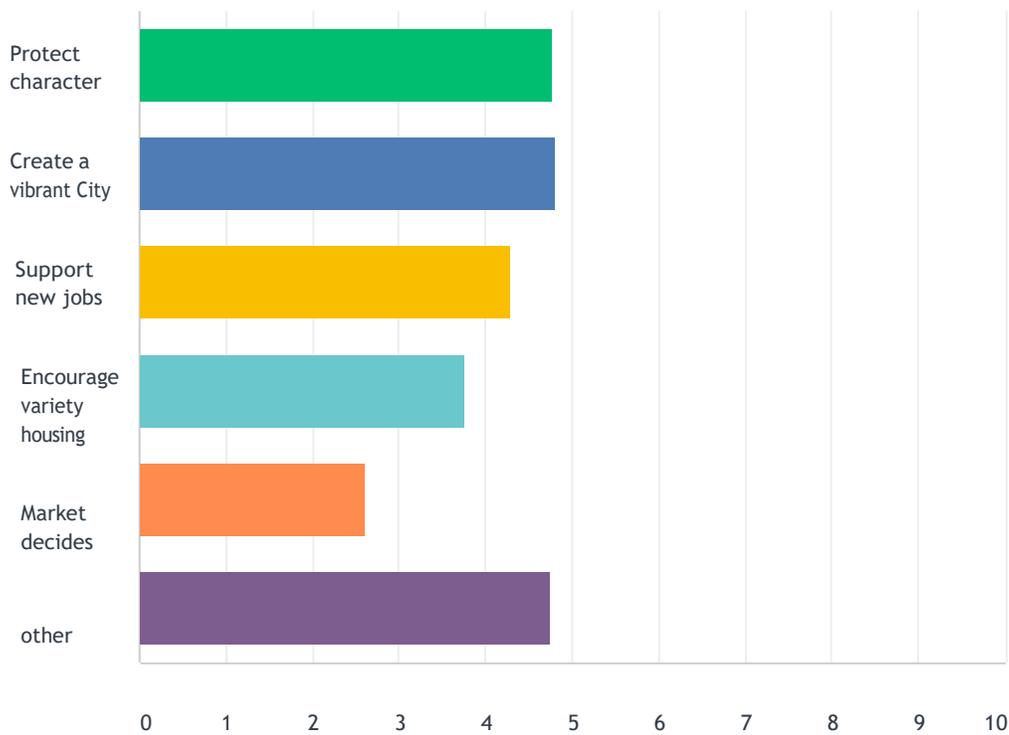


2020 COMMUNITY SURVEY



Q1 What do you see as our PRIORITIES as Carnation develops:

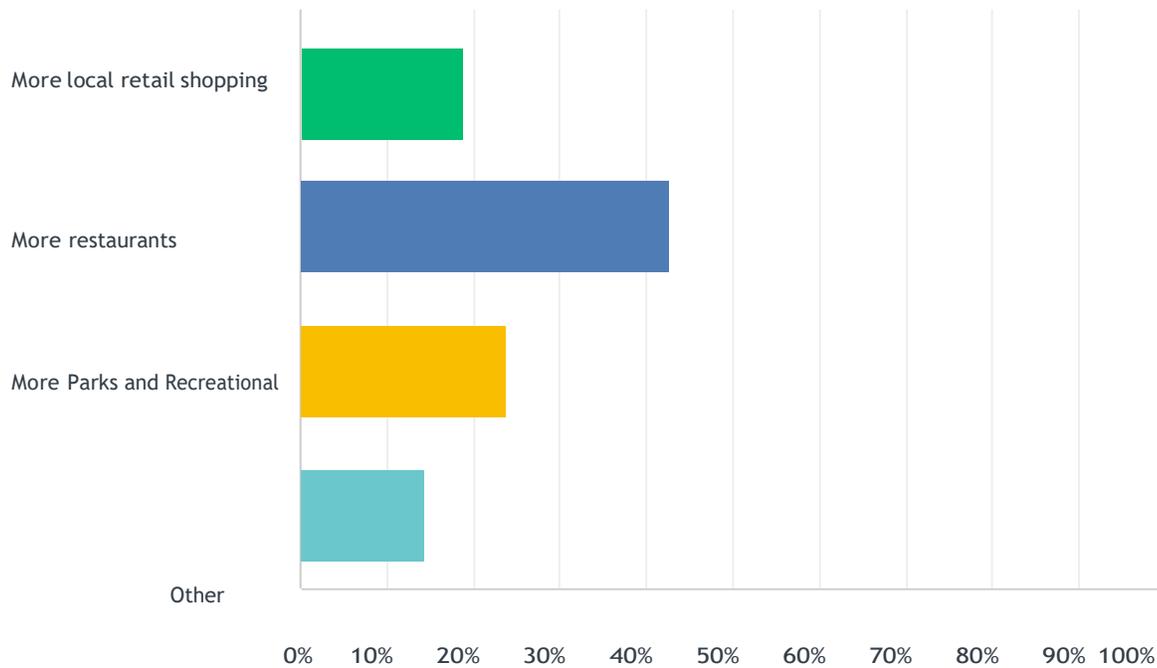
You told us that “protecting the character of existing neighborhoods” (60%) and “create a walkable City Center” (61%) were most important.



	1	2	3	4	5	6	TOTAL	SCORE
Protect the character of existing neighborhoods	37.96% 41	23.15% 25	19.44% 21	17.59% 19	1.85% 2	0.00% 0	108	4.78
Create a vibrant, walkable City center with mixed use infill along Tolt Avenue	43.12% 47	19.27% 21	21.10% 23	8.26% 9	8.26% 9	0.00% 0	109	4.81
Support new jobs from expansion of existing businesses and attracting new	10.58% 11	33.65% 35	30.77% 32	23.08% 24	1.92% 2	0.00% 0	104	4.28
Encourage a variety of housing types and more affordable housing options	10.48% 11	21.90% 23	19.05% 20	30.48% 32	18.10% 19	0.00% 0	105	3.76
The City should have no role in economic development, let the market decide	4.60% 4	4.60% 4	8.05% 7	14.94% 13	66.67% 58	1.15% 1	87	2.62
other	37.50% 3	25.00% 2	25.00% 2	0.00% 0	12.50% 1	0.00% 0	8	4.75

