



Meeting Agenda

Work Session

Tuesday, April 11, 2023

5:00 PM

Board Room

CALL TO ORDER

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Comments on agenda items may be made in person at City Hall or by emailing recorder@franklinton.gov before noon on the day of the meeting. Comments will be submitted for the record.

WORK SESSION DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Presentation Of 2022 Franklin Citizen Survey Results
WS 2/28/23; 3/28/23
Sponsors: Eric Stuckey, Michael Walters Young
2. Consideration Of Resolution 2023-03, A Resolution To Adopt A Funding Policy For The Closed Pension
Pension 3/27/23, 5-0
Sponsors: Kristine Brock
3. Consideration Of Special Event Permit For Juneteenth Celebration In Downtown Franklin To Be Held On
June 17, 2023

Sponsors: Milissa Reiersen, Monique McCullough
4. Consideration Of Event Permit For The Heritage Ball Sponsored By The Heritage Foundation At Eastern
Flank Battlefield Park On October 7, 2023

Sponsors: Lisa Clayton, Milissa Reiersen, Monique McCullough
5. Consideration Of Special Event Permit For Wine Down Main Street Sponsored By The Boys and Girls
Club In Downtown Franklin On November 4, 2023

Sponsors: Milissa Reiersen, Monique McCullough
6. Consideration Of Special Event Permit For The Pilgrimage Music And Cultural Festival At The Park At
Harlinsdale Farm To Be Held September 23-24, 2023

Sponsors: Lisa Clayton, Milissa Reiersen, Monique McCullough
7. Consideration Of Long-Term Special Event Permit For The Pilgrimage Music And Cultural Festival At The
Park At Harlinsdale Farm (2023 Through 2027).

Sponsors: Milissa Reiersen, Monique McCullough
8. Initial Discussion Of Alternative Site Analysis For The New City Hall

Sponsors:

Vernon Gerth

OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURN

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File #: 21-04211

DATE: March 28, 2023
TO: Board of Mayor and Aldermen
FROM: Eric Stuckey, City Administrator
Michael Walters Young, Budget and Analytics Manager

SUBJECT:

Presentation Of 2022 Franklin Citizen Survey Results
WS 2/28/23; 3/28/23

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide information to the Franklin Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BOMA) concerning the results of the 2022 Franklin Citizens Survey.

BACKGROUND/STAFF COMMENTS:

In 2016, the City of Franklin first contracted with the National Research Center (now Polco, Inc.) to survey Franklin residents via the use of their National Citizens Survey tool. This standardized, nationwide survey is used in hundreds and hundreds of cities of all sizes nationwide annually. The City of Franklin is able to use the results not only to gain insight into citizen attitudes about civic matters but also customer attitudes regarding services provided by the City. 2022 makes the third time we have used this same tool (2016 and 2019 being the other two times). We have generally waited about two and half years in between conducting the surveys.

This year the surveys were sent out to 2,800 randomly selected households received beginning on October 24, 2022. Completed surveys were collected over the following eight weeks. An additional opportunity to take the survey in a non- scientifically controlled manner was opened to the general public on November 28, 2022 for two weeks. Between the two opportunities, 665 responses were received (448 responses to the controlled/randomly-selected survey and 217 to the online non-controlled survey).

The full survey report, verbatim responses to the Open-ended question asked in the survey and a formal presentation are attached to this item.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The cost for the survey came to \$21,500 and is budgeted in General Expenses (110-82560-45900). The base of that figure - \$15,500 is an annual subscription fee with Polco for their online survey tool; the balance of \$6,000 was for add-ons such as the open-ended question and other customizations.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board of Mayor and Aldermen acknowledge receipt of the National Community Survey for Franklin in 2022.



City of Franklin, Tennessee

Citizen Survey

2022 Franklin Citizen Survey Results



February 28, 2023

Outline

- Survey Methodology
- Survey Results
- Survey Comparables
 - **FranklinForward** Questions
 - 2016 & 2019 Citizens Survey Comparisons
 - National & Custom Benchmarks
- Next Steps

Survey Methodology

- The survey was conducted in two ways – a scientifically valid survey of randomly selected residents and an open web-based survey.
- The scientifically valid survey consisted of 2,800 randomly selected households received three mailings, one week apart, beginning on October 24, 2022.
 - First mailing was a pre-notification postcard announcing the survey.
 - Second mailing contained a letter from the Mayor and City Administrator inviting the household to participate, a questionnaire and a postage-paid return envelope.
 - Third and final mailing contained a reminder letter, another survey and a postage-paid return envelope.
- Completed surveys were collected over the following eight weeks.

Survey Methodology

- About 4% of the 2,800 surveys mailed were returned because the housing unit was vacant or the postal service was unable to deliver the survey as addressed. Of the remaining 2,700 households that received the survey, 448 completed the survey, providing an *overall response rate of 17%*. This is a lower response rate than 2016 (37%) and 2019 (29%). The national average is around 26%.
- In addition, we also opened the survey up online November 28, 2022 for two weeks. This was open to all individuals City-wide. 217 surveys were received. This was also lower than 2019.
- All results shown herein are based on the formal, scientifically valid survey.

Survey Methodology

- **The National Community Survey is designed to measure our community's "livability." NCS defines livability as "the sum of the factors that add up to a community's quality of life."**
- **Staff at POLCO/NRC examined the extensive research that has been done about community livability and the models that have been developed to describe the components of livable communities.**
- **They have found there are ten (10) central facets of a community:**

Survey Methodology

- **Economy**
- **Mobility**
- **Community Design**
- **Utilities**
- **Safety**
- **Natural Environment**
- **Parks and Recreation**
- **Health and Wellness**
- **Education, Arts, and Culture**
- **Inclusivity and Engagement**



Survey Results – Key Takeaways (pg. 6)

- Residents appreciate many aspects of the City's leadership and governance.
- Many aspects of Franklin's community design receive positive reviews, but residents identify some areas of opportunity for the City.
- Franklin's Economy is strong, but poses challenges to community livability. *(survey identified short-term economic concerns)*
- Franklin's educational and cultural opportunities are a valued aspect of community livability, leading to a high quality of life.

Survey Results

Overall: Quality of Life

- Almost all residents rated the quality of life in Franklin as excellent or good – **97% combined** – this has been consistent in all three surveys 2016-2022.
- Rating is higher than quality of life ratings seen in other cities.
- In fact, compared to national benchmarks (and over 600 other cities participate in this survey), Franklin ranks **7th in the nation** for quality of life.

The overall quality of life in Franklin, 2022



Overall: Governance

- Over two-thirds of respondents rated their confidence in Franklin government as excellent or good (68%). This is down from 2019.
- Rating is higher than national benchmarks.
- The City ranks higher than national benchmarks in overall customer service provided by City employees (89%), value of services for the taxes paid, the job Franklin government does at welcoming resident involvement and generally acting in the best interest of the community, though all measures have decreased since 2019.

Overall confidence in Franklin government, 2022

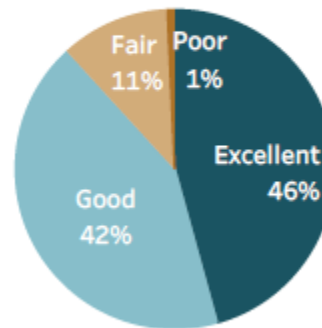


Survey Results

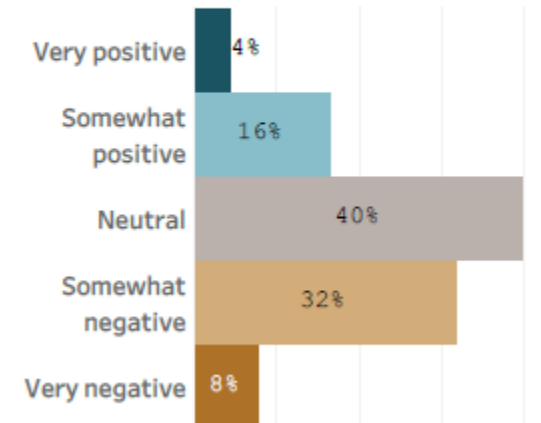
Facet: Economy

- The perception of the overall strength of Franklin's economy remains strong, though current conditions are weighing on respondent's minds.
- Franklin remains much higher than national benchmarks as a place to work (**5th nationally**), as a place to visit, the variety of business and service establishments (**5th nationally**), the vibrancy of the downtown/ commercial area (**2nd nationally**), employment opportunities (**2nd nationally**) and shopping opportunities.

Overall economic health of Franklin, 2022



What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family income in the next 6 months? Do you think the impact will be:



Survey Results

Facet: Mobility

- Over two-thirds of respondents rated the overall quality of the transportation system in Franklin as excellent or good (69%).
- Ratings on mobility, with the exception of ease of travel by bicycle and public transportation usage are similar to other cities. Those categories are significantly lower than benchmarks.
- The City's provision of street cleaning and sidewalk maintenance were noted as higher than national benchmarks.

Facet: Community Design

- Nearly three-fourths (74%) respondents rated the overall design or layout of residential and commercial areas as excellent or good. This is down from 2019.
- Respondents still rate their neighborhood as a place to live higher than national benchmarks (93% rating excellent/good) as well as rating overall appearance of the community much higher than national benchmarks (**7th nationally**)

Overall quality of the transportation system in Franklin, 2022



Overall design or layout of Franklin's residential and commercial areas, 2022



Survey Results

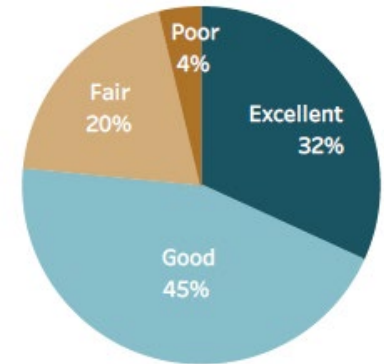
Facet: Utilities

- Over three-fourths of respondents rated the overall quality of the utility infrastructure as excellent or good (77%)
- Rating is similar than ratings seen in other cities.
- Other facets of utility services rated higher than national benchmarks included affordable high-speed internet access, the Power utility and utility billing.

Facet: Safety

- Franklin respondents continued to rate their overall feeling of safety incredibly highly – **95% of respondents** rated their feeling of safety as either excellent or good (same as 2019).
- Feeling of safety in your neighborhood during the day, and in the Downtown was even higher – **99% of respondents** rated their feeling of safety as either excellent or good in those areas.
- In fact in no provision of safety services did respondents rate below 84% excellent or good except for emergency preparedness.

Overall quality of the utility infrastructure in Franklin, 2022



Overall feeling of safety in Franklin, 2022

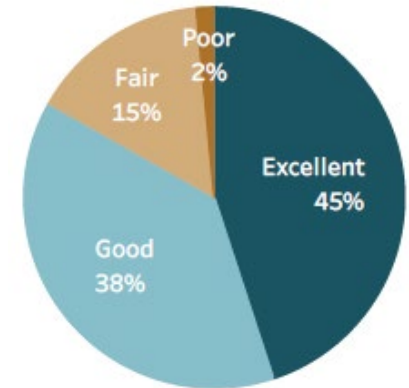


Survey Results

Facet: Natural Environment

- Over eight in ten respondents rated the overall quality of the natural environment in Franklin excellent/good (83%)
- Rating is similar to national benchmarks
- Of note cleanliness was rated higher.

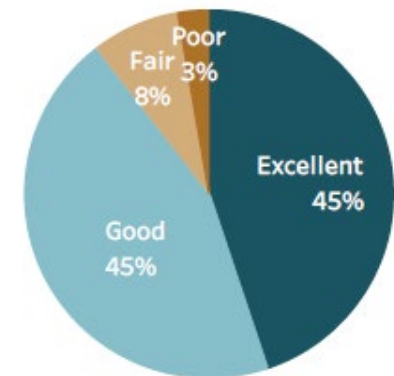
Overall quality of natural environment in Franklin, 2022



Facet: Parks and Recreation

- 9 in 10 respondents (90%) rated the overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities as excellent/good.
- Rating is similar to national benchmarks.

Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities, 2022



Survey Results

Facet: Health and Wellness

- 84% of respondents rated overall health and wellness opportunities Franklin as excellent/good.
- Rating is higher than quality of life ratings seen in other cities.
- The availability of preventive health services and the quality of health services in Franklin were also rated higher than national benchmarks.
- Of note, though similar to national benchmarks was a marked drop in the availability of affordable quality mental health care (67% excellent/good in 2019 to only 51% excellent/good in 2022).

Overall health and wellness opportunities in Franklin, 2022



Survey Results

Facet: Education, arts and culture

- 83% of respondents rated the overall opportunities for education, culture and the arts as excellent/good.
- Rating is higher than quality of life ratings seen in other cities.
- Higher than national benchmarks as well were opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities, Community support for the arts, K-12 education, and opportunities to attend special events and festivals.

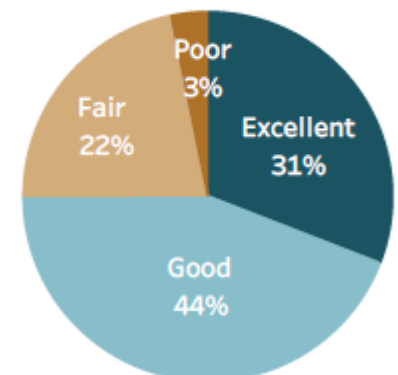
Facet: Inclusivity and engagement

- Three out of four respondents rated their connection and engagement with (75%).
- Rating is higher than national benchmarks.
- Franklin residents remained strong in their belief that the City is one of the best places in America to raise a child – 96% rated it excellent/good to do so (**7th nationally**)
- Respondents also rated Franklin higher than benchmarks as a place to retire, for sense of community, a sense of civic pride, for the neighborliness of residents, and for opportunities to participate in social events and activities, volunteering and to participate in community matters.

Overall opportunities for education, culture and the arts, 2022



Residents' connection and engagement with their community, 2022





City of Franklin, Tennessee

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Survey Results

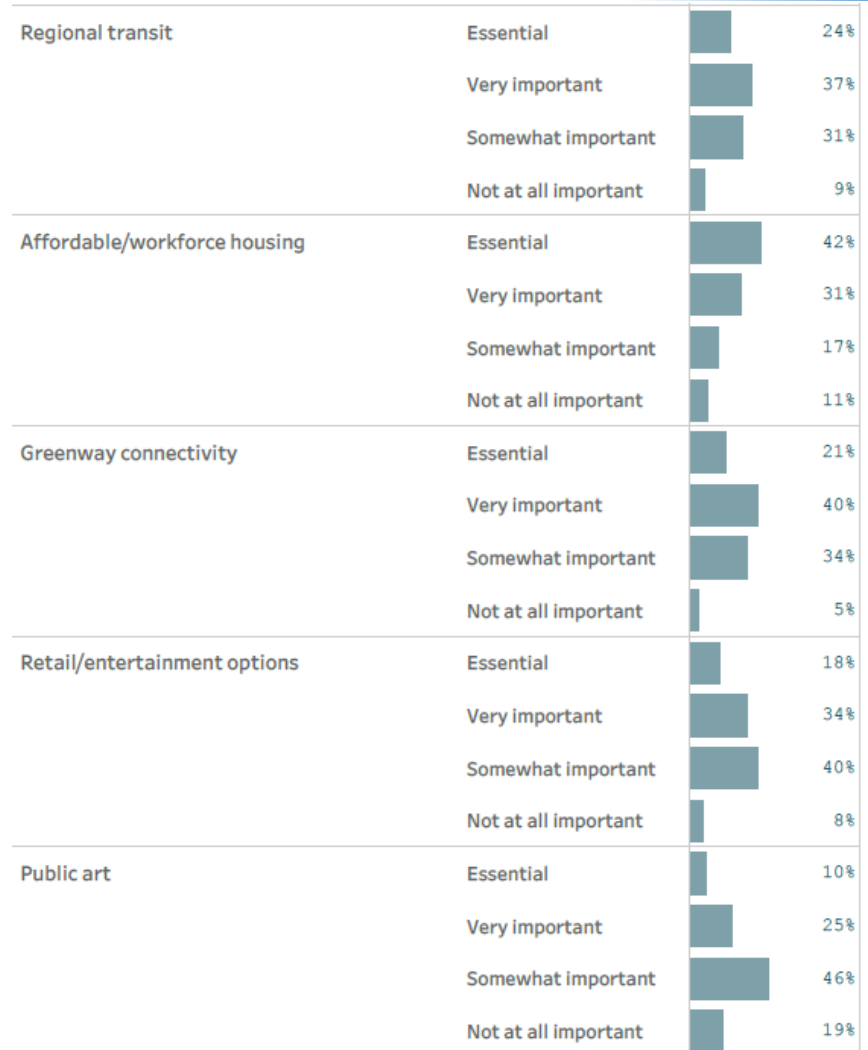
- The City asked several unique questions. The first was: **“Please rate your level of satisfaction with the City of Franklin’s management of growth”**.
- **76% rated their satisfaction of the City’s management of growth as either Very or Somewhat Satisfied.** This is lower than 2016 (84%) and 2019 (80%).
- The goal set forth in **FranklinForward** was to have 80% or better of citizens reporting satisfaction with the managed growth of the community.
- Although this is a positive response, it is clearly on citizens minds: **31%** used their response to the open-ended question to mention Managed Growth/Development Crowding – the most frequent written response. The amount of very dissatisfied respondents held steady at 7% from 2019.



Survey Results

- The second non-standard question asked was **“Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the City to enhance each of the following services or amenities”**

- Of the five choices - Regional transit, Affordable/workforce housing, Greenway connectivity, Retail/ entertainment options and Public Art – The largest interest was in Affordable/workforce housing – with 73% of respondents saying it was essential or very important. Regional transit and Greenway connectivity were next at 61% each.



Survey Results

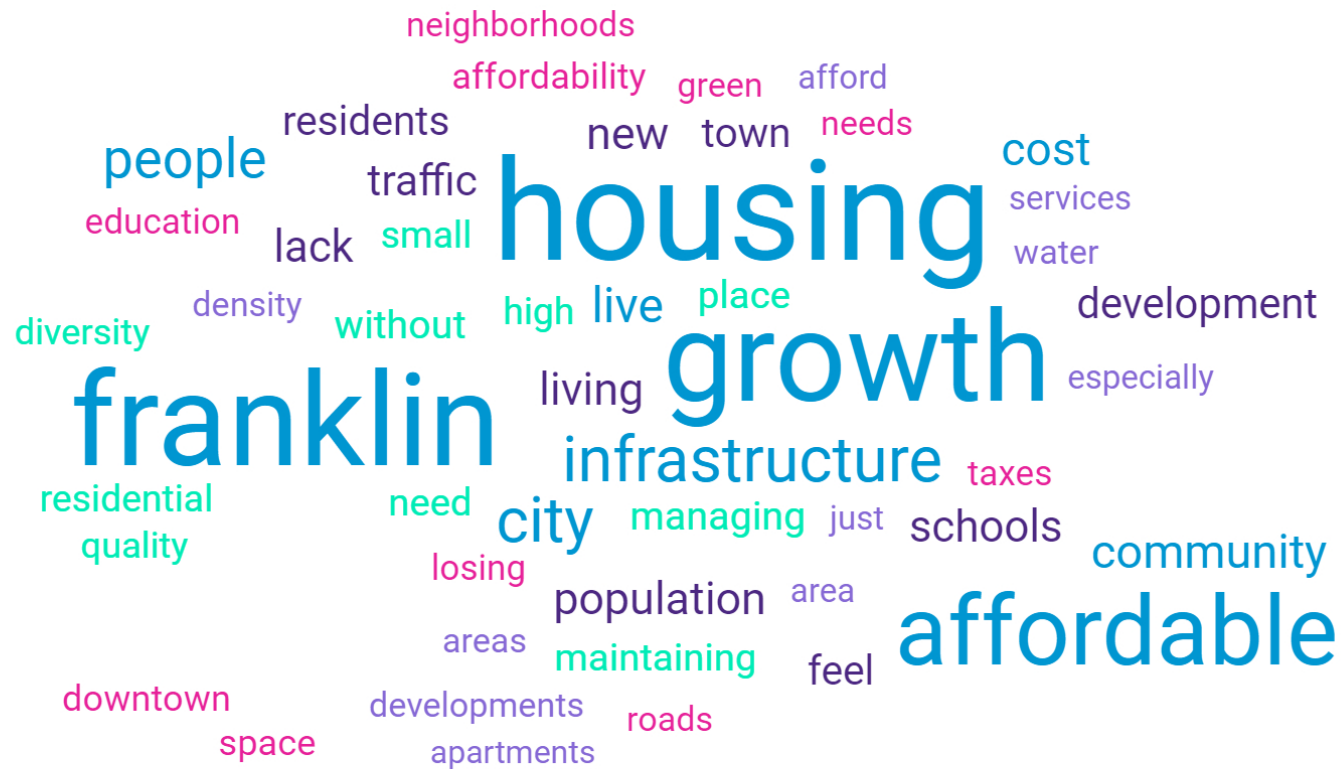
- The final question asked was the open-ended question. Residents were asked to state **what the most important challenge facing Franklin was today, aside from issues of transportation.**

- Growth, Housing, and Transportation were the leading responses, accounting for nearly two-thirds (64%) of all open-ended responses.

Aside from transportation (traffic) related issues, what is the most important challenge or problem facing Franklin today?

Managing Growth/Development	31%
Affordable housing	22%
Infrastructure/Roads	11%
Cost of living/Affordability	10%
Diversity/Inclusiveness	7%
Schools/Education	6%
Natural Environment/Flooding	4%
Other	3%
N/A	2%
Crime/Police	2%
City services	1%

Open-Ended Responses Word Cloud



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Survey Comparables – 2012 vs. 2016 vs. 2019 vs. 2022

The first Citizens Survey this decade was conducted in 2012 by Myers Research & Strategic Services and American Strategies Incorporated for Franklin Tomorrow. Some questions were similar between the two surveys:

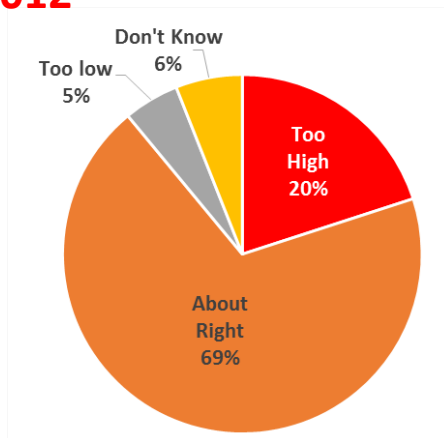
	2012	2016	2019	2022
How would you describe the overall Quality of Life in the City?	94%	97% ↑	97%	97%
National Position / Percentile	-	Higher	Much Higher	Higher / 98 th
Are things in the City of Franklin moving in the right direction?	82%	73% ↓	75% ↑	66% ↓
National Position / Percentile	-	Similar	Higher	Similar / 84 th
How would you rate the job being done (quality of services provided) by the City Government?	83%	89% ↑	93% ↑	82% ↓
National Position / Percentile	-	Higher	Higher	Similar / 88 th
How would you rate the job being done (quality of services provided) by the Federal Government?	N/A	44%	53% ↑	37% ↓
National Position / Percentile	-	Similar	Similar	Similar / 37 th

Survey Comparables – 2012 vs. 2016 vs. 2019 vs. 2022

Taxes: The surveys asked different questions regarding taxes. For comparative purposes, both questions and answers are provided below:

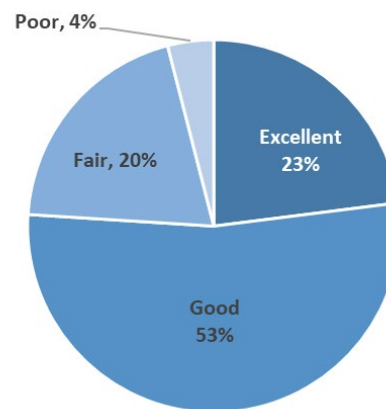
2012: “For the services you receive, would you say that property taxes in Franklin are too high, about right, too low?”

2012



2016 & 2019 & 2022: “Please rate the following categories of Franklin government performance: The value of services for the taxes paid to Franklin”

2016



2019



2022



Survey Comparables – 2012 vs. 2016 vs. 2019 vs. 2022

Percent of Franklin residents rating the following issues Excellent:

	2012 Meyers/ACS Survey	2016 NCS Survey	2019 NCS Survey	2022 NCS Survey
Neighborhoodliness	20%	27%	32%	36%
Economic Opportunity /Jobs	8%	19%	37%	46%
Shopping	8%	50%	58%	50%

Survey Comparables – 2012 vs. 2016 vs. 2019 vs. 2022

Percent of Franklin residents rating the following issues Poor:

	2012 Meyers/ACS Survey	2016 NCS Survey	2019 NCS Survey	2022 NCS Survey
Cost of Living	15%	20%	20%	29%
Affordable Housing	11%	35%	42%	58%
Transportation / Traffic	16%	29%	23%	22%
Level of Diversity	8%	9%	10%	25%



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Survey Comparables

Polco/NRC's database of comparative resident opinion is comprised of resident perspectives gathered in surveys from over 600 communities whose residents evaluated the same kinds of topics on The National Community Survey™. The comparison evaluations are from the most recent survey completed in each community; most communities conduct surveys every year or in alternating years. The communities in the database represent a wide geographic and population range. The City of Franklin chose to have comparisons made to the entire database and a subset of similar jurisdictions from the database (populations between 50,000 and 100,000).

Survey Comparables:

Notable National Benchmark Comparisons Rankings:

The City of Franklin was much higher (Top 10) than other cities in:

Category	National Rank
Vibrant downtown/commercial area	2 nd
Overall quality of business and service establishments	2 nd
Employment Opportunities	2 nd
Opportunities to participate in religious or spiritual events and activities	2 nd
Economic Development	3 rd
Preservation of the historical or cultural character of the community	3 rd
Sense of civic/community pride	4 th
Franklin as a place to work	5 th
Variety of business and service establishments	5 th
Neighborliness of residents	5 th

Survey Comparables:

Notable National Benchmark Comparisons Rankings:

The City of Franklin was much higher (Top 10) than other cities in:

Category	National Rank
Overall image or reputation of Franklin	6 th
The overall quality of life in Franklin	7 th
Sense of community	7 th
Franklin as a place to raise children	7 th
Opportunities to attend special events and festivals	7 th
Overall appearance	7 th
Residents connection and engagement with their community	8 th
Overall economic health of Franklin	10 th

Survey Comparables:

Notable National Benchmark Comparisons Rankings:

The City of Franklin was much lower (200th or below) than other cities in:

Category	National Rank	Percentile
Availability of affordable quality housing	282 nd	14 th
Ease of travel by bicycle	245 th	24 th
Used public transportation instead of driving	245 th	8 th
Quality of recycling services	242 nd	27 th
Traffic flow on major streets	236 th	29 th
Cost of Living	224 th	25 th
Ease of travel by car	212 th	34 th
Overall health & wellness opportunities	209 th	25 th
Variety of housing options	202 nd	34 th



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Survey Comparables:

Notable 50,000-100,000 Comparisons Rankings:

Ranked 1st: compared to Mid-Sized Cities in the following criterion:

Franklin as a place to work

Residents' connection and engagement with their community

Safety in Franklin's downtown/commercial area during the day

Overall quality of business and service establishments

Vibrancy of downtown/commercial area

Preservation of the historical or cultural character of the community

Sense of civic/community pride

Neighborliness of residents

Opportunities to participate in social events and activities

Opportunities to attend special events and festivals

The value of services for the taxes paid to Franklin

Importance on focusing on the overall quality of the transportation system

Overall personal health

Next Steps *(completed)*

- *Had meeting with Leadership Team members to disseminate detailed information from the survey out to departments for use in their daily operations.*
- Present to BOMA
- Integrate findings into FY 2024 Budget
- Integrate findings into the City's Open Performance Website
- Encourage citizens to review the detailed reports and take citizen survey findings into account when allocating resources during current and future Budget processes.
- Use this information to support to the update of **FranklinForward** – The City's Strategic Plan.
- Plan to engage Franklin residents again with another survey in two years (2024/FY 2025).

Franklin, TN

The National Community Survey

Report of Results
2022

Report by:



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About The NCS™

The National Community Survey™ (The NCS™) report is about the “livability” of Franklin. A livable community is a place that is not simply habitable, but that is desirable. It is not only where people do live, but where they want to live. The survey was developed by the experts from National Research Center at Polco.

Great communities are partnerships of the government, private sector, community-based organizations and residents, all geographically connected. The NCS captures residents’ opinions considering ten central facets of a community:

- Economy
- Mobility
- Community Design
- Utilities
- Safety
- Natural Environment
- Parks and Recreation
- Health and Wellness
- Education, Arts, and Culture
- Inclusivity and Engagement

The report provides the opinions of a representative sample of 448 residents of the City of Franklin collected from October 24, 2022 to December 16, 2022. The margin of error around any reported percentage is 5% for all respondents and the response rate for the 2022 survey was 17%. Survey results were weighted so that the demographic profile of respondents was representative of the demographic profile of adults in Franklin.

How the results are reported

For the most part, the percentages presented in the following tabs represent the “percent positive.” Most commonly, the percent positive is the combination of the top two most positive response options (i.e., excellent/good, very safe/somewhat safe, etc.). On many of the questions in the survey respondents may answer “don’t know.” The proportion of respondents giving this reply is shown in the full set of responses included in the tab “Complete data.” However, these responses have been removed from the analyses presented in most of the tabs. In other words, the tables and graphs display the responses from respondents who had an opinion about a specific item.

Comparisons to benchmarks

NRC’s database of comparative resident opinion is comprised of resident perspectives gathered in surveys from over 600 communities whose residents evaluated the same kinds of topics on The National Community Survey. The comparison evaluations are from the most recent survey completed in each community in the last five years. NRC adds the latest results quickly upon survey completion, keeping the benchmark data fresh and relevant. The communities in the database represent a wide geographic and population range. In each tab, Franklin’s results are noted as being “higher” than the benchmark, “lower” than the benchmark, or “similar” to the benchmark, meaning that the average rating given by Franklin residents is statistically similar to or different (greater or lesser) than the benchmark. Being rated as “higher” or “lower” than the benchmark means that Franklin’s average rating for a particular item was more than 10 points different than the benchmark. If a rating was “much higher” or “much lower,” then Franklin’s average rating was more than 20 points different when compared to the benchmark.

The survey was administered during the COVID-19 pandemic, a time of challenge for many local governments. While we provide comparisons to national benchmarks, it is important to note that much of the benchmark data was collected prior to the pandemic. This may impact how your City’s 2022 ratings compare to other communities’ ratings from the past five years.



Trends over time

Trend data for Franklin represent important comparison data and should be examined for improvements or declines*. Deviations from stable trends over time represent opportunities for understanding how local policies, programs, or public information may have affected residents' opinions. Changes between survey years have been noted with an arrow and the percent difference. If the difference is greater than six percentage points between the 2018 and 2022 surveys, the change is statistically significant.

* In 2020, The NCS survey was updated to include new and refreshed items. Consequently, some of the trends may be impacted due to wording modifications that could have potentially altered the meaning of the item for the respondent.

Methods

Selecting survey recipients

All households within the City of Franklin were eligible to participate in the survey. A list of all households within the zip codes serving Franklin was purchased from Go-Dog Direct based on updated listings from the United States Postal Service. Since some of the zip codes that serve the City of Franklin households may also serve addresses that lie outside of the community, the exact geographic location of each housing unit was compared to community boundaries using the most current municipal boundary file. Addresses located outside of the City of Franklin boundaries were removed from the list of potential households to survey. From that list, addresses were randomly selected as survey recipients, with multi-family housing units (defined as those with a unit number) sampled at a rate of 5:3 compared to single family housing units.

An individual within each household was selected using the birthday method. The birthday method selects a person within the household by asking the “person whose birthday has most recently passed” to complete the questionnaire. The underlying assumption in this method is that day of birth has no relationship to the way people respond to surveys. This instruction was contained in the introduction of the survey.

Conducting the survey

The 2,800 randomly selected households received mailings beginning on October 24, 2022 and the survey remained open for seven weeks. The first mailing was a postcard inviting the household to participate in the survey. The next mailing contained a cover letter with instructions, the survey questionnaire, and a postage-paid return envelope. All mailings included a web link to give residents the opportunity to respond to the survey online. All follow-up mailings asked those who had not completed the survey to do so and those who had already done so to refrain from completing the survey again.

About 4% of the 2,800 mailed invitations or surveys were returned because the household address was vacant or the postal service was unable to deliver the survey as addressed. Of the remaining 2,700 households that received the invitations to participate, 448 completed the survey, providing an overall response rate of 17%. The response rate was calculated using AAPOR’s response rate #2* for mailed surveys of unnamed persons.

It is customary to describe the precision of estimates made from surveys by a “level of confidence” and accompanying “confidence interval” (or margin of error). A traditional level of confidence, and the one used here, is 95%. The 95% confidence interval can be any size and quantifies the sampling error or imprecision of the survey results because some residents’ opinions are relied on to estimate all residents’ opinions. The margin of error for the City of Franklin survey is no greater than plus or minus five percentage points around any given percent reported for all respondents (448 completed surveys).

In addition to the randomly selected “probability sample” of households, a link to an online open participation survey was publicized by the City of Franklin. The open participation survey was identical to the probability sample survey with two small updates; it asked a question to confirm that the respondent was a Franklin resident and a question about where they heard about the survey. The open participation survey was open to all city residents and became available on November 28, 2022. The survey remained open for two weeks. The data presented in the following tabs exclude the open participation survey data, but a tab at the end provides the complete frequency of responses to questions by the open participation respondents.

Analyzing the data

Responses from mailed surveys were entered into an electronic dataset using a “key and verify” method, where all responses are entered twice and compared to each other. Any discrepancies were resolved in comparison to the original survey form. Range checks as well as other forms of quality control were also performed. Responses from surveys completed on Polco were downloaded and merged with the mailed survey responses.

The demographics of the survey respondents were compared to those found in the 2010 Census and 2020 American Community Survey estimates for adults in the City of Franklin. The primary objective of weighting survey data is to make the survey respondents reflective of the larger population of the community. The characteristics used for weighting were age, sex, race, Hispanic origin, housing type, housing tenure, and area. No adjustments were made for design effects. Weights were calculated using an iterative, multiplicative raking model known as the ANES Weighting Algorithm.* The results of the weighting scheme for the probability sample are presented in the following table.

NRC aligns demographic labels with those used by the U.S. Census for reporting purposes, when possible. Some categories (e.g., age, race/Hispanic origin, housing type, and length of residency) are combined into smaller subgroups.

		Unweighted	Weighted	Target*
Age	18-34	7%	23%	27%
	35-54	32%	42%	40%
	55+	61%	35%	33%
Hispanic origin	No, not Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino	99%	94%	94%
	Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino	1%	6%	6%
Housing tenure	Own	81%	65%	65%
	Rent	19%	35%	35%
Housing type	Attached	27%	39%	39%
	Detached	73%	61%	61%
Race & Hispanic origin	Not white alone	8%	23%	22%
	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	92%	77%	78%
Sex	Man	51%	44%	47%
	Woman	49%	56%	53%
Sex/age	Man 18-34	2%	8%	12%
	Man 35-54	15%	21%	20%
	Man 55+	34%	16%	15%
	Woman 18-34	5%	15%	15%
	Woman 35-54	17%	21%	20%
	Woman 55+	27%	19%	19%

The survey datasets were analyzed using all or some of a combination of the Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS), R, Python and Tableau. For the most part, the percentages presented in the reports represent the “percent positive.” The percent positive is the combination of the top two most positive response options (i.e., excellent/good, very safe/somewhat safe, essential/very important, etc.), or, in the case of resident behaviors/participation, the percent positive represents the proportion of respondents indicating “yes” or participating in an activity at least once a month.

On many of the questions in the survey respondents may answer “don’t know.” The proportion of respondents giving this reply is shown in the full set of responses included in the tab “Complete data”. However, these responses have been removed from the analyses presented in the reports. In other words, the tables and graphs display the responses from respondents who had an opinion about a specific item.

Contact

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Survey Validity

See the Polco Knowledge Base article on survey validity at <https://info.polco.us/knowledge/statistical-vali>

* See AAPOR’s Standard Definitions for more information at

<https://www.aapor.org/Publications-Media/AAPOR-Journals/Standard-Definitions.aspx>

* Pasek, J. (2010). ANES Weighting Algorithm. Retrieved from

<https://web.stanford.edu/group/iriss/cgi-bin/anesrake/resources/RakingDescription.pdf>

* Targets come from the 2010 Census and 2020 American Community Survey

Key Findings

Residents appreciate many aspects of the City's leadership and governance.

While some aspects of governance in Franklin declined slightly, ratings were strong overall and generally on par or above both national comparisons and communities of similar size. About 8 in 10 residents offered high marks for the overall customer service by Franklin employees, higher than both comparison groups. A similar proportion gave positive ratings to the quality of services provided by the city. Roughly 7 in 10 gave favorable ratings to the value of services for the taxes paid, treating residents with respect, and being honest. About two-thirds gave high marks for overall confidence in Franklin government generally acting in the best interest of the community, and the job Franklin government does at welcoming residents' involvement, all higher than both comparison groups. Public information services (71%) and treating residents fairly (65%) declined by at least 9% since the survey in 2019, but were on par with both comparison groups.

Many aspects of Franklin's community design receive positive reviews, but residents identify some areas of opportunity for the City.

Community design in Franklin received high ratings from residents, with many aspects rated higher than communities of similar size and national comparison groups. Franklin's overall appearance and resident's neighborhood as a place to live received excellent or good ratings by about 9 in 10 residents, higher than both comparison groups. About 8 in 10 offered high marks for the preservation of the historical or cultural character of the community, and public places where people want to spend time. While well-designed neighborhoods (71%) and well-planned residential growth (50%) were on par with comparison groups, residents indicate that housing growth may be an area of opportunity. About 4 in 10 residents gave positive ratings for the variety of housing options, and less than 2 in 10 offered similar ratings for the availability of affordable quality housing. In a question unique to Franklin's surveys, residents were asked what they thought was the most important challenge or problem facing Franklin currently. About half of residents identified affordable housing or managing growth as the first important challenge facing the city.

Franklin's Economy is strong, but poses challenges to community livability.

The economy in Franklin remains a community strength, with many aspects receiving similar ratings to the survey in 2019. Franklin as a place to visit and work was given positive reviews by 9 in 10 residents, scoring much higher than national averages. Other items scoring much higher than national benchmarks were variety of business and service establishments (85%), vibrancy of downtown/commercial area (91%), employment (79%) and shopping opportunities (90%). Overall economic health, and overall quality of business and service establishments received high marks from about 9 in 10 residents, with economic development receiving similar ratings from about three-quarters of residents. However, affordability may become an area of opportunity, as just 3 in 10 residents offered excellent or good rating to cost of living in Franklin. When asked what impact, if any, residents expected the economy to have on their family income in the next 6 months, just 2 in 10 expected a positive impact, while 4 in 10 expected a negative impact.

Franklin's educational and cultural opportunities are a valued aspect of community livability, leading to a high quality of life.

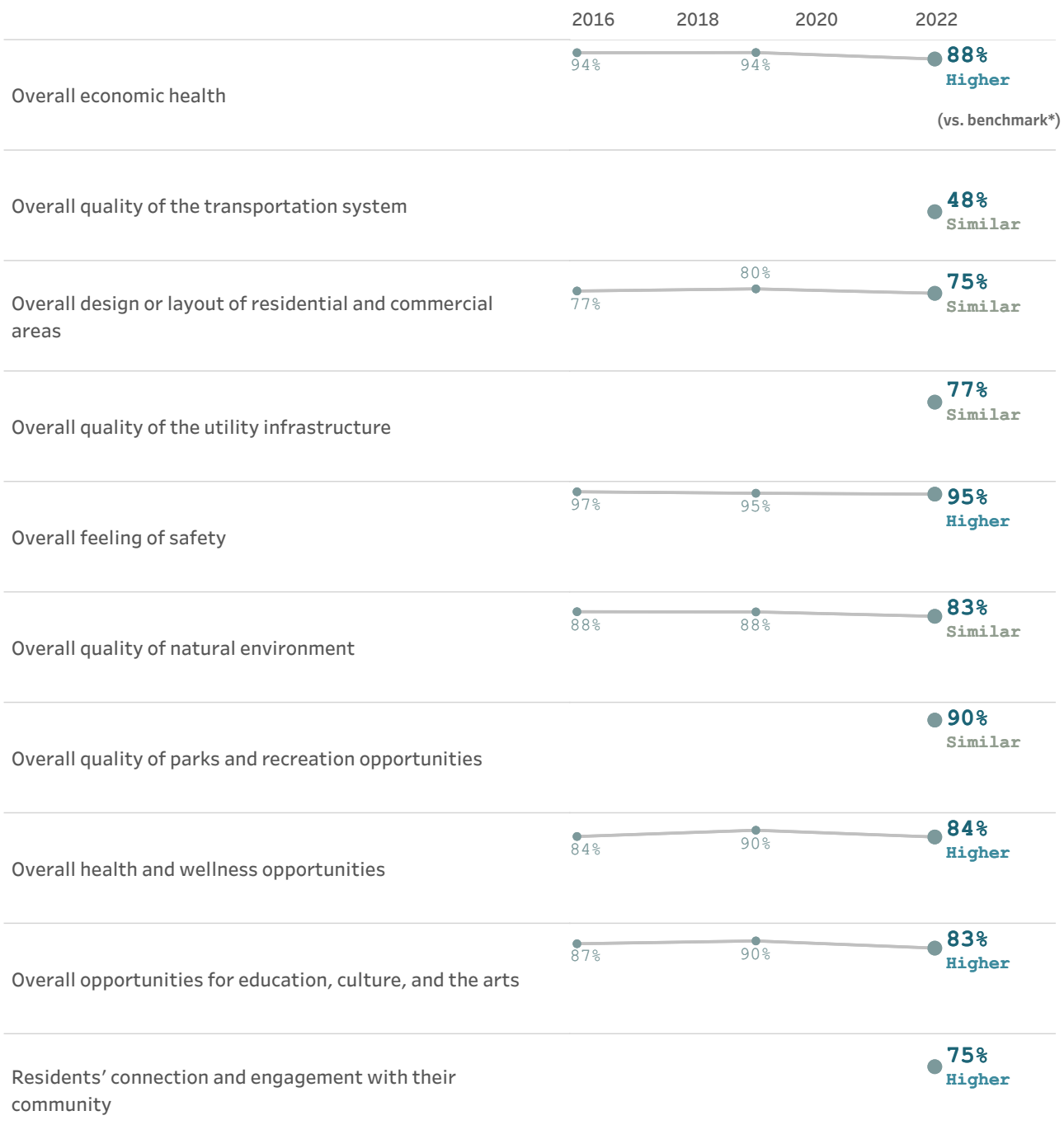
Education, arts, and culture remained strong in Franklin, with the overall opportunities receiving strong ratings from about 8 in 10 residents, scoring higher than national comparison groups. A similar proportion offered favorable reviews for opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities, and special events and festivals, as well as community support for the arts and k-12 education, all scoring higher than national averages. This strong support for education, arts, and culture likely contributes to the high quality of life experienced by Franklin residents. Almost all residents gave excellent or good ratings for Franklin as a place to live and the overall quality of life, higher than national averages. Overall image or reputation was given high marks from a similar proportion of residents, scoring much higher than national benchmarks. About 9 in 10 residents responded that they were very or somewhat likely to recommend living in Franklin to someone who asked, and would remain in Franklin for the next five years.

Facets of livability

Resident perceptions of quality and importance for each of the facets of community livability provide an overview of community strengths and challenges that are useful for planning, budgeting and performance evaluation.

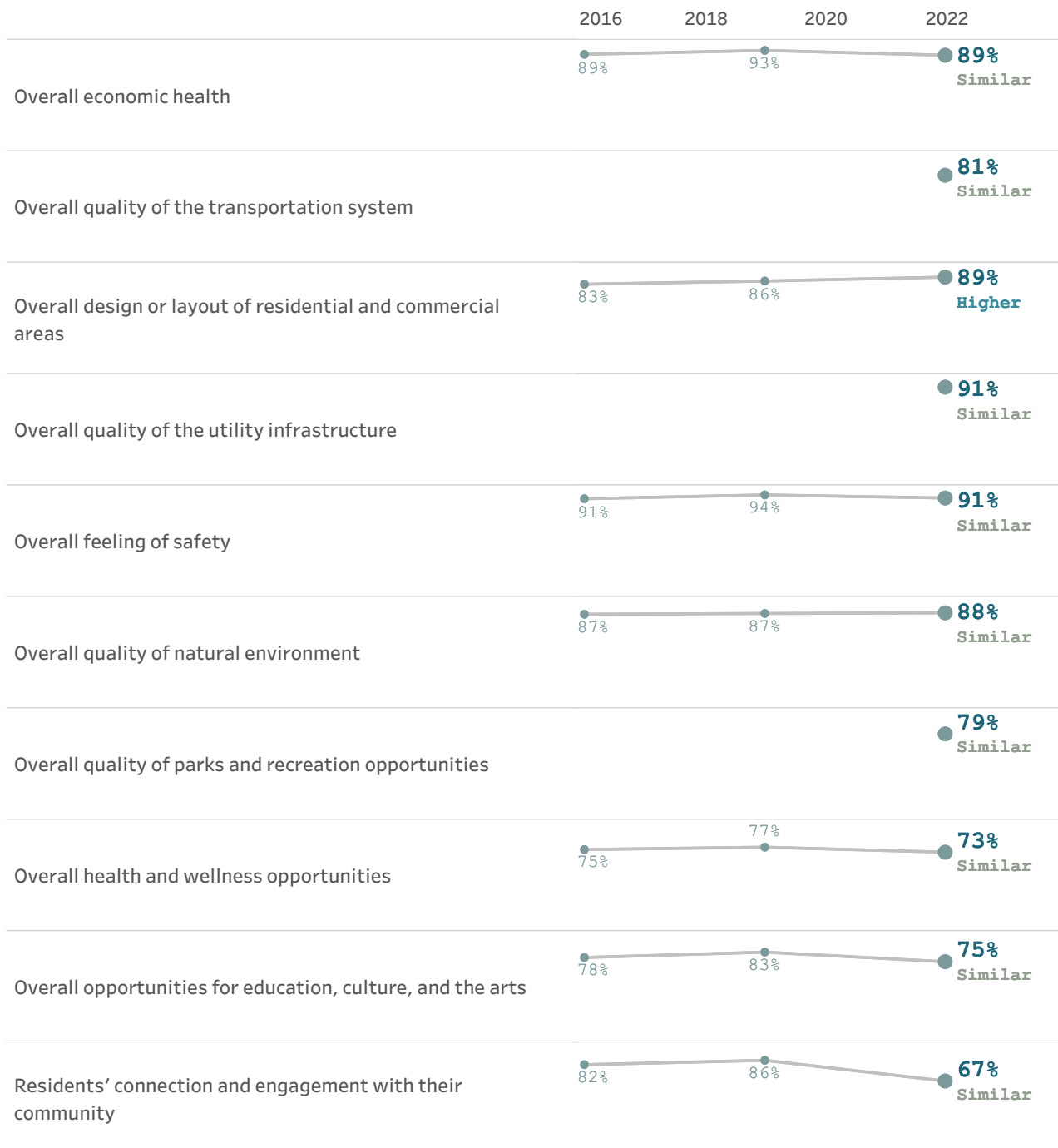
The charts below show the proportion of residents who rated the community facets positively for quality and the priority (importance) placed on each. Also displayed is whether local ratings were lower, similar, or higher than communities across the country (the national benchmark).

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Franklin as a whole.
(% excellent or good)



Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the Franklin community to focus on each of the following in the coming two years.

(% essential or very important)



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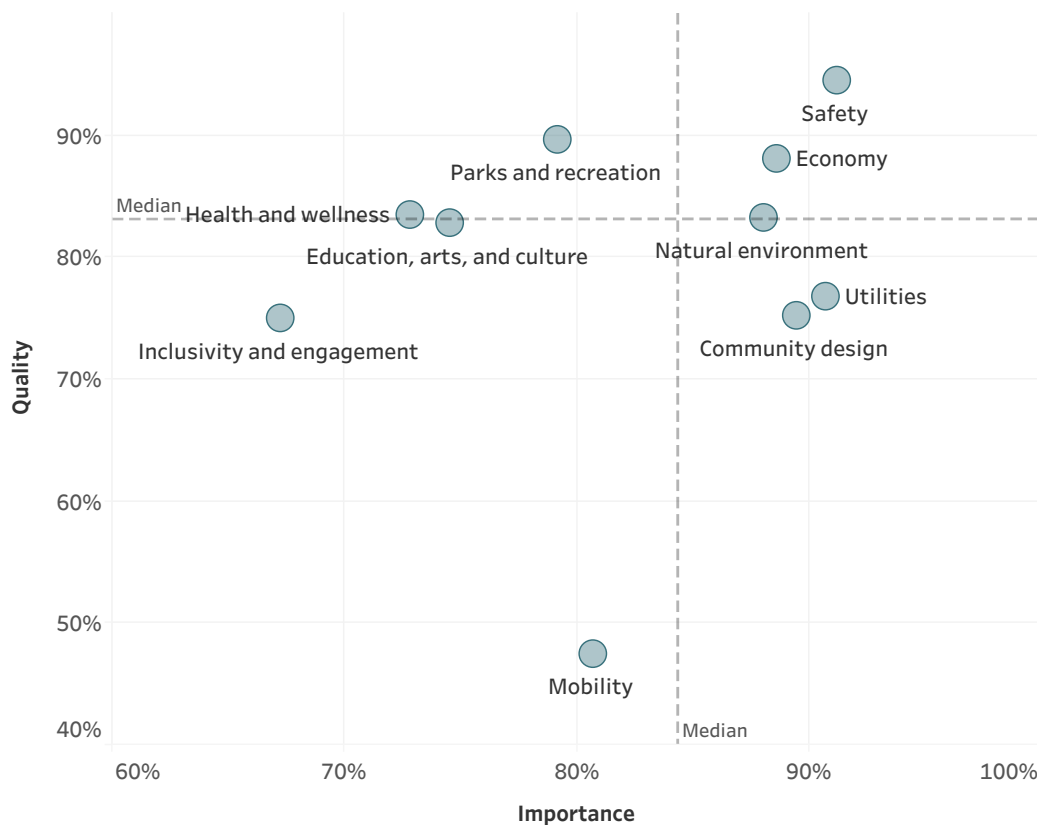
Balancing performance and importance

Every jurisdiction must balance limited resources while meeting resident needs and striving to optimize community livability. To this end, it is helpful to know what aspects of the community are most important to residents and which they perceive as being of higher or lower quality. It is especially helpful to know when a facet of livability is considered of high importance but rated as lower quality, as this should be a top priority to address.

To help guide City staff and officials with decisions on future resource allocation, resident ratings of the importance of services were compared to their ratings of the quality of these services. To identify the services perceived by residents to have relatively lower quality at the same time as relatively higher importance, all services were ranked from highest perceived quality to lowest perceived quality and from highest perceived importance to lowest perceived importance. Some services were in the top half of both lists (higher quality and higher importance); some were in the top half of one list but the bottom half of the other (higher quality and lower importance or lower quality and higher importance); and some services were in the bottom half of both lists.

Services receiving quality ratings of excellent or good by 83% or more of respondents were considered of “higher quality” and those with ratings lower than 83% were considered to be of “lower quality.” Services were classified as “more important” if they were rated as essential or very important by 84% or more of respondents. Services were rated as “less important” if they received a rating of less than 84%. This classification uses the median ratings for quality and importance to divide the services in half.

