of assets  
4 from the City of Charlotte or the Charlotte Area Transportation System (CATS) to  
5 the Authority.
- 6 (2) Legal and financial considerations with respect to outstanding indebtedness issued  
7 by the City of Charlotte with respect to CATS to ensure no adverse impacts in  
8 relation to the outstanding indebtedness.
- 9 (3) Legal and financial considerations with respect to agreements and recognitions by  
10 the City of Charlotte or CATS with respect to the public transportation system  
11 with any federal, state, regional, or local governmental entities.
- 12 (4) Legal and financial considerations with respect to human resources of a transfer  
13 of assets, liabilities, and operations of the public transportation system from the  
14 City of Charlotte or CATS to the Authority, including issues related, but not  
15 limited, to employee pensions, retirement plans, and benefits.
- 16 (5) A recommendation as to whether the transfer of assets, liabilities, and operations  
17 of the existing public transportation system to the Authority is feasible and  
18 advisable.
- 19 (6) Any other issue determined to be relevant by the Authority.

20 **SECTION 6.3.** If Mecklenburg County creates a metropolitan public transportation  
21 authority under the provisions of Article 33 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes, as enacted  
22 by Part V of this act, before the convening of the 2025 Regular Session of the 2025 General  
23 Assembly, then as of the date of the issuance of a certificate of incorporation by the Secretary of  
24 State under G.S. 160A-883(c), as enacted by Part V of this act, the General Assembly makes the  
25 following appointments to the Board of Trustees of that Authority:

- 26 (1) [President Pro Tem’s appointee].
- 27 (2) [Speaker’s appointee].

28 **SECTION 6.4.** The Authority shall do the following no later than one year after  
29 enactment of this act:

- 30 (1) Adopt bylaws that are consistent with the provisions of Article 33 of Chapter  
31 160A of the General Statutes.
- 32 (2) Establish policies with respect to Board governance, including the adoption of a  
33 Code of Ethics for Trustees and key employees and the adoption of a Conflicts of  
34 Interest policy.
- 35 (3) Create a human resources plan. This includes, at a minimum:
  - 36 a. Creating an organizational chart that specifies positions that report directly  
37 to the Authority’s Board of Trustees.
  - 38 b. Completing the search for direct reports to the Board of Trustees.
  - 39 c. Creating personnel policies and procedures including those related to  
40 employee recruitment and retention, compensation and benefit policies  
41 and plans, and an employee code of conduct.
  - 42 d. Taking all steps necessary to ensure participation by the Authority in the  
43 Local Government Employees’ Retirement System under Article 3 of  
44 Chapter 128 of the General Statutes.
  - 45 e. Creating a plan, including a timeline, to implement a transfer of  
46 employees of CATS from the City of Charlotte to the Authority.

- 1 f. Developing or acquiring information technology and other assets needed  
2 to implement the human resources plan.
- 3 (4) Develop financial policies for the Authority.
- 4 (5) Develop operational policies for the Authority including policies related to  
5 business continuity, system operation, maintenance of the system and system  
6 assets, fares, purchasing and contracts, transit rules and regulations, travel  
7 markets, transit service, and advertising and sponsorships.
- 8 (6) Develop an information technology plan for the operation and administration of  
9 the public transportation system. The plan shall include provisions related to  
10 cybersecurity, data privacy, and the use of websites and mobile applications.
- 11 (7) Create a plan, including a timeline, for the acquisition of the assets of CATS from  
12 the City of Charlotte. This includes:
- 13 a. Drafting agreements to be entered into with the City of Charlotte with  
14 respect to the use, control, and acquisition of assets of CATS. With  
15 respect to assets of CATS that were procured with funds available to the  
16 City other than federal or State funds received by the City with respect to  
17 CATS and funds generated by a tax levied under Article 43 of Chapter  
18 105 of the General Statutes or a tax levied under Section 3.1 of S.L. 1997-  
19 417, as added by Section 30 of S.L. 2006-162 and amended by Section  
20 2.(h) of S.L. 2009-527 and this act, the agreements shall provide that the  
21 City has a right of reverter with respect to the property if the property is no  
22 longer used for a purpose supporting the operation of a public  
23 transportation system.
- 24 b. Negotiating an agreement with the City of Charlotte to reimburse the City  
25 for the acquisition of the Norfolk Southern O-Line as provided in Section  
26 4.9(4) of this act.
- 27 c. Drafting agreements with the City of Charlotte with respect to any  
28 outstanding bonds, notes, or other financing secured or payable by receipts  
29 from the taxes levied under Article 43 of Chapter 105 of the General  
30 Statutes or under Section 3.1 of S.L. 1997-417, as added by Section 30 of  
31 S.L. 2006-162 and amended by Section 2.(h) of S.L. 2009-527 and this  
32 act.
- 33 d. Notwithstanding the agreements above, any agreements entered into  
34 between the City and the Authority will require that the Authority  
35 undertake all obligations necessary to ensure that the City will remain in  
36 compliance with and will not have an adverse impact on the City's  
37 outstanding bonds, notes on other financing obligations for the public  
38 transportation system.
- 39 (8) Take all steps necessary to ensure approval by the Federal Transit Administration  
40 and any other applicable federal or State agency of the use, control, and  
41 acquisition of CATS assets.
- 42 (9) Draft amendments to the interlocal agreement between Mecklenburg County, the  
43 City of Charlotte, the Town of Cornelius, the Town of Davidson, the Town of  
44 Huntersville, the Town of Matthews, the Town of Mint Hill, and the Town of  
45 Pineville dated February 16, 1999, as amended, to provide for the termination of  
46 that agreement at the time a tax levied under Part IV of this act becomes effective,

subject to any continuing obligations agreed to by the parties to the agreement. The agreement shall contain provisions dissolving the Metropolitan Transit Commission created under that interlocal agreement and repealing all maintenance-of-effort requirements.

- (10) Draft agreements or amendments to agreements with third parties to ensure that the Authority may be substituted for the City as a party to any ongoing contracts, agreements, rights, responsibilities, or liabilities with respect to CATS once the Authority assumes operational control of CATS.

**SECTION 6.5.** If Mecklenburg County enacts a tax authorized by Part IV of this act, then the Authority and the City of Charlotte shall do all the following effective as of the date the tax levied under that Part becomes effective:

- (1) The Authority shall begin receiving the proceeds of all the following:
  - a. Taxes levied under Part IV of this act as provided in that Part.
  - b. Taxes levied under Article 43 of Chapter 105 of the General Statutes as provided in G.S. 105-507.3
  - c. Taxes levied under Section 3.1 of S.L. 1997-417, as added by Section 30 of S.L. 2006-162 and amended by Section 2.(h) of S.L. 2009-527 and this act, as provided in that act.
- (2) The City shall transfer control of the operational assets of CATS to the Authority subject to use agreements between the City and Authority.
- (3) The City shall retain ownership of any assets that are pledged as security for any outstanding indebtedness. Once any outstanding indebtedness is satisfied, the City shall begin transferring ownership of these assets of CATS to the Authority as provided in the agreements.
- (4) The City shall begin transferring ownership of other physical assets of CATS to the Authority as provided in the agreements.
- (5) The City shall retain the \$30 million required fund balance from the existing CATS Revenue Reserve Fund. If these reserves must be used by the City to cover any debt service payments due within the current fiscal year, the Authority shall provide an amount sufficient to return the fund balance to the \$30 million required balance. Once all applicable debt obligations have been satisfied, any amount remaining in the Fund shall revert to the Authority.
- (6) The Authority shall begin making payments to the City in accordance with agreements between the Authority and City for the following:
  - a. An amount to the City that is, at a minimum, sufficient to cover any debt service payments due within the current fiscal year. Amounts must be provided according to a schedule that ensures the funds are available prior to the required payment dates.
  - b. An amount to reimburse the City for the acquisition of the Norfolk Southern O-Line as provided in the agreements.
- (7) Except as provided with specifically identified positions or individuals, employees of CATS shall be transferred from the City to the Authority.

**SECTION 6.6.** If Mecklenburg County enacts a tax authorized by Part IV of this act, then as of the date the tax levied under that Part becomes effective the interlocal agreement between Mecklenburg County, the City of Charlotte, the Town of Cornelius, the Town of Davidson, the Town of Huntersville, the Town of Matthews, the Town of Mint Hill, and the



Town of Pineville dated February 16, 1999, as amended, and any other interlocal agreement with respect to the tax levied under Article 43 of Chapter 105 of the General Statutes or a tax levied under Section 3.1 of S.L. 1997-417, as added by Section 30 of S.L. 2006-162 and amended by Section 2.(h) of S.L. 2009-527 and this act, is terminated subject to any continuing obligations agreed to by the parties to that agreement. In addition, the Metropolitan Transit Commission is dissolved as of that date.

**SECTION 6.7.** If Mecklenburg County creates a metropolitan public transportation authority under Article 33 of Chapter 160A, as enacted by Part V of this act, then, notwithstanding G.S. 160A-890 as enacted by that Part, any service outside of the territorial jurisdiction of the Authority that is offered as of the date that the Authority assumes operational control of the assets of CATS may continue without the governing bodies of the applicable political subdivisions granting approval by majority vote for the continuation of service.

## **PART VII. REVENUE BONDS**

**SECTION 7.1.** The definitions in G.S. 159-81 apply in this Part.

**SECTION 7.2.** In addition to the revenues included in G.S. 159-81(4), a municipality may include as revenues the receipts from any sales and use tax or other local tax received by a municipality in connection with its ownership and operation of a revenue bond project or a utility or public service enterprise facility or system of which a revenue bond project is a part as long as the pledge of such receipts does not constitute a pledge of the municipality's taxing power.

**SECTION 7.3.** In addition to the powers provided in G.S. 159-83, a municipality has the authority to finance and refinance the cost of public transportation systems, facilities, or equipment with bonds or notes secured in one or more of the following ways: (1) By the revenues of the public transportation systems, facilities, or equipment, (2) By pledge, mortgage, or grant of a security interest in all or a portion of the real and personal property, whether owned or leased, comprising the public transportation systems, facilities, or equipment, and (3) as otherwise provided in Article 5 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes. Notwithstanding anything in G.S. 159-83(a) or otherwise in Article 5 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes to the contrary, each municipality may secure bonds or notes by a pledge of all or any portion of the revenues of public transportation systems, facilities, or equipment without regard to meeting the expense and maintenance and operation of and renewals and replacements with respect to the revenue bond project.

**SECTION 7.4.** This Part applies only to cities with a population of greater than 870,000 according to the 2020 federal decennial census or any subsequent federal decennial census and metropolitan public transportation authorities created under Article 33 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes, as enacted by Part V of this act.

## **PART VIII. CONFORMING CHANGES**

**SECTION 8.1.** G.S. 40A-3(c) reads as rewritten:

“(c) Other Public Condemnors. – For the public use or benefit, the following political entities shall possess the power of eminent domain and may acquire property by purchase, gift, or condemnation for the stated purposes.

...

(14) A metropolitan public transportation authority established under Article 33 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes for the purposes of that Article.”

**SECTION 8.2.** G.S. 105-164.14(c) reads as rewritten:

1 “(c) Certain Governmental Entities. – A governmental entity listed in this subsection is  
2 allowed an annual refund of sales and use taxes paid by it under this Article on direct purchases  
3 of items. Sales and use tax liability indirectly incurred by a governmental entity on building  
4 materials, supplies, fixtures, and equipment that become a part of or annexed to any building or  
5 structure that is owned or leased by the governmental entity and is being erected, altered, or  
6 repaired for use by the governmental entity is considered a sales or use tax liability incurred on  
7 direct purchases by the governmental entity for the purpose of this subsection. The refund  
8 allowed under this subsection does not apply to purchases of electricity, telecommunications  
9 service, ancillary service, piped natural gas, video programming, or a prepaid meal plan. A  
10 request for a refund must be in writing and must include any information and documentation  
11 required by the Secretary. A request for a refund is due within six months after the end of the  
12 governmental entity's fiscal year.

13 This subsection applies only to the following governmental entities:

14 ...

- 15 (15) A regional public transportation authority created pursuant to Article 26 of  
16 Chapter 160A of the General Statutes, a metropolitan public transportation  
17 authority created pursuant to Article 33 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes,  
18 or a regional transportation authority created pursuant to Article 27 of Chapter  
19 160A of the General Statutes.

20 ...”

21 **SECTION 8.3.** G.S. 136-44.20(b1) reads as rewritten:

22 “(b1) The Secretary may, subject to the appropriations made by the General Assembly  
23 for any fiscal year, enter into State Full Funding Grant Agreements with a Regional Public  
24 Transportation Authority (RPTA) duly created and existing pursuant to Article 26 of Chapter  
25 ~~160A~~, 160A of the General Statutes, a Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) duly created  
26 and existing pursuant to Article 27 of Chapter ~~160A~~, 160A of the General Statutes, a  
27 Metropolitan Public Transportation Authority (MPTA) duly created and existing pursuant to  
28 Article 33 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes, or a city organized under the laws of this  
29 State as defined in G.S. 160A-1(2), to provide State matching funds for "new start" fixed  
30 guideway projects in development by any entity pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 5309. These grant  
31 agreements shall be executable only upon an Authority's or city's completion of and the Federal  
32 Transit Administration (FTA) approval of Preliminary Engineering and Environmental Impact  
33 Studies in anticipation of federal funding pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 5309.

34 Prior to executing State Full Funding Grant Agreements, the Secretary shall submit proposed  
35 grant agreements or amendments to the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee  
36 for review. The agreements, consistent with federal guidance, shall define the limits of the "new  
37 starts" projects within the State, commit maximum levels of State financial participation, and  
38 establish terms and conditions of State financial participation.

39 State Full Funding Grant Agreements may provide for contribution of State funds in  
40 multiyear allotments. The multiyear allotments shall be based upon the Department's estimates,  
41 made in conjunction with an Authority or city, of the grant amount required for "new start"  
42 project work to be performed in the appropriation fiscal year.

43 State funds may be used to fund fixed guideway projects developed without federal funding  
44 by the Department, a Regional Public Transportation Authority (RPTA) duly created and  
45 existing pursuant to Article 26 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes, a Regional  
46 Transportation Authority (RTA) duly created and existing pursuant to Article 27 of Chapter

1 160A of the General Statutes, a Metropolitan Public Transportation Authority (MPTA) duly  
2 created and existing pursuant to Article 33 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes, or a unit of  
3 local government. In addition, State funds may be used to pay administrative costs incurred by  
4 the Department while participating in such fixed guideway projects.”

5 **SECTION 8.4.** G.S. 136-44.27(e) and (f) read as rewritten:

6 “(e) Funds distributed by the Department under this section shall be used by counties,  
7 public transportation authorities, metropolitan public transportation authorities, or regional  
8 public transportation authorities in a manner consistent with transportation development plans  
9 which have been approved by the Department and the Board of County Commissioners. To  
10 receive funds apportioned for a given fiscal year, a county shall have an approved transportation  
11 development plan. Funds that are not obligated in a given fiscal year due to the lack of such a  
12 plan will be distributed to the eligible counties based upon the distribution formula prescribed by  
13 subsection (d) of this section.

14 (f) A regional public transportation authority created pursuant to Article 25 or Article 26 of  
15 Chapter 160A of the General Statutes and a metropolitan public transportation authority created  
16 under Article 33 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes may, upon written agreement with the  
17 municipalities served by a public transportation authority, county served by the metropolitan  
18 public transportation authority, or counties served by the regional public transportation authority,  
19 apply for and receive any funds to which the member municipality or counties are entitled to  
20 receive based on the distribution formula set out in subsection (d) of this section.”

21 **SECTION 8.5.** G.S. 143-129(h) reads as rewritten:

22 “(h) Transportation Authority Purchases. – Notwithstanding any other provision of this  
23 section, any board or governing body of any regional public transportation authority, hereafter  
24 referred to as a "RPTA," created pursuant to Article 26 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes,  
25 ~~or~~ a regional transportation authority, hereafter referred to as a "RTA," created pursuant to  
26 Article 27 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes, or a metropolitan public transportation  
27 authority, hereafter referred to as a “MPTA”, created pursuant to Article 33 of Chapter 160A of  
28 the General Statutes may approve the entering into of any contract for the purchase, lease, or  
29 other acquisition of any apparatus, supplies, materials, or equipment without competitive bidding  
30 and without meeting the requirements of subsection (b) of this section if the following  
31 procurement by competitive proposal (Request for Proposal) method is followed.

32 The competitive proposal method of procurement is normally conducted with more than one  
33 source submitting an offer or proposal. Either a fixed price or cost reimbursement type contract  
34 is awarded. This method of procurement is generally used when conditions are not appropriate  
35 for the use of sealed bids. If this procurement method is used, all of the following requirements  
36 apply:

- 37 (1) Requests for proposals shall be publicized. All evaluation factors shall be  
38 identified along with their relative importance.
- 39 (2) Proposals shall be solicited from an adequate number of qualified sources.
- 40 (3) ~~RPTAs or RTAs~~ RPTAs, RTAs, or MPTAs shall have a method in place for  
41 conducting technical evaluations of proposals received and selecting awardees,  
42 with the goal of promoting fairness and competition without requiring strict  
43 adherence to specifications or price in determining the most advantageous  
44 proposal.
- 45 (4) The award may be based upon initial proposals without further discussion or  
46 negotiation or, in the discretion of the evaluators, discussions or negotiations may

be conducted either with all offerors or with those offerors determined to be within the competitive range, and one or more revised proposals or a best and final offer may be requested of all remaining offerors. The details and deficiencies of an offeror's proposal may not be disclosed to other offerors during any period of negotiation or discussion.

- (5) The award shall be made to the responsible firm whose proposal is most advantageous to the ~~RPTA's or the RTA's~~ RPTA's, RTA's, or MPTA's program with price and other factors considered.

The contents of the proposals shall not be public records until 14 days before the award of the contract.

The board or governing body of the ~~RPTA or the RTA~~ RPTA, the RTA, or the MPTA shall, at the regularly scheduled meeting, by formal motion make findings of fact that the procurement by competitive proposal (Request for Proposals) method of procuring the particular apparatus, supplies, materials, or equipment is the most appropriate acquisition method prior to the issuance of the requests for proposals and shall by formal motion certify that the requirements of this subsection have been followed before approving the contract.

Nothing in this subsection subjects a procurement by competitive proposal under this subsection to G.S. 143-49, 143-52, or 143-53.”

~~RPTAs and RTAs~~ RPTAs, RTAs, and MPTAs may adopt regulations to implement this subsection.”

**SECTION 8.6.** G.S. 143-157.1(d) reads as rewritten:

“(d) Reporting by Local Units of Government. – By September 1 of each year and with regard to each local board listed in this subsection, the information required by subsection (b) of this section shall be submitted on behalf of the appointing authority to the Secretary of State by the clerk of that appointing authority. Appointments to each of the following local boards, whether established by State law or local decision, or appointments to those local boards having equivalent functions, however named or denominated, must be reported:

- ...
- (26) A public transportation authority created pursuant to Article 25 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes, a regional public transportation authority created pursuant to Article 26 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes, ~~or~~ a regional transportation authority created pursuant to Article 27 of Chapter 160A of the General ~~Statutes-Statutes~~, or a metropolitan public transportation authority created pursuant to Article 33 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes.

...”

**SECTION 8.7.** G.S. 153A-148.1(a) reads as rewritten:

“(a) Disclosure Prohibited. – Notwithstanding Chapter 132 of the General Statutes or any other law regarding access to public records, local tax records that contain information about a taxpayer's income or receipts are not public records. A current or former officer, employee, or agent of a county who in the course of service to or employment by the county has access to information about the amount of a taxpayer's income or receipts may not disclose the information to any other person unless the disclosure is made for one of the following purposes:

- ...
- (4) To exchange information with a regional public transportation ~~authority or authority~~, a regional transportation authority, or a metropolitan public transportation authority, created pursuant to Article ~~26 or 26~~, Article 27, or 33 of

Chapter 160A of the General Statutes, when the information is needed to fulfill a duty imposed on the authority or on the county.

...

**SECTION 8.8.** G.S. 159-48(e) reads as rewritten:

“(e) Each sanitary district, mosquito control district, hospital district, merged school administrative unit described in G.S. 115C-513, metropolitan sewerage district, metropolitan water district, metropolitan water and sewerage district, county water and sewer district, regional public transportation authority, metropolitan public transportation authority, and special airport district may borrow money and issue its bonds under this Article in evidence thereof for the purpose of paying any capital costs of any one or more of the purposes for which it is authorized, by general laws uniformly applicable throughout the State, to raise or appropriate money, except for current expenses.”

**SECTION 8.9.** G.S. 159-81 reads as rewritten:

**“§ 159-81. Definitions.**

The words and phrases defined in this section shall have the meanings indicated when used in this Article:

(1) "Municipality" means a county, city, town, incorporated village, sanitary district, metropolitan sewerage district, metropolitan water district, metropolitan water and sewerage district, county water and sewer district, water and sewer authority, hospital authority, hospital district, parking authority, special airport district, special district created under Article 43 of Chapter 105 of the General Statutes, regional public transportation authority, regional transportation authority, metropolitan public transportation authority, regional natural gas district, regional sports authority, airport authority, joint agency created pursuant to Part 1 of Article 20 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes, a joint agency authorized by agreement between two cities to operate an airport pursuant to G.S. 63-56, the North Carolina Turnpike Authority described in Article 6H of Chapter 136 of the General Statutes and transferred to the Department of Transportation pursuant to G.S. 136-89.182(b), and a Ferry Transportation Authority created pursuant to Article 29 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes, but not any other forms of State or local government.

...

**SECTION 8.10.** G.S. 160A-20(h) reads as rewritten:

“(h) Local Government Defined. – As used in this section, the term "unit of local government" means any of the following:

...

(11) A regional public transportation ~~authority or authority~~, a regional transportation authority, or a metropolitan public transportation authority created pursuant to Article ~~26 or 26~~, Article 27, or Article 33 of this Chapter.

...

## **PART IX. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

**SECTION 9.1.** It is the intent of the General Assembly not to reduce transportation funding allocations for any municipality in Mecklenburg County as a result of the enactment of this act or the levy of a tax under the provisions of this act. In addition, it is the intent of the General Assembly not to reduce State transportation funding for State projects located in



Mecklenburg County as a result of the enactment of this act or the levy of a tax under the provisions of this act. Without specific authorization from the General Assembly, the Department of Transportation may not reduce funding for any transportation projects as a result of this act or the levy of a tax pursuant to Parts II, III, or IV of this act.

**SECTION 9.2.** Except as otherwise provided, this act is effective when it becomes law.

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<sup>vi</sup> <https://www.transportation.gov/sites/dot.gov/files/docs/Costs%20of%20Surface%20Transportation%20Congestion.pdf> (Last viewed 5/21/24).

<sup>vii</sup> <https://www.theswaddle.com/traffic-mental-health-problems> (Last viewed 5/21/24).

<sup>viii</sup> <https://www.forbes.com/home-improvement/moving-services/hardest-commutes-in-us/#:~:text=The%20top%20five%20hardest%20commutes,the%20top%2010%2C%20along%20with,> (Last viewed 5/21/24).

<sup>ix</sup> <https://mobility.tamu.edu/umr/congestion-data/> (Last viewed 5/21/24).

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<sup>xi</sup> CLT Alliance, Population and Demographic Changes in the Charlotte Region, September 2021

<sup>xii</sup> CLT Alliance Economic Impacts of Mobility Investments in Mecklenburg County and the Benefits to the Charlotte Region (Executive Summary)



# Resolution in Support of Legislation Authorizing Referendum

Jamie Justice  
Town Manager  
August 27, 2024

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# Agenda

- What is Proposed
- Overview of Draft Legislation
- Overview of Draft Resolution
- Next Steps
- Questions



# What is Proposed?

Legislation to seek authorization from the North Carolina General Assembly authorizing the voters of Mecklenburg County to determine by referendum whether they will support an additional sales tax for further investment in roadway and public transportation systems.

# What is Proposed - Why Now?

- The Charlotte region is growing and it is imperative that we address our infrastructure and transportation needs.
- Previously, Norfolk Southern did not want to share the O-Line tracks for passenger rail.
- Norfolk Southern recently changed their policy and is willing to make the O-Line available for passenger rail service and is negotiating an agreement with the City of Charlotte; closing is projected for early September.
- There is federal grant money available so the timing is right to position ourselves to secure grant funding and we need a local revenue source to do it.

# What is Proposed - Why Transit?

- The Town of Davidson has planned for transit for many years.
- The Town has long-time philosophies of pedestrian-oriented land-use planning and multi-modal transportation planning.
- Alignment with Town Plans: Comprehensive Plan; Mobility Plan; Strategic Plan – Goals: Healthy, Livable, & Vibrant Community, Connecting People and Places, Sustainability and Natural Assets, and Economic Development.
- 2030 Transit System Plan: This plan was adopted by the Metropolitan Transit Commission (MTC) which is comprised of representatives from all local governments within Mecklenburg County; this plan shows the transit lines, including Red Line.

# What is Proposed – Process and Disclaimers

- Multiple sessions with the town managers within Mecklenburg county – city, county, and six towns; also included attorneys, lobbyists, and business representatives.
- All managers in county agree to this except Matthews
- Modeled after existing laws (sales tax, regional authority, etc.) and modified for our needs.
- Statewide legislation so that is why you see general terms, not specifics e.g. towns in the county with populations.
- This is all subject to change.

# What is Proposed - Highlights

- Current 1/2-cent sales tax for transit in Mecklenburg County continues and proposed is a 1-cent increase to the sales tax for roadway and transit.
- New 1-cent projected to bring in \$19.4 billion over 30 years.
- New 1-cent would break down to 60% for transit (40% rail, 20% bus) and 40% for roads.
- Road monies would go to the towns and city via a formula; Money to the Town of Davidson in the first year is app. \$3.125M and would grow over time.
- Transit dollars would build out the 2030 Transit System Plan – Red Line, Silver Line to airport, Blue Line extension, Silver Line bus rapid transit (BRT) to the east, Gold Line; Also includes bus system investment.

# What is Proposed - Highlights

- A regional transit authority is proposed to replace the Metropolitan Transit Commission (MTC) as the governing agency for the transit system.
- Red Line service level – was commuter rail service only; Proposed is approximately 42 trains per day – day and night, weekday and weekend service; Approximately 45-minute trip from Mt. Mourne to the gateway station in downtown Charlotte; Train frequency approximately every 30 minutes during peak.
- Gateway station will connect with the extension of the silver line to the airport.

# What is Proposed - Highlights

- Charlotte is in the process of acquiring the O-Line from Norfolk Southern (NS); NS retains freight rights to use the line, passenger rail would take precedence.
- Charlotte plans to acquire the Mecklenburg County portion of the O-Line;
- Iredell County and Town of Mooresville must approve the purchase in their jurisdictions
- It is expected the city will secure an option to purchase or a lease for the Iredell portion.
- Davidson would like to see the end of the line station be in Mt. Mourne as planned.

# Overview of Draft Legislation

- Public transportation system definition (page 2).
- Red Line definition (page 4).
- Roadway system definition (page 4).
- Advisory referendum (page 5).



# Overview of Draft Legislation

Breakdown of the 1-cent: 40% roadway, 20% bus, 40% transit = 1-cent (pages 5, 6):

- Towns get 50% for roads (the extra 10% comes out of Charlotte's roads portion).
- Each town decides how their money is distributed – Powell bill formula or road miles; Road miles get the towns (except one) the most money.

# Overview of Draft Legislation

- Red Line Construction – 50% built before another line can be completed (page 8).
- Authority must get design input on Red Line from the 3 north Mecklenburg towns (and Mooresville if applicable) (page 8, 9).
- Authority to reimburse city for O-Line purchase (page 9).

# Overview of Draft Legislation

Metropolitan Public Transportation Authority (pages 9-29):

- Initially covers Mecklenburg County; Mecklenburg County officially creates it (page 10).
- Authority Membership: 12 city (includes 3 business), 12 county (of the 12, 6 are town reps and can be electeds), 1 NC House, 1 NC Senate, 1 NC Governor = 27; Experience and qualifications for members (pages 11, 12).
- Expansion into other counties – 75% vote (page 12).
- Studies required if authority is created (pages 20, 21).

# Overview of Draft Resolution

- Addresses our growing region and the transportation needs
- Legislation to seek authorization from the North Carolina General Assembly authorizing the voters of Mecklenburg County to determine by referendum whether they will support an additional sales tax for further investment in roadway and public transportation systems.

## NEXT STEPS:

- Public input: email [board@townofdavidson.org](mailto:board@townofdavidson.org); public comment period at the September 10 Town Board meeting – amend the rules of procedure.
- Town Board considers approval of Resolution at the September 10 Town Board meeting
- Legislation introduced at NC General Assembly - may be considered this fall or it may go to the long session starting January 2025.
- If legislation is passed, Mecklenburg County puts referendum on the ballot – referendum projected for November 2025.
- Planned opportunities for public input and discourse prior to the referendum.
- If referendum is passed, new sales tax levy would start summer 2026.
- Red Line planning continues concurrently; public input planned for September by CATS for Davidson station location options.

# Closing Remarks



# Questions





## **AGENDA MEMO**

**To:** Davidson Board of Commissioners

**From:** Jamie Justice, Town Manager

**Date:** August 27, 2024

**Re:** Consider Approval to Amend the Rules of Procedure to Allow for a Public Comment Period on the Proposed Resolution in Support of Legislation Authorizing Referendum

### **ITEM SUMMARY/OVERVIEW**

The Town Board will be asked to approve the proposed Resolution in Support of Legislation Authorizing Referendum at the September 10, 2024 meeting. Staff recommends suspending the rules of procedure to allow a public comment period on this agenda item.

### **ACTION/PROPOSED MOTION**

Motion to amend the Rules of Procedure to allow for a Public Comment Period on the Proposed Resolution in Support of Legislation Referendum at the Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners meeting on Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

### **RELATED TOWN GOALS**

#### **Strategic Plan Alignment**

Healthy, Livable, & Vibrant Community - Promote collaborative efforts to create livable spaces and healthy places to enhance quality of life for all residents.

Connecting People and Places - Expand, improve, and diversify the town's transportation network to provide residents and visitors with safe, convenient, accessible, reliable, and efficient multi-modal travel choices to connect people across the community.

Sustainability and Natural Assets - Preserve Davidson's natural assets and develop, implement, and actively encourage innovative solutions to environmental, energy, and climate-based challenges.

Economic Development - Attract diverse commercial development contributing to Davidson's unique economy and support new initiatives to create local jobs and add to the vibrancy of the community.

#### **Core Values**

Open communication is essential to an engaged citizenry, so town government will seek and provide accurate, timely information and promote public discussion of important issues.



Citizens must live in a healthy environment, so town government will protect watersheds, trees, air quality, and other elements of the town's ecology.

Davidson's economic health is essential to its remaining a sustainable community, so town government will judiciously encourage and guide the location of new business opportunities.

Davidson exists in proximity to and is interdependent with other jurisdictions, so we strive for local, regional, state and federal cooperation.

#### **NEXT STEPS**

If approved, the Board of Commissioners will allow for a public comment period on the proposed Resolution in Support of Legislation Authorizing Referendum on Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

## MOTION:

To amend the Rules of Procedure to allow  
for a Public Comment Period on the  
Proposed Resolution in Support of  
Legislation Referendum at the Town of  
Davidson Board of Commissioners meeting  
on Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.





## **AGENDA MEMO**

**To:** Davidson Board of Commissioners  
**From:** Leslie Willis, Parks & Recreation Director  
**Date:** August 27, 2024  
**Re:** Discuss 2024 Parks and Recreation Master Plan

### **ITEM SUMMARY/OVERVIEW**

In January 2024, the Town contracted with LandDesign to administer a Parks and Recreation Master Plan update. The current plan was completed in 2014 and an update to the Master Plan was necessary for future grant funding. Over the course of 7 months, 5 public-input sessions, and 2 surveys were administered to gather the current needs within the community. The current needs and national trends will be used to guide and make decisions regarding new and existing park amenities, recreational programs and investments for the next 10 years.

### **ACTION/PROPOSED MOTION**

This item is for discussion only. Consider adoption of the 2024 Parks and Recreation Master Plan at the September 10 meeting.

### **RELATED TOWN GOALS**

#### **Strategic Plan Alignment**

Healthy, Livable, & Vibrant Community - Promote collaborative efforts to create livable spaces and healthy places to enhance quality of life for all residents.

Sustainability and Natural Assets - Preserve Davidson's natural assets and develop, implement, and actively encourage innovative solutions to environmental, energy, and climate-based challenges.

Connecting People and Places - Expand, improve, and diversify the town's transportation network to provide residents and visitors with safe, convenient, accessible, reliable, and efficient multi-modal travel choices to connect people across the community.

Affordable Living, Equity & Inclusion - Work together to foster a culture of equity, belonging, inclusion, and advance the Town's Affordable Housing program. Provide, create, and support opportunities for all. Treat everyone with respect, dignity, and recognize every voice.

#### **Core Values**

Citizens are the heart of Davidson, so town government will treat all people fairly, with courtesy

and respect.

Open communication is essential to an engaged citizenry, so town government will seek and provide accurate, timely information and promote public discussion of important issues.

Davidson's historic mix of people in all income levels and ages is fundamental to our community, so town government will encourage opportunities, services, and infrastructure that allow people of all means to live and work here.

Citizens need to move easily throughout the town and region, so government will provide a variety of options, such as sidewalks, bike paths, greenways, connected streets, and transit.

Citizens must live in a healthy environment, so town government will protect watersheds, trees, air quality, and other elements of the town's ecology.

The physical, social, and intellectual well-being of Davidson citizens is fundamental to our community, so town government will provide and encourage enjoyable, safe, and affordable recreational and cultural lifelong learning opportunities.

Davidson exists in proximity to and is interdependent with other jurisdictions, so we strive for local, regional, state and federal cooperation.

## **NEXT STEPS**

Consider adoption of the 2024 Parks and Recreation Master Plan at the September 10 meeting.





# 2024 Parks and Recreation Master Plan

**Leslie Willis,  
Parks and Recreation Director  
Board of Commissioners Meeting  
August 27, 2024**

[www.townofdavidson.org](http://www.townofdavidson.org)



# Parks and Recreation Update

- Current plan adopted in 2014
- Consultant - LandDesign
- 8-month process
- Included 5 public engagements and 2 surveys
- Cross referenced Comprehensive Plan, Climate Action Plan, Strategic Plan, and Vision Zero Plan



# Public Engagement

- January 15, 2024 – MLK Jr Day Event – Public Engagement 1
- January 15 – February 21 – Public Survey 1 via Survey Monkey
- April 27 - May 29, 2024 – Prioritization Survey 2 via Survey Monkey
- April 27, 2024 – Earth Day Festival – Public Engagement 2
- May 4, 2024 – Town Day – Public Engagement 3
- May 18, 2024 – DLC Nature Fest – Public Engagement 4
- May 25, 2024 – Farmer's Market – Public Engagement 5

# 7 Dimensions of Wellness

- Cognitive Health (formerly Intellectual)
- Physical Health
- Social Health
- Environmental Health
- Vocational Health (formerly Occupational)
- Cultural Health (formerly Spiritual)
- Mental Health (formerly Emotional)



# Master Plan Goals

- Carried over from the 2014 plan
- Intended to help guide all related decisions in order to realize a parks and recreation system that meets community expectations.

## Master Plan Goals



Increase physical exercise



Promote safety to reduce injuries



Increase access to healthy food



Improve air + water quality



Minimize the effect of climate change



Decrease mental health stressors



Strengthen the social fabric of a community



Provide fair access to resources

# System Recommendations

Common Requests from all sources of input:

- Improving communication strategy
  - Lack of awareness and communication of program offerings
- Employing more sustainable practices
  - Carbon neutrality goals
  - Native landscaping
  - Increased land acquisition and conservation
- Connectivity
- Increased opportunities closer to home
- Inequitable distribution of programs and facilities on west side

# Facility Recommendations

Davidson residents value the small-town character of the town, their proximity to nature and water, and would like to spend more time recreating with the whole family closer to home.

- Most beneficial facilities:
  - The Town Green
  - Roosevelt Wilson Park
  - Fisher Farm and Abersham
  - Greenways
  - Mountain biking trails
- Priorities:
  - Greenways (60%)
  - Access to water (24%)
  - Pickleball/tennis
  - Multi-use recreation complex
  - Multi-use recreation park

# Programming Recommendations

According to all the sources of input, Davidson residents have a variety of interests and programming needs, many of which are being met.

- Recommendations
  - Diversify program offerings
    - Outdoor adventure hikes, fitness/wellness, athletic
  - Increase facilities and programs for adults (30%) and teens (24%)

# Top 3 High Priority System Recommendations

- Increase funding as recommended in this Master Plan.
- Seek opportunities and support for public/private partnerships.
- Establish a 10-minute walk to a park, greenway, or public space.

# Top 3 High Priority Facility Recommendations

- Create a connected system of bike and pedestrian facilities.
- Ensure all facilities are maintained to a consistently high-quality standard.
- Increase active recreation amenities to provide closer access for residents.

# Top 3 High Priority Programming Recommendations

- Continue to provide and expand special events in parks.
- Develop health and exercise programs that appeal to all of Davidson.
- Continue to expand and develop new summer camp programs for residents.



**Legend:**

- Existing Greenway
- Existing Shared-Use Path
- Existing Urban Trail
- Existing Unpaved Trail
- Interstate
- Location of Future Intersection Improvement
- Proposed Future Trail Connection

**HIGHER PRIORITY GAPS**

- GAP BETWEEN DOWNTOWN + ABERSHAM PARK/FISHER FARM**
- GAP BETWEEN ABERSHAM/FISHER FARM TO WEST BRANCH NATURE PRESERVE**
- GAPS AROUND DOWNTOWN**
- CONNECTIONS NORTH**
- GAPS BETWEEN ROCKY RIVER GREENWAY + BRADFORD REGIONAL PARK**
- GAPS BETWEEN PLUM CREEK GREENWAY + NORTHERN REGIONAL REC CENTER**

**LOWER PRIORITY GAPS**

**Map Data:**

| Gap Label | DOTs | Priority Level |
|-----------|------|----------------|
| A         | 33   | Higher         |
| B         | 18   | Higher         |
| C         | 17   | Higher         |
| D         | 13   | Higher         |
| E         | 9    | Higher         |
| F         | 7    | Higher         |

**Map Labels:** DOWNTOWN CORNUCLIFF, FUNCTION AT ANTIQUITY, SOUTH BRANCH ROCKY RIVER GREENWAY, PLUM CREEK GREENWAY, ROCKY RIVER GREENWAY, WEST BRANCH ROCKY RIVER GREENWAY, NORTHERN REGIONAL REC CENTER, BRADFORD REGIONAL PARK, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, I-44, I-270, I-64, I-55, I-70, I-90, I-170, I-240, I-40, I-50, I-60, I-70, I-80, I-90, I-100, I-110, I-120, I-130, I-140, I-150, I-160, I-170, I-180, I-190, I-200, I-210, I-220, I-230, I-240, I-250, I-260, I-270, I-280, I-290, I-300, I-310, I-320, I-330, I-340, I-350, I-360, I-370, I-380, I-390, I-400, I-410, I-420, I-430, I-440, I-450, I-460, I-470, I-480, I-490, I-500, I-510, I-520, I-530, I-540, I-550, I-560, I-570, I-580, I-590, I-600, I-610, I-620, I-630, I-640, I-650, I-660, I-670, I-680, I-690, I-700, I-710, I-720, I-730, I-740, I-750, I-760, I-770, I-780, I-790, I-800, I-810, I-820, I-830, I-840, I-850, I-860, I-870, I-880, I-890, I-900, I-910, I-920, I-930, I-940, I-950, I-960, I-970, I-980, I-990, I-1000, I-1010, I-1020, I-1030, I-1040, I-1050, I-1060, I-1070, I-1080, I-1090, I-1100, I-1110, I-1120, I-1130, I-1140, I-1150, I-1160, I-1170, I-1180, I-1190, I-1200, I-1210, I-1220, I-1230, I-1240, I-1250, I-1260, I-1270, I-1280, I-1290, I-1300, I-1310, I-1320, I-1330, I-1340, I-1350, I-1360, I-1370, I-1380, I-1390, I-1400, I-1410, I-1420, I-1430, I-1440, I-1450, I-1460, I-1470, I-1480, I-1490, I-1500, I-1510, I-1520, I-1530, I-1540, I-1550, I-1560, I-1570, I-1580, I-1590, I-1600, I-1610, I-1620, I-1630, I-1640, I-1650, I-1660, I-1670, I-1680, I-1690, I-1700, I-1710, I-1720, I-1730, I-1740, I-1750, I-1760, I-1770, I-1780, I-1790, I-1800, I-1810, I-1820, I-1830, I-1840, I-1850, I-1860, I-1870, I-1880, I-1890, I-1900, I-1910, I-1920, I-1930, I-1940, I-1950, I-1960, I-1970, I-1980, I-1990, I-2000, I-2010, I-2020, I-2030, I-2040, I-2050, I-2060, I-2070, I-2080, I-2090, I-2100, I-2110, I-2120, I-2130, I-2140, I-2150, I-2160, I-2170, I-2180, I-2190, I-2200, I-2210, I-2220, I-2230, I-2240, I-2250, I-2260, I-2270, I-2280, I-2290, I-2300, I-2310, I-2320, I-2330, I-2340, I-2350, I-2360, I-2370, I-2380, I-2390, I-2400, I-2410, I-2420, I-2430, I-2440, I-2450, I-2460, I-2470, I-2480, I-2490, I-2500, I-2510, I-2520, I-2530, I-2540, I-2550, I-2560, I-2570, I-2580, I-2590, I-2600, I-2610, I-2620, I-2630, I-2640, I-2650, I-2660, I-2670, I-2680, I-2690, I-2700, I-2710, I-2720, I-2730, I-2740, I-2750, I-2760, I-2770, I-2780, I-2790, I-2800, I-2810, I-2820, I-2830, I-2840, I-2850, I-2860, I-2870, I-2880, I-2890, I-2900, I-2910, I-2920, I-2930, I-2940, I-2950, I-2960, I-2970, I-2980, I-2990, I-3000, I-3010, I-3020, I-3030, I-3040, I-3050, I-3060, I-3070, I-3080, I-3090, I-3100, I-3110, I-3120, I-3130, I-3140, I-3150, I-3160, I-3170, I-3180, I-3190, I-3200, I-3210, I-3220, I-3230, I-3240, I-3250, I-3260, I-3270, I-3280, I-3290, I-3300, I-3310, I-3320, I-3330, I-3340, I-3350, I-3360, I-3370, I-3380, I-3390, I-3400, I-3410, I-3420, I-3430, I-3440, I-3450, I-3460, I-3470, I-3480, I-3490, I-3500, I-3510, I-3520, I-3530, I-3540, I-3550, I-3560, I-3570, I-3580, I-3590, I-3600, I-3610, I-3620, I-3630, I-3640, I-3650, I-3660, I-3670, I-3680, I-3690, I-3700, I-3710, I-3720, I-3730, I-3740, I-3750, I-3760, I-3770, I-3780, I-3790, I-3800, I-3810, I-3820, I-3830, I-3840, I-3850, I-3860, I-3870, I-3880, I-3890, I-3900, I-3910, I-3920, I-3930, I-3940, I-3950, I-3960, I-3970, I-3980, I-3990, I-4000, I-4010, I-4020, I-4030, I-4040, I-4050, I-4060, I-4070, I-4080, I-4090, I-4100, I-4110, I-4120, I-4130, I-4140, I-4150, I-4160, I-4170, I-4180, I-4190, I-4200, I-4210, I-4220, I-4230, I-4240, I-4250, I-4260, I-4270, I-4280, I-4290, I-4300, I-4310, I-4320, I-4330, I-4340, I-4350, I-4360, I-4370, I-4380, I-4390, I-4400, I-4410, I-4420, I-4430, I-4440, I-4450, I-4460, I-4470, I-4480, I-4490, I-4500, I-4510, I-4520, I-4530, I-4540, I-4550, I-4560, I-4570, I-4580, I-4590, I-4600, I-4610, I-4620, I-4630, I-4640, I-4650, I-4660, I-4670, I-4680, I-4690, I-4700, I-4710, I-4720, I-4730, I-4740, I-4750, I-4760, I-4770, I-4780, I-4790, I-4800, I-4810, I-4820, I-4830, I-4840, I-4850, I-4860, I-4870, I-4880, I-4890, I-4900, I-4910, I-4920, I-4930, I-4940, I-4950, I-4960, I-4970, I-4980, I-4990, I-5



# Defined Level of Service

- 10-minute walk to a Davidson greenway or park
- 10 acres per 1,000 residents for parks
- 16 acres per 1,000 residents including dedicated open space
- A town-wide greenway system, connecting parks and open space
- Dedication standard for new development
- Park classification system for Davidson

# Above National Standards

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**9**

miles of trail

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acres of parkland  
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**1,126**

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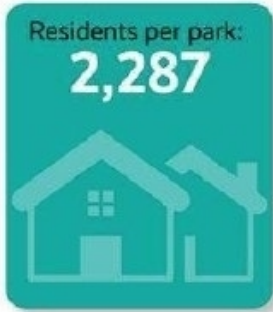
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NRPA National Metric



**Town of Davidson**  
**46.4 ACRES per 1,000 RESIDENTS**  
(compared to 10.8 National Metric)



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**Town of Davidson**  
**1,126 RESIDENTS per PARK**  
(compared to 2,287 National Metric)

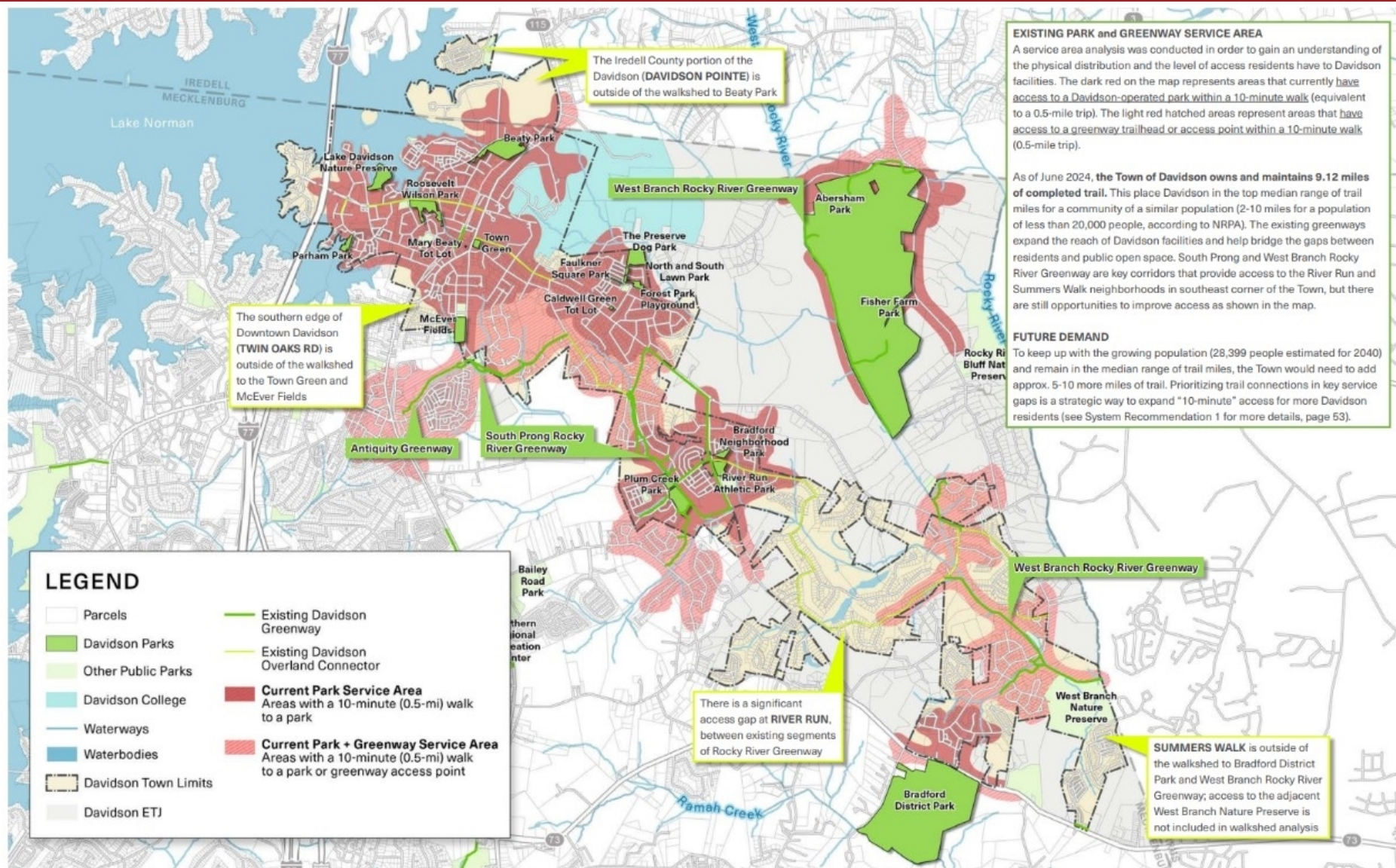
# Below National Standards

| Facility Category             | Facility Type              | Existing Facilities in Davidson |              | Existing Demand for Davidson | Current Gap in Facilities |              |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|
|                               |                            | without Schools                 | with Schools |                              | without Schools           | with Schools |
| Sports Fields                 | Soccer / Multi-Use         | 2.0                             | 6.0          | 4.1                          | 2.1                       | (1.9)        |
|                               | Baseball / Softball Fields | 9.0                             | 10.0         | 2.9                          | (6.1)                     | (7.1)        |
| Courts                        | Tennis                     | 2.0                             | 2.0          | 5.6                          | 3.6                       | 3.6          |
|                               | Basketball                 | 2.0                             | 5.0          | 4.2                          | 2.4                       | 0.4          |
|                               | Volleyball / Multi-Use     | -                               | -            | 3.1                          | 3.1                       | 3.1          |
| Outdoor Recreation            | Skate Park                 | -                               | -            | 1.5                          | 1.5                       | 1.5          |
|                               | Pickleball                 | 2.0                             | 2.0          | 4.8                          | 2.8                       | 2.8          |
| Leisure                       | Tot Lot                    | 2.0                             | 2.0          | 2.7                          | 0.7                       | 0.7          |
|                               | Playground                 | 7.0                             | 10.0         | 7.8                          | 0.8                       | (2.2)        |
| Other Recreational Facilities | Pool                       | -                               | -            | 1.6                          | 1.6                       | 1.6          |
|                               | Dog Park                   | 1.0                             | 1.0          | 1.4                          | 0.4                       | 0.4          |

SOURCE: 2023 NRPA PARK METRICS

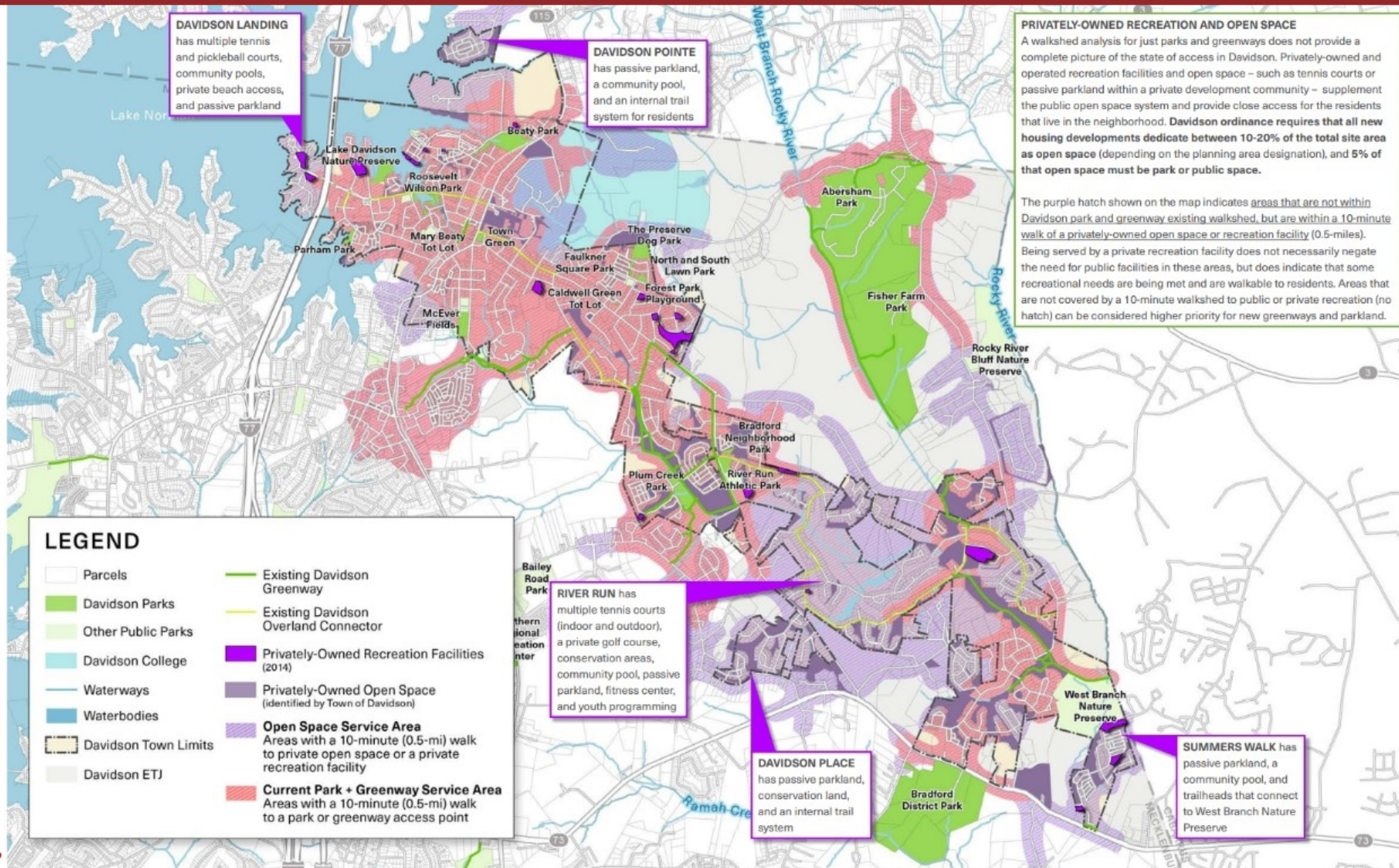


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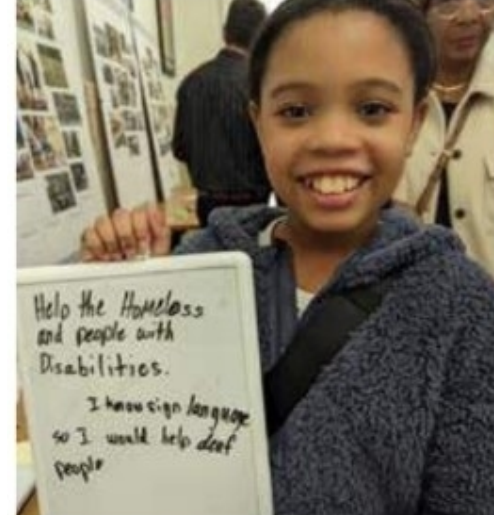
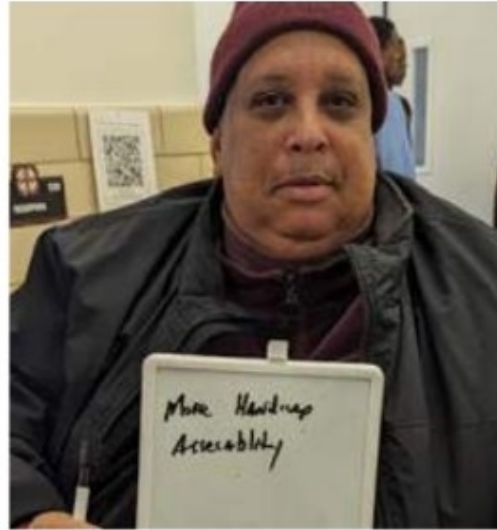


# Walkshed Map – Including Private





# Our Community



# Questions







## TOWN OF DAVIDSON

Parks and Recreation

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# MASTER PLAN 2024 UPDATE



 *The Town of*  
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# Executive Summary

It's been **10 years** since Davidson adopted the 2014 Parks & Recreation Master Plan.

The 2014 Parks & Recreation Master Plan is a reflection of the community's long-held values and support for parks, green space, climate resilience, fitness, and wellness. The plan defines a vision for the system based on these values, and has guided decision-making over the last 10 years. Today's system of parks, trails, programs, athletics, and large parcels of natural space is a result of this effort, and a **major contributor to Davidson's high quality of life and regional identity.**

Since 2014, the department has been proactive advancing recommendations in the Comprehensive Plan and 2014 Master Plan, seeking new funding opportunities and partnerships, and improving the communication strategy to increase awareness of offerings. Although **Davidson already exceeds many of the national standards for parks and recreation**, we believe there is always room to grow and improve.



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## The 2024 Update...

- **Evaluates the impact** of the original 2014 Master Plan;
- **Forecasts needs** for the next 20 years;
- Looks for **new partnership opportunities**;
- Considers **new trends and desires** as identified by the community; and,
- Includes a comprehensive and inclusive public process to **understand residents' priorities** for the future.

The 2024 Update brings together elements of Davidson's past and present, recognizes the values of the community, and provides structure through a community-supported set of recommendations that move the town toward its desired future.

**508**

people completed the  
community survey.

93% of responses came from  
Davidson residents.

**60%**

of respondents said the  
top priority for this Plan  
Update is to expand  
trails and greenways.

The Town Green,  
Fisher Farm,  
Abersham Park, and  
Roosevelt Wilson  
Park were identified as  
the most beneficial parks  
in Davidson.

# The Seven Dimensions of Health

The Town of Davidson recognizes that there are many types of health benefits that can be realized through the parks and recreation system, beyond physical health. It is through the lens of the **Seven Dimensions of Health** that the Parks & Recreation Master Plan and 2024 Update is developed, with the goal of enhancing measuring, developing and understanding the wellness benefits available to the town's residents through its parks, programs, and facilities.



## Key Recommendations from the 2024 Update

| SYSTEM RECOMMENDATIONS                                                                                                                 | FACILITY RECOMMENDATIONS                                                                                               | PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS                                                                                |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Establish a Town of Davidson Access Standard – Residents should be within a 10-minute walk to a park, greenway, or public space.       | Increase active recreation amenities to provide closer access for Davidson residents.                                  | Increase programming to provide educational opportunities based on Davidson's environmental assets.    |
| Update the Parks and Recreation Master Plan every 10 years.                                                                            | Work with schools to improve outdoor learning.                                                                         | Develop health and exercise programs that appeal to all of Davidson.                                   |
| Increase funding as recommended in this Master Plan.                                                                                   | Continue to protect and leverage Davidson's natural assets.                                                            | Increase programming that utilizes lake access and water-based sports.                                 |
| Partner with public and private schools and churches to provide more opportunities for shared-use facilities.                          | Identify opportunities to provide more dog parks in Davidson.                                                          | Continue to leverage and grow programming partnerships.                                                |
| Continue collaboration with Cornelius and Huntersville to provide programs and services to residents of all three communities.         | Create a connected bike/ped system between parks, open space, and key destinations.                                    | Continue to partner with organizations to provide educational programs for bicyclists.                 |
| Utilize the marketing and communications strategy to enhance education and awareness of program, schedule, and facility offerings.     | Look for opportunities to establish more edible forests and urban farmland throughout Davidson.                        | Continue to provide and expand special events in parks throughout Town.                                |
| Seek opportunities and support for land acquisition, adopt a park/trail, building, funding, and sponsorship opportunities.             | Provide opportunities for diverse recreational opportunities and community gathering spaces throughout Davidson.       | Continue to expand and develop new summer camp programs for Town of Davidson residents.                |
| Continue and expand alternative funding through volunteers, grants, and donations.                                                     | Ensure all Davidson Parks and Recreation facilities are maintained to an equal and consistently high quality standard. | Tie the impacts of public open space and programming to mental health.                                 |
| Maintain or increase the level of maintenance in the park system. Continually assess the maintenance, risk, and safety in each park.   | Provide amenities that cater to middle and high-school age students in Davidson parks.                                 | Create incentives to expand turnout for groups that currently are not using the system.                |
| Continue to work through the Livability Board to support the development of the Department to meet the needs of the growing community. | Provide more opportunities to connect to waterfronts in Davidson parks.                                                | Provide programs that create opportunities for the whole family to recreate and exercise in one place. |
| Expand sustainability and conservation efforts town-wide.                                                                              |                                                                                                                        | Expand programs to increase attendance from middle and high school age students.                       |
|                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                        | Provide performing arts and music programming that connect to community gathering spaces.              |

*indicates 2014 Recommendation*  
*indicates Revised 2014 or New 2024 Recommendation*



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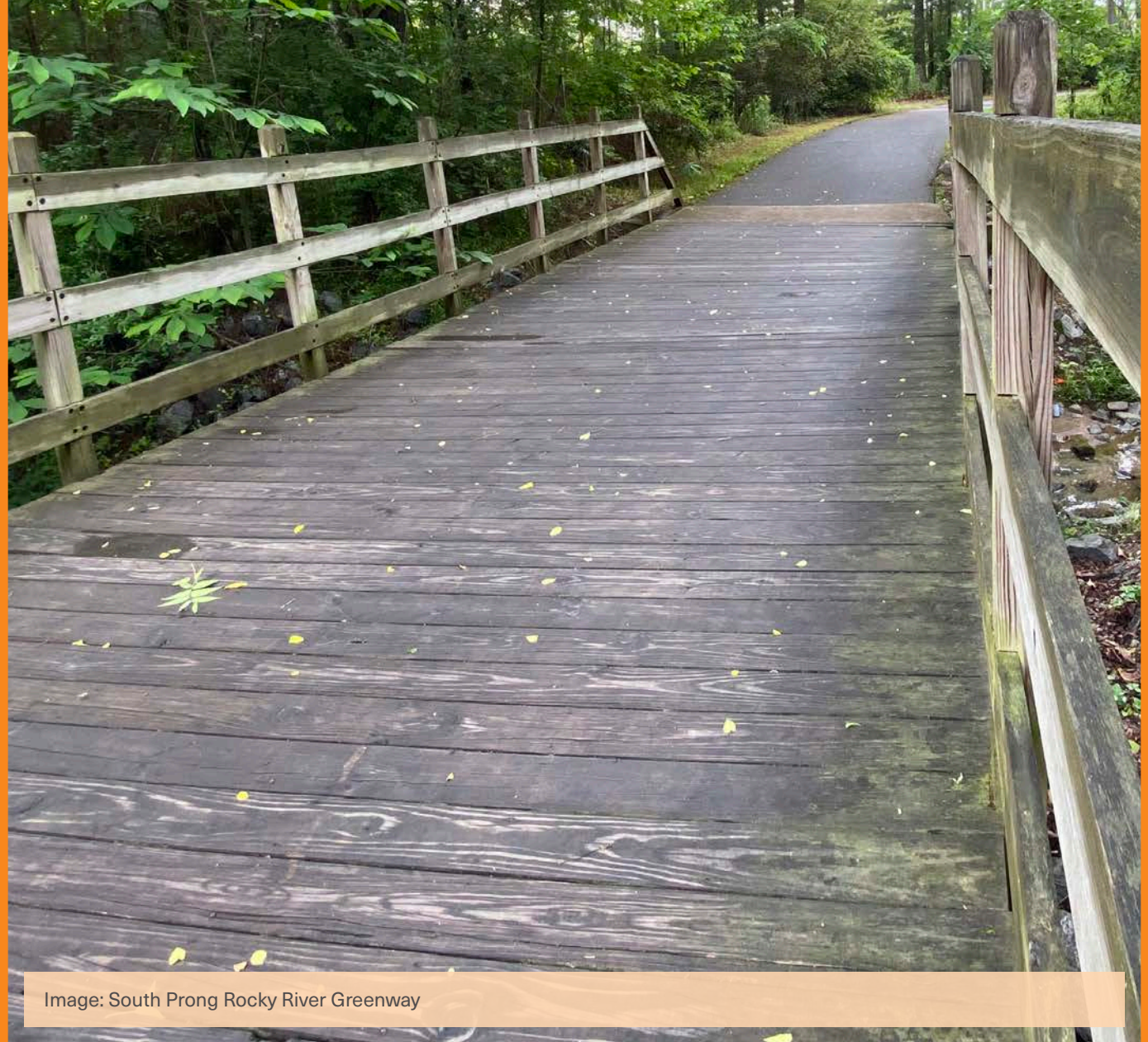


Image: South Prong Rocky River Greenway



# 01 Introduction

## **A PARK IS MORE THAN A PLACE TO RECREATE.**

Parks contribute to the livability of a community and the health and well-being of its citizens.

A park is an asset to the community, often functioning as one or more of the following: a community meeting space, a venue for the arts, an environmental conservation area and an economic driver. It is a space that: (1) enhances the quality of life in a community; (2) catalyzes development (or redevelopment) stimulating private investment, particularly on land in close proximity; and (3) improves the overall health and well-being of the residents.

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## Benefits of Parks and Recreation Systems

As illustrated in the following graphic, the National Recreation and Parks Association's Synopsis of 2010 Research Papers summarizes the key categories to which parks and recreation contribute to building healthy and vibrant communities.



## PHYSICAL HEALTH

Parks and recreation facilities play a key role in the physical health of a community. Designated outdoor recreation space encourages physical activity and provides a connection to nature. Studies suggest that communities with a greater availability of parks, greenways and trails have residents with lower rates of chronic disease and obesity and longer life spans. (National Recreation and Park Association, Synopsis of 2010 Research Papers: The Key Benefits).

## MENTAL HEALTH

Parks and recreation departments have an immense impact on residents' mental health. "Numerous studies demonstrate that access to green views and environments can improve cognitive functioning, impulse control, resilience to stressful life events and overall mental health. Conversely, studies report a link between low nature access with increases in attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), clinical depression, stress and anxiety." (National Recreation and Park Association, Synopsis of 2010 Research Papers: The Key Benefits).

## ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

Parks have often been described as the "lungs of the town." Parks contribute to air quality, reduce heat island effect and, when well-designed, serve as natural water and wastewater treatment facilities. In addition, well-connected parks and designated open space serve as wildlife corridors and contiguous natural flora habitat, and promote sustainable uses of open space.

## ECONOMIC IMPACT

The economic impact of parks can be measured in a variety of ways. Researchers indicate that parks are one of the most cost-effective ways to lower long-term health care expenditures, reduce costs associated with removing air pollutants from the air and generate greater tax revenues from properties near parks and designated open space. Parks can provide employment opportunities for groups typically marginalized in the traditional workforce such as youth. Parks and open space serve as a catalyst for economic development by often increasing the value of nearby properties, increasing property tax revenue and attracting businesses and trained employees in search of a high quality of life.



## SOCIAL FUNCTION

Parks provide community meeting space, a place for residents to come together regardless of class or race. Research suggests that access to parks and recreation facilities alleviates isolation in individuals, especially the elderly.

## YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

Effective park and recreation programming supports "the development of life skills in adolescents." One study suggests that "students who participate in at least one hour of extracurricular activities per week are 49% less likely to use drugs and 37% less likely to become a teen parent." (National Recreation and Park Association, Synopsis of 2010 Research Papers: The Key Benefits).



*You can measure the health of a town by the vitality and energy of its streets and public open space."*

*- William H. Whyte*

## PROJECT PURPOSE

Davidson residents recognize the health, economic, social, and environmental value of parks. The town has expressed a dedication to improving community health and an interest in investing in parks and related recreation facilities, including passing a General Bond Referendum in 2017 and input into the Town's Comprehensive Plan, to ensure that Davidson is a location of choice for residents, businesses, and visitors alike. More importantly, they have demonstrated support for taking formal steps to develop a plan through an inclusive public process to determine the appropriate future investments. For this reason, the town engaged its residents and other stakeholders in a planning process to develop a Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

In general, a plan is a guiding policy document. It is a framework and tool that helps inform and guide decisions throughout a community. For Davidson, the master plan provides a resource for the public to learn about the value of parks and recreation facilities, defines priorities, informs decisions made by town leaders about investments and aids the coordination of community and health-focused programming throughout the municipality. The master plan brings together elements of Davidson's past and present, recognizes the values of the community and provides structure through a community-supported set of recommendations that will move Davidson toward its desired future.

## ABOUT THE PLAN

This assessment describes the planning process and progress to date. In addition, it presents the following:

- the goals of the plan as determined with input from the community;
- a summary of data gathered through research, stakeholder interviews, public meetings, community survey, field observations and a review of available relevant information (i.e., GIS data, adopted plans and other relevant policy documents);
- a community profile, which summarizes demographic information about the community;
- nationally-accepted service standards that provide guidance in local investment decisions;
- an inventory and assessment of the existing facilities and programs in and around Davidson.

The results of the assessment inform this Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update and supporting recommendations for implementation.



# PLANNING PROCESS

1

## *Inventory and Analysis*

Existing conditions assessment

2

## *Community Input*

Public meetings, stakeholder interviews, community survey

3

## *Final Report*

Recommendations and Action Plan for the Davidson Parks and Recreation Master Plan

## The Planning Process

The process to develop the original 2014 plan took the community from an understanding of the current system (the facilities and programs available today), to the creation of a vision for a future system, to the identification of near-term and long-term steps to realize that future vision. Carried out over a nine-month period, the planning process included three phases: Phase One: Inventory and Analysis, Phase Two: Community Input and Phase Three: Final Report. The update in 2024 was a nine-month process.

This document provides the components of the 2024 Master Plan Update: a summary of progress that the Town has made over the last ten years, an assessment of the priorities and needs of current and future Davidson residents, and a 20-year implementation Action Plan that includes recommendations, target dates for implementation, potential costs, and funding strategies for Davidson Parks and Recreation.

Critical to the success of the Plan Update was a comprehensive public engagement component that provided multiple opportunities for Davidson residents and other stakeholders to give feedback and offer suggestions regarding the future system. These efforts included two public forums, monthly public status meetings and other engagement activities. The following is a summary of the avenues through which community input from these activities was gathered.

- Assisting with the process is a Livability Board made up primarily of individuals representing residents, property owners, local business interests, town representatives and staff, supplemented by community leaders representing schools and land conservancy. (For a complete list of Livability Board members please refer to Appendix A, page 81.)

- Feedback from the Town of Davidson Livability Board gave insight into on how to incorporate their ideas and helped provide input to refine health- and livability-based performance measures.
- To supplement the quantitative and qualitative data gathered through the project team's efforts, interviews with key personnel from relevant town departments, key staff members of county and regional agencies and selected stakeholders, such as community group representatives, recreation leaders and recreation-based business organizations, were conducted.
- Input solicited at multiple community pop-up meetings held at critical decision-making points during the process gave the public opportunities to become acquainted with the planning process, understand the purpose of the plan, provide feedback, help guide plan development and offer ideas for implementation action steps.
- A community survey of existing and future facilities and programming was administered both online and in-person to the residents of Davidson.

All of the input received through these activities has been synthesized to reconfirm the goals presented in this document, and they will provide guidance throughout the remainder of the planning process.



## The Davidson Parks and Recreation Mission

Community health and welfare is a central focus of the Town of Davidson and a primary goal of its many policies and plans. It is listed as a core value in the town's Mission Statement and they have conducted several plans and studies regarding health, including the Davidson Strategic Plan (2024-2026), the Davidson Design for Life: Health Impact Assessment of the Pedestrian and Active Transportation Plan (2014), Davidson Walks and Rolls: An Active Transportation Plan (2013), and the Davidson Aging in Place Task Force (2008).

It is through this lens that the 2014 Parks and Recreation Master Plan, and the 2024 Update, has been developed. The following Seven Dimensions of Health were used as a guide when assessing the existing system and developing policies and a vision for the future:

- Cognitive Health (formerly Intellectual)
- Physical Health
- Social Health
- Environmental Health
- Vocational Health (formerly Occupational)
- Cultural Health (formerly Spiritual)
- Mental Health (formerly Emotional)

The dimensions were revised in the 2024 Update to better align with and reflect the terminology of Davidson's municipality goals, as outlined in the 2020 Comprehensive Plan.

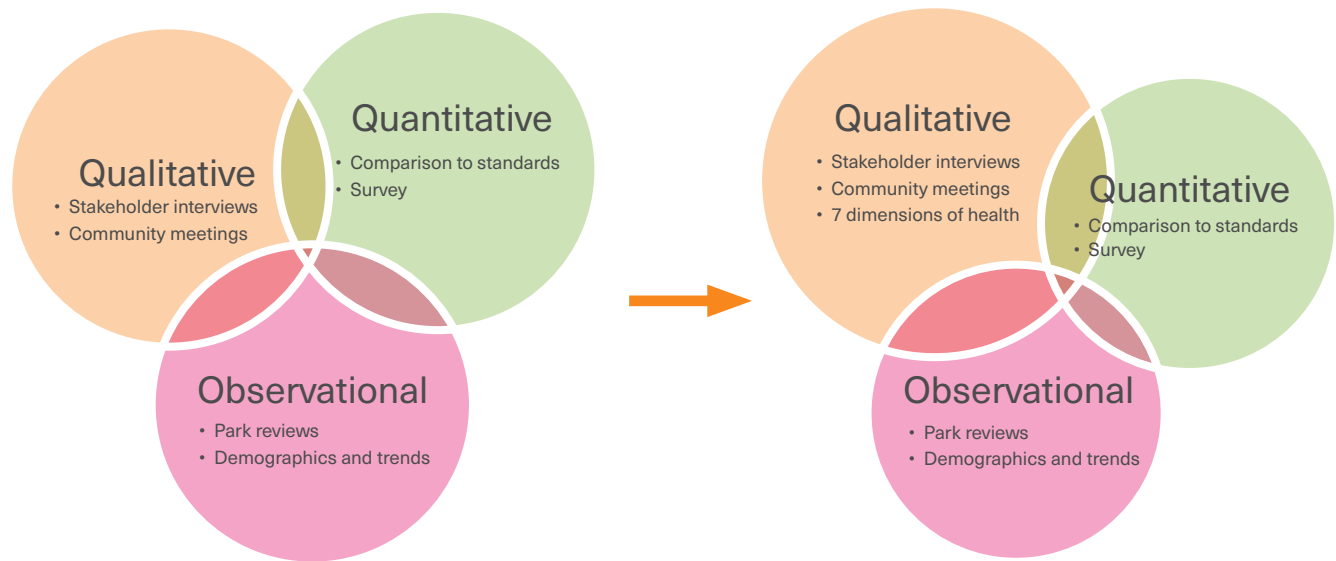
## Measuring Impact using the Seven Dimensions of Health

Historically, parks and recreation departments have been defined in relatively narrow terms. Their emphasis is placed on the quantity and quality of facilities and programs being provided to the public. While health and wellness programs are nearly always referenced with their potential benefits – such as reduced obesity, fewer incidences of chronic disease, decreased stress levels and improved mental health – less emphasis has been placed on measurable benefits of specific facilities and programs. In addition, traditional methods of benchmarking do not always provide an adequate understanding of the scale and scope of health and wellness benefits provided by a parks and recreation department.

