

Question 60. Would you like to provide additional comments about any topic not covered by this survey?

1	Please build infrastructure before you allow 1 more home to be built consider SLOWING down or limiting the # of homes to be built in a year
2	Please increase the roadways nearer the 77 access.
3	<p>I have been highly disappointed with the quality of communication coming from the Parks and Recreation department. It is slow and incomplete to say the least. Many people are unhappy with it but sadly there are few alternatives. Please don't increase their workload before training them or cleaning house. As a past YMCA program director, I know the importance of qualified staff. They set the tone for everything.</p> <p>I would also like to see the community pulled together. A revitalized downtown would help. Also trying to do activities that pull the schools together would help. Having a homecoming parade, allow schools to decorate downtown for a spirit walk. Have activities where downtown is closed to traffic to have a street dance, weekly farmers market. Expand the Halloween and Christmas events.</p>
4	Mass transit is not needed. This is a quaint, cute town by nature. Making it appeal to the masses drives down value to the schools, homes and life. Keep it quaint and cute. We need more big lot homes, less mass building and focus on school quality.
5	Fort Mill needs good food. Not chains. Not fast food. Real restaurants. BYOs etc.
6	I would like to see more partnerships between the Town and the School District on facilities.
7	With an increased population we need to help fight water pollution such as dumping into our main water sources. Also, water conservation education would be helpful. Public transit connecting to Lynx and local public transit for daily needs. As new multi-complexes come in to build have a requirement to allow for some green space to be saved. As roads are looked at to expand, consider sidewalks, biking trails. Trash will increase and having all businesses and residents participate in recycling and composting pick-up will reduce rubbish to put somewhere. Thank you for your thoughtful approach in making the future of Fort Mill a great one for our children and our grandchildren.
8	<p>I do not believe that we have enough commercial development to sustain the current residential development. The tax base to support services is not there. Future development should focus on creating a tax base to support services so Fort Mill can get back to that small-town feel.</p> <p>There should also be more community events. The annual Christmas Tree lighting is wonderful, but that should not be the only holiday celebrated by the town throughout the year. Many small towns have parades and/or fireworks on the Fourth of July, for instance.</p>
9	In the last 5 years our taxes have increased by about 40%. We are currently retired and hope to live in our home for the rest of our lives. We cannot afford to continue paying for new schools, roads, park facilities etc. Because we live within the town limits, our taxes are higher than those living outside the town limits and in unincorporated areas. The tax system needs to be more equitable. We are tired of subsidizing all the new families moving into this town. Our children are grown and gone and we cannot afford to pay for all the new schools etc. Give us a break.
10	Consider local neighborhood circulators connecting to major arterial transit lines. Please ensure multi-modal and active transportation to circulate around town.
11	Exploding multifamily housing is not sustainable from road and school system perspective. Must find added commercial business to offset.

12	Fort Mill needs to do a better job of planning especially what businesses come into our area, zoning, and the look of the businesses. I lived in Cary, NC when they were having a lot of new building. It felt more planned. The city and county need to communicate to keep the look and feel of all areas.
13	Quality of life (walking, biking, greenway, and community activities) is much more desirable than commercial development, except that which would directly support schools with sales tax revenue.
14	I know the number of patrol officers is very small.....I'd like to see an increase, and would be fine, having a small tax increase to help.
15	Welcoming refugees into our community would enrich it in a wide variety of ways.
16	No
17	Survey too long!
18	I am very encouraged by this survey. It's important for the future of the town to have a plan in place and I'm hopeful that plan includes more publicly accessible amenities like parks and transit, as well as investment in the downtown center!
19	Growth needs to be managed. Very concerned about the schools and lack of a park for all children including handicapped children
20	I currently work for a small business on Main Street, and I would highly encourage the Town of Fort Mill to reconsider the zoning laws for downtown Fort Mill. The entire community would benefit from a strong downtown area in which every storefront is occupied by an active business. Currently, too many storefronts are essentially inactive, and many customers complain about the lack of shopping on Main Street. People seem to be less willing to make the trip to Main Street and visit the stores that are open every day if they know that their retail options are limited. Also, the downtown area is in need of many more parking spaces than what is currently available. Thank you for releasing this survey; I hope that the information you gathered will be able to help determine what is best for the town in the upcoming years.
21	We've grown as a community way too fast, and now I feel we are not adequately prepared for this level of growth.
22	Thank you for doing this survey - the entire FM area needs improved pedestrian safety features - lights, signs, and patrols - and please support policies that support lively business creation on the historic Main St. - it's starting and needs to continue!
23	Since Fort Mill seems to be an endless string of subdivision after subdivision, with no end in sight, I'd love to have a plan to connect these subdivision by roads or at least walk/bike trails. It would make some of the smaller neighborhoods feel bigger and more connected to their neighbors. I'd also really like to have our own Costco.
24	The town appears to be growing too fast and no longer has the small town feel.
25	Keeping and renovating the Leroy Springs Complex is a major priority. Public, low cost aquatics facilities would also be nice. However, the roads and larger lot sizes to create less density in housing are enormously important to this community.
26	Development has been ongoing without thought which has caused Fort Mill to develop without a plan...I hope this survey slows down residential development That being said need mixed neighborhoods with affordable housing.. Those working in Fort Mill (especially retain) can't afford the housing in Fort Mill...Also, new roads with no bike or walking lanes-what a miss. Need better amenities on East side of Fort Mill...seems development (dining, retail) is centered around I-77 corridor... east side would like more dining
27	no

28	I keep hearing that most residents are frustrated with the rash of development coming in, and we are concerned about what that will look like. We are buying a home in an established neighborhood, and are not looking for anything brand new and squeezed between a row of homes.
29	Bike lanes, bike lanes, bike lanes!!!
30	Do allow neighborhoods to remain private & have a voice on traffic flows. Growth has exceeded the current infrastructure and quiet residential neighborhoods should not be forced to remain open to "cut thru" traffic.
31	I think the Kingsley development is fantastic. Very visually appealing. I like the multi-use look/feel (plus we needed a hotel). It has a great mix of food/drink (which was VERY much needed in Fort Mill). And its nice that its centrally located with easy access to Rt. 77. Well done!
32	Too much residential building has caused most of the issues we are having. However, our community is in high demand I believe due to our great schools. We are also affected by people wanting to move away from Charlotte and it problems.
33	I wish to have Monroe-White/Williamson Streets turned into either a one way or to have traffic speed bumps put in. My street is like a highway!
34	As it currently stands, I would not encourage anyone to relocate to Fort Mill. The amenities afforded to the communities that surround this town far outweigh the one thing this town has going for it - its school system. The suggested BMX facilities already exist within York County. In fact, they lie less than a mile over the river from the town line. It would be wonderful if the Fort Mill planning committee thought out of the box when brainstorming potential moneymakers.
35	I would like to see the downtown area thriving. It is a pity that some of the building owners do not take care of their historic property. I would also like a nicer grocery store such as the fresh market in the downtown area as a destination. Wide sidewalks promote neighborhood activity and connectivity.
36	Traffic on Southbound 21 at 160 during afternoon rush hour needs to be fixed! Longer green light please!!!
37	No
38	I DO NOT want to see any more housing or commercial development. The roads cannot take it and I don't want roads widened either. If you do these things you will destroy what is best about Fort Mill. A quiet small community.
39	I like the progress of the town including widening of 160\gold hill, upcoming gold hill/77 intersection project...and especially the upcoming duke park with ball fields. I'd like see more traffic circles, they slow traffic and help it flow better at the same time. Less fast food and more decent casual/local restaurants. It would be nice to see it more walking, biking, pedestrian friendly especially from west of 77 to downtown. I would also like to see a rail system by 77 to uptown charlotte. Definitely no bridge from rock hill. We really enjoy the Baxter nature trails, it would be great if they connected to other areas. Maintaining quality school should be a priority.
40	Growth is out of control the small town atmosphere doesn't exist anymore. 5 to 10 years from now considering moving.
41	no
42	As the ASC Greenway has 18 miles of equestrian trails, I would like to see the town expand these, especially to the Spratt property that will become park. Equestrian tourism can be a lucrative business for an area and Fort Mill already has a great head start.
43	Main concern is traffic which must be addressed ASAP. Also there are too many 'affordable' housing options being built which will change the dynamics of the community.
44	Thank you for asking for our opinion. There is a strong sense of community in Fort Mill which we love.

45	Too much development has been allowed without consideration for the impact it has had on the infrastructure that is currently in place. Traffic congestion is a major concern within the town limits. The street I live on has not had the attention to the condition of the streets that should have been. Half of the street was repaved without repaving the other half although the traffic has increased over the past years as it is used as a cut through between Tom Hall and Old Nations Ford. It seems as though the town government has all but forgotten the older sections of Fort Mill and the residents that have been here and supported the town for many years.
46	It is imperative that there be sidewalks around our schools. I see near death situations around Nation Ford all the time. It's criminal that kids from Springfield and surrounding neighborhoods can't safely walk to Nation Ford.
47	I am greatly troubled by the fact that Fort Mill still has a "Confederate" Street. I find it offensive and it's unpatriotic, and it does not promote an evolved, diverse, progressive community.
48	Yes, please. We need more casual family restaurants in Fort Mill. Healthy food NOT BURGERS!!! Like Golden Corral, Jason's deli or Denny's or Jomars in Lancaster, We travel far to get good food. No more fast food in the area please no more pizza places. Thank you. From a nurse
49	Stop the clearcutting!
50	Fort Mill has been my home since I was born. Recently, it seems as though developers have become greedy and they are rushing growth. Fort Mill had been growing steadily and that was fine. You've got to allow for responsible growth and consider roads and schools and what makes this town so great to begin with. Also, save the complex!
51	The postal service is very poor. Packages go missing show up late. The grocery store food quality not very good
52	Stop building homes in this town. We don't need any more homes built. Our schools cannot keep up!!
53	If you want to revitalize downtown, please go hire all the people who did it in Rock Hill, because they did it right!!! Expand Doby's Bridge Rd and fix all intersections downtown.
54	I think Fort Mill would greatly benefit from more healthy eating options. Panera was a nice addition, so more places like that- fast casual, fresh ingredients. Chop of Blakney is a good example.
55	For the last 8 years the leadership of Ft. Mill has done a terrible job properly planning for and regulating growth. Quality of life has suffered as a result.
56	Fort Mill has great school system and a beautiful place to live. I think having more authentic restaurants downtown would add to diversity of this community
57	Growth planning needs to slow down. Infrastructure is not at the level it needs to be to support the growth in the area.
58	Consider annexing Regent Park into the town limits, increase cable and internet capabilities (more viable options other than Comporium, widen Hwy 21, support demolition of Heritage Tower as a town nuance.
59	Please do not get rid of the aquatic center at Anne Springs Recreation Center. The recreation center has become a daily part of our family's life and absolutely love the small town feel and people there.
60	No
61	Need get roads/traffic under control before adding more residential/nonresidential building. Kingsley is a nightmare at rush hour.
62	n/a
63	A place for seniors to take fitness classes, swim, and exercise while meeting others is essential for health and happiness. If the lease on the complex is not renewed, an alternative facility should be a top priority.

64	This is a residential community, we don't need more large retail stores. We do need some nicer restaurants and downtown shopping such as specialty shops (gifts, coffee, hair salon, cooking). We do need more health services like primary care doctors small upscale grocery.
65	I think having a town council loaded with realtors has caused too much housing growth. I moved to Fort Mill because of the number of trees, many of which have been destroyed to further crowd the area and make a few realtors wealthy.
66	Please consider a limit on the new subdivisions. The building has gotten out of control and the town is losing its "small-town charm". The cost of housing is forcing many long time natives out.
67	Please do not connect us to Charlotte via any type of public transportation. Let's just be a nice peaceful enclave that is as secluded as possible.
68	Yes. I would like Williamson St. to either be one way or speed bumps added. It is like a highway.
69	I am very excited about the expected growth and new local restaurants coming to the Main St area of Ft Mill
70	Need to expand support to local community theater. Also, need to preserve local area historic sites in jeopardy of being lost to development - the ancient Catawba town sites along the Catawba River, the Spratt Cemetery off of Brickyard Road, and, the location of the partially constructed French and Indian War fort in the same location. This is also the camp location where Charles Earl Cornwallis camped during his retreat from Charlotte in 1780 during the American Revolution. I do NOT understand why the Town of Ft. Mill does not promote AND PRESERVE its important historical and important Native American cultural resources. There seems to be too much of an emphasis on new growth and development in Ft. Mill, and the surrounding area than on reserving and setting aside land known to have historical context. It is shameful.
71	Don't make this town an ugly suburb of Charlotte. Stop growth now.
72	Please preserve green space, don't clear cut all the trees during development, especially for an eyesore like the Dairy Queen on 160.
73	no
74	Stop the building and fix the roads!
75	We don't have to let outsiders set the pace for our community. We can set the pace for the development of our community. We don't have to "yes" to every project. We don't have to change the zoning to allow more housing. People will look back at this era and be mortified by all of the rookie mistakes made by people in government that aren't holding developers accountable for unchecked growth.
76	One of Fort Mill's most valuable assets is the Anne Springs Close Greenway. Our community needs to support the greenway and ensure its future financial sustainability through memberships, volunteer assistance, and corporate gifts and sponsorships.
77	Why does the Main street area of Fort Mill have so many derelict rundown uncared for buildings? The downtown area should be jewel of Fort Mill not an embarrassment. It's very sad when towns don't care about their own history and don't try to preserve it. Rock Hill, Waxhaw, Pineville etc. all these little towns take pride in their downtown areas. How can the leaders in Fort Mill put this town on the back burner for so long while developing everything all around the Historic town?
78	We moved here because of the small town feel (like going back in time) great schools and the safety. As a realtor this is also why many of my client move here. I want to see growth but it must be controlled to not lose what makes Fort Mill great!

