

**River Bend Town Council
Work Session Minutes
May 9, 2024
Town Hall
7:00 p.m.**

Present Council Members: Mayor John Kirkland
Lisa Benton
Brian Leonard
Barbara Maurer
Buddy Sheffield
Jeff Weaver

Town Manager: Delane Jackson
Deputy Town Clerk: Jennifer Barrow
Town Attorney: Ross Hardeman
Police Chief: Sean Joll

Members of the Public Present: 11

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kirkland called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 9, 2024, at the River Bend Town Hall with a quorum present.

VOTE – Approval of Agenda

Councilwoman Benton motioned to accept the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

VOTE—Budget Amendment 23-B-07

The Town Manager stated that this budget amendment is to recognize the recent grant that the Police Chief and his department secured for the Town in the amount of \$23,364. Councilman Leonard moved to approve Budget Amendment 23-B-07 as presented. (see attached)

VOTE – FY24-25 Leaf & Limb Schedule

Councilman Sheffield motioned to approve the FY24-25 Leaf & Limb Schedule as presented and continued enforcement of the Town's ordinances related to it. The motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

Discussion –Parks & Recreation Survey Results

The Council discussed the recently completed Parks & Recreation survey with Parks & Recreation Chairperson, Laurie LaMotte. Councilman Leonard thanked the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board members present for putting together the survey. Councilwoman Benton and Councilwoman Maurer both offered their congratulations for the survey. (see attached)

Discussion—Parks & Recreation Social Media Request

Councilman Weaver presented a social media request from the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board to the Council. He stated that this would be an informational-only, one-directional Facebook page to post about events and to post photographs after events. Comments would be turned off, and there would be a function to allow Parks & Recreation to control the page while also allowing a designated Town Staff member to have access if needed. The Liaison to the Advisory Board would be responsible for making sure that the rules and ordinances already in place are followed. Mrs. Laurie LaMotte, Chairperson for the Board, stated that the Facebook page would not require additional duties of Town Staff members, but would allow the Town Staff to have access to take down any material if deemed necessary. Mrs. LaMotte further stated that if Town residents had questions about posted material, there would be a section containing the

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board email address for residents to contact and any complaints would be turned over to the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Liaison.

VOTE—Parks & Recreation Social Media Request

Councilman Weaver motioned to allow the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board to create and manage an informational only, and one-way communication Facebook Page. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion—Parks & Recreation Father’s Day Event

Councilman Weaver stated that the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board wanted to have a Father’s Day event consisting of a chicken wing & beer tasting in conjunction with local business, BrÜtopia. Councilman Leonard stated that with the current ordinance we could have a fine celebration with everything except the alcohol. Councilman Sheffield stated that with this being an event to take place in a centralized location and require participants to drive home alcohol does not seem like a good idea. Advisory Board Chairperson, Laurie LaMotte, stated that it was to be a ticketed event limited to one flight of 4 oz each of 4 different beers along with one other drink. The plan was to only allow 20 participants. Councilman Leonard stated that he applauds the advisory board members for trying to come up with new ideas. Councilman Weaver reminded the Council that there is the resolution clause that would allow the Council to allow the special event. However, without support for the event he suggested moving on so that the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board can come up with a new idea for Father’s Day.

Discussion—Parks & Recreation July 4 Celebration Change of Venue Request

Councilman Weaver stated that the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board has recommended moving the July 4th activities across the street to incorporate the new facility (Municipal Building). Councilman Leonard asked how this change of venue would affect the parade line up. Chairperson Laurie LaMotte stated that she did not think it would affect the traditional line up at all. Mrs. LaMotte stated that the open field near the Municipal Building would be more accommodating for the activities they would like to include this year such as a water slide and potato sack race. She stated that the change in venue would also open up parking availability at the Town Hall.

VOTE—Parks & Recreation July 4 Celebration Change of Venue Request

Councilman Weaver motioned to change the venue of the fourth of July function from its original location at Town Hall to across the street to the Municipal building in the proposal as presented. The motion passed with 4 ayes and 1 nay (with Maurer voting nay).

REVIEW – Agenda for the May 16, 2024, Council Meeting

The Council reviewed the agenda for the May 16, 2024, Council Meeting.

CLOSED SESSION

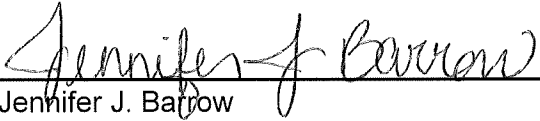
Councilwoman Maurer moved to go into Closed Session under NCGS § 143-318.11(a)(3). The motion carried unanimously. The council entered closed session at 8:08 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

Councilman Sheffield moved to return to Open Session at 8:18 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT/RECESS

There being no further business, Councilman Sheffield moved to adjourn the work session at 8:19 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.


Jennifer J. Barrow
Deputy Town Clerk



**TOWN OF RIVER BEND
 BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT 23-B-07
 FISCAL YEAR 2023 - 2024**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Town of River Bend, North Carolina that the 2023-2024 Budget Ordinance as last amended on March 18, 2024, be amended as follows:

Summary

General Fund	2,280,923
General Capital Reserve Fund	56,900
Law Enforcement Separation Allowance Fund	12,685
Water Fund	655,804
Water Capital Reserve Fund	10
Sewer Fund	679,504
Sewer Capital Reserve Fund	1
Total	3,685,827

