

Lake Oswego's arts and culture opportunities are currently concentrated in the downtown area including the Lakewood Center for the Arts the Gallery Without Walls and the City's visual art collection at City Hall the Library and ACC. The Arts Council has also drawn up a new Public Art Master Plan that envisions public art to be integrated into the neighborhoods and city gateways. Looking at the 2035 Vision Map where and how should arts and cultural opportunities be focused or integrated into the community over the next 25 years?

<i>Comment</i>	<i>Source</i>
utilize schools that are closed for artist/dancers/music/glass blower	Nov 3 Summit
transit to access arts	Nov 3 Summit
lake grove business festival	Nov 3 Summit
new developments should have art exhibit space	Nov 3 Summit
Lakewood center, good institution, economic business	Nov 3 Summit
LO is known for its arts	Nov 3 Summit
people move to LO because of access to arts	Nov 3 Summit
Lake Oswego and Arts should be synonymous	Nov 3 Summit
art in neighborhood parks	Nov 3 Summit
plan town centers to incorporate art and library space	Nov 3 Summit
one arts and culture center that includes the library	Nov 3 Summit
maps of open studios, maps of open space that could be used for exhibits	Nov 3 Summit
community showcase for art, visual arts	Comment Forms
Incorporate the arts into each "community center/village center"	Comment Forms
pervasive throughout the city	Comment Forms
pull arts and culture into schools, parks, and special events	Comment Forms
this should be primarily a private function	Comment Forms
westside-lake grove	Comment Forms
All I can say is that I enjoy the Lakewood Center for the Arts. How it should look in the future I think it is good to keep some of the oldie goldies as is being well maintained and maybe updated. But there is something lovely about old buildings being cherished	Virtual Summit
I think the existing plan is a good one	Virtual Summit
Acquisition of art for public display is NOT an endless program. At some point you have enough! Many museums and other institutions are now selling off their collections. Selected use of art is important but too much takes away from natural vistas. Our gateway garden plantings are a very nice alternative to static art.	Virtual Summit
Aquisition of art is NOT a program without end. Art should enhance our visual experiences and not intrude upon natural beauty. We are in danger of crossing this line. Are we to obtain art only to be forced to store it????	Virtual Summit
Art is the dessert of life! Keep it in schools and the community...	Virtual Summit
Arts and cultural opportunities should be focused at our gateways in our employment centers and near high density housing to support and enhance the livability and marketability of the community. One finds NO art along in the Kruse Way Corridor-the 'economic engine' of Clackamas County and 'gateway'. Support 'neighborhood' art at entrances such as found in the Lakewood Neighborhood WHEN financial partnership by the neighborhood exists.	Virtual Summit
Arts center keep the Festival and perhaps spread the Festival out into other sections of the City rather than concentrating it all around George Rogers	Virtual Summit
Depends on budgets. Don't consider this a top priority	Virtual Summit
Don't put any of this artwork in my neighborhood! We think it is ghastly! And quit spending taxpayers' taxes for more artwork. This art will be 'dated' in a few years and will look even worse.	Virtual Summit
Enough spending on arts. Take some of the current art and move it to Lake Grove.	Virtual Summit
Every year we are asked to vote on our favorite piece of sculpture without knowing WHERE it is going to be placed. In voting that would be a helpful piece of information as some are not suitable for some places while others are. All the pieces are usually interesting but site specific voting is more important to me. I would like to see more of the art spread out over the major corridors. The downtown is getting junky looking. In your efforts to lure shoppers with all the art they can't tell the permanent installations from the rotating art. I think there is way too much downtown and the uniqueness of each piece is lost in the clutter. The Village look is beginning to look like a collectibles shop with everything on display. The merchants deserve better.	Virtual Summit
Good	Virtual Summit
How about using our existing school space and businesses? Why is this the job of the city when it should be organized among citizens and businesses.	Virtual Summit
I favor concentrating art in the downtown area. Every effort should be made to maintain this as a walkable shopping/socializing/eating/drinking destination that can compete with malls. Although I live closer to Lakewood I have a hard time envisioning how this can be converted to such a center.	Virtual Summit