79	Hi, I believe if we want to cut congestion and increase businesses we need bike lanes. We don't have ANY. It's sad. I drive, park, then bike (3 miles to avoid parking fees) every single day to work in the Duke Energy building. I make the ride (20 miles) at least once a month. The scariest part is Fort Mill, as soon as I cross Westinghouse on Nation's Ford Rd. into NC there's bike lanes. Nation's Ford Rd. Fort Mill side is a death trap for anyone on a bike. There is no safe connection from Fort Mill to South end via bike. I would work in Fort Mill if I felt safe biking to work. I desperately want to avoid the I-77 commute and Live/Work in Fort Mill but will not until bikers are safe here. I strongly suggest modeling Walter Elisha Park after Evans Town Park in Evans, GA – they did everything right. Shade is critical for kids and parents. Finally, I think disc golf is everyone except Fort Mill. Charlotte and Rock Hill have having National Tournaments and we have nothing. Thanks for caring about change! -Dennis Randar
80	Private sources should be looked first for funding before taxes and fees are raised.
81	Sidewalks and pedestrian traffic is where I see a lot of improvement can be made to quality of life in Fort Mill. There are so many sidewalks in town that just end at nothing. My kids can't walk or ride to school, even though we are close enough. They have to be driven to a see a friend 1/2 a mile away because there is no safe way to ride a bike or walk. Honestly, I've never lived in a town (have lived all over US and Canada) that has such limited pedestrian facilities. If you want to promote fitness/health and reduce traffic and reduce school bus costs, sidewalks would be a very easy way to do that.
82	The 160 bridge over I77 is awful. I avoid it at all costs, no matter the time of day. Is Pleasant Road being widened? I think increasing some of the capacities of the "cut through" roads would help.
83	Neighborhood cut-through streets endanger our children and devalue our property. Fort Mill already doesn't have enough traffic enforcement to monitor neighborhoods.
84	A hospital is critical and I would consider moving if we don't get one soon
85	work on the roads is the most critical
86	Keeping the small town feel of Fort Mill intact is vital to the city culture and appeal. It doesn't need to be a major metropolis. It needs to take care of the cities needs for infrastructure, entertainment and groceries. Travel to rock hill or Charlotte is simple and can fulfil many major needs, small town culture requires small town growth.
87	The recreational facilities and roads are embarrassing and extremely poor for an area that continues to grow
88	Need more commercial property tax contributors rather than majority residential.
89	Would like to see the number of police on patrol increase to keep up with the growing population to maintain safety and response time. Would also like to see the residential speed limit dropped to 20 mph for roads that serve as connectors, with more stop signs along the way to reduce speeding.
90	None
91	Too much traffic on Hwy 160 with all the businesses there. Coordinate signals better. Farmers Market near downtown. Bring people downtown. More Festivals.
92	The downtown area of Fort Mill has so much potential. We often travel to cute little towns and enjoy dining and shopping. It's a shame that we don't have that here. I appreciate the few shops and restaurants that we have, but there is so much opportunity for more. We need better parking options and a better flow in and out of the downtown area in addition to more restaurants and quality retailers.
93	I pretty much like Fort Mill the way it is except for peak traffic congestion.
94	The quality of our school systems will degrade if we do not severely manage residential growth. The schools are the only reason that people choose FM over Charlotte.

95	Would love to see downtown Fort Mill (main street) turned into more of a community friendly environment with shops, restaurants, etc. Allowing the people from both "sides" of FM to become a community. Would love to see more entertainment and "festivals" that allows us to gather as a community as well. A dog park that does not require a monthly fee would be incredible as well! Love to hear about the expansion of FM and how we can improve this great place!
96	The sidewalks in Whiteville park need repair. Some roads need repaving
97	Town should consider improving street lighting in some of the approaches to residential neighborhoods. Signage for street names and areas can also be improved.
98	Yes
99	Make developers pay for infrastructure improvements like turn lanes, sidewalks, bike lanes and cross walks.
100	Over development of apartments.
101	We need more cable television options. The Comporium monopoly needs to end and more options need to be made available to residents other than satellite television.
102	I am in a wheelchair. I want to work. With transportation nonexistent, I can't get to a job.
103	We keep seeing more and more areas that we thought were part of the Greenway disappear. When I moved here in 1998, I was told that there were approximately 2200 acres of Greenway. Either some of the areas just appeared to be Greenway, or some was never restricted by a conservation easement, because my perception is that there is much less today. I think that the Leroy Springs Center should either stay open or should be replaced so that we have a non-YMCA option available. I also think that too much poorly planned residential housing has been approved in the past 5-6 years. The horrible Oakland Point development on Kimbrell Road is a case in point. They are cramming too many houses in, and should have been required to have kept more trees with a larger buffer. I also think that all neighborhoods should be required to have sidewalks and that the residential developers should pay a higher impact fee. We have a wonderful community here that is being negatively impacted by too much poorly planned residential development.
104	Allocation of funds for priorities is biggest concern. Infrastructure is 10 years behind. Council is constantly being reactive instead of proactive in infrastructure.
105	Yes. Please add sidewalks to the full length of Doby's Bridge
106	Fort Mill needs a Senior Center that serves "home cooked" meals to ensure Seniors have adequate nutrition. Don't demolish the ASC Complex in 2020. Instead, turn it into a Senior Center. Keep the pool and gym. Add a small commercial Kitchen and Dining Room to serve low cost, wholesome meals during the week.
107	I don't walk or bike more because a) sidewalks begin and end erratically so I can't walk from home to shops safely and b) traffic is heavy and c) there's no safe way to pass bicyclists on many of the roads
108	I would like to see speed bumps put in on my street, there are kids on this street and with the increased traffic in the area, my street is used as a "cut through" for many cars avoiding Hwy 160. Cars fly down my street as fast as 40-50mph... with a 25 mph speed limit, please help keep us safe!!
109	Wayfinding needed to help with connection to downtown and town branding; Tired of feeling second class to Rock Hill when it comes to economic development. We don't necessarily need so many new amenities ... we need town employees that are paid to manage them and work on economic development, branding, PR, marketing, etc.

110	We need more large single-entry neighborhoods and less random housing. We need more sidewalks. We need more places like Birkdale Village in Charlotte with business/housing mixes. We NEED bigger roads. US 21 needs expansion. The intersection of 51, Flint Hill Rd., S-46-48, and Andrew L Tucker Rd. needs to turn into a giant roundabout. That intersection is unsafe and creates a 10-20 minute delay during peak hours. It has the worst traffic pattern I've seen. We need more greenways for walking. The way roads are fixed are poor, looks awful and the potholes come back.
111	I work in Fort Mill so I spend most of my time here. I feel like there's only about 3 options to eat near downtown where I work, especially on only a 30 min lunch break.
112	A larger library, preferably in the downtown area would be desirable. Additionally, the creation of other educational facilities, such as museums, a technical/vocational school, a building dedicated to education in the arts. Also, your next survey should consider homeschooling families by perhaps adding a " we homeschool" option when posing questions about traveling to school.
113	I work in Fort Mill & would support many additional programs, but the county has to rein in its high property taxes before anyone can agree to pay for more services thru property tax.
114	Please leave springs recreation complex open or build another one just like. Best thing in Fort Mill
115	I LOVE living in Ft Mill!! It has a friendly village, family feel and wonderful level of acceptance.
116	Stop building apartments! There are now too many and don't want them to evolve to section 8. I don't pay high property values to support people that don't pay property taxes.
117	Think multi use town facilities like Huntersville Discovery Museum and Government offices should be explored
118	I am very concerned about how many homes are being built with no new roads. I am also concerned about the Leroy Springs Complex b/c we both go at least 5 days a week
119	Please keep the Springs Complex!! It is a valuable asset.
120	We live in Springfield and there is no connection to the Greenway across the street, the Harris Teeter (only 1 mile away), or the surrounding schools. I spend more time in my car than ever before for very short trips that could be done by bike or foot if there were such a thing as connectivity. I was almost hit by a car crossing over Springfield Parkway to get to the Greenway trails. I do not support more strip malls, we have plenty already. We moved here from Daniel Island where the island was one big master plan with plenty of trails, green space, a simple grocery store, and a few shops. It gave residents just enough to do without leaving the island, but the island was not overwhelmed with tourists. I appreciate the survey and am hopeful in keeping Fort Mill in a smart growth plan.
121	Please consider seniors & veterans more in the decisions that are made for the longtime residents of Ft. Mill thank you!
122	Fort Mill has become a poorly run town. It's sprawling with so many gas stations and houses and storage units. The roads are not fixed. They get filled with gravel for a week then pot holes again. There is just buildings dumped everywhere. These roads are over capacity but they still get built on day after day. This Fort Mill parkway was built by drug dealers and incompetence. So much money was wasted and no one cares. At some point someone has to put the brakes on. This moratorium that's in place that covers a 30 feet cube in the middle of a swamp is doing nothing either.
123	No community thorough fares. Unsafe.
124	The traffic needs to be taken care of before it hurts property values.
125	The rate of development needs to slow down and traffic needs to be addressed!
126	Less apartments. More restaurants. Better entrance to freeway during rush hour. Add train to downtown Charlotte.

127	Consider reining/ control growth. We have seen it destroy small towns like this one where friends and family have lived.
128	Fort Mill needs to put a hold on building housing. Every small space they can find to put 1000 houses on it. Traffic is too bad now.
129	The town of Fort Mill has drastically changed over the last 10 years. While it was necessary to grow in some areas, the town is over populated, over crowded, and the building needs to stop.
130	Yes
131	We need to have a better plan that accommodates road expansions to help with traffic. Our school district has done an excellent job preparing for future development. The same cannot be said for our roads and infrastructure.
132	Worried most about road congestion. Any plan or development needs to provide for dealing with any traffic issues by improving the existing roads and providing for alternate access points where feasible.
133	Stop retail and residential building, fix our roads.
134	The over development of apartments is causing local crime to go up and deterring people from wanting to stay in Fort Mill. Most move to get away from the city living but are now being bombarded with it all over again. The neighborhoods are being used as cut through to avoid traffic. Instead of building new apartments why doesn't the city focus on fixing the traffic problems?
135	Stop the apartments! At least approve townhomes if you want more density...homeowners make for a more stable town. No more mass renters
136	One of the questions included business and schools in the neighborhood, why don't you separate them into two questions.
137	Fort Mill is a wonderful place to live but I am always aware of the amount of trash on our roads and highways. I have lived in other cities and other states and I hate to say that there is more litter here than any place I have lived. Roads and highways need to be adopted by civic organizations and private individuals. Law enforcement needs to enforce the anti-litter laws already in place or pass stronger, enforceable laws.

138	<p>Why do we have to repeat the mistakes of other towns that have been overrun by development? Why can't we learn from the mistakes of other cities and towns? Why do we have to make the same mistakes they made that ruined those places and the quality of life they once offered? Why not ask the planners and public officials in places the Atlanta metro area or Union County, NC, or northern Virginia the following questions: "What did you do right? What did you do wrong? If you had a time machine and could go back, what would you do differently? What suggestions do you have for us as we grapple with growth?" No one, from city planners, town managers, to council members, public works employees has EVER dealt with this kind of explosive growth...ALL of the developers that are running our town into the ground have run over other municipalities and they are running over Fort Mill. Don't kid yourself, town officials, they are running circles around you and we will be left holding the bag when they move onto the next municipality to run it into the ground. Before approving development, make them, force them, to provide infrastructure that will improve the quality of life. That means requiring places like commercial and residential developments to build deceleration/turn lanes to keep traffic flowing. They aren't going to volunteer to spend money to improve the quality of life in our community; we have to force them to spend the money by not approving their proposed development until they agree to provide the improvements. I know, you are scared of a lawsuit...guess what?!? They don't make any money on the property they want to develop when they are spending money on lawyers and lawsuits. They don't want to be in court, they want to move on to the next project. Lastly, if downtown businesses want parking, they should pay for parking. It isn't the government's job to subsidize business by paying for the costs of doing business. The town isn't coming to my house to provide parking for my guests...why would the town pay for parking for businesses to make money? That is up to the businesses, not the government. If they don't make enough money to provide parking for their business, then they will go out of business and someone that can manage and grow a business will take their place. It is called capitalism (defined as "an economic and political system in which a country's trade and industry are controlled by private owners for profit, rather than by the government.").</p>
139	Please consider widening the roads before you build any more housing or industrial/commercial buildings.
140	Just built parkway but 4 lanes would have been nice. Traffic in 29708 area is bad. Roads are being built but not enough traffic lanes to accommodate all the new growth and housing being built
141	Doby's Bridge is too narrow to be safe.
142	Traffic really need to be improved and we need to slow down on the housing boom. Fort Mill is losing its small town appeal.
143	There is way too much construction. The town does not need another storage facility. The building is making the town lose its character as well as destroys the environment. People are starting to leave the area because of all the construction. Save the environment...save the community
144	no
145	I would like to see more school options. Such as public charter schools.