The 2014 Parks and Recreation Master Plan process for the Town of Davidson helped to create a better method for measuring, developing and understanding the health and wellness benefits available to the town's residents. In addition to the traditional planning steps completed during this process, additional measures were taken to include the Seven Dimensions of Health. For every potential recommendation, the health impacts for residents were considered, through all seven lenses. The 2014 Parks and Recreation Master Plan laid the foundation for the specific health and wellness benefits the community can achieve. **The intent of the 2024 Plan Update is to continue using a revised version of the Seven Dimensions of Health as a guidepost for the Department** – They provide a system to improve the overall health of Davidson and check the plan's effectiveness during implementation.



FIGURE 1: BALANCE OF DATA SOURCES IN PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN



The results of these efforts is a plan that relies more heavily on qualitative data for its development than in the past. Figure 1 illustrates the typical balance of data sources used for the development of parks and recreation master plans, and how that balance has shifted in this process.

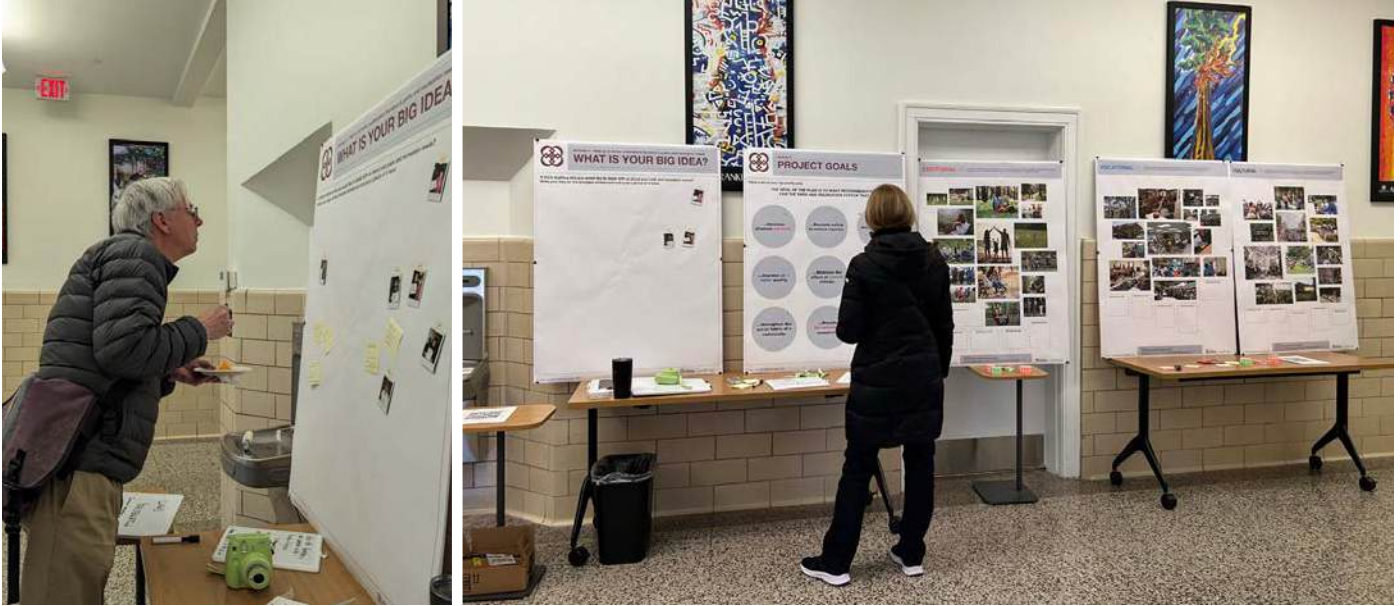
Increased emphasis on the qualitative analysis in this plan led to the creation of quantitative metrics that the town can track and measure to determine the success of implementation efforts and the impact of implementation on the overall health and wellness of Davidson's residents.

An important step in developing this model is the creation of a framework that will allow for its implementation and continued use in future master plan updates. The following steps have been taken, and should be repeated in future iterations of this planning process:

1. Define the Seven Dimensions of Health based on the municipality's principles.
2. Establish current issues facing Davidson's Parks and Recreation Department for each of the Seven Dimensions of Health.
3. Continually revisit and consider the impacts on the Seven Dimensions throughout the process, when applicable. Examples of when and how the dimensions can be incorporated are as follows (the list not exhaustive):

- At public meetings, attendees can determine preference for facilities or programs, but will then be asked to determine which dimension of health the facility or program will impact.
  - Update the parks and recreation classification system that helps to maximize impact on the Seven Dimensions of Health. Utilize feedback from public meetings to determine the public's perception of which activities / facilities have added value for each of the Seven Dimensions of Health.
  - Thoroughly map the area to spatially determine spatially how well Davidson's needs are being met in regard to each of the Seven Dimensions of Health.
  - When developing a set of recommendations, create a running list of how many of the dimensions each recommendation will improve. Use this as an element to prioritize activities in the action plan.
4. Develop metrics to help measure how parks and recreation policies have effected change in each of the Seven Dimensions of Health and the issues identified earlier in the process.

These steps ensure that the Seven Dimensions of Health are addressed throughout the process and lead to a plan that results in a healthier community.



Davidson residents attending the MLK Jr Day Celebration were asked about what their 'big idea' is for Davidson Parks and Recreation, among other questions. Their responses helped to inform the project goals and priorities.

## Goals

Davidson is a growing community, a college town with residents from all over the country and a sizable international population. It has strong connections to the past and great aspirations for the future. Recognizing this, the following goals were defined early in the process to ensure the community's values remain in focus throughout the planning effort and as implementation of the plan occurs. These goals were developed during the 2014 planning process, based on a study of related plans and studies, research of demographic and socioeconomic data, stakeholder interviews, and meetings with staff. Ultimately, **the goals are intended to help guide all related decisions in order to realize a parks and recreation system that meets community expectations.**

### Master Plan Goals



Increase physical exercise



Promote safety to reduce injuries



Increase access to healthy food



Improve air + water quality



Minimize the effect of climate change



Decrease mental health stressors



Strengthen the social fabric of a community



Provide fair access to resources



# 02

## Community Profile

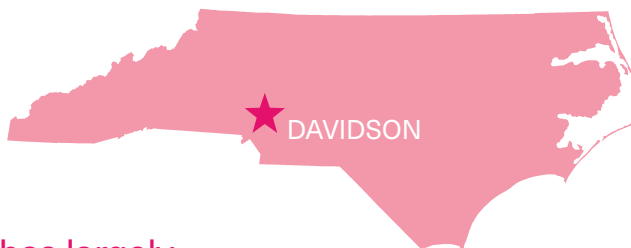


Image: Paddleboarding at a summer camp program on Lake Norman (2012)

# 02 Community Profile

## THE TOWN OF DAVIDSON

is located in Mecklenburg County, approximately 20 miles from downtown Charlotte. Founded in 1837 with the establishment of Davidson College, the economy has largely been dominated by academia for the past 100 years. Davidson has also grown steadily over the past century due to its textile mills, relative location to the railroad, and in-migration of residents commuting to Charlotte. Today, Davidson is a growing community and a location of choice for residents and businesses due to the quality of life, presence of Davidson College and the Town's proximity to Charlotte.



## Demographics

### POPULATION

Davidson had an estimated population of 15,771 residents, according to 2022 US Census population estimates. The 4,827 new residents between 2010 and 2020 equated to a growth rate of 4.4% (Table 1). This rate was significantly greater than Mecklenburg County, which only grew at a rate of 2.7% during the same period.

TABLE 1: POPULATION GROWTH FROM 2000 TO 2020

| Population                       | Davidson      | Meck County | NC         |
|----------------------------------|---------------|-------------|------------|
| Population, 2000                 | 7,139         | 695,454     | 8,049,313  |
| Population, 2010                 | 10,944        | 919,625     | 9,535,483  |
| Population, 2020                 | <b>15,106</b> | 1,115,482   | 10,439,388 |
| Population, 2022 (estimate only) | 15,771        | 1,145,392   | 10,695,965 |
| % Change (2010-2020)             | 4.4%          | 2.7%        | 2.5%       |

SOURCE: US CENSUS BUREAU QUICK FACTS

### POPULATION BY AGE COHORT

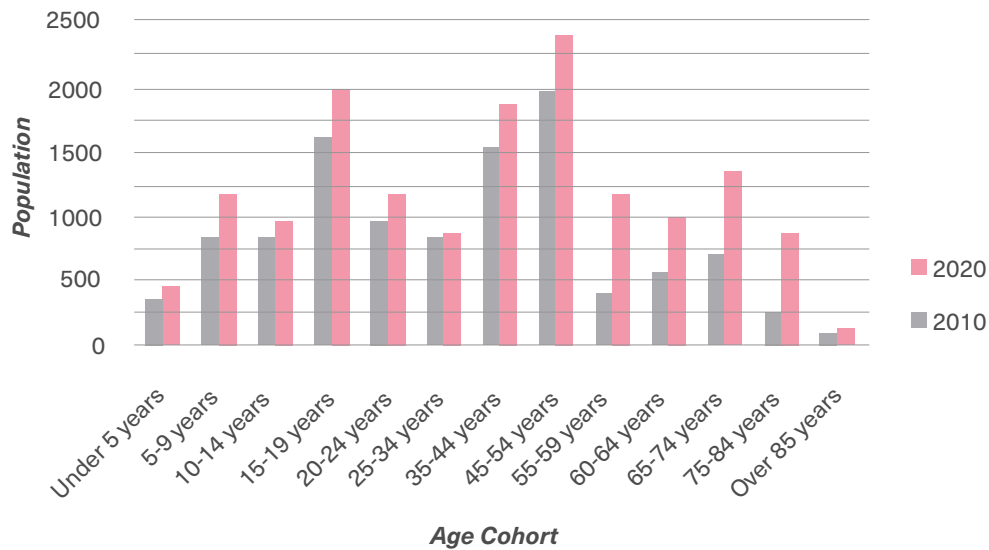
Table 2 shows Davidson's population change between 2010 and 2020, by age cohort. Older adults, 55 years and up, had some of the highest growth rates indicating that Davidson's senior population will likely continue to grow over the next 10 years, and will need services and programming that caters to their demographic.

TABLE 2: POPULATION GROWTH BY AGE (2010 - 2020)

| Age           | 2010  | 2020  | % Change |
|---------------|-------|-------|----------|
| Under 5 years | 337   | 451   | 33.8%    |
| 5-9           | 842   | 1,144 | 35.9%    |
| 10-14         | 842   | 950   | 12.8%    |
| 15-19         | 1,661 | 2,004 | 20.7%    |
| 20-24         | 983   | 1,141 | 16.07%   |
| 25-34         | 834   | 839   | 0.6%     |
| 35-44         | 1,546 | 1,876 | 21.3%    |
| 45-54         | 1,920 | 2,342 | 21.9%    |
| 55-59         | 379   | 1,113 | 193.7%   |
| 60-64         | 523   | 995   | 90.2%    |
| 65-74         | 716   | 1,315 | 83.7%    |
| 75-84         | 225   | 832   | 269.8%   |
| Over 85       | 96    | 197   | 105.2%   |

SOURCE: US CENSUS BUREAU QUICK FACTS

FIGURE 2: POPULATION CHANGE BY AGE 2010 - 2020



As shown in Figure 2 (above), the largest groups of people and the largest amounts of population growth are from 15-19 years old, 35-44 years old and 45-54 years old. Interestingly, the 25-34 year-olds have a significantly lower population than the other age cohorts; possible reasons for this trend are that Davidson College students leave after graduation to find jobs, or they are being priced out of the market.

ETHNICITY AND RACE

Davidson's racial and ethnic composition in 2020 paints a picture that is much different than the compositions of Mecklenburg County and the rest of the state. The largest group, whites, comprises a vast majority of the town (83%). It appears to be a much less racially diverse town than Mecklenburg County and surrounding municipalities.

TABLE 3: ETHNICITY AND RACE BY PERCENTAGE 2020

| Ethnicity and Race                         | Davidson | Meck County | NC    |
|--------------------------------------------|----------|-------------|-------|
| White                                      | 83%      | 56.4%       | 69.9% |
| Black                                      | 8.3%     | 33.2%       | 22.2% |
| American Indian and Alaska Native          | 0.0%     | 0.9%        | 1.6%  |
| Asian                                      | 2.6%     | 6.7%        | 3.6%  |
| Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander | 0.0%     | 0.1%        | 0.1%  |
| Two or more races                          | 5.7%     | 2.7%        | 2.6%  |
| Hispanic or Latino origin                  | 3.5%     | 14.4%       | 10.5% |
| White persons, not Hispanic                | 80.9%    | 44.9%       | 61.5% |

SOURCE: US CENSUS BUREAU QUICK FACTS

## HOUSEHOLDS

There are an estimated 4,253 households in Davidson, a 73.4% increase from 2000. This increase is outpacing the population growth rate, indicating that the average household size appears to be shrinking in Davidson. Seemingly at odds with this estimate, Davidson also has a higher percentage of homeowners in owner-occupied, single-family structures, when compared to Mecklenburg County and the state. In addition, as noted in Table 4, the median value of owner-occupied units in Davidson is more than two times higher than Mecklenburg County and nearly three times higher than those of the state.

TABLE 4: HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

| Households (2018-2022)                       | Davidson  | Meck County | NC        |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| Households,                                  | 5,510     | 446,584     | 4,105,232 |
| Homeownership rate                           | 76.5%     | 55.9%       | 66.2%     |
| Median gross rent                            | \$1,615   | \$1,413     | \$1,093   |
| Median value of owner-occupied housing units | \$572,300 | \$334,700   | \$234,900 |

SOURCE: US CENSUS BUREAU QUICK FACTS

## INCOME

The median household income in Davidson is currently estimated at \$140,938, which is significantly higher than Mecklenburg County (\$79,265) and the state median (\$66,186). In addition, as noted in Table 5, poverty rate of Davidson is much lower than Mecklenburg County and North Carolina.

TABLE 5: INCOME INFORMATION

| Income (2018-2022)                     | Davidson  | Meck County | NC       |
|----------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|----------|
| Median household income                | \$140,938 | \$79,265    | \$66,186 |
| People of all ages in poverty, percent | 5.9%      | 10.3%       | 12.8%    |

SOURCE: US CENSUS BUREAU QUICK FACTS

## EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

Davidson continues to outpace both Mecklenburg County (90.0%) and North Carolina (89.4%) in terms of high school graduation rates at 97%. The percentage of persons older than 25 with a bachelor's degree or higher (74.3%), is also significantly higher than Mecklenburg County (47.8%) and North Carolina (33.9%).

## Growth Implications for Davidson Parks and Recreation

While Davidson is interconnected with Mecklenburg County and the Charlotte-Metropolitan area, it also has unique market characteristics when compared to surrounding communities. As apparent from the demographic analysis section, Davidson is a rapidly growing community that is primarily both affluent and well-educated. In preparation for the 2024 Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update, the team reviewed the 2020 Davidson Comprehensive Plan. The Town also reviewed the findings from the Davidson Economic Strategic Plan – a market study that the Town of Davidson completed in 2012 that helped to inform growth implications for the original 2014 Parks and Recreation Master Plan. Much of these findings are still relevant:

- Davidson is among the highest educated, with the highest household income and highest home values in the region.
- The lifestyle characteristics include affluent young families, empty nesters and retirees.
- The local government that provides services is largely supported by residential property taxes with opportunities for revenue growth in commercial property taxes, retail sales tax and hotel occupancy/food taxes.
  - Davidson's economic base is driven by: Education; Professional and Technical; Finance and Insurance; and Health and Social Assistance industries.
- Davidson has limited opportunities in the retail sector due to market constraints, trade area and competitive supply. The focus should be on differentiating from the traditional “big box” and suburban models of shopping experiences.
- Housing is a key concern in Davidson, in particular as it relates to low income and workforce housing, but also extending to middle income households. Housing in Davidson continues to favor traditional single-family development, while leaving opportunities for senior living, apartments and other alternative housing options that might appeal to young professionals. Davidson's desirability as a place to live has increased the cost of living beyond the reach of many low- and middle-income workers, who are forced to live outside of Davidson and commute in, or are considered to be cost-burdened.
- Traffic is a top concern within the Davidson community. Traffic congestion from automobiles has increased due to a variety of factors, including rapid growth throughout the region. A strong desire exists to increase the variety of travel options, with a focus on active transportation.

Some important assets to the Town of Davidson are the following:

- Currently, the growth in population and capital flows in Davidson are a result of inbound residential migration.
- Davidson has a highly educated and highly skilled workforce due to its location relative to Davidson College.
- Davidson has a highly engaged citizenry that is intellectually and socially diverse.

## Recent Trends in Parks and Recreation

The Team researched key national and regional lifestyle and leisure trends in order to better understand the recreational needs and demands at a Town level. The following summary highlights the current trends, interests, and best practices that could be relevant to the Davidson community and incorporated into the Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update. A variety of sources were used to gather information for this Trend Summary, including the following:

- American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM)
- American Council on Exercise (ACE)
- Landscape Structures
- National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA)
- Trust for Public Land
- USA Pickleball

The following topics are not provided in a priority order.

### SYSTEM TRENDS

#### Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

There is a growing acknowledgment that access to parks, greenways, and recreation is historically not equitable. According to the NRPA, equitable park access is defined as just and fair quantity, proximity and connections to quality parks, green spaces and recreation facilities, as well as programming that is safe, inclusive, culturally relevant and welcoming to everyone. Establishing diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) programs in parks and recreation departments is helping to close the gap in park access. As of 2023, nearly 2 in 3 park and recreation agencies have, or plan to have in the immediate future, an established DEI framework/formal DEI activities.<sup>1</sup> These activities can include the following:

- Hiring practices and policies that promote a diverse workforce
- Staff education and professional development opportunities
- Community engagement policies that reach underrepresented demographics
- Recreation programming policies that cater to multicultural audiences

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.nrpa.org/contentassets/f768428a39aa4035ae55b2aaff372617/2023-dei-report.pdf>

- Contracting/procurement requirements (i.e. minority or women-owned businesses)
- Policies for providing marketing materials and promotions in multiple languages

#### Environmental Stewardship

Nearly every park and recreation agency has sustainability strategies that incorporate recycling, water conservation, energy use reduction, and natural habitat protection. But, according to NRPA, only 43% have or operate a formal sustainability plan with specific targets. Because parks and recreation agencies manage so much of communities' open space and undeveloped land, sustainability plays a vital role in parks and recreation. This includes a department-wide commitment to exceeding regulatory requirements for environmental protections, controlling erosion, following current stormwater regulations, and preserving wetlands, waterway channels, naturalized areas, and habitats. Agencies are planting more trees, transitioning to native-only and climate-adaptable plant palettes, and retrofitting infrastructure to reduce their carbon footprint. Park improvements and new parks and greenways are more integrated with the natural landform and sensitive to the surrounding environment to minimize impact. Some departments are pursuing LEED certification for municipal buildings, and adopting climate action plans that guide short- and long-term strategies to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and establish goals for carbon neutrality (Davidson already has an adopted Climate Action Plan). Parks and recreation departments have an obligation to lead by example with established sustainability principles, programmatic elements that teach trail etiquette, leave-no-trace, and other environmentally-friendly activities.

#### Technology in Parks

The integration of technology in parks is expanding, providing benefits to both park visitors and parks and recreation departments. For parks and recreation departments, technology is a useful tool for collecting data about park visitation and assessing environmental conditions. User counters and geofencing can be used to detect users' presence in the park and relay that data to a central location.

More communities are choosing to provide free WiFi hubs in parks (called 'smart parks') to cater to people who want or need to connect. This helps to remove barriers for those who need access to messaging apps, streaming, social media, or



critical services, bridging the digital divide. People often seek out and stay longer at parks that have internet. Departments are also leveraging digital kiosks and mobile apps to enhance the user experience and increase visitation. Kiosks can include interactive maps, educational materials, quizzes, and other activities and resources to engage the community. Some kiosks can even allow people to easily register for upcoming programs while those opportunities are top of mind.

## **FACILITY / DESIGN-RELATED TRENDS**

### **Dog Parks**

Dog parks are becoming more present in community parks. Not everyone wants to live next door to a dog park, but nearly every community wants one. The latest survey from Trust for Public Land indicated that from 2009 to 2020, the number of dedicated off-leash dog parks in the US increased by over 42% to more than 800.<sup>2</sup> Dog parks provide a fenced-in space where their dog can run free and burn some energy, especially important for people who do not have yards at home. Dog parks socialize pets, and also their owners; dog owners get a place to meet and form friendships with other dog owners from diverse neighborhoods and backgrounds.

Dog parks can simply be a fenced-in open space, or they can be extravagant playgrounds for dogs. Play structures, obstacles, and tunnels, are becoming increasingly more common. These structures can aid with training and create different ways for pets to play and engage with other dogs. Dog drinking fountains, washing stations, shade shelters, and seating areas are other human-focused amenities that are becoming more popular in dog parks. Dog parks can be developed as a standalone amenity, or easily retrofitted into an existing park.

### **Inclusive Playgrounds**

Inclusive playgrounds create safe places for children of all physical, sensory, and developmental abilities to play outside – this includes wheelchair-accessible surfaces and ramps, customized equipment (such as special swings, zipline/glidens, companion slides, etc.), and sensory play elements (such as music stations, texture panels, etc.). Play, for all children, is an important place for cognitive, emotional, and physical development. Playgrounds offer opportunities to socialize, challenge themselves, and develop their motor skills.

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<sup>2</sup> "The Trust for Public Land Releases U.S. City Rankings for Dog Parks" <https://www.tpl.org/media-room/trust-public-land-releases-us-city-rankings-dog-parks>

An inclusive playground does not mean that there is special equipment in a separate area, but the entire space is designed as a cohesive and integrated place where play opportunities cater to all kinds of kids.

### **Spray Parks / Splash Pads**

Splash pads are replacing community swimming pools in many communities, because they offer a break from the summer heat without the high cost of traditional pools, level of staffing requirements, with minimal maintenance and a no- or low-cost entry fee. Toddlers are able to be more adventurous at a splash pad than a swimming pool, because they can interact with the different bubblers and misting equipment without needed to know how to swim. There is very little standing water at a splash pad, which lowers risk of drowning at a splash pad and negates the need for fencing, signage, and lifeguards. Splash pads can be developed as a standalone amenity, or easily retrofitted into an existing park/inside a family aquatic center.

## **RECREATION TRENDS**

### **Greenways and Trails**

People across the nation are demanding more biking and walking connectivity throughout their communities, especially along greenways separated from vehicles. Trails increase physical activity across communities, especially when they connect residents to parks, and provide diverse opportunities for walking, running, hiking, skating, wheelchair recreation, and bicycling. They can serve as recreational spines along a linear park, waterway, or rail corridor as well as an alternate form of transportation. Trails improve the quality of life for residents.

### **Pickleball**

Across the country there is a growing demand for more pickleball courts in public parks – some departments are even restriping existing tennis courts to meet the needs of their residents. In 2023, the Sports and Fitness Industry Association (SFIA) named pickleball the fastest-growing sport in America for the third consecutive year in its annual 2023 Topline Participation Report. According to the report, pickleball is now up to a total of 8.9 million players in the United States over the age of six years old, an increase from 4.8 million in 2022. Pickleball is a relatively approachable sport that is easy to learn with minimal gear required. The sport appeals to many different age groups, including seniors.



### Skate Parks

Skate parks cater to people of all ages, genders, backgrounds, and abilities. They appeal to diverse users such as skateboarders, scooterers, BMXers, wheelchair users inline, and roller skaters. In recent years, older skaters and even families are becoming more prevalent in skate parks. This popularity is creating more demand for designated places to skate/roll. Skate parks promote active outdoor recreation for teens and help build self esteem by creating safe places to learn or practice. Today, many communities are finding that their skate parks can even generate revenue by offering programming and lessons. Skateboarding classes, clinics, and camps in completed skate parks can have lower overhead than many traditional recreation programs and encourage a positive climate by establishing a consistent adult presence. Providing designated skate parks also help to deter skateboard-related vandalism (chips and scuffs on concrete walls and rails caused by grinding ledges) around the community.

### Drones

Recreational drones are becoming more affordable and more accepted in park settings. Hobbyist drones give people the opportunity to experience the outdoors from a bird's-eye view, take pictures of the landscape, and get close to wildlife. However, because drone popularity has skyrocketed, local regulations regarding the use of drones for recreation have not kept up. There are positive aspects to having drones in parks for their use in helping to manage parks and facilities. Drones can be used in conservation efforts, public safety, and natural resource management.

Recreational flying of drones, on the other hand, often creates concern from the public due to private property encroachment, and perceived privacy and security intrusions. Complaints that drones pose safety problems, cause noise pollution and are a nuisance to other park visitors have also become more common. To alleviate these public concerns, park and recreation professionals need to figure out how to regulate drones and accommodate public recreation flying in a way that is safe and productive. Stronger guidelines about how, when, and where hobbyists can fly their drones in Town-managed parks can give people an outlet to fly their drones while increasing general acceptance of this new form of recreation. The Department could offer new programming and events that are planned around drones.





Image: Beaty Park playground



# 03 Needs Assessment

**THE LEVEL OF SERVICE STANDARDS SEEK TO IDENTIFY KEY AREAS** where the Davidson Parks and Recreation Department could improve. As a commonly-used method of determining a department's ability to meet its community's needs, this provides an understanding of how Davidson compares to other communities of a similar size nationally.

## Inventory of Existing Parks and Recreation Facilities

### FACILITIES MAINTAINED AND OPERATED BY THE TOWN OF DAVIDSON

The Town of Davidson currently owns and maintains 18 different parks and 9.12 miles of greenways. These parks range from active (McEver Fields and River Run Athletic Fields) to passive (Fisher Farm Park and Faulkner Park) recreational facilities. The facilities offer a wide variety of uses for many age groups. This list includes facilities not owned and operated by Davidson (indicated with a \*) in order to include the portion of the Town's population that participates in recreation activities outside of Davidson-owned facilities.

#### Abersham Park – 239.93 Acres\*

Located just north of Fisher Farm Park off Shearer Road, Abersham Park is a nature preserve with access roads, trails and parking. The Town of Davidson maintains this park even though it is owned by Mecklenburg County.

#### Beaty Park – 19.4 Acres

Located at the northern entrance into Davidson, the park consists of 2 distinct zones; the top (2.26 acre) developmental zone and the bottom (17.13 acre) preservation zone. Overall, the park features picnic shelters, a restroom, raised garden beds, a natural playground, a small amphitheater, foot bridges, trails, and a pond.

#### Bradford Neighborhood Park – 2.05 Acres

Located on Robert Walker Drive, this park is a neighborhood park that includes a playground, shelter, and access to a paved multi-use path.

#### Caldwell Green Tot Lot – 0.34 Acres

This fully-enclosed neighborhood park, located in the St. Alban's neighborhood, features benches, tables, a large sandbox, shade structures, trike path, tunnel, riding toys and a drinking fountain.

#### Faulkner Square Park – 1.0 Acre

A formal garden square located in the St. Alban's neighborhood, this space includes two decorative trellises, benches for seating and lawn areas.

#### Fisher Farm Park – 200.03 Acres

This district park is located south of Abersham Park on Shearer Road. Currently the park includes 12 miles of multi-purpose trails, archery range, primitive camping sites, picnic tables and parking.

#### Forest Park Playground – 2.0 Acres

Located in the St. Alban's neighborhood, the Forest Park playground is a neighborhood park with a playground, picnic tables, trails and a wetland area.

#### Lake Davidson Nature Preserve – 8.32 Acres

Lake Davidson Nature Preserve is located on Jetton Street and provides frontage to Lake Davidson. It has nature trails, a kayak/canoe launch, storage racks, a gazebo, picnic tables, and benches.

#### North Lawn and South Lawn – 0.6 Acres

Located in the St. Alban's neighborhood, both lawns are a grassy area in the center of the development.

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### **Mary Beaty Tot Lot (Summit) – 0.38 Acres**

The Mary Beaty Tot Lot is located in downtown Davidson behind Summit Coffee and includes benches and playground equipment.

### **McEver Fields – 8.62 Acres**

McEver Fields is a community park located south of downtown on South Street, near Davidson Elementary School. It consists of 3 lighted softball/baseball fields, a picnic area, restrooms and concessions.

### **Parham Park – 2.5 Acres**

Parham Park is a neighborhood park located on Lake Cornelius. It consists of a natural surface trail, a playground, a kayak/canoe launch with storage racks and exercise stations.

### **Plum Creek Park – 32.34 Acres**

Located between the Bailey Springs and West Branch Neighborhoods off Robert Walker Drive. The park includes two pickleball courts, two tennis courts, one basketball court, a restroom building, two shelters, and an informal open field. The park is also located on the Plum Creek Greenway.

### **The Preserve Dog Park – 7.71 Acres**

This fully-enclosed dog park in the St. Alban's neighborhood features a hiking trail, natural area, parking lot, water fountain, and picnic tables.

### **River Run Athletic Park – 64.04 Acres**

This community park is located southeast of Downtown off Davidson-Concord Road. Facilities include one baseball/softball field, one multi-purpose field, a drinking fountain and winterized restrooms.

### **Roosevelt Wilson Park – 11.07 Acres**

Roosevelt Wilson Park is located on Griffith Street as one approaches downtown from Interstate 77. It has a central pond, paved trails, winterized restrooms, playground and picnic shelter.

### **Town Green – 1.4 Acres**

Located in the center of town, the Town Green is a large grassy area used for passive recreation and events.

### **Town Hall and Community Center – 5.28 Acres**

Originally the Davidson Academy (built in 1893), the building was renovated in 2023 into town offices, community rooms, a 300-seat auditorium, and a separate 5,200 square foot gymnasium building.

## **DAVIDSON SCHOOL FACILITIES**

### **Community School of Davidson Elementary and High School\***

Located on the north side of town and next to Lake Davidson, CSD includes two campuses – one located on Griffith St, and the other located on Armour St. The campuses feature soccer/multi-use field, trails, and three gymnasiums.

### **Davidson College\***

Located in the center of town, Davidson College has many indoor and outdoor facilities that serve its students, faculty and staff.

### **Davidson Day School\***

Located on Jetton Street and Griffith Street as one enters Davidson from Interstate 77, Davidson Day School features a gym, playground and a multi-use field.

### **Davidson Elementary School\***

Located on South Street across from McEver Fields and a part of Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools, Davidson Elementary School has a playground and a multi-use field.

## **PRIVATE/REGIONAL FACILITIES**

The following private and regional facilities were identified through the public engagement process as those most widely-used by Davidson residents.

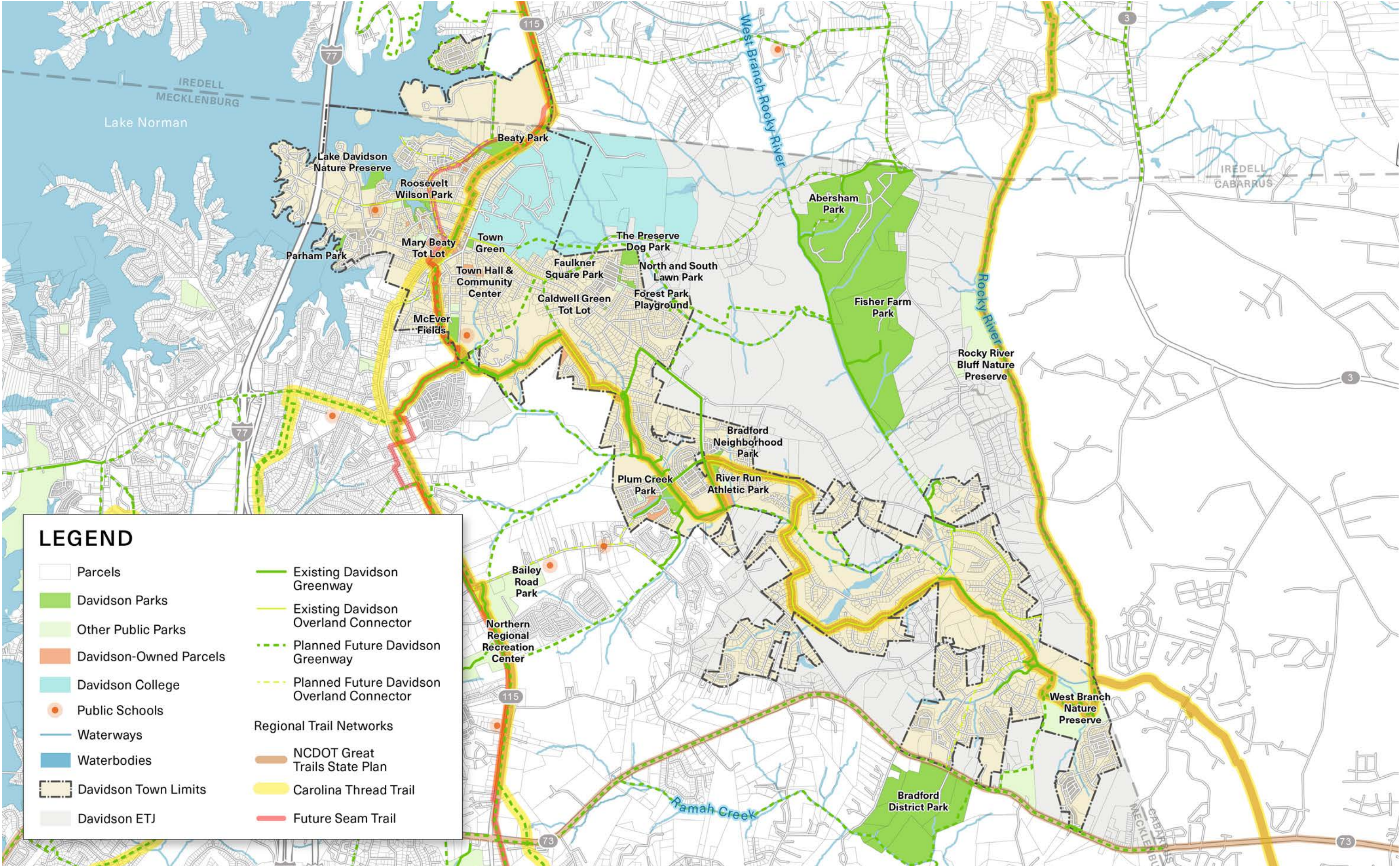
### **Ada Jenkins Recreation Center\***

Located in northwest Davidson, the facilities at the Ada Jenkins Center and fields include a multi-purpose field, an outdoor basketball court, indoor mini-gymnasium, public meeting spaces, restrooms, a playground and seating areas.

### **Bailey Road Park\***

More than 66 acres, Bailey Road Park is operated by Cornelius Parks and Recreation and includes an amphitheater, baseball/softball fields, basketball courts, batting cages, disc golf, multi-purpose fields, picnic areas, picnic shelters, tennis courts, soccer fields, trails and a walking/running track.







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**Bradford District Park – 211.13 Acres**

Located in southeast Davidson, this park is a shared facility with Huntersville Parks and Recreation, and Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation. Davidson has access to one large baseball field and one small baseball field during the week. The park also includes a playground, disc golf course, restrooms and soccer fields.

**Lake Norman YMCA\***

Located on Main Street in Cornelius, just south of downtown Davidson, the YMCA has a wide variety of programs and services including child care, fitness and wellness programs and indoor and outdoor pools.

**Legion Park\***

This seven-acre facility, operated by Cornelius Parks and Recreation, is located in the center of Cornelius and very close to Davidson. It includes a baseball/softball field, batting cages, picnic shelter, playground, restrooms, walking trails and parking.

**Northern Regional Recreation Center\***

Northern Regional Recreation Center is a state-of-the-art facility operated by Mecklenburg County that offers age-specific programs and activities, athletics, aquatics, community events, health and wellness activities, nature education programs and therapeutic recreation programs.

**Private Development Amenities\***

Many of the residential developments in and around Davidson have private recreation amenities including pool and dedicated open space. While these facilities are widely used by their residents, they are private and therefore are not accessible to the general public.

**Smithville Park\***

Approximately nine acres, Smithville Park is operated by Cornelius Parks and Recreation and includes a baseball/ softball field, a batting cage, multi-purpose field, picnic shelter, playground, restrooms and parking.

Service Standards

The following are the generally-accepted park planning standards for small communities, according to National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA):

TABLE 6: POPULATION SERVED BY ACRES OF PARKLAND

| Category                                                             | NRPA<br>National Metric | Town of Davidson<br>(Today) | Town of Davidson<br>(2040**) |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Residents per park                                                   | 2,287                   | 1,126                       | 2,028                        |
| Acres of parkland per 1,000 residents<br>(with nature preserves*)    | 10.8 AC                 | 61.5 AC                     | 34.2 AC                      |
| Acres of parkland per 1,000 residents<br>(without nature preserves*) |                         | 33.2 AC                     | 15.3 AC                      |

SOURCE: 2023 NRPA STANDARDS

\*Nature preserves refer to Abersham Park, Fisher Farm, and the Lake Davidson Nature Preserve.

\*\*Assumes no additional parkland.

The following table indicates the population served by one facility and the number of facilities needed per 1,000 residents for the current population (less than 20,000 people) and future population (20,000 to 49,999 people):

TABLE 7: POPULATION SERVED BY FACILITIES

|                               |                           | National Standards for Communities<br>with less than 20,000 people |                                              |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| Facility<br>Category          | Facility Type             | Total Population<br>Served by 1 Facility                           | # of Facilities Needed<br>per 1000 residents |
| Sports Fields                 | Soccer / Multi-Use        | 3,859                                                              | 0.26                                         |
|                               | Baseball / Softball Field | 5,405                                                              | 0.19                                         |
| Courts                        | Tennis                    | 2,805                                                              | 0.36                                         |
|                               | Basketball                | 3,729                                                              | 0.27                                         |
|                               | Volleyball / Multi-Use    | 5,093                                                              | 0.2                                          |
| Outdoor Recreation            | Skate Park                | 10,726                                                             | 0.09                                         |
|                               | Pickleball                | 3,252                                                              | 0.31                                         |
| Leisure                       | Tot Lot                   | 5,816                                                              | 0.17                                         |
|                               | Playground                | 2,014                                                              | 0.5                                          |
| Other Recreational Facilities | Pool                      | 9,745                                                              | 0.1                                          |
|                               | Dog Park                  | 11,100                                                             | 0.09                                         |

SOURCE: 2023 NRPA STANDARDS

## Level of Service Assessment

The following section provides an analysis of the recreation system serving Davidson's existing and estimated future population. This type of analysis is referred to as a Level of Service analysis and identifies the type and scale of facilities required by the current and future population in terms of demand and supply. Schools have been included in the analysis to raise awareness of the opportunity to, through joint-use agreements, utilize school facilities to make better use of available resources in meeting Davidson's needs.

### EXISTING DEMAND

The Town of Davidson has grown considerably in recent years. Such growth places heavy burdens on infrastructure, facilities and services. In order to best understand the impact of this population growth on the town's need for additional recreation facilities, it is necessary to conduct both a current and future Level of Service analysis. The Level of Service analysis for the current population is summarized in the following table (Table 8), which is based on NRPA standards for communities of comparable sizes (less than 20,000 residents). This Plan Update uses the estimated population at the time of this plan, 15,771 residents, to determine the current demand of Davidson facilities.

### ANALYSIS

The existing Level of Service analysis compares current demand to the current supply of recreation acreage. **Davidson currently has 972.1 acres of parkland, including nature preserves.** Given the generally accepted park planning standards, roughly 10 acres per 1,000 residents, and the current population (2020) of 15,771, Davidson is currently operating a system that is exceeding its demand at approx. 61.6 acres per 1,000 residents. Much of that space, however, comprises naturally-preserved lands. When those lands are not included in the analysis, Davidson has 433.23 acres of active parkland (approx. 27.4 acres per 1,000 residents). The exclusions of these lands in the inventory helps to paint a picture of a town with a large amount of passive recreational facilities, and an appropriate amount of active recreation facilities, supplemented by private amenities and regional recreation facilities. The previous section details additional information on the type and scale of the Davidson-owned and supplemental recreation facilities.

If the Town of Davidson does not increase the supply of parks as the population grows (approx. 28,399 people in 2040), there will be an estimated 15.3 acres of active recreational parkland per 1,000 residents.

The following table (Table 8) indicates the number of facilities needed to meet the standard based on Davidson's estimated current population – 15,771 residents.

TABLE 8: EXISTING FACILITIES BY NUMBER OF FACILITIES

| Facility Category             | Facility Type              | Existing Facilities in Davidson |              | Existing Demand for Davidson | Current Gap in Facilities |              |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|
|                               |                            | without Schools                 | with Schools |                              | without Schools           | with Schools |
| Sports Fields                 | Soccer / Multi-Use         | 2.0                             | 6.0          | 4.1                          | 2.1                       | (1.9)        |
|                               | Baseball / Softball Fields | 9.0                             | 10.0         | 2.9                          | (6.1)                     | (7.1)        |
| Courts                        | Tennis                     | 2.0                             | 2.0          | 5.6                          | 3.6                       | 3.6          |
|                               | Basketball                 | 2.0                             | 5.0          | 4.2                          | 2.4                       | 0.4          |
|                               | Volleyball / Multi-Use     | -                               | -            | 3.1                          | 3.1                       | 3.1          |
| Outdoor Recreation            | Skate Park                 | -                               | -            | 1.5                          | 1.5                       | 1.5          |
|                               | Pickleball                 | 2.0                             | 2.0          | 4.8                          | 2.8                       | 2.8          |
| Leisure                       | Tot Lot                    | 2.0                             | 2.0          | 2.7                          | 0.7                       | 0.7          |
|                               | Playground                 | 7.0                             | 10.0         | 7.8                          | 0.8                       | (2.2)        |
| Other Recreational Facilities | Pool                       | -                               | -            | 1.6                          | 1.6                       | 1.6          |
|                               | Dog Park                   | 1.0                             | 1.0          | 1.4                          | 0.4                       | 0.4          |

SOURCE: 2023 NRPA PARK METRICS

Red: Gap

(Green): Surplus



## FUTURE DEMAND

In order to forecast future demand for recreation facilities, a population estimate is needed. Given the historic and anticipated continued growth of Davidson, an annual population growth multiplier of 4.4% per year was used to forecast the population in 2040. This figure is consistent with the projections used by US Census Bureau. If Davidson continues to grow at this rate and pace, **the Town can expect the population to be 28,399 in the year 2040.** Table 9 illustrates the current and future demand for recreational facilities based on estimated population figures and the Level of Service standards for recreation facilities in Davidson.

| Population                       | Davidson | Meck County | NC         |
|----------------------------------|----------|-------------|------------|
| Population, 2000                 | 7,139    | 695,454     | 8,049,313  |
| Population, 2010                 | 10,944   | 919,625     | 9,535,483  |
| Population, 2020                 | 15,106   | 1,115,482   | 10,439,388 |
| Population, 2022 (estimate only) | 15,771   | 1,145,392   | 10,695,965 |
| Population, 2040 (estimate only) | 28,399   | 1,176,318   | 10,963,364 |
| % Change (2010-2020)             | 4.4%     | 2.7%        | 2.5%       |

For the Town of Davidson to address future demand (28,399 people in 2040), it would require the following type and number of facilities (in total):

TABLE 9: FUTURE DEMAND IN NUMBER OF FACILITIES

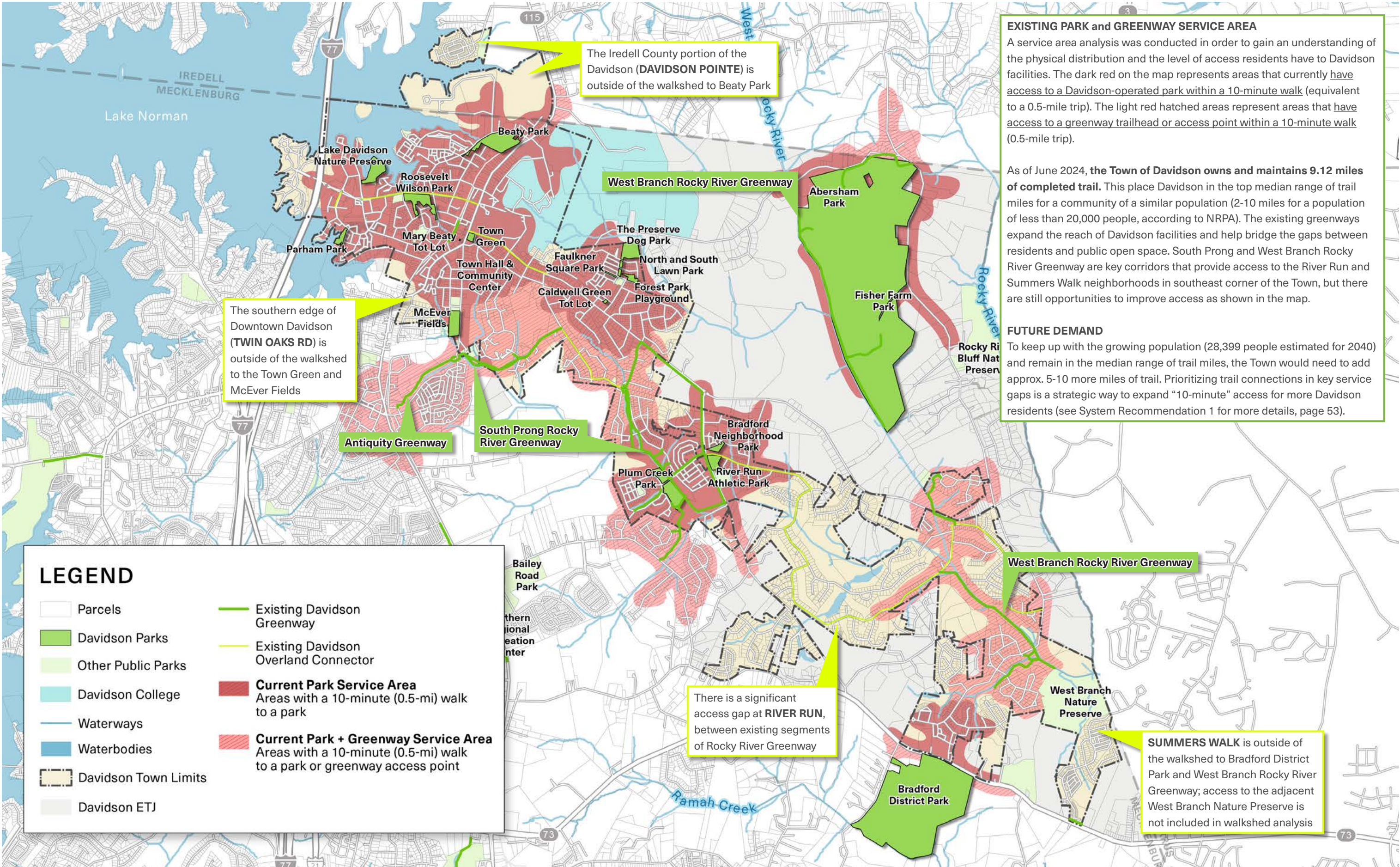
| Facility Category             | Facility Type              | Existing Facilities in Davidson |              | Existing Demand for Davidson | Future Demand for Davidson (2040) | Future Gap in Facilities (2040) |              |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|
|                               |                            | without Schools                 | with Schools |                              |                                   | without Schools                 | with Schools |
| Sports Fields                 | Soccer / Multi-Use         | 2.0                             | 6.0          | 4.1                          | 7.4                               | 5.4                             | 1.4          |
|                               | Baseball / Softball Fields | 9.0                             | 10.0         | 2.9                          | 5.3                               | (3.7)                           | (4.7)        |
| Courts                        | Tennis                     | 2.0                             | 2.0          | 5.6                          | 10.1                              | 8.1                             | 8.1          |
|                               | Basketball                 | 2.0                             | 5.0          | 4.2                          | 7.6                               | 5.6                             | 2.6          |
|                               | Volleyball / Multi-Use     | -                               | -            | 3.1                          | 5.6                               | 5.6                             | 5.6          |
| Outdoor Recreation            | Skate Park                 | -                               | -            | 1.5                          | 2.6                               | 2.6                             | 2.6          |
|                               | Pickleball                 | 2.0                             | 2.0          | 4.8                          | 8.7                               | 2.8                             | 2.8          |
| Leisure                       | Tot Lot                    | 2.0                             | 2.0          | 2.7                          | 4.9                               | 0.7                             | 0.7          |
|                               | Playground                 | 7.0                             | 10.0         | 7.8                          | 14.1                              | 7.1                             | 4.1          |
| Other Recreational Facilities | Pool                       | -                               | -            | 1.6                          | 2.9                               | 2.9                             | 2.9          |
|                               | Dog Park                   | 1.0                             | 1.0          | 1.4                          | 2.6                               | 1.6                             | 1.6          |

SOURCE: 2023 NRPA PARK METRICS

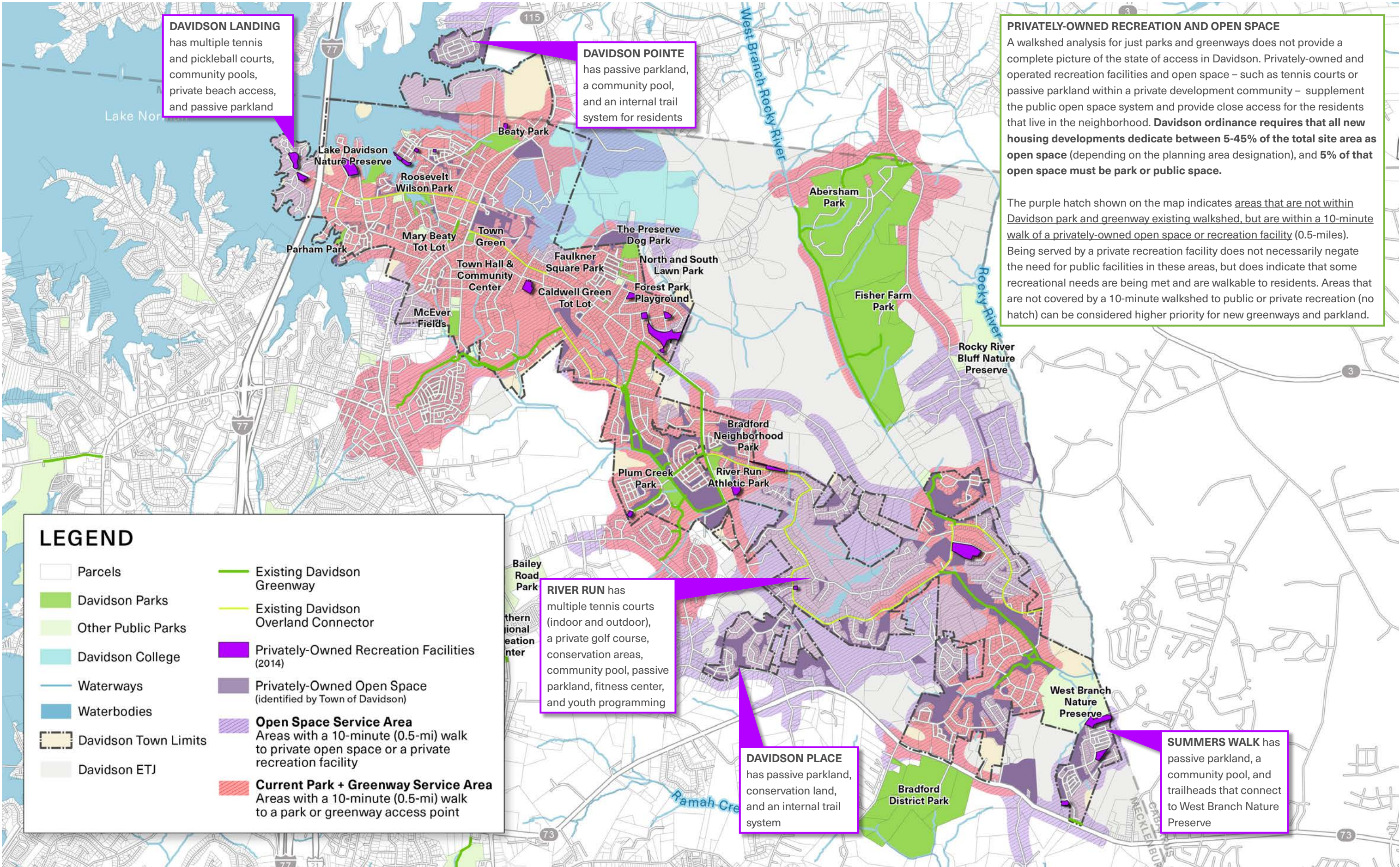
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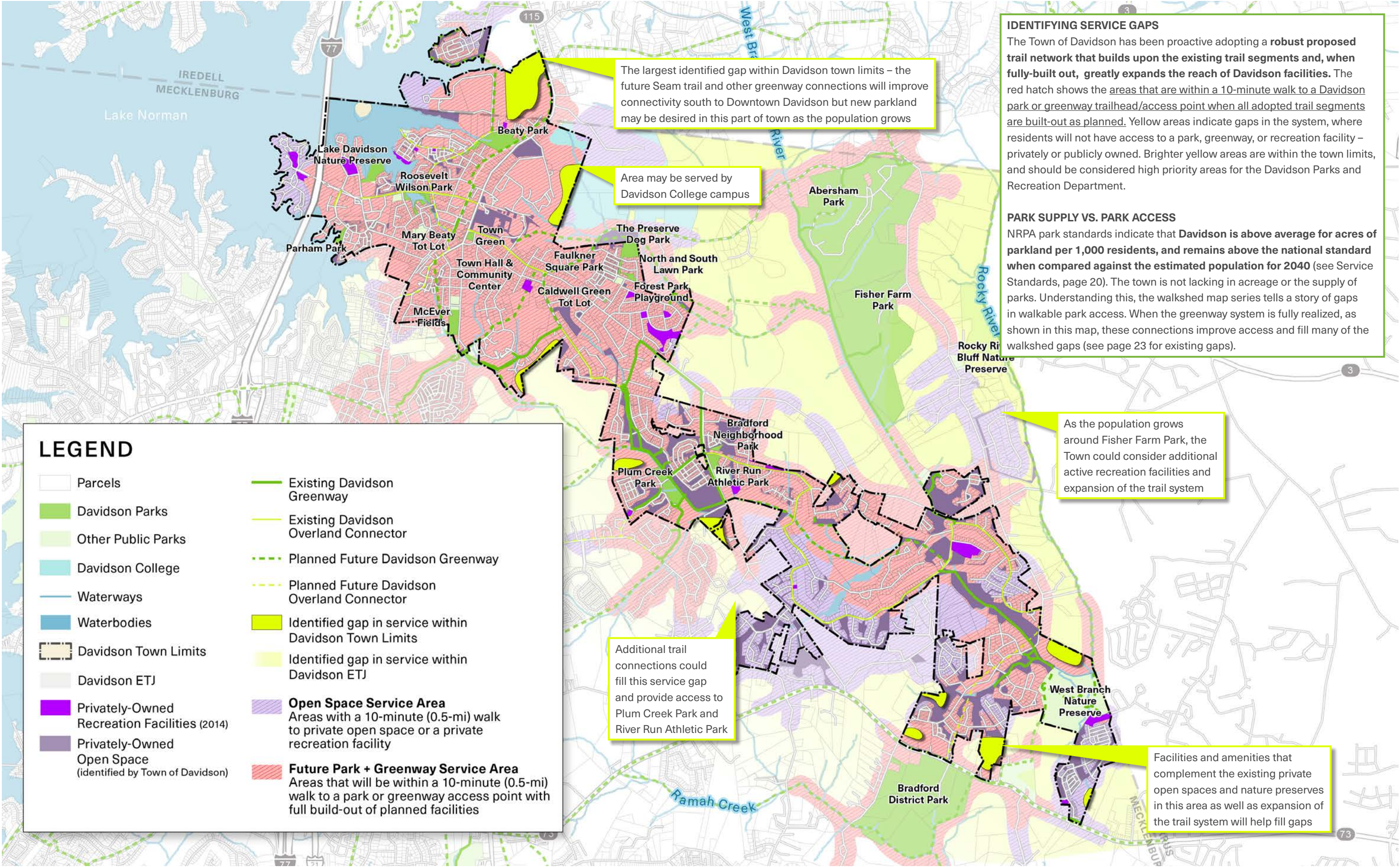
















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Image: Archery range at Fisher Farm Park



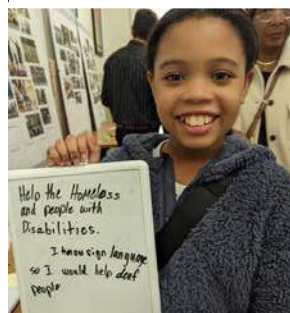
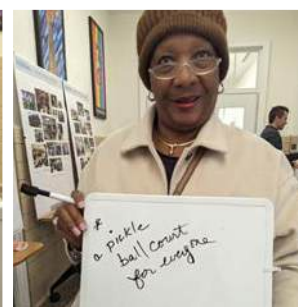
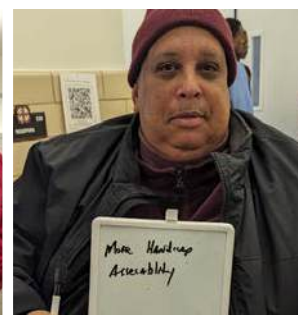
# 04 Community Preferences

**COMMUNITY INPUT IS AN ESSENTIAL ELEMENT OF THE PARKS and Recreation Needs Assessment process.** In order to better understand the current needs and preferences of the population, multiple pop-up public meetings and a community survey were conducted in two phases during the 2024 Plan Update. Based on this input, a clear portrait of local trends and preferences for facilities and programs began to emerge.

## Public Input: Phase 1

In early January 2024, the Town and the consultant team attended the MLK Jr Day Community Celebration to introduce the Park and Recreation Master Plan Update process and to solicit the community's input on existing and future park and recreation needs. This session was also the kickoff event for the Community Survey. The drop-in format and organization was divided into five exhibits/exercises.

- **Live, Work and Play:** As attendees entered the room they were asked to indicate on a map, where they live, work and play.
- **Seven Dimensions of Health Exercise:** Attendees were asked to place dots on seven boards depicting images correlating with the Seven Dimensions of Health. These dots were placed on any images or activities that they thought had an impact on a particular dimension of health.
- **Goals Exercise:** An exhibit described the goals of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan, and the project schedule. Attendees were asked to comment on the draft project goals and suggest additions to the list of goals.
- **Ideas Board Exercise:** Attendees were asked to offer any ideas they had in addition to the feedback they had given through the previous exercises. They wrote their idea on a post-it or a whiteboard and the consultant team took a Polaroid of them holding up their answer (see images at right for some of the responses).



Approximately 20-25 people visited the team's setup to interact with the boards and access the survey. The following types of facilities, activities or features received the most votes (number of dimensions in parenthesis):

- Rowing/kayaking facilities and launch (7)
- Tennis (6)
- Natural trails (4)
- Bike trails (4)
- Baseball (3)
- Basketball (3)

For a complete chart of votes from the first public meeting and images of the boards shown, please see Appendix B, page 82.



## Davidson Parks and Recreation Survey Overview and Results

As part of the Parks and Recreation Needs Assessment and Master Plan Update process, the Town of Davidson conducted a community survey. The survey was designed to focus on the Seven Dimensions of Health and gather information regarding the following categories: demographics, current programs and facilities, future programs and facilities and health and wellness. It was drafted and distributed through Survey Monkey, then advertised through town email lists, public meetings and the town website. In total, there were 508 responses, which is more than the 383 responses needed to create a survey with a 95% confidence level and a 5% margin of error. This minimum number of responses was calculated using Survey Monkey's formula for determining the required sample size in order to attain validity. For more information on how this number was determined, please visit: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/mp/sample-size/>

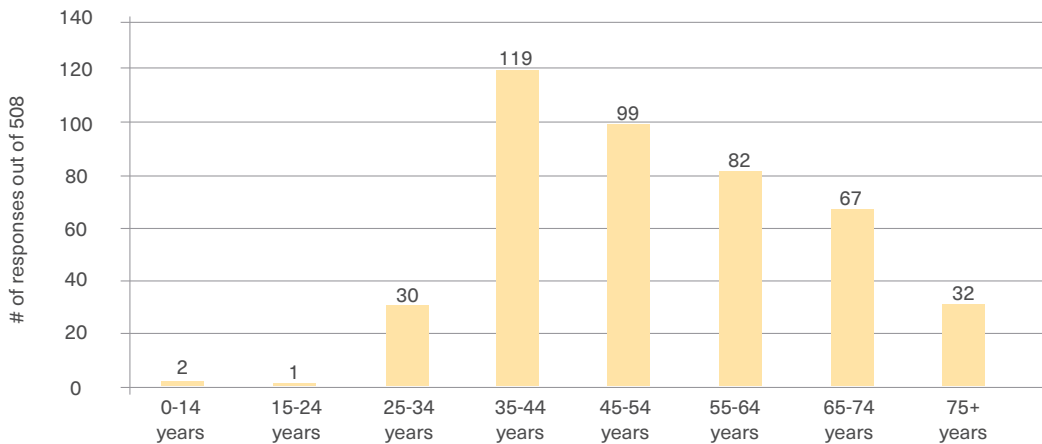
The following charts give an overview of this survey. For the entire survey results see Appendix C, page 96. Responses from the survey represented broad segments of the population. Figure 3 shows responders to the survey grouped by age.

While there was good distribution throughout age groups, the biggest number of responders came from the middle age cohorts, 35 to 44, 45 to 54, and 55 to 64. When compared to the current population distribution indicated earlier, the distribution is similar, except for a significantly lower percentage of younger respondents, primarily accounted for by the low percentage of Davidson College students (0.24%) who had taken the survey. The survey had a significant mix of responses from many different types of households. This geographically dispersed group included households with children (49%), empty nesters (28%), without children (20%), and from a variety of incomes.

### CURRENT PROGRAMS AND FACILITIES

An understanding of current programs and facilities is essential to determining which new programs and facilities Davidson may need, and which ones may require expansion. In the survey, respondents were asked what facilities were most beneficial to them and their families. The facilities indicated in Figure 4, page 31, were the top five choices of the current offerings that are important to the Davidson community. Respondents ranked The Town Green as the facility most beneficial to the community, along with Fisher Farm Park, and Roosevelt Wilson Park. These are the same parks that were identified in the 2014 community survey. Many people also commented on the importance of greenway facilities, their connectivity and their continued improvement.

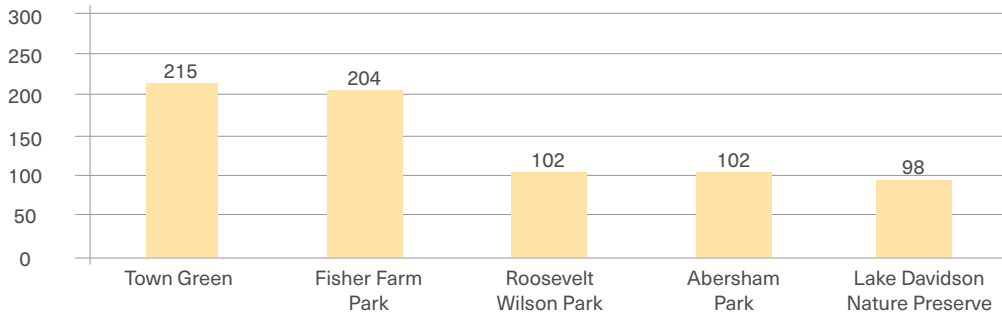
FIGURE 3: AGE GROUPS OF RESPONDERS



## 57%

of survey respondents reported being satisfied with the overall Town of Davidson Parks and Recreation system.

FIGURE 4: TOP 5 FACILITIES MOST BENEFICIAL TO DAVIDSON



## “

*[The outdoor spaces] are what make Davidson the special place that it is. Most residents come here for its emphasis on the outdoors and all the amazing outdoor spaces [Davidson] offers.”*

- survey respondent

The survey also included a question about the opinion of maintenance of current facilities. Erosion control, drainage, and bathroom maintenance were recurring themes in many of the comments. The following chart (Figure 5) identifies the top 5 facilities that were mentioned the most and likely require the most maintenance.

FIGURE 5: TOP 5 MAINTENANCE CONCERNS

| 1                                                                                                                                                              | 2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 3                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 4                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 5                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Greenways (misc.)                                                                                                                                              | Roosevelt Wilson Park                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | McEver Fields                                                                                                                                                                                       | St. Alban's Parks (misc.)                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Lake Davidson Nature Preserve                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Drainage issues, mud, and flooding after storm events</li> <li>Erosion</li> <li>Need more pet waste stations</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bathroom cleanliness was identified as a major issue</li> <li>Litter (in pond and overflowing in waste cans)</li> <li>Picnic shelter leaks and is dirty</li> <li>Playground is getting rusty</li> <li>Bridge is deteriorating</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bathroom cleanliness was identified as a major issue</li> <li>Drainage issues and flooding after storm events</li> <li>Water fountains don't work</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Broken toys in the Tot Lot</li> <li>More frequent mowing and weeding is needed</li> <li>Drainage issues and mud in the Dog Park and Tot Lot</li> <li>Playground needs to be updated</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Path has a lot of roots and fallen debris</li> <li>“Needs work”</li> <li>Old signage needs to be replaced</li> <li>Erosion</li> <li>Drainage issues and mud after storm events</li> </ul> |

A key issue that surfaced throughout the public input process and stakeholder interviews, is the distance residents are traveling to meet their recreational needs and where those needs are met. These charts illustrate the distance residents are walking, biking or driving, and where they may be going. Currently many people are driving to facilities within walking and biking distance.

These results indicate that a large number of respondents are traveling to other communities (most often Cornelius, Huntersville, and Mooresville). While some of this is due to Davidson's geographic disposition (very linear), it is clear there are unmet recreational needs in Davidson.

Additionally, while the community is meeting the needs of other age groups, there is a definite lack of adequate programming among middle/high school age groups. Many of the individual comments refer to lack of programming (i.e. youth sports, tennis, soccer, etc.), in the middle/high school age group and the fact that residents are driving to other communities to meet those recreational needs.

“We would love to be able to spend more time in Davidson doing the activities that our kids do, but we have to go to neighboring towns to participate in youth sports and activities. An indoor multi-use facility with indoor fields and courts is totally absent in [Davidson]. It would be used all the time!”

- survey respondent

FIGURE 6: TRAVEL DISTANCE OUTSIDE OF DAVIDSON

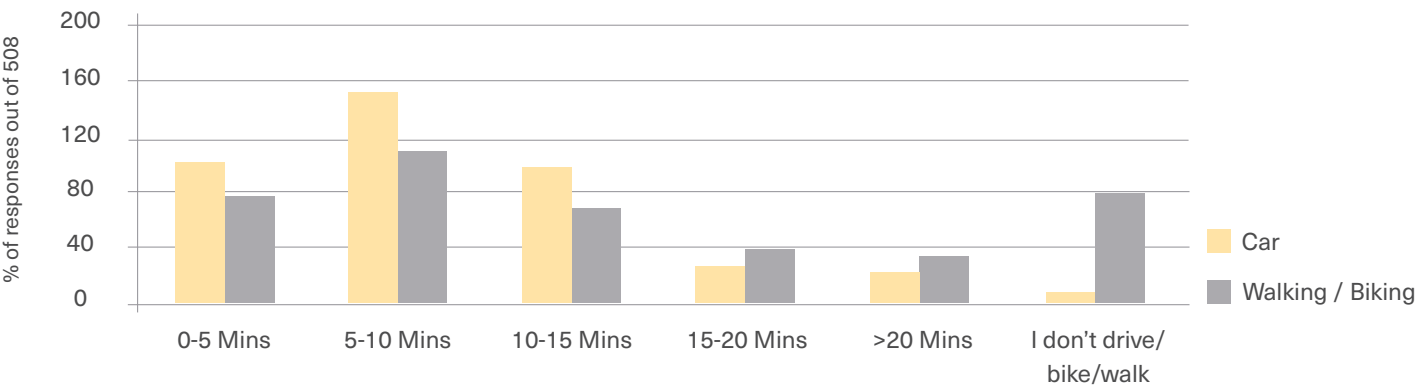
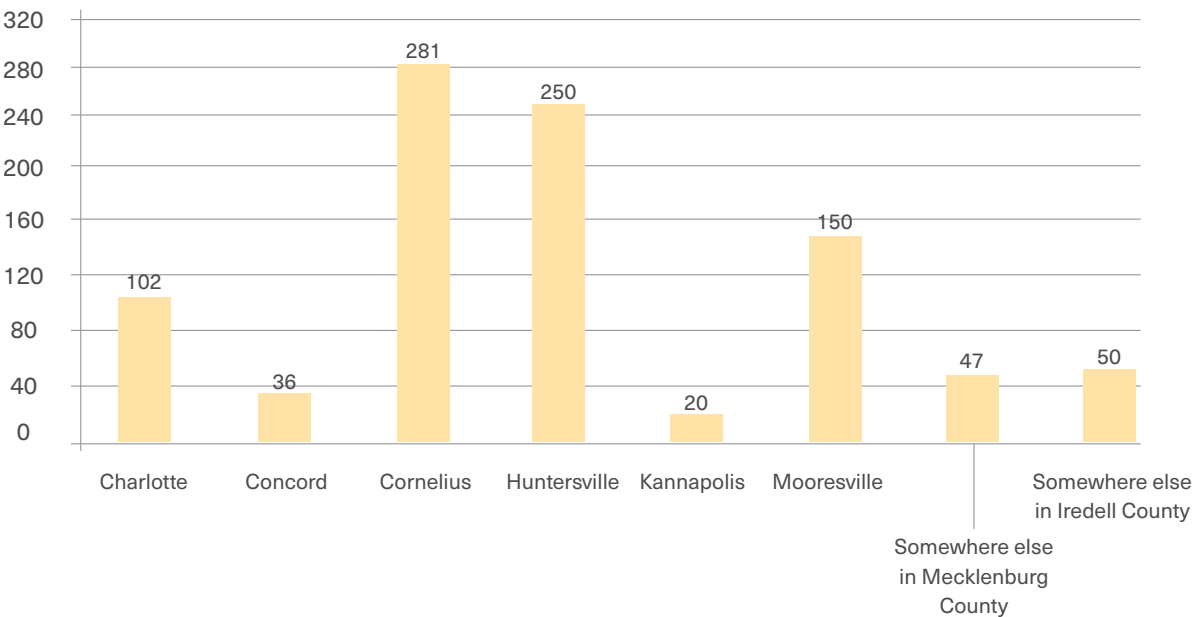


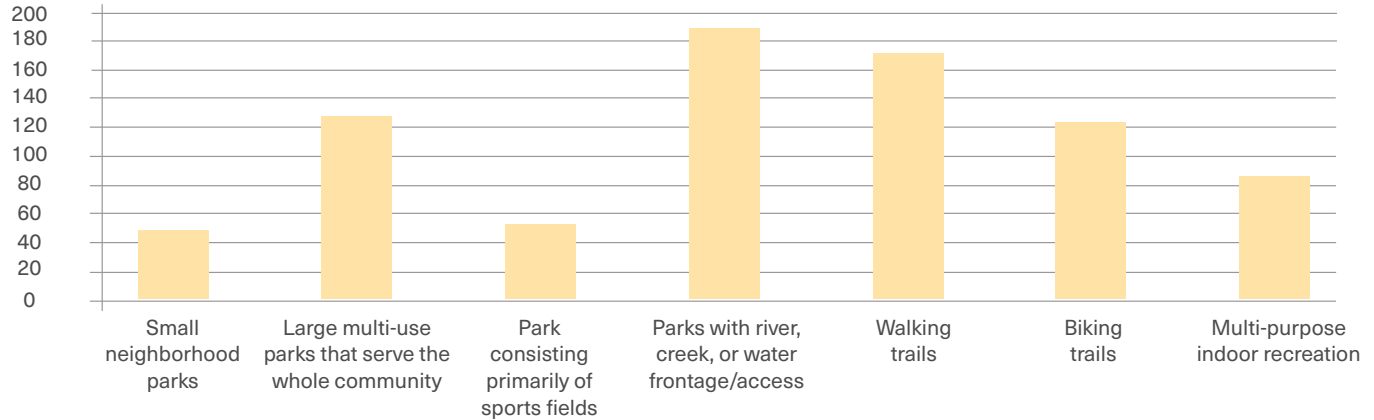
FIGURE 7: TRAVEL LOCATION OUTSIDE OF DAVIDSON



## FUTURE PROGRAMS AND FACILITIES

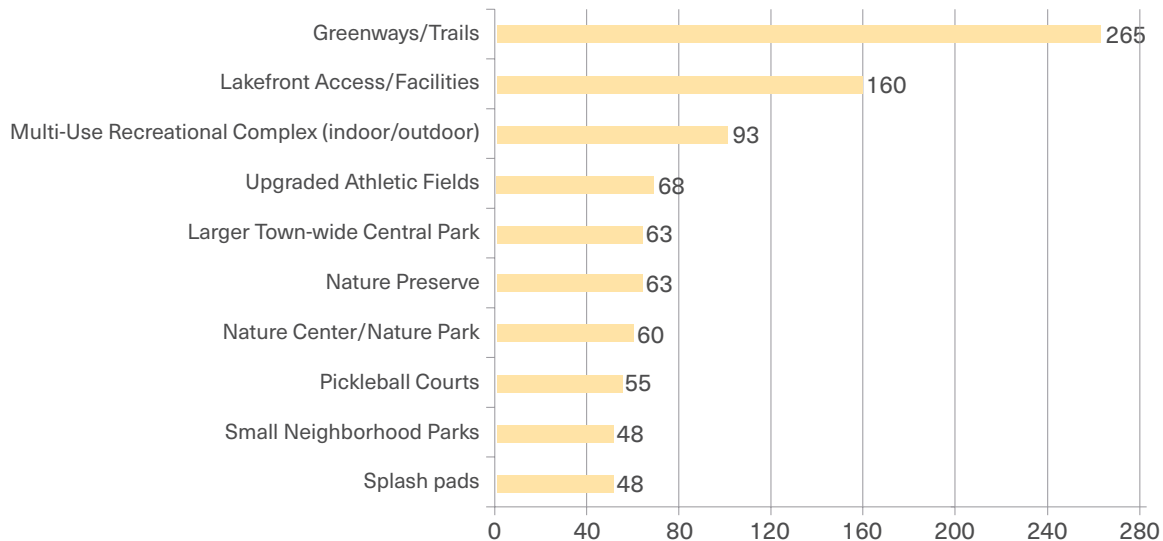
In assessing existing gaps and programs and facilities needed in Davidson, there were a few areas that stood out. The following chart (Figure 8) shows the result when residents were asked “what type of open space is most needed in Davidson?” Passive recreation facilities, especially parks with water access and greenways/trails, received the most votes and comments. Among the write-in responses, respondents also asked for more sidewalks, dog parks, skate parks, and expanded conservation areas.

FIGURE 8: MOST NEEDED OPEN SPACE TYPES



When asked about specific facilities, the responses echoed the same sentiments. While traditional active recreation facilities, such as pickleball and splash pads, received a considerable amount of votes, greenways and trails and parks with water access emerged as a top priority overall.

