

DRAFT: OPEN SPACE, HEALTH AND SAFETY ELEMENTS SURVEY RESULTS

Public input is an important part of the General Plan Update process. In an effort to evaluate public opinion and gather information about the Open Space Element and Health and Safety Element, PMC developed a stakeholders' survey which was published on the Pinole General Plan Update Web site (www.pinolegeneralplan.com). The purpose of the survey is to gather initial feedback of helpful information in the determination and future planning, conservation, preservation and improvements in Pinole. Survey forms were also made available at General Plan Update workshop locations.

PINOLE GENERAL PLAN UPDATE SURVEY DISTRIBUTION AND RESPONSE

Survey Results	Number	Percentage of Total
Number of Surveys Completed On-Line	69	79%
Number of Surveys Completed at Workshops	19	21%
Total Surveys Completed	88	100%

The survey incorporated sections related to demographics, open space, health, and safety. The survey consisted of a total of 33 questions, 27 of which have readable data. Not all of the respondents answered every question. Some of the questions requested multiple answers, and other questions provided space for comment. The summary below details responses to survey questions only. When multiple answers were provided, the total number of responses will exceed the total number of respondents. For brevity, the summary includes only those responses chosen by over 10% of total respondents. The Survey Results Chart below accounts for all readable responses to quantifiable questions.

SECTION I: DEMOGRAPHICS

There were 88 surveys completed with 86 respondents answering two demographic questions.

The summary results show that 68.60% or 59 respondents have lived in Pinole over 10 years, and another 23.30% or 20 respondents have resided in Pinole 5-10 years. When asked to describe their ethnic group, 73.30% or 63 respondents considered themselves closest to Caucasian, with less than 10% respondents indicating any other race or ethnic group.

SECTION II: OPEN SPACE SURVEY HIGHLIGHTS

- 3a. Most of the respondents (39%) felt open space is very important for scenic beauty, habitat and resource conservation. An additional 27.40 % of respondents indicated that open space is somewhat important, and 25% of respondents believe it is most important.
- 3b. A large number (42.20%) of respondents rated open space as very important for public access and passive recreation. An additional 32.50% of respondents indicated somewhat important, and 14.50% of respondents answered somewhat important.
- 3c. The majority of respondents (41.05%) rate as very important open space for natural areas/trails, hiking, bird watching, equestrian etc. An additional 25.60 % of respondents indicated somewhat important, and 19.50% of respondents answered most important.
- 3d. Most of the respondents (41.20%) believe open space is very important for neighborhood and community parks. An additional 12.90 % of respondents indicated somewhat important, and 32.90 % of respondents answered most important.

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- 3e. When asked how important open space is for public pools and swimming areas, most of the respondents (30.60%) felt it was most important. An additional 30.60 % of respondents indicated very important, and 23.50% of respondents answered somewhat important.
- 3f. Most of the respondents (36.30%) felt that open space is very important for indoor recreational facilities. An additional 34.90 % of respondents indicated somewhat important, with 13.30% of respondents answering most important.
- 3g. The majority of respondents (46.40%) selected most important as their answer when asked how important open space is for active outdoor sports parks and ball fields. An additional 31.00% of respondents indicated very important, and 10.70% of respondents answered somewhat important.
- 3h. This question asked residents to rate the importance of open space for bicycle paths; 32.10% felt it was very important. An additional 32.10 % of respondents indicated somewhat important, and 20.20% of respondents answered most important.
- 4. Asked if families currently use the City's recreational facilities, 92.90% of the respondents indicated that they do.
- 4a. When asked how frequently the City's recreational facilities are used, 64.60% of respondents indicated weekly, 17.70% indicated daily, and 17.70% indicated monthly.
- 4b. This question asked which parks and facilities families visit: 26.70% of respondents indicated Fernandez Park, 24% indicated Pinole Valley Park, and 13.40% indicated Dog Park.
- 5. This question gauged whether family members participate in sports, recreational or community activities. The three highest percentages of respondents indicated walking (8.70%), farmers' market (8%), and summer in the park (7.30%).
- 6. Respondents were asked their opinion of the City of Pinole's recreational facilities and programs. A high degree of satisfaction with City of Pinole facilities and services was indicated. The highest rated services for which respondents are very satisfied are special events, senior services, and tiny tot programs; respondents are satisfied with trips and tours for seniors, cultural and arts programs, and senior programs; and residents are not satisfied with youth programs, youth sports, and youth day camps.
- 9. When asked what features are important when a new park is designed or constructed or improvements made to existing parks, 88.20% of respondents indicated restrooms as very important, 57% of respondents indicated picnic shelters as somewhat important, and 54.40% indicated the ultimate Frisbee field is not important.
- 10. The question inquired as to whether the City should preserve more open space in the City: 51.80% of respondents indicated yes, 35.30% of respondents indicated don't know, and 12.90% indicated no.