146	My MAIN concern is the lack of managed growth laws which govern signage, buffers, setbacks, building materials and styles, and landscaping to provide continuity along major streets and overall appearance of the Ft Mill township. I am worried that major roads are starting to look junky like Cherry Road in Rock Hill! Tighten appearance rules for businesses! Stop allowing major business parks from development on already congested intersections like Kingsley on I-77 and 160 Hwy! It and Carowinds Blvd are a mess in appearance and traffic! We need new cross-town roads to alleviate heavy traffic on 160 Hwy and Gold Hill Rd. There are an inadequate number of empty-nester or entry-level smaller, but well-appointed homes for young and older citizens. There is a dominance of 4-5 bedroom homes in the \$300-500,000 range. Very few homes in the \$200-300,000 range.
147	Traffic and daycare options remains the biggest challenges in my opinion. A comprehensive survey like this can over quantify the topics and only to focus energies in the wrong direction so wanted to make that clear.
148	We have lived all over the United States and have also visited many towns of all sizes. The most desirable towns to live in have the following qualities; well-groomed/maintained public areas, controlled and well planned growth, ones which have kept their old neighborhoods and historic buildings, ones which have cobbled over their main street for pedestrian venues and to better facilitate shopping, ones which have excellent school systems, ones which have invested in recreation and event venues, ones which have well established and more than adequate support infrastructure, ones which are noted for having the capacity to keep and cherish the old qualities/character yet support and provide new and healthy growth, ones which have top rated healthcare facilities, ones where there is a strong support for "community" where old and young can live full, enjoyable lives and ones which are heavy in history and nostalgia unique to that specific town. Fort Mill has most of these qualities to a degree but needs to cultivate and expound on what is unique and special to it.
149	The biggest issue with Fort Mill is the lack of developing infrastructure (roads, ect.) while allowing unlimited growth in residential, apartment and businesses developments. Very poor planning in this area.
150	Don't disrupt the balance and turn this small town into a suburb of Charlotte.
151	Definitely the widening of highway 160 from Fort Mill to Highway 521 in Lancaster county. More retail and restaurants!
152	Please save the Leroy Springs Recreation Center
153	We have enough religious facilities and choice in the area. No more mega churches.
154	Would like a Blakney like neighborhood in the old Charlotte Knight's baseball field area. Would be good to see better grocery stores like whole foods or sprouts etc.
155	Please work on traffics congestion. It alone adds up to 25 min. Just to go from 77 to Springfield
156	New sub-division development is a disgrace and embarrassing. Developers are being allowed to construct large single family homes too close to the sidewalks with inadequate parking. We were looking to buy a newer home and had to purchase land in an older subdivision instead in order to create an environment that would fit our full family needs. In visiting some new homes I could not even park my vehicle in some of the driveways without my bumper hanging over the sidewalk. The pretty new and currently smaller trees planted along the streets will grow in five years to become a challenge and the scale of parking needs along with narrow streets will also become an issue that will likely devalue homes. Developers are packing these subdivisions with too many homes. In five years this will begin to become unsightly.
157	Stop building high density housing. All it does is stress the infrastructure.

158	I think it is a shame Fort Mill cannot control residential growth and provide opportunities for the school district to catch up from the overcrowding. This is an issue of zoning and it is baffling as a resident. While I understand that the tax base covers infrastructure expenditures, coming from high growth areas north of here (which also deal with size issues) that better models haven't been adopted for controlled growth. Additionally, it is highly disappointing that every surrounding community is willing and able to partner and find resources for an aquatic center. We plan to leave Fort Mill if the extreme growth and the development of recreational facilities continue to go unaddressed. These issues also affect the quality of education our students receive.
159	If Fort Mill wants long term success as a community it must create an environment that is friendly to business. Too many of my neighbors work in downtown Charlotte and dread the commute. Some are wasting 2-3 hours a day in traffic. As the population grows that will no longer be sustainable. It is actually quite embarrassing that the people of Fort Mill rely so heavily on Charlotte for their sustainability. All of the city managers and civil servants responsible for the lack of quality jobs in the Fort Mill area should be fired. The schools may have brought people in to Fort Mill but the lack of local jobs will lead to an exodus one day. I myself am employed by a company out of San Diego. There are very little high paying professional employment opportunities in Fort Mill or Rock Hill and that is a recipe for disaster. Taxes are too high for an area that offers little more than housing and bad roads.
160	More affordable housing along with more public recreation and entertainment facilities for families, children and teens would be ideal. We have the greenway but you have to pay to join and even with membership the youth programs are expensive.
161	Please stop allowing companies to build apartments. The infrastructure of Fort Mill does not have the capacity to handle more people in these areas.
162	Light rail extension is what we need
163	We would love to see Fort Mill residentially to stay small and to be able to have more neighborhoods with larger lots and less "cookie cutter" neighborhoods. Fort Mill is growing so fast it's losing its small town feeling and what once made Fort Mill beautiful is disappearing with too much development residentially. Traffic has become absolutely terrible. Our 10 minute commute has turned into 45 mins to Carowinds Blvd. We would love to see any additional improvements to business but would like residential neighborhoods to slow way down.
164	Our neighborhood has no completed sidewalks, no completed streets, no playground or recreational facilities. We were told when we bought the house three years ago that this didn't matter because we could rely on the Anne Springs Close Complex for recreation. We have since heard that they will be closing this facility down. This is literally the only recreational facility in this entire part of Fort Mill. We will have no fields, not gyms, no pools without this facility. Our housing taxes are three times what they were when we bought the house three years ago, and we have seen no additional benefits for these taxes. The roads and schools are crowded and we are about to lose our only recreational facility.
165	I love Fort Mill!! Schools, community, sense of small town yet options to do stuff inside our area, closeness to Charlotte. The overall quality of life cannot be beat in my opinion. I am just worried about all the growth and the stresses it is putting on the infrastructure - roads, schools, utilities, fire/police/rescue. Plus, to fix all of these will mean increased costs in the form of various higher taxes, unaffordable housing, etc. NOW is the time to do something about it and put things in place. If we wait too long, it will be too painful to correct these things. People may start thinking the quality of life is not worth the stresses these things put on them, and move elsewhere. That is how the rejuvenation of other areas start - people move from one place to another for sake of better value.
166	With the impending closing of the ASG rec complex, we would love to see it replaced with a larger swimming center, with splash pads, kiddie pools, and olympic pools for swim teams. We moved to our specific area in part because of the rec complex, and are so disappointed to see it go.

167	We moved to Fort Mill partly because it was a quiet little Southern town. Now it is bursting at the seams and losing its charm. All the development & expansion may make money for some people, but it is ruining the character of Fort Mill...in my humble opinion.
168	We NEED to protect our green spaces and stop developing every inch of land.
169	No
170	Stop allowing new residential areas to be built without first expanding the road infrastructure to handle the expansion. This applies to commercial but it is not as critical as residential. On the next survey include a question that asks if one would support the increase the housing options (e.g., more people in Fort Mill) if doing so would also increase their driving times by 10-20 minutes.
171	Then town is growing too big. There are too many new housing developments, especially too many apartments.
172	Not now
173	Roads from Springfield to I-77 are wide but are single lane. Can these be either expanded or existing lanes revised to two lanes? Also, there is usually a traffic build up near I-77 exit 88 where people are looking to go south and block the lane, it would be good to have a right only lane (from Harris Teeter through CMC urgent care) to allow people going North without interruption.
174	Would love to see downtown area expanded, better road maintenance, wider roads in spots, some improvements in public transportation and continuing effort to add/preserve greenway space. Love that the town still has a rural feel to it in spots.
175	Fort Mill is a wonderful place for many reasons. Let's keep it that way and plan better than Union County, NC and other areas surrounding Charlotte.
176	You are allowing more houses to be built than can be handled by the current infrastructure. Took me 4 light change cycles to cross over I-77 on route 160 at 1 Pm on a Friday. Ridiculous.
177	Traffic is a major issue. This also stems from all the development approved (residential and commercial/retail). New roads within Fort Mill area, some widening, and even new roads connecting to Tega Cay and Rock Hill are essential to help divert traffic and relieve stress on existing roads. New housing developments should provide connections to other neighborhoods and commercial/retail districts. BRT should seriously be considered for connecting to CATS and Charlotte.
178	As businesses expand, it would be nice to see a unified look to all business signs within Fort Mill. Currently, there are various sizes, colors, etc. on Tom Hall St. that look tacky. A rule outlining an approved maximum size, color scheme, etc. would go a long way to enhancing a professional appearance within the Fort Mill town limits. Thank you!
179	We bought our house 8 years ago because we saw the potential within Fort Mill. We saw what the downtown could be one day. We are so excited about the positive changes we have seen.
180	Parking for the Downtown area needs to be expanded. I can see (2) options: 1- Rebuild a bridge which was once in place from the grass area beside the Veteran's Memorial to the parking area behind the Clebourne/Hobo's parking lot area. 2- Purchase the lots containing the Fort Mill Animal Clinic and Kimbrells Warehouse and make a parking area there, which could also be home to a great spot for a Farmers Market. Main Street shouldn't have a warehouse on it this day in age and both structures are an eyesore.
181	Please fix the roads. A lot of them need to be widened. Also no more houses, car shops, pizza/burger places

182	I am shocked at the lack of planning and recruitment the town of Fort Mill has shown up to this point. For example, highway 160 has more car repair places, storage facilities and ice cream shops in a less than 2 mile stretch than any place I have ever seen in my life (and I have almost been to every state in this country). And they keep coming. With the ridiculous pace of housing development, I would imagine we could attract something other than fast food and car related businesses. Also, the fact that exit 85 has not been addressed despite the addition of Kingsley is absolutely mind boggling. The traffic is approaching unbearable and it has only just begun. I really hope there are serious efforts made to improve the direction that Fort Mill is heading. We should be another Ballantyne, but unfortunately, we are so far in the other direction that even Rock Hill is in a better situation. Good luck!
183	Please stop any more development, this area can't take much more.
184	Moratorium on new residential development. No more apartments
185	I am a full time filmmaker. I live and work in downtown Fort Mill and have shot films and commercials here. It's my goal to help increase the cinema arts footprint within Fort Mill. I have vision to create a Film Festival, Film Center and Film Library over the next 10 years. I would love to be involved in arts related discussions. I used to be a member of the Fort Mills Arts Council.
186	If you stop building, they will stop coming. Stop.
187	Can't afford higher taxes
188	It is a little late to be sending out this survey. The traffic here is horrible and no thought was given to this when thousands of new housing units have been approved. A day late and a dollar short folks!
189	I believe that we don't need to build more residential areas. There is plenty here now, and it's not very diverse due to affordability. Make these developers do more than make millions and leave! They can help more with this! Residential developers should have to donate more to the school systems since they are directly affecting classroom sizes! More sidewalks would be great everywhere, but especially close to our schools. I see kids walking many of these roads where there are none, and I always pray they make it home safe. Please add restroom facilities to these parks! Port-a-potties are just gross, and not fun when you have toddlers that have to pee! Overall, Fort Mill has a lot to offer, and it a good place to be.
190	The roads in our neighborhood are so beat up. Traffic is such an issue and we definitely want to see more good quality restaurants, shops, and entertainment options. More parks and walking/biking areas would be so nice.
191	Please improve roads (to 4 lanes) before developments are built, not after. Need I-77 interchange at Coltharp.
192	I love the school system and sense of community. I have a 16 year old that plays football and wrestles. The school system is the only reason we moved here. I hate seeing houses and apartments popping up all over the place. I also hate that we have lived in an apartment for going on 4 years because housing is so expensive. It's sad that I can't even rent a house for under 1600 and allow my son to still attend FMHS. We would have to move to the NAFO district in order to buy/rent a house to suit our needs. We sacrificed that so he could stay at FMHS and continue playing football/wrestling with his coaches and team mates. I wish there were more options for families in our situation.
193	Put a stop to the out of control residential building. We are growing too fast. Slow it down.
194	Too many houses...plain and simple.
195	Why was smart growth not a factor before issuing building permits to builders in Fort Mill, now the roads are burden by traffic and Fort Mill is being referred to as a nightmare to travel to due to congestion.
196	N/A