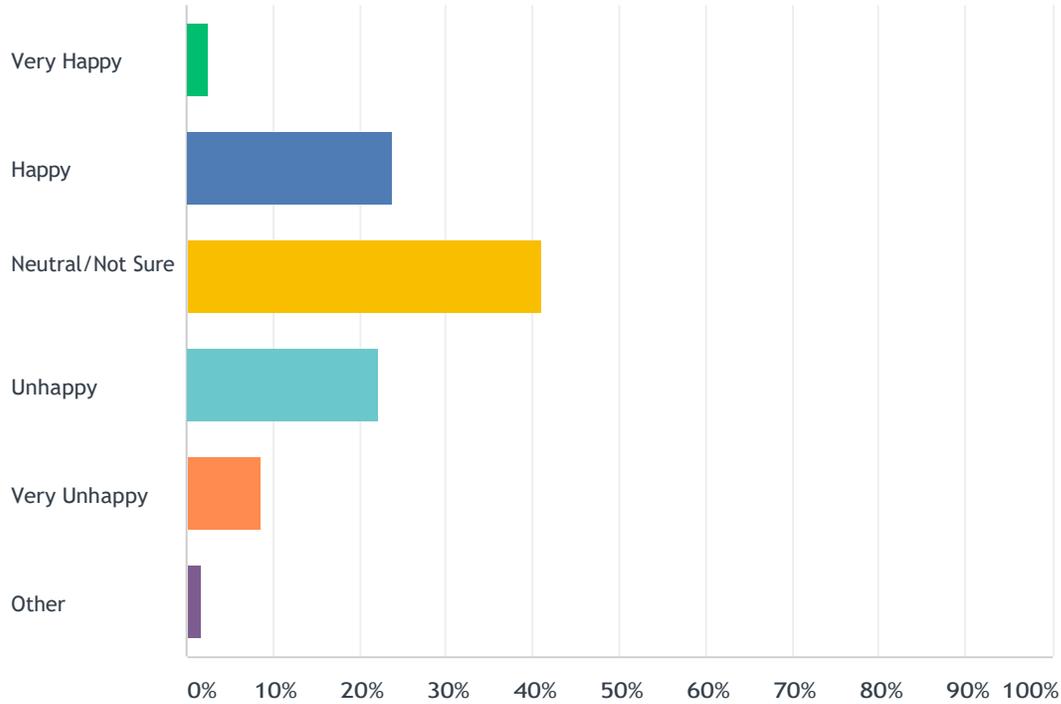
Q2 Which ONE of the following are MOST important to you as the City grows?

You told us that you want “more restaurants and gathering places” (43%) and “more parks and connecting trails.”



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
More local retail shopping	18.80%	22
More restaurants, coffee shops and bars like brew pubs, and gathering places	42.74%	50
More Parks and Recreational opportunities, along with connecting trails	23.93%	28
Other (please specify)	14.53%	17

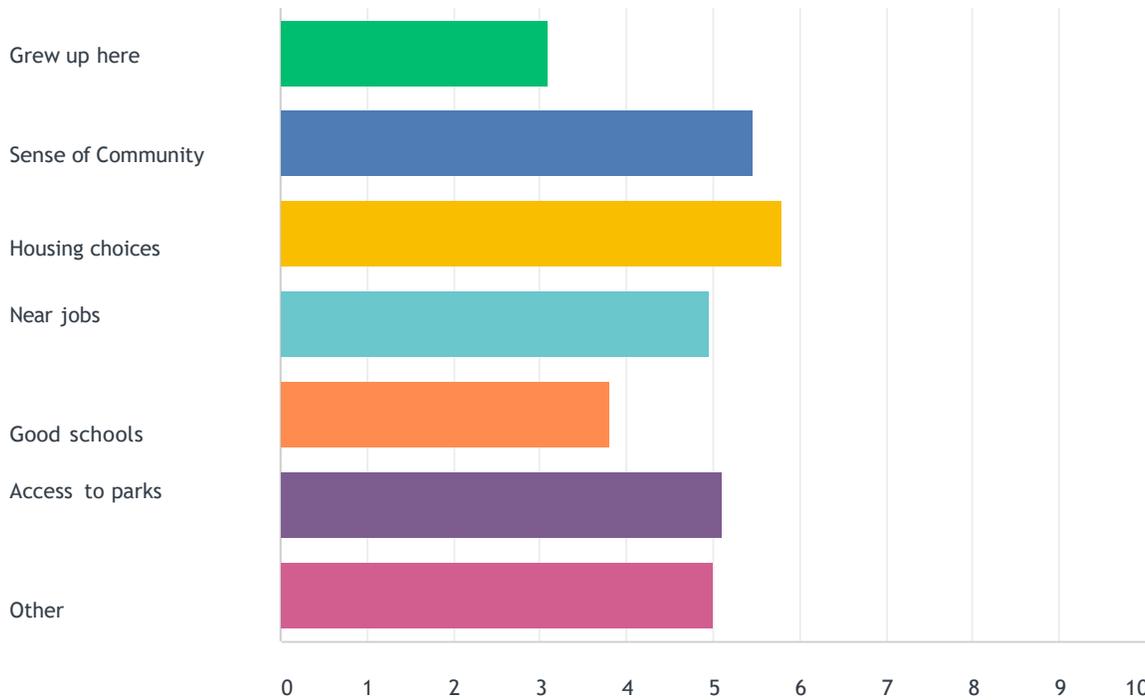
Q3 Overall, how happy are you with how the City is DEVELOPING and MANAGING GROWTH?



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Very Happy	2.56% 3
Happy	23.93% 28
Neutral/Not Sure	41.03% 48
Unhappy	22.22% 26
Very Unhappy	8.55% 10
Other	1.71% 2

Q4 What was most important to you in choosing to LIVE IN CARNATION?

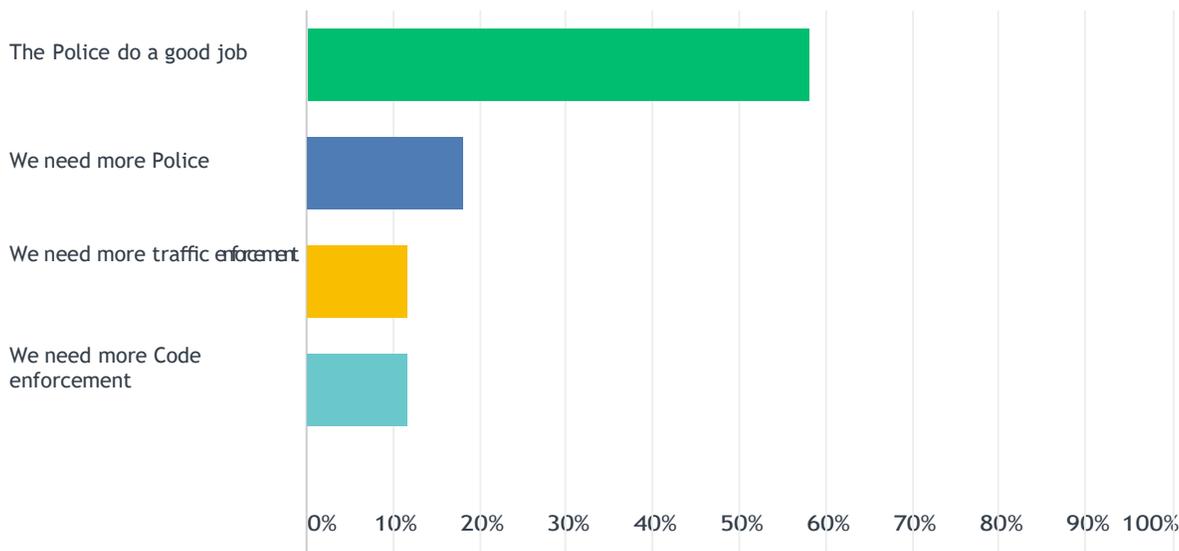
You told us you choose to live in Carnation because of the “sense of community” (54%) and “choices/costs of housing” (64%).



