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# Community Attitude Survey

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#### SURVEY METHODOLOGY

In January 2000, the City of Newberg retained the services of Western Advocates Incorporated (WAI) to conduct a community attitude survey. The purpose of the survey was to assess attitudes, perceptions, and opinions of Newberg residents regarding the city's livability, citizen participation in the city's decision-making process, and satisfaction with city staff. Additionally, the survey made specific inquiries about proposed ballot measures and the fate of local animal control services. The survey questions were developed by city staff in consultation with WAI.

Western Attitudes, the polling division of WAI, conducted the community attitude survey via mail during early February 2000. The survey consisted of 16 questions and was distributed to 4,000 randomly selected registered voters in the City of Newberg. (A copy of the survey is located in Appendix A of this document.) More than 700 completed surveys were returned to Western Attitudes. Of these, 400 responses have been tabulated. A representative sample of this size is sufficient to ensure that the margin of error, even if opinions are evenly divided, is within plus or minus 5 points at the 95% confidence level.

In addition, survey results were cross-tabulated to indicate how the views of respondents differ according to length of residence in the community, gender, and age. The results of the survey questions as well as the cross tabulations are located in Appendix B of this report.

In February 1993 and April 1995, Western Attitudes conducted a similar survey for the city. Where appropriate, results for similar questions on the surveys are compared.

#### SURVEY SUMMARY

#### **LIVABILITY**

On a 1-10 scale, where 1 is Poor and 10 is Excellent, respondents gave the livability of the city a median rating of 7.3. This median rating compares to a rating of 7.6 provided by residents responding to the 1993 survey and 7.1 on the 1995 survey. (The mean average rating for the 2000 survey was 6.9)

When asked to identify one thing about living in Newberg that was particularly enjoyable, 43.5% of respondents identified the community's "small town atmosphere." Respondents also enjoyed the "location" of the city as well as its "people" (13.6% and 11.1%, respectively).

In identifying one thing that they would change about living in Newberg, 55.3% of respondents specified "traffic." Respondents also indicated a desire to change the city's "appearance," the availability of "recreational activities" for individuals, families, and youth, and the "growth" of the city (6.0%, 4.6%, and 4.6% respectively).

#### CITY GOVERNMENT/CITY STAFF

In general, most respondents have no opinion of the city council, planning commission, or other boards/commissions efforts to provide adequate opportunities for residents to participate in and influence decisions made by those bodies. However, respondents who have had contact with a City department or staff member were more likely to believe adequate opportunities for participation existed.

A majority of respondents (66.9%) have had contact with a city department or staff person during the last year. Respondents indicated that they were most satisfied with Fire Suppression/Prevention, Library Services, and Ambulance Services. Respondents were least satisfied with Code Enforcement and the Municipal Court. Overall, of the 740 contacts noted, 66.6% of them were rated as very satisfactory.

#### PROPERTY TAX REQUESTS

An overwhelming majority of respondents (84.3%) indicated that they would prefer to have property tax requests listed separately on the ballot.

#### CONDUCTING CITY BUSINESS ON LINE

A majority of respondents (60.0%) do have access to the internet at home. Overall, a slim plurality of respondents (48.9%) are not interested in conducting business with the city on line; however, of those respondents who do have internet access at home, 88.7% of them are interested in conducting business with the city on line.

#### MEASURES PROPOSED FOR THE MAY BALLOT

When asked how they would vote today on a local option tax to fund staffing for the new fire station and to fund a length of service award program for fire volunteers, 40.9% of respondents indicated that they would vote Yes, 40.4% would vote No, and 18.7% were undecided.

If they were to vote today on a local option tax to retain six police positions that are currently funded in part by an expiring federal grant, 34.8% of respondents would vote Yes, 43.9% of respondents would vote No, and 21.3% of respondents were undecided.

#### ANIMAL CONTROL

In considering the city's option of transferring the responsibility for dog control services to Yamhill County, a plurality of respondents (39.8%) were undecided or did not have an opinion. If the city builds a new animal control shelter, most respondents (53.3%) indicated that they were not very likely to donate funds for the construction of the shelter; 37.0% expressed some likelihood that they would donate.

#### **QUESTION OVERVIEW**

This section illustrates the survey results of each question asked. A detailed tabulation of the results, together with the results of the cross tabulations, is located in Appendix B of this report.

Of the 16 questions asked in the survey, Questions 1 through 12 are illustrated in this section. Questions 2 and 3 were 'open-ended' questions, providing respondents with the opportunity to identify one thing they liked most and one thing they would change about living in Newberg. Responses for those questions were then categorized to identify specific themes. Questions 13 through 16 consisted of demographic questions and were asked to ensure that a reasonable sample of respondents had been taken to meet the profile of voters in the survey area. The results of these demographic questions are summarized at the end of this overview

In addition to the 16 survey questions, respondents were given the opportunity to provide commentary or identify any specific issues they wished the City Council to address. (The verbatim responses are located in Appendix C of this report.) All verbatim answers have been edited for spelling to improve readability of the responses.

Question 1: On a scale of 1 to 10, where 1 is poor and 10 is excellent, how would you rate Newberg as a place to live?

Overall, respondents gave the city a median rating of 7.3 and a mean average rating of 6.9 on a ten-point scale (see Table 1). This rating is an improvement over the livability rating results from the community attitude survey conducted for the city in 1995 (see Figure 1).

Table 1. Rating Livability

	Percent of
Rating	Respondents
1	1.0%
2	2.3%
3	3.8%
4	4.4%
5	11.8%
6	9.7%
7	22.1%
8	30.0%
9	6.4%
10	8.5%

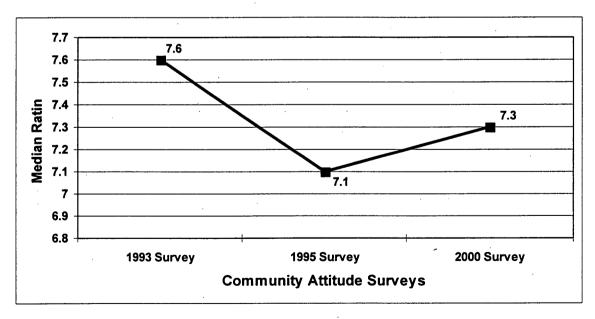


Figure 1. Comparison of Median Ratings

#### Cross tabulations for this question revealed:

- Respondents who indicated that they would vote 'No' on the proposed tax to fund fire service needs gave the city's livability a median rating of 6.5.
- \* Respondents who indicated that they would vote 'No' on the proposed tax to retain police officer positions gave the city's livability a median rating of 6.6.
- Respondents aged 26 to 45 gave the city's livability a median rating of 6.9.
- Respondents over age 65 gave the city's livability a median rating of 7.9.

Question 2: If you were to name <u>one thing</u> about living in Newberg that you particularly enjoy, what would it be?

Respondents named a variety of enjoyable things about living in Newberg. Many of them appreciate the small town atmosphere of the city (see Figure 2), citing a sense of community and an appreciation for the city's events such as the Old Fashioned Days.

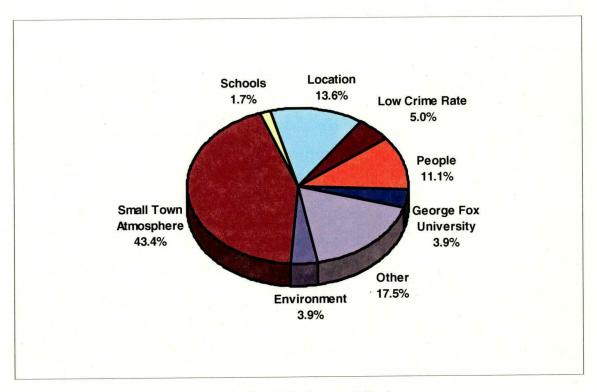


Figure 2. Enjoyable Aspects of Newberg

"Other" responses given by respondents include:

- FRIENDSVIEW MANOR
- ❖ I WAS BORN HERE
- ❖ FRED MEYERS
- ❖ THE HERITAGE ARCHITECTURE OF THE OLDER HOMES & SHOPS.
- **WORKING AT ADEC**
- ❖ AVAILABILITY OF FRIENDSVIEW MANOR
- RELATIVELY SMALLER POPULATION AND LAND AVAILABLE FOR DEVELOPMENT, LARGER IS NOT BETTER AND NEVER HAS BEEN.

- THE COFFEE HOUSES AND ANTIQUE MALLS
- WINERIES, PARKS
- SAFEWAY GROCERY
- GREAT PLACE TO RIDE A BIKE-HILLS AND FLATS.
- ❖ MY HOME
- CONVENIENCE OF FRED MEYER
- GOING TO THE CAMEO
- CPRD FOR KIDS
- ❖ FRED MEYER
- PARKS
- ❖ LONG DISTANCE PHONE CALLS TO PORTLAND ARE LOCAL CALLS
- OUR CHURCH HOME
- FRIENDSVIEW MANOR
- EASY ACCESS TO HOSPITAL, LIBRARY PARKS
- I CAN'T EVEN GUESS
- ❖ THE EXCELLENT PARK & REC PROGRAMS--SWIMMING LESSONS, BASEBALL, SOCCER, BASKETBALL, HOCKEY
- IT'S HOME AND I FEEL CONTENT HERE
- MY FAMILY IS HERE
- **EASY WALKING TO TOWN**
- NEWBERG FRIENDS CHURCH
- ❖ THE LIBRARY
- FRIENDSVIEW MANOR
- AFFORDABLE HOUSING
- ❖ THE EXCELLENT PARKS & REC PROGRAMS FOR OUR CHILDREN
- THE CONVENIENCE OF DAY-TO-DAY SHOPPING
- ❖ FRIENDS CHURCH FRIENDSVIEW MANOR
- ❖ THE AREA WHERE HOMES REFLECT "PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP"
- ❖ DOWNTOWN SHOPPING & ENTERTAINMENT (BUT WE NEED MORE!)
- ❖ PARKS & REC'S SPORTS IE SOCCER AVAILABLE FOR MY KIDS
- ❖ CLOSE TO STORES
- LACK OF HEAVY INDUSTRY
- ❖ OPEN SPACES WHICH WE ARE RAPIDLY LOSING TO OVERCROWDING OF PEOPLE.

- ❖ THE AVAILABILITY OF STORES FOR BASIC NEEDS
- ABLE TO WALK TO STORES
- **❖** WONDERFUL PARKS
- CHEHALEM PARKS & RECREATION PROGRAMS
- ALL THE CONVENIENCES
- THAT DAINELSON'S HAS A POST OFFICE SO I DON'T HAVE TO GO TO THE OTHER SIDE OF TOWN.
- FOOD STORES, FRED MEYER, BI MART NEARBY-CONVENIENT
- SWIMMING POOL (PARK & REC)
- ❖ MEDICAL FACILITIES--CHURCHES--FOOD MARKETS
- SPORTS
- ASSOCIATION WITH FRIENDSVIEW MANOR
- ❖ A WINE COUNTRY FEELING THAT ESPECIALLY DUNDEE IS PROVIDING. CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY.
- ❖ WALKING DISTANCE FOR PERSONAL AFFAIRS
- PARKS
- COMMUNITY LEADERS
- VINEYARDS
- OUT OF THE TRI MET TAX AREA & NO DEQ
- STRONG CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY
- \* HAS MANY THINGS (STORES, RESOURCES, ETC) I NEED WITHOUT LEAVING THE AREA
- ❖ CLOSE TO DOCTORS & HOSPITAL--MANY CHURCHES
- ❖ I CAN WALK TO MOST OF THE PLACES THAT I NEED TO GO
- NUMBER OF CHURCHES
- ABILITY TO SHOP, WORK, SEE PHYSICIANS/DENTISTS IN TOWN.

Question 3: If you could change <u>one thing</u> about living in Newberg, what would it be?

A majority of respondents identified traffic as the one thing to change about living in Newberg (see Figure 3). The need for a bypass, reducing traffic speed on Highway 99W within the city limits, and downtown traffic congestion were all issues of concern.