FIGURE 9: TOP 10 ADDITIONAL FACILITIES



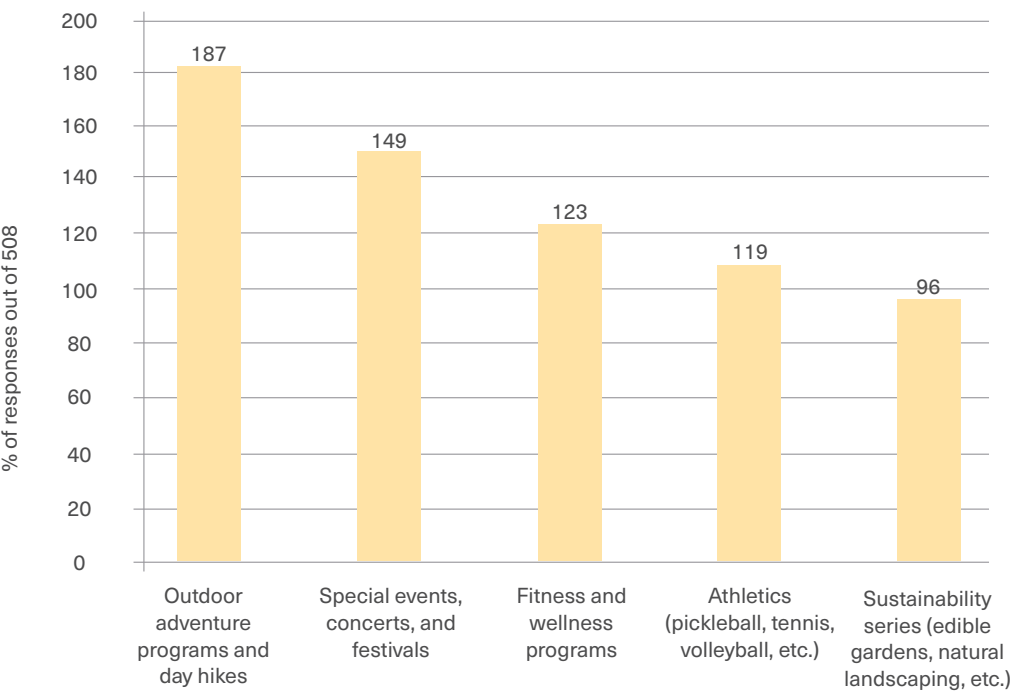
Many of the comments reinforced these results with a considerable number of comments requesting active recreation opportunities such as tennis, pickleball, and basketball courts, as well as mountain biking trails and upgraded fields.



While great facilities are of paramount importance, they will never reach their potential without quality programming. The following (Figure 10, below) shows the survey results, when asked what programs are most beneficial to Davidson.

Consistent with the assessment of the current facilities and programs, this chart illustrates a need for programming for teens, adults and families. Likewise, many people expressed the importance of community events, and that they would like to see additional concerts and festivals.

FIGURE 10: TOP 5 MOST DESIRED PROGRAMS IN DAVIDSON



“It would be nice to have guided nature walks with historians to explain the history of Davidson.”  
- survey respondent

“I’d like to see adult programming [in the evening] after traditional work hours.”  
- survey respondent

“Having more programs that take advantage of the special resource we have at the lake would be great.”  
- survey respondent



## HEALTH AND WELLNESS

As an essential part of the Town of Davidson Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update, residents' perception of their health and wellness and how well these needs are being met is of great importance. In this assessment, respondents were asked what motivates them to use parks and recreation facilities, how they perceive their own health and wellness, and what could be provided to improve these. The following is an overview of the health and wellness survey results.

When asked, "Do you feel you (and your family) have access to adequate opportunities to lead healthy/active lives?," an overwhelming number of respondents answered "Yes." This is a 4% increase from responses in 2014 (see Figure 11 at right).

When broken down by the types of access they may have, a majority of residents believe they have access to many different types of healthy activities and facilities.

FIGURE 11: ADEQUATE OPPORTUNITIES FOR HEALTHY / ACTIVE LIVES

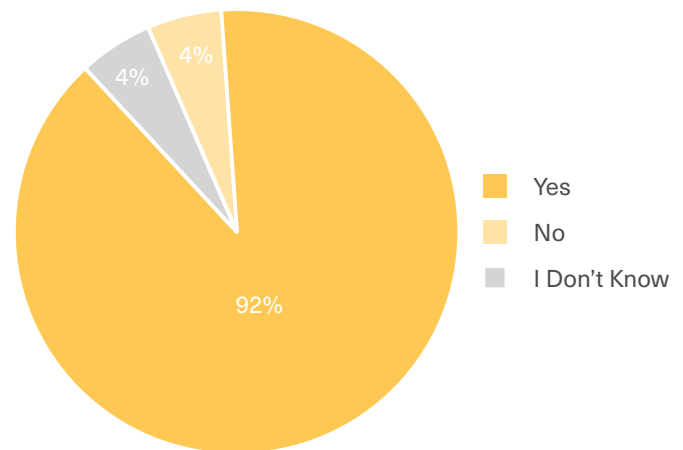
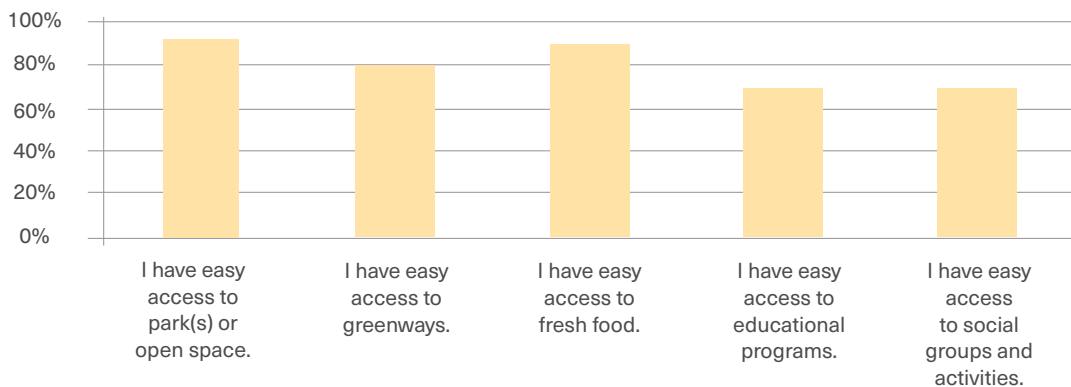


FIGURE 12: ACCESS OPPORTUNITIES



In an open-ended question, respondents were asked to complete the statement, "I would lead a healthier lifestyle if..." **Time was the most common response with 33 mentions.** Other common responses included:

- "...I had safer options for walking and bicycle riding around town."
- "...there was a more connected greenway and trail system."
- "...I had a better work-life balance."
- "...I had more options close by for exercising."
- "...there were more social opportunities and places to gather."
- "...I had more access to healthy foods."

## Public Input: Phase 2

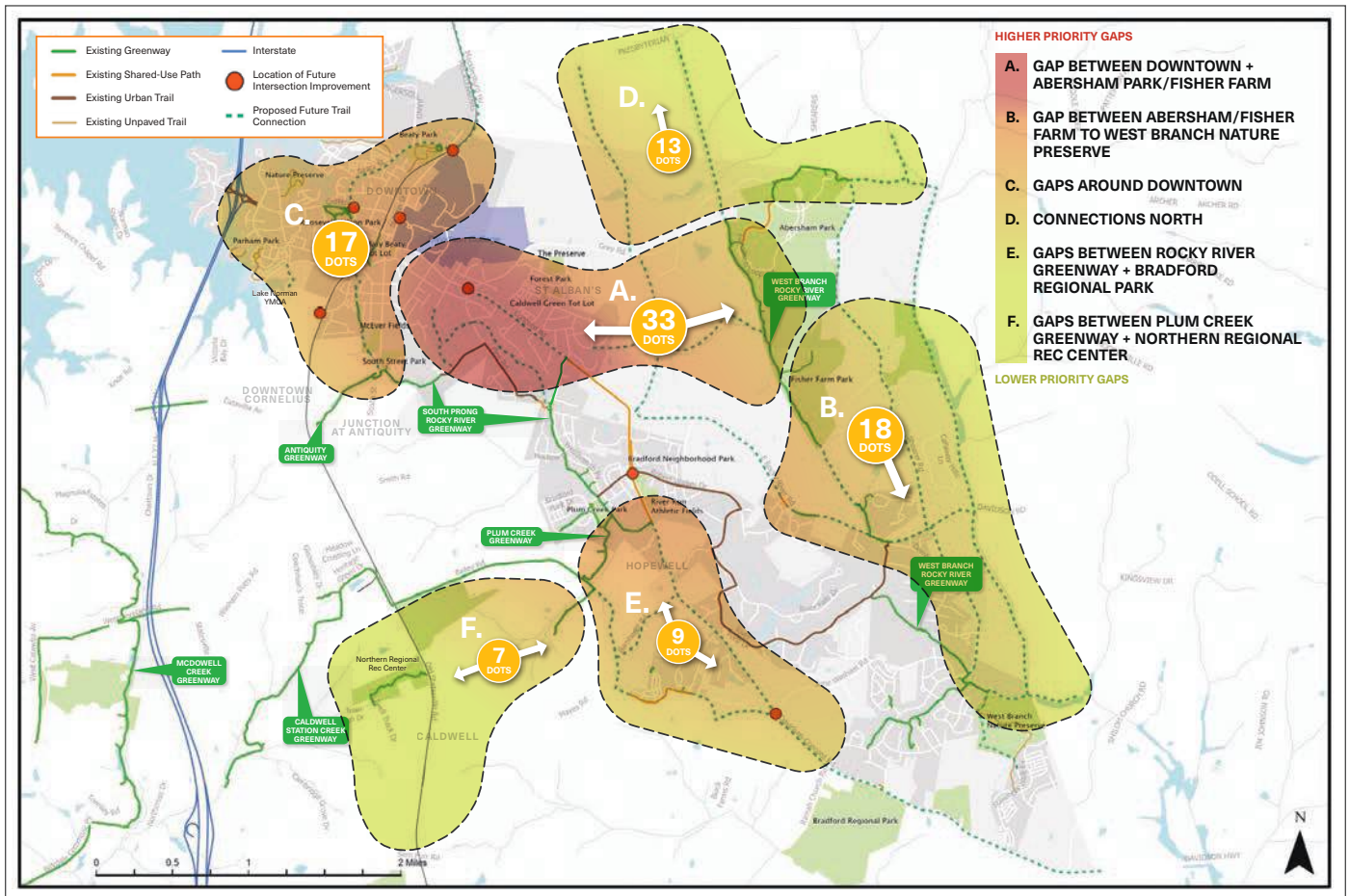
The project team completed a second phase of public information sessions late April-May 2024 to present the draft recommendations for the Master Plan Update and receive feedback on the progress to date. The Town hosted three drop-in sessions at Town Day, Davidson Farmer's Market, and Earth Day to capture feedback from a diverse group of residents. There was also a short online prioritization survey for users that wanted to provide input virtually. At the tent, residents reviewed a high-level summary of findings from the Community Survey and a comparison of how the Town of Davidson performs next to national standards before being given stickers to note their preferences in a series of activities. **The goal of this second phase was to generate more detailed feedback from the community about specific strategies, amenities, and programs that will address the service gaps and challenges identified by the 2024 Community Survey.** The following is a cumulative summary of the feedback from the in-person sessions:

- **Communication Strategies:** Online platforms and social media were the preferred forms of communication. Text blasts and radio ads received the lowest number of votes. The Town of Davidson already maintains their website and socials regularly.
  - **Sustainable Practices:** A preference for low-impact, native landscaping with an emphasis on conservation was a key theme from input. 'Water bottle refill stations' received the most dots.
  - **Maintenance Strategies:** Litter management and access to dog pickup/waste receptacles was a major theme, especially for the short-term. Sustainability and conservation maintenance practices (like invasive species management and enhanced stream/lake buffers) were the top long-term strategies.
  - **Greenway Expansion:** Connections between Downtown Davidson and Abersham Park/Fisher Farm received the most dots. Many people also placed dots on the trail gaps between Abersham Park/Fisher Farm and West Branch Nature Preserve and smaller gaps around Downtown. See map on facing page, page 37, for a hot spot map of greenway priorities.
  - **Amenity Recommendations:** Hiking and biking trails, kayaking, and pickleball were top answers from respondents.
  - **Underserved Demographics:**
    - **Teens:** Hobby and special interest courses (hiking/camping, art/photography, drone flying, skate parks) were popular. LGBTQ+ group was a write-in response with strong support.
    - **Families:** Family movie nights received the most dots for short-term strategies. Active outdoor programs that teach skills – kayaking, urban farming, group bike rides – were the top long-term strategies. Splash pad was a write-in long-term strategy that received a lot of support.
  - **Program Recommendations:** Health and wellness, arts and crafts, and music and theater were the top 3 program themes that appealed to respondents.
- To review the exhibits and individual scores from the second phase of public input sessions, please refer to Appendix D, page 127.





FIGURE 13: GREENWAY EXPANSION HOT SPOTS



## PRIORITIZATION SURVEY

The Town of Davidson released a Prioritization Survey as a follow-up to the Community Survey across April and May 2024. The survey link was shared at the in-person public input sessions as the final step in the series of exhibits, and was intended to be used to identify high-priority system, facility, and program recommendations in the Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update. Overall, the Prioritization Survey received less participation (39 responses) than the in-person activities. The feedback received is summarized below:

### Key Themes

- Expanding access via greenways and other bike facilities was a top comment from respondents.
- Land and tree conservation was mentioned multiple times in responses.
- Maintenance is a priority for some residents.

### Top 3 High Priority System Recommendations

- Increase funding as recommended in this Master Plan.
- Seek opportunities and support for public/private partnerships.
- Establish a 10-minute walk to a park, greenway, or public space.

### Top 3 High Priority Facility Recommendations

- Create a connected system of bike and pedestrian facilities.
- Ensure all facilities are maintained to a consistently high quality standard.
- Increase active recreation amenities to provide closer access for residents.

### Top 3 High Priority Program Recommendations

- Continue to provide and expand special events in parks.
- Develop health and exercise programs that appeal to all of Davidson.
- Continue to expand and develop new summer camp programs for residents.

# 05 Davidson Standards



Image: Basketball game at the Community School of Davidson



# 05 Davidson Standards

## THE LEVEL OF SERVICE ANALYSIS IS A GOOD STARTING POINT

to determine demand for a recreation system. By incorporating these findings with community values and priorities, and the knowledge that some of this demand is being met by other facilities, a tailored Level of Service for the Town of Davidson was defined.

Based on extensive community engagement through meetings with the Davidson Parks and Recreation Department, Livability Board, stakeholder interviews, public meetings, and the community survey, the Davidson Level of Service standard is defined as the following:

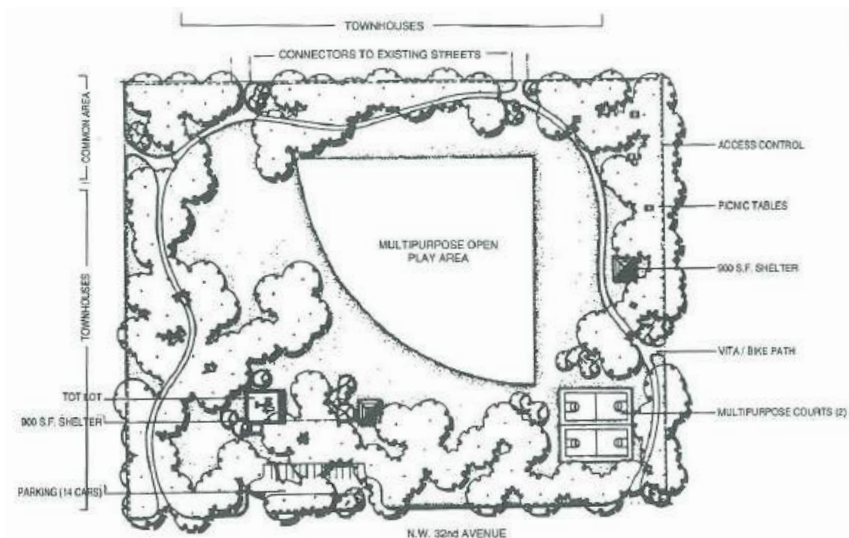
- **10-minute walk to a Davidson greenway or park**
- 10 acres per 1,000 residents for parks
- 16 acres per 1,000 residents including dedicated open space
- A new town-wide greenway system, connecting parks and open space
- Dedication standard for new development
- Park classification system for Davidson

The following section describes the parks and greenway types that comprise the Davidson classification system. This classification system should be used as a standard for developing park land in respect to park size, types of amenities offered and service radius to citizens. By applying these classifications to the existing park facilities and future park development, the park system framework is created.

The parks serve as the destination points or nodes of the system, while sidewalks, greenways and trails provide the links or corridors between the nodes.







#### EXAMPLES OF EXISTING NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS:

- Parham Park
- Beaty Park
- Plum Creek Park
- Bradford Neighborhood Park

SOURCE: MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PARKS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES DEPARTMENT

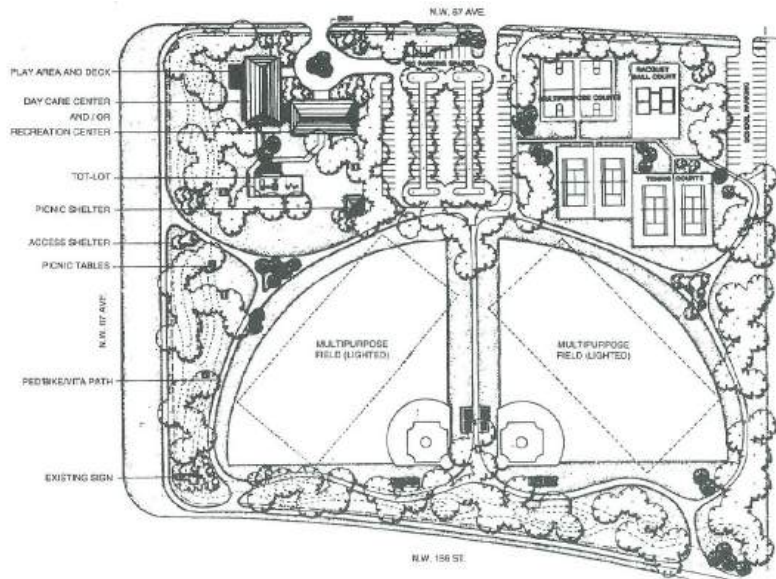


## Neighborhood/Mini Park

The Neighborhood/Mini Park is the basic unit of a park and recreation system and the foundation of all great systems. These parks are the smallest in size of the parks types, but often times the most widely used. They offer a recreational and social focus for the neighborhood they serve and are gathering spots for informal active and passive recreation. Neighborhood/Mini Parks generally have a 1/4-mile service radius of their intended users and are typically located on lightly travelled local roads. As with all parks in the parks system, it should be connected to or provide linkages to the greenway system. A Neighborhood/Mini Park size can be up to 10 acres in size often offering optional parking or on-street parking.

#### MINIMUM NEIGHBORHOOD/ MINI PARK STANDARDS:

- Up to 10 acres in size
- ¼-mile service radius
- Connection to the greenway
- Unprogrammed, multipurpose open space
- Internal path system
- Picnic and seating areas
- Pedestrian scale lighting for safety and security
- Design should reflect the neighborhood character
- One small unique and accessible active space
- Space for edible landscapes, if desired



**EXAMPLES OF EXISTING COMMUNITY PARKS:**

- River Run Athletic Park
- McEver Fields

SOURCE: MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PARKS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES DEPARTMENT



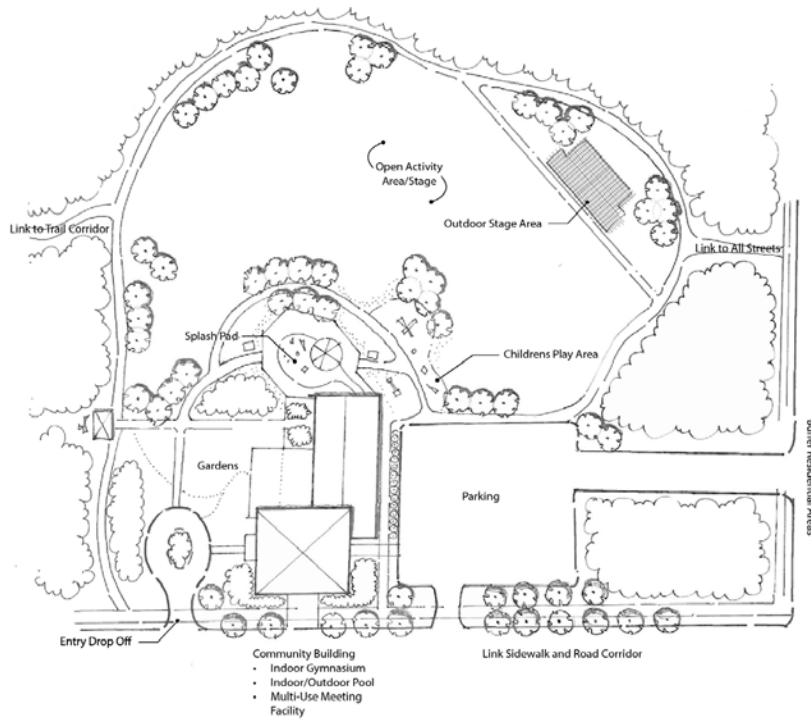
## Community Park

The Community Park serves the community on a broader scale than the Neighborhood/Mini Park. The main purpose of the Community Park is to provide the community a focal point for a variety of recreational needs. It can also function as a community meeting place for social and recreational activities. The average size for a Community Park is between 10 to 50 acres and has a service radius of three miles from the park. Since the Community Park is designed to service the recreational needs of the community, it is usually located near arterial and collector streets that can accommodate the number of visitors to the park.

### MINIMUM COMMUNITY PARK STANDARDS:

- 10-50 acres in size
- 3-mile service radius
- Internal path system which connects to the town-wide greenway system
- Restroom facilities
- Programmed recreational fields and courts
- Picnic shelters
- Children's play area
- Shelter building
- Landscape features
- Parking areas
- Lighting for security, safety and facilities
- Space for a edible landscapes, if desired





**EXAMPLES OF EXISTING COMMUNITY CENTRAL PARKS:**

- Roosevelt Wilson Park
- Town Green

SOURCE: MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PARKS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES DEPARTMENT



## Community Central Park

The Community Central Park concept was identified early in the public input process as a centralized park in the historic downtown where the community can gather and have a sense of place. The character of the Community Central Park should reflect the historical and cultural resources found within the surrounding community, making it the iconic park for the park system. Within the Community Central Park would be a community center facility. The center will provide a place for citizens to gather, hold meetings, and offer community programs and events. The primary focus of the center will be to offer programming and services for seniors.

## MINIMUM COMMUNITY CENTRAL PARK STANDARDS

- Multipurpose Community Center
- Focus on seniors and youth programming
- Indoor recreation facilities
- Indoor/outdoor aquatics facilities
- Outdoor community gathering area for events
- Lighting for safety, security, and facilities
- Informal open space for recreation
- Children's play area
- Dog area
- Internal paths connected to town-wide greenway system
- Located in or near downtown
- Strong street presence
- Parking
- Space for a community garden, if desired
- Farmer's market, if desired





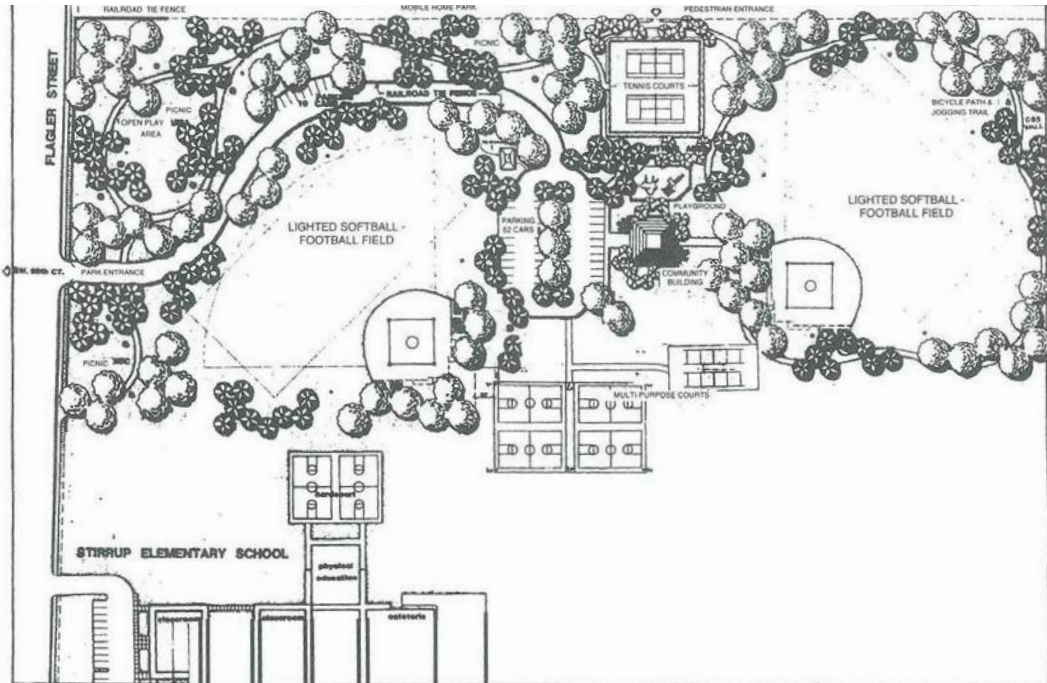
## Special-Use Parks

Special-Use Parks play an important role within the park system framework. These parks offer users different activities not typically found in a parks and recreation system. Parks are typically a single-use facility catering to a single activity. Special-use parks can range in the amount of programming and free use depending on the nature of the activities. Examples of these types of facilities would be skate parks, dog parks, a sports complex, or a nature preserve.

### EXAMPLES OF EXISTING SPECIAL USE PARKS:

- Mary Beaty Tot Lot
- Faulkner Square Park
- The Preserve Dog Park
- Fisher Farm Park





SOURCE: MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PARKS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES DEPARTMENT



## School Parks

School Parks are a great asset to the community. A School Park is a joint-use facility between the Parks and Recreation Department and school district. The park is located next to a school facility and is used by both the school and the public. The park can function either as a neighborhood park or community park depending on the acreage of land being developed and the facilities that are being proposed. A School Park offers both active and passive

recreational activities and is oriented more towards youth recreation. Due to the nature of the park as a shared-use facility between the Parks and Recreation Department and the school district, a joint-use agreement will need to be enacted. The joint-use agreement will need to address financial responsibilities, maintenance, liabilities and accessibility of use.



## Greenways and Trails

Greenways and trails provide the essential link between parks and destination points throughout the park system and can be located in a variety of settings. Greenways are typically separated from vehicular traffic and follow streams and river corridors. Locating greenways in these natural corridors provides a buffer to the riparian corridors protecting them from future development. They can be located within existing utility corridors, making construction and obtaining easements less time consuming and less of a financial burden for the town. Trails can also be located along a roadway, called a sidepath, to utilize the existing right-of-way of the street grid to directly access destinations. These facilities offer multiple users, including hikers, runners and bicyclists, opportunities for recreation.

**There is a very high demand and desire for an expanded trail and greenway system in Davidson**, as indicated by the two phases of public engagement and the 2024 community survey. For this reason, the Town should adopt a 10-minute walk standard – this means that **every Davidson resident should be within a 10-minute walk (approx. ½-mile) of a trail access point or park from their home**. Working towards this goal will ensure that there is adequate greenway connections in all neighborhoods and help close gaps to create a more equitable park and open space system.

Trailheads and trail access points, with amenities such as signage/trail kiosks (includes instructions and maps), benches, lighting (as appropriate), and waste receptacles should be located every ½-mile along the greenway and public streets. Depending on the location and potential number of users accessing the greenway at that location, the design of trailheads can be scalable. Smaller trailheads may simply have a sign indicating access to the greenway, while larger trailheads may contain parking areas, seating, and restroom facilities. When developing future parks, provide connections to and integration with the greenway system. By linking and constructing parks and greenways together, it creates a cohesive park system of corridors and nodes that can be enjoyed and accessed by citizens regardless of their location within the Town.



### EXAMPLES OF EXISTING GREENWAYS AND TRAILS:

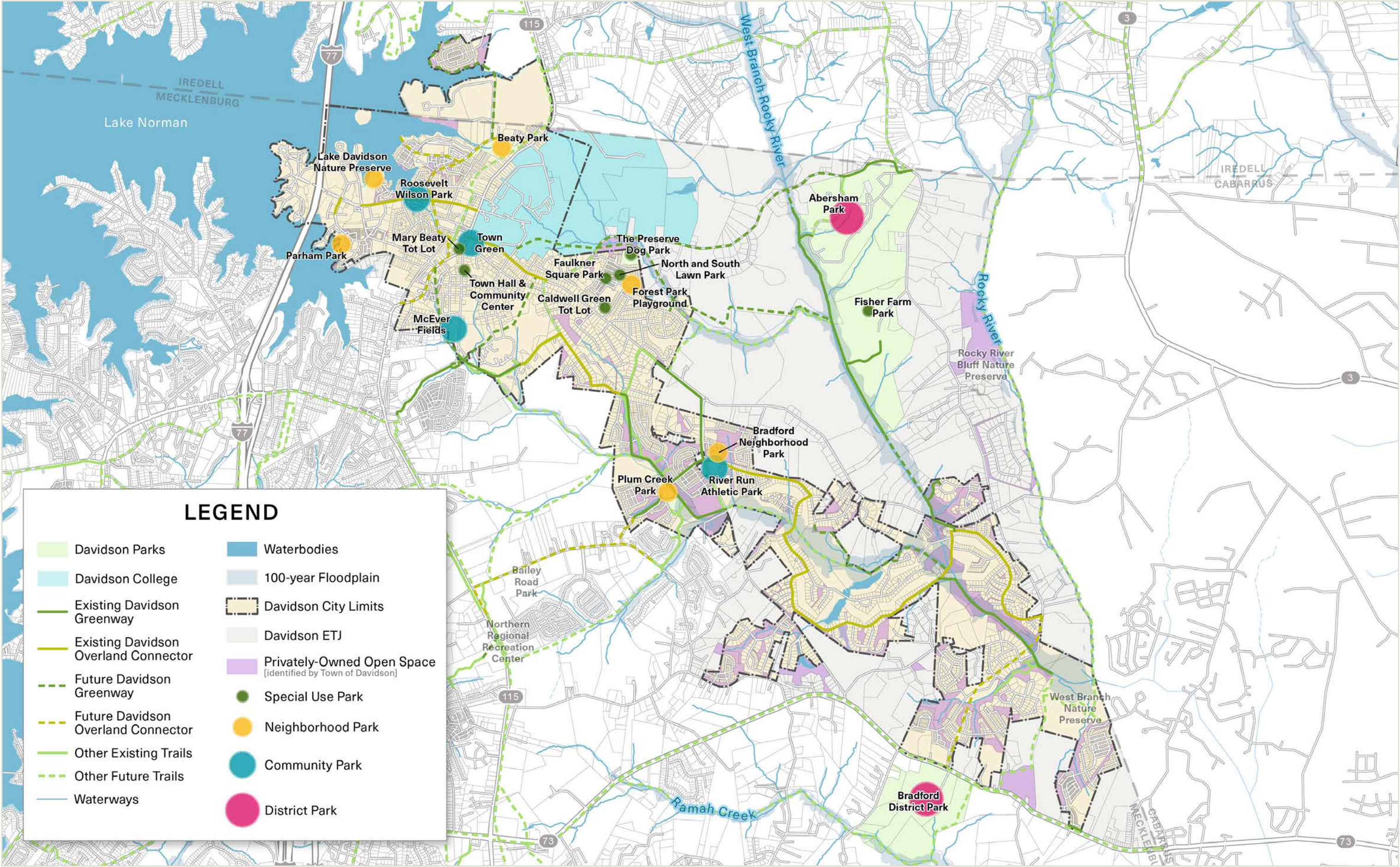
- South Prong Rocky River Greenway
- West Branch Rocky River Greenway
- Plum Creek Greenway





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06

# Recommendations and Action Plan



Image: Tree planting event at Fisher Farm (2022)



# 06 Recommendations and Action Plan

**THIS SECTION OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN UPDATE** provides recommendations and specific implementation strategies to meet existing and future community needs. These recommendations build upon the 2014 Master Plan recommendations and stem from the findings of the Needs Assessment, research, and an understanding of trends, industry standards, and community input.

The previously-adopted 2014 Parks and Recreation Master Plan is a reflection of the community's long-held values and support for parks, green space, climate resilience, fitness, and wellness. The plan defines a vision for the system based on these values, and has guided decision-making over the last 10 years. Today's system of parks, trails, programs, athletics, and large parcels of natural space is a result of this effort, and a major contributor to Davidson's high quality of life and regional identity.

Since 2014, the department has been proactive advancing recommendations in the Comprehensive Plan and 2014 Master Plan, seeking new funding opportunities and partnerships, and improving the communication strategy to increase awareness of offerings. Although Davidson already exceeds many of the national standards for parks and recreation (as detailed in the Level of Service section, page 21), the Town believes that there is always room to grow and improve. The 2024 recommendations refine the 2014 recommendations, identify gaps in the system, and plan for the next 20 years of population growth while also understanding the preferences, needs, and trends of today. All of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update recommendations and policies within this document are reflective of the project goals, stakeholder interviews, public meetings, Community Surveys, and meetings with staff. The recommendations were created through the lens of the Seven Dimensions of Health.

## Master Plan Goals



Increase physical exercise



Promote safety to reduce injuries



Increase access to healthy food



Improve air + water quality



Minimize the effect of climate change



Decrease mental health stressors



Strengthen the social fabric of a community



Provide fair access to resources

# System Recommendations and Actions

The following are the key findings that inform the recommendations pertinent to the governance of the Town of Davidson's Parks and Recreation Department at the system level. Included with each recommendation is its rationale and applicable key action steps to be taken for implementation. These recommendations are summarized in a table at the end of this section (page 59).

## KEY FINDINGS

The Town of Davidson has made a lot of progress since 2014, as demonstrated through the addition of 47.4 acres of parkland, 3.3 miles of greenway, and a number of new amenities. The town has also been proactive seeking funding and partnerships, advancing recommendations as determined in the Comprehensive Plan and 2014 Parks and Recreation Master Plan, and improving the communication and marketing strategy to increase the awareness of the Department's facilities and offerings.

Improving the **communication strategy** and employing more **sustainable practices** within the Department were common requests from all of the sources of input. Communication to residents is a very common challenge departments face, so this input was not atypical. Carbon neutrality goals, native landscaping, increased land acquisition and conservation are practices that many parks and recreation departments are adopting as the culture shifts nationally. 72% of agencies do not yet have an adopted goal or mandate to reduce their carbon footprint – Davidson has an adopted Sustainability Framework in the 2020 Comprehensive Plan, and a Climate Action Plan (adopted April 2024) and aims to achieve carbon neutrality for all municipal operations by 2037.

## COMMUNITY SURVEY

- People are generally positive about the quality of Davidson Parks and Recreation. 57% of survey respondents report being satisfied with the overall Town of Davidson Parks and Recreation system, which is an improvement from the 2014 responses.
- Survey indicates that the top barriers of using Davidson parks, facilities, and programs include lack of a specific facility or activity (22%), lack of awareness of offerings or facilities (14%), and lack of communication about offerings (12%).
- Connectivity was a popular topic that appeared in all responses to the open-ended questions. 1/3 of survey respondents note that they wish that Davidson provided more opportunities closer to home to safely walk, bike, and hike on trails that are separated from roadways and connect to parks and open space.

- Survey indicates that some residents feel there is an inequitable distribution of programs and facilities on the west side of Davidson. The town's shape is likely a factor in the distribution of facilities, the perceived isolation, and the lack of pedestrian and bicycle connections.

## BEST PRACTICES, NATIONAL STANDARDS, AND TRENDS

- 76% of park and recreation agencies print a program catalog or guide to promote their offerings (Davidson has a monthly newsletter).
- The Town of Davidson currently exceeds the NRPA national metric for acres of parkland per 1,000 residents at 46.4 acres of parkland per 1,000 residents (compared to the metric of 10.8 acres per 1,000 acres).
- Davidson exceeds the NRPA national metric for residents per park at 1,126 residents per park (compared to the metric of 2,297 residents). The 2040 population estimate also exceed this metric, at 2,028 residents per park, indicating that there is a sufficient number of existing parks in the town.
- Davidson exceeds the NRPA national at 27.4 acres of active recreational parkland per 1,000 residents (compared to the metric of 10 acres of parkland per 1,000 residents). This number does not include the 538.87 acres of nature preserves.
- Davidson has just over 9 miles of greenway, which is in the median range of trail miles for a community of a similar population (2-10 miles for a population of less than 20,000 people according to 2023 NRPA Park Metrics). Based on the estimated 2040 population, Davidson will need 8.2 additional miles of trail to remain in the median range.

## PREVIOUS PLANNING STUDIES

- The 2020 Comprehensive Plan recommends that the Department continues to partner with Mecklenburg County and other organizations to integrate sustainable practices, including protection of critical watersheds and other sensitive areas.
- The 2020 Comprehensive Plan prioritizes safe streets for all and includes recommendations to increase transportation options and improve access town-wide.

SYSTEM RECOMMENDATION 1

Establish a Town of Davidson Access Standard – Residents should be within a 10-minute walk to a park, greenway, or public space as a part of a connected open space system.

SOURCE

2014                      2014 (Revised)                      2024 (New)

RATIONALE

☒ National standards / best practices

☒ Previous plans

☐ Design team observations

☒ Community engagement

ACTION STEPS

- **Action S1.1:** Adopt the 10-minute walk to a park or greenway as a town-wide standard, as outlined in the 2024 Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update (System Recommendation 12).
- **Action S1.2:** Prioritize constructing trail segments that fill gaps in the open space network, including the following segments identified by the public:
  - Connection to Abersham Park/Fisher Farm from the west (Downtown Davidson)
  - Connection to Abersham Park/Fisher Farm from the south (West Branch Nature Preserve)
  - Segments of The Seam – Beaty Park north to Davidson Pointe
  - Connection to Bradford Regional Park from the north (Rocky River Greenway extension)
  - Connection to Northern Regional Rec Center from the east (Plum Creek Greenway extension)
  - Other gaps around Downtown Davidson
- **Action S1.3:** Provide amenity stations and enhanced wayfinding along trails to encourage longer trips.
- **Action S1.4:** Consider trail connections that go beyond Davidson municipal boundaries and provide access to the regional trail network (Carolina Thread Trail, Great Trails State, etc.)
- **Action S1.5:** Work with Planning Department to update the Davidson Planning Ordinance to ensure public access requirements to open space are associated with new development.

| RESPONSIBILITY                                                                                                   | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Davidson Parks and Recreation<br>Davidson Projects Manager<br>Davidson Planning Department<br>Mecklenburg County | Staff time, funding    | Ongoing <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> |

SYSTEM RECOMMENDATION 2

Update the Parks and Recreation Master Plan every 10 years, at a minimum.

SOURCE

2014                      2014 (Revised)                      2024 (New)

RATIONALE

☒ National standards / best practices

☒ Previous plans

☐ Design team observations

☐ Community engagement

ACTION STEPS

- **Action S2.1:** The Parks and Recreation Master Plan should be updated every 10 years, at a minimum (2034).
- **Action S2.2:** Revisit the Strategic Plan/Action Items annually.

| RESPONSIBILITY                | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                      |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Davidson Parks and Recreation | Staff time, funding    | Ongoing  |

#### SYSTEM RECOMMENDATION 3

**Increase funding to meet the recommendations outlined in this Master Plan.**

##### SOURCE

2014 2014 (Revised) 2024 (New)

##### RATIONALE



National standards / best practices



Previous plans



Design team observations



Community engagement

##### ACTION STEPS

- **Action S3.1:** Secure more funding to complete greenway gaps (CIP, CRTPO, federal grants, partnerships, etc.).
- **Action S3.2:** Secure more funding for amenities.
- **Action S3.3:** Increase funding for maintenance as the system expands.
- **Action S3.4:** Secure more funding to meet staffing needs, including the following positions: parks maintenance manager, community recreation programmer, communications role (see System Recommendations 6, 8, and 9 for more information about potential role expansions and/or new hires).

| RESPONSIBILITY                | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS                     | TIMING                                                                                          |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Davidson Parks and Recreation | Staff time, funding, potential new role(s) | Immediate  |

#### SYSTEM RECOMMENDATION 4

**Partner with public/private schools and churches to provide more opportunities for shared-use of existing and future facilities that will fill service gaps as identified in this Master Plan.**

##### SOURCE

2014 2014 (Revised) 2024 (New)

##### RATIONALE



National standards / best practices



Previous plans



Design team observations



Community engagement

##### ACTION STEPS

- **Action S4.1:** Continue to establish standard forms, protocol, and joint use agreements that clearly lay out facility maintenance and use for all stakeholders involved with partners.
- **Action S4.2:** Consider opportunities to partner with Ada Jenkins Center and other schools to provide shared facilities and programs to the community.

| RESPONSIBILITY                                                                                              | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                        |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Davidson Parks and Recreation<br>Ada Jenkins Center<br>Mecklenburg County<br>CMS/local schools and churches | Staff time             | Ongoing  |

## SYSTEM RECOMMENDATION 5

**Continue collaboration with Cornelius and Huntersville to provide programs and services to residents of all three communities.**

### SOURCE

2014      2014 (Revised)      2024 (New)

### RATIONALE

|                                                              |                                                    |                                                   |                                               |
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### ACTION STEPS

- **Action S5.1:** Continue the working relationship between Davidson, Cornelius, Huntersville, Mooresville, and Mecklenburg County to expand bike and pedestrian connectivity.
- **Action S5.2:** Work together to ensure there isn't duplication of services.
- **Action S5.3:** Establish a formal partnership with neighboring municipalities, including a joint programming and fee structure agreement that treats the residents of each municipality equally.

| RESPONSIBILITY                                                                    | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                      |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Davidson Parks and Recreation<br>Cornelius and Huntersville<br>Mecklenburg County | Staff time, funding    | Ongoing  |

## SYSTEM RECOMMENDATION 6

**Utilize the marketing and communications strategy to enhance education and awareness of the programs, class schedules, and facilities offered in and around Davidson.**

### SOURCE

2014      2014 (Revised)      2024 (New)

### RATIONALE

|                                                              |                                                    |                                                   |                                                          |
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### ACTION STEPS

- **Action S6.1:** Continue to leverage and streamline the Town website and social media across a broad audience for dissemination of information.
- **Action S6.2:** Continue to maintain an updated calendar of events that includes information on daily programs and classes, sign up opportunities, and special events. Post physical calendars at park kiosks and popular community spots.
- **Action S6.3:** Review current communication tools in use to identify gaps reaching Davidson's diverse populations and develop a plan to adopt new platforms if needed.
- **Action S6.4:** Consider creating a dedicated role in the Parks and Recreation department that is specific to the management of Davidson parks and recreation communications (social media, marketing, website).

| RESPONSIBILITY                                                      | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS                          | TIMING                                                                                        |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Davidson Parks and Recreation<br>Davidson Communications Department | Staff time, potential new hire or job expansion | Ongoing  |



SYSTEM RECOMMENDATION 7

Seek opportunities and support to develop public/private partnerships for land acquisition, adopt a park/trail, park/trail build, funding, and sponsorship opportunities.

SOURCE

2014 2014 (Revised) 2024 (New)

RATIONALE

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ACTION STEPS

- **Action S7.1:** Track and document the economic and health impacts of Davidson's parks and open space, and leverage this benefit to advocate for increased municipal support for capital and operating needs.
- **Action S7.2:** Explore potential for new earned income streams (e.g. vending, paid programming) to support ongoing park operation needs.
- **Action S7.3:** Research and pursue federal/state grants to support specific park/trail renovations and green infrastructure.
- **Action S7.4:** Continue and seek opportunities to expand the "adopt a park/trail" program for unique community facilities to provide additional support for them.
- **Action S7.5:** Pursue new partnerships with stakeholders (e.g. philanthropies, corporate sponsors) who can provide funding to support both capital and operation needs.
- **Action S7.6:** Continue to seek opportunities for land acquisition with partnerships, such as land conservancies, to create new conservation areas and active/passive recreation spaces.

| RESPONSIBILITY                                                                                                                  | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Davidson Parks and Recreation<br>Mecklenburg County<br>Davidson Lands Conservancy<br>Trust for Public Land<br>plus partnerships | Staff time, funding    | Ongoing <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> |

SYSTEM RECOMMENDATION 8

Continue to expand the use of alternative funding through volunteers, grants, and donations.

SOURCE

2014 2014 (Revised) 2024 (New)

RATIONALE

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### ACTION STEPS

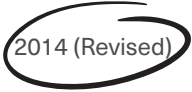
- **Action S8.1:** Create a new dedicated role or expand an existing role within the Parks and Recreation department for the tracking and facilitation of partnerships, grants, contractors, and volunteer opportunities.
- **Action S8.2:** Coordinate the partnership program with the communications and social media strategy.
- **Action S8.3:** Identify new partnership opportunities to expand reach and diversify audience and opportunities.
- **Action S8.4:** Continue to demonstrate the utilization and need for current and future additional staff positions through tracking resources and impact.

| RESPONSIBILITY                                                                                      | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS         | TIMING                                                                                      |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Davidson Parks and Recreation<br>Davidson Planning Department<br>Davidson Communications Department | Staff time, potential new role | Ongoing  |

### SYSTEM RECOMMENDATION 9

**Work to maintain or increase the level of maintenance in the park system. Establish a plan to continually assess the quality of maintenance, risk, and safety of each park.**

### SOURCE

2014  2014 (Revised) 2024 (New)

### RATIONALE

|                                                                         |                                                    |                                                   |                                                          |
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### ACTION STEPS

- **Action S9.1:** Develop a sustainable plan to increase park maintenance budgets year over year.
- **Action S9.2:** Include maintenance teams in the design review and decision-making process for new trails, parks, and park elements.
- **Action S9.3:** For each new park/trail or park/trail improvement, develop a maintenance plan and identify funding sources in tandem with the design.
- **Action S9.4:** Adopt park and trail-specific sustainability goals to support a reduction in long-term maintenance (e.g. reduce mowing requirements, utilize LED lights, adopt Dark Sky initiatives, reduce chemicals/herbicides, deploy flood mitigation techniques in sensitive areas, etc.)
- **Action S9.5:** Work with the communications team to create resources that educate the public on the role of the Parks and Recreation Department maintenance team vs. Public Works.
- **Action S9.6:** Develop a Park Maintenance Operations Plan that is updated annually.
- **Action S9.7:** Develop and adopt a Davidson-standard Landscape Manual for all public projects with maintenance level, aesthetics, and sustainability as guideposts of the plan.
- **Action S9.8:** Prioritize installing more litter receptacles and dog waste stations in Davidson Parks, especially around Downtown and in more high-traffic parks and trails.
- **Action S9.9:** Consider adding a role within the department that focuses on park-specific maintenance.

| RESPONSIBILITY                                                                         | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                        |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Davidson Parks and Recreation<br>Davidson Planning Department<br>Davidson Public Works | Staff time             | Ongoing  |

SYSTEM RECOMMENDATION 10

Continue to work through the Livability Board to advocate for, promote, and support the development and growth of the Parks and Rec Department to meet the needs of the community.

SOURCE

2014 2014 (Revised) 2024 (New)

RATIONALE

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| <input type="checkbox"/> National standards / best practices | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Previous plans | <input type="checkbox"/> Design team observations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community engagement |
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| RESPONSIBILITY                                             | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                |
|------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Davidson Parks and Recreation<br>Davidson Livability Board | Staff time             | Ongoing <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> |

SYSTEM RECOMMENDATION 11

Expand sustainability and conservation efforts town-wide.

SOURCE

2014 2014 (Revised) 2024 (New)

RATIONALE

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ACTION STEPS

- **Action S11.1:** Look for opportunities to incorporate meaningful green stormwater features.
- **Action S11.2:** Work to minimize the development footprint of new parks and park elements.
- **Action S11.3:** Host seasonal or annual clean up days of trails, nature preserves, and parks.
- **Action S11.4:** Install recycling receptacles and water bottle refill fountains in parks.
- **Action S11.5:** Make events and programs more low-waste by using recyclable/compostable products and providing adequate and accessible receptacles.
- **Action S11.6:** Consider installing food waste drop off at more parks around Davidson.
- **Action S11.7:** Look for opportunities to use all native and pollinator-friendly landscapes at Davidson facilities. Consider replacing invasives with native and pollinator-friendly plants.

| RESPONSIBILITY                                                                            | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Davidson Sustainability Manager<br>Davidson Parks and Recreation<br>Davidson Public Works | Staff time, funding    | Short-term <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> |

|  <b>How do the System Recommendations Support the 7 Dimensions of Health?</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                    | 7 Dimensions of Health |        |           |            |               |              |          |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------|-----------|------------|---------------|--------------|----------|
|                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                    | Physical               | Social | Emotional | Vocational | Environmental | Intellectual | Cultural |
| S1                                                                                                                                                             | Establish a Town of Davidson Access Standard – Residents should be within a 10-minute walk to a park, greenway, or public space as a part of a connected open space system.        | X                      | X      | X         |            | X             |              |          |
| S2                                                                                                                                                             | Update the Parks and Recreation Master Plan every 10 years, at a minimum.                                                                                                          | X                      | X      | X         | X          | X             | X            | X        |
| S3                                                                                                                                                             | Increase funding as recommended in this Master Plan.                                                                                                                               | X                      | X      | X         | X          | X             | X            | X        |
| S4                                                                                                                                                             | Partner with public and private schools and churches to provide more opportunities for shared-use and existing and future facilities.                                              | X                      | X      | X         | X          | X             | X            | X        |
| S5                                                                                                                                                             | Continue collaboration with Cornelius and Huntersville to provide programs and services to residents of all three communities.                                                     | X                      | X      | X         | X          | X             | X            | X        |
| S6                                                                                                                                                             | Utilize the marketing and communications strategy to enhance education and awareness of the programs, class schedules, and facilities offered in and around Davidson.              | X                      | X      | X         | X          | X             | X            | X        |
| S7                                                                                                                                                             | Seek opportunities and support to develop public/private partnerships for land acquisition, adopt a park/trail, park/trail build, funding, and sponsorship opportunities.          | X                      | X      | X         | X          | X             | X            | X        |
| S8                                                                                                                                                             | Continue and expand the use of alternative funding through volunteers, grants, and donations.                                                                                      | X                      | X      | X         | X          | X             | X            | X        |
| S9                                                                                                                                                             | Work to maintain or increase the level of maintenance in the park system. Establish a plan to continually assess the quality of maintenance, risk, and safety of each park.        | X                      | X      | X         | X          | X             | X            | X        |
| S10                                                                                                                                                            | Continue to work through the Livability Board to advocate for, promote, and support the development and growth of the Parks and Rec Department to meet the needs of the community. | X                      | X      | X         | X          | X             | X            | X        |
| S11                                                                                                                                                            | Expand sustainability and conservation efforts town-wide.                                                                                                                          |                        | X      |           |            | X             |              | X        |

# Facility Recommendations and Actions

The following are the key findings that inform the recommendations pertinent to the development and maintenance of park facilities and greenways to achieve the vision of a fully-connected system. Included with each recommendation is its rationale and applicable key action steps to be taken for implementation. These recommendations are summarized in a table at the end of this section (page 66).

## KEY FINDINGS

Davidson residents value the small-town character of the town, their proximity to nature and water, and would like to spend more time recreating with the whole family closer to home. A blended strategy of providing new amenities that expand active and passive recreation opportunities and filling the gaps in the trail and greenway system will create more variety and a more connected and accessible network of open spaces and recreation.

The need for more **pickleball courts, dog parks, and tennis courts** are common themes across the different sources of input – national standards and trends indicate that there is a gap in supply to serve the existing and future population and survey respondents identified that they want more of these amenities around town.

## COMMUNITY SURVEY

- The Town Green, Fisher Farm, Abersham Park, and Roosevelt Wilson Park were identified as the most beneficial parks in Davidson. Greenways and mountain biking trails were also exceedingly popular.
- 60% of respondents said the top priority for this Plan Update is to expand trails and greenways.
- 24% of survey responses indicate that parks with water access are a top need for the community.
- Despite meeting NRPA standards for baseball, softball, and soccer fields based on the existing Davidson population, respondents indicated that sports courts (6%) and fields (5%) are priorities for Davidson residents. There is a *perceived* shortage of pickleball courts, soccer fields, and tennis courts based on the open-ended responses received, with many people reporting that they travel outside of Davidson for sports recreation and practice.
- Survey indicates that people are willing to walk or bike 0-10 minutes to a Davidson park or greenway, or not at all (46%). Most people drive between 5-10 minutes to access a park or facility.

## BEST PRACTICES, NATIONAL STANDARDS, AND TRENDS

- Davidson has more acreage of parkland than is typical for communities of a similar size, indicating that there is not necessarily a gap in supply or a need for more parkland in Davidson, but rather there is a gap in walkable access and facilities within the parks.
- Tennis and pickleball sports courts have the greatest gap in coverage based on existing and future (2040) demand.
- Davidson is above the NRPA Level of Service standard for baseball and softball fields.
- Davidson is close to the Level of Service standard for dog parks based on current demand, despite a perceived lack of facilities (according to the 2024 community survey).
- There are no skate parks in Davidson, which could contribute to the gap in programming for middle and high school students. The NRPA park metric for Davidson's 2040 estimated population recommends 2.6 skate parks.
- According to the 2023 Topline Participation Report, pickleball is now up to a total of 8.9 million players in the United States over the age of six years old, an increase from 4.8 million in 2022. The Sports and Fitness Industry Association (SFIA) named pickleball the fastest-growing sport in America for the third consecutive year.

## PREVIOUS PLANNING STUDIES

- The 2014 Parks and Recreation Community Survey indicated that the maintenance level in Davidson parks is an average 3, on a scale of 1-5. 45% of 2024 respondents rated the average maintenance level higher, a 4 on a scale of 1-5.



FACILITY RECOMMENDATION 1

Increase active recreation amenities to provide closer access for Davidson residents.

SOURCE

2014 2014 (Revised) 2024 (New)

RATIONALE

|                                                              |                                                    |                                                              |                                                          |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> National standards / best practices | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Previous plans | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Design team observations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community engagement |
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ACTION STEPS

- **Action F1.1:** Explore opportunities to add pickleball and tennis courts at the following locations: Bradford Regional Park (number of courts TBD), Plum Creek Park (3 courts), and other future open spaces (in partnership with Mecklenburg County).
- **Action F1.2:** Expand mountain biking and hiking trails in Davidson parks, especially at Fisher Farm.
- **Action F1.3:** Consider adding lawn games such as table tennis, bocce courts, cornhole, etc. at existing parks.
- **Action F1.4:** Explore opportunities to build additional kayak launches and supporting blueway routes.

| RESPONSIBILITY                                      | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                                                                                                      |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Davidson Parks and Recreation<br>Mecklenburg County | Staff time, funding    | Short- to medium-term <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |

FACILITY RECOMMENDATION 2

Work with schools to improve outdoor learning for the community.

SOURCE

2014 2014 (Revised) 2024 (New)

RATIONALE

|                                                              |                                                    |                                                   |                                               |
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ACTION STEPS

- **Action F2.1:** Coordinate with schools (public and private) to allow public access to school playgrounds and other facilities as part of a joint use agreement.
- **Action F2.2:** Support community-wide school outdoor learning initiatives through the development of outdoor learning environments in public open space (traffic gardens, outdoor classrooms, etc.).
- **Action F2.3:** Provide learning opportunities for homeschooled children through programming, educational signage, and educational spaces in parks.

| RESPONSIBILITY                                     | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                                                                                            |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Davidson Parks and Recreation<br>plus partnerships | Staff time, funding    | Medium-term <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |

FACILITY RECOMMENDATION 3

Continue to protect and leverage Davidson's natural assets.

SOURCE

2014 2014 (Revised) 2024 (New)

RATIONALE

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ACTION STEPS

- **Action F3.1:** Develop invasive species management plans for parks in sensitive environments.
- **Action F3.2:** Include native plant species in landscape designs and provide training for maintenance personnel in their proper care. Seek to add native plant and pollinator species and re-wild areas in existing parks where possible.
- **Action F3.3:** Seek to provide access to natural features within and from parks and open spaces, including views.
- **Action F3.4:** Integrate natural features into the layout of parks, trails, and greenways.
- **Action F3.5:** Follow all regulations and guidelines for stormwater management.
- **Action F3.6:** Identify opportunities for land acquisition for conservation areas or contiguous wildlife corridors.
- **Action F3.7:** Consider opportunities to acheive or Leed Community or LEED Building certification for Davidson facilities, Dark Sky Place (DSP) certification or implementation of Dark Sky strategies, and other environmental certifications.

| RESPONSIBILITY                                                                                                       | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Davidson Parks and Recreation<br>Davidson Planning Department<br>Davidson Public Works<br>Davidson Lands Conservancy | Staff time, funding    | Ongoing <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> |

FACILITY RECOMMENDATION 4

Identify opportunities to provide more dog parks in Davidson.

SOURCE

2014 2014 (Revised) 2024 (New)

RATIONALE

|                                                              |                                                    |                                                   |                                                          |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> National standards / best practices | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Previous plans | <input type="checkbox"/> Design team observations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community engagement |
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ACTION STEPS

- **Action F4.1:** Consider building an additional dog parks at Fisher Farm and other priority areas as identified in the Master Plan gap analysis (page 25).
- **Action F4.2:** Coordinate with developers to integrate dog parks in or near future high-density residential areas.

| RESPONSIBILITY                                     | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                    |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Davidson Parks and Recreation<br>plus partnerships | Staff time, funding    | Medium-term <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> |

FACILITY RECOMMENDATION 5

Create a connected system through providing more pedestrian and bicycle connections between parks, open space, and key destinations based upon Mobility Plan recommendations.

SOURCE

2014 2014 (Revised) 2024 (New)

RATIONALE

☒ National standards / best practices

☒ Previous plans

☐ Design team observations

☒ Community engagement

ACTION STEPS

- **Action F5.1:** Identify and look for opportunities to build shared-use path connections to the open space system in neighborhoods that do not have adequate facilities.
- **Action F5.2:** Coordinate with regional partners to build awareness of long distance connections (e.g. The Seam, Carolina Thread Trail, Great Trails State).
- **Action F5.3:** Test street closures or expanded sidewalks through the use of temporary, low cost measures.
- **Action F5.4:** Provide bicycle repair stations along high-traffic trail sections.
- **Action F5.5:** Emphasize wayfinding for pedestrian and bike connections through town between parks, greenway trailheads, and key destinations and nodes. Measure distance in time and mileage.
- **Action F5.6:** Prioritize greenway and trail connections in areas that are lesser served by Davidson parks and open spaces to connect residents to the system. Refer to the priority areas as identified by the public and in the Master Plan service gap analysis (page 25, page 37).

| RESPONSIBILITY                                                                               | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Davidson Parks and Recreation<br>Davidson Planning Department<br>Mecklenburg County<br>CRTPO | Staff time, funding    | Ongoing <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> |

FACILITY RECOMMENDATION 6

Look for opportunities to establish more edible forests and urban farmland throughout Davidson.

SOURCE

2014 2014 (Revised) 2024 (New)

RATIONALE

☐ National standards / best practices

☒ Previous plans

☐ Design team observations

☒ Community engagement

ACTION STEPS

- **Action F6.1:** Evaluate underutilized public lands, such as parks, school grounds, and town-owned vacant lots, for potential conversion into edible forests.
- **Action F6.2:** Offer educational programs and other educational materials to teach residents about sustainability practices and the benefits of edible landscapes.

| RESPONSIBILITY                                     | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Davidson Parks and Recreation<br>plus partnerships | Staff time, funding    | Medium-term <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |

#### FACILITY RECOMMENDATION 7

**Provide opportunities for diverse recreational opportunities and community gathering spaces throughout Davidson.**

#### SOURCE

2014 2014 (Revised) 2024 (New)

#### RATIONALE



National standards /  
best practices



Previous plans



Design team  
observations



Community  
engagement

#### ACTION STEPS

- **Action F1.1:** Look for opportunities to develop non-traditional amenities such as: bike parks, pump tracks, parkour courses, outdoor gyms, etc.
- **Action F7.2:** Look for opportunities to build a skate park.
- **Action F7. 3:** Expand mountain biking and hiking trails in Davidson parks, especially at Fisher Farm.
- **Action F7.4:** Explore opportunities for interactive art installations around Davidson.

| RESPONSIBILITY                                                                       | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Davidson Parks and Recreation<br>Davidson Public Art Commission<br>plus partnerships | Staff time, funding    | Medium-term <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |

#### FACILITY RECOMMENDATION 8

**Ensure all Davidson Parks and Recreation facilities are maintained to an equal and consistently high quality standard.**

#### SOURCE

2014 2014 (Revised) 2024 (New)

#### RATIONALE



National standards /  
best practices



Previous plans



Design team  
observations



Community  
engagement

#### ACTION STEPS

- **Action F8.1:** Address the identified issues from the Community Survey: drainage, litter, bathroom maintenance, erosion control.
- **Action F8.2:** Collect data on the performance and maintenance of each park and review on an annual basis.
- **Action F8.3:** Optimize the existing see-click-fix system to make it easier for park users to report maintenance issues (posted QR code) and track reports as part of annual assessments.

## Recommendations

| RESPONSIBILITY                                                                                        | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                      |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Davidson Parks and Recreation</b><br>Davidson Public Works<br>Parks Maintenance Manager (new role) | Staff time, funding    | Ongoing  |

### FACILITY RECOMMENDATION 9

#### Provide amenities that cater to middle and high-school age students in Davidson parks.

##### SOURCE

2014      2014 (Revised)      2024 (New)

##### RATIONALE

|                                                                         |                                         |                                                   |                                                          |
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##### ACTION STEPS

- **Action F9.1:** Seek input directly from middle and high school age students in Davidson schools to understand their priorities and desires – this could include outreach in Davidson middle and high school classrooms or via the Teen Council.
- **Action F9.2:** Consider the following amenities: pump tracks, mountain biking trails, skate parks, e-sports/gaming lounges, sand volleyball, photography/AV rental, interactive art installations.

| RESPONSIBILITY                                                                        | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                            |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Davidson Parks and Recreation</b><br>CMS/Local schools<br>Lake Norman Teen Council | Staff time, funding    | Medium-term  |

### FACILITY RECOMMENDATION 10

#### Provide more opportunities to connect to waterfronts in Davidson parks and open spaces.

##### SOURCE

2014      2014 (Revised)      2024 (New)

##### RATIONALE

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##### ACTION STEPS

- **Action F10.1:** Enhance and protect the health of stream and lake buffer areas in Davidson and include signage at recreational access points to promote environmental stewardship.
- **Action F10.2:** Work to improve accessibility for all park users (Note: the Davidson Planning Ordinance already requires waterfront development to be publicly accessible).

| RESPONSIBILITY                                           | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                          |
|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Davidson Parks and Recreation</b><br>plus partnership | Staff time, funding    | Long-term  |





## How do the Facility Recommendations Support the 7 Dimensions of Health?

|     |                                                                                                                                                                               | 7 Dimensions of Health |        |           |            |               |              |          |
|-----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------|-----------|------------|---------------|--------------|----------|
|     |                                                                                                                                                                               | Physical               | Social | Emotional | Vocational | Environmental | Intellectual | Cultural |
| F1  | Increase active recreation amenities to provide closer access for Davidson residents.                                                                                         | X                      | X      |           |            |               |              |          |
| F2  | Work with schools to improve outdoor learning for the community.                                                                                                              |                        | X      |           | X          | X             | X            |          |
| F3  | Continue to protect and leverage Davidson's natural assets.                                                                                                                   |                        |        | X         |            | X             |              |          |
| F4  | Identify opportunities to provide more dog parks in Davidson.                                                                                                                 |                        | X      | X         |            |               |              |          |
| F5  | Create a connected system through providing more pedestrian and bicycle connections between parks, open space, and key destinations based upon Mobility Plan recommendations. | X                      | X      | X         |            | X             |              |          |
| F6  | Look for opportunities to establish more edible forests and urban farmland throughout Davidson.                                                                               |                        |        | X         | X          | X             | X            | X        |
| F7  | Provide opportunities for diverse recreational opportunities and community gathering spaces throughout Davidson.                                                              | X                      | X      |           |            |               |              | X        |
| F8  | Ensure all Davidson Parks and Recreation facilities are maintained to an equal and consistently high quality standard.                                                        |                        |        | X         |            | X             |              |          |
| F9  | Provide amenities that cater to middle and high-school age students in Davidson parks.                                                                                        | X                      | X      | X         |            |               | X            |          |
| F10 | Provide more opportunities to connect to waterfronts in Davidson parks and open spaces.                                                                                       | X                      | X      | X         |            | X             |              |          |



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## Programming Recommendations and Actions

The following are the key findings that inform the recommendations for program offerings in Davidson. Included with each recommendation is its rationale and applicable key action steps to be taken for implementation. These recommendations are summarized in a table at the end of this section (page 75).

### KEY FINDINGS

According to the survey, community engagement, and Level of Service analysis, Davidson residents have a variety of interests and programming needs, many of which are currently being met, but a lack of adequate programming and scheduling conflicts is discouraging attendance from certain age groups. By strengthening or expanding existing programming relationships and building new ones, Davidson can provide more convenient programs that advance the Seven Dimensions of Health and are accessible and appealing for all residents.

With such a small staff in the Parks and Recreation department, contractor-led programs are essential to offer a variety of programs that meet the diverse needs of the community and cast a wider net for leagues and team activities. **93% of programs in Davidson are hosted by independent contractors.** This is important to note because the department relies on the contractors to develop curriculum for programs, rather than hosting internally. These contractors bring their unique expertise and resources to fill the parks and recreation calendar with interesting classes, summer camps, and recreational opportunities. The Community Survey and national trends identify opportunities for diversified programming, but the Town will have to build new partnerships to meet programming needs.

### COMMUNITY SURVEY

- More than 1/3 of survey respondents had suggestions to diversify program offerings in Davidson. Outdoor adventure programs/day hikes (15%), special events and concerts (12%), fitness and wellness programs (10%), and athletic programs (10%) were ranked as the most beneficial programs.
- Many residents report participating in summer camps (31%), team youth sports (30%), and mountain biking (15%) in the last year.
- Respondents indicate that programming and facilities are lacking for adults (30% of respondents) and middle/high school age kids (24%).

- Survey indicates that programming for adults, especially in the evenings (after work hours), is lacking.

### BEST PRACTICES, NATIONAL STANDARDS, AND TRENDS

- There is a considerable gap in coverage regarding sports fields and courts (tennis, pickleball, soccer/multi-use, volleyball/multi-use) which leads to a shortage of athletic programming in Davidson. This gap is lessened with programs shared with neighboring municipalities (Cornelius and Huntersville).
- There are no skate parks in Davidson, which could contribute to the gap in programming for middle and high school students.
- According to 2023 NRPA Park Metrics, park programs specific for teens are offered in 60% of communities of a similar size (compared to the estimated 2040 population, and communities with a similar number of parks).
- The 2021 NRPA Advancing Community Health and Well-Being Study cites food access as a top emerging public health threat, according to a national survey of parks and recreation professionals.
- Park and recreation leaders anticipate that their agencies will be tackling challenges such as the social-mental health of youth (41%) in the next three years, as well as social isolation and loneliness (32%), and environmental resilience (37%).

### PREVIOUS PLANNING STUDIES

- The 2014 community survey indicated more desire for life skills programs than exists today. Nature-based programs, water-based sports, and fitness and wellness programs were also top desires.
- The 2020 Comprehensive Plan emphasizes sustainable activities and reducing the environmental impacts of town programs and events.

## PROGRAMMING RECOMMENDATION 1

### Increase programming to provide educational opportunities based on Davidson's environmental assets.

#### SOURCE

2014 2014 (Revised) 2024 (New)

#### RATIONALE



National standards / best practices



Previous plans



Design team observations



Community engagement

#### ACTION STEPS

- Action P1.1:** Continue to seek partnerships with local outdoor clubs, non-profits, and businesses to develop new outdoor adventure programs, day hikes, mountain bike rides, guided nature walks, gardening, nutrition, food preparation, and sustainability series.
- Action P1.2:** Incorporate interactive maps and educational resources on the Davidson Parks and Recreation website.

| RESPONSIBILITY                                                                                                                                                                                             | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Davidson Parks and Recreation</b><br>Ada Jenkins Center<br>Davidson Lands Conservancy<br>Mecklenburg County<br>plus partnerships ( <i>TreesDavidson, local schools and churches, community groups</i> ) | Staff time, funding    | Short-term <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |

## PROGRAMMING RECOMMENDATION 2

### Develop health and exercise programs that appeal to all of Davidson.

#### SOURCE

2014 2014 (Revised) 2024 (New)

#### RATIONALE



National standards / best practices



Previous plans



Design team observations



Community engagement

#### ACTION STEPS

- Action P2.1:** Continue to evaluate and consider the following programs: bocce leagues, sailing, kayaking/paddleboarding, parent/tot classes, hiking, golf leagues, virtual fitness, BMX, archery camp, group bike ride.

| RESPONSIBILITY                                                                  | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Davidson Parks and Recreation</b><br>Mecklenburg County<br>plus partnerships | Staff time, funding    | Medium-term <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |

PROGRAMMING RECOMMENDATION 3

**Increase programming that utilizes lake access and water-based sports.**

SOURCE

2014

2014 (Revised)

2024 (New)

RATIONALE



National standards / best practices



Previous plans



Design team observations



Community engagement

ACTION STEPS

- **Action P3.1:** Identify existing and potential water access points that can support group activities and events.
- **Action P3.2:** Seek and strengthen partnerships with landowners adjacent to the lake to broaden programming opportunities.

RESPONSIBILITY

**Davidson Parks and Recreation**  
plus partnerships (*Davidson Outdoors and other businesses*)

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Staff time, funding

TIMING

Medium- to long-term



PROGRAMMING RECOMMENDATION 4

**Continue to leverage and grow programming partnerships.**

SOURCE

2014

2014 (Revised)

2024 (New)

RATIONALE



National standards / best practices



Previous plans



Design team observations



Community engagement

ACTION STEPS

- **Action P4.1:** Leverage local health industry to sponsor events and build partnerships for health-focused programming in public open spaces and trails.
- **Action P4.2:** Partner with local small businesses to encourage and provide classes and health/wellness-related events in parks (boot camps, yoga or tai chi classes, running groups, etc.).
- **Action P4.3:** Partner with schools to participate in national environmental education events like Earth Day and "PARK(ing) Day" to engage youth and build awareness.

RESPONSIBILITY

**Davidson Parks and Recreation**  
Davidson Economic Development  
plus partnerships

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Staff time

TIMING

Ongoing





PROGRAMMING RECOMMENDATION 5

**Continue to partner with organizations to provide educational programs for bicyclists.**

SOURCE

2014 2014 (Revised) 2024 (New)

RATIONALE



National standards / best practices



Previous plans



Design team observations



Community engagement

ACTION STEPS

- **Action P5.1:** Utilize the Vizion Zero Plan to inform educational programming for cyclists and pedestrians.
- **Action P5.2:** Identify and partner with the local organizations and businesses to offer a variety of active and educational programs.
- **Action P5.3:** Incorporate painted crosswalks throughout Davidson, where appropriate.

| RESPONSIBILITY                                                                     | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Davidson Parks and Recreation<br>Davidson Planning Department<br>plus partnerships | Staff time             | Ongoing  |

PROGRAMMING RECOMMENDATION 6

**Continue to provide and expand special events in parks throughout Town.**

SOURCE

2014 2014 (Revised) 2024 (New)

RATIONALE



National standards / best practices



Previous plans



Design team observations



Community engagement

ACTION STEPS

- **Action P6.1:** Review existing events in the region and identify gaps and opportunities.
- **Action P6.2:** Continue to seek opportunities and partnerships with local groups to provide concerts and festivals in parks and public spaces, and explore opportunities for a recurring family movie night.
- **Action P6.3:** Partner with local groups to support and strengthen cultural events and activities within public open spaces.
- **Action P6.4:** Seek unique event opportunities that build momentum for and support other Parks and Recreation Master Plan and Comprehensive Plan recommendations.

| RESPONSIBILITY                                                                                 | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                           |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Davidson Parks and Recreation<br>Davidson Economic Development<br>Davidson Planning Department | Staff time, funding    | Short-term  |

PROGRAMMING RECOMMENDATION 7

Continue to expand and develop new summer camp programs for Town of Davidson residents.

|                                                              |                                                    |                                                                               |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| SOURCE                                                       |                                                    |                                                                               |
| 2014                                                         | 2014 (Revised)                                     | 2024 (New)                                                                    |
| RATIONALE                                                    |                                                    |                                                                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> National standards / best practices | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Previous plans | <input type="checkbox"/> Design team observations                             |
|                                                              |                                                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community engagement                      |
| RESPONSIBILITY                                               |                                                    | TIMING                                                                        |
| Davidson Parks and Recreation                                |                                                    | Ongoing                                                                       |
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PROGRAMMING RECOMMENDATION 8

Tie the impacts of public open space and programming to mental health (positive impacts).

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|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| SOURCE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                    |                                                                               |
| 2014                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2014 (Revised)                                     | 2024 (New)                                                                    |
| RATIONALE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                    |                                                                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> National standards / best practices                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Previous plans | <input type="checkbox"/> Design team observations                             |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Community engagement                                 |
| ACTION STEPS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                    |                                                                               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Action P8.1:</b> Track and document attendance and feedback from residents at community events and programs (mood, physical wellness, etc.).</li><li><b>Action P8.2:</b> Seek partnerships to provide more mental health education and programming.</li><li><b>Action P8.3:</b> Expand accessibility to parks and programming as a way to positively impact mental health.</li></ul> |                                                    |                                                                               |
| RESPONSIBILITY                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                    | TIMING                                                                        |
| Davidson Parks and Recreation                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                    | Short- to medium-term                                                         |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                    | <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> |

## PROGRAMMING RECOMMENDATION 9

**Create incentives to expand turnout for groups that currently are not using the system.**

## SOURCE

2014

2014 (Revised)

2024 (New)

## RATIONALE

National standards /  
best practices

Previous plans

Design team  
observationsCommunity  
engagement

## ACTION STEPS

- **Action P9.1:** Provide programming for adults at a variety of times (especially evenings/after work hours) to accommodate different schedules.
- **Action P9.2:** Provide introductory classes with lower registration costs to provide easy introduction to new activities.
- **Action P9.3:** Create a “demo day” for residents to try out, experience and explore the full range of program and sport options.
- **Action P9.4:** Provide more time and space for open/drop-in play/practice.
- **Action P9.5:** Continue to track cancellation rates, attendance rates, and net revenue calculations of programs to evaluate popular or declining programs. Compare with 7 Dimensions of Health value (high mission/low value, etc.) to determine cost/benefit.
- **Action P9.6:** Consider opportunities to provide scholarships for summer camps and other programs that reduce barriers and encourage participation from groups that are not currently using the system.

## RESPONSIBILITY

Davidson Parks and Recreation

## FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Staff time, funding

## TIMING

Short-term



## PROGRAMMING RECOMMENDATION 10

**Provide programs that create opportunities for the whole family to recreate and exercise in one place – community engagement indicates that people want to exercise and spend time with family in Davidson parks.**

## SOURCE

2014

2014 (Revised)

2024 (New)

## RATIONALE

National standards /  
best practices

Previous plans

Design team  
observationsCommunity  
engagement

## ACTION STEPS

- **Action P10.1:** Consider the following programs: photography, nature walks, family movie nights, meet the beekeeper (or other profession), disc golf league, family fishing, birdwatching, group bike rides, foraging walks, kayaking/paddleboarding, sailing, tree planting events.
- **Action P10.2:** Consider providing food/meals at weeknight family programs.