SECTION III: AIR AND WATER QUALITY HIGHLIGHTS

- 11. Most of the respondents (52.30%) believe that the quality of the drinking water supply in Pinole is very good, 29.10% rated drinking water good, and 17.40% rated it satisfactory.

12. Respondents were asked to rate the quality of surface water in Pinole: 43.40% responded satisfactory. 39.50% rated it good, and 10.50% rated surface water very good.
13. Requested to give an opinion on what affects water quality/pollutes water in Pinole, 27.70% responded trash, 25.00% indicated water from storm drains, and 17.40% identified industrial pollution.
14. Air quality in Pinole is staying the same said 64% of respondents, while 10% believe it is getting worse and 8% indicated better.
15. Asked what affects air quality in Pinole, 42.40% indicated traffic, 15.70% indicated fires and burning practices, and 16.90% indicated other effects.
16. Respondents were asked to give an opinion of medical care facilities in Pinole. The majority (37.80%) responded bad and 26.80% indicated satisfactory, with 25.60% indicating very bad.

SECTION IV: SAFETY HIGHLIGHTS

19. When asked how safe respondents feel in Pinole, 59.30% indicated fairly safe, 29.10% felt very safe, and 9.30% somewhat safe.
20. This question asked whether residents felt safe in their neighborhoods during the day. The majority (63.50%) indicated they feel very safe, 34.10% feel fairly safe, and 2.04% somewhat safe.
21. The majority of respondents (56%) feel very safe during the day in Old Town Pinole, 34.50% indicated fairly safe, and 8.30% indicated somewhat safe.
22. Daytime safety of Pinole Parks was gauged in this question. Most respondents (47%) responded fairly safe, 37.30% indicated very safe, and 13.30% somewhat safe.
23. The highest percentage (44.70%) of respondents feel fairly safe in their neighborhoods after dark, 30.60% feel very safe, and 22.40% somewhat safe.
24. Asked if after dark respondents feel safe in Old Town Pinole, 38.60% responded fairly safe. 31.30% indicated somewhat safe, and 21.70% indicated very safe.
25. After-dark safety in Pinole parks was questioned. Most residents (40.20%) responded that they felt somewhat safe, 28% indicated fairly safe, and 26.80% not safe at all.
26. Respondents were asked to rate Pinole police services: 45.30% indicated good, 25.60% indicated very good, and 22.10% indicated satisfactory.
27. The survey asked respondents to rate fire services in Pinole: 59% of respondents indicated very good, 34.90% indicated good, and 6% satisfactory.

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**PINOLE DEMOGRAPHIC, OPEN SPACE, HEALTH AND SAFETY
SURVEY RESULTS CHART**

Question		Responses	No. of Responses
#1	How long have you lived in Pinole?	Five or Less Years	7
		Five to Ten Years	20
		More than Ten Years	59
#2	What ethnic group do you consider yourself closest to?	Asian	7
		African American	2
		Latino or Hispanic	4
		Caucasian	63
		Pacific Islander	2
		Native American	1
		Other	7
#3	Please prioritize by very important or important the types of new open spaces, natural areas and recreation facilities needed in Pinole.	Active outdoor sports parks and fields	65
		Bicycle paths	44
		Indoor recreational facilities	42
		Natural areas/trails for hiking, bird watching, equestrian, etc.	50
		Neighborhood and Community Parks	63
		Open space for public access/passive recreation	47
		Open space for scenic beauty, habitat and resource conservation	54
		Public Pools /Swimming Areas	52
#4	Do you or your family currently use the City's recreational facilities?	Yes	79
		No	6
#4a	How frequently do you use the City's recreational facilities?	Monthly	14
		Weekly	51
		Daily	14
#4b	Which parks or facilities do you visit?	Amber Swartz Park	19
		Dog Park	35
		Pinole Valley Picnic Grove	22
		Meadow Park	6