Section 1. General Fund

Anticipated Revenues

AD VALOREM Taxes 2023-2024	935,566
AD VALOREM Tax-Motor Vehicle	90,000
Animal Licenses	1,500
Sales Tax 1% Article 39	195,868
Sales Tax 1/2% Article 40	114,635
Sales Tax 1/2% Article 42	97,901
Sales Tax Article 44	13,090
Sales Tax Hold Harmless Distribution	108,195
Solid Waste Disposal Tax	2,200
Powell Bill Allocation	100,486
Beer and Wine Tax	13,225
Video Programming Sales Tax	49,621
Utilities Franchise Tax	112,169
Telecommunications Sales Tax	6,725
Court Refunds	500
Zoning Permits	7,000
Federal Grant	23,364
Miscellaneous	16,200
Interest- Powell Bill Investments	50
Interest-General Fund Investments	31,000
Contributions	901
Wildwood Storage Rents	18,144
Rents & Concessions	18,000
Sale of Fixed Assets	4,600
Transfer From Capital Reserve Fund	43,504
Transfer From PW Capital Projects Fund	57,720
Appropriated Fund Balance	218,759
Total	2,280,923

Section 1. General Fund (continued)

Authorized Expenditures

Governing Body	47,350
Administration	332,000
Finance	131,306
Tax Listing	13,700
Legal Services	40,090
Elections	0
Police	792,699
Public Buildings	109,000
Emergency Services	2,870
Animal Control	16,225
Street Maintenance	271,050
Public Works	186,050
Leaf & Limb and Solid Waste	81,606
Stormwater Management	44,840
Wetlands and Waterways	2,900
Planning & Zoning	55,000
Recreation & Special Events	11,100
Parks & Community Appearance	55,130
Contingency	20,807
Transfer To General Capital Reserve Fund	55,000
Transfer To L.E.S.A. Fund	12,200
Total	<u>2,280,923</u>

Section 2. General Capital Reserve Fund

Anticipated Revenues

Contributions from General Fund	55,000
Interest Revenue	<u>1,900</u>
Total	56,900

Authorized Expenditures

Transfer to General Fund	43,504
Future Procurement	<u>13,396</u>
	56,900

Section 3. Law Enforcement Separation Allowance Fund

Anticipated Revenues:

Contributions from General Fund	12,200
Interest Revenue	<u>485</u>
Total	12,685

Authorized Expenditures:

Separation Allowance	0
Future LEOSSA Payments	<u>12,685</u>
Total	12,685

Section 4. Water Fund

Anticipated Revenues

Utility Usage Charges, Classes 1 & 2	210,591
Utility Usage Charges, Classes 3 & 4	12,428
Utility Usage Charges, Class 5	15,002
Utility Usage Charges, Class 8	4,644
Utility Customer Base Charges	278,811
Hydrant Availability Fee	19,764
Taps & Connections Fees	1,250
Nonpayment Fees	10,500
Late payment Fees	7,822
Interest Revenue	3,488
Sale of Capital Asset	0
Transfer From PW Capital Projects Fund	62,551
Appropriated Fund Balance	28,953
Total	<hr/> 655,804

Authorized Expenditures

Administration & Finance [1]	491,804
Operations and Maintenance	140,500
Transfer To Fund Balance for Capital Outlay	23,500
Transfer To Water Capital Reserve Fund	0
Total	<hr/> 655,804

[1] Portion of department for bond debt service: 141,157

Section 5. Water Capital Reserve Fund

Anticipated Revenues

Contributions From Water Operations Fund	0
Interest Revenue	10
Total	<hr/> 10

Authorized Expenditures

Future Expansion & Debt Service	10
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Section 6. **Sewer Fund**

Anticipated Revenues:

Utility Usage Charges, Classes 1 & 2	267,170
Utility Usage Charges, Classes 3 & 4	36,679
Utility Usage Charges, Class 5	28,142
Utility Usage Charges, Class 8	16,833
Utility Customer Base Charges	296,108
Taps & Connection Fees	1,250
Late payment Fees	8,384
Interest Revenue	5,836
Sale of Capital Asset	0
Transfer from PW Capital Projects Fund	62,551
Appropriated Fund Balance	(43,449)
Total	<u>679,504</u>

Authorized Expenditures:

Administration & Finance [2]	483,204
Operations and Maintenance	192,800
Transfer to Fund Balance for Capital Outlay	3,500
Transfer to Sewer Capital Reserve Fund	0
Total	<u>679,504</u>

[2] Portion of department for bond debt service: 121,893

Section 7. **Sewer Capital Reserve**

Anticipated Revenues:

Contributions From Sewer Operations Fund	0
Interest Revenue	1
Total	<u>1</u>

Authorized Expenditures:

Future Expansion & Debt Service	1
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Section 8. **Levy of Taxes**

There is hereby levied a tax at the rate of twenty-four cents (\$0.24) per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation of property as listed for taxes as of January 1, 2023, for the purpose of raising the revenue listed as "Ad Valorem Taxes 2023-2024" in the General Fund Section 1 of this ordinance. This rate is based on a valuation of \$393,280,000 for purposes of taxation of real and personal property with an estimated rate of collection of 99.12%. The estimated collection rate is based on the fiscal year 2021-2022 collection rate of 99.12% by Craven County who has been contracted to collect real and personal property taxes for the Town of River Bend. Also included is a valuation of \$37,500,000 for purposes of taxation of motor vehicles with a collection rate of 100% by the North Carolina Vehicle Tax System.

Section 9. **Fees and Charges**

There is hereby established, for Fiscal Year 2023-2024, various fees and charges as contained in Attachment A of this document.

Section 10. **Special Authorization of the Budget Officer**

- A. The Budget Officer shall be authorized to reallocate any appropriations within departments.
- B. The Budget Officer shall be authorized to execute interfund and interdepartmental transfers in emergency situations. Notification of all such transfers shall be made to the Town Council at its next meeting following the transfer.
- C. The Budget Officer shall be authorized to execute interdepartmental transfers in the same fund, including contingency appropriations, not to exceed \$5,000. Notification of all such transfers shall be made to the Town Council at its next meeting following the transfer.