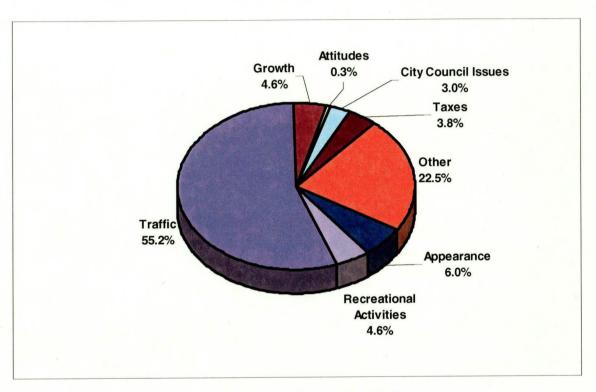


Figure 3. Aspects to Change About Newberg

"Other" responses given by respondents include:

- \* HAVE GOOD SIDEWALKS ON BOTH SIDES OF VILLA ROAD BETWEEN FULTON AND HWY 99
- COLLEGE STUDENTS PARKING ON STREETS!
- ❖ MORE STORES--CRAFTS & YARDAGE
- NEED MUCH BETTER STREET LIGHTING IN RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS!
- ❖ CLOSE SMURFIT
- POT HOLES IN THE ROADS, ALONG COLLEGE
- ❖ MAKE 1ST STREET TWO WAY WITH TREE LINED MEDIAN.
- BUS SERVICES TO AIRPORT & PORTLAND

- NOT ENOUGH PEOPLE SHOP IN TOWN
- ❖ I WOULD HAVE A MAYOR THAT IS MORE FOR THE PEOPLE AND NOT BIG BUSINESS
- IMPROVE EDUCATION
- ❖ I'D STOP PEOPLE FROM LETTING THEIR DOGS ROVE AT WILL.
- AIR QUALITY
- ❖ NEEDS MUCH MORE PEDESTRIAN/BICYCLE FRIENDLY WAYS
- ❖ THE HIGH SCHOOL
- NEED COSTCO OR HOME DEPOT TYPE STORE
- COLLECTOR STREET PATTERN IS DYSFUNCTIONAL
- ❖ OUTRAGEOUS CHARGE FOR USING THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S AMBULANCE
- GET RID OF TROUBLE MAKERS LIKE (name omitted by tabulator)!
- HOLES IN ROAD REPAIRED
- REGULARLY SCHEDULED PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION
- THE AIR WE BREATHE
- ❖ EASY ACCESS TO I5
- CHANGE IT TO THE COAST
- ❖ WATER RATES WAY TOO HIGH
- MORE DIRECT ROUTE TO THE 5 FREEWAY
- BRING IN MORE CLOTHING STORES TO SHOP AT
- CAN'T KEEP MANUFACTURED HOME OUT OF LOTS
- MORE SHOPPING I HATE TO DRIVE FAR
- MORE RESTAURANTS
- STOP MORE RESIDENTIAL BUILDING
- OFFER MORE ADULT CLASSES IN THE EVENING
- THE WATER
- **MORE RESTAURANTS**
- BETTER SHOPPING--CLOTHES, ETC.
- CLASS/MONEY SEEMS TO INFLUENCE COMMISSIONERS' DECISIONS REGARDING OUR CITY. IT WOULD BE NICE TO SEE MAJORITY OPINION UPHELD.
- ♦ HOUSING SO CLOSE IF YOU OPENED YOUR WINDOW AND TOUCH THE NEIGHBOR'S HOUSE--AT LEAST THAT'S WHAT IT FEELS LIKE--GET MORE PROPERTY WITH THE HOUSE.
- **❖** BETTER STUDENT TEACHER RATIO IN THE SCHOOLS
- FIX THE ROADS
- THE WINERY GROWTH
- EXPAND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

- THE BAD ATTITUDES OF MOST OF THE POLICE OFFICERS. ESPECIALLY BRIAN CASEY.
- ❖ THE RACIST ATTITUDES AND HATEFUL HYPOCRISY
- BETTER STREET LIGHTING IN NEIGHBORHOODS--SIDEWALKS AREN'T WELL LIGHTED.
- 1ST STREET
- ❖ IMPROVED ROADS
- CONTINUALLY HEARING THE POLICE, FIRE DEPT & SCHOOL WHINE ABOUT NEEDING MORE MONEY. NEVER BEING GRATEFUL ABOUT PASSING BOND ISSUES.
- **TAX RENTERS**
- ROADS
- CHANGE SPEED LIMIT TO 35 ALONG SITKA AND THE TOP OF VILLA ROAD BY BRAMBLE CREEK HOUSING DISTRICT
- ❖ A BETTER SPECIAL EDUCATION SYSTEM IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT
- ❖ HAVE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION
- POOR PEDESTRIAN AND BIKE ACCESS NEEDS IMPROVEMENT; SCARY WALKING AND RIDING
- ANNEX SMURFIT & GET THE TAX MONEY!
- MORE LOCAL SHOPPING CHOICES
- ❖ THE TASTE OF THE WATER
- ❖ ADDITION OF AN ALBERTSON'S GROCERY STORE
- ❖ PUT A LIGHT AT SPRINGBROOK & HAWORTH AND MAKE THE PLAZA SAFER FOR FOOT & BIKE TRAFFIC
- ❖ VISION FOR DEVELOPMENT--LOOK AT SHERWOOD
- GIVE THE PEOPLE MORE POWER TO MAKE A CHANGE
- CREATE A MORE EFFICIENT & QUALIFIED PARKS & RECREATION DEPT.
- TAKE AWAY THE BOOM BOXES
- ALL SIDEWALKS TO BE REPAIRED--THEY ARE DANGEROUS--HIGHWAY CHANGED
- GET A STORE LIKE WALMART TO MOVE HERE
- MORE THRU STREETS
- RAILROAD YARD LOCATED IN TOWN
- NO PARKING ON HAWTHORNE LOOP AND HAWTHORNE 8 AM 3 PM
- FROM A BEDROOM COMMUNITY TO A PLACE TO WORK.
- MORE DIVERSITY.
- COMPLETE AND EASY ACCESS AROUND TOWN BY BIKE AND ON FOOT. THAT WOULD ENHANCE LIVABILITY, SAFETY, AND CUT DOWN ON CAR TRAFFIC.
- SMURFIT OUT/CLEAN ENVIRONMENT
- STREET POTHOLES
- ❖ DO NOT BUILD A GOLF COURSE

- THE SCHOOLS ARE MUCH MUCH MUCH TOO CROWDED & BETTER COMMUNICATION BETWEEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN PREPARATION FOR MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOLS
- ❖ THE ROAD SYSTEM
- ♦ MORE SAFETY FOR PERSONS CROSSING MAIN STREETS. THE PED CROSSING LIGHTS HELP SOME.
- ❖ ROADS
- **BETTER AIR QUALITY**
- SETTER PLANNING FOR NEW DEVELOPMENT
- MORE RESTAURANTS
- ❖ BE HOME TO MORE DIVERSE ETHNIC GROUPS

Question 4:

Do you believe the following City government activities provide adequate opportunities for residents to participate and influence decisions made by the City?

For each of the four government activities listed on the survey, most of the respondents did not know whether opportunities were provided for residents to participate and influence decisions.

Table 2. Opportunities for Resident Participation, All Respondents

Activity	Yes	No	Don't Know
City Council	37.2%	22.5%	40.3%
Planning			
Commission	23.9%	26.3%	49.9%
Other			
Boards/Commissions	19.5%	17.3%	63.3%
Other	3.4%	12.0%	84.6%

Whether or not a respondent had contact with a City department or staff member did influence the respondent's perception of opportunities to participate in or influence the decision making process. Cross tabbing the results of Questions 4 with the responses of residents who have had contact with a City department or staff member during the last year produced these results:

Table 3. Opportunities for Resident Participation, Respondents with Recent City Contact

Activity	Yes	No	Don't Know
City Council	41.0%	23.5%	35.5%
Planning Commission	60.4%	13.7%	25.9%
Other Boards/Commissions	48.9%	3.7%	47.4%
Other	16.1%	16.1%	67.7%

Question 5: Have you had contact with a City department or staff person during the last year?

A majority of respondents indicated that they have had contact with a city department or staff person during the last year. Respondents who answered 'Yes' to this question were then asked to identify with which department/staff the contact had occurred and to rate their level of satisfaction with the contact (see Table 4).

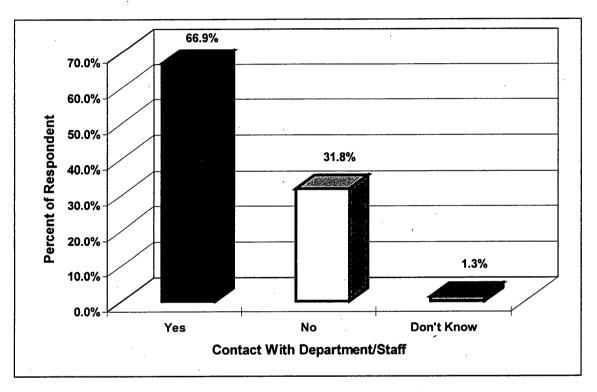


Figure 4. Contact With City Department/Staff

Table 4. Most/Least Satisfactory Contacts

Least Satisfactory
Code Enforcement
Municipal Court

Overall, respondents were very satisfied with their department/staff member contact. Of the 740 reported contacts, 493 (66.6%) were rated as "Very Satisfactory" (see Table 5).

Table 5. Respondent Contact & Satisfaction by Department

Department	Total Responses	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Not Very Satisfied
Animal Control	83	55	22	6
Code Enforcement	75	32	21	22
Fire Suppression/Prevention	76	64	10	2
Neighborhood Watch	37	22	13	2
Police Department	159	100	38	21
Municipal Court	35	18	10	7
Ambulance Service	62	50	9	3
Library Services	173	133	34	6
Other	40	19	9	12

Respondents were also provided the opportunity to comment on unsatisfactory contact with a City department or staff. Those verbatim responses include the following:

- ❖ MUNICIPAL COURT: TOLD ME I COULDN'T DO THIS PROJECT WITHOUT A PERMIT
- ❖ LIBRARY SERVICES: THE HOURS ARE NOT ACCOMMODATING. OPEN MORE HOURS. FRIENDLY HELP.
- ❖ CODE ENFORCEMENT: INPUT IS IMPOSSIBLE-THEY JUST DON'T LISTEN TO THE VOTERS.
- ❖ CODE ENFORCEMENT: TOO MUCH JUNKED CARS, RAMSHACKLE BUILDINGS
- ❖ PERMITS: YOU GET THE RUN AROUND. GIVE YOU NUMBERS TO REACH, NO ONE KNOWS ANSWERS
- ❖ CODE ENFORCEMENT: ASK OVER AND OVER TO GET THE CODES FOR RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS HONORED, BUT THERE IS NO ENFORCEMENT AND LITTLE INTEREST OR HELP.
- ❖ CODE ENFORCEMENT: NEIGHBOR DUMPED TRASH NEXT TO MY YARD, CALLED CITY, THEY DIDN'T MAKE HIM CLEAN IT UP
- ❖ POLICE DEPARTMENT: TOOK FOREVER TO GET HELP IN AM FOR 2 DOGS (ROTWEILLERS) ATTACKING NEIGHBORS WINDOW & HELD HOSTAGE IN HOUSE. AMBULANCE SERVICE: MEDICS GREAT-911 ABSOLUTELY RIDICULOUS.
- PLANNING AND COUNCIL: PLANNING COMMISSION SLOW TO MAKE A DECISION. CITY COUNCIL OK.
- ❖ CODE ENFORCEMENT: THEY DON'T CARRY OUT THEIR CODES ABOUT CORNERS (WITH FENCES & BRUSH) ALSO LOW TREES (YOU SHOULD GO OUT AND LOOK FOR THESE THINGS--YOUR CODE MAN AND EVEN POLICE CAN TURN THESE THINGS IN). POLICE DEPT: THEY FORGET (TOO OFTEN) TO REPEAT (ENOUGH) THEIR PATROL ON HEAVY AREAS OF TRAFFIC
- NO DEPT IDENTIFIED: BECAUSE WE TRIED TO GET SOMETHING DONE ABOUT DESPINS STREET AND THEY JUST PATTED US ON THE HEAD.
- NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH: NOT VERY MANY PEOPLE SEEM TO SUPPORT NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH. I BELIEVE IT WOULD BE GOOD FOR THE COMMUNITY TO ORGANIZE MEETINGS.
- NO DEPARTMENT SPECIFIED: I KNOW THE BALLOT FOR THE NEW CITY HALL WAS DEFEATED SO IT MAKES ME SUSPICIOUS AS TO HOW THEY ARE NOW PAYING TO BUILD IT PARTICULARLY AFTER THE RENE FIASCO.
- ❖ ANIMAL CONTROL: UNDER STAFFED AND INADEQUATE FACILITIES. CODE ENFORCEMENT: LOTS OF LIP SERVICE NOT MUCH ACTION.