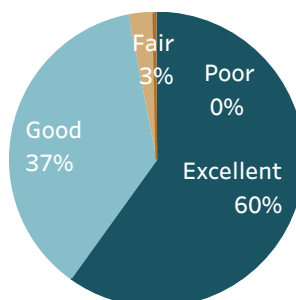
The quadrants in the figure below show which community facets were given higher or lower importance ratings (right-left) and which had higher or lower quality ratings (up-down). Facets of livability falling closer to a diagonal line from the lower left to the upper right are those where performance ratings are more commensurate with resident priorities. Facets scoring closest to the lower right hand corner of the matrix (higher in importance and lower in quality) are those that may warrant further investigation to see if changes to their delivery are necessary to improve their performance. This is the key part of this chart on which to focus. Facets falling in the top left hand corner of the chart (lower in importance but higher in quality) are areas where performance may outscore resident priorities, and may be a consideration for lower resource allocation.



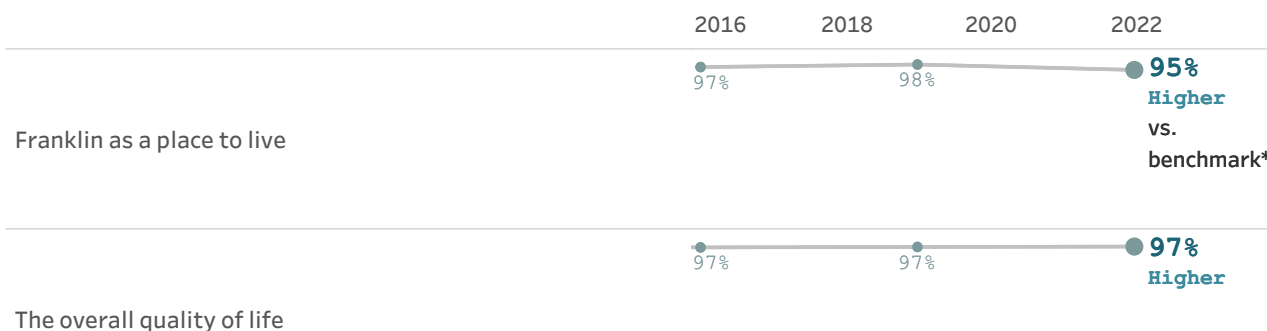
Quality of life

Measuring community livability starts with assessing the quality of life of those who live there, and ensuring that the community is attractive, accessible, and welcoming to all.

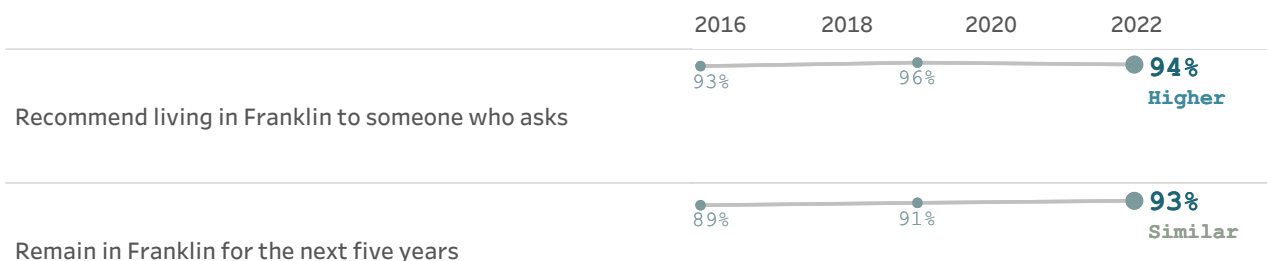
The overall quality of life in Franklin, 2022



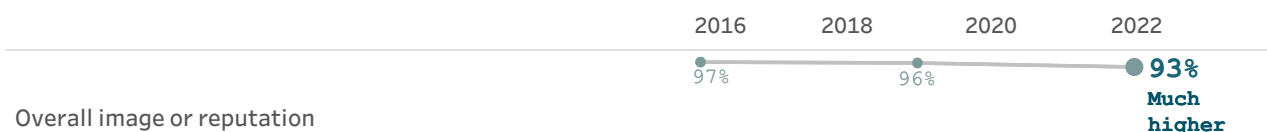
Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Franklin.
(% excellent or good)



Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following.
(% very or somewhat likely)



Please rate each of the following in the Franklin community.
(% excellent or good)

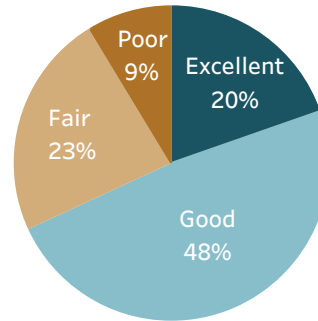


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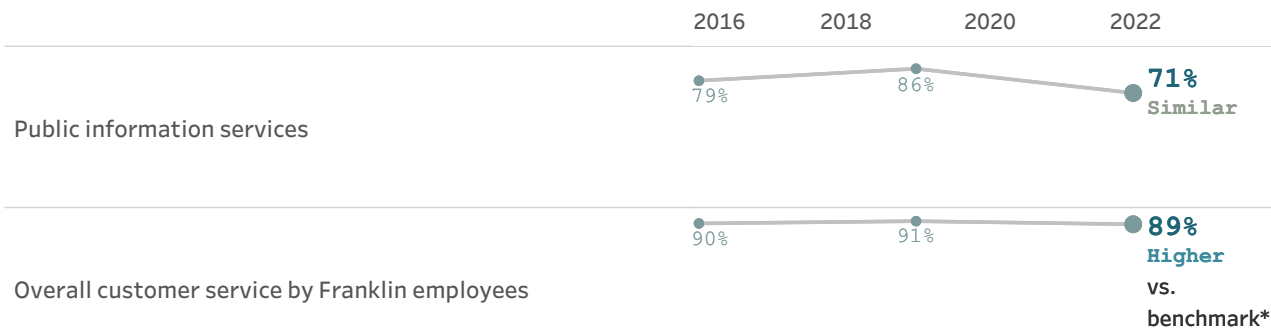
Governance

Strong local governments produce results that meet the needs of residents while making the best use of available resources, and are responsive to the present and future needs of the community as a whole.

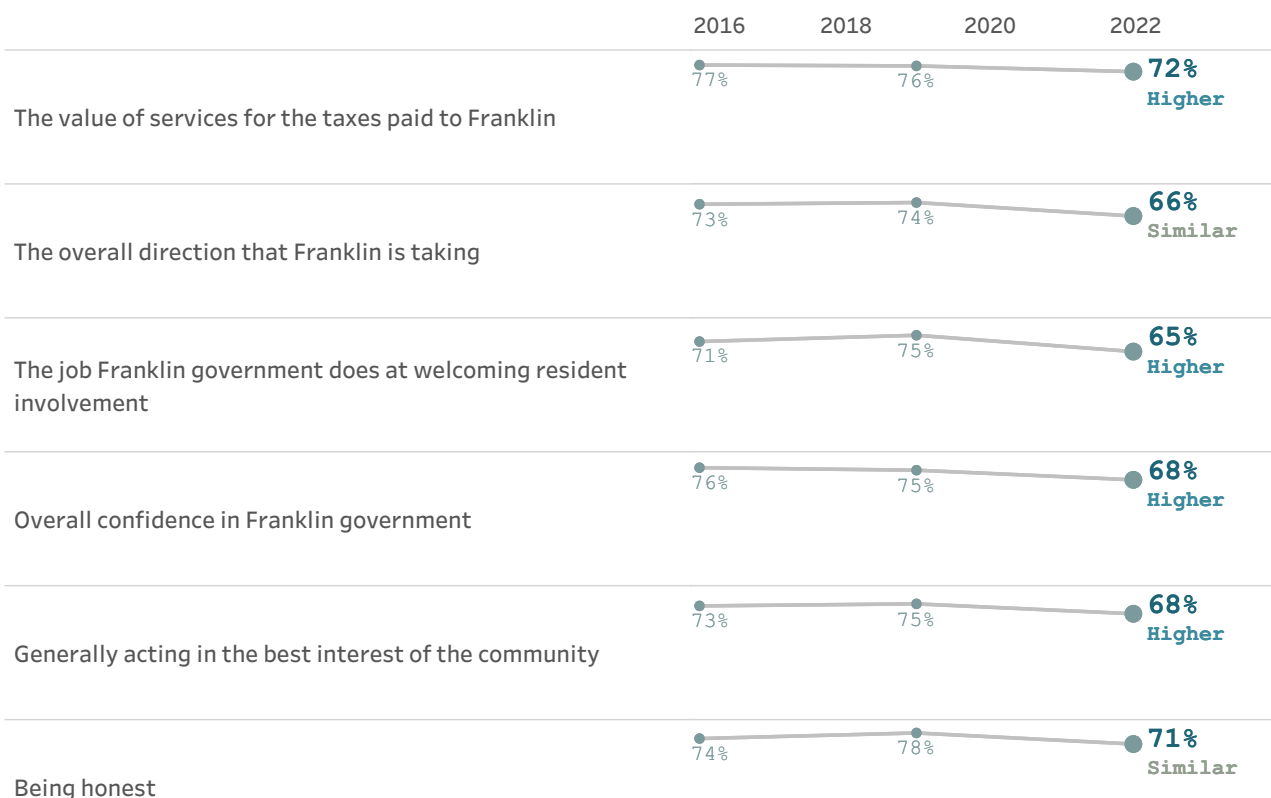
Overall confidence in Franklin government, 2022

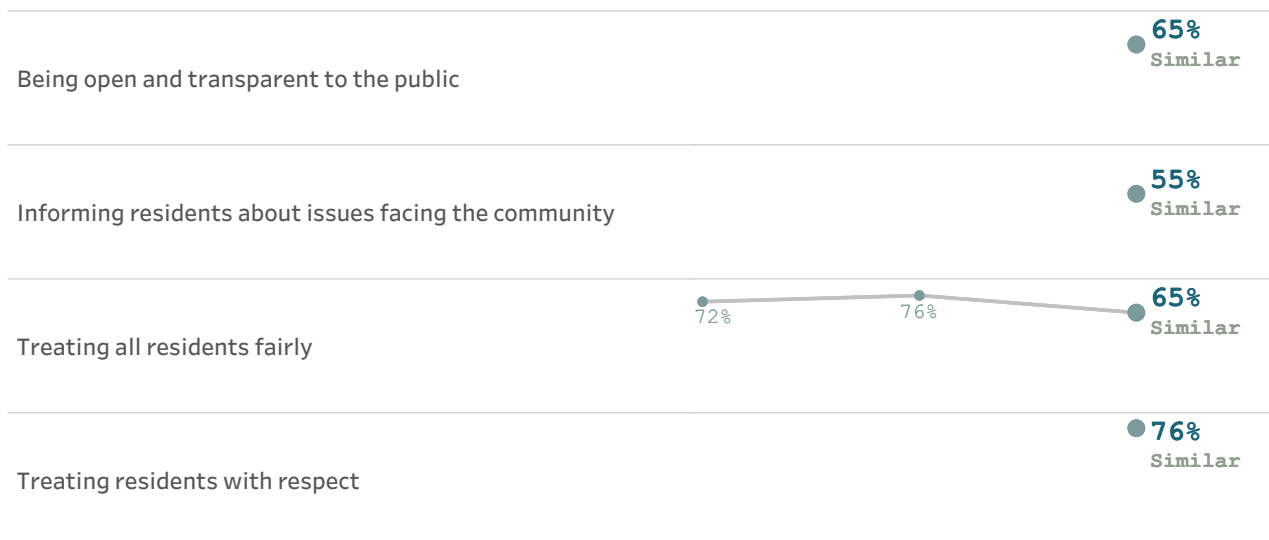


Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Franklin.
(% excellent or good)

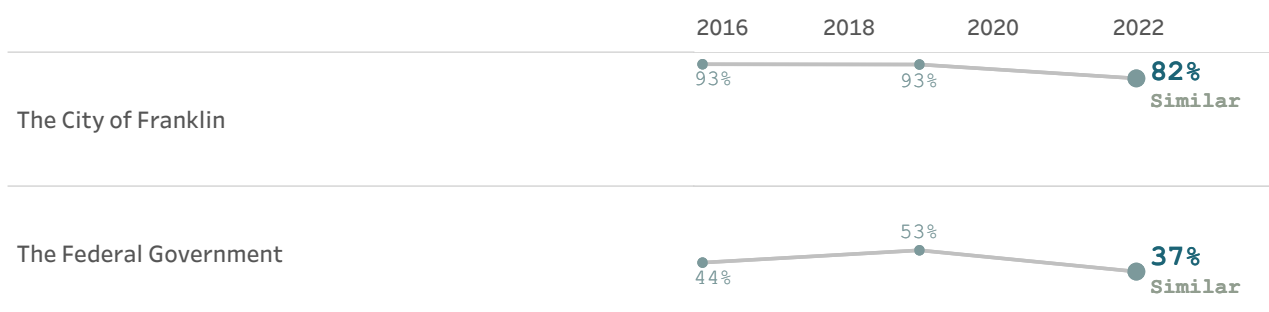


Please rate the following categories of Franklin government performance.
(% excellent or good)





Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provided by each of the following?
(% excellent or good)

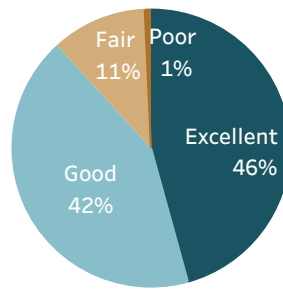


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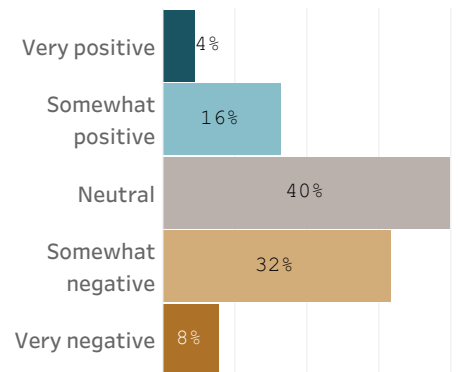
Economy

Local governments work together with private and nonprofit businesses, and with the community at large, to foster sustainable growth, create jobs, and promote a thriving local economy.

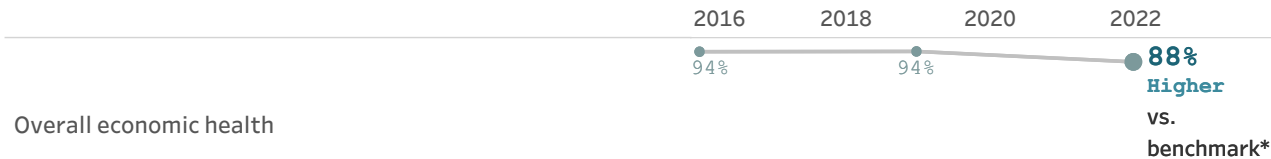
Overall economic health of Franklin, 2022



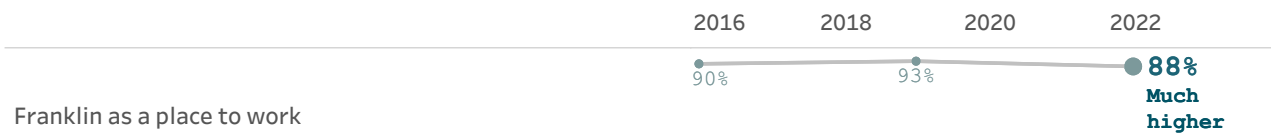
What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family income in the next 6 months? Do you think the impact will be:



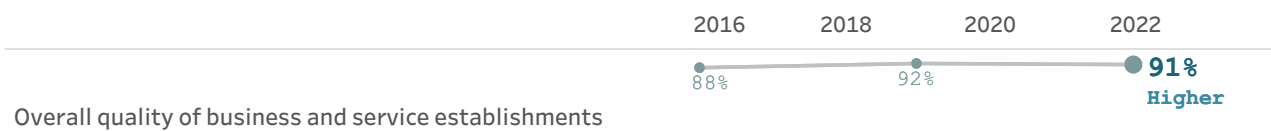
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(% excellent or good)

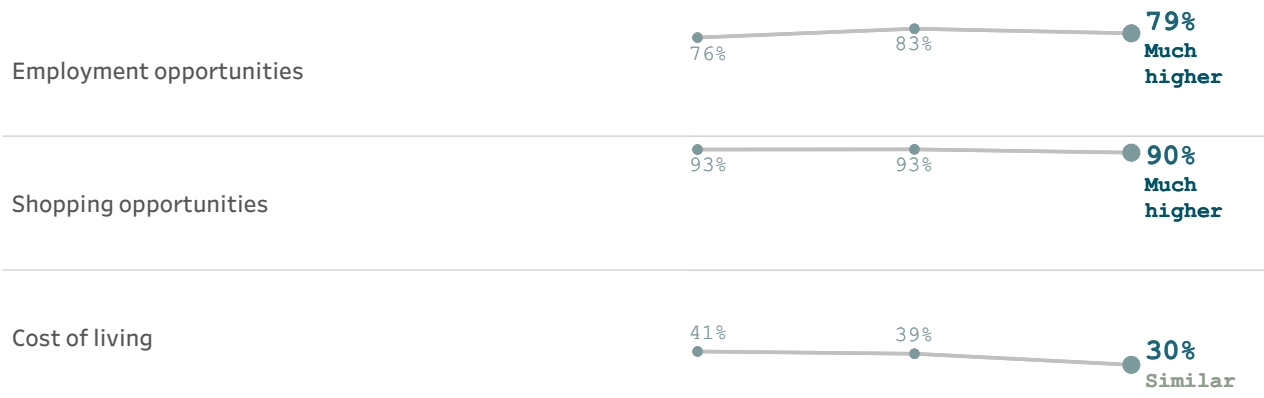


Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Franklin.
(% excellent or good)

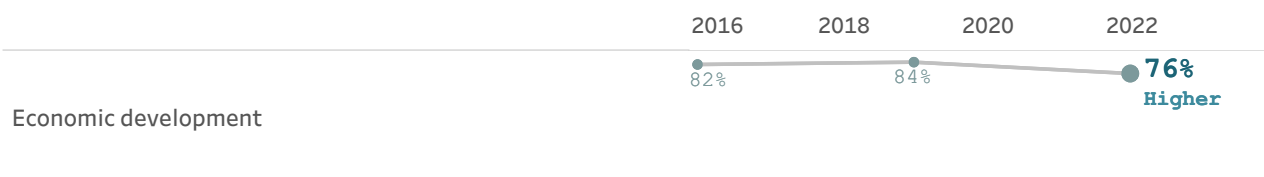


Please rate each of the following in the Franklin community.
(% excellent or good)





Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Franklin.
(% excellent or good)



What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family income in the next 6 months? Do you think the impact will be:
(% very or somewhat positive)

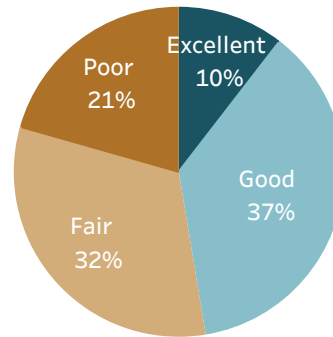


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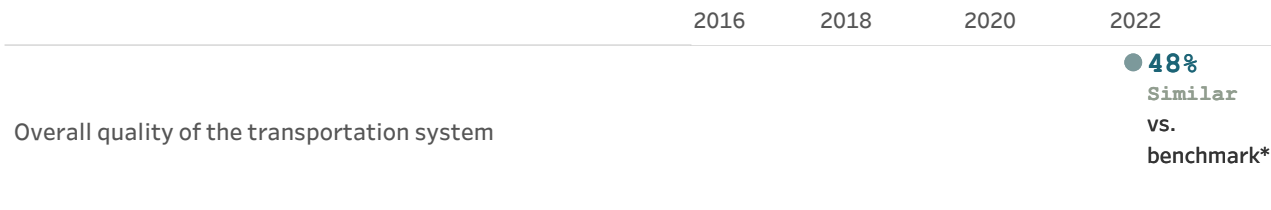
Mobility

The ease with which residents can move about their communities, whether for commuting, leisure, or recreation, plays a major role in the quality of life for all who live, work, and play in the community.

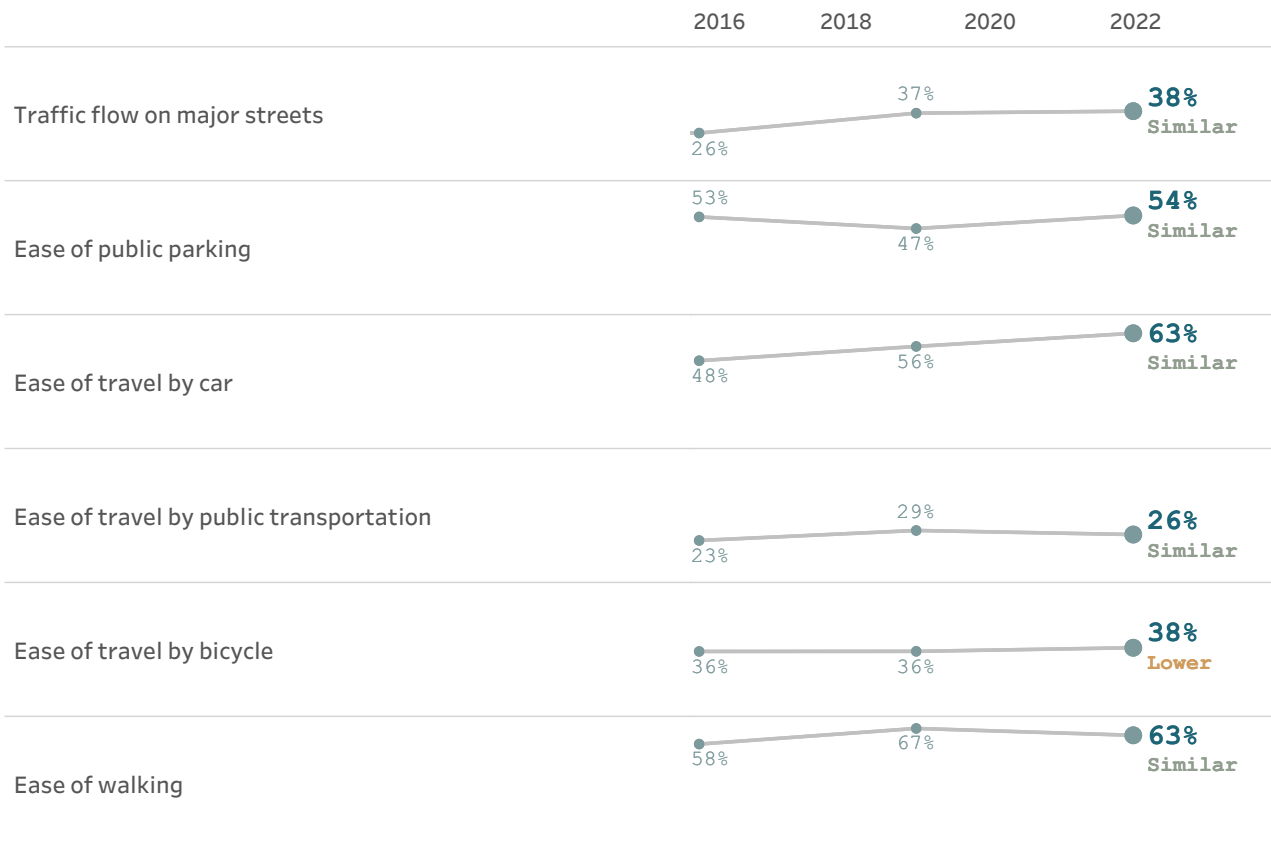
Overall quality of the transportation system in Franklin, 2022



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(% excellent or good)

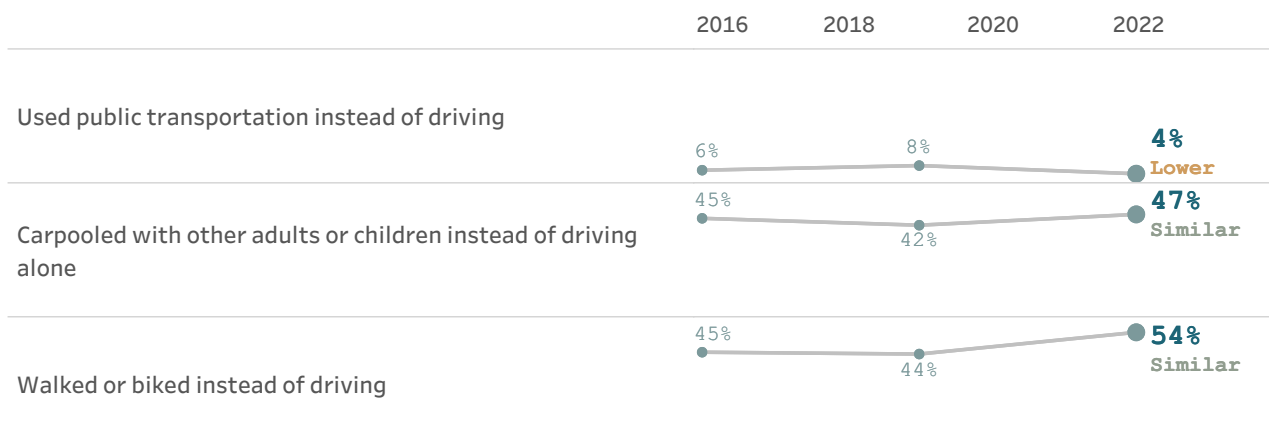


Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.
(% excellent or good)



Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the last 12 months.

(% yes)



Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Franklin.

(% excellent or good)

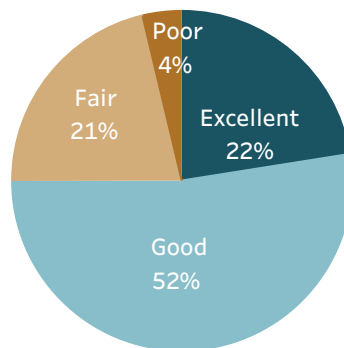


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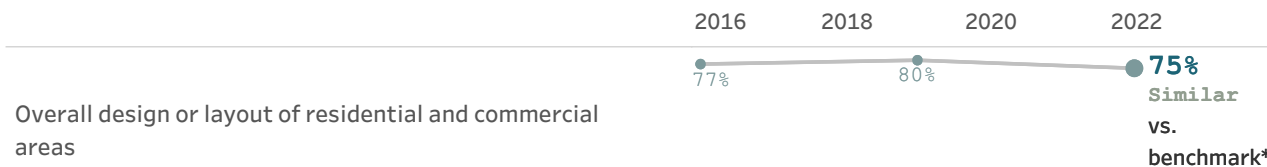
Community design

A well-designed community enhances the quality of life for its residents by encouraging smart land use and zoning, ensuring that affordable housing is accessible to all, and providing access to parks and other green spaces.

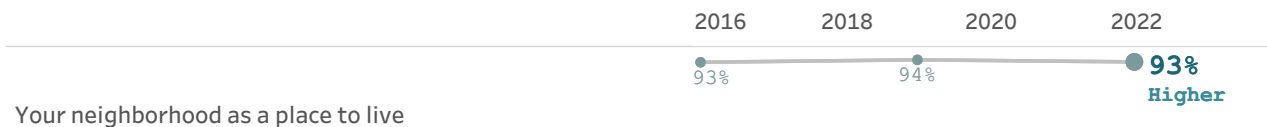
Overall design or layout of Franklin's residential and commercial areas, 2022



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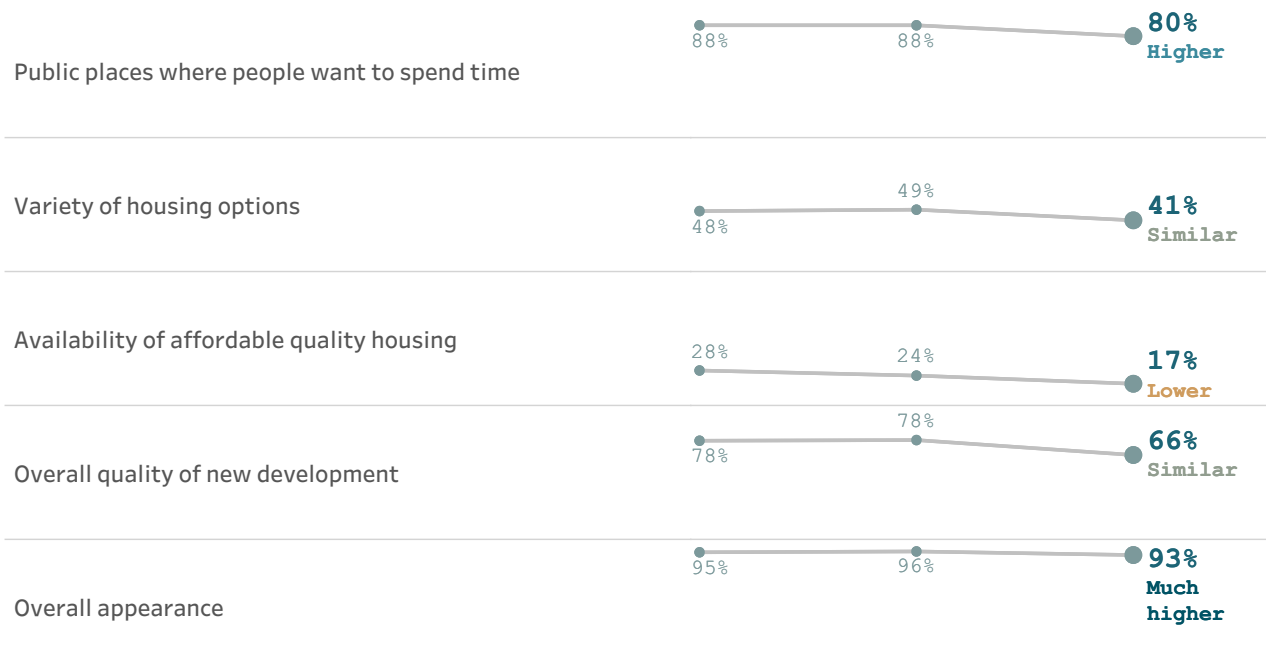


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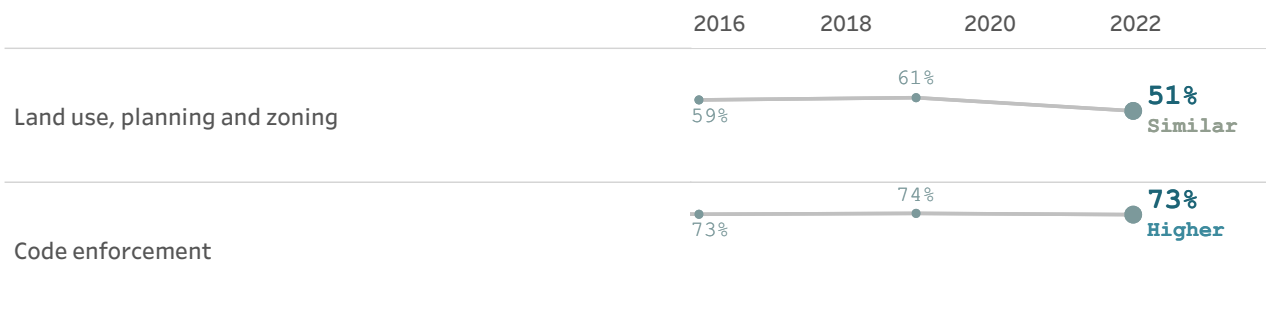


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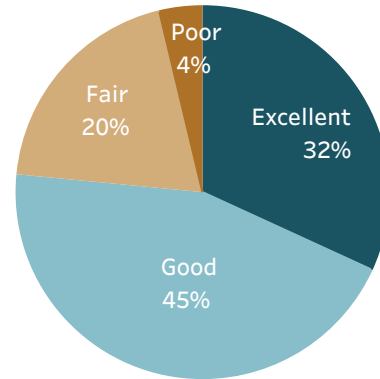


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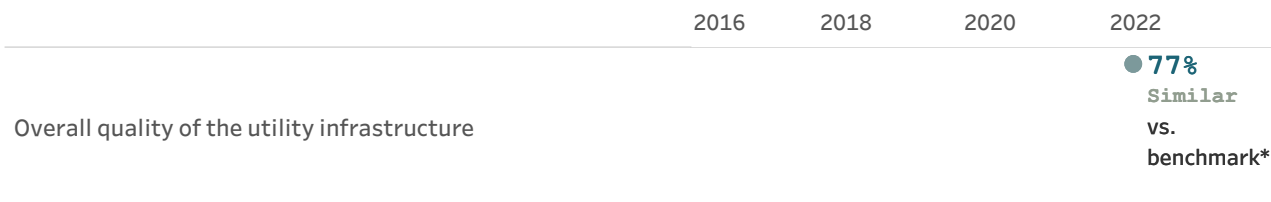
Utilities

Services such as water, gas, electricity, and internet access play a vital role in ensuring the physical and economic health and well-being of the communities they serve.

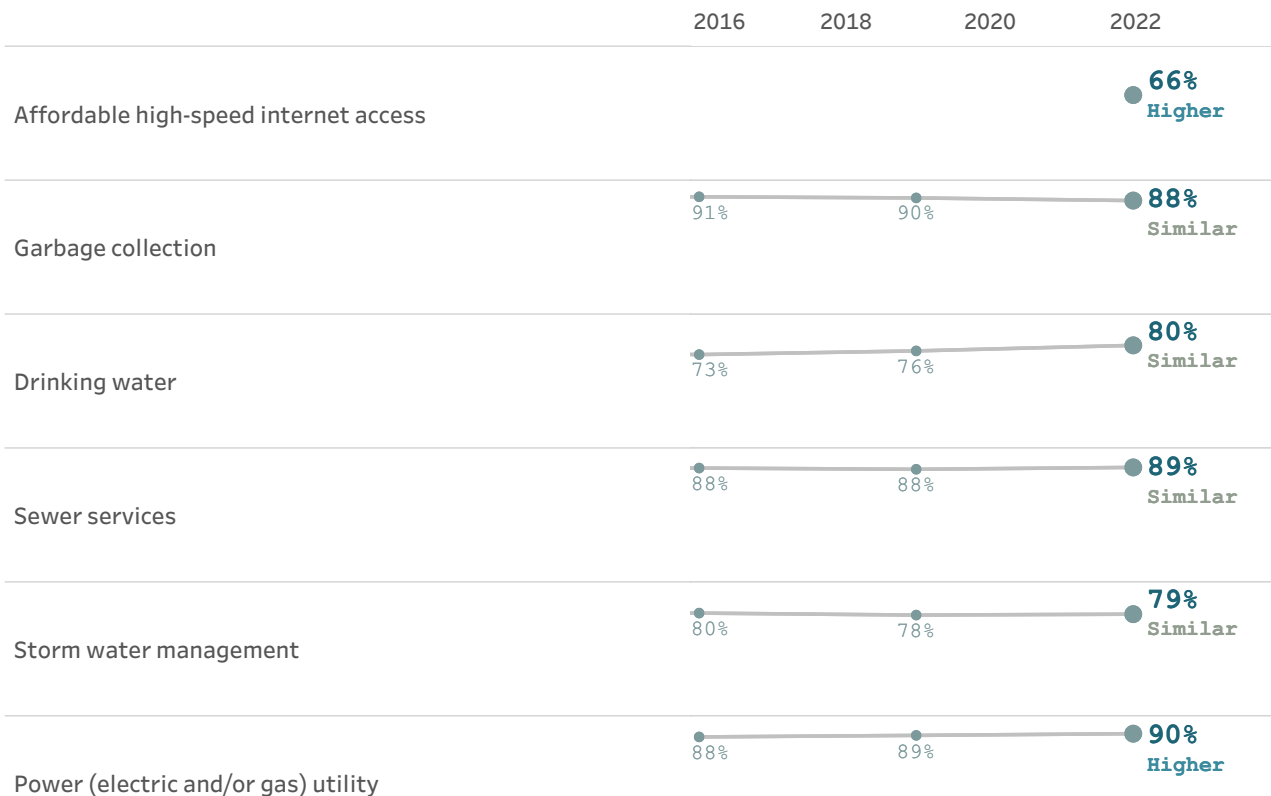
Overall quality of the utility infrastructure in Franklin, 2022



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Utility billing

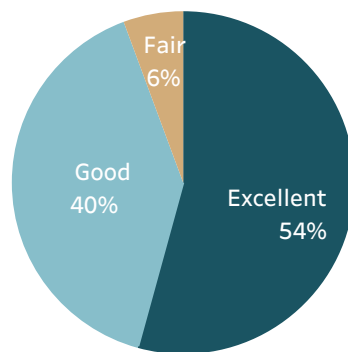


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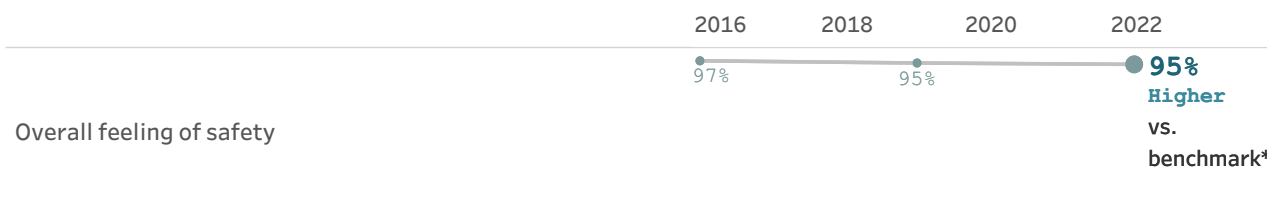
Safety

Public safety is often the most important task facing local governments. All residents should feel safe and secure in their neighborhoods and in the greater community, and providing robust safety-related services is essential to residents' quality of life.

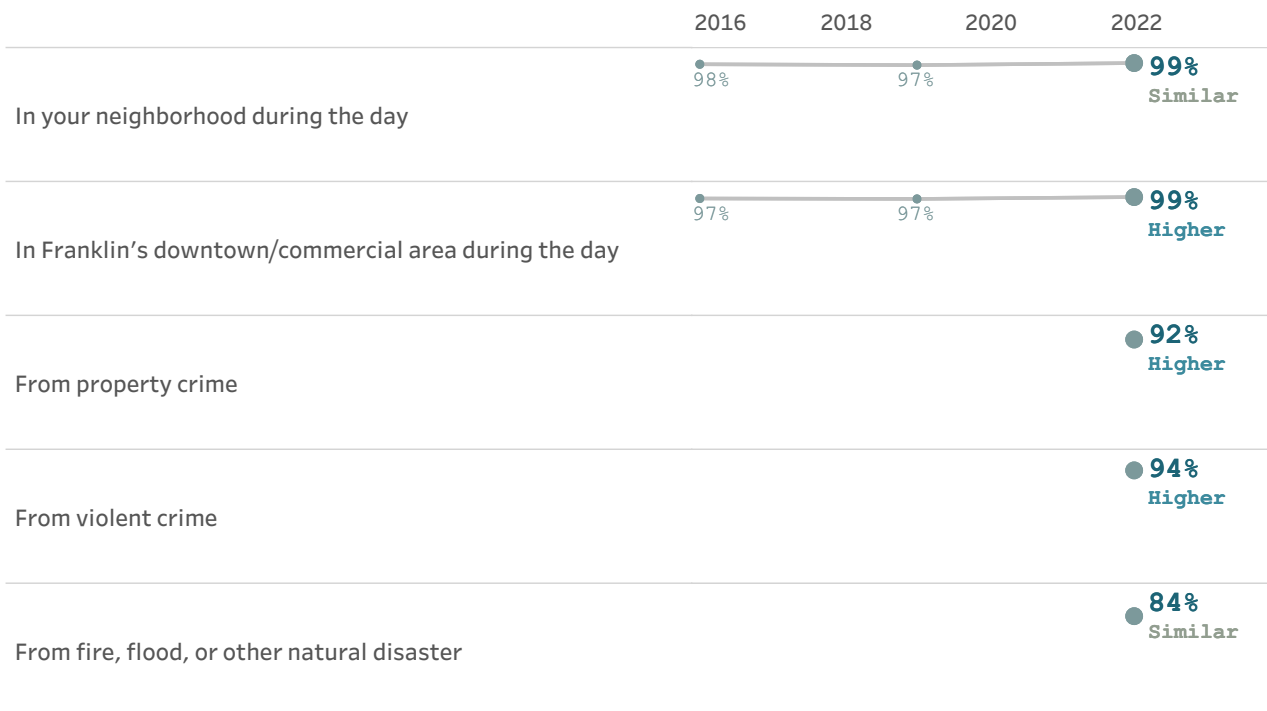
Overall feeling of safety in Franklin, 2022



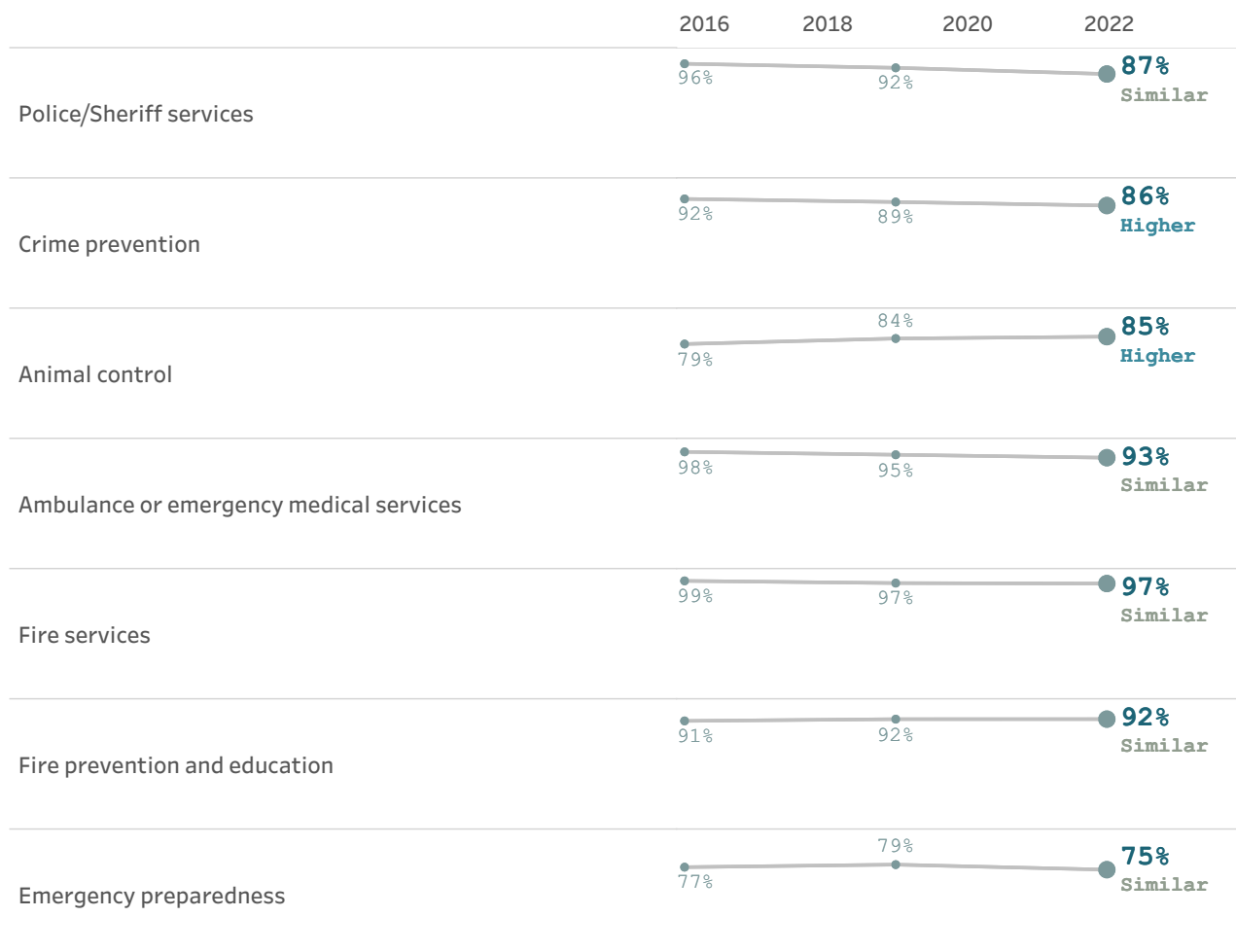
Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Franklin as a whole.
(% excellent or good)



Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:
(% very or somewhat safe)

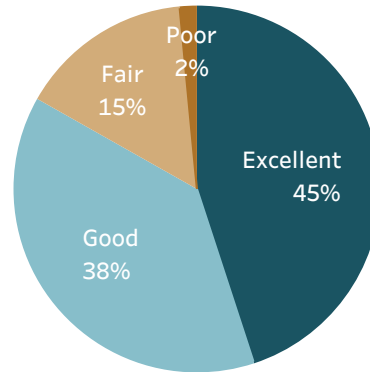


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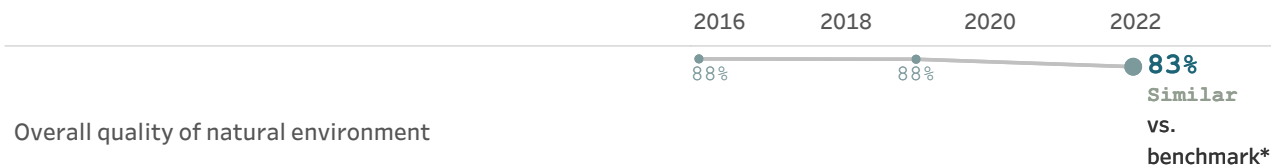
Overall quality of natural environment in Franklin, 2022



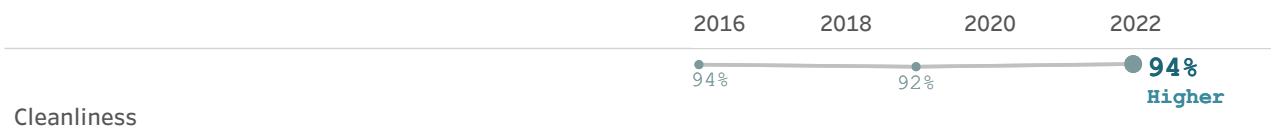
Natural environment

The natural environment plays a vital role in the health and well-being of residents. The natural spaces in which residents live and experience their communities has a direct and profound effect on quality of life.

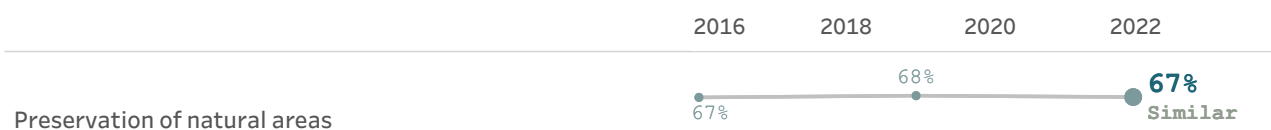
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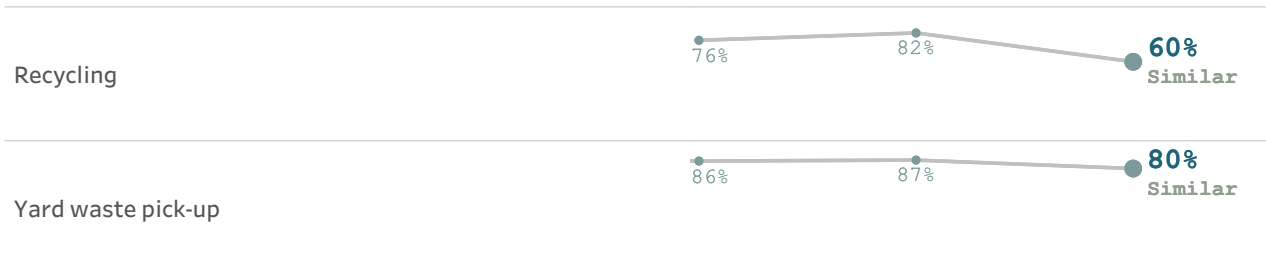


Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.
(% excellent or good)



Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Franklin.
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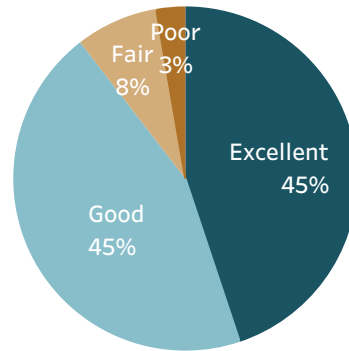
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Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities, 2022

Parks and recreation

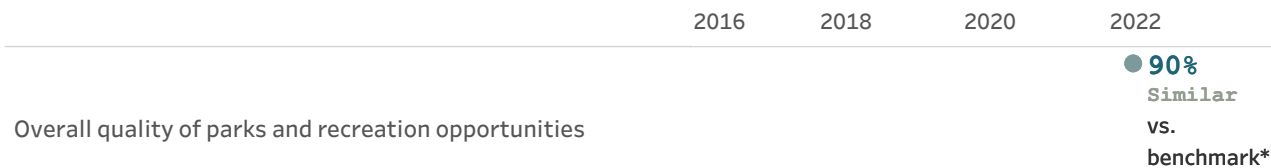
"There are no communities that pride themselves on their quality of life, promote themselves as a desirable location for businesses to relocate, or maintain that they are environmental stewards of their natural resources, without such communities having a robust, active system of parks and recreation programs for public use and enjoyment."

- National Recreation and Park Association



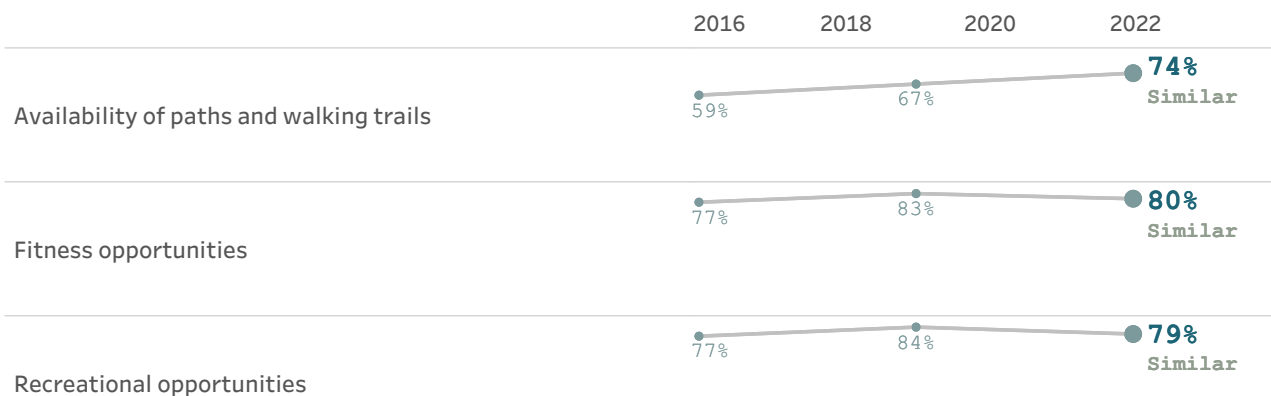
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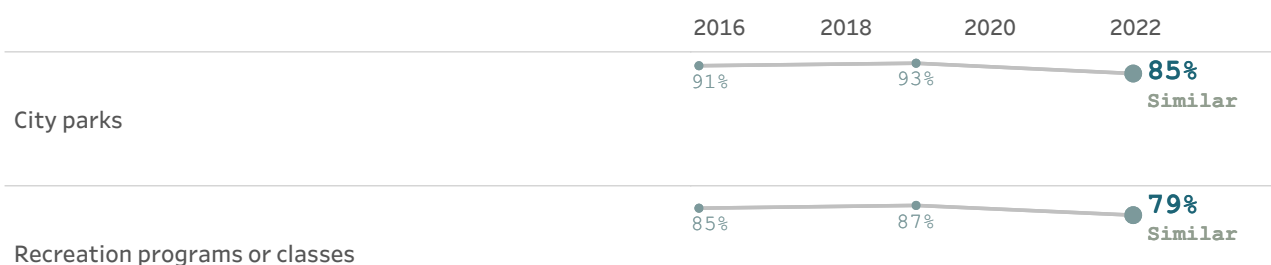
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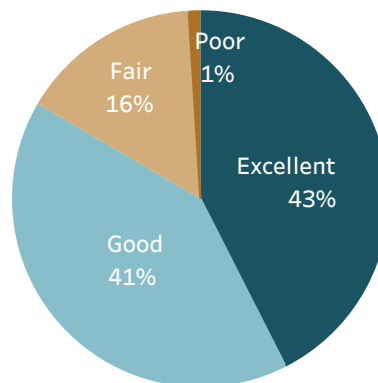


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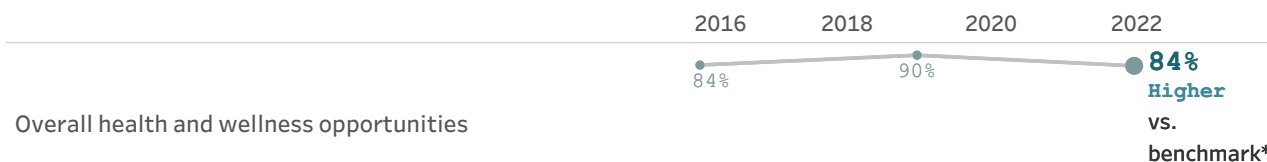
Health and wellness

The characteristics of and amenities available in the communities in which people live has a direct impact on the health and wellness of residents, and thus, on their quality of life overall.