## RESPONSIBILITY

Davidson Parks and Recreation  
plus partnerships

## FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Staff time, funding

## TIMING

Short- to  
medium-term

PROGRAMMING RECOMMENDATION 11

Expand programming to cater to, and increase interest and attendance from middle and high school age students.

SOURCE

2014                      2014 (Revised)                      2024 (New)

RATIONALE

|                                                              |                                         |                                                   |                                                          |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> National standards / best practices | <input type="checkbox"/> Previous plans | <input type="checkbox"/> Design team observations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community engagement |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|

ACTION STEPS

- **Action P11.1:** Seek input directly from middle and high school age students in Davidson schools to understand their priorities and desires – this could include outreach in Davidson middle and high school classrooms or via the Teen Council.
- **Action P11.2:** Consider the following programs for teens: drone flying, e-sports and gaming, camping, bike/skate/rollerblade lessons, flag football, ultimate frisbee, dance, golf leagues, photography, babysitter training, college/SAT prep, STEM programs, LGBTQIA+ support groups, music camps, sports camps, lifeguard training, sailing, and kayaking/paddleboarding.
- **Action P11.3:** Consider providing ‘teen only’ classes, hosted on weekday afternoons or on half days.

| RESPONSIBILITY                                                                                  | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                                                                                                      |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Davidson Parks and Recreation<br>Local schools<br>Lake Norman Teen Council<br>plus partnerships | Staff time, funding    | Short- to medium-term <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |

PROGRAMMING RECOMMENDATION 12

Provide performing arts and music programming that connects to community gathering spaces.

SOURCE

2014                      2014 (Revised)                      2024 (New)

RATIONALE

|                                                              |                                                    |                                                   |                                               |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> National standards / best practices | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Previous plans | <input type="checkbox"/> Design team observations | <input type="checkbox"/> Community engagement |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|

| RESPONSIBILITY                | FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | TIMING                                                                                                                                                                                |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Davidson Parks and Recreation | Staff time, funding    | Long-term <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

|  <b>How do the Program Recommendations Support the 7 Dimensions of Health?</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 7 Dimensions of Health |        |           |            |               |              |          |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------|-----------|------------|---------------|--------------|----------|
|                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Physical               | Social | Emotional | Vocational | Environmental | Intellectual | Cultural |
| P1                                                                                                                                                              | Increase programming to provide educational opportunities based on Davidson's environmental assets.                                                                                                               |                        | X      | X         |            | X             | X            | X        |
| P2                                                                                                                                                              | Develop health and exercise programs that appeal to all of Davidson.                                                                                                                                              | X                      | X      |           |            |               |              |          |
| P3                                                                                                                                                              | Increase programming that utilizes lake access and water-based sports.                                                                                                                                            | X                      | X      | X         |            |               |              | X        |
| P4                                                                                                                                                              | Continue to leverage and grow programming partnerships.                                                                                                                                                           | X                      | X      | X         | X          | X             | X            | X        |
| P5                                                                                                                                                              | Continue to partner with organizations to provide educational programs for bicyclists.                                                                                                                            | X                      | X      |           |            |               | X            |          |
| P6                                                                                                                                                              | Continue to provide and expand special events in parks throughout Town.                                                                                                                                           | X                      | X      | X         | X          | X             | X            | X        |
| P7                                                                                                                                                              | Continue to expand and develop new summer camp programs for Town of Davidson residents.                                                                                                                           | X                      | X      |           |            |               | X            | X        |
| P8                                                                                                                                                              | Tie the impacts of public open space and programming to mental health (positive impacts).                                                                                                                         |                        | X      | X         |            |               | X            |          |
| P9                                                                                                                                                              | Create incentives to expand turnout for groups that currently are not using the system.                                                                                                                           | X                      | X      | X         | X          | X             | X            | X        |
| P10                                                                                                                                                             | Provide programs that create opportunities for the whole family to recreate and exercise in one place – community engagement indicates that people want to exercise and spend time with family in Davidson parks. | X                      | X      | X         |            |               |              | X        |
| P11                                                                                                                                                             | Expand programming to cater to, and increase interest and attendance from middle and high school age students.                                                                                                    | X                      | X      | X         |            |               |              |          |
| P12                                                                                                                                                             | Provide performing arts and music programming that connects to community gathering spaces.                                                                                                                        |                        | X      | X         |            |               |              | X        |



# 07

## Funding Strategies



Image: Child attending Fiber Art Summer Camp (2021)

# 07 Funding Strategies

**THERE ARE SEVERAL METHODS THROUGH WHICH PARKS AND recreation systems can be funded.** The first step is to update the Capital Improvement Plan to provide the guiding framework for the financing of the department. The following section defines several funding tools that, when used in conjunction with town funds, will enable the acquisition, planning, construction and programming of this critical community resource.

## Capital Improvement Plan

A capital improvements program (CIP) is a framework for planning a community's capital expenditures. It is a four-to six-year schedule of infrastructure and facilities to be built or upgraded. The CIP is composed of two parts – a capital budget and a capital program. The budget is the upcoming year's spending plan; the program is a plan for expenditures five years beyond the budget. A complete, properly developed CIP should identify funding sources and timelines for completion of projects upon which all citizens can rely. A well planned capital improvement plan has the following benefits:

- Facilitates coordination between capital needs and the operating budgets.
- Enhances the community's credit rating, control of its tax rate, and avoids sudden changes in its debt service requirements.
- Identifies the most economical means of financing capital projects.
- Increases opportunities for obtaining federal and state aid.
- Relates public facilities to other public and private development and redevelopment policies and plans.
- Focuses attention on community objectives and fiscal capacity.
- Keeps the public informed about future needs and projects.
- Coordinates the activities of neighboring and overlapping units of local government to reduce duplication.
- Encourages careful project planning and design to avoid costly mistakes and help a community reach desired goals.

### Sources of CIP Funding

General fund revenue

Community Investment Fund

Town Fund Balance

Installment financing

General Obligation Bonds

Grants

## Grant Resources

A variety of special grants exist through federal, state and local governmental agencies which can be used to fund a parks and recreation department. Utilizing grants, creates opportunities to fund projects that may not normally be feasible if only reliant on other sources for funding. While very beneficial, many of these are time consuming and require dedicated staff time to do research, applications, documentation and tracking.

The following table highlights a variety of grants available from local, state and federal sources that could help achieve some of the aforementioned recommendations:

TABLE 18: GRANT RESOURCES

| Level   | Funding Tool                                                    | Source                                              | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|---------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Local   | Carolina Thread Trail                                           | Carolina Thread Trail                               | This grant funds greenway/trail implementation projects.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Local   | Mecklenburg County                                              | Mecklenburg County Capital Funding                  | The county has been a frequent contributor for town park projects and land acquisitions.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Local   | Partners for Parks                                              | Partners for Parks General Fund                     | Partners for Parks "General Fund" is an unrestricted fund that is used primarily to supplement ongoing recreation programs and facility improvements. Funds are distributed at the board's discretion for such programs as summer camp scholarships, the Reedy Creek "Nature Play" playground construction or the sponsorship of a local trail conference. |
| State   | Clean Water Management Trust                                    | State of North Carolina                             | This grant supports projects that enhance or restore degraded waters, protect unpolluted waters, and/or contribute toward a network of riparian buffers and greenways for environmental, educational and recreational benefits.                                                                                                                            |
| State   | Connecting Communities to State Trails Grant (CCST)             | State of North Carolina                             | CCST grant requests can be for the planning or development of connecting trails to the state trails system. All constructed land trails must be natural surface.                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| State   | Great Trails State Program (GTS)                                | State of North Carolina                             | This program provides funding for new trail development and extension of existing trails anywhere in the state. This includes paved trails or greenways, natural surface trails, biking trails – any other type of trail recognized by the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources.                                                                   |
| State   | Land and Water Conservation Fund                                | State of North Carolina                             | The Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) program is a reimbursable, 50/50 matching grants program given to states for conservation and outdoor recreation purposes, and through states to local governments to address "close-to-home" outdoor recreation needs.                                                                                        |
| State   | Parks and Recreation Trust Fund (PARTF)                         | State of North Carolina                             | PARTF provides dollar-for-dollar matching grants to local governments for parks and recreation projects that serve the public interest.                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| State   | Recreational Trails Program (RTP)                               | NC Division of Parks and Recreation, funded by FHWA | This program provides funding for construction of new trails, maintenance and repair of existing trails, land acquisition, purchase of trail tools and planning, legal, environmental and permitting costs through a cost-reimbursement basis (up to 80% of eligible costs).                                                                               |
| State   | Safe Routes to School                                           | State of North Carolina                             | This grant is designed to create and improve safe walking and bicycling facilities to and from school.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| State   | Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG)                       | CRTPO, funded by FHWA                               | This program provides flexible funding for a wide range of transportation projects, including highways, bridges, transit capital projects, and pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure.                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Federal | Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATIIP) | US Department of Transportation                     | This program provides funding to plan or construct safe and connected active transportation facilities in active transportation networks or spines.                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

Note: The not a comprehensive list of all tools available to fund parks and recreation. This list should be used as a starting point when researching funding mechanisms and available grants.

| Level   | Funding Tool                                                                     | Source                          | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|---------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Federal | Neighborhood Access and Equity (NAE)                                             | US Department of Transportation | Improve access to transportation and enhance mobility options within neighborhoods, with an emphasis on underserved and disadvantaged communities.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Federal | Our Town                                                                         | National Endowment for the Arts | This endowment is for creative placemaking projects that contribute toward the livability of communities and help transform them into lively, beautiful and sustainable places with the arts at their core.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Federal | Ready, Set, Go! Transportation Alternatives Grant Program (TAP)                  | US Department of Transportation | This federal reimbursement program is intended to fund community-based projects that expand non-motorized travel choices and enhance the transportation experience by improving the cultural, historical, and environmental aspects of the transportation infrastructure. It does not fund traditional roadway projects or maintenance. TAP aims to expand travel choices, strengthen the local economy, improve quality of life, and protect the environment. |
| Federal | Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity Grants (RAISE) | US Department of Transportation | This program supports surface transportation infrastructure projects that will have a significant local or regional impact, with a focus on sustainability and equity.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Federal | Reconnecting Communities (RCP)                                                   | US Department of Transportation | This grant program funds projects aimed at reconnecting communities by removing, retrofitting, or mitigating transportation infrastructure barriers to mobility, access, or economic development.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Federal | Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)                                            | US Department of Transportation | This grant program aims to improve safety and accessibility for all road users, particularly pedestrians and cyclists, to reduce traffic-related fatalities and serious injuries.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Federal | Urban Waters Small Grants                                                        | EPA                             | Funding for projects that contribute to improved water quality and community revitalization qualify for this program.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

## Local Equity

Through land donations or land swaps, the parks and recreation department can utilize local equities to help fund facility development. Donations of land to parks and recreation departments have become a very popular due to the many tax benefits. The department can help to minimize land acquisition costs by developing on donated parcels. In addition, they may also lower acquisition costs by taking part in a land swap. This involves the municipality trading existing town-owned property for it to be developed commercially in exchange for a property more suitable for parks and recreation. The town and the developer enter into this agreement as it is mutually beneficial for both parties.





Image: Concert on the Green (2011)



# 08 Appendix

## APPENDIX A: Town of Davidson Livability Board

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The Livability Board typically meets monthly, on the 3rd Tuesday, in the board room at Town Hall. The group's mission is to serve as sounding board and provide advice and recommendations to staff on any and all questions concerning parks, recreation, healthy living initiatives, trees and natural assets, greenways and trails, bicycle and pedestrian facilities and policies.

The Livability Board may be called upon for advice and recommendations to the Board of Commissioners in any or all of the following areas of concern: to create and promote an enjoyable place to live, learn, work and play; to support safe and vibrant spaces and neighborhoods; to promote cultural, socioeconomic and age diversity; to encourage committed civic involvement and responsibility; to provide sustainable and healthy choices for transportation, food and energy use; to enable faithful stewardship of natural and historic resources; to continue to provide effective and efficient public services; to maintain quality design and sound planning principles; to create diverse business and job opportunities.

The Livability Board includes staff from the Parks and Recreation Department, but also combines expertise from Public Works and Planning Department staff, depending on the issue.

### MEMBERS

Bruce Batman  
Anne Bontempo  
Cathy Denham  
Lee Ann Gay  
Michael Murray  
Kasia Worsham  
Katie Zager  
Pam Foltz  
Sally Nardone  
Gabrielle Craig  
Jennifer Fielder  
Gina Carmon (Town Staff)

## APPENDIX B: Public Input Phase 1 Boards and Responses

### 1. Activity 1: Live, Work, Play Map

- a. 16 'Live' Dots
  - i. Most respondents live within walking distance of Downtown Davidson – off Bridges Farm Road, around Ada Jenkins Center, along Lake Norman, around Faulkner Square Park
  - ii. 3 Cornelius residents
  - iii. 1 Huntersville resident
- b. 7 'Work' Dots
  - i. Top answer – Work from home: 5 dots
  - ii. Davidson College
  - iii. Davidson Day K-8 School
- c. 12 'Play' Dots
  - i. Top answer – Roosevelt Wilson Park (3 dots)
  - ii. Lake Davidson Nature Preserve
  - iii. Parham Park
  - iv. Davidson College
  - v. South Prong Rocky River Greenway
  - vi. Abersham Park
  - vii. Northern Regional Rec Center
  - viii. Caldwell Station Creek Greenway
  - ix. River Run Country Club
  - x. Off map limits: 1 dot

iv. "I like to go to church and worship God and Jesus because He loves ME SO MUCH" – write-in response

#### d. Vocational

- i. Top answer – cooking class (5 dots)
- ii. 3-4 dots – art/craft fair, night class with instructor, physical therapy
- iii. 1-2 dots – job fair, painting class, chess tournament with food trucks, breathalyzer

#### e. Environmental

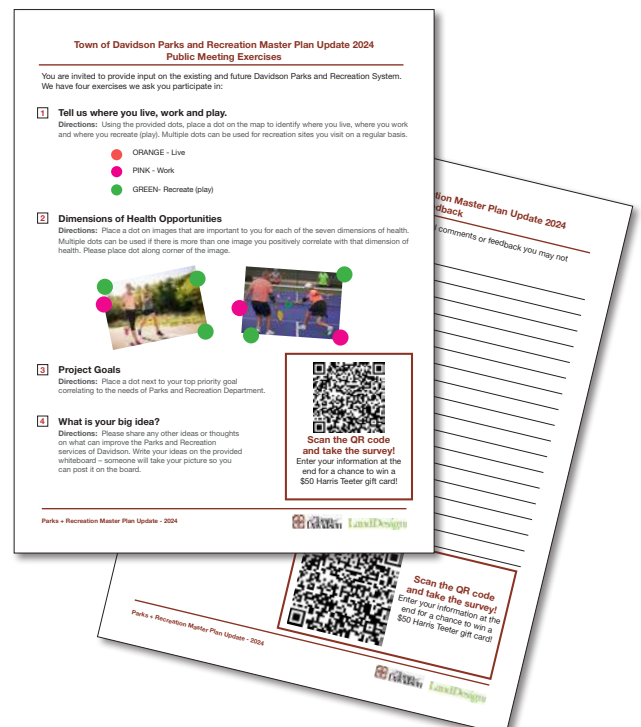
- i. 3-4 dots – hiking, community garden, waterway cleanup, community litter cleanup, seniors stretching, fishing, paddling, rain garden
- ii. 1-2 dots – children gardening, butterfly catching

#### f. Emotional

- i. Top answer – nature trail (4 dots)
- ii. 2-3 dots – reading, sitting by the water, studying with friends, meadow, talking to a friend on a bench, seniors walking, play equipment
- iii. 1 dot – alone in the woods, bicycling

### 2. Activity 2: 7 Dimensions of Health

- a. Physical
  - i. Top answer – kayaking (7 dots)
  - ii. 3-5 dots – pickleball, group exercise classes
  - iii. 1-2 dots – tennis, baseball, basketball, archery, soccer, outdoor fitness stations, bocce, skate park, lake access
- b. Social
  - i. Top answer – seniors jogging (9 dots)
  - ii. 5 dots – dog park, paddleboarding, festivals, markets, pickleball, accessible for all abilities
  - iii. 1-3 dots – nature play for children, hiking, water play, basketball, open lawns, lounging
- c. Cultural
  - i. Top answer – yoga class (6 dots)
  - ii. 3-5 dots – concert, family party in a park, meditation class, stress-free zone, street festival
  - iii. 1-2 dots – students talking, religious ceremony, kids socializing, pride/costume festival, outdoor class for kids, outdoor class for adults



g. Cognitive

- i. Top answers – kayaking and community garden (6 dots each)
- ii. 3-5 dots – farmer’s market, movie nights, mural painting, little free library
- iii. 1-2 dots – beekeeping, sculpture, cooking class, birdwatching, pottery, children gardening, outdoor classroom

**3. Activity 3: Project Goals**

a. 13 Dots

- i. Top answer – Strengthen the social fabric of a community (5 dots)
- ii. Increase physical exercise: 2 dots
- iii. Increase access to healthy food: 2 dots
- iv. Provide fair access to resources: 2 dots
- v. Decrease mental health stresses: 1 dot
- vi. Minimize the effect of climate change: 0 dots
- vii. Promote safety to reduce injuries: 0 dots

b. No write-ins in the ‘Other’ category

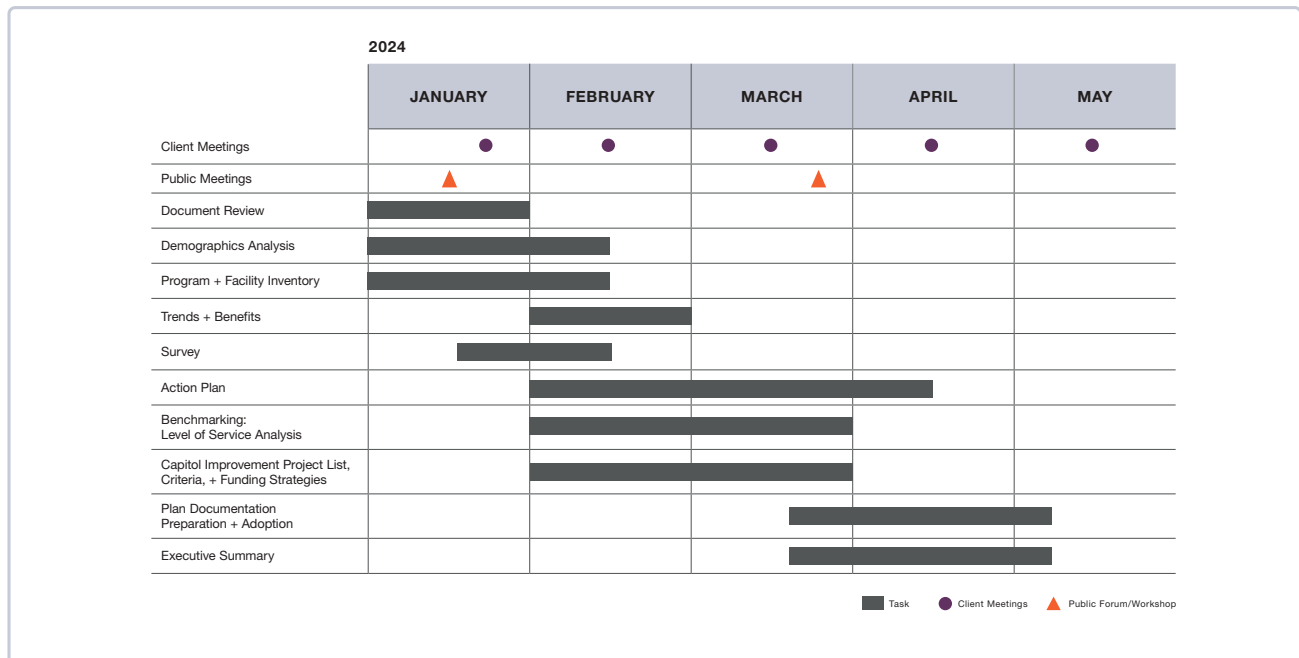
**4. Activity 4: What is your Big/Most Important Idea?**

- a. “Help the homeless and people with disabilities – I know sign language so I would help deaf people”
- b. “Dog park for small dogs”
- c. “Keep stormwater runoff going into Lake Norman clean! Mud is clogging the lake”
- d. “Clean the preserve behind Davidson Day – trails dangerous”
- e. “Handicap accessibility at Parham Park”
- f. “Affordability for all children; address African American and minority access”
- g. “Reach out to African American churches”
- h. “Community gathering”
- i. “A pickleball court for everyone”
- j. “Equitable access to goods and services”
- k. “Affordability”
- l. “Basketball” x2
- m. “Land preservation”
- n. “Integrating nature”
- o. “More handicap accessibility”
- p. “Increase interaction in our community”
- q. “Community organization and advocacy”



Davidson Parks and Recreation's

# MASTER PLAN UPDATED SCHEDULE



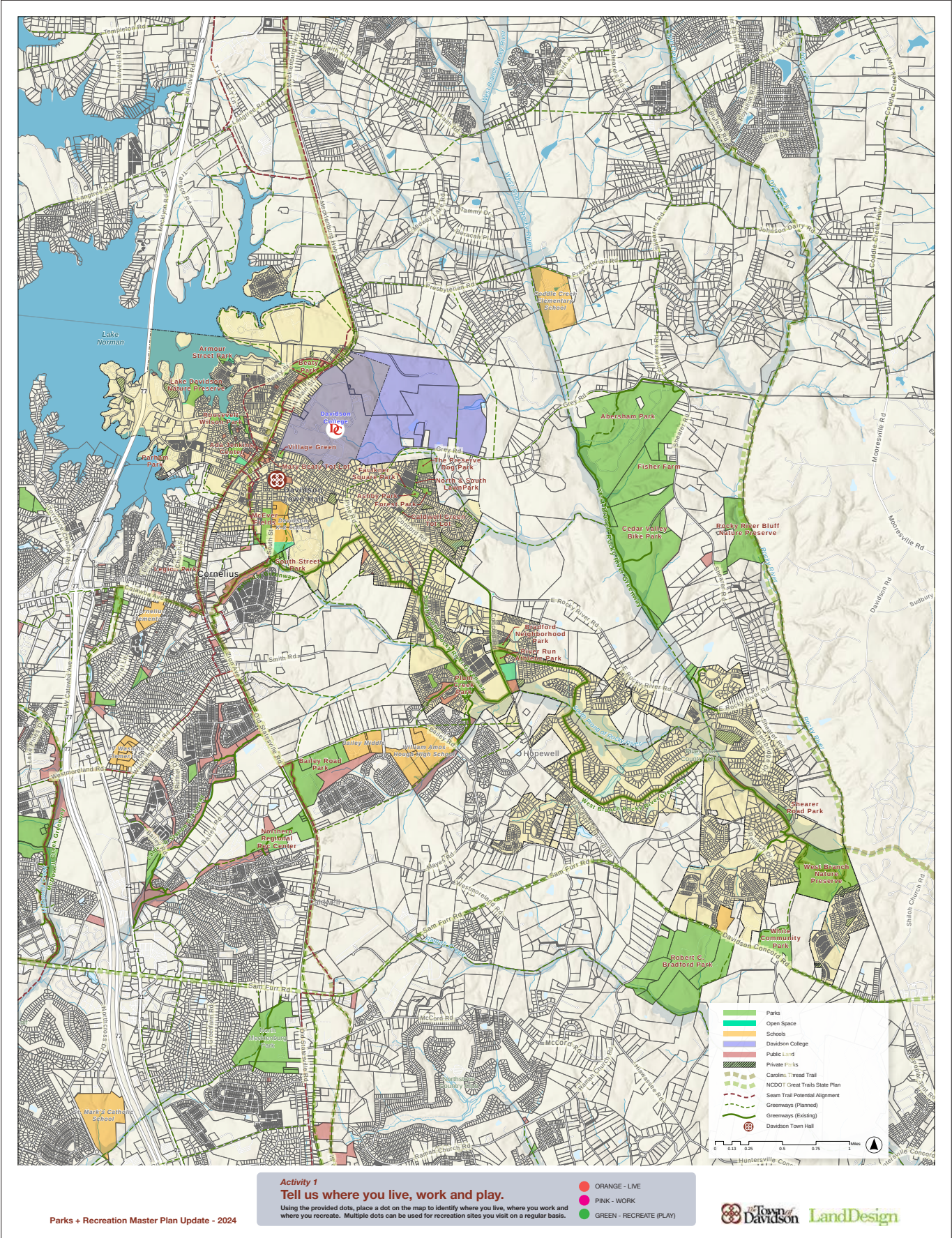
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Appendix B

ACTIVITY 1: LIVE, WORK, PLAY MAP





ACTIVITY 2: SEVEN DIMENSIONS OF HEALTH

# INTELLECTUAL →

The ability to open our minds to new ideas and experiences that can be applied to personal decisions, group interaction and community betterment. The desire to learn new concepts, improve skills and seek challenges in pursuit of lifelong learning.



Describe your own!

Describe your own!

Describe your own!

Describe your own!

Describe your own!



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ACTIVITY 2: SEVEN DIMENSIONS OF HEALTH

SOCIAL →

The ability to relate to, and connect with, other people in our world. The ability to establish and maintain positive relationships with family, friends and coworkers.



( Describe your own! )

( Describe your own! )

Describe your own!

Describe your own!

Describe your own!

ACTIVITY 2: SEVEN DIMENSIONS OF HEALTH

# ENVIRONMENTAL →

The ability to recognize our own responsibility for the quality of the air, the water and the land that surrounds us. The ability to make a positive impact on the quality of our environment, be it our homes, our communities or our planet.



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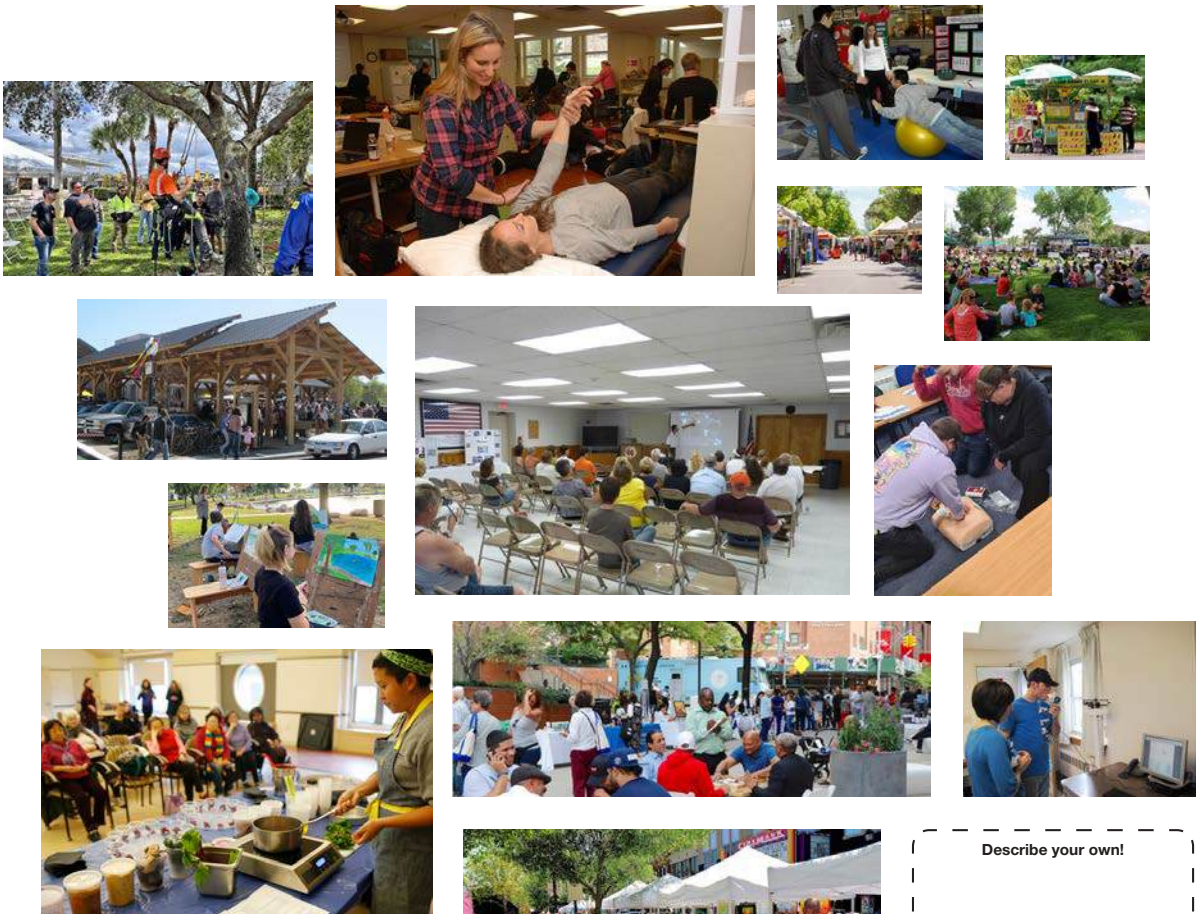


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ACTIVITY 2: SEVEN DIMENSIONS OF HEALTH

VOCATIONAL →

The ability to obtain training and skills to further improve our lives. Our desire to contribute in our careers to make a positive impact on the organizations we work in and to society as a whole.



Describe your own!

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Describe your own!

ACTIVITY 2: SEVEN DIMENSIONS OF HEALTH

# CULTURAL →

The ability support and be inclusive to cultural diversity in your community. It involves building positive relationships and interacting respectfully with people of different backgrounds, lifestyles, genders, ethnicities, abilities, and ages.



Describe your own!

Describe your own!

Describe your own!

Describe your own!

Describe your own!



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ACTIVITY 2: SEVEN DIMENSIONS OF HEALTH

EMOTIONAL →

The ability to understand ourselves and cope with the challenges life can bring. The ability to acknowledge and share feelings of anger, fear, sadness or stress; hope, love, joy and happiness in a productive manner.



Describe your own!

Describe your own!

Describe your own!

Describe your own!

Describe your own!



ACTIVITY 2: SEVEN DIMENSIONS OF HEALTH

# PHYSICAL



The ability to maintain a healthy quality of life that allows us to get through our daily activities without undue fatigue or physical stress. The ability to recognize that our behaviors impact our wellness and adopting healthful habits while avoiding destructive habits will lead to optimal physical wellness.



Describe your own!

Describe your own!

Describe your own!

Describe your own!

Describe your own!

Activity 2

## Dimension of Health Opportunities

Place a dot on images that are important to you for each dimension of health. Multiple dots can be used if there is more than one image you positively correlate with that dimension of health. Please place dot(s) along corner of the image.



Activity 3

# PROJECT GOALS

Place a dot on your top priority goal.

THE GOAL OF THE PLAN IS TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS  
FOR THE PARK AND RECREATION SYSTEM THAT...

...Increase  
physical **exercise.**

...Promote **safety**  
to reduce injuries.

...Increase  
access to **healthy**  
**food.**

...Improve **air +**  
**water** quality.

...Minimize the  
effect of **climate**  
change.

...Decrease  
mental health  
**stresses.**

...Strengthen the  
social fabric of a  
**community.**

...Provide  
**fair access** to  
resources.

**Others?**

Note: The goals are adapted from the CDC

## ACTIVITY 4: WHAT IS YOUR BIG/MOST IMPORTANT IDEA?



*Activity 4 – Help us to better understand Davidson's parks and recreation needs*

## WHAT IS YOUR BIG IDEA?

Is there anything else you would like to share with us about your park and recreation needs?  
Write your idea on the provided whiteboard and post a photo of it here!



Davidson Level of Service (LOS)

# WHAT HAS CHANGED SINCE 2014?

## NEW PARKS

**Plum Creek Park**



**Beaty Park**



**Bradford Neighborhood Park\***

\*(acquired from HOA)



...generating an additional **47.4 ACRES** of parkland in Davidson since 2014\*

\*(includes 2.06 acres of Bradford Neighborhood Park)

## NEW PARK FACILITIES

**3 playgrounds**

**2 tennis /  
pickleball  
courts**

**5 shelters**

**3 restroom  
buildings**

**1 archery  
range**

## NEW GREENWAYS

**West Branch  
Rocky River  
Greenway**

**2.78 miles**

(greenway funded by Meck County, operated by Davidson)



**Plum Creek  
Greenway**

**0.52 miles**

(greenway funded by Meck County, operated by Davidson)





## DAVIDSON LEVEL OF SERVICE (LOS)

### NATIONAL RECREATION AND PARK ASSOCIATION (NRPA) PARK METRICS STANDARDS

| FACILITY TYPE              | TOTAL POPULATION<br>SERVED BY 1 FACILITY<br>(BASED ON NRPA STANDARDS) | EXISTING PUBLIC<br>FACILITIES WITHIN<br>DAVIDSON (2023) | EXISTING DEMAND<br>FOR DAVIDSON | EXISTING GAP IN<br>LEVEL OF SERVICE<br>(LOS) | FUTURE DEMAND<br>FOR DAVIDSON<br>(2042) | FUTURE GAP IN<br>LEVEL OF SERVICE<br>(LOS) FOR 2042 |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| Soccer / Multi-Use         | 3859                                                                  | 2                                                       | 4.1                             | 2.1                                          | 7.1                                     | 5.1                                                 |
| Baseball / Softball Fields | 5405                                                                  | 9                                                       | 2.9                             | 6.1                                          | 5.1                                     | 3.9                                                 |
| Tennis                     | 2805                                                                  | 2                                                       | 5.6                             | 3.6                                          | 9.8                                     | 7.8                                                 |
| Basketball                 | 3729                                                                  | 2                                                       | 10.4                            | 8.4                                          | 7.4                                     | 5.4                                                 |
| Volleyball / Multi-Use     | 5093                                                                  | -                                                       | 3.1                             | 3.1                                          | 5.4                                     | 5.4                                                 |
| Pickleball                 | 3252                                                                  | 2                                                       | 4.8                             | 2.8                                          | 8.4                                     | 6.4                                                 |
| Skatepark                  | 10726                                                                 | -                                                       | 1.5                             | 1.5                                          | 2.6                                     | 2.6                                                 |
| Tot lots                   | 5816                                                                  | 2                                                       | 12.0                            | 10                                           | 4.7                                     | 2.7                                                 |
| Playgrounds                | 2014                                                                  | 7                                                       | 7.8                             | .8                                           | 13.6                                    | 6.6                                                 |
| Pool                       | 9745                                                                  | -                                                       | 1.6                             | 1.6                                          | 2.8                                     | 2.8                                                 |

(RED) indicates gap  
(Green) indicates surplus

### 2023 NRPA KEY FINDINGS



NRPA National Metric



**Town of Davidson**  
**1,126 RESIDENTS per PARK**  
(compared to 2,287 National Metric)



NRPA National Metric



**Town of Davidson**  
**46.4 ACRES per 1,000 RESIDENTS**  
(compared to 10.8 National Metric)



APPENDIX C:  
Community Survey Results + Key Findings

Town of Davidson

PARKS & RECREATION

Master Plan  
2024 Update

Community Survey Results





KEY FINDINGS

508

The survey received a very strong response (508 completed surveys total, 121 more responses than the 2014 survey). Approximately 93% of survey responses came from Davidson residents.



The Village Green, Fisher Farm, Abersham Park, and Roosevelt Wilson Park were identified as the most beneficial parks in Davidson. Greenways and mountain biking trails were also very popular.



60% of respondents said the top priority for this Plan Update is to expand trails and greenways. Connectivity was a very popular topic that appeared in all lists of responses to the open-ended questions. 1/3 of survey respondents note that they wish that Davidson Parks and Recreation provided more opportunities to safely walk, bike, and hike on trails that are separated from roadways.



Some respondents feel that Davidson Parks and Recreation facilities, events and greenways are concentrated on the west side of town, and they desire more programming and connections to facilities on the east side. The shape of the town is likely a factor in the distribution of facilities and the perceived 'isolation' in Davidson East.



Respondents feel that sports courts (6%) and fields (5%) are additional priorities for the Town of Davidson. There is a perceived shortage of soccer fields, baseball fields, tennis, and pickleball courts based on the open-ended responses received, with many people reporting that they travel outside of Davidson for sports recreation and practice.

## KEY FINDINGS



The desire for a **Davidson-specific indoor/outdoor recreation complex and community center** was mentioned **19 times** throughout the survey responses. Responses indicate the perception that the North Meck Rec Center is for Cornelius residents, too busy, or too far away for Davidson residents. 11% of respondents think that an indoor recreation center is a top need.



More than 1/3 of survey respondents had suggestions to diversify program offerings in Davidson. **Outdoor adventure programs/day hikes, special events and concerts, fitness and wellness programs, and athletic programs** were ranked as the most beneficial programs for the Davidson community. Many residents also report participating in summer camps (31%), team youth sports (30%), and mountain biking (15%) in the last year.



Respondents feel that **programming and facilities are lacking for middle/high school age kids (24% of respondents)**. Some respondents also note that they want more programming for adults, especially in the evenings (after work hours).



The top barriers of using Davidson parks, facilities, and programs include **lack of a specific facility or activity, lack of communication about offerings, and lack of awareness** of offerings or facilities. Of the 91 write-in responses, 29% of respondents referred to a **lack of bike and greenway connectivity** as the main factor.

A total of 33% of respondents said that they do not experience any factors that discourage use ("None, I'm satisfied with current recreation facilities and amenities").

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## DEMOGRAPHICS OF RESPONDERS



**61%**  
of survey respondents  
identify as **female**.  
(compared to 54% of  
Davidson population)

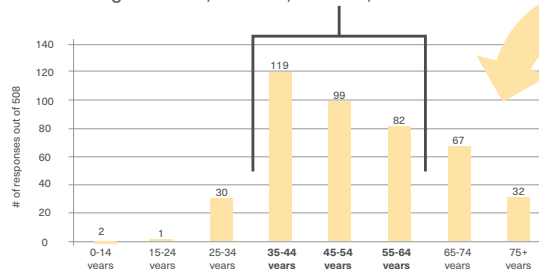


**39%**  
of survey respondents  
identify as **male**.  
(compared to 46% of  
Davidson population)

**3.7%**  
of survey respondents have  
a need for **ADA-accessible  
facilities and services**.  
(compared to 3.8% of  
the Davidson population)

### AGE GROUPS OF RESPONDERS

While there is good distribution throughout age groups, the biggest number of responders came from the middle age cohorts, 35 to 44, 45 to 54, and 55 to 64.



### INCOME + HOUSEHOLD

**58%**  
of survey  
respondents  
own a dog.

**94%**  
of survey respondents  
report that they **own  
property in Davidson**  
(rather than rent).

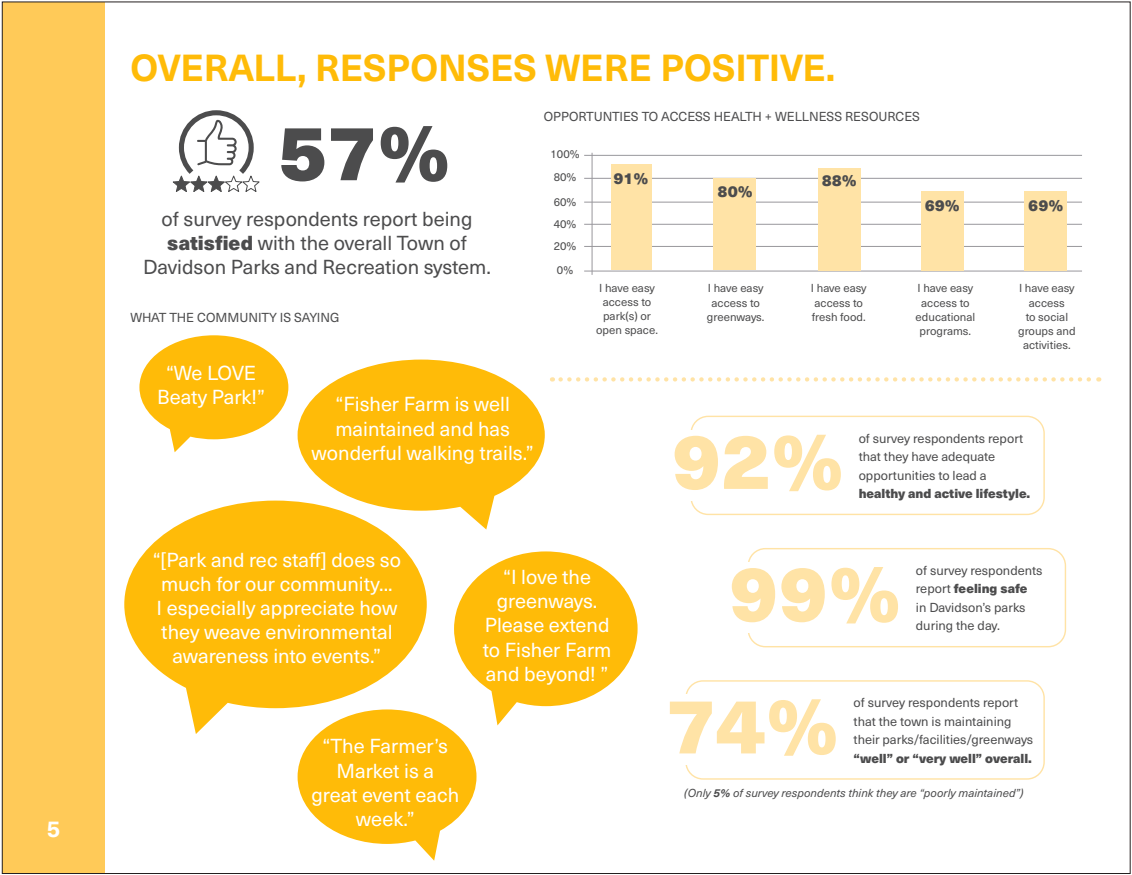
**43%**  
of survey respondents  
report that their  
household **earns  
\$200,000+** annually.

When compared to the current population distribution, the distribution is similar, except for a **significantly lower percentage of younger respondents**, primarily accounted for by the low percentage of Davidson College students (0.24%) who had taken the survey.



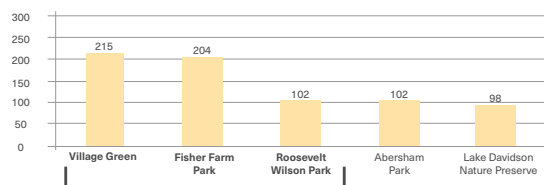
The survey had a significant mix of responses from many different types of households. This geographically dispersed group included households with children (49%), empty nesters (28%), and without children (20%). **The household income distribution was less dispersed.** The median household income in Davidson, according to the 2022 Census, is \$140,938.

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## FACILITY USE

TOP 5 FACILITIES MOST BENEFICIAL TO DAVIDSON



The same 3 facilities were identified as 'most beneficial' in 2014!

WHAT ARE THE SHARED OR DESIRABLE CHARACTERISTICS IN THE TOP 5 PARKS?

1. Connection to nature
2. Walking paths and trails
3. Play space
4. Proximity to Downtown
5. Community Events



Greenways were mentioned in **35%** of the write-in responses (34 total responses).

“I [enjoy] the Lake Davidson Nature Preserve as it is our only access to the lake. It's a gem that needs a face.”  
- survey respondent

“So grateful for Fisher Farm - it's a true gem! The Village Green is the centerpiece of the community.”  
- survey respondent

“[The outdoor spaces] are what make Davidson the special place that it is. Most residents come here for its emphasis on the outdoors and all the amazing outdoor spaces [Davidson] offers.”  
- survey respondent

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## QUALITY OF MAINTENANCE

RECURRING THEMES IN THE 271 OPEN-ENDED RESPONSES RELATED TO MAINTENANCE

1. Drainage and flooding
2. Litter
3. Bathroom maintenance
4. Erosion control

**35%**

of open-ended responses about maintenance were **generally positive**.

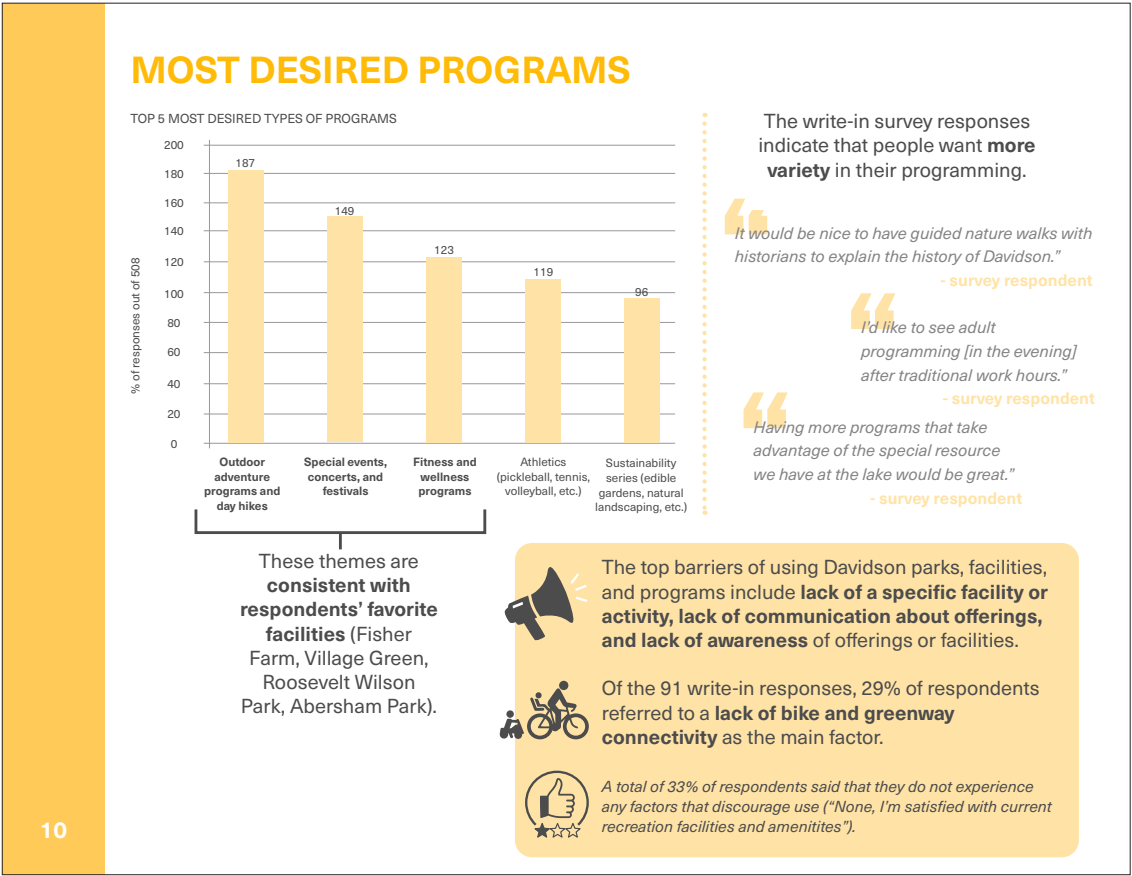
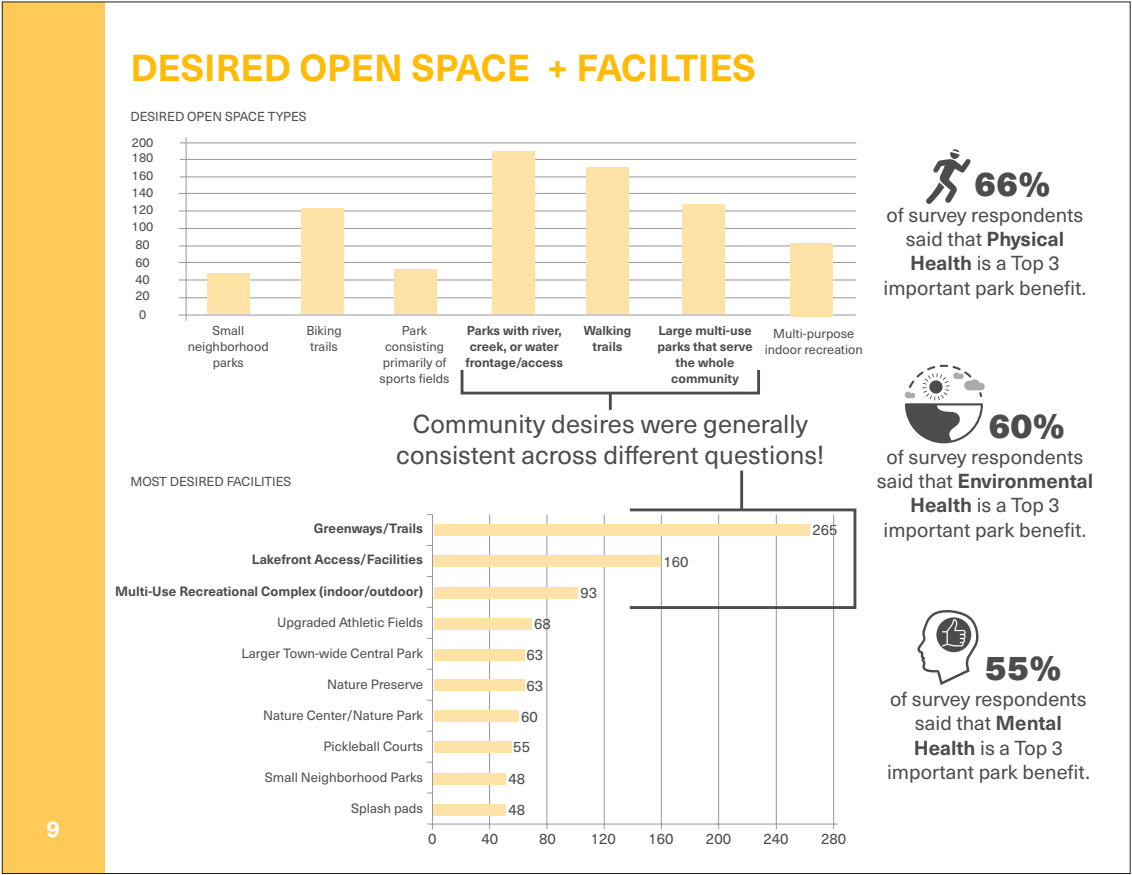
**51%**

of open-ended responses about maintenance included specific suggestions for maintenance improvements (see below).

TOP 5 FACILITIES WITH MAINTENANCE CONCERNS

| 1                                                                                                                                                              | 2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 3                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 4                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 5                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
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| Greenways (misc.)                                                                                                                                              | Roosevelt Wilson Park                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | McEvers Fields                                                                                                                                                                                      | St. Alban's Parks (misc.)                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Lake Davidson Nature Preserve                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Drainage issues, mud, and flooding after storm events</li> <li>Erosion</li> <li>Need more pet waste stations</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bathroom cleanliness was identified as a major issue</li> <li>Litter (in pond and overflowing in trash cans)</li> <li>Picnic shelter leaks and is dirty</li> <li>Playground is getting rusty</li> <li>Bridge is deteriorating</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bathroom cleanliness was identified as a major issue</li> <li>Drainage issues and flooding after storm events</li> <li>Water fountains don't work</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Broken toys in the Tot Lot</li> <li>More frequent mowing and weeding is needed</li> <li>Drainage issues and mud in the Dog Park and Tot Lot</li> <li>Playground needs to be updated</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Path has a lot of roots and fallen debris</li> <li>"Needs work"</li> <li>Old signage needs to be replaced</li> <li>Erosion</li> <li>Drainage issues and mud after storm events</li> </ul> |

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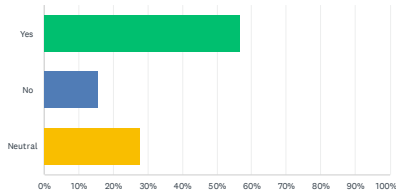




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Q1 Are you satisfied with the overall Town of Davidson Parks and Recreation System? (parks, facilities, greenways, programs)

Answered: 507 Skipped: 1



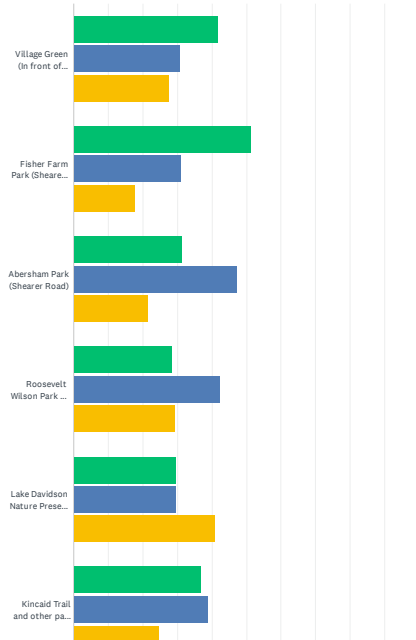
| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |
|----------------|-----------|
| Yes            | 56.80%    |
| No             | 15.58%    |
| Neutral        | 27.61%    |
| TOTAL          | 507       |

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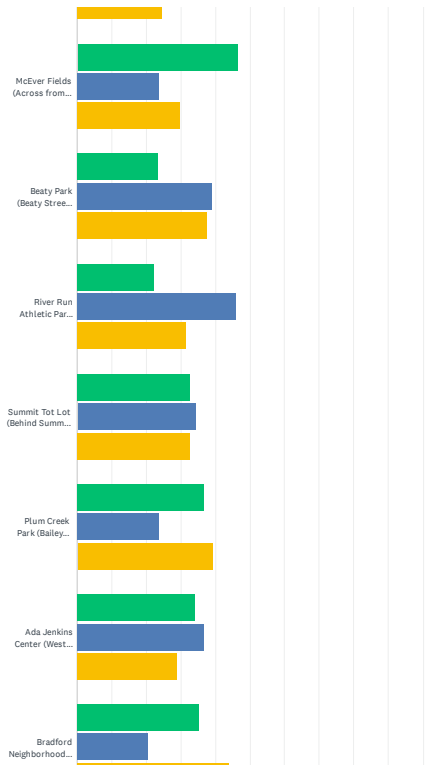
Q2 Of the following facilities currently in Davidson, please indicate which ones are the most important to you and your family, and most beneficial to the community (and/or members of your household): Select your top 3

Answered: 502 Skipped: 6



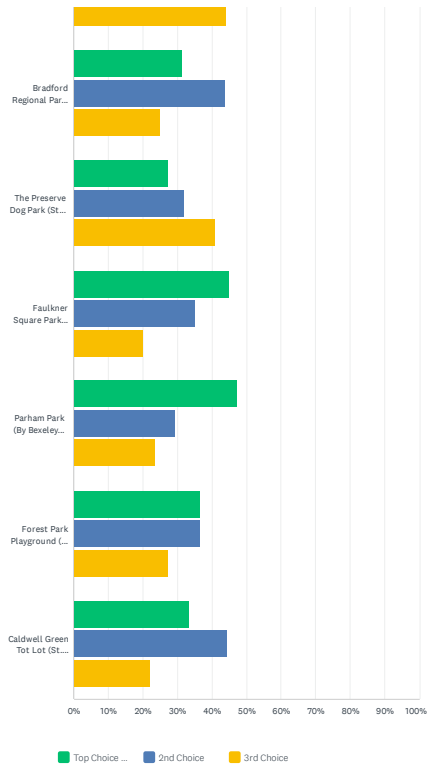
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|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------|------------------|--|
|                                                                             | TOP CHOICE (MOST BENEFICIAL/FAVORITE)                                                                                       | 2ND CHOICE   | 3RD CHOICE   | TOTAL             | WEIGHTED AVERAGE |  |
| Village Green (In front of the library)                                     | 41.86%<br>90                                                                                                                | 30.70%<br>66 | 27.44%<br>59 | 215               | 21.44            |  |
| Fisher Farm Park (Shearer Road)                                             | 51.47%<br>105                                                                                                               | 30.88%<br>63 | 17.65%<br>36 | 204               | 23.38            |  |
| Abersham Park (Shearer Road)                                                | 31.37%<br>32                                                                                                                | 47.06%<br>48 | 21.57%<br>22 | 102               | 20.98            |  |
| Roosevelt Wilson Park (On Griffith Street)                                  | 28.43%<br>29                                                                                                                | 42.16%<br>43 | 29.41%<br>30 | 102               | 19.90            |  |
| Lake Davidson Nature Preserve (Behind Davidson Day School)                  | 29.59%<br>29                                                                                                                | 29.59%<br>29 | 40.82%<br>40 | 98                | 18.88            |  |
| Kincaid Trail and other paved paths (South St. Pump House)                  | 36.67%<br>33                                                                                                                | 38.89%<br>35 | 24.44%<br>22 | 90                | 21.22            |  |
| McEver Fields (Across from Davidson K8)                                     | 46.43%<br>39                                                                                                                | 23.81%<br>20 | 29.76%<br>25 | 84                | 21.67            |  |
| Beaty Park (Beaty Street and Main Street)                                   | 23.38%<br>18                                                                                                                | 38.96%<br>30 | 37.66%<br>29 | 77                | 18.57            |  |
| River Run Athletic Park (Davidson-Concord and Robert Walker)                | 22.37%<br>17                                                                                                                | 46.05%<br>35 | 31.58%<br>24 | 76                | 19.08            |  |
| Summit Tot Lot (Behind Summit Coffee)                                       | 32.88%<br>24                                                                                                                | 34.25%<br>25 | 32.88%<br>24 | 73                | 20.00            |  |
| Plum Creek Park (Bailey Springs Neighborhood)                               | 36.96%<br>17                                                                                                                | 23.91%<br>11 | 39.13%<br>18 | 46                | 19.78            |  |
| Ada Jenkins Center (West Davidson Neighborhood)                             | 34.21%<br>13                                                                                                                | 36.84%<br>14 | 28.95%<br>11 | 38                | 20.53            |  |
| Bradford Neighborhood Park (Davidson-Concord and Robert Walker)             | 35.29%<br>12                                                                                                                | 20.59%<br>7  | 44.12%<br>15 | 34                | 19.12            |  |
| Bradford Regional Park (Huntersville)                                       | 31.25%<br>10                                                                                                                | 43.75%<br>14 | 25.00%<br>8  | 32                | 20.63            |  |
| The Preserve Dog Park (St. Albans Neighborhood)                             | 27.27%<br>6                                                                                                                 | 31.82%<br>7  | 40.91%<br>9  | 22                | 18.64            |  |
| Faulkner Square Park (St. Albans Neighborhood)                              | 45.00%<br>9                                                                                                                 | 35.00%<br>7  | 20.00%<br>4  | 20                | 22.50            |  |
| Parham Park (By Bexley Apartments)                                          | 47.06%<br>8                                                                                                                 | 29.41%<br>5  | 23.53%<br>4  | 17                | 22.35            |  |
| Forest Park Playground (St. Albans Neighborhood)                            | 36.36%<br>4                                                                                                                 | 36.36%<br>4  | 27.27%<br>3  | 11                | 20.91            |  |
| Caldwell Green Tot Lot (St. Albans Neighborhood)                            | 33.33%<br>3                                                                                                                 | 44.44%<br>4  | 22.22%<br>2  | 9                 | 21.11            |  |
| #                                                                           | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)                                                                                                      |              |              | DATE              |                  |  |
| 1                                                                           | Parks for smaller kids including splash parks to use during summers & a dog park along side it so it a whole family hangout |              |              | 2/20/2024 9:45 PM |                  |  |
| 2                                                                           | Greenways are also important since they allow for exercise in nature right in our neighborhoods.                            |              |              | 2/17/2024 9:01 AM |                  |  |
| 3                                                                           | I also greatly enjoy the LDNP as it is our only access to the lake. Its a gem that needs a face                             |              |              | 2/9/2024 5:18 PM  |                  |  |
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|                                                                             | lift.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                    |
| 4                                                                           | The mountain bike trails at Fisher farm/cedar valley are absolutely my favorite outdoor activity in Davidson.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/8/2024 10:36 PM  |
| 5                                                                           | Cedar Valley                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/8/2024 5:37 PM   |
| 6                                                                           | The greenway running in along West Branch neighborhood is actually the space we use most. it is sad to see it gradually losing so much of the trees that make it an actual greenway.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/8/2024 4:37 PM   |
| 7                                                                           | UR app was broken only allowed me to select one                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/8/2024 10:48 AM  |
| 8                                                                           | Bailey and Plum are close 3rd                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/8/2024 7:28 AM   |
| 9                                                                           | Top Choice: South Prong - Westbranch - Rocky River Greenway (runs through and Cornelius)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/7/2024 6:02 PM   |
| 10                                                                          | Truly all the outside spaces are beneficial as they are what make Davidson the special place that it is. Most residents come here for its emphasis on the outdoors and all the amazing outdoor spaces it offers.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/7/2024 1:29 PM   |
| 11                                                                          | Parks are lacking towards Davidson East. We have a greenway but we 100% depend on Cornelius and Huntersville to supply our demands for parks and 100% for any recreational programs.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/7/2024 12:47 PM  |
| 12                                                                          | I would combine Fisher Farm and Abersham as #2, and my third would be the greenway connectivity in the eastern part of town. This survey question is incredibly focused/biased towards downtown and its close to downtown areas. It lists a large number of tiny parks that serve only St. Albans/McConnell or immediate neighbors, but does not identify much at all in the eastern part of town. There is no reference to the River Run greenway system, its connection to Davidson East, Narrow Passage, or the West Branch Nature Preserve, and no reference to the several parks within River Run and similar areas (so while St Albans or downtown is made to seem significant, the omission of Overleaf, etc., is striking). It is also somewhat illogical to force a division of Fisher Farm and Abersham, particularly relative to these tiny parks mentioned. | 2/7/2024 11:26 AM  |
| 13                                                                          | Playground behind Ada Jenkins                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/7/2024 10:28 AM  |
| 14                                                                          | I'm new to the area and a senior. I don't know much about Davidson Parks. I did walk a trail at Davidson College which is a mess. I then twisted my ankle and when I mentioned this to friends they said I was not supposed to walk there. I didn't know. My ankle healed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/1/2024 3:10 PM   |
| 15                                                                          | Greenways!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/31/2024 12:36 PM |
| 16                                                                          | I love and appreciate all natural areas and parks. I hope we can do all that is possible to preserve green space and trees.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/31/2024 8:22 AM  |
| 17                                                                          | Beaty Park's presence will likely continue to move it up in relevance in coming years.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/29/2024 5:14 PM  |
| 18                                                                          | I see rich potential on the land behind the New Town Hall                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/29/2024 9:29 AM  |
| 19                                                                          | A nice park with amenities for older children and adults close to downtown would be well supported I think.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/29/2024 8:40 AM  |
| 20                                                                          | We also love the greenways behind River Run that lead to Summers Walk                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/28/2024 4:30 PM  |
| 21                                                                          | I love them all. More is better.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/27/2024 8:59 AM  |
| 22                                                                          | Also in my top choices are: Lake Davidson Nature Preserve, Abersham, all of our greenways!, Plum Creek Park for pickle ball and Beaty Street park for the walking trail. SO grateful for Fisher Farm -- it's a true gem! The Village Green is the centerpiece of our community.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1/27/2024 8:10 AM  |
| 23                                                                          | Pocket parks with playgrounds in McConnell - probably not "run" and maintained by the Town but by the HOA, but from a resident point of view equally important as "official" Town parks.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/26/2024 8:54 PM  |
| 24                                                                          | Greenway, accessed in River Run on Shearer                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/26/2024 6:02 PM  |
| 25                                                                          | Nature, pets, gardens, safety.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/26/2024 5:42 PM  |
| 26                                                                          | Davidson Pointe                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1/26/2024 2:28 PM  |
| 27                                                                          | Specifically, the pickleball courts at Plum Creek Park.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 1:58 PM  |
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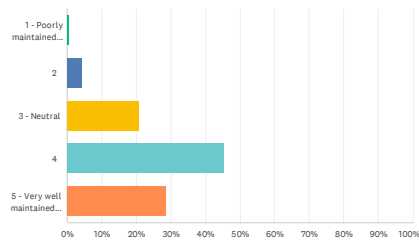
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| 28                                                                          | Hard to pick three on this list -- I picked some because they are so important to the community and have spent hours and days there -- all of these are treasures. | 1/26/2024 1:13 PM  |
| 29                                                                          | Westbranch Nature Preserve in River Run                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 1:08 PM  |
| 30                                                                          | 4th - Beaty Park                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 1:00 PM  |
| 31                                                                          | Town swimming pool                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 12:59 PM |
| 32                                                                          | Greenway                                                                                                                                                           | 1/26/2024 12:26 PM |
| 33                                                                          | Pickleball .....                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 11:28 AM |
| 34                                                                          | Also Village Green is very important                                                                                                                               | 1/15/2024 1:45 PM  |
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| Q3 Do you feel safe in Davidson's parks during the day? (yes or no)         |                                                                                                                                                            |                    |
| Answered: 506 Skipped: 2                                                    |                                                                                                                                                            |                    |
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| ANSWER CHOICES                                                              |                                                                                                                                                            | RESPONSES          |
| Yes                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                            | 98.81%<br>500      |
| No                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                            | 0.20%<br>1         |
| If No, please explain why:                                                  |                                                                                                                                                            | 0.99%<br>5         |
| TOTAL                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                            | 506                |
| #                                                                           | IF NO, PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY:                                                                                                                                 | DATE               |
| 1                                                                           | I am ok in open areas, however not totally comfortable in some of the walking trails.                                                                      | 2/15/2024 12:01 PM |
| 2                                                                           | When alone I don't always feel safe due to noticing more loitering, especially around Roosevelt Wilson Park                                                | 2/7/2024 9:35 PM   |
| 3                                                                           | The greenways are built poorly, allowing water and mud to wash over them every time it rains. I actually broke my leg at Abersham in 2020 because of this. | 2/4/2024 4:59 PM   |
| 4                                                                           | I am single; if I were with others, my answer would be yes.                                                                                                | 1/27/2024 8:59 AM  |
| 5                                                                           | I've never been to parks in Davidson. Cornelius resident                                                                                                   | 1/15/2024 2:40 PM  |
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**Q4 Overall, of the parks/facilities/greenways we currently have in Davidson, how well do you feel the Town is maintaining them? (1-5, 1 – poorly and 5 – very well)**

Answered: 504 Skipped: 4



| ANSWER CHOICES                   | RESPONSES |            |
|----------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| 1 - Poorly maintained overall    | 0.60%     | 3          |
| 2                                | 4.37%     | 22         |
| 3 - Neutral                      | 20.83%    | 105        |
| 4                                | 45.44%    | 229        |
| 5 - Very well maintained overall | 28.77%    | 145        |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                     |           | <b>504</b> |

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**Q5 Tell us if there is a specific park/facility/greenway you think is well maintained or needs additional maintenance and why?**

Answered: 271 Skipped: 237

| #  | RESPONSES                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | DATE               |
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| 1  | Kincaid - rusty rebar and erosion fences left from construction                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/21/2024 2:21 PM  |
| 2  | Graffiti and very poor choices with cutting too many trees down, using harmful chemicals in lieu of alternatives, not repainting often enough the railings and play equipment, overall the town parks look much worse than they did 15 years ago                                                         | 2/21/2024 9:34 AM  |
| 3  | Transition to landscaping methods that are in harmony with nature across the park system.                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/21/2024 8:34 AM  |
| 4  | We love Beaty Park!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/20/2024 10:42 PM |
| 5  | Plum creek park & , river run athletic centre along with kids play area is very well maintained                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/20/2024 9:45 PM  |
| 6  | McEver Field                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/20/2024 9:28 PM  |
| 7  | South Prong Rocky River Greenway near Westbranch floods frequently and debris, mud covering the greenway                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/20/2024 9:11 PM  |
| 8  | Na                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/20/2024 7:19 PM  |
| 9  | Dirt infield at River Run fields is really bad. Not good at all for baseball (what it's intended for)                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/20/2024 5:47 PM  |
| 10 | Greenway seems well maintained                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/20/2024 5:30 PM  |
| 11 | All of the greenways are well maintained. The playgrounds around Davidson could use some updating.                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/20/2024 5:25 PM  |
| 12 | Continued up keep of the baseball fields at McEver                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/20/2024 5:24 PM  |
| 13 | Fisher farms is well maintained. Moever fields needs new restrooms                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/19/2024 7:39 PM  |
| 14 | Nature Preserve needs a lot of work                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/19/2024 5:00 PM  |
| 15 | Fisher farm well maintained                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/19/2024 1:44 PM  |
| 16 | Woods trail at Fisher Farm has a bridge that needs replacing.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/18/2024 2:34 PM  |
| 17 | Johnson parcel of overall Beaty property                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/17/2024 9:36 PM  |
| 18 | Nature preserve -needs additional maintenance                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/17/2024 8:21 PM  |
| 19 | I think Abersham and Fischer are well maintained.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/17/2024 10:16 AM |
| 20 | Fisher Rd (gravel) should be leveled more often. It quickly gets choppy and rutted with significant rainfall. Quarterly should be sufficient.                                                                                                                                                            | 2/17/2024 10:00 AM |
| 21 | I wrote neutral because the parks are neat and tidy, but the town should use less pesticides and herbicides, since lawn chemicals are harmful to children, pets and wildlife, and harm children especially because they play on the ground around fence posts, on rocks, in the mulch around trees, etc. | 2/17/2024 9:01 AM  |
| 22 | The bathroom addition at the park by Westbranch is amazing!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/17/2024 8:55 AM  |
| 23 | Possible to add more equipment, larger size of tot park behind Summit                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/17/2024 7:17 AM  |
| 24 | Beaty park is pretty rough around the edges                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/16/2024 4:17 PM  |
| 25 | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/15/2024 5:37 PM  |
| 26 | They are all generally well maintained                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/15/2024 1:12 PM  |
| 27 | Love Abersham and think it is a local gem!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/15/2024 1:11 PM  |

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| 28 | Unless it's been fixed, the far east lower area at the dog park stays muddy for days after a rain. If you take your dog there during that period, he/she will need an intense foot bath or more when you get home.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/15/2024 11:49 AM |
| 29 | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/15/2024 8:08 AM  |
| 30 | Greenway to narrow passage                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/14/2024 11:09 AM |
| 31 | NA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/13/2024 7:59 PM  |
| 32 | ing primrose so much overgrowth due to among other issues, like dead wood around the periphery which needs to be removed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/13/2024 5:45 PM  |
| 33 | Parham Park had live trees cut down left to rot and 3 foot tall stumps left to rot. No apparent maintenance of the plants and trees. No apparent protection of the water line allowing for excessive erosion. Lake Davidson Nature Preserve is not being treated as a Nature Preserve but as a recreational area. Trees along trail were painted with arrows to mark an event. Clearing of brush so crew skulls can be stored. Unchecked erosion of shoreline. | 2/12/2024 8:49 PM  |
| 34 | Fisher Farm. Crew is there nearly every day maintaining greenway.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/12/2024 6:58 PM  |
| 35 | Davidson need a rec center, Huntersville and Cornelius have one!!!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/12/2024 3:07 PM  |
| 36 | The Green! So many events are held here, but it's always cleaned up quickly and looks great. I know drainage is an issue, but we think the team does a great job prioritizing this area                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/12/2024 12:58 PM |
| 37 | South prong west branch greenway (Kimberly to r walker dr) often gets flooded and leaves slippery, muddy surface.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/12/2024 9:37 AM  |
| 38 | South prong has some water drainage issues                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/12/2024 9:18 AM  |
| 39 | I think they are maintained well                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/11/2024 9:24 PM  |
| 40 | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/11/2024 1:33 PM  |
| 41 | I wish the summit playground was a bit safer for kids. There are lots of loose bricks and walls they can fall off                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/11/2024 7:41 AM  |
| 42 | Please add more singletrack trails for bicycles.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/10/2024 5:15 PM  |
| 43 | Would be nice if there were more connections. Also, more trails at fisher farm.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/10/2024 3:30 PM  |
| 44 | The newly activated stewardship (rewilding) of Fisher Farm will greatly enhance what has been an under-managed property. I worry about the detrimental impacts of the unmanaged trail bike use at Fisher and Abersham, which is causing erosion and interferes with passive use of the parks. They are                                                                                                                                                         | 2/10/2024 12:59 PM |
| 45 | Roosevelt Wilson park is well maintained.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/10/2024 10:53 AM |
| 46 | Abersham. Grounds and greenways are clean and free of debris.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/10/2024 6:06 AM  |
| 47 | Correct amount of maintenance                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/9/2024 9:41 PM   |
| 48 | Importance of completing all the greenways to connect                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/9/2024 6:23 PM   |
| 49 | Several of our parks have significant natural areas that are not well management or optimized for wildlife. We need to establish long term maintenance and restoration efforts for our key natural assets. The build environment parks are well cared for overall.                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/9/2024 5:18 PM   |
| 50 | Town right Subway along all parks, and Greenway should be planted only with, or with at least 85 to 90%, of North Carolina, native, pollinator, friendly perennials. This would help Wildlife, and reduce the town from replanting annuals every year.                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/9/2024 5:05 PM   |
| 51 | We love the mountain bike trails at Fisher Farm! We only wish there were more.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/9/2024 4:44 PM   |
| 52 | I think the trails at Fisher Farm are amazing. Whoever builds and maintains them, including cedar valley, twisted sister, and the rest of the main trail system, they are providing a wonderful asset to the area.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/9/2024 11:29 AM  |
| 53 | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/9/2024 10:48 AM  |
| 54 | All well maintained. Just need to please create a much more contiguous system of greenways.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/9/2024 7:18 AM   |

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Love to see the greenway behind Narrow Passage connected to Fisher!