197	We feel that it is unreasonable to hike up taxes when we should be having tax revenues by new residential development and home building. We just had a major tax hike as a result of new school building. Public transportation and Lower income housing does not help achieve towns growth aspirations because it drags down property values.
198	Traffic flow and parking on Main St, more social media info from the town about upcoming events and meetings, less government regulations.
199	The small town feel that I originally moved here for 10 years ago is quickly diminishing. Please stop destroying the beauty of Fort Mill by tearing down all the trees and building so many neighborhoods. The current traffic condition is nothing short of ridiculous. Also, I am tired of paying 2 water bills each month. I pay to The Town of Fort Mill AND Riverview Water System. My Water/Sewer/Garbage Bills are over \$125 a month when combining the 2 bills! Far too high!!! I would also like to see more parks/playgrounds added to Fort Mill. All of these young families with children are moving to the area and there are not enough quality parks in Fort Mill. I would like to see a nice park similar to Marta Rivers Park in Gastonia. A huge castle/playground for the kids, walking trails, soccer, fields, picnic tables and benches, plenty of trees for shade.
200	Growth is too fast, roads are now inadequate. Too many apartments & self-storage sites.
201	Bigger isn't always better.
202	Would LOVE to have a movie theater nearby. Independently run movie theater would be fabulous -- there are none in the area.
203	Street sweepers.... lots of stones and debris left by the curbs and streets that create hazards and looks dirty and ugly. Especially off the highways on the little islands created from traffic patterns. I think the exits for 460 160 and Sutton need beautification.
204	I would love to see more road improvements and less growth in Fort Mill. I think it's time to stop bringing more people to the area and saving some green space for those here to maintain a great quality of life. In my opinion, the growth has been good for adding many amenities closer to us but too much growth will eventually make it a less desirable place to live and property values to stall growing.
205	A greater level of collaboration between FMSD Board, county and the town is essential for planning for growth.
206	No
207	The Catawba Ridge High School mascot should be the Catawba Ridge Coyotes or maybe the Catawba Ridge Tribe.
208	No
209	We moved to Fort Mill because of the good schools. But the lack of public transport has always perplexed us. We would love to see better connectivity with uptown Charlotte. Light rail will keep the people of the roads reducing traffic. Reduce the speed limits in an around residential areas. Please provide better entry and exit plans from and to the community entrance and help us protect our families
210	Noise ordinance needs attention for the Big Fireworks Factory Outlet on Hwy 460 to be able to shoot LOUD fireworks on weeknights until 11-11:30pm!!!!!! This happened last night 6/5/17.
211	Growth is making this town ugly. Other towns like Raleigh have figured out how to make new areas beautiful, keeping it green. We are going to look like Independence Boulevard in Charlotte

212	Fort Mill is losing its "small town" feel quickly. If Fort Mill continues to grow at this rate, its prestige will be lost and schools won't perform as well. Furthermore, more affordable housing decreases the value of existing housing. We will no longer be the town that everyone wants to live in if we continue to accommodate thousands of people at a time. The traditional socioeconomic class of Fort Mill needs to be protected.
213	Fort Mill needs to alleviate traffic
214	I'd like to see more cultural options and more emphasis on maintaining town history.
215	STOP clear cutting residential home sites. Our neighborhood was built by cutting out the area for the home, leaving almost all the mature trees. It IS doable. Suck it up and stand up to the developers. LESS apartments. Good grief, they are EVERYWHERE. We cannot keep unity schools and roads now.
216	Stop the building.
217	More golf cart access roads. This would help eliminate a lot of major road traffic.
218	The traffic lights on Gold Hill Road need to be fixed or adjusted. Roads need to be widened in certain areas. Bicycle safety is terrible (drivers get in such a hurry due to traffic that they run us off the road). No more self-storage facilities! A movie theater would be a welcome addition
219	I would like to see the full results of this published. Quit handing out building permits until you build roads.
220	Regarding the funding of additional parks & recreation facilities, could the Town not float revenue-based bonds rather than general obligation bonds (tax based)? Membership fees and use fees could be charged at a reasonable rate to pay back the bonds with revenue streams from the facilities. Not every bond has to be tax-based. With the growth and popularity of the Town of Fort Mill a revenue-based bond could be very successful. Plus the socio-economic demographics in the Town of Fort Mill is well off enough to support membership fees and use fees.
221	Keep the riff raff out of Fort Mill. It's a nice place to live with very, very low crime. Do NOT build low income housing. Do NOT. And do NOT add bus transit here because it will encourage the trash from Charlotte to make its way here and commit crimes. I used to live just off of South Tryon in Charlotte in Steele Creek and I saw firsthand how the transit system brings in trash and hurts an otherwise nice neighborhood.
222	I have heard discussion of a bridge being studied around Masons Bend going into Tega Cay from Rock Hill. I STRONGLY oppose this bridge as it would destroy the natural beauty of the area around Masons Bend and simply cause more problems than it would solve.
223	Stop expanding housing and business development until you expand the roads in order to support it. I can't believe how short-sighted the city has been.
224	I would really like better equestrian facilities. I currently have to drive 30 miles each way to Rock Hill to stall board my horse.
225	Add more sidewalks on Doby's Bridge Road
226	Recreation opportunities should be a top priority. Then traffic and growth management.
227	Quit issuing permits to build apartments!!!! Enough is enough already. All of the apartments (and the people who reside in them) will ruin this town. Quickest way to ruin the schools and bring in crime? A bunch of apartments that will no longer be new and nice in a few years. This issue more than any other, will cause us to not stay in the area long term.
228	Please time any traffic signals that are on the same street.

229	Great Schools, Low Crime, and a smiling community... People seem to be happy here, which was very apparent when I'd ask people about the Fort Mill community before choosing to move here. Since moving here, I've been happy, like the town and access to the interstate. Having great schools for my kids to attend has been paramount as well. Housing value has gone up as well, which was nice. I'd support continued improvements to access and am AMAZED to have a vote/voice in determining the future of the town. Thank you, sincerely!
230	Please stop building more housing!! Too much!! Save some countryside!!!
231	Strawberry Festival is out of hand. Noise is ridiculous in Whiteville Park. I can't imagine how horrible it must be in Elijah Park area.
232	Leave the trees! The beauty of this area is in the natural landscape. Don't be like Charlotte
233	Something MUST be done about the Comporium monopoly. They are not good for Fort Mill and their stranglehold must be broken!
234	Just wanted to say that extending the lynx to Fort Mill is very important to me, plus adding commercial to Fort Mill parkway.
235	I would like to see rec centers, etc. but pay-to be a member so those who use it pay for it and not raise taxes.
236	I would not go crazy to grow Fort Mill. A mindful and careful approach please. There are areas near Academy Sports need cleaning up. Downtown is fine. Transportation would be great.
237	Please add more Parks and we desperately need the LYNX!
238	Please stop approving the development of new subdivisions and commercial areas one right after the other. Traffic is a nightmare. Everyone is tired of it!
239	I do not feel the City Council has the complete welfare of the citizens of Fort Mill or their best interest when making decisions about new businesses or new residential areas.
240	NO NEW TAXES FOR ANYTHING
241	We need more family venues. We currently have too many auto parts and services, storage units, and fast good restaurants. It would be nice to be able to go to dinner, see local bands play and/or performances outside.
242	Love Fort Mill and the people. Wish there were some more shops like Costco, Home Goods , TJ Maxx , Marshalls and some more restaurants so we don't have to go to Ballantyne or Blakney area
243	If more development and high density in certain areas is encouraged, PLEASE have roads and parking planned to accommodate to increase in traffic.
244	We have got to solve the traffic issue before we build anything else! It is a nightmare commuting out of FM on weekdays! NIGHTMARE!
245	Bring more restaurants like Cheddars to the town. Maybe a Kroger grocery store near the Doby's bridge area where the closest grocery is at least 5 miles away.
246	It would be amazing if the recreation center at ASC Greenway were to remain open. I agree that it needs an overhaul but I see it as a vital part of our community.
247	Please add a children's museum or some indoor play space for kids
248	Figure out a way to control residential growth and stop being a slave to home builders. Build more expensive homes or bring in more commercial business!
249	I'd highly suggest a pedestrian/bike bridge to connect the Doby's bridge neighborhoods to the new high school. Would help with traffic congestion, fitness amongst our youth, and would have a positive environmental impact. Great for city branding/imaging too!

250	Allowing Tega Cay citizens to participate in ALL conversations about growth in Fort Mill is a MUST because we are landlocked and have to use/participate/frequent Fort Mill establishments
251	No
252	We moved to Fort Mill 5 years ago for the small town feel and since then have seen almost every tree in the Tega Cay area chopped down and the schools are extremely overcrowded. Class size is beyond acceptable. We need to concentrate on bringing in business to help the tax burden rather than throwing up more apartment buildings and homes stacked on top of each other.
253	Yes
254	The current growth rate is not sustainable with the current road system. We're losing the natural feel of Tega Cay with all the construction. We won't be hanging around too long.
255	no
256	Stop building just stop it no more apartments no more condos just stop it!!
257	The Kingsley Development is great (and not even finished). We need more similar areas - possibly where the baseball stadium was located? Need cinema, restaurants, services (massage, nails, shopping). We need to travel to Ballantyne or Ayrslay for all of these options. We do NOTHING in Fort Mill.
258	Traffic is total nightmare
259	Houses with lots please. Way too many transient renter situations in town house/apt.
260	Enough auto parts and repair and storage units!
261	The town needs to take over the Springs Rec Complex. It "IS" part of Fort Mill.
262	Please address the issues of downtown/Main Street - it's an embarrassment. The Town is doing nothing to help. There should be codes to enforce building maintenance and allow only legitimate retail and restaurant business on street-level Main Street.
263	Limit development.
264	Traffic is an issue with all homes being built.
265	sidewalks in neighborhoods would be a great addition
266	Would love to see more playgrounds- inclusive designed to be accessible for all kids. Love to see alternatives to YMCA for kids' sports and tennis facility.
267	Clean, neat, repaired, beautiful, safe, friendly, small-town atmosphere is what we desire.
268	Because of the fast growth that has happened in Fort Mill a great lack of affordable housing has been created. There is also a great lack of public recreational facilities and family activities. This is causing a lack of social/economic diversity in our town, which in turn hurts the sense of community.
269	Stop every aspect of the building. I used to feel safe in my home, now crime is in our neighborhood. People will start leaving then Fort Mill will be left with a bunch of empty houses. All the building has gotten out of control. Stop chopping down trees and invading the places the animals call home. Leave some space for them. Stop the greed! This used to be a great town to live in!!! I used to brag about it but no longer. It's becoming a concrete village!
270	Community needs to be kept up I see a lot of places not mowed and starting to look shabby.
271	Concerned with the number of new apartment housing complexes and the potential strain on schools. Traffic is almost unbearable along Gold Hill and 160 near 77 during commute hours... it takes me 20 minutes to commute less than 5 miles across town.

272	Fort Mill is a great town to live in, but it is growing too rapidly and there is way too much residential construction now and planned for the future. Fort Mill will lose its small-town appeal if there are no moratorium placed on new construction.
273	I moved here to avoid overcrowding and over development and excessive taxation.
274	Improve roads/transportation/connectivity before building more neighborhoods - especially multi-family
275	My husband and I have lived in Fort Mill under 4 years, and during that time we have witnessed the major growth occurring. I do wish that some of the wooded areas could be preserved rather than developed into neighborhoods. We are planning for a family and have always heard that the school system is great in Fort Mill. My concern is whether that will change as schools become overpopulated due to the rise in growth.
276	Development is out of control. The increase in density will lead to decrease in the reasons I live here- small town feel, bedroom community, exceptional schools.
277	No
278	I would like to see Ft Mill stop annexing new land and focus on developing and improving land within the current town limits.
279	Growth is inevitable, but it needs to be planned and controlled. Also, I see the charm that was Fort Mill slowly disappearing with the loss of every tree. Please be good stewards of our town!
280	Traffic engineering is a primary concern for the increased traffic flow in and around Fort Mill. Wider roads are pointless if the engineering of traffic signals is well thought out. Also, proximity of entrances to major thoroughfares should be better planned to relieve congestion at intersections.
281	Town has grown without road improvements, no more development until a road plan is developed and confirmed. All developments should be required to have green space. Builders should be held to higher standards. All houses in Baxter have puny gutter systems, we have trees galore and the gutters don't work. Building code should take these things into account. We have lots of new apartments, and lot of new small inexpensive housing. Enough. Let's make what we have pretty, efficient, and safe, and then think about how to grow larger.
282	We need to address the burden on our school system from apartments. Also lack of traffic plank can. It seems like we are lacking a master plan. As a homeowner and a person that loves FM, I feel helpless. I would like to get invoked but don't know how.
283	Fort Mill is no longer a small town. The traffic and congestion are major problems and new housing developments need to be suspended until the roads are widened. The schools can't handle all this growth either.
284	Too many developments, not enough infrastructure.
285	Stop building homes schools are full
286	No
287	Too much Residential Housing is crowding our small, quaint city and overpopulation is becoming an issue.
288	More commercial development in the retail shopping asap
289	Fort Mill has grown too fast that it can't handle the road maintenance required. Building more would only add to the problem. Slow down and think about what you have done and are doing to this once wonderful town. If you want to be like Charlotte, then move to Charlotte
290	Infrastructure is not keeping up with building demand and new apartments and housing. The god of growth is threatening Fort Mill's charm. The reason people have arrived here is disappearing.