	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	SCORE
Grew up here	11.48% 7	6.56% 4	1.64% 1	8.20% 5	4.92% 3	67.21% 41	0.00% 0	61	3.10
Sense of Community	25.53% 24	28.72% 27	21.28% 20	14.89% 14	8.51% 8	1.06% 1	0.00% 0	94	5.45
Housing choices and cost of housing	46.39% 45	18.56% 18	15.46% 15	11.34% 11	4.12% 4	4.12% 4	0.00% 0	97	5.79
Near jobs and reasonable commute times	13.79% 12	27.59% 24	22.99% 20	14.94% 13	17.24% 15	3.45% 3	0.00% 0	87	4.95
Good schools	4.94% 4	7.41% 6	9.88% 8	27.16% 22	41.98% 34	8.64% 7	0.00% 0	81	3.80
Access to parks and outdoor recreation	22.22% 22	19.19% 19	26.26% 26	16.16% 16	11.11% 11	5.05% 5	0.00% 0	99	5.10
Other	50.00% 3	0.00% 0	16.67% 1	0.00% 0	16.67% 1	0.00% 0	16.67% 1	6	5.00

Q5 CITY POLICE SERVICES are provided by a contract with the King County Sherriff, I feel:

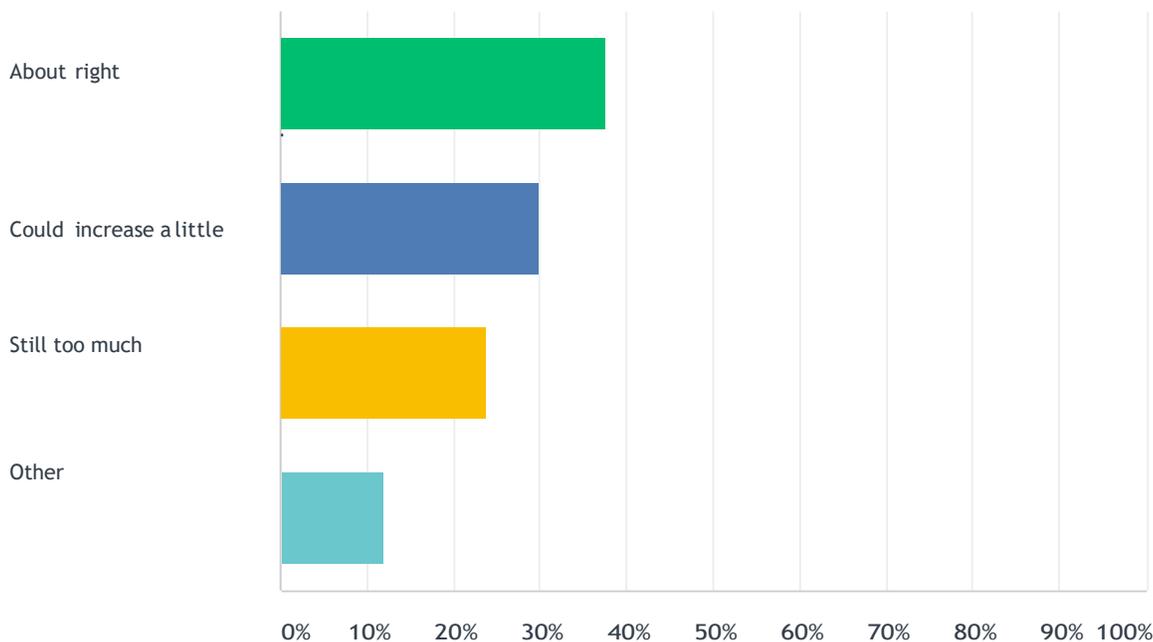
Police ranked #1 in all responses as "doing a good job" and "I feel reasonably safe." (76%)



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
The Police do a good job and I feel reasonably safe in Carnation	58.18%	64
We need more Police and we could be safer in Carnation	18.18%	20
We need more traffic and speeding enforcement	11.82%	13
We need more Code Enforcement for abandoned vehicles and trash	11.82%	13

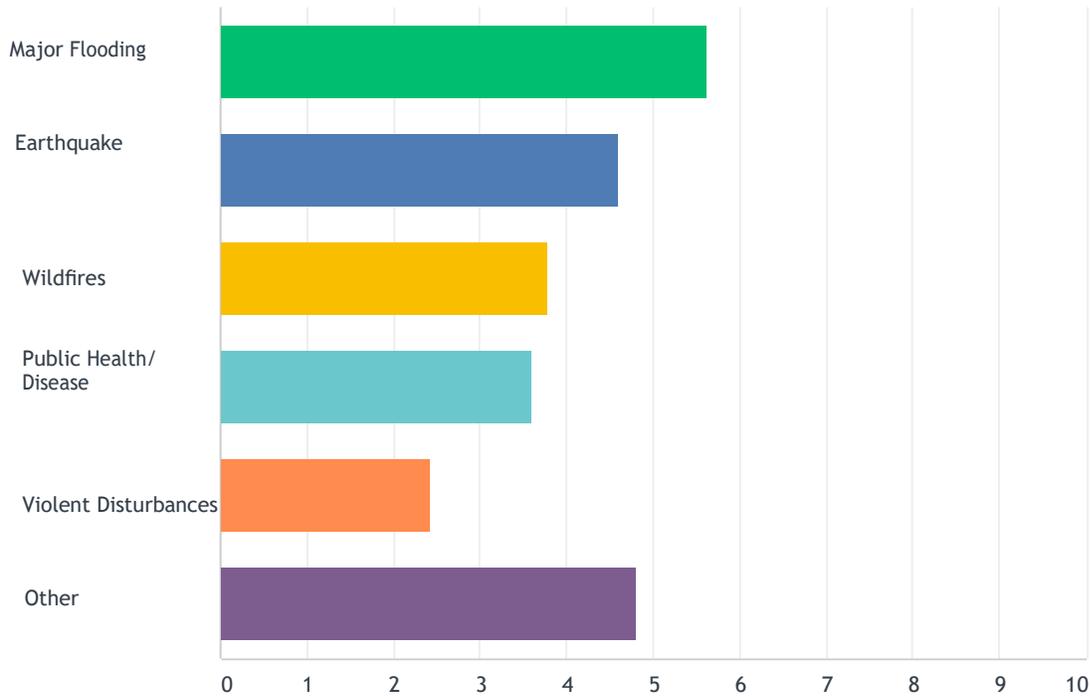
Q6 The TOTAL PROPERTY TAX is split amongst the State, County, Schools, Fire, City and others. The City’s SHARE is about 10% or \$600 per year for a typical household for Police, Land Use Planning, Parks, Streets and Storm Water Management. Overall, the City’s share of the property tax is?