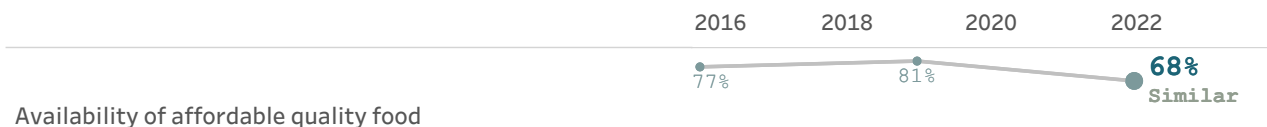
Overall health and wellness opportunities in Franklin, 2022



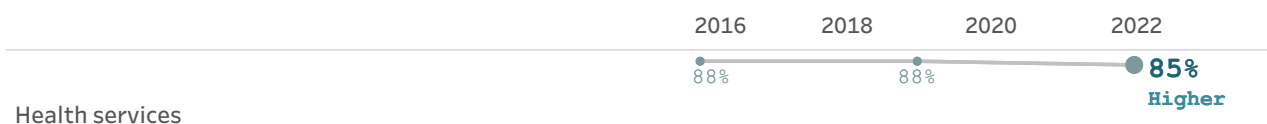
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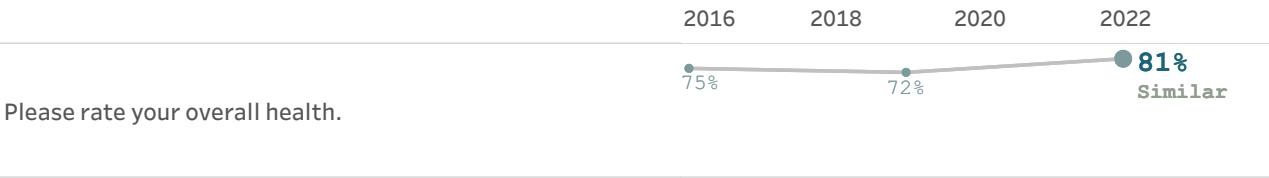
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Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Franklin.
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Please rate your overall health.
(% excellent or very good)

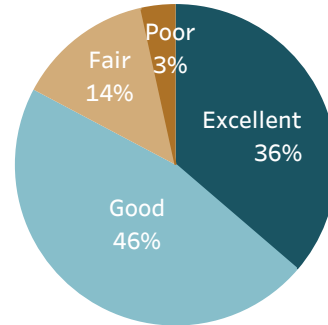


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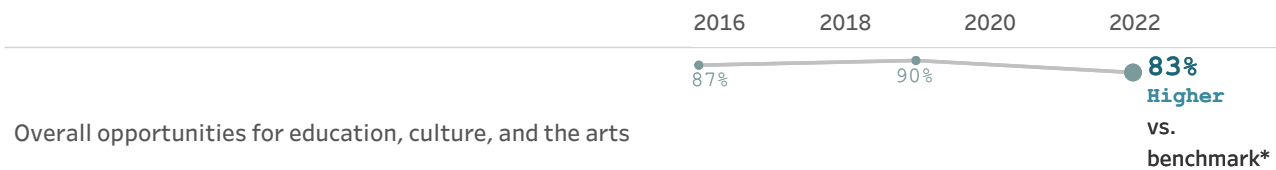
Education, arts, and culture

Participation in the arts, in educational opportunities, and in cultural activities is linked to increased civic engagement, greater social tolerance, and enhanced enjoyment of the local community.

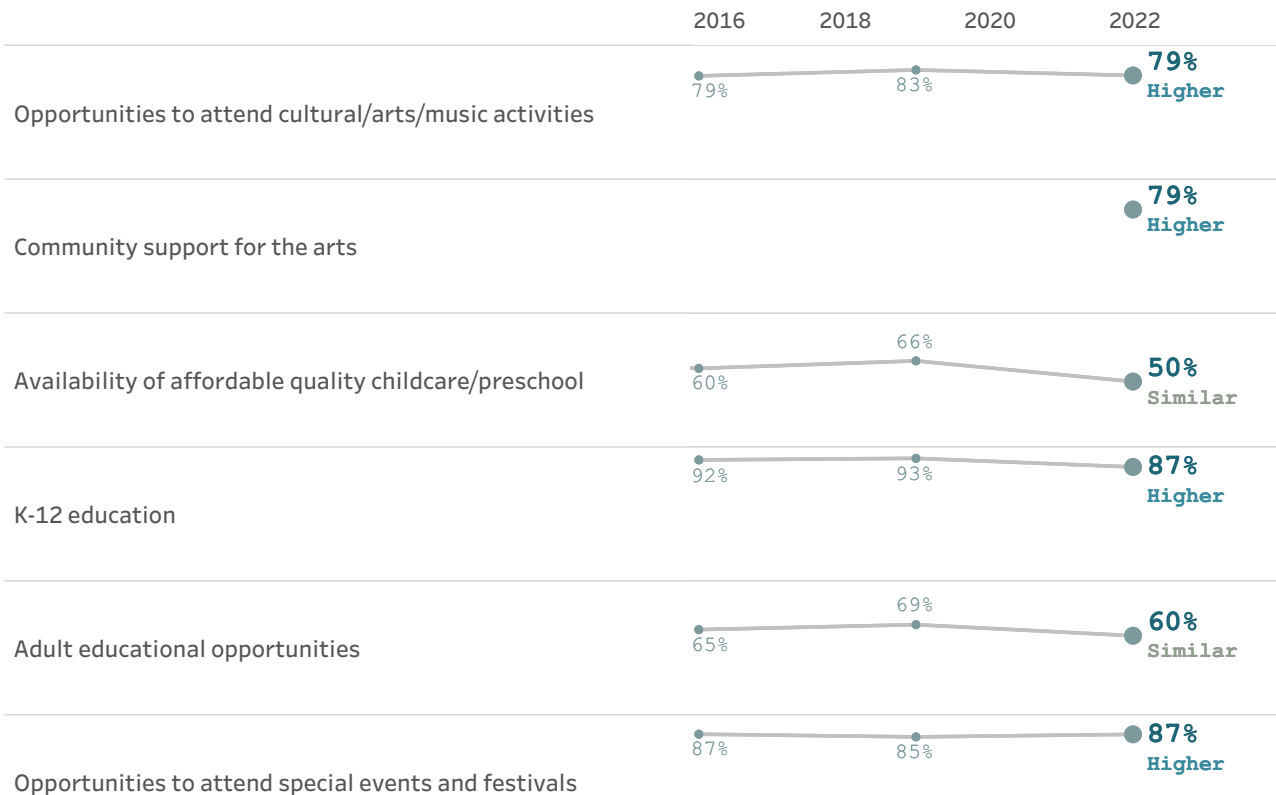
Overall opportunities for education, culture and the arts, 2022



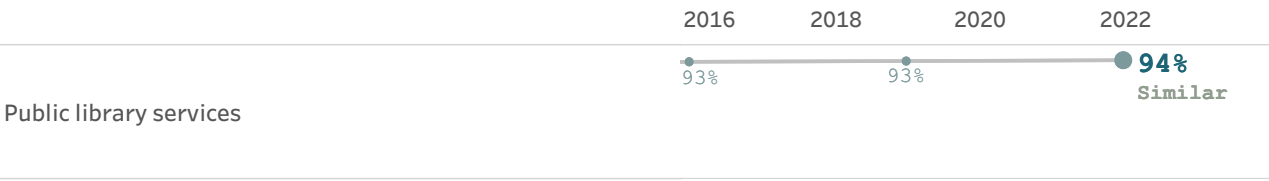
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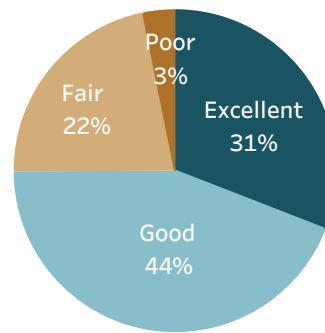


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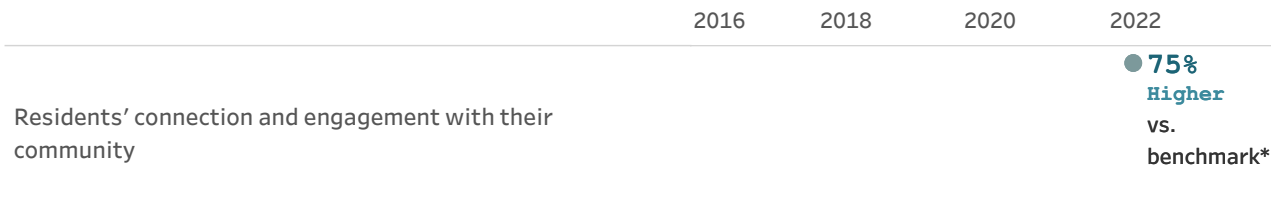
Residents' connection and engagement with their community, 2022



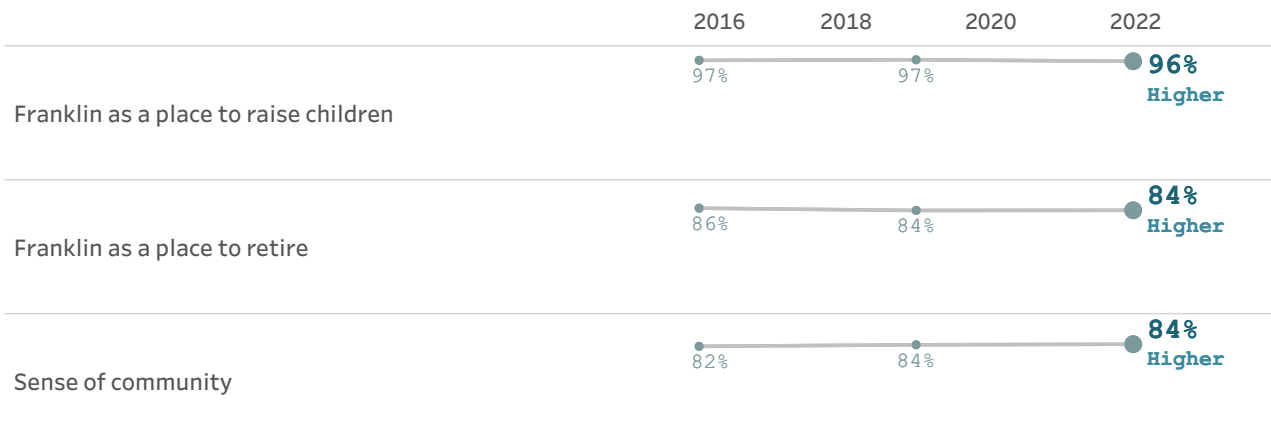
Inclusivity and engagement

Inclusivity refers to a cultural and environmental feeling of belonging; residents who feel invited to participate within their communities feel more included, involved, and engaged than those who do not.

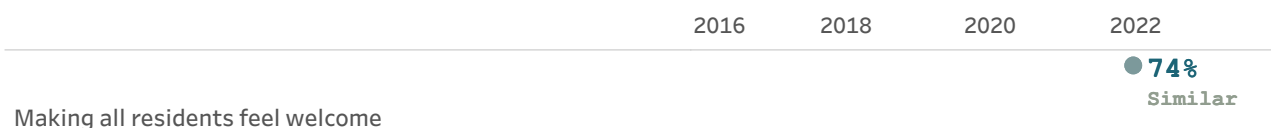
Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Franklin as a whole.
(% excellent or good)



Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Franklin.
(% excellent or good)

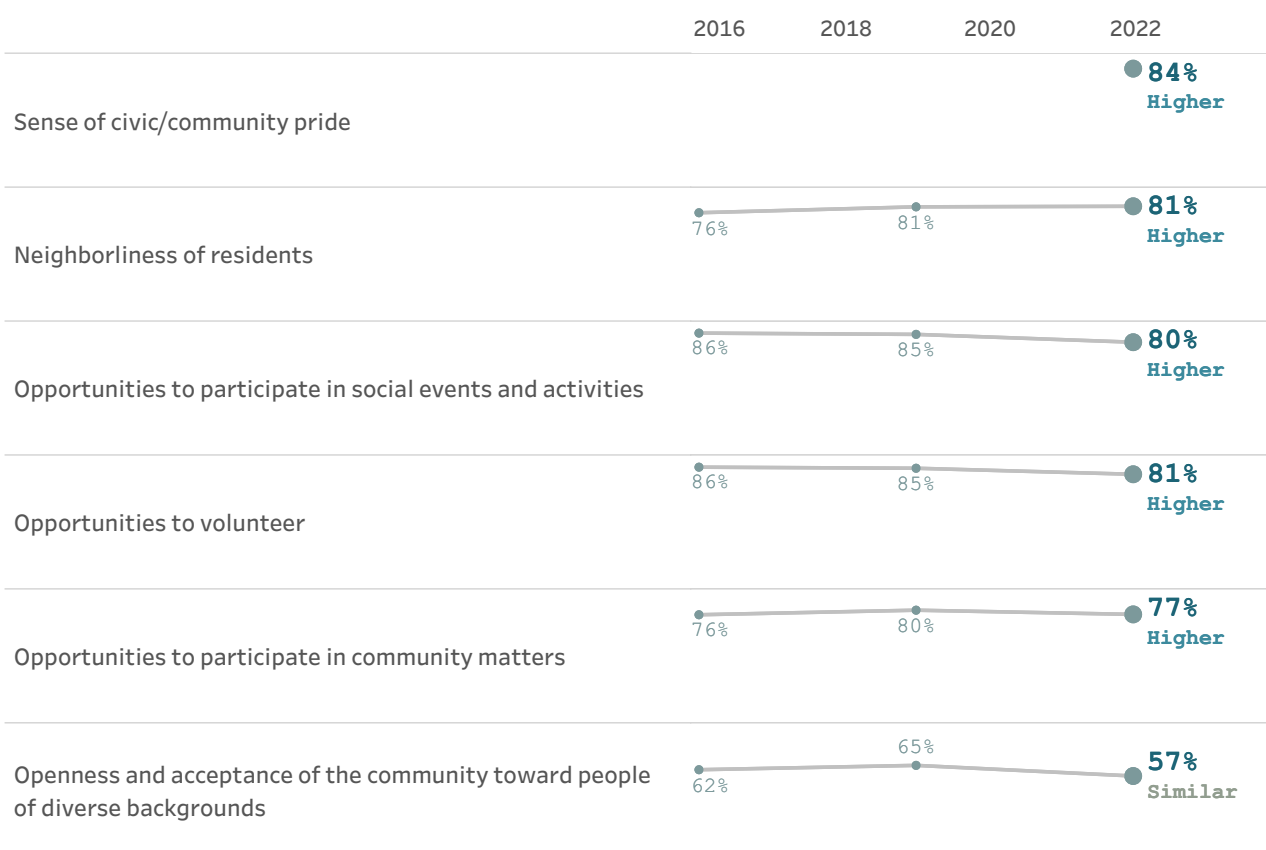


Please rate the job you feel the Franklin community does at each of the following.
(% excellent or good)



Attracting people from diverse backgrounds	54% Similar
Valuing/respecting residents from diverse backgrounds	59% Similar
Taking care of vulnerable residents	60% Similar

Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.
(% excellent or good)

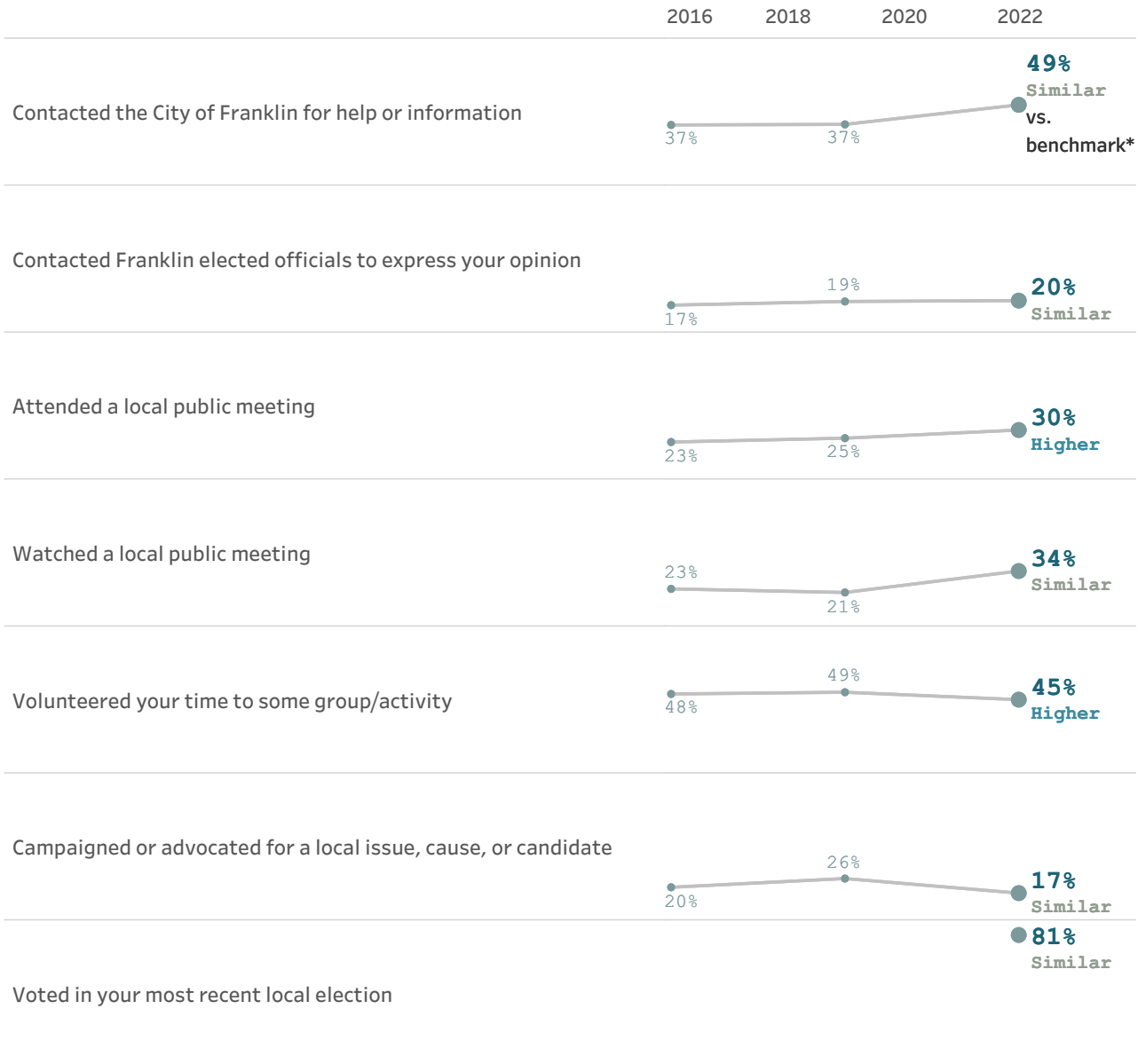


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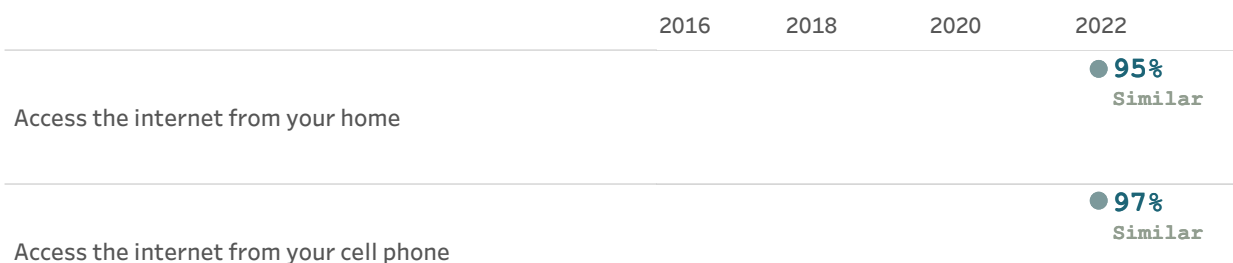
Residents' participation levels

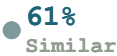
Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the last 12 months.

(% yes)



In general, how many times do you:
(% a few times a week or more)



Visit social media sites	
Use or check email	
Share your opinions online	
Shop online	

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Custom questions

Below are the complete set of responses to each custom question on the survey. By default, “don’t know” responses are excluded, but may be added to the table using the response filter below.

		Include “don’t know”		
		No		
Please rate your level of satisfaction with the City of Franklin’s management of growth:	Very satisfied		26%	
	Somewhat satisfied		50%	
	Somewhat dissatisfied		17%	
	Very dissatisfied		7%	
Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the City to enhance each of the following services or amenities.	Regional transit	Essential		24%
		Very important		37%
		Somewhat important		31%
		Not at all important		9%
	Affordable/workforce housing	Essential		42%
		Very important		31%
		Somewhat important		17%
		Not at all important		11%
	Greenway connectivity	Essential		21%
		Very important		40%
		Somewhat important		34%
		Not at all important		5%
	Retail/entertainment options	Essential		18%
		Very important		34%
		Somewhat important		40%
		Not at all important		8%
	Public art	Essential		10%
		Very important		25%
		Somewhat important		46%
		Not at all important		19%

Open-ended questions

Franklin included one open-ended question on their survey. The verbatim responses were categorized by topic area and those topics are reported below with the percent of responses given in each category. Because some comments from residents covered more than a single topic, those verbatim responses are grouped by the first topic listed in each comment.

Aside from transportation (traffic) related issues, what is the most important challenge or problem facing Franklin today?

Managing Growth/Development	31%
Affordable housing	22%
Infrastructure/Roads	11%
Cost of living/Affordability	10%
Diversity/Inclusiveness	7%
Schools/Education	6%
Natural Environment/Flooding	4%
Other	3%
N/A	2%
Crime/Police	2%
City services	1%

National benchmark tables

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			% positive	Rank	Number of communities	Percentile
Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Franklin.	Franklin as a place to live	Higher	95%	15	366	96
	Your neighborhood as a place to live	Higher	93%	8	318	97
	Franklin as a place to raise children	Higher	96%	7	370	98
	Franklin as a place to work	Much higher	88%	5	361	98
	Franklin as a place to visit	Much higher	90%	19	319	94
	Franklin as a place to retire	Higher	84%	18	366	95
	The overall quality of life	Higher	97%	7	391	98
	Sense of community	Higher	84%	7	318	98
Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Franklin as a whole.	Overall economic health	Higher	88%	10	306	97
	Overall quality of the transportation system	Similar	48%	124	203	39
	Overall design or layout of residential and commercial areas	Similar	75%	43	299	85
	Overall quality of the utility infrastructure	Similar	77%	37	198	81
	Overall feeling of safety	Higher	95%	31	356	91
	Overall quality of natural environment	Similar	83%	73	308	76
	Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities	Similar	90%	44	203	78
	Overall health and wellness opportunities	Higher	84%	33	301	89
	Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts	Higher	83%	36	303	88
	Residents' connection and engagement with their community	Higher	75%	8	200	96
Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following.	Recommend living in Franklin to someone who asks	Higher	94%	46	310	85

Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following.	Remain in Franklin for the next five years	Similar	93%	18	307	94
Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:	In your neighborhood during the day	Similar	99%	32	337	90
	In Franklin's downtown/commercial area during the day	Higher	99%	22	321	93
	From property crime	Higher	92%	19	208	91
	From violent crime	Higher	94%	27	208	87
	From fire, flood, or other natural disaster	Similar	84%	106	198	46
Please rate the job you feel the Franklin community does at each of the following.	Making all residents feel welcome	Similar	74%	37	206	82
	Attracting people from diverse backgrounds	Similar	54%	141	203	31
	Valuing/respecting residents from diverse backgrounds	Similar	59%	126	204	38
	Taking care of vulnerable residents	Similar	60%	77	200	62
Please rate each of the following in the Franklin community.	Overall quality of business and service establishments	Higher	91%	2	308	99
	Variety of business and service establishments	Much higher	85%	5	201	98
	Vibrancy of downtown/commercial area	Much higher	91%	2	287	99
	Employment opportunities	Much higher	79%	2	322	99
	Shopping opportunities	Much higher	90%	9	313	97
	Cost of living	Similar	30%	224	300	25
	Overall image or reputation	Much higher	93%	6	361	98
Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.	Traffic flow on major streets	Similar	38%	236	333	29
	Ease of public parking	Similar	54%	154	282	45
	Ease of travel by car	Similar	63%	212	321	34
	Ease of travel by public transportation	Similar	26%	190	282	32
	Ease of travel by bicycle	Lower	38%	245	323	24
	Ease of walking	Similar	63%	191	324	41
	Well-planned residential growth	Similar	50%	86	202	57
	Well-planned commercial growth	Higher	60%	28	202	86
	Well-designed neighborhoods	Similar	71%	39	199	80

Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.

Preservation of the historical or cultural character of the community	Higher	83%	3	198	98
Public places where people want to spend time	Higher	80%	26	294	91
Variety of housing options	Similar	41%	202	306	34
Availability of affordable quality housing	Lower	17%	282	328	14
Overall quality of new development	Similar	66%	49	318	84
Overall appearance	Much higher	93%	7	340	98
Cleanliness	Higher	94%	10	329	97
Water resources	Similar	57%	99	182	46
Air quality	Similar	87%	87	294	70
Availability of paths and walking trails	Similar	74%	133	324	59
Fitness opportunities	Similar	80%	78	294	73
Recreational opportunities	Similar	79%	79	315	75
Availability of affordable quality food	Similar	68%	113	289	61
Availability of affordable quality health care	Similar	73%	63	299	79
Availability of preventive health services	Higher	78%	45	285	84
Availability of affordable quality mental health care	Similar	51%	76	286	73
Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities	Higher	79%	19	311	94
Community support for the arts	Higher	79%	14	199	93
Availability of affordable quality childcare/preschool	Similar	50%	119	296	60
K-12 education	Higher	87%	37	299	87
Adult educational opportunities	Similar	60%	82	291	72
Sense of civic/community pride	Higher	84%	4	199	98
Neighborliness of residents	Higher	81%	5	296	98
Opportunities to participate in social events and activities	Higher	80%	12	303	96
Opportunities to attend special events and festivals	Higher	87%	7	300	98
Opportunities to volunteer	Higher	81%	27	299	91

Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.	Opportunities to participate in community matters	Higher	77%	17	301	94
	Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds	Similar	57%	197	318	38
Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the last 12 months.	Contacted the City of Franklin for help or information	Similar	49%	124	336	63
	Contacted Franklin elected officials to express your opinion	Similar	20%	82	294	72
	Attended a local public meeting	Higher	30%	24	297	92
	Watched a local public meeting	Similar	34%	47	278	83
	Volunteered your time to some group/activity	Higher	45%	46	300	85
	Campaigned or advocated for a local issue, cause, or candidate	Similar	17%	179	289	38
	Voted in your most recent local election	Similar	81%	63	201	69
	Used public transportation instead of driving	Lower	4%	245	268	8
	Carpooled with other adults or children instead of driving alone	Similar	47%	84	291	71
	Walked or biked instead of driving	Similar	54%	183	295	38
Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Franklin.	Public information services	Similar	71%	70	313	77
	Economic development	Higher	76%	14	307	95
	Traffic enforcement	Similar	67%	100	355	72
	Traffic signal timing	Similar	55%	161	299	46
	Street repair	Similar	60%	80	349	77
	Street cleaning	Higher	80%	37	313	88
	Street lighting	Similar	73%	78	342	77
	Snow removal	Similar	57%	180	259	30
	Sidewalk maintenance	Higher	71%	48	310	84
	Bus or transit services	Similar	40%	165	279	41
	Land use, planning and zoning	Similar	51%	84	315	73
	Code enforcement	Higher	73%	14	348	96
	Affordable high-speed internet access	Higher	66%	14	197	93
	Garbage collection	Similar	88%	43	332	87

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Franklin.	Drinking water	Similar	80%	87	311	72
	Sewer services	Similar	89%	36	314	88
	Storm water management	Similar	79%	72	326	78
	Power (electric and/or gas) utility	Higher	90%	6	255	98
	Utility billing	Higher	81%	12	280	96
	Police/Sheriff services	Similar	87%	76	382	80
	Crime prevention	Higher	86%	38	354	89
	Animal control	Higher	85%	7	325	98
	Ambulance or emergency medical services	Similar	93%	78	320	75
	Fire services	Similar	97%	51	345	85
	Fire prevention and education	Similar	92%	23	310	92
	Emergency preparedness	Similar	75%	44	309	86
	Preservation of natural areas	Similar	67%	109	292	63
	Franklin open space	Similar	68%	83	284	71
	Recycling	Similar	60%	242	334	27
	Yard waste pick-up	Similar	80%	92	291	68
	City parks	Similar	85%	82	327	75
	Recreation programs or classes	Similar	79%	49	321	85
	Recreation centers or facilities	Similar	80%	54	303	82
	Health services	Higher	85%	18	279	93
	Public library services	Similar	94%	48	324	85
	Overall customer service by Franklin employees	Higher	89%	19	370	95
Please rate the following categories of Franklin government performance.	The value of services for the taxes paid to Franklin	Higher	72%	11	374	97
	The overall direction that Franklin is taking	Similar	66%	54	339	84
	The job Franklin government does at welcoming resident involvement	Higher	65%	35	337	89
	Overall confidence in Franklin government	Higher	68%	31	304	90

Please rate the following categories of Franklin government performance.	Generally acting in the best interest of the community	Higher	68%	39	308	87
	Being honest	Similar	71%	44	299	85
	Being open and transparent to the public	Similar	65%	44	205	79
	Informing residents about issues facing the community	Similar	55%	71	210	66
	Treating all residents fairly	Similar	65%	93	305	69
	Treating residents with respect	Similar	76%	28	202	86
Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provided by each of the following?	The City of Franklin	Similar	82%	42	366	88
	The Federal Government	Similar	37%	180	288	37
Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the Franklin community to focus on each of the following in the coming two years.	Overall economic health	Similar	89%	59	282	79
	Overall quality of the transportation system	Similar	81%	20	198	90
	Overall design or layout of residential and commercial areas	Higher	89%	12	282	96
	Overall quality of the utility infrastructure	Similar	91%	34	197	83
	Overall feeling of safety	Similar	91%	133	282	53
	Overall quality of natural environment	Similar	88%	76	282	73
	Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities	Similar	79%	96	198	52
	Overall health and wellness opportunities	Similar	73%	209	282	25
	Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts	Similar	75%	137	282	51
	Residents' connection and engagement with their community	Similar	67%	166	282	41
In general, how many times do you:	Access the internet from your home	Similar	95%	84	198	58
	Access the internet from your cell phone	Similar	97%	13	198	93
	Visit social media sites	Similar	84%	25	197	87
	Use or check email	Similar	98%	61	198	69
	Share your opinions online	Similar	32%	67	198	66
	Shop online	Similar	61%	57	197	71
	Please rate your overall health.	Similar	81%	15	290	95
	What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family income in the next 6 months? Do you think the impact will be:	Similar	21%	194	292	33

Custom benchmark tables

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			% positive	Rank	Number of communities	Percentile
Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Franklin.	Franklin as a place to live	Higher	95%	3	38	94
	Your neighborhood as a place to live	Higher	93%	2	34	97
	Franklin as a place to raise children	Much higher	96%	2	39	97
	Franklin as a place to work	Much higher	88%	1	38	100
	Franklin as a place to visit	Much higher	90%	2	32	96
	Franklin as a place to retire	Higher	84%	2	38	97
	The overall quality of life	Higher	97%	2	39	97
	Sense of community	Higher	84%	1	33	100
Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Franklin as a whole.	Overall economic health	Much higher	88%	3	32	93
	Overall quality of the transportation system	Similar	48%	17	25	36
	Overall design or layout of residential and commercial areas	Higher	75%	4	32	90
	Overall quality of the utility infrastructure	Similar	77%	4	23	86
	Overall feeling of safety	Higher	95%	3	34	94
	Overall quality of natural environment	Similar	83%	5	32	87
	Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities	Similar	90%	5	23	82
	Overall health and wellness opportunities	Higher	84%	5	31	87
	Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts	Higher	83%	6	33	84
	Residents' connection and engagement with their community	Higher	75%	1	24	100
Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following.	Recommend living in Franklin to someone who asks	Higher	94%	6	33	84
	Remain in Franklin for the next five years	Higher	93%	2	33	96
Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:	In your neighborhood during the day	Similar	99%	4	35	91

Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:	In Franklin's downtown/commercial area during the day	Higher	99%	1	35	100
	From property crime	Higher	92%	2	24	95
	From violent crime	Higher	94%	3	24	91
	From fire, flood, or other natural disaster	Similar	84%	18	24	29
Please rate the job you feel the Franklin community does at each of the following.	Making all residents feel welcome	Similar	74%	4	25	88
	Attracting people from diverse backgrounds	Similar	54%	19	24	25
	Valuing/respecting residents from diverse backgrounds	Similar	59%	13	24	50
	Taking care of vulnerable residents	Similar	60%	7	24	75
Please rate each of the following in the Franklin community.	Overall quality of business and service establishments	Higher	91%	1	34	100
	Variety of business and service establishments	Higher	85%	2	24	95
	Vibrancy of downtown/commercial area	Much higher	91%	1	30	100
	Employment opportunities	Much higher	79%	2	34	97
	Shopping opportunities	Much higher	90%	2	31	96
	Cost of living	Similar	30%	25	31	22
	Overall image or reputation	Much higher	93%	2	35	97
Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.	Traffic flow on major streets	Similar	38%	25	34	29
	Ease of public parking	Similar	54%	13	28	57
	Ease of travel by car	Similar	63%	22	34	38
	Ease of travel by public transportation	Similar	26%	21	31	35
	Ease of travel by bicycle	Similar	38%	25	34	29
	Ease of walking	Similar	63%	18	35	51
	Well-planned residential growth	Similar	50%	12	25	56
	Well-planned commercial growth	Similar	60%	6	25	80
	Well-designed neighborhoods	Similar	71%	5	23	82
	Preservation of the historical or cultural character of the community	Higher	83%	1	23	100
	Public places where people want to spend time	Higher	80%	2	31	96
	Variety of housing options	Similar	41%	22	32	34
	Availability of affordable quality housing	Lower	17%	30	33	12

Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.

Overall quality of new development	Similar	66%	8	34	79
Overall appearance	Much higher	93%	2	34	97
Cleanliness	Much higher	94%	2	35	97
Water resources	Similar	57%	11	21	52
Air quality	Similar	87%	8	32	78
Availability of paths and walking trails	Similar	74%	16	35	57
Fitness opportunities	Similar	80%	10	31	70
Recreational opportunities	Similar	79%	10	32	71
Availability of affordable quality food	Similar	68%	12	29	62
Availability of affordable quality health care	Similar	73%	6	31	83
Availability of preventive health services	Higher	78%	5	29	86
Availability of affordable quality mental health care	Similar	51%	6	30	83
Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities	Higher	79%	2	32	96
Community support for the arts	Higher	79%	4	24	87
Availability of affordable quality childcare/preschool	Similar	50%	9	30	73
K-12 education	Higher	87%	3	29	93
Adult educational opportunities	Similar	60%	11	30	66
Sense of civic/community pride	Higher	84%	1	24	100
Neighborliness of residents	Higher	81%	1	32	100
Opportunities to participate in social events and activities	Higher	80%	1	32	100
Opportunities to attend special events and festivals	Higher	87%	1	30	100
Opportunities to volunteer	Higher	81%	4	31	90
Opportunities to participate in community matters	Higher	77%	2	31	96
Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds	Similar	57%	18	33	48
Contacted the City of Franklin for help or information	Similar	49%	14	33	60
Contacted Franklin elected officials to express your opinion	Similar	20%	6	29	82
Attended a local public meeting	Higher	30%	2	31	96
Watched a local public meeting	Similar	34%	7	29	79

Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the last 12 months.

Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the last 12 months.	Volunteered your time to some group/activity	Higher	45%	7	32	81
	Campaigned or advocated for a local issue, cause, or candidate	Similar	17%	20	30	36
	Voted in your most recent local election	Similar	81%	6	23	78
	Used public transportation instead of driving	Similar	4%	26	29	13
	Carpooled with other adults or children instead of driving alone	Similar	47%	12	31	64
	Walked or biked instead of driving	Similar	54%	17	31	48
Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Franklin.	Public information services	Similar	71%	7	30	80
	Economic development	Higher	76%	2	30	96
	Traffic enforcement	Similar	67%	6	35	85
	Traffic signal timing	Similar	55%	17	33	51
	Street repair	Higher	60%	7	36	83
	Street cleaning	Higher	80%	3	31	93
	Street lighting	Similar	73%	5	35	88
	Snow removal	Similar	57%	15	20	30
	Sidewalk maintenance	Higher	71%	5	33	87
	Bus or transit services	Similar	40%	20	30	36
	Land use, planning and zoning	Similar	51%	10	32	71
	Code enforcement	Higher	73%	4	34	91
	Affordable high-speed internet access	Higher	66%	3	22	90
	Garbage collection	Similar	88%	5	36	88
	Drinking water	Similar	80%	7	34	82
	Sewer services	Similar	89%	5	33	87
	Storm water management	Similar	79%	9	33	75
	Power (electric and/or gas) utility	Higher	90%	2	24	95
	Utility billing	Higher	81%	2	30	96
	Police/Sheriff services	Similar	87%	5	38	89
	Crime prevention	Higher	86%	3	35	94
	Animal control	Higher	85%	3	36	94

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Franklin.	Ambulance or emergency medical services	Similar	93%	5	31	87
	Fire services	Similar	97%	6	37	86
	Fire prevention and education	Higher	92%	4	33	90
	Emergency preparedness	Higher	75%	5	30	86
	Preservation of natural areas	Similar	67%	13	32	62
	Franklin open space	Similar	68%	10	30	70
	Recycling	Similar	60%	24	36	36
	Yard waste pick-up	Similar	80%	8	31	77
	City parks	Similar	85%	6	33	84
	Recreation programs or classes	Similar	79%	3	33	93
	Recreation centers or facilities	Similar	80%	7	31	80
	Health services	Higher	85%	4	25	88
	Public library services	Similar	94%	4	33	90
	Overall customer service by Franklin employees	Higher	89%	2	35	97
Please rate the following categories of Franklin government performance.	The value of services for the taxes paid to Franklin	Higher	72%	1	36	100
	The overall direction that Franklin is taking	Similar	66%	5	34	88
	The job Franklin government does at welcoming resident involvement	Higher	65%	4	34	91
	Overall confidence in Franklin government	Higher	68%	4	32	90
	Generally acting in the best interest of the community	Higher	68%	4	32	90
	Being honest	Higher	71%	4	31	90
	Being open and transparent to the public	Higher	65%	5	24	83
	Informing residents about issues facing the community	Similar	55%	8	25	72
	Treating all residents fairly	Similar	65%	9	32	75
	Treating residents with respect	Higher	76%	4	24	87
Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provided by each ..	The City of Franklin	Higher	82%	7	35	82
	The Federal Government	Similar	37%	19	30	40
Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the Franklin community to focus on each of the	Overall economic health	Similar	89%	6	29	82
	Overall quality of the transportation system	Similar	81%	1	23	100

Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the Franklin community to focus on each of the following in the coming two years.	Overall design or layout of residential and commercial areas	Similar	89%	3	29	93
	Overall quality of the utility infrastructure	Similar	91%	6	23	78
	Overall feeling of safety	Similar	91%	19	29	37
	Overall quality of natural environment	Similar	88%	11	29	65
	Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities	Similar	79%	12	23	52
	Overall health and wellness opportunities	Similar	73%	27	29	10
	Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts	Similar	75%	15	29	51
	Residents' connection and engagement with their community	Similar	67%	15	29	51
In general, how many times do you:	Access the internet from your home	Similar	95%	8	24	70
	Access the internet from your cell phone	Similar	97%	2	24	95
	Visit social media sites	Similar	84%	3	24	91
	Use or check email	Similar	98%	6	24	79
	Share your opinions online	Similar	32%	10	24	62
	Shop online	Similar	61%	5	24	83
	Please rate your overall health.	Similar	81%	1	29	100
	What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family income in the next 6 months? Do you think the impact will be:	Similar	21%	17	29	44

Complete set of frequencies

This dashboard contains a complete set of responses to each question on the survey. By default, "don't know" responses are excluded, but may be added to the table using the response filter to the right. In some tables, the percentages may not sum to 100%; this is either because the question permitted the respondent to "choose all that apply", or for a question that asked the respondent to select one answer, it is due to the customary practice of rounding values to the nearest whole number.

Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Franklin.	Franklin as a place to live	Excellent	 67% N=209
		Good	 27% N=85
		Fair	 5% N=16
	Your neighborhood as a place to live	Excellent	 69% N=306
		Good	 24% N=108
		Fair	 7% N=30
		Poor	 1% N=3
	Franklin as a place to raise children	Excellent	 74% N=302
		Good	 22% N=91
		Fair	 4% N=16
		Poor	 0% N=
	Franklin as a place to work	Excellent	 55% N=196
		Good	 33% N=120
		Fair	 10% N=37
		Poor	 1% N=5
	Franklin as a place to visit	Excellent	 59% N=248
		Good	 31% N=131
		Fair	 10% N=41
		Poor	 1% N=2
	Franklin as a place to retire	Excellent	 53% N=206
		Good	 31% N=123
		Fair	 11% N=43
		Poor	 5% N=21
	The overall quality of life	Excellent	 60% N=265
		Good	 37% N=164
		Fair	 3% N=12
		Poor	 0% N=1
	Sense of community	Excellent	 40% N=177

Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Franklin.	Sense of community	Good		44% N=191
		Fair		12% N=55
		Poor		4% N=16
Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Franklin as a whole.	Overall economic health	Excellent		46% N=196
		Good		42% N=182
		Fair		11% N=48
		Poor		1% N=3
	Overall quality of the transportation system	Excellent		10% N=44
		Good		37% N=155
		Fair		32% N=135
		Poor		21% N=87
	Overall design or layout of residential and commercial areas	Excellent		22% N=100
		Good		52% N=233
		Fair		21% N=95
		Poor		4% N=16
	Overall quality of the utility infrastructure	Excellent		32% N=138
		Good		45% N=193
		Fair		20% N=85
		Poor		4% N=16
	Overall feeling of safety	Excellent		54% N=242
		Good		40% N=178
		Fair		6% N=25
	Overall quality of natural environment	Excellent		45% N=197
		Good		38% N=168
		Fair		15% N=67
		Poor		2% N=7
	Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities	Excellent		45% N=197
		Good		45% N=196
		Fair		8% N=34
		Poor		3% N=12
	Overall health and wellness opportunities	Excellent		43% N=186

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Franklin as a whole.	Overall health and wellness opportunities	Good	 41% N=179
		Fair	 16% N=68
		Poor	 1% N=4
	Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts	Excellent	 36% N=158
		Good	 46% N=203
		Fair	 14% N=60
		Poor	 3% N=15
	Residents' connection and engagement with their community	Excellent	 31% N=133
		Good	 44% N=189
		Fair	 22% N=94
		Poor	 3% N=14
Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following.	Recommend living in Franklin to someone who asks	Very likely	 65% N=290
		Somewhat likely	 29% N=128
		Somewhat unlikely	 4% N=17
		Very unlikely	 2% N=10
	Remain in Franklin for the next five years	Very likely	 68% N=295
		Somewhat likely	 24% N=105
		Somewhat unlikely	 4% N=19
		Very unlikely	 3% N=14
Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:	In your neighborhood during the day	Very safe	 85% N=377
		Somewhat safe	 14% N=63
		Neither safe nor unsafe	 1% N=6
		Somewhat unsafe	 0% N=1
	In Franklin's downtown/commercial area during the day	Very safe	 83% N=358
		Somewhat safe	 15% N=66
		Neither safe nor unsafe	 2% N=7
	From property crime	Very safe	 48% N=211
		Somewhat safe	 44% N=194
		Neither safe nor unsafe	 5% N=23
		Somewhat unsafe	 3% N=12
		Very unsafe	 1% N=3

Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:	From violent crime	Very safe		66% N=293
		Somewhat safe		28% N=124
		Neither safe nor unsafe		5% N=22
		Somewhat unsafe		1% N=5
		Very unsafe		0% N=
	From fire, flood, or other natural disaster	Very safe		40% N=176
		Somewhat safe		44% N=191
		Neither safe nor unsafe		12% N=52
		Somewhat unsafe		3% N=13
		Very unsafe		1% N=5
Please rate the job you feel the Franklin community does at each of the following.	Making all residents feel welcome	Excellent		37% N=160
		Good		37% N=158
		Fair		19% N=80
		Poor		8% N=32
	Attracting people from diverse backgrounds	Excellent		21% N=84
		Good		33% N=134
		Fair		21% N=85
		Poor		25% N=103
	Valuing/respecting residents from diverse backgrounds	Excellent		26% N=105
		Good		33% N=135
		Fair		23% N=93
		Poor		18% N=75
	Taking care of vulnerable residents	Excellent		24% N=82
		Good		36% N=123
		Fair		27% N=94
		Poor		13% N=45
Please rate each of the following in the Franklin community.	Overall quality of business and service establishments	Excellent		47% N=205
		Good		44% N=194
		Fair		9% N=40
		Poor		0% N=1
	Variety of business and service establishments	Excellent		41% N=180

Please rate each of the following in the Franklin community.	Variety of business and service establishments	Good		44% N=194
		Fair		13% N=60
		Poor		2% N=9
	Vibrancy of downtown/commercial area	Excellent		57% N=251
		Good		33% N=146
		Fair		8% N=36
		Poor		1% N=5
	Employment opportunities	Excellent		41% N=146
		Good		37% N=131
		Fair		18% N=62
		Poor		4% N=13
	Shopping opportunities	Excellent		50% N=222
		Good		40% N=176
		Fair		10% N=44
		Poor		0% N=1
Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.	Cost of living	Excellent		3% N=12
		Good		28% N=122
		Fair		40% N=179
		Poor		29% N=129
	Overall image or reputation	Excellent		62% N=275
		Good		31% N=138
		Fair		7% N=30
		Poor		1% N=3
	Traffic flow on major streets	Excellent		6% N=28
		Good		32% N=142
		Fair		40% N=177
		Poor		22% N=96
	Ease of public parking	Excellent		18% N=77
		Good		36% N=160
		Fair		33% N=146
		Poor		13% N=58

Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.

Ease of travel by car	Excellent		17% N=77
	Good		45% N=202
	Fair		28% N=126
	Poor		9% N=38
Ease of travel by public transportation	Excellent		11% N=28
	Good		15% N=38
	Fair		27% N=67
	Poor		47% N=119
Ease of travel by bicycle	Excellent		10% N=30
	Good		28% N=82
	Fair		33% N=98
	Poor		29% N=87
Ease of walking	Excellent		19% N=81
	Good		44% N=189
	Fair		23% N=98
	Poor		15% N=63
Well-planned residential growth	Excellent		14% N=54
	Good		35% N=134
	Fair		31% N=117
	Poor		20% N=76
Well-planned commercial growth	Excellent		16% N=62
	Good		44% N=173
	Fair		29% N=112
	Poor		11% N=42
Well-designed neighborhoods	Excellent		21% N=89
	Good		50% N=215
	Fair		23% N=99
	Poor		6% N=24
Preservation of the historical or cultural character of the community	Excellent		42% N=180
	Good		41% N=176
	Fair		14% N=61

Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.	Preservation of the historical or cultural character of the community	Poor		3% N=13
	Public places where people want to spend time	Excellent		35% N=154
		Good		44% N=195
		Fair		18% N=81
		Poor		2% N=8
	Variety of housing options	Excellent		12% N=50
		Good		29% N=121
		Fair		34% N=143
		Poor		26% N=108
	Availability of affordable quality housing	Excellent		4% N=16
		Good		13% N=54
		Fair		24% N=97
		Poor		58% N=234
	Overall quality of new development	Excellent		21% N=87
		Good		45% N=182
		Fair		24% N=98
		Poor		10% N=40
	Overall appearance	Excellent		56% N=248
		Good		37% N=164
		Fair		6% N=28
		Poor		1% N=4
	Cleanliness	Excellent		56% N=246
		Good		38% N=165
		Fair		6% N=27
	Water resources	Excellent		21% N=85
		Good		36% N=147
		Fair		33% N=134
		Poor		10% N=40
	Air quality	Excellent		38% N=161
		Good		50% N=213
		Fair		12% N=49

Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.