- ❖ COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE/PLANNING: NOT ADEQUATE NOTICE OF LOCAL CHANGES. HARD TO GET SPECIFIC INFORMATION UNLESS ONE KNOWS EXACT TAX LOTS INVOLVED.
- ❖ NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH: HAVEN'T HEARD FROM ANYBODY
- ♦ POLICE DEPARTMENT: I CALLED ABOUT A VAN BEING PARKED AT THE CORNER OF VILLA & ANN CT. IT IS PARKED ON THE STREET & IT HAS ALMOST CAUSED SEVERAL ACCIDENTS. BUSES (SCHOOL), CARS CAN HARDLY GET AROUND IT. MY WIFE ALSO CALLED. NOTHING EVER DONE. IT IS GOING TO CAUSE AN ACCIDENT AS PEOPLE ON VILLA HAVE TO STOP & WAIT WHEN THE SCHOOL BUS. ETC IS WAITING TO GET OUT.
- POLICE DEPARTMENT & MUNICIPAL COURT: NEWBERG POLICE DEPT'S "DO NOTHING" ATTITUDE TOWARD DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND THE MUNICIPAL COURT'S INABILITY TO DO THEIR JOB IN REGARDS TO BOOKKEEPING.
- CODE ENFORCEMENT: VERY SLOW RESPONSE TIME. INCORRECT INFORMATION
- ❖ CRESTVIEW COLLECTOR: CITY KNOWS WHAT IT WANTS TO DO AND WHAT "IS BEST."
  DISCUSSION TIMES ARE PROVIDED TO ALLOW PUBLIC TO VOICE FRUSTRATIONS. THESE
  DISCUSSIONS RARELY EVER CHANGE COURSE OF ACTION.
- POLICE DEPARTMENT: SOME CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS WERE SHARED WHEN NOT APPROPRIATE.
- ❖ POLICE DEPARTMENT: REQUESTED YELLOW 'NO PARKING' PAINT BE EXTENDED ON EACH SIDE OF FRIENDSVIEW MANOR DRIVEWAY ENTERING FULTON STREET TO ALLEVIATE A DANGEROUS SITUATION WHEN PARKED CARS FROM GEO FOX OBSTRUCT VIEW. POLICE SAID THIS WAS NOT THEIR RESPONSIBILITY. WHAT CITY DEPARTMENT IS CONCERNED WITH SAFETY?
- CODE ENFORCEMENT & POLICE DEPARTMENT: CITY STAFF WERE CONDESCENDING AND PROVIDED ONLY "LIP" SERVICE IN RESPONSE TO GENUINE CONCERNS EXPRESSED BY A NUMBER OF CITIZENS OF THE COMMUNITY.
- ❖ AMBULANCE SERVICE: VERY SATISFIED EXCEPT FOR THE COST
- ❖ CODE ENFORCEMENT & FIRE SUPPRESSION/PREVENTION: I HAVE YET TO SPEAK WITH A MEMBER OF NEWBERG CITY GOVERNMENT THAT DIDN'T TAKE THE ATTITUDE THEY WERE THE ONLY ONE WHICH MATTERED AND THEIR OPINION WAS FINAL ON ALL ISSUES.
- ❖ POLICE DEPARTMENT
- ❖ LIBRARY (SOMEWHAT SATISFACTORY): THE LIBRARY NEEDS TO BE GIVEN MORE MONEY SO THAT THEY CAN BE OPEN MORE HOURS
- ❖ ANIMAL CONTROL: NEED LARGER KENNEL AREA & BUILDING
- ❖ WATER DEPARTMENT: THEY TURNED MY WATER OFF--THEN ON--THEN SAID IT WAS MY FAULT THE HOT WATER HEATER BLEW OUT AT THAT VERY MOMENT. BAD P.R.
- ❖ CODE ENFORCEMENT: WE WERE CITED FOR A TREE HOUSE THAT WAS A DANGEROUS BUILDING (AND TOO CLOSE TO SIDEWALK). WHILE IT WASN'T A PRETTY LOOKING THING, IT KEPT THE NEIGHBORHOOD BOYS OUT OF TROUBLE & YET WE HAD TO TEAR IT DOWN. BAD MESSAGE TO GOOD KIDS!
- ❖ POLICE DEPARTMENT: THE STOPPING OF PEOPLE OF COLOR BY THE POLICE FOR HARASSMENT AND TO DELIVER THE MESSAGE THAT NEWBERG ONLY WANTS PEOPLE OF COLOR IN THE FRINGES OF THE CITY.
- ❖ FIRE DEPARTMENT (SOMEWHAT SATISFACTORY): FIRE DEPT CONTINUALLY SPENDS MONEY ON NEW OR ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT WITHOUT THE STAFF TO SUPPORT. CURRENTLY THEY HAVE MORE TRUCKS/AMBULANCES/RESCUE VEHICLES THAN THEY HAVE GARAGE SPACE. ALSO IN ADDITION TO THE 2 AMBULANCES THEY NOW HAVE PLUS 1 OLDER UNIT, THEY JUST PURCHASED A NEW MEDIC RESCUE VEHICLE. WHY DO WE NEED MORE EQUIPMENT THAN MCMINNVILLE?

- ♦ POLICE DEPARTMENT: IT IS MY OPINION AS WELL AS THE OPINION OF OTHER CITIZENS OF NEWBERG (INCLUDING OLDER RESIDENTS) THAT NEWBERG POLICE OFFICERS ARE NOT VERY FAIR WITH YOUNGER RESIDENTS.
- ❖ COUNCIL SESSIONS/LEADERSHIP DECISIONS & CODE ENFORCEMENT: I AM NOT SATISFIED AT ALL WITH THE NEW DIRECTION OUR CURRENT LEADERSHIP IS TAKING THIS CITY. THE DEVELOPMENT ISSUES HAVE TAKEN PRIORITY OVER MAINTENANCE ISSUES. GROWTH IS A FOCUS & MOVED FORWARD PRIOR TO GIVING A PLAN FOR COSTS OF SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT DOWN LINE, WITH LAST MINUTE RUSH TO FINANCE SERVICES.
- ❖ AMBULANCE SERVICES: RURAL RESPONSE TAKES TOO LONG. LIBRARY SERVICE: THE LIBRARY IS TOO SMALL AND THE BOOKS I FIND THERE ARE SEVERELY OUTDATED
- ♦ POLICE DEPARTMENT: MY NEIGHBORS AND I HAVE CALLED NUMEROUS TIMES ABOUT SPEEDING TRAFFIC ON OUR STREET, BUT NOTHING IS EVER DONE AND THE SPEED LIMIT IS NOT ENFORCED.
- ❖ FIRE DEPARTMENT: LONG RESPONSE TIMES AND MISMANAGEMENT OF PERSONNEL/RESOURCES. I QUESTION THE HONESTY AND INTEGRITY OF THE FIRE DEPT LEADERSHIP.
- CITY HALL: WHEN I NEEDED TO GO TO A PRE-HEARING FOR PEER COURT--THE LADY SENT ME TO SOME OTHER BUILDING ACROSS THE WAY--EVEN AFTER I TOLD HER THE ADDRESS WAS LISTED ON THE LETTER WAS THE CITY BUILDING--SHE SHOULD KNOW THESE THINGS! I WAS SENT ON A WILD GOOSE CHASE FOR NO REASON & THEREFORE LATE FOR MY APPOINTMENT.
- ❖ LIBRARY SERVICES (SOMEWHAT SATISFACTORY): I DON'T LIKE THE CHECKOUT SYSTEM AT THE LIBRARY. THAT PAPER GETS LOST!
- ♦ BUILDING DEPARTMENT (VERY SATISFIED): YOUR BUILDING DEPARTMENT IS ONE OF THE BEST IN THE STATE. THEY NEED MORE HELP TO SERVICE THE COMMUNITY BETTER.
- ❖ POLICE DEPARTMENT: BASIC LAW ENFORCEMENT (MY STEREO HAS BEEN STOLEN TWICE)
- CODE ENFORCEMENT & POLICE DEPARTMENT: NEW CODES ARE ENFORCED WITHOUT MY VOTE.
- ❖ POLICE DEPARTMENT: AS A FORMER POLICE OFFICER, I AM EMBARRASSED BY THE ATTITUDE & CONDUCT OF N.P.D.
- ❖ MUNICIPAL COURT: KANGAROO COURT
- ANIMAL CONTROL: SHOULD BE SOMETHING DONE ABOUT CATS, MY YARD IS RUINED.
- NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH: RECLASS DRIVING/SPEEDING/DRIVING ON NEIGHBORHOOD STREETS/DRUG ACTIVITY PARKS
- LIBRARY SERVICES: UNDERFUNDED--NEED MORE RESOURCES/HOURS OF OPERATION. CITY WORKS: MANAGEMENT HAS STIFLED INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE--SUBLET DECISIONS & REPAIR TO EXPENSIVE CONTRACTS.
- ❖ CODE ENFORCEMENT: I HAVE CALLED ABOUT SHRUBBERY BLOCKING SIDEWALKS WITH NO ACTION-GOING ON 4 WEEKS FROM ORIGINAL CALL.
- CITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE: COUNTER COURTESY AND LACK OF FLEXIBILITY
- ❖ CODE ENFORCEMENT: CODE ENFORCEMENT IS NOT CONSISTENT ACROSS THE SPECTRUM OF THE COMMUNITY
- ❖ CODE ENFORCEMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: MY NEIGHBOR BUILT A FENCE WHICH IS AGAINST CODE & BOTH COMM DEV & CODE ENFORCEMENT CHOSE TO LET IT STAND.

Question 6:

When the City Council places property tax measures on the ballot, they can be combined into one measure and one vote that will fund all the services, or the ballot can list each service individually and require a separate vote on each service. Do you prefer to have property tax requests combined into one measure or listed separately on the ballot?

A majority of respondents indicated their preference to have property tax measures listed separately on the ballot.

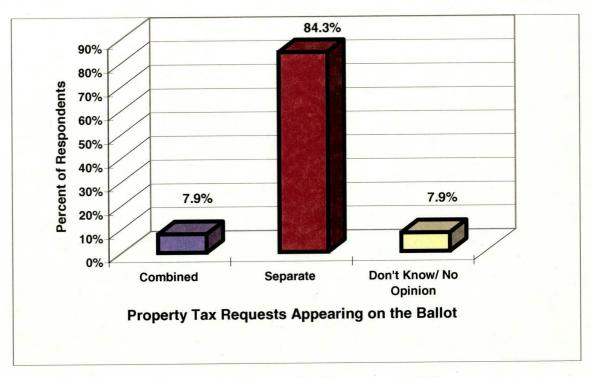


Figure 5. Listing Property Tax Measures on the Ballot

Question 7: The City will soon have available services and information on the internet. Do you have access to the internet at your home?

A majority of respondents do have access to the internet in their homes.

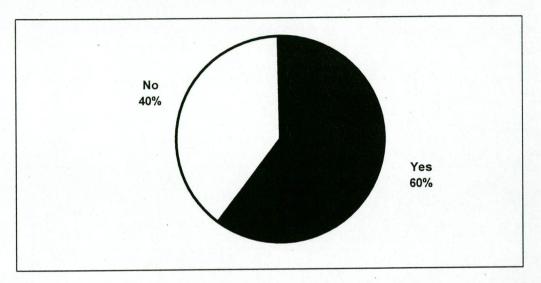


Figure 6. Home Access to Internet

Question 8: Would you be interested in doing business with the City over the internet such as bill paying, getting permits, and filing complaints?

In general, most respondents were not interested in conducting business with the city over the internet. However, respondents who do have internet access at home are very interested in conducting business with the city over the internet.

Table 6. Interest in Conducting City Business via Internet

Response	All Respondents	Respondents w/ Internet Access
Yes	40.5%	88.7%
No	48.9%	11.3%
Don't Know	10.7%	0.0%

Question 9:

The City Council is considering placing the following measure on the May ballot: Shall the city levy a local option tax of 44 cents per thousand assessed valuation to hire four firefighters/paramedics? A home assessed at \$150,000 would pay about \$66.00 per year in additional property taxes. The levy will provide adequate staffing for the new fire station that is currently not fully staffed and a length of service award program for fire volunteers.

