



# Quality Community Initiative Survey

A Report to Commerce City

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# QUALITY COMMUNITY INITIATIVE SURVEY

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A REPORT TO COMMERCE CITY

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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### OVERVIEW

This public opinion study is one part of a larger effort to hear from citizens of Commerce City, Colorado on their priorities for their community as well as funding preferences. In early 2012, Commerce City formed the Quality Community Initiative (QCI) stakeholder group. The purpose of the QCI stakeholder group is to advise and present recommendations to City Council on strategies to achieve long-term, well-supported goals to improve the Commerce City community.

One challenge is that while the City's operating budget is balanced, there is not enough funding for capital maintenance (large maintenance projects like street paving overlays). In addition, new parks and streets will need to be built in the future to meet the growing needs of the community, but there is not enough funding available. The QCI group was tasked with studying those funding shortfalls.

This report summarizes survey research completed with Commerce City residents to ascertain their priorities and preferences.

### KEY FINDINGS

In this section, key findings from the survey results are highlighted. All results, including open-ended responses, can be found in the section entitled [Detailed Tables & Open-Ended Responses](#). Data are included for the city as a whole, as well as for respondents in the north and south parts of the city (using 96<sup>th</sup> Avenue as a boundary).

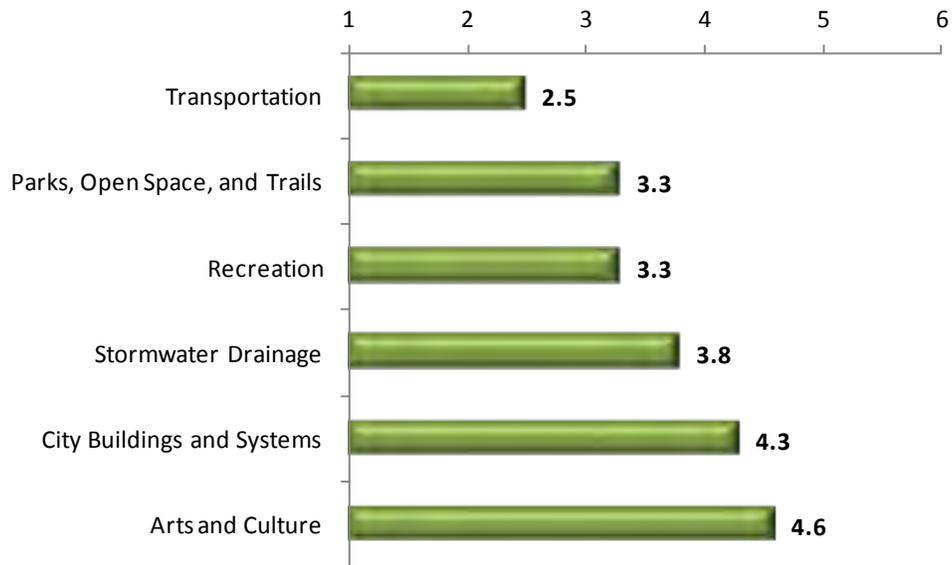
### WHAT DO CITIZENS BELIEVE NEEDS THE MOST IMPROVEMENT?

On a scale of 1 to 6, where 1 is the most important need and 6 is the least important need, citizens believed "transportation" (average ranking of 2.5) was the area most in need of improvement among the six options presented to them. "Parks, open space, and trails" and "recreation" were ranked second (3.3 each). Other infrastructure including "stormwater drainage" and "city buildings and systems" was ranked, on average, fourth and fifth. "Arts and culture" had the lowest average ranking of 4.6. *Exhibits on next page.*

Both the northern and southern regions of Commerce City were similar in the top and bottom rankings, with "transportation" being the highest average ranked need and "arts and culture" being among the lowest (in the south, "arts and culture" was slightly higher than "city buildings and systems," the lowest ranked need).

Where the northern and southern regions of Commerce City diverged, however, was with parks and recreation. Northern residents, on average, ranked “parks, open space, and trails” and “recreation” as their second and third top needs, followed by “city buildings and systems” and “stormwater drainage” as their third and fourth, respectively. On the other hand, southern residents, on average, ranked “stormwater drainage” as their second-highest need followed by parks and recreation.

Exhibit 1. Ranked Areas for Improvement - Overall



Mean rankings. 1 = Most Important Need; 6 = Least Important Need. Lower number indicates higher priority.

Exhibit 2. Ranked Areas for Improvement – By Region

	Overall	South	North
Transportation	2.5	2.5	2.6
Parks, Open Space, and Trails	3.3	3.6	2.8
Recreation	3.3	3.7	2.9
Stormwater Drainage	3.8	3.4	4.3
City Buildings and Systems	4.3	4.6	4.0
Arts and Culture	4.6	4.5	4.6

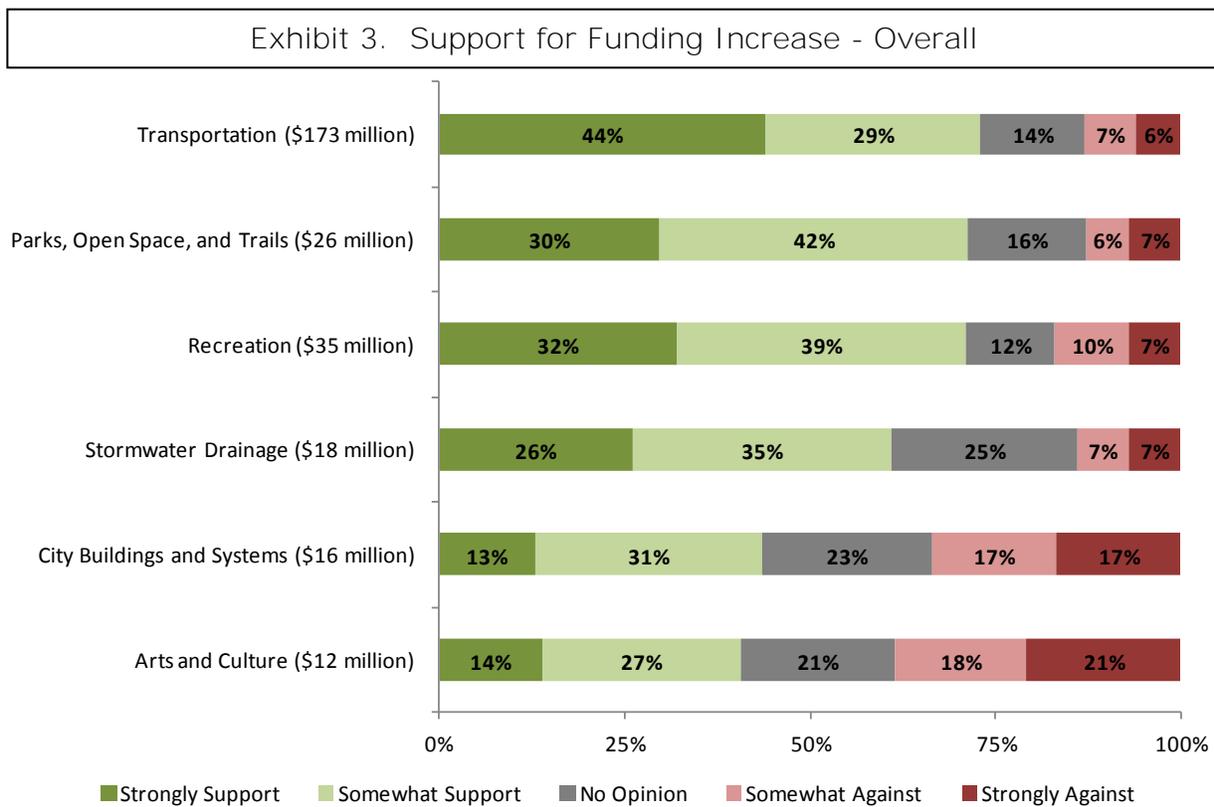
Mean rankings. 1 = Most Important Need; 6 = Least Important Need. Lower number indicates higher priority.

“Other” comments, which can be found under [Detailed Tables & Open-Ended Responses](#), also reinforced transportation as the top priority, with many of the comments being related to specific transportation needs or projects. Other common themes were related to “cleaning up the city” and “economic development.”

## WHAT IS THE LEVEL OF SUPPORT FOR FUNDING INCREASES IN EACH POTENTIAL PRIORITY AREA?

Citizen support for funding mirrored their priorities above for community needs in Commerce City. “Transportation” received the highest support, followed by “parks, open space, and trails” and “recreation.” “Arts and culture” received the least amount of support for increased funding. In addition to receiving the least amount of “strongly” or “somewhat” support, “arts and culture” had the largest proportion of citizens against increased funding, including both “strongly” or “somewhat” against. However, all six areas had more support than opposition.

The value of the unfunded priority improvement needs (in parenthesis after each area) is roughly positively correlated with support. As the unfunded need increased, so too did the level of support. However, it is important to note that this does not imply causation (i.e., support is not necessarily derived by need).



One quarter of respondents indicated “no opinion” on funding increase with “stormwater drainage” and slightly more than one-in-five indicated “no opinion” with “city buildings and systems” and “arts and culture.”

Within regions of Commerce City, we see similar patterns to their priorities on the first question with a few small differences. Parks and recreation receive stronger support for funding increases in the north (essentially tied with “transportation”), while “stormwater drainage” receives greater support in the south (also second to “transportation”). On the other end, “arts and culture” received support (“strongly” or “somewhat”) from 41 percent of both north and south residents. This was the area of least support among northern residents, while southern residents indicated less support for “city buildings and systems” (38 percent). The north was generally more supportive of all areas compared to the south, with the exception of “stormwater drainage.”

Exhibit 4. Support for Funding Increase – By Region

	Overall	South	North
Transportation (\$173 million)	<b>73%</b>	70%	76%
Parks, Open Space, and Trails (\$26 million)	<b>72%</b>	65%	80%
Recreation (\$35 million)	<b>71%</b>	66%	76%
Stormwater Drainage (\$18 million)	<b>61%</b>	67%	54%
City Buildings and Systems (\$16 million)	<b>44%</b>	38%	51%
Arts and Culture (\$12 million)	<b>41%</b>	41%	41%

*Percent “strongly” or “somewhat” support.*

## HOW DO CITIZENS PRIORITIZE PROJECTS FOR...?

In addition to asking overall priorities, the survey explored priorities within the four top areas. (No subcategories for “stormwater drainage” or “arts and culture” were explored.) When interpreting the following rankings, it is important to keep in mind the overall rankings. Furthermore, rankings within one category cannot be compared to rankings of another category as respondents ranked them exclusively and not necessarily in consideration of the other categories.

### CITY BUILDINGS AND SYSTEMS

Building a police substation was ranked, on average, the highest priority among the provided options for City buildings and systems. This was especially true in the north. Phase 2 of expanding the municipal service center was the lowest priority, both overall and within each region. Expanding IT and Phase 1 of the municipal service center were closely ranked as second and third priorities.

Exhibit 5. Priorities: City Buildings and Systems – By Region

	Overall	South	North
Build police substation	<b>2.0</b>	2.2	1.6
Expand Information Technology Infrastructure	<b>2.5</b>	2.5	2.5
Expand Municipal Service Center (Phase 1)	<b>2.6</b>	2.5	2.7
Expand Municipal Service Center (Phase 2)	<b>2.9</b>	2.8	3.1

*Mean rankings. 1 = Top Priority; 4 = Lowest Priority. Lower number indicates higher priority.*

## PARKS, TRAILS, AND OPEN SPACE

Within “Parks, trails, and open space,” building three neighborhood parks received more support than building one community park or expanding the trail system. While this was true within each region, the preference for neighborhood parks over one community park was especially strong in the south. In the north, there was only a slight preference for neighborhood parks over community parks.

Exhibit 6. Priorities: Parks, Trails, And Open Space – By Region

	Overall	South	North
Build three new neighborhood parks	<b>1.8</b>	1.8	1.8
Build one new community park	<b>2.1</b>	2.3	2.0
Expand trail system	<b>2.1</b>	2.0	2.1

*Mean rankings. 1 = Top Priority; 3 = Lowest Priority. Lower number indicates higher priority.*

## RECREATION

Overall, a “new recreation center,” “existing recreation center improvements,” and “outdoor aquatic facility” were tied for the top priority in recreation. Within each region, we see that the north has a higher preference for a “new recreation center” followed closely by an “outdoor aquatic center.” In the south, there is preference for improvements to the existing recreation center over a new recreation center.

Improvements to the Buffalo Run Golf Course were, on average, ranked the lowest.

Exhibit 7. Priorities: Recreation – By Region

	Overall	South	North
New Recreation Center	<b>2.2</b>	2.2	2.1
Existing Recreation Center Improvements	<b>2.2</b>	1.9	2.4
Outdoor Aquatic Facility	<b>2.2</b>	2.2	2.2
Buffalo Run Golf Course Improvements	<b>3.2</b>	3.4	3.0

*Mean rankings. 1 = Top Priority; 4 = Lowest Priority. Lower number indicates higher priority.*

## TRANSPORTATION

Within transportation, which was ranked the most important area for improvement overall, “new road construction/improving roads” was ranked, on average, the highest priority (2.2 average ranking). It was only by a slim margin that it ranked on above “railroad grade separations” and “road widening,” which had averaging rankings of 2.3 and 2.4, respectively.

Comparing the two regions, we see several differences. While new road construction and improvements was, on average, ranked as the top priority in the south, it was ranked as the third priority in the north. Top priorities in the north included road widening and railroad grade separations. The south considered “traffic

signal upgrades” second to new road construction and improvements, whereas the north considered “traffic signal upgrades” as the least important priority of the four options.

