

**WASHINGTON PARK, NC**  
**JULY 18, 2023 PUBLIC INPUT MEETING REPORT**  
July 27, 2023

**I. Introduction:**

In 2021, the Town of Washington Park receive an allocation of \$136,403 from the American Rescue Plan (ARP). The Town Council chose the Revenue Replacement spending category to allow for flexibility and ease of reporting regarding the allocation. The funds must be encumbered by December 2024. For more information about the American Rescue Plan see **ATTACHMENT 1 – AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN: Washington Park, NC** white paper prepared by Town Mayor Tom Richter and Planning Board Chair Beth Byrd.

A group of residents formed on their *own volition...to gather ideas and provide input for the Town Council*. The resident group, who was not part of the Washington Park town administration, launched a resident survey dated April 15, 2023. The purpose of the survey was to gather input from the residents for consideration by the Town Leadership. A copy of the survey is included as **ATTACHMENT 2 – Washington Park Neighbors, Your Input Is Needed**.

Mayor Richter requested that the Mid-East Commission (MEC) facilitate a public meeting to gather resident input for ARP funding consideration. MEC Director for Planning, Economic Development and Community Services, Pat Harris, was selected to facilitate the July 18 meeting. Mrs. Harris discussed the public input meeting process on May 17, 2023 with Mayor Richter, Planning Board Chair Byrd, and Town Clerk Dennie Dale; and on June 2, 2023 with Planning Board Chair Byrd and Peter Farrell, Resident Survey Coordinator. Mr. Farrell provided **ATTACHMENT 3 – Survey Results and Explanation of Survey Analysis**. Please note:

- Surveys submitted: 72
- Actions requested: 259
- Comments: 35
- Paper surveys: 46 with 28 signed
- Online surveys: 26 with 15 signed

Through the May 17 and June 2 meetings, it was mutually agreed that the July 18 meeting would be based on the following:

- A. Meeting Objective: Collect July 18 meeting input and compile with survey findings to provide resident input on how to use ARP funds.
- B. The July 18 public input meeting is supported by town leadership and survey coordinator.
- C. For the July 18 meeting, participants would be given time to write down their project ideas on post-it notes at the start of the meeting *only* if they have not previously provided input through the survey. The post-it notes would be added to the various project categories.

- D. Meeting ground rules would be established with audience to include being respectful of others; leadership present to listen and learn; facilitator would direct questions to participants and leadership for clarification; facilitator is charged to keep the meeting on topic and to be mindful of time.
- E. Process: After the July 18 meeting concludes, the facilitator will provide a final report with the meeting findings to the Planning Board Chair Byrd for consideration by the Washington Park Planning Board. In return, the Planning Board would present its recommendations to the Town Council for consideration. The Planning Board's recommendations may include all, part or none of the recommendations contained in this report. The Town Council will determine how the ARP funds are to be used per its legal authority. The Council may choose to include all, part or none of the recommendations contained in this report.

## II. July 18, 2023 Public Input Meeting

Approximately 15 participants were in attendance at the July 18<sup>th</sup> Public Input Meeting including the Town Mayor and members from the Town Council and Planning Board. Sign in sheets were not used.

The facilitator started the meeting at 7:30 p.m. and provided the welcome, purpose of the meeting, and ground rules. She stressed that the meeting was about communication, and that resident input is valued by the town leadership. The information collected will help guide the short-term goal of how to determine best use of the ARP funds, with a potential secondary goal of supporting long range planning. She also reminded everyone that they are always welcomed to attend the Town Council meetings.

## III. Survey Findings and Categories

Since none of the participants provided input on post-it notes, the facilitator proceeded to present the survey categories. She condensed the data on flip chart sheets due to limited space. Please note:

- The **bold text** denotes what was written on flip chart sheets.
- The facilitator verbally provided survey comments that are also contained in this report.
- Through the meeting discussion, comment totals were adjusted by combining "like" comments from other categories with audience approval.
- The survey's general comments are denoted in *italics text*.
- Category and subcategory totals are underlined with comment totals listed in (parentheses).
- One participant provided written comments after the meeting concluded. The comments are included in this report and denoted with \*\*.