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| 55 | NA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/9/2024 6:08 AM  |
| 56 | More bike trails at Fisher                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/9/2024 2:47 AM  |
| 57 | Fisher is great!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/9/2024 12:07 AM |
| 58 | Love Fisher Farm Park. Would like to see it continue to grow.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/8/2024 11:42 PM |
| 59 | Lake Davidson, path seems to have seen better days. Rotty                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/8/2024 10:54 PM |
| 60 | I would love to see more mountain biking trails at Fisher Farm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/8/2024 10:43 PM |
| 61 | Na                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/8/2024 10:41 PM |
| 62 | Generally would like more off-road/mountainbike trails                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/8/2024 10:28 PM |
| 63 | I think the greenways could use better drainage. There are often puddles                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/8/2024 10:22 PM |
| 64 | Fisher Farm - well maintained                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/8/2024 5:37 PM  |
| 65 | Need more porta potties at Fisher Farms                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/8/2024 4:14 PM  |
| 66 | Fisher to Abersham is well done & maintained                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/8/2024 1:29 PM  |
| 67 | Would be nice to have more lights on the greenways.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/8/2024 11:57 AM |
| 68 | We LOVE the Beaty Park!! It's by far our favorite and was completed right after we moved in. Thank you!!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/8/2024 11:55 AM |
| 69 | Greenway from coddle Creek elementary to Fisher farm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/8/2024 10:48 AM |
| 70 | A greenway connector project was started in my neighborhood (off spring street and village main circle), but not yet completed?                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/8/2024 8:49 AM  |
| 71 | I'd like to see the greenway and sidewalks connect all of davidson by bike                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/8/2024 7:28 AM  |
| 72 | Given their extremely high use, the baseball fields at McEver could be maintained better. Better bathrooms, shade for all of the stands, water fountains that actually work, for example.                                                                                                                                                     | 2/7/2024 11:14 PM |
| 73 | Bathrooms at Roosevelt are always nasty. Picnic area needs clearing of bird poop and trash at Bradford Park. New mulch would be nice as well                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/7/2024 8:52 PM  |
| 74 | I think the trails at Fisher Farm are extremely well maintained, and look forward to how they will continue to develop and grow.                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/7/2024 6:43 PM  |
| 75 | Greenways well maintained but some debris after storms are often not cleared quickly.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/7/2024 6:02 PM  |
| 76 | St alban's playground is tired and needs updating                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/7/2024 5:53 PM  |
| 77 | Fisher Farm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/7/2024 5:27 PM  |
| 78 | St Albans dog park needs work.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/7/2024 5:02 PM  |
| 79 | Beaty Park access from Beaty street is needed. The Beaty leadership team communicated loud and clear about the need for an access trail into the park behind the homes that back up to Beaty Street. This is important due to lack of sidewalks from that point to Main Street. This was indicated as top priority but nothing has been done. | 2/7/2024 4:40 PM  |
| 80 | Tot Lot - toys are a mess and 1/2 dont work                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/7/2024 3:28 PM  |
| 81 | river run baseball field. the grass could be better maintained.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/7/2024 2:48 PM  |
| 82 | I feel like downed trees and debris are cleared in a timely fashion                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/7/2024 2:26 PM  |
| 83 | There should be additional lighting on the Bridge walkway in Wilson Park, during the evenings there are no lights on either side of the street and this creates a dangerous walkway. I do not feel safe walking here at night.                                                                                                                | 2/7/2024 2:10 PM  |
| 84 | Kincaid is well maintained - I never see any trash and the benches etc are all in good order.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/7/2024 2:06 PM  |
| 85 | Beaty Park has great landscaping.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/7/2024 2:00 PM  |

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Appendix C

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| 86                                                                          | Several parks/areas, especially the Town Green (constantly wet/muddy) and Roosevelt Park (rusty play equipment) could be better maintained                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/7/2024 1:47 PM  |
| 87                                                                          | memorial trees at Roosevelt Wilson and pond litter                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/7/2024 1:41 PM  |
| 88                                                                          | Tots lot is so unique and special but it needs major TLC to become the gem it once was                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/7/2024 1:29 PM  |
| 89                                                                          | Trail connector needed from Fisher farm park to Narrow passage                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/7/2024 1:18 PM  |
| 90                                                                          | Summer's Walk community green Way, is not well maintained                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/7/2024 1:07 PM  |
| 91                                                                          | The Town demanded that Lemnar remove pet waste stops along the new Greenway, which by the way are on the master plan for this particular greenway.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/7/2024 12:47 PM |
| 92                                                                          | Th Davidson Green looks like it needs to be re sodded - however, I know it is well used and difficult to do so.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/7/2024 12:19 PM |
| 93                                                                          | I think there is a lack of focus on trash/recycle in the bins that we have around ton. Besides, who can really tell if trash/recycle if both bags are black when the staff throws them in the back of the truck.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/7/2024 11:44 AM |
| 94                                                                          | I think the public works department does an overall great job with the resources and challenges they have. That said, I always believe good can be better and should always be pursued. McEver Fields and the ballfield at River Run are generally well maintained, but there susceptibility to flooding and the negative impact to playability they have when dried out leaves plenty of room for the playing surface to be improved. The bathrooms could also greatly benefit from new attention to bring them up to par with other bathroom facilities in other parks that have much less usage. | 2/7/2024 11:26 AM |
| 95                                                                          | The greenway from Kimberly out to the fire station has water drainage issues that didnt exist before that development was built.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/7/2024 11:10 AM |
| 96                                                                          | Bexley Davidson Neighborhood playground.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/7/2024 10:28 AM |
| 97                                                                          | Main green square needs work with grass. Often very muddy and bare spots                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/7/2024 10:21 AM |
| 98                                                                          | N/a                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/7/2024 10:07 AM |
| 99                                                                          | N/a                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/7/2024 10:01 AM |
| 100                                                                         | The trail through Bradford needs to be better maintained. It has standing water and bad drainage after rain.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/7/2024 9:39 AM  |
| 101                                                                         | Kinkaid Greenway is well maintained with grass and brush trimmed back and litter-free.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/7/2024 9:20 AM  |
| 102                                                                         | no                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/7/2024 9:18 AM  |
| 103                                                                         | The village green either needs artificial turf or better maintenance to maintain a consistent green grass.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/7/2024 9:18 AM  |
| 104                                                                         | the greenway sections near DK8, at the terminus down by Davidson-Concord Rd near the fire station, and most of all Abersham are flooded and often get frozen this time of year. The portion near the fire station doesnt need rain since it's runoff from the field.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/7/2024 9:15 AM  |
| 105                                                                         | The Rocky River Greenway on the north side of Rocky River Road is often very muddy and flooded.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/7/2024 9:13 AM  |
| 106                                                                         | Drainage on the greenway near Hudson St and by the fire station                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/7/2024 9:13 AM  |
| 107                                                                         | NA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/7/2024 9:12 AM  |
| 108                                                                         | NA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/7/2024 9:12 AM  |
| 109                                                                         | Bradford                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/7/2024 9:12 AM  |
| 110                                                                         | Greenway needs pet waste                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/7/2024 9:11 AM  |
| 111                                                                         | Overall the parks are great. Caldwell tot lot could use more frequent mowing. The Roosevelt playground has many rust spots on the playground.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/7/2024 9:11 AM  |
| 112                                                                         | NA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/7/2024 9:07 AM  |
| 113                                                                         | Trash/recycle is always overflowing in town near the Summit Tot Lot.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/7/2024 9:06 AM  |
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| 144                                                                         | Y'all do a great job!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 1/31/2024 12:16 PM |
| 145                                                                         | It would be nice to be able to use the parking lot at the south prong greenway. Each afternoon access is closed for school parking so you have this wonderful greenway but access to it.                                                                                                                                                    | 1/31/2024 11:26 AM |
| 146                                                                         | RW park has poor drainage, the shelter leaks, the restrooms look shabby                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/31/2024 10:14 AM |
| 147                                                                         | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1/31/2024 9:12 AM  |
| 148                                                                         | basketball hoops at plum creek are usually damaged                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/31/2024 8:42 AM  |
| 149                                                                         | Excited about the new Beatty street park which is near where I live.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/31/2024 8:22 AM  |
| 150                                                                         | The ones I have been to are well maintained.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/30/2024 5:19 PM  |
| 151                                                                         | McEver Fields is in need of more regular upkeep and cleaning. The condition of the bathrooms is embarrassing for the town; it is a joke that you need to bring you own soap and toilet paper on game days. The families and players try to avoid using the restrooms there and I can imagine other leagues are surprised by the conditions. | 1/30/2024 1:05 PM  |
| 152                                                                         | The tot lot on Caldwell could use some updating/ upkeep                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/30/2024 12:26 PM |
| 153                                                                         | River run field is dangerous for kids playing baseball since the infield is not maintained                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/30/2024 12:01 PM |
| 154                                                                         | I think the McEver fields could use some serious updating for the amount of usage it gets.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/30/2024 11:57 AM |
| 155                                                                         | Na                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/30/2024 11:27 AM |
| 156                                                                         | McEver fields                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/30/2024 11:05 AM |
| 157                                                                         | McEver field could use a complete overhaul. The bathrooms are often dirty and I don't like that you made the bathrooms coed. There should not be a risk of a young child walking in on a man using a urinal.                                                                                                                                | 1/30/2024 11:02 AM |
| 158                                                                         | McEver Restrooms look really shabby. They often are overrun with litter, etc on game days.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/30/2024 10:59 AM |
| 159                                                                         | Greenway through river run and continues into skywalk                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 1/30/2024 10:58 AM |
| 160                                                                         | McEver field should have the snack stand run more often to align with practice and game schedules. Would be great to have various in town restaurants take turns providing, food, coffee, desserts etc                                                                                                                                      | 1/30/2024 10:49 AM |
| 161                                                                         | The Village Green is not well manicured with additional plants and flowers considering it is the center of our town.                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/30/2024 10:47 AM |
| 162                                                                         | Plum creek is always clean and well-maintained.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/30/2024 10:45 AM |
| 163                                                                         | McEver Fields need to be better managed. They need to be watered when it doesn't rain, and better drainage when it rains a lot.                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/30/2024 10:43 AM |
| 164                                                                         | Bathrooms are worse than gas stations.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 1/30/2024 10:41 AM |
| 165                                                                         | Post storm/excessive rain grooming and clean up. Could the town be using volunteers to implement a more rigorous plan for this?                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/30/2024 5:41 AM  |
| 166                                                                         | Abraham and Fusher Farm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/29/2024 5:47 PM  |
| 167                                                                         | Continued coordination with developers when they build on adjacent parcels to mitigate impact - like flooding.                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/29/2024 5:14 PM  |
| 168                                                                         | n/a                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1/29/2024 3:49 PM  |
| 169                                                                         | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/29/2024 12:44 PM |
| 170                                                                         | The Green in front of the library is sometimes messy, but it is very frequented                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/29/2024 11:35 AM |
| 171                                                                         | Rocky River South Prong is always great                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/29/2024 9:51 AM  |
| 172                                                                         | I think the Kinkaid Greenway is well taken care of. It's clean and pleasant to walk or bike.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/29/2024 9:29 AM  |
| 173                                                                         | Greenway                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/29/2024 8:40 AM  |
| 174                                                                         | Beatty Park- well maintained. Roosevelt Park - not well maintained-light has had top flipped open for nearly 1 year.in Southwest Corner                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/29/2024 6:45 AM  |
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| 114                                                                         | To my knowledge, the ones I've visited all seem to be well maintained                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/7/2024 6:22 AM   |
| 115                                                                         | All of the parks seemed to be maintained except Roosevelt Wilson Park. The bathrooms aren't kept, playground equipment is severely outdated, gnats are terrible and the shelter looks unsafe to be under                                                                              | 2/6/2024 10:12 PM  |
| 116                                                                         | I wish we could add water fountains on the greenways! Runners and walkers (esp with kids!) do not always carry water.                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/6/2024 9:27 PM   |
| 117                                                                         | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/6/2024 11:33 AM  |
| 118                                                                         | The Lake Davidson Preserve has a hazardous walkway due to tree roots and fallen debris.                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/6/2024 10:24 AM  |
| 119                                                                         | The Nature Preserve looks a little neglected. The signage is old, some falling apart. The shoreline is eroding - I don't expect you would have the funds to put anything in place to slow down, but I wonder if Duke power would provide any help maintaining these natural areas.    | 2/5/2024 7:31 PM   |
| 120                                                                         | all good                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/5/2024 3:02 PM   |
| 121                                                                         | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/5/2024 2:44 PM   |
| 122                                                                         | The greenway beneath Narrow passage is typically flooded/muddy after heavy rain.                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/5/2024 9:27 AM   |
| 123                                                                         | The village Green has drainage issues and is often wet and muddy                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/5/2024 8:41 AM   |
| 124                                                                         | Abersham park is beautifully kept                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/4/2024 10:02 PM  |
| 125                                                                         | Dog Park needs additional maintenance.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/4/2024 9:50 PM   |
| 126                                                                         | Westbranch greenway trail has several limbs down. No poop pick up station and poop all over on both sides of the trail                                                                                                                                                                | 2/4/2024 8:27 PM   |
| 127                                                                         | too much mud collects on the greenway under the shearer rd overpass                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/4/2024 8:12 PM   |
| 128                                                                         | Just walk the greenways after a big rain. The 90 turn on Abersham running parallel to Grey Rd, for example.                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/4/2024 4:59 PM   |
| 129                                                                         | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/4/2024 10:32 AM  |
| 130                                                                         | Greenway off Spring St behind James Alexander Way needs to be finished                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/3/2024 5:55 PM   |
| 131                                                                         | We go to Roosevelt almost every day and it definitely needs some updates.                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/3/2024 11:23 AM  |
| 132                                                                         | Don't have an answer                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/3/2024 11:03 AM  |
| 133                                                                         | West Branch - needs to be completed to connect Fisher Farm with Abersham                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/3/2024 10:57 AM  |
| 134                                                                         | Love the greenway                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/3/2024 8:47 AM   |
| 135                                                                         | The asphalt along the kinkaid trail is in rough shape near the West Branch neighborhood. Flooding along the path since the new neighborhood has also become an issue.                                                                                                                 | 2/2/2024 12:37 PM  |
| 136                                                                         | Beatty St. is well maintained                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/2/2024 12:26 PM  |
| 137                                                                         | The use of glyphosate and loud gas-powered equipment is unnecessary and harmful to humans and wildlife. Less mowing! Rakes! Electric equipment!                                                                                                                                       | 2/2/2024 7:34 AM   |
| 138                                                                         | I don't know Davidson Parks well enough.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/1/2024 3:10 PM   |
| 139                                                                         | Several of the parks could use erosion control on trails, Abersham, Fisher Farm, Nature Preserve                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/1/2024 9:17 AM   |
| 140                                                                         | The Lake Davidson Nature Preserve trails are sometimes a bit overgrown.                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/31/2024 5:53 PM  |
| 141                                                                         | It is definitely time for the playground at Roosevelt Wilson park to be updated and the wooden decking repaired. I would also suggest maintenance on the path at the Lake Davidson Preserve. There are many wasp issues there. Expansion of the baseball fields would be awesome too. | 1/31/2024 2:11 PM  |
| 142                                                                         | the greenways have water drainage issues                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/31/2024 1:01 PM  |
| 143                                                                         | Greenway trails can be muddy after rainfall                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1/31/2024 12:36 PM |
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| 175                                                                         | Roosevelt Wilson is well maintained.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/28/2024 6:36 PM  |
| 176                                                                         | Abersham is the one we use the most and it is always well maintained. It's beautiful there!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/28/2024 4:30 PM  |
| 177                                                                         | Town green is well maintained, you put a lot of work into the grass looking nice                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/28/2024 4:12 PM  |
| 178                                                                         | Kinkaid trail needs water solution as it frequently floods. Who did the drainage plan?? Makes it really difficult to navigate after a rain.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/28/2024 3:16 PM  |
| 179                                                                         | Roosevelt Park could be our showcase when entering our town from 177 but it needs more attention. More flowering plants, picnic benches , etc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/28/2024 8:50 AM  |
| 180                                                                         | The parks in St Alban's neighborhood need some love, particularly the tot park where kids would play if all the broken toys found near homes and the standing water could be addressed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/27/2024 9:53 PM  |
| 181                                                                         | The parks in the St Albans neighborhood are terrible, full of weeds no actual amenities other than poorly maintained grass no basketball, pickleball, soccer or lacrosse nets                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1/27/2024 6:21 PM  |
| 182                                                                         | The greenway near Westbranch needs low spots fixed. It floods easily.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/27/2024 4:01 PM  |
| 183                                                                         | Bathrooms at Old Pump Station were very dirty today.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/27/2024 1:41 PM  |
| 184                                                                         | There was a LONG time with Roosevelt Wilson bathrooms were marked as closed                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/27/2024 12:06 PM |
| 185                                                                         | The Bridge over Roosevelt Wilson is deteriorating as the boards are rotting and are uneven                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/27/2024 11:57 AM |
| 186                                                                         | The Preserve Dog Park needs extra attention with the falling/dead trees within the park.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/27/2024 11:28 AM |
| 187                                                                         | Kinkaid Trail floods whenever we have heavier rains                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/27/2024 11:06 AM |
| 188                                                                         | Roosevelt Wilson structure is in disrepair but planned for revitalization                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/27/2024 10:50 AM |
| 189                                                                         | Many of the natural trails could use regular maintenance after storms or particularly rainy weather.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/27/2024 10:21 AM |
| 190                                                                         | In the downtown, you need to do better. ie: trash trees growing in the planter behind 5/3 Bank, need to fix brick walks and walls. Because this is the face of Davidson. And I don't know what happened to "the green" - but perhaps the population has gotten too large to use it as a lawn. It used to be a lawn.                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/27/2024 8:59 AM  |
| 191                                                                         | When will the greenway from the wooden bridge on Spring Street (near James Alexander Way) be connected to the greenway by the Pump House?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/27/2024 8:10 AM  |
| 192                                                                         | Broken fence, strobing lights at Beatty park, needs more walking trails                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 9:39 PM  |
| 193                                                                         | After rain the Kinkaid Greenway (South Prong Rocky River Greenway) tends to have areas of standing water and puddles - not sure if better design or construction could avoid this, and is not a "desalbreaker"                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/26/2024 8:54 PM  |
| 194                                                                         | Greenway behind the Pines could use better drainage in some spots.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 8:43 PM  |
| 195                                                                         | Davidson East greenway hasn't been maintained since it was installed. The grass and weeds are over grown constantly, you can't use any of the benches because they're covered in overgrown weeds. There is not animal waste receptacles so there is constantly dog poop on the greenway making it impossible to walk with kids or ride their bikes.                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/26/2024 6:57 PM  |
| 196                                                                         | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/26/2024 6:24 PM  |
| 197                                                                         | Please complete greenway on spring street                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/26/2024 5:43 PM  |
| 198                                                                         | I just love Davidson and feel the Town does a wonderful job. The Greenway gets a tad overgrown across from River Run over into the Hidden Passage side.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 5:42 PM  |
| 199                                                                         | Roosevelt Wilson Park - the lake front needs to be cleared of trash and debris on a regular bases.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 5:07 PM  |
| 200                                                                         | We walk our dogs through Roosevelt Wilson park 2-3x a day and I feel like there is a lot of trash in & around the water along with by the playground & pavilion. I know that the Community School of Davidson (K-8) eats lunch down there leading to more trash than usual. Either they need to be more responsible (both children AND adults) for picking up after themselves or parks & rec need to make more daily trips to pick up trash around the ground, in the bathrooms & the trash/recycle bins are the park. | 1/26/2024 4:37 PM  |
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| 201 | Kincaid Trail is well- maintained                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 4:35 PM  |
| 202 | new greenways near Davidson East and River Run need more frequent trash pickup and emptying of pet waste stations                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 3:55 PM  |
| 203 | Roosevelt Wilson park routinely has overflowing trash cans at the Pavillion. The restrooms there are missing toilet paper a lot. The restrooms also look dirty & smell bad.                                                                                                                                  | 1/26/2024 3:52 PM  |
| 204 | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/26/2024 3:46 PM  |
| 205 | i think the greenway btw river run and shearers needs to be better maintained                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/26/2024 3:40 PM  |
| 206 | Caldwell Green Tot-Lot, too many broken toys                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 3:36 PM  |
| 207 | Fisher is great                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/26/2024 3:34 PM  |
| 208 | Entrance trail/entry way yo Lake Davidson Nature Preserve could use additional reinforcement or drainage to discourage water from pooling creating a big, mucky, slippery mess. I don't mind nature getting a little dirty, but, any little bit of rain makes that entryway totally saturated. Thanks!       | 1/26/2024 3:16 PM  |
| 209 | South Prong greenway needs some cleanup.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/26/2024 3:14 PM  |
| 210 | soccer ball field at river run-grass growing in the dirt, or no grass growing on the field.                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/26/2024 2:52 PM  |
| 211 | Trash in pond at roosevelt wilson                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 2:45 PM  |
| 212 | Roosevelt Wilson could use updating. We'd also appreciate if it was possible to locate a playground for older kids closer to main street (the tot lot is great but only works for little ones). Some sort of gathering place for middle school+ kids would also be great (beyond just the CVS on Main St :)) | 1/26/2024 2:35 PM  |
| 213 | Abersham trail leading into Fisher Farm is often slippery with mud                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1/26/2024 2:28 PM  |
| 214 | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/26/2024 2:16 PM  |
| 215 | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1/26/2024 2:13 PM  |
| 216 | Abersham, Fisher Farm and Kincaid greenways are all poorly constructed and result in standing water that sometimes freezes creating hazards.                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 2:05 PM  |
| 217 | Great job managing the geese and droppings at Roosevelt                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 2:03 PM  |
| 218 | Plum Creek Park needs more pickleball courts.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/26/2024 1:58 PM  |
| 219 | Pump house is disgraceful and trash Abounds                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/26/2024 1:55 PM  |
| 220 | Your crew is the best I've seen at maintaining fields and lawns. I'd give them all a raise.                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/26/2024 1:54 PM  |
| 221 | Roosevelt Park bathrooms need work and there is a significant issue near the children's play area at bike rack- often standing water                                                                                                                                                                         | 1/26/2024 1:51 PM  |
| 222 | There are so many of the signs and poles that are leaning and need to be set back up straight. A lot of sidewalks need updating due to mud collecting and cracks and uneveness.                                                                                                                              | 1/26/2024 1:37 PM  |
| 223 | wish Kincaid didn't end at a busy road -- please continue it                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 1:13 PM  |
| 224 | Fisher Farm Park -wooden bridge on hiking trail needs to be repaired as boards are rotting and there is a hole in it                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1/26/2024 1:08 PM  |
| 225 | Bradford neighborhood park needs mulch. Looks a little run down.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 1:05 PM  |
| 226 | More lights or solar lighting would add to better safety.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/26/2024 1:00 PM  |
| 227 | The path between Hudson Place and Robert Walker has drainage issues. The new housing development changed the way water flows.                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/26/2024 12:52 PM |
| 228 | Beaty Park needs maintenance, but it has limited use. It should have been developed and not wasted as a park.                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/26/2024 12:40 PM |
| 229 | Greenway connecting Narrow Passage to River Run.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 12:36 PM |
| 230 | All trails seem well maintained                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/26/2024 12:35 PM |

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| 231 | There's always some trash floating in Roosevelt Wilson pond. But generally, everything is very well maintained,                                                                                                       | 1/26/2024 12:33 PM |
| 232 | Bradford park. Trails need to be maintained better                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/26/2024 12:31 PM |
| 233 | Trash collection in the village green is lacking.                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/26/2024 12:30 PM |
| 234 | Greenway needs better stormwater management                                                                                                                                                                           | 1/26/2024 12:26 PM |
| 235 | Bradford Park walking trail could use some paving or gravel in one area the is always so muddy that I avoid the trail all together during any rain and long after.                                                    | 1/26/2024 12:24 PM |
| 236 | The path between Hudson Place and Robert Walker has drainage issues. The new housing development changed the way water flows.                                                                                         | 1/26/2024 12:23 PM |
| 237 | Roosevelt Wilson Park could benefit from ground over (mulch) in the beds and maybe some pretty perennials                                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 12:19 PM |
| 238 | We are glad that Plum Creek got restrooms. The bathrooms at Wilson park need refurbishing. The grass on the green needs some help. It gets very muddy at times.                                                       | 1/26/2024 12:19 PM |
| 239 | The bathrooms at McEver fields and Roosevelt park need attention (never have toilet paper, dirty)                                                                                                                     | 1/26/2024 12:17 PM |
| 240 | Plum Creek Greenway is very well maintained                                                                                                                                                                           | 1/26/2024 12:16 PM |
| 241 | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/26/2024 12:15 PM |
| 242 | The very end of the greenway behind the Narrow Passage neighborhood (prior to the Fisher Farm property line) is in need of maintenance.                                                                               | 1/26/2024 12:14 PM |
| 243 | Roosevelt Wilson Park is the closest to our home, and we avoid it. Trash is always overflowing, the bug situation is absolutely out of control (especially mosquitos), and the equipment in general has become gross. | 1/26/2024 12:11 PM |
| 244 | The new bathrooms at Fischer Farm will be very beneficial to its users                                                                                                                                                | 1/26/2024 12:08 PM |
| 245 | All the St. Albans parks are in need of freshening: signs and fencing                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 12:07 PM |
| 246 | The green could be spruced up a bit more                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/26/2024 12:05 PM |
| 247 | I think the bathrooms at many facilities are below standards specifically the Mcever fields and Roosevelt Wilson parks.                                                                                               | 1/26/2024 12:01 PM |
| 248 | no opinion                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 12:00 PM |
| 249 | Fisher farm is well maintained                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 11:52 AM |
| 250 | No                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/26/2024 11:51 AM |
| 251 | Fisher Farm Park/Abersham Park need an organized and maintained trail system to allow the public to fully engage with the space.                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 11:48 AM |
| 252 | Plum creek: I think there is one shared bench between the courts. Each court should have at least one bench. There are also broken pickleball nets that are an eye sore.                                              | 1/26/2024 11:32 AM |
| 253 | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 11:31 AM |
| 254 | Fisher Farm is well maintained and has wonderful walking trails.                                                                                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 11:30 AM |
| 255 | South Prong Rocky River Greenway is well maintained and I would like to see it stay that way                                                                                                                          | 1/26/2024 11:28 AM |
| 256 | Village green - well maintained                                                                                                                                                                                       | 1/26/2024 11:25 AM |
| 257 | Parks, such as Parham, typically have litter year around.                                                                                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 11:25 AM |
| 258 | McEver Fields would benefit from painting the buildings, bathroom updates / cleaning (especially), etc.                                                                                                               | 1/26/2024 11:25 AM |
| 259 | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 11:24 AM |
| 260 | The greenway around Westbranch I feel is very well maintained.                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 11:23 AM |

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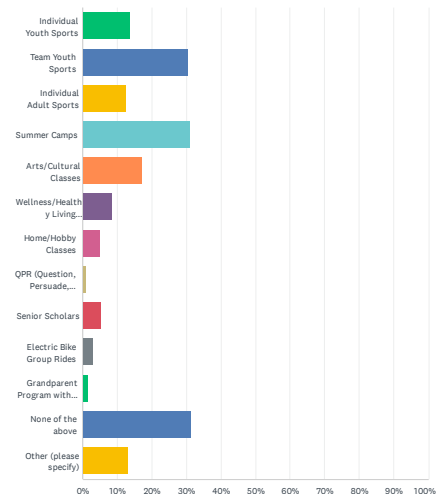
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| 261 | Greenway and paved path maintenance is generally good in terms of repairing bridges and smoothing out bumps.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/26/2024 11:21 AM |
| 262 | St. Albans - Trimming and cleaning up                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 1/26/2024 11:21 AM |
| 263 | Bradford Neighborhood Park is unfinished, has ant hills, and needs landscaping                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/26/2024 11:18 AM |
| 264 | Some of the facilities are just looking dated. As the "gateway" park to the town, Roosevelt Park has looked really run down in the last year with weeds growing into the lake. I'd love to see the town make a major investment into Roosevelt Park to make it a crown jewel as the first place people see. It's be nice to see similar investments into the McEvers Field and that area, especially as another gateway area into the town. | 1/26/2024 10:03 AM |
| 265 | I actually think all of them seem to be in really good shape.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/20/2024 10:16 AM |
| 266 | NA/Unsure                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/19/2024 7:07 PM  |
| 267 | Beaty is well maintained.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/17/2024 7:50 AM  |
| 268 | Everything is beautiful to me!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/15/2024 8:54 PM  |
| 269 | Around Roosevelt Park needs care/additional . Needs urgent maintenance care around the entire park, the pond and the entire surrounding pond area                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1/15/2024 1:45 PM  |
| 270 | I'm fairly new here and haven't experienced enough of the parks                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/15/2024 1:33 PM  |
| 271 | Rocky river greenway                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/15/2024 11:46 AM |

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**Q6 Identify which programs, in or out of Davidson, you (and/or a member of your household) have participated in during the past year (select all that apply)?**

Answered: 500 Skipped: 8



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| ANSWER CHOICES                                                              | RESPONSES |     |
| Individual Youth Sports                                                     | 13.60%    | 68  |
| Team Youth Sports                                                           | 30.40%    | 152 |
| Individual Adult Sports                                                     | 12.40%    | 62  |
| Summer Camps                                                                | 31.00%    | 155 |
| Arts/Cultural Classes                                                       | 17.00%    | 85  |
| Wellness/Healthy Living Classes                                             | 8.40%     | 42  |
| Home/Hobby Classes                                                          | 5.00%     | 25  |
| QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer)                                             | 0.80%     | 4   |
| Senior Scholars                                                             | 5.40%     | 27  |
| Electric Bike Group Rides                                                   | 3.00%     | 15  |
| Grandparent Program with Davidson College                                   | 1.40%     | 7   |
| None of the above                                                           | 31.40%    | 157 |
| Other (Please specify)                                                      | 13.00%    | 65  |
| Total Respondents: 500                                                      |           |     |

| #  | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)                                                                                                                                                                                                             | DATE               |
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| 1  | While not listed because kids grown now, not long ago the summer camps and youth sports - individual and team - were extremely important to our family's well-being. We also did QPR more than one year ago and that was valuable. | 2/21/2024 9:34 AM  |
| 2  | Davidson Youth Baseball                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/20/2024 11:16 PM |
| 3  | Need programs of smaller kids                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/20/2024 9:45 PM  |
| 4  | Library bookclubs, Davidson Learns                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/19/2024 5:00 PM  |
| 5  | Davidson Learns Green Team                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/17/2024 8:21 PM  |
| 6  | We use the town parks and greenways for walking and bicycling and birdwatching; these natural spaces are uplifting and beautiful.                                                                                                  | 2/17/2024 9:01 AM  |
| 7  | I walk 3-4 miles daily around town.                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/15/2024 11:49 AM |
| 8  | North rec Ctr programs                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/13/2024 7:59 PM  |
| 9  | Library events and clubs                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/12/2024 8:49 PM  |
| 10 | Mountain bike Fisher Farm trails and ride the greenway                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/11/2024 8:42 AM  |
| 11 | Mountain biking at fisher farms.                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/10/2024 3:30 PM  |
| 12 | Mountain Biking                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/9/2024 9:41 PM   |
| 13 | Davidson Lands Conservancy events                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/9/2024 6:23 PM   |
| 14 | Tree planting events                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/9/2024 5:59 PM   |
| 15 | Parades and town events                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/9/2024 10:48 AM  |
| 16 | More mountain bike trails                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/8/2024 11:01 PM  |
| 17 | Kayak fishing on Lake Davidson                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/8/2024 10:54 PM  |
| 18 | Fisher fest                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/8/2024 10:36 PM  |

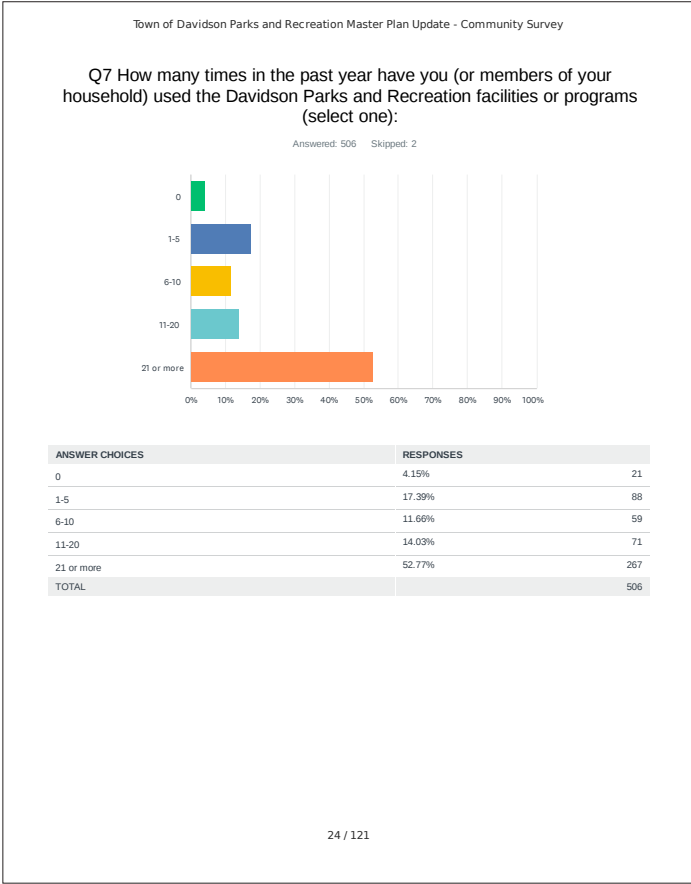
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| Town of Davidson Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update - Community Survey |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                    |
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| 19                                                                          | Mountain bike at Fisher Farms                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/8/2024 4:14 PM   |
| 20                                                                          | Mountain biking                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/8/2024 1:29 PM   |
| 21                                                                          | Also attend many of the town festivals. Kids are younger, we usually stick to playgrounds at this time.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/8/2024 11:57 AM  |
| 22                                                                          | Boat racks at lake                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/7/2024 9:07 PM   |
| 23                                                                          | Mountain biking at Fisher Kayak fish on Lake Davidson                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/7/2024 6:30 PM   |
| 24                                                                          | Pickleball lessons                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/7/2024 4:40 PM   |
| 25                                                                          | Kayak rental program                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/7/2024 2:06 PM   |
| 26                                                                          | The Town of Davidson camps for kids and programs are not well attended because of the price. You are price gouging when compared to Huntersville and Cornelius and even summer camps at the private school Cannon. Cornelius is so much more creative: from puzzle competitions, fishing competitions for kids. Davidson offers nothing that even comes close. But we have to trek on to Cornelius for anything like this. | 2/7/2024 12:47 PM  |
| 27                                                                          | "Programs in or out of Davidson" — so what have I or my family done anywhere in the past year? Really? We hike and explore trails and forested areas; we ride bikes on greenways; we swim; and we attend concerts where occasionally we shake a leg.                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/7/2024 11:26 AM  |
| 28                                                                          | Scouting                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/7/2024 10:28 AM  |
| 29                                                                          | Library                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/7/2024 9:07 AM   |
| 30                                                                          | Cycling groups in Davidson                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/4/2024 4:59 PM   |
| 31                                                                          | Kayak storage                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/3/2024 8:47 AM   |
| 32                                                                          | Davidson Learns                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/1/2024 9:17 AM   |
| 33                                                                          | Would like exercise classes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/31/2024 10:14 AM |
| 34                                                                          | Mah-jongg class                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/31/2024 8:22 AM  |
| 35                                                                          | Mountain Biking.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1/30/2024 10:41 AM |
| 36                                                                          | 2023 Mayor's Fitness Challenge                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/30/2024 10:32 AM |
| 37                                                                          | Mahjong                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/30/2024 12:33 AM |
| 38                                                                          | Civics 101                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/29/2024 5:47 PM  |
| 39                                                                          | Mayor's Fitness Challenge - we need to get that trophy back.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/29/2024 5:14 PM  |
| 40                                                                          | Playing with my grandsons on playgrounds.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/29/2024 9:29 AM  |
| 41                                                                          | Our kids have aged out of the youth programs and we are busy with their high school sports but we love many of the offerings and will probably participate more as empty nesters.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/28/2024 4:30 PM  |
| 42                                                                          | We need better access to our lakes. We have a GREAT asset that unless we own property on the lakes or can afford a boat, we dont get to enjoy.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/28/2024 8:50 AM  |
| 43                                                                          | North Meck rec center Davidson learns                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 1/27/2024 11:04 AM |
| 44                                                                          | "Grandparents Program with Davidson College" sounds interesting (and reflects very much the spirit of community involvement in Davidson). However, this is the first time I hear about it.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 8:54 PM  |
| 45                                                                          | Concerts on the Green                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 8:28 PM  |
| 46                                                                          | greenway trails, every day                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 5:45 PM  |
| 47                                                                          | Fitness Challenge, Concerts                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/26/2024 5:37 PM  |
| 48                                                                          | Civics 101                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 4:37 PM  |
| 49                                                                          | I plan to start (now that I am retired!)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 4:22 PM  |
| 50                                                                          | Recently moved here.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 1/26/2024 3:46 PM  |

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| 51                                                                          | DavidsonLearns                                                                                                                               | 1/26/2024 3:36 PM  |
| 52                                                                          | Davidson Area Running Team                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 2:28 PM  |
| 53                                                                          | Davidson Learns Davidson for Ukraine Concerts on the Green Senior scholars Art on the green Christmas in Davidson                            | 1/26/2024 1:24 PM  |
| 54                                                                          | Davidson Learns, Davidson College Presbyterian Church, Unity in Community, Davidson 4 Ukraine.                                               | 1/26/2024 1:22 PM  |
| 55                                                                          | This has been a busy year but we have participated in almost all of these over time -- however, some dont seem as well advertised as others. | 1/26/2024 1:13 PM  |
| 56                                                                          | Mahjong                                                                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 12:35 PM |
| 57                                                                          | Preschool programs at the library                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 12:25 PM |
| 58                                                                          | Canoe rentals                                                                                                                                | 1/26/2024 12:17 PM |
| 59                                                                          | Davidson Learns                                                                                                                              | 1/26/2024 12:00 PM |
| 60                                                                          | Pickleball                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 11:28 AM |
| 61                                                                          | Kayak Rack Program                                                                                                                           | 1/26/2024 11:25 AM |
| 62                                                                          | Canoe/kayak program                                                                                                                          | 1/21/2024 6:14 AM  |
| 63                                                                          | When my daughter was younger she participated in many of these programs.                                                                     | 1/15/2024 8:54 PM  |
| 64                                                                          | I would be interested in an electric bike group ride .....                                                                                   | 1/15/2024 1:45 PM  |
| 65                                                                          | Davidson learns                                                                                                                              | 1/15/2024 11:46 AM |

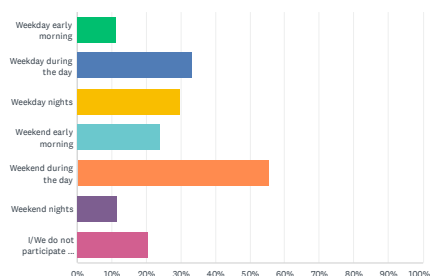
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**Q8 When do you (and/ or members of your household) typically participate in recreational programming (select all that apply)?**

Answered: 501 Skipped: 7

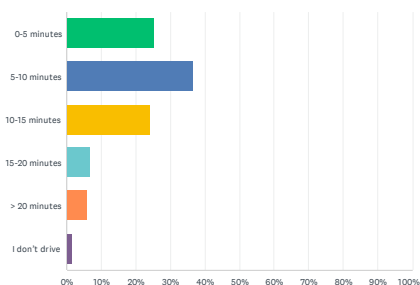


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**Q9 How far are you currently traveling, on average, by automobile to meet your recreational needs (select one)?**

Answered: 502 Skipped: 6

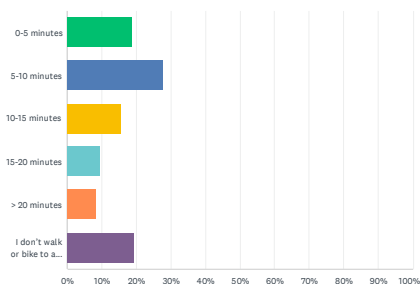


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**Q10 How far are you currently traveling, on average, by foot or bicycle to meet your recreational needs (select one)?**

Answered: 504 Skipped: 4

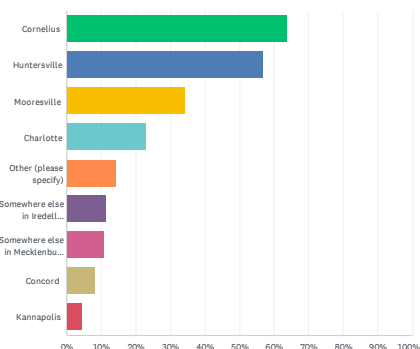


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**Q11 If you are traveling outside of Davidson for recreation, where to (select all that apply)?**

Answered: 441 Skipped: 67



| ANSWER CHOICES                       | RESPONSES                   |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Cornelius                            | 63.72% 281                  |
| Huntersville                         | 56.69% 250                  |
| Mooresville                          | 34.01% 150                  |
| Charlotte                            | 23.13% 102                  |
| Other (please specify)               | 14.29% 63                   |
| Somewhere else in Iredell County     | 11.34% 50                   |
| Somewhere else in Mecklenburg County | 10.66% 47                   |
| Concord                              | 8.16% 36                    |
| Kannapolis                           | 4.54% 20                    |
| Total Respondents: 441               |                             |
| #                                    | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY) DATE |

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| Town of Davidson Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update - Community Survey |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                    |
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| 1                                                                           | Latta Plantation in Huntersville and Quarry at Carrington Farms                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/21/2024 9:34 AM  |
| 2                                                                           | Harrisburg                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/20/2024 9:45 PM  |
| 3                                                                           | Lake Norman State Park, USNWC                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/17/2024 9:10 AM  |
| 4                                                                           | We travel to the mountains to hike, bicycle and birdwatch.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/17/2024 9:01 AM  |
| 5                                                                           | If it has rained, the dog park will be muddy, so we divert to the dog park at either Ramsey Creek Park or the one in downtown Mooresville.                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/15/2024 11:49 AM |
| 6                                                                           | Lske noman                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/14/2024 11:09 AM |
| 7                                                                           | Pisgah forest                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/10/2024 5:15 PM  |
| 8                                                                           | Occasionally to the mountains.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/10/2024 12:59 PM |
| 9                                                                           | North Meck Rec Center                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/10/2024 8:54 AM  |
| 10                                                                          | Lake Norman State Park                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/10/2024 6:06 AM  |
| 11                                                                          | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/9/2024 6:23 PM   |
| 12                                                                          | NC mountains.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/9/2024 5:05 PM   |
| 13                                                                          | The mountains toward Linville and Brevard NC.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/9/2024 4:44 PM   |
| 14                                                                          | Dupont State Forest                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/9/2024 11:29 AM  |
| 15                                                                          | Gaston County                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/9/2024 10:48 AM  |
| 16                                                                          | Other mountain bike parks on tarheel trailblazers list                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/9/2024 8:21 AM   |
| 17                                                                          | Whitewater Center, Lake. Roman State Park. Love a big investment in trails at Fisher/Abersham!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/9/2024 7:18 AM   |
| 18                                                                          | Kannapolis                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/8/2024 11:42 PM  |
| 19                                                                          | WNC                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/8/2024 10:54 PM  |
| 20                                                                          | Lake Norman State Park, mountain creek park, whitewater center, airline bike park,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/8/2024 10:36 PM  |
| 21                                                                          | Poston park mountain bike trails                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/8/2024 1:29 PM   |
| 22                                                                          | We will travel far for a good kids playground and greenway.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/8/2024 11:57 AM  |
| 23                                                                          | All state parks or Greenways                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/8/2024 10:48 AM  |
| 24                                                                          | Children's discovery in Huntersville.... It's very crowded but a wonderful spot for young families.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/8/2024 8:58 AM   |
| 25                                                                          | South and Stone Mountain state parks                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/8/2024 7:28 AM   |
| 26                                                                          | Lake Norman SP                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/7/2024 9:07 PM   |
| 27                                                                          | Lake Norman State Park                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/7/2024 9:02 PM   |
| 28                                                                          | Denver                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/7/2024 4:45 PM   |
| 29                                                                          | Whitewater Center in Gastonia, Asheville area.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/7/2024 2:06 PM   |
| 30                                                                          | Different county                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/7/2024 1:55 PM   |
| 31                                                                          | Davidson needs to get with the times regarding community events and programs. Just look at Cornelius summer camps coming up. From Biking with a police office to cheap tennis camps. It is pitiful. And I am not trying to mean. Davidson is way to expensive and does not offer much of anything other than craft and things for 5 year olds. | 2/7/2024 12:47 PM  |
| 32                                                                          | do not travel                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/7/2024 11:10 AM  |
| 33                                                                          | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/7/2024 9:13 AM   |
| 34                                                                          | SwimMAC                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/4/2024 9:50 PM   |
| 35                                                                          | My son has to play on a travel baseball team based in Gaston County. Red Clay gets the                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/4/2024 8:27 PM   |

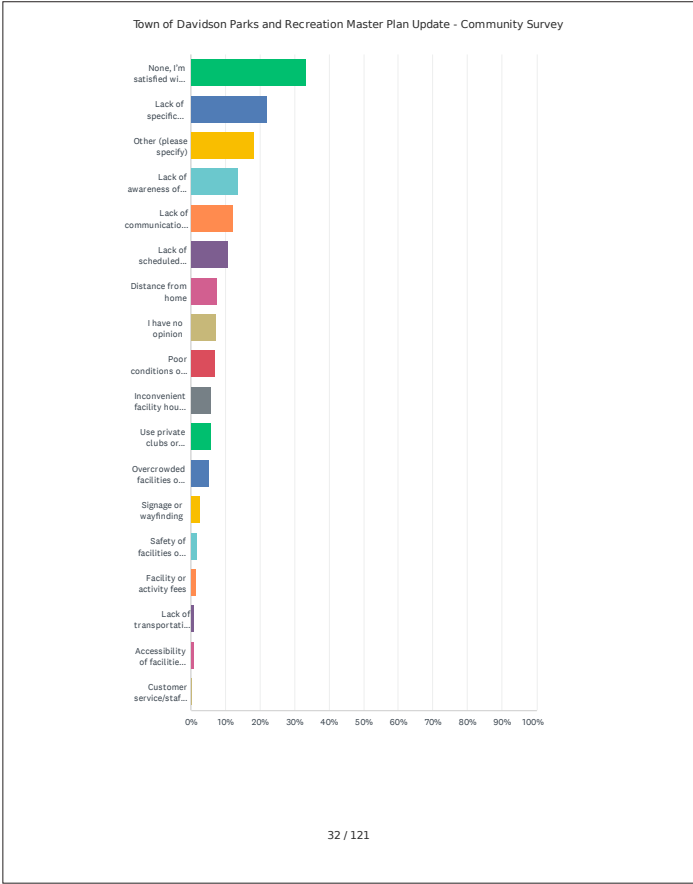
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| Davidson field space but has ZERO Davidson kids on their younger teams. Not sure how that's right.... |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                    |
| 36                                                                                                    | I dont like putting my bike on my car, but when I do I head to Lake Norman State Park, the Whitewater Center, or up to the mountains.                                                                                                        | 2/4/2024 4:59 PM   |
| 37                                                                                                    | State Parks outside the region                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/3/2024 10:57 AM  |
| 38                                                                                                    | Weekends: National forest roads for gravel cycling and Appalachian Trail.                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/2/2024 7:34 AM   |
| 39                                                                                                    | Mountain bike parks/trails: Whitewater Center, Airline Park, Fisher Farm, Lake Norman State Park, Mazeppa Park, Mountain Creek Park                                                                                                          | 1/31/2024 5:53 PM  |
| 40                                                                                                    | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/31/2024 9:12 AM  |
| 41                                                                                                    | My husband has to travel for tennis. We wish there were public tennis courts in Davidson.                                                                                                                                                    | 1/31/2024 8:22 AM  |
| 42                                                                                                    | West to the mountains and state parks with hiking                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/30/2024 10:59 AM |
| 43                                                                                                    | Davidson                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/30/2024 10:45 AM |
| 44                                                                                                    | Travel to access lake/mountain and other scenic view trails                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/30/2024 5:41 AM  |
| 45                                                                                                    | We tend to explore other greenways in all directions and have been to all of these towns for walking or riding bikes.                                                                                                                        | 1/28/2024 4:30 PM  |
| 46                                                                                                    | white water center, carowinds                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/27/2024 11:35 AM |
| 47                                                                                                    | Swain County, NC                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/27/2024 11:06 AM |
| 48                                                                                                    | Because of Covid have not yet visited the new North Meck Rec Center in Cornelius, but am interested to go regularly once it seems OK to do so.                                                                                               | 1/26/2024 8:54 PM  |
| 49                                                                                                    | Northstone CC                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/26/2024 8:43 PM  |
| 50                                                                                                    | Hiking in various places in NC                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/26/2024 4:22 PM  |
| 51                                                                                                    | Davidson Pointe in Iredell County, part of Davidson but no non-vehicular access to Davidson.                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 2:28 PM  |
| 52                                                                                                    | Would love to see a town-specific recreational soccer program. We really don't like having to travel down to Richard Berry park in Huntersville for Charlotte Independence Rec Soccer. It seems like there should be closer to home options. | 1/26/2024 1:58 PM  |
| 53                                                                                                    | Mountains - NC and VA                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 1:51 PM  |
| 54                                                                                                    | lake noman                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 1:46 PM  |
| 55                                                                                                    | Only Davidson                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/26/2024 12:07 PM |
| 56                                                                                                    | Mountain hikes                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/26/2024 11:33 AM |
| 57                                                                                                    | Leave Davidson to play golf                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/26/2024 11:32 AM |
| 58                                                                                                    | Denver for pickleball                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 11:28 AM |
| 59                                                                                                    | Hiking in mountains                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/26/2024 11:27 AM |
| 60                                                                                                    | Charleston                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 11:21 AM |
| 61                                                                                                    | Jetton Park                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/17/2024 8:35 PM  |
| 62                                                                                                    | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/17/2024 7:50 AM  |
| 63                                                                                                    | Keith "Y" and McCorey "Y"                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/15/2024 1:45 PM  |

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| Town of Davidson Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update - Community Survey                                                                                                              |  |  |
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| Q12 Are there any factors that discourage you or a member of your household from using Davidson parks, recreation facilities, programs, or activities more often? (Check all that apply) |  |  |
| Answered: 496   Skipped: 12                                                                                                                                                              |  |  |

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| ANSWER CHOICES                                                               | RESPONSES  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| None, I'm satisfied with current recreation facilities and amenities         | 33.47% 166 |
| Lack of specific facility or activity                                        | 21.98% 109 |
| Other (please specify)                                                       | 18.35% 91  |
| Lack of awareness of offerings or facilities                                 | 13.71% 68  |
| Lack of communication about offerings                                        | 12.10% 60  |
| Lack of scheduled events or programs                                         | 10.69% 53  |
| Distance from home                                                           | 7.46% 37   |
| I have no opinion                                                            | 7.26% 36   |
| Poor conditions of facilities/needed maintenance                             | 7.06% 35   |
| Inconvenient facility hours or activity scheduling                           | 6.05% 30   |
| Use private clubs or facilities instead                                      | 5.85% 29   |
| Overcrowded facilities or activities                                         | 5.24% 26   |
| Signage or wayfinding                                                        | 2.82% 14   |
| Safety of facilities or activities                                           | 1.81% 9    |
| Facility or activity fees                                                    | 1.41% 7    |
| Lack of transportation to facilities or programs                             | 1.01% 5    |
| Accessibility of facilities for people with disabilities or limited mobility | 1.01% 5    |
| Customer service/staff knowledge                                             | 0.40% 2    |
| Total Respondents: 496                                                       |            |

| #  | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)                                                                                                                                                                    | DATE               |
|----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1  | Lack of dog parks                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/21/2024 3:55 PM  |
| 2  | Destruction of lake health with overponding, chemical runoff, icky water                                                                                                                  | 2/21/2024 9:34 AM  |
| 3  | More youth baseball fields needed in Davidson.                                                                                                                                            | 2/20/2024 11:16 PM |
| 4  | Lack of baseball/softball fields or training options in Davidson                                                                                                                          | 2/20/2024 5:25 PM  |
| 5  | My family would like more natural areas where we can be in nature and enjoy meadows with flowers.                                                                                         | 2/17/2024 9:01 AM  |
| 6  | I ended up going to Huntersville to participate in their walking program since there was not one in Davidson. Since Covid there has been a lack of programs such as yoga, etc. for adults | 2/15/2024 12:01 PM |
| 7  | See previous notes about the (after rain) muddy area at the dog park.                                                                                                                     | 2/15/2024 11:49 AM |
| 8  | Some of the current staff are rude—we noticed just in last year                                                                                                                           | 2/13/2024 7:59 PM  |
| 9  | While we usually use and enjoy one of the parks every day or every other day, we are not very interested in the programs offered.                                                         | 2/13/2024 5:45 PM  |
| 10 | Lack of connectivity (ability to easily connect through greenways, without having to travel on major roads).                                                                              | 2/12/2024 9:37 AM  |
| 11 | Big I her friendly mountain biking                                                                                                                                                        | 2/11/2024 10:25 AM |
| 12 | parking access around the downtown area, Traffic on 115 can be intimidating.                                                                                                              | 2/11/2024 8:42 AM  |

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| 13 | There are no parks within reasonable walking distance of the historic neighborhood (i.e., east of Main Street and south of concord rd)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/11/2024 8:27 AM  |
| 14 | More trails for mountain biking at fisher farms.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/10/2024 3:30 PM  |
| 15 | I also use the Y for indoor recreation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/10/2024 12:59 PM |
| 16 | Lack of dog park near our home on Magnolia St.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/10/2024 10:53 AM |
| 17 | I would like walking tours given on our local greenways. We have many different greenways but residents don't know where they are. Offering walks on each of these would introduce people to our local natural resources.                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/10/2024 8:54 AM  |
| 18 | Greenways need to be connected.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/10/2024 6:06 AM  |
| 19 | Would like more interconnected greenways along lake                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/9/2024 10:35 PM  |
| 20 | Our natural areas need constant work and I am pleased with the great work of DLC at LDNP, Beatty Park, Fisher Farm and tree planting along the Plum Creek G.W.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/9/2024 5:18 PM   |
| 21 | We need more greenways, and more connectivity between the existing greenways                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/8/2024 10:22 PM  |
| 22 | Access to Fisher farm via bike from town is not safe without sidewalk or greenway connection                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/8/2024 9:02 PM   |
| 23 | Could have more bike trails at Fisher Farms                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/8/2024 4:14 PM   |
| 24 | Bike access would be great                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/8/2024 7:28 AM   |
| 25 | The lack of summer camps that are full day options is very inconvenient and shows a clear bias towards families who are wealthy or have stay at home parents who can take care of kids who are in half-day camps.                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/7/2024 11:14 PM  |
| 26 | Would be great if Beatty park added additional features for younger kids                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/7/2024 6:55 PM   |
| 27 | Need to connect Greenways                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/7/2024 8:06 PM   |
| 28 | I love all of the community activities (music in the square and on the green, etc.), and we enjoy the summer camps, but I wish there were more athletic and artistic offerings for kids. We have to go to other communities for soccer, track, volleyball, field hockey, and musical theater, and I wish these offerings were closer to home. I also wish there were more adult athletic leagues. | 2/7/2024 4:45 PM   |
| 29 | Would love some sort of public golf course. Was recently looking to join a Mahjong beginner class series but they were only offered during the daytime when I am working. Would like to receive email notices on when these classes and signups are.                                                                                                                                              | 2/7/2024 2:06 PM   |
| 30 | A wider variety of stuff to do in a park would be cool. Lots of little things add up to make a good time. Put a shuffleboard court over there, bocce grounds over here, volleyball courts over there                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/7/2024 12:39 PM  |
| 31 | Need more tennis courts & greenways                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/7/2024 12:35 PM  |
| 32 | McEver fields needs more                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/7/2024 9:56 AM   |
| 33 | Need more greenways                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/7/2024 9:32 AM   |
| 34 | Please keep intense focus on facilities and features at facilities that are accessible for folks in wheelchairs (accessible playground equipment in particular). It's an easy add-on in the planning stages.                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/7/2024 9:20 AM   |
| 35 | I do not use Fisher Farm as often as I would like because the Greenway does not connect to it.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/7/2024 9:13 AM   |
| 36 | Playgrounds are less engaging, need a great one that is fenced in.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/6/2024 7:29 PM   |
| 37 | Would like to see pickleball courts                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/5/2024 3:02 PM   |
| 38 | Lack of links between existing greenways.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/5/2024 2:44 PM   |
| 39 | Unknown if there are any public tennis or pickleball courts in Davidson                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/5/2024 8:41 AM   |
| 40 | For both Antiquity and Davidson Greenways could be bigger signage                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/4/2024 9:50 PM   |

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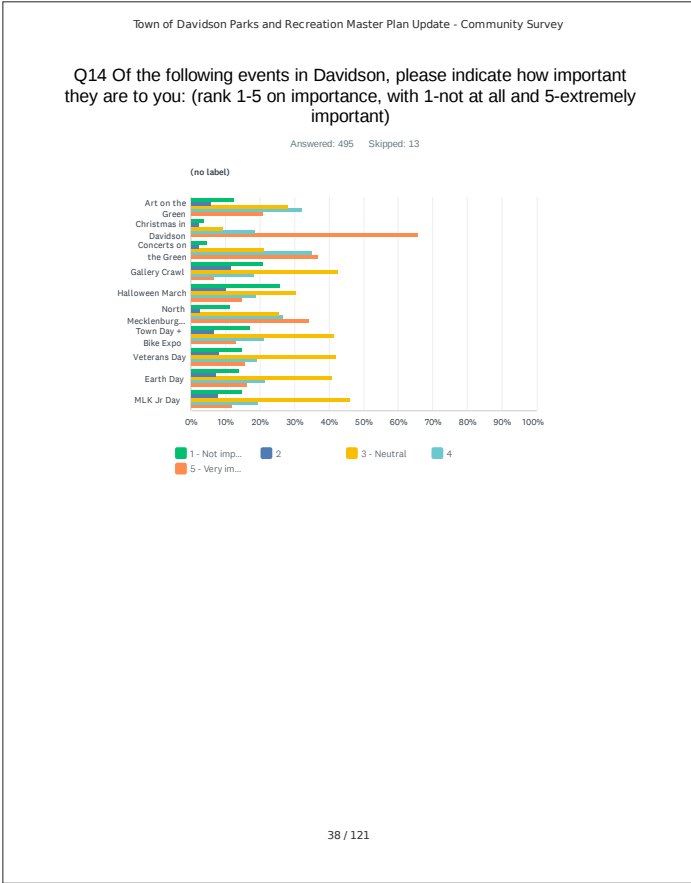
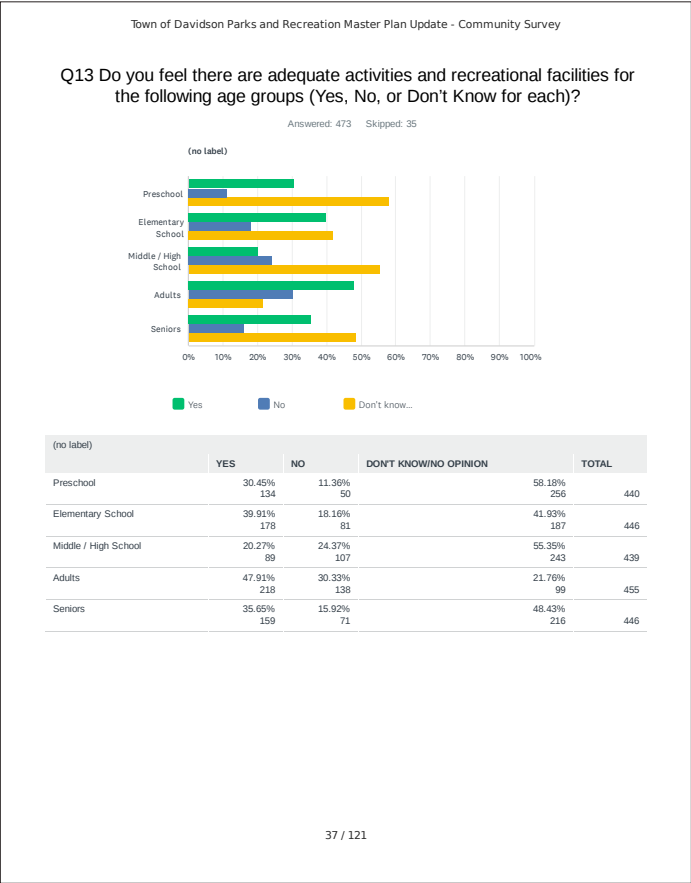
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| 41 | Need better summer camps- look at what Cornelius offers                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/4/2024 8:27 PM   |
| 42 | I love Fisher and Abersham, but when they are wet it is dangerous. Traveling by bike along the roads here is scary. I wish there was a greenway heading to Fisher.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/4/2024 4:59 PM   |
| 43 | Would like more tennis and pickleball programming                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/4/2024 10:32 AM  |
| 44 | There ar many parks and some greenways but no recreation center. But the County Center in Cornelius is quite good.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/2/2024 12:26 PM  |
| 45 | We don't need programming but love the open space and natural area of Abersham and Fisher Farm. Looking forward to a bike path that will get there from in town.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/2/2024 7:34 AM   |
| 46 | Availability of better maps on biking greenways in the area would be helpful. The map on the town website is not very good.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/31/2024 5:53 PM  |
| 47 | Would like additional Pickle ball courts                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/31/2024 12:36 PM |
| 48 | Exercise classes are not offered                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/31/2024 10:14 AM |
| 49 | Only with respect to pickleball is overcrowding an issue                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/31/2024 9:12 AM  |
| 50 | Lights on pickleball/tennis courts                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/31/2024 8:40 AM  |
| 51 | Parking/ access to lake front activities                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/30/2024 12:26 PM |
| 52 | No soccer fields                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/30/2024 10:47 AM |
| 53 | We need to update and utilize the concession stands at McEver field. The fields/stands also need to be updated. We are great community, but other venues offer much more to families who participate in games or spectators just watching.                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 1/30/2024 10:46 AM |
| 54 | It would be great to have more parks near Main St. by all the businesses.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 1/30/2024 10:45 AM |
| 55 | Could use more parks for young kids                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/30/2024 10:43 AM |
| 56 | Need town gym space.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/30/2024 10:41 AM |
| 57 | More connecting greenways would be amazing to avoid on-street connections                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 1/29/2024 9:51 AM  |
| 58 | I see facilities developed in other parts of town that I wish were available in my part.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/29/2024 9:29 AM  |
| 59 | Parking. Doors locked for programs.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/29/2024 8:40 AM  |
| 60 | I feel really grateful that we have so many offerings right here in Davidson.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/28/2024 4:30 PM  |
| 61 | Pickleball courts can be hard to find.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/28/2024 9:51 AM  |
| 62 | the pickleball courts are too far away from my house. Also, there is supposed to be a park on the shoreline near the CSD development and it should have been completed a long time ago.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1/27/2024 3:04 PM  |
| 63 | Lack of place for larger dogs to run safely while off leash.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/27/2024 11:06 AM |
| 64 | The North Meck Rec Center is already overcrowded, just sayin'. I would like more lake access for a person without their own boat. Love that you have racks by Lake Davidson!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/27/2024 8:59 AM  |
| 65 | Playground facilities are somewhat limited and don't offer enough variety. Would love to see a rec center (workout space, basketball courts, kids activity rooms) and especially a town public pool.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 8:43 PM  |
| 66 | We've tried signing up for day camps during the school year (for teacher workdays or winter break) but they've twice gotten canceled due to low enrollment. If communication about these offerings were better, they might have higher enrollment! Also, the town is VERY late in announcing summer camps compared to other programs in the area. By the time Davidson summer camps are communicated, I've already made other plans to ensure summer childcare. | 1/26/2024 3:55 PM  |
| 67 | Lack of a community center (particularly for seniors)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1/26/2024 3:36 PM  |
| 68 | I would love to have access to public indoor tennis facilities in Davidson or a neighboring town. Also, I really appreciate the wide selection of classes and other programming. But, one must sign up way in advance because classes fill up so quickly. And even the wait list gets long quickly, too. This suggests to me that more schedule offerings are needed. Thanks!                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 3:16 PM  |

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| 69 | Fisher Farm has all of the bike paths but my son would have to be driven there to use them.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/26/2024 2:52 PM  |
| 70 | More connected greenways                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 1/26/2024 2:45 PM  |
| 71 | need more pickleball courts                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/26/2024 2:42 PM  |
| 72 | I wish there were more established walking and biking trails that went for miles and allowed for safe travel. I do not understand why the train tracks have not been turned into recreational use pathways. It seems the most obvious choice.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/26/2024 2:30 PM  |
| 73 | Not enough pickleball courts at Plum Creek Park. Caldwell green tot lot could use better upkeep with regards to folks discarding outdoor toys (e. remove the broken stuff periodically).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 1/26/2024 1:58 PM  |
| 74 | Would love more access to greenways -- Davidson Concord Road needs to continue walk way that is currently there towards June Washam                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 1:13 PM  |
| 75 | No access to a pool                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 12:59 PM |
| 76 | I would like to see more summer camp options for youth to cover the gap during school break. We are a family with two working parents and two children who need summer care/activities. It's not affordable for our family to participate in Davidson programs and defer to options in Cornelius and Huntersville.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 12:43 PM |
| 77 | Lack of restroom facilities.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 12:36 PM |
| 78 | More youth sports/activities                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 12:26 PM |
| 79 | A rec facility similar to North Rec but with an outdoor pool would be greatly appreciated.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/26/2024 12:19 PM |
| 80 | Lack of connected Greenways to ride bikes safely to programming                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/26/2024 12:16 PM |
| 81 | When it comes to programming and activities, most things seem more geared towards seniors and not families.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/26/2024 12:11 PM |
| 82 | Pickleball users have made many tennis courts in the area unusable, unsafe, and unavailable. They have had a disproportionate amount of influence.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 12:00 PM |
| 83 | Winter 2021 Town Message indicated that the town will be installing a kayak launch at the Nature Preserve . and that the project HAD BEEN submitted to FERC for review. Despite this public notice, in October 2022, I learned that the FERC application HAD NOT BEEN submitted. I have found no information or updates on any town communication. What is the status of the FERC application and eta on building a kayak launch dock?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1/26/2024 11:33 AM |
| 84 | In no particular order: (1) Fisher Farm road needs to be paved - don't want to wash cars every time we go and play the pot-hole avoidance game (2) Path from downtown Davidson to Fisher Farm is needed (3) no lights on tennis/pickleball courts force movement to cornelius/huntersville (4) not nearly enough courts for our population, also forces movement to cornelius/huntersville (5) courts under literally buzzing high transition power lines (6) facilities for tennis and pickleball need to be separated and formalized as such via verbiage on both facilities (7) the many overlapping lines on the tennis courts make both tennis and pickleball challenging | 1/26/2024 11:32 AM |
| 85 | Need more options w/ more things to do at these options.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 1/26/2024 11:30 AM |
| 86 | Lack of true pickleball courts                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 11:28 AM |
| 87 | We used Davidson Elementary's field to play sports as a family and with neighborhood kids. It's not really in that great of shape. It would be great if the town had a soccer field or two that we could actually go play at, similarly with basketball courts, tennis courts, etc. We always have to go to Cornelius and Huntersville to find those.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/26/2024 11:25 AM |
| 88 | Safety outside of our neighborhood                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 11:21 AM |
| 89 | Kincaid walk needs a few benches near steep grades especially for older walkers, and parents pushing strollers.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/17/2024 8:35 PM  |
| 90 | Lack of pedestrian or bike access to facilities, eg Fisher Farm, Beatty Park                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/15/2024 7:56 PM  |
| 91 | I find what I need in Cornelius                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/15/2024 2:40 PM  |

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| (no label)                         | 1 - NOT IMPORTANT TO ME | 2            | 3 - NEUTRAL   | 4             | 5 - VERY IMPORTANT TO ME | TOTAL |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|-------|
| Art on the Green                   | 12.67%<br>57            | 6.00%<br>27  | 28.22%<br>127 | 32.22%<br>145 | 20.89%<br>94             | 450   |
| Christmas in Davidson              | 3.93%<br>19             | 2.28%<br>11  | 9.32%<br>45   | 18.63%<br>90  | 65.84%<br>318            | 483   |
| Concerts on the Green              | 4.59%<br>22             | 2.30%<br>11  | 21.09%<br>101 | 35.07%<br>168 | 36.95%<br>177            | 479   |
| Gallery Crawl                      | 20.86%<br>92            | 11.56%<br>51 | 42.63%<br>188 | 18.37%<br>81  | 6.58%<br>29              | 441   |
| Halloween March                    | 25.73%<br>115           | 10.29%<br>46 | 30.43%<br>136 | 18.79%<br>84  | 14.77%<br>66             | 447   |
| North Mecklenburg Christmas Parade | 11.23%<br>52            | 2.59%<br>12  | 25.49%<br>118 | 26.57%<br>123 | 34.13%<br>158            | 463   |
| Town Day + Bike Expo               | 17.27%<br>76            | 6.82%<br>30  | 41.59%<br>183 | 21.36%<br>94  | 12.95%<br>57             | 440   |
| Veterans Day                       | 14.74%<br>65            | 8.16%<br>36  | 41.95%<br>185 | 19.27%<br>85  | 15.87%<br>70             | 441   |
| Earth Day                          | 13.96%<br>62            | 7.21%<br>32  | 40.99%<br>182 | 21.62%<br>96  | 16.22%<br>72             | 444   |
| MLK Jr Day                         | 14.81%<br>65            | 7.97%<br>35  | 46.01%<br>202 | 19.36%<br>85  | 11.85%<br>52             | 439   |

| #  | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | DATE               |
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| 1  | Need more 4th of July activities (like a summertime version of Christmas in Davidson, with a town picnic). More flags in downtown during 4th of July please. I'd love to see Roosevelt Park completely covered in lights during December as another attraction for tourists and residents. | 1/26/2024 10:03 AM |
| 2  | Concerts in the Circle (Jettson St.) - 5                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 11:25 AM |
| 3  | Run for the Green - 4                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 12:00 PM |
| 4  | We loved the Cookie Crawl this year! We participated with numerous other families and it was the best time.                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/26/2024 12:11 PM |
| 5  | I would like to see more artists at the Art on the Green. I was disappointed at the number of artists. I'm used to events like the Stockley Arts Festival in Norfolk, VA                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 12:19 PM |
| 6  | 4th of July parade/concert DYBA parade/opening day ceremonies                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/26/2024 12:17 PM |
| 7  | Though I may not participate in all of these events, I love that I live in a community where lots of events are celebrated                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 1:24 PM  |
| 8  | My very favorite event is the Cookie Trail. It's great to meet merchants I don't know & lots of fun & of course delicious! Various vigils on the Town Green have been extremely touching & appreciated.                                                                                    | 1/26/2024 3:52 PM  |
| 9  | Concerts on the circle-2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 2:45 PM  |
| 10 | I think all of the events are very important to have in our town.                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/26/2024 2:52 PM  |
| 11 | Farmers Market 5                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1/26/2024 4:43 PM  |
| 12 | Concerts on the Square; Concerts on the Circle - Very Important                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 5:37 PM  |
| 13 | National Night Out,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 6:02 PM  |
| 14 | Thanks for ALL of the events you plan! They make for a vibrant community!                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/27/2024 8:10 AM  |

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| 15 | Anything that brings the town people together is good. I wonder, are you using the parking lot at the new city building for weekend activities in town? Personally, I love nature programs and being on the lake.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/27/2024 8:59 AM  |
| 16 | Small business day                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/27/2024 11:44 AM |
| 17 | Looking for more teen activities.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/28/2024 7:59 PM  |
| 18 | Farmers market very important!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/31/2024 12:36 PM |
| 19 | Free outdoor music events are extremely important to me. More art fairs would be nice.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/31/2024 5:53 PM  |
| 20 | Jewish Festival                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/3/2024 6:24 PM   |
| 21 | Events (especially of religious nature) aren't important at all. I'm a veteran, and detest veterans day celebrations.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/4/2024 4:59 PM   |
| 22 | Pride event would be an inclusive event to add                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/7/2024 9:11 AM   |
| 23 | Bring back the horse drawn carriage rides for Christmas in Davidson- also, not sure how effective Santa is at driving around. Most times, my kids miss him because we don't know when he will be coming by. Can't he just have a showing at the library for a cookies and milk? Maybe during Christmas at Davidson? I find that a lot of the "kids" activities haven't returned after the pandemic. It's been pretty lame for the past few years. | 2/7/2024 2:10 PM   |
| 24 | Fisher fest 5                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/8/2024 10:36 PM  |
| 25 | I really like the Arbor Day Celebration and tree planting work with DLC.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/9/2024 5:18 PM   |
| 26 | Run for the Green                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/9/2024 6:23 PM   |
| 27 | Town days especially Xmas in Davidson are overcrowded with people who don't live here. Is there a way to make it more focused on locals?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/9/2024 10:35 PM  |
| 28 | I had no idea about a lot of these events - so sad the communication is horrible                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/12/2024 3:07 PM  |
| 29 | NatureFest is a great activity for young children                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/12/2024 6:58 PM  |
| 30 | Concerts at the circles                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/16/2024 8:22 PM  |
| 31 | Farmer's Market, meeting space at the town hall                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/17/2024 9:01 AM  |
| 32 | Santa fire department drive by in December                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/20/2024 10:42 PM |
| 33 | Davidson Youth Baseball opening day parade.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/20/2024 11:16 PM |
| 34 | Christmas in Davidson isn't as fun as it used to be. Things are too spread out and commercialized now. It felt like there was more citizen involvement in the past. The same is true for the Spring thing we used to have lots of fun and it turned into a nonprofit awareness booth exhibition (I fully support the nonprofits, but fun has value, too).                                                                                         | 2/21/2024 9:34 AM  |

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## Q15 Any additional comments on current programs, facilities and events?:

Answered: 179 Skipped: 329

| #  | RESPONSES                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | DATE               |
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| 1  | The Parks and Rec staff could not be better. Love them. They do so much for our community with not a whole lot of resources and we should appreciate them more. I especially appreciate how they weave environmental awareness fun stuff into events.                                                                                                                                                   | 2/21/2024 9:34 AM  |
| 2  | Improve recycling options at facilities                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/21/2024 8:34 AM  |
| 3  | We love this town; thank you for all your work!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/20/2024 10:42 PM |
| 4  | Need monthly family activities by the greens outside the library                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/20/2024 9:45 PM  |
| 5  | Need more baseball fields and recreation spaces                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/20/2024 9:28 PM  |
| 6  | I have volunteer coached at DYBA for the past 2.5 years, and the ball fields at McEver are always super crowded. We never have anywhere to practice outside of our allotted team practice because all the fields, batting cages, local fields (River Run, Bradford, etc) are always packed. I just wish there were more fields available during the week and weekends to practice and play leisurely on | 2/20/2024 7:19 PM  |
| 7  | I think there is a major need for more baseball fields in the Town of Davidson. We are already maxed out and more need to be built. I think an ideal spot is at River Run fields.                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/20/2024 5:47 PM  |
| 8  | Not sufficient investment in fields given population growth. No new soccer or baseball fields, no expansion of current fields. Clearly behind Cornelius and Huntersville in this regard                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/20/2024 5:30 PM  |
| 9  | There are so many young families in Davidson and there are insufficient fields and gyms to support the local sports teams. Teams are forced to practice on Sundays taking away family time. The town needs more space to support our athletes.                                                                                                                                                          | 2/20/2024 5:25 PM  |
| 10 | please stop using pesticides on our parks and trails                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/19/2024 5:00 PM  |
| 11 | No                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/18/2024 2:34 PM  |
| 12 | No                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/17/2024 9:36 PM  |
| 13 | Please open the new restrooms at fisher farm. It has taken far too long to build, inspect, and make these operational.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/17/2024 10:00 AM |
| 14 | The hvac in the community room at new town hall is very loud and it often over-cools in the summer. The microphones, sound and computer systems in the new town hall need improving.                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/17/2024 9:01 AM  |
| 15 | Park equipment could be updated or additional offerings. Pickleball or tennis courts, more equipment and/or more expansive at Parks. Additional public basketball courts.                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/17/2024 7:17 AM  |
| 16 | Please connect fisher farm to the narrow passage greenway                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/15/2024 1:12 PM  |
| 17 | I wished you had asked age categories. My answers as a senior citizen are not the same as a family with children. Since Covid it seems as if there are less programs in general.                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/15/2024 12:01 PM |
| 18 | We need another fenced in off leash dog park in town. Not only is it a great place for dog to blow off steam and socialize, but it also brings dog owners together to socialize.                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/15/2024 11:49 AM |
| 19 | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/15/2024 8:08 AM  |
| 20 | Davidson Community Garden is wonderful                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/12/2024 8:49 PM  |
| 21 | There are no parks for kids near mayes hailandwoods neighbour hood                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/12/2024 5:50 PM  |
| 22 | Get it together Davidson                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/12/2024 3:07 PM  |
| 23 | I would like to see more funds spent towards walking and bike paths, with connected greenways that are easy to navigate.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/12/2024 9:37 AM  |

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| 24 | I would like to see more connections between greenways and easier and safer way to bike and cross streets (concord rd is unsafe for bike riding as well as grey road). Grey rd has no side walk. Would be nice to be able to reach Fisher park by foot or by bike. Concord rd has no side walk or bike lane from half of Concord rd to h to 73. Would it be nice to be able to ride to Public. Same for main street toward Mooresville I. Right now too many connections are on streets with no option to walk or bike. | 2/12/2024 9:18 AM  |
| 25 | We need more MTB trails at Fisher Farm. More pickleball courts, greenways and hiking trails                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/11/2024 9:24 PM  |
| 26 | Programming is very limited for working adults                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/11/2024 2:41 PM  |
| 27 | Wish there were more MTB trails at Fisher Farm and Abersham parks                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/11/2024 2:20 PM  |
| 28 | Really need a park for historic neighborhood. This would also serve folks in downtown if located appropriately.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/11/2024 8:27 AM  |
| 29 | Thank you for listening                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/10/2024 3:30 PM  |
| 30 | None at this time.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/10/2024 10:53 AM |
| 31 | I would like to see more mountain biking trails at Fisher Farm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/9/2024 9:41 PM   |
| 32 | More mtn biking trails                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/9/2024 8:33 PM   |
| 33 | DLC education programs are very meaningful!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/9/2024 6:23 PM   |
| 34 | See earlier comment about using native, pollinator, friendly perennials for town, landscaping in lieu of annuals, or non-natives.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/9/2024 5:05 PM   |
| 35 | Allow beer and wine at festivals                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/9/2024 10:48 AM  |
| 36 | I would like to see more greenways and mountain bike trails.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/9/2024 6:17 AM   |
| 37 | More mountain bike trails at Fisher Farm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/9/2024 6:08 AM   |
| 38 | Please add more mountain bike trails at fisher                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/9/2024 2:47 AM   |
| 39 | Need more bike trails                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/8/2024 11:06 PM  |
| 40 | I feel that there are not enough offerings during the summer. The activities that are offered are cost prohibitive.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/8/2024 10:41 PM  |
| 41 | More mountain bike trails would be terrific.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/8/2024 10:36 PM  |
| 42 | I live in Davidson East. I would love to be able to get on my bike and ride to downtown Davidson or Cornelius without sharing city streets. Please consider the neighborhoods on the east side of town when making decisions about downtown Davidson and residents closer in.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/8/2024 11:57 AM  |
| 43 | Ned further Greenway development                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/8/2024 10:48 AM  |
| 44 | I would love to see how we can connect main st and the area by carbarrios and beyond. There is a big opportunity to bridge those areas so it's walkable, with shops, more food and drink options.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/8/2024 8:58 AM   |
| 45 | We need more sidewalks                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/8/2024 7:28 AM   |
| 46 | A splash pad would be a fantastic addition to the town                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/7/2024 8:52 PM   |
| 47 | Would like to see pickle ball courts in Davidson                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/7/2024 7:30 PM   |
| 48 | Please consider night riding at Fisher Farm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/7/2024 6:30 PM   |
| 49 | Need separated bikeways so we can safely ride to destinations. Need more dog parks. Thank you for all you do. Staff is great.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/7/2024 5:02 PM   |
| 50 | Schools seem to take over public spaces, making it difficult to enjoy the space. Forget about the Town Green on certain days. Also, please finish the trails at Bealy Park, making them go farther into the park so there is a greater distance to enjoy a walk within the park. Everything seems to be closer to road that into the property. When citizens serve on committees and boards, would appreciate better communication from the staff.                                                                      | 2/7/2024 4:40 PM   |
| 51 | we need dedicated pickleball courts.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/7/2024 2:48 PM   |

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| 52 | Please put more lighting on the bridge at Wilson Park (along Griffith St) even solar is better than pitch black!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/7/2024 2:10 PM  |
| 53 | Very grateful for the offering that we do have but it'd be nice to see more variety of options.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/7/2024 2:06 PM  |
| 54 | Thank You to the men and women of the Davidson Police and Fire Departments!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/7/2024 2:00 PM  |
| 55 | More parking needed in town. Why not run things like farmers market etc in the parks                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/7/2024 1:55 PM  |
| 56 | No                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/7/2024 1:47 PM  |
| 57 | No                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/7/2024 1:07 PM  |
| 58 | Need more greenways and connections to other greenways                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/7/2024 12:35 PM |
| 59 | I wish the camp offerings were listed sooner so we could plan better. There are several other camps (AOS, Everest, Enso, River Run Country Club, etc.) with their information out but I don't want to sign up my 3 children until I know what will be offered. I understand not having registration until whatever date, but at least having the listing so we can make decisions before other camps fill up. Also, I wish the instructors for all camps (specifically the DCP camps) were listed. There are specific teachers my children don't care for and others that they love - there should be mention of this in the registration. | 2/7/2024 12:19 PM |
| 60 | It would be great to provide more facilities closer to town. The town could use a better playground behind summit. Basketball courts and a skate park would also be great. The area downtown should be better utilized for parks/activity areas. There is great space behind the basketball gym and town hall to create some very unique and creative spaces for young kids and teenagers.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/7/2024 11:44 AM |
| 61 | There does not seem to be any Town-amplified approach to youth athletics or attention/collaboration to sporting events where there could be collaboration or synergies (e.g., combining sporting events with festival like events). Programming and events also continues to be virtually all focused and conducted in or near downtown and the western side of town. I cannot recall a significant town event in the eastern part of town in the past 10 years despite the greater concentration of population being in that area now.                                                                                                    | 2/7/2024 11:26 AM |
| 62 | n/a                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/7/2024 11:10 AM |
| 63 | Would love to see greenway expansion along Davidson-Concord Rd to connect downtown Davidson better with Publix area & River Run/Reserve neighborhoods along the front side!! So many families I know would love a designated bike path from the roundabout all the way to Public.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/7/2024 10:52 AM |
| 64 | Need more athletic fields.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/7/2024 10:10 AM |
| 65 | No                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/7/2024 10:07 AM |
| 66 | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/7/2024 10:01 AM |
| 67 | More greenways                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/7/2024 9:32 AM  |
| 68 | love the Greenways--please extend to Fisher Farms and beyond-I think this maybe already in the works?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/7/2024 9:29 AM  |
| 69 | Please stay committed to inclusion for all members of our community. This strengthens our collective bond as a village. A continued commitment to accessibility for wheelchair users and folks with disabilities is also appreciated. We appreciate all the excellent work and programming done by the Davidson Parks and Rec. team! Thank you for providing the opportunity to provide this feedback.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/7/2024 9:20 AM  |
| 70 | We need a splash pad                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/7/2024 9:17 AM  |
| 71 | Again, I want to reiterate that it's very important that Fisher Farm be connected to the Greenway system to provide opportunities for families and individuals to use that park.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/7/2024 9:13 AM  |
| 72 | Need more baseball field space.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/7/2024 9:08 AM  |
| 73 | I'd like to see adult basketball (indoor) offered year-round.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/7/2024 9:06 AM  |
| 74 | I wish that there were more kid-friendly activities for holidays and in the summer! Egg hunt, larger 4th of July event for kids, summer movies on the Green, Valentine's Day etc. I love all                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/6/2024 9:27 PM  |

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of the activities that Birkdale offers for children, but I 100% would rather do them in Davidson rather than Birkdale. Having events on the Green would also draw businesses to eat, drink and socialize downtown more.