Exhibit 8. Priorities: Transportation – By Region

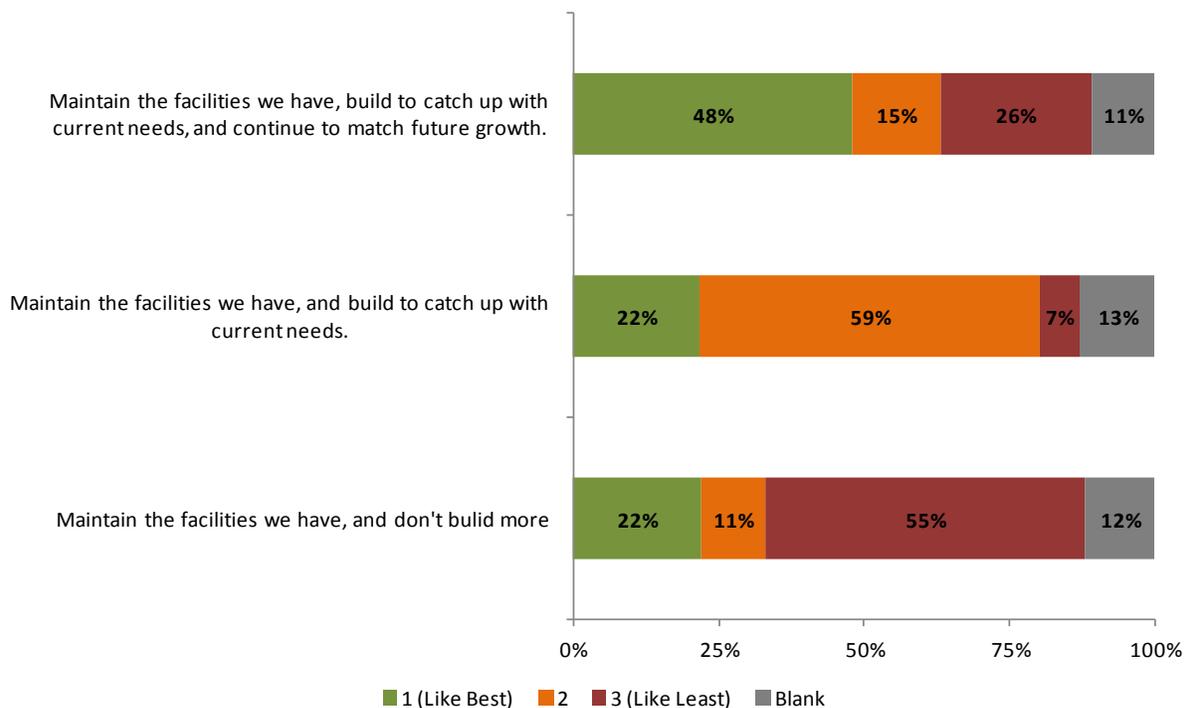
	Overall	South	North
New road construction/ improving roads	2.2	1.9	2.6
Railroad grade separations	2.3	2.5	2.1
Road widening	2.4	2.7	2.0
Traffic signal upgrades	2.6	2.3	2.9

Mean rankings. 1 = Top Priority; 4 = Lowest Priority. Lower number indicates higher priority.

### WHAT IS THE PREFERENCE FOR MAINTAINING VERSUS BUILDING?

Respondents were asked to rank their general preferences for maintaining versus building facilities. While respondents, on average, ranked “maintain – build to catch up – match future growth” and “maintain – build to catch up” the same (shown in the graph below), the structure of their preferences was quite different. There were greater proportions ranking “maintain – build to catch up – match future growth” first and last, while “maintain – match future growth” had more people rank it second. The “maintain – build to catch up – match future growth” scenario has the more support, but also more opposition, than the more conservative “maintain – build to catch up” option. It was clear, though, that these two options are preferred over having no building.

Exhibit 9. Maintain vs. Build Scenarios - Overall



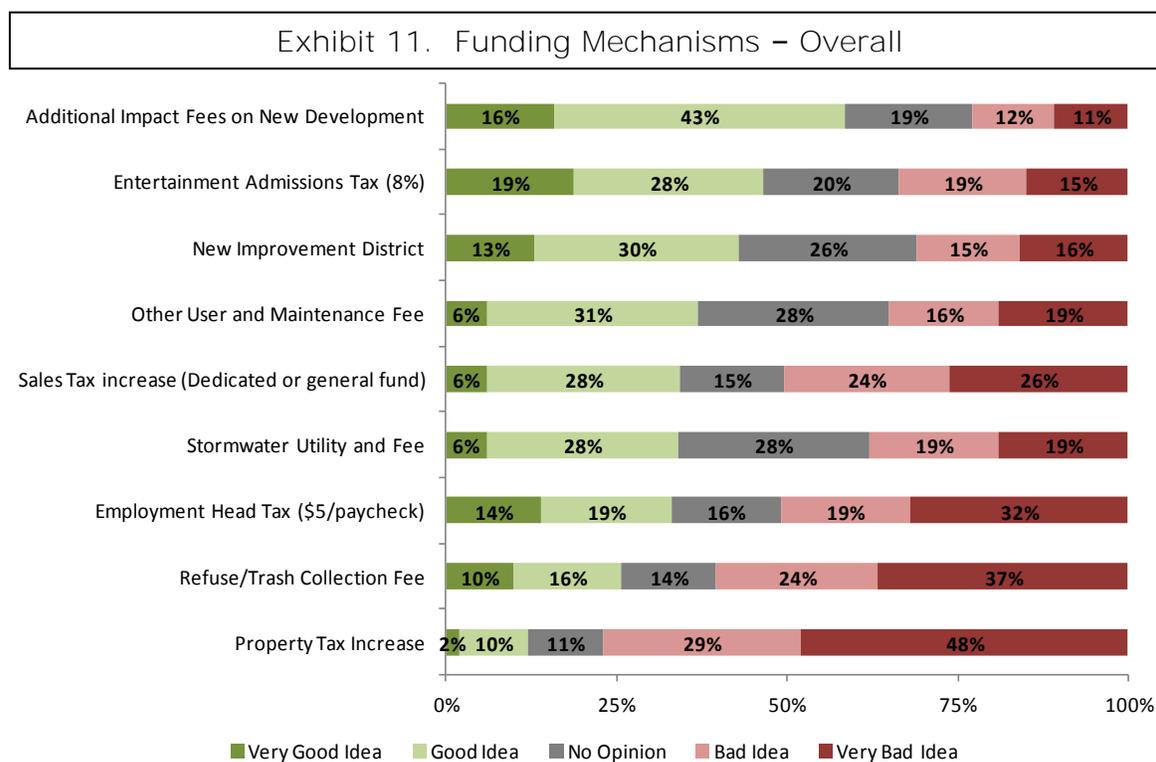
Residents in the south were more conservative about building any facilities and rank the “maintain only” option higher, though that option was still lower than the other two options.

Exhibit 10. Maintain vs. Build Scenarios – By Region			
	Overall	South	North
Maintain the facilities we have, build to catch up with current needs, and continue to match future growth.	1.8	1.8	1.7
Maintain the facilities we have, and build to catch up with current needs.	1.9	1.9	1.8
Maintain the facilities we have, and don't build more	2.4	2.3	2.5

Mean rankings. 1 = Top Preference; 3 = Lowest Preference. Lower number indicates higher preference.

### WHAT IS THE GENERAL PREFERENCE FOR FUNDING MECHANISMS?

Respondents generally preferred “additional impact fees on new development” more than any other option. It is the only option to receive more than one-half of respondents indicating “very good” or “good.” With the exception of “entertainment admissions tax,” tax increases were among the least popular options (including sales tax increase, employment head tax, and property tax). In general, the broader the base of the fee or tax, the less popular it was; whereas taxes or fees that would perhaps be levied on a smaller group of individuals (and perhaps ‘other’ individuals besides the broad base of current residents) were more popular.



While we see a similar trend in preferences overall by region, there was little consistency apart from the most popular and least popular mechanisms. With every mechanism, northern residents were more likely to indicate it was a “good” or “very good” idea, with the largest differences seen in improvement districts and a refuse/trash collection fee.

Exhibit 12. Funding Mechanisms – By Region			
	Overall	South	North
Additional Impact Fees on New Development	59%	54%	63%
Entertainment Admissions Tax (8%)	47%	41%	53%
New Improvement District	43%	30%	59%
Other User and Maintenance Fees	37%	35%	40%
Stormwater Utility and Fee	34%	33%	36%
Sales Tax increase (Dedicated or general fund)	34%	29%	39%
Employment Head Tax (\$5/paycheck)	33%	30%	35%
Refuse/Trash Collection Fee	26%	18%	35%
Property Tax Increase	12%	10%	13%

*Percent “very good” or “good” idea.*

## SUMMARY

In summary, this survey suggests the following main points:

- ➔ **Transportation is seen as the highest priority area for improvement** both in the north and the south. Overall, arts and culture is the lowest priority area for improvement.
  - ⇒ General support for funding follows similar trends – greater support for transportation funding increases and less support for arts and culture funding increases.
  - ⇒ While preferences and support for transportation and arts and culture were similar between the north and south, preferences and support for other priority areas differed. The north had greater need and support for parks and recreation, while the south had a greater need and support for stormwater drainage improvements.
- ➔ Within top-level priority areas:
  - ⇒ Priorities for the types of **transportation** projects varied between north and south. New road construction/improving roads were a higher priority in the south while road widening and railroad grade separations were higher priorities in the north.
  - ⇒ Within **parks, trails, and open space**, building three new neighborhood parks was the top priority, especially in the south.
  - ⇒ Within **recreation**, a “new recreation center,” “existing recreation center improvements” and “outdoor aquatic facility” were all tied as the top priority. Within regions, the north

slightly favored a new recreation center over an outdoor aquatic facility and the south favored improvements to the existing recreation center. Improvements to the Buffalo Run Gold Course were seen as the lowest priority, on average.

- ⇒ Building a police substation was the top priority under “**city buildings and systems**,” especially in the north. “City buildings and systems,” however, was generally seen as a lower priority area for improvement than the other areas, with the exception of “arts and culture.”
- Generally, priorities are likely aligned with what residents see and are impacted by on a regular basis. For instance, roads, parks, and a police substation were higher priorities than arts and culture, stormwater drainage, or technology infrastructure.
- Taxes were generally the least popular funding options. In general, the taxes and fees that would impact a broader base of individuals were less popular; taxes or fees that would likely be levied on a smaller proportion of the population, or to specific users, were more popular.
- Northern residents were generally more supportive of funding increases in each priority area as well as with specific funding mechanisms.

# METHODOLOGY & DEMOGRAPHICS

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## METHODOLOGY

Corona summarizes the steps taken in this research below.

### SURVEY DESIGN

The survey instrument for this project was designed via a collaboration of key staff from Corona Insights and Commerce City, with input and review by the QCI committee. The primary research goals guided survey development with attention also paid to the intricacies of mail survey research. Due to the complexity of the topics covered, Corona and the City worked to provide additional background information on each project need and funding source within the survey itself, so respondents could provide more informed responses. Corona also drafted cover letters, reminder postcards, reminder cover letters, and provided sample language to the City for their announcement letter, as discussed later.

This survey was offered in both English and Spanish language options. The City provided translation services (Corona provided translation services on the reminder cover letter and postcard, as well as Spanish open-ended responses). A copy of the survey instrument can be found in the [Appendix](#).

### SAMPLING

Households were randomly selected from a list of Commerce City residential addresses provided by Commerce City. The City provided a full list of known residences and Corona randomly selected households to be sent a survey. Corona first stratified the sample to ensure both north and south regions (defined as north or south of 96<sup>th</sup> Avenue) of the City were adequately represented. Where possible, Corona also appended a name to the address via a commercial list broker so the letter could be properly addressed (which improves response rate).

Participants' responses were kept confidential and not linked to their responses. As part of the survey mailing, respondents could indicate an interest in participating in future public QCI meetings. Those who responded with interest provided their contact information, which was passed on to the City in a separate file without any additional survey response data.

### SURVEY EXECUTION

Corona worked with City staff to execute the survey. Data collection ran from the end of August through October, 2012. The process for the mailing was as follows:

1. The City sent an **announcement letter**, in both English and Spanish, to those households that would receive a survey alerting them to the upcoming survey and to encourage participation.
2. A few days later Corona sent a **survey packet**, containing the survey booklet and an additional cover letter explaining the purpose of the study and the importance of hearing from them. An online response option was also provided. Both the mailed surveys and online option were available in Spanish and English.

3. After approximately 2 weeks a **postcard reminder** was sent to households who had not responded. This included a copy of the online link and their unique log-in information. This included both Spanish and English language options.
4. After approximately another 2 weeks, Corona sent a **second survey packet** to those households who had not responded. This included both Spanish and English language options.
5. Due to low response rates in the southern region, Corona sent an **additional mailing** to a fresh sample of households. The survey content was the same, but only offered in English. Due to time constraints this mailing did not include a pre mailing, postcard, second survey mailing, or online response option.

The survey mailing also offered residents an opportunity to respond online. Corona programmed and manage an online survey, including a Spanish language option, that residents could access to respond. Access was controlled through unique PINs provided on the mailed surveys to ensure that one person could not respond to both the mail and online survey, or provide multiple online responses.

Corona has used similar processes for community surveys to great success. It is based on the “Total Design Method” by Dr. Don Dillman. While this method typically results in a strong response rate, as is seen in the following section, response rate fell short of expectations. We did deviate slightly from the method for reasons of practicality and budget by not offering an incentive for participation. However, determining the reason for the lower than expected (though still sufficient) response is difficult at best.

## RESPONSE RATES

In total, 421 surveys were completed. The table below summarizes response rates by region and mailing. Mail and online responses are combined in the following table. Forty-five surveys were completed online.

Disposition	Mailing to First Sample	Mailing to Additional Sample	Total
<b>Surveys Sent</b>			
North	965	200	<u>1,165</u>
South	965	2,000	<u>2,965</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>1,930</u>	<u>2,200</u>	<u>4,130</u>
<b>Undeliverable</b>	<u>158</u>	<u>239</u>	<u>397</u>
<b>Returned Completed</b>			
North	203	33	<u>236</u>
South	90	81	<u>171</u>
<b>Total (includes unknown region)</b>	<u>305</u>	<u>116</u>	<u>421</u>
<b>Response Rates</b>			
North (raw)	21%	17%	<u>20%</u>
South (raw)	9%	4%	<u>6%</u>
<b>Total (includes unknown region excludes undeliverables)</b>	<u>17%</u>	<u>6%</u>	<u>10%</u>

This next table summarizes the margin of error at the 95 percent confidence level for the overall City population and each region of analysis. Margins of error take into account the weighting factors used, which will reduce the margin of error to the extent the weights differ from each other.

Population	Margin of Error
North	$\pm 8.4\%$
South	$\pm 9.9\%$
Overall	$\pm 6.3\%$

*Smaller margins of error represent more confidence in the findings.*

## ANALYSIS

Corona's first step in analysis was to clean the data. This step involves checking for errant values (e.g., ages out of range), incomplete responses (e.g., blank surveys), and duplicate responses (e.g., survey completed online *and* via mail). Very few responses (four) were removed or otherwise cleaned for this survey. Next, to ensure that the findings were representative of the overall City population, Corona applied corrective weightings. Weightings are used to correct for potential response bias caused by some subpopulations being more likely to respond compared to other subpopulations. For instance, females are often more likely to respond than males to surveys, as was the case in this survey, as well. Also, in the case of this survey, weightings were particularly important given the lower response rate from the south.

The final sample was weighted based on region (approximately north or south of 96<sup>th</sup> Ave. based on Census tracts), gender, and age. All analysis and findings represent the weighted findings to more accurately represent the opinion of the overall City population and residents within each region.

Analysis included examining both the overall results and results segmented by north and south regions, as defined by north or south of 96<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

## DEMOGRAPHICS

When interpreting the results of this survey, it is important to keep in mind the population represented in the responses. Here we briefly summarize respondents in key demographic terms. These figures represent the weighted responses (after correcting for response bias, as noted) and accurately reflect the study population analyzed in this report.

### GENDER

	Overall	South	North
Male	51%	51%	51%
Female	49%	49%	49%

### AGE

	Overall	South	North
18-34	26%	20%	32%
35-44	34%	33%	35%
45-54	14%	13%	16%
55-64	15%	17%	12%
65+	11%	16%	5%

### REGION

	Overall	South	North
South of 96th	54%	100%	-
North of 96th	46%	-	100%

### TIME LIVED IN COMMERCE CITY

	Overall	South	North
Less than 5	25%	18%	32%
5-9	33%	18%	50%
10-14	11%	10%	11%
15-19	4%	6%	2%
20+	28%	48%	5%

# DETAILED TABLES & OPEN-ENDED RESPONSES

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## OVERVIEW

The following pages contain detailed analysis tables for each of the questions asked on the survey. Each of these tables presents the results of the question cross-tabulated by the overall population and by region (north or south of 96<sup>th</sup> Avenue).