### 1. **Drainage/Stormwater** (ditches, pipes) - 69

- **Upgrade drainage system** - Overhaul/complete overhaul of ditches & drainage pipes – 40
  - Eliminate open ditching where feasible w/underground storm sewers (1)
  - Address low lying areas; grade road shoulders where build up prevents drainage to drop inlets (1)
  - Fix drainage all over WP with one noting not just east end (2)

- Repair drainage & erosion issues east end of Isabella & Shorewood Dr. (1)
- Redo/clean ditches; only did 500 blk of Isabella (1)
- *Drainage/ditches need attention; major expense to beautify property of elite (new canal, 500 blk Isabella)\**
- Plant vegetation on ditch bank (5)
- Erosion abatement (1)
- Train personnel and provide equipment for maintenance (1)
- Drainage system similar to downtown Washington (1)
- Establish storm sewers & eliminate open ditches where feasible (Isabella Ave) (1)
- Drainage system improvement \$60,000\*\* (1)
- *Quote in place for ditch work\**
- **Drainage management – 22**
  - Maintain open ditches & clean pipes (2)
- Hire **Expert to assess** (study) & **correct** stormwater, drainage issues - 2
- Clean/clear **Maple Branch Creek of beaver dams & fallen trees** - 3
- **Reinforce bulkheads** – keeping separate from riverfront category because some drainage systems employ bulkheads/retaining walls around culverts - 2

## 2. Trees - 41

- Hire **Arborist to develop short & long term plans** (5, 10, 20 yr.) for trees, shrubs, flowers on WP property - 15
  - Use arborist and native plants (1)
  - Plan/plant trees to provide canopy like College & other WP streets (1)
  - Plan/plant trees on Isabella (1)
  - Replace Isabella median with canopy trees (1)
- Hire **Landscape architect** - 1
- **Cooperative Extension Service** guidance so Isabella trees provide shade and not encroach power lines - 1
- **Stop crape myrtle topping under power lines** - 11
  - *Crape myrtles pruned by City of Washington Utilities at no cost\**
  - *Cannot stop crape myrtle topping under utility lines due to City of Washington utility easement\**
  - Stop crape myrtle murder (1)
- **Re-establish Townscape Committee** - 9
  - Re-establish Townscape and fund committee (1)
- **General Recommendations** - 4
  - Address Spanish Moss & Mistle Toe (1)
  - Remove dead/dying trees & replace with new ones (1)
  - Consider tree planting in WP Right-of-Ways (1)
  - Tress & beautification (1)
  - *Maintain beauty of waterfront & blvd.\**

## 3. Pier/Boating - 26

- **Day pier - 14**
  - Boat loading/unloading (7)
  - Fishing/boating (2)
  - Day pier (no use noted) (5)
- **Community dock/pier - 10**
  - Community dock with covered seating (1)
- **Community Boat Ramp - 2**
- **Other considerations:**
  - *Community pier may have liability issues\**
  - *No boat dock\**
    - *Requires on-going maintenance*
    - *Would be knocked out by first hurricane*
    - *How would "resident only" use be monitored?*
    - *Was suggested 30 yr. ago*
    - *Do not do a town dock*

#### **4. Riverfront/Erosion - 21**

- **Living shoreline - 10**
  - Consider a long-term plan for a living shoreline (1)
- **More Groins - 3**
  - *No groins\**
  - *Grant application for groins\**
- **Erosion abatement/protect riverfront - 3**
  - Replant trees to preserve shoreline (1)
  - Prefer trees and natural approach like live oaks, etc. (1)
  - *Native plant\**
- **Hire expert for shoreline erosion guidance - 4**
  - Professional guidance; can include groins, no rip rap (1)
- **Remove piling, stumps along shore (boating safety) - 1**
- *Waterfront is owned by all residents\**
- *Consult Steve Trowell w/Division of Coastal Management\**

#### **5. Powerlines - 19**

- **Bury powerlines (19)**
  - Isabella
  - For all residents
  - Last resort
  - As budget allows
  - Utilities for entire town
  - Forget about COW utility easements

#### **6. Ball Courts - 13**

- **Resurface/update tennis courts - 6**
  - New tennis net (1)



- *Cost to resurface? \**
- **Update pickle ball courts - 5**
  - Repair & maintain (1)
  - Add pickle ball court (1)
- **Waterfront Fields - 2**
  - Add soccer goals (1)
  - Install volleyball net (1)
- *Why doesn't everyone have key to courts? \**
- *Cost to resurface/reline ball courts? \**
- *Town Council member at meeting reported cost to resurface hard courts at \$60,000.*

## 7. Kayaks - 11

- **Storage/Racks - 10**
  - Collect fees (4)
  - Kayaks & paddleboards (2)
  - Place kayak & sunfish racks at several places along shore (1)
  - *Other Considerations:*
    - *Kayak storage should be at individual's property\* (2 supported)*
  - *No kayak storage\* (3 supported)*
    - *Benefits few*
    - *No storage on riverfront*
    - *Racks should be funded by regular taxes & compared to expenses for tennis court maintenance.*
- **Lift & Launch - 1**
  - Handicap access (1)
    - *No kayak storage/no lift \**