Air quality	Poor		1% N=6
Availability of paths and walking trails	Excellent		32% N=138
	Good		42% N=182
	Fair		21% N=89
	Poor		5% N=24
Fitness opportunities	Excellent		32% N=138
	Good		48% N=204
	Fair		19% N=79
	Poor		2% N=8
Recreational opportunities	Excellent		31% N=134
	Good		47% N=201
	Fair		16% N=68
	Poor		5% N=23
Availability of affordable quality food	Excellent		23% N=100
	Good		45% N=199
	Fair		25% N=111
	Poor		7% N=33
Availability of affordable quality health care	Excellent		27% N=111
	Good		46% N=188
	Fair		19% N=78
	Poor		8% N=32
Availability of preventive health services	Excellent		27% N=105
	Good		50% N=195
	Fair		19% N=75
	Poor		3% N=12
Availability of affordable quality mental health care	Excellent		19% N=52
	Good		31% N=86
	Fair		32% N=88
	Poor		17% N=48
Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities	Excellent		37% N=160
	Good		42% N=182

Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.	Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities	Fair		18% N=77
		Poor		3% N=15
Community support for the arts	Excellent			36% N=143
	Good			43% N=170
	Fair			15% N=61
	Poor			6% N=24
Availability of affordable quality childcare/preschool	Excellent			19% N=45
	Good			31% N=72
	Fair			30% N=70
	Poor			20% N=48
K-12 education	Excellent			51% N=186
	Good			36% N=132
	Fair			9% N=32
	Poor			5% N=17
Adult educational opportunities	Excellent			22% N=55
	Good			38% N=94
	Fair			31% N=77
	Poor			9% N=21
Sense of civic/community pride	Excellent			42% N=175
	Good			42% N=177
	Fair			13% N=54
	Poor			4% N=15
Neighborliness of residents	Excellent			36% N=157
	Good			45% N=197
	Fair			15% N=66
	Poor			4% N=18
Opportunities to participate in social events and activities	Excellent			36% N=152
	Good			44% N=187
	Fair			18% N=75
	Poor			3% N=13
Opportunities to attend special events and festivals	Excellent			45% N=197

Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.	Opportunities to attend special events and festivals	Good		42% N=181
		Fair		11% N=46
		Poor		3% N=11
	Opportunities to volunteer	Excellent		36% N=131
		Good		45% N=163
		Fair		15% N=55
		Poor		4% N=15
	Opportunities to participate in community matters	Excellent		30% N=112
		Good		46% N=172
		Fair		18% N=69
		Poor		5% N=19
	Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds	Excellent		22% N=84
		Good		35% N=131
		Fair		22% N=84
		Poor		21% N=79
Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the last 12 months.	Contacted the City of Franklin for help or information	No		51% N=228
		Yes		49% N=218
	Contacted Franklin elected officials to express your opinion	No		81% N=359
		Yes		19% N=86
	Attended a local public meeting	No		70% N=313
		Yes		30% N=134
	Watched a local public meeting	No		66% N=296
		Yes		34% N=149
	Volunteered your time to some group/activity	No		55% N=246
		Yes		45% N=200
	Campaigned or advocated for a local issue, cause, or candidate	No		83% N=372
		Yes		17% N=74
	Voted in your most recent local election	No		20% N=86
		Yes		80% N=355
	Used public transportation instead of driving	No		96% N=426
		Yes		4% N=20

Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the last 12 months.	Carpooled with other adults or children instead of driving alone	No		54% N=239
		Yes		46% N=205
	Walked or biked instead of driving	No		47% N=208
		Yes		53% N=239
Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Franklin.	Public information services	Excellent		24% N=89
		Good		47% N=173
		Fair		27% N=99
		Poor		2% N=8
	Economic development	Excellent		28% N=106
		Good		48% N=179
		Fair		21% N=80
		Poor		3% N=10
	Traffic enforcement	Excellent		23% N=95
		Good		43% N=176
		Fair		25% N=102
		Poor		8% N=32
	Traffic signal timing	Excellent		11% N=50
		Good		43% N=188
		Fair		29% N=127
		Poor		16% N=69
	Street repair	Excellent		15% N=66
		Good		45% N=195
		Fair		28% N=123
		Poor		12% N=50
	Street cleaning	Excellent		30% N=126
		Good		51% N=217
		Fair		17% N=72
		Poor		3% N=12
	Street lighting	Excellent		20% N=89
		Good		53% N=233
		Fair		20% N=87

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Franklin.	Street lighting	Poor		7% N=29
	Snow removal	Excellent		15% N=52
		Good		42% N=145
		Fair		30% N=102
		Poor		14% N=47
	Sidewalk maintenance	Excellent		20% N=84
		Good		51% N=214
		Fair		24% N=99
		Poor		5% N=20
	Bus or transit services	Excellent		10% N=22
		Good		31% N=71
		Fair		37% N=84
		Poor		23% N=53
	Land use, planning and zoning	Excellent		15% N=51
		Good		36% N=123
		Fair		34% N=117
		Poor		15% N=50
	Code enforcement	Excellent		19% N=60
		Good		54% N=169
		Fair		22% N=71
		Poor		5% N=15
	Affordable high-speed internet access	Excellent		22% N=94
		Good		44% N=184
		Fair		24% N=103
		Poor		9% N=39
	Garbage collection	Excellent		49% N=210
		Good		39% N=166
		Fair		9% N=37
		Poor		3% N=13
	Drinking water	Excellent		36% N=153
		Good		44% N=189

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Franklin.	Drinking water	Fair		15% N=64
		Poor		5% N=22
Sewer services	Excellent			39% N=159
	Good			50% N=203
	Fair			10% N=40
	Poor			1% N=4
Storm water management	Excellent			31% N=123
	Good			48% N=194
	Fair			16% N=65
	Poor			5% N=20
Power (electric and/or gas) utility	Excellent			43% N=188
	Good			47% N=206
	Fair			9% N=38
	Poor			1% N=6
Utility billing	Excellent			37% N=162
	Good			44% N=190
	Fair			14% N=59
	Poor			5% N=22
Police/Sheriff services	Excellent			43% N=176
	Good			44% N=177
	Fair			10% N=41
	Poor			3% N=11
Crime prevention	Excellent			38% N=153
	Good			48% N=196
	Fair			13% N=51
	Poor			1% N=5
Animal control	Excellent			40% N=117
	Good			46% N=136
	Fair			14% N=40
	Poor			1% N=3
Ambulance or emergency medical services	Excellent			50% N=164

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Franklin.	Ambulance or emergency medical services	Good		43% N=142
		Fair		5% N=17
		Poor		2% N=6
	Fire services	Excellent		56% N=199
		Good		41% N=146
		Fair		3% N=12
		Poor		0% N=1
	Fire prevention and education	Excellent		40% N=119
		Good		52% N=155
		Fair		7% N=20
		Poor		1% N=3
	Emergency preparedness	Excellent		30% N=89
		Good		45% N=133
		Fair		22% N=64
		Poor		3% N=9
	Preservation of natural areas	Excellent		25% N=101
		Good		42% N=165
		Fair		20% N=80
		Poor		13% N=51
	Franklin open space	Excellent		28% N=113
		Good		40% N=159
		Fair		23% N=91
		Poor		9% N=36
	Recycling	Excellent		25% N=100
		Good		35% N=137
		Fair		25% N=101
		Poor		15% N=58
	Yard waste pick-up	Excellent		35% N=126
		Good		45% N=164
		Fair		16% N=58
		Poor		4% N=13

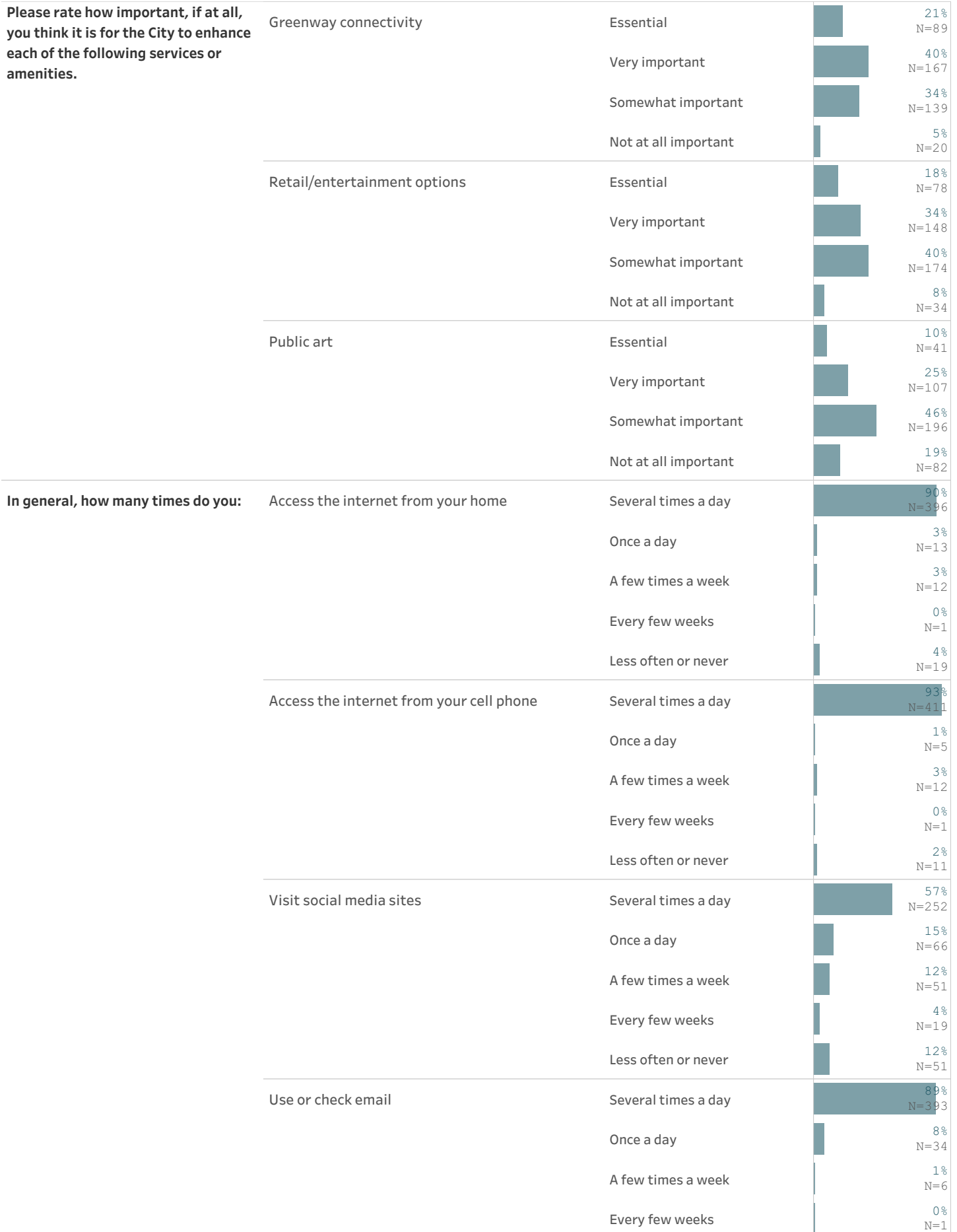
Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Franklin.	City parks	Excellent		43% N=184
		Good		42% N=183
		Fair		12% N=53
		Poor		2% N=11
	Recreation programs or classes	Excellent		35% N=115
		Good		45% N=148
		Fair		18% N=61
		Poor		2% N=7
	Recreation centers or facilities	Excellent		34% N=132
		Good		46% N=183
		Fair		17% N=66
		Poor		3% N=13
	Health services	Excellent		33% N=127
		Good		52% N=197
		Fair		12% N=47
		Poor		2% N=8
	Public library services	Excellent		53% N=199
		Good		41% N=152
		Fair		6% N=21
		Poor		0% N=1
	Overall customer service by Franklin employees	Excellent		44% N=174
		Good		45% N=179
		Fair		10% N=41
		Poor		0% N=1
Please rate the following categories of Franklin government performance.	The value of services for the taxes paid to Franklin	Excellent		30% N=123
		Good		42% N=174
		Fair		21% N=86
		Poor		7% N=28
	The overall direction that Franklin is taking	Excellent		23% N=97
		Good		42% N=176
		Fair		27% N=111

Please rate the following categories of Franklin government performance.	The overall direction that Franklin is taking	Poor		8% N=31
	The job Franklin government does at welcoming resident involvement	Excellent		22% N=74
		Good		43% N=144
		Fair		26% N=88
		Poor		9% N=30
	Overall confidence in Franklin government	Excellent		20% N=78
		Good		48% N=193
		Fair		23% N=92
		Poor		9% N=35
	Generally acting in the best interest of the community	Excellent		24% N=94
		Good		45% N=177
		Fair		25% N=99
		Poor		7% N=28
	Being honest	Excellent		25% N=87
		Good		46% N=161
		Fair		21% N=74
		Poor		9% N=30
	Being open and transparent to the public	Excellent		19% N=67
		Good		46% N=161
		Fair		26% N=94
		Poor		9% N=31
	Informing residents about issues facing the community	Excellent		14% N=53
		Good		40% N=150
		Fair		35% N=129
		Poor		10% N=39
	Treating all residents fairly	Excellent		22% N=79
		Good		42% N=153
		Fair		24% N=86
		Poor		12% N=42
	Treating residents with respect	Excellent		31% N=118
		Good		45% N=175

Please rate the following categories of Franklin government performance.	Treating residents with respect	Fair		19% N=71
		Poor		5% N=20
Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provided by each of the following?	The City of Franklin	Excellent		35% N=150
		Good		47% N=200
		Fair		15% N=64
		Poor		3% N=11
	The Federal Government	Excellent		7% N=28
		Good		31% N=126
		Fair		35% N=145
		Poor		27% N=112
Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the Franklin community to focus on each of the following in the coming two years.	Overall economic health	Essential		56% N=235
		Very important		33% N=138
		Somewhat important		10% N=42
		Not at all important		1% N=6
	Overall quality of the transportation system	Essential		41% N=180
		Very important		39% N=170
		Somewhat important		19% N=81
		Not at all important		1% N=4
	Overall design or layout of residential and commercial areas	Essential		48% N=211
		Very important		42% N=183
		Somewhat important		10% N=45
		Not at all important		0% N=1
	Overall quality of the utility infrastructure	Essential		57% N=251
		Very important		34% N=148
		Somewhat important		9% N=39
		Not at all important		1% N=3
	Overall feeling of safety	Essential		56% N=245
		Very important		35% N=155
		Somewhat important		9% N=37
		Not at all important		0% N=2
	Overall quality of natural environment	Essential		41% N=181

Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the Franklin community to focus on each of the following in the coming two years.	Overall quality of natural environment	Very important		47% N=206
		Somewhat important		11% N=47
		Not at all important		2% N=8
	Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities	Essential		32% N=142
		Very important		47% N=205
		Somewhat important		20% N=90
		Not at all important		1% N=3
	Overall health and wellness opportunities	Essential		25% N=112
		Very important		47% N=210
		Somewhat important		24% N=107
		Not at all important		3% N=14
	Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts	Essential		33% N=148
		Very important		41% N=182
		Somewhat important		23% N=100
		Not at all important		3% N=13
	Residents' connection and engagement with their community	Essential		25% N=110
		Very important		42% N=185
		Somewhat important		31% N=137
		Not at all important		2% N=9
Please rate your level of satisfaction with the City of Franklin's management of growth:	Please rate your level of satisfaction with the City of Franklin's management of growth:	Very satisfied		26% N=109
		Somewhat satisfied		50% N=208
		Somewhat dissatisfied		17% N=71
		Very dissatisfied		7% N=31
	Regional transit	Essential		24% N=98
		Very important		37% N=152
		Somewhat important		31% N=129
		Not at all important		9% N=37
	Affordable/workforce housing	Essential		42% N=181
		Very important		31% N=131
		Somewhat important		17% N=72
		Not at all important		11% N=46

Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the City to enhance each of the following services or amenities.



In general, how many times do you:	Use or check email	Less often or never		2% N=7
	Share your opinions online	Several times a day		9% N=39
		Once a day		3% N=13
		A few times a week		20% N=85
		Every few weeks		17% N=73
		Less often or never		51% N=220
		Shop online	Several times a day	
	Once a day			10% N=45
	A few times a week			37% N=165
	Every few weeks			33% N=147
	Less often or never			5% N=23
	Please rate your overall health.	Excellent		40% N=180
		Very good		41% N=180
		Good		16% N=72
		Fair		2% N=10
Poor			0% N=1	
What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family income in the next 6 months?Do you think the impact will be:	Very positive		4% N=19	
	Somewhat positive		16% N=73	
	Neutral		40% N=177	
	Somewhat negative		32% N=140	
	Very negative		8% N=34	
How many years have you lived in Franklin?	Less than 2 years		16% N=70	
	2-5 years		25% N=110	
	6-10 years		19% N=86	
	11-20 years		18% N=78	
	More than 20 years		23% N=100	
Which best describes the building you live in?	One family house detached from any other houses		61% N=269	
	Building with two or more homes (duplex, townhome, apa..		38% N=170	
	Other		1% N=6	
Do you rent or own your home?	Rent		35% N=153	
	Own		65% N=290	

About how much is your monthly housing cost for the place you live (including rent, mortgage payment, property tax, property insurance and homeowners' association (HOA) fees)?	Less than \$500		8% N=34
	\$500 to \$999		7% N=31
	\$1,000 to \$1,499		10% N=45
	\$1,500 to \$1,999		23% N=103
	\$2,000 to \$2,499		24% N=106
	\$2,500 to \$2,999		10% N=42
	\$3,000 to \$3,499		8% N=35
	\$3,500 or more		10% N=42
Do any children 17 or under live in your household?	No		61% N=273
	Yes		39% N=172
Are you or any other members of your household aged 65 or older?	No		71% N=315
	Yes		29% N=129
How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the current year? (Please include in your total income money from all sources for all persons living in your household.)	Less than \$25,000		3% N=14
	\$25,000 to \$49,999		7% N=30
	\$50,000 to \$74,999		11% N=45
	\$75,000 to \$99,999		19% N=82
	\$100,000 to \$149,999		21% N=89
	\$150,000 or more		39% N=166
Are you Spanish, Hispanic or Latino?	No, not Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino		94% N=415
	Yes, I consider myself to be Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino		6% N=25
What is your race? (Mark one or more races to indicate what race you consider yourself to be.)	American Indian or Alaskan Native		2% N=9
	Asian, Asian Indian, or Pacific Islander		12% N=53
	Black or African American		4% N=16
	White		85% N=373
	Other		2% N=7
In which category is your age?	18-24 years		6% N=25
	25-34 years		18% N=78
	35-44 years		18% N=80
	45-54 years		24% N=106
	55-64 years		12% N=55
	65-74 years		12% N=55

In which category is your age?	75 years or older		10% N=45
What is your gender?	Woman		56% N=248
	Man		44% N=195

Full trends

This table contains the trends over time for the City of Franklin. The combined "percent positive" responses for each survey year are presented (e.g., excellent/good or yes). If an item was not included during an administration of the survey, no percentage will be shown in the table. If the difference between the 2018 and 2022 surveys is greater than six percentage points, the change is statistically significant.

It is important to note that in 2020, The NCS survey was updated to include new and refreshed items. Consequently, some of the trends may be impacted due to wording modifications that could have potentially altered the meaning of the item for the respondent.

		2016	2019	2022
Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Franklin.	Franklin as a place to live	97%	98%	95%
	Your neighborhood as a place to live	93%	94%	93%
	Franklin as a place to raise children	97%	97%	96%
	Franklin as a place to work	90%	93%	88%
	Franklin as a place to visit	92%	94%	90%
	Franklin as a place to retire	86%	84%	84%
	The overall quality of life	97%	97%	97%
	Sense of community	82%	84%	84%
Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Franklin as a whole.	Overall economic health	94%	94%	88%
	Overall quality of the transportation system			48%
	Overall design or layout of residential and commercial areas	77%	80%	75%
	Overall quality of the utility infrastructure			77%
	Overall feeling of safety	97%	95%	95%
	Overall quality of natural environment	88%	88%	83%
	Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities			90%
	Overall health and wellness opportunities	84%	90%	84%
	Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts	87%	90%	83%
	Residents' connection and engagement with their community			75%
Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following.	Recommend living in Franklin to someone who asks	93%	96%	94%

Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following.	Remain in Franklin for the next five years	89% 91% 93%
Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:	In your neighborhood during the day	98% 97% 99%
	In Franklin's downtown/commercial area during the day	97% 97% 99%
	From property crime	92%
	From violent crime	94%
	From fire, flood, or other natural disaster	84%
Please rate the job you feel the Franklin community does at each of the following.	Making all residents feel welcome	74%
	Attracting people from diverse backgrounds	54%
	Valuing/respecting residents from diverse backgrounds	59%
	Taking care of vulnerable residents	60%
Please rate each of the following in the Franklin community.	Overall quality of business and service establishments	88% 92% 91%
	Variety of business and service establishments	85%
	Vibrancy of downtown/commercial area	89% 93% 91%
	Employment opportunities	76% 83% 79%
	Shopping opportunities	93% 93% 90%
	Cost of living	41% 39% 30%
	Overall image or reputation	97% 96% 93%
Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.	Traffic flow on major streets	26% 37% 38%
	Ease of public parking	53% 47% 54%
	Ease of travel by car	48% 56% 63%
	Ease of travel by public transportation	23% 29% 26%
	Ease of travel by bicycle	36% 36% 38%
	Ease of walking	58% 67% 63%
	Well-planned residential growth	50%
	Well-planned commercial growth	60%
	Well-designed neighborhoods	71%

Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.

Preservation of the historical or cultural character of the community	83%
Public places where people want to spend time	88% 88% 80%
Variety of housing options	48% 49% 41%
Availability of affordable quality housing	28% 24% 17%
Overall quality of new development	78% 78% 66%
Overall appearance	95% 96% 93%
Cleanliness	94% 92% 94%
Water resources	57%
Air quality	87% 89% 87%
Availability of paths and walking trails	59% 67% 74%
Fitness opportunities	77% 83% 80%
Recreational opportunities	77% 84% 79%
Availability of affordable quality food	77% 81% 68%
Availability of affordable quality health care	77% 80% 73%
Availability of preventive health services	81% 82% 78%
Availability of affordable quality mental health care	68% 67% 51%
Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities	79% 83% 79%
Community support for the arts	79%
Availability of affordable quality childcare/preschool	60% 66% 50%
K-12 education	92% 93% 87%
Adult educational opportunities	65% 69% 60%
Sense of civic/community pride	84%
Neighborliness of residents	76% 81% 81%
Opportunities to participate in social events and activities	86% 85% 80%
Opportunities to attend special events and festivals	87% 85% 87%
Opportunities to volunteer	86% 85% 81%

Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.	Opportunities to participate in community matters	76%	80%	77%
	Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds	62%	65%	57%
Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the last 12 months.	Contacted the City of Franklin for help or information	37%	37%	49%
	Contacted Franklin elected officials to express your opinion	17%	19%	20%
	Attended a local public meeting	23%	25%	30%
	Watched a local public meeting	23%	21%	34%
	Volunteered your time to some group/activity	48%	49%	45%
	Campaigned or advocated for a local issue, cause, or candidate	20%	26%	17%
	Voted in your most recent local election			81%
	Used public transportation instead of driving	6%	8%	4%
	Carpooled with other adults or children instead of driving alone	45%	42%	47%
	Walked or biked instead of driving	45%	44%	54%
Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Franklin.	Public information services	79%	86%	71%
	Economic development	82%	84%	76%
	Traffic enforcement	77%	75%	67%
	Traffic signal timing	51%	56%	55%
	Street repair	62%	57%	60%
	Street cleaning	81%	78%	80%
	Street lighting	74%	75%	73%
	Snow removal	57%	71%	57%
	Sidewalk maintenance	71%	77%	71%
	Bus or transit services	42%	54%	40%
	Land use, planning and zoning	59%	61%	51%
	Code enforcement	73%	74%	73%
	Affordable high-speed internet access			66%
	Garbage collection	91%	90%	88%

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Franklin.	Drinking water	73% 76% 80%
	Sewer services	88% 88% 89%
	Storm water management	80% 78% 79%
	Power (electric and/or gas) utility	88% 89% 90%
	Utility billing	80% 80% 81%
	Police/Sheriff services	96% 92% 87%
	Crime prevention	92% 89% 86%
	Animal control	79% 84% 85%
	Ambulance or emergency medical services	98% 95% 93%
	Fire services	99% 97% 97%
	Fire prevention and education	91% 92% 92%
	Emergency preparedness	77% 79% 75%
	Preservation of natural areas	67% 68% 67%
	Franklin open space	70% 71% 68%
	Recycling	76% 82% 60%
	Yard waste pick-up	86% 87% 80%
	City parks	91% 93% 85%
	Recreation programs or classes	85% 87% 79%
	Recreation centers or facilities	84% 87% 80%
	Health services	88% 88% 85%
	Public library services	93% 93% 94%
	Overall customer service by Franklin employees	90% 91% 89%
Please rate the following categories of Franklin government performance.	The value of services for the taxes paid to Franklin	77% 76% 72%
	The overall direction that Franklin is taking	73% 74% 66%
	The job Franklin government does at welcoming resident involvem..	71% 75% 65%
	Overall confidence in Franklin government	76% 75% 68%

Please rate the following categories of Franklin government performance.	Generally acting in the best interest of the community	73% 75% 68%
	Being honest	74% 78% 71%
	Being open and transparent to the public	65%
	Informing residents about issues facing the community	55%
	Treating all residents fairly	72% 76% 65%
	Treating residents with respect	76%
Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provided by each of the following?	The City of Franklin	93% 93% 82%
	The Federal Government	44% 53% 37%
Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the Franklin community to focus on each of the following in the coming two years.	Overall economic health	89% 93% 89%
	Overall quality of the transportation system	81%
	Overall design or layout of residential and commercial areas	83% 86% 89%
	Overall quality of the utility infrastructure	91%
	Overall feeling of safety	91% 94% 91%
	Overall quality of natural environment	87% 87% 88%
	Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities	79%
	Overall health and wellness opportunities	75% 77% 73%
	Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts	78% 83% 75%
	Residents' connection and engagement with their community	82% 86% 67%
In general, how many times do you:	Access the internet from your home	95%
	Access the internet from your cell phone	97%
	Visit social media sites	84%
	Use or check email	98%
	Share your opinions online	32%
	Shop online	61%
	Please rate your overall health.	75% 72% 81%
	What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your fa..	35% 52% 21%

Methods (open participation)

As part of its participation in The National Community Survey™ (The NCST™), the City of Franklin conducted a survey of 448 residents. Survey invitations were mailed to randomly selected households and data were collected from October 24, 2022 to December 16, 2022. The results from this main survey effort represent the most robust estimate of your residents' opinions.

After the above data collection period was underway, a link to an online open participation survey was publicized by the City of Franklin. The open participation survey was identical to the probability sample survey with two small updates; it asked a question to confirm that the respondent was a Franklin resident and also a question about where they heard about the survey. The open participation survey was open to all city residents and became available on November 28, 2022. The survey remained open for two weeks and there were 217 responses.

The open participation survey data were not collected through a random sample and it is unknown who in the community was aware of the survey; therefore, a level of confidence in the representativeness of the sample cannot be estimated. However, to reduce bias where possible, these data were statistically weighted to match the demographic characteristics of the 2010 Census and 2020 American Community Survey estimates for adults in the City of Franklin. The characteristics used for weighting were age, sex, race, Hispanic origin, housing type, and housing tenure. No adjustments were made for design effects. Weights were calculated using an iterative, multiplicative raking model known as the ANES Weighting Algorithm.* The results of the weighting scheme for the open participation survey are presented in the following table.

* Pasek, J. (2010). ANES Weighting Algorithm. Retrieved from <https://web.stanford.edu/group/iriss/cgi-bin/anesrake/resources/RakingDescription.pdf>

		Unweighted	Weighted	Target*
Age	18-34	9%	27%	27%
	35-54	50%	40%	40%
	55+	41%	33%	33%
Hispanic origin	No, not Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino	99%	95%	94%
	Yes, I consider myself to be Spanish, Hispana..	1%	5%	6%
Housing tenure	Own	88%	65%	65%
	Rent	13%	35%	35%
Housing type	Attached	13%	39%	39%
	Detached	88%	61%	61%
Race & Hispanic origin	Not white alone	8%	22%	22%
	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	92%	78%	78%
Sex	Man	40%	46%	47%
	Woman	60%	54%	53%
Sex/age	Man 18-34	4%	12%	12%
	Man 35-54	19%	20%	20%
	Man 55+	18%	15%	15%
	Woman 18-34	6%	15%	15%
	Woman 35-54	32%	20%	20%
	Woman 55+	23%	19%	19%

Open participation survey results

This dashboard contains a complete set of responses to each question on the open participation survey. By default, "don't know" responses are excluded, but may be added to the table using the response filter to the right. In some tables, the percentages may not sum to 100%; this is either because the question permitted the respondent to "choose all that apply", or for a question that asked the respondent to select one answer, it is due to the customary practice of rounding values to the nearest whole number.

	Do you live in the City of Franklin?	No	 2% N=5
		Yes	 98% N=212
Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Franklin.	Franklin as a place to live	Excellent	 65% N=139
		Good	 32% N=69
		Fair	 3% N=6
	Your neighborhood as a place to live	Excellent	 57% N=120
		Good	 37% N=78
		Fair	 6% N=12
		Poor	 0% N=1
	Franklin as a place to raise children	Excellent	 65% N=123
		Good	 27% N=51
		Fair	 8% N=15
	Franklin as a place to work	Excellent	 62% N=113
		Good	 30% N=55
		Fair	 3% N=5
		Poor	 5% N=9
	Franklin as a place to visit	Excellent	 60% N=129
		Good	 34% N=74
		Fair	 5% N=11
	Franklin as a place to retire	Excellent	 35% N=64
		Good	 42% N=77
		Fair	 17% N=31
		Poor	 6% N=12
	The overall quality of life	Excellent	 53% N=114
		Good	 42% N=89
		Fair	 6% N=12
		Poor	 0% N=
	Sense of community	Excellent	 36% N=77

Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Franklin.	Sense of community	Good		40% N=87
		Fair		20% N=44
		Poor		4% N=8
Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Franklin as a whole.	Overall economic health	Excellent		47% N=99
		Good		48% N=100
		Fair		4% N=8
		Poor		1% N=3
	Overall quality of the transportation system	Excellent		6% N=12
		Good		38% N=80
		Fair		38% N=81
		Poor		19% N=41
	Overall design or layout of residential and commercial areas	Excellent		12% N=27
		Good		45% N=98
		Fair		36% N=78
		Poor		6% N=14
	Overall quality of the utility infrastructure	Excellent		29% N=60
		Good		47% N=99
		Fair		19% N=39
		Poor		5% N=11
	Overall feeling of safety	Excellent		49% N=106
		Good		46% N=100
		Fair		5% N=10
		Poor		0% N=
	Overall quality of natural environment	Excellent		34% N=73
		Good		49% N=107
		Fair		14% N=30
		Poor		3% N=6
	Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities	Excellent		49% N=107
		Good		37% N=80
		Fair		12% N=26
		Poor		2% N=3
	Overall health and wellness opportunities	Excellent		32% N=65

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Franklin as a whole.	Overall health and wellness opportunities	Good		52% N=106
		Fair		16% N=33
		Poor		1% N=2
	Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts	Excellent		31% N=65
		Good		51% N=109
		Fair		17% N=36
		Poor		1% N=3
	Residents' connection and engagement with their community	Excellent		18% N=38
		Good		59% N=125
		Fair		21% N=44
		Poor		2% N=4
Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following.	Recommend living in Franklin to someone who asks	Very likely		57% N=122
		Somewhat likely		19% N=41
		Somewhat unlikely		17% N=37
		Very unlikely		6% N=14
	Remain in Franklin for the next five years	Very likely		63% N=134
		Somewhat likely		14% N=29
		Somewhat unlikely		4% N=8
		Very unlikely		19% N=41
Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:	In your neighborhood during the day	Very safe		88% N=191
		Somewhat safe		8% N=17
		Neither safe nor unsafe		3% N=7
		Somewhat unsafe		1% N=1
		Very unsafe		0% N=
	In Franklin's downtown/commercial area during the day	Very safe		89% N=191
		Somewhat safe		9% N=20
		Neither safe nor unsafe		1% N=2
		Somewhat unsafe		1% N=2
	From property crime	Very safe		48% N=103
		Somewhat safe		37% N=79
		Neither safe nor unsafe		9% N=20
		Somewhat unsafe		5% N=12

Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:	From property crime	Very unsafe		1% N=3
	From violent crime	Very safe		66% N=144
		Somewhat safe		29% N=62
		Neither safe nor unsafe		2% N=5
		Somewhat unsafe		2% N=5
	From fire, flood, or other natural disaster	Very safe		35% N=75
		Somewhat safe		52% N=112
		Neither safe nor unsafe		11% N=25
		Somewhat unsafe		1% N=2
		Very unsafe		1% N=3
Please rate the job you feel the Franklin community does at each of the following.	Making all residents feel welcome	Excellent		32% N=68
		Good		37% N=80
		Fair		24% N=52
		Poor		6% N=14
	Attracting people from diverse backgrounds	Excellent		18% N=36
		Good		27% N=54
		Fair		31% N=64
		Poor		24% N=49
	Valuing/respecting residents from diverse backgrounds	Excellent		22% N=43
		Good		33% N=65
		Fair		27% N=54
		Poor		18% N=36
	Taking care of vulnerable residents	Excellent		14% N=24
		Good		29% N=49
		Fair		26% N=43
		Poor		30% N=51
Please rate each of the following in the Franklin community.	Overall quality of business and service establishments	Excellent		41% N=88
		Good		52% N=112
		Fair		6% N=14
		Poor		0% N=
	Variety of business and service establishments	Excellent		42% N=90
		Good		36% N=76

Please rate each of the following in the Franklin community.	Variety of business and service establishments	Fair		20% N=43
		Poor		1% N=3
	Vibrancy of downtown/commercial area	Excellent		56% N=120
		Good		35% N=74
		Fair		9% N=20
	Employment opportunities	Excellent		41% N=70
		Good		38% N=65
		Fair		14% N=24
		Poor		6% N=11
	Shopping opportunities	Excellent		61% N=131
		Good		30% N=64
		Fair		8% N=18
		Poor		1% N=2
	Cost of living	Excellent		1% N=3
		Good		20% N=43
		Fair		35% N=75
		Poor		44% N=94
	Overall image or reputation	Excellent		55% N=119
		Good		38% N=83
		Fair		6% N=14
		Poor		0% N=1
Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.	Traffic flow on major streets	Excellent		2% N=5
		Good		29% N=63
		Fair		38% N=82
		Poor		31% N=68
	Ease of public parking	Excellent		10% N=22
		Good		39% N=85
		Fair		34% N=74
		Poor		16% N=35
	Ease of travel by car	Excellent		12% N=25
		Good		45% N=96
		Fair		33% N=71

Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.

Ease of travel by car	Poor		11% N=24
Ease of travel by public transportation	Excellent		5% N=7
	Good		13% N=17
	Fair		27% N=36
	Poor		55% N=73
Ease of travel by bicycle	Excellent		3% N=4
	Good		26% N=35
	Fair		42% N=57
	Poor		29% N=40
Ease of walking	Excellent		15% N=30
	Good		38% N=79
	Fair		37% N=77
	Poor		10% N=21
Well-planned residential growth	Excellent		7% N=15
	Good		30% N=60
	Fair		40% N=81
	Poor		23% N=46
Well-planned commercial growth	Excellent		16% N=29
	Good		41% N=76
	Fair		27% N=49
	Poor		16% N=30
Well-designed neighborhoods	Excellent		13% N=27
	Good		44% N=89
	Fair		33% N=67
	Poor		9% N=19
Preservation of the historical or cultural character of the community	Excellent		33% N=70
	Good		47% N=102
	Fair		15% N=32
	Poor		6% N=12
Public places where people want to spend time	Excellent		28% N=59
	Good		57% N=123
	Fair		13% N=29

Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.

Public places where people want to spend time	Poor		2% N=5
Variety of housing options	Excellent		5% N=11
	Good		25% N=53
	Fair		31% N=66
	Poor		39% N=84
Availability of affordable quality housing	Excellent		1% N=2
	Good		13% N=26
	Fair		18% N=36
	Poor		69% N=140
Overall quality of new development	Excellent		14% N=30
	Good		39% N=80
	Fair		35% N=72
	Poor		11% N=23
Overall appearance	Excellent		47% N=103
	Good		49% N=106
	Fair		4% N=8
Cleanliness	Excellent		52% N=112
	Good		46% N=99
	Fair		2% N=4
	Poor		0% N=
Water resources	Excellent		18% N=37
	Good		33% N=69
	Fair		35% N=71
	Poor		14% N=29
Air quality	Excellent		25% N=51
	Good		67% N=136
	Fair		8% N=15
	Poor		1% N=2
Availability of paths and walking trails	Excellent		32% N=67
	Good		42% N=89
	Fair		21% N=44
	Poor		5% N=11

Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.

Fitness opportunities	Excellent		32% N=66
	Good		46% N=94
	Fair		18% N=38
	Poor		4% N=9
Recreational opportunities	Excellent		32% N=66
	Good		46% N=96
	Fair		21% N=43
	Poor		2% N=4
Availability of affordable quality food	Excellent		13% N=27
	Good		31% N=67
	Fair		49% N=105
	Poor		7% N=15
Availability of affordable quality health care	Excellent		27% N=55
	Good		42% N=87
	Fair		20% N=41
	Poor		11% N=23
Availability of preventive health services	Excellent		25% N=51
	Good		50% N=103
	Fair		22% N=45
	Poor		4% N=7
Availability of affordable quality mental health care	Excellent		15% N=20
	Good		40% N=53
	Fair		23% N=31
	Poor		22% N=30
Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities	Excellent		31% N=67
	Good		52% N=110
	Fair		15% N=32
	Poor		2% N=4
Community support for the arts	Excellent		35% N=64
	Good		48% N=87
	Fair		17% N=31
	Poor		1% N=2

Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.

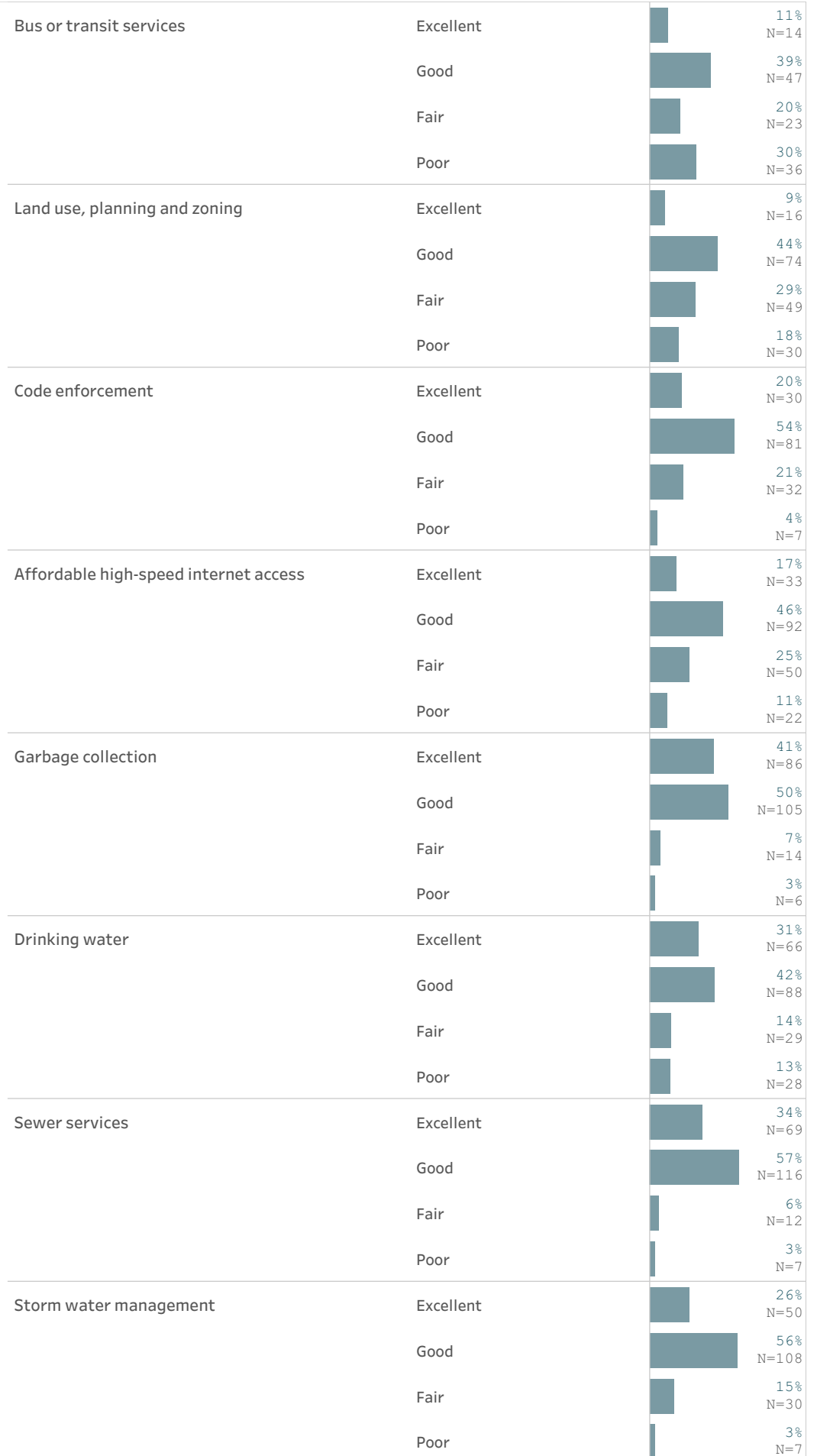
Availability of affordable quality childcare/preschool	Excellent		8% N=9
	Good		20% N=22
	Fair		42% N=46
	Poor		30% N=33
K-12 education	Excellent		52% N=82
	Good		41% N=65
	Fair		5% N=8
	Poor		2% N=3
Adult educational opportunities	Excellent		7% N=8
	Good		47% N=56
	Fair		38% N=45
	Poor		8% N=9
Sense of civic/community pride	Excellent		31% N=64
	Good		59% N=122
	Fair		9% N=20
	Poor		1% N=1
Neighborliness of residents	Excellent		30% N=64
	Good		44% N=93
	Fair		20% N=41
	Poor		6% N=12
Opportunities to participate in social events and activities	Excellent		38% N=78
	Good		47% N=96
	Fair		13% N=27
	Poor		2% N=3
Opportunities to attend special events and festivals	Excellent		52% N=109
	Good		38% N=79
	Fair		9% N=18
	Poor		1% N=2
Opportunities to volunteer	Excellent		37% N=62
	Good		51% N=85
	Fair		10% N=16
	Poor		1% N=2

Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.	Opportunities to participate in community matters	Excellent		33% N=57
		Good		43% N=74
		Fair		20% N=34
		Poor		4% N=7
	Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds	Excellent		18% N=34
		Good		27% N=52
		Fair		40% N=78
		Poor		15% N=29
Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the last 12 months.	Contacted the City of Franklin for help or information	No		52% N=112
		Yes		48% N=104
	Contacted Franklin elected officials to express your opinion	No		63% N=133
		Yes		37% N=79
	Attended a local public meeting	No		63% N=135
		Yes		37% N=79
	Watched a local public meeting	No		39% N=84
		Yes		61% N=132
	Volunteered your time to some group/activity	No		40% N=86
		Yes		60% N=130
	Campaigned or advocated for a local issue, cause, or candidate	No		70% N=151
		Yes		30% N=64
	Voted in your most recent local election	No		13% N=28
		Yes		87% N=188
	Used public transportation instead of driving	No		94% N=203
		Yes		6% N=14
	Carpooled with other adults or children instead of driving alone	No		51% N=110
		Yes		49% N=105
	Walked or biked instead of driving	No		56% N=121
		Yes		44% N=95
Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Franklin.	Public information services	Excellent		27% N=50
		Good		55% N=102
		Fair		16% N=29
		Poor		2% N=3

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Franklin.

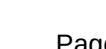
Economic development	Excellent		38% N=68
	Good		47% N=85
	Fair		12% N=22
	Poor		3% N=5
Traffic enforcement	Excellent		12% N=25
	Good		56% N=113
	Fair		16% N=33
	Poor		16% N=32
Traffic signal timing	Excellent		9% N=19
	Good		39% N=82
	Fair		29% N=61
	Poor		24% N=50
Street repair	Excellent		11% N=23
	Good		37% N=79
	Fair		38% N=80
	Poor		14% N=30
Street cleaning	Excellent		30% N=62
	Good		53% N=109
	Fair		15% N=30
	Poor		2% N=3
Street lighting	Excellent		18% N=39
	Good		48% N=104
	Fair		27% N=57
	Poor		7% N=15
Snow removal	Excellent		16% N=27
	Good		42% N=70
	Fair		24% N=40
	Poor		18% N=30
Sidewalk maintenance	Excellent		17% N=34
	Good		64% N=130
	Fair		17% N=35
	Poor		2% N=4

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Franklin.



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Power (electric and/or gas) utility	Excellent		40% N=85
	Good		58% N=124
	Fair		2% N=4
	Poor		0% N=1
Utility billing	Excellent		33% N=68
	Good		55% N=115
	Fair		9% N=20
	Poor		2% N=4
Police/Sheriff services	Excellent		53% N=109
	Good		44% N=90
	Fair		4% N=8
Crime prevention	Excellent		51% N=102
	Good		44% N=88
	Fair		5% N=9
	Poor		0% N=1
Animal control	Excellent		37% N=58
	Good		58% N=90
	Fair		5% N=8
	Poor		0% N=1
Ambulance or emergency medical services	Excellent		51% N=76
	Good		48% N=72
	Fair		1% N=1
	Poor		0% N=
Fire services	Excellent		55% N=94
	Good		44% N=75
	Fair		1% N=1
	Poor		0% N=
Fire prevention and education	Excellent		42% N=57
	Good		52% N=70
	Fair		6% N=8
	Poor		1% N=1
Emergency preparedness	Excellent		29% N=40

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Franklin.	Emergency preparedness	Good		49% N=67
		Fair		21% N=29
		Poor		1% N=1
	Preservation of natural areas	Excellent		23% N=45
		Good		41% N=81
		Fair		25% N=48
		Poor		11% N=21
	Franklin open space	Excellent		26% N=51
		Good		41% N=82
		Fair		27% N=54
		Poor		6% N=11
	Recycling	Excellent		17% N=33
		Good		37% N=73
		Fair		29% N=56
		Poor		17% N=33
	Yard waste pick-up	Excellent		41% N=66
		Good		41% N=66
		Fair		13% N=22
		Poor		5% N=8
	City parks	Excellent		50% N=106
		Good		44% N=94
		Fair		6% N=14
	Recreation programs or classes	Excellent		36% N=54
		Good		52% N=79
		Fair		10% N=16
		Poor		2% N=3
	Recreation centers or facilities	Excellent		37% N=71
		Good		48% N=91
		Fair		13% N=25
		Poor		2% N=3
	Health services	Excellent		33% N=56
		Good		52% N=89

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Franklin.	Health services	Fair		16% N=27
		Poor		0% N=
	Public library services	Excellent		59% N=114
		Good		35% N=68
		Fair		6% N=11
	Overall customer service by Franklin employees	Excellent		45% N=93
		Good		46% N=95
		Fair		10% N=20
		Poor		0% N=
Please rate the following categories of Franklin government performance.	The value of services for the taxes paid to Franklin	Excellent		26% N=53
		Good		49% N=100
		Fair		23% N=46
		Poor		2% N=4
	The overall direction that Franklin is taking	Excellent		15% N=32
		Good		40% N=85
		Fair		32% N=70
		Poor		13% N=27
	The job Franklin government does at welcoming resident involvement	Excellent		26% N=45
		Good		41% N=71
		Fair		30% N=53
		Poor		3% N=6
	Overall confidence in Franklin government	Excellent		19% N=41
		Good		50% N=105
		Fair		19% N=40
		Poor		12% N=24
	Generally acting in the best interest of the community	Excellent		20% N=43
		Good		40% N=85
		Fair		28% N=59
		Poor		12% N=25
	Being honest	Excellent		22% N=38
		Good		46% N=78
		Fair		22% N=38

Please rate the following categories of Franklin government performance.	Being honest	Poor		10% N=17
	Being open and transparent to the public	Excellent		22% N=41
		Good		44% N=81
		Fair		25% N=47
		Poor		8% N=15
	Informing residents about issues facing the community	Excellent		14% N=28
		Good		44% N=88
		Fair		33% N=65
		Poor		9% N=18
	Treating all residents fairly	Excellent		24% N=41
		Good		37% N=64
		Fair		19% N=33
		Poor		19% N=33
	Treating residents with respect	Excellent		29% N=56
		Good		51% N=97
		Fair		12% N=23
Poor			8% N=15	
Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provided by each of the following?	The City of Franklin	Excellent		35% N=75
		Good		57% N=120
		Fair		6% N=13
		Poor		1% N=3
	The Federal Government	Excellent		3% N=6
		Good		27% N=54
		Fair		33% N=66
		Poor		37% N=75
Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the Franklin community to focus on each of the following in the coming two years.	Overall economic health	Essential		49% N=104
		Very important		41% N=87
		Somewhat important		7% N=15
		Not at all important		2% N=5
	Overall quality of the transportation system	Essential		38% N=82
		Very important		34% N=72
		Somewhat important		23% N=49

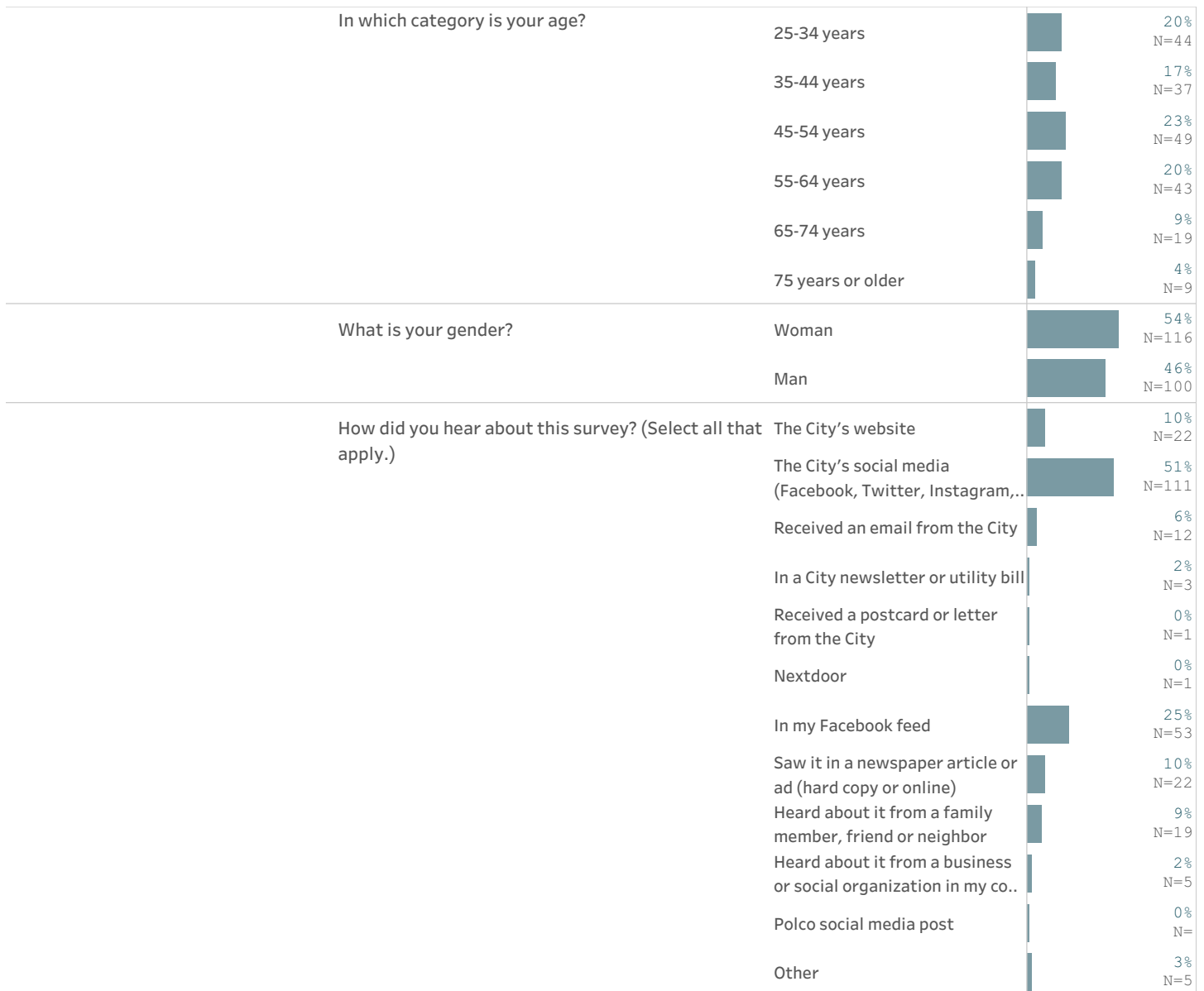
Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the Franklin community to focus on each of the following in the coming two years.