These analyses are useful in not only presenting the tabulations of the results, but also drawing comparisons about how different groups of respondents vary in their responses. All open-ended responses have been reproduced verbatim, with no changes to grammar, spelling, or content.

## INTERPRETATION

- ➔ These tables are presented in order to give readers a general sense about how various groups responded to the survey.
- ➔ In each table, the row heading contains all of the answers given by respondents to the question. The column heading contains each of the various subpopulations being examined (e.g. north, south). Therefore, the distribution of answers to each question is shown in each vertical column.
- ➔ As noted above under [methodology](#), the survey instrument provided additional background information and explanation. Viewing the survey, provided in the [Appendix](#), may be useful in interpreting these results.
- ➔ Note that the percentages provided in these tables may vary slightly from those shown in report exhibits (typically 1 percent or less) due to rounding and/or variances in the way that “no reply” responses are handled.

## SECTION 1: OVERALL COMMUNITY NEEDS

Q1. THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF POTENTIAL AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT WITHIN COMMERCE CITY'S COMMUNITY. PLEASE RANK EACH ITEM FROM (1) MOST NEEDS IMPROVEMENT TO (6) LEAST NEEDS IMPROVEMENT IN YOUR OPINION, WITHOUT CONSIDERATION FOR THE COSTS OF SUCH IMPROVEMENTS. YOU CAN ALSO ADD AND RANK OTHER AREAS IF YOU WISH.

	Total	Area of CC	
		South	North
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	407	171	236
<i>Weighted</i>	442	238	204
<b>Arts and Culture</b>			
<b>1 (most needs improvement)</b>	5%	5%	4%
<b>2</b>	6%	7%	6%
<b>3</b>	17%	19%	15%
<b>4</b>	11%	10%	12%
<b>5</b>	13%	9%	18%
<b>6 (least needs improvement)</b>	36%	34%	38%
<b>Not ranked</b>	12%	17%	7%
<b>Mean</b>	4.6	4.5	4.6

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		South	North
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	407	171	236
<i>Weighted</i>	442	238	204
<b>City Buildings and Systems</b>			
<b>1 (most needs improvement)</b>	6%	5%	6%
<b>2</b>	10%	6%	14%
<b>3</b>	12%	10%	14%
<b>4</b>	14%	10%	18%
<b>5</b>	28%	30%	25%
<b>6 (least needs improvement)</b>	20%	23%	17%
<b>Not ranked</b>	11%	15%	7%
<b>Mean</b>	4.3	4.6	4.0

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<b>Parks, Open Space, and Trails</b>			
<b>1 (most needs improvement)</b>	<b>17%</b>	11%	23%
<b>2</b>	<b>15%</b>	10%	21%
<b>3</b>	<b>22%</b>	21%	22%
<b>4</b>	<b>17%</b>	20%	14%
<b>5</b>	<b>10%</b>	12%	8%
<b>6 (least needs improvement)</b>	<b>11%</b>	15%	7%
<b>Not ranked</b>	<b>8%</b>	10%	6%
<b>Mean</b>	<b>3.3</b>	3.6	2.8

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<b>Recreation</b>			
<b>1 (most needs improvement)</b>	<b>15%</b>	7%	25%
<b>2</b>	<b>17%</b>	13%	20%
<b>3</b>	<b>16%</b>	18%	15%
<b>4</b>	<b>24%</b>	26%	21%
<b>5</b>	<b>9%</b>	11%	6%
<b>6 (least needs improvement)</b>	<b>11%</b>	14%	7%
<b>Not ranked</b>	<b>9%</b>	11%	6%
<b>Mean</b>	<b>3.3</b>	3.7	2.9

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<b>1 (most needs improvement)</b>	9%	12%	6%
<b>2</b>	17%	24%	10%
<b>3</b>	15%	17%	12%
<b>4</b>	15%	12%	18%
<b>5</b>	17%	10%	25%
<b>6 (least needs improvement)</b>	17%	13%	21%
<b>Not ranked</b>	10%	12%	8%
<b>Mean</b>	3.8	3.4	4.3

	Total	Area of CC	
		South	North
<b>Base</b>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	407	171	236
<i>Weighted</i>	442	238	204
<b>Transportation</b>			
<b>1 (most needs improvement)</b>	35%	34%	37%
<b>2</b>	22%	28%	16%
<b>3</b>	12%	8%	16%
<b>4</b>	7%	3%	12%
<b>5</b>	6%	5%	7%
<b>6 (least needs improvement)</b>	9%	12%	7%
<b>Not ranked</b>	8%	10%	5%
<b>Mean</b>	2.5	2.5	2.6

*Other Areas for Improvement*

*Note that all open-ended comments are presented verbatim.*

- > Abandoned buildings need to be demolished or sold; i.e. old High school, properties that are vacant
- > ACCESS TO PENA FROM TOWER, WESTBOND) WIDEN TOWER.
- > Additional Dog Parks
- > affordable place to swim
- > Allowing parking cars in front yard; conduct business from residential area; yards not in shape
- > Apartment buildings

- > APPEARANCE- DECREASING WEEDS, FALLING FENCES, PLANT MORE TREES
- > Because I'm new to the area, I'm unable to pick.
- > Better control on jaywalking and people puking on lawns, noise control
- > Better water; I have put in a new water heater every 1-2 years at my home.
- > Bike trails
- > Bingo - Burger King - thrift stores - \$1 or \$2 movies for kids - bus to go to casino
- > Bowling, theaters, stop catering majority so-called needs
- > BRIDGES FOR RAILROADS
- > Build a college for all these single parents and day care
- > Businesses
- > Can't drink the water
- > city bus service
- > City ordinances
- > Clean up dog track
- > CLEANER PARKING LOTS AND STREETS
- > Cleaning up the appearance of the city
- > Cleanup poor areas
- > Day care
- > Deal with code enforcement, specifically the horses.
- > Development of more Water Storage
- > DO MORE WITH LESS. ALL HOUSEHOLD ARE DOING IT. YOU WORK FOR US, YOU DO IT TOO!!!!
- > Dog Park - perhaps on old Adams City School grounds?
- > Economic development/Entertainment programs and incentives
- > Education
- > Emergency Preparation/Medical (hospital)
- > Fast Tracks
- > Fire Department needs full time staff out by Reunion
- > funding for schools
- > GAS STATION/CONVENIENCE STORE NEAR HWY 85 104TH-120TH
- > Getting more retail
- > help park clean
- > HIRE MORE AMERICAN RESIDENTS THAT DON'T SPEAK SPANISH. MORE ANGLO SAXON RESIDENCE
- > Homeless transitions
- > HOSPITALS
- > ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS
- > Improve the condition of Buffalo Run Golf Course
- > information, communication with public
- > Issues with the Trains blocking traffic
- > Laws that restrict loud car stereo music/more name brand retail/redevelop Hwy 2
- > LEARNING ENGLISH.

- > Less gov't rules & regs., budget - decrease expenditures/city fees & include rainy day fund
- > Library in North area
- > LightRail Access in Northern Commerce City and Upscale Restaurants / Bars
- > Mainstream shopping and sit down dining (Chili's, Applebees, Starbucks, etc.)
- > Maintenance on run-down properties - get the slum lords to care for the homes!
- > Make people clean up property on Hwy 2
- > MORE COMMERCIAL:SHOPPING, RESTAURANTS FOR ECONOMIC GROWTH
- > More shops & restaurants/bars
- > NEED BUS STOP AT CITY AND COUNTY BUILDING. NEED SWIMMING POOL.
- > Need something to cover trailers cts & yards that are trashy - esp. around schools
- > Neighborhood police patrol
- > Noise control, traffic congestion
- > North Commerce City - we pay all the BIG taxes and have nothing in our areas/older CC gets it all
- > Northside needs more
- > OLD COMMERCE CITY
- > Open area with dirt (blow around dirt)
- > Pave busy roads!
- > PAVING CITY STREETS
- > police & firefighters (full-time/full-staff fire station @ Reunion - like So Adams Fire Dept)
- > police fire
- > Police quality
- > Prevent trains from stopping on tracks (112th & Hwy 85)
- > PROHIBITION OF FRACKING
- > PUBLIC SAFETY. NO COMMERCIAL VEHICLES IN SCHOOL ZONES AND RESIDENTIAL STREETS. SPEED LIMITS
- > Public transportation
- > QUALITY OF DRINKING WATER.
- > QUIT WASTING OUR TAX MONEY BY PRINTING STUFF IN SPANISH
- > RAILROAD CROSSINGS BUILD AN OVERPASS ON THE LIGHTS ON 72ND WHERE THE TRAIN TRACKS ARE.
- > Railroad schedule
- > Recruiting small businesses
- > Removal of landscaping/energy conservation
- > Repave Monaco
- > RESTAURANTS, SHOPPING, POST OFFICE, SCHOOLS.
- > Retail (restaurants, stores, malls, etc.)
- > REVERSE OSMOSIS WATER FILTRATION
- > Roads and sidewalks
- > Roads/Highways
- > roadways across arsenal; tower to Pena ramp; silent RR crossings (Potomac & Hwy 2)
- > RTD LIGHT RAIL/BUS SERVICE

- > SAFETY-MORE POLICE ON STREETS
- > Schools- If we don't fix them first. How are we going to fix the rest?
- > Senior citizens building
- > Shopping around the older part of town
- > Shopping stores
- > SICK OF EVERYTHING IN SPANISH
- > Sidewalks (wider, neater)
- > Sidewalks on 112th and 120th
- > Snow removal 60th Way
- > SOCIAL SERVICES FOR THE DISABLED.
- > Stop spending and better snow removal on the streets
- > STOP SPENDING FOR A WHILE.
- > Street light maintenance
- > Street maintenance - cracks in black top
- > street paving, repairing, lighting, weight ordinances (esp. 104th to Sable & Potomac to Blackhawk)
- > Street repair and upkeep
- > Street signal lights
- > Streets
- > Streets are terrible.
- > Streets to cover the bumps, sewer crossing
- > Traffic light at 104th and Potomac to assist with school traffic. Expand Hwy 2 from 104th to 72nd
- > trains
- > Transportation, infrastructure, maintenance
- > un lugar con albercas (translated: a place with swimming pools)
- > Variety eating, bowling, movies - businesses to keep us spending money here!
- > Water quality is bad - city needs to work with So Adams Water
- > Water quality/basic services (i.e., police, fire, etc.)
- > WATER.... We are still the laughing stock of the state when it comes to drinking water.
- > WIDENING TOWER RD. PENA ACCESS RAMP
- > You have put all new buildings already - why would you want more?
- > You make citizens cut weeds; the city should do the same.

Q2. WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING SCENARIOS WOULD YOU PREFER AS THEY RELATE TO THE SIX SERVICE AREAS DESCRIBED IN QUESTION 1? **PLEASE RANK THE SCENARIOS BELOW WITH 1 FOR THE OPTION YOU LIKE BEST, 2 FOR YOUR SECOND-MOST PREFERRED OPTION, AND 3 FOR THE OPTION YOU LIKE LEAST.**

	Total	Area of CC	
		South	North
<b>Base</b>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	407	171	236
<i>Weighted</i>	442	238	204
<b>Maintain the facilities we have, and don't build more</b>			
<b>1 (like best)</b>	22%	25%	20%
<b>2</b>	11%	11%	10%
<b>3 (like least)</b>	55%	46%	65%
<b>Not ranked</b>	12%	19%	5%
<b>Mean</b>	2.4	2.3	2.5

	Total	Area of CC	
		South	North
<b>Base</b>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	407	171	236
<i>Weighted</i>	442	238	204
<b>Maintain the facilities we have, and build to catch up with current needs.</b>			
<b>1 (like best)</b>	22%	16%	28%
<b>2</b>	59%	57%	61%
<b>3 (like least)</b>	7%	7%	6%
<b>Not ranked</b>	13%	19%	5%
<b>Mean</b>	1.9	1.9	1.8

	Total	Area of CC	
		South	North
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	407	171	236
<i>Weighted</i>	442	238	204
Maintain the facilities we have, build to catch up with current needs, and continue to match future growth.			
1 (like best)	48%	46%	50%
2	15%	9%	23%
3 (like least)	26%	28%	23%
Not ranked	11%	17%	4%
Mean	1.8	1.8	1.7

Q3. PLEASE INDICATE YOUR OVERALL LEVEL OF SUPPORT FOR INCREASED CITY FUNDING TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS IN EACH OF THE POTENTIAL PRIORITY AREAS. PLEASE CHECK ONE BOX FOR EACH ITEM. DOLLAR FIGURES REFLECT CURRENT UNFUNDED PRIORITY IMPROVEMENT NEEDS IDENTIFIED OVER THE NEXT TEN YEARS, AND ARE ONLY INITIAL ESTIMATES.