291	There are too many apartments being built and the roads can't handle that amount cars. it seem the planning board just does not care about the community it is building
292	No
293	Please stop approving storage facilities and auto supply stores.
294	The addition of another bridge over the Catawba river is not a logical solution to ease the congestion of traffic for people going to and from Rock Hill. All this is doing is moving congestion from one area to another. Money could be better spent truly analyzing traffic flow and improving the current road systems. The money could also be used to add a transit system that people could use. By adding another bridge as I stated earlier would just move congestion from one area to another and will just bring more drivers to the roadways. PLEASE analyze the situation and think of better solutions because this will affect so many people who love Fort Mill how it is already. I want to keep the small town feel of Fort Mill, it is a place I love to call home and I do not want to change that.
295	The fact that you're so focused on parks and recreation, walking paths etc. shows how disconnected you are from the actual people. STOP Building Homes!!!! You build a bypass and make it 2 lanes?!?!? Then make the speed limit 45?!?!? Which idiot came up with that idea?!?!?!? You fill it with stop lights, the whole point is to get you out and in of the city quicker. I can't wait to move. When we first came to Tega cay/Fort Mill it was a haven. You and the last 10 years of government have destroyed it. You should be ashamed. One of the oldest cities in the state and you've destroyed it. What a waste of time and money you all are.
296	Fort Mill needs to stop residential development the traffic is getting very bad. A light rail system into Charlotte is already needed to help ease commuter traffic.
297	I sincerely hope this survey shows that people in Fort Mill do not want any more houses/apartments etc. built! Let's concentrate on making Fort Mill the best it can be and not try to build enough housing so everyone can come live here.
298	Traffic is terrible in this area and a lot of the causes are the traffic lights.
299	I think the town needs to limit subdivisions and focus on infrastructure, schools, shopping and dining options, and green spaces.
300	Need to have better planning for infrastructure in place before allowing all this extra building in the area. Preserve green space that is what people like about Fort Mill.
301	I am very sad to see all the housing going up. We moved to Fort Mill for the quaint small town feel. I want that back!
302	Smarter development please! zoning/development laws- the amount of "junk" being built is embarrassing. And only the Kingsley development seems to have a nice aesthetic to it- all these other small parcel lots look terrible!!!
303	Emergency alert system can't be heard from our location.
304	I would like to see:- widened roads and traffic pattern improvements; major retail shopping options; more dining

305	Fort Mill needs to control growth, otherwise the growth will destroy Fort Mill! It must remain, a green town with open space and peach trees! The traffic and growth is become onerous. People move here because it --used--to be a pleasant place to live. For example, before Highway 160 was widened to Tega Cay, I got to TC quickly and stress free. Now, I wouldn't DARE schedule an event in TC! (My kids used to take music lessons in TC. There is zero way I would chose a teacher there now). FM is so overrun, that I rarely cross I 77 to access the Baxter area, etc...I mainly go out Doby's Bridge and access Indian Land, Ballantyne or Blakney amenities. Also, if it weren't for the Greenway and all it offers (complex, trails, fields, the town of FM would have ZERO to offer people in terms of recreation. I like how some developers are required to work with towns to put in PUBLIC use fields (as in Indian Land's Walnut Creek). Be strong politicians and planners, and in the end, FM will be an even more desirable place to live.
306	Only 2 things I want: 1) Freeze residential construction 2) Light Rail extension to Fort Mill
307	We would love to see sidewalks on Holbrook Road and a significantly reduced speed limit as this road is completely residential. Many families with children live on this road and it is unsafe and nearly impossible to walk or ride bikes due to the 45 mph speed limit. Many cars speed down the road. There is already a crosswalk pedestrian button at the end of the road. Children could even bike or walk to DBES if we had a sidewalk which connected all the way to the school.
308	The growth of Fort Mill has made Fort Mill lose its small town charm and appeal.
309	I would like to see Fort Mill host major little league tournaments and when putting in fields please consider TURF!! Up keep is much easier and Kids love it! Tournaments bring in lots of revenue and would not have to tax the people of Fort Mill too much more.
310	I feel that if by expanding the roadways, but trying to keep the community feel/walk ability/short distance travel would be more appealing than bringing in mass transportation such as buses
311	Lots of questions about building more, and making more parks. How about leave the green we have and stop building so much crap. We are currently just a corridor to Charlotte and may as well be part of it that seems to be where this town is headed. Growth is NOT always a good thing.
312	Keep the green areas green. Family Circle Mag voted Ft Mill one of the best places in the country to raise a family. Revisit this article and see where we've strayed from us making that list.
313	Would love to see infrastructure repair/replacement to the storm water and sewer and water lines that are in desperate need of replacement/repairs.....and widen 160.
314	No more apartments! Traffic on 160 is becoming worse.
315	Traffic is the primary issue. You can have more housing, more retail... lots of it - but if you have the constant gridlocks that are current... it'll only get worse.
316	We have way too many apartments in the area. We need to slow that down. More single family home!
317	Part of the reason we moved here was because of the small town charm. Now it's crowded, traffic is a nightmare and the transplants seem to not respect the southern way of life. Fort Mill should push the small town, friendly, safe feel it once had. Please stop building cookie cutter homes on top of one another. I'd like to see more places for families to gather.
318	Traffic congestion on 160
319	Hwy 21 needs widening badly. I would suggest considering tax credits to homeowners willing to designate their neighbor/community as nature preserves.

320	Too many apartments in Fort Mill. You are brings in way too many people in to our small town with no thought to schools, security and roads/traffic. Please...no more Walmart, Target or other big box stores. If other stores are being considered, please consider a Trader Joes...that store has a "small town" "community" feel to it.
321	Please manage the growth and protect our schools!
322	We moved to this area to provide our children with access to quality education. We are against any changes or developments that will negatively impact the Fort Mill school district.
323	The town is very reactionary and non-progressive. The fact the connector is only two lanes tells you as much when town officials know more residential development is coming and will only cause traffic issues as is - which can't handle the traffic during peak times already.
324	Yes. Please stop cutting down every tree. Stop with the apartments and the storage facilities. This used to be a nice town. No one moved here because they wanted to live in Ballantyne, which seems to be what the city is trying to become.
325	You keep adding high density neighborhoods yet have failed to expand 21 or bypass 21. You allow building to take place under large power line towers. Which have been proven to increase the risk of cancer, Regent Park as blown up. Apartment buildings at the tracks and as you go out. Our quiet streets are now main streets. Homes on market to move out of Ft Mill.
326	Our community has no sidewalks. Our community has provided amenities but no safe way to access. Dangerous for children waking in roads to pool and playground.
327	N/A
328	In the case of new schools.....build more multi story buildings instead of these single story buildings....
329	Gold Hill road intersection improvements needed for commuting hours.
330	I believe there needs to be a moratorium on residential building. Fort Mill has become nothing more than a bedroom community, with little character of its own. The infrastructure can't keep up with the addition of more home (roads, schools). We need to preserve green space, keep the Leroy Springs Complex open (it is integral to the 2917 side of town) and we need more multipurpose fields and youth sports.
331	I would like to see more coverings/shade at public parks and playgrounds. The intersection of Hwy 460 and 77 North bound need reevaluating. Many accidents and near misses happen here. Intersection of 160 and business 21 at the peach stand needs reevaluating.
332	Please don't bring in low income housing. It will bring down our home values
333	FM has got to stop building houses and flooding our schools with more kids! Please stop the growth!
334	I take my kids to the Walter Elisha park several times a week and think that it could benefit from some sort of shading system. Without many mature trees, it's hard to find reprieve from the summer sun.
335	Not at this time
336	We would like Fort Mill to continue to have a small town feel. I believe we have way to much new housing going on and personally it is ruining this town, which makes me believe in 5 years we will look for a new town.
337	The school board has done a fantastic job at keeping pace with the level of growth on the community. The town and county council needs to do a much better job of sustainable growth, road expansions, and development in the north York county area.
338	no
339	Need more secure ways to cross I-77 on foot or bike.

340	I worry that the area is growing much too fast, the quality of homes is dropping, low/unskilled builders are a problem so much so it's likely to be a detriment to the housing supply in the near future. I feel that the local government is understaffed and under educated on the needs and the methods as to how to plan the growth effectively. Unfortunately, to me anyway, I feel growth is happening without concern to long time native residents, nature and its current residence, but in the name of greed and power.
341	Town should have a place for tiny homes.
342	Yes
343	Not at this time
344	Stop the growth until the infrastructure is in place to handle it.
345	Please- no more apartments unless they are high rent. Tired of riff raff coming into our schools
346	Before building new shopping areas, use the ones that have been abandoned...don't build when there is already a structure available. Also, don't remove trees!
347	Don't build anything more. Quit cutting down all the trees. It would be nice to revitalize downtown. There are a few fake antique shops and a beauty parlor but we need something better than that.
348	We moved to Fort Mill for the schools and supposed "small town" feel. It is not like that at all. It is disgusting how many homes and apartments have been built and trees clear cut in the five years we've been here and it seems to be done out of greed. The apartments and busy roads do not make it feel like a small town at all.
349	We need more housing options. Age targeted specifically. We need affordable options for younger folks too so they can come back from college or move here as new comers. We can't be a "not in my back yard" community. We need higher density zoning options to promote affordability and the way people live lives today. We need a progressive government approach. More like Ft Mill Council and a lot less like the pathetic County Council. York can be a shining star if we don't shut our doors to growth, newcomers, and pro-growth zoning with high density options that will fuel retail and commercial job growth.
350	Love to see the neighborhoods connected by golf cart/running/biking paths. Also like to see more local dining /non-chain dinning.
351	Must get Road situation fixed and be aggressive in planning new roads before housing developments are allowed
352	We need better road planning. For example the 21 bypass is already having issues it should have gone in as 4 lanes from the start. All roads in Fort Mill grid lock when 77 backs up do to single lane roads.
353	Please stop developing housing to avoid diluting the greatness of Fort Mill schools and creating road issues. This town is great just the way it is.
354	LYNX transit service from CATS is desirable and needed as we outgrow highway and road capacity. To be globally competitive we need transportation options including access to light rail to travel north to employment centers. I-77 is not the total mobility option.
355	Traffic is miserable. Too many houses. Stop building in Fort Mill. This town has lost its small town feel and heritage.
356	Please, please, please don't sell the Complex/Greenway to developers!! We need the space!!!
357	Sick of HOA's in residential communities

358	So much of this is hypothetical for me. Knowing what our priorities are isn't my forte. I'm just not educated enough about our current situation to answer these questions. We have a lot of young families. I would like to see more sidewalks and ways to make this more "community" like. I heard people were moving from Ballantyne down here to get away from all the commercial growth. Must we grow? Must we? I'd rather see us stay small and I'll drive a bit further into charlotte or rock hill for Work. I want my home to be in a smaller town. Not a Ballantyne. (Beautiful as the homes there may be, the traffics is horrible and it's more like a small city than a small town.)
359	I am increasingly distressed at the seemingly haphazard growth on the area. Our infrastructure is taking a beating, and schools, emergency services and public works systems are overtaxed. We need better oversight and planning - it feels like greed and money is driving the bus.
360	Stop the growth before it's too late traffic is a nightmare and our water/sewer system s going to fall apart
361	Why is Fort Mill Water so expensive I came from Lincoln county and I paid 60 bucks a month and Fort Mill is over 200 dollars very ridiculous.
362	Existing roads need desperately to be expanded before additional developments are permitted. See south and north Doby's bridge road for a prime example. I feel this is a cost (amongst many others) that can be best borne by the developers of these neighborhoods prior to building.
363	No
364	Need more Steak Houses on Rt. 21. Too many Fire Works Sales places.
365	I feel very strongly that our growth needs to be controlled until such time as our transportation infrastructure can support it. I would love to see the light rail extended from here to South Charlotte. If so, I could take the light rail for my entire trip to work in Dilworth. PLEASE. I mean, we have a new elementary school with ELEVEN soccer fields right outside of our neighborhood. There are major residential developments rumored for this area. THE ROADS CAN HARDLY SUPPORT WHAT WE HAVE NOW. At least do something with the overburdened roads if you aren't going to consider public transit. I have to sit through 10 or more light changes in the afternoon after taking 77s to Sutton Rd, then taking Sutton to Hwy 21 intersection, then through the mess currently at Spratt St and Fort Mill Parkway.
366	I believe Fort Mill suffers from a lack of safe bicycling options. Wider shoulder and bike lanes would be my preference and are becoming standard in many municipalities now. There is also a lack of sidewalks/safe walking options along roads.
367	We need more private tennis golf and swim places. Like Blakney Tennis Center. More kids play equipment with swings at parks. More high end strip malls. Like Phillips Place or Blakney. Roads are too narrow.
368	When we moved here we planned to purchase a home and retire in Fort Mill. Now I can't wait to get out, so disappointed at what the town has become. Son graduated and off we go. Bring the old Fort Mill back and you will have happier people.
369	Fort Mill has got too big. Traffic is awful. I don't know how many time people have been speeding and almost hit me. Or passed me in a no passing lane. Way too many people here now. And can't find any housing less than 1000 dollars and my friend a single mom can't afford anything in Fort Mill. And she and her 3 year old daughter lives in a very bad area in rock hill with police and gun shots frequently
370	Stop building storage places, housing developments and apartments!