Overall quality of the transportation system	Not at all important		5% N=10
Overall design or layout of residential and commercial areas	Essential		50% N=107
	Very important		30% N=65
	Somewhat important		20% N=44
	Not at all important		0% N=
Overall quality of the utility infrastructure	Essential		50% N=105
	Very important		42% N=89
	Somewhat important		7% N=15
	Not at all important		1% N=2
Overall feeling of safety	Essential		55% N=118
	Very important		28% N=61
	Somewhat important		14% N=30
	Not at all important		3% N=7
Overall quality of natural environment	Essential		40% N=86
	Very important		48% N=105
	Somewhat important		11% N=23
	Not at all important		1% N=2
Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities	Essential		27% N=57
	Very important		53% N=112
	Somewhat important		19% N=40
	Not at all important		2% N=5
Overall health and wellness opportunities	Essential		34% N=73
	Very important		35% N=75
	Somewhat important		30% N=64
	Not at all important		1% N=2
Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts	Essential		29% N=62
	Very important		40% N=86
	Somewhat important		31% N=68
Residents' connection and engagement with their community	Essential		25% N=52
	Very important		46% N=96
	Somewhat important		29% N=60
	Not at all important		1% N=1

	Please rate your level of satisfaction with the City of Franklin's management of growth:	Very satisfied		19% N=40
		Somewhat satisfied		51% N=108
		Somewhat dissatisfied		15% N=33
		Very dissatisfied		14% N=30
Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the City to enhance each of the following services or amenities.	Regional transit	Essential		26% N=54
		Very important		30% N=63
		Somewhat important		34% N=71
		Not at all important		11% N=22
	Affordable/workforce housing	Essential		47% N=100
		Very important		23% N=48
		Somewhat important		22% N=48
		Not at all important		8% N=16
	Greenway connectivity	Essential		20% N=42
		Very important		39% N=81
		Somewhat important		30% N=64
		Not at all important		11% N=23
	Retail/entertainment options	Essential		17% N=36
		Very important		25% N=55
		Somewhat important		41% N=87
		Not at all important		17% N=37
	Public art	Essential		8% N=17
		Very important		24% N=51
		Somewhat important		44% N=93
		Not at all important		25% N=52
In general, how many times do you:	Access the internet from your home	Several times a day		90% N=194
		Once a day		6% N=12
		A few times a week		3% N=6
		Every few weeks		0% N=
		Less often or never		2% N=4
	Access the internet from your cell phone	Several times a day		97% N=203
		Once a day		2% N=4
		A few times a week		1% N=2

In general, how many times do you:	Access the internet from your cell phone	Every few weeks	 0% N=1
	Visit social media sites	Several times a day	 80% N=171
		Once a day	 12% N=26
		A few times a week	 3% N=7
		Every few weeks	 2% N=3
		Less often or never	 3% N=7
Use or check email		Several times a day	 88% N=189
		Once a day	 8% N=17
		A few times a week	 2% N=5
		Every few weeks	 2% N=5
		Less often or never	 0% N=
Share your opinions online		Several times a day	 14% N=29
		Once a day	 4% N=8
		A few times a week	 11% N=23
		Every few weeks	 31% N=64
		Less often or never	 40% N=83
Shop online		Several times a day	 13% N=28
		Once a day	 8% N=16
		A few times a week	 42% N=90
		Every few weeks	 32% N=68
		Less often or never	 6% N=12
Please rate your overall health.		Excellent	 27% N=59
		Very good	 52% N=112
		Good	 18% N=39
		Fair	 2% N=5
What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family income in the next 6 months? Do you think the impact will be:		Very positive	 5% N=11
		Somewhat positive	 18% N=38
		Neutral	 29% N=62
		Somewhat negative	 37% N=79
		Very negative	 12% N=26
How many years have you lived in Franklin?		Less than 2 years	 17% N=38
		2-5 years	 19% N=41

	How many years have you lived in Franklin?	6-10 years		16% N=35
		11-20 years		18% N=39
		More than 20 years		29% N=63
	Which best describes the building you live in?	One family house detached from any other houses		61% N=133
		Building with two or more homes (duplex, townhome, apa..		39% N=83
	Do you rent or own your home?	Rent		35% N=75
		Own		65% N=141
About how much is your monthly housing cost for the place you live (including rent, mortgage payment, property tax, property insurance, and homeowners' association (HOA) fees)?	About how much is your monthly housing cost for the place you live (including rent, mortgage payment, property tax, property insurance and homeowners' association (HOA) fees)?	Less than \$500		3% N=6
		\$500 to \$999		9% N=19
		\$1,000 to \$1,499		10% N=21
		\$1,500 to \$1,999		27% N=57
		\$2,000 to \$2,499		21% N=44
		\$2,500 to \$2,999		15% N=32
		\$3,000 to \$3,499		8% N=16
		\$3,500 or more		8% N=17
	Do any children 17 or under live in your household?	No		65% N=140
		Yes		35% N=74
	Are you or any other members of your household aged 65 or older?	No		76% N=164
		Yes		24% N=52
	How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the current year? (Please include in your total income money from all sources for all persons living in your household.)	Less than \$25,000		1% N=2
		\$25,000 to \$49,999		13% N=28
		\$50,000 to \$74,999		9% N=19
		\$75,000 to \$99,999		10% N=20
		\$100,000 to \$149,999		25% N=52
		\$150,000 or more		42% N=87
Are you Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino?	Are you Spanish, Hispanic or Latino?	No, not Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino		95% N=205
		Yes, I consider myself to be Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino		5% N=11
	What is your race? (Mark one or more races to indicate what race you consider yourself to be.)	Asian, Asian Indian, or Pacific Islander		7% N=14
		Black or African American		3% N=5
		White		92% N=193
		Other		8% N=16
	In which category is your age?	18-24 years		7% N=15





November 2022

Dear City of Franklin Resident:

Please help us shape the future of Franklin! You have been selected at random to participate in the 2022 Franklin Community Survey. **If you've already completed the survey online, thank you. Please do not respond twice.**

Please take a few minutes to fill out the enclosed survey. Your participation in this survey is very important—especially since your household is one of only a small number being surveyed. Your feedback will help Franklin make decisions that affect our City.

A few things to remember:

- **Your responses are confidential and no identifying information will be shared.**
- In order to hear from a diverse group of residents, the adult 18 years or older in your household who most recently had a birthday should complete this survey.
- **You may return the survey by mail in the enclosed postage-paid envelope, or you can complete the survey online at:**

<https://polco.us/franklintn22>

Please do not share your survey link. This survey is for randomly selected households only. The City will conduct a separate survey that is open to all residents just a few weeks from now.

If you have any questions about the survey, please call 615-791-3217.

Thank you for your time and participation!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ken Moore', is positioned above the printed name.

Dr. Ken Moore
Mayor

The City of Franklin 2022 Community Survey

Please complete this survey if you are the adult (age 18 or older) in the household who most recently had a birthday (the year of birth does not matter). Your responses are confidential and no identifying information will be shared.

1. Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Franklin.

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Franklin as a place to live	1	2	3	4	5
Your neighborhood as a place to live	1	2	3	4	5
Franklin as a place to raise children.....	1	2	3	4	5
Franklin as a place to work.....	1	2	3	4	5
Franklin as a place to visit.....	1	2	3	4	5
Franklin as a place to retire.....	1	2	3	4	5
The overall quality of life in Franklin.....	1	2	3	4	5
Sense of community.....	1	2	3	4	5

2. Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Franklin as a whole.

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Overall economic health of Franklin.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall quality of the transportation system (auto, bicycle, foot, bus) in Franklin.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall design or layout of Franklin's residential and commercial areas (e.g., homes, buildings, streets, parks, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5
Overall quality of the utility infrastructure in Franklin (water, sewer, storm water, electric/gas, broadband).....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall feeling of safety in Franklin.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall quality of natural environment in Franklin.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall health and wellness opportunities in Franklin.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts.....	1	2	3	4	5
Residents' connection and engagement with their community	1	2	3	4	5

3. Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following.

	<u>Very likely</u>	<u>Somewhat likely</u>	<u>Somewhat unlikely</u>	<u>Very unlikely</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Recommend living in Franklin to someone who asks.....	1	2	3	4	5
Remain in Franklin for the next five years.....	1	2	3	4	5

4. Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:

	<u>Very safe</u>	<u>Somewhat safe</u>	<u>Neither safe nor unsafe</u>	<u>Somewhat unsafe</u>	<u>Very unsafe</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
In your neighborhood during the day.....	1	2	3	4	5	6
In Franklin's downtown/commercial area during the day	1	2	3	4	5	6
From property crime.....	1	2	3	4	5	6
From violent crime.....	1	2	3	4	5	6
From fire, flood, or other natural disaster	1	2	3	4	5	6

5. Please rate the job you feel the Franklin community does at each of the following.

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Making all residents feel welcome	1	2	3	4	5
Attracting people from diverse backgrounds.....	1	2	3	4	5
Valuing/respecting residents from diverse backgrounds.....	1	2	3	4	5
Taking care of vulnerable residents (elderly, disabled, homeless, etc.).....	1	2	3	4	5

6. Please rate each of the following in the Franklin community.

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Overall quality of business and service establishments in Franklin.....	1	2	3	4	5
Variety of business and service establishments in Franklin	1	2	3	4	5
Vibrancy of downtown/commercial area	1	2	3	4	5
Employment opportunities	1	2	3	4	5
Shopping opportunities.....	1	2	3	4	5
Cost of living in Franklin.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall image or reputation of Franklin	1	2	3	4	5

7. Please also rate each of the following in the Franklin community.

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Traffic flow on major streets.....	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of public parking.....	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of travel by car in Franklin.....	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of travel by public transportation in Franklin.....	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of travel by bicycle in Franklin.....	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of walking in Franklin.....	1	2	3	4	5
Well-planned residential growth.....	1	2	3	4	5
Well-planned commercial growth.....	1	2	3	4	5
Well-designed neighborhoods.....	1	2	3	4	5
Preservation of the historical or cultural character of the community.....	1	2	3	4	5
Public places where people want to spend time.....	1	2	3	4	5
Variety of housing options.....	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality housing.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall quality of new development in Franklin.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall appearance of Franklin.....	1	2	3	4	5
Cleanliness of Franklin.....	1	2	3	4	5
Water resources (beaches, lakes, ponds, riverways, etc.).....	1	2	3	4	5
Air quality.....	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of paths and walking trails.....	1	2	3	4	5
Fitness opportunities (including exercise classes and paths or trails, etc.) ...	1	2	3	4	5
Recreational opportunities.....	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality food.....	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality health care.....	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of preventive health services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality mental health care.....	1	2	3	4	5
Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities.....	1	2	3	4	5
Community support for the arts.....	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality childcare/preschool.....	1	2	3	4	5
K-12 education.....	1	2	3	4	5
Adult educational opportunities.....	1	2	3	4	5
Sense of civic/community pride.....	1	2	3	4	5
Neighborliness of residents in Franklin.....	1	2	3	4	5
Opportunities to participate in social events and activities.....	1	2	3	4	5
Opportunities to attend special events and festivals.....	1	2	3	4	5
Opportunities to volunteer.....	1	2	3	4	5
Opportunities to participate in community matters.....	1	2	3	4	5
Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds.....	1	2	3	4	5

8. Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the last 12 months.

	<u>No</u>	<u>Yes</u>
Contacted the City of Franklin (in-person, phone, email, or web) for help or information.....	1	2
Contacted Franklin elected officials (in-person, phone, email, or web) to express your opinion.....	1	2
Attended a local public meeting (of local elected officials like City Council or County Commissioners, advisory boards, town halls, HOA, neighborhood watch, etc.).....	1	2
Watched (online or on television) a local public meeting.....	1	2
Volunteered your time to some group/activity in Franklin.....	1	2
Campaigned or advocated for a local issue, cause, or candidate.....	1	2
Voted in your most recent local election.....	1	2
Used bus, rail, subway, or other public transportation instead of driving.....	1	2
Carpooled with other adults or children instead of driving alone.....	1	2
Walked or biked instead of driving.....	1	2

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9. Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Franklin.

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Public information services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Economic development.....	1	2	3	4	5
Traffic enforcement	1	2	3	4	5
Traffic signal timing.....	1	2	3	4	5
Street repair.....	1	2	3	4	5
Street cleaning.....	1	2	3	4	5
Street lighting.....	1	2	3	4	5
Snow removal.....	1	2	3	4	5
Sidewalk maintenance.....	1	2	3	4	5
Bus or transit services	1	2	3	4	5
Land use, planning, and zoning.....	1	2	3	4	5
Code enforcement (weeds, abandoned buildings, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5
Affordable high-speed internet access	1	2	3	4	5
Garbage collection	1	2	3	4	5
Drinking water.....	1	2	3	4	5
Sewer services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Storm water management (storm drainage, dams, levees, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5
Power (electric and/or gas) utility.....	1	2	3	4	5
Utility billing	1	2	3	4	5
Police services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Crime prevention	1	2	3	4	5
Animal control.....	1	2	3	4	5
Ambulance or emergency medical services	1	2	3	4	5
Fire services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Fire prevention and education.....	1	2	3	4	5
Emergency preparedness (services that prepare the community for natural disasters or other emergency situations)	1	2	3	4	5
Preservation of natural areas (open space, farmlands, and greenbelts)	1	2	3	4	5
Franklin open space.....	1	2	3	4	5
Recycling.....	1	2	3	4	5
Yard waste pick-up.....	1	2	3	4	5
City parks.....	1	2	3	4	5
Recreation programs or classes	1	2	3	4	5
Recreation centers or facilities	1	2	3	4	5
Health services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Public library services	1	2	3	4	5
Overall customer service by Franklin employees (police, receptionists, planners, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5

10. Please rate the following categories of Franklin government performance.

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
The value of services for the taxes paid to Franklin	1	2	3	4	5
The overall direction that Franklin is taking	1	2	3	4	5
The job Franklin government does at welcoming resident involvement.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall confidence in Franklin government.....	1	2	3	4	5
Generally acting in the best interest of the community	1	2	3	4	5
Being honest.....	1	2	3	4	5
Being open and transparent to the public.....	1	2	3	4	5
Informing residents about issues facing the community.....	1	2	3	4	5
Treating all residents fairly	1	2	3	4	5
Treating residents with respect	1	2	3	4	5

11. Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provided by each of the following?

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
The City of Franklin.....	1	2	3	4	5
The Federal Government.....	1	2	3	4	5

12. Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the Franklin community to focus on each of the following in the coming two years.

	<u>Essential</u>	<u>Very important</u>	<u>Somewhat important</u>	<u>Not at all important</u>
Overall economic health of Franklin.....	1	2	3	4
Overall quality of the transportation system (auto, bicycle, foot, bus) in Franklin	1	2	3	4
Overall design or layout of Franklin's residential and commercial areas (e.g., homes, buildings, streets, parks, etc.)	1	2	3	4
Overall quality of the utility infrastructure in Franklin (water, sewer, storm water, electric/gas, broadband).....	1	2	3	4
Overall feeling of safety in Franklin	1	2	3	4
Overall quality of natural environment in Franklin.....	1	2	3	4
Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities.....	1	2	3	4
Overall health and wellness opportunities in Franklin	1	2	3	4
Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts.....	1	2	3	4
Residents' connection and engagement with their community	1	2	3	4

13. Please rate your level of satisfaction with the City of Franklin's management of growth:

☐ Very satisfied ☐ Somewhat satisfied ☐ Somewhat dissatisfied ☐ Very dissatisfied ☐ Don't know

14. Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the City to enhance each of the following services or amenities.

	<u>Essential</u>	<u>Very important</u>	<u>Somewhat important</u>	<u>Not at all important</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Regional transit.....	1	2	3	4	5
Affordable/workforce housing	1	2	3	4	5
Greenway connectivity.....	1	2	3	4	5
Retail/entertainment options	1	2	3	4	5
Public art.....	1	2	3	4	5

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Our last questions are about you and your household.

Again, all of your responses to this survey are confidential and no identifying information will be shared.

D1. In general, how many times do you:

	Several times a day	Once a day	A few times a week	Every few weeks	Less often or never	Don't know
Access the internet from your home using a computer, laptop, or tablet computer	1	2	3	4	5	6
Access the internet from your cell phone.....	1	2	3	4	5	6
Visit social media sites such as Facebook, Twitter, Nextdoor, etc.	1	2	3	4	5	6
Use or check email.....	1	2	3	4	5	6
Share your opinions online.....	1	2	3	4	5	6
Shop online	1	2	3	4	5	6

D2. Please rate your overall health.

- ☐ Excellent
 ☐ Very good
 ☐ Good
 ☐ Fair
 ☐ Poor

D3. What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family income in the next 6 months?

Do you think the impact will be:

- ☐ Very positive
 ☐ Somewhat positive
 ☐ Neutral
 ☐ Somewhat negative
 ☐ Very negative

D4. How many years have you lived in Franklin?

- ☐ Less than 2 years
☐ 2-5 years
☐ 6-10 years
☐ 11-20 years
☐ More than 20 years

D5. Which best describes the building you live in?

- ☐ One family house detached from any other houses
☐ Building with two or more homes
 (duplex, townhome, apartment, or condominium)
☐ Mobile home
☐ Other

D6. Do you rent or own your home?

- ☐ Rent
☐ Own

D7. About how much is your monthly housing cost for the place you live (including rent, mortgage payment, property tax, property insurance, and homeowners' association (HOA) fees)?

- ☐ Less than \$500
 ☐ \$2,000 to \$2,499
☐ \$500 to \$999
 ☐ \$2,500 to \$2,999
☐ \$1,000 to \$1,499
 ☐ \$3,000 to \$3,499
☐ \$1,500 to \$1,999
 ☐ \$3,500 or more

D8. Do any children 17 or under live in your household?

- ☐ No
 ☐ Yes

D9. Are you or any other members of your household aged 65 or older?

- ☐ No
 ☐ Yes

D10. How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the current year? (Please include in your total income money from all sources for all persons living in your household.)

- ☐ Less than \$25,000
 ☐ \$75,000 to \$99,999
☐ \$25,000 to \$49,999
 ☐ \$100,000 to \$149,999
☐ \$50,000 to \$74,999
 ☐ \$150,000 or more

D11. Are you Spanish, Hispanic or Latino?

- ☐ No, not Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino
☐ Yes, I consider myself to be Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino

D12. What is your race? (Mark one or more races to indicate what race you consider yourself to be.)

- ☐ American Indian or Alaskan Native
☐ Asian, Asian Indian, or Pacific Islander
☐ Black or African American
☐ White
☐ Other

D13. In which category is your age?

- ☐ 18-24 years
 ☐ 55-64 years
☐ 25-34 years
 ☐ 65-74 years
☐ 35-44 years
 ☐ 75 years or older
☐ 45-54 years

D14. What is your gender?

- ☐ Female
☐ Male
☐ Identify in another way

Thank you!

Please return the completed survey in the postage-paid envelope to:
National Research Center, Inc., PO Box 549, Belle Mead, NJ 08502

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15. Aside from transportation (traffic) related issues, what is the most important challenge or problem facing Franklin today?

- Good quality affordable housing
- more variety of housing options, i.e. smaller, affordable apartments
- (1) Managing population growth and the resulting demands on infrastructure (Schools, utilities, etc.) without increasing property taxes.
- n/a
- Over development of green spaces and spaces where there is not good access roads.
- Creating a community in which the children raised by the community can afford to live in the City of Franklin once they become adults. This is getting more and more difficult for the children of Franklin and creates a city in which we are losing our own to other cheaper communities. This loss opens the door to outsiders who think that Franklin is a great place to spread their MAGA extremism and that is something that we do not want in our community. Franklin has always been a community that accepts everyone but this is being threatened by those MAGA extremists who are moving to our community and creating a hostile environment for anyone who is different. Franklin is a place for diversity and freedom and we can not allow outsiders to come and ruin that for everyone.
- Fiscal balance and responsibility
- Public schools are behind the times. They need to promote IT skills (i.e. developers, analysts, cyber security) MUCH more for the future. Right now, it's barely an option. Local companies hire 80% foreigners on H1s for our great IT jobs. Train these kids up for tech!!!
- Too many apartments being built. Demand services but don't pay the taxes.
- Lack of sidewalks.
- Alt-right interference in public school curriculum and textbooks.
- More people are attending downtown festivals than the infrastructure can handle. New neighborhoods should all have sidewalks.
- Franklin is losing its Southern character
- Too much government oversight/restrictions on economic development
- Sorry but it's traffic!- the Mack hatcher complete loop around Franklin needs to be a priority not widening roads.
- (1) Roads & traffic (2) Roads & traffic (3) Un-checked residential growth & impact on schools.
- Growth and affordable housing.
- Loss of canopy & increase in density & flood risks. It would be nice if the city valued the historic trees and how essential they are in managing runoff & flood risks. So much emphasis is placed on maintaining historic structures while trees, some of which are older than the historic structures, are easily discarded.
- The environment.
- Affordable housing options of any/all kinds.
- (1) Too many new houses being built, destroying precious land, & causing more people to move here (2) Affordable housing has disappeared (3) Adding sidewalks instead of more needed lanes.
- "\$" keeping cost down.
- Outside crime coming to Franklin due to healthy / affluent city. Car break in's.

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15. Aside from transportation (traffic) related issues, what is the most important challenge or problem facing Franklin today?

- 1. Rising cost for city services such as water/ sewer. Curbside recycling should be available without extra fee. Hard to be retired in city I've lived in for over 20 years. 2. Lack of respect/support for teachers in this county who have helped to establish a top-notch school system. City and county don't mind taking credit, but I never see that they give due credit. 3. Mental health services, especially for teens. Too many suicides among our young people. Safety in neighborhoods. There are no sidewalks in more established neighborhoods. Trying to walk or ride a bike is always a little scary. Having to worry about speeding and erratic driving in residential areas, especially when people use the neighborhood as a cut-through to avoid more congested areas. Recreational/exercise activities for families are great and well advertised but don't see much for older adults. It may be available, but not as well known.
- Affordable housing.
- AFFORDABLE HOUSING.
- Road way planning seems biased toward big developers and ignores issue of property value impact due to planned roadway expansions through quiet neighborhoods. Your quest to create major connectors to enable more housing / retail is negatively impacting your existing residents who are paying taxes already. You need to rethink urban planning to preserve quality of life & property values for existing home owners. Franklin seems greedy.
- Management of growth.
- Affordable housing. Too many people cannot afford to live in the community where they work.
- GROWTH.
- Maintaining historical knowledge of what happened here so we don't repeat it.
- My husband and I have grown up in Franklin since we were in elementary school. As of a month ago we are finally homeowners in Franklin. We feel so much pride to be from Franklin and to have witnessed Franklin's growth in the past few years. When we were deciding where to live after finishing our graduate programs, the only con we could think of about Franklin was its lack of diversity and celebration of culture. As much as I love Franklin, growing up here as a minority was hard. I worry that if we stay here if I have kids one day that they will face the same challenges. I want my future kids to feel accepted and loved and just as much a part of Franklin as the non-minority children. I think a place like "plaza mariachi" in Nashville would be an amazing addition to Franklin. It would serve as a cultural hub and a place for all communities in Franklin to come together and have activities. Thank you -u's for allowing us this opportunity to provide n -utl.
- The continued growth in Franklin & providing limitations to that growth is very concerning. This massive growth (trying to fit as many homes as possible on little land) is gravely affecting our schools. Help these schools!.
- Poor road, high taxes, too much development. Franklin is losing its charm due to over development.
- COST OF LIVING IN FRANKLIN & SAFETY.
- Affordable housing.
- Better management of commercial/residential development that is destroying critical native habitat that is essential for supporting wildlife (mammals, birds, pollinators, etc.). It is essential for our leaders to conserve and restore native habitat (trees, shrubs, wild-flowers) and waterways.
- Over populated.
- Its popularity for all the reasons above is drawing a new socially & political mix of residents that is changing the face of Franklin, not necessarily for the better. I fear we are losing the warmth and welcoming spirit that has made Franklin such a welcoming community historically. It is a challenge that I am not sure how to successfully address in our current culture.
- Too many housing developments taking away the bucolic fields of Franklin, limit # of new subdivisions and increase land grants for Franklin farms.

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15. Aside from transportation (traffic) related issues, what is the most important challenge or problem facing Franklin today?

- Growth.
- Affordability.
- ADDITIONAL "SMALL COTTAGES" COMMUNITY FOR THE ELDERLY (55+) "AFFORDABLE".
- Keeping things affordable.
- Managing growth.
- The new apartment complex off of Royal Oaks will be adding at least 800 vehicles to an already crowded traffic area. We fought and won building this complex several years back. Unfortunately we will be leaving Franklin after the city snuck this project in during covid.
- No affordable housing for people on a fixed income.
- I am 81 yrs old, confined to a wheel chair, losing the sight in 1 eye and have been diagnosed recently with congestion heart failure. Many of these questions I have no knowledge of as I cannot get out on my own or take part in any of those things or use any of them. Thank you.
- Affordable housing.
- Affordable housing. More senior places to live that are not luxurious. Luxury makes apartments not affordable.
- Managing large multi-unit residential properties without destroying the feel of Franklin. Example of a bad one is at corner of Carothers and liberty.
- *Rapidly growing population of families moving here.
- Affordable housing.
- Builders are putting houses on top of houses. Yuck!.
- Poor water quality and the cost of water. Franklin's water is terrible to drink.
- Affordable housing.
- *Infrastructure. Manage growth,. It seems that there is something huge being built on every square inch. Our infrastructure can not handle it.
- Too much development <both homes & apartments> & not preserve green space. Thank goodness brown's farm is being held up - too much congestion for that area by the river.
- Population has taken away from the small town.
- I do enjoy living in Franklin, but sadly I watch it lose its small town charm by joining the race of growth and prosperity.
- Cost of living & affordable housing.
- Affordable housing!.
- EXCESSIVE BUILDING OF VERY LARGE EXPENSIVE RESIDENCES WITH TOTAL DISREGARDS FOR NEEDS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING.
- I was born & raised here. I understand for economic growth we need to grow but I cant go anywhere in Franklin w/out traffic anywhere. The roads and space cannot keep up w/ the growth rising so quickly.
- Growth. I moved here in June '21 and am here every month for a couple weeks and will be fully moved here in June '23. It is the best town ever, but it is growing and a lot of out of state folks coming in obviously. Be nice if it kept it's personality in tact, which is why I moved here in the first place.
- Managing growth.
- Maintaining economic & residential growth, but considering overcrowding & what is too much growth.
- Rising costs of living associated w/ this being such a desirable city to move to. 2nd option: tension between "locals"& "transplants" (esp. re politics).
- Maintaining excellent education/ school system establish transit to Nashville.

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- FLOODING DANGERS. WHEN YOU COVER THE GROUND WITH BUILDINGS, CONCRETE OR PAVING, YOU CREAT RUN OFF. WE HAVE TO STOP THE RUN OFF AND HELP THE RIVER. THE RIVER NEEDS SOME HELP WITH CLEANING & CREAT SOME RUN OFF BASING. OUR WORST FLOOD IS YET TO COME!.
- Cost of living - overall economy.
- Environmental degradation esp. to Harpeth River. Lack of parks, green space and greenways, over development too many phosphates and sediments green ways should connect from all directions to downtown Franklin, so you can ride a bike or walk from home.
- Too many new homes/buildings are being built. It is becoming no longer affordable and is causing people that have lived here a long time or their whole lives to move elsewhere.
- Fixing side walks in subdivision; crimes; more senior citizens housing.
- -Behavior of children in schools!! -lack of parental involvement with children. The county/city needs a place for children with severe behaviors especially at the elementary level.
- I just moved here and rent an apt lower rents.
- Moderate price for housing...
- Property taxes going up yearly; a better rate for retired people for property taxes. Gas prices need to be lowered in order to purchase instead of going to joining counties. Forty cents on the dollar is too high, very greedy in our city of Franklin & nothing is done w/monies but pay our officials high dollars. It is sad to see the city of Franklin loosing out on gas prices that are lower in price. Wake up Franklin!.
- Over development, lack of parks, walking trails, tennis courts, etc. Communication of resources, opportunities, etc.
- Over-development, over building, over-growth. We have lost the small-town feel and friendliness this city had 30 years ago, and the loss of undeveloped, scenic areas all over Franklin and along 7-65 is tragic. Too much growth has ruined a once beautiful and non-crowded gem. Shame on the commissioners over the last 30 years for destroying historic Franklin.
- DEVELOPING IS OUTSTRIPPING INFRASTRUCTURE, HOW CAN YOU ELIMINATE TRAFFIC - ITS PART OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE PROBLEM. TRY GETTING ON SUNSET/CROTHERS/MCEWEN AT ANY RUSH HOUR, TOO MANY NEW HOUSES/DEVELOPMENTS WITH 2 OR 3 LANE ROADS.
- Affordable housing
- Population growth
- Explosive growth.
- Not having enough room for the overflow of new residents.
- Natchez street not being honored
- Complete lack of diversity in race, ethnicity, religion and income reflected to people who don't live here. Every visitor I bring to Franklin comments on the total "whiteness" of the city, often followed by a "why do you live here" question. Oh, and celebrating our link to the Confederacy continues to be a horrible message to anyone who isn't a white southerner. Pulled up the City of Franklin Leadership Team web page to see how the city is facilitating/encouraging minority hiring and.....well, damn.
- That the infrastructure be laid down before further development and that farm land (I.e. Gentry and others) is preserved. Also that developers are not able to develop in flood plains...thank you Planning Commission and BOMA for not approving Brownland Farms.
- Increase in crime
- Too expensive to live here. Can't afford to buy a home or move apts.
- More medical professionals. Difficult to find doctors accepting new patients.

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- Having affordable housing, restaurants, and other businesses that are within a price range that everyone can enjoy and not those living in higher priced areas and relocating from out of state. The city needs to remember there is still a large group of citizens who have grown up here and stayed, and not just moved here because we had the money to do so.
- Extreme ideology of right-wing extremism and conspiracy theories
- Managing growth - schools, traffic, roads & streets.
- Uncontrolled growth.
- Politics. Example - people threatening others at school board meetings with nothing being done and no arrests. Please keep religion and politics separate!.
- Street maintenance I think it is because of poor constriction.
- Allowing affordable single family housing development, specifically, permitting smaller, starter level housing.
- Folks in Franklin believe that we are the best in TN (which we are), but there is much improvement needed especially in education. Being the best in TN still leaves us far behind many states. Franklin should lead the way in demanding better.
- Affordable housing for work force.
- An important challenge is to continue growth in an aesthetically pleasing and environmentally friendly way, which conserves the green spaces and pastures, and health of the environment, which make Franklin a beautiful and peaceful place to live (and not just some other ugly suburban area with strip malls and power lines). It is also important to continue to support small business and mom / pop shops which make Franklin charming and special. This must be done by limiting chains and big box establishments, and conserving natural areas whenever possible.
- Too rapid growth patterns: population density
- Population growth.
- Affordable housing
- You have listed traffic above and please address the infrastructure. Subdivisions are going up but the roads are still two lane. Cost of living (buying a home), I could not afford to live here now on my teacher's salary. The county firefighters are volunteer? Seriously? I babysit, feed, and care for a volunteer firefighter's children as he trains. The "volunteer" firefighters should be paid. The population must be controlled unless the infrastructure is also given attention to. For example, Columbia Pike (as are Henpeck Lane, Coleman Road, Lewisburg Road) is still 2 lanes even though businesses, schools, and subdivisions have been added; I have lived here since 1999 and when I go "in person" to take care of my car tags, I see the exact same number of counters offered to customers and the exact same number of employees. Citizens wait hours to receive services; driver's licenses are the same. I spent 6 hours to get the Gold Star on my driver's license. Again, the same number of facilities and the same number of counters. It seems WE have grown but not the Government Services availability. At this point, I will not address the emissions facilities as that has been made void. However, it still baffles me that the testing center I had been going to still had two bays even though the population continued to grow year after year. I dearly LOVE Franklin and so proud to call it my home, however, I feel that we have "gotten too big for our britches" as my grandmother would say. We offer so many lovely things to visitors/tourists but have seemed have to forgotten about the hard working people that actually live here each and every day.
- Affordable housing for a working class.
- Connectivity from my neighborhood to downtown via safe sidewalk/bikeways.
- The migration of people from CA, IL, NJ, NY and the cultural challenges and dynamics.
- Franklin is a homogenous community. There is very little diversity.

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- cost of living
- Handling growth while maintaining the unique feel of Franklin and its reputation nationally as a great place to live
- Jerk cops
- With such widespread growth, creating a culture of a sense of belonging and connectiveness among the residents.
- Locals and diverse populations will soon be priced out of our home
- Growth needs to be manageable - more apartments - (new construction) not in best interest of Franklin.
- Cost of living people don't want to work bicycles decreased.
- Managing growth without raising the cost of living/taxes too much
- Housing-affordable for fire, police, teachers, nurses - essential people to stay-live in the Franklin area. Housing for vulnerable.
- Managing growth such that it remains welcoming of newcomers and respectful of established residents
- Do not allow developers to get the city to annex their land into the city making the area too dense & put pressure on support services (roads, schools, law enforcement, utilities, etc).
- Helping school age children learn to be kind and considerate instead of just courteous. This is a serious problem across the schools.
- Uncontrolled growth and reduction of greenway space and natural feeling surrounding Franklin, both west of Franklin and along Carothers
- Wokeness in the Education System - needs to be cleaned up and focus on true education
- Affordable housing.
- Maintaining low taxes and good schools
- Housing for all incomes.
- Growth and infrastructure to support it
- Inclusiveness and affordable housing
- Housing, both affordable and non affordable. As more people want to move to Franklin, lack of housing keeps Franklin unaffordable, yet too much housing, puts a strain on affordability of city services.
- Nothing
- Affordability for line level employees.
- Infrastructure. Too much development is being allowed to take place without the corresponding infrastructure. Some schools are overcrowded and some roadways (for example the Carothers extension) do not seem to be designed with growth in mind. (In some cases it's not clear whether this is a Williamson County issue or a Franklin city issue.)
- Affordable housing
- The cost of living here is driving people away.
- high cost of living
- Trash men not stopping @ stop sign line @ 3 way stop sign & they are going to kill someone by not stopping ever.
- Overflow of new residents.
- Affordable housing especially for teachers and lower income jobs.
- cost of living
- Affordability of housing.
- Our population growth has been astronomic. There's no unwringing the bell, but can we please put a stop to the money-grab of adding new tax-payers and preserve some of what made people flock here in the first place. You used to regularly see people out on horse back and actual farms here. We don't need anymore cookie cutter neighborhoods that are worsening the flooding issues for the existing structures.

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- We need more side walks and bicycle lanes so we commute to schools or groceries via bikes and/or walk.
- Influx of new residents. Franklin is such a great town but growth is getting out of hand. It's losing it's 'small town feel'.
- stability of utility services
- Over-growth, sufficient infrastructure to absorb growth.
- Provide a tax discount for senior citizens on property taxes.
- Density! too many houses too close together-inadequate roads-way too many apt. bldgs!! - parking issues if you go downtown area! That is why I quit going-used to love Franklin, now rethinking it.
- Maintaining green space, preserving Franklin, having adequate infrastructure, more local restaurants and bakeries.
- Uncontrolled growth. To many condo and apts.
- INABILITY TO MAINTAIN RETAIL WORKFORCE AFTER PANDEMIC. OVERBUILDING OF CONDOS/APARTMENTS (IN PARTICULAR HUGE DEVELOPMENT ON CAROTHERS) PUTTING STRESS ON INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRAFFIC. NOTICEABLE INCREASE IN PROBABLE ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS. LOSS OF SOUTHERN CULTURE THAT MADE FRANKLIN SPECIAL. CONCERN FOR "WOKE" AGENDA IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
- Controlling growth.
- Housing affordability and a variety of housing options for residents (potential residents).
- Affordability -- I don't what to do about this though. Franklin is exceptional which drives up housing prices and taxes and costs in general
- I don't no.
- Don't know
- Creating affordable opportunities, housing and employment to all of the city's residents. Not just the most affluent.
- Infrastructure for population growth
- franklin is being overbuilt with residential housing and high density subdivisions
- cant see bc no street lights
- Affordable housing
- Showing respect to all residents, not just Christians. One should be able to enjoy the community and it's many activities and resources without feeling ostracized for not being conservative or Christian enough.
- High cost of living.
- Little diversity or affordable housing.
- Housing prices
- Responsible growth that meets Envision Franklin and zoning while taking into consideration climate and infrastructure.
- waste cleaning
- Parking, sidewalks, clean chlorine free water crime.
- There needs to be more connectivity through greenways and cycling lanes throughout the city to encourage people to get out and not use their vehicles.
- Influx of growth and services growing to match them
- Affordable housing
- Affordable housing may become a challenge. As more people move to Franklin, affordable housing may suffer.
- Managing Growth. We live in a vibrant growing community but worry to much growth is going to bring unwanted issues to our community
- Managing growth and retaining quality of life.

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15. Aside from transportation (traffic) related issues, what is the most important challenge or problem facing Franklin today?

- Crime
- The "rising cost" of all utilities unless you are extremely wealthy!.
- Affordable housing
- Too much growth affecting natural areas of Franklin
- Flooding, water.
- to fast of growth and not being able to upgrade the infrastructure accordingly
- Sidewalks eg Mallory station road.
- Affordable housing.
- Affordable housing for first-time buyers and workforce.
- Rising housing costs
- Cost of living; downtown franklin - turning more corporate than historical.
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. White Lives Matter and people of the like feel much to comfortable and supported here for it to be an inclusive environment for everyone. Most people here think the same when it comes to worldview and politics and are quick to reject other than.
- managing city infrastructure growth
- Infrastructure keeping pace with population growth
- too many traffic lights and needs a bypass
- maintenance and upkeep of city owned businesses and low-income housing buildings.
- Keeping what has made Franklin so appealing for the transplanted people- it's small town feel & friendliness.
- Increasing housing stock to improve affordability for those native to Franklin while maintaining high quality of life.
- MANAGING GROWTH AND MAINTAINING FRANKLIN SENSE OF COMMUNITY & QUALITY OF LIFE.
- Clean water and water pressure to residents
- Not important to everyone, but there is a great need for indoor tennis courts open to public w/o private membership or neighborhood restrictions.
- Housing costs
- To manage growth
- Traffic-out of control too many subdivisions without thought of traffic!.
- Growth and resident involvement with city government
- Development
- Walkability and connectivity
- management of incoming people
- Losing the heart of Franklin by over development.
- I would like to see sidewalks connecting all neighborhoods to downtown!.
- Affordable Housing
- There is too much growth for the infrastructure that we have available. There is too much growth for the land we have available.
- Growth of the community
- Growth vrs infrastructure
- Supporting population growth without changing character& high quality of life
- Affordable housing - houses not condos / apartments
- Out of control growth with lagging infrastructure
- Not enough sidewalks and bike trails. Need more people out of their cars and moving more.

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15. Aside from transportation (traffic) related issues, what is the most important challenge or problem facing Franklin today?

- Too many people moving here which makes it increasingly difficult for Franklin to retain its charm and character
- Traffic congestion & lack of downtown parking.
- maintaining high-quality education (which means not banning books or engaging in RIDICULOUS discussions about CRT)

- Preserving the natural beauty of Franklin and having that a priority when considering growth.
- Maintain an excellent education system
- Managing the growth rate of the city and approving subdivisions in flood areas and not considering the flow of traffic through existing subdivisions. I now have a \$22 a month increase on my water bill because storm water runoff is not up to code. A result of too much building. We must preserve Franklin's heritage. The destruction of the black historical district has erased the history of Franklin. Building new infrastructure and maintaining existing infrastructure. The population of Franklin has exploded and our perfect little gem of a city has become more stressful in general.

- Controlled growth for housing, control of expansion as possible. Middle income housing.
- Affordable housing and diversity in our community
- Affordable Housing
- Natives being able to continue living here due to affordability
- Education
- Affordability.
- Housing developments popping up everywhere.
- Housing inequity for service workers teachers, policemen, fireman.
- over population without commensurate infrastructure
- Lack of work force.
- Downtown area/tourist everywhere on the weekends! Not using crosswalks, stopping/parking in the middle of streets/hardly no police presents! / No parking enforcement on weekends! I have lived blocks from downtown for 32+ yrs every yr it gets worst.
- Retaining it's uniqueness & current quality of life with the influx of increased population. Certainly welcome them but need to ensure Franklin remains the desired location that drew them here initially.
- Crime in neighborhoods
- Affordable housing is key to Franklin's growth. When compared with other cities, the housing is highly expensive and economic diversity is missing leading to high inflation.
- Financial responsibility over spending
- Low income housing.
- Keeping community feel of a quaint town with so many moving here from other parts of the country. Stay with core values that have made Franklin a great place to live. Preserving the history of Franklin and not going "woke".
- Density of houses and apartments.
- code enforcement in older neighborhoods
- More police officers & let them do their job.
- Influx of new residence and infrastructure to support a larger population.
- planned development - too many housing developments with small lot sizes and without appropriate infrastructure; losing a lot of Franklin's character by getting rid of green space and agricultural farms etc; retail developments with too much repetition; too many banks taking up important space;
- Cost of living.

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15. Aside from transportation (traffic) related issues, what is the most important challenge or problem facing Franklin today?

- Balancing long-term growth without losing what makes Franklin a special place to live.
- None
- I, for one, would have loved to keep Franklin a small town feel. My issue is the growth. The word got out at how wonderful it is here!
- Lack of diversity.
- Responsible growth ... keeping the soul of Franklin in tact
- Rate of growth is, ability to keep up streets, highways.
- Public safety is important. As the population grows, crime of all kinds can creep up. I accidentally left my car unlocked in Franklin Bridge golf course parking lot, and I found it had been rifled through. This is a simple example of a crime of opportunity. I hope the city will maintain an adequate police force that grows with the population.
- NA
- Lack of affordable housing options. Teachers and essential workers will not be able to live in Franklin.
- Affordable housing options, teacher pay.
- very expensive to live in Franklin, especially when factoring in housing costs
- Lack of Educators wanting to work here as they cannot afford to live here.
- Allowing for more well-thought out mixed-use or more dense residential developments to bring more housing supply to help with the affordability issue here.
- balancing new residential construction without losing farms and greenspace
- Maintaining our small town charm while managing growth.
- unknown
- Education and racial issues
- Maintain quaintness of downtown to continue to attract tourists.
- Affordable housing for the low income residents
- Expanding & upgrading infrastructure for utilities.
- Slow down growth, for infrastructure to catch up! Stop commercial landscapers from blowing gear clippings, leaves in to road and stormwater system!
- Lack of diversity and the influx of less friendly residents changing the feel of Franklin.
- Keeping housing affordable.
- Affordable housing for low income families.
- Treatment of minorities and the lack of workforce housing. Get the housing on the Hill done! It's been talked about way too long. Similarly developers come in with ridiculous plans and expect the city to cave. Educate the alderman on the danger of building on flood plains. The Browns' farm discussion was ridiculous. Yes the family has a right to sell the land, but not for a prohibited use. Don't ever allow building on flood plains.
- Keeping liberal ideology out.
- Affordable housing!.
- Diversity, affordable housing for people who work here. Too many nurses, teachers, etc., can't afford to live here. Too much kowtowing to high-end developers.
- prices of homes
- AFFORDABLE / WORKFORCE HOUSING PROVIDING EMPLOYEES FOR EMPLOYERS BY AVAILING THEM THE OPPORTUNITY TO LIVE IN FRANKLIN *TIME TO ACT AND QUIT TALKING!.
- Too much growth with housing. Franklin is losing the small town feel.

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15. Aside from transportation (traffic) related issues, what is the most important challenge or problem facing Franklin today?

- To properly manage growth. Just because everyone and everything wants to be in Franklin, doesn't mean we need to allow it. It impacts everyone's lifestyle.
- N/A.
- Housing affordability - having a variety of housing options
- Growth of homes/commercial buildings which may not have proper infrastructure build pace to match
- The same as everywhere in TN right now, the theocratic, anti-science, fascist movement that's taking over the entire state.

- Growth & affordable housing.
- GETTING QUALIFIED ASSOCIATES TO GO TO WORK! LOCAL BUSINESSES ARE RUNNING SHORT OF HELP WHICH LEADS TO POOR CUSTOMER SERVICE!.
- Lack of safe bicycling lanes / limited recycling options
- zoning and enforcement
- Growth outpacing services
- Overcrowding, too much congested housing in city and rural areas. Need more outreach to mentally handicapped and seniors.
- Growth.
- Affordability - most things in Franklin (Williamson County) are much more expensive than surrounding counties, especially auto fuel.
- Communicating and discussing plans and changes before it happens.
- Education/Schools
- Affordable housing
- Out-of-control growth and continued annexation.
- Affordable Housing
- Managing growth and housing
- Quality of maintenance of city property (other than facilities less than 5 years old) and infrastructure.
- Franklin has grown TOO MUCH and lost the appeal. My Husband was raised here, and I've lived here 32 years, we raised our children and now grandchildren here and praying they'll be able to do the same. Cost of living for young families to buy homes is almost out of reach, especially for the 25-30 single adults trying to transition from renting to owning. I honestly do not see the Franklin that is being 'marketed' as a go to small town to visit and reside in. I see a town that is taking on a Disney persona of sorts and becoming a product being sold to consumers rather than providing a community for residents. The Franklin from 1995 - 2010 was a wonderful blend of small town meets development and provided a wonderful community for us to live, work and raise our families. Franklin has been allowed to grow too much and all that was the appeal then has been lost. Franklin is too crowded; the developments have taken over too much green space and the distinction of small-town Franklin no longer exists - downtown is for tourists not locals to enjoy on the weekends.

- growth is exploding, keep the home town feel
- There are 2: maintaining quality education and preserving open space/restricting more residential/commercial growth.

- Lack of sidewalks around downs avenue soccer fields
- Providing schools for the growing community
- The constant growth and losing the open green spaces. Allowing building in downtown Franklin that takes away from the small town charm.

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15. Aside from transportation (traffic) related issues, what is the most important challenge or problem facing Franklin today?

- Uncontrolled residential growth, increasing density of residences with little improvement in infrastructure.
- Controlling growth
- Control of the rapid growth
- historic preservation
- Watching for speeders and aggressive drivers. Why not make Franklin a safe city as one of our goals!
- over growth of subdivisions over open space
- 70 % taxes going to schools... we need a say in what is being taught. No taxation without representation.
- Affordable housing
- Affordable housing for the middle class
- The loss of green space
- Growing too much. Don't lose the beauty. Seeing all houses is not why we moved here.
- Enough housing. Need focus on more single family homes and not apartments.
- 1. Williamson County Schools: overcrowded schools, liberal/ racially charged curriculum in the elementary setting, higher needs of students moving into WC due to current political climate, and teacher shortage.2. General erosion of our traditional family values.
- Affordable housing
- I do not see any effort to keep depraved social agendas away from our kids. For example, I have little faith in the public library blocking a drag queen strip show for kids when I see critical race theory books featured on displays for easy access. All other opinion metrics in this survey are moot if Franklin becomes the next frontier of a demonic manifest destiny of South Sodom with nice greenspaces, efficient traffic flow, and a bustling downtown commercial district. If pedophilia is the next member of the LGT-FU rainbow jihad, perhaps we should think about this now. ...and pay the police officers more money so they don't have to write tickets to pay for gas, training, and the ability to afford Franklin housing. Please consider that gerrymandering city borders are likely to increase infrastructure and service costs. We need to annex neighborhoods that benefit indirectly from the City of Franklin without contributing to the tax base. For example, the neighborhoods between Mack Hatcher and Stream Valley...
- Growth / Community Planning
- High Cost of Living
- Carpetbaggers
- So many farmlands being lost due to housing.
- There are too many apartment buildings too close together. The rent for these places is still unaffordable. Young families can't afford Franklin.
- You keep approving new housing developments without dealing with widening the roads. You have never finished widening MCEwen from Wilson Pike to the traffic circle. 431 to the Goose Creek Bypass is very congested. This road needs to be widened before more developments by Stream Valley are approved.
- Conscientious growth so that Franklin doesn't lose it's charm and special status
- unrestricted growth
- Affordable housing
- Economic sustainability of growth, especially the disconnect between city growth and county schools.
- Preserving green space
- Affordability of housing. I was nearly priced out of the market to live here.
- low cost housing

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- There are too many people moving into this area. Natural/open space is disappearing rapidly for new developments. We are losing the small town character that made this such a nice place to live. the pace at which new neighborhoods are being build should slow down. Less building permits should be handed out. It's not all about money.
- Light rail system
- The amount of growth Franklin has seen, but still mainly offering single family housing is not sustainable. Rezone and make areas more dense to stop the outrageous sprawl. Also, with all the road work there's no reason not to have BIKE LANES! Also this form should have more specific questions.
- Lack of workforce/affordable housing as well as a lack of a variety of housing styles and options
- Too many people moving in. Education.
- managing growth and traffic flow
- Affordable housing and fair treatment
- Population density without the infrastructure to support it.
- Maintaining the quality of life that the residents currently enjoy.
- storm water management
- Too much growth too quickly; need more greenspace
- Zoning
- Reduction of property taxes for elderly who depend on Soc.Sec. for survival.
- Infrastructure
- high can't afford the rising cost of rent in Franklin. Affordable, rent controlled housing would be a blessing and would change many of my answers
- affordable housing
- too much development and fixing traffic issues (especially in Cool Springs area)
- Everything that involves a growing population!
- Responsible growth
- no affordable housing for lower income families
- Growth, Franklin will not continue to be a great place to live if we continue to allow the population to over run our city!!
- Growth and the infrastructure to support it
- Making sure there's some commercial for the residents who are farther from I65, there's a large area of residential with no commercial to support it.
- Cost of living
- management of new developments
- Too many new apartment buildings
- Social and recreational activities. Highest educational level
- Quality affordable housing
- Housing
- Growth
- Political divisiveness

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15. Aside from transportation (traffic) related issues, what is the most important challenge or problem facing Franklin today?

- Insuring that ALL are welcome not just those who can afford to live here. We can begin by ensuring there is affordable housing and employment opportunities within the private sector as well as city government. I fear Franklin has become a community of the white and wealthy. We lose so much by insulating our community from the rich diversity, history, and experiences of those who are not just like us.
- Housing density is way too high! So disappointed in all of the endless high density housing around Carothers and many other places. We can't handle this density and keep same type of environment/town feel that we have enjoyed. This does not attract people that build wealth by homeownership, not to mention all of the Traffic issues. Please take some lead from Brentwood on this.
- Air Bnb's taking over and making residential areas less desirable for home buyers. Air Bnb rules are not enforced when owners lie about their residency and provide fake documents, fake/altered proof so they can still run their Air Bnbs. Franklin gov, doesn't investigate enough to ensure that owners are actually reside in the homes they are renting and doesn't enforce the occupancy and/or living requirements. Air BNB ruins the neighborly feel of the residential areas.
- High density of multiple residential properties!
- There's a serious lack of racial and religious diversity. Those who aren't white Christians can feel out of place and even uncomfortable here. I'd love to see community and cultural events/programs that celebrate and highlight other races and religions.
- population explosion
- Safe alternative to walk and ride bikes.
- Outgrowing it's roads and infrastructure
- Too much home development
- Declining quality of public education.
- maintaining the safe environment we have enjoyed for years



File #: 21-04417

DATE: March 23, 2023
TO: Board of Mayor and Aldermen
FROM: Eric Stuckey, City Administrator
Kristine Brock, Asst. City Administrator/CFO

SUBJECT:

Consideration Of Resolution 2023-03, A Resolution To Adopt A Funding Policy For The Closed Pension
Pension 3/27/23, 5-0

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide information concerning DRAFT Resolution 2022-03, to adopt a funding policy for the closed pension plan.

BACKGROUND/STAFF COMMENTS:

On 10/28/2014, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen adopted a Funding Policy for the City of Franklin Pension Plan, now referred to as the "Closed Plan", in accordance with requirements of TCA 9-3-504(c). Periodically, the State of Tennessee Department of Treasury reviews funding policies of public pensions and provides written comments to local governments. In letters dated December 7, 2022 and December 15, 2022, the City received three requests for changes to the adopted Funding Policy.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The three substantive changes to the Funding Policy are summarized below:

1. The valuation method of the actuarial report shall be changed to utilize the asset smoothing method. The difference between the amount actually earned and the earnings assumption for a particular year shall be amortized in level amounts. The asset smoothing period shall be five years. There shall be a corridor so that the actuarial value of assets cannot be 20% more than nor 20% less than the market value of assets existing as of the actuarial valuation date. By revising this section of the Funding Policy, the City will utilize a similar valuation method as TCRS.
2. The use of mortality assumptions, which includes expected improvement in life expectancy, will be utilized for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2024, in accordance with TCA 9-3-504(c)4.
3. The investment earnings assumption to calculate the Actuarially Determined Contribution is established by resolution of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and may not exceed the TCRS earnings assumption by more than fifty (50) basis points in accordance with TCA 9-3-504(c)5.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board of Mayor and Aldermen approve Resolution 2023-03.