	Total	Area of CC	
		South	North
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	401	168	233
<i>Weighted</i>	435	232	203
Arts and Culture (\$12 million)			
Strongly Support	14%	17%	11%
Somewhat Support	27%	24%	30%
No Opinion	21%	23%	18%
Somewhat Against	18%	15%	20%
Strongly Against	21%	21%	21%

	Total	Area of CC	
		South	North
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	402	168	234
<i>Weighted</i>	439	236	203
City Buildings and Systems (\$16 million)			
Strongly Support	13%	13%	14%
Somewhat Support	31%	25%	37%
No Opinion	23%	24%	21%
Somewhat Against	17%	18%	15%
Strongly Against	17%	20%	12%

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Area of CC</i>	
		<i>South</i>	<i>North</i>
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	<b>396</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>230</b>
<i>Weighted</i>	<b>434</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>200</b>
<b>Parks, Open Space, and Trails (\$26 million)</b>			
<b>Strongly Support</b>	<b>30%</b>	21%	41%
<b>Somewhat Support</b>	<b>42%</b>	44%	39%
<b>No Opinion</b>	<b>16%</b>	21%	10%
<b>Somewhat Against</b>	<b>6%</b>	7%	4%
<b>Strongly Against</b>	<b>7%</b>	7%	6%

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Area of CC</i>	
		<i>South</i>	<i>North</i>
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	<b>398</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>233</b>
<i>Weighted</i>	<b>436</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>203</b>
<b>Recreation (\$35 million)</b>			
<b>Strongly Support</b>	<b>32%</b>	22%	42%
<b>Somewhat Support</b>	<b>39%</b>	44%	34%
<b>No Opinion</b>	<b>12%</b>	16%	7%
<b>Somewhat Against</b>	<b>10%</b>	10%	10%
<b>Strongly Against</b>	<b>7%</b>	7%	6%

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Area of CC</i>	
		<i>South</i>	<i>North</i>
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	<b>398</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>234</b>
<i>Weighted</i>	<b>436</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>203</b>
<b>Stormwater Drainage (\$18 million)</b>			
<b>Strongly Support</b>	<b>26%</b>	32%	18%
<b>Somewhat Support</b>	<b>35%</b>	35%	36%
<b>No Opinion</b>	<b>25%</b>	21%	30%
<b>Somewhat Against</b>	<b>7%</b>	5%	9%
<b>Strongly Against</b>	<b>7%</b>	7%	7%

	<i>Total</i>	<b>Area of CC</b>	
		<b>South</b>	<b>North</b>
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	<b>398</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>232</b>
<i>Weighted</i>	<b>436</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>202</b>
<b>Transportation (\$173 million)</b>			
<b>Strongly Support</b>	<b>44%</b>	45%	43%
<b>Somewhat Support</b>	<b>29%</b>	25%	33%
<b>No Opinion</b>	<b>14%</b>	18%	10%
<b>Somewhat Against</b>	<b>7%</b>	7%	8%
<b>Strongly Against</b>	<b>6%</b>	5%	7%

## SECTION 2: SPECIFIC PRIORITIES

Q4. THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS REPRESENT THE \$16 MILLION THE CITY HAS IDENTIFIED AS PRIORITY IMPROVEMENTS IN CITY BUILDINGS AND SYSTEMS. **PLEASE PRIORITIZE EACH ITEM FROM (1) YOUR TOP PRIORITY TO (4) YOUR LOWEST PRIORITY. WRITE "NO" NEXT TO AN ITEM IF YOU DO NOT WANT IT AT ALL.**

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Area of CC</i>	
		<i>South</i>	<i>North</i>
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	<i>407</i>	<i>171</i>	<i>236</i>
<i>Weighted</i>	<i>442</i>	<i>238</i>	<i>204</i>
<b>Build police substation</b>			
<b>1 (top priority)</b>	<b>49%</b>	41%	59%
<b>2</b>	<b>10%</b>	8%	13%
<b>3</b>	<b>7%</b>	7%	7%
<b>4 (lowest priority)</b>	<b>19%</b>	27%	10%
<b>Not ranked</b>	<b>15%</b>	18%	11%
<b>Mean</b>	<b>2.0</b>	2.2	1.6

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Area of CC</i>	
		<i>South</i>	<i>North</i>
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	<i>407</i>	<i>171</i>	<i>236</i>
<i>Weighted</i>	<i>442</i>	<i>238</i>	<i>204</i>
<b>Expand Information Technology Infrastructure</b>			
<b>1 (top priority)</b>	<b>20%</b>	22%	17%
<b>2</b>	<b>26%</b>	21%	31%
<b>3</b>	<b>21%</b>	24%	18%
<b>4 (lowest priority)</b>	<b>23%</b>	23%	23%
<b>Not ranked</b>	<b>10%</b>	10%	11%
<b>Mean</b>	<b>2.5</b>	2.5	2.5

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Area of CC</i>	
		<i>South</i>	<i>North</i>
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	<b>407</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>236</b>
<i>Weighted</i>	<b>442</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>204</b>
<b>Expand Municipal Service Center (Phase 1)</b>			
<b>1 (top priority)</b>	<b>15%</b>	19%	11%
<b>2</b>	<b>23%</b>	24%	22%
<b>3</b>	<b>33%</b>	29%	36%
<b>4 (lowest priority)</b>	<b>18%</b>	17%	20%
<b>Not ranked</b>	<b>11%</b>	11%	11%
<b>Mean</b>	<b>2.6</b>	2.5	2.7

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Area of CC</i>	
		<i>South</i>	<i>North</i>
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	<b>407</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>236</b>
<i>Weighted</i>	<b>442</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>204</b>
<b>Expand Municipal Service Center (Phase 2)</b>			
<b>1 (top priority)</b>	<b>4%</b>	5%	3%
<b>2</b>	<b>27%</b>	31%	24%
<b>3</b>	<b>28%</b>	30%	26%
<b>4 (lowest priority)</b>	<b>26%</b>	20%	34%
<b>Not ranked</b>	<b>14%</b>	15%	14%
<b>Mean</b>	<b>2.9</b>	2.8	3.1

Q5. THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS REPRESENT THE \$26 MILLION THE CITY HAS IDENTIFIED AS PRIORITY IMPROVEMENTS IN PARKS, TRAILS, AND OPEN SPACE. PLEASE PRIORITIZE EACH ITEM FROM (1) YOUR TOP PRIORITY TO (3) YOUR LOWEST PRIORITY. WRITE "NO" NEXT TO AN ITEM IF YOU DO NOT WANT IT AT ALL.

	Total	Area of CC	
		South	North
<b>Base</b>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	407	171	236
<i>Weighted</i>	442	238	204
<b>Build one new community park</b>			
1 (top priority)	24%	18%	31%
2	24%	22%	26%
3 (lowest priority)	34%	35%	33%
Not ranked	18%	25%	10%
Mean	2.1	2.3	2.0

	Total	Area of CC	
		South	North
<b>Base</b>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	407	171	236
<i>Weighted</i>	442	238	204
<b>Build three new neighborhood parks</b>			
1 (top priority)	36%	38%	33%
2	32%	29%	35%
3 (lowest priority)	17%	15%	20%
Not ranked	15%	19%	12%
Mean	1.8	1.8	1.8

	Total	Area of CC	
		South	North
<b>Base</b>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	407	171	236
<i>Weighted</i>	442	238	204
<b>Expand trail system</b>			
1 (top priority)	27%	26%	28%
2	29%	31%	27%
3 (lowest priority)	29%	24%	35%
Not ranked	15%	19%	10%
Mean	2.1	2.0	2.1

Q6. THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS REPRESENT THE \$35 MILLION THE CITY HAS IDENTIFIED AS PRIORITY IMPROVEMENTS IN RECREATION. (DOLLAR AMOUNTS ARE INITIAL ESTIMATES ONLY.) *PLEASE PRIORITIZE EACH ITEM FROM (1) YOUR TOP PRIORITY TO (4) YOUR LOWEST PRIORITY. WRITE "NO" NEXT TO AN ITEM IF YOU DO NOT WANT IT AT ALL.*

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Area of CC</i>	
		<i>South</i>	<i>North</i>
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	<i>407</i>	<i>171</i>	<i>236</i>
<i>Weighted</i>	<i>442</i>	<i>238</i>	<i>204</i>
<b>Buffalo Run Golf Course Improvements</b>			
<b>1 (top priority)</b>	<i>11%</i>	9%	14%
<b>2</b>	<i>8%</i>	4%	12%
<b>3</b>	<i>12%</i>	10%	15%
<b>4 (lowest priority)</b>	<i>47%</i>	51%	43%
<b>Not ranked</b>	<i>21%</i>	26%	16%
<b>Mean</b>	<i>3.2</i>	3.4	3.0

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Area of CC</i>	
		<i>South</i>	<i>North</i>
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	<i>407</i>	<i>171</i>	<i>236</i>
<i>Weighted</i>	<i>442</i>	<i>238</i>	<i>204</i>
<b>Existing Recreation Center Improvements</b>			
<b>1 (top priority)</b>	<i>25%</i>	28%	22%
<b>2</b>	<i>30%</i>	37%	22%
<b>3</b>	<i>24%</i>	17%	32%
<b>4 (lowest priority)</b>	<i>8%</i>	2%	15%
<b>Not ranked</b>	<i>13%</i>	17%	8%
<b>Mean</b>	<i>2.2</i>	1.9	2.4

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Area of CC</i>	
		<i>South</i>	<i>North</i>
<b><i>Base</i></b>			
<b><i>Unweighted</i></b>	<b>407</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>236</b>
<b><i>Weighted</i></b>	<b>442</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>204</b>
<b>New Recreation Center</b>			
<b>1 (top priority)</b>	<b>31%</b>	27%	36%
<b>2</b>	<b>19%</b>	18%	21%
<b>3</b>	<b>18%</b>	19%	16%
<b>4 (lowest priority)</b>	<b>14%</b>	13%	15%
<b>Not ranked</b>	<b>18%</b>	23%	12%
<b>Mean</b>	<b>2.2</b>	2.2	2.1

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Area of CC</i>	
		<i>South</i>	<i>North</i>
<b><i>Base</i></b>			
<b><i>Unweighted</i></b>	<b>407</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>236</b>
<b><i>Weighted</i></b>	<b>442</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>204</b>
<b>Outdoor Aquatic Facility</b>			
<b>1 (top priority)</b>	<b>26%</b>	28%	23%
<b>2</b>	<b>27%</b>	21%	35%
<b>3</b>	<b>21%</b>	22%	20%
<b>4 (lowest priority)</b>	<b>10%</b>	9%	11%
<b>Not ranked</b>	<b>16%</b>	21%	11%
<b>Mean</b>	<b>2.2</b>	2.2	2.2

Q7. THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS REPRESENT THE \$173 MILLION THE CITY HAS IDENTIFIED AS PRIORITY IMPROVEMENTS IN TRANSPORTATION. (DOLLAR AMOUNTS ARE INITIAL ESTIMATES ONLY.) **PLEASE PRIORITIZE EACH ITEM FROM (1) YOUR TOP PRIORITY TO (4) YOUR LOWEST PRIORITY. WRITE "NO" NEXT TO AN ITEM IF YOU DO NOT WANT IT AT ALL.**

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Area of CC</i>	
		<i>South</i>	<i>North</i>
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	<i>407</i>	<i>171</i>	<i>236</i>
<i>Weighted</i>	<i>442</i>	<i>238</i>	<i>204</i>
<b>New road construction/ improving roads</b>			
<b>1 (top priority)</b>	<b>29%</b>	40%	16%
<b>2</b>	<b>25%</b>	28%	21%
<b>3</b>	<b>23%</b>	13%	35%
<b>4 (lowest priority)</b>	<b>13%</b>	8%	20%
<b>Not ranked</b>	<b>10%</b>	11%	8%
<b>Mean</b>	<b>2.2</b>	1.9	2.6

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Area of CC</i>	
		<i>South</i>	<i>North</i>
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	<i>407</i>	<i>171</i>	<i>236</i>
<i>Weighted</i>	<i>442</i>	<i>238</i>	<i>204</i>
<b>Railroad grade separations</b>			
<b>1 (top priority)</b>	<b>30%</b>	22%	39%
<b>2</b>	<b>18%</b>	18%	17%
<b>3</b>	<b>19%</b>	21%	16%
<b>4 (lowest priority)</b>	<b>20%</b>	23%	17%
<b>Not ranked</b>	<b>14%</b>	16%	11%
<b>Mean</b>	<b>2.3</b>	2.5	2.1

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Area of CC</i>	
		<i>South</i>	<i>North</i>
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	<b>407</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>236</b>
<i>Weighted</i>	<b>442</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>204</b>
<b>Road widening</b>			
<b>1 (top priority)</b>	<b>24%</b>	11%	39%
<b>2</b>	<b>25%</b>	23%	27%
<b>3</b>	<b>21%</b>	27%	13%
<b>4 (lowest priority)</b>	<b>19%</b>	23%	13%
<b>Not ranked</b>	<b>12%</b>	16%	7%
<b>Mean</b>	<b>2.4</b>	2.7	2.0

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Area of CC</i>	
		<i>South</i>	<i>North</i>
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	<b>407</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>236</b>
<i>Weighted</i>	<b>442</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>204</b>
<b>Traffic signal upgrades</b>			
<b>1 (top priority)</b>	<b>23%</b>	34%	10%
<b>2</b>	<b>21%</b>	18%	26%
<b>3</b>	<b>19%</b>	17%	21%
<b>4 (lowest priority)</b>	<b>28%</b>	21%	36%
<b>Not ranked</b>	<b>9%</b>	10%	8%
<b>Mean</b>	<b>2.6</b>	2.3	2.9

### SECTION 3: PROJECT FUNDING DECISIONS

Q8. IN THE FOLLOWING BOXES, WE DISCUSS WAYS TO PAY FOR THE TYPES OF IMPROVEMENTS DESCRIBED PREVIOUSLY. **PLEASE INDICATE WHETHER YOU THINK THE FOLLOWING IDEAS ARE GOOD OR BAD IN FUNDING THOSE PROJECTS. PLEASE CHECK ONE BOX FOR EACH ITEM**

	Total	Area of CC	
		South	North
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	394	164	230
<i>Weighted</i>	432	233	200
New Improvement District. A new district can be created that levies a tax on properties in the district that can be used only for the purposes ...			
Very Good Idea	13%	12%	14%
Good Idea	30%	18%	45%
No Opinion	26%	29%	22%
Bad Idea	15%	22%	8%
Very Bad Idea	16%	20%	11%

	Total	Area of CC	
		South	North
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	396	164	232
<i>Weighted</i>	435	233	202
Stormwater Utility and Fee. A special fee can be levied on properties citywide to specifically fund stormwater drainage projects.			
Very Good Idea	6%	8%	4%
Good Idea	28%	25%	32%
No Opinion	28%	26%	30%
Bad Idea	19%	22%	16%
Very Bad Idea	19%	19%	19%

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Area of CC</i>	
		<i>South</i>	<i>North</i>
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	<b>398</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>233</b>
<i>Weighted</i>	<b>432</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>202</b>
<b>Additional Impact Fees on New Development. Increased fees can be levied on new construction to fund projects in areas of new development...</b>			
<b>Very Good Idea</b>	<b>16%</b>	13%	19%
<b>Good Idea</b>	<b>43%</b>	41%	44%
<b>No Opinion</b>	<b>19%</b>	23%	15%
<b>Bad Idea</b>	<b>12%</b>	11%	12%
<b>Very Bad Idea</b>	<b>11%</b>	12%	10%

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Area of CC</i>	
		<i>South</i>	<i>North</i>
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	<b>396</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>231</b>
<i>Weighted</i>	<b>433</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>201</b>
<b>Entertainment Admissions Tax (8%). An additional tax can be added to public entertainment events.</b>			
<b>Very Good Idea</b>	<b>19%</b>	16%	21%
<b>Good Idea</b>	<b>28%</b>	25%	32%
<b>No Opinion</b>	<b>20%</b>	24%	14%
<b>Bad Idea</b>	<b>19%</b>	20%	17%
<b>Very Bad Idea</b>	<b>15%</b>	15%	16%

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Area of CC</i>	
		<i>South</i>	<i>North</i>
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	<b>398</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>234</b>
<i>Weighted</i>	<b>432</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>203</b>
<b>Employment Head Tax (\$5/paycheck). A tax can be placed on employees who hold jobs in the city.</b>			
<b>Very Good Idea</b>	<b>14%</b>	13%	15%
<b>Good Idea</b>	<b>19%</b>	17%	20%
<b>No Opinion</b>	<b>16%</b>	17%	14%
<b>Bad Idea</b>	<b>19%</b>	17%	22%
<b>Very Bad Idea</b>	<b>32%</b>	36%	28%

	Total	Area of CC	
		South	North
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	403	169	234
<i>Weighted</i>	439	236	203
Refuse/Trash Collection Fee. All households with currently free trash service would pay a fee so \$2 million per year could be applied for ot...			
Very Good Idea	10%	6%	14%
Good Idea	16%	12%	21%
No Opinion	14%	15%	11%
Bad Idea	24%	22%	26%
Very Bad Idea	37%	44%	27%