## 8. Maintenance & Equipment - 11

- **Upgrade/replace trucks - 5**
  - Garbage truck
    - New (1)
    - Upgrade (1)
  - New dump truck (1)
- **Repave streets - 2**
- **Upgrade maintenance equipment (mowers, tools, trucks, etc.) - 3**
  - Upgrade chipper (1)
- **Replace waterfront chain/fence - 1**

## 9. Playground - 15

- **Upgrade playground equipment - 15**
  - Will not burn kids (safety)
  - Current playground unsafe
  - More variety

- Tot Lot Improvement \$20,000\*\* (1)

#### **10. Dogs - 9**

- **Doggie poop bags & trash cans - 9**
  - More trash cans (1)
  - Provide poop bags (2)
    - Doubt dog owners will use
  - *Other Considerations*
    - *Doggie bags should be a regular tax expense\**
    - *No doggie bags\**
    - *No doggie poop bags & trash cans\**

#### **11. Sewers (wastewater) - 4**

- **Sewer system (waste) – 4**
  - Start process for city sewer to **eliminate septic tanks** (2)

#### **12. Security - 3**

- **Security cameras - 2**
- **Security patrol - 1**

#### **13. Pollinator Garden - 3**

#### **14. Covered shelter w/picnic tables & grills - 2**

#### **15. Generate Revenue - 2**

- Charge fee for outsiders to use playground/photographers – 2
  - Charge small fee \$25
  - Create mowing revenue

#### **16. Miscellaneous - 13**

1. Create **WP Directory** (1)
2. Create **WP Historical Records** (1)
3. Establish **community gathering area**, plant **Christmas tree** for “**Cedar Grove**” (1)
4. Explore **recycling with GFL** (1)
5. Add new, **young member to town council & establish term limits** (1)
6. Consider **salary increase for town maintenance workers** (1)
7. **Pay living wage to WP employees** (1)
8. **More manicured waterfront** (1)
9. Add **3-person swings to waterfront** like City of Washington (1)
10. **Waterfront picnic tables** (1)
11. **More “private use” signage** (1)
12. Save **funds for rainy day** for storm recovery & cleanup (1)
13. Erosion Control \$50,000 but did not specify category\*\* (1)

#### **IV. General Discussion:**

The facilitator opened the meeting to questions and general discussion among the audience. While some of the items went beyond the scope of the meeting, the facilitator documented the following recommendations and items for clarification and future communications between the Washington Park leadership and the residents. These items include but are not limited to:

1. Discussed small projects versus large projects versus feasibility study (expertise). Also discussed prioritizing projects by cost.
2. The survey captured both purposes, but should projects be prioritized by functionality versus beautification?
3. Residents would like to know specifically *when* the decision will be made on use of ARP funds. The date is currently unknown and is outside of the scope of this meeting.
4. Discussed and confirmed with leadership at the public input meeting that the Washington Park Town Council and Planning Board minutes are available to the residents once the minutes are approved at the subsequent meeting. The Town Council's latest approved minutes and archived minutes can be found at <https://townofwashingtonpark.com/>
5. Washington Park should have a 3, 5 and 10-year planning document which is not in place at this time.
6. Capital Budget versus Operation & Maintenance Budget – a better understanding is needed on these types of budgets, and if ARP funds should be used specifically for one versus the other.
7. Is there a need for a rolling budget to address Washington Park needs?
8. Need to explore other funding sources.
9. How to best address different scales (size) of projects.
10. Discussed need for a second public input meeting to hear from the Town Council about what is in place in the budget.

Being no further business, the Public Input Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

This concludes the findings for this report. A copy of the report with attachments will be provided to Planning Board Chair Byrd and Mr. Farrell. A courtesy copy will also be sent to Mayor Richter.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as the meeting facilitator.

Sincerely,

Pat Harris, Director

Planning, Economic Development & Community Services

Mid-East Commission

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## AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN: Washington Park, NC

### BACKGROUND

Signed into law by President Biden on March 11, 2021 the American Rescue Plan (ARP) allocates \$1.9 trillion distributed nationally for COVID-19 relief and economic recovery. All municipal governments across the nation will receive or share \$65.1 billion for aforementioned recovery relief. Cities and towns in North Carolina will receive \$1.3 billion+.

NEUs (Non-Entitlement Units) are small governments that serve 50,000 residents or less. It is relevant to know that Washington Park (WP) is classified as a NEU. Under the ARP/US Treasury funding guidelines for NEUs, the Town of Washington Park qualified for and received \$136,402.51.