RESOLUTION 2023-03

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT A FUNDING POLICY FOR THE AMENDED AND RESTATED EMPLOYEES' PENSION PLAN DATED EFFECTIVE AS OF JANUARY 1, 2018

WHEREAS, the City of Franklin (the "City") has previously established and currently maintains the City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan (the "Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the City has amended and restated the plan effective as of January 1, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the City approved that certain First Amendment to the Plan by Resolution dated the 14th day of August, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the City approved that certain Second Amendment to the Plan by Resolution dated the 14th day of December, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the City adopted on October 28, 2014, a funding policy (the "Funding Policy) for compliance with minimum requirements established in TCA 9-3-504(c), and

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee Department of Treasury, in their oversight role of public pensions, periodically reviews the Funding Policy in addition to annual reviews of the Plan's actuarial valuation report; and

WHEREAS, upon review of letters dated December 7, 2022, and December 15, 2022, from the Department of Treasury and consultation with the City's pension counsel and actuary; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen believes it is in the best interest of the City of Franklin to repeal the Funding Policy adopted October 28, 2014 and adopt an updated policy that incorporates comments from the Department of Treasury.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The valuation method of the actuarial report shall be changed to utilize the asset smoothing method. The difference between the amount actually earned and the earnings assumption for a particular year shall be amortized in level amounts. The asset smoothing period shall be five years. There shall be a corridor so that the actuarial value of assets cannot be 20% more than nor 20% less than the market value of assets existing as of the actuarial valuation date. By revising this section of the Funding Policy, the City will utilize a similar valuation method as the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System ("TCRS").

Section 2. The use of mortality assumptions, which includes expected improvement in life expectancy, will be utilized for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2024, in accordance with TCA 9-3-504(c)4.

Section 3. The investment earnings assumption to calculate the Actuarially Determined Contribution is established by resolution of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and may not exceed

the TCRS earnings assumption by more than fifty (50) basis points in accordance with TCA 9-3-504(c)(5).

IT IS SO RESOLVED AND DONE on this ____ day of _____, 2023.

ATTEST:

CITY OF FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE:

By: _____
Eric S. Stuckey
City Administrator

By: _____
Dr. Ken Moore
Mayor

Approved as to Form:

By: _____
Shauna R. Billingsley
City Attorney

Funding Policy of the City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan

The Board of Mayor & Aldermen, as Trustees of the City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan, hereby adopts this document for its defined benefit plan funding policy.

Preamble

The intent of this funding policy is to establish a formal methodology for financing the pension obligations accruing under the City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan. It is intended that current assets plus future assets from employer contributions, employee contributions, and investment earnings should be sufficient to finance all benefits provided by City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan. The funding policy is intended to reflect a reasonable, conservative approach with each generation of taxpayers financing, to the greatest extent possible, the cost of pension benefits being accrued. This funding policy recognizes that there will be investment market place volatility and that actual economic and demographic experience will differ from assumed experience. Accordingly, this funding policy is intended to provide flexibility to smooth such volatility and experience in a reasonable, systematic, and financially sound manner. Further, it is the intent that that this funding policy comply with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations of the State of Tennessee and the Federal Government.

[The City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan was closed to new hires effective December 31, 2016. All full time employees of the City of Franklin hired on or after January 1, 2017 are members of the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System \("TCRS"\) Legacy Defined Benefit Pension Plan. The TCRS Plan is administered by the State of Tennessee Department of Treasury and its policies are established by the TCRS Board of Trustees.](#)

Components of this Funding Policy

1. Procurement of actuarial services
2. Actuarial experience study
3. Actuarial valuation
4. Actuarial audit

Procurement of Actuarial Services

City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan shall acquire the services of professional actuarial firms to perform an actuarial experience study, an actuarial valuation, an actuarial audit, and other necessary actuarial services. Actuarial firms shall be selected by a competitive process. The actuarial firm that performs the actuarial audit shall not be the same firm that performs the actuarial valuation and the actuarial experience study. The contractual agreement with an actuarial firm shall not exceed five years. The actuarial firm shall be independent and shall act as a fiduciary on behalf of City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan.

The lead actuaries of actuarial firms shall have the requisite experience, capabilities, strengths, and qualifications including, but not limited to, the following:

1. Member of the American Academy of Actuaries,
2. Attainment of the Fellowship of the Society of Actuaries (FSA) designation,
3. Attainment of the Enrolled Actuary (EA) designation
4. At least seven years of actuarial experience in the defined benefit field, and
5. Ineligible to participate in City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan

Actuarial Experience Study

An actuarial experience study shall be conducted at least every four years. As determined necessary by the ~~chair of the Investment Committee~~Board of Mayor and Aldermen, assumptions may be evaluated on an interim basis.

Assumptions adopted by the Board should be established based on past experience and future expectations as the result of an extensive actuarial experience study.

Demographic assumptions to be established include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Turnover pattern
2. Pre-retirement mortality based on expected improvement in mortality
3. Pattern of retirement
4. Post-retirement mortality with expected improvement in mortality to be phased in with future studies

Economic assumptions to be established include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Investment earnings (net of investment expenses)
2. Salary
3. Retiree Market Price Adjustment (Adjustment for change in purchasing power)
4. Social security wage base

Economic assumptions shall include an underlying assumption for inflation.

The actuarial experience study shall also generate administrative factors including, but not limited to, the following: (1) survivorship benefit option factors, (2) social security leveling option factors, (3) early retirement reduction factors, (4) full retirement age actuarial equivalent factors, and (5) annuity factors. These factors shall be determined on a cost neutral basis.

Actuarial Valuation

Valuation method, frequency, and ADC. An actuarial valuation to determine the Actuarially Determined Contribution (ADC) rate to finance pension obligations shall be performed annually beginning as of January 1, 2015. The valuation shall utilize the entry-age normal actuarial method. The valuation shall provide funding of at least 100% of the ADC. The ADC shall include (1) the normal cost, (2) the unfunded liability cost, and (3) the cost of administration for the operation of City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan. The ADC shall be calculated and become applicable on first day of July that is six months following the valuation date.

Asset smoothing method. An asset smoothing method shall be utilized to determine the actuarial value of assets. The difference between the amount actually earned and the earnings assumption for a particular year shall be amortized in level amounts. The asset smoothing period shall be five years, for fiscal years beginning after June 30, 2023~~14~~. For fiscal years prior to July 1, 2023~~14~~, no smoothing period shall be used. However, there shall be a corridor so that the actuarial value of assets cannot be 20% more than nor 20% less than the market value of assets existing as of the actuarial valuation date.

~~*Amortization methodology for actuarial gains and losses.* Unfunded liabilities shall be amortized utilizing the level dollar amortization method over a closed period not to exceed 20 years. A tiered approach will be utilized with new actuarial gains and losses from each actuarial valuation. Each~~

~~tier shall be amortized over a closed, maximum 20-year period. The amortization period may be shortened or extended from valuation to valuation but the gains and losses for a specific tier must be completely amortized within 20 years. Any extension of the amortization period for a specific tier cannot exceed the 20-year maximum less whatever time has elapsed from the beginning of the amortization period.~~

The unfunded liability based on the 2012~~35~~ actuarial valuation shall be funded no later than 20~~43~~³⁵. In subsequent actuarial valuations, new tiers of actuarial gains and losses shall be amortized over a closed period not to exceed 20 years.

Actuarial gains and losses may result from (1) actual experience versus assumed experience, (2) changes in demographic and economic assumptions, and (3) changes in benefit provisions.

Demographic data. The demographic data in an actuarial valuation shall include: (1) all active members, (2) all inactive vested members, (3) all inactive non-vested members with an account balance, and (4) all annuitants (including beneficiary annuitants).

Benefit provisions. The actuarial valuation shall include all benefits being accrued by members of City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan including, but not limited to, retirement, disability, death benefits, and post-employment market-price adjustments. The valuation shall be based on the benefit eligibility and benefit terms as set out in state law.

Assumptions utilized. Demographic and economic assumptions as determined by an actuarial experience study, recommended by the ~~Employee Pension Committee~~^{Investment Committee}, and adopted by the Board shall be utilized in the actuarial valuation.

The use of mortality assumptions, which includes expected improvement in life expectancy, must be utilized for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2024 in accordance with TCA 9-3-504~~€~~(4).

The investment earnings assumption to calculate the Actuarially Determined Contribution is established by resolution of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and may not exceed the TCRS earnings assumption by more than fifty (50) basis points in accordance with TCA 9-3-504~~€~~(5).

Actuarial Audit

An actuarial audit by an independent actuarial audit firm shall be conducted at least once in a ten year period. The purpose of the actuarial audit shall be: (1) the validation and verification of actuarial valuation results for both funding and accounting; (2) an evaluation of the reasonableness of actuarial assumptions and methods; (3) compliance with professional standards such as generally accepted actuarial standards; and (4) compliance with state law and Board policy.

Transparency and Accountability

This funding policy, the actuarial experience study, the actuarial valuation, and the actuarial audit shall be readily available for review. Accordingly, the funding policy shall be posted on the City website. Further, the actuarial experience study, the actuarial valuation, and the actuarial audit shall be maintained on the City website for a period of no less than five years after being published.

Effective Date

This policy be effective upon its adoption by the Board of Mayor & Aldermen, and shall remain in

effect until amended by the Board or preempted by state law.

STATE OF TENNESSEE



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December 15, 2022

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Re: City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan

Dear Kristine Brock:

The Department of Treasury completed a review of the City of Franklin's funding policy for its pension plan adopted on 10/28/2014, financial statements for the fiscal year ending 6/30/2021 and actuarial valuation report as of 1/01/2021. We evaluated each document to determine whether the methodologies and assumptions included in the funding policy were consistent with the methodologies and assumptions used by the political subdivision's actuary in the actuarial valuation report and presented in the political subdivision's financial statements.

Based on our review, the methodologies and assumptions adopted in the funding policy were not consistent with the methodologies and assumptions used in the actuarial valuation report and/or presented in the financial statements. The following methodologies and assumptions were found to be different in one or more of the documents during the review.

- The asset smoothing method utilized. The funding policy indicates an asset smoothing method of 5 years with a 20% corridor and the actuarial valuation report as well as the financial statements indicates that no asset smoothing method is utilized.
- The amortization method of unfunded accrued liabilities. The funding policy and the financial statements indicate a level dollar amortization method, and the actuarial valuation report indicates a level percent of salary amortization method.

Please use this letter to review the discrepancy(ies) noted and make any necessary revisions or updates accordingly. As a reminder, amended funding policies must be submitted to the Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury within thirty (30) days after adoption.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office.

Sincerely,



Whitney Perkins
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Financial Strategies and Analysis

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December 7, 2022

Kristine Brock
City of Franklin
Chief Financial Officer and Assistant City Administrator
109 3rd Avenue South
Franklin, TN 37064

Re: City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan

Dear Kristine Brock:

The Department of Treasury completed a review of the City of Franklin compliance with the Public Employee Defined Benefit Financial Security Act of 2014 (the "Act") as of fiscal year ending 6/30/2021. We evaluated the City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan's funding policy (the "Funding Policy") adopted on 10/28/2014 for compliance with minimum requirements established in Tenn. Code Ann. §9-3-504(c). We also performed a review of the Funding Policy to determine whether the methodologies used to calculate the City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan's Actuarially Determined Contribution (ADC) were in compliance with statutory requirements currently in effect, and whether compliance could be impacted when an additional methodology becomes effective. In accordance with Tenn. Code Ann. §9-3-504(e)(4), mortality assumptions, which should consider the effect of expected mortality improvements, shall be utilized for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2024.

Based on our review, the adopted pension funding policy meets the minimum requirements established in Tenn. Code Ann 9-3-504(c).

Additional methodologies are also contained in the Act for the calculation of a political subdivision's ADC. The methodologies and assumptions are not required by law to be included in the pension funding policy; however, applicable law provides that these methodologies shall be used by a political subdivision's actuary in calculating the ADC in accordance with accepted Actuarial Standards of Practice. Accordingly, it would be a best practice for the City of Franklin to incorporate sufficient detail in the Funding Policy in order to provide clear direction and expectations for the actuary to follow and for interested parties to understand.

- The use of mortality assumptions, which includes expected improvement in life expectancy and acknowledgement that it must be utilized for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2024 in accordance with Tenn. Code Ann. §9-3-504(e)(4).

- The use of the investment earnings assumption to calculate the Actuarially Determined Contribution and acknowledgement that it cannot exceed the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System's earnings assumption by more than fifty (50) basis points in accordance with Tenn. Code Ann. §9-3-504(e)(5).

Please use this letter to make any necessary revisions and update the Funding Policy accordingly. Amended funding policies must be submitted to the Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury within thirty (30) days after adoption.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office.

Sincerely,



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Funding Policy of the City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan

The Board of Mayor & Aldermen, as Trustees of the City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan, hereby adopts this document for its defined benefit plan funding policy.

Preamble

The intent of this funding policy is to establish a formal methodology for financing the pension obligations accruing under the City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan. It is intended that current assets plus future assets from employer contributions, employee contributions, and investment earnings should be sufficient to finance all benefits provided by City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan. The funding policy is intended to reflect a reasonable, conservative approach with each generation of taxpayers financing, to the greatest extent possible, the cost of pension benefits being accrued. This funding policy recognizes that there will be investment market place volatility and that actual economic and demographic experience will differ from assumed experience. Accordingly, this funding policy is intended to provide flexibility to smooth such volatility and experience in a reasonable, systematic, and financially sound manner. Further, it is the intent that that this funding policy comply with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations of the State of Tennessee and the Federal Government.

The City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan was closed to new hires effective December 31, 2016. All full time employees of the City of Franklin hired on or after January 1, 2017 are members of the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System ("TCRS") Legacy Defined Benefit Pension Plan. The TCRS Plan is administered by the State of Tennessee Department of Treasury and its policies are established by the TCRS Board of Trustees.

Components of this Funding Policy

1. Procurement of actuarial services
2. Actuarial experience study
3. Actuarial valuation
4. Actuarial audit

Procurement of Actuarial Services

City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan shall acquire the services of professional actuarial firms to perform an actuarial experience study, an actuarial valuation, an actuarial audit, and other necessary actuarial services. Actuarial firms shall be selected by a competitive process. The actuarial firm that performs the actuarial audit shall not be the same firm that performs the actuarial valuation and the actuarial experience study. The contractual agreement with an actuarial firm shall not exceed five years. The actuarial firm shall be independent and shall act as a fiduciary on behalf of City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan.

The lead actuaries of actuarial firms shall have the requisite experience, capabilities, strengths, and qualifications including, but not limited to, the following:

1. Member of the American Academy of Actuaries,
2. Attainment of the Fellowship of the Society of Actuaries (FSA) designation,
3. Attainment of the Enrolled Actuary (EA) designation
4. At least seven years of actuarial experience in the defined benefit field, and
5. Ineligible to participate in City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan

Actuarial Experience Study

An actuarial experience study shall be conducted at least every four years. As determined necessary by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, assumptions may be evaluated on an interim basis.

Assumptions adopted by the Board should be established based on past experience and future expectations as the result of an extensive actuarial experience study.

Demographic assumptions to be established include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Turnover pattern
2. Pre-retirement mortality based on expected improvement in mortality
3. Pattern of retirement
4. Post-retirement mortality with expected improvement in mortality to be phased in with future studies

Economic assumptions to be established include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Investment earnings (net of investment expenses)
2. Salary
3. Retiree Market Price Adjustment (Adjustment for change in purchasing power)
4. Social security wage base

Economic assumptions shall include an underlying assumption for inflation.

The actuarial experience study shall also generate administrative factors including, but not limited to, the following: (1) survivorship benefit option factors, (2) social security leveling option factors, (3) early retirement reduction factors, (4) full retirement age actuarial equivalent factors, and (5) annuity factors. These factors shall be determined on a cost neutral basis.

Actuarial Valuation

Valuation method, frequency, and ADC. An actuarial valuation to determine the Actuarially Determined Contribution (ADC) rate to finance pension obligations shall be performed annually beginning as of January 1, 2015. The valuation shall utilize the entry-age normal actuarial method. The valuation shall provide funding of at least 100% of the ADC. The ADC shall include (1) the normal cost, (2) the unfunded liability cost, and (3) the cost of administration for the operation of City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan. The ADC shall be calculated and become applicable on first day of July that is six months following the valuation date.

Asset smoothing method. An asset smoothing method shall be utilized to determine the actuarial value of assets. The difference between the amount actually earned and the earnings assumption for a particular year shall be amortized in level amounts. The asset smoothing period shall be five years, for fiscal years beginning after June 30, 2023. For fiscal years prior to July 1, 2023, no smoothing period shall be used. However, there shall be a corridor so that the actuarial value of assets cannot be 20% more than nor 20% less than the market value of assets existing as of the actuarial valuation date.

The unfunded liability based on the 2023 actuarial valuation shall be funded no later than 2043. In subsequent actuarial valuations, new tiers of actuarial gains and losses shall be amortized over a closed period not to exceed 20 years.

Actuarial gains and losses may result from (1) actual experience versus assumed experience, (2)

changes in demographic and economic assumptions, and (3) changes in benefit provisions.

Demographic data. The demographic data in an actuarial valuation shall include: (1) all active members, (2) all inactive vested members, (3) all inactive non-vested members with an account balance, and (4) all annuitants (including beneficiary annuitants).

Benefit provisions. The actuarial valuation shall include all benefits being accrued by members of City of Franklin Employees' Pension Plan including, but not limited to, retirement, disability, death benefits, and post-employment market-price adjustments. The valuation shall be based on the benefit eligibility and benefit terms as set out in state law.

Assumptions utilized. Demographic and economic assumptions as determined by an actuarial experience study, recommended by the Employee Pension Committee, and adopted by the Board shall be utilized in the actuarial valuation.

The use of mortality assumptions, which includes expected improvement in life expectancy, must be utilized for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2024 in accordance with TCA 9-3-504€(4).

The investment earnings assumption to calculate the Actuarially Determined Contribution is established by resolution of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and may not exceed the TCRS earnings assumption by more than fifty (50) basis points in accordance with TCA 9-3-504€(5).

Actuarial Audit

An actuarial audit by an independent actuarial audit firm shall be conducted at least once in a ten year period. The purpose of the actuarial audit shall be: (1) the validation and verification of actuarial valuation results for both funding and accounting; (2) an evaluation of the reasonableness of actuarial assumptions and methods; (3) compliance with professional standards such as generally accepted actuarial standards; and (4) compliance with state law and Board policy.

Transparency and Accountability

This funding policy, the actuarial experience study, the actuarial valuation, and the actuarial audit shall be readily available for review. Accordingly, the funding policy shall be posted on the City website. Further, the actuarial experience study, the actuarial valuation, and the actuarial audit shall be maintained on the City website for a period of no less than five years after being published.

Effective Date

This policy be effective upon its adoption by the Board of Mayor & Aldermen, and shall remain in effect until amended by the Board or preempted by state law.

Background- City of Franklin Closed Pension Funding Policy

- TCA 9-3-504© (Public Employee Defined Benefit Financial Security Act of 2014) requires single employer public pensions to adopt a Funding Policy in accordance with requirements of the statute and for approval by State of TN Department of Treasury.
- BOMA approved a funding policy on 10/28/2014, and staff filed with State Department of Treasury as required.

Proposed Changes to City of Franklin Closed Pension Funding Policy

- Use of mortality assumptions established by State Statute 9-3-504(4) after June 15, 2024.
- Investment earnings assumption may not exceed the TCRS earnings assumption by more than 50 basis points in accordance with TCA 9-3-504(5).
- Valuation method of the actuarial report shall be changed to the utilize the asset smoothing method.



File #: 21-04470

DATE: March 22, 2023
TO: Board of Mayor and Aldermen
FROM: Eric Stuckey, City Administrator
Milissa Reiersen, Communications Manager
Monique McCullough, Public Outreach Specialist

SUBJECT:

Consideration Of Special Event Permit For Juneteenth Celebration In Downtown Franklin To Be Held On June 17, 2023

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this memorandum is to outline recommendations for the Juneteenth Celebration in Downtown Franklin on June 17, 2023.

BACKGROUND/STAFF COMMENTS:

The Franklin Justice and Equality Coalition has requested a special event permit for a Juneteenth Celebration on the Square on June 17, 2023. This would be the third year for the event to be held on the Square.

The event will include booths for Black-owned businesses, non-profit organizations, HBCUs, and churches, as well as food trucks and a Kids Zone. Entertainment will also be provided on a stage located on the Square.

Set-up for the event will begin on June 16th. Street closures are Main Street from 2nd Ave to 4th Ave; 3rd Ave N from the Square to Bridge Street; and 3rd Ave S from the Square to Church Street. Event hours are 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The City is partnering on this event in providing for overtime costs for City Staff. The applicant will cover the cost for police officers for the event.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this event with the following conditions:

- Applicant shall meet with staff for walk through at least five days prior to event.

- Applicant will provide detailed map/layout to City detailing location of tents, vendors, etc. prior to event.
- Applicant will provide a \$1,000 damage deposit to City prior to event.

Building & Neighborhood Services:

- Special Event Electrical Permit will be required.

Risk Management:

- Applicant will provide certificate of insurance with liquor liability naming the City as additional insured. If alcohol, beer, and/or wine is given away or sold, the certificate must include liquor liability.

Streets Department:

- “No Parking after 3 p.m.” signs will be placed along Main Street on Friday morning.
- Main Street from 2nd to 3rd will close to traffic at 8 p.m. on Friday, June 16th.
- Church Street Parking Lot will be closed for official vehicles.
- Applicant or designee will stay present at event until all vendors are gone.
- Department will provide clean-up crew for after the event.

Police Department:

- Applicant will hire the recommended number of extra-duty Franklin Police Officers to provide security and traffic control for the event.
- Applicant has requested amplification on stages within the permitted area. Pursuant to Franklin Municipal Code Section 11-403(3), these are the only locations at which amplified sound will be permitted during this event.

Revenue Management:

- Applicant will provide a complete list of vendors to the City prior to the event.

Sanitation and Environmental Services Department:

- Department will provide crews for cleanup during event.

Water Management Department:

- Taps will be placed on hydrants at: Third Ave S at City Hall; Third Ave N at the Square

Fire Department:

- Applicant must adhere to requirements provided by the Fire Marshal’s office regarding tents, stages, and mobile food vendors

- After stage setup is complete, the stage manager / crew chief shall be prepared to meet with Franklin fire and building inspectors to assure the stage has been properly setup and all safety measures are in place.

OFFICE USE ONLY

Permit No: _____



City of Franklin

Special Event Permit Application

*Application is Due 90 **Days Prior** to Scheduled Event.
Please read application carefully and fully complete each section.
A non-refundable application fee of \$100 is due at time of filing.*

Note: Filing this application does not guarantee that you request will be granted.

Please list all that apply:

- Festival/Fair

- Name/purpose of event:** Juneteenth Festival
- Location Requested:** (if Temporary Street Closure, list major roads to be closed):
Main Street from 4th Ave to 5points
Church Street to 2nd Ave North.
We will request these be closed from 7am to 6pm.
- Date or dates of event:** 06/17/2023
- Start/End Times of Event:**
June 17th 2023
Start time 10am
End Time 5pm
Event time will be 7 hours.

What date/time will set-up begin? 6/17/2023 7:00 AM

What date/time will tear-down be complete? 6/17/2023 5:00 PM

**Note: Event is responsible for cost of staff required during this time (including Franklin Police Officers). Read Additional Requirements section for more information).*

- Time of Street Closure** (if applicable):
- An estimated number expected to attend during the course of the event:**
Spectators/Attendees: 20,000 Event Staff/Volunteers:300 Total:23,000
- Name of applicant and Organization Requesting Permit:**
Walter Simmons - Franklin Justice and Equity Coalition
 - Address:** 20 Prescott Place
Franklin, TN 37069
 - Phone:** 6158230916
 - Cell:**
 - Fax:**
 - E-mail address:** fjecwilco@gmail.com

8. **DETAILED description of event (Include information regarding the appropriateness of the event for all ages. If available, include the names and descriptions of acts/performers):**

3rd Juneteenth Festival. The event will highlight the Juneteenth Holiday with food, fun, and performers. We will have a Kid Zone for kids, Pet Zone, and Family Friendly giveaways and other Family Activities. This event is for the entire community. Projected Performers are Jason Eskridge, Gospel, R&B, and Soul, Trisha Alicia, Gospel and R&B, The Don Adams Band, Funk and Soul. We are in talks with the King Foundation to come and make a special dedication to "March to Freedom!!" We will also have Disney Characters, Marvel Characters, and other children's events.

9. **ENCLOSE A DETAILED PDF MAP** of the event site and/or route, detailing any temporary or permanent structures, street closures, parking, etc. If applicable, list the location, blocks, streets, and/or intersections in which such an event will occur. **For large-scale events, a map or maps should be obtained from the City's GIS division.**

If also submitting a CAD file, please ensure that it is in DWG file format, and projected in TN State Plane NAD83

Please detail any restricted parking areas on the event map.

Event Map: JUNETEENTH Map 2022 (1).pdf

10. **Person in charge on day of event:** Walter Simmons

Cell: 615-419-8831

E-mail address:

walter@empowermentcommunitychurch.org

11. **Name and Cell Number of at least two others available on day of event:**

Name: Bryant Herbert

Cell: 678-570-6178

E-mail address: bherbert15@gmail.com

Name: Tara Blue

Cell: 615-415-6316

E-mail address: tblue1@comcast.net

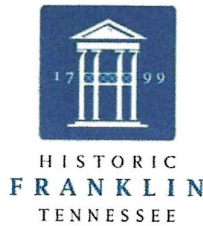
- 12.

Please attach a list (in PDF format) containing the names, addresses, and phone numbers of the Chairperson of the organization and all other persons involved in the management or control of the organization and/or committee.

Administrative Contact List: 2023 FRANKLIN JUNETEENTH LEADERSHIP MEETING.docx

13. **Where is your organization based?** Williamson County
14. **Is your organization authorized to do business in Tennessee?** Yes
15. **Is your organization a tax-exempt organization as described by the Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) or a not-for-profit organization?** Yes
IRS tax exemption letter: [FJEC Tax Exempt Letter.jpeg](#)
16. **Will you charge an admission fee?** No
Average admission fee:
17. **Will you charge a vendor participation fee?** Yes
Average vendor participation fee? \$300
18. **Total Estimated Revenue from vendors, ticket sales, and sponsorship to event organizer:**
19. **Will any charity, gratuity, or offers be solicited or accepted during the event?** No
20. **Is this event a fundraiser?** No
What organization will be the benefactor of event?
What percentage of funds will they receive?
21. **Will parking in the area of the event need to be restricted or prohibited?** Yes
22. **Will any sound amplification equipment be used during the event?** No *yes - mlm*

23. **Applicant must also include a copy of the insurance certificate indicating coverage and listing the City of Franklin as an additional insured**
- ***For stages, tents, etc. constructed on site prior to the event, that date must be included on the Certificate of Insurance provided to the City of Franklin. Stages MUST be removed from the site at end of the event. ***Rented inflatables/interactives that are set up and manned by the applicant must be included specifically in the applicant's Certificate of Insurance.
- If you already have your insurance certificate, please upload it now in pdf format. Otherwise, your insurance certificate will need to be submitted before your event is approved.**
- Insurance Certificate:**
24. **What, if any, vendors will be present at event?** (i.e. medical related, shirts, arts, etc.) **Please provide detailed list.**
We have not finalized our Vendor list as of yet.
25. **Will food, beverages, or merchandise be sold or given away?** Yes
Clean-up of the area is required. Please attach your clean-up and recycling plan, including name of clean-up provider with contact information for person who will be on on-site during event. See Question #26.
Clean Up Plan and Provider: [fjec shirt GOOD.png](#)
26. Events under 200 participants require a \$250 refundable security deposit at the time of approval. For events over 200, a \$1000 security deposit is required upon approval. If the applicant fails to restore the property to its prior condition, then the applicant shall be responsible to the City of Franklin for any costs incurred in restoring the property after the event. Surrender of the deposit in no way relieves the applicant of the responsibility for any costs incurred by the City of Franklin in excess of the deposit. Applicant's event coordinator or representative and a City of Franklin representative will conduct a Pre-Event meeting prior to event date for Pre-Event Check List Site Review. *At the end of the event, a Post-Event Check List shall be completed by the Applicant's event coordinator, or representative, and a City of Franklin representative to re-assess the site for trash and damage, and to secure with caution tape and signage (provided by event group) any tents left for removal.* Damage deposit will be refunded after a satisfactory Post Event Check List has been completed and signed off on by both the City of Franklin and organization requesting event. ***NOTE:** Events that include deep frying cooking oil operations are required to have a grease pit on-site and contract with a grease waste hauler to handle the grease waste and removal of the grease pit. A copy of this agreement shall be filed along with this application. The primary event sponsor is required to remove all cooking grease from the site immediately after the event. Illegal dumping of cooking grease will be prosecuted. *Please read Additional Requirements section of this application for more information.*
27. **Will you require a temporary water tap?** No **yes - mlm**
If yes, please list exact locations:
28. **Will alcohol, beer, and/or wine be given away or sold?** No **yes - mlm**
If yes, a permit from the relevant board is required. Please read Additional Requirements section of this application for more information.
29. **Will your event include tents or other temporary structures, propane use, or open flames?** No
Tents 400 sq. ft. or larger (or, if cooking operations are under the tent, 200 sq. ft. or larger) require a special inspection from the Franklin Fire Department. All tents must meet the requirements of Chapter 31 of the International Fire Code. Tents 20-ft by 20-ft or larger must have an approved label or documentation showing the tent fabric meets all flammability requirements. Tents larger than 400-SF must be inspected and approved by the fire department before the event opens. All cooking operations must be inspected and approved by the fire department before the event opens. Cooking operations will be periodically inspected throughout the event. Tents should be taken down on the date the event has ended. ***Please read the Additional Requirements section of this application for more information.***
30. **Attach Good Neighbor Letter and Mailing List used.** *Please read Additional Requirements section of this application for more information.*
Good Neighbor Letter: [2023 Good Neighbor Letter.docx](#)
Good Neighbor Letter Mailing List:



Rules and Regulations

Please Read All Attachments Before Signing Application.

- 1) I/We agree to abide by all ordinances and regulations of the City of Franklin and all State and Federal Laws.
- 2) I/We agree to abide by all conditions placed upon the event by the City Administrator and the Board of Mayor and Aldermen.
- 3) I/We do swear or affirm that all of the information given in this application is true and complete.
- 4) I/We do hereby agree to assume the defense of and indemnify and save harmless the City, its mayor, aldermen, boards, commissions, officers, employees and agents, from all suits, actions, damages or claims to which the City may be subjected of any kind or nature whatsoever resulting from, caused by, arising out of or as a consequence of such event and the activities permitted in connection there with.
- 5) I/We agree to submit a certificate of insurance prior to the event in an amount determined by the City naming the City of Franklin and its employees as additional insured. The City may require the sponsor and/or vendor provide higher levels of insurance, coverage, and policies as deemed reasonable and necessary based on specific event risk factors and review by the City's insurer.
- 6) I/We agree, if holding the special event on City property, to return the site to its pre-event condition at the conclusion of the event.
- 7) I/We agree to provide a copy of the signed Event Application to any vendors, planners, and related parties associated with the event to ensure they are familiar with the guidelines set forth herein.
- 8) I/We understand and acknowledge that all vendors, acts, performers, organizers, and patrons must not violate any laws pertaining to adult entertainment as defined by Tennessee State law.
- 9) I/We understand that I/we assume the responsibility of the actions of any vendors, planners, and related parties for this event.
- 10) I/We understand that granting of Special Event Permit does not imply granting of other permits that are separately required.
- 11) The application for an event permit shall be filed not less than 90 days nor more than 364 days prior to the scheduled date of such event. Suggested filing is at least 180 days prior to scheduled event. Events should not be advertised or promoted until an event permit has been obtained from the City. Failure to file in a timely manner may result in denial of a permit.
- 12) I/We understand that event permit holders may be responsible for 100 percent of the costs incurred by the City for staff time and resources.

BY: [Signature] President
(Signature and title – must be officer of organization)

Date: 3-6-2023

Approved by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen on _____, 20____

Event Name: Juneteenth Festival

Signature: _____



FORM 1

Buildings, Structures, & Power Sources

If your special event includes any of the following, you may need to obtain a permit from the Building and Neighborhood Services Department. Please check any that apply.

Building permits and/or inspections also may be required whenever deemed necessary, due to unique conditions, shoddy construction, substandard assembly or set-up, unqualified assemblers, lack of maintenance, or dilapidation of equipment, materials or systems.

All Permit applications are subject to permit fees.

If you have any questions about whether you need to apply for a permit from the Building & Neighborhood Services Department, please call 615-794-7012.

Event Name: Juneteenth Festival

Signature: _____



FORM 1

Sound Amplification

In accordance with Title 11 Chapter 4 of the Franklin Municipal Code (*Offenses Against the Peace and Quiet*), amplification of sound located in or within 100 feet of a residential property line which is plainly audible is prohibited between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. Sunday through Thursday and between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. Friday and Saturday except for special events where a special permit has been obtained from the City of Franklin authorizing such event. In the event that a special event permit has been obtained from the City of Franklin, no other amplification of sound will be permitted within the area of the special event except that which has been applied for and authorized by the city pursuant to the permit application.

Applicant/Organization: Walter Simmons - Franklin Justice and Equity Coalition

Event Name: Juneteenth Festival

Event Date(s): 06/17/2023

1. **Time amplification equipment will be used:** From: To:
2. **Exact locations sound amplification equipment will be used** (*i.e. stage located on Second Avenue*). Provide map/layout if necessary.:

Sound Amplification Map:

3. **For what purpose will sound amplification be used?** Please list all that apply:

4. **Type of Amplifier:**

5.

Number of Amplifiers:	Number of Speakers:	Number of Performers:
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6. **Name and Cell Number of at least two coordinators who will monitor the sound level and respond to complaints and violations:**

Name:	Cell:	E-Mail:
Name:	Cell:	E-Mail:

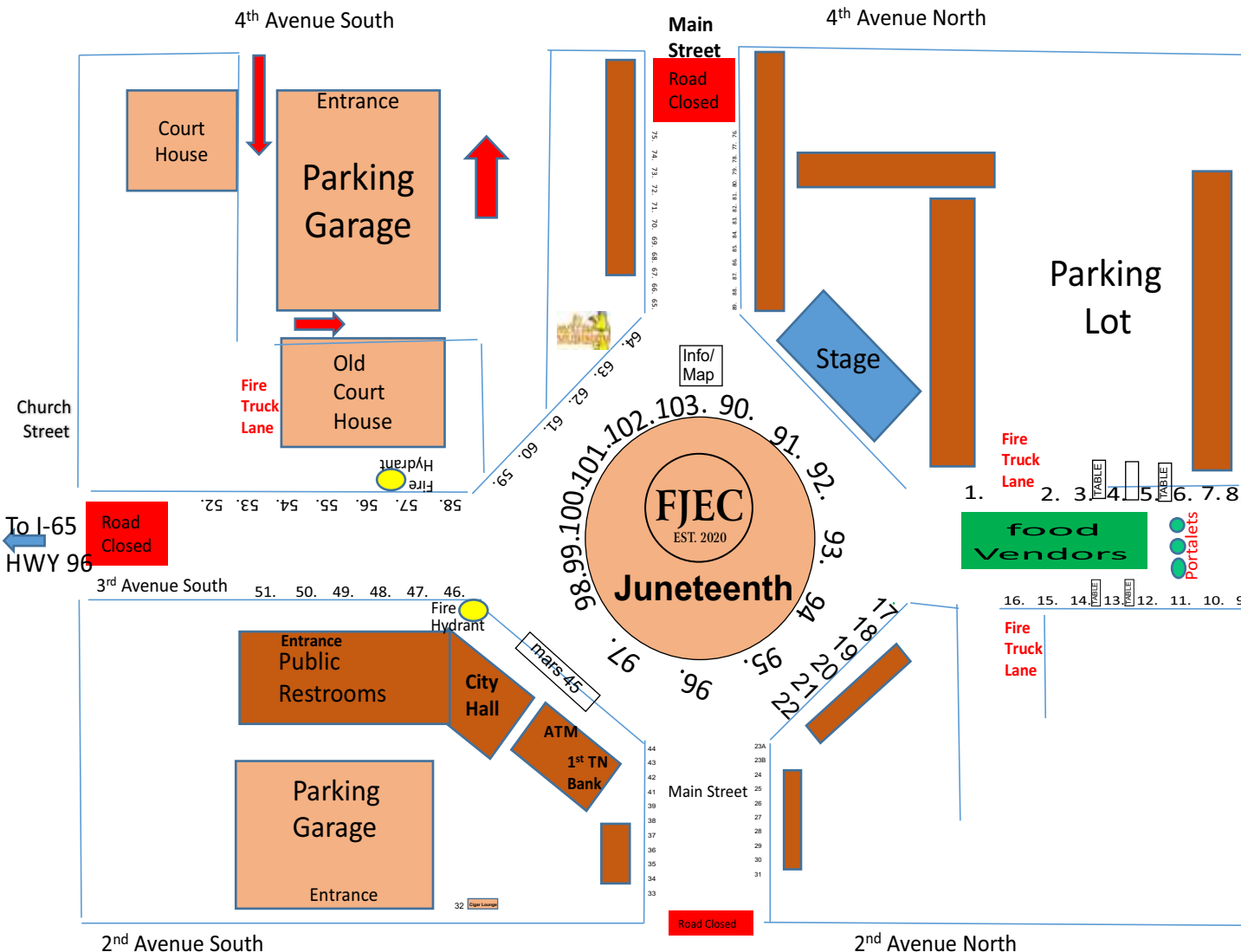
Authorized Signature: Walter Simmons

Date: 03/08/2023

The City of Franklin's Municipal Code (Title 11, Chapter 4) allows for exceptions to the City's noise standards for City authorized or sponsored events. However, the City retains the right to ask for a change of an event's location or time in an attempt to decrease the number of people impacted by event noise. The City may refuse a special event application based on noise complaints by neighboring businesses and residents. The City therefore encourages event-holders to work with neighbors to alleviate negative impacts wherever possible. At minimum, you should plan to point speakers away from residences.

Vendor Location

FJEC- Juneteenth Vendors 2022



Booth Number	Name	Tent Size
1 #	Freda's Catering & Creation	10 by 10
2 #	The Ivory Turkey	Food Truck
3 #	Mo Better BBQ & Fish	Food Truck
13 Tables for eating (2)		
4 #	Southerner's Waffles	10 by 10
5 #	Franklin Lady Coffee	10 by 20
6 #	Nashville Chicken & Waffles	Food Truck
7 #	Self Made BBQ	Food Trailer
8 #	M Catering	10 by 10
9 #	Buste's Bar-B-Que	10 by 10
10 #	Kool Runnings Jamaican Cuisine	10 by 20
11 #	Smoke Boss BBQ & BBQ	Food Truck
12 #	Sweet E Treats & Creations	10 by 10
13 Tables for eating		
14 #	The Kickin Kitchen Fish & More	Food Truck
15 #	Fabulous Foods	Food Truck
16 #	Pardus LLC	10 by 20
17 #	Art of July 19	10 by 10
18 #	Highs & Lows Studios	10 by 10
19 #	Crowned Jewels	10 by 10
20 #	PW Global Travel	10 by 10
21 #	Acres Kettle Corn	10 by 10
22 #	Buffalo Sausage on a stick	10 by 10
23 #	DOTR	10 by 10
24 #	One Will Co.	10 by 10
25 #	AAJ Graphics	10 by 10
26 #	Y simply me - Beautiful, LLC	10 by 10
27 #	Hopes Dyson	10 by 10
28 #	Sovereign	10 by 10
29 #	Euphoric Essentials	10 by 10
30 #	WCS - Echtes Butteger	10 by 10
31 #	Cummins - Street COC	10 by 10
32 #	Big Love Smoker's Cigar Lounge	Cigar Lounge
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34 #	Royal T Cup	10 by 10
35 #	West Harpeth Church	10 by 10
36 #	Fresh Picked Soas	10 by 10
37 #	Castia's Ave	10 by 10
38 #	Hoogian Originals	10 by 10
39 #	Studio Tenn	10 by 10
40 #	BB's Gourmet Pretzels	10 by 10
41 #	DRT Ministries	10 by 10
42 #	Locust Ridge Church	10 by 10
43 #	Annedo M Design	10 by 10
44 #	Williamson County Democratic Party	10 by 10
45 #	James Thrackall Arts	10 by 10
46 #	Mars Petcare	10 by 10
47 #	Cotton Candy Tent	10 by 10
48 #	Golf on the green	Will be in the grass
49 #	Goat Grass and goat	10 by 10
50 #	Giant Connect	10 by 10
51 #	Mini QB Bites	10 by 10
52 #	Inflatable as Show	10 by 10
53 #	Giant Field Goal Kix	22 by 16
54 #	Grand Fish with cedar	10 by 10
55 #	Water & Popicles	10 by 10
56 #	Water Train Station	10 by 10
57 #	VR Game	10 by 10
58 #	Rotary Table	10 by 10
59 #	VIP Food Truck	10 by 10
60 #	Two Social Event Rentals	10 by 10
61 #	3 signatures	10 by 10
62 #	Dorena Williamson, Author	10 by 10
63 #	Chase Prints	10 by 10
64 #	Ware Agency, Farmer's Insurance	10 by 10
65 #	SANCOA 6139	10 by 10
66 #	Airbrushes by TNT Exclusive Candles	10 by 10
67 #	Warehouseville	10 by 10
68 #	First Impressions Pediatric Dentistry	10 by 10
69 #	Social Butterfly Creations	10 by 10
70 #	Treats & Trends	10 by 10
71 #	Cryo & Contour	10 by 10
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73 #	A Step Ahead of Middle TN	10 by 10
74 #	American Cancer Society	10 by 10
75 #	Jessica Le'Ann Homes-eksp Realty	10 by 10
76 #	A Taste of GA&M	10 by 10
77 #	Compassionate Friends Network	10 by 10
78 #	Rev's Denim	10 by 10
79 #	Vault Apparel	10 by 10
80 #	Wells Organic Company	10 by 10
81 #	Jennifer Hallie for WCSB	10 by 10
82 #	Slayed Beauty Supply	10 by 10
83 #	Sistas Sweets	10 by 10
84 #	Keshauff Spoo	10 by 10
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86 #	Franklin Tomorrow	10 by 20
87 #	Brody OGB	10 by 10
88 #	Generational Wealth Group	10 by 10
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90 #	Classic Sports Barber Shop	10 by 10
91 #	Classic Cream, LLC	10 by 10
92 #	New Hope Academy	10 by 10
93 #	The Good Food Group dba McDonald's	10 by 10
94 #	Artist Tent	10 by 10
95 #	American Sign Designs	10 by 20
96 #	Community Child Care, Inc.	10 by 10
97 #	William Kim - Black Business Coalition	10 by 10
98 #	Volunteers/EIC	10 by 10
99 #	Hard Bargain Association & Community Partners	10 by 10
100 #	Heritage Foundation of Williamson County, TN	10 by 10
101 #	Urban League of Middle Tennessee	10 by 10
102 #	Gentry Investment Properties	10 by 10
103 #	Resiliency Therapies, LLC	10 by 10
104 #	93 FM The Fish	10 by 10
105 #	Cross Country Ministries	10 by 10
106 #	Remains Bank	10 by 10

Juneteenth





2023 FRANKLIN JUNETEENTH LEADERSHIP MEETING
January 26, 2023

2023 JUNETEENTH FORMAL GALA
FRIDAY JUNE 16TH
FRANKLIN FACTORY
6PM-11PM

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2023 JUNETEENTH FESTIVAL
SATURDAY JUNE 17TH
DOWNTOWN FRANKLIN
10AM -4PM

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2023 BLOCK PARTY
SATURDAY JUNE 24TH OR SUNDAY JUNE 25TH
JIM WARREN PARK
2PM-6PM

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Department of the Treasury
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THE FRANKLIN JUSTICE AND EQUITY COALITION
C/O WALTER SIMONS
1336 COLEMAN RD
FRANKLIN, TN 37064-7451

Date:
04/05/2022
Employer ID number:
86-2221420
Person to contact:
Name: Customer Service
ID number: 31954
Telephone: 877-829-5500
Accounting period ending:
December 31
Public charity status:
170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
Form 990 / 990-EZ / 990-N required:
Yes
Effective date of exemption:
February 23, 2021
Contribution deductibility:
Yes
Addendum applies:
No
DLN:
26053420002302

Dear Applicant:

We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). Donors can deduct contributions they make to you under IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under Section 2055, 2106, or 2522. This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

Organizations exempt under IRC Section 501(c)(3) are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined you're a public charity under the IRC Section listed at the top of this letter.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that you're required to file Form 990/990-EZ/990-N, our records show you're required to file an annual information return (Form 990 or Form 990-EZ) or electronic notice (Form 990-N, the e-Postcard). If you don't file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to www.irs.gov/charities. Enter "4221-PC" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

Sincerely,

Stephen A. Martin
Director, Exempt Organizations
Rulings and Agreements

Staff Conditions:

Staff recommends approval with the following conditions:

- Applicant shall meet with staff for walk through at least five days prior to event.
- Applicant will provide detailed map/layout to City detailing location of tents, vendors, etc. prior to event.
- Applicant will provide a \$1,000 damage deposit to City prior to event.

Building & Neighborhood Services:

- Special Event Electrical Permit will be required.

Risk Management:

- Applicant will provide certificate of insurance with liquor liability naming the City as additional insured. If alcohol, beer, and/or wine is given away or sold, the certificate must include liquor liability.

Streets Department:

- “No Parking after 3 p.m.” signs will be placed along Main Street on Friday morning.
- Main Street from 2nd to 3rd will close to traffic at 8 p.m. on Friday, June 16th.
- Church Street Parking Lot will be closed for official vehicles.
- Applicant or designee will stay present at event until all vendors are gone.
- Department will provide clean-up crew for after the event.

Police Department:

- Applicant will hire the recommended number of extra-duty Franklin Police Officers to provide security and traffic control for the event.
- Applicant has requested amplification on stages within the permitted area. Pursuant to Franklin Municipal Code Section 11-403(3), these are the only locations at which amplified sound will be permitted during this event.

Revenue Management:

- Applicant will provide a complete list of vendors to the City prior to the event.

Sanitation and Environmental Services Department:

- Department will provide crews for cleanup during event.

Water Management Department:

- Taps will be placed on hydrants at: Third Ave S at City Hall; Third Ave N at the Square

Fire Department:

- Applicant must adhere to requirements provided by the Fire Marshal's office regarding tents, stages, and mobile food vendors
- After stage setup is complete, the stage manager / crew chief shall be prepared to meet with Franklin fire and building inspectors to assure the stage has been properly setup and all safety measures are in place.

Open Issues: 10

FIRE-Special Event

General Issues

1. Fire lanes

curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov A 20-foot wide fire lane must be maintained down all public streets at all times.

The drawings shows a food vending area in the middle of 3rd Avenue North with tables on either side and portable toilets in the center of the street.

The applicant shall provide a clear 20-foot fire lane down the public streets.

The applicant may

1. Move the vendors and tables to either side of the street to maintain a 20-foot wide fire lane down the center of the streets.

or

2. Move the vendors, tables, and portable toilets to one side of the street leaving a 20-foot wide fire lane on the other side of the street.

Please revise the plans accordingly.

2. Fire lanes

curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov A 20-foot wide fire lane must be maintained along all public streets.

Booth 17 has a 10 x 20-foot tent. The tent will have to be arranged so that the 20-foot fire lane is maintained along the square.

The drawing is showing several large exhibits in the kids' zone. The exhibit in Booth 52 is concerning because of its large size. Fire department policy permits a booth to take up one side of the street if there are no booths on the other side of the street so a 20-foot fire lane is maintained on the one side of the street.

Streets must be arranged so there is either a center fire lane, or a fire lane to one side. Mixing the two arrangements on one street is not acceptable.

Please revise the plans accordingly.

3. Fire Department Access

curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov No booths or exhibits are permitted within 5-feet of a fire hydrant.

There must be a 10-foot gap in the middle of each block for fire department access.

No booths or exhibits are permitted within 10-feet of an alley.

Please revise the plans accordingly.

[Edited By Curt Edelmann]

4. Food Trucks

curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov Food trucks must meet the following requirements:

1. Food trucks are spaced 10-feet apart

2. Food trucks with cooking operations require a minimum of one 5-pound ABC fire extinguisher. Extinguishers must have a current inspection tag issued by a licensed fire equipment distributor.

3. Food trucks with cooking operations that produce grease-laden vapors must have a K-class fire extinguisher. Extinguishers must have a current inspection tag issued by a licensed fire equipment distributor.

4. Food trucks using solid-fuel cooking equipment must have either a 2 ½-gallon approved water fire extinguisher or a K-class fire extinguisher. Extinguishers must have a current inspection tag issued by a licensed fire equipment distributor.

5. Food trucks using solid-fuel cooking equipment must have an approved means of disposing of ashes and hot coals.

6. Only listed safety cans are used to dispense gasoline or other flammable liquids.

7. Fire department personnel will check propane tanks and connections for leaks prior to the event and during the event. Leaking tanks, hoses, and / or connections must be repaired immediately. Equipment that cannot be repaired must be placed out of service

5. Mobile Food Vendors

curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov Mobile food vendors must meet the following requirements:

1. Mobile food vendors with cooking operations require a minimum 5-pound ABC fire extinguisher. Extinguishers must have a current inspection tag issued by a licensed fire equipment distributor.

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6. Mobile food trucks must be spaced a minimum of 10-feet apart.

6. Stages

curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov	Stages and sound booths require a minimum of one 5-pound ABC fire extinguisher. Extinguishers must have a current inspection tag issued by a licensed fire equipment distributor. After stage setup is complete, the stage manager / crew chief shall be prepared to meet with Franklin fire and building inspectors to assure the stage has been properly setup and all safety measures are in place.
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7. Tents

curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov	Tents must meet the following requirements. 1. A site diagram showing where the tent will be on site and clearly showing fire department access routes is required. The site diagram shall also show the location of all generators and heating and cooking equipment. 2. Provide floor plan of the tent showing the layout of all furniture and fixtures and all exits. 3. Tents are located no closer than 20-feet to a building or other tent (zoning requirement; exceptions apply) 4. Tents must be properly anchored. Tents 20-feet by 20-feet and larger must be anchored in accordance with manufacturer's instructions. Staking is preferred. If staking is not possible, concrete blocks are required. Water barrels are not permitted. As a general rule-of-thumb, tents must have 5-pound to 10-pounds of anchoring per SF of tent. One 36-inch stake, properly installed, provides 800-pounds anchoring. 5. Tents 20-feet by 20-feet and larger must have at least one 5-pound ABC fire extinguisher. Extinguishers must have a current inspection tag issued by a licensed fire equipment distributor. 6. Tents 20-feet by 20-feet and larger must have a label or certificate showing that the tent fabric meets flammability standards. 7. Tents with sides are treated as buildings and must meet all the fire and life safety code requirements for buildings including exit signs, emergency lights, and adequate means of egress. 8. Pop-up vendor tents (nominal 10-feet x 10-feet) must have a minimum of 40-pounds of ballast on each pole. 9. Pop-up tents using open flames, such as, candles, portable heaters, torches, must have one ABC fire extinguisher that is fully charged.
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8. Mobile Food Vendor / Food Truck Video

curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov	The fire department has a short video describing fire department requirements for mobile food vendors and food truck vendors. Please include this link in your vendor information packet. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wqp0xp-X9k&list=PLDC8BB691331C242B&index=1
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9. Vendor Tent Video

curt.edelmann@franklin.tn.gov The fire department has a short video explaining fire department requirements for vendors using pop-up tents. Note: This video applies only to small pop-up style tents. This video does not cover larger tents.