	Total	Area of CC	
		South	North
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	400	168	232
<i>Weighted</i>	436	234	202
Property Tax Increase. An additional mill levy on property within the city, to be added to current property taxes.			
Very Good Idea	2%	1%	3%
Good Idea	10%	9%	10%
No Opinion	11%	14%	9%
Bad Idea	29%	26%	32%
Very Bad Idea	48%	50%	46%

	Total	Area of CC	
		South	North
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	400	167	233
<i>Weighted</i>	434	231	203
Sales Tax increase (Dedicated or general fund). Sales taxes can be increased on purchases made within the city.			
Very Good Idea	6%	4%	8%
Good Idea	28%	25%	31%
No Opinion	15%	16%	15%
Bad Idea	24%	24%	24%
Very Bad Idea	26%	31%	21%

	Total	Area of CC	
		South	North
<b>Base</b>			
<b>Unweighted</b>	397	169	228
<b>Weighted</b>	435	237	199
<b>Other User and Maintenance Fee. Annual fees can be charged for use or maintenance of various City services, such as fees for services provi...</b>			
<b>Very Good Idea</b>	6%	6%	7%
<b>Good Idea</b>	31%	29%	33%
<b>No Opinion</b>	28%	29%	26%
<b>Bad Idea</b>	16%	13%	19%
<b>Very Bad Idea</b>	19%	23%	15%

*Other "Very Good" Idea for Funding*

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- > "STIFFER" CITATION FEES FOR IMPROVING PUBLIC SAFETY ON STREETS
- > A \$5 for trash and a \$5 fee for working in Commerce City. Denver does it why not Commerce City?
- > A CLEAN FAIR HIRING SYSTEM TO HIRE MORE RESIDENTS THAT DON'T NECESSARILY KNOW SPANISH/CHINESE
- > BAD ECONOMY, LOSS OF JOBS. NO ADDITIONAL PUBLIC USE FEES
- > Buffalo Run GC (never been worth the price of green fees) - charge less, needs new staff
- > Build sidewalks for students at BCCS
- > charge city employees doing wrong in the city - throwing trash out of car window, not picking up
- > Charge fines for neglected properties
- > Childless households should get tax breaks regarding school district levies
- > City had \$6 million to spend on Dog Track - don't ask citizens to pay for trash pickup/storm water
- > CUT % OF BUDGET USED FOR SALARIES. REDUCTION IN WORK FORCE. WORK SMARTER, STOP OUTSIDE CONSULTANTS
- > Cut city staff and services to pay for future projects - people are the biggest cost.
- > Cut the police department budget
- > Cut wasteful spending
- > DECLARE ENGLISH AS PRIMARY LANGUAGE-PUBLICIZE HOW MUCH IS SPENT ON SPANISH SPEAKING SERVICES.
- > don't have

- > Don't spend more than you have "again"  
+ no impossible promises
- > Don't take everything from South Commerce City for North Commerce City
- > DUI's, drug offenders, gang graffiti and tickets
- > Explore the current budget and YTD expenses and look for areas to pull from. Balance the budget!
- > full-time firefighters and more police on the streets!
- > Get better water for our residents;with all that money there should be something you can do.
- > Get voter approval before you purchase anything such as the dog track
- > Give us good drinking water and get rid of red light cameras
- > Good thing we will be moving
- > HEAD TAX FOR WORKER AND ENTERTAINMENT TAXES ARE BEST. PROPERTY TAXES ARE ALREADY TOO HIGH
- > Higher fees on alcohol, cigarettes, pop, etc.; charge homeowners fees for not cleaning up property
- > I realize to improve our city, taxes have to go up - still think it's a bad idea but will go with it
- > I would be willing to pay more property tax IF it went toward our underfunded schools.
- > IF WE HAD AN OUTDOOR SWIMMING POOL IT WOULD HELP WITH TAGGIEN, MORE KIDS WOULD SAY OUT OF TROUBLE.
- > impose a fee on the trains that blast their horns @ 3am
- > Increased taxes on one of the highest taxed areas would push residents & current/future business out
- > LESS GOVERNMENT ADMIN EMPLOYEES AND WASTE
- > Live with the city budget you now have!
- > Lower the stipend income for the City Council. Substantial savings would be made in one year!
- > Make unincorporated pay taxes - I support this if everyone pays for services.
- > More money should be put in to maintain our existing city streets. They are in bad need of repair!!
- > NO NEW TAXES
- > Operate on a balanced budget as most homeowners have to do.
- > PAY CUTS FOR ALL CITY EMPLOYEES. REDUCE BENEFITS. ELIMINATE HEALTH CARE FOR CITY EMPLOYEES
- > Pay unemployed citizens to clean various areas in the city
- > PERMITS FOR PARK PARTIES. ISSUE LOT OF TICKETS FOR LITTERING. HAVE BUSINESSES CLEAN UP PARKING LOTS.
- > Please repave streets in the area of Magnolia and 56th Ave to 69th and Holly.
- > PROVIDE MORE IN N. AREA; MOVIES, BOWLING, REC CENTER. WILL PREVENT GOING TO BRIGHTON/THORNTON/N.GLEN

- > QUIT ADDING TAXES. DO MORE WITH LESS, TREAT THIS LIKE YOUR OWN HOUSEHOLD.
- > Raise property taxes on households over certain square footage only AKA..... MANSIONS
- > Re: Refuse/Trash Collection Fee - add fee to Water Bill so it is mandatory.
- > REDUCE SPENDING ON GOVERNMENT WASTE.
- > Rental property tax increase
- > Review and reassess existing spending - NO NEW TAXES/FEES!
- > SCHOOL DIST. CHARGE \$5/MONTH FOR CHILD TO GO TO SCHOOL. ALL STUDENTS. EVERYONE CAN PAY
- > Should charge entertainment centers per person tax
- > Stop double printing city documents in English and Spanish, use only English.
- > Stop increasing taxes on my house so I can afford to keep living in it.
- > Stop spending and wasting \$ - SAVE
- > STOP SPENDING FOR AWHILE
- > TAX THE CRAP OUT OF REUNION AND OTHER NUSANCE SUBDIVISION. FEES FOR TRANSLATION SERVICES
- > Tax top 20% of earners in the City for General Fund
- > THE DOG TRACKS USED TO PAY FOR STREET MAINTENCE WHY YOU TRY A CAR RACING TRACK OR MOTO TRACK.
- > TOWER RD ACCESS WESTBOUND PENA ON RAMP. WIDEN TOWER FROM PENA TO 104TH
- > Use current revenue stream
- > USE FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY WITH CURRENT GOVERNMENT INCOME. AUDIT ALL CITY DEPARTMENTS AND CUT WASTE
- > USE SAVED FUNDING FOR DEPORTING ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS.
- > We definitely need a community local newspaper so the community will be informed what's going on)
- > Why do you want to keep spending monies you don't have?

## SECTION 4: ABOUT YOU

### Q9. GENDER

	Total	Area of CC	
		South	North
<b>Base</b>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	397	165	232
<i>Weighted</i>	432	230	201
<b>Gender:</b>			
Male	51%	51%	51%
Female	49%	49%	49%

### Q10. IN WHAT YEAR WERE YOU BORN?

	Total	Area of CC	
		South	North
<b>Base</b>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	388	163	225
<i>Weighted</i>	422	227	195
<b>In what year were you born? (converted to age)</b>			
18-34	26%	20%	32%
35-44	34%	33%	35%
45-54	14%	13%	16%
55-64	15%	17%	12%
65+	11%	16%	5%

### Q11. DO YOU LIVE SOUTH OF 96TH AVENUE OR NORTH OF 96TH AVENUE?

	Total	Area of CC	
		South	North
<b>Base</b>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	407	171	236
<i>Weighted</i>	442	238	204
<b>Do you live south of 96th Avenue or north of 96th Avenue?</b>			
South of 96th	54%	100%	-
North of 96th	46%	-	100%

Q12. HOW MANY YEARS HAVE YOU LIVED IN COMMERCE CITY?

	Total	Area of CC	
		South	North
<i>Base</i>			
<i>Unweighted</i>	403	169	234
<i>Weighted</i>	435	232	203
<b>How many years have you lived in Commerce City?</b>			
<b>Less than 5</b>	25%	18%	32%
<b>5-9</b>	33%	18%	50%
<b>10-14</b>	11%	10%	11%
<b>15-19</b>	4%	6%	2%
<b>20+</b>	28%	48%	5%

**FINAL COMMENTS**

FEEL FREE TO PROVIDE ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS YOU HAVE REGARDING THE QUALITY COMMUNITY INITIATIVE.

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- > #4 Projects - Are you kidding me? Those are the projects the city "thinks" it needs? Think again before you waste tax payer money.
- > 1) No more fast food restaurant chains (ex: Jack in the Box, Arby's Church's) - we have them all. 2) Provide a safe, comfortable retail place to shop with quality stores and food - no more mexican food. 3) Eliminate long traffic stops due to railroad crossings. 4) Clean up and remove all trailer parks located off Hwy 2 between 64th Ave going north up to Quebec. They are run down and provide housing for drug dealers and illegal immigrants. 5) Increase property tax on rental property housing. 6) More police presence after school lets out; I deal with drag racing, overwhelming red lights and stop signs. 7) Pass laws to eliminate excessive loud music from passing cars. 8) No more liquor store licenses, no marijuana license.
- > 1) Side streets repaved and weeds controlled 2) Enforcement of trashed yards and remove junk cars
- > 1. Plan only within your anticipated tax revenue 2. Don't spend money you don't have; don't borrow money 3. Avoid unnecessary prestige projects just because some other community has them 4. Growth is nice but the funding must be there - for building projects AND their maintenance 5. Architect's and construction companies' cost estimates are always too low to make you sign the deal; that has been common practice since the dawn of time. Expect cost overruns with ALL projects - public money is just too easy! 6. Instead of wasting \$115 million dollars for expanding Tower Road between 96th and 104th, make a serious effort to build the on-ramp from Tower Road southbound to Pena Blvd. THAT is something we badly need. 7. Commerce City can save lots of money by normalizing heat and A/C inside the public buildings. Those places are ice-cold in the summer and flame-hot in the winter, respectively. Adjust the settings down to COOL and WARM instead. 8. For future police car purchases, avoid large and heavy cars with thirsty engines. The Ford Crown

Vic is not in production anymore (thank God!) but a Dodge Charger is as inappropriate. Settle for cars like the Chevy Malibu instead. They are lighter, more agile and versatile and hence make do with smaller four-cylinder engines with good gas mileage. 9. The same applies figuratively for your pickup fleet. Lighter vehicles need smaller engines having the same payload.

- > 120th Ave from Sable Blvd (or CO Hwy 2) to Tower Rd should be redone similar to 194th Ave with sidewalks for safe neighborhood walking, etc. Also, a community recreation center should be built for those more up north in Commerce City - the "new" Commerce City.
- > 88th Ave needs a lot of work. As the community expands, our main access to Tower has been destroyed by trucks. Repave & widen.
- > Add dog park by Pioneer Park, there are so many events that families go to there. It would be great to have our whole family there to enjoy the open space (whole family meaning dogs). City can save money if USPS trucks didn't drive on the sidewalks to drop off mail. Let people know days before closing a road so they can plan ahead of time.
- > All improvements you've mentioned require one common thing, "MONEY!" The city needs to generate more revenue by bringing in new business and not by raising taxes or reducing services already enjoyed by the citizens. Stop playing around and bring us a real contributor to the city. Put a hospital on the dog track land and watch the area around it grow. Parceling that land up for smaller agendas is a kiss of death to generating revenues. A Dick's Sporting Goods Park and no Dick's Sporting Goods store? Are you kidding me?
- > As much as I appreciate Commerce City getting input from residents, I really find it hard to believe that this input will be used to make a decision
- > Because of the economy, I would only do what was necessary.
- > Commerce City could save millions of dollars if they stop printing in Spanish - if people cannot speak, read or talk in English, they better leave - if we go to Mexico, they wouldn't do this for us - Why discriminate against all other languages - like German, Italian, Japanese, Gaelic Irish
- > Commerce City does not need Art and Culture, we need places for kids to go to stay out of trouble, and police to ensure they stay safe while there. We need a city trash program, but I don't mind paying a fee as long as it's reasonable. I DO NOT want 4 different trash companies driving in my neighborhood at 6 am.
- > Commerce City has a high per capita revenue stream and our leaders are not using it wisely. Having many employees is a drain on the revenues and could be cut. Also, the capital improvement fund should be landing second only to debt payments. No new projects should be undertaken until the budget can be stretched to cover the initial cost and continuing maintenance with present revenue.
- > Commerce City looks old and broken down. I would like to see stores, shops and restaurants near 60th & Vasquez or 60th & Quebec. More mainstream/corporate businesses instead of small shops aimed at one ethnic group. I would really like to see something to make Commerce City seem more SAFE and alive. Graffiti is too prevalent - needs to be cleaned up. The recreation center is not adequate (too small and not family friendly with all the age restrictions). I would like to see the old dog track become an outdoor mall with shopping and restaurants (something similar to Northfield).

- > Commerce City needs to keep money moving forward. The city has done a lot of improvement, but also needs more. The fine line is = keeping pace with all the needs needs to be a priority. Thanks for asking my opinion.
- > Denver charges to work there (\$5). If you charge \$5 for trash and \$5 to work in Commerce City, this work would be done much more quickly, plus some of this money could go to improve schools also for a change.
- > Do more in old Commerce City to keep it neat rather all up north
- > Do not ever change our name from Commerce City to anything else. Build a senior place that is flat on ground that doors can be open and garages to put your car in.
- > Do not support your plan for the dog track development. Bringing in more low income people and traffic congestion - a large park (grass)/open space/large lake (fishing) adds beauty and low maintenance, puts money in other areas.
- > Don't ask us to pay more 'fees' or property tax! Retired folks on fixed incomes have to count every penny.
- > Don't separate the "North Commerce City" from the "South Commerce City"; we are ALL a community; if not, then call the "North" some other City and separate the two. Such as the train tracks; what about the two train tracks that occupy the areas of Hwy 2 and Hwy 6/85? The City put a lot of effort into making sure the "North" or "New" Commerce City got a quiet train track, what about the citizens that live along the same tracks and between both trains; the horns are just as loud down in the "South"! The reason I bring this up, is the question or proposal on construction for a train overpass to ease traffic, i.e. 96th Ave; what about the traffic that continues to get caught on 72nd Ave and Hwy 2 or caught in between the two trains at the same time on 72nd. How many times have you seen Fire, Police, or Rescue caught at these intersections? But specifically we want to address "96th Ave" in our First Quality Community Initiative Survey? Seems like the North and South all over again.....
- > EMPLOYMENT HEAD TAX: DO YOU WANT TO CHASE AWAY EMPLOYEES WITH JOBS IN THE CITY? TAX THEIR CHECKS AND YOU WILL. REFUSE/TRASH COLLECTION FEE: DO YOU WANT TRASH IN ALLYS AND OVER FLOW SCHOOL DUMPS OR STORE DUMPS. PEOPLE WILL DO IT. WE HAVE MOSTLY LOW INCOME PEOPLE LIVING IN OUR CITY NOW. DON'T MAKE IT WORSE WITH TRASH EVERYWHERE. A CITY MUSEUM WOULD BE NICE!
- > FIX HWY 85-->76 MERG LANE. ADD RAILROAD BRIDGE AT 112TH&HWY85, TRAINS PARK BLOCKING ACCESSING OFTEN.
- > Fronterra Village NEEDS a rec center! We also need a pool, basketball/tennis courts. Our area FINALLY has a grocery store and the money our residents were spending on taxes in other cities can stay in Commerce City. There are too many families in this area who want something for our kids close to home. No one wants to pay "reunion" fees to use the rec center or pool. Don't want to drive to 60th either!
- > Get rid of the Spanish on all legal city documents. They can't read English - don't belong here.