40.9% of respondents indicated that they would vote 'Yes' to pass the proposed tax.

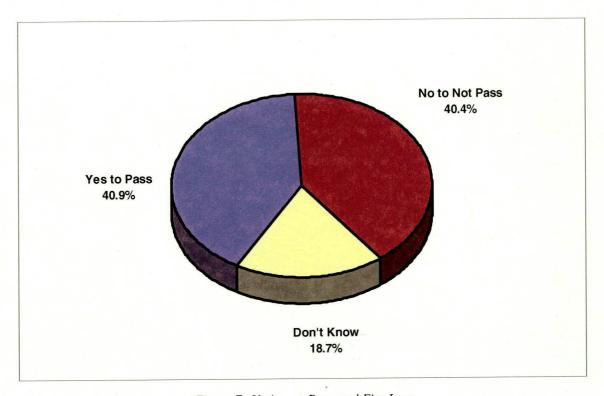


Figure 7. Voting on Proposed Fire Levy

This question and the following police levy question are written as the measure would likely appear on the ballot. In the case of fire, about 1 in 5 voters are undecided, with yes and no voters split evenly. The response suggests that the voter's decision is "open" and would be determined by the information put forward in a campaign.

Question 10: The City Council is considering placing the following measure on the May ballot: Shall the city levy a local option tax of 59 cents per thousand assessed valuation to retain six police positions? A home assessed at \$150,000 would pay about \$88.50 per year in additional property taxes. The levy will provide funding to retain six police positions that currently are partially funded by an expiring federal grant.

Most respondents indicated that they would vote 'No' and not pass the proposed tax.

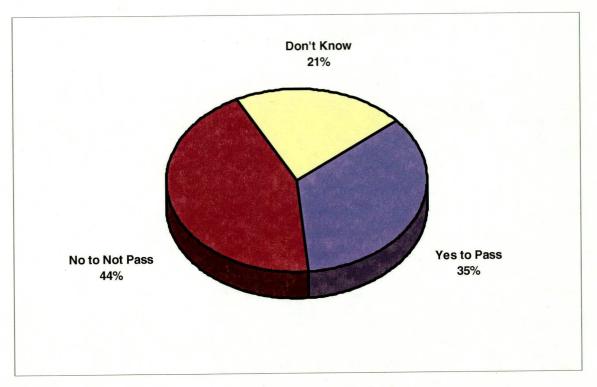


Figure 8. Voting on Proposed Police Levy

The response to the police levy has about the same level of undecided voters as the fire levy, but there is a significant decrease in support. Based on the written comments of respondents, it is likely that the greater opposition is due to criticism of the City for accepting the federal grant.

Question 11:

The City Council is considering having Yamhill County provide dog control services. Would you support or oppose transferring dog control services to Yamhill County?

Of the respondents who had an opinion about the transfer, most opposed it. However, a significant number of respondents either did not know what they would do or had no opinion about the transfer.

Table 7. Support/Opposition for Transferring Services

Response	Percent of Respondents
Support Transfer	27.3%
Oppose Transfer	32.9%
Don't Know/ No Opinion	39.8%

Question 12:

The City Council is considering building a new animal control shelter using City and donated funds. If the facility were built, would you be very likely, somewhat likely, or not very likely to donate to the construction of the shelter?

A majority of respondents indicated that they were not very likely to donate funds for the construction of a new animal shelter.

Table 8. Likelihood of Donating to Construction of Shelter

Response	Percent of Respondents
Very Likely To Donate	16.3%
Somewhat Likely To Donate	20.7%
Not Very Likely To Donate	53.3%
Don't Know/ No Opinion	9.7%

Questions 13: through 16

**Demographic Questions** 

Table 9. Length of Residence, All Respondents

Length of Residence	Percent of Respondents
Less Than 2 Years	4.5%
2 to 10 Years	37.8%
Longer Than 10 Years	57.6%

Table 10. Voter Status, All Respondents

Voter Status	Percent of Respondents
Registered	99.7%
Not Registered	0.3%

Table 11. Gender, All Respondents

Gender	Percent of Respondents
Female	50.2%
Male	49.8%

Table 12. Age Group, All Respondents

Age Group	Percent of Respondents
Under 26	4.0%
26 to 45	35.3%
46 to 65	35.3%
Over 65	25.4%

### **APPENDIX A**

The City of Newberg values your opinion. Please take a few minutes and complete this survey so that the City Council can know your opinion and thoughts on several key issues facing the City. Please fold the completed survey as directed and return it before February 15, 2000.

Thank you.

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Q12. The City Council is considering building a new animal control shelter using City and donated funds. If the facility were built, would you be very likely, somewhat likely, or not very likely to donate to the construction of the shelter?

1. Very likely

2. Somewhat likely

3. Not very likely

4. Don't know/No opinion

Finally, some questions for demographic use only.

O13. How long have you lived in Newberg?

- 1. Less than 2 years
- 2. 2 to 10 years
- 3. Longer than 10 years

Q14. Are you a registered voter?

1. Yes

2. No

Q15. Please indicate your gender

1. Female

2. Male

Q16. Please indicate your age group

1. Under 26

2. 26 to 45

3. 46 to 65

4. Over 65

If there are any other comments you wish to make or any ideas you have for issues you want the City to work on, please let us know in the following space:

Thank you for taking the time to make Newberg a better place to work and play.

To return your completed survey, please fold the survey so that the Western Attitudes return address is showing, then secure with tape and drop in the mail before February 15, 2000

## **APPENDIX B\***

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### APPENDIX C

#### **ADDITIONAL COMMENTS, VERBATIM RESPONSES**

IF THERE ARE ANY OTHER COMMENTS YOU WISH TO MAKE OR ANY IDEAS YOU HAVE FOR ISSUES YOU WANT THE CITY TO WORK ON, PLEASE LET US KNOW

- ❖ EITHER DO SOMETHING ABOUT THE BY-PASS OR NOT. JUST DON'T DISCUSS IT FOR THE NEXT 20 YEARS. AND IF YOU DO, PLEASE LISTEN TO THE PEOPLE NOT JUST THE ONES WITH MONEY AND PROPERTY
- NEWBERG NEEDS TO MAKE A PLACE FOR THE TEENAGERS AROUND TOWN FOR THEM TO HANG OUT AND STAY OUT OF TROUBLE. WHEN I WAS A TEENAGER THERE WAS NEVER ANYTHING TO DO IN TOWN. WE ALWAYS HAD TO LEAVE TOWN TO GO AND HAVE FUN. IT SHOULDN'T BE THAT WAY!!!
- ❖ I AM SATISFIED WITH LIFE HERE AS IT IS. WE LIVE IN Â QUIET AREA--EVEN THO WE ARE CLOSE TO GFU!
- GET THE PUBLIC INVOLVED! LET WORK DONATIONS HELP BUILD THE ANIMAL SHELTER.
- FIRE DEPARTMENT SAID THE LAST LEVY WOULD COVER EXPENSES--WOULD NOT NEED NEW EMPLOYEES--YOU LIED AGAIN! WHAT HAPPENS WHEN WE APPROVE LEVY AND YOU GET FUNDS: LIKE FOR RENE SCHOOL AND DON'T USE THE FUNDS FOR THAT PURPOSE? WHERE ARE THE FUNDS? SAME FOR POLICE--WE VOTE FUNDS AND THEN THEY WANT MORE ALWAYS! WE SENIORS CAN'T AFFORD ANOTHER \$200 A YEAR! WHY DO YOU IN GOVERNMENT THINK WE PASSED MEASURE 50???
- I AM PLEASED WITH CURRENT EFFORTS (OF MAYOR/COUNCIL) TO SOLVE THE TRAFFIC PROBLEMS IN NEWBERG/DUNDEE. WE NEED TO GET THE BYPASS.
- YOU PEOPLE REALLY NEED TO GET WITH THE PROGRAM! JUDGING BY THIS SURVEY PROVES TO ME THAT YOU ARE NOT DEALING WITH THE FUNDAMENTAL ISSUES THAT NEED TO BE ADDRESSED. LIVEABILITY IS MEASURED BY EDUCATION AND RECREATION NOT NUMBERS OF POLICE, PARAMEDICS AND BUILDING DOG POUNDS!
- THE CITY IS VERY MESSY AND DOTTED WITH UGLY BUILDINGS, ESPECIALLY STRIP MALLS. CARS ARE ALLOWED TO BE JUNKED ON OUR STREETS, WHICH ARE FULL OF POTHOLES. WE NEED REFLECTORS ON 99W TO DELINEATE THE LANES. WE NEED TO ENCOURAGE BUSINESSES DOWNTOWN, ESPECIALLY TOWARD MORE DIVERSITY (ETHNIC, RELIGIOUS, ETC.). WE NEED MORE DINING OPTIONS THAN FAST FOOD AND PIZZA! NEED MORE COOPERATION BETWEEN POLICE AND CHEHALEM PARK AND REC. NEED SMURFIT TO CLEAN UP ITS ACT (600 TONS OF POLLUTION/YEAR!)
- THE CITY SHOULD REMEMBER WHAT AGREEMENTS THEY MADE PROPERTY OWNERS BEFORE THEY ANNEXED THEM SUCH AS REPAVING OF MELODY LANE. CITY SHOULD NOT SPEND OUR MONEY ON NEW BUILDINGS WHEN THE TOWN IS FULL OF EMPTY AND ADEQUATE BUILDINGS. LEARN TO BE HONEST WITH THE TAXPAYERS.

- ❖ STOP THE GROWTH. STOP SPENDING MONEY YOU DON'T HAVE
- PLEASE DON'T ALLOW UNREGISTERED OR JUNKER VEHICLES TO REMAIN ON STREETS FOR WEEKS BEFORE TAGGING THEN LONGER STILL BEFORE REMOVING. PLEASE ENFORCE CITY ORDINANCES THAT REQUIRE PARKS AND OTHER PUBLIC FACILITIES TO BE VACATED AFTER CLOSING HOURS.
- ❖ I DON'T THINK THE CITY SHOULD TAX ME TO FIX UP AN OLD BUILDING WITHOUT ASKING THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY THROUGH A VOTE OF THE PEOPLE; I THINK THE VOTERS SHOULD DECIDE HOW THE CITY TAXES THE PEOPLE, AND FOR WHAT, NOT JUST A FEW PEOPLE SITTING AT A TABLE.
- PLEASE ENDORSE A BY PASS PLAN AND SUBMIT IT TO THE VOTERS. ENOUGH STUDY! GET THE LAND AND GET BUSY!
- NEWBERG NEEDS BETTER REPRESENTATION AT THE COUNTY LEVEL.
- RE Q4: ADEQUATE OPPORTUNITIES TO PARTICIPATE, YES; INFLUENCE DECISIONS, NO BECAUSE MANAGEMENT BELIEVES THEY ALWAYS KNOW WHAT'S BEST TO DO WITH MY MONEY. Q11: DOG CONTROL DOES A GREAT JOB, BUT IF POLICE WON'T COME WITH ATTACK DOGS RUNNING LOOSE I SUPPOSE WE MAY AS WELL GO COUNTY. Q12: SHOULD HAVE BEEN SET UP AND BUDGETED LONG AGO WITHOUT THE EXCUSE OF WE DIDN'T HAVE THE MONEY. CUT DOWN ON HIGH COSTS OF VEHICLES (NUMEROUS) AND OTHER TOYS.
- ❖ I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT THE FIRE CHIEF DID A "POOR" JOB OF THE FIRST BUDGET THAT GOT THE NEW STATION AND TRUCKS PASSED. I DON'T LIKE THE IDEA HE IS TRYING TO GET ANOTHER ONE PASSED, HE KNEW HE WOULD NEED PERSONNEL TO MAN THE NEW STATION NOW HE COMES UP AND WANTS MORE MONEY. WHY DIDN'T HE HAVE THE "KNOW HOW" TO ASK FOR IT ALL AT ONCE, DID HE THINK IT WOULD BE TOO MUCH? "NO NEW TAXES" 66 + 88.50 = 154.50 TOO MUCH PLUS WHAT WE ARE ALREADY PAYING. YES I VOTED FOR THE NEW STATION.
- ❖ THE CITY IS RUN WELL
- ❖ BETTER CAT CONTROL--TOO MANY ON THE LOOSE IN MY BACKYARD! BETTER CONTROL OF SPEEDERS AROUND HIGH SCHOOL. AND MOST OF ALL PLEASE PUT INTO EFFECT AN ORDINANCE THAT BOOMBOXES IN CARS BE OUTLAWED!! PLATES AND PICTURES FALL OFF MY WALLS FROM CARS WHO HAVE THESE THINGS TURNED ON HIGH AND THEY ARE 1 TO 2 BLOCKS AWAY FROM MY HOUSE. IF THEY GO DOWN THIS STREET, FORGET TALKING OR TV!! SOME PEOPLE HAVE TO SLEEP DURING THE DAY AND SOME MIGHT BE ILL, PLUS PETS BEING DISTURBED. SOUND ORDINANCE FOR THESE THINGS SHOULD BE ON A 24 HOUR BASIS. THANKS.
- THE CITY SHOULD STOP TAKING FUNDS FROM OREGON STATE, COUNTY OR FEDERAL AGENCIES WHEN IT KNOWS THAT IT CANNOT SUSTAIN EXTRA PEOPLE, SUCH AS FIRE, POLICE, OR OTHER PUBLIC SERVANTS, WITHOUT HAVING THE INCOME FUNDS IN THE ALREADY FUNDED BUDGETS. SUCH AS THE NEW SPRINGBROOK FIRE STATION. THE CITY KNEW THAT EVENTUALLY EXTRA FUNDS WOULD BE NEEDED TO STAFF THE NEW STATION AND STILL PROMPTED THE CITIZENS TO VOTE IT IN. YOU HAVE TO LIVE WITHIN YOUR BUDGETS LIKE THE REST OF US.