### ARP GUIDELINE CHOICES

After analyzing the seven possible ARP expenditure categories, and upon the advice of the NC League of Municipalities, the Washington Park Town Board selected the Revenue Replacement expenditure category. The Revenue Replacement expenditure category has more flexibility regarding the use of the Town's monies than any other category; it is also less cumbersome for all municipalities regarding compliance, reporting, and deadlines.

The ARP guidelines are regularly revised by US Treasury. The Revenue Replacement expenditure category revisions have improved the process and have made ARP administration easier for small towns such as Washington Park.

Very simply, this allows Washington Park to consider a range of capital improvements that relate to the towns, basic services, etc. such as

- streets and roads
- stormwater drainage, system of ditches and culverts
- parks and recreational amenities
- landscaping and street escaping
- and most tangible items in the Town's annual general fund budget

### **ARP REQUIRED TIMELINE**

December 31, 2024: The deadline for allocating or encumbering these ARP project expenditures. The Town Board intends to submit its ARP spending plan as much as a year before the Treasury deadline.

December 31, 2026 (two years later): The deadline for all NEU towns, including Washington Park, to report that all ARP funds are expended and that ARP projects are complete.

After 2026... If the US Congress authorizes another ARP program, the Town of Washington Park will evaluate the new program guidelines and make a decision whether or not to participate.

### **UPCOMING WASHINGTON PARK ARP PLAN EVENTS**

June 5, 2023: The regular WP Town Board meeting will be held. The meeting will initially include a Public Hearing to consider the adoption of the 2023–24 town budget. Immediately after the Public Hearing would be the appropriate time for residents to offer specific project suggestions (in person, in writing, in email, etc...) regarding the \$136,000 ARP grant funds.

Mid-July to Mid-August, 2023: An advertised, open, single-purpose meeting will be convened at the WP municipal building from 7:00pm to approximately 9:30pm for the purpose to

1. display previous and current ARP project ideas,
2. listen to a short explanation of each project idea,
3. provide time for new ideas,
4. prioritize the all project ideas that could be accomplished with ARP monies,
5. and make a list of projects for the Town Board's ARP/US Treasury final application for project funding,

## **FINAL THOUGHTS**

A number of residents have spent time considering WP's use of the \$136,402.51. Some individuals have completed surveys; others have communicated specific suggestions informally. Thank YOU!

The Town Board welcomes and appreciates more ideas over the next few months from you before the ARP final request for specific project funding is formally submitted. With your involvement the ARP project money will help WP become an even better place to live.

April 15, 2023

## Washington Park Neighbors, Your Input is Needed.



Washington Park has been granted \$137,000 through the America Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Although this is not a hefty sum of money, we hope to facilitate a discussion on how these funds could be spent. There is a large degree of flexibility in the usage of the funds. In general, since WP provides government services, and if a suggestion is pertinent to those services, that suggestion should be eligible for funding. The funds must be encumbered by December 2024. No match of local funds is required.

"We" are a group of residents, who on our own volition, formed to gather ideas and provide input for the Board. We are NOT part of the town administration. The WP Board is aware of our efforts and anticipates considering the outcome.

You can also complete this form online via the Washington Park Neighbors Facebook page or online using this link <https://forms.gle/beRH5ZQZsnXgX2nNA>



OR use this QR code

Please return your recommendations before **April 28th** to either **BLUE BOX** marked **"SURVEY"** located at **132 Isabella Avenue** or **514 Bank Street**.

*Listed below are some examples of the type of projects that could be considered but your ideas for projects also need to be heard:*

1. Erosion Abatement on the Riverfront
  - a. More groins
  - b. Planting sea grass and trees
  - c. Water Drainage Management
  - d. Complete overhaul of ditches and drainage pipes
  - e. Planting on the banks of drainage ditches
2. Trees
  - a. Hire a certified arborist to develop immediate, 5-, 10- and 20-year plans for all trees, bushes, and flower beds on park property.
  - b. Pollinator garden.
  - c. Stop Crape Myrtle topping under utility lines
  - d. Re-establish and fund the Town Landscape committee (Section 94 of WP ordinances)
3. Playground - Update equipment
4. General
  - a. Kayak storage structure. Kayak lift
  - b. Day pier for boat loading and unloading
  - c. Containers with doggie bags to pick up poop and more trash cans
  - d. Continue project placing electric lines underground

**Please add your ideas and comments on the back side of this survey.**



In the space below please provide your own project suggestions with a brief description:

Recommendation #1: \_\_\_\_\_  
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If you have questions about this survey please contact **Peter Farrell, 252-258-0172.**

*If you would like, please provide your name, address, and email for follow-up.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you. All residents of Washington Park will benefit from your input.