- > Greatly need to improve water - still tastes horrible and many people spending money on bottled water. It's nice and quiet as far as not so many businesses in area - Stapleton is close for shopping. Sidewalks could improve but so many people walking on major roads (jaywalking) maybe overpasses? Enforce more noise control on cards and houses - could improve property owners and bring more homeowners (attract). Get rid of unincorporated areas - so everyone will pay taxes for schools, police, rec centers, etc.
- > HAY MUY BIEN PROYECTOS. EN EL AREA DE LA ESCUELA ADAMS H.E. VIESA. QUE DARIA MUY BIEN UN PARQUE PARA EL AREA ESTA ALLI ES UN LUGAR MUY GRANDE PARA UN PARQUE CON MUCHAS ACTIVIDADES PARA JOVENES, NINOS, Y ADULTOS. GRACIAS POR DARME OPORTUNIDAD DE OPINAR.
- > Hopefully, QCI will not conduct their meetings and business as City Council does. They may ask for resident input and/or opinion then they do as they please.
- > I am glad the City is trying to involve the residents of CC in these decisions
- > I am happy to see the old grayhound park go and have the area get a modern day look and feel. I would wish for you to ask the people of Commerce City what they would like to see come here in this area. Also, with the growth of Commerce City, I strongly feel that we are in need of an Urgent Care center and give Salud some relief of bearing all this responsibility with what they already handle. Roads are still in need of work. I have lived in many suburbs in Denver - south, west, north, east. I feel a great sense of community here. I would like to see the gangs go. Keep talking about our good kids!
- > I am putting my house up for sale. I have grown weary of people making fun of me when they learn I live in Commerce City. Most people think Commerce City is the ugliest and most distressed place in Colorado. I agree. No matter what kind of improvements are made, it will always have a bad reputation. Unless the name of the city is changed, dumping money into improvements is fruitless.
- > I am still pretty new to Commerce City but I am still shocked to see that no one is willing to put money towards the IMMENSE problem of our drinking water quality. Who cares about a stupid golf course when a majority of your residents drink bottled water because they do not trust the water from their own taps. Labeling water as potable doesn't mean it is clean. I've seen potable used to describe water in Mexico. I don't live there and I would prefer not to fear my own water, or lose faith in the city to prioritize this MAJOR issue. Don't believe me? Ask anyone who doesn't live in Commerce City about our water. How are you not ashamed?
- > I am very proud of all the improvements the city has made to beautify our parks and streets like Quebec St. Now we need to concentrate on making English the priority language in Commerce City. It upsets me to see only Spanish on stores advertising their products. If our "English" stores must have Spanish signs to mark the aisles, then the Spanish-owned stores should be required to display their products in English also. If we are making the effort to include them, they should not be trying to exclude us. This is my opinion. I have no problem with the Mexicans coming to our country legally, but it hurts that they do not want to include those of us who have lived in this community and in the US all of our lives.
- > I appreciate the city seeking feedback from our residents. Although seeing the dollar amounts is a bit overwhelming, the value added can be significant and should also be shared. I believe this will get more buy-in from residents.

- > I DON'T HAVE FLEXIBILITY TO ATTEND ALL MEETINGS. AN EMAIL BASED NEWSLETTER WOULD BE HELPFUL. A SERVICE LIKE MAILCHIMP.COM IS USEFUL
- > I don't know if this is part of the 104th widening between Hwy 2 and US 85, but a south bound entry ramp and a north bound exit ramp to/from I-76 would incredibly help traffic flow at the railroad crossing near 85 and at the 104th/85 intersection.
- > I feel that the city has already decided how and when it will be spending, so why are you wasting my time?
- > I feel that we don't need any more surveys. All these are to have someone come and tell us what we already know and charge a big fee - sometimes 2 or 3 surveys on the very same thing. NO MORE SURVEYS!!! I've driven by the dog track every day for 50 years and was proud they were in our city. However, since the track was acquired by the city, it has remarkably gone to pot, so to speak. MHKC had someone out every day cleaning up, picking weeds, etc. Now - nothing. I think this should be put on fast track and cleaned up.
- > I feel with our poor economy and high unemployment, the city should cut back on spending money our people don't have.
- > I had two strokes and in a wheelchair, so I couldn't attend a meeting, but if an when I get well, I would like to attend a meeting.
- > I HAVE NO PROBLEM PAYING TAXES AS LONG AS THEY ARE SHARED EQUALLY AND HELP TO FUND PROJECTS THAT CREAT GOOD PAYING JOBS FOR EVERYBODY. TO GIVE PERKS TO COMPANIES THAT HURTS PEOPLE AT DISGUSTINGLY LOW WAGES WHILE MAKING FINORMODS PROFITS IS IMMORAL
- > I keep hearing about redevelopment of the old dog track. Not sure where the money is coming for this redevelopment, but I would definitely rather see this money be put to the building of a new recreation center with pool North of 96th Avenue. There is already a Rec Center, Pool, large park with batting cages, baseball field, and skate park South of 96th. Have already lived here seven years and paid property taxes, but have seen little recreational improvements for our area.
- > I moved from Aurora 3 years ago and sorely miss all the bike trails I had access to down there. You mentioned improving the trails in the city, but you didn't specifically mention bike trails. There are some trails in the Reunion area where I live, but some are gravel and are not good for riding on with a regular road bike. Please, please add hard serface bike trails around the northern part of the city where a lot of people live.
- > I PERSONALLY DON'T HAVE ANY SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN. I BELIEVE THAT WE NEED MORE SERVICED AND PLACES FOR CHILDREN TO GO. Ex. RECREATION, ENTERTAINMENT, GATHERING AREAS WITH THEIR INTERESTS IN MIND. MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES, CONSELING, MEDICAL OR PHYSICAL PROBLEMS. I BELIEVE WE COULD ALSO BENEFIT FROM "NEIGHBORHOOD PRIDE" GATHERINGS; FOR EXAMPLE: ONE IDEA IS "BEAUTIFYING COMMERCE CITY (DAY, WEEK, MONTH, ECT)". PLANT FLOWERS, BUSHES, TREES IN SOME OF OUR "COMMON AREAS". CLEAN UP AN AREA OF THE CITY (WEEDS, TRASH, {ABANDONED CARS}) AT GATHERINGS HAVE POLICE OFFICERS AND FIREMEN PRESENT FOR CITIZENS TO INTERACT WITH. SPECIAL TASKS AIMED SPECIFICALLY AT CHILDREN SO THEY

FEEL INCLUDED. IT GET CITIZENS INVOLVED IN THEIR COMMUNITY AND RAISES AWARENESS, PRIDE, AND SENSE OF BELONGING AND INCLUSIVENESS TO OUR PEOPLE.

- > I think the city needs something for the kids to be able to do. There is nothing that I can see. Maybe an indoor movie or skating rink. Anything! There are a lot of kids and a lot with parents that can't or won't drive them anywhere.
- > I think the initiative is being very creative but the taxes and levies are currently very expensive! Our property taxes are the cost of million dollar homes in Denver and there's really nothing to show for it. Furthermore, the sales tax is 9% and the foreclosures are prominent. Increasing taxes will put a burden on already financially stressed families to add, there are fees for our children to attend public school. These initiatives are great ideas and may come out better with affordable annual fees! Thank you for your efforts to improve our community!
- > I THOUGHT WE VOTED FOR A SWIMMING POOL AT PIRONEER, WE ONLY GOT A WATER HOSE. I STRONGLY SUGGEST A OUTDOOR SWIMMING POOL TO KEEP KIDS OUT OF TROUBLE. STAPLETON AND DENVER HAVE THEM. ALSO, IT WOULD HELP WITH OBESE CHILDREN.
- > I truly believe that this initiative was ANOTHER waste of \$. 1st off, at the end of the day, our Elected staff is going to do what they want (or what they feel is most important) with what \$ we have. 2nd, there is nothing in this for spending to save in the future, i.e., remove landscaping for something that takes little to no maintenance, turn off every other sidewalk lights, turn off every 3rd street lights, replace all building lights (inside and out) with LED bulbs, remove automobiles from Government workers and make them use public transportation as a condition of employment, stop replacing streets and start repairs only. SAVE, SAVE, SAVE.
- > I want to see doctor offices in the community because we need them here in Commerce City.
- > I WONDER HOW ANY OF THIS BENEFIT MY FAMILY. OUR ADDRESS SAYS "HENDERSON", BUT WE ARE GOVERNED/MANAGED BY COMMERCE CITY. IT SEEMS LIKE WE DONT HAVE THE SAME BENEFITS BECAUSE WE ARE TECHNICALLY IN HENDERSON. NO REDUCED RECREATION CENTER ADMISSION FOR RESIDENCE.
- > I would have liked more information on some of these questions. For example, how many households are there in Commerce City? I don't really know if raising \$2 million on trash collection sounds like too much without knowing how many of us will be sharing that cost. Also, more shopping/dining opportunities in the north part of the city will bring in more tax dollars without raising any taxes. Currently we largely have to shop in Brighton or wherever we go to work. Give us more chances to spend our money close to home!
- > I would like to see the Department of Code Enforcement do a MUCH better job on enforcing stricter laws on homes where yards are full of trash and weeds are a foot tall; this seems to be getting worse each year - this degrades every homeowner's property.
- > I'd like to see more retail and housing development on 104th ave east of Highway 2. Also, more parks and particularly a recreation center on 104th avenue. Currently residents on 104th ave have to drive more than 10 minutes to a public recreation center.

- > I'm pretty satisfied the way it is.
- > In comparing our city to surrounding cities, the look of our city lacks beauty. We need QUALITY trees to be planted everywhere we can. Take out the bad trees everywhere and replace them. Along Quebec Parkway, please put in beautiful big trees and on every corner of city property. What a difference that would make to our image. When people drive through our city, they would have a different opinion of Commerce City. Take my comment seriously - this is the best advice you can get.
- > In my opinion, the single driving factor in community development is just that---driving. Inadequate, narrow, poorly paved roads are a huge disincentive for both business and residential development. Leading examples of this are 104th and 120th Avenues, Tower Road, Highway 2, and Chambers between 96th and 120th.
- > IN ROUGH FINANCIAL TIMES, ASKING THE CITIZENS TO PAY MORE IN TAXES OR FEES IS ABSOLUTELY OUT OF THE QUESTION UNLESS LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFERS TO CUT WASTE AND OVERSPENDING ITSELF.
- > It's sad that you are trying to make money from the poor people. The water here is terrible, we have to buy water. We moved to this area because it's more affordable; you want to taint that. The courts here charge money for everything. Give tickets they shouldn't and charge a fee just because they issued a ticket.
- > keep projects inline with the funds available without raising taxes or fees
- > More weed control. Even the city doesn't spray their weeds along the sidewalks and the dog track - limit number of cars for 1 house.
- > MY PROPERTY'S BACK TO 60TH AVE AND I'M CONSTANTLY FINDING GARBAGE AND DRUG PARAPHANALI ON MY PROPERTY. THERE ARE MAJOR RTD STOPS CLOSE BY AND WHEN THE WIND BLOWS MY YARD IS COVERED WITH TRADE. I WALK THROUGH THE WALMART PARKING LOT AND I'M PELTED WITH LITTER AND DEBRIS ON A WINDY DAY. I SEE PEOPLE DUMP TRASH IN THE PARKING LOTS LIKE IT IS THE DUMP. WE HAVE CAMERAS IN PLACE. LET US FINE LITTERBUGS AND ENCOURAGE LOCAL BUSINESSES TO PUT OUT MORE WASTE RECEPTICALS AND POLICE THEM BETTER THAN THEY DO. HAVE RTD PUT TRASH RECEPTICALS AT THE STOPS AND POLICE THEM. LET THE PUBLIC KNOW THAT LITTERING IS WRONG AND TO PLEASE USE TRASH RECEPTICALS. WE HAVE A NICE COMMUNITY, LET'S KEEP IT CLEANER.
- > Need increased police force to patrol streets as was done in the past. Repave streets in the south. Better community patrols - not doing an adequate job - VERY POOR!
- > NEED TO IMPROVE QUALITY OF DRINKING WATER. PROPERTY TAXES IN THIS AREA ARE ALREADY EXTREMELY HIGH!
- > Nobody wants to pay more for living within the city, especially when some people do not do their part to make it a good place to live. One thing not on this survey is anything having to do with schools. If anything needs money/financial support, it is the school district!!! These kids are our future!

- > North City has all the high taxes but Old City reaps all the benefits - doesn't look right, they are like two separate areas. I do not shop in that old area - it's just easier to go to Brighton, Northglenn, Thornton - and better. One time back in 1985 we did live in Commerce City - old part- income wise/but had to move, it was too depressing - went to Westminster. More improvement needed for old part and old and new area need to be brought together (no interested in sports so all the facilities doesn't take us out there). Huge shopping store off 96-92.
- > North part of Commerce City is growing so quickly, infrastructure like roads need to be addressed which will stimulate more growth. Community Parks and good restaurants also high on the list.
- > OUR MAIN FOCUS AS A CITY SHOULD BE TO ATTRACT BUSINESSES. I TOOK THIS SURVEY WITH THAT PERSPECTIVE IN MIND, NOT JUST MY PERSONAL DESIRES AS A C.C. CITIZEN. TO IMPROVE OUR CITY IN THE FUTURE WE MUST SPEND TO INCREASE TAX BASE NOW! IT WAS DIFFICULT TO ANSWER FUNDING QUESTIONS WITHOUT FULLY UNDERSTANDING WHAT THE MONEY WOULD BE BUDGETED FOR SPECIFICALLY (I.E. ARTS AND CULTURE). (REFERRING TO PG. 3 PRIORITY IMPROVEMENTS) QUESTIONS SHOULD READ REPLACEMENTS TO IT INFRASTRUCTURE, NOT UPGRADES
- > OUR TAXES ARE ALREADY VERY HIGH, AND FOR WHAT? WE HAVE NO LIBRARY, NO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD (WE WERE TOLD IT WILL BE BUILT IN THE NEAR FUTURE?) WHERE IS OUR TAX MONEY GOING?! IT'S RIDICULOUS.
- > Please call - I will give you some problems city office.
- > Please work to develop additional Dog Parks (Reunion Area).
- > Property taxes are already too high.
- > Quick and easy survey.
- > Recreation center for whom ... stop wasting money at the transportation coffee and donut little building on 60th. An island to shut down 7-11? Smart! New road you cannot finish Vasquez - month now. No to follow Denver. Bad idea.
- > Refocus money from new parks & stuff - hold off building esoteric in favor of keeping essential services going. Raising already high taxes on a lower income community is NOT the answer.
- > Sick of wasteful spending - lights on Hwy 2 example and signs (too many everywhere). If you charge for garbage, there will be more of it in the street than currently. I live between North and South and have never had public transportation. We already moved our businesses out of Commerce City due to taxes and less services since the annexation. Now that we can vote for officials, I am hoping our voices will be heard.
- > Streets. housing, more of a cleanup in neighborhoods because Commerce City still gets a bad rap. Restaurants, not fast food. More animal control officers - dogs are also running loose after 5 pm and weekends and holidays (not just 8-5)
- > TAXES ARE ALREADY OUTRAGIOUS IN THE NORTH RANCH-STOP CONTINUOUSLY TAXING RESIDENTS WHO HAVE NO REC CENTER. HAVE LIMITED

POLICE/EMERGENCY SERVICE ACCESS. THE VOICE OF RESIDENTS IS IGNORED FAR TOO MUCH!