371	<p>Following are three suburbs that have also gone through rapid growth and development. Cranberry Township, PA (suburb of Pittsburgh) municipal building and water park http://www.cranberrytownship.org/index.aspx?NID=482</p> <p>Mason, OH (suburb of Cincinnati) Mason is also home to Carowinds sister park Kings Island Amusement Park. http://www.imaginemason.org/?full=true</p> <p>Glenview, IL (suburb of Chicago) http://www.glenviewparks.org/facilities-parks/park-center/</p> <p>Please take the time to create a master plan now that will grow with the town and provide a valuable service to our COMMUNITY. Remember we're building community, not just houses and businesses.</p>
372	Stop the building of 150K next to 350K to 600K homes.
373	Fort Mill is a wonderful town that is trying to keep up with the rapid growth. Improved roadways are very much needed. We are especially in need of dining, retail, and entertainment options, particularly in the Doby's Bridge area. I feel very far away from these things. Maintaining the excellent schools is key as well.
374	Too much housing, infrastructure cannot support it. It is taking away from the small town feel, the whole reason I moved here!
375	I think it would be critical to have a highly rated hospital within Fort Mill. Traveling to Pineville for trusted hospital care in an emergency requires too long of transit. Ideal transit for TRUE medical emergencies would be 5-7 minutes ambulance transit max. With a growing elderly population, Fort Mill must have a top rated hospital closer to home. Piedmont does not provide confidence for good quality care and should not be considered.
376	As a Fort Mill native, I have great concern for the rate at which the housing developments (including apartments) are growing without the supporting roads. The burden on the emergency response teams and schools is a problem. Also, the small town charm is diminishing with the unbridled growth. We are not Charlotte and do not need to try to be.
377	The tennis courts are in very poor shape and it is unfortunate to have to go to Rock Hill (affordable) or Blakney (unaffordable) to play tennis and for tennis instruction. Also, parks need public restrooms. Road construction should be done before residential development is approved. Developers should pay for road widening and provide open space based on the # of homes. A town pool open during the summer months for a fee would be welcome because many of the approved subdivisions do not provide this amenity.
378	The planning for the bypass is poor at best. For a group of planning professionals to not realize the amount of increased traffic from Rock Hill and Indian land as well as to only have two lanes is a waste. Especially knowing the long range plans for schools along this corridor.
379	Before building more or adding costs...maintain what FM already has in place.
380	Route #21 needs to be widened from Flint Hill Road to Gold Hill Road. Heading to or from the Carowinds exit from Regent Pkwy or Gold Hill is at a standstill during rush hour. Takes 20+ minutes to go 1 mile.
381	Need better recognition from the council as to what the people who reside in the community want. Families planning to only reside here until children are out of school is a growing problem. It means there is only one predominant reason to be part of the community until that is no longer valid. This will not support the longevity of any community.
382	Town (and general area) is extremely small business unfriendly. Commercial rent is cost prohibitive for anything but large corporate chain business. Too much of this and the town will have no character. It will just be like any other area of Charlotte.
383	Stop building , stop, stop; preserve what little land is left ,,we need the trees , definite need for senior housing for poor as none, no low income living space

384	I love this town and while I support more town amenities, I want to make sure it retains that small town southern charm that brought us all here!
385	I believe there has been far too much emphasis on expansion and development at the expense of infrastructure maintenance.
386	Fort Mill has become a disappointment since we moved here. It has the small town atmosphere now it is a crowded city.
387	Please stop building.
388	The unregulated, out of control growth, particularly the development of multiple large apartment housing communities is my opinion ruining Fort Mill.
389	It's very important long term to have light rail or rail from Rock Hill to Pineville connection, Fort Mill is a key component to an integrated comprehensive transportation network.
390	Fort Mill is being poorly managed by the mayor and town officials. Too much uncontrolled growth, poor road conditions and town services cost too much
391	Traffic and congestion should be focus of town since they allow all the housing developments
392	The infrastructure of the town needs to catch up to all the building that has occurred before more building is allowed to occur. Permits should be required for building additions. Not sure how thorough the town is with inspections of contractors work. Needs to be better as well as being more restrictive on land development. Traffic patterns, roads, and traffic lights are huge issues. The Doby's Bridge Road area from the elementary school towards Indian Land is an accident waiting to happen! And what about the traffic that will increase once the new high school is completed?
393	There should be a strong effort to update and keep the ASC Complex open to the Fort Mill Community. It is part of our community history and should stay a part of it. In the event it is redistributed for other new possibilities there will be a large population in Fort Mill that will not have a local facility for any recreational, instructional, aquatic, and indoor exercise options. That is something to consider heavily when looking at the future of the ASC Complex.
394	Moved here 21 years ago because of the small town feel with lots of green spaces. That's all gone now. We've become just a bedroom community of Charlotte. Very sad.
395	We need to support local small business and make it affordable for the business owners. Protecting these businesses will keep people in place that take pride in the community.
396	Limit apartment and townhouse construction. More neighborhoods instead.
397	The over-development of our town is taking its appeal away. Another 10 years it will be as awful as Ballantyne area. Unfortunate we were not able to keep our special gem of a town away from money hungry politicians and developers. Stop building, we do not need more houses, or businesses or hotels or corporations. Start replanting our green space.
398	Please focus efforts to improve traffic flow on Hwy 160, especially at the intersection with 77. Also repave Sutton Rd-- the water main work in 2013 destroyed the road.
399	Bring the charlotte light rail to Fort Mill!
400	I hate what greed has done to the town of Fort Mill.
401	You've already lost the small town feel. STOP with the apartments. Look at the east side of Charlotte where there were nothing but apartments and now is a horrible side of town.
402	If we continue to build more commercial or residential buildings we need a better plan for the infrastructure to support it. I'm not opposed to growth but there doesn't seem to be a plan to battle the pains of growth. Traffic and overcrowding schools are the most obvious offenders so far, I'm sure there will be more if we don't prioritize a plan before breaking more ground.

403	No more new apartment developments
404	I miss the old Fort Mill that was connected to all of the people in town, not just my next door neighbor.
405	I think residential building has exceeded the limits of normalcy. We are under served by appropriate amounts of roads & entry ramps for Expressway use.
406	No
407	My top priority would be road widening and the I77 interchanges at Gold Hill Road and 160. Or putting and additional exit between the two. Proximity doesn't help if you can't get on and off the highway!
408	No
409	Expansion in the town need to stop. We need to focus on what we have before we continue to add more. Pushing people out who have called Fort Mill home for decades.
410	Funding can be achieved by expanding our community with quality housing communities which would increase the base of taxpayers
411	I am a FM native and I love my town. I would like to see smart, connected development, complete streets (bike lanes and sidewalks on ALL roads) and near and dear to my heart is the Recreation Complex. I want to see the town and schools district take the Complex and make it a great facility for our community! I live a mile from my office, but have only tried walking a few times due to Springfield Parkway traffic (I would have to cross and there is no crosswalk available to me and no sidewalks).
412	I would prefer if there were more opportunities to walk to bars, parks and shopping. The school quality and growth is great, but we face the problem of too much growth. Please build the infrastructure we need to maintain the arts and entertainment so that our town grows culturally as well. Keep an eye on diversity.
413	We chose FM because of the small town feel it had. It was quaint, you always knew someone wherever you went. It's slowing losing that feeling. Land is disappearing and too many homes are being built. It's all happening so rapidly and our infrastructure can't handle it. I hate to see so many roads widened, but realize that is the only way to handle all the traffic. Don't change this town too much. I want my kids to appreciate small town values in a safe place.
414	No
415	Please, please, please stop the building of ANY additional housing. There is too much building. I am for growth, but this is getting out of hand. And stop putting commercial in residential. There is no need to have so many QT, Harris Teeter, or Publix in one town. How about adding more shopping, small businesses and sit down dining? Why aren't we adding those to the community to generate more tax dollars to our town and state ~ instead of giving those \$\$\$ to Rock Hill or Charlotte.
416	Fort Mill used to be a beautiful small town but it has turned into a mini Charlotte. Why? If Charlotte is 12 miles away why destroy our small town?
417	Identify Fort Mill's character and seek it out. We are becoming anytime use, a typical suburb, while other suburbs such as easy as are thriving due to preservation and lifestyle choices.
418	The postal service is inconsistent with deliveries.
419	Stop the expansion and building of such large and crowded communities!! It's ruining our small town.
420	Keep up with planning for future with VOC (Voice of Customer)
421	Too much housing and lack of businesses. Poorly planned infrastructure for housing development. Build roads, then housing. Enough is enough.
422	I think preserving green space in Fort Mill is critical. I am concerned with the amount of apartments being built. Traffic at rush hour on local roads is awful. The schools are excellent, but, overcrowded.

423	Please stop building apartments and houses, we moved here for a small town feel and that is completely lost. We are turning into Ballantyne. We plan to move in the next 3 years if not sooner due to this.
424	STOP BUILDING APARTMENTS AND HOUSES
425	Parks and recreation department is severely lacking. You need to offer services to all, not just typical youth sports. Nothing for seniors or special needs.
426	Fort Mill/Tega day is being overdeveloped without any thought to infrastructure. Large rental units and massive neighborhoods are being developed without thought of traffic concerns. There is lack of cohesiveness with businesses. Tire stores, storage facilities, etc. are popping up randomly. We should learn from Ballantyne.
427	No
428	I would like to see a tennis facility come in on par with what you see in Florence and Aiken. This would provide revenue as we would be able to host state wide USTA events that bring people in from all over the state. I would also like to see slightly more retail offerings like target etc. This would provide additional revenue without burdening the tax payer.
429	Stop the growth
430	I came to Fort Mill to escape Charlotte schools and be part of a small town. My mom grew up in Fort Mill; I have family here. But as the town grows larger and my children graduate, I don't require the schools, and I feel more inclined to leave Fort Mill to find a small town again. I think this survey should have searched past the 5 year plan. In 10 years will I still be here? Possibly. In 20 years, will I retire here? I don't think so. So I ask you, "Town of Fort Mill," are you building for now? Building for 10 years? Building for future retirements? Then why, why, why are we building, expanding? And if we build, are these residents planning to stay, retire here? I'm not sure they are, so how does that affect planning?
431	I am probably a biased person since I grew up in the early 70's in Fort Mill and it has changed so much, but all the new expensive homes and all the new schools to keep up with the growth are over the top. Why so much development?? What made us unique was our small town atmosphere so what changed? Clear Springs development? Sign of the times as the major land holders get older and children or grandchildren sell off land. Good luck keeping up and I hope you do since Fort Mill is a wonderful, beautiful place to live. I can only hope it works out.
432	Stop building apartments, town homes, and postage size lots. Absolutely irresponsible to build more. Obviously the infrastructure is not ready for more people. When the Complex leaves, the town will lose!
433	I am concerned about the impact of the current rapid growth of housing on the water and sewage facilities and roads.
434	Keep taxes affordable for longtime residents
435	Less storage units and apartment complexes. No public transportation or Lynx- Will bring crime to the area.
436	Build infrastructure first, then approve the homes. Traffic circles work as no one stops for stop signs anyway. The timing on traffic lights is atrocious.