Section 11. **Classification and Pay Plan**

Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) for all Town employees shall be 4.4% and shall begin the first payroll in the new fiscal year. The Town Manager is hereby authorized to grant merit increases to Town employees, when earned, per the approved Pay Plan.

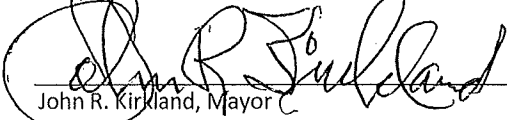
Section 12. **Utilization of the Budget Ordinance**

This ordinance shall be the basis of the financial plan for the Town of River Bend municipal government during the 2023-2024 fiscal year. The Budget Officer shall administer the Annual Operating Budget and shall ensure the operating staff and officials are provided with guidance and sufficient details to implement their appropriate portion of the budget.

Section 13. **Copies of this Budget Ordinance**

Copies of this Budget Ordinance shall be furnished to the Clerk, Town Council, Budget Officer and Finance Officer to be kept on file by them for their direction in the disbursement of funds.

Adopted this 9th day of May, 2024.



John R. Kirkland, Mayor

Attest:



Kristie J. Nobles, Town Clerk, CMC, NCCMC

Town of River Bend – Leaf & Limb Schedule 2024-2025

You **MUST** have your debris by the road **BEFORE** "pickup begins" date for your zone, but not more than 6 days before.

Zone 1 Placement

Zone 1 Pickup Begins

Zone 2 Placement

Zone 2 Pickup Begins

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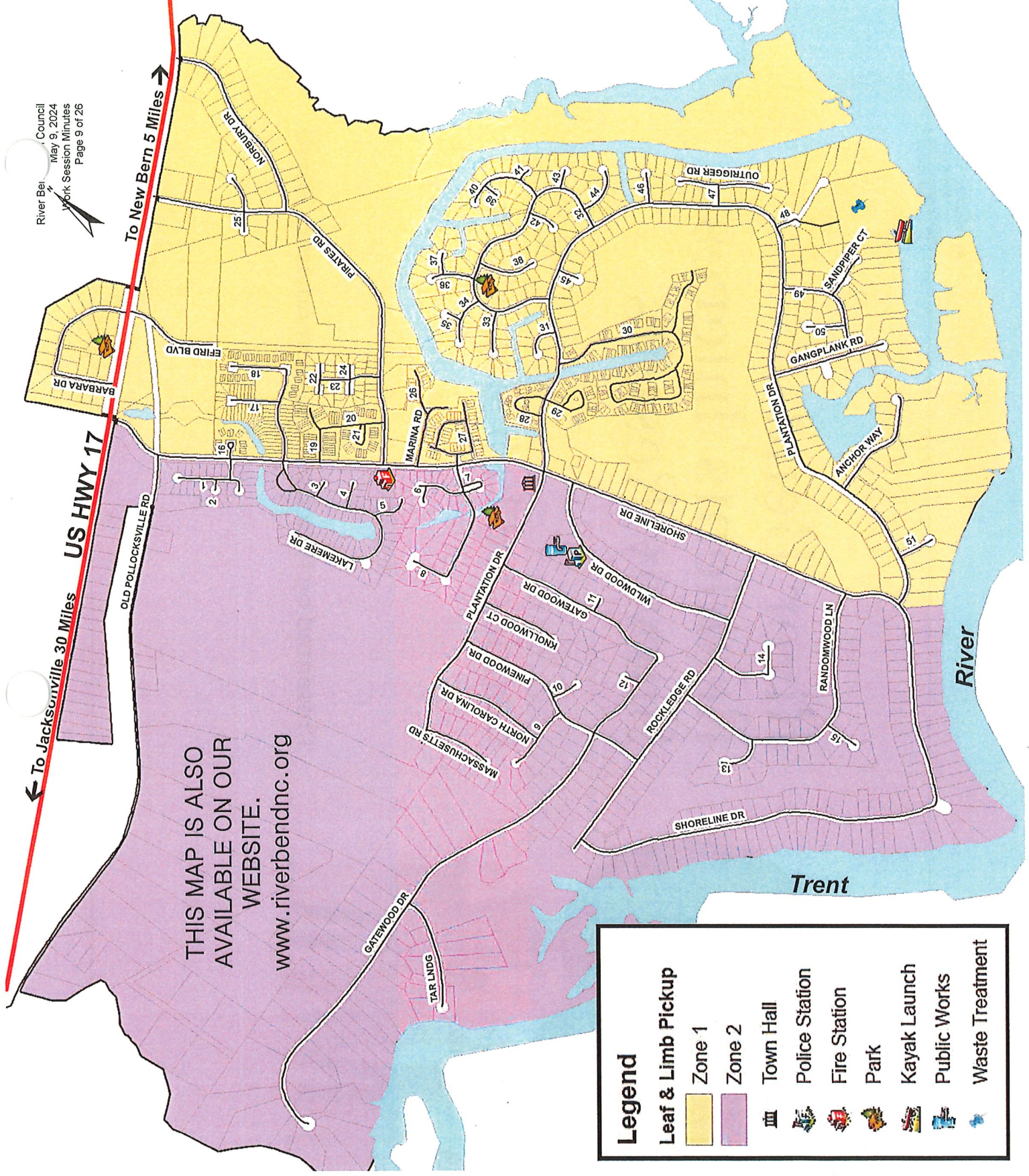
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All leaf & limb debris must be the result of natural defoliation or minor trimming and must observe the following criteria:

1. Maximum diameter of limbs is three inches (3") and maximum length is six feet (6').
2. Place all material in a pile at the roadside with butt ends towards the street in a flat area away from mailboxes, driveway tiles, water meters and any other utility equipment.
3. Leaves and grass clippings must **NOT** be bagged. Bagged material will **NOT** be collected. Limbs must be kept separate from leaves and grass clippings. Leaves and grass clippings may be collected by a vacuum. The vacuum cannot accept limbs. Any leaf or grass clipping piles that also contain limbs will **NOT** be collected.
4. Leaf & limb material shall **NOT** be placed at the roadside more than five (5) days prior to the "pickup begins" date as shown on the schedule above (dates are circled).
5. Pickup shall be done once per street per scheduled pickup week. Any leaf & limb material placed on the roadside after that section of the street has been cleaned shall be the responsibility of the property owner to clear immediately (within 5 days).
6. Pickups will be provided to residential properties within the corporate Town limits only. Leaf & limb pickup shall not be provided for debris left by a contractor, including general yard maintenance contractors working on a resident's property.
7. Leaf & limb is defined as leaves, grass clippings, pinecones, and small tree and shrub limbs. It does not include construction material of any kind, trimmings from lot clearing, or tree trunks. The Town does not collect brown or white goods, metal, furniture, or construction debris.
8. All debris placed upon the public right of way must be placed off the paved portion of the street and must be placed in the right of way immediately adjacent to the property from which it originates. Debris may be placed in the right of way immediately adjacent to the property of others only with the express permission of the owner of the property.
9. Violation of these rules may subject violators to remedies described in the Town of River Bend Code of Ordinances, Section 1.01.999 General Penalty. See Section 9.02.030 for complete rule.



THIS MAP IS ALSO
 AVAILABLE ON OUR
 WEBSITE.
www.riverbendnc.org

Legend

- Zone 1
- Zone 2
- Town Hall
- Police Station
- Fire Station
- Park
- Kayak Launch
- Public Works
- Waste Treatment

JM	STREET
19	Ashley Place
7	Bayswater Court
12	Baywood Court
6	Bluff Court
34	Boatswain
40	Bowline
15	Brentwood Court
1	Canebrake Drive
35	Captains Cove
22	Carriage House Court
32	Channel Run
45	Clipper Court
39	Commander Circle
51	Compass Court
5	Courtney Lane
24	Courtnay Lane
16	Esquire Court
48	Gentry Cove
28	Gull Pointe
50	Harbour Walk
46	Ketch Court
41	Knotline Road
4	Lantern Lane
8	Lauren Court
3	Lochbridge
44	Margo Court
17	Mariners Court
18	Masters Court Drive
47	Mulberry Lane
9	Nautical Drive
20	New Hampshire Lane
14	O'Hara Drive
11	Oakleaf Court
27	Parkwood Court
26	Pier Point
21	Pier Point IV
43	Pillory Circle
33	Pilot Place
29	Portside Lane
30	Quartermaster 1-30
36	Quartermaster 31-178
31	Raft Road
42	Sailors Court
37	Seafarers Court
38	Sextant Court
2	Starboard Drive
49	Stillwater Court
10	Teakwood Drive
25	Virginia Court
23	Wakefield Drive
13	Westchester Drive
	Willowbrook Court



River Bend Residents' Interests Survey Results

Conducted Feb-Mar 2024

Presented by Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

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Overview

The Parks & Recreation Advisory Board was tasked with surveying River Bend residents to ascertain their use of parks, involvement in recreational activities and their interest in expanding opportunities.

A survey was created online and launched February 9, 2024 on the River Bend Facebook Community Page and NextDoor. Additionally, a paper survey was included in the Town's March 8 water bill mailing and residents were asked to drop off their surveys at Town Hall. The deadline for completing surveys—online or paper—was March 30.



Parks & Recreation Online Survey

Tell us what you think about our current parks and programs!

And just as important, what you want to see in the future!

Just follow the link below to fill out the survey.

It will only take a few minutes to have your voice heard!

Responses



The Advisory Board received **336** total responses*



Online surveys accounted for 201 or 60% of responses



Paper responses submitted to Town Hall accounted for 84 or 25%



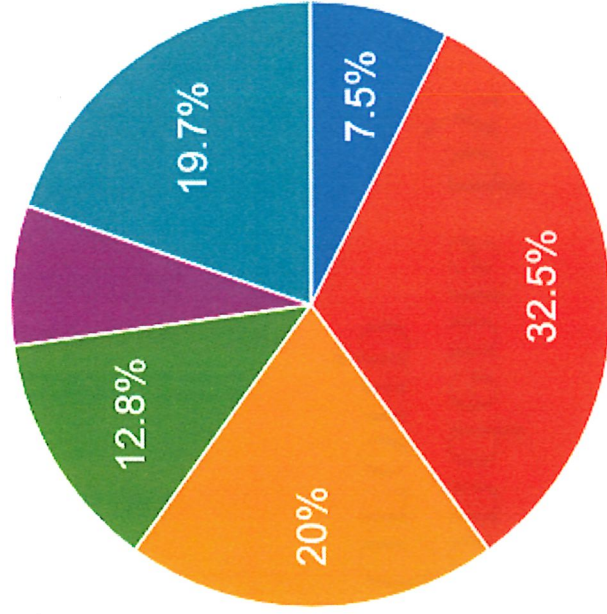
There were 51 surveys previously filled out by residents attending National Night Out (2023) or 15% of total responses

- According to 2020 Census data for the Town of River Bend, there are 2902 residents. With 336 responses, that represents approximately 12% of the population. Given that in many cases only one person per household filled out the survey, we may also assume a greater percentage is reflected.