You told us the cost of City services is “about right” or “could increase a little if for Police, Parks, and Streets/Sidewalks.” (67%)



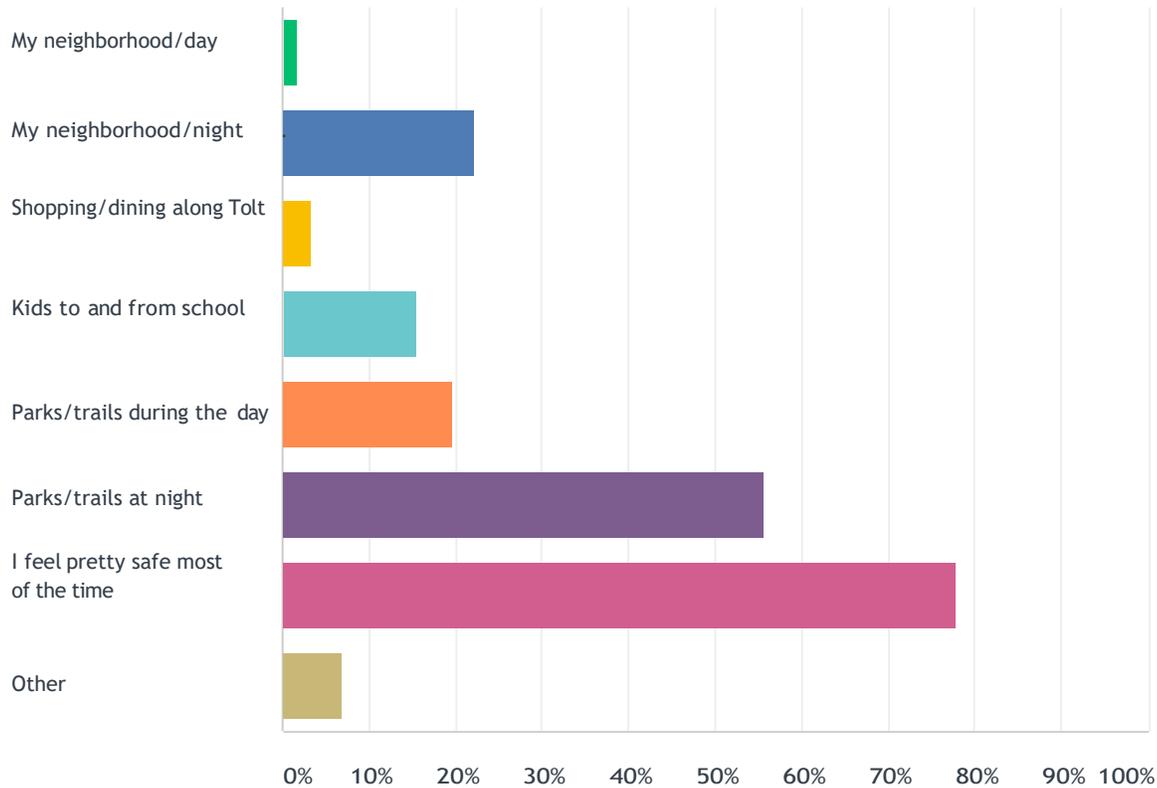
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
About right, I feel I get the City services I need and pay for	37.61%	44
Could increase a little if for more Police, Parks and Street/Sidewalks	29.91%	35
Still too much, I don't feel I get much for my City share in services	23.93%	28

Q7 EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS is a City responsibility shared with the Fire District and County. What kind of emergencies MOST concern you?



	1	2	3	4	5	6	TOTAL	SCORE
Major Flooding, including a possible Tolt River Dam break	74.11% 83	16.07% 18	8.93% 10	0.00% 0	0.89% 1	0.00% 0	112	5.63
Earthquake	14.00% 14	47.00% 47	27.00% 27	10.00% 10	2.00% 2	0.00% 0	100	4.61
Wildfires	4.21% 4	24.21% 23	32.63% 31	24.21% 23	13.68% 13	1.05% 1	95	3.78
Public Health/Disease Emergencies	7.61% 7	13.04% 12	23.91% 22	43.48% 40	10.87% 10	1.09% 1	92	3.60
Violent Disturbances/Terrorist Actions	2.25% 2	1.12% 1	8.99% 8	16.85% 15	65.17% 58	5.62% 5	89	2.42
Other	63.64% 7	9.09% 1	0.00% 0	9.09% 1	9.09% 1	9.09% 1	11	4.82

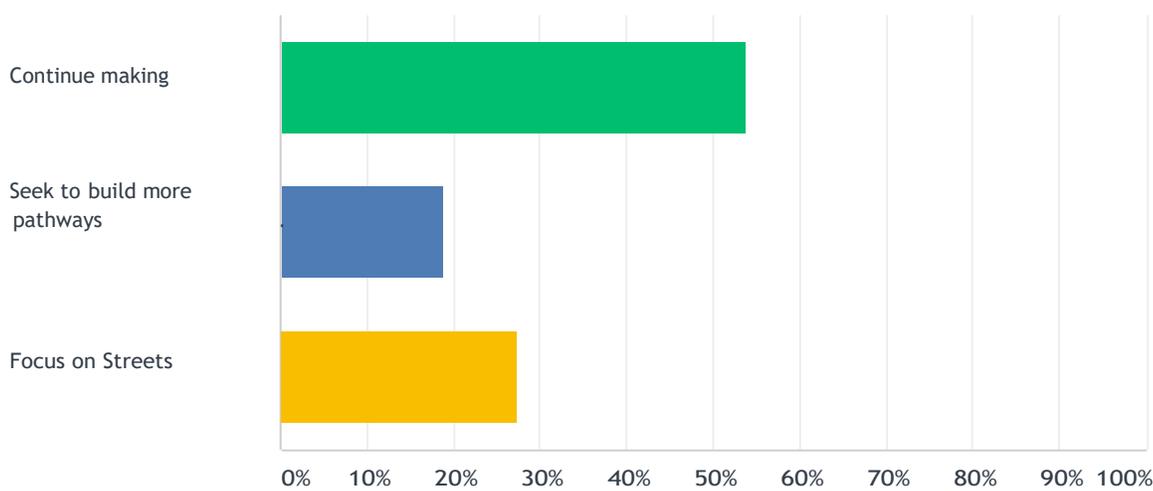
Q8 Statistically Carnation is a very safe community. But where do you feel less safe?