- AGAIN I STATE WE NEED A BIPASS BECAUSE TRAFFIC IS POOR IN NEWBERG AND IT WILL TURN INTO DUNDEE TRAFFIC IN THE FUTURE.
- ❖ WE NEED MORE ACTIVITIES FOR TEENAGERS.
- LIMIT NEW HOUSING UNTIL SCHOOLS ARE ADEQUATE--IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE TO HAVE LOTS OF NEW FAMILY HOUSES BEING BUILT WHEN SCHOOLS ARE ALREADY AT CAPACITY. I HAVE TWO KIDS IN SCHOOL AND KNOW THEIR CLASS SIZES ARE TOO BIG AS IT STANDS. ALSO--I THINK THIS SURVEY IS A GREAT IDEA!
- PLEASE MAKE AN OVERPASS TO SPRINGBROOK PLAZA FROM EITHER HAWORTH OR JUST SOUTH FROM BI-MART AREA BY THE NEW HOLLYWOOD VIDEO BUILDING.
- ❖ SAME CONTROL FOR CATS AS WE HAVE FOR DOGS.
- ❖ TAKE OUT THE TWO STOP LIGHTS THEY JUST PUT IN!
- ❖ I BELIEVE (name omitted by tabulator) ATTITUDES AND COMMENTS AT PUBLIC MEETINGS DETER FROM CONSTRUCTIVE, PRODUCTIVE OPEN DISCOURSE. His/her MONOPOLIZATION OF THE PUBLIC INPUT PROCESS SHOULD BE CONTROLLED.
- RIVERFRONT
- NEWBERG'S 1ST STREET AND SURROUNDING AREA HAVE SUCH WONDERFUL POTENTIAL TO LOOK NICER AND BE MORE INVITING. RIGHT NOW IT LOOKS RATHER OLD, WORN OUT AND TIRED. I THINK THE BUILDINGS NEED SOME TLC AND MAYBE A NEW COAT OF PAINT. WOULDN'T IT BE NEAT TO BRING THE OLD STORE FRONTS BACK TO THEIR ORIGINAL CHARM? MAKING THEM LOOK AUTHENTIC, BUT COORDINATE WITH ONE ANOTHER (SO THE WHOLE STREET HAS AN OLD-TOWN NICE FEELING) TO ME, WOULD DRAW MORE PEOPLE AND HAVE A TOWN THAT I KNOW THE COMMUNITY WOULD BE PROUD OF.
- PLEASE PUT FLAG ON LOCK-BOXES FOR MAIL SO WE KNOW IF THE MAIL HAS COME YET OR NOT.
- # PRIORITY AND EFFORT TO IMPROVE QUALITY OF CITY SHOULD BE BYPASS AND REDUCE TRAFFIC CONGESTION-OTHERWISE QUALITY LIFE AND (unreadable) GO DOWN!
- ❖ IMPROVE THE PARKS. I AM SO GLAD FOR A CITY THAT WANTS TO IMPROVE. IMPROVE THE SITUATION OF EXIT AND ENTRANCE BY MIKE'S PHARMACY. IT'S SO AWKWARD.
- CAT OWNERS SHOULD TAKE SAME RESPONSIBILITY AS DOG OWNERS--KEEP CATS ON OWN PROPERTY. I KEEP A CLEAN YARD AND DETEST CLEANING UP MESSES FROM CATS AND OTHER PEOPLE'S PETS.
- TRAFFIC IS THE BIGGEST PROBLEM WE SEE. I.E. WALKING TO GFÚ CROSSING IN SIDEWALK AT THE LIGHT--I HAVE BEEN HIT 3 TIMES BY TRAFFIC NOT STOPPING AND ROLLING THROUGH

LIGHTS. IT'S DANGEROUS TO WALK ON 99W. IT'S LOUD. YOU OFTEN CAN NOT CARRY ON A CONVERSATION WITHOUT YELLING, HARD TO SHOP STORES, NOT PLEASANT ATMOSPHERE. IT'S 25 MPH THROUGH DOWNTOWN--WHAT A JOKE! STOP A FEW TRUCKERS ESPECIALLY AND ASK HOW FAST THEY ARE GOING. ALSO WHERE 219 CUTS OFF AT THE ALASKA GAS STATION IT'S 35 MPH AND QUICKLY TURNS TO 45 MPH AND TRAFFIC REALLY FLIES. IF WALKING ON EVEREST THERE IS NO SAFE WAY TO GET ACROSS AND DRIVING ACCESS IS ALSO DANGEROUS. AND SCARY! THIS IS SUCH A GREAT LITTLE TOWN BUT 99 MAKES IT CUT IN 1/2 AND HARD TO GET AROUND.

- WHY IS THIS CITY SO INTERESTED IN GROWING SO BIG SO FAST THAT THEY HAVE PRETTY OVERLOOK WHAT A NICE TOWN WE HAD FOR YEARS. I GREW UP HERE; I KNOW HOW NICE IT USED TO BE AND WHAT A RAT RACE IT'S NOW, AND AS FAR AS I CAN SEE IT'S CALLED GREED. WHY KEEP USING UP GOOD FARM LAND BUILDING MORE WHEN WE DON'T HAVE THE WATER OR SEWAGE PLANTS TO HANDLE WHAT WE HAVE NOW. ALL I CAN SAY AGAIN IS GREED. THE POLICE CAN'T HANDLE THE TRAFFIC AND CRIMINAL PROBLEMS NOW WHY CONTINUE TO GROW OUT OF PROPORTION. AGAIN, GREED.
- ❖ TOO BAD THIS SURVEY IS NOT CONFIDENTIAL. I DON'T HAVE PETS BUT CAN DO NOTHING WITH ALL THE DOGS/CATS THAT ROAM MY PROPERTY. NEXT WILL WE GET TO PAY FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF HAVING A PHONE AND GAS IN OUR HOMES, WATER & SEWER? AS 'SENIORS' OUR MEDICAL INSURANCE WENT UP 25% THIS YEAR AND OUR BUDGET HURTS TOO.
- FOR CITY (ITS OFFICIALS) TO HONOR PLEDGES AND PROMISES MADE TO PUBLIC ON THE USE OF FUNDS, ESPECIALLY BOND AND LEVIES ISSUES. CITY HAS POOR CREDABILITY. SENIORS ON FIXED INCOMES DO NOT HAVE THE RESOURCES TO COMPETE WITH THE INFLATING COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH SPECIAL LEVIES; ESPECIALLY WHEN IT'S TO BAIL OUT SOMETHING. THIS IS NOT A CONFIDENTIAL SURVEY THE WAY IT IS ADDRESSED SHAME ON YOU!
- TAKE A GOOD LOOK AT THE DOWN TOWN AREA. IT NEEDS CLEANED UP AND PAINTED. WHAT AN EYESORE--BURNED BUILDINGS, DIRTY WINDOWS, STORE FRONTS NEED PAINTED, ETC ETC. BUT YET WE NEED TO REBUILD CITY HALL AFTER A NEW FIRE STATION, NEW POLICE STATION. CAN'T LET THEM OUT DO THE OTHER. THIS COST MONEY MONEY MONEY. COULD WRITE A BOOK ON THE WASTE OF TAX DOLLARS AT THE CITY OF NEWBERG.
- SINCE YOU HAVE HAD MORE POLICE ON STAFF I HAVE NOTICED A TREND! I SEE AN OFFICER STOPPING ONE CAR WITH ONE PERSON IN IT BUT ALSO HAVE NOTICED THAT TO STOP ONE CAR IT TAKES ONE TO TWO OTHER POLICE TO BE THERE TOO. WHAT IS HAPPENING TO THE PATROL OF THE CITY WITH THIS MANY POLICE GONE TO DO ONE POLICEMAN'S JOB. ALSO I READ A LOT OF OUR POLICE DOING LOTS OF WORK IN OTHER TOWNS BESIDES NEWBERG; WHY DO I NEED TO PAY FOR THEIR POLICE WORK AND YET YOU WANT MORE POLICE. KEEP THE NEWBERG POLICE IN NEWBERG!!
- I WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF THERE WAS A LARGE BOOKSTORE/COFFEE HOUSE IN NEWBERG. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SEE NEWBERG BUILD A PROFESSIONAL THEATER AND I DON'T MEAN A CINEMA.
- ❖ NEWBERG'S DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT IS PREDICATED ON MOVING THE MAJOR HIGHWAY OUT OF TOWN!
- ❖ TRAFFIC. PARKING ON THE STREET AT ANN COURT & VILLA ROAD--IT IS A DANGER.

- ❖ I RECEIVED THIS QUESTIONNAIRE AND WAS IMMEDIATELY AWARE THAT TAX DOLLARS WERE SPENT AND THEY WERE SPENT OUT OF THE CITY ON NEWBERG. YOU HAVE TO HAVE A LOT OF NERVE TO WASTE MONEY ON THIS AND ASK FOR TAX INCREASES IN THE SAME BREATH. MY MONEY WAS WASTED BY TAKING PRE-EXISTING ADA RAMPS ON 99W GOING NORTH AND REPLACING THEM WITH "BUBBLE CURBS" AND A BIKE LANE WHICH IS NOT USED. AS A PEDESTRIAN DOWNTOWN, I WAS HIT BY A CHILD RIDING A BICYCLE ON THE SIDEWALK WITH HIS MOTHER, ALSO ON A BICYCLE, AND POINTED OUT THE BIKELANE TO THE MOTHER. THE MOTHER'S RESPONSE TO ME WAS, AND I QUOTE, "YOU STAY OFF THE (expletive) SIDEWALK IF YOU DON'T LIKE IT BECAUSE THERE IS NO (expletive) WAY I'LL TAKE MY KID OUT ON THAT (expletive) HIGHWAY." WHAT YOU NEED TO DO IS LOOK INSIDE YOUR OWN HOUSE. STREAMLINE YOUR EXPENDITURES, STOP WASTING MONEY, AND DON'T LISTEN TO SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS THAT FINANCE YOUR CAMPAIGNS. I WORK HARD FOR MY \$15,000/YR AND DO NOT LIKE TO SEE MY MONEY BEING WASTED ON FRIVOLOUS ANTICS OF SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS AND UPSCALE SOCCER MOM'S INTERESTS. WE, THE BLUE COLLAR, HARD WORKING, AND TAX PAYING INDIVIDUALS ARE SICK AND TIRED OF BEING SICK AND TIRED OF MY GOVERNMENT, "OF THE PEOPLE, BY THE PEOPLE, AND FOR THE PEOPLE," WASTING MONEY. DO THE RIGHT THING--"QUIT SPENDING MONEY AND CLEAN YOUR OWN HOUSE."
- CITY BYPASS TO LESSEN HEAVY TRAFFIC. WATER COST IS VERY HIGH. BETTER AIR QUALITY CONTROL (PAPER MILL). REDUCE SPEED LIMIT ON REX HILL (MORE RADAR). POT HOLES ON CITY ROADS (FILL IN).
- ❖ PUTTING A TAX ON THE PGE BILL IS NOT RIGHT JUST SO CITY HALL CAN BE RENOVATED. CLEAN UP THE BUILDING & PERMITS DIVISION OF INTERNAL FAVORITISM AND CORRUPTION AND PROVE TO THE RESIDENTS OF NEWBERG THAT YOU (THE CITY) IS WORTH THE MONEY YOU ASK FOR IN BONDS. AS A PROPERTY OWNER BETWEEN CITY, STATE AND FEDERAL TAXES DON'T YOU THINK WE PAY ENOUGH--BECOME MORE EFFICIENT.
- NEWBERG CITY HALL REMODEL/RENOVATION IS GOING POORLY. SOMEONE SHOULD PAY CLOSER ATTENTION TO THE PROCESS AND DUANE COLE. WHAT IS THIS GUY DOING?
- NEWBERG IS NOT BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN FRIENDLY ENOUGH!! YES, I DO DRIVE A CAR.
- WOULD APPRECIATE THE CITY COUNCIL TO NOT MAKE DECISIONS REGARDING NEWBERG WITHOUT A VOICE FROM THE PEOPLE.
- ❖ I'M CURIOUS IF ANYTHING EVER BECAME OF OR IS GOING TO TAKE PLACE RE: HWY 99 IMPROVEMENTS IE: CENTER MEDIAN/TREES/PLANTERS/LIGHTS? ALSO--SEVERAL STREETS (INCLUDING 99) NEED PAVING, WILL THIS HAPPEN SOON?
- ❖ YOU COULD HAVE DONE THIS STUPID SURVEY YOURSELF AND PROBABLY SAVED AT LEAST \$2,000. IT DOESN'T TAKE ANY SKILL OR SPECIAL KNOWLEDGE TO DO IT! ALSO YOU COULD HAVE SAVED A BUNDLE BY NOT RECONSTRUCTING THE OLD CITY HALL. WHAT WILL YOU DO WITH IT WHEN IT'S FINISHED?
- HOW LONG? HOW LONG WILL WE DISCUSS THE TRAFFIC ISSUE BEFORE WE START TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT?
- ❖ A NEWBERG/DUNDEE BYPASS IS FAR OVERDUE. A DIVIDED HIGHWAY FROM BRUTSCHER TO SPRINGBROOK IS RIDICULOUS, THERE ARE FAR MORE ACCIDENTS AT THE INTERSECTION OF