- > TELL THE PEOPLE OF COMMERCE CITY AND DENVER THIS: HIRE MORE WHITE AMERICAN CITIZENS ESPECIALLY VETERANS. OVERSEAS VETERANS, GULF WAR VETS. WE HAVE BEEN IGNORED THE PAST 25 YEARS. AFFIRMATIVE ACTIONS WAS NOT IN THE US CONSTITUTION OR THE BILL OF RIGHTS. REVERSE DISCRIMINATION IS ILLEGAL IN THE UNITED STATES. DID YOU KNOW THAT THE GERMAN LANGUAGE ONLY MISSED OUT BY A COUPLE OF VOTED IN THE CONTINENTAL CONGRESS 1775-1776 TO BE OUT NATIONAL LANGUAGE.
- > Thank you for any work you may have done to get a King Soopers in North Commerce City.
- > THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO HEAR COMMERCE CITY RESIDENTS' OPINION
- > The City of Commerce city have a balanced budget and, emergency fund, and savings for these projects. My family must live within our income without any increases in our income. So should the government. These last 4 years or so have been hard on the citizens of our city. The majority of us have not had a raise in a long time. Prices for gas, food, and utilities have gone up. As citizens we cannot afford any increase in taxes. Please think of this before you consider any new taxes or increase in our current taxes.
- > The city of Commerce City should stop focusing on things to fix the "new" facilities already built or obtaining more property/facilities.
- > The city paves new streets, the only problem is the streets that desperately need paving are ignored. Also needed are speed bumps new schools. I asked the city to put speed bumps in from of Kemp and they said there was not enough traffic, so they put up these sorry flashing lights that nobody sees because they're driving too fast!
- > THE NORTH-EAST NEIGHBORHOODS OF COMMERCE CITY FEEL DISCONNECTED FROM THE CITY AND THE DECISIONS BEING MADE. MORE NEEDS TO BE DONE TO MAKE THE REUNION CITIZENS FEEL THEY BELONG.
- > The parked trains has got to stop - 112th and highway 85. Its a serious safety hazzard. I dont mind trains when they are moving but when they stop at the intersections it makes me want to move out of the city all together.
- > THE QCI STAKEHOLDERS GROUP CANNOT MAKE DECISIONS BASED ON FALSE INFORMATION. GIVE THEM THE ACTUAL FACTS AND FIGURES AND ALL OF THE INFORMATION THEY NEED TO MAKE INTELLIGENT RECCOMENDATIONS.
- > The street lights in our neighbohood are very dim. It is dangerous for pedestrians, as well as drivers, to be out after dark. Additionally, brighter street lamps would help prevent burglaries.
- > The train congestion and blocking major streets (including 104, 120 and 112 aves) is a big issue
- > There are many unemployed people who would do cleanup work where it is badly needed.

- > THERE NEEDS TO BE A REC CENTER NORTH OF 96TH FOR NON-REUNION RESIDENTS. THERE SHOULD ALSO BE A PARK WITH A SPLASH PAD FOR PARENTS WHO WANT THEIR KIDS TO HAVE FUN IN THE WATER WITHOUT HAVING TO GET IN A POOL
- > These streets in the area of 56th Ave east and north, i.e., Magnolia, Niagara and Holly and north to 69th Ave, are ver bad; 56th from Quebec is great going east (good job). Please look into this.
- > This council needs to eliminate some staff and concentrate on the rebuilding of codes and ordinances so that we have the ability to enforce and clear up problems without putting the actions on the residents' shoulders. Make decisions equally between the core city, new developments - Council only looks at the North area.
- > This is not the time to be proposing new projects. The economy is not at the level that taxpayers would be favorable to any additional taxes or fees.
- > Train overpass is critical on 96th & Hwy #2. Both RRxings on 96th Ave! Increase green light for the traffic at 96th & Highway 2 West and East!
- > UPGRADES SHOULD NOT INCLUDE REUNION AS THE COMMUNITY DOESNT HAVE FULL ACCESS.
- > WE ARE IN A FIXED INCOME AND WE CAN'T AFFORD HIGHER TAXES
- > WE ARE JUST BEHIND, TAKES TIME BUT WE WOULD RATHER SPEND MY MONEY HERE. WE ALWAYS TO USE WHAT WE CAN IN THIS AREA BUT IT ISN'T ALWAYS AVAILABLE. ALWAYS LOOK FOR CONTRACTORS HERE FIRST. WISH THE NEW KINGSOOPERS WAS A DIFFERENT STORE LIKE SAFEWAYS TO PROVIDE A VARIETY. THOUGHT OF MOVING TO ANOTHER CITY THAT HAS MORE AMENITIES FOROUR CHILDREN AND A SAFE PLACE TO GO. THANKS FOR ASKING!
- > We believe in living as free as possible. America was built on that freedom. However, we are also aware that there must be some rules to follow. Instead of filling out this form- we will just express our views on a few things. I have written to city manager a couple of times to express concerns. We have lived her about 45 years. We are retired and our home is paid for. We try to keep our yard nice and also our home. We are very unhappy that city has allowed the immigrants (by the groves) to come into our city and destroy! Dig up the grass andleave dirt yards- horrible trashy yards (especially back yards! Cannot even say hello to our neighbors for years now! (Can't speak english). We voted against all new housing-because we knew what would happen to our part of town (It's happen!). We are not dumb! It was planned ahead of time- to build up north- and "thinking" we would all move there. New Quebec St. was fixed to try to shut us off. So we are neglected area-that is getting mor run down each year. So whatever-first and foremost is to have a good looking and neat city!!! We have freedom- but people need some rules about keeping their homes and yards looking nice. If they are going to live here- they have to live like we do- or go where they have trash and dirt yards. - [Name deleted]
- > We didn't fill this out sooner as had just move here & weren't sure which things were needed. Hope this isn't too late & is useful.

- > We feel that there is a very strong need for additional restaurants, stores, malls and a DEFINITE need for a large gym (such as 24 Hr Fitness or Lifetime Fitness) in the Reunion area, especially due to the large amount of houses/people in the area. Thank you!
- > We have lived here for less than a year and have not used or accessed most areas in question on your survey. We REALLY would NOT want our garbage pickup discontinued. We moved from an area that had each home pick their garbage company resulting in garbage trucks in the neighborhood on a daily basis.
- > We need better water: check out Reverse Osmosis Systems for all homes or an industrial one for the water treatment plant - help us all! More help for veterans that are disabled; the 100% disabled is great, but some of us are 50%/60% and still have a hard time with things - need more leniency with this ... we earned it.
- > What I see most often is a misuse of city dollars. Streets get on a schedule to be repaired or resurfaced and those that need it most get neglected, or a park gets mowed 2x a week and over-watered during daylight hours vs. a more realistic 1x a week. It's also sad to see parks watered during daylight hours where it just evaporates, costing much more than necessary to maintain.
- > With unemployment so high in Commerce City, I don't think it is a good idea to increase fees of ANY kind. It will impact the community TOO much! We need more Public Transportation connections from North Commerce City to South Commerce City!
- > Would like feedback on survey
- > YOU ARE IN A TOUGH POSITION, ALL RESIDENTS OF ANY CITY WANT MORE SERVICES AND THEY DON'T WANT TO PAY FOR THEM. I AM SURE THIS SURVEY WILL PROVE SUCH. THE CHALLENGE ARISES WHEN YOU HAVE TWO SUCH DIFFERENT COMMERCE CITY'S, BASICALLY THE SOUTH TOWN WITH LIMITED PARKS AND RESOURCES AND THE NORTH TOWN WHO CANNOT BE TAXED ANOTHER DOLLAR WITH SUCH SINKING PROPERTY VALUES. SINCE BUYING OUT HOUSE IN 2006 WE HAVE LOST OVER \$100,000 IN VALUE. WOULD BE HAPPY TO TRADE NO NEW SERVICES FOR NO NEW TAXES. IT'S TOUGH BECAUSE WE DO CONSIDER REUNION OUR TOWN AND STILL FEEL VERY DICONNECTED FROM THE CORE OF COMMERCE CITY.
- > You want us to shop and spend money in our town, but we can't get or keep businesses here! To do that, I do more in Northfield and Stapleton, but would love to spend that money here. And not just on 104th up north.
- > You people waster more money. Theres office space open. We have children hungry. We have schools that are old. Why not put the money for the future of our kids. So we can get them educated. Elementry school could use this money. The middle schools. And yous want to waste money for fancy office yous don't need. Half of yous don't even live here so why would yous care. What goes on here, thats why yous spend it on shit cuz not your money. Yous don't care.
- > ZERO LAND SCAPT FOR ALL LANDSCAPING. TURN OFF EVERY OTHER STREET LIGHT ON BOTH SIDES OF EVERY STREET. STOP REDOING THE STREETS UNTIL THEY BECOME VERY BAD.

## **APPENDIX: SURVEY INSTRUMENT**

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A copy of the survey instrument is provided on the following pages. This is the survey instrument for the first mailing. The second mailing was sent with no Spanish language option.

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# QUALITY COMMUNITY INITIATIVE SURVEY

## ENCUESTA DE LA INICIATIVA DE CALIDAD COMUNITARIA

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You may also complete the survey by visiting <http://www.CoronaInsights.com/QCI>. You can enter your unique username and PIN to take the survey (case sensitive):

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Username (Nombre de usuario): **XXXXXX**

PIN (PIN): **XXXX**

# OVERALL COMMUNITY NEEDS

## NECESIDADES GENERALES DE LA COMUNIDAD

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First, we would like to know what you believe to be the most important areas for improvement within the Commerce City community.

Primero, queremos saber cuáles cree usted que son las más importantes áreas para mejorar en la comunidad de Commerce City.

1. **The following is a list of potential areas for improvement within Commerce City's community. Please rank each item from (1) most needs improvement to (6) least needs improvement in your opinion, without consideration for the costs of such improvements. You can also add and rank other areas if you wish.**

**La siguiente es una lista de potenciales áreas a mejorar en la comunidad de Commerce City. Por favor, liste en orden de prioridad cada área, siendo (1) el área que más mejoras necesita y (6) la que menos mejoras necesita, sin tener en cuenta el costo de esas mejoras. Si lo desea, puede agregar otras áreas.**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Arts and Culture<br>Artes y cultura  | <i>(Cultural arts center, public art, and creative expression programs)</i><br><i>(Centro artístico y cultural, arte público, programas de creatividad)</i>   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> City Buildings and Systems<br>Edificios y sistemas públicos  | <i>(As the population grows it takes more employees to provide services, and additional office space and systems are needed to support them)</i><br><i>(Debido al crecimiento de la población, se necesitan más empleados públicos para proveer servicios, así como más oficinas y más sistemas.)</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parks, Open Space, and Trails<br>Parques, espacios verdes  | <i>(Developed and/or undeveloped spaces that offer a variety of outdoor recreation activities)</i><br><i>(Espacios desarrollados o semi-desarrollados para varias actividades al aire libre)</i>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation<br>Recreación   | <i>(Sites developed for a variety of recreation opportunities, such as recreation centers, swimming pools, and golf)</i><br><i>(Sitios desarrollados para varias actividades recreativas, como centros recreativos, piscinas, y campos de golf)</i>   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stormwater Drainage<br>Bocas de tormenta / Drenaje   | <i>(Locations, equipment, and other systems that provide for flood control)</i><br><i>(Lugar, equipos y otros sistemas para controlar posibles inundaciones)</i>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation<br>Transporte   | <i>(Roadways, sidewalks, paths, bike trails, and other routes that provide for safe and efficient transit)</i><br><i>(Rutas, veredas, senderos, bicisendas, y otros caminos para el movimiento seguro y eficiente)</i>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other area you think needs improvement: <i>(Please describe)</i> _____<br>Otra área que usted cree que necesita mejoras: <i>(Por favor, describir)</i> |   |

2. **Which of the following scenarios would you prefer as they relate to the six service areas described in Question 1? Please rank the scenarios below with 1 for the option you like best, 2 for your second-most preferred option, and 3 for the option you like least.**

**¿Cuál de los siguientes escenarios usted preferiría en cuanto a las seis áreas de servicio descritas en la Pregunta? Por favor, marque sus preferencias del 1 al 3, siendo 1 su opción preferida, 2 su segunda opción y 3 la opción que usted menos prefiere.**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Maintain the facilities we have, and don't build more.<br>Mantener las instalaciones que ya tenemos, pero sin construir nuevas instalaciones.  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Maintain the facilities we have, and build to catch up with current needs.<br>Mantener las instalaciones que ya tenemos y construir más para responder a las actuales necesidades.                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Maintain the facilities we have, build to catch up with current needs, and continue to match future growth.<br>Mantener las instalaciones que tenemos y construir más para las necesidades actuales y futuras. |

3. Please indicate your overall level of support for **increased** City funding to make improvements in each of the potential priority areas. Please check one box for each item. Dollar figures reflect current **unfunded** priority improvement needs identified over the next ten years, and are only initial estimates.

Por favor, indique su nivel general de respaldo para **augmentar** los fondos de la ciudad para cada una de las siguientes áreas de potenciales prioridades. Por favor, marque sólo una opción para cada área. Las cifras indican el costo estimado (aún sin fondos) de las prioridades identificadas para los próximos diez años.

	<b>Strongly Support</b> Fuerte respaldo	<b>Somewhat Support</b> Respaldo parcial	<b>No Opinion</b> Sin opinion	<b>Somewhat Against</b> Algo en contra	<b>Strongly Against</b> Muy en contra
<b>Arts and Culture (\$12 million)</b> Artes y cultura (\$12 millones)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>City Buildings and Systems (\$16 million)</b> Edificios y sistemas públicos (\$16 millones)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Parks, Open Space, and Trails (\$26 million)</b> Parques, espacios verdes (\$26 millones)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Recreation (\$35 million)</b> Recreación (\$35 millones)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Stormwater Drainage (\$18 million)</b> Bocas de tormenta / Drenaje (\$18 millones)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Transportation (\$173 million)</b> Transporte (\$173 millones)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## SPECIFIC PRIORITIES PRIORIDADES ESPECÍFICAS

Next, we would like to know, on a more specific level, what you believe to be the most important areas for improvement within the Commerce City community. Specific Stormwater Drainage and Arts and Culture projects are not listed here due to the nature of these projects. All dollar amounts are initial estimates only.

