

RICHMOND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: 2013 SURVEY RESULTS

1 How long have you lived in Richmond:		Paper Results	Online	Total
	Less than 1 year	3	1	4
	1-5 years	3	9	12
	5-10 years	10	6	16
	10-25 years	12	13	25
	25+	15	9	24
2 Why do you live in Richmond: (Newsletter/Town Meeting)		Centrally located, community feel, countryside, river and architecture.		
	Online Answers:	Close to family, small town, small schools, community activities, centrally located.		
3 What special places in Richmond would you like to see preserved and/or enhanced: (Newsletter/Town Meeting)		Waterfront, downtown, older homes/Hathorn building, rail trail, town forest and rural character.		
	Online Answers:	Railroad track turned into bike trail, the library, waterfront, Swan Island, community events, Hathorn building, wildlife management and the farms.		
4 What places along the I-295 corridor in Richmond would you like to see protected from development:				
	Newsletter/Town Meeting Protected:	Wet areas, woodland areas and farmland.		
	Newsletter/Town Meeting Developed:	Route 197, Exit 43 area and Richmond corner.		
	Online Protected:	Waterfront, wetlands and farms.		
	Online Developed:	197 developed, exit 43 area, more downtown businesses, field near credit union, north of Richmond exit.		
5 What kinds of businesses would you like to attract to Richmond: (Newsletter/Town Meeting)		Supermarket, pharmacy, restaurants, production, transportation, antiques.		
	Online Answers:	Variety, call center, grocery, pharmacy, off-site campus, shops.		
6 What are some needed bicycle and pedestrian improvements: (Newsletter/Town Meeting)		Bike lane on Route #24, rail trails, maintain sidewalks, additional sidewalks on Kimball, South Pleasant Street, bike lanes, (No changes or additions)		
	Online Answers:	Rail trail, bike paths, path between High Street and High School.		
7 If you have children who attend local schools how do they commute:				
	Walk	3	6	9
	Bike	1	1	2
	Other	6	20	26

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8	<i>What route do they take: (Newsletter/Town Meeting)</i>	Main Street to High Street, Williams Street to High School, Alexander Reed to High Street, path from High Street to High School (majority did not answer)		
	Online Answers:	Main Street, Pleasant Street, path between High Street and High School.		
9	<i>What areas of town do you think are appropriate for future residential development: (Newsletter/Town Meeting)</i>	Outside of the downtown, Route 197, 201, Lincoln and Route 24, Alexander Reed and Williams Street.		
	Online Answers:	Trailer park, Lincoln, New Road, Beedle Road, keep as private roads, Williams Street field, leave intown for commercial uses.		
10	<i>What is your vision for the library: (Newsletter/Town Meeting)</i>	Attractive intown library, more computers, better book selection, reading areas, ample parking, easy maintenance (Some do not want a library).		
	Online Answers:	Downtown, computers, ebooks, combination building-combine uses.		
11	<i>Do you attend any of the following events:</i>			
	Richmond Days	32	36	68
	Halloween Festival	14	29	43
	Holiday Tree Lighting	14	23	37
	Music at the Market-concert series	24	21	45
12	<i>Do you want the town of Richmond to continue to organize Richmond Days, the Halloween Festival, Holiday Tree Lighting and the Music at the Market-waterfront concert series:</i>			
	Yes	32	29	61
	No	3	0	3
13	<i>Suggestions for improving events: (Newsletter/Town Meeting)</i>	Advertising, healthy food options, raffles, fair type rides, contest, arts and crafts, local foods, clubs and organizations participate more in parade, parking and benches.		
	Online Answer:	More artists and local crafters, special draw for Richmond Days, local volunteers and contests.		
14	<i>Do you want the town to organize any other events: (Newsletter/Town Meeting)</i>			
	Yes	9		
	No	6		

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	Newsletter/Town Meeting Event Ideas:	Charitable event, auction, contest: cooking, sewing, pickling, livestock, art in the park, skating rink, local tours of homes, gardens, businesses, spring and winter events.					
	Online Event Ideas:	Winter carnival, ice skating rink, Richmond Players, more adult events (events already provided sufficient).					
15	<i>Are you interested in periodic family movie nights at the waterfront park:</i>						
	Yes	21	28	49			
	No	14	10	24			
16	<i>Where else in Town would you like to see events and announcements posted: (Newsletter/Town Meeting)</i>	Website, facebook, KJ, local stores, Main Street entering town, Lane Field, mass mailings, area street postings, sign near exit 43 and waterfront park.					
	Online Answers:	Town signs on Main and Front Streets, sign similar to schools, better kiosk on Main Street, a sign in front of the Fire Station, sse the schools.					
	21 Newsletter Surveys						
	22 Town Meeting Surveys						
	38 Online Surveys						
	Total 81 Surveys						