#### SPRINGBROOK AND HWY 99 AND SPRINGBROOK AND HAWORTH.

- SLOW THE GROWTH OF THE CITY. DO SOMETHING TO CORRECT THE TRAFFIC.
- HAVE SOMETHING FOR THE KIDS TO DO. THERE IS NOTHING IN THIS TOWN.
- MORE SIDEWALKS/PATHS ARE NEEDED. CROSSING SIGNALS ON HWY 99W
- ❖ I DO LIKE YOUR MAIL OUTS FOR KEEPING ME INFORMED ON CITY PROJECTS SUCH AS ROAD WORK, BY PASS, ETC. DON'T LIKE GETTING ALL SORTS OF THINGS TO VOTE ON THAT I HAVEN'T GOT A CLUE ON. VOTING ON IT'S FINE. MAKING AN IMPORTNAT VOTING DECISION ON IT WITH LITTLE OR NO KNOWLEDGE ISN'T. STILL NEED SOME ROAD WORK DONE. THERE WAS MENTION OF A TRAFFIC LIGHT ON ELLIOTT STREET, HAVEN'T HEARD ABOUT IT FOR A WHILE.
- \* TRAFFIC FLOW IN AND THRU NEWBERG IS A GROWING PROBLEM. NEEDS SOLUTION
- **❖** THE TRAFFIC BYPASS
- ❖ I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE CITY COULD DO ABOUT THE TERRIBLE TRAFFIC BOTTLENECK BETWEEN DUNDEE AND THE WEST SIDE OF OUR TOWN BUT ITS BECOMING A NIGHTMARE... ANYTHING WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED BY ANY POOR SOUL THAT HAS TO PASS THROUGH DUNDEE.
- ❖ WHY ARE WE BUILDING AN ANIMAL SHELTER WITH PUBLIC FUNDS (AT LEAST PARTIALLY) WHEN FIRE & POLICE ARE FACING CUTS. HOW ABOUT PRIORITIES!
- ❖ TRAFFIC GOING TO THE COAST RE-ROUTED OUT OF NEWBERG.
- ❖ I DON'T LIKE THE TRAFFIC FLOW-99W IS OVER CROWDED WE NEED OTHER THAN 1 WAY STREETS & LESS TRAFFIC CONGESTION. I THINK THIS IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN A NEW ANIMAL SHELTER AT THE MOMENT.
- ❖ NOTHING FOR KIDS TO DO BUT GET IN TROUBLE
- THE BYPASS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT ISSUE FACING THIS ADMINISTRATION. WE NEED TO PUSH TO GET A THROUGHWAY AROUND DOWNTOWN! THE TRAFFIC AT 4-6 PM IS VERY BAD, AND NO ONE'S FAULT BUT THE LEADERSHIP.
- THERE SHOULD BE SIDEWALKS ON BOTH SIDES OF HAWORTH THE WHOLE LENGTH OF THE STREET. THE CURRENT STRETCH WITHOUT SIDEWALKS ON THE SOUTH SIDE BETWEEN MARIE & ELLIOTT IS UNSAFE FOR CHILDREN WALKING HOME FROM SCHOOL. WALKING TO FRED MEYER & BUSINESSES WERE ALLOWED TO GO IN BY SHARI'S WITHOUT THOUGHT FOR FOOT TRAFFIC. BAD PLANNING.

- SIDEWALKS
- ❖ BYPASS NEEDED TO BE PURSUED
- THERE NEEDS TO BE MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR RECREATION AVAILABLE TO TEENS--BOWLING ALLEY, OUTDOOR POOL, LIBRARY SERVICES (EXTENDED HOURS)
- **❖** TRAFFIC BYPASS
- ❖ I SEE NEW FIRE STATIONS, CITY HALL, ETC, BUT THE CITY IS TOTALLY IGNORING THEIR POOR STREET SYSTEMS. I HAVE NEVER SEEN SUCH NARROW AND POORLY MAINTAINED STREETS AS THIS CITY HAS. IT IS ALMOST LIKE THEY HAVE THEIR HEADS IN THE SAND AND HOPE THE PROBLEM WILL GO AWAY.
- WE CAN'T AFFORD HIGHER PROPERTY TAX. WHERE IS PROPERTY TAXES FROM ALL NEW HOMES GOING?
- ❖ IN-FILL NEW CONSTRUCTION SHOULD HAVE EMERGENCY ACCESS AND TURNAROUND CAPABILITIES—SOME NEW STREETS OFF NORTH MAIN END IN DEAD-ENDS AND YOU HAVE TO USE DRIVEWAYS TO TURN AROUND. ALL NEW CONSTRUCTION SHOULD PAY UP FRONT INTO A HOLDING FUND FOR EXPANDING PRESENT UTILITIES (IE WATER - SEWER)
- ❖ WHAT IS THE CITY (& COUNCIL) DOING TO PROMOTE A SENSE OF COMMUNITY? THERE IS NO CONSENSUS IN THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT, JUST SELF INTEREST. THIS IS KILLING NEWBERG, WE'RE JUST A BEDROOM COMMUNITY NOT WORTH VISITING. HOW ABOUT A VISION AND SOME HONEST COMMUNICATION!!!
- THE ANIMAL CONTROL SHELTER WAS APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL LONG AGO. WHAT'S THE HOLDUP? WHERE HAS THE MONEY ALREADY DONATED GONE? IF THE SHELTER ISN'T BUILT WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THE DONATED FUNDS?
- I WOULD LIKE TO SEE ELLIOTT ROAD TO THE HIGH SCHOOL WIDEN WITH SIDEWALK AND A STOP LIKE ON ELLIOTT AND 99W-PORTLAND ROAD.
- ❖ GET A BETTER WATER SUPPLY
- MAKE DOWNTOWN MORE COMPATIBLE FOR FOOT TRAFFIC RECODE TO PROVIDE MORE SHOPPING - EATERIES - REMOVE CAR LOTS AND AUTO DEALERS - ALSO REMOVE WHOLESALERS AND CAR TRAFFIC - MORE SHOPS AND RETAIL OPERATIONS - LET DOWNTOWN BE A MAGNET FOR THE COMMUNITY.
- ❖ WE NEED A "THEME" FOR THE BUILDINGS IN THE CITY IE: THE TOWN OF SISTERS. OUR BUILDINGS ARE ALL A "MISS-MASH," - NO COORDINATION, OR - ? USING LADY BIRD JOHNSON'S EXPRESSION "IT NEEDS TO BE BEAUTIFIED."

- GET DOWNTOWN REHAB'ED! GET 99W OUT OF TOWN! SOUTHERN ROUTE PREFERRED.
- CITY COUNCIL AND STAFF SEEM TO MAKE DECISIONS WITHOUT REGARD TO PUBLIC COMMENTS. STAFF SEEMS TO ENGINEER OUTCOMES TO COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS BY TIMING OF THE PROCESS AND STRONG SOLICITATION OF THEIR OWN PREFERRED CANDIDATES.
- FOR THE TAXES WE PAY, WE FEEL THE CITY STREETS ARE DEPLORABLE. WHY NO SIDEWALKS IN MANY, MANY AREAS? YOU HAVE TO WALK IN STREETS, WHICH ARE VERY NARROW--VERY DANGEROUS FOR ANYONE--ESPECIALLY CHILDREN AND ELDERLY FOLKS.
- TRAFFIC IS A MAJOR PROBLEM HERE.-WHEN ADEC LETS OUT AT 3:30 HARD TO GET AROUND-AND OF COURSE FRI TRAFFIC AND TRAFFIC FROM THE BEACH ON SUMMER WEEKENDS.-HOW ABOUT MORE TRAFFIC LIGHTS ON 99W.-WOULD SLOW TRAFFIC DOWN.-HOW ABOUT MORE PLACES TO EAT.-ADEC EMPLOYS 900 PEOPLE.-WE HAVE TO EAT LUNCH SOMEWHERE!!
- BYPASS
- ❖ ENOUGH STUDYING! GET THE BY PASS DONE--THE TRAFFIC ISSUE DETRACTS FROM THE LIVEABILITY IN NEWBERG AND IN THE MEANTIME GET 99W RESURFACED, ESPECIALLY FROM SPRINGBROOK TO VILLA RD.
- ❖ I HAVE LIVED IN NEWBERG FOR ALMOST 6 YEARS. I WOULD LOVE TO SEE A MAJOR SPORTS COMPLEX BUILT AND MAINTAINED BY CPRD. I WOULD SUPPORT ANY TAXES TO HELP BUILD. I AM A HOMEOWNER WITH A WIFE & 2 KIDS WHO LOVE SPORTS. THANKS!
- ❖ WHAT IS THE URBAN GROWTH CAP?
- NO NEW TAXES!! LIVE ON YOUR BUDGET JUST LIKE EVERY WORKING PERSON IN NEWBERG. GET RID OF YOUR HIGH PAID CITY MANAGER AND HIS PERSONAL LAWYER. LET CITY ELECTED PEOPLE DO THEIR JOB.
- ❖ YOU NEED SIGNAL LIGHTS AT THE INTERSECTION ON HWY 99 FROM THE HIGHSCHOOL AT ELLIOTT RD! NOT IN DOWNTOWN. WHO GOES SHOPPING IN DOWNTOWN? IT IS A DUMP! CITY HALL SHOULD OF BEEN BUILT NEAR FRED MEYER AREA.-THAT WHERE THE CITY MAIN AREAS IS NOW LOCATED! THANK FOR NOTHING! WHAT A WAY TO BILL US TAXPAYER ON OUR ELECTRIC BILL--WITHOUT OUR APPROVAL--YOU SHOULD OF PUT THIS ON BALLOT ELECTION!
- GET RID OF DEQ PRESENCE IN SPRINGBROOK & KEEP DEQ OUT OF THE REST OF NEWBERG!!! NO "SPECIAL RIGHTS" OR "PRIVILEGES" TO ANY GROUP FOR ANYTHING!!!
- THE INTERSECTION BY RITE AID & HAWORTH IS GOING TO KILL SOMEONE.
- THE POOR RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE UNIVERSITY NEEDS TO BE IMPROVED.