### Explanation of Survey Analysis

Each survey was reviewed several times by separate individuals and parsed in “action statements” and statements not requiring action were listed as “comments.”

Some surveys only filled in the front side; others handwrote only on the back and the rest filled in the front, and expanded explanations on the back. We were diligent in counting like-topics on these sheets only once. These statements written down, bearing in mind that we should maintain the writer’s verbiage so that when reviewed by the public, our version of the statements would be recognizable allowing the viewer to know that his statement and/or comments were counted.

Statements were collated into applicable categories that related to a topic or area. These topics/categories were not decided beforehand but derived from the groupings of statements themselves. This process of review and parsing was repeated four times by separate individuals. They were then compared, edited, reviewed again, if necessary, until each of us was satisfied at all statements and comment were included, and assignments to topics was satisfactory and we were assured that tallies arrived at by these separate assessments were the same.

Then these topics headings were reviewed, assessed for redundancy regarding areas of discussion and we regrouped them as necessary. This process was repeated until we felt all statements and comments were assigned to an appropriate group. The topics you see on the tally sheets and bar graphs are the result of this parsing.

Thus the topics listed in the bar graph are what we wittled down as results. Topics mentioned only once were grouped at the end of the survey analysis and not included in the bar graph separately, but as a total. The rest of the topics are listed by group and ordered by the number in the list of comments relating to that topic, highest to lowest.

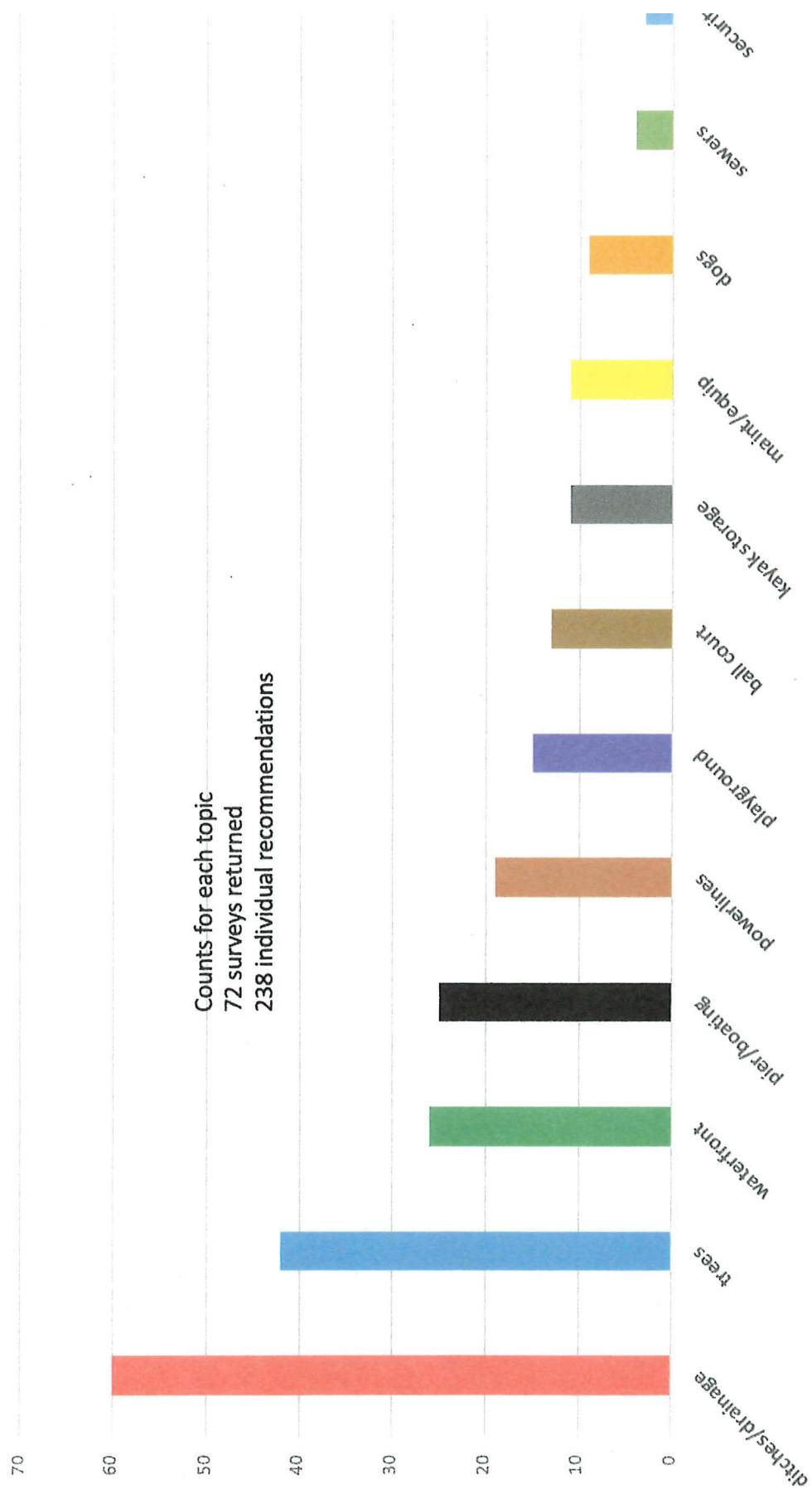
Anything mentioning ditches, drainage or water management were assigned to “Ditches and Drainage”; likewise for all the rest of the topics. Actions requested by the statements vary but the subject matter of the statements is consistent. Planning, assessing, replacing, repairing, etc requests were assigned to their particular area of subject matter or topic. Comments were handled in a likewise manner and put at the end of the suitable topic list.