Residency

The greatest number of responses came from those residing in River Bend 10 years or less (60%). And overall, the largest group were respondents who've resided in River Bend one to five years (33%).

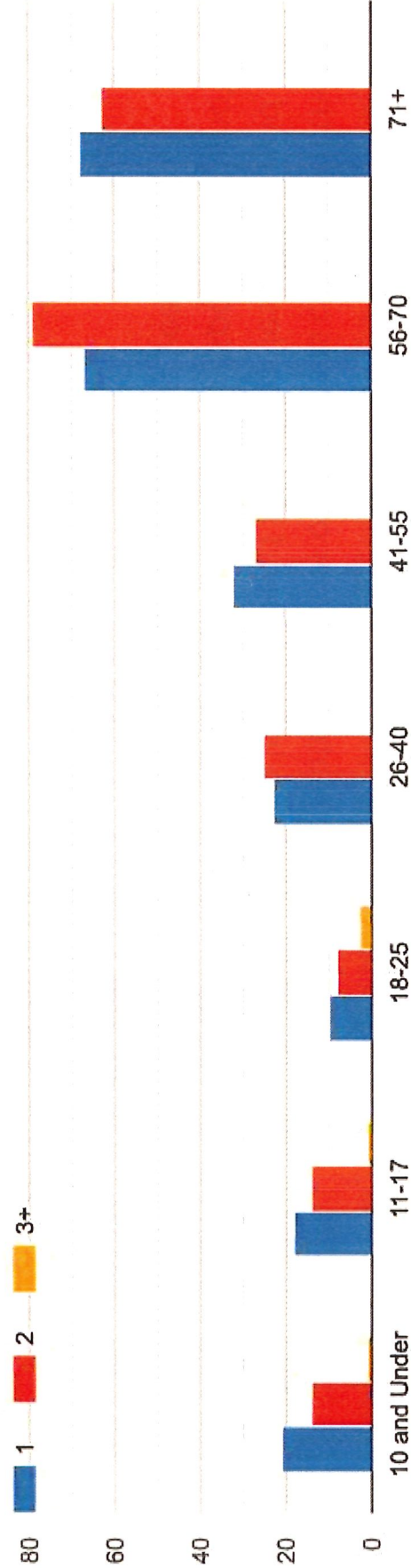
- Less than a year
- 1 - 5 years
- 6 - 10 years
- 11 - 15 years
- 16 - 20 years
- 20 years or More



Respondents by Age Group

The cohort with the greatest number of respondents is the 56+ age group which is reflective of the population according to Census data.

With a median age of 57 and 27% of the population in the 45-64 category and an even greater 37% that are 65 or older, the survey well represented these age categories.



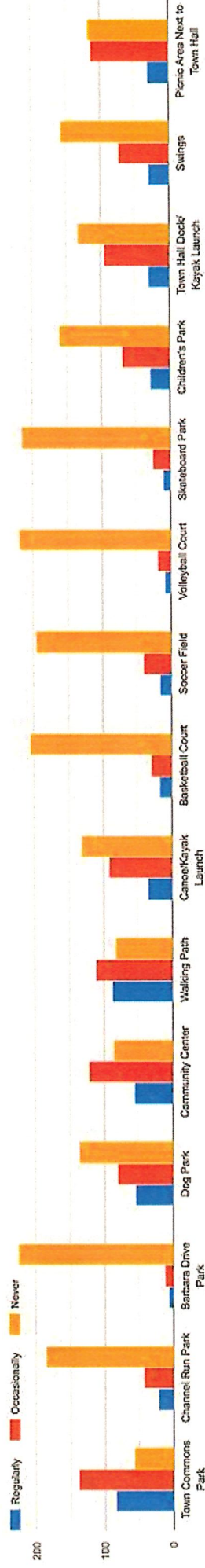
Park Participation

86% of total respondents visited at least one of the parks with Town Commons the most frequently noted, though mostly occasionally.

Channel Run and Barbara Drive had a higher incidence of residents who've never visited, while the dog park, community center and walking path were more frequently visited than all others.

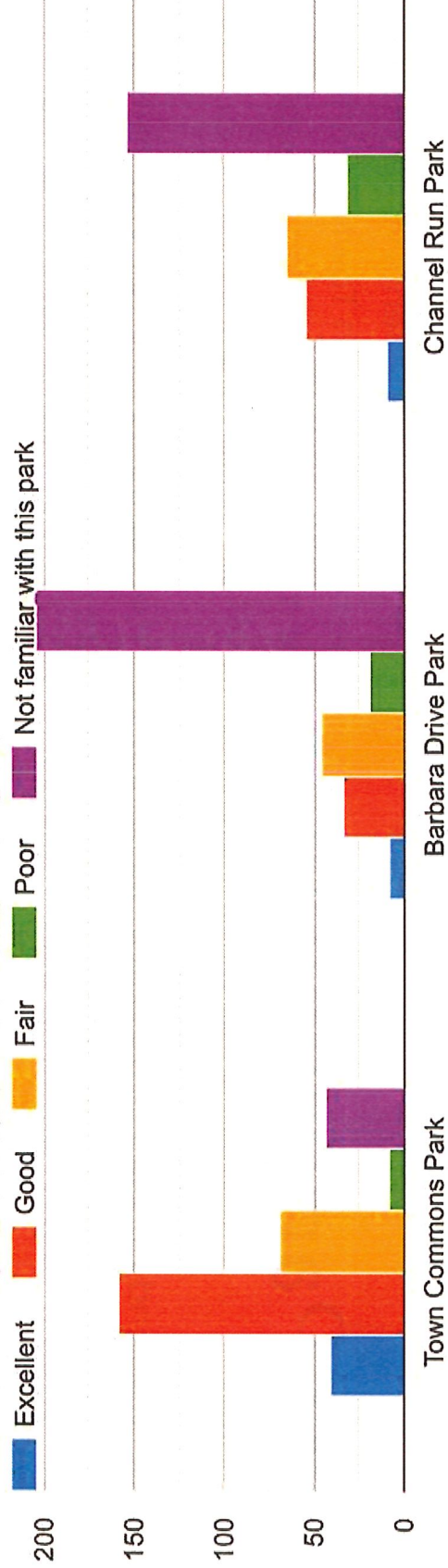
Of the 49 respondents that did not visit the parks, almost half were simply not interested (46%), a smaller percentage noted health limitations (16%) and others didn't have enough time (15%).