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
My neighborhood during the day	1.71% 2
My neighborhood at night	22.22% 26
Shopping/dining along Tolt Avenue	3.42% 4
Kids to and from school	15.38% 18
Parks/trails during the day	19.66% 23
Parks/trails at night	55.56% 65
I feel pretty safe most of the time in Carnation	77.78% 91
Other (please specify)	6.84% 8

Q9 Over the past few years, the City has built pathways and bioswales in the old town areas and more typical sidewalk and storm drainage improvements in the newer areas. Should the City:

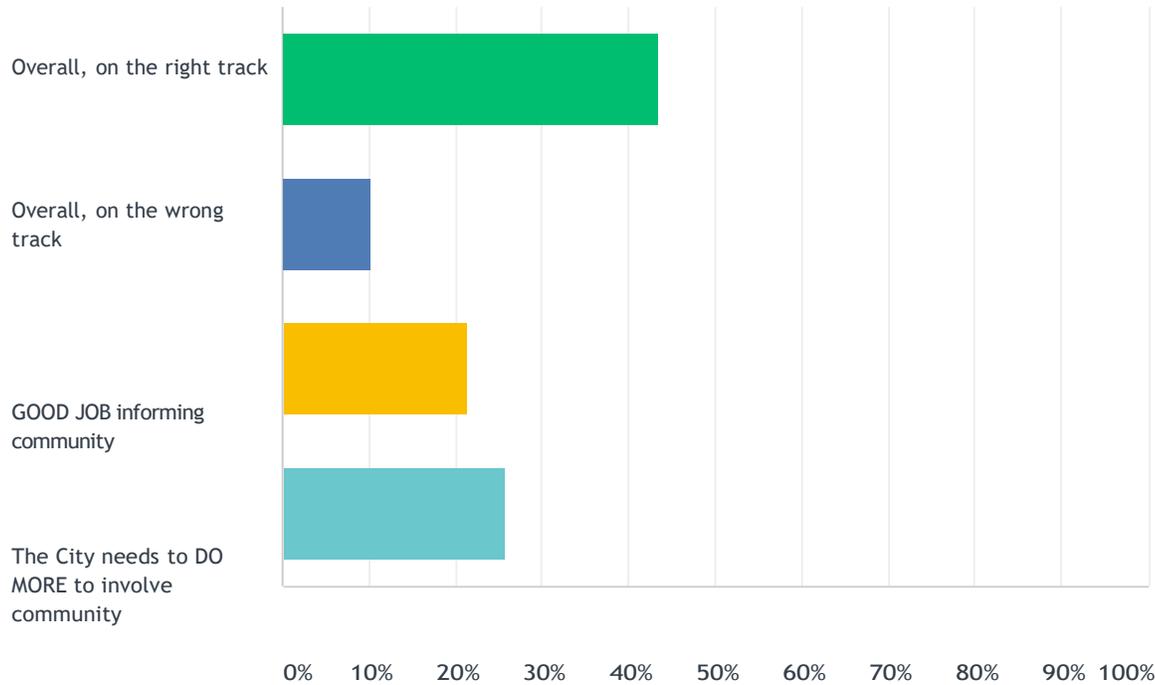
You want us to continue making "sidewalk and storm drainage improvements" (72%).



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Continue making these kinds of improvements only as funds allow	53.85%	63
Seek to build more pathways and sidewalks, increasing fees or taxes to fund	18.80%	22
Forget the paths and sidewalks, focus on streets	27.35%	32

Q10 How would you describe living in Carnation, quality of life and affordability?

You told us "overall the City is on the "right track" (44%) vs. "wrong track" (10%).



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Overall, the City is on the RIGHT TRACK	43.59%	51
Overall, the City is on the WRONG TRACK	10.26%	12
The City does a GOOD JOB informing and involving the community	21.37%	25
The City needs to DO MORE to inform and involve the community	25.64%	30

1. What do you see as our PRIORITIES as Carnation develops?

Development

- Cottage style housing not ugly apartments.
- No more apartments until roads that lead to where jobs are get fixed (HWY 202 to 4 lanes).
- No low rent/cost housing! No Habitat for Humanity.
- Control growth.
- Keep Carnation with small town vibe! Keep it rural – larger lots.
- Responsible development with regards to our road capacity.
- Slow growth until infrastructure can be bettered.
- Until King County and State improve roads – growth needs to stop or slow down.
- I am confused why you say you want more light-industrial and commercial, yet you rezoned where Earth-to-Earth was, and they moved out. That parcel to be developed will negatively impact the river and salmon habitat.
- Focus more on adding locally owned shops/eateries, not developing lots into housing.
- Inside City proper – no building new homes near Tolt River.

Sidewalks

- More sidewalks!
- Sidewalk in front of McKinley Apartment with adequate drainage.

Walkable/Bikeable

- Bikeable! Trail to Redmond. Let's be a role model City: Sustainable! Bikeable! Walkable! Agriculture! Living Space?
- Walkable city where all neighborhoods are connected via trails and sidewalks.
- Make all areas more walkable – out 45th ST for certain.

Economic Development

- I think Carnation's population is too small to support much business, I'd like to focus on bedroom community livability and recreation.
- Economic development needs to be guided or we'll squander the character that makes Carnation attractive.

Aesthetics

- Make/keep the town lovely – it will grow – trails, parks, flowers, fun community events, clean, safe.

Miscellaneous

- The residents of the City of Carnation are the market. This must be understood, or this "City" will continue to struggle.
- You wish but can't really do what people would want.
- The City should plant more trees, which will cool/moderate temps, and soak off surface water flooding. Tree planting also increase livability and economic property values.
- A multi-use facility is needed.
- The City should be involved. We don't want to look like Monroe or Redmond!
- Reduce taxes.
- Get a better method/process for dam failure
- Police services – 24/7 coverage

2. Which one of the following are MOST important to you as the City grows?

Economic Development

- A few more restaurants and small places would be great, but not bars.
- Successful, quaint business, either shopping for food related. Not lackluster, no fast food, etc.
- Would really like a doctor's office, pharmacy, and/or dispensary.
- Please get more places to eat!
- Small businesses please, no ugly chains.
- Someplace that serves breakfast!
- The market may prove that a lot more is not possible.
- Irrelevant without tax base to support spending.

Infrastructure/Traffic/Roads/Parking

- Parking limits retail growth!
- Traffic.
- Traffic and parking; clean up empty lots and alleys.
- Updated roads; stoplight/roundabout at Tolt Hill intersection.
- Infrastructure improvements.
- Another access in and out of town or roads widened.