437	Development needs to be smarter - to facilitate mobility. Denser centers with non-motorized transportation options and retail. Need better transit options / park and ride to Uptown Charlotte and greenways and bikeways connecting residential and workplaces within Fort Mill. Also consider where schools are placed. There is no high school west of I-77. So all those living to the west have to cross the 77 overpasses to get there, adding to traffic. Better driveway and development access restrictions along major routes (SC 160), i.e. Baxter entrance is too close to the interchange, causing a disruption in traffic flow. Require connections between new and older neighborhoods before approval. Use traffic calming to slow thru traffic in neighborhoods if it is a concern. More parks!
438	No
439	Please provide a community pool - purchase the complex and keep it! Also - open town hall conference rooms/venues for use by community groups - churches are starting to charge money and we need free places for Girl Scout events and HOA's to meet.
440	We need to properly manage our current budget and build infrastructure before we start expanding. Our roads and water system need work for current residents.
441	Something needs to be done about traffic, to many apartments and the development on 160
442	Many of us would like to see major improvements on 21 from Carowinds exit to Springfield Parkway. Everything else in Fort Mill is being updated with new restaurants and businesses and this area continues to look run down. The Carowinds exit is your first impression of SC coming from Charlotte and it would be wonderful if we could give it the same attention as the Baxter area. There are many nice homes in Regent Park as well as Springfield and it would be nice to have some restaurants and shopping in that area instead of the 6 title loan businesses in less than a mile. Any help Bettering the look of this part of town would be greatly appreciated by the folks in this area.
443	N/A
444	None
445	The schools are already asking for tax increases regularly to build in Fort Mill. The city cannot expect residents to support city tax increases on top of the new school taxes. The city and the county need to work together to STOP residential building. It would be great to give our schools, roads, and water system a chance to catch up.
446	Please Stop building houses...I moved here for the sweet small town it was. Fort Mill doesn't need to grow any more than it is now. the roads are beyond crowded
447	We need a splash pad closer to Fort Mill! Also more shade at parks. A panda express would be nice. Also stopping all the new housing would be great to stop traffic increase.
448	My fiancé and I moved to Fort Mill because of the convenience to Charlotte suburban feel, but as young professionals we are slightly further from age-appropriate entertainment options than we would like. Because of this, we intend to move closer to Charlotte soon.
449	Too many apartments and storage facilities being built in Fort Mill.
450	Traffic is a significant problem. It can take us 30 minutes round trip to take our son to school that is less than 4 miles away from our house. I grew up in Los Angeles and commuted on some of the highest congested interstates. The traffic here can rival my experiences in LA and sometimes is even worse. It seems like there's issues with the traffic light sequencing on 160 and the development at Kingsley has put a huge increase in traffic on 160.
451	Road maintenance is terrible. 21 needs to be expanded from Flint Hill to gold Hill and vice versa. Adding all these hundreds and hundreds of apartments is just going to overcrowd our schools and roads. Too much concentrated housing for the size area. Rent prices are out of control.

452	Apartment complexes create instability in student populations. The number of apartment currently built will negatively affect our schools in the long run.
453	A large tennis center like Florence, SC would be a great draw for tournaments, etc. would bring good revenue to the area.
454	I answered that I rarely use town parks and recreational facilities but that is because I'm in school full time in addition to working full time. I fully plan on taking advantage of those facilities in the future!
455	I am dismayed to see the ongoing developments that are not supported by roadways. The new Kingsley Park complex for example. Someone was asleep at the wheel when no road widening plans were enacted. This is negligence on the part of the city.
456	When adding residential neighborhoods, developers should be more conscious of environmental sustainability and stop RAZING the total area just because it saves them money, and local politicians are always in collusion disregarding the fact that they are destroying the natural beauty of the area.... it's pure greed..... more green areas should be included, instead of poor housing design and agglutination.
457	It's enough building in the town. People are happy with how things are now. No more housing. And most importantly no more apartment complexes. That's something that everyone I know is in agreement with. At this rate of building you'll become the next Charlotte and we will all have to move 20 miles out, and that will be the next Fort Mill.
458	We moved here 15 years ago because it was a small town like the one we enjoyed in Ohio. It had character. It no longer has that ambiance!
459	Fort Mill and Tega Cay need to start restricting the growth of apartment buildings and town homes. Our roads and schools are reaching their limits; our infrastructure cannot handle the growth. The reason Fort Mill is so desirable is the "small town feel." We no longer have that characteristic. Our small town is has long gone. We need to start preserving the green spaces we have left. I have lived here for twenty years and I no longer recognize our sweet town. Housing has become unaffordable. Yards have disappeared. Why is the new standard to have a house built 12 feet from your neighbor???
460	It was covered but the traffic is the worst part of living here. It's like it was decided to build as many homes as possible but not improve the infrastructure at all.
461	We moved to Fort Mill from Charlotte because we could afford to buy a house here & be sure that our son would be in a good school. I understand that the town is growing & I support growth, but it needs to be smart. We spent a ton of money on the bypass that is now being filled up with neighborhoods, schools & businesses. Soon there will be so many places to stop that it won't be a quick drive to get down to Rock Hill. It also wasn't built wide enough to begin with. We need to learn from Charlotte & build new roads with the expectation that traffic will increase, instead of having to go back & expand them as soon as they're complete.
462	Too much development.....traffic has become an absolute NIGHTMARE!!!! That being the reason for thinking about moving out of Fort Mill and Comporium also water/sewer rates are out of control
463	Stop the freaking apartments. You are ruining this town and creating damage that cannot be undone. If you stop, housing will be in demand, prices soar and increased property values = increased tax revenue.
464	Reallocated already collected tax money more efficiently, allowing some of the community improvements to already be able to be implement. THEN after readjusting budgets/assessing actual costs seek bond money for additional improvements.
465	Comporium costs

466	You claim to be pro-business, but you only seem to be pro-big business. You have zoning restrictions stopping small businesses but if a big chain comes in, you do whatever they ask and now small businesses can't get a break. Fort Mill Automotive has been there for over 30 years, the lot is zoned residential on a fluke and yet you won't change it because it's not pretty enough. Well of course it's not pretty, Coleman doesn't care what it looks like and why should Dean fix his lot for him? Tell Coleman that if he sells it to Dean you will allow the rezoning. Tell Dean that he will have to fix the building and "beautify" the lot in order to get the zoning. If Wallace won't sell to Dean, tell him the building has to be razed so no one else can go in and make it worse. For crying out loud FMA is screaming to expand, but they can't because of your rules, they want to hire more people, but they can't because of your rules. How many other businesses are you restricting because of your damn rules?? You even use the lot for your Strawberry Festival and what do you give him in return? Yeah, you seem real pro-small business (psst, that's sarcasm by the way)
467	We need wider roads. Also, medians with trees and plant life would be nice. Go visit Cary, NC (Cary Parkway) to see how a town quickly became a city but still looks nice.
468	Improve & widen roads and stagger/computerize traffic lights.
469	Place a moratorium on housing until infrastructure (roads) can handle current as well as future traffic.
470	A walking trail along Doby's Bridge road is critical to link neighborhoods and schools. A simple path would eliminate much of the traffic congestion by providing parents another option to driving children to school.
471	Wide roads.. getting through 160 towards Baxter is a pain. I've sat at the same light for 20 min or more.
472	Fest I Fun, Springfest (short lived) was an opportunity for residents to connect and see friends they had not seen in a while. Now the SC Strawberry Festival is a drunk fest for people from all over to take over our town for the weekend and inconvenience locals. Would love to see the alcohol go away and I would attend but I don't like being bumped into and have beer spilled on me.
473	STOP DEVELOPING!!! Too much growth and no cap!! Very quickly losing its charm to greed
474	Recruit Trader Joe's or Whole Foods. Viva Chicken too!
475	Need to work on traffic in 77 and 160
476	Obviously, the only way the town will survive is to grow. However, Fort Mill has completely lost its identity. Traffic is unbearable, there are WAY too many houses being built, and the bridge connection idea is moronic and is trying to help Rock Hill, not us. The idea is to enhance the town, not destroy it, and we're on that road. We're losing the small town charm that led to all this development and if you aren't careful, everybody is going to move away and there will be no one to live in the superfluous, excessive, and unneeded housing being built right now.
477	No
478	I feel that Fort Mill needs to put a moratorium on building. It's clear that greed has nerve the driving factor for approving new businesses. Infrastructure needs to be improved before anything else if build. And for the love of God, no more apartments. This town could have been amazing, but instead the town is cramming as many people in as it can. Schools will not be able to keep up & will suffer.
479	Fort Mill is at a critical moment inn Her development. Either she will become like many other towns on the perimeter of Charlotte and grow uncontrollably, or our town leaders will step up, make the hard decisions and control the growth in the town to acceptable levels. I hope for the latter.
480	Please stop overgrowing FM. The small town feeling has been lost. Stop building an eighth of a neighborhood- build one & finish it before you continue to tear down every last tree. There is no need for anything else in this town being that we live so close to a major city & Rock Hill which also has shops/stores.

481	to crowded to many people
482	Please halt development of Fort Mill. This has been way too much! I grew up in Fort Mill since birth, now living in Rock Hill to get away from the over growth!
483	Need more sidewalks.
484	Please stop ruining this town, it's lost its small town charm. So sad.
485	I like Fort Mill a lot. Our home is wonderful, safe, and a lot of nice nature around. But traffic is really bad. I am on 77, 485, and Pineville-Matthews road daily and it is rough. I would definitely use public transit but it does not work for my situation. Light rail or increased bus options would be great. I feel really disconnected from any sort of Fort Mill identity as the town is kind of far away from where I live and we end up eating in strip malls all the time. Thanks for the survey good luck!
486	Strategic location of town police officers. City personnel to support growth either full time or part time
487	Would like to see Fort Mill grow in a way that residents are not as dependent on Charlotte for dining and entertainment. Embrace the convenience of Charlotte but offer competitive local options.
488	For annual income there was no choice for 75,000-100,000
489	We moved to this area for the small town feel with nearby convenience. Mass development and high congestion has taken that comfort away. I seldom travel major corridors, (160, gold hill road, etc.) or utilize much of the retail available there due to congestion. I live close to rock hill and am more apt to travel to cherry road or Celanese as the roadways are less congested. Far too much housing development for what used to be our quaint town. We're it not for the schools we would leave this area.
490	I think the town needs to stop additional residential expansion until it has a comprehensive solid plan for addressing the current infrastructure and needs of the town. Roads and schools cannot support the current growth rate. You need to stop and assess. In addition, the town needs to be made more pedestrian friendly. Instead of more apartments and storage units build sidewalks so our kids can walk to school instead. Unfortunately due to the exponentially increased growth without the infrastructure, we will be moving on in a few years - it's just too darn big
491	Traffic is a major issue and I can see it hampering the town's growth.
492	Please stop taking away our small town feel! We have no trees left. Everywhere we go it's houses and cars.
493	Please, for the love of God, stop automatically approving every development project that comes down the line. We realize this is largely the county council, but between that and the endlessly multiplying tire/auto service centers and storage facilities, we're actually considering not remaining in Fort Mill long-term. Having to fight through 25 minutes of congestion to get to an appointment 2 miles away takes away all the reasons to live in this place we have loved so much.
494	I would like to see more of an effort to stop drug trafficking at Fort Mill High School, along with teen drinking and driving. There should not be tolerance for drug dealers. The PD also does a pretty horrible job of checking driver's ages at night. I know for a fact that there are lots of teens that drink, do hard drugs, and then drive.

495	Being newer to the area I find wages are not in line with the work performed, making it hard to afford even an apt. Homes are extremely overpriced. There are no options for people who can't afford \$300,000. I love what I call the recplex, the Leroy Springs complex. I'm sad to learn it will be closing. The Y is too expensive for my family. We are sad to lose the pool, the gym, etc. We relocated from CT and my husband works a municipal job that doesn't allow us to pay our bills. He's had to take 2 additional jobs and I will be going back to work in August. That by far is the most disappointing part of moving to Fort Mill. I believe there are too many businesses, allowing them to pay minimum wage rather than a competitive salary. There are too many gas stations on every corner. While some flashing stop lights are beneficial, some are downright dangerous and almost impossible to cross oncoming traffic. If things don't change for the better by the time we are ready to buy a house, i.e.: more affordable options with lots that actually provide privacy and a real backyard, we will end up moving out of Fort Mill. These new developments are glorified trailer parks.
496	Maintaining quality schools is most important to me. It is the only reason I moved to Fort Mill.
497	I would love to see housing developments slow down, it's going to be so overcrowded, most of the reason people moved here to begin with.
498	2 lane roads need to have a shoulder
499	Please help stop building more residential homes in Fort Mill. This is going to ruin our schools and streets
500	Please add more non-chain, locally owned restaurants. More date night places
501	No
502	Most new neighborhoods have sidewalks. When we first purchased our home it was rural and we were not in city limits. Now we are and it is extremely dangerous without sidewalks and bike lanes. The grass is never cut on the side of the road and makes walking on the road to get to a sidewalk to get to the park dangerous. Please, either keep the grass low enough to safely walk on, or put in sidewalks. Please!
503	There needs to be coordinated growth plans and strict zoning/approval processes on what is able to be built and where. For example, how many more mini storage and car care places, and burger joints can one small town possibly need? We're always getting more of the same kinds of things. We need variety! This is a highly educated, health conscious community. Capitalize on that! Target that! Everyone we know is more interested in Trader Joe's and Whole Foods and unique restaurant concepts like Thai, Indian, Mediterranean, etc. Look into reversible traffic lanes for Hwy 160 near Baxter/Tega Cay (see: Nicholasville Road in Lexington, KY) for improved traffic flow during peak times. Better timed traffic lights would help, too. And FOR THE LOVE, please stop approving more residential building permits West of (and near) I-77 until we can get our roads caught up! More of the H. Graham Parkway type connector roads are also options to improve traffic flow.
504	No
505	Would really love to see the old town Fort Mill come back to life while maintaining the small town feel and history. Would also love for Fort Mill to have a music venue. A park amphitheater with summer concerts would be great for the community.
506	Keep taxes low
507	First off you missed a big chunk on income earned 75k-99,999
508	Thank you for listening!
509	I would like to see more affordable well run /organized children's programs like swim lessons, summer camps, children's sports. Everything is so expensive here!
510	We need additional options other than Comporium.