  MAKING ALL OF NEWBERG AVAILABLE TO PEOPLE OF COLOR SHOULD BE A PRIORITY.

  IMPROVED PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION, CONNECT US TO PORTLAND METRO, NOT JUST TO MCMINNVILLE AND DUNDEE. LET'S GET A REASONABLE HIGHWAY BYPASS SO THAT THE SAVING

#### OF DOWNTOWN CAN BE COMPLETED.

- ADD STREET SIGN AT ELIOT/99W INTERSECTION. SIDEWALKS CONTINUOUS ALONG VILLA BETWEEN 99W & HAWORTH. ENFORCE SPEED LIMITS ON 99W BETWEEN SPRINGBROOK & VILLA. CREATE A NORTHERN BYPASS OF 99W, W/STOP SIGNS/LIGHTS, BUT ON ONE ROUTE FOR SAFE PASSAGE DURING RUSH HOURS. IDEALLY, GIVE US MAIN STREET BACK SO IT'S A PLEASANT SAFE (GET RID OF CASINO & BEACH TRAFFIC) PLACE TO WALK & SHOP. (HISTORIC DATA) CONTINUE TO UPDATE & UPGRADE HISTORIC BUILDINGS & SUPPORT MAINTENANCE W/REVOLVING LOAN FUND.
- Q11: THE ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER HAS BEEN EXTREMELY HELPFUL OVER & ABOVE THE POLICE DEPARTMENT WHEN OUR DOG WAS SHOT AT BY SOMEONE WHO SIMPLY DIDN'T LIKE BIG DOGS. THIS OCCURRED IN THE CITY LIMITS WITH 2 WITNESSES. THE NEWBERG POLICE DID ABSOLUTELY NOTHING BUT WHEN DARLENE HARDING GOT BACK FROM VACATION SHE SAW TO IT THAT THE MAN WAS CITED AND ASSESSED A FINE BY THE MUNICIPAL JUDGE. SINCE THEN WE HAVE ADOPTED ANOTHER DOG FROM THE POUND.
- \* TRAFFIC ON 99W NEEDS REDUCING.
- NRESPONSE TO Q11 YAMHILL CO ANIMAL CONTROL HAS A POOR REPUTATION. THEY HAVE SHOWN A SELECTIVE ENFORCEMENT OF REGULATIONS CHECKING SOME HOMES FOR LICENSES YET SKIPPING OTHERS IN THE SAME BLOCK. ALSO CONTINUED PROBLEMS WITH ILLEGALLY OR IMPROPERLY SELLING ANIMALS FOR RESEARCH. IN RESPONSE TO Q4 I HAVE ATTENDED 4 DIFFERENT CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS TO SPEAK ON VARIOUS ISSUES. EACH TIME AFTER PROPERLY REGISTERING TO SPEAK I HAVE FOUND (AFTER SITTING THROUGH AN ENTIRE MEETING) THAT THE ISSUE I WAS THERE FOR EITHER WAS TABLED, POSTPONED, OR THE TIME LIMIT TO DISCUSS WAS LIMITED AND I NEVER WAS ALLOWED TO SPEAK. HOWEVER THERE ARE A SELECT 3 OR 4 PEOPLE WHO FEEL THEY NEED TO ADDRESS ALMOST EVERY ISSUE AND ONE CONTINUALLY ALLOWED TO SPEAK. THIS DOESN'T SPEAK WELL OF THEIR ALLOWING FOR CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT.
- LOWER SEWER RATES
- ❖ IT WOULD BE NICE IF THEY COULD HAVE THE LIBRARY OPEN LONGER.
- THE ISSUES ARE THIS=A TOTAL OF \$154 (APPROX) IN INCREASED TAXES FOR SITUATIONS THAT SHOULD NOT HAVE HAPPENED, IN PART. THE FORWARD VISION OF THE MAJORITY OF THE COUNCIL IS NIL. THE FACTS ARE: NEWBERG HAS NEED FOR MORE POLICE PERSONNEL--WHAT CITY DOESN'T WITH THE CURRENT TRENDS OF ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES, HOWEVER, THE CITY HAS FAILED TO ADDRESS THE PROBLEM IN A FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE MANNER. THIS CITY SHOULD NOT BE IN THE LENDING BUSINESS. THE FIRMS THAT RECEIVED THOSE FUNDS COULD HAVE DONE SAME FROM OUTSIDE SOURCES. THE AMOUNT OF FUNDS BEING SPENT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES IS NOT ENTIRELY DUE TO LOANS, BUT FAR TOO MANY ISSUES THAT NOT ONLY DO NOT SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY BUT SUPPORT DEVELOPMENT & IMPROVEMENTS THAT COULD & SHOULD HAVE BEEN DIRECTED MORE ECONOMICALLY. THE ISSUES THAT I WISH TO HAVE CONSIDERED ARE TO BETTER ADDRESS THE REAL BUDGET WITH THE FACTS--NOT A DREAM LIST OF EGO INFLATING IDEAS TO ENHANCE PERSONAL FINANCIAL GAINS AS IS CURRENTLY HAPPENING. IN OTHER WORDS--APPROACH ISSUES W/COMMON SENSE & NOT IDEALISM. LISTEN MORE TO SELF-APPOINTED WATCHDOG CITIZENS. THEY ARE MORE AWARE THAN GIVEN CREDIT. PLEASE RELAY TO MAYOR THAT HIS EGO IS GETTING IN HIS WAY TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY. HE IS NOW A PART OF THE SLICK SHOE ATTORNEY & CITY MANAGER--THE NEW TRIO IS A DANGER TO THIS CITY!!

- MY ONLY REAL COMPLAINT IS 99W TRAFFIC. IF THAT WERE TAKEN CARE OF, I BELIEVE LIFE IN NEWBERG WOULD IMPROVE BY A LARGE MARGIN
- FIND A WAY TO TAX EVERYONE NOT JUST HOMEOWNERS. THIS SHOULD HAVE BEEN SENT ONE TO THE HOUSEHOLD & YOU COULD SAVE ON STAMPS.
- ❖ I THINK WE SHOULD HAVE SOME FORM OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION.
- THE TRAFFIC ISSUE IN NEWBERG NEEDS IMMEDIATE ATTENTION! MOST SIDE STREETS AND BACKWAYS AROUND HWY 99 HAVE PRODUCED AN ANNOYING AMOUNT OF EXTRA TRAFFIC. FOR EXAMPLE, TO PULL INTO MY DRIVEWAY ON HAWORTH AVE. I HAVE TO WAIT IN EXCESS OF MORE THAN 2 MINUTES SOMETIMES TO SAFELY MAKE IT, WITHOUT CUTTING ANOTHER DRIVER OFF. THIS IS RIDICULOUS AND UNSAFE FOR ANY NEIGHBORHOOD WITH SPEED LIMITS OF 25 MPH.
- ❖ KEEP BETTER BOOKS, DON'T BE SO CLOSED RANKED AND CLOSED MINDED. LISTEN TO THE CITIZENS OF NEWBERG, NOT JUST THE DEVELOPERS AND REALTORS. BE PROACTIVE TAKE A PAGE OUT OF MCMINVILLE'S BOOKS, MAYBE WE COULD ATTRACT SOME REAL INVESTORS WITH SOMETHING CREATIVE TO OFFER NEWBERG.
- I THINK NEWBERG NEEDS MORE CHOICES FOR SHOPPING. I WOULD LOVE TO SEE TARGET OR WINCO COME TO TOWN. THE CHOICES WE CURRENTLY HAVE ARE ABLE TO CHARGE OUTRAGEOUS PRICES. WE ARE ALREADY PAYING TO FUND THE NEW FIRE STATION AND I'M SORRY THAT THEY DIDN'T TAKE STAFFING INTO ACCOUNT. MAYBE THEY NEED TO MAKE A BIGGER PUSH FOR VOLUNTEERS OR GOING DOOR-TO-DOOR IN THE AREA. SO FAR I AM NOT AWARE OF A LOT OF EFFORT TO FIND VOLUNTEERS.
- ❖ I AM NOT IN FAVOR OF A LEVY FOR THE VARIOUS CITY DEPTS BECAUSE THEY ARE A SHORT TERM SOLUTION TO A LONG TERM COMMITMENT(S). I FEEL FURTHER RESEARCH INTO ALTERNATIVE FUNDING METHODS IS WARRANTED.
- ❖ WORK ON NOT ASSESSING TAXES--WORK WITH WHAT YOU HAVE!!
- ALTHOUGH TRAFFIC IS A BIG ISSUE ON HWY 99 THE COUNCIL NEEDS TO REALIZE IT FILTERS INTO LOCAL NEIGHBORHOODS AND THAT'S WHERE THEY'RE GOING TO MAKE A BIGGER IMPACT. IF YOU KNOW THAT AFTER 4 YRS YOU NEED TO HAVE MONEY IN PLACE TO FUND PROGRAMS YOU START LOOKING FOR THAT MOENY IN THE 1ST YEAR NOT THE 4TH (IE POLICE DEPT)
- I WOULD LIKE TO SEE SOME CONTROL EXERCISED OVER THE EXCESSIVE LIGHT POLLUTION GROWING IN THE MEGA PLAZAS (FRED MEYER AREA) AT THE EAST END OF TOWN. REQUIRING THESE BUSINESSES TO USE REDUCED-SPECTRUM LIGHTING WOULD IMPROVE THE LIVEABILITY OF THE AREA WITHOUT MAKING THE PLAZAS LESS SECURE AT NIGHT. BURGER KING IS ALSO VERY BAD AND I KNOW THEIR LIGHTING HURTS THE DRIVE-IN'S BUSINESS.
- SURVEYS LIKE THIS ARE USUALLY ANONYMOUS. FOR THAT REASON I HAVE BLACKED OUT MY NAME.

- ❖ I'M IN FAVOR OF ADDING TO THE POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS, BUT NOT THAT MANY AT ONE TIME, OR DID I NOT READ THE Q'S CORRECTLY!?
- IT WOULD BE ENCOURAGING & SUPPORTIVE OF TEENAGERS IF THERE WERE MORE ACTIVITIES FOR THEM TO DO ON THE WEEKENDS, IE BOWLING, A DANCE CENTER--NO ALCOHOL, NO SMOKING
- THE CITY COUNCIL NEEDS TO PUT THE ISSUES TO THE PEOPLE. I FEEL THEY HAVE TOO MUCH CONTROL OF DECISIONS THAT SHOULD BE PUT TO VOTE. (IE CITY HALL \$\$\$)
- PUSH TO GET MORE SCHOOLS IN THIS TOWN! TAX BASE SHOULD BE SET UP FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION OF HOMES TO HELP FUND SCHOOLS.
- ❖ IF HOME OWNERS CAN'T REPAIR SIDEWALKS HAVE THE CITY REPAIR THEM AT A COST TO THE OWNERS--AND GIVE A REASONABLE AMOUNT OF TIME, THAT THESE ARE TO BE FIXED. (MAYBE 3 MONTHS)
- THIS TOWN HAS A GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY. WE HAVE BEGUN, SEVERAL YEARS AGO, TO BE CALLED THE UP AND COMING NAPA VALLEY. DECISIONS TO NOT HAVE A BY-PASS FOR THOSE WHO HAVE NO INTEREST IN STOPPING OR SHOPPING ONLY ADD TO CONGESTION & TAKE AWAY FROM PEACEFUL FEELING.
- REGARDING Q3: I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE TIGHTER CONTROL OVER LOG TRUCKS AND OTHER VEHICLES SPEEDING THROUGH TOWN ON 99 (ESPECIALLY EAST TO WEST). I HAVE A FEELING THAT SOMETIME IN THE NEAR FUTURE THERE IS GOING TO BE A FATALITY ACCIDENT BECAUSE OF HIGH SPEEDS MAINTAINED FROM REX HILL THROUGH INTERSECTION OF 99W & SPRINGBROOK ROAD.
- I HAVE PARTICIPATED SINCE 1978 IN THE OLD FASHIONED DAYS PARADE AND FEEL IT IS A VERY GOOD CHANCE TO GET INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY. I AM ALSO ON THE ANIMAL FRIENDS COMMITTEE TRYING TO RAISE MONEY FOR A NEW ANIMAL SHELTER. I SHOP LOCALLY IN NEWBERG TO SUPPORT LOCAL MERCHANTS. HOWEVER I DO NOT WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN CITY GOV'T BECAUSE AFTER WATCHING CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS I FEEL LIKE COUNCIL MEMBERS ALREADY HAVE THEIR MINDS MADE UP ON WHICH RESOLUTIONS THEY WISH TO PASS & WHO THEY PUT ON COMMITTEES. I DON'T FEEL THAT THEY LISTEN TO THE PEOPLE WHO SPEAK AT MEETINGS AND THEY DON'T LIKE TO BE CHALLENGED.
- I WOULD LIKE TO SEE A TRANSIT SYSTEM. 2. REMOVE HWY 99 AND MAKE DOWNTOWN VERY USER FRIENDLY.
- QUIT SPENDING MONEY FOR ALL THE NEW TRUCKS AND EQUIPMENT.-TOO MUCH WASTED TIME (EMPLOYEES), STAFF NEEDS TO BE MORE ACCESSIBLE. TOO MUCH STAFF PUSH.
- ❖ CAT CONTROL IS MUCH MORE IMPORTANT THAN DOG
- ❖ IT IS GETTING TO THE POINT THAT I CAN NOT DRIVE TO MY RENTAL PROPERTIES WITHOUT BEING STOPPED WITHOUT CAUSE. NOW I CAN'T PARK MY OWN CARS IN MY COMPLETELY FENCED YARD OR EVEN IN MY CARPORTS WITHOUT GETTING A TICKET.