A continuación, queremos que usted nos indique de una manera más específica cuáles cree usted que son las áreas más importantes para mejorar en la comunidad de Commerce City. No se incluyen los proyectos de bocas de tormenta (drenaje) ni los de arte y cultura debido a la naturaleza de esos proyectos. Las cifras son sólo estimaciones.

4. The following projects represent the \$16 million the City has identified as priority improvements in **City Buildings and Systems**. Please prioritize each item from (1) your top priority to (4) your lowest priority. Write "no" next to an item if you do not want it at all.

Los siguientes proyectos cuestan \$16 millones y han sido identificados por las autoridades locales como mejoras prioritarias en los **Edificios y Sistemas de la Ciudad**. Por favor, marque sus prioridades, siendo (1) la prioridad mayor y (4) la prioridad menor. Si un proyecto no le agrada, escriba "No".

<b>Your Rank</b> Rango	<b>Project Name</b> Nombre del proyecto	<b>Description/Benefits</b> Descripción/Beneficios	<b>Estimated Cost (Construction)</b> Costo Estimado (Construcción)
_____	Build police substation Construir subestación policial	New substation will allow for faster police response times throughout the city La nueva subestación permitirá una respuesta más rápida de la policía en toda la ciudad	\$10.2 million (millones)
_____	Expand Information Technology Infrastructure Expandir la infraestructura de tecnología informativa	Necessary upgrades to share and back up documents. Se necesitan las mejoras para compartir y almacenar copias de documentos	\$1.3 million (millones)
_____	Expand Municipal Service Center (Phase 1) Expandir el Centro de Servicios Municipales (Fase 1)	Will provide enclosed storage of parks and street maintenance equipment and supplies. Proveerá un sitio de almacenamiento cerrado para el equipo de mantenimiento y los suministros de parques y calles	\$2.4 million (millones)
_____	Expand Municipal Service Center (Phase 2) Expandir el Centro de Servicios Municipales (Fase 2)	Will provide a Police evidence warehouse. Proveerá un sitio de almacenamiento para evidencias policiales	\$2.1 million (millones)

5. The following projects represent the \$26 million the City has identified as priority improvements in **Parks, Trails, and Open Space**. Please prioritize each item from (1) your top priority to (3) your lowest priority. Write “no” next to an item if you do not want it at all.

Los siguientes proyectos cuestan \$26 millones y han sido identificados por las autoridades locales como mejoras prioritarias en **Parques, Senderos y Espacios Verdes**. Por favor, marque sus prioridades, siendo (1) la prioridad mayor y (3) la prioridad menor. Si un proyecto no le agrada, escriba “No”.

Your Rank Rango	Project Name Nombre del proyecto	Description/Benefits Descripción/Beneficios	Estimated Cost (Construction/Annual Maintenance) Costo Estimado (Construcción / Mantenimiento Anual)
_____	Build one new community park Construir un nuevo parque comunitario	50+ acres to serve community with multiple ball fields, water features, skatepark, playgrounds, picnic shelters, restrooms, etc. Parque de más de 50 acres con campos de béisbol, juegos acuáticos, parque de patinetas, áreas de juegos, mesas para picnic techadas, servicios sanitarios, etc.	\$11.5 million(millones)/ \$475,000
_____	Build three new neighborhood parks Construir tres nuevos parques vecinales	Approx. 10 acres to provide neighborhoods with amenities such as picnic shelters, playground, loop trail, irrigated turf area. Aprox. 10 acres para proveer a los vecindarios con lugar para picnics, juegos, senderos, y césped regado.	\$6.5 million(millones)/ \$278,000
_____	Expand trail system Expandir el sistema de senderos	Local neighborhood connector or loop trails, and regional trails connecting to surrounding cities/counties Conexiones vecinales locales o senderos circulares, así como conexiones con senderos regionales en otras ciudades o condados.	\$8.0 million(millones)/ \$146,000

6. The following projects represent the \$35 million the City has identified as priority improvements in **Recreation**. (Dollar amounts are initial estimates only.) Please prioritize each item from (1) your top priority to (4) your lowest priority. Write “no” next to an item if you do not want it at all.

Los siguientes proyectos cuestan \$35 millones y han sido identificados por las autoridades locales como mejoras prioritarias en **Recreación**. (Las cifras son sólo estimados iniciales.) Por favor, marque sus prioridades, siendo (1) la prioridad mayor y (4) la prioridad menor. Si un proyecto no le agrada, escriba “No”.

Your Rank Rango	Project Name Nombre del proyecto	Description/Benefits Descripción/Beneficios	Estimated Cost (Construction/Annual Maintenance) Costo Estimado (Construcción / Mantenimiento Anual)
_____	Buffalo Run Golf Course Improvements Mejoras en el Buffalo Run Golf Course	Irrigation replacement, pond liner replacement, building repairs/replacement, etc. to maintain the course’s appeal Reemplazo del sistema de riego, mantenimiento del estanque, remplazo o reparación de edificios, para que el campo de golf siga siendo atractivo	\$3.8 million(millones)/ \$0
_____	Existing Recreation Center Improvements Mejoras al actual Centro de Recreación	Addition of family locker room, dance studio, therapy pool, outdoor sprayground; renovation of locker rooms, lobby, etc. Adición de nueva sala de gabinetes para familias, estudio de danza, piscina de terapia, rociador externo, renovación de vestuarios, atrio, etc.	\$5.7 million(millones)/ \$285,000
_____	New Recreation Center Nuevo Centro de Recreación	Gymnasium, fitness, locker rooms, multipurpose activity areas classrooms/, etc. (does not include indoor pool) Gimnasio, actividades físicas, vestuarios, salas multipropósito, aulas, etc. (no incluye piscina cubierta)	\$19.5 million(millones)/ \$913,000
_____	Outdoor Aquatic Facility Parque acuático al aire libre	Zero depth entry, water slides, etc. Piscina con entrada gradual, toboganes con agua, etc.	\$6.0 million(millones)/ \$217,000

7. The following projects represent the \$173 million the City has identified as priority improvements in Transportation. (Dollar amounts are initial estimates only.) Please prioritize each item from (1) your top priority to (4) your lowest priority. Write “no” next to an item if you do not want it at all.

Los siguientes proyectos cuestan \$173 millones y han sido identificados por las autoridades locales como mejoras prioritarias en Transporte. (Las cifras son sólo estimados iniciales.) Por favor, marque sus prioridades, siendo (1) la prioridad mayor y (4) la prioridad menor. Si un proyecto no le agrada, escriba “No”.

Your Rank Rango	Project Name Nombre del proyecto	Description/Benefits Descripción/Beneficios	Estimated Cost (Construction) Costo Estimado (Construcción)
_____	New road construction/ improving roads Re construcción de rutas / Mejoras a rutas	Construction and improvement. <i>Example: 72<sup>nd</sup> Ave. construction (US 85 to Colorado Blvd)</i> Construcción y mejoras. <i>Ejemplo: Construcción de la 72<sup>nd</sup> Ave. (US85 a Colorado Boulevard)</i>	\$11,600,000
_____	Railroad grade separations Pasos ferroviarios a desnivel	By building overpasses at train crossings, long delays for cars can be avoided when trains pass. <i>Example: 96<sup>th</sup> Ave. railroad crossing</i> Al construir puentes sobre los pasos ferroviarios, se evitarán retrasos para los vehículos detenidos por las barreras bajas. <i>Por ejemplo, el paso a nivel de la Avenida 96.</i>	\$44,800,000
_____	Road widening Ensanche de calles	Multiple widening projects to decrease traffic congestion and driving times. <i>(Ex: Tower Road from 96<sup>th</sup> Ave.-104<sup>th</sup> Ave. increase to four lanes</i> Múltiples proyectos de ensanchado de calles para reducir el congestionamiento de tráfico y el tiempo de viaje. <i>(Ejemplo: Tower Road de Avenida 96 a Avenida 104, con cuatro carriles).</i>	\$115,700,000
_____	Traffic signal upgrades Mejoras en las señales de tránsito	Upgrades will allow for improved traffic flow Las mejoras permitirán un mejor flujo del tránsito	\$86,250 annually (anualmente)

# PROJECT FUNDING DECISIONS

## DECISIONES SOBRE FONDOS PARA PROYECTOS

Now we would like to know your opinions on different funding sources for the projects we've previously mentioned. Please keep in mind that your responses are anonymous and will be used only to assess the levels of support in the community. No direct funding decisions will be made from your responses to this survey.

Queremos ahora saber su opinión sobre diferentes fuentes de fondos para los proyectos mencionados. Por favor, recuerde que sus respuestas son anónimas y que sólo se usarán para evaluar el nivel de respaldo por parte de la comunidad. No se tomarán decisiones directas sobre los fondos sobre la base de las respuestas en esta encuesta.

**8. In the following boxes, we discuss ways to pay for the types of improvements described previously. Please indicate whether you think the following ideas are good or bad in funding those projects. Please check one box for each item**

**En las siguientes casillas hablamos de las distintas maneras de pagar por las mejoras antes enumeradas. Por favor, indique si usted cree que las ideas de fondos para los proyectos son buenas o malas. Por favor, marque sólo una opción en cada línea.**

Very Good Idea Muy buena idea	Good Idea Buena idea	No Opinion Sin opinión	Bad Idea Mala idea	Very Bad Idea Muy mala idea	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>New Improvement District</b></p> <p>A new district can be created that levies a tax on properties in the district that can be used <u>only</u> for the purposes of that district. For example, a district can be created specifically for city facilities improvements or for recreation.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Nuevo distrito de mejoras</b></p> <p>Se puede crear un nuevo distrito para recaudar impuestos a la propiedad en ese distrito que se usarán <u>sólo</u> para ese distrito. Por ejemplo, se puede crear un distrito sólo para mejoras a las instalaciones municipales o para recreación.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Stormwater Utility and Fee</b></p> <p>A special fee can be levied on properties citywide to specifically fund stormwater drainage projects.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Pago de un arancel por bocas de tormenta y desagües</b></p> <p>Se puede recaudar un arancel especial de las propiedades en toda la ciudad específicamente para proyectos de bocas de tormenta y desagües (drenaje).</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Additional Impact Fees on New Development</b></p> <p>Increased fees can be levied on new construction to fund projects in areas of new development (and only those areas).</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Aranceles adicionales para nuevos proyectos</b></p> <p>Se pueden aumentar los aranceles para nuevas construcciones para tener fondos para proyectos en las áreas de esas nuevas construcciones (y sólo en esas áreas).</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Entertainment Admissions Tax (8%)</b></p> <p>An additional tax can be added to public entertainment events.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Impuesto a los boletos de entretenimiento (8%)</b></p> <p>Se puede agregar un impuesto adicional a los eventos de entretenimiento público.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Employment Head Tax (\$5/paycheck)</b></p> <p>A tax can be placed on employees who hold jobs in the city.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Impuesto al pago a empleados (\$5 por cada cheque de pago)</b></p> <p>Se puede imponer un impuesto a los empleados que trabajan en esta ciudad.</p>

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<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Refuse/Trash Collection Fee</b></p> <p>All households with currently free trash service would pay a fee so \$2 million per year could be applied for other purposes. Or alternately, privatize and no longer have City service.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Arancel por la recolección de residuos y desperdicios</b></p> <p>Todas las familias que ahora reciben servicios gratuitos de recolección de residuos pagarían un arancel para reunir \$2 millones para otros propósitos. O se podría privatizar el servicio de recolección de residuos.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Property Tax Increase</b></p> <p>An additional mill levy on property within the city, to be added to current property taxes.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Aumento en el impuesto a la propiedad</b></p> <p>Se puede aumentar el impuesto a las propiedades dentro de la ciudad</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sales Tax increase (Dedicated or general fund)</b></p> <p>Sales taxes can be increased on purchases made within the city.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Aumento en el impuesto a las ventas (para fondos generales)</b></p> <p>Se puede aumentar el impuesto a las ventas realizadas dentro de la ciudad</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Other User and Maintenance Fees</b></p> <p>Annual fees can be charged for use or maintenance of various City services, such as fees for services provided, or maintenance fees for areas of public access.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Aranceles para otros usos y mantenimientos</b></p> <p>Se puede implementar un arancel anual para el uso o mantenimiento de varios servicios municipales, como aranceles por servicios provistos o aranceles para mantenimiento de áreas de acceso público</p>
<p><b>Other "Very Good" Idea: (Please describe)</b>  <b>Otra "Muy Buena Idea":</b>  (Por favor, describa)</p>					_____

## ABOUT YOU INFORMACION SOBRE USTED

These last few questions will help us in evaluating how well our sample of households represents Commerce City residents. **Your answers will be kept strictly confidential and will only be used for the analysis of this study. Statistics will only be reported in aggregate (average) form, and you will not be personally identified in any way.**

Las siguientes preguntas nos ayudarán a evaluar si la muestra de familias seleccionadas realmente representa a los residentes de Commerce City. **Sus respuestas se mantendrán estrictamente confidenciales y sólo se usarán para el análisis de este estudio. Las estadísticas sólo se reportarán de manera agregada (promedio). No se lo identificará a usted personalmente de ninguna manera.**

9. **Gender:**             Male             Female  
**Género:**                 Hombre            Mujer

10. **In what year were you born?** 19\_\_\_\_\_   
¿En qué año nació usted?

11. **Do you live south of 96<sup>th</sup> Avenue or north of 96<sup>th</sup> Avenue?**       South of 96<sup>th</sup>       North of 96<sup>th</sup>  
¿Vive usted al sur o al norte de la Avenida 96?      Al sur      Al norte

12. **How many years have you lived in Commerce City?** \_\_\_\_\_ years  
¿Cuántos años hace que vive en Commerce City?      años

# PUBLIC MEETINGS AND FINAL COMMENTS REUNIONES PÚBLICAS Y COMENTARIOS FINALES

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The QCI stakeholder group includes Commerce City residents, business owners, non-profit representatives, developers, special interests, city staff, and anyone who chooses to take part. It is designed to be an inclusive group.

El grupo de partes interesadas de QCI incluye a residentes de Commerce City, dueños de negocios, representantes de organizaciones no lucrativas, constructores, intereses especiales, personal municipal y otros. Es un grupo inclusivo.

**Would you like to attend a public meeting regarding QCI efforts?**       **Yes**       **No**  
**¿Quisiera usted participar en las reuniones públicas de QCI?**      **Si**      **No**

If yes, please provide the information at right:  
*(This will be provided to City staff, but will be not be linked to your survey responses)*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Si "Sí", por favor complete esta información:  
*(Se le dará la información al personal municipal, pero no se la conectará con sus respuestas.)*

Nombre: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tel.: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Feel free to provide any additional comments you have regarding the Quality Community Initiative.**

**Por favor, provea cualquier comentario adicional con respecto a la Iniciativa de Calidad Comunitaria:**

***Thank you for completing the survey. Please return the survey in the postage paid envelope.***

***Gracias por completar la encuesta. Por favor, envíela en el sobre ya estampillado.***