511	We would really enjoy paved trails with parking by the lake and river.
512	Lack of planning is what is hurting Fort Mill and makes it to where I don't suggest people move here any longer.
513	Focus on infrastructure, maintaining existing neighborhoods, maintaining schools at highest level
514	Help build out office parks along 77. Add additional highway ramp at Coltharp.
515	Just wanted to say 3 things. 1. There are major infrastructure issues with the roads in Fort Mill 2. There is not enough retail/food options 3. Not every person who wants to live in a wonderful town like Fort Mill wants to live in a 2500 - 3000 sq. ft. home. More moderately priced housing options would be nice.
516	I would like to see quality retail clothing shops for women. There isn't anywhere to buy clothing except Walmart. You have to drive to Charlotte, Pineville or Rock Hill to buy decent clothes.
517	Less apartments! Less auto stores! Less storage unit facilities!
518	Stop allowing growth that can't be served by current infrastructure.
519	Mowing down forest and farmland to mindlessly build more high density housing and unattractive tire/stores and car washes makes us look more like Cherry Rd and less like the small town we moved here for in the first place. The lack of thoughtful planning on the part of the county is heartbreaking. We will look like Atlanta in no time and it makes me sad. I left Atlanta because of the day long traffic jams. Now 160 is almost as congested at lunchtime as it is at rush hour. Soon it will be that way all day long. It is gridlock around the 160/I77 interchange in Fort Mill. Poor planning and still they keep building. The landscaping around Kingsley to make the back of the new Marriott hotel is practically non-existent. Ripped down trees to create an eye sore. It's unacceptable.
520	The residential building is approved without consideration to street improvements and transit concerns for commuting and the every growing needs for more schools. There has seemed to be very poor planning in granting permits for new housing.
521	Stop putting in auto repair shops on 160. No more storage units. Put in real commercial nice shops and restaurants. Stop making Fort Mill for everyone. Too many condos and apartments going in. They drain resources without paying back in. Please invest in infrastructure before more homes!
522	We would really benefit from an outdoor public pool as well as new basketball courts!! Membership fees for pool use would be fine
523	I lived in Fort Mill for 4 years and only moved because of no available affordable housing. My rent increased beyond what I could afford.
524	Stop the building.... especially the apartments! We have enough! It is critically affecting the education of our children in Fort Mill
525	Stop the growth since the traffic is bad and crime is on the increased. We liked Fort Mill when we moved here because they had good schools, little traffic, and it was a small community
526	Our property taxes go up every year, and yet new house after new house gets built - where does THAT property tax money go? Surely the coffers are filling up without requiring a hike each and every year? WHY do I have to keep paying more and more each year? It's frustrating since low property taxes was one of the top five reasons we chose to move to Fort Mill. But we are now paying 50% more than we paid upon moving here 10 years ago. There will soon come a day, despite answer "no plans to move" in this survey, when we just might move because we are being aggressively taxed...
527	Increased taxes, overpopulation and extensive developments, as well as school performance, classroom sizes and teacher resources are our top concerns. We are considering moving because of a decline in these areas.

528	Developers (specifically Springs) should be required to provide sidewalks connecting their developments. I live on Pomegranate which is supposed to be part of Baxter but have no pedestrian access to the rest of Baxter. Kids walk along extremely dangerous New Gray Rock Road.
529	The main reason we moved to Baxter Village is because of the access to the commuter bus and the walkability of the neighborhood. We whole-heartedly endorse smart growth initiatives to make it easier for people to walk, bike, and take public transit. I feel that using town money to build more roads will only increase the number of cars on the roads and will not solve the road congestion problems.
530	Stop building and focus on improving our roads and adding parks and open space , Fort Mill is a joke, we are not Charlotte
531	Household yearly salary is between 75000 and 100,000. Option not available.
532	i would love to see improvements to traffic flow and widening roads as I am on the roads Monday - Friday during peak rush hour times - that would be my biggest concern. Second would love to see more retail and restaurant options. Specifically a TARGET
533	Please stop building multi-family apartments. Single family ok - but prefer to start imposing minimum lot size restrictions
534	Would love for Fort Mill to keep its small town feel. Love the new growth at Kingsley and the Main Street area. Too many other housing units without the appropriate growth of the municipalities and roadways.
535	I think it is of paramount importance to make sure Fort Mill doesn't get over developed and crowded.
536	Desperately need new roads, wider roads and/or better traffic management. Also the current roads need to be better maintained.
537	Let Fort Mill automotive be zoned business!!
538	I would like the Town to take over the operation of the Recreation Complex. Hundreds of people use this facility on a daily basis. There is no other facility in the town that can provide these services.
539	We are very concerned that Fort Mill approved too many housing developments. The small town is quickly leaving and we're stuck with congestion, congestion, congestion. There is almost no green space left :(While I understand everyone wants to live in Fort Mill, our roads & schools were not designed for this type of population.
540	Please stop the building this was a nice small town when we first moved here we loved it, but it is getting way to big and losing its home town feel, which is why we purchased here in the first place. It is getting to be way too much, could have moved to Rock Hill if we wanted a busy crowded feel for a lot less money than we spent on our house here.
541	Slow growth especially residential and business. Improve roads. Traffic is ridiculous. Fort Mill is losing its charm of being a small Southern town.
542	I heard that Fort Mill Schools have managed money such that they are relying on future tax revenue to float current spending which makes overgrowth inevitable. I would much rather see fiscal responsibility in lieu of clear cutting all the trees for homes to lure people out of Charlotte.
543	Traffic is the worst part. There are lots to do but traffic makes it tough.
544	We need to slow our growth and road congestion.

545	Multifamily apartments and development adds a large number of people in a small area, therefore impacting roads, schools, etc. much more than strictly single family neighborhoods. Growing up in York County and a lifetime resident, Fort Mill was always desirable due the green spaces and small town feel. Those feelings just in the past few years have been dwindling. If it were not for the love of my neighborhood, Baxter and great schools, we would not live in Fort Mill. Crime is going to increase with many lower income housing. Traffic is so unbearable, out of town family and friends comment how horrible it is, and some of these friends are from large cities. Large growth so quickly will change the focus from quality resources to the quantity needed, with quality taking a back seat.
546	Whatever happens, do NOT forget to maintain the level of standards and ranking of the school system--it is the #1 reason many people (including myself) chose Ft Mill to live--do not let the other stuff get in the way and pushing education to the side. if people want more industrial and concrete--they can move to Charlotte
547	When I moved to Fort Mill 10 years ago I would of thought we would have forward thinking like Rock Hill with their outdoor amenities and Downtown reconstruction. Thank god for our school system.
548	I appreciate the opportunity to voice my opinion on the growth plan of Fort Mill.
549	Revitalization of Fort Mill downtown is key. I have been in smaller towns in SC and their down towns are quaint and charming. Sad our downtown is not attractive.
550	Stop all residential building. Work on infrastructure to support all the growth that's been ensuing for years.
551	Build fewer houses! Improve roads!
552	Please STOP building apartments, town homes and houses on top of each other. Overcrowding of the schools and roadways. Give me a house with a huge lot!!!!
553	New gray rock road needs to be repaved, widened with a shoulder and sidewalks added!!!! Sidewalks are critical!!!
554	Stop building apartments and condos!! Retain green space!
555	It is extremely critical that the Town of Fort Mill maintain and widen existing major roadways, increase pedestrian/bicycle friendliness, and carefully consider the long term impact of zoning request and building approvals.
556	Please more bike lanes! I've been hit by a car running and my husband has been hit by a car biking. Traffic has become unbearable over the past 9 years. Less property development and more focus on safety!
557	Need road improvements, no more housing or apartments being built. We are at a max for people here in Fort Mill. Please fix the road situation and make our town better by adding a fire station, bike paths and improved infrastructure. NO MORE BUILDING!! No more housing. Keep it a small town feel.
558	I would be much more willing and unafraid to bike if there were bike lanes. I think that's very important and would ease road congestion.
559	I believe that Fort Mill is already a beautiful Town and has the ability to become even more beautiful with the growth that is to be expected. The major complaint that I've noticed since living in, not only this area, but the Charlotte-Metro area itself is the failure to keep up with the growth. With the amount of traffic and people living in this area, the roadways and infrastructure have not been kept up with. I also highly support having a multiuse facility that would support not only ice hockey and skating but may be used for indoor recreational sports such as soccer or lacrosse.

560	As a new member of the community I am confused by the FM city limits and wonder why the can be neighborhoods and streets that run from one area of the town to another but are considered not within the town but county only. Would it not benefit FM to annex/acquire all county properties within "perceived" town limits? It seems that having a connected area and not a patchwork quilt would help with things like planning, road repair, and transportation recommendations. It would also be helpful to residents when it comes to knowing who to contact for issues and suggestions. On a different note, bike lanes would greatly improve this area! We have lived in 7 states and 3 other countries and all have better bike accommodations/safety than FM. My husband would love to bike to work but I have asked him not to due to the traffic congestion and lack of bike awareness/lanes. Lastly, has any thought been given to better neighborhood/school connectivity? An ideal example is the new Habersham neighborhood and the two Pleasant Knoll schools. It seems a sidewalk through the woods to the schools could easily be done.
561	We need to slow down residential development because the roads are overcrowded and the schools cannot keep up with the influx of homes being built.
562	Traffic has become a nightmare. Need to widen roads.
563	Fort Mill is desperately lacking in good restaurants from better fast food options to fine dining
564	Fort Mill needs to continue growing, but at a measured pace, so that our resources are not outstripped. I love our small town atmosphere, and would want to see that maintained as much as possible. The recent rejuvenation of the downtown area has been exciting to see, and will help make Fort Mill a place people want to be during their time off work. Increased sidewalk distribution and bike lanes would be very helpful for people that want to get places without a car. I applaud your asking the community's opinions on this stuff!
565	Growth is inevitable, but needs to be managed better. Building large scale housing developments without improved infrastructure is irresponsible and a recipe for future problems.
566	Traffic in 160 is terrible. Especially getting into and off of 77. Something needs to be done to lessen the traffic seeing that the cart was out before the horse on allowing all of the residential and commercial options in 160 before the infrastructure was ready to handle it.
567	I think part of the road plan needs to consider Lancaster County's growth. I feel like a lot of morning/afternoon traffic in southern Fort Mill is coming across our county to enter Charlotte. My favorite thing about Fort Mill is all of the trees and wooded spaces, like Anne Springs Greenway and the land down to the river. I'm worried that all of the new growth is going to take them away.
568	We need to preserve our community's character / sense of place. People love the town's atmosphere, but if we don't protect it, we will lose it.
569	We need a hospital. A hospital voted on by the people not decided by government or better yet put 2 and let the people decide. This battle has gone on too long without public input.
570	No. Great job.
571	We have enjoyed living in Fort Mill for the last 2 years. What is concerning and bothersome is that affordable housing is developing near our community and that was the main reason for moving here. We are disappointed that Fort Mill allows such a development that close to our community when there is no room for separation between the 2 communities.
572	Strawberry Festival is atrocious. Alcohol being provided by the town is a horrible idea. Continuing to approve building permits and not improve roads is asinine. Greed has clouded the rational thinking of town management.
573	The town could really use some diversity, especially places such as churches that support a diverse group of people

574	Too much traffic. Takes way too long to get from place to place. We do not go out much because we do not want to sit in traffic.
575	77 should be widened or changed somehow to accept more traffic going into charlotte. It takes 30 minutes to go 5 miles and is unacceptable.
576	Concerning the roads within this area, I fear the traffic issues will only get worse. This is especially true with all the new residential areas and the new high school.
577	No
578	We moved from CA. Roads are one lane-traffic is literally slower than Southern CA. Light rail to downtown would be useful to many commuters.
579	The town has lost all the feel of a small town. Growth has not been controlled and it has overtaken the capacity of the roads. The town has turned its back on longtime residents (as seen by the water issues in Paradise and the Mill Hills) to cater to new and expensive neighborhoods full of transplants. Growth may be inevitable, but we need to be really restrictive; in order to slow it to a controllable level. While we are at it, what about a local festival for the people, not this Strawberry nonsense that caters to out of towners?
580	No
581	Interested in participating in the planning process if any opportunities arise!
582	No