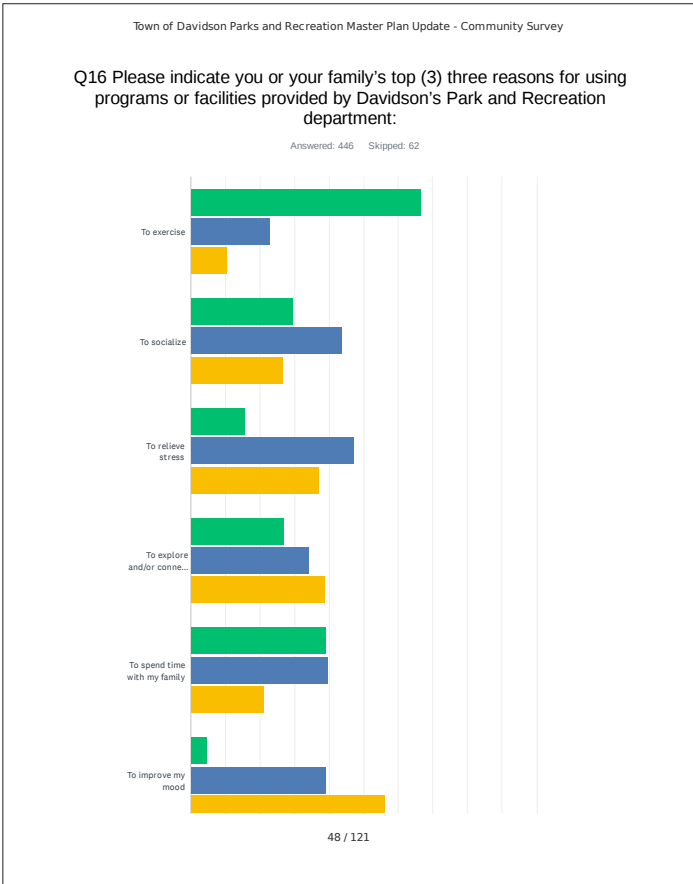
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| 75  | We need a great playground that kids can have more risk taking and also age appropriate. It needs to be fenced in.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/6/2024 7:29 PM   |
| 76  | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/6/2024 11:33 AM  |
| 77  | I think a Bocce court would be welcomed and be used by all age groups.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/6/2024 10:24 AM  |
| 78  | More parks and activities!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/6/2024 9:09 AM   |
| 79  | We need more facilities for young children to participate in rec activities. Many of us are having to drive great than 20 minutes for our kids to participate in any sport.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/5/2024 6:37 PM   |
| 80  | Greenways should be the center of our recreation plans. Build more, faster by switching to a gravel surface. Gravel has no downside since nobody has rollerbladed in 25 years.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/5/2024 2:44 PM   |
| 81  | Would love for the greenway to Fisher Farm to be completed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/5/2024 9:27 AM   |
| 82  | Roosevelt Wilson has so much potential this isn't being utilized. Nothing has changed structurally in the 12 years we've lived here.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/4/2024 9:42 PM   |
| 83  | I am super thankful for the trails at Fisher and Abersham. I ride and hike and volunteer my time taking care of them. Would love to see better signage letting people know that hiking trails exist. They always act so offended that there are bikes. Would also love to see a line drawn down the middle of the paved greenways to improve safety.                                                                                                                         | 2/4/2024 4:59 PM   |
| 84  | Jewish Festival is great                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/3/2024 6:24 PM   |
| 85  | No                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/3/2024 5:55 PM   |
| 86  | Need pickleball                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/3/2024 8:47 AM   |
| 87  | I love Davidson                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/1/2024 3:10 PM   |
| 88  | I think the overall quality of public facilities is very good and is an asset to living in Davidson.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1/31/2024 5:53 PM  |
| 89  | I really wish our greenways connected throughout town. I want to be able to take my kids bike riding on the greenway to all parts of town.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/31/2024 1:01 PM  |
| 90  | Really want connector from Narrow Passage to Fisher Farm Greenway to happen!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/31/2024 12:36 PM |
| 91  | Farmers Market is a great event each week.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/31/2024 11:26 AM |
| 92  | Need exercise classes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/31/2024 10:14 AM |
| 93  | It would be great if p&R had more "pop up" events. For example, Davidson Learns has monthly events that are so well attended. P&R can serve this senior community as well with programming. If you plan it, seniors will come.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/31/2024 9:12 AM  |
| 94  | Thank you for valuing community input.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 1/31/2024 8:22 AM  |
| 95  | Summer camp offerings have not been as strong as they were in years past. There is a lot for preschoolers but not much to interest older elementary school children who don't want to be outside in the heat playing a sport.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/30/2024 1:05 PM  |
| 96  | My family and I are looking forward to the greenway completion to Fisher Farms. We love to bike and that would be an amazing addition. Definitely a priority as far as we are concerned!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/30/2024 12:26 PM |
| 97  | Need more fields for DYBA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/30/2024 11:27 AM |
| 98  | Would love to see volleyball offered. Currently we have to go to Huntersville Parks and Rec to have my daughter play. I'd love to see Mc Ever field be redesigned with more fields and a set up that is more central to bathrooms and commons space. The fields are too large for the majority of leagues. And with smaller fields and more efficient layout, you could provide more for the wonder baseball program that it is! Also, having flag football would be a plus! | 1/30/2024 11:02 AM |
| 99  | No                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1/30/2024 10:47 AM |
| 100 | Need better fields that drain properly along with amenities that will keep kids and families                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/30/2024 10:46 AM |

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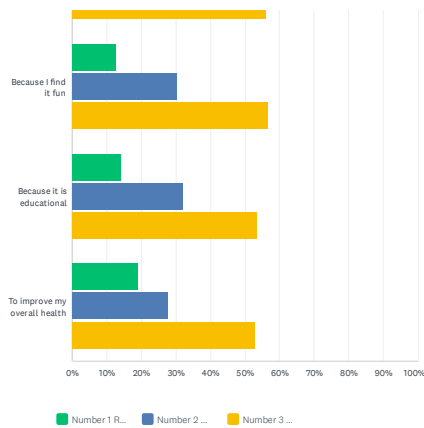
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| playing in our league. The bathrooms at McEver are awful and need to be updated! |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                    |
| 101                                                                              | Bring more parks to downtown Davidson                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/30/2024 10:45 AM |
| 102                                                                              | Real money needs to be invested in McEver Fields. Also, while not specifically mentioned here, several of the roads need to be repaired for the avid road cyclists that ride in the area. Davidson-Concord Rd from downtown to the circle is an absolute mess, and is not safe for riders. Road quality should be a top priority for the town. | 1/30/2024 10:43 AM |
| 103                                                                              | Need more baseball fields, lacrosse fields, indoor gym space.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/30/2024 10:41 AM |
| 104                                                                              | No                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/30/2024 5:41 AM  |
| 105                                                                              | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1/29/2024 12:44 PM |
| 106                                                                              | I believe we could develop facilities behind the New Town Hall that would benefit unserved kids and families, and make the New Town Hall more of a true community center.                                                                                                                                                                      | 1/29/2024 9:29 AM  |
| 107                                                                              | A maintenance person should walk through the park twice a year to see if things need service.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/29/2024 6:45 AM  |
| 108                                                                              | Will you refresh the Gym at the new town Hall so we can have indoor recreation activities like pickleball as they do in Huntersville?                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/29/2024 3:16 PM  |
| 109                                                                              | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/27/2024 9:53 PM  |
| 110                                                                              | Love this town!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/27/2024 4:01 PM  |
| 111                                                                              | Just following comments on ND, there seems to be an interest in adult beginner crochet and knitting.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1/27/2024 3:10 PM  |
| 112                                                                              | As much greenway paved space as we can                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1/27/2024 2:41 PM  |
| 113                                                                              | There is plenty of programs, facilities and events                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/27/2024 12:48 PM |
| 114                                                                              | no                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/27/2024 12:06 PM |
| 115                                                                              | Would like Coffee Clatch to start up again                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/27/2024 11:44 AM |
| 116                                                                              | Need a skateboard park someplace.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/27/2024 11:13 AM |
| 117                                                                              | NA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/27/2024 10:21 AM |
| 118                                                                              | Food, wine and fun usually does the trick - for most.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/27/2024 8:59 AM  |
| 119                                                                              | Davidson is a wonderful place to live, work, and play and the Davidson Parks & Recreation Department has a huge role in this. Sincere thanks for all of your efforts.                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/27/2024 8:10 AM  |
| 120                                                                              | Hoping the Greenway linking South Street near DK8 to South Main will be a priority. Also, it's still very dangerous for pedestrians to access North Main from Beatty Park. I know that's not Parks and Rec's issue, but it affects people's ability to safely access the park on foot.                                                         | 1/26/2024 9:39 PM  |
| 121                                                                              | We need adult programs after working hours for younger families and adults to meet                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 9:20 PM  |
| 122                                                                              | --                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 8:54 PM  |
| 123                                                                              | Would love to see a facility centrally located in town to allow for young kids to gather safely, supervised, and organized. Some of the problems seen on the green on Fridays might be eliminated if elementary and middle school had such a place. After school programs and a place to go on Saturdays.                                      | 1/26/2024 8:43 PM  |
| 124                                                                              | concern about cost for some activities, esp for those of us on fixed incomes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 7:32 PM  |
| 125                                                                              | Would like Town auditorium sound issue adressed                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/26/2024 6:02 PM  |
| 126                                                                              | I need to learn more :)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 4:22 PM  |
| 127                                                                              | More food related events especially for kids & their adults. Grandparents love to do special fun events with their little ones.                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/26/2024 3:52 PM  |
| 128                                                                              | P&R staff are very helpful & friendly. Wish we had a community center (like the Mack Center in Mooresville)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/26/2024 3:36 PM  |
| 129                                                                              | Davidson is an amazing small town! We moved here because our kids and grandkids live here                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 3:34 PM  |
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| and of all the places we've lived Davidson is the best                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                    |
| 130                                                                         | Davidson needs public tennis and pickleball courts                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 3:23 PM  |
| 131                                                                         | rice the Parks helps with the rental of the new Town Center room for HOA meetings. A BIG thanks to Gina!                                                                                                                                                  | 1/26/2024 3:19 PM  |
| 132                                                                         | I am thrilled to be living in Davidson.                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 3:14 PM  |
| 133                                                                         | would like to have more options for middle school kids to feel included/wanted in the community. A few bad apples make it hard for the good kids.                                                                                                         | 1/26/2024 2:52 PM  |
| 134                                                                         | No                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 2:45 PM  |
| 135                                                                         | Take a look at the dog park in Bozeman, MT (Dog Park At Gallatin County Regional Park (13 Acre w Pond)) This would be a perfect addition to Abersham. We can raise private funds.                                                                         | 1/26/2024 2:44 PM  |
| 136                                                                         | Thanks for seeing our input and your great town management.                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/26/2024 2:35 PM  |
| 137                                                                         | No                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 2:16 PM  |
| 138                                                                         | No                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 2:13 PM  |
| 139                                                                         | Some of the adult activities I'd be interested in are during work/normal business hours.                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/26/2024 1:58 PM  |
| 140                                                                         | Need more dog park aras                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 1:55 PM  |
| 141                                                                         | I really enjoy the educational talks that are held at The Town Hall                                                                                                                                                                                       | 1/26/2024 1:51 PM  |
| 142                                                                         | Need pickle ball courts                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 1:51 PM  |
| 143                                                                         | The hours at Archery range are too limited for people with their own equipment                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 1:46 PM  |
| 144                                                                         | Pickleball courts                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1/26/2024 1:05 PM  |
| 145                                                                         | Kayak rental space is excellent                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1/26/2024 1:00 PM  |
| 146                                                                         | Need more day programs for adults. We like to do arts and crafts too. Or discussion groups. Learning something new such as better use of computers and phones, technology. Many of my neighbors are looking for daytime activities instead of night time. | 1/26/2024 1:00 PM  |
| 147                                                                         | Need in town access to outdoor basketball, tennis and swimming                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 12:59 PM |
| 148                                                                         | I wish the park behind summit in town had a little something more for kiddos slightly older.                                                                                                                                                              | 1/26/2024 12:56 PM |
| 149                                                                         | Make sure to build the tax base before adding any more parks.                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 12:40 PM |
| 150                                                                         | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 12:30 PM |
| 151                                                                         | no                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 12:24 PM |
| 152                                                                         | I think the town is doing a great job overall.                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 12:19 PM |
| 153                                                                         | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 12:15 PM |
| 154                                                                         | Please consider adding more non-sports after school activities/programming for elementary and middle school aged students.                                                                                                                                | 1/26/2024 12:14 PM |
| 155                                                                         | Additional pickleball courts needed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 12:09 PM |
| 156                                                                         | 5 - Concerts at the Circles                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/26/2024 12:09 PM |
| 157                                                                         | I would like to see more summer camp options for elementary age kids in addition to sports programs.                                                                                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 12:01 PM |
| 158                                                                         | Trails and Greenways are attractive recreational amenities, but with unintended consequences of uses. Vehicles, off leash pets, and blinds created by design and overgrowth threaten the safety of citizens' use.                                         | 1/26/2024 11:56 AM |
| 159                                                                         | no                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 11:54 AM |
| 160                                                                         | No                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 11:51 AM |
| 161                                                                         | Hours for use at Fisher Farm Park should be extended so that it may be used during periods of                                                                                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 11:48 AM |
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| darkness. My only time to run is in the early morning before the family wakes up. My mental health would greatly benefit from trail running on headlamp at fisher farm park before sunrise. Thank you! |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                    |
| 162                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Like concerts at the Circles                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 11:32 AM |
| 163                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Town path from downtown to Fisher Farm needs mapped out vision                                                                                                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 11:32 AM |
| 164                                                                                                                                                                                                    | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 11:31 AM |
| 165                                                                                                                                                                                                    | We just moved to NC in Nov23 and are very impressed with the Davidson community thus far.                                                                                                                                           | 1/26/2024 11:28 AM |
| 166                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Wish there was a Tastes of Davidson date to sample restaurant fare                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/26/2024 11:27 AM |
| 167                                                                                                                                                                                                    | I would love to see even more programming on the West Side (like Concerts in the Circles).                                                                                                                                          | 1/26/2024 11:25 AM |
| 168                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Outdoor basketball courts, tennis courts, and a soccer fields (with lights) would add a lot!                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 11:25 AM |
| 169                                                                                                                                                                                                    | I wish you would have yoga classes again. I miss them.                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/26/2024 11:24 AM |
| 170                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Would love for the kayaking options on Lake Davidson to have more possible dates and times                                                                                                                                          | 1/26/2024 11:21 AM |
| 171                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Pickleball courts!                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/26/2024 11:18 AM |
| 172                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Need boat access to Lake Davidson                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/18/2024 3:21 PM  |
| 173                                                                                                                                                                                                    | No                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/17/2024 7:50 AM  |
| 174                                                                                                                                                                                                    | More greenways!                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/16/2024 10:53 AM |
| 175                                                                                                                                                                                                    | We NEED bacce ball for the older folks. Would be great if it was ok to bring wine or beer.                                                                                                                                          | 1/15/2024 8:54 PM  |
| 176                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Need to work with neighborhoods to share tennis courts                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/15/2024 7:56 PM  |
| 177                                                                                                                                                                                                    | More educational and recreational programs for Blacks                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/15/2024 1:45 PM  |
| 178                                                                                                                                                                                                    | It is tough for us to use many of the facilities because we lack a safe connection to them and instead must use our vehicles to access any of them (our community is not connected to the town via any sidewalk, greenway or path). | 1/15/2024 1:33 PM  |
| 179                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Keep up the good work                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/15/2024 11:46 AM |
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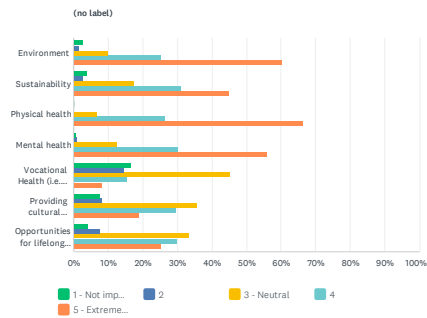
|                                       | NUMBER 1 REASON | NUMBER 2 REASON | NUMBER 3 REASON | TOTAL | WEIGHTED AVERAGE |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------|------------------|
| To exercise                           | 66.78%<br>199   | 22.82%<br>68    | 10.40%<br>31    | 298   | 25.64            |
| To socialize                          | 29.70%<br>49    | 43.64%<br>72    | 26.67%<br>44    | 165   | 20.30            |
| To relieve stress                     | 15.71%<br>11    | 47.14%<br>33    | 37.14%<br>26    | 70    | 17.86            |
| To explore and/or connect with nature | 26.79%<br>60    | 34.38%<br>77    | 38.84%<br>87    | 224   | 18.79            |
| To spend time with my family          | 39.01%<br>71    | 39.56%<br>72    | 21.43%<br>39    | 182   | 21.76            |
| To improve my mood                    | 4.69%<br>3      | 39.06%<br>25    | 56.25%<br>36    | 64    | 14.84            |
| Because I find it fun                 | 12.71%<br>15    | 30.51%<br>36    | 56.78%<br>67    | 118   | 15.59            |
| Because it is educational             | 14.29%<br>4     | 32.14%<br>9     | 53.57%<br>15    | 28    | 16.07            |
| To improve my overall health          | 19.28%<br>32    | 27.71%<br>46    | 53.01%<br>88    | 166   | 16.63            |

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**Q17 How important are the following purposes/benefits of parks and recreation to you in Davidson (rank 1-5 on importance, with 1-not at all and 5-extremely important):**

Answered: 439 Skipped: 69



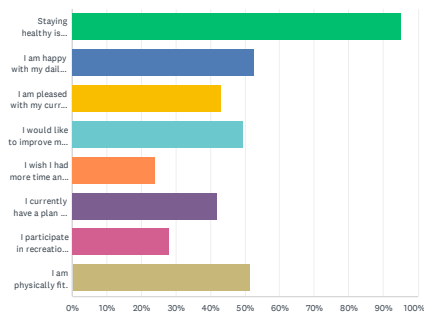
| (no label)                                  | 1 - NOT IMPORTANT | 2            | 3 - NEUTRAL   | 4             | 5 - EXTREMELY IMPORTANT | TOTAL |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------|
| Environment                                 | 2.84%<br>12       | 1.42%<br>6   | 9.95%<br>42   | 25.36%<br>107 | 60.43%<br>255           | 422   |
| Sustainability                              | 3.89%<br>16       | 2.68%<br>11  | 17.52%<br>72  | 30.90%<br>127 | 45.01%<br>185           | 411   |
| Physical health                             | 0.23%<br>1        | 0.00%<br>0   | 6.91%<br>30   | 26.50%<br>115 | 66.36%<br>288           | 434   |
| Mental health                               | 0.71%<br>3        | 0.95%<br>4   | 12.53%<br>53  | 30.02%<br>127 | 55.79%<br>236           | 423   |
| Vocational Health (i.e. skills development) | 16.34%<br>66      | 14.60%<br>59 | 45.30%<br>183 | 15.35%<br>62  | 8.42%<br>34             | 404   |
| Providing cultural opportunities            | 7.62%<br>31       | 8.35%<br>34  | 35.63%<br>145 | 29.73%<br>121 | 18.67%<br>76            | 407   |
| Opportunities for lifelong learning         | 4.12%<br>17       | 7.51%<br>31  | 33.17%<br>137 | 29.78%<br>123 | 25.42%<br>105           | 413   |

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**Q18 Please tell us about your attitude toward your health and well being or your approach to managing your health? (Select all with which you agree.)**

Answered: 449 Skipped: 59



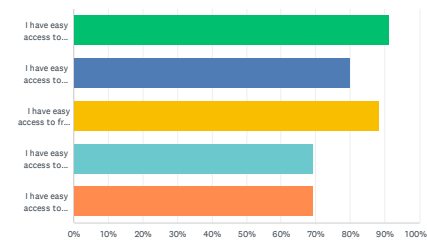
| ANSWER CHOICES                                                                                 | RESPONSES  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Staying healthy is important to me.                                                            | 95.32% 428 |
| I am happy with my daily life and daily routine.                                               | 52.56% 236 |
| I am pleased with my current state of overall health and wellness.                             | 42.98% 193 |
| I would like to improve my health and strive for a more active lifestyle.                      | 49.44% 222 |
| I wish I had more time and resources to make healthier choices in what I eat and being active. | 24.05% 108 |
| I currently have a plan for maintaining or improving my health and wellness.                   | 42.09% 189 |
| I participate in recreational activities or programs provided by the Town of Davidson.         | 28.06% 126 |
| I am physically fit.                                                                           | 51.45% 231 |
| Total Respondents: 449                                                                         |            |

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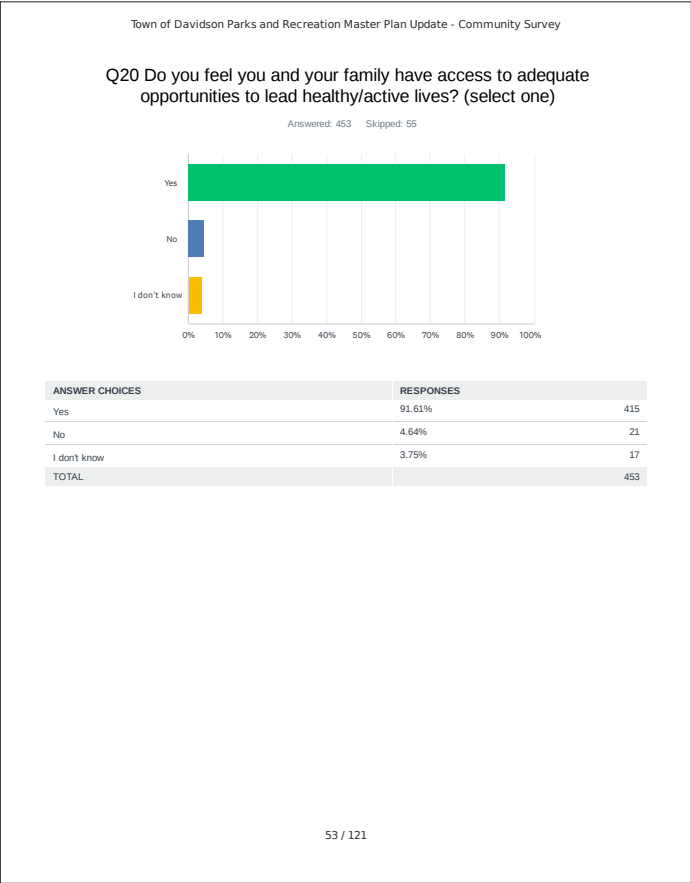
**Q19 Please use the following to describe you or your family's access to healthy activities/facilities (select all that apply):**

Answered: 443 Skipped: 65



| ANSWER CHOICES                                      | RESPONSES  |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------|
| I have easy access to park(s) or open space.        | 91.20% 404 |
| I have easy access to greenways.                    | 79.91% 354 |
| I have easy access to fresh food.                   | 88.26% 391 |
| I have easy access to educational programs.         | 69.30% 307 |
| I have easy access to social groups and activities. | 69.30% 307 |
| Total Respondents: 443                              |            |

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Q21 I would lead a healthier lifestyle if ...

Answered: 274 Skipped: 234

| #  | RESPONSES                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | DATE               |
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| 1  | meal planning wasn't so difficult                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/21/2024 9:46 AM  |
| 2  | A walking trail were nearer. I have to drive to one and they don't connect and are not pretty with all of the trees chopped down. I used to be able to walk to the trails but now with the street trees all gone on Concord Rd. there's no shade for hot months so now I drive.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/21/2024 9:44 AM  |
| 3  | Connecting with nature in the downtown corridor (trees, shrubs, pocket parks, pollinator gardens). Access to shared bikes & bus stop amenities.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/21/2024 8:44 AM  |
| 4  | Had more time                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/21/2024 2:33 AM  |
| 5  | I had more time (full time working mother)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/20/2024 10:44 PM |
| 6  | I could socialise more & do more activities without spending money on it as I am stay at home mom & need more activities                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/20/2024 9:52 PM  |
| 7  | I was more consistent in reaching my goals                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/20/2024 9:14 PM  |
| 8  | Worked out more                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/20/2024 8:23 PM  |
| 9  | There were more free parks around town to visit                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/20/2024 7:24 PM  |
| 10 | I wasn't in such a hurry sometimes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/20/2024 5:51 PM  |
| 11 | I exercised more regularly in my case walking                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/20/2024 5:50 PM  |
| 12 | I worked less                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/20/2024 5:37 PM  |
| 13 | I had more time to cook at home every night.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/20/2024 5:31 PM  |
| 14 | We had truly healthy options for restaurants and take out. With nutritional education and attention that would make it easy to be in town and grab dinner with the family while still focusing on health.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/20/2024 2:51 PM  |
| 15 | I had more free time                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/19/2024 7:42 PM  |
| 16 | I did not over book myself                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/19/2024 5:03 PM  |
| 17 | More frequent access to fresh local produce                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/19/2024 1:47 PM  |
| 18 | Better off road walking opportunities. With trees and nature. More parks in town.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/18/2024 2:39 PM  |
| 19 | If I had more time                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/17/2024 8:25 PM  |
| 20 | I had less stress in my life.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/17/2024 10:20 AM |
| 21 | the town had better bike lanes on main roads, more road signage to remind cars to slow down to protect bicyclists and pedestrians. Cudos to the town for improving downtown safety for pedestrians; downtown is much safer! Thank you. However, we have more work to do for bicyclists. If a car going 35 mph hits a bicyclist or pedestrian, its curtains! Car drivers need to be reminded that speed kills. And there need to be lots of signs reminding cars; then roads would be safer for bicyclists and pedestrians. | 2/17/2024 9:14 AM  |
| 22 | I had better self motivation                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/17/2024 7:19 AM  |
| 23 | I had a better work life balance.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/16/2024 3:10 PM  |
| 24 | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/15/2024 5:39 PM  |
| 25 | I had more time                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/15/2024 3:14 PM  |
| 26 | I had more options close by for exercising                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/15/2024 12:08 PM |

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| 27 | I would be healthier if I could take my dog to the dog park more often. Hence the need for another dog park. | 2/15/2024 11:56 AM |
| 28 | Continue to look for opportunities to do so.                                                                 | 2/15/2024 8:11 AM  |
| 29 | NA                                                                                                           | 2/13/2024 8:04 PM  |
| 30 | alternative intellectual pursuits were not so interesting                                                    | 2/13/2024 8:49 AM  |
| 31 | I could lose another 10 pounds                                                                               | 2/12/2024 8:54 PM  |
| 32 | Parks for kids in neighbourhood                                                                              | 2/12/2024 5:52 PM  |
| 33 | there were programs that had a blance of exercise and a soical compnenent - walking groups, bike rides, etc. | 2/12/2024 11:06 AM |
| 34 | Had more connected greenways to walk more and explore new areas by foot.                                     | 2/12/2024 9:40 AM  |
| 35 | I could walk or bike everywhere for errands and kids activities                                              | 2/12/2024 9:21 AM  |
| 36 | I could walk to most destinations. Or use public transport combination                                       | 2/12/2024 9:13 AM  |
| 37 | I didn't have to work                                                                                        | 2/11/2024 10:06 PM |
| 38 | I made it a top priority                                                                                     | 2/11/2024 9:28 PM  |
| 39 | We had access to healthier food options.                                                                     | 2/11/2024 1:35 PM  |
| 40 | I didn't have to be an expert at everything                                                                  | 2/11/2024 10:28 AM |
| 41 | Safer street access to parks/grenways                                                                        | 2/11/2024 9:05 AM  |
| 42 | I had more time                                                                                              | 2/11/2024 7:44 AM  |
| 43 | I got out and walked more.                                                                                   | 2/10/2024 1:05 PM  |
| 44 | My work/life were in a better balance.                                                                       | 2/10/2024 10:56 AM |
| 45 | There were more bike lanes and sidewalks in town.                                                            | 2/10/2024 6:13 AM  |
| 46 | I didn't already                                                                                             | 2/9/2024 9:43 PM   |
| 47 | No comment                                                                                                   | 2/9/2024 6:27 PM   |
| 48 | I got out more                                                                                               | 2/9/2024 6:02 PM   |
| 49 | More air and water policy regulations.                                                                       | 2/9/2024 5:08 PM   |
| 50 | I had more time                                                                                              | 2/9/2024 4:47 PM   |
| 51 | There were more mountain bike trails                                                                         | 2/9/2024 12:57 PM  |
| 52 | Donuts didn't exist                                                                                          | 2/9/2024 10:53 AM  |
| 53 | Safer street access to parks/grenways                                                                        | 2/9/2024 9:41 AM   |
| 54 | Had more motivation                                                                                          | 2/9/2024 8:24 AM   |
| 55 | Safer roads for bicycling.                                                                                   | 2/9/2024 7:21 AM   |
| 56 | More greenway trails                                                                                         | 2/9/2024 6:12 AM   |
| 57 | There were more mountain bike trails                                                                         | 2/9/2024 2:49 AM   |
| 58 | Healthy food was more affordable and easy to get.                                                            | 2/8/2024 11:45 PM  |
| 59 | There were more mountain bike trails, natural hiking trails, and camping areas                               | 2/8/2024 10:47 PM  |
| 60 | More opportunities for socialization                                                                         | 2/8/2024 10:44 PM  |
| 61 | There were more mountain bike trails.                                                                        | 2/8/2024 10:38 PM  |
| 62 | Not sure                                                                                                     | 2/8/2024 10:25 PM  |
| 63 | More options to bike to town, safer biking between Davidson and Cornelius and to fisher farm                 | 2/8/2024 9:06 PM   |

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| 64 | I had more time                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/8/2024 7:25 PM  |
| 65 | If I did not need to work all day at a desk job.                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/8/2024 5:40 PM  |
| 66 | it was easier to walk/bike the places I need to go.                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/8/2024 3:00 PM  |
| 67 | There wasn't so much incentive/money to keep people sick                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/8/2024 1:32 PM  |
| 68 | We had a more connected greenway system. Like not just connected bus destinations. Like biking to a restaurant/brewery/coffee shop along the greenway. Could just be a food truck rally or mobile food/bev provider. Wouldn't that be cool? | 2/8/2024 12:01 PM |
| 69 | I made it more of a priority and habit. I fell out of the habit when I moved farther away from the North Mecklenburg Rec Center in Cornelius. I miss having it close by.                                                                    | 2/8/2024 11:59 AM |
| 70 | More social opportunities tied to Davidson - similar to concerts on the green.                                                                                                                                                              | 2/8/2024 9:00 AM  |
| 71 | took more walks, bike rides and spent more time with my kayak                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/8/2024 8:52 AM  |
| 72 | I had more time                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/8/2024 7:37 AM  |
| 73 | I had more time.                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/7/2024 11:19 PM |
| 74 | Unhealthy food didn't taste so good :)                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/7/2024 9:11 PM  |
| 75 | N/a                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/7/2024 8:54 PM  |
| 76 | I had more time                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/7/2024 7:33 PM  |
| 77 | I ate better                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/7/2024 7:21 PM  |
| 78 | Beer didn't exist                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/7/2024 6:46 PM  |
| 79 | I didn't work so much and could utilize davidson offerings                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/7/2024 5:55 PM  |
| 80 | there were well-maintained dog parks                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/7/2024 5:07 PM  |
| 81 | There were other like-minded adults to play pickup soccer and basketball with, and if there were more opportunities to do so in the dark or in the evenings. Indoor soccer anyone?                                                          | 2/7/2024 4:47 PM  |
| 82 | Chocolate wasn't so doggone good!                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/7/2024 4:45 PM  |
| 83 | We had more connected trails                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/7/2024 3:30 PM  |
| 84 | more bike trails to downtown                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/7/2024 2:50 PM  |
| 85 | I had more time in the day                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/7/2024 2:47 PM  |
| 86 | Not sure                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/7/2024 2:27 PM  |
| 87 | I had the time                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/7/2024 2:12 PM  |
| 88 | I had more free time for exercising on top of my day to day responsibilities.                                                                                                                                                               | 2/7/2024 2:11 PM  |
| 89 | My wife and I did not work!                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/7/2024 2:04 PM  |
| 90 | Davidson is the best place in the region to conveniently live a healthy lifestyle!                                                                                                                                                          | 2/7/2024 1:49 PM  |
| 91 | I moved more                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/7/2024 1:45 PM  |
| 92 | We had a town gym. We don't have any local gyms.                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/7/2024 1:32 PM  |
| 93 | I had a life coach                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/7/2024 1:09 PM  |
| 94 | Made smarter decisions                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/7/2024 12:44 PM |
| 95 | Spent more time exercising and eating healthier                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/7/2024 12:38 PM |
| 96 | My job was more involved in the health of their employees.                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/7/2024 12:22 PM |
| 97 | I had a personal chef!                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/7/2024 11:48 AM |
| 98 | I did not have to work, did not have to care for children, and did not volunteer my time to help others.                                                                                                                                    | 2/7/2024 11:45 AM |

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| 99  | I had more time and money.                                                                                  | 2/7/2024 11:16 AM |
| 100 | I had a better job with a more flexible schedule                                                            | 2/7/2024 10:32 AM |
| 101 | managed my time better.                                                                                     | 2/7/2024 10:13 AM |
| 102 | I didn't work so much to pay local taxes                                                                    | 2/7/2024 10:10 AM |
| 103 | I can walk                                                                                                  | 2/7/2024 10:07 AM |
| 104 | N/A                                                                                                         | 2/7/2024 9:53 AM  |
| 105 | I had more time                                                                                             | 2/7/2024 9:40 AM  |
| 106 | n/a                                                                                                         | 2/7/2024 9:32 AM  |
| 107 | I were more committed to exercise                                                                           | 2/7/2024 9:26 AM  |
| 108 | I got my fat ass out and exercised more                                                                     | 2/7/2024 9:21 AM  |
| 109 | There were greenways more connected                                                                         | 2/7/2024 9:20 AM  |
| 110 | There were more trails closer to my house                                                                   | 2/7/2024 9:16 AM  |
| 111 | More athletic fields                                                                                        | 2/7/2024 9:16 AM  |
| 112 | I had more time                                                                                             | 2/7/2024 9:14 AM  |
| 113 | NA                                                                                                          | 2/7/2024 9:09 AM  |
| 114 | I had more time                                                                                             | 2/7/2024 6:26 AM  |
| 115 | I had access to more resources and money                                                                    | 2/6/2024 10:21 PM |
| 116 | I had a personal chef :)                                                                                    | 2/6/2024 9:27 PM  |
| 117 | Exercise groups for moms of young kids                                                                      | 2/6/2024 7:32 PM  |
| 118 | More senior activities were available.                                                                      | 2/6/2024 11:46 AM |
| 119 | More time                                                                                                   | 2/6/2024 9:12 AM  |
| 120 | Perhaps if there were classes like yoga and meditation at lower fees.                                       | 2/5/2024 7:39 PM  |
| 121 | We had more gym facilities                                                                                  | 2/5/2024 6:38 PM  |
| 122 | all good                                                                                                    | 2/5/2024 3:04 PM  |
| 123 | Roads in town were safer. Bike paths and greenways had clear links including links to Cornelius and beyond. | 2/5/2024 2:47 PM  |
| 124 | I had more time.                                                                                            | 2/5/2024 2:28 PM  |
| 125 | The greenway to Fisher Farm was finished.                                                                   | 2/5/2024 9:28 AM  |
| 126 | There were more activities for adults for adults, none seniors, offered by Davidson.                        | 2/4/2024 10:24 PM |
| 127 | I had more time                                                                                             | 2/4/2024 10:12 PM |
| 128 | I took the time to rest more                                                                                | 2/4/2024 10:04 PM |
| 129 | I had more time in the day.                                                                                 | 2/4/2024 8:29 PM  |
| 130 | Eat better and move more                                                                                    | 2/4/2024 8:08 PM  |
| 131 | I didn't worry about being hit by a car on my way to Fisher                                                 | 2/4/2024 5:01 PM  |
| 132 | I had more motivation                                                                                       | 2/4/2024 12:44 PM |
| 133 | I am living a healthy happy lifestyle                                                                       | 2/3/2024 5:59 PM  |
| 134 | I was much younger                                                                                          | 2/3/2024 12:34 PM |
| 135 | Worked less!                                                                                                | 2/3/2024 11:25 AM |
| 136 | I was more disciplined                                                                                      | 2/3/2024 11:07 AM |

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| 137 | N/A                                                                                                                                                             | 2/3/2024 11:00 AM  |
| 138 | Played activities with seniors                                                                                                                                  | 2/3/2024 8:52 AM   |
| 139 | I had more hours in the day                                                                                                                                     | 2/2/2024 12:39 PM  |
| 140 | There were safer roads for cycling: enforce speed limits for cars, more and safer bike lanes and bike paths. Car and truck traffic here is harmful to cyclists. | 2/2/2024 7:40 AM   |
| 141 | If senior programs were offered in Davidson Parks                                                                                                               | 2/1/2024 3:19 PM   |
| 142 | I was less lazy                                                                                                                                                 | 2/1/2024 9:22 AM   |
| 143 | I could do more biking on paved paths.                                                                                                                          | 1/31/2024 5:58 PM  |
| 144 | There were greenways on the west side of Davidson                                                                                                               | 1/31/2024 1:03 PM  |
| 145 | Would like more pickle ball clinics to meet other people                                                                                                        | 1/31/2024 12:41 PM |
| 146 | I had more time away from work                                                                                                                                  | 1/31/2024 12:23 PM |
| 147 | Planned better for it                                                                                                                                           | 1/31/2024 10:21 AM |
| 148 | There were exercise classes offered                                                                                                                             | 1/31/2024 10:17 AM |
| 149 | I had greater access to community gardening. Every neighborhood should have at least one. Perhaps there is grant money for this?                                | 1/31/2024 9:15 AM  |
| 150 | better sleep                                                                                                                                                    | 1/30/2024 1:20 PM  |
| 151 | I had more time and money.                                                                                                                                      | 1/30/2024 1:08 PM  |
| 152 | More bike friendly roads/systems                                                                                                                                | 1/30/2024 12:33 PM |
| 153 | I'm good                                                                                                                                                        | 1/30/2024 12:04 PM |
| 154 | More food service options                                                                                                                                       | 1/30/2024 11:59 AM |
| 155 | Had more time                                                                                                                                                   | 1/30/2024 11:29 AM |
| 156 | N/A                                                                                                                                                             | 1/30/2024 11:04 AM |
| 157 | I had more motivation                                                                                                                                           | 1/30/2024 11:03 AM |
| 158 | I had to work less and more time for exercise                                                                                                                   | 1/30/2024 11:00 AM |
| 159 | Worked less                                                                                                                                                     | 1/30/2024 10:52 AM |
| 160 | The greenway was expanded past shearer road                                                                                                                     | 1/30/2024 10:50 AM |
| 161 | I had my own garden                                                                                                                                             | 1/30/2024 10:47 AM |
| 162 | I had better roads to ride on                                                                                                                                   | 1/30/2024 10:45 AM |
| 163 | There were more activities and more indoor gym space for volleyball, basketball.                                                                                | 1/30/2024 10:43 AM |
| 164 | Did more high intense cardio                                                                                                                                    | 1/29/2024 5:50 PM  |
| 165 | my professional and parenting duties allowed more time to exercise/socialize                                                                                    | 1/29/2024 4:09 PM  |
| 166 | my kids were easier for one parent to watch.                                                                                                                    | 1/29/2024 12:25 PM |
| 167 | I had more time in the day                                                                                                                                      | 1/29/2024 9:53 AM  |
| 168 | There were more outdoor social gathering places.                                                                                                                | 1/29/2024 9:32 AM  |
| 169 | I exercised more.                                                                                                                                               | 1/29/2024 8:46 AM  |
| 170 | the weather allows it.                                                                                                                                          | 1/29/2024 6:49 AM  |
| 171 | I had more time and evening opportunities.                                                                                                                      | 1/28/2024 8:01 PM  |
| 172 | I ate less sugar                                                                                                                                                | 1/28/2024 5:24 PM  |
| 173 | Thankfully I have the resources I need                                                                                                                          | 1/28/2024 4:37 PM  |

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| 174 | There were more activities to sign up for                                                                                                                          | 1/28/2024 3:18 PM  |
| 175 | I'm fine                                                                                                                                                           | 1/28/2024 3:05 PM  |
| 176 | I had better access to our lakes                                                                                                                                   | 1/28/2024 8:59 AM  |
| 177 | I had more time and better knees                                                                                                                                   | 1/27/2024 9:54 PM  |
| 178 | I was more motivated and provided with more community opportunities                                                                                                | 1/27/2024 5:02 PM  |
| 179 | My grandchild would be born! May is coming!!!!                                                                                                                     | 1/27/2024 4:05 PM  |
| 180 | I had affordable respite care for an elderly parent residing in my home - perhaps a Caregiver's Morning Out program that provides activities for "senior" seniors. | 1/27/2024 3:53 PM  |
| 181 | There were safe walkways from Lake Davidson Park to trails (school traffic in particular is dangerous and a nightmare)                                             | 1/27/2024 12:09 PM |
| 182 | There were my options                                                                                                                                              | 1/27/2024 11:47 AM |
| 183 | I could walk/ride bike safely on Grey Road to Concord Road.                                                                                                        | 1/27/2024 11:33 AM |
| 184 | I had more time                                                                                                                                                    | 1/27/2024 11:16 AM |
| 185 | exercised more                                                                                                                                                     | 1/27/2024 11:10 AM |
| 186 | I slept more                                                                                                                                                       | 1/27/2024 10:24 AM |
| 187 | Had more time                                                                                                                                                      | 1/27/2024 9:59 AM  |
| 188 | i could retire                                                                                                                                                     | 1/27/2024 9:55 AM  |
| 189 | I was not so isolated                                                                                                                                              | 1/27/2024 9:05 AM  |
| 190 | I did more strength exercise                                                                                                                                       | 1/26/2024 11:47 PM |
| 191 | I had more time and money                                                                                                                                          | 1/26/2024 9:42 PM  |
| 192 | I had more time to exercise                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 9:37 PM  |
| 193 | Had more time.                                                                                                                                                     | 1/26/2024 8:32 PM  |
| 194 | i made it a higher priority                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 7:35 PM  |
| 195 | I worked less :)                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 6:27 PM  |
| 196 | I didn't have so many family/ outside group responsibilities.                                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 6:09 PM  |
| 197 | The weather cooperated                                                                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 5:47 PM  |
| 198 | I were motivated                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 5:46 PM  |
| 199 | I would exercise more frequently                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 5:06 PM  |
| 200 | n/a                                                                                                                                                                | 1/26/2024 4:45 PM  |
| 201 | More time and more money                                                                                                                                           | 1/26/2024 4:40 PM  |
| 202 | I lived next to Fisher Farm instead of a 10 minute drive :-). I am a health nut.                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 4:24 PM  |
| 203 | more social, small group opportunities were available at convenient times for my family                                                                            | 1/26/2024 3:58 PM  |
| 204 | I were only younger (lol)                                                                                                                                          | 1/26/2024 3:42 PM  |
| 205 | i lead a pretty healthy lifestyle                                                                                                                                  | 1/26/2024 3:42 PM  |
| 206 | It didn't get as cold as it was a week ago! I can ride my bike down to about 40 degrees                                                                            | 1/26/2024 3:38 PM  |
| 207 | Younger                                                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 3:26 PM  |
| 208 | LKN access in Davidson,                                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 3:23 PM  |
| 209 | I socialized more with people who enjoy similar activities that I do.                                                                                              | 1/26/2024 3:20 PM  |
| 210 | I socialized more.                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 3:17 PM  |

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| 211 | Diet culture was not an influence                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 2:47 PM  |
| 212 | I had more free time                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/26/2024 2:45 PM  |
| 213 | A greenway connected to my neighborhood and led to downtown and was not concord-Davidson road. We would walk rather than drive into town more often if this was the case.                                                                                                     | 1/26/2024 2:41 PM  |
| 214 | I could get to the greenways without having to get in a car first.                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 2:31 PM  |
| 215 | ?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 2:19 PM  |
| 216 | I just did more!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/26/2024 2:15 PM  |
| 217 | We had better restaurants                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/26/2024 2:05 PM  |
| 218 | I had more free time (kids and job make free time sometimes hard to come by).                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 2:05 PM  |
| 219 | Bike trails                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 1:58 PM  |
| 220 | It would stop raining                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1/26/2024 1:58 PM  |
| 221 | I did not live alone (senior) and have not been able to easily make new friends after moving here                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 1:56 PM  |
| 222 | There were safe biking trails/paths for daily transportation                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/26/2024 1:55 PM  |
| 223 | There is no paved greenway access from my neighborhood                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 1:50 PM  |
| 224 | Long flowing sidewalks                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 1:39 PM  |
| 225 | I had more social interaction with people with common interests                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/26/2024 1:04 PM  |
| 226 | We had improved facilities                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/26/2024 1:01 PM  |
| 227 | I'd love a good, big area in town for socializing with friends that could be indoor/outdoor (i.e. I'd love if the massive warehouse behind the post office could be made into a multipurpose space with food/restaurants/greenspace, etc for families to gather and socialize | 1/26/2024 12:59 PM |
| 228 | I traveled out-of-town on business less                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 1/26/2024 12:58 PM |
| 229 | I exercised more                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/26/2024 12:43 PM |
| 230 | I could retire!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/26/2024 12:41 PM |
| 231 | there were more dedicated pickleball courts                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 12:41 PM |
| 232 | I didn't work                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 12:36 PM |
| 233 | I had a larger social network                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 12:34 PM |
| 234 | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/26/2024 12:32 PM |
| 235 | ...I had someone else making decisions/plans for me.                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/26/2024 12:30 PM |
| 236 | More volunteer activities                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/26/2024 12:28 PM |
| 237 | I was more motivated                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/26/2024 12:26 PM |
| 238 | I had access to an outdoor pool during the warm weather.                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 12:22 PM |
| 239 | I had friends                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 12:21 PM |
| 240 | I had access to community in my demographic                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 12:21 PM |
| 241 | I had more time                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/26/2024 12:20 PM |
| 242 | I had more time!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/26/2024 12:19 PM |
| 243 | I chose to                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/26/2024 12:18 PM |
| 244 | My lifestyle is as healthy as can be - but that's because of places and activities outside of Davidson                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 12:15 PM |
| 245 | Free, come just join-in yoga, dance, or fitness on the green at set times.                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/26/2024 12:12 PM |

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| 246                                                                         | I didn't jam up my schedule with other things!                                                                             | 1/26/2024 12:11 PM |
| 247                                                                         | There were more fun ways to go about it                                                                                    | 1/26/2024 12:08 PM |
| 248                                                                         | I was consistent with being more active.                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 12:04 PM |
| 249                                                                         | Davidson had more tennis courts                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 12:04 PM |
| 250                                                                         | ate better                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 12:03 PM |
| 251                                                                         | N/A                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 11:52 AM |
| 252                                                                         | Fisher Farm park was open 24 hours a day so that I could exercise before sunrise.                                          | 1/26/2024 11:51 AM |
| 253                                                                         | My kids weren't in school far away                                                                                         | 1/26/2024 11:37 AM |
| 254                                                                         | we didn't have to spend time commuting to other towns to play tennis and pickleball                                        | 1/26/2024 11:37 AM |
| 255                                                                         | there were more pb courts in Davidson                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 11:35 AM |
| 256                                                                         | N/A                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 11:33 AM |
| 257                                                                         | I exercised more and ate less                                                                                              | 1/26/2024 11:33 AM |
| 258                                                                         | I joined in Community activities to meet new people. We just moved here from the Midwest.                                  | 1/26/2024 11:32 AM |
| 259                                                                         | I had more active friends                                                                                                  | 1/26/2024 11:31 AM |
| 260                                                                         | I could safely ride a bike through town.                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 11:30 AM |
| 261                                                                         | I had more will power                                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 11:28 AM |
| 262                                                                         | The summers weren't so hot and humid. I know you can't do anything about that though.                                      | 1/26/2024 11:27 AM |
| 263                                                                         | Work were not so busy and time consuming                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 11:23 AM |
| 264                                                                         | I had more time                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 11:23 AM |
| 265                                                                         | I worked less hours                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 11:23 AM |
| 266                                                                         | There were more affordable fitness classes like barre and yoga.                                                            | 1/26/2024 10:17 AM |
| 267                                                                         | There were more greenways                                                                                                  | 1/19/2024 6:55 PM  |
| 268                                                                         | made more time for it, husband would walk with me, etc.                                                                    | 1/17/2024 8:42 PM  |
| 269                                                                         | N/A                                                                                                                        | 1/17/2024 7:52 AM  |
| 270                                                                         | More greenways!                                                                                                            | 1/16/2024 10:57 AM |
| 271                                                                         | I could fine others like me who need to start exercise slowly. I'm not 25 anymore.                                         | 1/15/2024 8:58 PM  |
| 272                                                                         | I worked less.                                                                                                             | 1/15/2024 8:00 PM  |
| 273                                                                         | I would eat gluten free foods, fresh vegetables, fruits, and stop eating meat!                                             | 1/15/2024 1:59 PM  |
| 274                                                                         | I could more easily access Davidson's programs and facilities, and if there were more options for those with disabilities. | 1/15/2024 1:37 PM  |

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| 24                                                                          | Do programs within walking distance of downtown                                                                                                                     | 2/15/2024 12:08 PM |
| 25                                                                          | Please see dog park comments.                                                                                                                                       | 2/15/2024 11:56 AM |
| 26                                                                          | N/A                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/15/2024 8:11 AM  |
| 27                                                                          | Explore the east side of the town                                                                                                                                   | 2/13/2024 8:04 PM  |
| 28                                                                          | Easier to find out about programs available                                                                                                                         | 2/12/2024 8:54 PM  |
| 29                                                                          | For kids under 12                                                                                                                                                   | 2/12/2024 5:52 PM  |
| 30                                                                          | I would like to take adult classes at Davidson - espially in the arts. Would love to leran to paint.                                                                | 2/12/2024 11:06 AM |
| 31                                                                          | Travel across town, avoiding major traffic/roads, by foot and/or bicycle.                                                                                           | 2/12/2024 9:40 AM  |
| 32                                                                          | Live locally                                                                                                                                                        | 2/12/2024 9:21 AM  |
| 33                                                                          | ride bikes                                                                                                                                                          | 2/12/2024 9:13 AM  |
| 34                                                                          | Play pickleball                                                                                                                                                     | 2/11/2024 9:28 PM  |
| 35                                                                          | Participate in programs at more convenient times                                                                                                                    | 2/11/2024 2:44 PM  |
| 36                                                                          | MTB trails                                                                                                                                                          | 2/11/2024 2:24 PM  |
| 37                                                                          | Enjoy novice Mountain biking                                                                                                                                        | 2/11/2024 10:28 AM |
| 38                                                                          | Explore nature                                                                                                                                                      | 2/11/2024 7:44 AM  |
| 39                                                                          | Enjoy more greenway connectivity. Wayfinding at Fisher Farm and Abersham so that I/we can take better advantage of the trails in the woods.                         | 2/10/2024 1:05 PM  |
| 40                                                                          | Take our dog to a dog park near our home on Magnolia St.                                                                                                            | 2/10/2024 10:56 AM |
| 41                                                                          | discover all the local greenways                                                                                                                                    | 2/10/2024 8:57 AM  |
| 42                                                                          | experience nature in its natural state.                                                                                                                             | 2/10/2024 6:13 AM  |
| 43                                                                          | 5 mile biking or walking in nature away from roads                                                                                                                  | 2/9/2024 10:41 PM  |
| 44                                                                          | Mountain bike                                                                                                                                                       | 2/9/2024 9:43 PM   |
| 45                                                                          | No comment                                                                                                                                                          | 2/9/2024 6:27 PM   |
| 46                                                                          | Connect to Davidson from the ETJ that didn't involve busy roads                                                                                                     | 2/9/2024 6:02 PM   |
| 47                                                                          | More greenway connectivity and greenway opportunities. Good for health and the environment.                                                                         | 2/9/2024 5:20 PM   |
| 48                                                                          | Enjoying tree canopy cover                                                                                                                                          | 2/9/2024 5:08 PM   |
| 49                                                                          | Mountain bike                                                                                                                                                       | 2/9/2024 4:47 PM   |
| 50                                                                          | Mountain bike                                                                                                                                                       | 2/9/2024 12:57 PM  |
| 51                                                                          | Ride bike trails in Abersham Park, beyond just the greenway.                                                                                                        | 2/9/2024 11:31 AM  |
| 52                                                                          | Mountain bike                                                                                                                                                       | 2/9/2024 10:53 AM  |
| 53                                                                          | Safer roads for biking. More trails at Fisher/Abersham. More kids sports programs                                                                                   | 2/9/2024 7:21 AM   |
| 54                                                                          | Mountain Biking trails. Currently I go to fisher farms which is AWESOME but would love to have more options that I could maybe ride to get there rather than drive. | 2/9/2024 6:22 AM   |
| 55                                                                          | More yoga, cooking classes, single adult activities                                                                                                                 | 2/9/2024 6:12 AM   |
| 56                                                                          | Mountain bike                                                                                                                                                       | 2/9/2024 2:49 AM   |
| 57                                                                          | Partake in family activities together.                                                                                                                              | 2/8/2024 11:45 PM  |
| 58                                                                          | Mountain bike ride at night at Fisher Farms.                                                                                                                        | 2/8/2024 10:57 PM  |
| 59                                                                          | Mountain biking and backpacking (hike and camp)                                                                                                                     | 2/8/2024 10:47 PM  |

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| Q22 I wish Davidson Parks and Recreation provided more opportunities for me (and my family) to: |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                    |
| Answered: 258 Skipped: 250                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                    |
| #                                                                                               | RESPONSES                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | DATE               |
| 1                                                                                               | Learn                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/21/2024 2:26 PM  |
| 2                                                                                               | mountain bike                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/21/2024 9:46 AM  |
| 3                                                                                               | Have parks on every block. We needed in-fill homes built in town but now they are overbuilt and we did not leave enough park space as part of in-fill building. We need more sidewalks and parks in town and everywhere we build homes for people. McConnell-sized lots would be better for physical activity. Parks and Rec plans great athletic programs for kids but houses built on top of each other leave no space for play and practice in between organized events. Our kids need free play time spaces, too...more of them.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/21/2024 9:44 AM  |
| 4                                                                                               | Gardening classes or other environmental class offerings                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/21/2024 8:44 AM  |
| 5                                                                                               | Play checkers                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/21/2024 2:33 AM  |
| 6                                                                                               | Socialise                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/20/2024 9:52 PM  |
| 7                                                                                               | Na                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/20/2024 8:23 PM  |
| 8                                                                                               | Practice/play baseball on open fields at our leisure during the weeks.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/20/2024 7:24 PM  |
| 9                                                                                               | Have flexible hours and days to access baseball fields                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/20/2024 5:51 PM  |
| 10                                                                                              | Outdoor activities such as basketball, soccer, pickleball and tennis                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/20/2024 5:50 PM  |
| 11                                                                                              | Explore more youth sports                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/20/2024 5:37 PM  |
| 12                                                                                              | Play more. Field constraints are a problem                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/20/2024 5:32 PM  |
| 13                                                                                              | More family outdoor activities                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/20/2024 5:31 PM  |
| 14                                                                                              | Have areas for kids to play while also catering to adults needs (like behind Summit) Maybebe designated coffee truck days at certain playgrounds? If events and opportunities were communicated better and there were notices on message boards or local area signage, more detailed social media posts, more attention to giving ample time to plan for things, then I think there would be a better turnout and more excitement around local events. I often hear about things the day of by chance or even after the fact. And they are many times events that I really care about. I e spoken with others and everyone agrees. You really have to go out looking and searching for event dates and details or else hear about things through word of mouth. It feels like too much work a lot of times especially when trying to take care of little kids. | 2/20/2024 2:51 PM  |
| 15                                                                                              | Play youth sports                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/19/2024 7:42 PM  |
| 16                                                                                              | even more greenways and parks would be great                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/19/2024 5:03 PM  |
| 17                                                                                              | Connect on long bike rides off road shared with cars                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/19/2024 1:47 PM  |
| 18                                                                                              | Answer my emails                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/17/2024 8:25 PM  |
| 19                                                                                              | Mountain bike in more areas at fisher farm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/17/2024 10:04 AM |
| 20                                                                                              | Bicycle, birdwatch and sit in a meadow with flowers                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/17/2024 9:14 AM  |
| 21                                                                                              | Make our facilities more supportive of our natural resources                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/16/2024 4:24 PM  |
| 22                                                                                              | Tennis / pickleball courts. More basketball courts, soccer / football fields, and PUBLIC RESTROOMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/15/2024 5:39 PM  |
| 23                                                                                              | i dont know. I think you are doing great.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/15/2024 3:14 PM  |

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| 60                                                                          | Meet other families                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/8/2024 10:44 PM |
| 61                                                                          | Ride mountain bikes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/8/2024 10:38 PM |
| 62                                                                          | Walk and bike to parks and stores                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/8/2024 10:25 PM |
| 63                                                                          | More greenway or biking trail                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/8/2024 9:06 PM  |
| 64                                                                          | Mountain bike                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/8/2024 5:40 PM  |
| 65                                                                          | Mountain bike more trails                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/8/2024 4:17 PM  |
| 66                                                                          | Travel without a car.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/8/2024 3:00 PM  |
| 67                                                                          | Mountain bike                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/8/2024 1:32 PM  |
| 68                                                                          | Get to downtown from our house without riding/walking on a busy street.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/8/2024 12:01 PM |
| 69                                                                          | Be outside together. To learn new things in a way that's cool for teenagers.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/8/2024 11:59 AM |
| 70                                                                          | kayak                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/8/2024 8:52 AM  |
| 71                                                                          | Get to town on bikes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/8/2024 7:37 AM  |
| 72                                                                          | Play baseball. There are simply not enough fields for the growing population of young kids in Davidson. Having to drive to Huntersville for practices and games is very inconvenient, particularly on weeknights. More fields for young kids -- before pickleball courts for seniors -- should be a high priority. | 2/7/2024 11:19 PM |
| 73                                                                          | Meet other families                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/7/2024 8:57 PM  |
| 74                                                                          | N/a                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/7/2024 8:54 PM  |
| 75                                                                          | Play pickle ball                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/7/2024 7:33 PM  |
| 76                                                                          | Do activities together, learn together                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/7/2024 5:55 PM  |
| 77                                                                          | bike safely                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/7/2024 5:07 PM  |
| 78                                                                          | play sports                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/7/2024 4:47 PM  |
| 79                                                                          | Adopt a park                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/7/2024 4:45 PM  |
| 80                                                                          | Hike/use trails that connect long distances                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/7/2024 3:30 PM  |
| 81                                                                          | community sporting events to participate in.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/7/2024 2:50 PM  |
| 82                                                                          | Enjoy as a family                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/7/2024 2:12 PM  |
| 83                                                                          | learn new skills / hobbies                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/7/2024 2:11 PM  |
| 84                                                                          | We are happy with what the Town already provides                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/7/2024 1:49 PM  |
| 85                                                                          | connect tweens and teens running clubs, art clubs, etc                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/7/2024 1:45 PM  |
| 86                                                                          | N/a                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/7/2024 1:32 PM  |
| 87                                                                          | more activities/events for kids                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/7/2024 1:20 PM  |
| 88                                                                          | Idk                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/7/2024 1:09 PM  |
| 89                                                                          | do activities that we typically pay private companies to do: music, tutoring, sports other than baseball, gymnastics, art                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/7/2024 12:22 PM |
| 90                                                                          | for young kids and teenagers to feel part of the community...basketball and skate would be ideal. Mooresville has done a great job with bringing people in for that reason.                                                                                                                                        | 2/7/2024 11:48 AM |
| 91                                                                          | Engage in competitions and games with other families and hold events in the eastern part of town. I also wish there were more sports and baseball fields, not just passive recreation.                                                                                                                             | 2/7/2024 11:45 AM |
| 92                                                                          | ride bikes for a long distance without having to go in the street or be on that narrow sidewalk on Concord                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/7/2024 11:16 AM |
| 93                                                                          | Spend time around the Lake Norman around Bexley Davidson community                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/7/2024 10:32 AM |

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| 94  | to explore greenways and were interconnected with one another. And not connected by large streets that are unsafe for kids to use without parental supervision. | 2/7/2024 10:19 AM |
| 95  | Need more athletic fields for youth programs                                                                                                                    | 2/7/2024 10:13 AM |
| 96  | Have family art/activities                                                                                                                                      | 2/7/2024 10:10 AM |
| 97  | Have a Pathway between Kenmare community and Bradford park                                                                                                      | 2/7/2024 10:07 AM |
| 98  | N/a                                                                                                                                                             | 2/7/2024 9:53 AM  |
| 99  | Art classes in evenings                                                                                                                                         | 2/7/2024 9:40 AM  |
| 100 | More connected greenways                                                                                                                                        | 2/7/2024 9:33 AM  |
| 101 | Davidson has it all! love it!                                                                                                                                   | 2/7/2024 9:32 AM  |
| 102 | Play golf                                                                                                                                                       | 2/7/2024 9:26 AM  |
| 103 | Family outdoor outings                                                                                                                                          | 2/7/2024 9:20 AM  |
| 104 | Athletic fields                                                                                                                                                 | 2/7/2024 9:16 AM  |
| 105 | More teen/family events                                                                                                                                         | 2/7/2024 9:14 AM  |
| 106 | NA                                                                                                                                                              | 2/7/2024 9:09 AM  |
| 107 | Feel more part of the town and community that I grew up in                                                                                                      | 2/6/2024 10:21 PM |
| 108 | Do fun things together! Maybe I am unaware of all of the options!                                                                                               | 2/6/2024 9:27 PM  |
| 109 | Fun/competitive activities                                                                                                                                      | 2/6/2024 7:32 PM  |
| 110 | Look into placing more funds for senior exercise. Also using a shuttle bus to explore surrounding areas and beyond.                                             | 2/6/2024 11:46 AM |
| 111 | Enjoy sport and play activities                                                                                                                                 | 2/6/2024 11:23 AM |
| 112 | To provide more camaraderie with community                                                                                                                      | 2/6/2024 10:30 AM |
| 113 | Engage in exercise classes                                                                                                                                      | 2/6/2024 9:12 AM  |
| 114 | Rec activities and gyms                                                                                                                                         | 2/5/2024 6:38 PM  |
| 115 | I'm eager to see what the opportunities are for a rec center in the gym behind town hall.                                                                       | 2/5/2024 2:47 PM  |
| 116 | Learn together                                                                                                                                                  | 2/5/2024 2:38 PM  |
| 117 | Bike                                                                                                                                                            | 2/5/2024 9:28 AM  |
| 118 | Play tennis or pickle ball, swim or have water park/rec center, have a place for kids and teens to hang out with activities                                     | 2/5/2024 8:45 AM  |
| 119 | Do activities closer to home, and have more recreational opportunities, like Cornelius and Huntersville.                                                        | 2/4/2024 10:24 PM |
| 120 | skateboard                                                                                                                                                      | 2/4/2024 10:12 PM |
| 121 | Have our dog off leash outside of dog parks.                                                                                                                    | 2/4/2024 10:04 PM |
| 122 | Park area with playground and water area and that's easy to walk to from DK8                                                                                    | 2/4/2024 8:43 PM  |
| 123 | have activities together                                                                                                                                        | 2/4/2024 8:29 PM  |
| 124 | Learn new skills                                                                                                                                                | 2/4/2024 8:08 PM  |
| 125 | Less events, more trails and trail connectors to parks                                                                                                          | 2/4/2024 5:01 PM  |
| 126 | Socialize                                                                                                                                                       | 2/3/2024 5:59 PM  |
| 127 | Bike                                                                                                                                                            | 2/3/2024 11:25 AM |
| 128 | Go on short trips on a recreation bus                                                                                                                           | 2/3/2024 11:07 AM |
| 129 | experience more nature                                                                                                                                          | 2/3/2024 11:00 AM |

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| 130 | Expand the greenways                                                                                                   | 2/3/2024 8:52 AM   |
| 131 | walk on sidewalks                                                                                                      | 2/2/2024 12:29 PM  |
| 132 | Enjoy natural areas without having to drive to them.                                                                   | 2/2/2024 7:40 AM   |
| 133 | Socialize with seniors                                                                                                 | 2/1/2024 3:19 PM   |
| 134 | Use Lake Norman more. For such a large lake it seems so isolated and privately controlled.                             | 2/1/2024 9:22 AM   |
| 135 | bike on paved paths for longer distances.                                                                              | 1/31/2024 5:58 PM  |
| 136 | ride bikes and walk away from traffic-laden roads                                                                      | 1/31/2024 1:03 PM  |
| 137 | Wish there was a greenway from town to Fisher Farm                                                                     | 1/31/2024 12:41 PM |
| 138 | I think you do an outstanding job given the resources available!                                                       | 1/31/2024 12:23 PM |
| 139 | Not have to travel outside Davidson to access recreational facilities like the Aquatic Center or North Meck Rec center | 1/31/2024 11:30 AM |
| 140 | Play games with others                                                                                                 | 1/31/2024 10:21 AM |
| 141 | Go to exercise classes                                                                                                 | 1/31/2024 10:17 AM |
| 142 | Garden                                                                                                                 | 1/31/2024 9:15 AM  |
| 143 | Play pickleball                                                                                                        | 1/31/2024 8:44 AM  |
| 144 | safety demos for preschoolers                                                                                          | 1/30/2024 1:20 PM  |
| 145 | Play sports with a better schedule                                                                                     | 1/30/2024 12:04 PM |
| 146 | play more baseball                                                                                                     | 1/30/2024 11:59 AM |
| 147 | Baseball                                                                                                               | 1/30/2024 11:29 AM |
| 148 | N/a                                                                                                                    | 1/30/2024 11:04 AM |
| 149 | Rock climb, kid yoga                                                                                                   | 1/30/2024 11:00 AM |
| 150 | Bike greenways from our house!                                                                                         | 1/30/2024 10:52 AM |
| 151 | Rent garden space                                                                                                      | 1/30/2024 10:47 AM |
| 152 | Na                                                                                                                     | 1/30/2024 10:45 AM |
| 153 | Play basketball, volleyball, fitness center, swim.                                                                     | 1/30/2024 10:43 AM |
| 154 | Play sports                                                                                                            | 1/29/2024 12:25 PM |
| 155 | Explore more greenways. Provide lake access                                                                            | 1/29/2024 9:53 AM  |
| 156 | Have a family picnic. Sit in the shade in a park with amenities like I see other places in town.                       | 1/29/2024 9:32 AM  |
| 157 | Parks like Beatty closer to downtown.                                                                                  | 1/29/2024 8:46 AM  |
| 158 | Nothing more needed.                                                                                                   | 1/29/2024 6:49 AM  |
| 159 | Have activities in green spaces in st albans. Plenty of space there                                                    | 1/29/2024 5:24 PM  |
| 160 | Learn new activities like tennis, pickleball,                                                                          | 1/28/2024 3:18 PM  |
| 161 | Engage in activities                                                                                                   | 1/28/2024 3:05 PM  |
| 162 | Play pickleball in a non competitive environment                                                                       | 1/28/2024 9:54 AM  |
| 163 | Offer DP&R our ideas                                                                                                   | 1/28/2024 8:59 AM  |
| 164 | -                                                                                                                      | 1/27/2024 9:54 PM  |
| 165 | Exercise                                                                                                               | 1/27/2024 5:02 PM  |
| 166 | Learn skills such as crocheting, knitting, quilting, sewing, etc.                                                      | 1/27/2024 3:53 PM  |
| 167 | Walk safely                                                                                                            | 1/27/2024 12:09 PM |