All comments and statements from each and every survey are included and thus accounted for, to the best of our ability. The original surveys and our original tally sheets are available for public review and/or scrutiny.

**DITCHES/DRAINAGE** includes anything that mentions the Park ditches, assessment, cleanup, overhaul and maintenance.

**TREES** includes management, assessments, planning, and oversight, and expertise of Park riverfront and streets.

**PIER/Boating** includes all mentions of piers, ramps, launches, and management and exclusivity.



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**RIVERFRONT/EROSION** contains all items referring to river shore beautification, erosion, conservation, planting and expertise for said topic.

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**POWER LINES** are basically requests for continuing to place underground.

**PLAYGROUND** is essentially the equipment update requests.

**BALL COURTS** includes statements relating to ballplaying, court maintenance, field use, references to soccer, volleyball, pickleball and tennis.

**KAYAKS** list pertains to launch, storage, lifts and racks, access, exclusivity, and security.

**WP MAINTENANCE & EQUIPMENT** includes anything under park management, maintenance and equipment.

**DOGS** refers mainly to cleanup, baggies and trash receptacles.

**SEWERS** requests is self explanatory as is **SECURITY**



Priority

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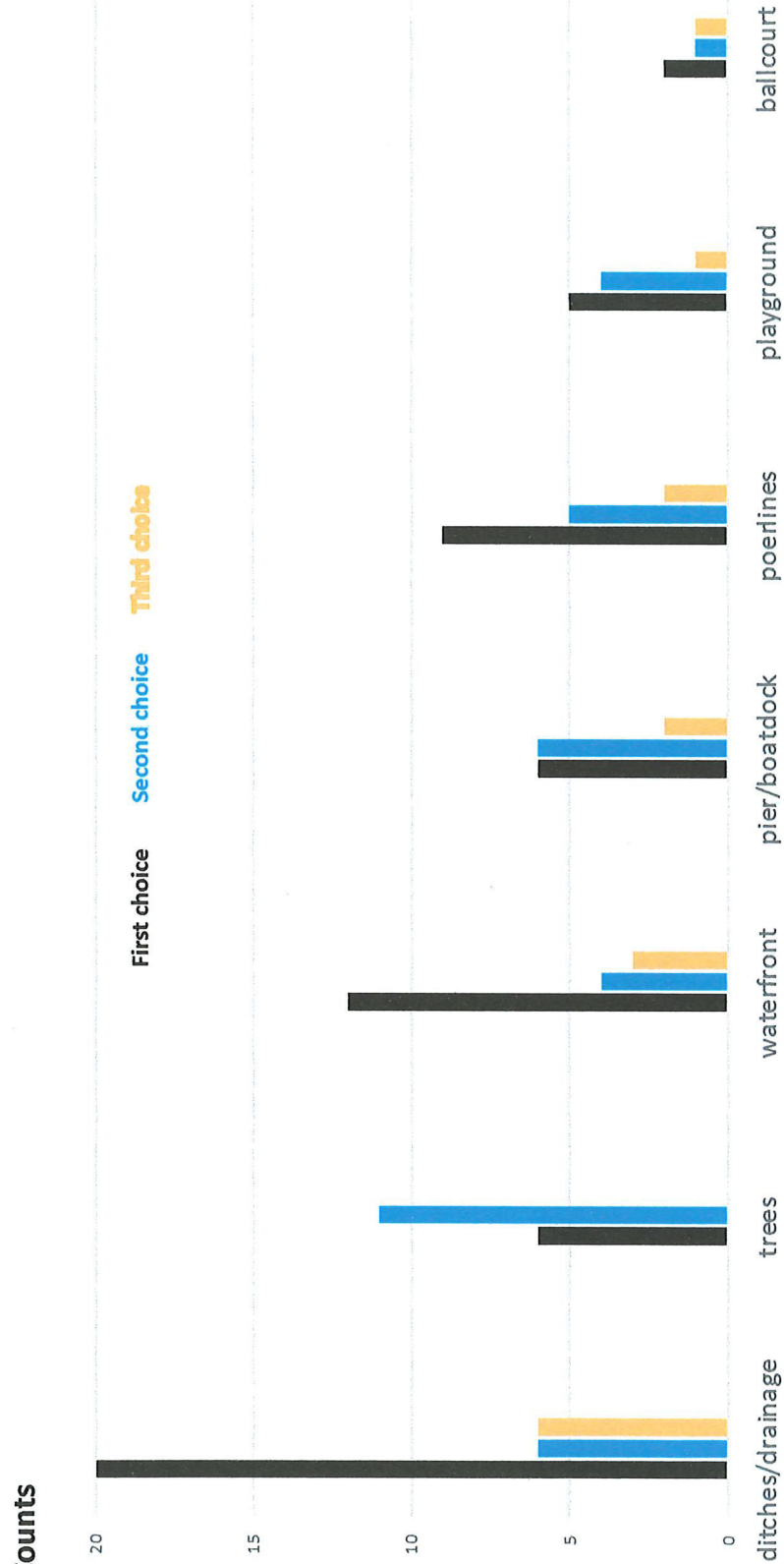
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First choice Second choice Third choice