When asked what facilities residents frequented outside of River Bend, the greatest number cited the YMCA, as well as, Martin Marietta, Creekside, Cottle and Union Point Parks.



Rating the Parks

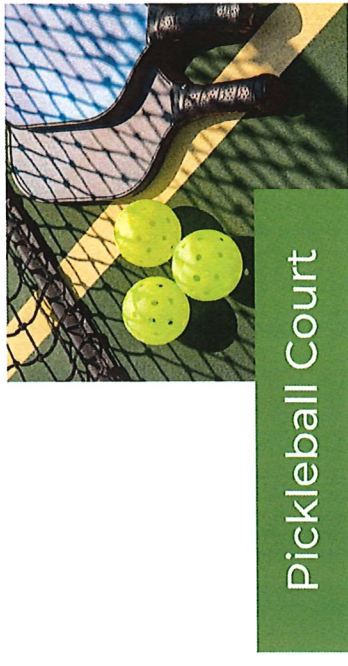
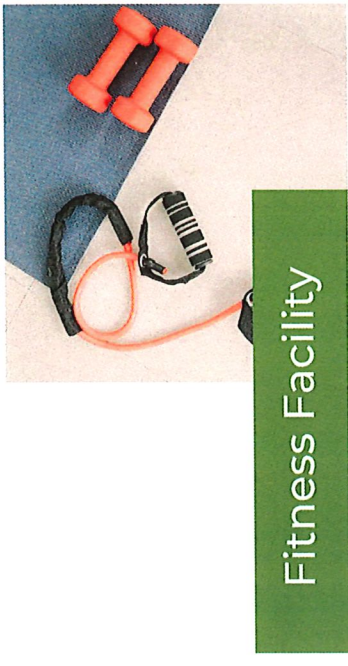
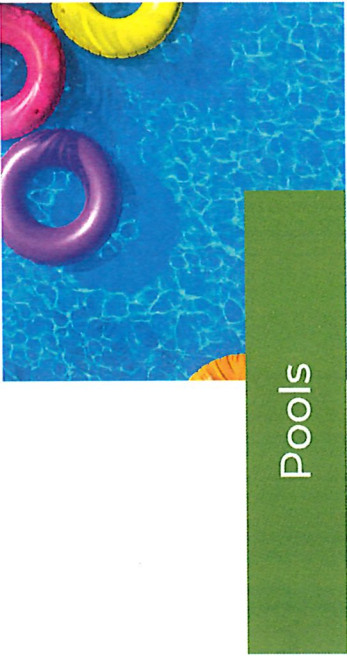
Residents were also asked to rate the three main parks. Town Commons was deemed Good overall, while the majority of respondents were not familiar with Channel Run or Barbara Drive Parks. Of those who were familiar with these two, Fair for each was the greater response.



Residents Would Like...

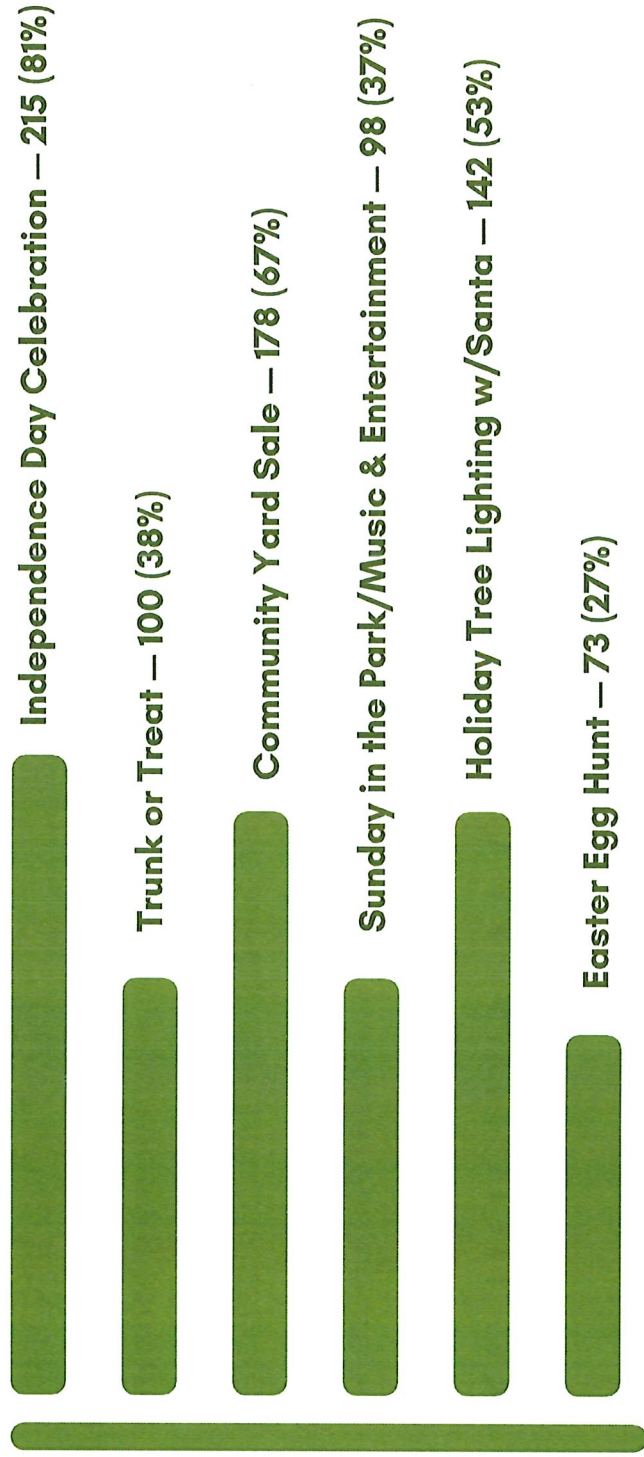
The amenities residents were most interested in were Outdoor/Indoor Swimming Pools, a Fitness Facility and a Pickleball Court. Results are as follows:

- Outdoor Swimming Pool (60%)**
- Fitness Facility (52%)**
- Pickleball Court (47%)**
- Indoor Swimming Pool (47%)**
- Court Games (38%)**
- Larger Covered Picnic Area (31%)**
- Outdoor Performance Area (28%)**
- Splash Pad (26%)**
- Outdoor Playground (21%)**
- Tennis Court (17%)**
- Disc Golf (14%)**
- Teen Center (11%)**
- Baseball/Softball Field (9%)**



Participation in P&R Activities

Of the 266 residents who responded that they'd participated in town-sponsored parks and recreation activities, the three most popular activities were the Independence Day Celebration (81%), Community Yard Sale (67%) and the Holiday Tree Lighting (53%).



Workshops & Game Days

Only 22% of respondents had taken part in workshops and game days, but the most cited activity was the creation of the holiday globes.

Card Making

Holiday Themed Workshops

National Night Out

Friendsgiving

Line Dancing

Safety Workshops

Holiday Globes

Bingo

Bunco

Garden Workshop

Car Show

Mother's Day Painting

Hurricane Preparedness

Building Wood Bee Catcher

Art Class

Built Blue Bird House

Suggestions

The following represents the most often noted suggestions for future workshops and activities..

General Interest

Games/Bingo/Bunco/Scrabble

Movies in the Park

Evening in the Park w/Music

Arts & Crafts Fair/Art Walk/Arts Festival

Block Party w/Music & Food Trucks

Front Porch Music/Porch Fest

Holiday/Christmas Parade



Workshops/Learning Opportunities

Craft Workshops

Art & Music Classes

Baking/Cookie Decorating Workshops

Information Panels/Lectures

Home Improvement/How to Events

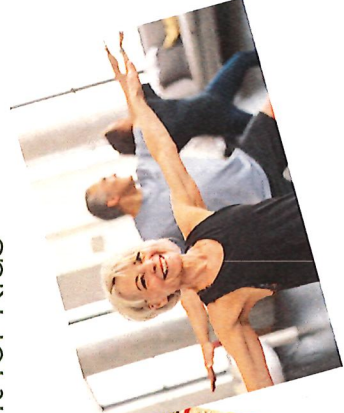
Gardening

Athletic/Active

Chair Yoga

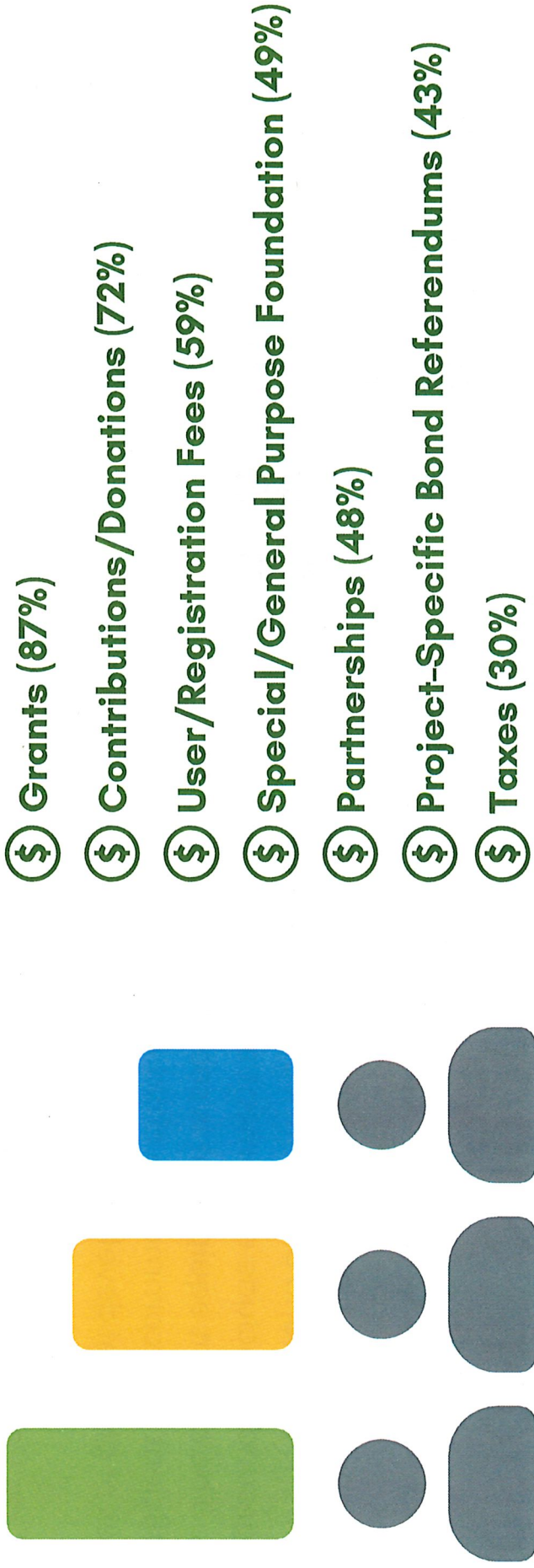
Fitness Classes

Fishing Tournament for Kids



Expanding Opportunities

Residents were asked if they would vote to expand recreational opportunities and an overwhelming majority, 93%, were in favor. The method supported by the greatest number was through Grants. Not surprisingly, Taxes were the least favored.