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| 168 | Socialize with others                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/27/2024 11:47 AM |
| 169 | Movies on the green                                                                                                                                                                       | 1/27/2024 11:47 AM |
| 170 | Enjoy more concerts on the green and the circles. Great job and good fun to keep these going strong!                                                                                      | 1/27/2024 11:33 AM |
| 171 | enjoy natural areas                                                                                                                                                                       | 1/27/2024 11:10 AM |
| 172 | Volunteer together                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/27/2024 10:24 AM |
| 173 | Feel safe riding a bike on grey road into town from the ETJ                                                                                                                               | 1/27/2024 9:55 AM  |
| 174 | be outdoors (done), enjoy art (done), be on the lake, free activities, meet our town folk, find a place to park.                                                                          | 1/27/2024 9:05 AM  |
| 175 | walk safely                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/26/2024 9:42 PM  |
| 176 | Do activities as a family                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 9:37 PM  |
| 177 | Pickleball adult leagues at night                                                                                                                                                         | 1/26/2024 9:21 PM  |
| 178 | Play/exercise                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 8:48 PM  |
| 179 | organized toddler activities such as swimming lessons, soccer shots, etc                                                                                                                  | 1/26/2024 8:41 PM  |
| 180 | learn and be involved in arts/cultural pursuits                                                                                                                                           | 1/26/2024 7:35 PM  |
| 181 | Walk or bike ride throughout all of town not just downtown.                                                                                                                               | 1/26/2024 7:02 PM  |
| 182 | Yoga, have support groups, learn about health issues                                                                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 6:06 PM  |
| 183 | eat together casually, like food truck night                                                                                                                                              | 1/26/2024 5:48 PM  |
| 184 | Be a part of small groups                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 5:47 PM  |
| 185 | Bring my dogs or have adult only events                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 5:46 PM  |
| 186 | Play pickleball                                                                                                                                                                           | 1/26/2024 5:06 PM  |
| 187 | n/a                                                                                                                                                                                       | 1/26/2024 4:45 PM  |
| 188 | ? don't know                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/26/2024 4:24 PM  |
| 189 | Community events are wonderful - wish we had a community center for indoor activities                                                                                                     | 1/26/2024 3:42 PM  |
| 190 | learn more about mental health                                                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 3:42 PM  |
| 191 | Maybe senior athletic opportunities                                                                                                                                                       | 1/26/2024 3:38 PM  |
| 192 | Play tennis                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/26/2024 3:26 PM  |
| 193 | Boating / fishing on LKN                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/26/2024 3:23 PM  |
| 194 | Learn new arts, crafts, or skills like woodworking. I have been wanting to try the nature watercolor workshops at the Mecklenburg County Parks and Rec, but timing hasn't aligned for me. | 1/26/2024 3:20 PM  |
| 195 | Learn sports.                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 3:17 PM  |
| 196 | Use greenways                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 2:47 PM  |
| 197 | adult sports                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/26/2024 2:47 PM  |
| 198 | play pickleball                                                                                                                                                                           | 1/26/2024 2:45 PM  |
| 199 | Have interconnected greenways to parks and town                                                                                                                                           | 1/26/2024 2:41 PM  |
| 200 | Do programs that are friendly to full family participation (adults and children) and programs for beginners at physical activities                                                        | 1/26/2024 2:37 PM  |
| 201 | We would love a bike path that is continuous.                                                                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 2:32 PM  |
| 202 | Get to the greenways without having to get in a car first.                                                                                                                                | 1/26/2024 2:31 PM  |

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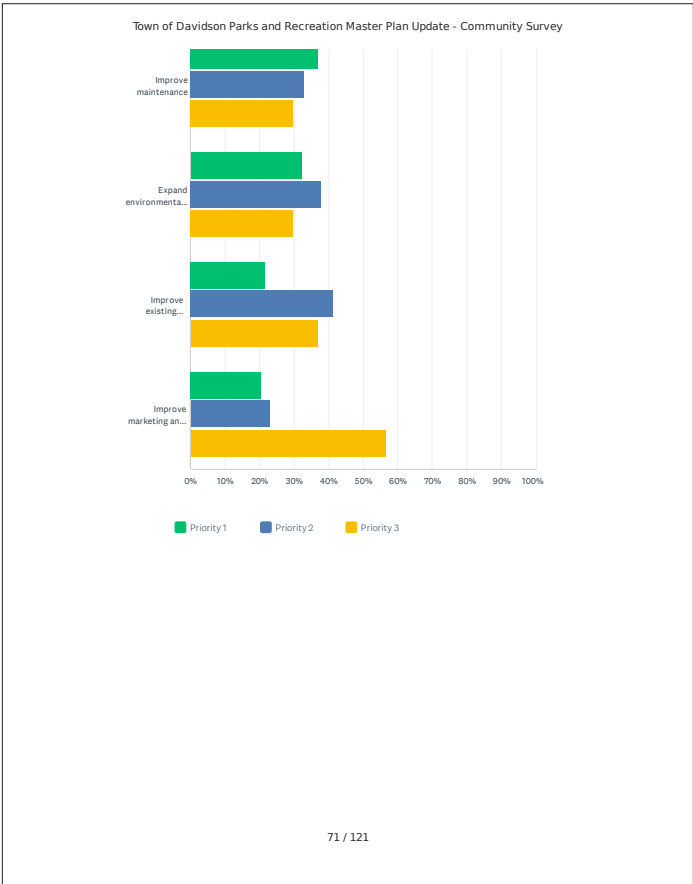
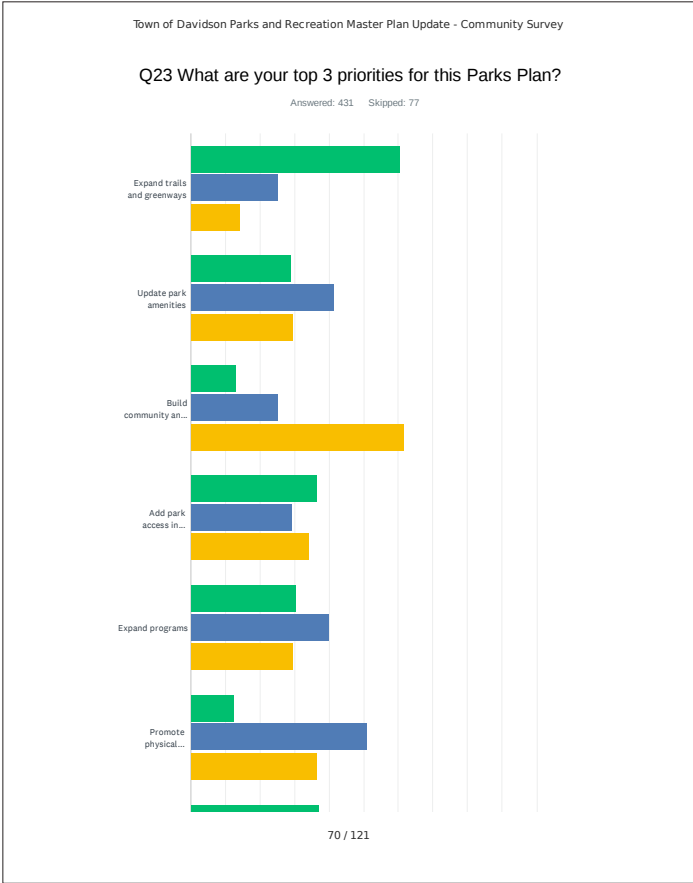
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| 203 | ?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/26/2024 2:19 PM  |
| 204 | Senior Scholars. Always full when I tried to sign up.                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 2:15 PM  |
| 205 | ride bikes (bike commute = protected bike lanes and safer street crossings, for fun = more greenways - connect McConnell out to fisher farm!) & play pickleball!                                                                 | 1/26/2024 2:05 PM  |
| 206 | Dog parks                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 1:58 PM  |
| 207 | Meet new friends                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 1:56 PM  |
| 208 | Play pickleball and bike/walk easily in Davidson and neighboring towns                                                                                                                                                           | 1/26/2024 1:55 PM  |
| 209 | access greenway from our home                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/26/2024 1:50 PM  |
| 210 | Group bike rides, learning classes related to our tech world                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/26/2024 1:04 PM  |
| 211 | Take senior trips                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/26/2024 12:59 PM |
| 212 | n/a                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/26/2024 12:59 PM |
| 213 | play and laugh together more                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/26/2024 12:58 PM |
| 214 | na                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/26/2024 12:43 PM |
| 215 | Ceramics/pottery classes                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1/26/2024 12:41 PM |
| 216 | play pickleball                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/26/2024 12:41 PM |
| 217 | Walking                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/26/2024 12:32 PM |
| 218 | ...have more deep woods hiking trails.                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1/26/2024 12:30 PM |
| 219 | Volunteer                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 12:28 PM |
| 220 | Get outside                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 12:27 PM |
| 221 | not sure...                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 12:26 PM |
| 222 | Swim outdoors in warm weather. The beach at Ramsey Creek is inadequate.                                                                                                                                                          | 1/26/2024 12:22 PM |
| 223 | Meet our neighbors                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/26/2024 12:21 PM |
| 224 | Attend cultural events                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1/26/2024 12:20 PM |
| 225 | Be outside in nature                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 12:18 PM |
| 226 | work out together (family friendly workouts on the green/yoga)                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 12:15 PM |
| 227 | Bring my dog.                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/26/2024 12:12 PM |
| 228 | bike. We need better bike lanes.                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 12:11 PM |
| 229 | So fun activities for families with adult kids                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 12:08 PM |
| 230 | Socialize with others around town, but also for my kids to have more opportunities for summer camps or outside exploration                                                                                                       | 1/26/2024 12:04 PM |
| 231 | play tennis                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 12:04 PM |
| 232 | ?????                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 12:03 PM |
| 233 | Na                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/26/2024 11:52 AM |
| 234 | Hike. More official and maintained trails are needed at Fisher Farm and Abersham Park.                                                                                                                                           | 1/26/2024 11:51 AM |
| 235 | Play team sports                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 11:37 AM |
| 236 | run/bike safely to Fisher Farm without driving                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 11:37 AM |
| 237 | Many of the adult activities seem geared toward seniors. While I may be in my early sixties, I can keep up with those younger than me so would be interested in programs or options that are aimed more generally toward adults. | 1/26/2024 11:35 AM |
| 238 | play pickleball                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/26/2024 11:35 AM |

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| 239                                                                         | N/A                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 11:33 AM |
| 240                                                                         | get outside and enjoy fun things for kids AND adults in the same place                                     | 1/26/2024 11:33 AM |
| 241                                                                         | Walk - ie, please continue to expand greenways                                                             | 1/26/2024 11:33 AM |
| 242                                                                         | To enjoy music                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 11:32 AM |
| 243                                                                         | Find exercise buddies                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 11:31 AM |
| 244                                                                         | swim                                                                                                       | 1/26/2024 11:30 AM |
| 245                                                                         | Do yoga again                                                                                              | 1/26/2024 11:27 AM |
| 246                                                                         | Play outdoor sports. And connect / extended all of the greenways better so that they aren't so disjointed. | 1/26/2024 11:27 AM |
| 247                                                                         | take long bike rides on a paved path network that has increased connectivity of the various segments       | 1/26/2024 11:23 AM |
| 248                                                                         | have smaller sized events, often downtown events are too crowded for us to enjoy                           | 1/26/2024 11:23 AM |
| 249                                                                         | Have more walking trails, more basketball courts, pickleball courts, skate parks                           | 1/26/2024 10:05 AM |
| 250                                                                         | More greenways and paths along roads like the one on Concord Road                                          | 1/21/2024 6:18 AM  |
| 251                                                                         | Workout as a family!                                                                                       | 1/20/2024 10:17 AM |
| 252                                                                         | Use Lake Davidson                                                                                          | 1/18/2024 3:26 PM  |
| 253                                                                         | have benches for older walkers spread out throughout the town.                                             | 1/17/2024 8:42 PM  |
| 254                                                                         | N/A                                                                                                        | 1/17/2024 7:52 AM  |
| 255                                                                         | Family game night, town bingo on the green, movies on the green                                            | 1/15/2024 8:58 PM  |
| 256                                                                         | Travel to Fisher Farm by bike. Tennis/pickleball on west side                                              | 1/15/2024 8:00 PM  |
| 257                                                                         | To ride bicycles safely on the Davidson roads                                                              | 1/15/2024 1:59 PM  |
| 258                                                                         | Participate even though I have lower extremity disabilities                                                | 1/15/2024 1:37 PM  |

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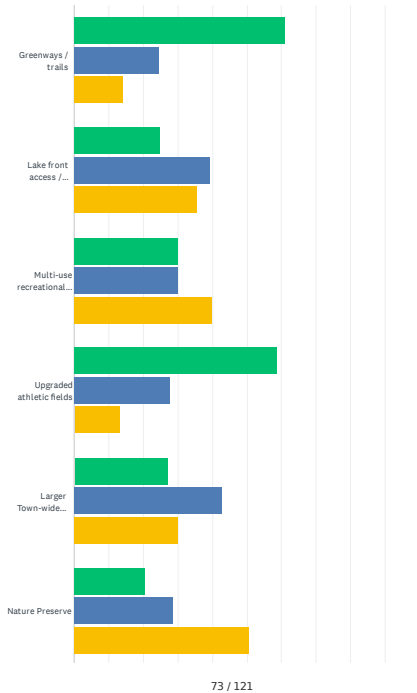
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|                                                                             | PRIORITY 1    | PRIORITY 2   | PRIORITY 3   | TOTAL | WEIGHTED AVERAGE |
| Expand trails and greenways                                                 | 60.60%<br>183 | 25.17%<br>76 | 14.24%<br>43 | 302   | 24.64            |
| Update park amenities                                                       | 28.95%<br>44  | 41.49%<br>63 | 29.61%<br>45 | 152   | 19.93            |
| Build community and strengthen social connections                           | 12.93%<br>19  | 25.17%<br>37 | 61.90%<br>91 | 147   | 15.10            |
| Add park access in currently undeserved areas                               | 36.43%<br>47  | 29.46%<br>38 | 34.11%<br>44 | 129   | 20.23            |
| Expand programs                                                             | 30.56%<br>33  | 39.81%<br>43 | 29.63%<br>32 | 108   | 20.09            |
| Promote physical activity and wellness                                      | 12.50%<br>13  | 50.96%<br>53 | 36.54%<br>38 | 104   | 17.60            |
| Improve maintenance                                                         | 37.11%<br>36  | 32.99%<br>32 | 29.90%<br>29 | 97    | 20.72            |
| Expand environmentally friendly practices                                   | 32.18%<br>28  | 37.93%<br>33 | 29.89%<br>26 | 87    | 20.23            |
| Improve existing program offerings                                          | 21.84%<br>19  | 41.39%<br>36 | 36.78%<br>32 | 87    | 18.51            |
| Improve marketing and communication                                         | 20.51%<br>8   | 23.08%<br>9  | 56.41%<br>22 | 39    | 16.41            |

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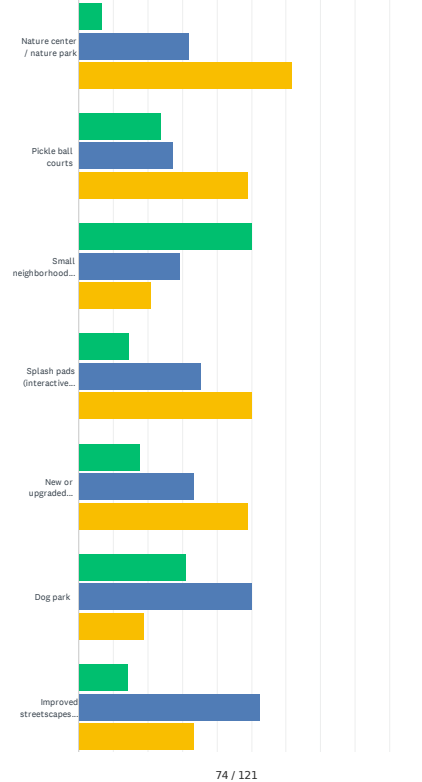
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Q24 If additional facilities were to be provided, which ones do you believe would be most beneficial for the Davidson community? (select your top 3)

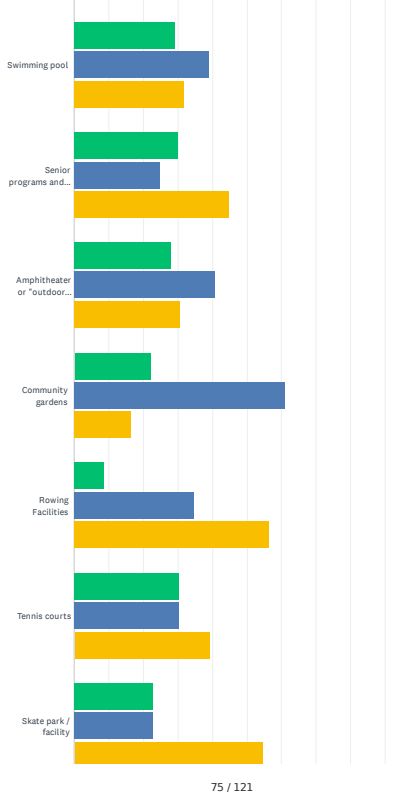
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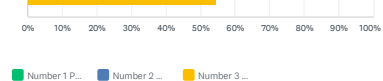
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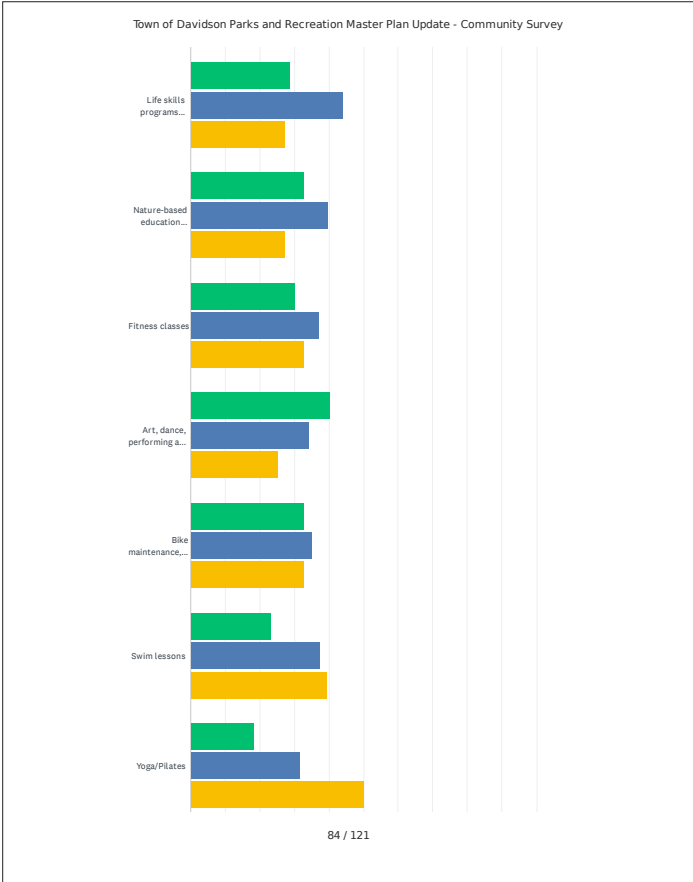
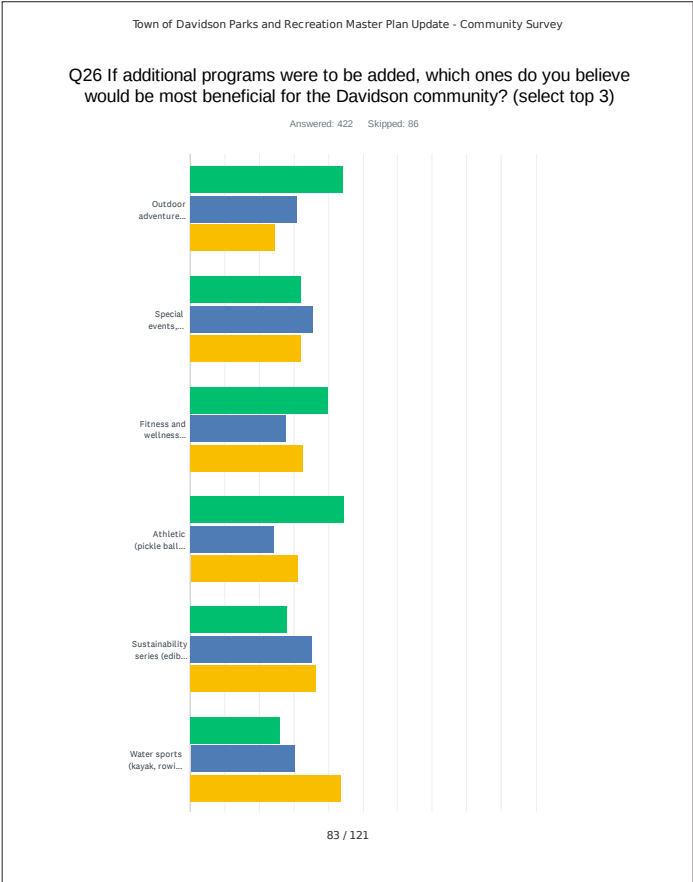


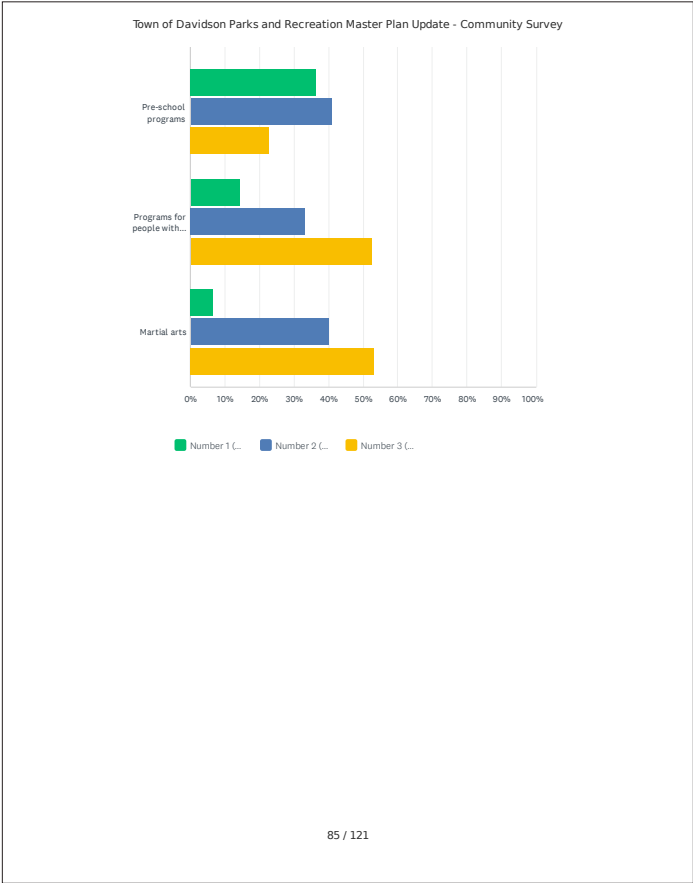
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| 5                                                                           | NO MORE sports field...focus should be on open spaces                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1/26/2024 11:39 AM |
| 6                                                                           | Splash pad - somewhere to take kids in the summer!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 12:18 PM |
| 7                                                                           | We need something like Baily Road park to hold large events/gatherings.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 1/26/2024 12:31 PM |
| 8                                                                           | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1/26/2024 12:49 PM |
| 9                                                                           | Enhance the walking and biking trails to be safe and contiguous. Expand out to the new growth areas and make connections.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/26/2024 1:18 PM  |
| 10                                                                          | Parks/ gardens with Native plants and benches & picnic tables for relaxation that support the environment                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/26/2024 2:03 PM  |
| 11                                                                          | sports fields with the intent of Davidson actually running its own in-town youth recreational sports leagues                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/26/2024 2:10 PM  |
| 12                                                                          | Indoor walking track.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1/26/2024 4:02 PM  |
| 13                                                                          | Top choice would be swimming pool                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 2:46 PM  |
| 14                                                                          | Monarch / bird / and bee habitat areas                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 3:28 PM  |
| 15                                                                          | Walking trails that connect further out areas to town amenities                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1/26/2024 6:18 PM  |
| 16                                                                          | Swimming pool                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/26/2024 8:58 PM  |
| 17                                                                          | Also enjoy water/creek frontage for viewing and listening, not necessarily to access.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1/27/2024 8:24 AM  |
| 18                                                                          | Nature preserves.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/27/2024 8:12 AM  |
| 19                                                                          | I'm not familiar with what you have, but I'd say we need a better place for the concerts on the green - maybe more of an amphitheater, with the population/traffic out of hand in the downtown, maybe not in town center.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/27/2024 9:11 AM  |
| 20                                                                          | I think a location for a multi-use park is more important than its size. Given the existing infrastructure in the town and the needs of the central south neighborhoods, I believe the New Town Hall offers an ideal opportunity.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/29/2024 9:41 AM  |
| 21                                                                          | Exercise classes other than archery                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1/31/2024 10:26 AM |
| 22                                                                          | SKATE PARK                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/31/2024 1:06 PM  |
| 23                                                                          | Having lived around Europe a bit I've seen how wonderful it is to be able to feel safe riding or walking with your kids through (non-flooded) greenways and neighborhood park connectors to bring them to school and events. I dare anyone who thinks we need another small neighborhood park like Beatty or more religious events to walk or ride with a child along the single narrow sidewalk on the Concord Rd. The traffic is zooming right next to you and the light poles and weird rocks and awful diagonal curb cuts make it feel like you are taking your life into your own hands. | 2/4/2024 5:10 PM   |
| 24                                                                          | There is so much development happening everywhere... I think preserving green space and natural habitats are important.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/5/2024 7:48 PM   |
| 25                                                                          | Is there anyway to get a beach for the public to use? (Besides Ramsey Creek). Just somewhere where my kids can wade and throw stones and play in the sand. Lake Norman/Lake Davidson seems accessible only to those who live on the lake or have a boat.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/6/2024 9:27 PM   |
| 26                                                                          | Na                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/6/2024 10:21 PM  |
| 27                                                                          | Baseball/Football/Soccer type fields                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/7/2024 9:12 AM   |
| 28                                                                          | Greenways                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/7/2024 9:24 AM   |
| 29                                                                          | Parks and playgrounds at Bexley Davidson                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/7/2024 2:34 PM   |
| 30                                                                          | Do you have land for river, creek or waterfront access in Davidson. Speaking of waterfront, the pond in Beatty should be a top priority.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/7/2024 4:58 PM   |
| 31                                                                          | Dog park                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/7/2024 5:12 PM   |
| 32                                                                          | Biking trails in Abersham Park                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/9/2024 11:33 AM  |

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| 33                                                                          | We need more greenways and conserved lands that are interconnected and accessible.                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/9/2024 5:25 PM   |
| 34                                                                          | None of the choices are open space—purchase land and leave it alone for critters and trees                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/13/2024 8:09 PM  |
| 35                                                                          | More and longer / connected greenways                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/15/2024 5:43 PM  |
| 36                                                                          | The town needs to expand natural areas with access for residents, especially children and families to go be in nature and experience wildflowers and beautiful trees. We do NOT need more mountain biking trails, but do need more paved pedestrian and bicycle trails. | 2/17/2024 9:40 AM  |
| 37                                                                          | 3rd small neighborhood parks with splash pads                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/20/2024 10:02 PM |
| 38                                                                          | Baseball field.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/20/2024 11:23 PM |
| 39                                                                          | Small parcels of land in the downtown corridor - stream buffers, small forests, and add trees/natural elements to improve streetscapes                                                                                                                                  | 2/21/2024 8:55 AM  |

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|                                                                               | NUMBER 1<br>(MOST<br>BENEFICIAL) | NUMBER 2<br>(MOST<br>BENEFICIAL) | NUMBER 3<br>(MOST<br>BENEFICIAL) | TOTAL | WEIGHTED<br>AVERAGE |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------|---------------------|
| Outdoor adventure programs & day hikes                                        | 44.39%<br>83                     | 31.02%<br>58                     | 24.60%<br>46                     | 187   | 21.98               |
| Special events, concerts & festivals                                          | 32.21%<br>48                     | 35.57%<br>53                     | 32.21%<br>48                     | 149   | 20.00               |
| Fitness and wellness programs                                                 | 39.84%<br>49                     | 27.64%<br>34                     | 32.52%<br>40                     | 123   | 20.73               |
| Athletic (pickle ball, tennis, volleyball, etc.)                              | 44.54%<br>53                     | 24.37%<br>29                     | 31.09%<br>37                     | 119   | 21.34               |
| Sustainability series (edible gardens, natural landscaping, zero waste, etc.) | 28.13%<br>27                     | 35.42%<br>34                     | 36.46%<br>35                     | 96    | 19.17               |
| Water sports (kayak, rowing, etc.)                                            | 26.04%<br>25                     | 30.21%<br>29                     | 43.75%<br>42                     | 96    | 18.23               |
| Life skills programs (social skills, cooking, computer classes, etc)          | 28.77%<br>21                     | 43.84%<br>32                     | 27.40%<br>20                     | 73    | 20.14               |
| Nature-based education programs                                               | 32.88%<br>24                     | 39.73%<br>29                     | 27.40%<br>20                     | 73    | 20.55               |
| Fitness classes                                                               | 30.00%<br>21                     | 37.14%<br>26                     | 32.86%<br>23                     | 70    | 19.71               |
| Art, dance, performing art classes                                            | 40.30%<br>27                     | 34.33%<br>23                     | 25.37%<br>17                     | 67    | 21.49               |
| Bike maintenance, safety & learn to ride classes                              | 32.56%<br>14                     | 34.88%<br>15                     | 32.56%<br>14                     | 43    | 20.00               |
| Swim lessons                                                                  | 23.26%<br>10                     | 37.21%<br>16                     | 39.53%<br>17                     | 43    | 18.37               |
| Yoga/Pilates                                                                  | 18.42%<br>7                      | 31.58%<br>12                     | 50.00%<br>19                     | 38    | 16.84               |
| Pre-school programs                                                           | 36.36%<br>8                      | 40.91%<br>9                      | 22.73%<br>5                      | 22    | 21.36               |
| Programs for people with disabilities                                         | 14.29%<br>3                      | 33.33%<br>7                      | 52.38%<br>11                     | 21    | 16.19               |
| Martial arts                                                                  | 6.67%<br>1                       | 40.00%<br>6                      | 53.33%<br>8                      | 15    | 15.33               |

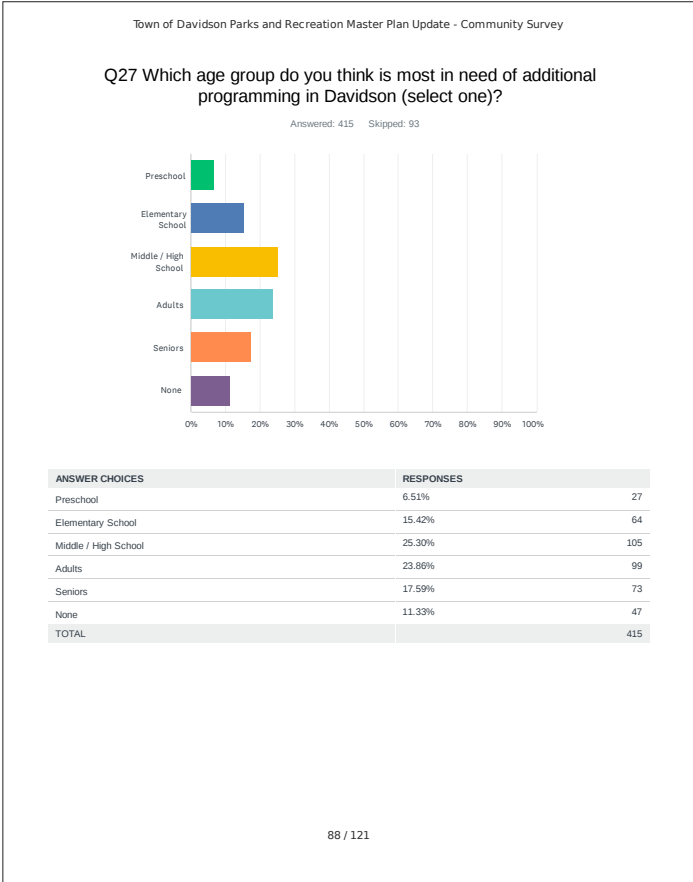
| # | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | DATE              |
|---|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1 | Maker space                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/21/2024 2:31 PM |
| 2 | Our existing programs are diverse and well-run. I don't know if we need more but I like what we have. Access to programs should include people with disabilities not just be for people with disabilities. With Universal design, everyone benefits.                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/21/2024 9:55 AM |
| 3 | Volleyball & "try a sport" with expert coach/athlete                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2/21/2024 8:55 AM |
| 4 | Try hard to choose just 3! I think that part of the issue with some programs like these is they end up being so specific that unless you're totally into the topic it's easy to say no. They seem to feel a bit "herdy" and unwelcoming. Maybe if there were more photos showing people enjoying these programs after the fact! Let those who hesitate to get involved see what it's like. Provide more details! Like what to expect, what is required of one who participates. | 2/20/2024 3:08 PM |
| 5 | So many of these programs are valuable! Please do as many as possible! :)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/17/2024 9:40 AM |

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| 6  | Honestly, all of the ideas are fantastic                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/7/2024 2:30 PM   |
| 7  | Basketball, skate/scooter park                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2/7/2024 9:12 AM   |
| 8  | Bocce court                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/6/2024 10:38 AM  |
| 9  | The town has limited bandwidth and there are many opportunities for programing from other groups. I would prefer that town focused on facilities - which are nearly impossible for individual organizations to organize.                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/5/2024 2:50 PM   |
| 10 | Pickleball                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/31/2024 12:47 PM |
| 11 | Exercise classes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/31/2024 10:26 AM |
| 12 | We have vibrant but fragmented music in the community. I've been to towns with festivals using a central music venue [like the Town Green or what could be behind New Town Hall] as well as people's front porches in neighborhoods. Our town's architecture has many such homes with porches and local talent: let's organize spaces and musicians and have a large weekend Music Festival. | 1/29/2024 9:41 AM  |
| 13 | Somewhere where middle school kids can go afterschool.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 1/29/2024 8:56 AM  |
| 14 | I could really select more than 3!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1/28/2024 9:57 AM  |
| 15 | i don't think the town has to continually spend time and resources coming up with NEW things. We have plenty. Maybe more could be spent instead on other town priorities. i don't think parks and recreation is a priority at this time. we have wonderful, beautiful facilities and programming currently.                                                                                  | 1/27/2024 12:55 PM |
| 16 | I am a senior with little money, so anything I do needs to be pretty inexpensive or right now, free. I do pay taxes, at least. :)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/27/2024 9:11 AM  |
| 17 | Also would enjoy art programs - ways to spark creativity. Maybe one-off experiences to create something specific/clean a new technique? Nature journaling, mindfulness in nature. Thanks for the mindfulness/meditation/forest bathing programs you offer!                                                                                                                                   | 1/27/2024 8:24 AM  |
| 18 | Children are the most important-especially for the underserved!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/26/2024 4:28 PM  |
| 19 | Pottery                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 12:52 PM |
| 20 | Golf practice facility                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 1/26/2024 11:39 AM |
| 21 | Know your neighbors, community building opportunities                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 11:38 AM |

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## Q28 Additional comments on future programs and facilities:

Answered: 103 Skipped: 405

| #  | RESPONSES                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | DATE               |
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| 1  | We seem to need space for kids to ride their electric scooters, etc. in safe, fun, community connected spaces other than Main St. sidewalks.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/21/2024 9:55 AM  |
| 2  | environmental/sustainability considerations in all operations (purchases, events, travel, etc)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/21/2024 8:55 AM  |
| 3  | Events & activities should be at downtown Davidson so it's easy access to all                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/20/2024 10:02 PM |
| 4  | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/20/2024 8:25 PM  |
| 5  | Again, would love more ball fields, and access to greenways to those on Shearer Rd and Gray Rd.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/20/2024 7:31 PM  |
| 6  | I think Middle and High school kids would benefit from some fun programs but they are such a specific and particular group that the programs would need to be organized and implemented by people who really know, understand, and connect with those age groups. Not in an ideal way of thinking but in a realistic approach. Find a way to incorporate social media prompts or opportunities in a fun positive way (?) Also, I find the website tricky to maneuver often times. Or the classes are offered at tough times. Or limited times. I would love to participate in some adult classes but again, they seem hard to learn about. Adults may actually be the most needed group bc people tend to think they've got everything laid out well. But many adults really need someone to almost hold their hand and make it really easy to meet new people and get involved outside their comfort zone. I don't know what that looks like but I do see the need. | 2/20/2024 3:08 PM  |
| 7  | I spend a lot of time at fisher farm and work with the target trailblazers to maintain and improve the trail network out there. I would love for more trail to be permitted creating a network of more than 20 miles much like systems at LNSP and mountain creek.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/17/2024 10:16 AM |
| 8  | Thank you to the town parks and rec for providing natural areas, nature preserves and parks and greenways; please keep working to preserve more. Our area is losing so much nature to development; where once there was a wooded area, suddenly there are houses and no place for wildlife. Please ask new developments and folks doing tear downs in our neighborhoods to save and contribute more natural areas and to save trees so our children's world will be full of birds, bees and butterflies, trees and meadows. We must preserve our natural heritage for our children and grandchildren.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/17/2024 9:40 AM  |
| 9  | Put more resources towards creating sustainable places that promote nature                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/16/2024 4:31 PM  |
| 10 | Nope. Just more fields and greenways                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/15/2024 5:43 PM  |
| 11 | We need another in town off leash dog park.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/15/2024 12:18 PM |
| 12 | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/15/2024 8:14 AM  |
| 13 | A sidewalk between Davidson Village and Cornelius on Potts and on South Main Street too                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/12/2024 9:02 PM  |
| 14 | Walkable parks for kids under 12                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/12/2024 5:55 PM  |
| 15 | It would be nice to have Guided nature walks and walks with historians to explain the history of Davidson.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/12/2024 9:45 AM  |
| 16 | More nature oriented programs and more sustainability programs.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/12/2024 9:29 AM  |
| 17 | More preschool art and music classes would be great                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/11/2024 8:01 AM  |
| 18 | We're lucky to live in a town that offers so much. Having more programs that take advantage of the special resource we have at the lake would be great. More landscaping/beautifying existing smaller open areas, like the area behind Summit, is important.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2/10/2024 1:16 PM  |
| 19 | I would like to see the master plan look at providing dog parks throughout town. I would also like to see more access to Lake Davidson.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/10/2024 10:59 AM |

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| 20 | Conserve more land                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/9/2024 6:32 PM  |
| 21 | Getting adults and children outside in nature with opportunities to learn about nature and develop a love of nature                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/9/2024 5:25 PM  |
| 22 | There is wonderful topography and natural areas throughout Abersham Park that would be perfect for bike trails.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2/9/2024 11:33 AM |
| 23 | More funding and access to mountain bike trail maintenance and expansion                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/9/2024 10:59 AM |
| 24 | Would be so helpful to connect River Tun Greenway and Fisher Farm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/9/2024 7:07 AM  |
| 25 | More watercraft rafters at Parham Pk                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/9/2024 6:17 AM  |
| 26 | Na                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/8/2024 10:47 PM |
| 27 | More mountain biking trails, lake access, and dog parks would be wonderful.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2/8/2024 10:41 PM |
| 28 | Sidewalk                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/8/2024 7:39 AM  |
| 29 | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/7/2024 8:58 PM  |
| 30 | Please finish Beaty, and if there are any changes since leadership team was in place it would be appreciated if that would be communicated. After all, citizens made this happen! We really need an accessible entry point where the sidewalk ends on Beaty Street to cross the street and gain access to a park trail. This was communicated repeatedly in meetings. | 2/7/2024 4:58 PM  |
| 31 | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2/7/2024 1:51 PM  |
| 32 | n/a                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/7/2024 1:35 PM  |
| 33 | Na                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/7/2024 1:13 PM  |
| 34 | n/a                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/7/2024 11:22 AM |
| 35 | Adults need more as well                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2/7/2024 10:13 AM |
| 36 | Volleyball and tennis                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/7/2024 10:13 AM |
| 37 | Let's increase our commitment to inclusive programming for folks with disabilities.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2/7/2024 9:36 AM  |
| 38 | make classes affordable to those who live in Huntersville, Davidson and Cornelius                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2/7/2024 9:35 AM  |
| 39 | Additional greenways and connections to Current Greenway to town parks                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2/7/2024 9:24 AM  |
| 40 | Na                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/7/2024 9:12 AM  |
| 41 | A town space where people can gather - I love the green space by the library, but there is nothing there besides a few chairs? Sprucing it up - better landscaping, fun chairs, maybe outdoor lawn games, picnic tables, etc.                                                                                                                                         | 2/6/2024 9:27 PM  |
| 42 | Bocce courts and senior programs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/6/2024 11:55 AM |
| 43 | We would love to be able to spend more time in Davidson doing the activities that our kids do, but we have to go to neighboring towns to participate in youth sports and activities. An indoor multi-usr facility with indoor fields and courts is totally absent in this area. It would be used all the time! Maybe Earth Fare would be a good spot.                 | 2/4/2024 10:32 PM |
| 44 | I'd like to see more intermediate and advanced archery classes and events added.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2/4/2024 10:08 PM |
| 45 | It would be nice if the programs for adults catered to people who work during the day by offering some night programming.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2/4/2024 8:36 PM  |
| 46 | I teach @ the college and see the emails about the middle school bike gang. Those kids are out there bothering people because they can't ride their bikes to any trails. Please consider creating a park with some multi use trails to keep those kids busy.                                                                                                          | 2/4/2024 5:10 PM  |
| 47 | Need to look for ways to link existing parks, extend greenways                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2/3/2024 11:04 AM |
| 48 | Keep up the good work                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2/3/2024 9:01 AM  |
| 49 | Think about equity and include all citizens!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2/2/2024 7:43 AM  |
| 50 | Seniors need to socialize with other seniors. Too much alone time.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2/1/2024 3:26 PM  |

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| 51 | Outdoor movie area                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/31/2024 12:47 PM |
| 52 | Exercise classes please                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/31/2024 12:26 AM |
| 53 | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/30/2024 12:07 PM |
| 54 | Volleyball and improved baseball fields                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/30/2024 11:07 AM |
| 55 | I'd like to see adult programming after traditional work hours (evenings)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/30/2024 10:43 AM |
| 56 | An indoor facility is needed to expand programs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/30/2024 12:41 AM |
| 57 | Keep doing what you are doing, and make improvements when and where you can. Thank you for all the great existing programs & outstanding STAFF!!!!                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/29/2024 5:23 PM  |
| 58 | So many reasons for the New Town Hall/Gym complex to be the heart of exciting new Parks & Rec program.                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1/29/2024 9:41 AM  |
| 59 | Pavilions                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/29/2024 8:56 AM  |
| 60 | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/29/2024 7:00 AM  |
| 61 | Yoga                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/28/2024 5:27 PM  |
| 62 | One idea I saw that the Cramerton area does is a Paddle Under the Stars, that sounded fun! Or maybe a star gazing night (with smores maybe)?Also, I have thought about starting a walking club, and highlighting the different area greenways. You all already do so much, there is plenty to do and we appreciate it! | 1/28/2024 4:57 PM  |
| 63 | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 1/27/2024 9:56 PM  |
| 64 | My answer to the last question would more accurately be I don't know!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/27/2024 12:15 PM |
| 65 | Volunteer opportunities                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/27/2024 10:32 AM |
| 66 | Adults in their 30s do not have opportunities to connect with their community & meet others                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 9:23 PM  |
| 67 | none                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 5:15 PM  |
| 68 | I actually don't know the answer to 27. I just think pre-school is a critical time                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/26/2024 4:28 PM  |
| 69 | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 3:51 PM  |
| 70 | As I've said Davidson is a great community and I'd like to see a natural evolution of the programs facilities and opportunities                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 3:46 PM  |
| 71 | mental health groups and education                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/26/2024 3:44 PM  |
| 72 | Yogi on the green                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 3:29 PM  |
| 73 | nice survey. Will you share the findings with the community?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1/26/2024 3:28 PM  |
| 74 | None.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/26/2024 3:25 PM  |
| 75 | Also look at the amphitheater in Atlanta, Chastain Park. Another perfect addition to Abersham. A modern, intimate concert venue                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 2:50 PM  |
| 76 | Please create more continuous and safe bike and walking trails!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1/26/2024 2:38 PM  |
| 77 | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1/26/2024 2:18 PM  |
| 78 | more bike infrastructure, pickleball courts and youth recreational sports leagues would be great!                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 1/26/2024 2:10 PM  |
| 79 | Limited athletic fields to be used by town residents and ones that we have are arbitrarily booked full by third party athletic organizations with contracts. Letting one organization dictate town property isn't benefiting town residents when they are blocking field access.                                       | 1/26/2024 2:03 PM  |
| 80 | please accelerate greenway construction                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/26/2024 1:53 PM  |
| 81 | Get the kids involved, active, etc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/26/2024 1:18 PM  |
| 82 | Please make sure that Fisher Farm remains undeveloped land. With all the development in                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/26/2024 1:13 PM  |

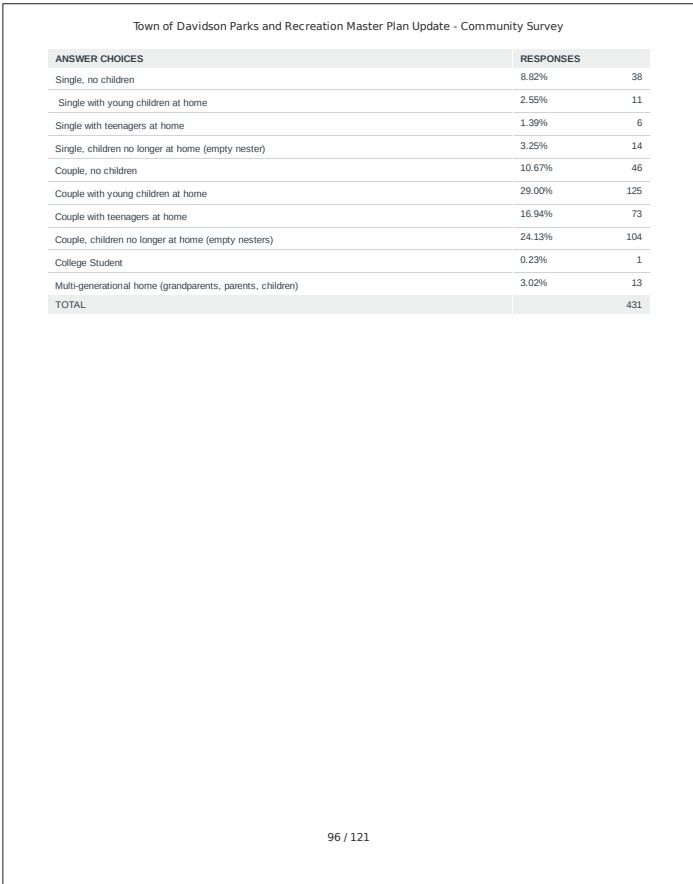
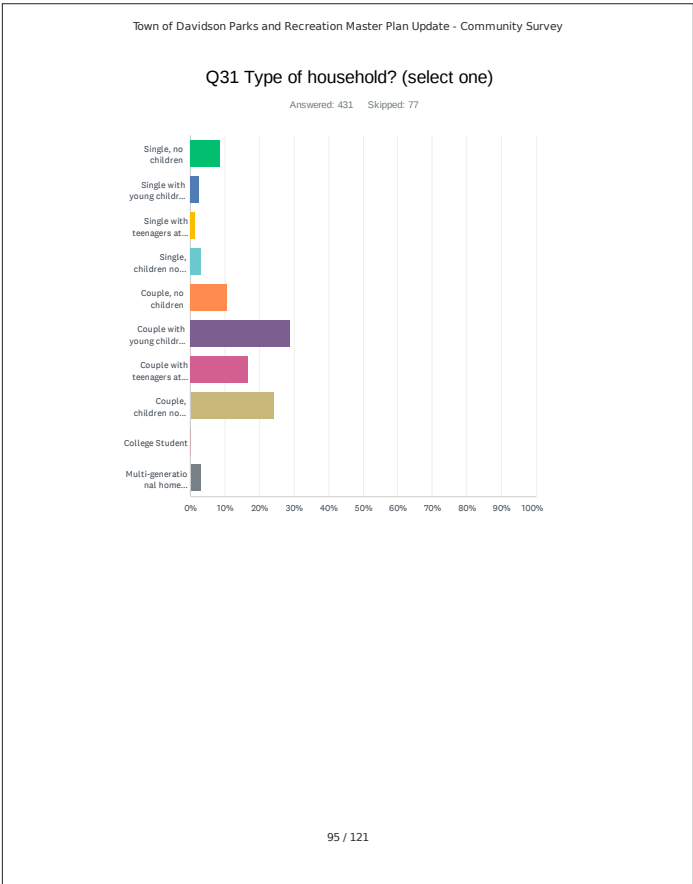
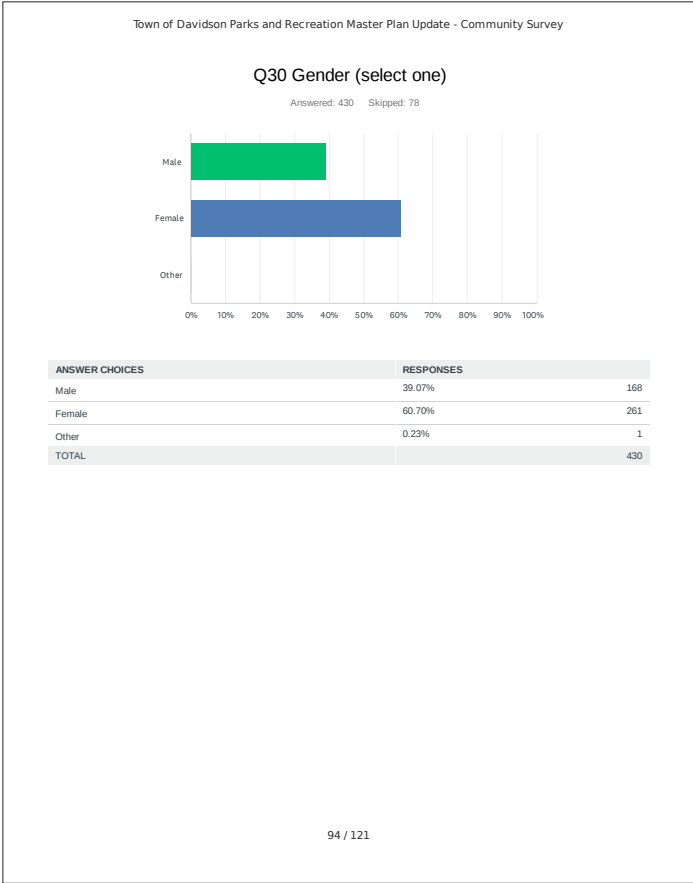
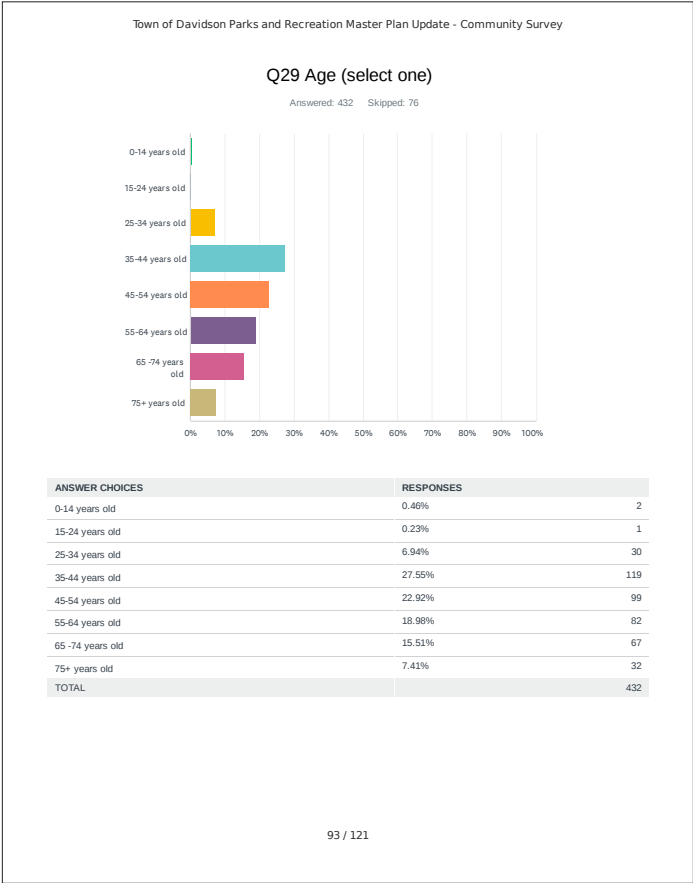
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| town we need open space natural surroundings to go to for our mental health. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                    |
| 83                                                                           | Splash pad please!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 1:10 PM  |
| 84                                                                           | Adult learn classes. But DAYTIME activities. Not everyone wants to drive at night. Learn another language, learn a new hobby, discussion groups                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1/26/2024 1:09 PM  |
| 85                                                                           | A ceramics program at our community center would be great. There are very few available with long waitlists                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1/26/2024 12:52 PM |
| 86                                                                           | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1/26/2024 12:49 PM |
| 87                                                                           | More pickleball courts                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1/26/2024 12:43 PM |
| 88                                                                           | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1/26/2024 12:34 PM |
| 89                                                                           | n/a                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 12:29 PM |
| 90                                                                           | Senior travel                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/26/2024 12:22 PM |
| 91                                                                           | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 12:10 PM |
| 92                                                                           | No                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1/26/2024 11:56 AM |
| 93                                                                           | More trails please! Preserve more land from development.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 1/26/2024 11:54 AM |
| 94                                                                           | It would be nice if some of the local sports teams could practice in Davidson                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1/26/2024 11:40 AM |
| 95                                                                           | Top need is pool with public access at affordable rate                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1/26/2024 11:38 AM |
| 96                                                                           | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 11:36 AM |
| 97                                                                           | more summer camps, Huntersville has a great program. to model after                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/26/2024 11:27 AM |
| 98                                                                           | Need much better gateway parks (McEvers Field and Roosevelt Park). I'd love to see has much of the chain link fencing that can come down around McEvers come down, with the exception of the foot ball fencing. Both of these parks need new restroom facilities, much better landscaping attention, and more amenities. As one of the most desirable places to live and a gateway to Davidson College and downtown, Roosevelt Park should be the best looking park in Mecklenburg County, imo | 1/26/2024 10:11 AM |
| 99                                                                           | Need boat access to Lake Davidson                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/18/2024 3:30 PM  |
| 100                                                                          | Thank you for all you are doing and planning to do!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/17/2024 8:47 PM  |
| 101                                                                          | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1/17/2024 7:56 AM  |
| 102                                                                          | Consider partnering with churches and/or AJC for programs for seniors with memory issues — respite programs like done at St Marks in Huntersville                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1/15/2024 8:05 PM  |
| 103                                                                          | Elderly recreational needs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1/15/2024 2:05 PM  |

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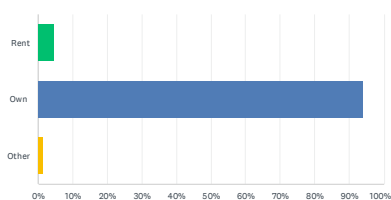
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## Q32 Rent or Own? (select one)

Answered: 432 Skipped: 76



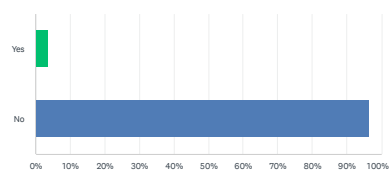
| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |
|----------------|-----------|
| Rent           | 4.63%     |
| Own            | 93.98%    |
| Other          | 1.39%     |
| TOTAL          | 432       |

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## Q33 Does your household have a need for ADA-accessible (American with Disabilities) facilities and services?

Answered: 431 Skipped: 77



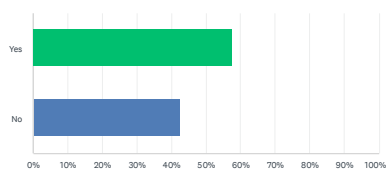
| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |
|----------------|-----------|
| Yes            | 3.71%     |
| No             | 96.29%    |
| TOTAL          | 431       |

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## Q34 Do you or a member of your household own a dog?

Answered: 433 Skipped: 75



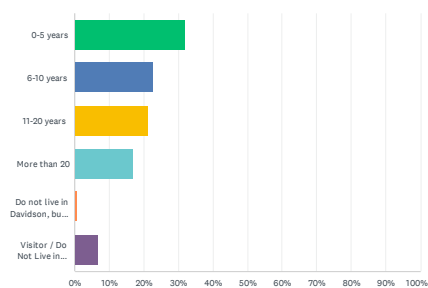
| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |
|----------------|-----------|
| Yes            | 57.51%    |
| No             | 42.49%    |
| TOTAL          | 433       |

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## Q35 How long have you lived in Davidson? (select one)

Answered: 434 Skipped: 74

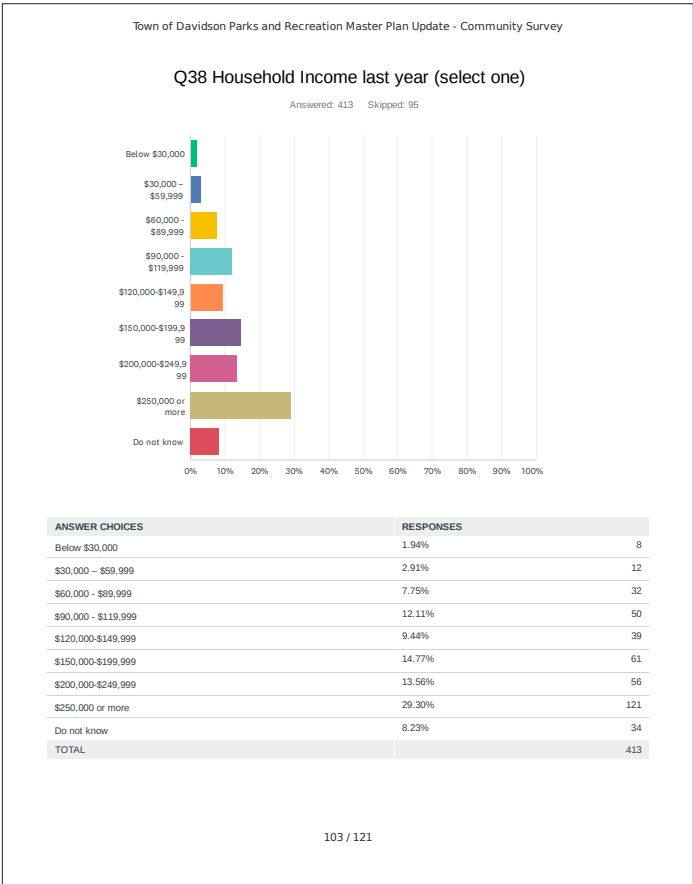
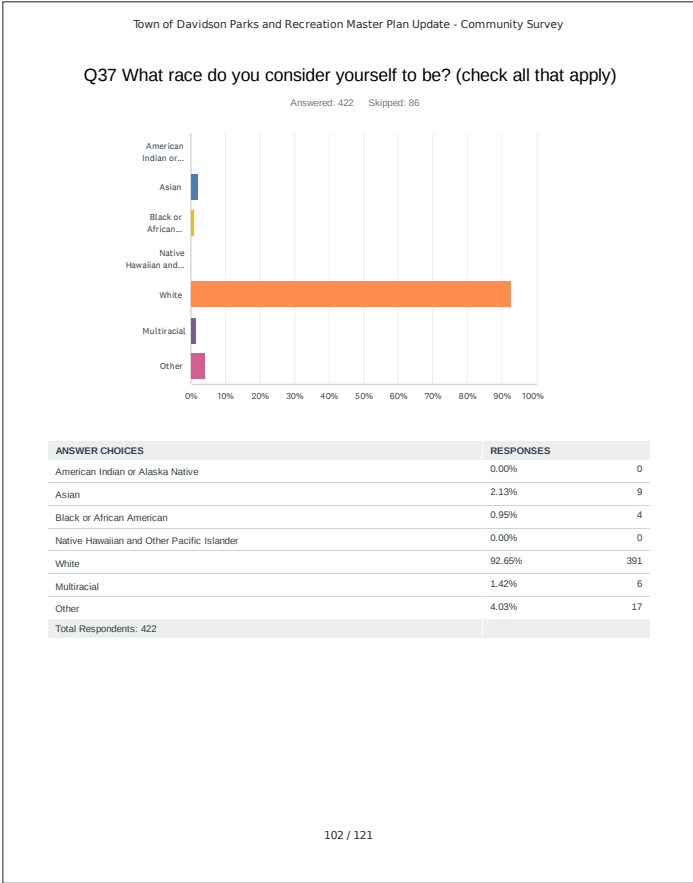
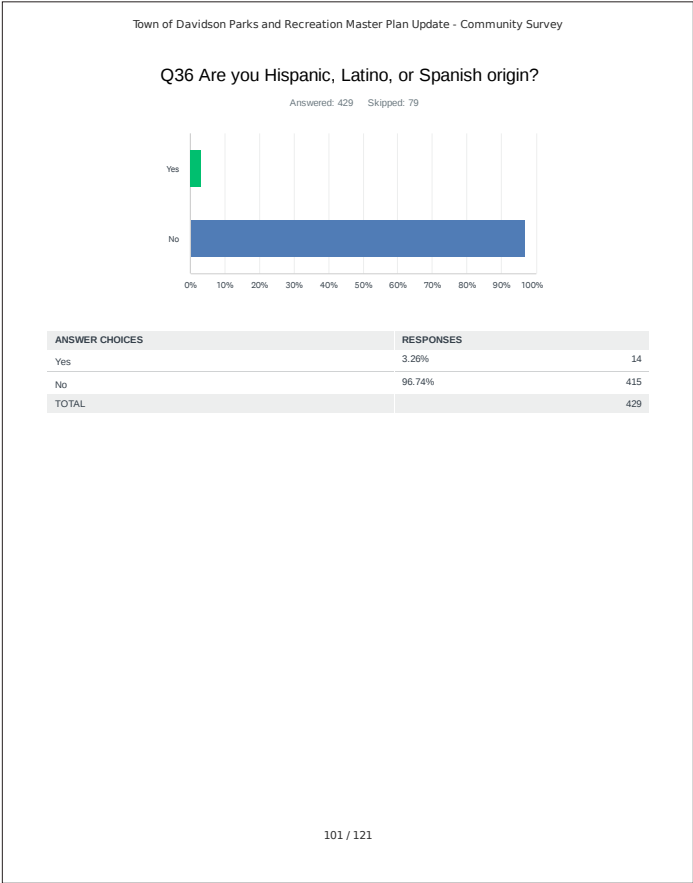


| ANSWER CHOICES                                      | RESPONSES |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| 0-5 years                                           | 31.80%    |
| 6-10 years                                          | 22.58%    |
| 11-20 years                                         | 21.43%    |
| More than 20                                        | 16.82%    |
| Do not live in Davidson, but I own property in Town | 0.69%     |
| Visitor / Do Not Live in Davidson                   | 6.68%     |
| TOTAL                                               | 434       |

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Appendix C



## APPENDIX D:

### Public Input Phase 2 Boards and Responses

| Davidson Public Input Sessions - Phase 2                          |  |                                                                      |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| Farmer's Market (April and May 2024)                              |  | <div><div></div>Top answer</div> <div><div></div>Bottom answer</div> |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Communication Strategies                                          |  | # Dots                                                               | Comments                                                                                                                | Key Findings                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |
| App                                                               |  | 9                                                                    | "App with push notifications - emails get lost "                                                                        | Online platforms and social media were the preferred forms of communication. Text blasts and radio ads received the lowest number of votes. The Town of Davidson already maintains their website and socials regularly. TOD could prioritize streamlining their socials and the TOD website and update more frequently. Improve user experience and ease of access: shortened links, QR codes, etc. |  |
| Website                                                           |  | 26                                                                   |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Mail                                                              |  | 10                                                                   |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Radio                                                             |  | 2                                                                    |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Physical flyers                                                   |  | 4                                                                    |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Text blasts                                                       |  | 1                                                                    | "Need new cell tower in Davidson to provide adequate cell coverage by Concord Rd"                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Print newspaper                                                   |  | 10                                                                   |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Online news platform                                              |  | 6                                                                    |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Email                                                             |  | 27                                                                   |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Social media                                                      |  | 31                                                                   |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Trailhead kiosks                                                  |  | 11                                                                   |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Via school                                                        |  | 10                                                                   | "Morning announcements at the schools"                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
|                                                                   |  | 1                                                                    | "More in-person communication/volunteer opportunities (too many apps/social media ruining our face-to-face)"            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Sustainable Pratices                                              |  | # Dots                                                               | Comments                                                                                                                | Key Findings                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |
| SHORT TERM                                                        |  |                                                                      |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Native pollinator plantings                                       |  | 35                                                                   |                                                                                                                         | A preference for low-impact, native landscaping with an emphasis on conservation was a key theme from input. "Water bottle refill stations" received the most dots.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |  |
| No-mow lawns                                                      |  | 14                                                                   | Lots of questions about what no-mow means                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Park recycling receptacles                                        |  | 13                                                                   |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Annual clean up days                                              |  | 22                                                                   |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Nature-oriented programs                                          |  | 20                                                                   |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Rainwater collection                                              |  | 22                                                                   |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
|                                                                   |  | 28                                                                   | "Tree preservation"                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
|                                                                   |  |                                                                      | "Land preservation - no more development"                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| LONG TERM                                                         |  |                                                                      |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Reduce chemical use                                               |  | 23                                                                   |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Replace bulbs with LED                                            |  | 8                                                                    |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Flood mitigation techniques                                       |  | 5                                                                    |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Erosion control                                                   |  | 16                                                                   |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Edible forests/urban farm                                         |  | 27                                                                   |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Water bottle refill stations                                      |  | 49                                                                   |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
|                                                                   |  | 3                                                                    | "Bee boxes, bat boxes"                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
|                                                                   |  | 2                                                                    | other comments - cut off by image                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Maintenance Strategies                                            |  | # Dots                                                               | Comments                                                                                                                | Key Findings                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |
| SHORT TERM                                                        |  |                                                                      |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Bathroom maintenance                                              |  | 12                                                                   |                                                                                                                         | Litter management and access to dog pickup/trash receptacles was a major theme, especially for the short-term. Sustainability and conservation maintenance practices (like invasive species management and enhanced stream/lake buffers) were the top long-term strategies.                                                                                                                         |  |
| Drainage improvements on trails                                   |  | 11                                                                   |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Regular litter pickup                                             |  | 24                                                                   | "Especially in the area behind Summit/Main Street stores"                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| More dog pickup stations                                          |  | 24                                                                   |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Repair equipment and shelters                                     |  | 2                                                                    |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| More regular mowing/cut back                                      |  | 3                                                                    |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
|                                                                   |  | 7                                                                    | "Empty garbage cans by farmer's market on weekends"                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
|                                                                   |  | 4                                                                    | "Maintain Green Square in town"                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| LONG TERM                                                         |  |                                                                      |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Invasive species management                                       |  | 23                                                                   | "And education!"                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Erosion/flood control                                             |  | 10                                                                   |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Drainage improvements on trails                                   |  | 11                                                                   | "South Prong trail gets a lot of rain collecting and needs some efforts to redirect water or build drainage"            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Enhance stream/lake buffers                                       |  | 20                                                                   |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Replace equipment and shelters                                    |  | 0                                                                    |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Improve ADA accessibility                                         |  | 4                                                                    |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
|                                                                   |  | 1                                                                    | "Clean the trash cans in Business District"                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Greenway Expansion                                                |  | # Dots                                                               | Comments                                                                                                                | Key Findings                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |
| HOT SPOTS                                                         |  |                                                                      |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Connections around Downtown                                       |  | 17                                                                   |                                                                                                                         | Connections between Downtown Davidson and Abersham Park/Fisher Farm received the most dots. Many people also placed dots on the trail gaps between Abersham Park/Fisher Farm and West Branch Nature Preserve and smaller gaps around Downtown. See map.                                                                                                                                             |  |
| Connections between Downtown/St Albans to Abersham/Fisher Farm    |  | 33                                                                   |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Connections to Northern Regional Rec Center                       |  | 7                                                                    |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Davidson-Concord Rd                                               |  | 9                                                                    |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Gaps between Abersham/Fisher Farm and West Branch Nature Preserve |  | 18                                                                   |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| Connections north to Presbyterian                                 |  | 13                                                                   |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
|                                                                   |  | 3                                                                    | "Connect Davidson Pointe to Town!"                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
|                                                                   |  |                                                                      | "Green area behind new Town Hall should be conservation hub for nature education, mindfulness with nature, scouting..." |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
|                                                                   |  | 4                                                                    | "Easier/safer for kids to get downtown on bikes without sidewalk for pedestrians"                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |

## Appendix D

### Davidson Public Input Sessions - Phase 2

Farmer's Market (April and May 2024)

Top answer  
Bottom answer

| General Amenity                   | # Dots | Comments                                                                                  | Key Findings                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|-----------------------------------|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| SHORT TERM                        |        |                                                                                           | Hiking and biking trails, kayaking, and pickleball were top answers from respondents.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Bocce court/cornhole              | 8      |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Fitness stations                  | 6      |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| More dog pickup stations          | 11     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Table tennis                      | 8      | "Ping pong tables"                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Solar powered picnic table        | 15     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Kayak put-in                      | 26     | "Kayak rental and launch"                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                   | 13     | "More hiking trails"                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| LONG TERM                         |        |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Fenced-in dog park                | 19     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| More mountain biking trails       | 22     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Pump track                        | 9      |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Disc golf course                  | 11     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Sand volleyball court             | 20     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Pickleball court                  | 34     | "Make Plum Creek more shaded less wind..."                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                   | 4      | "Tennis courts"                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                   | 1      | "Soccer fields"                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                   | 9      | "More hiking trails"                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                   |        | "Multi-use..."                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Underserved Demo - TEENS          |        |                                                                                           | Key Findings                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| SHORT TERM                        |        |                                                                                           | Hobby and special interest courses (hiking/camping, art/photography, drone flying, skate parks) were popular. LGBTQ+ group was a write-in response with strong support. TNO was also popular - though I am wondering if this will actually appeal to teens because adults nd young kids were the majority of respondents. SAT prep is interesting because they already offer this and it does not get a strong attendance. |
| Babysitter/lifeguard training     | 6      |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Learn to ride camps               | 5      |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| College/SAT prep                  | 10     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Camping/hiking group              | 20     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Teen Night Out                    | 15     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Dodgebal/disc golf leagues        | 9      |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                   | 2      | "Swimming lessons"                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                   | 10     | "Safe space for LGBTQIA+ kids"                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| LONG TERM                         |        |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Skate park                        | 13     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Mountain biking/pump track        | 11     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| E-Sports/gaming lounge            | 9      |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Art/photography course            | 16     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Sailing/kayaking/paddleboarding   | 10     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Drone flying                      | 15     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                   | 1      | "Karaoke"                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                   |        | "Youth/life mentoring"                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                   | 1      | "Financial investment basics for teens"                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Underserved Demo - FAMILIES       |        |                                                                                           | Key Findings                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| SHORT TERM                        |        |                                                                                           | Family movie nights received the most dots for short-term strategies. Active outdoor programs that teach skills – kayaking, urban farming, group bike rides – were the top long term strategies. Splash pad was a write-in long-term strategy that received a lot of support.                                                                                                                                              |
| Family movie night                | 26     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Meet the beekeeper (or other pro) | 16     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Foraging walks                    | 14     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Group bike ride                   | 15     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Family fishing                    | 12     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Bocce/disc golf leagues           | 9      |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                   | 6      | "Family swimming pool"                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                   | 4      | "Public picnic areas"                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                   | 1      | "Walk around town"                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| LONG TERM                         |        |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Art/photography course            | 7      |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Geocaching/scavenger hunt         | 13     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Sailing/kayaking/paddleboarding   | 21     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Cooking/nutrition                 | 16     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Agriculture/urban farming course  | 21     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Family golf league                | 5      |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                   | 15     | "Waterpark playground"                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                   |        | "Legal aid/pro bono clinic"                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Program Recs                      |        |                                                                                           | Key Findings                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Health and Wellness               | 48     | "Forest bathing" "Yoga"                                                                   | Health and wellness, arts and crafts, and music and theater were the top 3 program themes that appealed to respondents.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Sports and Fitness                | 34     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Arts and Crafts                   | 52     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Life Skills                       | 28     | "Cooking whole foods"                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Music and Theater                 | 41     |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| STEM                              | 24     | "Summer internships for college students, esp. environmental science and related studies" |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Hobby and Special Interests       | 37     | "Vegan co-ops" "Bird walks" "Gardening"                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                   |        |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
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### COMMUNICATION STRATEGIES

#### WHAT WE HEARD

25% OF RESPONDENTS

said they were discouraged from using parks, rec facilities, and programs due to a lack of awareness or communication.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

25% OF PARKS & REC PROGRAMS

were canceled in 2023 because they did not receive registrations.

76% OF PARKS & REC AGENCIES

print a program catalog or guide promoting their offerings. † Davidson has a monthly newsletter!

#### YOU CAN FIND OFFERINGS AND CALENDAR OF EVENTS AT:

1. The Town of Davidson Parks & Recreation Website
2. Social media (Instagram and Facebook)
3. Community board behind the front desk at Town Hall
4. Storefront posters

† 2019 NRPA Marketing and Communications Report



#### SCAN THE QR CODE!

Follow the Town of Davidson on socials for Parks & Rec Department updates!





### COMMUNICATION STRATEGIES

How would you like to receive communication?  
Place 2 dots or write in your ideas.

#### App

Place your dots here!

#### Website

Place your dots here!

#### Mail

Place your dots here!

#### Radio

Place your dots here!

#### Physical Flyers

Place your dots here!

#### Text Blasts

Place your dots here!

#### Print Newspaper

Place your dots here!

#### Online News Platform

Place your dots here!

#### Email

Place your dots here!

#### Social Media (Instagram, Facebook, X)

Place your dots here!

#### Other Ideas?

Write your ideas here!

#### Trailhead Kiosks

Place your dots here!

#### Via School

Place your dots here!

If you would like to be a part of the Davidson Parks & Rec Connection (the online newsletter) leave your email address or scan the QR code below!





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WHAT WE HEARD

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DID YOU KNOW?