Please include this link to the video in your vendor information packet.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3NwA3Uo3Jng&list=PLDC8BB691331C242B&index=2>

10. Advisory comments

curt.edelmann@franklin.tn.gov Check the spacing between tents. While the tent may be 10-feet x 10-feet, it is desirable to have a few feet between the tent.



File #: 21-04456

DATE: March 21, 2023
TO: Board of Mayor and Aldermen
FROM: Eric Stuckey, City Administrator
Lisa Clayton, Director of Parks
Milissa Reiersen, Communications Manager
Monique McCullough, Public Outreach Specialist

SUBJECT:

Consideration Of Event Permit For The Heritage Ball Sponsored By The Heritage Foundation At Eastern Flank Battlefield Park On October 7, 2023

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this memorandum is to outline recommendations for the Heritage Foundation's Heritage Ball.

BACKGROUND/STAFF COMMENTS:

The Heritage Foundation has requested the use of Eastern Flank Battlefield Park for their annual Heritage Ball scheduled for October 7th. The applicant has requested the use of the park from October 1st – October 10th. Estimated attendance is 800.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The applicant is responsible for the cost of staff, facility usage, and any damage that occurs during the event (including set-up and tear-down).

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval with the following conditions:

Applicant will provide copy of Good Neighbor letter which will be distributed to affected neighborhoods.

Parks Department

- All coordinating regarding the event, including fees and pre-event site meetings, will be done with the Programming Division at the Parks Department.

Risk Management:

- Applicant will provide certificate of insurance with liquor liability naming the City as additional insured. COI must cover all days applicant is on the property.
- Any hired providers must have insurance covering their activity, equipment and service, naming the City as additional insured. Insurance needs to include the entire time from set up to breakdown.

Police Department:

- Applicant will hire recommended number of extra-duty Franklin Police Officers to provide security and traffic control.

Sanitation and Environmental Services Department:

- Applicant will lease dumpsters from the Sanitation and Environmental Services Department
- Applicant will provide volunteers to pick-up any trash associated with the event.

Fire Department:

- Applicant must adhere to requirements provided by the Fire Marshal's office

Building & Neighborhood Services Department:

- It will be necessary to pull an electrical permit and have an inspection for this event.

Revenue Management:

- Applicant must obtain a Beer Permit from the City's Beer Board.



City of Franklin

Special Event Permit Application

*Application is Due 90 Days Prior to Scheduled Event.
Please read application carefully and fully complete each section.
A non-refundable application fee of \$100 is due at time of filing.*

Note: Filing this application does not guarantee that you request will be granted.

Please list all that apply:

- Ball

- Name/purpose of event:** 50th Annual Heritage Ball
- Location Requested:** (if Temporary Street Closure, list major roads to be closed):
Location: Eastern Flank Battlefield Park, 1368 Eastern Flank Circle Franklin, TN 37064
- Date or dates of event:** 10/07/2023
- Start/End Times of Event:**
5:00pm - 12:00am

What date/time will set-up begin? 10/1/2023 8:00 AM

What date/time will tear-down be complete? 10/10/2023 5:00 PM

**Note: Event is responsible for cost of staff required during this time (including Franklin Police Officers). Read Additional Requirements section for more information).*

- Time of Street Closure** (if applicable):
N/A
- An estimated number expected to attend during the course of the event:**
Spectators/Attendees: 800 Event Staff/Volunteers:80 Total:880
- Name of applicant and Organization Requesting Permit:**
Ian Hunt - Heritage Foundation
a) **Address:** Po Box 723
Franklin, TN 37065
b) **Phone:** 6155122552 c) **Cell:** d) **Fax:**
e) **E-mail address:** ihunt@williamsonheritage.org

- DETAILED description of event** (Include information regarding the appropriateness of the event for all ages. If available, include the names and descriptions of acts/performers):

Heritage Ball Description (#8):

The Heritage Ball is the longest-running black-tie affair in Williamson County. Each year, approximately 856 guests gather to support and celebrate the work of the Heritage Foundation and to raise funds for future preservation projects. In addition to a seated dinner and dancing, the ball features a cocktail hour and other fundraising opportunities.

856 Attendees

Cocktail Party

100+ Young Professionals at the Next Gen Late Party

Guest Performer

Raise the Paddle

Exquisite Served Meal & Full Bar

Live Music & Dancing

9. **ENCLOSE A DETAILED PDF MAP** of the event site and/or route, detailing any temporary or permanent structures, street closures, parking, etc. If applicable, list the location, blocks, streets, and/or intersections in which such an event will occur. **For large-scale events, a map or maps should be obtained from the City's GIS division.** **If also submitting a CAD file, please ensure that it is in DWG file format, and projected in TN State Plane NAD83**

Please detail any restricted parking areas on the event map.

Event Map: [Heritage Ball Planning.pdf](#)

10. **Person in charge on day of event:** Jayme Smith
Cell: 615-390-5325 **E-mail address:** jsmith@williamsonheritage.org
11. **Name and Cell Number of at least two others available on day of event:**
Name: Ian Hunt **Cell:** 615-415-1600 **E-mail address:** ihunt@williamsonheritage.org
Name: Meg Hershey **Cell:** 717-824-0436 **E-mail address:** mhershey@williamsonheritage.org

12.

Please attach a list (in PDF format) containing the names, addresses, and phone numbers of the Chairperson of the organization and all other persons involved in the management or control of the organization and/or committee.

Administrative Contact List: [Important Staff Extensions - 2023.pdf](#)

13. **Where is your organization based?** Williamson County
14. **Is your organization authorized to do business in Tennessee?** Yes
15. **Is your organization a tax-exempt organization as described by the Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) or a not-for-profit organization?** Yes
IRS tax exemption letter: [HF Tax Exempt Form \(1\) \(1\) \(1\).pdf](#)
16. **Will you charge an admission fee?** Yes
Average admission fee: 500
17. **Will you charge a vendor participation fee?** No
Average vendor participation fee?
18. **Total Estimated Revenue from vendors, ticket sales, and sponsorship to event organizer:**
19. **Will any charity, gratuity, or offers be solicited or accepted during the event?** Yes
20. **Is this event a fundraiser?** Yes
What organization will be the benefactor of event? Heritage Foundation
What percentage of funds will they receive? 100
21. **Will parking in the area of the event need to be restricted or prohibited?** Yes
22. **Will any sound amplification equipment be used during the event?** Yes

23. **Applicant must also include a copy of the insurance certificate indicating coverage and listing the City of Franklin as an additional insured**

***For stages, tents, etc. constructed on site prior to the event, that date must be included on the Certificate of Insurance provided to the City of Franklin. Stages MUST be removed from the site at end of the event. ***Rented inflatables/interactives that are set up and manned by the applicant must be included specifically in the applicant's Certificate of Insurance.

If you already have your insurance certificate, please upload it now in pdf format. Otherwise, your insurance certificate will need to be submitted before your event is approved.

Insurance Certificate:

24. **What, if any, vendors will be present at event?** (i.e. medical related, shirts, arts, etc.) **Please provide detailed list.**
Amos Gott, Southern Events, Valet Parking - TBD, PoshPrivy, Quest Events, Nashville Tent and Awning Co, Lighting Company - TBD, Sound Company - TBD, G Catering, A/C Company - TBD
25. **Will food, beverages, or merchandise be sold or given away?** Yes
Clean-up of the area is required. Please attach your clean-up and recycling plan, including name of clean-up provider with contact information for person who will be on on-site during event. See Question #26.
Clean Up Plan and Provider: [Clean Up Plan for Ball.pdf](#)
26. Events under 200 participants require a \$250 refundable security deposit at the time of approval. For events over 200, a \$1000 security deposit is required upon approval. If the applicant fails to restore the property to its prior condition, then the applicant shall be responsible to the City of Franklin for any costs incurred in restoring the property after the event. Surrender of the deposit in no way relieves the applicant of the responsibility for any costs incurred by the City of Franklin in excess of the deposit. Applicant's event coordinator or representative and a City of Franklin representative will conduct a Pre-Event meeting prior to event date for Pre-Event Check List Site Review. *At the end of the event, a Post-Event Check List shall be completed by the Applicant's event coordinator, or representative, and a City of Franklin representative to re-assess the site for trash and damage, and to secure with caution tape and signage (provided by event group) any tents left for removal.* Damage deposit will be refunded after a satisfactory Post Event Check List has been completed and signed off on by both the City of Franklin and organization requesting event. ***NOTE:** Events that include deep frying cooking oil operations are required to have a grease pit on-site and contract with a grease waste hauler to handle the grease waste and removal of the grease pit. A copy of this agreement shall be filed along with this application. The primary event sponsor is required to remove all cooking grease from the site immediately after the event. Illegal dumping of cooking grease will be prosecuted. *Please read Additional Requirements section of this application for more information.*
27. **Will you require a temporary water tap?** No
If yes, please list exact locations:
28. **Will alcohol, beer, and/or wine be given away or sold?** Yes
If yes, a permit from the relevant board is required. Please read Additional Requirements section of this application for more information.
29. **Will your event include tents or other temporary structures, propane use, or open flames?** Yes
Tents 400 sq. ft. or larger (or, if cooking operations are under the tent, 200 sq. ft. or larger) require a special inspection from the Franklin Fire Department. All tents must meet the requirements of Chapter 31 of the International Fire Code. Tents 20-ft by 20-ft or larger must have an approved label or documentation showing the tent fabric meets all flammability requirements. Tents larger than 400-SF must be inspected and approved by the fire department before the event opens. All cooking operations must be inspected and approved by the fire department before the event opens. Cooking operations will be periodically inspected throughout the event. Tents should be taken down on the date the event has ended. **Please read the Additional Requirements section of this application for more information.**
30. **Attach Good Neighbor Letter and Mailing List used.** *Please read Additional Requirements section of this application for more information.*
Good Neighbor Letter: [Good Neighbor Letter Ball 2023.pdf](#)
Good Neighbor Letter Mailing List: [Dickens_CoF RESIDENT_Mailing List.xlsx](#)



Rules and Regulations

Please Read All Attachments Before Signing Application.

- 1) I/We agree to abide by all ordinances and regulations of the City of Franklin and all State and Federal Laws.
- 2) I/We agree to abide by all conditions placed upon the event by the City Administrator and the Board of Mayor and Aldermen.
- 3) I/We do swear or affirm that all of the information given in this application is true and complete.
- 4) I/We do hereby agree to assume the defense of and indemnify and save harmless the City, its mayor, aldermen, boards, commissions, officers, employees and agents, from all suits, actions, damages or claims to which the City may be subjected of any kind or nature whatsoever resulting from, caused by, arising out of or as a consequence of such event and the activities permitted in connection there with.
- 5) I/We agree to submit a certificate of insurance prior to the event in an amount determined by the City naming the City of Franklin and its employees as additional insured. The City may require the sponsor and/or vendor provide higher levels of insurance, coverage, and policies as deemed reasonable and necessary based on specific event risk factors and review by the City's insurer.
- 6) I/We agree, if holding the special event on City property, to return the site to its pre-event condition at the conclusion of the event.
- 7) I/We agree to provide a copy of the signed Event Application to any vendors, planners, and related parties associated with the event to ensure they are familiar with the guidelines set forth herein.
- 8) I/We understand and acknowledge that all vendors, acts, performers, organizers, and patrons must not violate any laws pertaining to adult entertainment as defined by Tennessee State law.
- 9) I/We understand that I/we assume the responsibility of the actions of any vendors, planners, and related parties for this event.
- 10) I/We understand that granting of Special Event Permit does not imply granting of other permits that are separately required.
- 11) The application for an event permit shall be filed not less than 90 days nor more than 364 days prior to the scheduled date of such event. Suggested filing is at least 180 days prior to scheduled event. Events should not be advertised or promoted until an event permit has been obtained from the City. Failure to file in a timely manner may result in denial of a permit.
- 12) I/We understand that event permit holders may be responsible for 100 percent of the costs incurred by the City for staff time and resources.

BY: _____

(Signature and title – must be officer of organization)

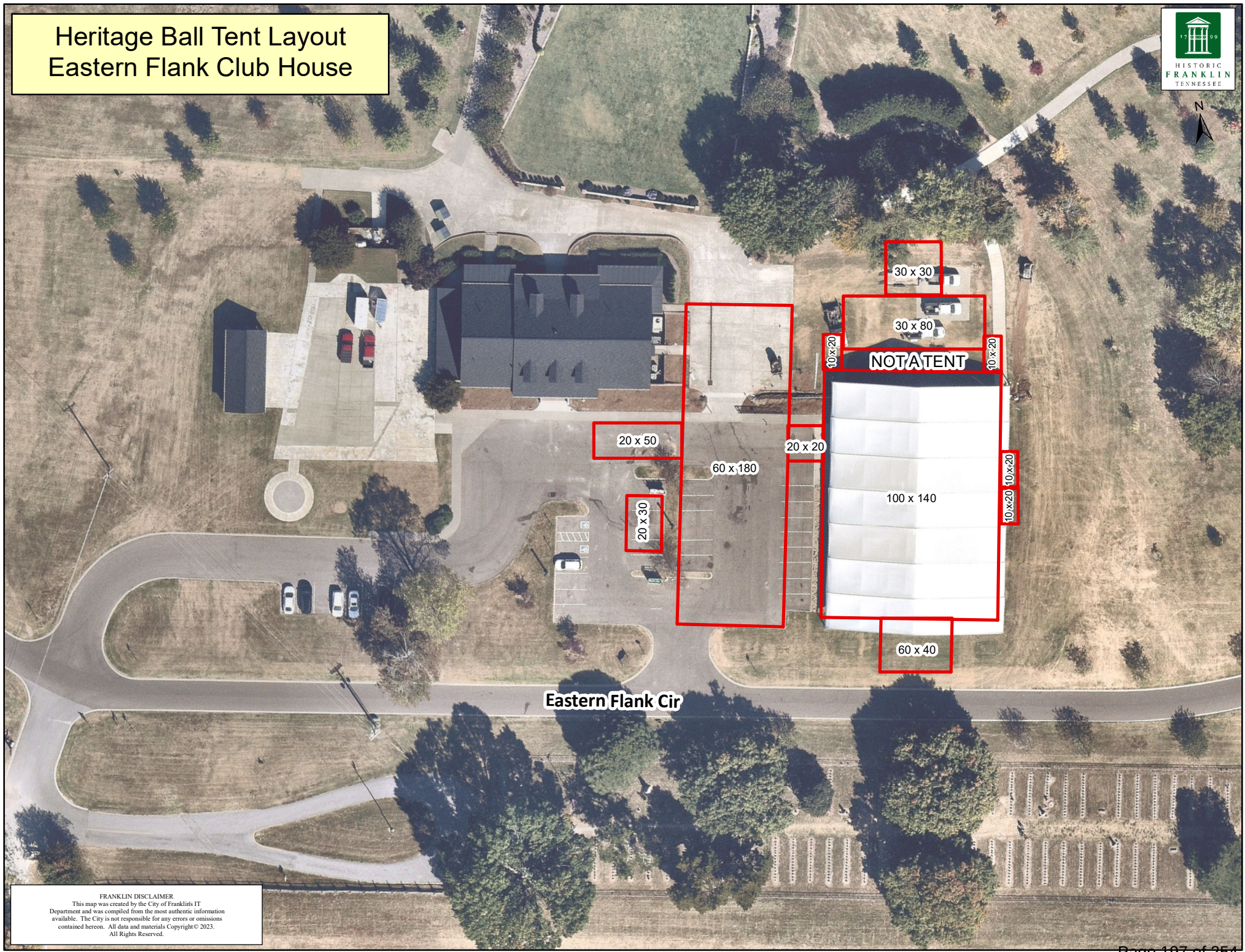
Date: 1-11-23

Approved by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen on _____, 20____

Dr. Ken Moore, Mayor

Eric S. Stuckey, City Administrator

Heritage Ball Tent Layout Eastern Flank Club House



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Event Name: 50th Annual Heritage Ball

Signature: _____



FORM 1

Buildings, Structures, & Power Sources

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- Any site-built platforms (stages) and/or bleachers
- Any electrical equipment or work utilizing in excess of 120 volts

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Applicant/Organization: Ian Hunt - Heritage Foundation

Event Name: 50th Annual Heritage Ball

Event Date(s): 10/07/2023

1. **Time amplification equipment will be used:** From: 5:00 PM To: 11:55 PM
2. **Exact locations sound amplification equipment will be used** (*i.e. stage located on Second Avenue*). *Provide map/layout if necessary.:*
On the Stage in the Dining Tent

Sound Amplification Map: [Sound Map Ball.docx](#)

3. **For what purpose will sound amplification be used?** *Please list all that apply.*
 - Announcements/Speeches
 - Band/Singers
 - Sound System
4. **Type of Amplifier:**
 - Fixed
 - PA System
5.

Number of Amplifiers: TBD	Number of Speakers: TBD	Number of Performers: TBD
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6. **Name and Cell Number of at least two coordinators who will monitor the sound level and respond to complaints and violations:**

Name: Jayme Smith	Cell: 6155918500	E-Mail: jsmith@williamsonheritage.org
Name: Ian Hunt	Cell: 615-415-1600	E-Mail: ihunt@williamsonheritage.org

Authorized Signature: Ian Hunt

Date: 01/04/2023

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Staff Conditions:

Staff recommends approval with the following conditions:

- Applicant will provide copy of Good Neighbor letter which will be distributed to affected neighborhoods.

Parks Department

- All coordinating regarding the event, including fees and pre-event site meetings, will be done with the Programming Division at the Parks Department.
- Applicant will call 811 (“Call Before You Dig”) before placing any stakes into the ground.

Risk Management:

- Applicant will provide certificate of insurance with liquor liability naming the City as additional insured. COI must cover all days applicant is on the property.
- Any hired providers must have insurance covering their activity, equipment and service, naming the City as additional insured. Insurance needs to include the entire time from set up to breakdown.

Police Department:

- Applicant will hire recommended number of extra-duty Franklin Police Officers to provide security and traffic control.

Sanitation and Environmental Services Department:

- Applicant will lease dumpsters from the Sanitation and Environmental Services Department
- Applicant will provide volunteers to pick-up any trash associated with the event.

Fire Department:

- Applicant must adhere to requirements provided by the Fire Marshal’s office

Building & Neighborhood Services Department:

- It will be necessary to pull an electrical permit and have an inspection for this event.

Revenue Management:

- Applicant must obtain a Beer Permit from the City’s Beer Board.

Open Issues: 6

Certificate of Insurance

[Insurance Requirement Guideline for Heritage Ball 2023.docx](#)

6. Insurance

Sara.sylvis@franklintn.gov I do not see a certificate of insurance in any of the submitted documents.

FIRE-Special Event

General Issues

2. Tent

curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov Tents must be properly anchored in accordance with the manufacturer's staking instructions. The event sponsor shall provide a copy of the manufacturer's staking instructions.
 Where stakes cannot be installed in accordance with proper staking recommendations, additional stakes may be required.

3. Emergency lights

curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov Emergency lighting is required.

1. The event sponsor may provide battery powered emergency lighting fixtures.
2. The event sponsor may use two portable electrical generators and wire the lights so half of the general lighting is provided by one generator, and the other half of the lighting is provided by the second generator. Lighting circuits from the two generators shall be arranged so that if one generator fails, circuits from the other generator will provide illumination of the entire event space.

[Edited By Curt Edelmann]

4. Tents

curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov The following separation distances shall be maintained.

Tents must be separated from the following as indicated

1. Cooking appliances – 20-feet Note: Warming appliances are not cooking appliances.
2. Open flame – 20-feet
3. LP gas cylinders less than 125-pounds – 5-feet
4. LP gas cylinders up to 500-pounds – 10-feet
5. Generators – 20-feet
6. Combustible waste – 30-feet

5. Interior furnishings

curt.edelmann@franklin.tn.gov Provide documentation that all hanging fabrics meet the fire resistance requirements of NFPA 701.

Sanitation and Environmental Services

General Issues

1. Solid Waste Containers

bobby.sullivan@franklin.tn.gov Sanitation and Environmental Services will provide (2) 8 cubic yard dumpsters for the event as in years past. Arrangements can be made if additional containers are required.



File #: 21-04467

DATE: March 21, 2023
TO: Board of Mayor and Aldermen
FROM: Eric Stuckey, City Administrator
Milissa Reiersen, Communications Manager
Monique McCullough, Public Outreach Specialist

SUBJECT:

Consideration Of Special Event Permit For Wine Down Main Street Sponsored By The Boys and Girls Club In Downtown Franklin On November 4, 2023

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this memorandum is to outline recommendations for the Wine Down Main Street event sponsored by the Boys and Girls Club in Downtown Franklin on November 4, 2023.

BACKGROUND/STAFF COMMENTS:

The Boys & Girls Club of Middle Tennessee has requested an Event Permit for the Annual Wine Down Main Street (WDMS) scheduled for November 4, 2023. WDMS is a ticketed event that allows patrons with tickets to sample wines located in various locations along Main Street. Attendees must be 21+ and show valid I.D. Event will include a stage with live music at Five Points and a smaller stage on the Square. Requested closure is 3 p.m. until 11 p.m. Estimated attendance is 2,000. All proceeds benefit the Boys & Girls Club of Middle Tennessee Fairview and Franklin clubs.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The applicant is responsible for Sanitation & Environmental Services costs and extra-duty Police Officers who work the event.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this event with the following conditions:

- Applicant shall meet with staff for walk through at least five days prior to event.
- Applicant will provide detailed map/layout to City detailing location of tents, vendors, etc. at least 30 days prior to event.
- Applicant will advertise a “safe ride” initiative

Risk Management:

- Applicant will provide certificate of insurance naming the City as additional insured. Certificate should include liquor liability.

Police Department:

- Applicant will hire required number of extra-duty Franklin Police Officers
- Applicant has requested amplification on two stages located within the event footprint. Pursuant to Franklin Municipal Code Section 11-403(3), these are the only locations at which amplified sound will be permitted during this event.

Building & Neighborhood Services Department:

- Electrical permit will be required

Sanitation and Environmental Services Department:

- Applicant will pay for clean-up crew during the event

Revenue Management:

- Obtain beer permit from the City of Franklin (if needed) and special event liquor license from ABC.

Fire Department:

- Applicant must adhere to requirements provided by the Fire Marshal's office regarding site plan, tents, stages, and mobile food vendors
- After stage setup is complete, the stage manager / crew chief shall be prepared to meet with Franklin fire and building inspectors to assure the stage has been properly setup and all safety measures are in place.



City of Franklin

Special Event Permit Application

*Application is Due 90 Days Prior to Scheduled Event.
Please read application carefully and fully complete each section.
A non-refundable application fee of \$100 is due at time of filing.*

Note: Filing this application does not guarantee that you request will be granted.

Please list all that apply:

- Festival/Fair

- Name/purpose of event:** 22nd Annual Wine Down Main Street
- Location Requested:** (if Temporary Street Closure, list major roads to be closed):
Historic Downtown Franklin Fifth Avenue to Second Avenue, Third and Fourth Avenue, Franklin Public Square
- Date or dates of event:** 11/04/2023
- Start/End Times of Event:**
6-10 PM

What date/time will set-up begin? 11/4/2023 1:00 PM

What date/time will tear-down be complete? 11/4/2023 11:30 PM

**Note: Event is responsible for cost of staff required during this time (including Franklin Police Officers). Read Additional Requirements section for more information).*

- Time of Street Closure** (if applicable):
Quadrants on the square in front of Mellow Mushroom and Twine Graphics in the morning and streets at 3 PM
- An estimated number expected to attend during the course of the event:**
Spectators/Attendees: 2,000 Event Staff/Volunteers: 225 Total: 2,225
- Name of applicant and Organization Requesting Permit:**
Denise Carothers - Boys & Girls Clubs of Middle Tennessee
a) **Address:** 129 West Fowlkes Street 1000
Franklin, TN 37064
b) **Phone:** 6156288188 c) **Cell:** d) **Fax:**
e) **E-mail address:** dcarothers@bgcmt.org

- DETAILED description of event** (Include information regarding the appropriateness of the event for all ages. If available, include the names and descriptions of acts/performers):

Lipman Brothers, Nashville's oldest and largest distributor of wine and spirits is the official wine sponsor. This unique wine tasting event takes place along historic Main Street in downtown Franklin, Tennessee. More than 30 shops will play host to wines from around the world. Participants taste wines, shop, and sample food from area restaurants all while listening to great live music. Proceeds from sponsorships and ticket sales for this event will benefit the Boys & Girls Clubs of Middle Tennessee.

A Rain or Shine Event!

Must be 21+ to enter and show a valid ID

9. **ENCLOSE A DETAILED PDF MAP** of the event site and/or route, detailing any temporary or permanent structures, street closures, parking, etc. If applicable, list the location, blocks, streets, and/or intersections in which such an event will occur. **For large-scale events, a map or maps should be obtained from the City's GIS division.**
If also submitting a CAD file, please ensure that it is in DWG file format, and projected in TN State Plane NAD83

Please detail any restricted parking areas on the event map.

Event Map: [TastingStationsMap-22.pdf](#)

10. **Person in charge on day of event:** Denise Carothers

Cell: 615-509-9285

E-mail address: dcarothers@bgcmt.org

11. **Name and Cell Number of at least two others available on day of event:**

Name: Oliver Arney

Cell: 615-496-1546

E-mail address: oarney@bgcmt.org

Name: Jennifer Wheeler

Cell: 6153086864

E-mail address: jwheeler@bgcmt.org

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Please attach a list (in PDF format) containing the names, addresses, and phone numbers of the Chairperson of the organization and all other persons involved in the management or control of the organization and/or committee.

Administrative Contact List: [2022 Board Roster by Individual & Company.pdf](#)

13. **Where is your organization based?** Williamson County

14. **Is your organization authorized to do business in Tennessee?** Yes

15. **Is your organization a tax-exempt organization as described by the Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) or a not-for-profit organization?** Yes

IRS tax exemption letter: [Certificate of Exemption.pdf](#)

16. **Will you charge an admission fee?** Yes

Average admission fee: 85

17. **Will you charge a vendor participation fee?** No

Average vendor participation fee?

18. **Total Estimated Revenue from vendors, ticket sales, and sponsorship to event organizer:**

19. **Will any charity, gratuity, or offers be solicited or accepted during the event?** Yes

20. **Is this event a fundraiser?** Yes

What organization will be the benefactor of event? Boys & Girls Clubs of Middle Tennessee

What percentage of funds will they receive? 100

21. **Will parking in the area of the event need to be restricted or prohibited?** Yes

22. **Will any sound amplification equipment be used during the event?** Yes

23. **Applicant must also include a copy of the insurance certificate indicating coverage and listing the City of Franklin as an additional insured**

***For stages, tents, etc. constructed on site prior to the event, that date must be included on the Certificate of Insurance provided to the City of Franklin. Stages MUST be removed from the site at end of the event. ***Rented inflatables/interactives that are set up and manned by the applicant must be included specifically in the applicant's Certificate of Insurance.

If you already have your insurance certificate, please upload it now in pdf format. Otherwise, your insurance certificate will need to be submitted before your event is approved.

Insurance Certificate:

24. **What, if any, vendors will be present at event?** (i.e. medical related, shirts, arts, etc.) **Please provide detailed list.**
Local restaurants will be in food tents. In addition some of our corporate sponsors might have tents.
25. **Will food, beverages, or merchandise be sold or given away?** Yes
Clean-up of the area is required. Please attach your clean-up and recycling plan, including name of clean-up provider with contact information for person who will be on on-site during event. See Question #26.
Clean Up Plan and Provider: [Clean Up Plan.docx](#)
26. Events under 200 participants require a \$250 refundable security deposit at the time of approval. For events over 200, a \$1000 security deposit is required upon approval. If the applicant fails to restore the property to its prior condition, then the applicant shall be responsible to the City of Franklin for any costs incurred in restoring the property after the event. Surrender of the deposit in no way relieves the applicant of the responsibility for any costs incurred by the City of Franklin in excess of the deposit. Applicant's event coordinator or representative and a City of Franklin representative will conduct a Pre-Event meeting prior to event date for Pre-Event Check List Site Review. *At the end of the event, a Post-Event Check List shall be completed by the Applicant's event coordinator, or representative, and a City of Franklin representative to re-assess the site for trash and damage, and to secure with caution tape and signage (provided by event group) any tents left for removal.* Damage deposit will be refunded after a satisfactory Post Event Check List has been completed and signed off on by both the City of Franklin and organization requesting event. ***NOTE:** Events that include deep frying cooking oil operations are required to have a grease pit on-site and contract with a grease waste hauler to handle the grease waste and removal of the grease pit. A copy of this agreement shall be filed along with this application. The primary event sponsor is required to remove all cooking grease from the site immediately after the event. Illegal dumping of cooking grease will be prosecuted. *Please read Additional Requirements section of this application for more information.*
27. **Will you require a temporary water tap?** No
If yes, please list exact locations:
28. **Will alcohol, beer, and/or wine be given away or sold?** Yes
If yes, a permit from the relevant board is required. Please read Additional Requirements section of this application for more information.
29. **Will your event include tents or other temporary structures, propane use, or open flames?** Yes
Tents 400 sq. ft. or larger (or, if cooking operations are under the tent, 200 sq. ft. or larger) require a special inspection from the Franklin Fire Department. All tents must meet the requirements of Chapter 31 of the International Fire Code. Tents 20-ft by 20-ft or larger must have an approved label or documentation showing the tent fabric meets all flammability requirements. Tents larger than 400-SF must be inspected and approved by the fire department before the event opens. All cooking operations must be inspected and approved by the fire department before the event opens. Cooking operations will be periodically inspected throughout the event. Tents should be taken down on the date the event has ended. **Please read the Additional Requirements section of this application for more information.**
30. **Attach Good Neighbor Letter and Mailing List used.** *Please read Additional Requirements section of this application for more information.*
Good Neighbor Letter: [goodneighborletter.docx](#)
Good Neighbor Letter Mailing List: [goodneighborletter.docx](#)



Rules and Regulations

Please Read All Attachments Before Signing Application.

- 1) I/We agree to abide by all ordinances and regulations of the City of Franklin and all State and Federal Laws.
- 2) I/We agree to abide by all conditions placed upon the event by the City Administrator and the Board of Mayor and Aldermen.
- 3) I/We do swear or affirm that all of the information given in this application is true and complete.
- 4) I/We do hereby agree to assume the defense of and indemnify and save harmless the City, its mayor, aldermen, boards, commissions, officers, employees and agents, from all suits, actions, damages or claims to which the City may be subjected of any kind or nature whatsoever resulting from, caused by, arising out of or as a consequence of such event and the activities permitted in connection there with.
- 5) I/We agree to submit a certificate of insurance prior to the event in an amount determined by the City naming the City of Franklin and its employees as additional insured. The City may require the sponsor and/or vendor provide higher levels of insurance, coverage, and policies as deemed reasonable and necessary based on specific event risk factors and review by the City's insurer.
- 6) I/We agree, if holding the special event on City property, to return the site to its pre-event condition at the conclusion of the event.
- 7) I/We agree to provide a copy of the signed Event Application to any vendors, planners, and related parties associated with the event to ensure they are familiar with the guidelines set forth herein.
- 8) I/We understand and acknowledge that all vendors, acts, performers, organizers, and patrons must not violate any laws pertaining to adult entertainment as defined by Tennessee State law.
- 9) I/We understand that I/we assume the responsibility of the actions of any vendors, planners, and related parties for this event.
- 10) I/We understand that granting of Special Event Permit does not imply granting of other permits that are separately required.
- 11) The application for an event permit shall be filed not less than 90 days nor more than 364 days prior to the scheduled date of such event. Suggested filing is at least 180 days prior to scheduled event. Events should not be advertised or promoted until an event permit has been obtained from the City. Failure to file in a timely manner may result in denial of a permit.
- 12) I/We understand that event permit holders may be responsible for 100 percent of the costs incurred by the City for staff time and resources.

BY:

(Signature and title – must be officer of organization)

Date: 2.2.23

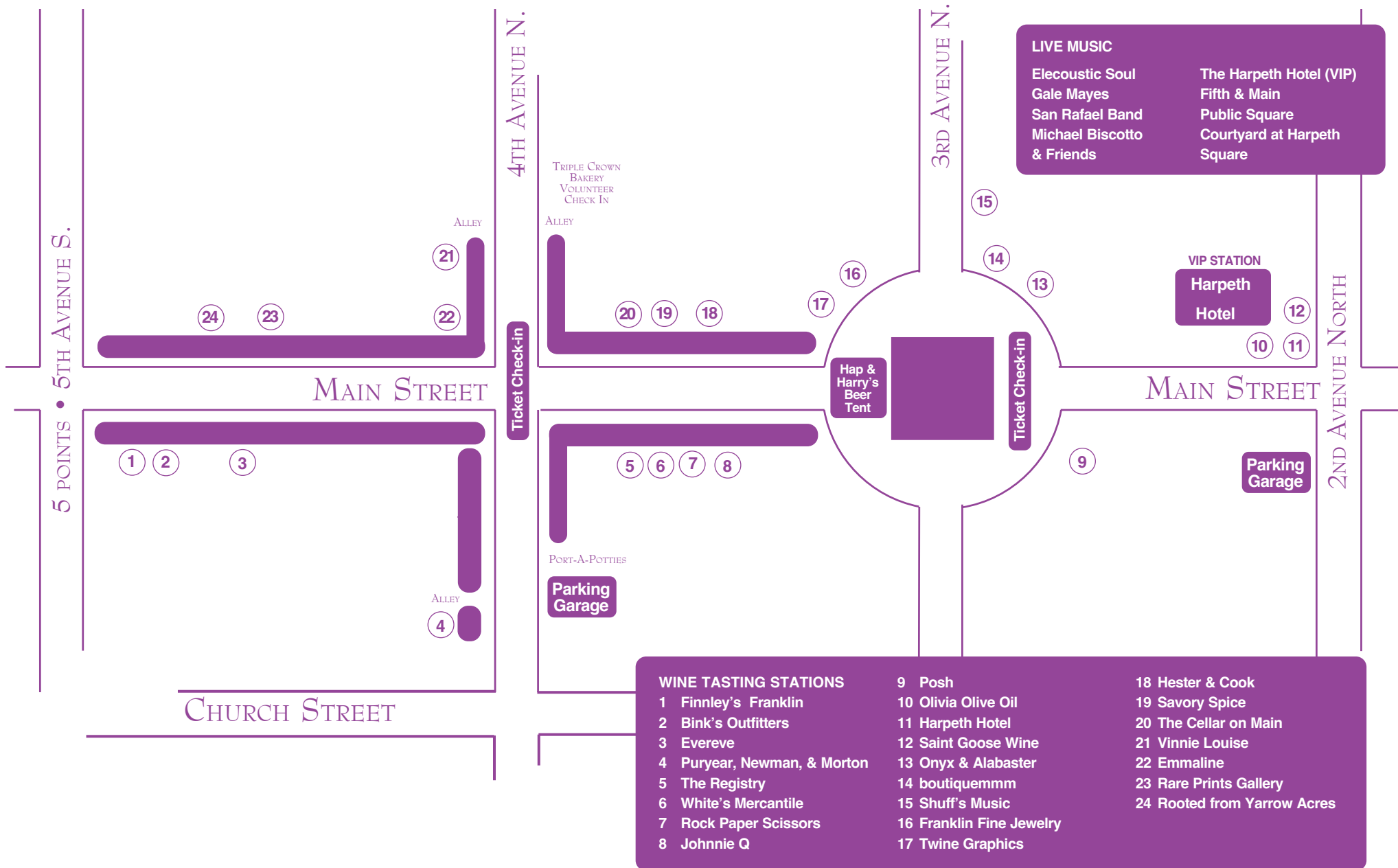
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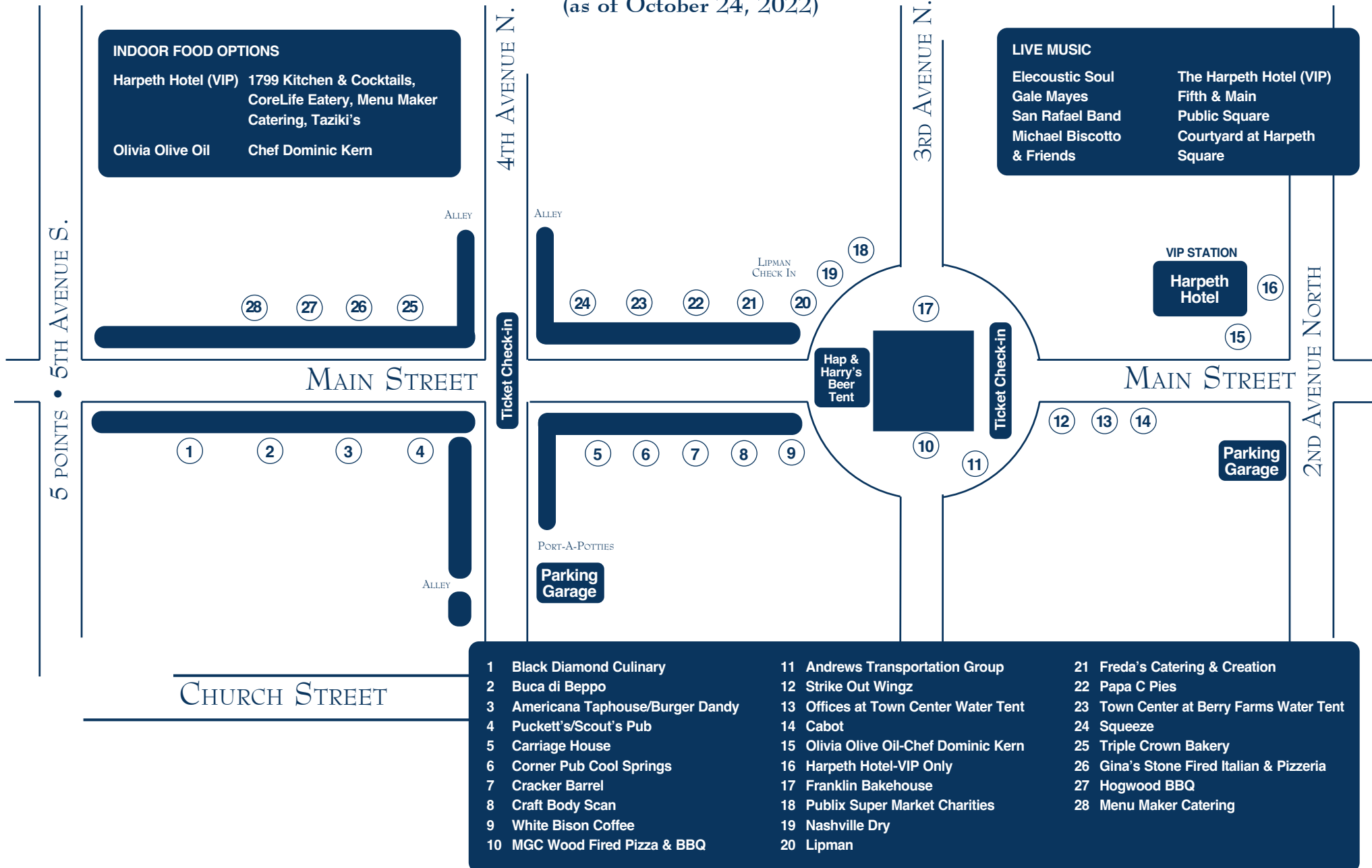
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ENJOY YOUR JOURNEY AS YOU “WINE DOWN MAIN STREET”



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Restaurants, Sponsors & Vendors
(as of October 24, 2022)





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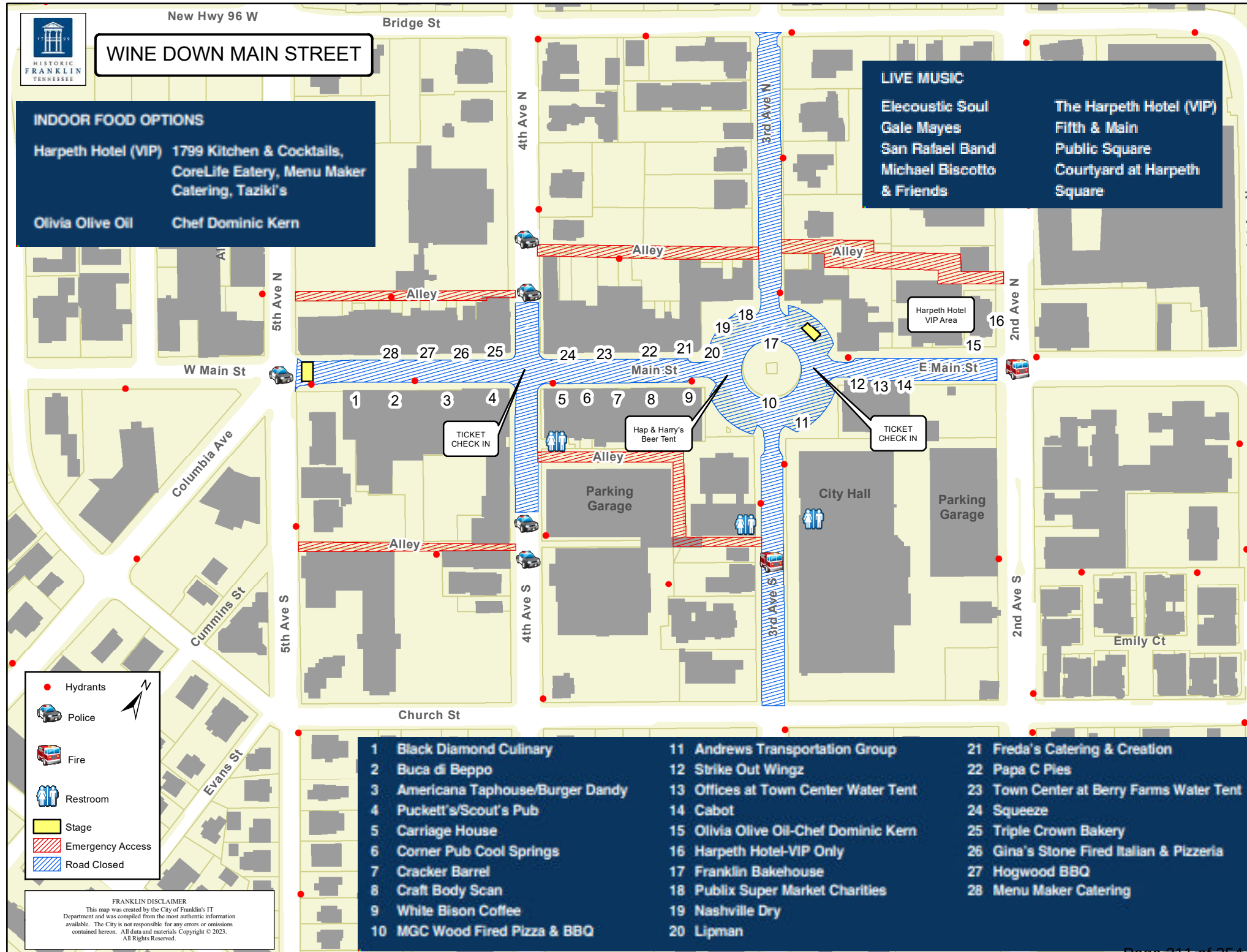
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& Friends

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Public Square
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Square



Event 22nd Annual Wine Down Main
Name: Street _____

Signature: _____



FORM 1

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Event 22nd Annual Wine Down
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FORM 1

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Applicant/Organization: Denise Carothers - Boys & Girls Clubs of Middle Tennessee

Event Name: 22nd Annual Wine Down Main Street

Event Date(s): 11/04/2023

1. **Time amplification equipment will be used:** From: 7:00 PM To: 10:00 PM
2. **Exact locations sound amplification equipment will be used** (*i.e. stage located on Second Avenue*). Provide map/layout if necessary.:
Franklin Public Square & Corner of Fifth & Main

Sound Amplification Map: [TastingStationsMap-22.pdf](#)

3. **For what purpose will sound amplification be used?** Please list all that apply:
 - Band/Singers
4. **Type of Amplifier:**
 - Fixed
5.

Number of Amplifiers: 4	Number of Speakers: 2	Number of Performers: 6
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6. **Name and Cell Number of at least two coordinators who will monitor the sound level and respond to complaints and violations:**

Name: Denise Carothers	Cell: 615-509-9285	E-Mail: dcarothers@bgcmt.org
Name: Scott Ducaj	Cell: 6154797751	E-Mail: TNbugle@aol.com

Authorized Signature: Denise Carothers

Date: 02/02/2023

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1/28/2022



STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF MIDDLE TENNESSEE
1704 CHARLOTTE AVE STE 200
NASHVILLE TN 37203-2979

Effective Date: July 1, 2019
Expiration Date: June 30, 2023
Account No: 1000335399-SLC
Exemption No: 1370782720
Facility Address:
1704 CHARLOTTE AVE
STE 200
NASHVILLE TN 37203-2979

Exempt Organizations or Institutions Sales and Use Tax Certificate of Exemption

This organization or institution qualifies for the authority to make sales and use tax exempt purchases of goods and services that it will use, consume or give away.

This authorization for exemption is limited to sales made directly to the referenced organization. This exemption certificate may not be used for sales made to individuals paying with personal checks or personal debit or credit cards, even if the individual is a representative or employee of the organization, and he or she will be reimbursed for the purchase. Sellers must refuse to accept the certificate when the sale is made to someone other than the organization.

This exemption certificate may not be used to make purchases without the payment of sales and use tax for other locations and may not be transferred to or used by any other person.

Seller's Name

Seller's Address (City & State)

I, _____, as an authorized representative of the taxpayer named above, affirm that the purchases qualify for the exemption and will be used at the location of the facility address referenced above. Under penalty of perjury, I affirm this to be a true and correct statement.

Print Name of Authorized Representative

Signature of Authorized Representative

Date

Clean Up Plan

We use the City of Franklin Solid Waste and Streets Department

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Open Issues: 10

FIRE-Special Event

General Issues

2. Mobile Food Vendors

curt.edelmann@franklin.tn.gov Mobile food vendors must meet the following requirements:

1. Mobile food vendors with cooking operations require a minimum 5-pound ABC fire extinguisher. Extinguishers must have a current inspection tag issued by a licensed fire equipment distributor.
2. Mobile food vendors with cooking operations that produce grease-laden vapors must have a K-class fire extinguisher. Extinguishers must have a current inspection tag issued by a licensed fire equipment distributor.
3. Mobile food vendors using solid-fuel cooking equipment must have either a 2 ½-gallon approved water fire extinguisher or a K-class fire extinguisher. Extinguishers must have a current inspection tag issued by a licensed fire equipment distributor.
4. Mobile food vendors using solid-fuel cooking equipment must have an approved means of disposing of ashes and hot coals.
5. Fire department personnel will check propane tanks and connections for leaks prior to the event and during the event. Leaking tanks, hoses, and / or connections must be repaired immediately. Equipment that cannot be repaired must be placed out of service.

3. Tents

curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov

Tents must meet the following requirements.

1. Tents are located no closer than 20-feet to a building or other tent (zoning requirement; exceptions apply)
2. Tents must be properly anchored. Tents 20-feet by 20-feet and larger must be anchored in accordance with manufacturer's instructions. Staking is preferred. If staking is not possible, concrete blocks are required. Water barrels are not permitted. As a general rule-of-thumb, tents must have 5-pound to 10-pounds of anchoring per SF of tent. One 36-inch stake, properly installed, provides 800-pounds anchoring.
3. Tents 20-feet by 20-feet and larger must have at least one 5-pound ABC fire extinguisher. Extinguishers must have a current inspection tag issued by a licensed fire equipment distributor.
4. Tents 20-feet by 20-feet and larger must have a label or certificate showing that the tent fabric meets flammability standards.
5. Tents with sides are treated as buildings and must meet all the fire and life safety code requirements for buildings including exit signs, emergency lights, and adequate means of egress.
6. Pop-up vendor tents (nominal 10-feet x 10-feet) must have a minimum of 40-pounds of ballast on each pole.
7. Pop-up tents using open flames, such as, candles, portable heaters, torches, must have one ABC fire extinguisher that is fully charged.

4. Hydrants

curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov

A minimum 10-foot buffer must be maintained in front of hydrants.

5. Question

curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov

Will a single vendor supply all tents or will the food vendors bring their own?

6. Stages

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The drawings did not show stages, but the plans show live music. Please indicate if you plan on having stages. If you do have stages, please be aware of the following requirements.

Stages and sound booths require a minimum of one 5-pound ABC fire extinguisher. Extinguishers must have a current inspection tag issued by a licensed fire equipment distributor.

After stage setup is complete, the stage manager / crew chief shall be prepared to meet with Franklin fire and building inspectors to assure the stage has been properly setup and all safety measures are in place.

7. Open Flames

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Open flames are not permitted in areas open to the public.

8. Portable heaters

curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov Portable heaters for individual use in small tents.

1. The clearance between a portable heaters and combustible objects must be in accordance with the manufacturer's directions or 3-feet.
2. Portable heaters must be listed for both indoor and outdoor use.
3. For electric heaters: Plug heaters directly into an outlet. If an extension cord is necessary, a 12-guage or heavier code no more than 25-feet long shall be used.
4. For propane heaters: Propane no larger than 2.5-pounds shall be used.
5. Heaters shall be checked often to make sure they are operating properly.
6. For propane heaters: An ABC (all-purpose) fire extinguisher is required.

9. Mobile Food Vendor / Food Truck Video

curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov The fire department has a short video describing fire department requirements for mobile food vendors and food truck vendors. Please include this link in your vendor information packet.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Wqp0xp-X9k&list=PLDC8BB691331C242B&index=1>

10. Vendor Tent Video

curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov The fire department has a short video explaining fire department requirements for vendors using pop-up tents. Note: This video applies only to small pop-up style tents. This video does not cover larger tents.

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3NwA3Uo3Jng&list=PLDC8BB691331C242B&index=2>

Sanitation and Environmental Services

General Issues

1. Solid Waste Service

bobby.sullivan@franklintn.gov SES can provide sanitation services for this event as in years past at a rate of \$150.00 per hour for employees, truck and containers. Crew last year was on site during the event from 5:00 PM-11:00 PM. Cleanup will take place during and after the event.

Wayne Sullivan
bobby.sullivan@franklintn.gov
615-604-1575



File #: 21-04471

DATE: March 22, 2023
TO: Board of Mayor and Aldermen
FROM: Eric Stuckey, City Administrator
Lisa Clayton, Director of Parks
Milissa Reiersen, Communications Manager
Monique McCullough, Public Outreach Specialist

SUBJECT:

Consideration Of Special Event Permit For The Pilgrimage Music And Cultural Festival At The Park At Harlinsdale Farm To Be Held September 23-24, 2023

PURPOSE:

Consideration Of Special Event Permit For The Pilgrimage Music And Cultural Festival At The Park At Harlinsdale Farm To Be Held September 22 - 24, 2023.

BACKGROUND/STAFF COMMENTS:

Pilgrimage Events, LLC has requested a special event permit for the Pilgrimage Music and Cultural Festival at the Park at Harlinsdale Farm in September 2023. This is a multi-day music festival with multiple stages, food and beverage booths, and vendors selling arts, crafts, and merchandise. The maximum number of tickets is set at 25,000 per day. Set-up would begin on September 11th. Dates for the event are September 23rd and 24th. Tear-down is scheduled to end by October 3rd.