ditches/drainage trees waterfront pier/boatdock poerlines playground ballcourt



<b><u>SURVEY RESULTS</u></b>									
<b>TOTALS</b>									
Number of surveys returned:				72					
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<b>Comments:</b>				35	<i>If statement from survey participant did not request a specific action it was listed as a "comment".</i>				
PAPER surveys returned/signed: black				46/28	<i>These were not specifically ranked in any order.</i>				
ON LINE surveys returned/signed				26/15	Recommendation #1, Recommendation #2, Recommendation #3				
% Signed Surveys				60%					
<b>TOPICS</b>				<b>Total</b>	<b>Action Requested</b>				
DITCHES/DRAINAGE				62	Clean/clear Maple Branch Creek of beaver dams and fallen trees				
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					Consider underground storm sewers; eliminate open ditches where feasible				
					Hire expert and contract study of storm water issues and countermeasures,				
					& follow through				
					Drainage improvements, esp. In low lying areas of WP, to include grading				
					down road shoulders where build up prevent water draining to drep inlets.				
					Fix drainage ditches all over the park not just the east end where major work				
					was done by the WP and private owners.				
					Hire expert to assess and correct current drainage ditch system				



	Maintain open ditches and clean pipes			
	Overhaul ditches and drainage pipes			
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	Overhaul ditches and train personnel to properly maintain them and buy equipment necessary to do so			
	Overhaul drain pipes			
	Pipes need to be cleaned out and then maintained.			
	Reinforce bulkheads to greater protect homes close to the river			
	Repair drainage and erosion issues east end of Isabella and Shorewood Dr.			
	Upgrade drainage ditches			
	Water drainage management			
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	Fix drainage issues			
	Planting on the banks of drainage ditches			
	Redo/clean drainage ditches, 500 blk Isabella work done only benefit that blk			
	Reinforce bulkheads to greater protect homes close to the river			
	Water drainage management			
	Ditch upgrade			
	Drainage system similar to downtown Washington,			





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		Trees and beautification		
		Use an arborist and native plants		
		Hire arborist to develop 5-, 10-, 20- yr. plan for trees, shrubs and flowers on WP property		
		Develop future plan for trees and other power line areas		
		Hire arborist		
		Hire a certified arborist to develop immediate 5-, 10-, and 20-year plans for all trees, bushes, and flower beds on park property.		
		Stop crape myrtle topping under utility lines		
		Re-establish and fund Townscape committee		
Comments:				
Crepe myrtle pruning by City of Washington Utilities at no charge				
Maintain beauty of waterfront and blvds.				
Stop crape myrtle topping under utility lines cannot be met due CofW Utility easement				
	PIER/Boating	25	Build a community boat ramp for WP residents	
			Community dock	
			Community dock for boat, jet ski, boat ramp	
			Community pier	
			Day pier	
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			Day pier for boat loading and unloading	
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		Day pier for fishing and boating			
		Day pier for residents use			
		Pier			
		Community dock			
		Community dock for boat, jet ski, boat ramp			
		Community pier			
		Community pier			
		Day pier for fishing and boating			
		Community dock with covered seating			
		Day pier			
		Day pier			
		Pier			
Comments: 3) Community pier may have liability issues 4) No boat dock Requires on-going maintenance Would be knocked out by first hurricane How would "resident only" use be monitored? Was suggested 30 yrs ago Do not do a town dock					
RIVERFRONT/EROSION					
	26	Consider a long-term plan for a "living shoreline"			
		Hire expert for shoreline erosion advice			
		More groins			
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		Planting on the banks of drainage ditches			
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		Planting sea grass and trees ("living shoreline")			
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		Prefer tree and natural approach like live oaks, etc			
		Protect riverfront			