Development

- Preserving small town atmosphere.
- Dense housing – no sprawl.
- The rural charter that was here was great. Any improvement draws more in and kills that rural charter.
- No growth – stay small town.
- Maintain the small-town charm.

Miscellaneous

- To build a community even as we work to stop a pandemic. The rest are details.
- Keep the dog park.
- I honestly can't choose. All three are important.
- Think family community for best outcome of efforts/focus...then everyone can enjoy and live here.
- It is of vital importance to protect our natural surroundings, our farmlands, rivers, and natural flood plains.

3. Overall, how happy are you with how the City is DEVELOPING and MANAGING GROWTH?

Development

- Lots of new subdivisions on a small amount of land.
- High cost homes in clear cut lots.
- Very concerned about rate of growth and transportation, especially during an emergency.
- No focus other than to build more expensive homes without thought to needs of the whole community. We have lived here 17 years and listened to the insults of the City of Duvall as they grew a vibrant community. And now that the “money” is here, you ask? And what is with “old town” and “new areas” feel elitists!
- Worried about developers turning Carnation into “Redmond Ridge II”.
- Love. Love. Love, the cottage housing places. Let’s do more of that. Shared space; small houses.
- The Main Vue development and John Day Homes – a little concerning.
- Don’t like the new housing developments along Entwistle that are packed onto small lots/huge houses. Doesn’t fit the character of the City.
- Not a fan of housing expansion within City limits; need coffee shops, boutiques, cafés.
- The City should change the developers – move to spend money on roads and parks.
- Residential developments great. Commercial development needs improvement.
- Too much new housing, need traffic control/ growth; not concerned with beautification, empty lots, abandoned homes, etc.
- Tolt Ave is being left behind.
- Not happy about allowing 3-story huge buildings voted against in public testimony and committee recommendations.
- Use to be better controlled, now it seems that anyone can get a permit.
- It seems as though the City has decided to grow way beyond its infrastructure (roads, evacuation routes, light/traffic circles). Quality of life will be severely diminished with the amount of homes and cars being added to the roads. It seems no thought has been given to the evacuation/emergency plan before land has been rezoned and sold to developers.
- Too willing to let developers get off scot-free. I believe the City government wants a bigger city so they can rationalize a bigger government. It’s empire building.
- Too many high-density developments.
- Most new houses are within “Carnation style” – the block looking houses along Entwistle are a bit off.
- Large subdivisions need to have traffic infrastructure addressed first/before approved.
- Too much growth.
- There are buildable lots throughout town. The one proposed by the fire station is a very bad one.
- Please keep it small, with the heritage look! Small town lifestyle and no track homes.

Infrastructure/Traffic/Roads/Parking

- Need to put full court press on County for roundabout at South end of town.
- It used to be a person could enter on 203 easily at any time – not no more.
- Needing more stoplights soon.
- I believe both Duvall (to a large degree) and Carnation (to a smaller degree) are being incredibly irresponsible with development with regards to 203. Tolt Hill and 203 intersection is a hazard. 203 is sinking and still no repairs 6 months in, turning from and onto Fay can be sketchy. It simply was not built with this road in mind. If the State wants increased tax base, they need to step up.
- Are you keeping in mind the safety of the Remlinger intersection and dam evacuations?

Economic Development

- Need more restaurants
- City makes it difficult for business.
- I feel as though needed growth (commercially) is taking a very long time.
- Tolt corridor development is taking too long.

Miscellaneous

- You can't do anything even if you wanted to; I don't blame you.
- Let's get this place cleaned up!
- I have been here 2.5 years. Not much has changed except loss of doctor and more houses.
- So far, I am happy. I hope it does not become over developed. I like the natural areas.
- It's only about the City's bank account.

4. What is the most important to you in choosing to LIVE IN CARNATION?

- Quieter not as busy/congested as other Eastside suburbs.
- Finding property with enough land (larger size lot) for reasonable price.
- We moved out from Bellevue in 2003. Lots of change around us. Not so much in the "downtown" core. No real support for change from existing businesses or we'd have a vibrant core.
- Good place to retire; walkable, senior center.
- Desperate to get away from nasty traffic, horrid ugly Redmond, Kirkland, and Bellevue.
- Used to have great steelhead fishing – no more.
- So much open space!
- Having a dog park in walking distance.
- Adorable town, amazing trails, great community.
- Natural surroundings, local farms, and access to local foods.
- Country atmosphere without massive density. Keep farmland!
- Quiet
- The great thing about Carnation, as a Boston transplant, is that it is close to culture in Seattle, yet a rural setting also close to recreation (mountains), and we have great music festivals and campground right here in town.
- Schools suck! The worst.
- Small town.

5. CITY POLICE SERVICES are provided by contract with King County Sheriff. I feel...

Positive

- King County does great job.
- Police do a good job! City needs to do better to keep us clean!

Negative/Issues

- The cars speeding (without mufflers) and motorcycles late at night. People drive too fast with children playing.
- Lots of car thefts, please enforce all laws and clean up town.
- I feel safe but don't think the police do a good job.
- They are not here at night when people speed up and down 25 mph roads and peel out around neighborhood corners. Also, mostly observed sitting in a parking lot. Not sure we are getting what we are paying for.
- People are still setting off fireworks despite the burn ban and it being illegal within City limits.
- For the amount of money Carnation pays for police service we should have our own Carnation police and vehicles.

Miscellaneous

- I'd like to see the money the City spends on police reassigned to social services to help youth.
- With growing population, we need more police.
- Police should not be expected to handle non-crime issues. However, any police must be teamed with social worker and/or occupational therapist. Revenue from new expensive housing should cover a Carnation police force.
- We need block watches to be organized.
- I specifically prefer no more police in Carnation. The level is perfect now.
- We need to continue having police presence to avoid homeless sanctuaries, trash, or unwelcome vagrants.
- Maybe just community coffees with a rep from KCSO. Not sure what that would look like, but could we possibly have more interaction or involvement of citizens input when it concerns to KC Sheriff? = strengthening our community. Less drug addicts wandering the trails and city since King County Sheriff took over several years ago. Not sure what they are doing differently but is working.
- Contract the Duvall Police Department.

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Water/Sewer Bill

- Water cost is way too high! Need to address.
- Water bill is crazy high. Ridiculous.
- I've never paid so much for water than I do here. Just Crazy!
- Water bill too high, King County property tax is outrageous!
- When is the dump closure fee that was supposed to go away after 20 years? We're past it!

Taxes

- We need to "push" for a higher percentage.
- Do not raise property tax - raise City's share.
- \$800 increase X2 in 2 years is outrageous.
- If City encouraged business, there would be more of a consistent tax base.
- This could depend on how the 10% is allocated.
- But our property taxes should not increase, they're too high.