- THE DOWNTOWN AREA LOOKS POOR AND BROKEN DOWN
- START FOCUSING FOR OUR TEENAGERS, SUCH AS ROLLER RINK, A SKATEBOARD SOMETHING FOR OUR TEENAGERS, INSTEAD OF WANTING MORE MONEY FOR YOUR CONVENIENCES. LESS THAN 5 YRS A NEW POLICE STATION, A NEW FIRE STATION, REMODELING CITY HALL. IF YOU WANT MORE MONEY START DOWNSIZING CITY EMPLOYMENT. IT DOESN'T TAKE 3 MEN OR WOMEN TO DO A ONE MAN JOB. CUT MANAGEMENT PAYROLL.
- ❖ BE HONEST TO THE PEOPLE. LISTEN TO THE PEOPLE. QUIT TRYING TO MAKE A NAME FOR YOURSELF.
- HIGHWAY 99W TRAFFIC FROM SPRINGBROOK TO COLLEGE. MORE LIGHTS FOR EASIER ACCESS ONTO 99W WOULD BE NICE
- ENHANCE CORE DOWNTOWN AREA
- Q9: I VOTED AGAINST THE FIRE DEPARTMENT EXPANSION BOND BECAUSE IT DIDN'T ADDRESS STAFFING & OTHER ISSUES. Q10: CITY GOVERNMENT SHOULD HAVE PLANNED FOR THIS EXPENSE BECAUSE THEY KNEW IT WAS GOING TO OCCUR. I DON'T TRUST THE CITY GOVERNMENT BECAUSE OF THE SNEAKY WAY THEY FUNDED THE CITY HALL RENOVATION AFTER THE VOTERS OF THE CITY REJECTED A BOND MEASURE FOR THE SAME THING.
- NEXT TIME PUT ON REMOVABLE LABELS SO PEOPLE CAN REMOVE THEIR NAME FROM THIS TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS.
- ❖ WATER BILL: CHARGES ARE TOO HIGH! THE WOMEN WORKING AT THE WATER DEPT ARE RUDE!
- ★ KEEP WORKING ON TRAFFIC. SUGGEST THREE-WAY STOP AT HAWORTH & VILLA ROAD. ENCOURAGE BUSINESSES TO LOCATE IN NEWBERG BUT DO CONSIDER ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS.
- ❖ PLEASE LET'S FIND A WAY TO BE CREATIVE IN FINANCING SIDEWALKS AND BIKE PATHS THROUGHOUT THE CITY--ON ALREADY DEVELOPED LAND AS WELL AS NEW DEVELOPMENTS. JOGGERS, BICYCLERS, PARENTS W/STROLLERS, WALKERS, ROLLERBLADERS--I'VE SEEN (OR BEEN) THEM ALL--HAVE A HARD TIME GETTING ANYWHERE WHEN SIDEWALKS DEADEND AND PATHS ONLY GO A SHORT WAYS WITHIN THE FEW PARKS WE'VE SET ASIDE. LET'S GIVE SOME REAL PRIORITY TO LIVEABILITY, SAFETY, CREATING COMMUNITY AND DECREASING AUTO DEPENDENCE FOR EVERY TRIP OUTSIDE OUR HOMES. WE CAN DO IT IF WE WANT TO.
- ❖ I WATCHED STYRAX JAPONICUS "JAPANESE SNOWBELL TREE" DIE LAST YEAR AT THE NEW FIRE HALL FROM LACK OF CARE. IF THE CITY CAN AFFORD TO LET THAT HAPPEN, THEY DO NOT NEED ANY MORE MONEY FOR PROJECTS OR PARKS. I WILL VOTE NO ON EVERYTHING. I KNOW THE VALUE OF THE TREES.
- ♦ HOW MUCH DID THIS SURVEY COST THE TAXPAYERS? 2) MONIES TAXED SHOULD GO TO WHAT THEY ARE TAXED FOR NOT OTHER PROGRAMS: WHERE IS RENE MIDDLE SCHOOL? WHERE IS

THE MONEY VOTED TO REMODEL RENE MIDDLE SCHOOL? 3) NEED A SOUTH SIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL

- NO HIGHWAY DIVIDERS EAST OF SPRINGBROOK RD ON 99W. CONCENTRATE ON IMPLEMENTING THE 99W BYPASS. WHY IS IT NECESSARY FOR TWO AMBULANCES TO RESPOND FOR A SINGLE CALL?
- HIGHEST PRIORITY SHOULD BE GIVEN TO A HIGHWAY BYPASS. (THE CITY MERCHANTS FOUGHT THIS ONE DOWN YEARS AGO) THE BYPASS AROUND MAC DIDN'T KILL THE TOWN, DID IT?
- OUR TAX BASE HAS STEADILY ERODED BY TAX BREAKS TO BUSINESS INTERESTS-- CHURCHES OWNING PROPERTY/HOUSING--SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND GOVERNMENT BUYING UP REAL ESTATE. SHOW ME A "DEMOGRAPHIC MAP" OF NEWBERG 40 YEARS AGO. I WOULD LOOK FOR PROPERTY CONTRIBUTING TO THE TAX BASE, AND WHAT HAS BEEN REMOVED BY GFU, VARIOUS CHURCHES, ETC.
- ❖ IT WOULD MAKE IT EASIER FOR ME TO VOTE FOR NEW LEVIES IF I KNEW WHAT LEVIES ARE EXPIRING (INCLUDING BOND LEVIES) OR WHAT IS THE LIFE OF EXISTING LEVIES.
- TAKING A POLL BEFORE DECIDING WHAT TO PUT ON THE BALLOT WORKS AGAINST THE GOOD OF THE COMMUNITY IF YOU HAVE SPECIAL KNOWLEDGE/EDUCATION ON THE ISSUE THAT THE PUBLIC DOES NOT HAVE. TRY CHOOSING THE BEST COURSE OF ACTION AND WORKING TO INFLUENCE THE PEOPLE TO MAKE THE RIGHT DECISION.
- ❖ THE CITY COULD HAVE A VERY NICE "DOWNTOWN" IF YOU COULD REPOUTE TRAFFIC FROM HWY 99.
- ❖ WE NEED A BYPASS SO TRAFFIC ISN'T RUNNING THROUGHOUT TOWN. DON'T BE WIMPS AND ALLOW SO MUCH ACCESS THAT IT'S LIKE DRIVING THROUGH DUNDEE.
- ❖ SCHOOLS! TEACHERS ARE DOING (FOR THE MOST PART) THE BEST JOB THEY CAN BUT WITH THE CLASSROOMS GROSSLY OVERSIZED IN #'S, IT'S NEARLY IMPOSSIBLE.
- WHY DOES THE CITY OF NEWBERG CONTINUE TO ASK FOR MORE TAX MONEY FROM THE CITIZENS? WE ARE TOLD THAT UNLESS THE TAX INCREASE PASSED, SERVICES WILL BE CUT, JOBS WILL BE LOST. ONE TAX ACCOUNT ANNEXED INTO THE CITY COULD ADD APPROX. \$619,000 INTO THE CITY'S BUDGET. SMURFIT PAPERS TAX LOT R3229-2200 HAS A TAXABLE VALUE OF \$133,853,010 & TAXES PAID OF \$1,548,036. BUT IT IS NOT IN THE CITY. IF THIS ONE ACCOUNT WERE WITHIN THE CITY, THE TAX COLLECTED WOULD BE \$2,167,080. THE CITY MISSED COLLECTING \$619,044. I GUESS THE CITY DOESN'T NEED THE MONEY!
- ❖ PLEASE... GET US A BYPASS!!
- OUR CITY MANAGER NEEDS TO PROVIDE MORE INFORMATION FOR DECISION MAKERS: TIMELY, ACCURATE, COMPLETE

- THE POST OFFICE IS IN A VERY POOR LOCATION AND THERE ARE NO WHEELCHAIR OR DISABLED PARKING AVAILABLE--I'VE BEEN DISABLED FOR 32 YEARS AND HAVE WAITED FOR ADEQUATE ENTRY & PARKING. THEY NOW HAVE A RAMP, BUT NO PARKING. I THINK THIS IS A DISGRACE TO THE CITY OF NEWBERG. OTHER SMALL TOWNS SUCH AS TURNER, OR, AND I COULD NAME MANY OTHERS WHO HAVE BEAUTIFUL FACILITIES.
- A MARQUEE ALONG 99W WITH CITY RELATED NEWS/EVENTS WOULD TAKE CARE OF ALL THE "NO'S" IN Q4. TRAFFIC CONTROL PATTERNS (MOSTLY) SOUTH OF 99W ARE INCONSISTENT AND CONFUSING, PARTICULARLY ALONG COLLEGE, ONE HIGHWAY INTERSECTION HAS A 3-WAY STOP THE NEXT ONE IS A TWO-WAY STOP. 4TH STREET SEEM TO HAVE THE RIGHT-OF-WAY EXCEPT AT COLLEGE, UNLESS OF COURSE YOU'RE TURNING RIGHT ONTO COLLEGE, IN WHICH CASE YOU DON'T HAVE TO STOP. MORE CONSISTENCY!!
- IMPROVE ROADS AND SIDEWALKS ON BOTH SIDES OF 99W--HIGHER PAY/BENEFITS FOR POLICE EMPLOYEES.
- ❖ FOLLOW THROUGH ON PROMISES. 2) TREAT ALL CITIZENS EQUALLY.
- NO MORE SNEAKY TAXES--PGE TAX--WATER BILL FIRE TRUCK TAX
- I WOULD SUPPORT INCREASED ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS REGARDING AIR QUALITY AND WATER QUALITY. ALSO, I WOULD LIKE IMPROVED PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA.
- ❖ I FEEL THE SURCHARGE ASSESSED ON THE ELECTRIC BILL TO PAY FOR CITY HALL WAS VERY SNEAKY--A BALLOT MEASURE WOULD HAVE BEEN MORE FAIR. IT WAS ALSO YOUR PLANNING TO BUILD THE NEW FIRE HALL WITHOUT FORETHOUGHT FOR STAFFING. THE POOR DEVELOPMENT OF HOUSING PROJECTS IN EXISTING AREAS IS VERY STRANGE. WE HAVE NEIGHBORS IN OUR BACKYARD WITH VERY LITTLE ACCESS FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLES.
- WOULD LIKE TO SEE GRAVEL ROADS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS PAVED SO HUGE POT HOLES DON'T FORM. I LOVED THE FREE FIRE STATION TOUR AND KIDS' DAY!
- BYPASS/TRAFFIC PROBLEM. I THINK EMPLOYEES AT CHEHALEM AQUATIC CENTER NEED BETTER MANNERS, BETTER ATTITUDES WITH THE PUBLIC. WE (TAXPAYERS) DO PAY FOR THE CENTER WHICH IS WHAT GIVES THEM THEIR JOBS. THEIR ATTITUDES IS WHY COMPETITION (PRIVATE SECTOR INSTITUTIONS) IS SUCH A GREAT IDEA!
- STOP WORKING ON TAX INCREASES AND START WORKING ON GETTING THE TRAFFIC PROBLEMS FIGURED OUT! WE NEED A BYPASS!