Resident Suggestions for Amenities & Equipment

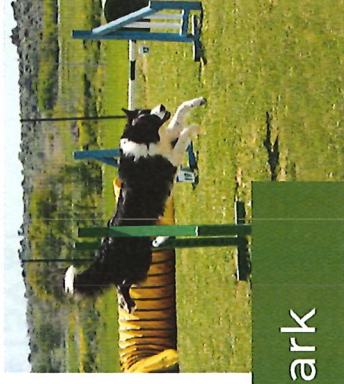
The amenity most frequently requested by residents was to move, expand and enhance the Children's Playground to include equipment and activities for all ages. The current equipment is seen as tired and insufficient to accommodate children at different stages of physical development.

The Dog Park was the second most requested amenity. This would include expanding/enhancing the current, creating an additional park and providing shelter.

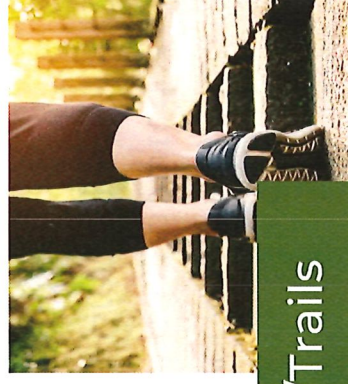
All manner of fitness—walking/nature trails, fitness equipment and sports fields—were also repeatedly mentioned. Pickleball and a Fitness Facility were written in again, even though they were offered as an option on a previous question, signaling a great interest for residents.



Playground



Dog Park



Fitness/Trails

P&R Advisory Board Recommendations

The following are amenity recommendations based on both multiple choice and open-ended responses, as well as, Advisory Board members' research and input. Our recommendations are based on the belief that expanding and enhancing amenities, especially at Town Commons, not only raises the quality of residents' lives, but also showcases a vibrant and involved community for residents and visitors alike.

- Relocate children's playground to a safer, more prominent location, as well as, expand and update equipment to address children's play at various stages of development.
 - ✦ New equipment could include Activity Panels for Toddlers, Sliding & Swinging for Preschoolers and Climbing Towers for School Age children.
 - ✦ Consider motion play equipment which includes merry-go-rounds and see saws, as well as, modern versions that encourage inclusivity of children with disabilities.
 - ✦ Incorporate adventure play elements such as wooden structures or a Pirate Ship that would provide an imaginative and interactive experience for children, as well as, a visually interesting landmark at Town Commons.
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- Expand dog park amenities and add a dog park located at Channel Run. Due to flooding conditions at various times of the year and lack of parking, this latter park does not lend itself to more than a green space with limited equipment and amenities.
 - ✧ Add a gazebo or other shelter to protect dog owners from the sun and rain.
 - ✧ Add crawl tunnels and agility hurdles for interactive activities for dogs.
 - Create an area to install a Pickleball court with a plan to add more if usage is as expected.
 - Re-purpose the Old Public Works building as a Fitness Facility as this was requested by half of the respondents. Equipment can be limited to a treadmill, stationary bike, rowing machine and free weights to begin.
 - Provide more shaded areas throughout Town Commons. This becomes especially important as we plan more outdoor amenities and activities.
 - Improve and expand restroom facilities.
 - Create a space for court games such as Bocce ball, Cornhole, Horse Shoes, etc.
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- Explore ways to create interlinked walking/nature trails perhaps enhanced with markers noting flora and fauna. And update/refurbish the existing walking/exercise circuit as it's outdated and could use a facelift.
- Refurbish or replace faded and rusted equipment at Barbara Drive Park. Provide some type of shelter or cover for existing benches. This park was unfamiliar to the great majority of respondents and none of the residents of the subdivision filled out the survey, therefore we don't see this as a priority or a need to allocate deep resources especially given the lack of parking and residents crossing a busy highway is probably not attractive.



We should note that while an outdoor pool was the most desired amenity by 60% of respondents—and almost half checked off an indoor pool—we are excluding pools from our recommendations as we understand feasibility and budget constraints. Nevertheless, several residents did note that a partnership or negotiated rates with the country club to access their pool could be a solution.

P&R Advisory Board Communications Recommendations

- Purchase an Outdoor Programmable Digital sign to eliminate the continuous cost of individual event signage. A high-quality sign with text, graphics and animation capabilities can be used by organizers from all of the Boards and Committees for events and programs and can greatly enhance residents' awareness of and participation in same.
- Provide new residents with information about the parks with an easy-to-access map on the Town website to increase visibility of the parks and amenities offered. There is currently only a map of the Walking Trail around Town Commons and it is not easily identified as a link. The vast majority of the respondents were not aware of Channel Run or Barbara Drive Parks, even those who have lived here for years.



Thank you for this opportunity to present our survey findings and for your consideration of our recommendations. Most of all, we appreciate your dedication to this community and to its continued growth and improvement.