Police

- I would like to see the City end its contract with ESFR and use private ambulance companies, as well as decrease funds for police and repurpose that money to address better social services, youth services and homelessness in the Valley.
- We can be a model for updated not defunded police. Model this partnership to the benefit of all.
- No more police; great park management now. Perfect.
- Car prowling and property safety - biggest problem.

Spending Too Much

- Too much spent on fireworks.
- Too much resources spent on crazy downtown traffic revision idea.

Miscellaneous

- Actually, the city is drained by other forces and can't do much.
- Too many trashy buildings along Tolt Avenue.
- City could use more for emergency prep.
- I guess it's okay but the only time we've interacted with any of these was emailing the City - got no response.
- Another piece is planning. I don't feel the City has done a realistic job of planning for future growth and emergency preparation to protect current residents. I would consider paying more if the City was committed to addressing these issues immediately.
- Too many people for services provided. We had guys working on my street...one guy working, 4 others leaning on shovels.
- Need a sidewalk on Stillwater through Tolt Meadows II; dangerous for families walking in ditch, especially when cars are speeding.

7. EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS is a City responsibility shared with the Fire District and County. What kind of emergencies MOST concern you?

Dam

- Dam break – especially after the incident on 8/28/2020
- No glitches in Tolt Dam warning system.
- After last Tuesday, it was complete chaos. Again, the new people need to learn the evac process.
- Especially after the recent false alarm; we realized that we need to make our emergency kit.
- We're woefully under-prepared for an evacuation if roads are unusable.
- The dam alarm malfunction was unacceptable. Fix that please!
- Monitor dam's structural integrity to give us more time to evacuate.
- Lack of information here is dangerous. Newcomers have no idea of dam danger, routes, what to do. Disaster waiting to happen.
- Well...now we know we need more "practice" on the dam issue. However, I feel the dam is safe; but man, that was a scary day!
- A comprehensive emergency/evacuation plan should be developed immediately, with experts involved, and a communication plan that includes every new homeowner and all business and their employees.
- Should have been a way to override the false alarm on the dam failure and a way to warn people coming into town from Duvall & Fall City.
- I am unsure what the City or fire district could do in the event of a major emergency – What could they do for any of these types of events?
- Coordinated town-wide plan with traffic information would be great for emergency evacuation situations.
- Improve emergency communication systems!

Miscellaneous

- Clean up and fill potholes in alley; we are under an international PsyOps – nothing you can do.
- People trying to make this Seattle.
- Climate change issues (storms, drought).
- Mental health of the isolated residents.
- Drug abuse.
- Road out is a concern.
- Major weather events, i.e., snow, wind...
- Drug and theft crimes.

8. Statistically Carnation is a very safe community. But where do you feel less safe?

Crime

- Personal vehicle break-ins in parking lots at Tolt and Snoqualmie rivers.
- Petty theft, like bicycles being stolen from yards, or neighbors breaking in and looking for drugs – actual occurrences.
- Car prowls seem to be up – especially in the newer neighborhoods.
- Definitely breaking in cars seems to be an issue.
- The streets in the downtown core neighborhood needs more lights. Too dark to walk and makes easy crime targets.
- There are car prowling and scary areas that aren't well lit.

Miscellaneous

- Feel unsafe on trails from cougars.
- Have noticed some homeless near wooded areas from time to time. This should not be permitted.
- There is no time that I don't feel safe
- We would benefit with more police visibility during concerning hours in the form of actual enforcement of traffic laws. Can't say I have ever seen a traffic stop in the 5 years here.
- It's too dark to be on the trail in Tolt McDonald at night, though.
- I do worry about my daughter walking to school but mostly from typical Mom worry like kidnapping rather than getting hit by a car. The pathways to school are good.
- When close houses and sheds are vacant
- At night around my neighborhood (downtown) there are very few lights. The trail at night is primarily due to wilderness, not people.

9. Over the past few years, the City has built pathways and bioswales in the old town areas and more typical sidewalk and storm drainage improvements in the newer areas. Should the City...

- What the heck? Treat all areas the same! We have NO parking due to the current approach. And yes, East Bird Street needs paving. But first, deal with the overweight construction trucks rumbling down the street.
- Don't take parking places away!
- Love the beautiful plants in the swales. Lovely.
- Some darn awful streets in this town need repaving.
- Street upkeep. Some of the downtown streets are an embarrassment.
- Love the bioswales.
- How about actually maintaining the swales as promised. They look like big weed pits and the "maintenance" is a joke.

10. How would you describe living in Carnation, quality of life and affordability?

- Lots of informing. Not much listening.

OTHER COMMENTS

Positive

- I feel the City is doing an incredible job. Keep up the good work!
- You Rock!
- Thanks for seeking our opinion. This is a well-designed survey.
- We love and care about our community. Thank you for this survey!!! It is definitely on the right track. Please do more so our town can become a robust family community. The parks, trails, rivers are so beautiful!! We are so blessed!! Thank you!
- I appreciate all of our elected officials. I am quite sure this is a labor of love rather than a money- making venture.
- Thank you for your service to the community.
- This survey is really wonderful. Thanks for doing it - I'm sure it took a lot of time to put together. Thanks for all your efforts to make Carnation a great place to live.
- Thank you, Kim and City Council, for all your hard work!!

Dam

- We could use a public apology, information, and improvements on Tolt Dam warning system.
- I never want to go through what we did on that dam alarm malfunction again. Need to have a long and animated discussion for who made the mistake.
- We should get an emergency alert SMS text every Wednesday, along with the siren. You might include a countdown timer until inundation.
- The lack of answers and a comprehensive evacuation plan from the City was a very rude wake up call. If the dam services the City of Seattle, and yet the residents of Carnation bear all the risk of dam failure, why is SPU not contributing significant funding to help build out Carnation's infrastructure and evacuation plan? Why is the City's priority building more houses instead of ensuring the safety and quality of life of its current residents? Our most valuable resource here is the natural environment. We need to protect that. I think the City does a great job in the parks, and with supporting community events, but we really need to focus on addressing these major shortfalls before we grow any bigger.
- During the recent false alarm (dam fail) - we checked the City website. It hasn't been updated in years.
- Phones are "major points" for emergencies. Not everyone is computer savvy or able to surf the internet fast enough to get the help they need. That's why suggestion #4 is important.
- Widen trail on evacuation hill.
- Feel there needs to be a better coordinated town-wide plan for emergency evacuation situations.
- Need to focus on dam communication and improvements to servicing the entire community. Plan for elders, disabled, and visitors!
- That false alarm proved there are not enough roads to get everyone out of this town when the dam breaks, yet you're planning around 400 more homes and requiring high-density condos and townhomes. Traffic is bad enough and now we have to worry about not surviving the dam break.