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Question		Responses	No. of Responses
		Pinon Park	8
		Bayfront Park	22
		Fernandez Park	70
		Louis Francis Park	1
		Pinole Valley Park	63
		Canyon Drive Park	0
		Hazel Downer-Thornton	1
		Hugh Young Park	0
		Pinole Valley Tennis Courts	15
#5	Have you or your family members participated in any of the following sports, recreational facilities, and/or community programs during the last 12 months?	Baseball	43
		Football	7
		Ultimate Frisbee	2
		Skateboarding	22
		Picnicking	34
		Fitness Training	13
		Softball	17
		Golf	10
		Hiking	29
		Fishing	18
		Summer in the Park	53
		Skating	13
		Soccer	30
		Tennis	13
		Swimming	54
		Walking	63
		Farmer's Market	58
		Festival of the Arts	28
		Basketball	13
		Lacrosse	1
		Biking	38
		Camping	21
		Tree Lighting	44
		Movie Nights	37

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Question		Responses	No. of Responses
		Wildlife and Bird Viewing	14
#6	The City of Pinole Parks and Recreation Department offers the following programs or services. Please give your opinion on how which services rate very satisfactory or satisfactory.	Youth Sports	65
		Youth Programs	51
		Tiny Tot Programs	56
		Youth Day Camps	42
		Summer Camps	44
		Trips and Tours for Youth	39
		Trips and Tours for Seniors	51
		Senior Programs	49
		Cultural and Arts Programs	54
		Other Special Events	71
		Adult Programs	42
		Adult Exercise Classes	38
#9	When a new park is designed and constructed or improvements/renovations are made to existing parks, rate as very important or important it is that the following features be included in the park.	Baseball/Softball fields	66
		Bike paths	76
		Dog park	60
		Expand recreation programming and activities	73
		Grassy fields for playing Frisbee, flying kites and toy airplanes, etc.	78
		Improve/Increase level of day to day maintenance of existing facilities	79
		Multi-use recreational paths	72
		Natural areas	79
		Picnic shelters	71
		Picnic tables	81
		Playgrounds	79
		Quality of existing recreation programming	74
		Restrooms	83
		Skate Park	61
		Soccer field	63
		Tennis courts	61
Trails	75		

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Question		Responses	No. of Responses
		Ultimate Frisbee Field	36
#10	Do you feel the City should preserve more open space in the City?	Yes	44
		No	11
		Don't Know	30
TOPIC: AIR AND WATER QUALITY			
#11	How do you rate the quality of drinking water supply in Pinole	Very Good	45
		Good	25
		Satisfactory	15
		Bad	1
#12	How do you rate the quality of surface water in Pinole	Very Good	8
		Good	30
		Satisfactory	33
		Bad	5
#13	What do you think affects water quality/pollutes water in Pinole?	Sewage	22
		Water from Storm Drains	46
		Industrial Pollution	32
		Trash	51
		Sedimentation	29
		Other	4
#14	Air quality in Pinole is....	Getting better	8
		Staying the same	64
		Getting worse	10
#15	What do you think affects air quality in Pinole?	Traffic	35
		Residential uses	1
		Fires and burning practices	13
		Waste	8
		Commercial uses	3
		Industrial uses	9
		Other	14
#16	What do you feel about the medical care facilities in Pinole?	Very good	3
		Good	5
		Satisfactory	22
		Bad	31

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Question		Responses	No. of Responses
		Very bad	21
#19	Overall how safe do you feel in the City of Pinole?	Very safe	25
		Fairly safe	51
		Somewhat safe	8
		Not safe at all	2
#20	During the day, do you feel safe in your neighborhood?	Very safe	47
		Fairly safe	29
		Somewhat safe	7
		Not safe at all	1
#21	During the day, do you feel safe in Old Town Pinole?	Very safe	47
		Fairly safe	29
		Somewhat safe	7
		Not safe at all	1
#22	During the day, do you feel safe in Pinole's parks?	Very safe	31
		Fairly safe	39
		Somewhat safe	11
		Not safe at all	2
#23	After dark, do you feel safe in your neighborhood?	Very safe	26
		Fairly safe	38
		Somewhat safe	19
		Not safe at all	2
#24	After dark, do you feel safe in Old Town Pinole?	Very safe	18
		Fairly safe	32
		Somewhat safe	26
		Not safe at all	7
#25	After dark, do you feel safe in Pinole's parks?	Very safe	4
		Fairly safe	23
		Somewhat safe	33
		Not safe at all	22
#26	How would you rate police services in Pinole?	Very good	22
		Good	39
		Satisfactory	19
		Bad	6

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Question		Responses	No. of Responses
#27	How would you rate fire services in Pinole?	Very good	49
		Good	29
		Satisfactory	5
		Bad	0