One major change in this year's application is the request to extend the hours on Sunday from 8:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. Staff has concerns regarding this extension. Even though it falls within the current noise ordinance, Sunday is considered a "school night". Harlinsdale Farm is located in Downtown Franklin surrounded by residences that will be affected by this extension. Also, if tear down begins immediately after the last act, as it has in the past, the noise will continue for a few more hours past 10 p.m. Another concern is the time it takes to clear pedestrians and traffic from the area would also go past 10 p.m.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The applicant covers the cost of staff, facility usage, and any damage that occurs during the event (including set-up and tear-down).

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the event with the following conditions:

- Applicant will provide Good Neighbor Letter which will be distributed to residents in the surrounding area at least 30 days in advance of the event. Addresses will be provided by staff.
- Applicant is responsible for all damage to the Park (grounds, buildings, and facilities) that occurs during the time they are on the property. Any damage should be reported to the City as soon as it occurs or is noticed.
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- Applicant must obtain a Beer Permit from the City's Beer Board.
- Applicant will work with Police Department on parking and traffic control plan.
- Applicant will hire required number of extra-duty Franklin Police Officers to provide traffic control.
- Franklin Police Department will need to be notified of any contracted security company working the event.
- Pursuant to Franklin Municipal Code Section 11-403(3), amplified sound will only be permitted in the areas indicated on the application.
- Special Event Electrical Permit and inspection will be required.
- Plan for clean-up must be provided at least 30 days prior to set-up.
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OFFICE USE ONLY

Permit No: _____



City of Franklin

Special Event Permit Application

*Application is Due 90 Days Prior to Scheduled Event.
Please read application carefully and fully complete each section.
A non-refundable application fee of \$100 is due at time of filing.*

Note: Filing this application does not guarantee that you request will be granted.

Please list all that apply:

- Festival/Fair

1. **Name/purpose of event:** Pilgrimage Music and Cultural Festival

2. **Location Requested:** (if Temporary Street Closure, list major roads to be closed):

The event will affect Franklin Road with closures and directional changes as directed by Franklin Police Dept in conjunction with Pilgrimage Operations. A detailed street closure and traffic plan remains generally the same as in 2022 and will be submitted following upcoming meetings with City Officials.

3. **Date or dates of event:** 09/22/2023, 09/23/2023, 09/24/2023

4. **Start/End Times of Event:**

Pilgrimage will open gates at ~~11am~~ ^{noon} on Saturday 9/23 and Sunday 9/24 and conclude public programming at 10pm on Saturday 9/23 and Sunday 9/24 ^{mid}

What date/time will set-up begin? 9/11/2023 8:00 AM

What date/time will tear-down be complete? 10/3/2023 5:00 PM

*Note: Event is responsible for cost of staff required during this time (including Franklin Police Officers). Read Additional Requirements section for more information).

5. **Time of Street Closure** (if applicable):

6am - Midnight Saturday 9/23/23

6am - Midnight Sunday 9/24/23

> to be adjusted by FPD per sidewalk and street project completion

6. **An estimated number expected to attend during the course of the event:**

Spectators/Attendees: 25,000

Event Staff/Volunteers: 2,000

Total: ~~2,025~~

27,000

7. **Name of applicant and Organization Requesting Permit:**

william brandt wood - Pilgrimage Presents, LLC

a) **Address:** 230 Franklin Road Suite 12H
Franklin, TN 37064

b) **Phone:** 6157218111

c) **Cell:** **214 952 9663**

d) **Fax:**

e) **E-mail address:** brandt@pilgrimagefestival.com

8. **DETAILED description of event (Include information regarding the appropriateness of the event for all ages. If available, include the names and descriptions of acts/performers):**

Pilgrimage Music and Cultural Festival remains in its 9th Year a family friendly, weekend festival conceived by and for the City of Franklin and Williamson County communities. It endeavors to hire as many local musicians, vendors, staff, and professional support as possible in order to fully involve the community culturally, socially, and economically. Pilgrimage works very closely with the City of Franklin and Williamson County leadership to ensure enerring attention is given to public safety, codes and statutes, and all rules and requirements that govern a music festival of the size and scope of Pilgrimage. And very special attention and resources are expended ensuring that the family friendly nature of Pilgrimage, including the Lil' Pilgrims Family Village, makes for a compelling event to attend by people of all ages, including kids who get in to the festival free of charge.

9. **ENCLOSE A DETAILED PDF MAP** of the event site and/or route, detailing any temporary or permanent structures, street closures, parking, etc. If applicable, list the location, blocks, streets, and/or intersections in which such an event will occur. **For large-scale events, a map or maps should be obtained from the City's GIS division.**
If also submitting a CAD file, please ensure that it is in DWG file format, and projected in TN State Plane NAD83 Please detail any restricted parking areas on the event map.

Event Map: [Pilgrimage Music Festival - 08-22-22 36x24 copy.pdf](#)

10. **Person in charge on day of event:** Adam Gelfond
Cell: 615-686-3484 **E-mail address:** adam.gelfond@redlightmanagement.com
11. **Name and Cell Number of at least two others available on day of event:**
Name: W. Brandt Wood **Cell:** 214-952-9663 **E-mail address:** Brandt@Pilgrimagefestival.com
Name: Jim Tobin **Cell:** 916-801-2370 **E-mail address:** jim@jimtobinproductions.com

12. **Please attach a list (in PDF format)** containing the names, addresses, and phone numbers of the Chairperson of the organization and all other persons involved in the management or control of the organization and/or committee.

Administrative Contact List: [Pilgrimage 2023 Contact List - 2022 Contacts.pdf](#)

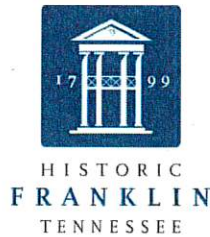
13. **Where is your organization based?** Williamson County
14. **Is your organization authorized to do business in Tennessee?** Yes
15. **Is your organization a tax-exempt organization as described by the Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) or a not-for-profit organization?** No
IRS tax exemption letter:
16. **Will you charge an admission fee?** Yes
Average admission fee: \$239, \$259, \$289, \$989
17. **Will you charge a vendor participation fee?** Yes
Average vendor participaion fee? \$1,200 for craft and 30% of sales for food
18. **Total Estimated Revenue from vendors, ticket sales, and sponsorship to event organizer:**
19. **Will any charity, gratuity, or offers be solicited or accepted during the event?** Yes
20. **Is this event a fundraiser?** Yes
What organization will be the benefactor of event? Friends of Franklin Parks and other non-profits
What percentage of funds will they receive? 1%
21. **Will parking in the area of the event need to be restricted or prohibited?** Yes
22. **Will any sound amplification equipment be used during the event?** Yes

23. **Applicant must also include a copy of the insurance certificate indicating coverage and listing the City of Franklin as an additional insured**
- ***For stages, tents, etc. constructed on site prior to the event, that date must be included on the Certificate of Insurance provided to the City of Franklin. Stages MUST be removed from the site at end of the event. ***Rented inflatables/interactives that are set up and manned by the applicant must be included specifically in the applicant's Certificate of Insurance.
- If you already have your insurance certificate, please upload it now in pdf format. Otherwise, your insurance certificate will need to be submitted before your event is approved.**
- Insurance Certificate:**
24. **What, if any, vendors will be present at event?** (i.e. medical related, shirts, arts, etc.) **Please provide detailed list.**
Craft, Food, Merch and Beverage Vendors will be present with many vendor being the same as in previous years. Actual list of vendors for 2023 will be submitted in a complete once they are selected.
25. **Will food, beverages, or merchandise be sold or given away?** Yes
Clean-up of the area is required. Please attach your clean-up and recycling plan, including name of clean-up provider with contact information for person who will be on on-site during event. See Question #26.
Clean Up Plan and Provider: [Pilgrimage 2023 Contact List - 2022 Contacts.pdf](#)
26. Events under 200 participants require a \$250 refundable security deposit at the time of approval. For events over 200, a \$1000 security deposit is required upon approval. If the applicant fails to restore the property to its prior condition, then the applicant shall be responsible to the City of Franklin for any costs incurred in restoring the property after the event. Surrender of the deposit in no way relieves the applicant of the responsibility for any costs incurred by the City of Franklin in excess of the deposit. Applicant's event coordinator or representative and a City of Franklin representative will conduct a Pre-Event meeting prior to event date for Pre-Event Check List Site Review. *At the end of the event, a Post-Event Check List shall be completed by the Applicant's event coordinator, or representative, and a City of Franklin representative to re-assess the site for trash and damage, and to secure with caution tape and signage (provided by event group) any tents left for removal.* Damage deposit will be refunded after a satisfactory Post Event Check List has been completed and signed off on by both the City of Franklin and organization requesting event. ***NOTE:** Events that include deep frying cooking oil operations are required to have a grease pit on-site and contract with a grease waste hauler to handle the grease waste and removal of the grease pit. A copy of this agreement shall be filed along with this application. The primary event sponsor is required to remove all cooking grease from the site immediately after the event. Illegal dumping of cooking grease will be prosecuted. *Please read Additional Requirements section of this application for more information.*
27. **Will you require a temporary water tap?** Yes
If yes, please list exact locations:
From the existing Harlinsdale fire hydrants water will be tapped and drawn
28. **Will alcohol, beer, and/or wine be given away or sold?** Yes
If yes, a permit from the relevant board is required. Please read Additional Requirements section of this application for more information.
29. **Will your event include tents or other temporary structures, propane use, or open flames?** Yes
Tents 400 sq. ft. or larger (or, if cooking operations are under the tent, 200 sq. ft. or larger) require a special inspection from the Franklin Fire Department. All tents must meet the requirements of Chapter 31 of the International Fire Code. Tents 20-ft by 20-ft or larger much have an approved label or documentation showing the tent fabric meets all flammability requirements. Tents larger than 400-SF must be inspected and approved by the fire department before the event opens. All cooking operations must be inspected and approved by the fire department before the event opens. Cooking operations will be periodically inspected throughout the event. Tents should be taken down on the date the event has ended. **Please read the Additional Requirements section of this application for more information.**

30. **Attach Good Neighbor Letter and Mailing List used.** *Please read Additional Requirements section of this application for more information.*

Good Neighbor Letter: [WIP Neighbor Letter 2023.docx.pdf](#)

Good Neighbor Letter Mailing List:



Rules and Regulations

Please Read All Attachments Before Signing Application.

- 1) I/We agree to abide by all ordinances and regulations of the City of Franklin and all State and Federal Laws.
- 2) I/We agree to abide by all conditions placed upon the event by the City Administrator and the Board of Mayor and Aldermen.
- 3) I/We do swear or affirm that all of the information given in this application is true and complete.
- 4) I/We do hereby agree to assume the defense of and indemnify and save harmless the City, its mayor, aldermen, boards, commissions, officers, employees and agents, from all suits, actions, damages or claims to which the City may be subjected of any kind or nature whatsoever resulting from, caused by, arising out of or as a consequence of such event and the activities permitted in connection there with.
- 5) I/We agree to submit a certificate of insurance prior to the event in an amount determined by the City naming the City of Franklin and its employees as additional insured. The City may require the sponsor and/or vendor provide higher levels of insurance, coverage, and policies as deemed reasonable and necessary based on specific event risk factors and review by the City's insurer.
- 6) I/We agree, if holding the special event on City property, to return the site to its pre-event condition at the conclusion of the event.
- 7) I/We agree to provide a copy of the signed Event Application to any vendors, planners, and related parties associated with the event to ensure they are familiar with the guidelines set forth herein.
- 8) I/We understand and acknowledge that all vendors, acts, performers, organizers, and patrons must not violate any laws pertaining to adult entertainment as defined by Tennessee State law.
- 9) I/We understand that I/we assume the responsibility of the actions of any vendors, planners, and related parties for this event.
- 10) I/We understand that granting of Special Event Permit does not imply granting of other permits that are separately required.
- 11) The application for an event permit shall be filed not less than 90 days nor more than 364 days prior to the scheduled date of such event. Suggested filing is at least 180 days prior to scheduled event. Events should not be advertised or promoted until an event permit has been obtained from the City. Failure to file in a timely manner may result in denial of a permit.
- 12) I/We understand that event permit holders may be responsible for 100 percent of the costs incurred by the City for staff time and resources.

BY: mmw - Wm Brandt Wood - Producer Date: 2/28/23
(Signature and title – must be officer of organization)

Approved by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen on _____, 20____

Dr. Ken Moore, Mayor

Eric S. Stuckey, City Administrator

EventPilgrimage Music and Cultural
Name:Festival



FORM 1

Signature: _____

Buildings, Structures, & Power Sources

If your special event includes any of the following, you may need to obtain a permit from the Building and Neighborhood Services Department. Please check any that apply.

- Any site-built platforms (stages) and/or bleachers
- Any electrical work utilizing site-constructed equipment or wiring
- Any electrical equipment or work utilizing in excess of 120 volts
- Any cooking equipment requiring site modifications or additions (duct work
- exhaust systems
- electrical work
- etc.)
- or that utilizes in excess of 120 volts;

Building permits and/or inspections also may be required whenever deemed necessary, due to unique conditions, shoddy construction, substandard assembly or set-up, unqualified assemblers, lack of maintenance, or dilapidation of equipment, materials or systems.

All Permit applications are subject to permit fees.

If you have any questions about whether you need to apply for a permit from the Building & Neighborhood Services Department, please call 615-794-7012.



Signature: _____

Sound Amplification

In accordance with Title 11 Chapter 4 of the Franklin Municipal Code (*Offenses Against the Peace and Quiet*), amplification of sound located in or within 100 feet of a residential property line which is plainly audible is prohibited between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. Sunday through Thursday and between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. Friday and Saturday except for special events where a special permit has been obtained from the City of Franklin authorizing such event. In the event that a special event permit has been obtained from the City of Franklin, no other amplification of sound will be permitted within the area of the special event except that which has been applied for and authorized by the city pursuant to the permit application.

Applicant/Organization: william brandt wood - Pilgrimage Presents, LLC

Event Name: Pilgrimage Music and Cultural Festival

Event Date(s): 09/22/2023, 09/23/2023, 09/24/2023

1. **Time amplification equipment will be used:** From: 10:00 AM To: 10:00 PM
2. **Exact locations sound amplification equipment will be used** (*i.e. stage located on Second Avenue*). *Provide map/layout if necessary.:*
Please refer to the site plan submitted

Sound Amplification Map: [sound amplificaiton plan.png](#)

3. **For what purpose will sound amplification be used?** *Please list all that apply:*

- Announcements/Speeches
- Band/Singers
- DJ
- Sound System

4. **Type of Amplifier:**

- Fixed
- PA System

5.

Number of Amplifiers: 100	Number of Speakers: 200	Number of Performers: 40
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6. **Name and Cell Number of at least two coordinators who will monitor the sound level and respond to complaints and violations:**

Name: Anne Kallevig

Cell: 440-476-1262

E-Mail: anne@empiricalproductions.com

Name: Brandt Wood

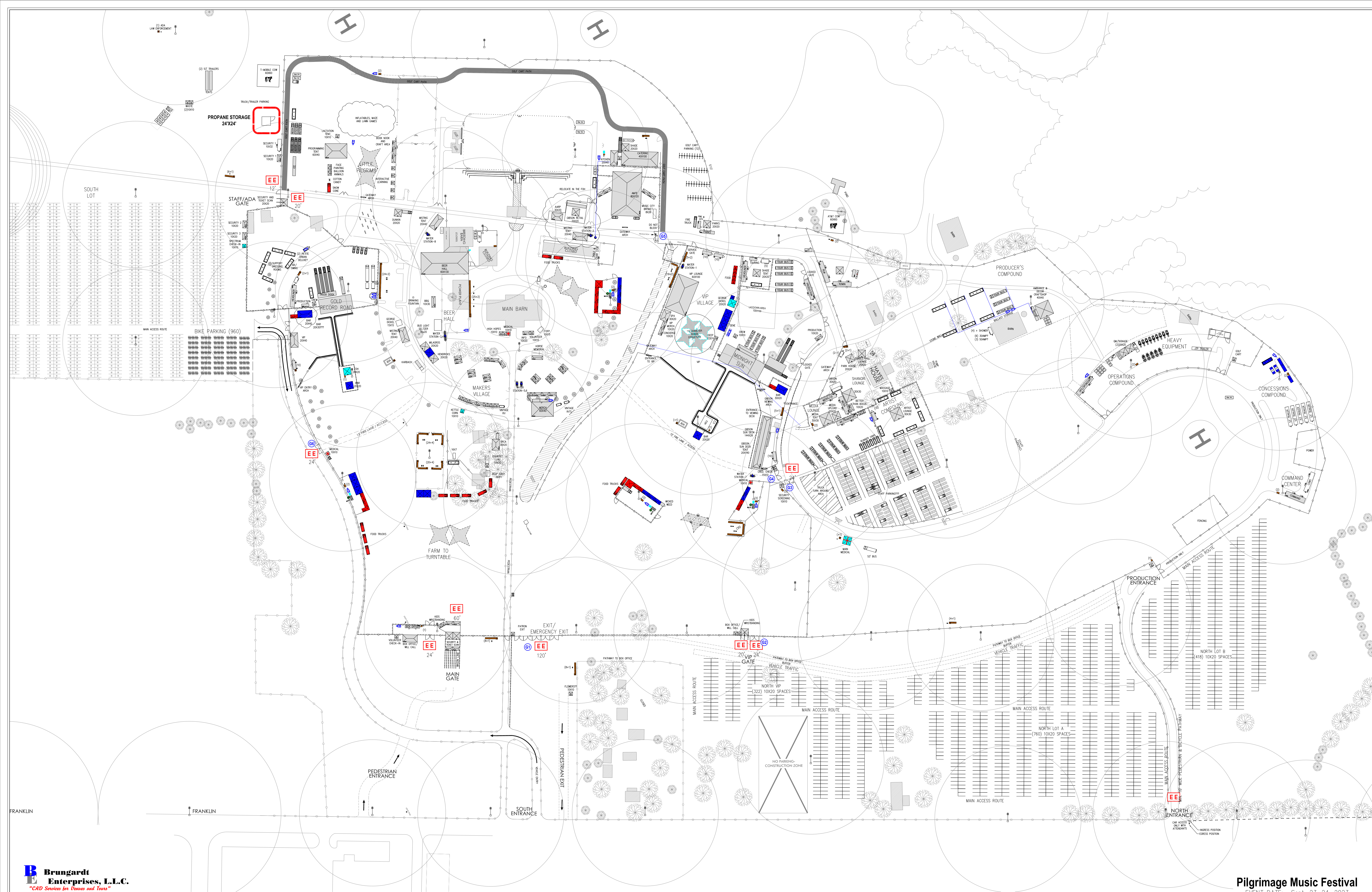
Cell: 214-952-9663

E-Mail: brandt@pilgrimagefestival.com

Authorized Signature: william brandt wood

Date: 02/28/2023

The City of Franklin's Municipal Code (Title 11, Chapter 4) allows for exceptions to the City's noise standards for City authorized or sponsored events. However, the City retains the right to ask for a change of an event's location or time in an attempt to decrease the number of people impacted by event noise. The City may refuse a special event application based on noise complaints by neighboring businesses and residents. The City therefore encourages event-holders to work with neighbors to alleviate negative impacts wherever possible. At minimum, you should plan to point speakers away from residences.



Pilgrimage Festival – 2023 Waste Plan Draft

Category: Event Clean Up and On-Site Waste Management Services

Event Description: A two day music festival that will include entertainment stages and specialized vendor areas. Expected daily attendance: 20,000 patrons

Event Dates: Saturday September 23, 2023 12:00pm-10:00pm
Sunday September 24, 2023 12:00pm-10:00pm

Event Timeline: Access to site will begin on Monday of the event week at 9:00am. All event set-up will need to be completed by Friday of the event week at 12:00pm. Final cleaning and all event related equipment must be removed from the site by Wednesday September 27 at 3pm.

Proposals are being accepted from qualified, properly insured and endorsed companies to implement a comprehensive on-site waste management service plan and all related event clean-up. The qualified company will work directly with event producers and event location officials to provide a plan that includes fan participation and environmental considerations.

- Event Cleaning
 - Pre event: Set up of trash, compost and recycling bins in “collection stations”.
 - Scheduled patrols throughout the event to ensure timely removal of waste.
 - Cleaning at the end of the event on Saturday to ensure the gates will be ready to open at the advertised time on Sunday.
 - Post event cleaning of the entire festival grounds and areas of the park beyond the perimeter of the event area.

Note: All food/beverage vendors will be responsible for the cleaning of their specific areas.

- Waste Management Service
 - Company will provide the appropriate size and number of containers / dumpsters, totes / receptacles as needed for the event and will facilitate the removal of all event waste.
 - Company will follow all local guidelines for the collection and disposal of landfill and all compostable and recyclable materials.

Site Map Attached. Attendance numbers are estimates. Updates on site map and attendance will be provided prior to the event dates.

Service Timeline:

Equipment Deliveries:

Wed Sept 13 Begin

Additional Service Dates (Non-Event Days / Minimal Staff Needed):

Monday September 13 – Friday Sept 22

Monday September 25 – Wed Sept 27

Equipment Removed:

Wed September 27 Pickups Complete by End of Day

(1) Container Remains Until 5pm

Proposal submissions will need to include all labor and equipment associated with the services provided. Proposals should also include proof of insurance and the ability to operate in the state of Tennessee.

If your company is interested in submitting a proposal, we would like to set up a call to discuss further details.

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Open Issues: 15

FIRE-Special Event

General Issues

2. Tents

City of Franklin Curt Edelmann curt.edelmann@franklin.tn.gov 3/9/23 8:26 PM Special Event - 1	The event sponsor shall remind the tent vendor(s) that the soil at Harlinsdale is very hard and rocky. The tent vendor shall use mechanical equipment to drive and pull the stakes since the fire department will require all stakes to be driven into the ground so that no more than 2-inches--3-inches of the top of the stake is exposed. As an alternative, the tent vendor can perform a pull-out test of the stakes to determine an adequate depth. [Ver. 2] [Edited By Curt Edelmann]
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3. Fuel Tanks

City of Franklin Curt Edelmann curt.edelmann@franklin.tn.gov 3/9/23 6:39 PM Special Event - 1	Vents for fuel tanks shall terminate at least 12-feet above the ground. Proper venting is required before the tanks are filled.
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4. Exits

City of Franklin Curt Edelmann curt.edelmann@franklin.tn.gov 3/9/23 6:41 PM Special Event - 1	Tents used for assembly purposes must have two means of egress. Exits must be readily visible and not require moving equipment or furniture to reach them. Exits are not permitted to be covered.
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5. Exits

City of Franklin Curt Edelmann curt.edelmann@franklin.tn.gov 3/9/23 6:42 PM Special Event - 1	Stages shall have two remote means of egress.
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6. Tents

City of Franklin Curt Edelmann curt.edelmann@franklin.tn.gov 3/9/23 6:49 PM Special Event - 1	Tents shall be located no closer than 20-feet from any building. 1. The tent by the Hayes House must be moved further from the building. Revise the plans accordingly.
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7. Exits

City of Franklin
Curt Edelmann
curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov
3/9/23 8:12 PM
Special Event - 1

At least two exits are required for each fenced-in area larger than 1,000-SF

1. A second means of egress is required for the U-shaped area.
2. The VIP area requires additional exits. By code, the occupant load is + / - 4,600 people. For that many people, 927-inches of egress width is required. There must be 4 exits. The main entrance must be able to accommodate half the occupant load. The fire department will consider an alternate occupant load.
3. Two exits are required for the Midnight Sun stage headliner area.
4. By code the occupant load of the Artist Compound area is 1,167 people. 4 exits are required. 234-inches of exit width are required. The main entrance must accommodate half the occupant load. The fire department will consider an alternate occupant loads.
5. By code the occupant load of the Media Lounge is 549 people. 3 exits are required. 110-inches of egress width are required. The fire department will consider an alternate occupant load.
6. By code, the occupant load of the Gibson viewing area is 870 people. 3 exits are required. 174-inches of egress width are required. The fire department will consider an alternate occupant load.

Revise the plans accordingly.

8. Gold Record Food Court

City of Franklin
Curt Edelmann
curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov
3/9/23 8:17 PM
Special Event - 1

Egress shall be provided at either end of the food court. A 10-foot aisle clear from any obstructions shall be provided behind the booths. Show the aisle on the plans.
Revise the plans accordingly.

9. Accessible means of egress

City of Franklin
Curt Edelmann
curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov
3/9/23 8:19 PM
Special Event - 1

Where a ramp is provided to a space with an occupant load of 50 or more, a second ramp is required to provide two accessible means of egress.

1. The viewing deck needs a second ramp.

10. Fire lanes

City of Franklin
Curt Edelmann
curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov
3/9/23 8:21 PM
Special Event - 1

Vendors marking the fire lanes and parking areas shall use paint that will last for the entire event.

11. Blowout Gates

City of Franklin
Curt Edelmann
curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov
3/9/23 8:22 PM
Special Event - 1

The blowout gates shall be hinged and have panic hardware.

12. Golf cart

City of Franklin Curt Edelmann curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov 3/9/23 8:23 PM Special Event - 1	The event sponsor shall provide the fire prevention bureau with a dedicated golf cart to be used throughout the build-up and the tear down.
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13. Exits

City of Franklin Curt Edelmann curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov 3/9/23 8:28 PM Special Event - 1	The Merch tent shall have two remote means of egress.
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14. Food Trucks

City of Franklin Curt Edelmann curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov 3/9/23 8:28 PM Special Event - 1	Food trucks must be spaced a minimum of 10-feet apart.
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15. Existing Buildings

City of Franklin Curt Edelmann curt.edelmann@franklintn.gov 3/9/23 8:32 PM Special Event - 1	Plans do not show that any of the park's buildings, including the main barn, will be used. If the event sponsor plans on using any of the buildings, provide plans for review.
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Sanitation and Environmental Services

General Issues

1. Solid Waste Service

City of Franklin Bobby Sullivan bobby.sullivan@franklintn.gov 3/9/23 10:00 AM Special Event - 1	• How many volunteers will you have on site for clean-up? • What type of containers will you be using.
City of Franklin Nate Ridley nate.ridley@franklintn.gov 3/9/23 11:50 AM Special Event - 1	Thanks, Wayne Additionally, what is the clean-up plan for the event from start to finish. Thanks, Nate

Closed Issues:

Closed Issues: 0

No closed Issues Found

Pilgrimage Festival 2023 Performers

- The Lumineers
- The Black Crowes
- The Head and the Heart
- Yola
- Better Than Ezra
- James Bay
- Hailey Whitters
- Boy Named Banjo
- Peter One
- Butch Walker
- The Watson Twins
- Bones Owens
- Tash Neal
- People on the Porch
- Michael Rix
- Zack Bryan
- Nathaniel Rateliff & The Night Sweats
- Ashley McBryde
- Margo Price
- Luke Grimes
- Ian Munsick
- The War and Treaty
- Patrick Droney
- Charlie Worsham
- Madeline Edwards
- Tigirlily God
- Tommy Prine
- Owensboro Bluegrass Band
- Troubadour Blue
- Down Home Church



File #: 21-04472

DATE: March 22, 2023
TO: Board of Mayor and Aldermen
FROM: Eric Stuckey, City Administrator
Milissa Reiersen, Communications Manager
Monique McCullough, Public Outreach Specialist

SUBJECT:

Consideration Of Long-Term Special Event Permit For The Pilgrimage Music And Cultural Festival At The Park At Harlinsdale Farm (2023 Through 2027).

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide information to the Franklin Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BOMA) concerning the request for a Long-Term Special Event Permit by the Pilgrimage Music and Cultural Festival.

BACKGROUND/STAFF COMMENTS:

In 2017, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen were granted, by ordinance, the ability to issue Long-Term Special Event Permits to significant community-wide events with anticipated attendance of greater than 15,000 which have been held for two or more consecutive years in the City of Franklin. The maximum term for the long-term permit is five years. The permit, once approved, will continue to be reviewed and approved annually by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen for specific recommendations for the current year's event.

The Pilgrimage Foundation has requested a long-term special event permit for the Pilgrimage Music and Cultural Festival at the Park at Harlinsdale Farm from 2022 - 2026. The attached long-term permit application identifies specific dates for the event over the next five years. Festival organizers have indicated that having the long-term permit and festival dates is beneficial to them in planning for the event, securing talent, and obtaining sponsorships/investor support. Previously, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen had granted a long-term special event permit for the Pilgrimage Festival from 2022-2026.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no direct, immediate financial impact related to the long-term special event permit. For each annual event, the applicant covers the cost of staff, facility usage, and any damage that occurs during the event (including set-up and tear-down).

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the long-term permit to include an annual review and approval by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen. The annual review will include staff recommendations.

OFFICE USE
ONLY:

Permit No: _____



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LONG TERM SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT APPLICATION

Please read application carefully and fully complete each section.

Note: Filing this application does not guarantee that your request will be granted.

Name/purpose of event: Pilgrimage Music and Cultural Festival

Name of Applicant and Organization Requesting Permit:

Mr. Brandt Wood / Pilgrimage Foundation, LLC events, LLC WOW

Address: 230 Franklin Road, Franklin, TN 37064

Phone: _____ c) Cell: 214 952 9663 d) Fax: _____

E-mail address: Brandt @ Pilgrimagefestival.com

Location requested (if Temporary Street Closure, list major roads to be closed):

The Park at Harlinsdale Farm - 230 Franklin Road, Franklin, TN 37064
Franklin Road will have closures per our published traffic
plan as presented and approved by the City of Franklin annually.

Description of event: Multi-day music festival welcome to all ages
and featuring multiple stages, musical acts, craft booths,
family village and food and beverage outlets.

List proposed dates requested for long-term special event permit:

1) Date or dates of event: September 22, 23, 24 - 2023

Start/End Times of Event: Sat noon - 10 pm / Sunday noon - 10 pm

Set-up Date 9/11/23 Tear-down completed date 9/29/23

2) Date or dates of event: September 27, 28, 29 - 2024

Start/End Times of Event: Sat noon - 10 pm / Sunday noon - 10 pm

Set-up Date/Time 9/16/24 Tear-down completed date/time 10/4/24



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- 3) Date or dates of event: September 26, 27, 28 - 2025
Start/End Times of Event: Sat noon - 10:00 / Sun noon - 10:00
Set-up Date/Time 9/15/25 Tear-down completed date/time 10/3/25
- 4) Date or dates of event: September 25, 26, 27 - 2026
Start/End Times of Event: Sat noon - 10:00 / Sun noon - 10:00
Set-up Date/Time 9/14/26 Tear-down completed date/time 10/2/26
- 5) Date or dates of event: September 24, 25, 26 - 2027
Start/End Times of Event: Sat noon - 10pm / Sun noon - 10pm
Set-up Date/Time 9/13/27 Tear-down completed date/time 10/1/27



Rules and Regulations

- 1) I/We do swear or affirm that all of the information given in this application is true and complete.
- 2) I/We do hereby understand that annual fees could increase and that I/we are responsible for the increased fees.
- 3) I/We do hereby agree to assume the defense of and indemnify and save harmless the City, its mayor, aldermen, boards, commissions, officers, employees and agents, from all suits, actions, damages or claims to which the City may be subjected of any kind or nature whatsoever resulting from, caused by, arising out of or as a consequence of such event and the activities permitted in connection there with.
- 4) I/We understand that granting of Long-Term Special Event Permit does not imply granting of other permits that are separately required, including the annual special event permit.
- 5) I/We understand that it is a requirement to submit annual special event permits for each event and that all terms and conditions placed on each permit is a condition of this Long Term Special Event Permit.
- 6) Long-term special event permits shall be filed not less than 6 months prior to the scheduled date of such event. Events should not be advertised or promoted until an event permit has been obtained from the City. Failure to file in a timely manner may result in denial of a permit. I understand that the Board of Mayor and Aldermen may only grant a permit for up to five years, and I am required to submit an application for amendment annually for staff review and Board of Mayor and Aldermen approval.

BY: W. Moore - Producer Date: 3/20/23
(Signature and title – must be officer of organization)

Approved by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen on _____, 20____.

Dr. Ken Moore, Mayor

Eric S. Stuckey, City Administrator

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* **Return application to:** *
* City Administrator's Office *
* City Hall *
* 109 Third Ave South *
* Franklin, TN 37065 *
* 615-791-3217 *
* 615-790-0469 (FAX) *
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File #: 21-04489

DATE: March 28, 2023

TO: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

FROM: Eric Stuckey, City Administrator
Vernon Gerth, Asst. City Administrator Community Development
Kelly Dannenfelser, Asst. Director of Planning
Joe Marlo

SUBJECT:

Initial Discussion Of Alternative Site Analysis For The New City Hall

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide information to the Franklin Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BOMA) regarding the potential cost savings and implications associated with building a new City Hall on a yet to be determined site within three-quarters of a mile of Franklin's Historic Square.

BACKGROUND/STAFF COMMENTS:

During a Special BOMA Work Session on January 4, 2023, the Franklin Board of Mayor and Aldermen requested staff evaluate the cost savings and implications of building a new City Hall on another site in or near downtown Franklin. In completing this analysis, staff made several assumptions in identifying potential sites, completing due diligence, the property procurement process, design, and construction scheduling, inflation, and development costs.

The information included in this file and that will appear in the Work Session presentation includes:

1. A cost comparison spreadsheet of four possible scenarios for City Hall:
 - a. Existing Site with 200 sub-surface parking garage (current design).
 - b. Existing Site with NO sub-surface parking garage.
 - c. Alternative Site with above-ground 300 space parking garage.
 - d. Alternative Site with a 300 space surface off-street parking lot.
2. Exhibit(s) that highlight potential property that might accommodate a new City Hall within a 3/4 mile radius of Franklin's Historic Square if it were available for purchase.
3. A revised Development Schedule that includes property procurement, design, and construction, if an alternative location is pursued.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The cost comparison spreadsheet provides a high-level comparison of the soft and hard cost estimates of the work done to date in designing City Hall on our current site and the three other scenarios as described above. These scenarios do not include any revenue that may result from the

purchase of an alternative site and future sale of our current property. Two of the scenarios, the "Existing Site with NO sub-surface parking garage", and the "Alternative Site with a 300-space surface off-street parking lot", reflect potential cost savings.

Additional Analysis Factors:

This analysis does not include or make any assumptions regarding the required alternative site specific on- and off-site infrastructure.

This analysis does not include the cost associated with incorporating a retail component on our current city hall site.

Our City Hall consultants' scope of services will include another development cost estimate at the 50% schematic design. The cost estimates included in the cost comparison spreadsheet are over a year old and were previously shared with the BOMA.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board of Mayor and Aldermen provide guidance on how to proceed. The likely options would be to continue with re-developing our current site with or without the sub-surface 200 space parking garage or, identifying an Alternative Site large enough to accommodate a 300 space surface parking lot. The Alternative Site process begins with staff preparing and issuing a request for Letters of Interest from property owners within a 3/4 mile radius of the Square requesting their interest and expectations in selling their property. Staff further recommends that if the BOMA decides to pursue an Alternative Site, the schematic design be placed on hold until staff has completed our evaluation and due diligence.

Initial Discussion of Alternative Site Analysis for the New City Hall

**BOMA Work Session
April 11, 2023**

What are Potential Scenarios for a New City Hall?

What are the Costs?

Where are Potential Alternative Sites?

Is the Current Design Transferable?

How Would the Timeline Change?

Where Do We Go From Here?

What are Potential Scenarios for a New City Hall?

	Scenario 1	Scenario 2	Scenario 3	Scenario 4
Description	Existing Site (Public Square) with Current Proposal and Subgrade Parking	Existing Site (Public Square) with Current Proposal but Remove Proposed Subgrade Parking	Alternative Site with Structured Parking	Alternative Site with Surface Parking
Acreage Needs	4 acres (existing)	4 acres (existing)	2+ acres (incl. 1+ acre for parking structure)	5+ acres (incl. 3+ acres for parking lot)
Total Parking Provided	514 spaces (net gain 130)	*314 spaces (net loss 70)	~300 spaces (needed)	~300 spaces (needed)

*Scenario 2 decouples CIP Projects for New Parking Garage and City Hall.

What are the Costs?

	Scenario 1	Scenario 2		Scenario 3		Scenario 4	
	Existing Site with Subgrade Parking	Existing Site with No Subgrade Parking	Difference from Scenario 1	Alternative Site with Parking Structure	Difference from Scenario 1	Alternative Site with Surface Parking	Difference from Scenario 1
"Known" Project Costs							
Due Diligence (Geotech, Survey, Design, etc.)	\$ -	\$ -	\$0	\$ 200,000	\$200,000	\$ 200,000	\$200,000
Demolition	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$0	\$ -	(\$500,000)	\$ -	(\$500,000)
Excavation and Site	\$ 7,100,000	\$ 4,000,000	(\$3,100,000)	\$ 3,900,000	(\$3,200,000)	\$ 3,900,000	(\$3,200,000)
Building	\$ 41,200,000	\$ 41,200,000	\$0	\$ 41,200,000	\$0	\$ 41,200,000	\$0
Parking	\$ 7,700,000	\$ -	(\$7,700,000)	\$ 9,900,000	\$2,200,000	\$ 2,900,000	(\$4,900,000)
Streetscape, Urban Parks, Green Roof	\$ -	\$ -	\$0	\$ -	\$0	\$ -	\$0
Soft Costs (FFE, Tech, etc.)	\$ 5,600,000	\$ 5,600,000	\$0	\$ 5,600,000	\$0	\$ 5,600,000	\$0
Construction Contingency (5%)	\$ 3,100,000	\$ 2,600,000	(\$500,000)	\$ 3,000,000	(\$100,000)	\$ 2,700,000	(\$400,000)
Inflation Contingency (3% per year)	\$ 8,200,000	\$ 8,600,000	\$400,000	\$ 14,700,000	\$6,500,000	\$ 13,000,000	\$4,800,000
Design Fees	\$ 8,000,000	\$ 8,000,000	\$0	\$ 8,000,000	\$0	\$ 8,000,000	\$0
Temporary Relocation	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 2,500,000	\$0	\$ -	(\$2,500,000)	\$ -	(\$2,500,000)
Total "Known" Costs	\$ 84,000,000	\$ 72,900,000	(\$11,100,000)	\$ 86,500,000	\$2,500,000	\$ 77,400,000	(\$6,600,000)
Unknown Project Costs							
Land Costs: Sale of Land				TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Land Costs: Purchase of Land				TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Onsite and Offsite Improvements *				TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Total Project Costs							
Overall Project Cost Estimate	\$ 84,000,000	\$ 72,900,000	(\$11,100,000)	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD

Years of Inflationary Costs	4	5		7		7	
Constructed Parking Spaces	200	0		300		300	
Net Site Parking (incl. Existing to be Removed)	130	-70		TBD		TBD	

*** Potential Onsite and Offsite Improvements:**

- Floodplain Development and Mitigation
- Offsite Street Improvements (Traffic Impact Analysis)
- Offsite Water and Sewer Improvements
- Offsite (Downstream) Stormwater Improvements

Other Cost Considerations:

- Continued Maintenance on Existing Facility
- Property Transaction and Closing Costs
- Financing Costs

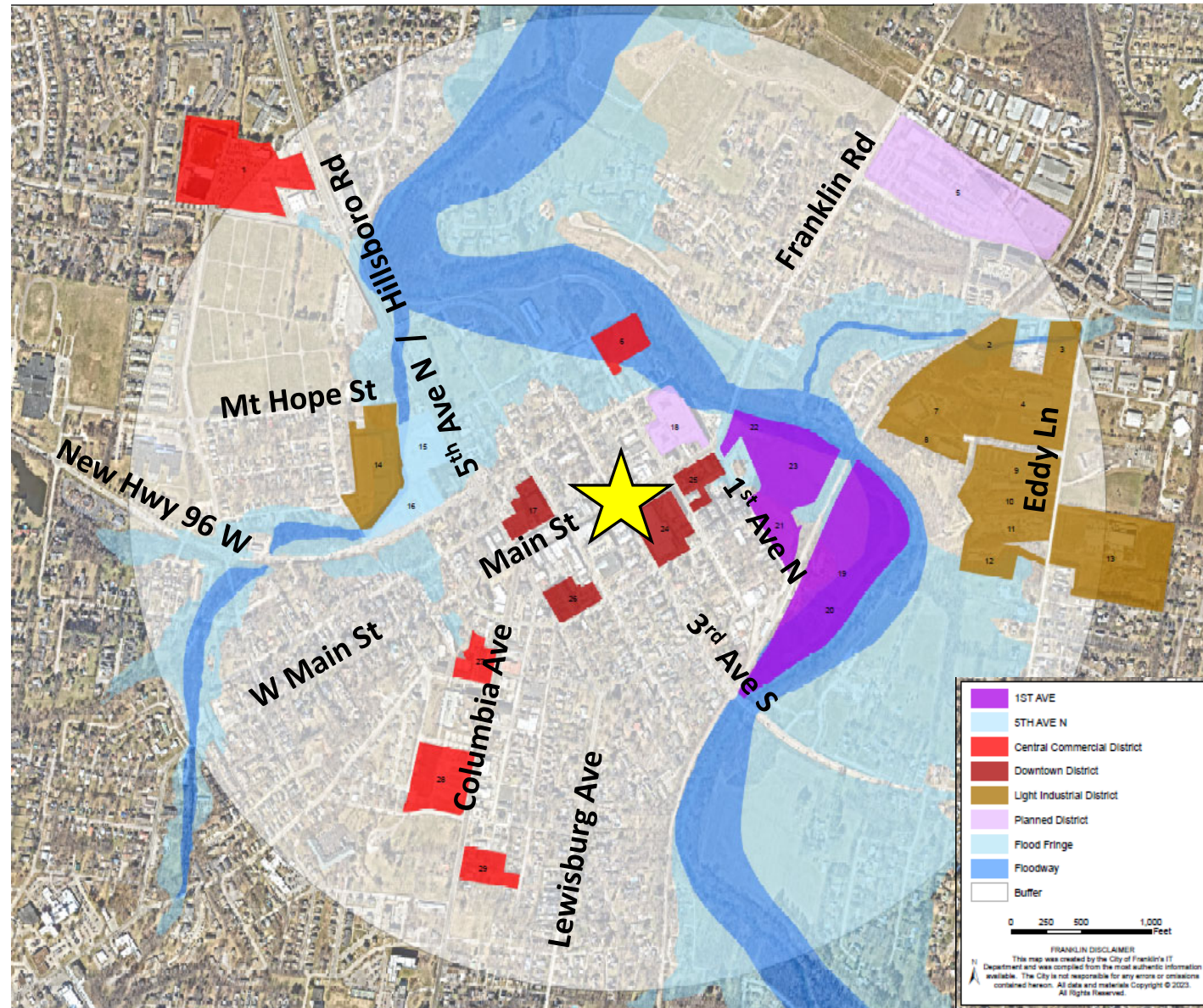
Where are Potential Alternative Sites?

Criteria:

1. Located in or near downtown (Within 0.75-mile radius from Public Square)
2. Lot size of 2 acres or more
3. Zoned for commercial and civic/institutional uses
4. Can accommodate ~100,000 SF building and ~300 parking spaces

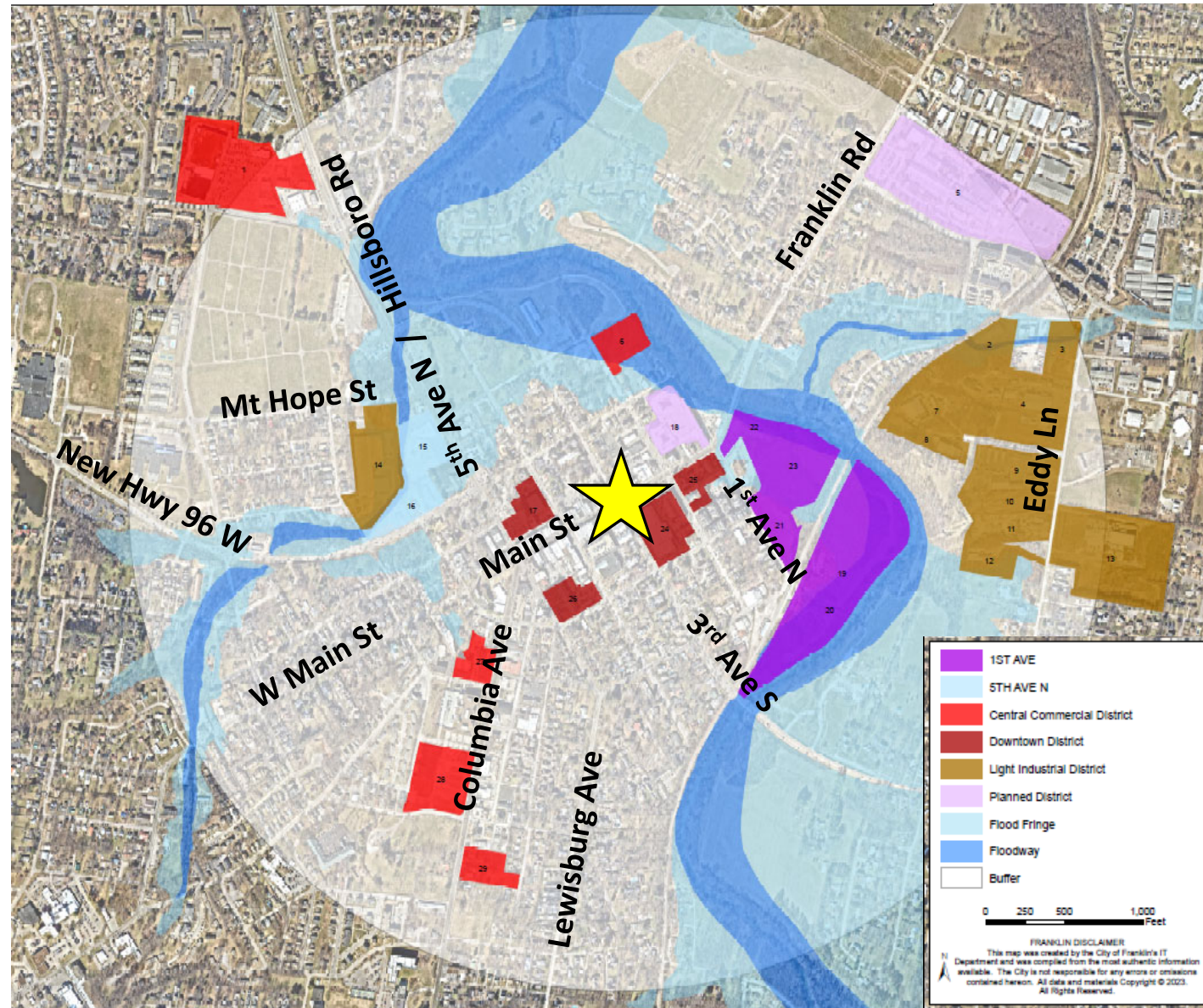
Considerations:

Parks, cemeteries, historic sites, city operations, utility sites, and County, State, or school related properties were excluded from the analysis



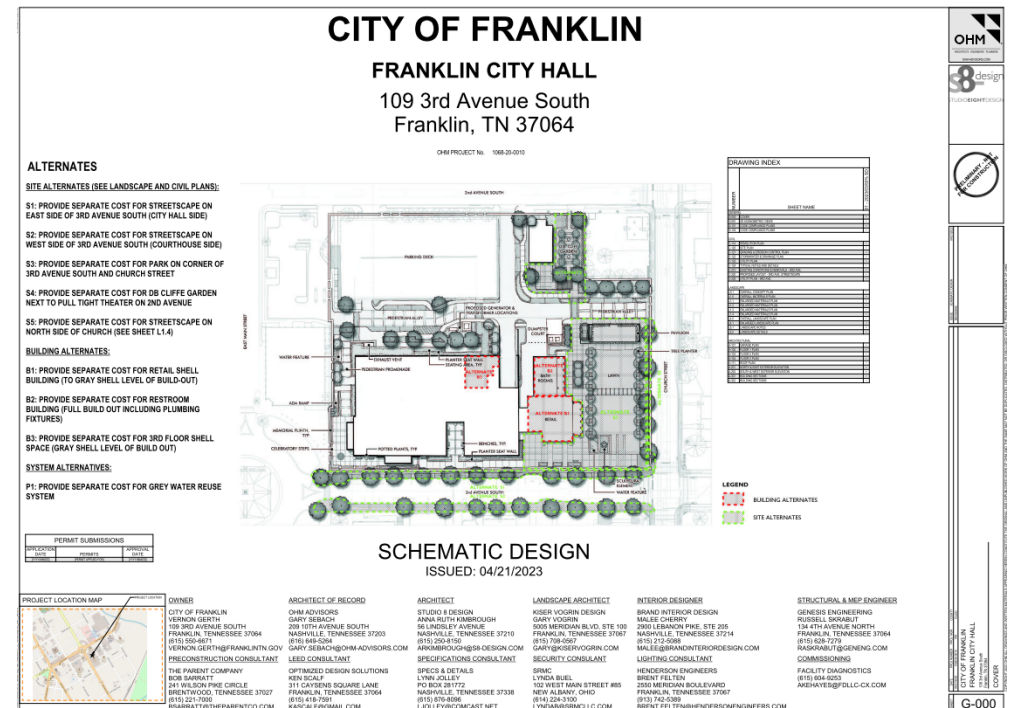
Potential Sites

- Some sites have development or redevelopment potential
- Other sites may be adaptively reused while others may not
- Zoning varies across geographic areas and determines building and site design
- Sites are not all equally viable
- Individual site analysis needed to determine whether programmatic needs “fit”
- Property owners would need to indicate interest in selling prior to further site evaluation



Is the Current Design Transferable?

Likely Can Be Transferred	Likely Must Be Redesigned
Space Needs	Massing and Elevations
Programming	Site Layout
Space Standards	Floor Plans



How Would the Timeline Change?	Existing Site Process	Existing Timeline	Alternative Site Process	Alternative Timeline
Letters of Interest Process to Solicit Property Owners Interested in Selling Their Property	N/A		6 months	TODAY
Pass Resolution to Study the Submittals for Alternative Site(s)	N/A		Concurrent +2 months	
Request for Qualifications to Select Consultant	Complete	Feb 2020	4 months	
Approve a Professional Services Agreement	Complete		6 months	
Complete Due Diligence and Evaluate Site(s) for Development incl. Land, Building(s), and Parking; Preliminary Programmatic Test Fits	Complete		12 months	
BOMA WS Evaluations + Site Visits; Community and Employee Engagement; and Vote Rescind Resolution of Master Plan for Existing Site and Pass Resolution to Acquire Alternative Site	N/A		Concurrent + 3 months	
Real Estate Contract and Closing	N/A		unknown	
Pass Resolution to Adopt Conceptual Master Plan for Selected Site and Final Test Fits	Complete		Concurrent + 2 months	
0-50% Schematic Design (Floor Plan and Building Systems, Exterior Design, Site Design)	~Complete		6 months	
50-100% Schematic Design (Continue Design Work + BOMA WS and Vote)	6 months		6 months	
Design Development and Construction Drawings	18 months		18 months	
Project Bidding	3 months		3 months	
Construction	18 months		18 months	
Completion Date		2027		2030
Declare Existing Site Surplus	N/A		3 months	
Dispose of Existing Property	N/A		unknown	

Where Do We Go From Here?

OPTION 1: FOCUS ON EXISTING SITE (PUBLIC SQUARE)	OPTION 2: FURTHER EVALUATE ALTERNATIVE SITES
• Focus work on Schematic Design for the Public Square Site • Halt discussion of alternative sites • Decide to either keep or eliminate the proposed subgrade parking and adjust PSA accordingly	• Advertise for Letters of Interest from property owners interested in selling their property • Pause work on Schematic Design for the Public Square Site • Determine full picture of cost differences for alternative sites (incl. land pricing and improvement costs)

Closing Thoughts

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