			Remove piling stumps along river shore (dangerous to boaters unfamiliar with their location)			
			Waterfront abatement with professional guidance, can include groins but no rip rap			
			Planting on the banks of drainage ditches			
			Hire expert for shoreline erosion advice			
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			Living bulkhead			
			More groins			
			Live bulkhead to protect the shoreline			
			Replant trees to preserve the shoreline			
			Clean/clear Maple Leaf Creek of beaver dams and fallen trees			
			Erosion abatement			
Comments: Waterfront is owned by all residents Grant app for groins Consult Steve Trowell - division of coastal management Plant native						
	POWER LINES	19	Bury electric lines - Isabella			
			Bury electric lines - last resort			
			Bury electric lines for ALL residents			
			Bury power lines as budget allows			
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			Bury power lines			
			Place electric lines underground			
			Powerlines			
			Underground electrical			
			Underground utilities for the entire township			
			Continue project placing electric lines underground and forget about CofW			
			Utility easements			
			Continue project placing electric lines underground			
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			Underground electrical			
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			Powerlines buried				
<b>BALL COURTS</b>	<b>13</b>		Add another pickleball court				
			Add soccer goals to waterfront field				
			Install volleyball net on waterfront field				
			New tennis net				
			Repair and maintain pickle ball courts				
			Resurface tennis courts				
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			Resurface tennis courts and				
			Update pickle ball courts				
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			Update pickle ball courts				
			Update tennis courts				
			Resurface tennis courts				
<b>Comments:</b>							
Why doesn't everyone in the park have a key to the tennis/pickle ball courts?							
What is the cost of resurfacing tennis courts?							
What is the cost of resurfacing and relining ball courts?							
<b>KAYAKS</b>	<b>11</b>		Add kayak storage (collect fees)				
			Kayak and paddle board racks, secured and with fees				
			Kayak launch with handicap access				
			Kayak storage				
			Kayak storage structure. Kayak lift				
			Kayak storage w/ locks				
			Place kayak racks and sunfish racks several places along the river shore				
			Add kayak storage (collect fees)				
			Kayak and paddle board racks, secured and with fees				
			Kayak storage w/ locks				
			Kayak storage				
<b>Comments:</b>							
Kayak storage should be at individual's property							
No kayak storage as to benefit just a few							
Kayak storage should be at individual's property							
Kayak racks should be funded by regular taxes and compared to expenses for tennis court maintenance.							
No kayak storage. No lift.							
No storage for kayaks on the rivershore.							

Do not do kayak storage. How will it be managed?									
WP MAINTENANCE & EQUIPMENT	11	Acquire new dump truck							
		Purchase another garbage truck							
		Repave streets							
		Repaving streets							
		Replace chain/fence on waterfront							
		Upgrade chipper							
		Upgrade garbage truck							
		Upgrade park equipment							
		Upgrade truck							
		Upgrade truck							
		upgrade WP maintenance equipment-mowers, tools, truck, etc.							
PLAYGROUND	14	Playground equipment							
		Playground equipment							
		Update equipment w/ more variety							
		Update equipment w/ anything that wont burn kids							
		Update equipment							
		Update equipment							
		Update equipment							
		Update equipment							
		Upgrade playground picnic table and bench							
		Upgrade playground							
DOGS	9	Playground equipment							
		Current playground unsafe							
		Playground equipment							
		Add more trash receptacles in WP							
		Containers with doggie bags to pick up poop and more trash cans							
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		Provide "doggie poop" bags							
		Doggie poop bags, though use doubted							
		Containers with doggie bags to pick up poop and more trash cans							



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			Consider salary increase funds for town employees (maintenance workers)	
			Pay living wage to Park employees	
			More manicured riverfront	
			Add 3-person swings on the waterfront (like downtown)	
			Picnic tables on the waterfront	
			More "private use" signage	
			Save money for a "rainy day" for storm recovery and cleanup	