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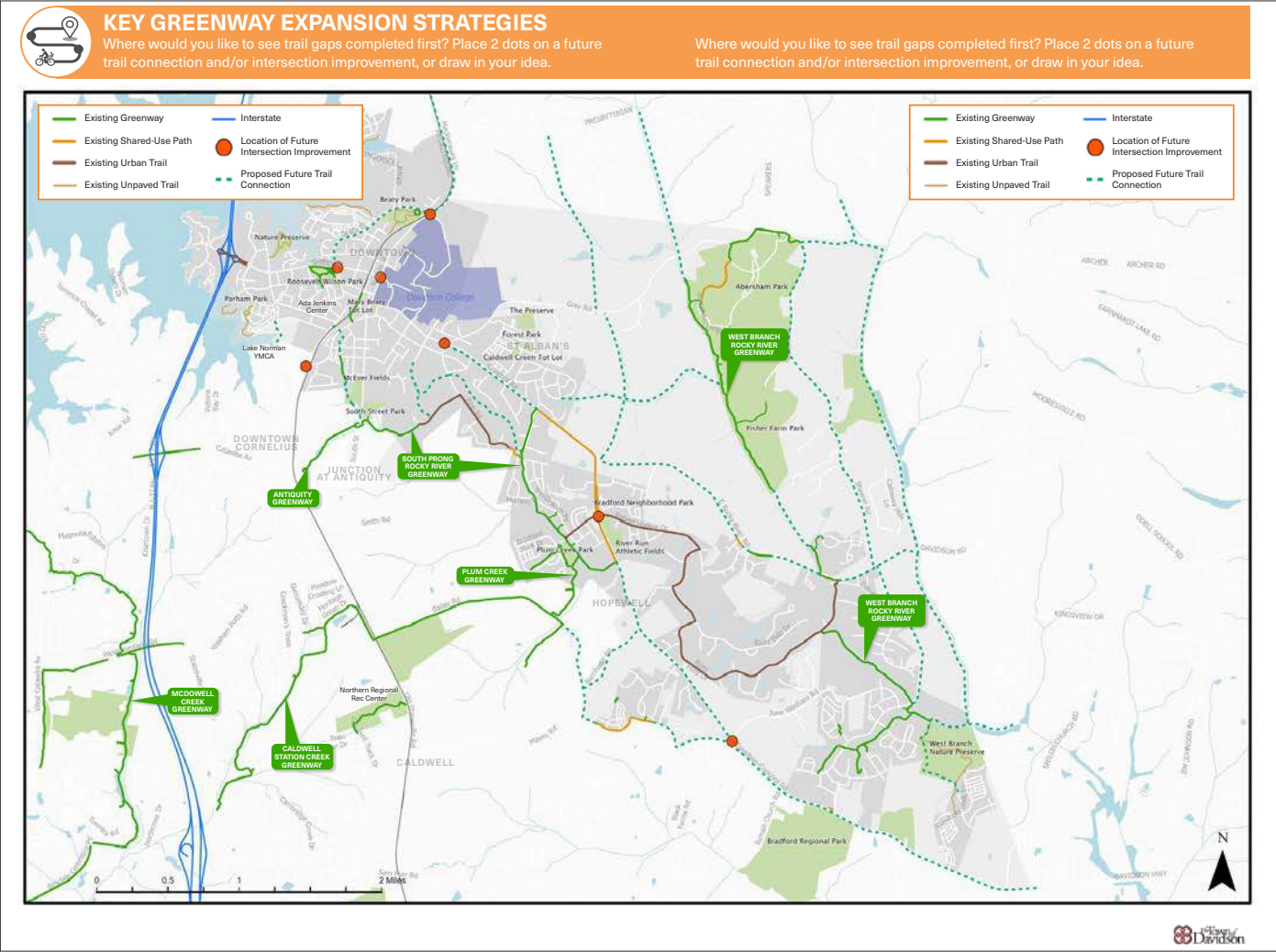
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NATIONAL METRICS

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### SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGIES

**WHAT WE HEARD**

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**DID YOU KNOW?**

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**NATIONAL METRICS**

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42% OF PARK & REC AGENCIES

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### SUSTAINABLE PRACTICE STRATEGIES

What sustainable practices would you like to see in the **short-term**?  
Place 2 dots or write in your ideas.

**Short-Term (0-4 Years)**

Native Pollinator Plantings

Place your dots here!

No-Mow Lawns

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Park Recycling Receptacles

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Annual Clean Up Days

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Nature-Oriented Programs

Place your dots here!



Rainwater Collection

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Other ideas?

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**Long-Term (4+ Years)**

Reduce Chemical Use

Place your dots here!

Replace Bulbs with LED

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Flood Mitigation Techniques

Place your dots here!



Erosion Control Measures

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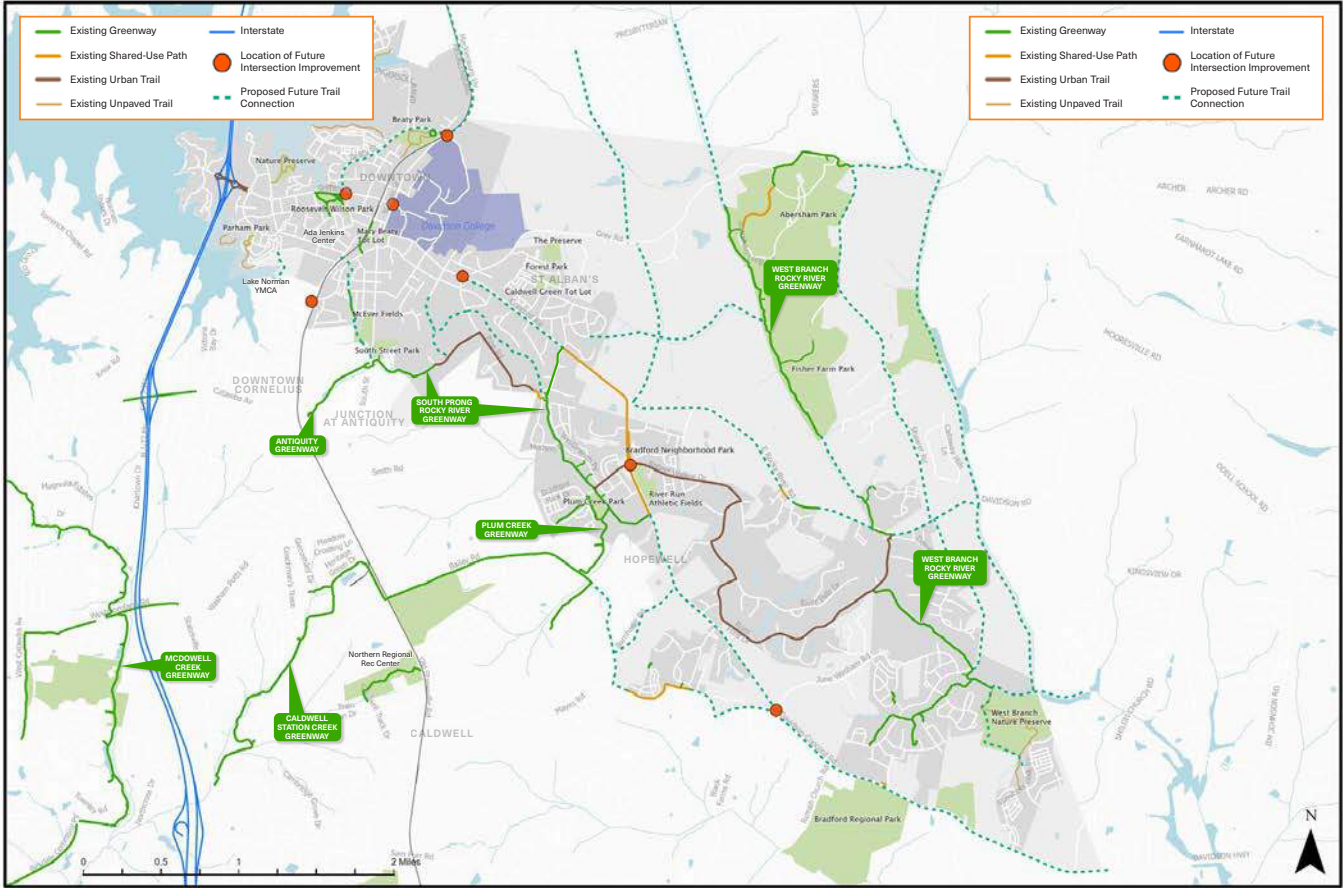




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## MAINTENANCE STRATEGIES

### WHAT WE HEARD

74% OF RESPONDENTS

reported the town is maintaining their parks, facilities, and greenways “well” or “very well” overall.

The 2024 Community Survey indicates that the quality of maintenance has increased from an average 3 (in 2014), to a 4, on a scale of 1-5.

### DID YOU KNOW?

51% OF RESPONDENTS

had specific suggestions for maintenance improvements in Davidson.

### COMMON THEMES FOR DESIRED IMPROVEMENTS

- Drainage and flooding
- Litter removal
- Bathroom Maintenance
- Erosion Control

## TOP 5 FACILITIES WITH MAINTENANCE CONCERNS

include Roosevelt Wilson Park, McEvers Fields, St Alban's Parks (multiple), Lake Davidson Nature Preserve, and various greenways.





## MAINTENANCE STRATEGIES

What maintenance practices would you like to see in the **short-term**?  
Place 2 dots or write in your ideas.

What maintenance practices would you like to see in the **long-term**?  
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| Short-Term (0-4 Years)                 |                        | Long-Term (4+ Years)                   |                        |
|----------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Bathroom Maintenance</b>            | Place your dots here!  | <b>Invasive Species Management</b>     | Place your dots here!  |
| <b>Drainage Improvements on Trails</b> | Place your dots here!  | <b>Erosion/Flood Control Measures</b>  | Place your dots here!  |
| <b>Regular Litter Pickup</b>           | Place your dots here!  | <b>Drainage Improvements on Trails</b> | Place your dots here!  |
| <b>More Dog Pickup Stations</b>        | Place your dots here!  | <b>Enhance Stream/Lake Buffers</b>     | Place your dots here!  |
| <b>Repair Equipment/Shelters</b>       | Place your dots here!  | <b>Replace Equipment/Shelters</b>      | Place your dots here!  |
| <b>More Regular Mowing/Cut Back</b>    | Place your dots here!  | <b>Improve ADA Accessibility</b>       | Place your dots here!  |
| <b>Other ideas?</b>                    | Write your ideas here! | <b>Other ideas?</b>                    | Write your ideas here! |





## UNDERSERVED DEMOGRAPHIC STRATEGIES

### WHAT WE HEARD

**48% OF RESPONDENTS**

suggested that programming and facilities are lacking for **adults or middle/high school-age kids.**

### DID YOU KNOW?

**49% OF RESPONDENTS** report living in a household with young children or teenagers.

### NATIONAL METRICS

**43% OF PARK & REC AGENCIES** of a similar size community offered programming targeted specifically to teens in 2023.

### SUSTAINING TEEN PARTICIPATION

A qualitative study <sup>1</sup> in 2008 with 70 middle school students suggests that students drop out of programs because of the following issues:

- Program fidelity (programs not carried out as advertised)
- Program was too long (especially in the winter)
- Program was "boring"
- Needed more academic help

<sup>1</sup> Attrition in Adolescent After-School Programs: Addressing the Concern via Interviews with Program Dropouts





## UNDERSERVED DEMOGRAPHICS (TEENS)

What facilities and program offerings for middle/high school kids would you like to see in the **short-term**? Place 2 dots or write in your ideas.

What facilities and program offerings for middle/high school kids would you like to see in the **long-term**? Place 2 dots or write in your ideas.

| Short-Term (0-4 Years)           |                        | Long-Term (4+ Years)             |                        |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Babysitter/Lifeguard Training    | Place your dots here!  | Skate Parks                      | Place your dots here!  |
| Learn to Ride Camps (Bike/Skate) | Place your dots here!  | Mountain Biking/Pump Track       | Place your dots here!  |
| College/SAT Prep Course          | Place your dots here!  | E-Sports/Gaming Lounge           | Place your dots here!  |
| Camping/Hiking Group             | Place your dots here!  | Art/Photography Course           | Place your dots here!  |
| Teen Night Out                   | Place your dots here!  | Sailing/Kayaking/Paddle Boarding | Place your dots here!  |
| Dodgeball/Disc Golf League       | Place your dots here!  | Drone Flying                     | Place your dots here!  |
| Other ideas?                     | Write your ideas here! | Other ideas?                     | Write your ideas here! |







### UNDERSERVED DEMOGRAPHICS (FAMILIES)

What facilities and program offerings for families would you like to see in the **short-term**? Place 2 dots or write in your ideas.

What facilities and program offerings for families would you like to see in the **long-term**? Place 2 dots or write in your ideas.

| Short-Term (0-4 Years)                                                                                                                  |                        | Long-Term (4+ Years)                                                                                                            |                        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| <div>Family Movie Night</div>                        | Place your dots here!  | <div>Art/Photography Course</div>                                                                                               | Place your dots here!  |
| <div>Meet the Beekeeper (or other profession)</div>  | Place your dots here!  | <div>Geocaching/Scavenger Hunt</div>         | Place your dots here!  |
| <div>Foraging Walks</div>                                                                                                               | Place your dots here!  | <div>Sailing/Kayaking/Paddle Boarding</div>                                                                                     | Place your dots here!  |
| <div>Group Bike Ride</div>                           | Place your dots here!  | <div>Cooking/Nutrition Course</div>                                                                                             | Place your dots here!  |
| <div>Family Fishing</div>                                                                                                               | Place your dots here!  | <div>Agriculture/Urban Farming Course</div>  | Place your dots here!  |
| <div>Bocce/Disc Golf League</div>                                                                                                       | Place your dots here!  | <div>Family Golf League</div>                                                                                                   | Place your dots here!  |
| <div>Other ideas?</div>                                                                                                                 | Write your ideas here! | <div>Other ideas?</div>                                                                                                         | Write your ideas here! |





# PROGRAM STRATEGIES

WHAT WE HEARD

44% OF RESPONDENTS

said **outdoor adventure** and **day hike** programs would be the most beneficial for the community.

DID YOU KNOW?

93% OF PROGRAMS

in Davidson are hosted by independent contractors.

MOST POPULAR PROGRAMS

- Watercraft leasing
- Pickleball 101 for adults
- Tennis for kids
- Archery instructional open hours
- Mah-jongg community open play

NATIONAL METRICS

60% OF PARK & REC AGENCIES

offer summer camps. Davidson had over 100 summer programs serving almost 1,600 people in 2023 alone!





## GENERAL PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS

What category of program offerings would you like to participate in?  
Place 2 dots or write in your ideas.

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Place 2 dots or write in your ideas.

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <div><div>Health and Wellness</div><div>EXAMPLES<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• meditation</li><li>• paddleboarding</li><li>• sailing</li></ul></div></div>                                                  | <div><div>Music and Theater</div><div>EXAMPLES<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• improv comedy</li><li>• salsa dance</li></ul></div></div>                                         |
| <div><div>Sports and Fitness</div><div>EXAMPLES<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• circuit training class</li><li>• marathon/spartan race prep</li><li>• pickleball/bocce/disc golf league</li></ul></div></div> | <div><div>STEM</div><div>EXAMPLES<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• edible plant foraging</li><li>• beginner coding/AI/robotics</li><li>• puzzle/LEGO league</li></ul></div></div> |
| <div><div>Arts and Crafts</div><div>EXAMPLES<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• sewing/quilting</li><li>• beginner carpentry</li><li>• pottery</li><li>• watercolor</li></ul></div></div>                        | <div><div>Hobby and Special Interests</div><div>EXAMPLES<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• group bike outings</li><li>• gaming league</li></ul></div></div>                        |
| <div><div>Life Skills</div><div>EXAMPLES<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• cooking</li><li>• college/SAT prep</li></ul></div></div>                                                                             | <div><div>Other ideas?</div></div>                                                                                                                                                      |





AMENITY STRATEGIES

WHAT WE HEARD

24% OF RESPONDENTS

indicate parks with **water access** are a top amenity for the community.

DID YOU KNOW?

36% OF RESPONDENTS

said that adding park access in currently underserved areas should be a top priority of the Master Plan Update.

MOST POPULAR DAVIDSON PARKS

- Village Green
- Fisher Farm Park
- Roosevelt Wilson Park
- Abersham Park
- Lake Davidson Nature Preserve

NATIONAL METRICS

27.4 ACRES OF PARKLAND

per 1,000 residents places Davidson above the national recommended standard of 10.8 acres of parkland.





GENERAL AMENITY RECOMMENDATIONS

What amenity offerings would you like to see in the **short-term**?  
Place 2 dots or write in your ideas.

What amenity offerings would you like to see in the **long-term**?  
Place 2 dots or write in your ideas.

Short-Term (0-4 Years)

Long-Term (4+ Years)

Bocce Court/Cornhole

Place your dots here!



Fitness Stations

Place your dots here!

More Dog Pick-Up Stations

Place your dots here!

Table Tennis

Place your dots here!



Solar-Powered Picnic Table

Place your dots here!



Kayak Put-In

Place your dots here!



Other ideas?

Write your ideas here!

Fenced-in Dog Park

Place your dots here!

More Mountain Biking Trails

Place your dots here!



Pump Track

Place your dots here!



Disc Golf Course

Place your dots here!

Sand Volleyball Court

Place your dots here!



Pickleball Court

Place your dots here!

Other ideas?

Write your ideas here!



The draft recommendations for the 2024 Update are **now available online** for public review.



# 2024 PARK & REC MASTER PLAN UPDATE

Spring 2024

The 2024 Update...

- Evaluates the impact of the original 2014 Master Plan;
- Forecasts needs for the next 20 years;
- Looks for new partnership opportunities;
- Considers new trends and desires as identified by the community.

This update also includes an comprehensive and inclusive public process to vet draft recommendations and understand residents' priorities for the future. The final plan will bring together elements of Davidson's past and present, recognize the values of the community, and provide structure through a community-supported set of recommendations that move the town toward its desired future.



## TAKE THE SURVEY & ENTER TO WIN!

SCAN THE CODE!

STEP 1  
Scan the code with a smart device.

STEP 2  
Complete the survey.  
[5 questions / 8 minutes]

STEP 3  
Enter your contact information for a chance to win a Harris Teeter gift card!

PUBLIC MEETING #2  
PRIORITY RANKING SURVEY

Help us determine which recommendations are high-priority.

We are asking for feedback on what YOUR priorities are for the Town of Davidson parks and recreation system. The recommendations are divided into three categories:

1. System Recommendations
2. Facility Recommendations
3. Program Recommendations

Scan the QR code with your phone to rank recommendations for each category and help us determine the high-priority projects for the town.

It's been **10 years** since Davidson adopted the 2014 Parks & Recreation Master Plan.

The 2014 Parks & Recreation Master Plan is a reflection of the community's long-held values and support for parks, green space, climate resilience, fitness, and wellness. The plan defines a vision for the system based on these values, and has guided decision-making over the last 10 years. Today's system of parks, trails, programs, athletics, and large parcels of natural space is a result of this effort, and a major contributor to Davidson's high quality of life and regional identity.

Since 2014, the department has been proactive advancing recommendations in the Comprehensive Plan and 2014 Master Plan, seeking new funding opportunities and partnerships, and improving the communication strategy to increase awareness of offerings. Although Davidson already exceeds many of the national standards for parks and recreation, we believe there is always room to grow and improve. The 2024 Update will refine the current recommendations, identify gaps, and plan for the next 20 years of population growth while also understanding the preferences, needs, and trends of today.

We've added

**47.4**

ACRES OF PARK LAND

since adopting the Master Plan!

### UPCOMING IMPROVEMENTS

- Plum Creek Park – Phase 3 (includes 3 pickleball courts, 2 shelters, 1 bocce court, & resurfaced tennis courts)
- Town Hall & Community Center Gymnasium Restoration & Upgrades
- Roosevelt Wilson Park Upgrades
- Beaty Park Pond Restoration
- Bradford Neighborhood Park Upgrades



## BY THE NUMBERS

Davidson already **EXCEEDS** many National Recreation & Park Association Standards for communities of a similar size\*!

\*approx. 15,771 people in 2023



| THE TOWN OF DAVIDSON HAS...     | 9                             | 27.4                                    | 1,126              |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------|
|                                 | miles of trail                | acres of parkland (per 1,000 residents) | residents per park |
| vs.                             |                               |                                         |                    |
| NATIONAL STANDARDS RECOMMEND... | 2-10                          | 10.8                                    | 2,297              |
|                                 | miles of trail (median range) | acres of parkland (per 1,000 residents) | residents per park |

### The 7 Dimensions of Health & Wellness

Community health and welfare is a central focus of the Town of Davidson and a core value of its many policies and plans. It is through this lens that the Parks & Recreation Master Plan Update is developed, with the goal of enhancing measuring, developing and understanding the wellness benefits available to the town's residents through its parks, programs, and facilities. The town recognizes that there are many types of health benefits that can be realized through the parks and recreation system, beyond physical health. These benefits are based on the following 7 Dimensions:

- PHYSICAL
- SOCIAL
- VOCATIONAL
- ENVIRONMENTAL
- CULTURAL
- MENTAL
- COGNITIVE

## ACHIEVING OUR GOALS



The Town of Davidson relies on **partnerships** to provide shared programs and facilities.

With such a small staff in the Parks and Recreation department, contractor-led programs are essential to offer a variety of programs that meet the diverse needs of the community and cast a wider net for leagues and team activities. These contractors bring their unique expertise and resources to fill the Parks and Recreation calendar with interesting classes, summer camps, and recreational opportunities.

Davidson has collaborated with Huntersville and Cornelius for more than five years to expand program and facility offerings for all community members. The ongoing informal partnership includes monthly coordination meetings and annual strategic planning with the Davidson Livability Board and other local Advisory Councils. Looking ahead, the Town would like to formalize this partnership with a tri-municipal interlocal agreement in order to pool more resources and continue to expand recreational offerings for the community.

Our department may be small...

**4** FULL TIME & **2** PART TIME

but our network is **mighty!**

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The ability to maintain a healthy quality of life without undue fatigue or physical stress.

The ability to relate to, and connect with, other people in your world through diverse community events and gatherings – both planned and impromptu.

The ability to enhance work (academic, career, or volunteer) with your passions, values, skills, and needs in order to find balance, satisfaction, and enrichment.

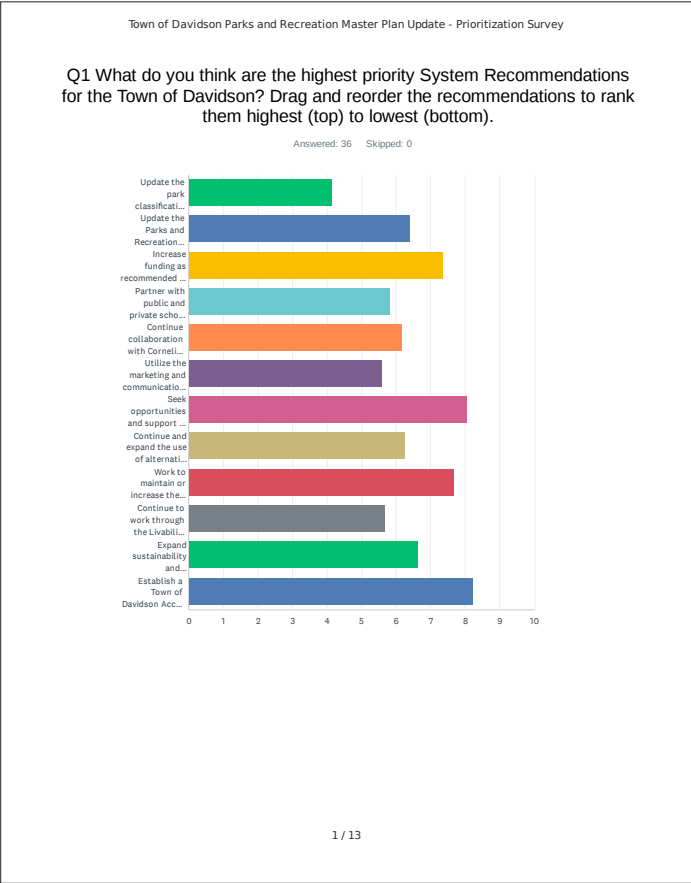
The ability to make a positive impact on the quality of your environment, be it your home, your community, or the planet.

The ability to create and maintain a positive environment that values inclusivity and mutual benefit.

The ability to understand yourself and cope with the challenges life can bring.

The ability to think clearly, learn, and remember.

APPENDIX E:  
2024 Prioritization Survey Results



| Town of Davidson Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update - Prioritization Survey                                                                                      |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                                                                                                                                                       | 1           | 2           | 3           | 4           | 5           | 6           | 7           | 8           | 9           | 10          | 11          |
| Update the park classification system to reflect national best practices and standards.                                                                               | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 8.33%<br>3  | 5.56%<br>2  | 2.78%<br>1  | 0.00%<br>0  | 19.44%<br>7 | 2.78%<br>1  | 11.11%<br>4 | 5.56%<br>2  | 22.22%<br>8 |
| Update the Parks and Recreation Master Plan every 10 years, at a minimum.                                                                                             | 5.56%<br>2  | 5.56%<br>2  | 0.00%<br>0  | 8.33%<br>3  | 19.44%<br>7 | 11.11%<br>4 | 11.11%<br>4 | 16.67%<br>6 | 5.56%<br>2  | 0.00%<br>0  | 13.89%<br>5 |
| Increase funding as recommended in this Master Plan.                                                                                                                  | 16.67%<br>6 | 11.11%<br>4 | 8.33%<br>3  | 8.33%<br>3  | 5.56%<br>2  | 5.56%<br>2  | 11.11%<br>4 | 13.89%<br>5 | 0.00%<br>0  | 5.56%<br>2  | 5.56%<br>2  |
| Partner with public and private schools and churches to provide more opportunities for shared-use and existing and future facilities.                                 | 0.00%<br>0  | 2.78%<br>1  | 8.33%<br>3  | 8.33%<br>3  | 11.11%<br>4 | 16.67%<br>6 | 5.56%<br>2  | 11.11%<br>4 | 8.33%<br>3  | 16.67%<br>6 | 5.56%<br>2  |
| Continue collaboration with Cornelius and Huntersville to provide programs and services to residents of all three communities.                                        | 5.56%<br>2  | 2.78%<br>1  | 11.11%<br>4 | 13.89%<br>5 | 2.78%<br>1  | 13.89%<br>5 | 5.56%<br>2  | 2.78%<br>1  | 16.67%<br>6 | 11.11%<br>4 | 5.56%<br>2  |
| Utilize the marketing and communications strategy to enhance education and awareness of the programs, class schedules, and facilities offered in and around Davidson. | 5.56%<br>2  | 5.56%<br>2  | 0.00%<br>0  | 11.11%<br>4 | 11.11%<br>4 | 2.78%<br>1  | 11.11%<br>4 | 11.11%<br>4 | 8.33%<br>3  | 13.89%<br>5 | 5.56%<br>2  |
| Seek opportunities and support to develop public/private partnerships for land acquisition, adopt a park/trail,                                                       | 13.89%<br>5 | 16.67%<br>6 | 22.22%<br>8 | 11.11%<br>4 | 0.00%<br>0  | 8.33%<br>3  | 2.78%<br>1  | 0.00%<br>0  | 5.56%<br>2  | 2.78%<br>1  | 11.11%<br>4 |

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| Town of Davidson Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update - Prioritization Survey                                                                                                   |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| park/trail build, funding, and sponsorship opportunities.                                                                                                                          | 8.33%<br>3  | 2.78%<br>1  | 11.11%<br>4 | 5.56%<br>2  | 11.11%<br>4 | 16.67%<br>6 | 2.78%<br>1  | 2.78%<br>1  | 8.33%<br>3  | 11.11%<br>4 | 11.11%<br>4 |
| Continue and expand the use of alternative funding through volunteers, grants, and donations.                                                                                      | 8.33%<br>3  | 13.89%<br>5 | 8.33%<br>3  | 13.89%<br>5 | 13.89%<br>5 | 5.56%<br>2  | 13.89%<br>5 | 2.78%<br>1  | 5.56%<br>2  | 8.33%<br>3  | 5.56%<br>2  |
| Work to maintain or increase the level of maintenance in the park system. Establish a plan to continually assess the quality of maintenance, risk, and safety of each park.        | 8.33%<br>3  | 13.89%<br>5 | 8.33%<br>3  | 13.89%<br>5 | 13.89%<br>5 | 5.56%<br>2  | 13.89%<br>5 | 2.78%<br>1  | 5.56%<br>2  | 8.33%<br>3  | 5.56%<br>2  |
| Continue to work through the Livability Board to advocate for, promote, and support the development and growth of the Parks and Rec Department to meet the needs of the community. | 2.78%<br>1  | 8.33%<br>3  | 8.33%<br>3  | 13.89%<br>5 | 5.56%<br>2  | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 16.67%<br>6 | 8.33%<br>3  | 13.89%<br>5 | 8.33%<br>3  |
| Expand sustainability and conservation efforts town-wide.                                                                                                                          | 8.33%<br>3  | 11.11%<br>4 | 5.56%<br>2  | 0.00%<br>0  | 11.11%<br>4 | 16.67%<br>6 | 5.56%<br>2  | 8.33%<br>3  | 19.44%<br>7 | 5.56%<br>2  | 2.78%<br>1  |
| Establish a Town of Davidson Access Standard - Residents should be within a 10-minute walk to a park, greenway, or public space as a part of a connected open space system.        | 25.00%<br>9 | 19.44%<br>7 | 8.33%<br>3  | 0.00%<br>0  | 5.56%<br>2  | 2.78%<br>1  | 11.11%<br>4 | 11.11%<br>4 | 2.78%<br>1  | 5.56%<br>2  | 2.78%<br>1  |

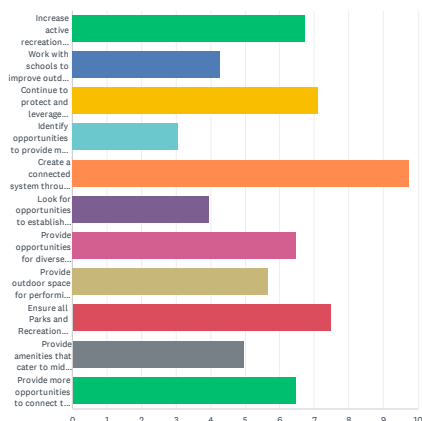
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## Town of Davidson Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update - Prioritization Survey

Q2 What do you think are the highest priority Facility Recommendations for the Town of Davidson? Drag and reorder the recommendations to rank them highest (top) to lowest (bottom).

Answered: 31   Skipped: 5



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|                                                                                                                                      | 1            | 2           | 3           | 4           | 5           | 6           | 7           | 8           | 9           | 10          | 11          |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Increase active recreation amenities to provide closer access for Davidson residents.                                                | 12.90%<br>4  | 16.13%<br>5 | 9.68%<br>3  | 3.23%<br>1  | 9.68%<br>3  | 6.45%<br>2  | 16.13%<br>5 | 6.45%<br>2  | 9.68%<br>3  | 6.45%<br>2  | 3.23%<br>1  |
| Work with schools to improve outdoor learning for the community.                                                                     | 3.23%<br>1   | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 3.23%<br>1  | 3.23%<br>1  | 19.35%<br>6 | 6.45%<br>2  | 29.03%<br>9 | 12.90%<br>4 | 19.35%<br>6 | 3.23%<br>1  |
| Continue to protect and leverage Davidson's natural assets.                                                                          | 16.13%<br>5  | 12.90%<br>4 | 6.45%<br>2  | 12.90%<br>4 | 6.45%<br>2  | 16.13%<br>5 | 12.90%<br>4 | 0.00%<br>0  | 9.68%<br>3  | 3.23%<br>1  | 3.23%<br>1  |
| Identify opportunities to provide more dog parks in Davidson.                                                                        | 0.00%<br>0   | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 6.45%<br>2  | 0.00%<br>0  | 9.68%<br>3  | 6.45%<br>2  | 9.68%<br>3  | 19.35%<br>6 | 19.35%<br>6 | 29.03%<br>9 |
| Create a connected system through providing more pedestrian and bicycle connections between parks, open space, and key destinations. | 45.16%<br>14 | 25.81%<br>8 | 16.13%<br>5 | 0.00%<br>0  | 9.68%<br>3  | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 3.23%<br>1  | 0.00%<br>0  |
| Look for opportunities to establish more edible forests and urban farmland throughout Davidson.                                      | 3.23%<br>1   | 3.23%<br>1  | 3.23%<br>1  | 3.23%<br>1  | 6.45%<br>2  | 3.23%<br>1  | 16.13%<br>5 | 9.68%<br>3  | 9.68%<br>3  | 19.35%<br>6 | 22.58%<br>7 |
| Provide opportunities for diverse recreational opportunities and community                                                           | 0.00%<br>0   | 3.23%<br>1  | 16.13%<br>5 | 19.35%<br>6 | 25.81%<br>8 | 6.45%<br>2  | 6.45%<br>2  | 9.68%<br>3  | 6.45%<br>2  | 0.00%<br>0  | 6.45%<br>2  |

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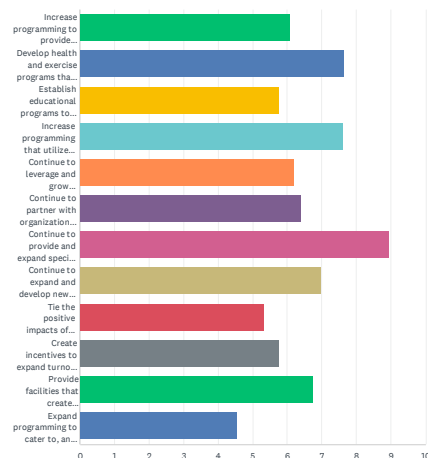
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|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| Provide outdoor space for performing arts and connect to community gathering spaces.                           | 6.45%<br>2 | 3.23%<br>1  | 9.68%<br>3  | 6.45%<br>2  | 12.90%<br>4 | 12.90%<br>4 | 16.13%<br>5 | 6.45%<br>2  | 9.68%<br>3  | 6.45%<br>2 | 9.68%<br>3  |
| Ensure all Parks and Recreation facilities are maintained to an equal and consistently high quality standard.  | 6.45%<br>2 | 16.13%<br>5 | 16.13%<br>5 | 19.35%<br>6 | 9.68%<br>3  | 16.13%<br>5 | 3.23%<br>1  | 6.45%<br>2  | 0.00%<br>0  | 3.23%<br>1 | 3.23%<br>1  |
| Provide amenities that cater to middle and high-school age students in Davidson parks.                         | 0.00%<br>0 | 12.90%<br>4 | 6.45%<br>2  | 6.45%<br>2  | 6.45%<br>2  | 3.23%<br>1  | 9.68%<br>3  | 16.13%<br>5 | 16.13%<br>5 | 9.68%<br>3 | 12.90%<br>4 |
| Provide more opportunities to connect to waterfronts (lakes, streams, etc.) in Davidson parks and open spaces. | 6.45%<br>2 | 6.45%<br>2  | 16.13%<br>5 | 19.35%<br>6 | 9.68%<br>3  | 6.45%<br>2  | 6.45%<br>2  | 6.45%<br>2  | 6.45%<br>2  | 9.68%<br>3 | 6.45%<br>2  |

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## Town of Davidson Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update - Prioritization Survey

**Q3 What do you think are the highest priority Program Recommendations for the Town of Davidson? Drag and reorder the recommendations to rank them highest (top) to lowest (bottom).**

Answered: 28    Skipped: 8



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Appendix E

| Town of Davidson Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update - Prioritization Survey                    |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                                                                                     | 1           | 2           | 3           | 4           | 5           | 6           | 7           | 8           | 9           | 10          | 11          |
| Increase programming to provide educational opportunities based on Davidson's environmental assets. | 7.14%<br>2  | 3.57%<br>1  | 7.14%<br>2  | 10.71%<br>3 | 3.57%<br>1  | 3.57%<br>1  | 17.86%<br>5 | 10.71%<br>3 | 10.71%<br>3 | 10.71%<br>3 | 10.71%<br>3 |
| Develop health and exercise programs that appeal to all of Davidson.                                | 10.71%<br>3 | 7.14%<br>2  | 25.00%<br>7 | 7.14%<br>2  | 10.71%<br>3 | 7.14%<br>2  | 7.14%<br>2  | 0.00%<br>0  | 7.14%<br>2  | 3.57%<br>1  | 10.71%<br>3 |
| Establish educational programs to teach gardening, nutrition, and healthy food preparation.         | 3.57%<br>1  | 14.29%<br>4 | 0.00%<br>0  | 7.14%<br>2  | 3.57%<br>1  | 3.57%<br>1  | 14.29%<br>4 | 7.14%<br>2  | 14.29%<br>4 | 21.43%<br>6 | 3.57%<br>1  |
| Increase programming that utilizes lake access and water-based sports.                              | 7.14%<br>2  | 14.29%<br>4 | 3.57%<br>1  | 10.71%<br>3 | 25.00%<br>7 | 10.71%<br>3 | 7.14%<br>2  | 7.14%<br>2  | 3.57%<br>1  | 0.00%<br>0  | 7.14%<br>2  |
| Continue to leverage and grow programming partnerships.                                             | 3.57%<br>1  | 7.14%<br>2  | 7.14%<br>2  | 17.86%<br>5 | 14.29%<br>4 | 3.57%<br>1  | 3.57%<br>1  | 7.14%<br>2  | 7.14%<br>2  | 3.57%<br>1  | 7.14%<br>2  |
| Continue to partner with organizations to provide educational programs for bicyclists.              | 14.29%<br>4 | 3.57%<br>1  | 3.57%<br>1  | 7.14%<br>2  | 3.57%<br>1  | 14.29%<br>4 | 14.29%<br>4 | 7.14%<br>2  | 7.14%<br>2  | 10.71%<br>3 | 3.57%<br>1  |
| Continue to provide and expand special events in parks throughout Town.                             | 14.29%<br>4 | 21.43%<br>6 | 14.29%<br>4 | 14.29%<br>4 | 10.71%<br>3 | 7.14%<br>2  | 7.14%<br>2  | 3.57%<br>1  | 0.00%<br>0  | 3.57%<br>1  | 3.57%<br>1  |
| Continue to expand and develop new summer camp programs for Town of Davidson residents.             | 14.29%<br>4 | 3.57%<br>1  | 17.86%<br>5 | 7.14%<br>2  | 0.00%<br>0  | 14.29%<br>4 | 0.00%<br>0  | 7.14%<br>2  | 14.29%<br>4 | 10.71%<br>3 | 10.71%<br>3 |

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| Town of Davidson Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update - Prioritization Survey                                                                                                                                    |             |             |            |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Tie the positive impacts of public open space and programming to mental health.                                                                                                                                     | 3.57%<br>1  | 0.00%<br>0  | 7.14%<br>2 | 0.00%<br>0  | 17.86%<br>5 | 10.71%<br>3 | 7.14%<br>2  | 14.29%<br>4 | 10.71%<br>3 | 3.57%<br>1  | 7.14%<br>2  |
| Create incentives to expand turnout for groups that currently are not using the system.                                                                                                                             | 3.57%<br>1  | 10.71%<br>3 | 7.14%<br>2 | 3.57%<br>1  | 0.00%<br>0  | 3.57%<br>1  | 17.86%<br>5 | 17.86%<br>5 | 14.29%<br>4 | 0.00%<br>0  | 10.71%<br>3 |
| Provide facilities that create opportunities for the whole family to recreate and exercise in one place - community engagement indicates that people want to exercise and spend time with family in Davidson parks. | 10.71%<br>3 | 14.29%<br>4 | 7.14%<br>2 | 10.71%<br>3 | 3.57%<br>1  | 7.14%<br>2  | 3.57%<br>1  | 3.57%<br>1  | 7.14%<br>2  | 17.86%<br>5 | 7.14%<br>2  |
| Expand programming to cater to, and increase interest and attendance from middle and high school age students.                                                                                                      | 7.14%<br>2  | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0 | 3.57%<br>1  | 7.14%<br>2  | 14.29%<br>4 | 0.00%<br>0  | 14.29%<br>4 | 3.57%<br>1  | 14.29%<br>4 | 17.86%<br>5 |

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| Town of Davidson Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update - Prioritization Survey                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |                    |  |
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| Q4 Do you have additional comments or suggestions that you would like the Parks and Recreation Department to know? |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |                    |  |
| Answered: 16 Skipped: 20                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |                    |  |
| #                                                                                                                  | RESPONSES                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | DATE               |  |
| 1                                                                                                                  | Look for your department's blind spots. Consider where the town is weakest and most lacking relative to community needs and demonstrated interests. Consider where we have existing imbalances and how doing more of the same will only further the divide and lack of resources needed by a significant portion of our citizens. Ask more questions that are not merely confirming a bias or forcing rank ordering of several statements that should not even be in this survey while other thoughts and ideas are nowhere to be found in options in the survey. Why only consider catering to middle and HS aged kids (whatever that means) but not focus on expanding and improving for elementary kids? Why ask specifically about certain ideas (edible forests; bicycling; conserving open space; etc) but not ask about increasing funding and support for sports programming, facilities, and having a plan for getting the town closer to a place resembling where a town of 16,000 should be rather than having only what the town had when it was half or even less the population 20+ years ago.           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5/29/2024 12:11 AM |  |
| 2                                                                                                                  | Would love a sculpture based Art Park!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5/26/2024 6:48 AM  |  |
| 3                                                                                                                  | Safe bike trails for kids and adults— that is my top priority. Btw, this survey was way too difficult to navigate and reorder, and it was way too wordy. That is why you probably have a poor response rate. Make it one page with eight priorities, and have people pick 3, not rank order 12 selections on each of 5 pages — that's 60 items and people get bored and never submit the survey. I almost gave up in frustration, and then decided to just move my top priority to the #1 spot on each page and to heck with the other 11 choices. Here's how to rewrite and simplify the survey if you want decent participation. Dear residents, what are your top priorities for Town of Davidson to focus on? Select 3: More safe bike trails. More community gardens. Better maintenance of parks. More outdoor entertainment spaces. More summer camps for kids. More lake access. More nature education for children and teens. More dog parks and poop stations. Thanks! I have a Ph.D. and taught survey research methods. Happy to volunteer to help craft better surveys in the future. Livia629@gmail.com. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5/25/2024 12:20 PM |  |
| 4                                                                                                                  | Personally I would like to see the parks maintained/cleaned up more often. Garbage cans emptied more often. Old equipment fixed or replaced more often.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5/24/2024 7:02 AM  |  |
| 5                                                                                                                  | do more with Abersham, its a jewel!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5/23/2024 5:44 PM  |  |
| 6                                                                                                                  | I think access is the key... more greenways and pedestrian access, especially to Fisher Farm but throughout Davidson the greenways need to be fully connected                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5/23/2024 2:51 PM  |  |
| 7                                                                                                                  | Love having a survey, but way too many choices to order. Too granular for those of us not immersed in the topic. #1 item listed that I would love to see was the edible landscaping. Have always thought there need to be fruit trees, bushes, etc with edibles in public spaces!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5/23/2024 11:21 AM |  |
| 8                                                                                                                  | More connected greenways                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5/20/2024 7:40 AM  |  |
| 9                                                                                                                  | For me, sustainability is key. How can we encourage walking, biking, and teach our residents to care for our environment? That is the priority for the next generation to thrive.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5/18/2024 1:24 PM  |  |
| 10                                                                                                                 | We need a splash pad or swimming pool bikeable for kids in Davidson. The North Meck Rec Ctr is not bikeable when portions of the ride are alongside busy 115. Not all neighborhoods have a pool. The waiting list at the Swimming Hole is years long. Why can't the field behind town hall or next to Ada Jenkins be used in this way?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5/15/2024 2:39 PM  |  |
| 11                                                                                                                 | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5/13/2024 3:36 PM  |  |
| 12                                                                                                                 | More connected greenways, please!!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5/13/2024 1:51 AM  |  |
| 13                                                                                                                 | Open space and forested areas are very important. Organized activities are less important. We should protect the open space and do more to protect the trees and forests.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5/12/2024 9:02 PM  |  |

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| 14                                                                               | I would love to see more dog waste stations throughout town. I'd also like the utilization of boardwalk sidewalks where saving the root system of a tree is pertinent. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4/30/2024 5:50 PM |  |
| 15                                                                               | Increase plantings of native plants that increase pollination and positively impact life for wildlife                                                                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4/28/2024 2:00 PM |  |
| 16                                                                               | Residents need kids summer camp program runs until 5pm for providing more opportunities to families.                                                                   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4/27/2024 1:38 PM |  |

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## APPENDIX F: Definitions, Abbreviations and Acronyms

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### Definitions

**Active Recreation** – A physical activity that a person voluntarily undertakes in their leisure time for the purpose of mental and/or physical satisfaction. Active recreation facilities operated by Davidson Parks and Recreation include recreation centers, aquatic facilities, ball diamonds, volleyball courts, basketball courts, tennis courts, and rectangular fields. While some of these facilities can be used for different activities, many are single- or narrow-purpose.

**Assessment** – The process of comparing and evaluating an entity against established standards, and documenting the differences.

**Asset** – Real or personal property which organizations desire to track and manage as a distinct identifiable entity. It may be a physical structure or grouping of structures, land features, or other tangible property that has a specific service or function. The term “asset” can also be applied to movable items, such as vehicles and equipment.

**Asset management** – A systematic process of maintaining, upgrading, and operating physical assets in a cost-effective manner.

**Benchmark** – A well-defined, widely accepted standard of performance used to measure progress toward a specific state or level of competency.

**Benchmarking** – The continuous process of measuring a product, service, or process against the best practices of recognized leaders in the field in order to achieve superior performance.

**Community benefit** – A good that is shared for all (or most) members of a society or social group.

**Condition assessment** – The inspection and documentation of the condition of the features of an asset as measured against the applicable maintenance or condition standards. It provides the basis for long range maintenance planning, as well as annual work plans and budgets.

**Current acres** – As used in this plan, the number of acres that are developed and open for use at present.

**Ball field** – An athletic field used for baseball or softball.

**Dog parks** – Areas where dogs can play without leashes.

**Existing acres** – See “current acres”

**Facility** – See “asset”

**Feasibility study** – An evaluation and analysis of the potential of a proposed project or venture that objectively explores costs versus benefits. Costs and benefits can be financial, social, environmental, or political.

**Level of Service (LOS)** – An expression of the minimum recreation and park infrastructure capacity required to satisfy the needs of residents of the community. Unless otherwise specified, LOS is expressed as per 1,000 population.

**Life Cycle** – All stages of providing a facility or service including conception, planning, design, implementation, evaluation, monitoring, retirement, and/or disposal.

**Multipurpose field** – Areas that are typically rectangular and consist of either sand-based engineered soils or artificial turf used as playing surfaces for athletics.

**Needs Assessment** – A systematic process for determining and addressing gaps between current conditions and desired conditions.

**Passive Recreation** – Recreational activities that do not require prepared facilities like sports fields or pavilions. Passive recreational activities place minimal stress on a site's resources; as a result, they can provide ecosystem service benefits and are highly compatible with natural resource protection. Passive or community recreation facilities include playgrounds, picnic shelters, community gardens, and some open rectangular fields for use that is unstructured and informal. These facilities play a significant role in giving parks their character, and as a result of their broader use, a wider segment of the general public tends to access them.

**Recreation facility** – Major sport or leisure complexes that host many formal and informal athletic events.

**Setting** – The categorization type for park and recreation facilities that describes the intended use and function. A setting also provides contextual information for managers about operational decisions.

**Stakeholder** – A group or individual who can affect, or is affected by, the achievement of the organization's mission. Examples include managers, employees, policy makers, suppliers, vendors, citizens, and community groups.

## Abbreviations and Acronyms

**ACP** – Activity Connection Plan

**BMI** – Body Mass Index

**BRFSS** – Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System

**CDC** – Center for Disease Control

**CHA** – Community Health Assessment

**CHS** – Carolinas Healthcare System

**CIP** – Capital Improvement Plan

**CMS** – Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools

**EPA** – Environmental Protection Agency

**ETJ** – Extra Territorial Jurisdiction

**GIS** – Geographic Information Systems

**HIA** – Health Impact Assessment

**LOS** – Level of Service

**MAP-21** – Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act

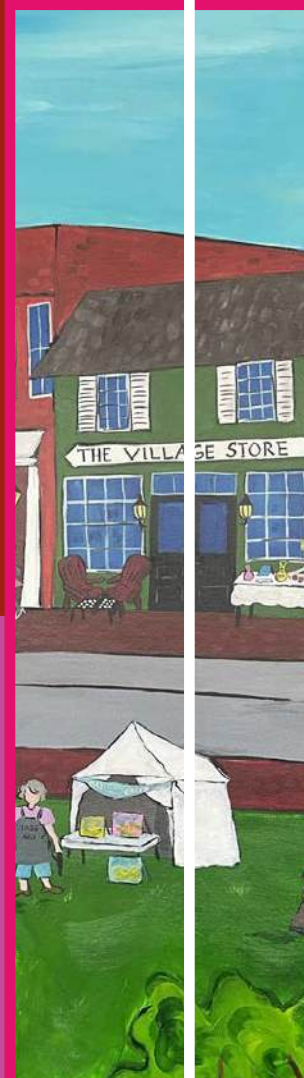
**NRPA** – National Parks and Recreation Association

**PARTF** – Parks and Recreation Trust Fund

**PTO** – Parent Teacher Organization

**SCHS** – State Center for Health Statistics







## **AGENDA MEMO**

**To:** Davidson Board of Commissioners

**From:** Jason Burdette, Planning Director

**Date:** August 27, 2024

**Re:** Discuss Proposed Davidson Planning Ordinance (DPO) Updates to Chapter 5: Affordable Housing

### **ITEM SUMMARY/OVERVIEW**

Planning Department staff is working with Affordable Housing & Equity Department staff to develop an update to the Davidson Planning Ordinance (DPO) Chapter 5: Affordable Housing. Goals for the update include ensuring that best practices are aligned with the DPO, improving developer-based affordable housing plans and the process to manage said plans, developing incentives to secure more built units, addressing the rental gap (as documented in the Affordable Housing Needs Assessment and Implementation Strategy), simplifying the chapter's structure, and providing improved clarity and options for developers. Potential options include both administrative (built units or payments-in-lieu), or legislative (opting out of the requirements of the chapter and electing to pursue conditional approval).

### **ACTION/PROPOSED MOTION**

This item is for discussion only.

### **RELATED TOWN GOALS**

#### **Strategic Plan Alignment**

Affordable Living, Equity & Inclusion - Work together to foster a culture of equity, belonging, inclusion, and advance the Town's Affordable Housing program. Provide, create, and support opportunities for all. Treat everyone with respect, dignity, and recognize every voice.

#### **Core Values**

Davidson's historic mix of people in all income levels and ages is fundamental to our community, so town government will encourage opportunities, services, and infrastructure that allow people of all means to live and work here.

### **NEXT STEPS**

Work with Planning Board Ordinance Committee, Affordable Housing & Equity Board, and other stakeholders to develop proposed text.





# Davidson Planning Ordinance (DPO) Chapter 5 Proposed Text Amendments

Jason Burdette  
Planning Director  
August 27, 2024

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## Strategic Plan

**Goal D:** Affordable Living, Equity & Inclusion– Work together to foster a culture of belonging, inclusion, and advance the Town’s Affordable Housing program.

- Priority Strategy 1: Advance priorities identified in the Affordable Housing Needs Assessment Implementation Strategy.
- Priority Strategy 4: Research workforce housing options and opportunities.

# PLAN SUPPORT (CONT.)

## Davidson Comprehensive Plan

### Goal 5.2 Diverse and Inclusive Housing Options:

- Policy 5.2.1 Foster a Diversity of Housing Options: Foster a diversity of well-integrated housing options within neighborhoods...not limited to tenure, type, and income.
- Policy 5.2.2 Promote Permanent Affordable Housing Infrastructure: Promote the construction, protection, and management of high-quality affordable housing including low-income and very low-income households...Affordable homes should continue to be required and provided...
- Policy 5.2.6 Support Private Devp't of Affordable Housing: Continue to promote the construction of affordable housing in private development through incentives, regulations...



# PLAN SUPPORT (CONT.)

## Affordable Housing Needs Assessment & Implementation Strategy

### **ASSESSMENT:**

- Goal: Create New Affordable Housing Units
- Greatest Need: Those Earning Less than 80% AMI & Rental

### **IMPLEMENT (CREATE):**

- Developer Incentives
- Affordable Housing Ordinance

# PROPOSED CHANGES: PURPOSE

- **Ensure that Best Practices Align with DPO**
- **Improve Developer Affordable Housing Plans**
  - Template/Management
- **Develop Incentives to Secure More Built Units**
- **Address the Rental Gap**
  - Affordable Housing Needs Assessment/Implementation Strategy
  - Data Based
- **Simplify Chapter's Structure**
- **Improve Clarity & Options for Developers**

# PROPOSED CHANGES: DRAFT SUMMARY

- **DPO 5.1 General Goals**

- Clarify Goals of Chapter
- Direct Ties to Adopted Plans
  - Comprehensive Plan
  - Strategic Plan
  - Affordable Housing Needs Assessment + Implementation Strategy
- Direct Ties to State Statute (N.C.G.S. 160D & N.C.G.S. 157)

# PROPOSED CHANGES: DRAFT SUMMARY

## ▪ **DPO 5.2 Affordable Housing Standards**

- Increase Development Applicability to 12 units (Aligns with 12.5% Goal)
- Provide Options for Compliance
  1. Administrative: Build Units or Payment-in-Lieu (PIL)
  2. Legislative: Opt-Out of Chapter Requirements; Enter Conditional Process
- Clarify Compliance Through Various Processes (Master Plan, Construction Docs, Final)
- Remove Complex AMI Distribution Table
- Simplify Required Units/Built Unit Waiver Incentive

# PROPOSED CHANGES: DRAFT SUMMARY

- **DPO 5.3 Affordable Housing Plan**
  - Clarify Exact Requirements of Affordable Housing Plans  
(Plug & Play Template)
  - Remove Excess Requirements Better Suited for Policy Docs



# PROPOSED CHANGES: IDEAS

- **Should Town Maintain 12.5% Requirement?**
  - Pros/Cons of Built Unit Waiver Incentive
- **Should Town Maintain Built Unit Waiver Incentive?**
- **Options: Administrative (Comply) & Legislative (Opt Out, Cond.)**
- **Explore Ways for Affordable Rental to be Included in Multi-Family Development**

# PROPOSED CHANGES: FEEDBACK

- **Staff (Planning, Affordable Housing & Equity, Town Attorney)**
- **Planning Board Ordinance Committee (PBOC)**
- **Affordable Housing & Equity Board (AHEB)**
- **Other Stakeholders**
  - Developers
  - Consultants
- **Case Studies**
  - Other Communities Working on Affordable Housing

# NEXT STEPS

## Fall:

- Solicit Feedback from PBOC & AHEB
- Solicit Feedback from Developers/Consultants
- Research Case Studies

## Winter:

- Begin Formal Text Amendment Process
- Public Hearing & Planning Board Recommendation
- Adoption (TBD)

# DISCUSSION





## **AGENDA MEMO**

**To:** Davidson Board of Commissioners

**From:** Alexander Cahill, Affordable Housing & Equity Director

**Date:** August 27, 2024

**Re:** Consider Approval of Resolution 2024-18 authorizing the Town of Davidson to Exercise the Powers, Duties, and Responsibilities of a Housing Authority Pursuant to Housing Authority Law N.C.G.S. § 157

### **ITEM SUMMARY/OVERVIEW**

In lieu of creating a housing authority, the Town Board, if it deems wise, can either designate a redevelopment commission created under the provisions of Chapter 160 of the General Statutes to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a housing authority, or may itself exercise such powers, duties, and responsibilities. In the event the Town Board designates itself to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a housing authority, it may assign the administration of the housing programs, developments, and policies to any existing or new department of the Town. Town staff are making a presentation on this potential exercise of powers under N.C.G.S. 157 and what it will enable the Town to do moving forward. After a public hearing is scheduled, the town board will be asked to approve this resolution.

### **ACTION/PROPOSED MOTION**

Motion to approve Resolution 2024-18 authorizing the Town of Davidson to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a Housing Authority pursuant to Housing Authority Law N.C.G.S. § 157.

### **RELATED TOWN GOALS**

#### **Strategic Plan Alignment**

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#### **Core Values**

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### **NEXT STEPS**





**Date:** August 13, 2024

**To:** Town Board of Commissioners

**From:** Alexander D. Cahill, Affordable Housing & Equity Director

**Subject:** N.C.G.S. § 157 Resolution

### **Summary**

In lieu of creating a housing authority, the Town Board may either designate a redevelopment commission created under the provisions of Chapter 160 of the General Statutes to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a housing authority, or may itself exercise such powers, duties, and responsibilities. In the event the Town Board designates itself to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a housing authority, it may assign the administration of the housing programs, developments, and policies to any existing or new department of the Town. Town staff are presenting on the potential impacts of such a designation and providing more information in this memo.

### **Background**

The Town of Davidson has a strong history of supporting affordable housing, as noted by its inclusion within both the Davidson Planning Ordinance, the Town's core values, and Strategic Plan. As Davidson continues to innovate and move forward in this space, additional legal authority may be required to advance the Town's strategic goals and priorities of the Town. This resolution seeks to address the supply, subsidy, and stabilization components of an effective affordable housing program.

### **What does this allow the Town to do?**

If the Town Board authorizes the designation under N.C.G.S. § 157, the Town may implement, but is not required to, any of the actions listed below:

- Require affordable units in multi-family rental housing projects. At least twenty percent (20%) of the units in the project must be set aside for the exclusive use of persons of low income (60% or less AMI);
- Rent or lease dwelling accommodations set aside for persons of low income only to persons who lack the amount of income that is necessary to enable them, without financial assistance, to live in decent, safe, and sanitary dwellings;
- Make and execute contracts and other instruments necessary or convenient to the exercise of the powers of the authority;

- Sell, exchange, transfer, assign, or pledge any property real or personal or any interest therein to any person, firm, corporation, municipality, city, or government; to own, hold, clear and improve property for affordable housing development;
- Procure insurance or guarantees from the federal government of the payment of any debts or parts thereof secured by mortgages made or held by the authority on any property included in any housing development;
- Borrow money upon its bonds, notes, debentures or other evidence of indebtedness and to secure the same by pledges of its revenues, and by mortgages upon property held or to be held by it for affordable use;
- In connection with any loan, to agree to limitations upon its right to dispose of any housing development or part thereof or to undertake additional housing developments;
- Lease or rent any dwelling or other accommodations or any of the lands, buildings, structures or facilities embraced in any housing development and to establish and revise the rents or charges;
- Provide for the construction, reconstruction, improvement, alteration or repair of any housing development;
- Take over by purchase, lease or otherwise any housing development located within its boundaries;
- Manage as agent located in whole or in part within its boundaries any housing development constructed or owned by the Town;
- Act as agent for the federal government in connection with the acquisition, construction, operation and/or management of a housing development;
- Investigate living, dwelling and housing conditions and into the means and methods of improving such conditions;
- Determine where unsafe, or insanitary dwelling or housing conditions exist;
- Study and make recommendations in relation to the problem of clearing, replanning and reconstruction of areas in which unsafe or insanitary dwelling or housing conditions exist;
- Prepare, carry out and operate housing developments; and
- Approve, assist, and cooperate with, a nonprofit corporation in providing financing by the issuance by such nonprofit corporation's obligations (which obligations shall not be or be deemed to be indebtedness of a housing authority) for one or more housing developments, specifically including, but not limited to:
  - programs to make construction and other loans to developers or owners of residential housing,
  - to acquire, operate or manage such a housing development
  - to administer federal housing assistance subsidy payments for such projects

### **Process**

The following process is required to be followed in order to designate under N.C.G.S. § 157:

### **Public Hearing**

A public hearing must be held and noticed at least 10 days preceding the day on which the hearing is to be held. We seek to hold the public hearing on **August 27, 2024**, and have the Board vote to approve the resolution on that evening.

### **Findings**

To establish the powers under N.C.G.S 157-4: (1), the Board must determine at least one of the following findings:

- (1) Whether insanitary or unsafe inhabited dwelling accommodations exist in the city and said surrounding area, and/or
- (2) Whether there is a lack of safe or sanitary dwelling accommodations in the city and said surrounding area available for all the inhabitants thereof.

### **Recommendation**

Staff believe the finding is made in congruence with (2) as determined in and by the adoption of the Affordable Housing Needs Assessment. As such, staff recommend the Town Board adopt the resolution.

### **Staff Contact**

Alexander D. Cahill, Affordable Housing & Equity Director, [acahill@townofdavidson.org](mailto:acahill@townofdavidson.org)





# Discuss a Resolution authorizing the Town of Davidson to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a Housing Authority per NCGS §157

Alexander D. Cahill  
Affordable Housing & Equity Director  
August 13, 2024

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# Overview/Agenda

- Background
- Timeline
- Summary
- Findings
- Recommendations
- Next Steps
- Discussion



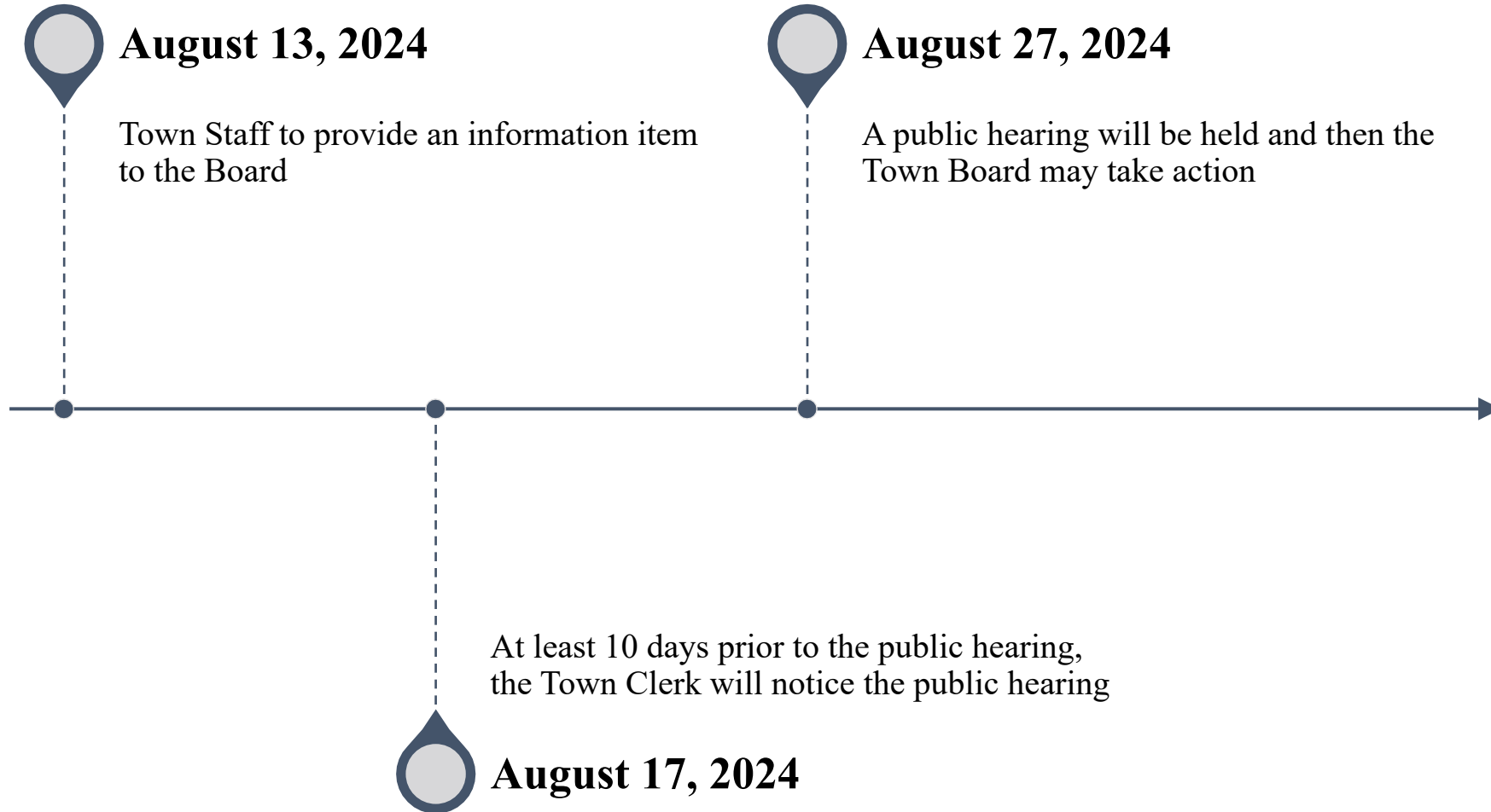
# Background: Implementation Strategy



## AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK



# Timeline



# What state provision does this occur under?

## Under N.C.G.S. § 157-4.1:

In lieu of creating a housing authority as authorized herein, the council of any city may, if it deems wise, either designate a redevelopment commission created under the provisions of Chapter 160 of the General Statutes to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a housing authority as prescribed herein, **or may itself exercise such powers, duties, and responsibilities**. Any such designation shall be by passage of a resolution adopted in accordance with the procedure and pursuant to the finding specified in the first and second paragraphs of G.S. 157-4.

In the event the council of the city designates itself to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a housing authority, it may assign the administration of the housing programs, projects, and policies to any existing or new department of the city.

# Why do this?

- This resolution will ensure that we're operating within the legal guidelines, provide the Town Manager/Town Staff with the authority to act in the best interest of our community members, **and provide additional powers to educate, preserve, create, and support the existing and future affordable housing inventory**
- It will help support financing and innovative methods around developing Town-owned land
- It will allow the Town to be able more flexible in the future as innovation in affordable housing space continues to occur
- It will cement the equity component missing from current affordable housing conversations by creating mechanisms to protect and provide for those at the lowest-income levels
- It will allow us to build equity/affordability into our sustainability program per the Climate Action Plan

# What will this allow us to do?

- Require affordable units in multi-family rental housing projects. At least twenty percent (20%) of the units in the project must be set aside for the exclusive use of persons of low income (60% or less AMI)
- Rent or lease dwelling accommodations set aside for persons of low income only to persons who lack the amount of income that is necessary to enable them, without financial assistance, to live in decent, safe, and sanitary dwellings
- To identify any substandard housing and develop program, procedures, policies, and financing to improve
- To sell, exchange, transfer, assign, or pledge any property real or personal or any interest therein to any person, firm, corporation, municipality, city, or government; to own, hold, clear and improve property for affordable housing development. Allows the formation of land trusts, land leases, and other forms of property ownership and land management structures for affordable housing



# What will this allow us to do?

- To procure insurance or guarantees from the federal government of the payment of any debts or parts thereof secured by mortgages made or held by the authority on any property included in any housing development.
- To borrow money upon its bonds, notes, debentures or other evidences of indebtedness and to secure the same by pledges of its revenues, and by mortgages upon property held or to be held by it for affordable use.
- In connection with any loan, to agree to limitations upon its right to dispose of any housing development or part thereof or to undertake additional housing developments. To lease or rent any dwelling or other accommodations or any of the lands, buildings, structures or facilities embraced in any housing development and to establish and revise the rents or charges.

# Findings

The Town Board of Commissioners must make at least one of the two following findings, as required under N.C.G.S 157-4, to approve this resolution:

- (1) Whether insanitary or unsafe inhabited dwelling accommodations exist in the city and said surrounding area, and/or
- (2) Whether there is a lack of safe or sanitary dwelling accommodations in the city and said surrounding area available for all the inhabitants thereof.

# DISCUSSION





## **RESOLUTION 2024-18**

### **AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF DAVIDSON TO EXERCISE THE POWERS, DUTIES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF A HOUSING AUTHORITY PER NCGS §157**

**WHEREAS**, as setforth by the State of North Carolina in NCGS § 157-2, the providing of safe and sanitary dwelling accommodations for person of low income are public uses and purposes for which public money may be spent and private property acquired; and that it is in the public interest that work on such projects and programs be instituted as soon as possible; and

**WHEREAS**, as further setforth in NCGS § 157-2, the state of North Carolina has declared that there is a serious shortage of decent, safe and sanitary housing in North Carolina that can be afforded by persons and families of moderate income; and

**WHEREAS**, The Town of Davidson caused to be created an Affordable Housing Needs Assessment which demonstrated the need for affordable housing options within the Town to serve citizens of low and moderate income.

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with policy of the State and as a result of the findings of the Needs Assessment the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Davidson seeks to exercise the powers, duties and responsibilities of a housing authority as authorized by NCGS § 160A-456(b) and Chapter 157 of the North Carolina General Statutes to encourage and support the maintenance and creation of affordable housing options in Davidson; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 27, 2024, in accordance with NCGS §§ 157-4.1 and 157-4 and after publishing the statutorily required notice, the Town Board held a public hearing during which all residents and taxpayers of the Town and surrounding areas and all other interested persons were given an opportunity to be heard.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Davidson:

1. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Commissioners **FINDS**:
  - a. There is a lack of safe or sanitary dwelling accommodations within the Town of Davidson and the surrounding area available for all inhabitants of the Town.
  - b. There is a lack of safe, sanitary housing units available at rental rates affordable to persons of low and moderate income within the Town of Davidson; as well as a lack of for-sale housing units available for purchase by persons of low and moderate income.
  - c. The need for safe, sanitary affordable units within the Town is such that the private sector alone is unable to meet the need.

2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Davidson hereby designates to itself the authority to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a housing authority as prescribed by Chapter 157 of the North Carolina General Statutes.
3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners hereby assigns the administration of housing programs, projects and policies to the Town's Affordable Housing and Equity department under the direction and authority of the Town Manager.
4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all actions heretofore taken by an authorized representative acting on behalf of the Town of Davidson in furtherance of the foregoing resolutions are hereby ratified, adopted and approved in all respects.
5. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the authorized representatives of the Town of Davidson acting on behalf of the Town are hereby authorized to take all such other actions as they may deem necessary or appropriate to give effect to the foregoing resolutions.

Effective this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024

Attest:

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Rusty Knox  
Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Elizabeth K. Shores  
Town Clerk





## **AGENDA MEMO**

**To:** Davidson Board of Commissioners

**From:** Austin Nantz, Assistant Town Manager

**Date:** August 27, 2024

**Re:** Consider Approval of Resolution 2024-19 - 2024-2025 County, State, and Federal Advocacy Agenda

### **ITEM SUMMARY/OVERVIEW**

The Town of Davidson has historically created a legislative advocacy agenda to further the Town's goals and advocate for the best interests of Davidson. Resolution 2024-19 includes advocacy items for Mecklenburg County, the State of North Carolina, and the Federal Government. This item was previously discussed at the August 13 board meeting.

### **ACTION/PROPOSED MOTION**

Motion to approve Resolution 2024-19 - 2024-25 County, State, and Federal Advocacy Agenda.

### **RELATED TOWN GOALS**

#### **Strategic Plan Alignment**

Healthy, Livable, & Vibrant Community - Promote collaborative efforts to create livable spaces and healthy places to enhance quality of life for all residents.

Historic Preservation - Preserve the historic character of our Town, including its people, places, & stories. Honor the history of our residents through their lived experiences.

Connecting People and Places - Expand, improve, and diversify the town's transportation network to provide residents and visitors with safe, convenient, accessible, reliable, and efficient multi-modal travel choices to connect people across the community.

Affordable Living, Equity & Inclusion - Work together to foster a culture of equity, belonging, inclusion, and advance the Town's Affordable Housing program. Provide, create, and support opportunities for all. Treat everyone with respect, dignity, and recognize every voice.

Sustainability and Natural Assets - Preserve Davidson's natural assets and develop, implement, and actively encourage innovative solutions to environmental, energy, and climate-based challenges.

Operational Excellence - Provide efficient and high-quality public services and facilities through

thoughtful and proactive planning, responsible stewardship of Town resources and a professional and committed workforce.

### **Core Values**

Citizens must live in a healthy environment, so Town government will protect watersheds, trees, air quality, and other elements of the Town's ecology.

Davidson must be a safe place to live, work, and raise a family, so the Town will work in partnership with the community to prevent crime and protect lives, property, and the public realm.

Davidson's historic mix of people in all income levels and ages is fundamental to our community, so Town government will encourage opportunities, services, and infrastructure that allow people of all means to live and work here.

Citizens entrust Town government with the stewardship of public funds, so government will provide high quality services at a reasonable cost.

### **NEXT STEPS**

If approved, the advocacy agenda will be transmitted to our County, State, and Federal officials. The Board will be asked to advocate where appropriate with those elected officials.



**RESOLUTION 2024-19**  
**ADOPTING THE TOWN OF DAVIDSON**  
**2024-2025 COUNTY, STATE, AND FEDERAL ADVOCACY AGENDA**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Davidson Mayor and Board of Commissioners offer the following specific priorities for consideration in the 2024-2025 County, State, and Federal Advocacy Agenda:

**Mecklenburg County**

Prioritized Items:

- Seek funding for regional trails to improve the connectivity in the region:
  - Carolina Thread Trail connectivity from Davidson to Iredell and Davidson to Cabarrus
  - West Branch Nature Preserve Greenway (River Run to Summers Walk)
  - Seam Trail
- Seek funding for Affordable Housing Programs
  - Rental Subsidy Program
  - Town Owned Land Development
  - Critical Home Repair Home Improvement Program

**State of North Carolina**

Prioritized Items Seeking Support:

- Implementation of the 2030 Transit System Plan to include the Red Line.
- Legislation resulting in a policy change allowing a probationary certificate to be issued to the in-state lateral police officer permitting them to continue working as sworn officers immediately at the gaining agency.
- Grant funding for significant Public Safety capital projects and equipment:
  - Fire Station construction (estimated cost \$17 million)
  - Emergency vehicle purchases (\$3 million)
  - Police Equipment to enhance Community Safety (\$100k)
  - Firefighter breathing Apparatus replacement (\$340k)
- Funding for regional trails and connecting greenway projects
  - Carolina Thread Trail connectivity from Davidson to Iredell and Davidson to Cabarrus
  - West Branch Nature Preserve Greenway (River Run to Summers Walk)
  - Seam Trail
- Legislative support for necessary Town charter update.
- Implementation of the North Mecklenburg Magistrate (which has already been authorized).

- Legislation to allow the Town of Davidson special local authority to expand the “demolition deny” provision to include contributing structures in National Register Historic Districts (NRHD).
- Local authority to allow the Town to exempt the Town of Davidson’s National Historic District from the “two-into-three” exempt subdivision as described in NCGS 160D-802(a)
- Local authority to allow the Town to be exempted from the expedited review of specified classes of subdivision as described in NCGS 160D-802(a) and (c)
- Funding for land acquisition as part of the Agriculture Corridor Farmland Preservation Project.
- Remove the statutory cap on public-private partnerships, thereby advocating to increase the limited methods of achieving critical infrastructure projects.
- Legislation and NC Downtown Association efforts to expand Mill Tax Credit to other large structures making rehabilitation projects more viable.
- Efforts to restore funding to NCDOT and Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization (CRTPO) transportation improvements outlined in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)
- Legislative and other regulatory changes to enhance sustainability efforts including but not limited to increased options for renewable energy procurement, increased ability for NCDOT to fund transit projects, funding for grants for land preservation, continued funding for the NC Clean Energy Technology Center for grants for local governments, and other initiatives designed to preserve open space, protect water quality and reduce carbon emissions.

## **Federal Government**

### **Prioritized Items:**

- Pursue funding for Affordable Housing Programs
- Pursue additional transportation infrastructure funding to address local needs and help stimulate the economy
- Seek funding from USDA for land acquisition as part of the Agriculture Corridor Farmland Preservation Project.
- Seek grant funding opportunities for significant capital projects and equipment:
  - Fire Station Construction (estimated cost \$17 million)
  - EV/Hybrid Vehicles Purchases including Fire and Police (\$3 million)
  - Police Equipment to enhance Community Safety (\$100k)
  - Firefighter breathing Apparatus replacement (\$340k)

Adopted on the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2024

Attest:

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Rusty Knox, Mayor

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Elizabeth K. Shores, Town Clerk