Development

- Stop allowing clear cutting for housing developments. Keep continuity of neighborhoods (lot sizes, home sizes, affordability). All new construction homes in the last 7 years are \$800,000+ homes.
- There is a critical need for more affordable housing. There needs to be better drainage and a sidewalk in front of McKinley Apartments. I very much support in-fill along Tolt Avenue.
- Can we stop new home development for a bit to assess where we are? Once built, you can't go back. I've lived here 30 years and I don't want Carnation to become another Redmond, Issaquah, Duvall, etc.
- The City must and will continue to grow. The City must charge the developers more and stricter rules; accumulate and spend the fees on parks, roads, sidewalks. The City must be walkable.
- With 141 units, 4 unit, 43 units, and probably more – traffic will be a mess. Builders need to be responsible for infrastructure; including traffic and parking.
- I feel like it's not necessarily keeping its feel. When we moved here 12+ years ago, it felt like home. Now it's beginning to feel like a "trendy" place. Maybe that's not the City – maybe it's all the new houses.
- Hate huge new houses on tiny lots or tiny houses on even tinier lots.
- With 190 houses going in where Earth-to-Earth was and all the other new houses going in the City will be overrun with traffic and will lose the small-town feel.
- As part of the growth of the City, I would like to see it have a quaint downtown strip similar to Duvall but keep out the chain businesses. The empty lots should get developed into shops and eateries. NOT apartment buildings. The housing developments being added to close to town are not appealing and the town fees too small to support that additional population/traffic. Keep dog park please! More amenities, but keep charming style, not modern.
- We're very new to Carnation. We fell in love with it 25 years ago doing a service project at Hockert Park. The addition of high-density housing is concerning. Keep it rural, focus on improving existing infrastructure, gas water (get off wells), and get all homes off septic.
- If stormwater is working with the bioswales, continue those on side streets, formal sidewalk with curb on primary streets. Require frontage for new homes or substantial improvements.
- Main Vue development is a disappointment. Maintaining charm and character of town felt like after thoughts in favor of profits for out-of-towners.
- As the City grows, please keep the town looking "heritage" – keep its charm!
- The City should never have approved of any of the recent housing developments.
- The City should also avoid all future development on forested properties along the UGA. Too risky cutting down more trees.

Crime/Police

- Sheriff needs to be more visible in the evenings.
- Our truck was broken into overnight AGAIN! The police said we weren't the only ones that night. Enough is enough!

Infrastructure/Streets/Sidewalks

- In reference to No. 9, sidewalk into town from John Day, Rivers Edge and Swiftwater neighborhoods would be great.
- Entwistle has several new housing developments and lots of kids, bikes, and dog walkers. There is a long stretch without sidewalks and these pedestrians are not safe. It is a busy road with lots of cars.
- Would be nice to get a roundabout or traffic light in front of Remlinger Farm.
- The idea of closing off existing streets or rerouting traffic off 203 and into neighborhoods is nuts and has already wasted way too much money.

- Before the additional 145 homes are built there needs to be a completed solution for 203/Tolt Hill RD.
- I love Carnation. We would love to see the main street looking better. Hopefully business in all those empty buildings.
- Would love to see Carnation develop more retail and restaurants but not at the expense of losing our rural roots. Keep housing to larger lots, not more planned communities with no yards – we don't want to live in Sammamish! And please no raising taxes.
- Stop allowing housing to reap the money! The City needs to update our infrastructure first! Our roads can't handle the traffic already, yet the City just keeps approving development and annexing it into City limits to gain the money for their bank account. First infrastructure then growth.
- The Brook Tree Estates development did not receive sidewalks but was built 2 years ago, so it should have been done! Poor drainage issues, low quality asphalt pathways that will need replacing sooner!

Taxes

- Property taxes have skyrocketed in recent years, need tax increase controls. Taxes are making affordability of housing more difficult for middle class.
- No new taxes please.
- As population and houses and businesses increase, tax burden should decrease individually.

Utility Bill

- The water bills are ridiculously high!!!
- Water/sewer fees are too high.
- And stop charging more for water/sewer every month.
- Sewer/water costs very high.

Miscellaneous

- Pay attention by walking around, Facebook does not build community. Real live people do by seeing and understanding and listening.
- Speed is not always the answer to a problem; well thought out approach is more painless and more successful.
- We moved to Carnation on January 1, 2020 and have regretted nothing about our move. This town has been a Godsend during the pandemic/lockdown!
- I realize decisions made by the City and various Planners are handed down and dictated by outsiders with the "power." I filled this out KNOWING you are powerless to actually make decisions.
- The City does not communicate well with the citizens.
- The Market dictates housing costs. Would love to see more streets swept on the days we get the sweeper. Some real junk properties to clean up in town.
- This City needs a vision to clean up, rebuild and move forward.
- Real estate is over the top for most young families. But that isn't the town's fault.
- The city needs to work more with King County to reduce the risks of flooding from surrounding logging operations.
- We moved here in 2005 for quality of life; let's maintain/improve it.
- Stagger shifts to insure staff availability from 8:00AM to 8:00PM.
- City Hall "after hours" phone message needs expansion to offer caller more information and contacts for a wide range of non-emergency needs. I once called for sandbag information and got "nothing".
- To ensure that we are well represented, some staff should reside in Carnation.
- As stated in question #1 answer, a multi-use facility is needed. Our youth need a place to go that is fun and educational. The Senior Center does a great job, but seniors would also benefit

from such a facility' exercise programs/more senior events/expanded hours of operation.
The more "to do" the better. Give it some serious thought!

- I'm new to Carnation and I feel informed on current events and like; City Hall has been responsive generally.
- Would be nice to encourage good maintenance/upkeep of homes. Could the City get a grant? Or something like HGTV Hometown Takeover 2021?
- Try using modern communication methods, not just postal mail.
- Focus on trash pickup - more evident with increased recreational use.
- I get the feeling that Carnation is catching up from a few years of mismanagement. This town has not been exceptionally welcoming of new families and neighborhoods - passive aggressive and out right aggressive neighbors do not help Carnation's reputation.
- We have one house that should be condemned and removed - roof collapsed, empty for years... What are the solutions available?
- Especially for folks who choose not to participate in social media for privacy reasons.
- Affordability is an issue; housing especially.
- I am concerned about the pending growth of town and its safety. More people = more crime - cars, houses, etc. - and we have the charm of a one-stoplight town. My fear is we grow and can't handle emergencies, etc.
- It'd be great to have an alternative communication resource/source to Facebook. Seems like we get most information there.
- More info needed on community events, ways to get involved, volunteer opportunities, etc.
- I'm concerned about the population growing so much that the small town "feel" will be gone. It's already beginning.