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I have to say that some of the art displayed (predominantly in the downtown area) is beautiful and some of it is really ugly. I think some tasteful (non-controversial) public art can be wonderful but why do we keep paying to change the art? I think this is a waste of money. Wouldn't we be able to 'afford' the additional art at 'city gateways' (where there currently isn't any) without raising additional funds if we didn't continuously change the art displays? Also the 'plaques' of the heads w/leaves for hair along the ramp in the new section of millenium park/plaza are really ugly. So is the 'starving' elephant which was relocated to another part of the city but is still hideous none the less. Also since the public arts are publicly funded it should be fully accountable to the citizenry (a city committee accountable to the city council instead of a NGO non-profit which is not subject to Oregon state public meetings / public records disclosure laws).	Virtual Summit
I think we have done a great job. Honestly we can slow it down and not overdo it from an art display standpoint. We have a great art show excellent art classes; concerts. It's good stay the course and do not grow (don't keep adding too much art. It's getting too crowded and risks looking a bit too busy/even junky if we are not careful.	Virtual Summit
I think you have done enough already and do not need to continue the acquisition of city-owned art.	Virtual Summit
In the central area -- otherwise 'art' and the continuing costs of same just keep expanding. 'Art' isn't something that should be everywhere you turn.	Virtual Summit
Lake Grove and Mountain Park need public art and should be considered in the future.	Virtual Summit
Lake Grove area - Lake Oswego is pretty saturated	Virtual Summit
Lake Grove.	Virtual Summit
Maybe with the closed schools offer Art programs.	Virtual Summit
More and better Lakewood Theater presentations (Keep up the goof work).	Virtual Summit
No new goofy expenditures of my hard earned tax dollars for 'art'.	Virtual Summit
Selective hubs only	Virtual Summit
Spread them out more but don't waste money on ugly sculputres. Thanks for moving that rusty ugly body that use to hang by Manzana's. I liked the funky elephant but it is gone now.	Virtual Summit
The art is nice but I would like to see more creative opportunitis for our children--an arts magnet school would be a wonderful addition to our community.	Virtual Summit
The city is lacking an artful entrance and sense of community along the Kruse Way corridor	Virtual Summit
there is plenty of public sculptural art at present and ...do not put something at every open spot or it will lose impact art festival is fantastic..continue to include more cultural diversity and that is a wonderfully broad term...places people (close to home and across the world) ...there is plenty of music and theater offered...almost every day in the summer! We need an couple ART GALLERIES in town !!	Virtual Summit
This is an area wehre the local government whould have no role at all. There are many organizations and individuals who will be willing to work on the arts. Get the City out of this.	Virtual Summit
This would be great I think the art is too dense in the downtown area and I am an artist by trade if the same number of instalations were more spread out would be good	Virtual Summit
Through the high school auditoriums as performing arts centers when not in use for school events the building where Wal-mart is going in should have been a second library and performing arts center. The City should continue to have nice parks for art events. Art in the Forest at Tryon was a good example of an innovative cultural activity. Too much emphasis on the Lakewood Center. Need more free eventsso much talent in the city and the metro area.	Virtual Summit
The City's primary involvement in arts and culture today is through programming public concerts movies and special events and supporting the Arts Council of Lake Oswego and public art program. Over the next 25 years how should the City support a thriving arts and culture scene in Lake Oswego?	
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arts budget and priority	Nov 3 Summit
encourage others to participate	Nov 3 Summit
ART 21st century the century of creativity - LO should recognize	Nov 3 Summit
Arts literacy - expose children	Nov 3 Summit
passionate about arts, but concerned about financial support of arts in economic turndown	Nov 3 Summit
arts define us, build on strength	Nov 3 Summit
keeping it a priority	Nov 3 Summit
arts economic development	Nov 3 Summit
arts and education	Nov 3 Summit
buildings for subsidized/affordable spaces that can be used by young creative entrepreneurs	Nov 3 Summit
Artists in residence	Nov 3 Summit
applied arts	Nov 3 Summit
school/arts	Nov 3 Summit
working with businesses	Nov 3 Summit
lake grove open space	Nov 3 Summit
all arts organizations should be included in planning	Nov 3 Summit

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expand a percentage of construction dollars for private and public building enhancements	Nov 3 Summit
arts should be pervasive in all city planning	Nov 3 Summit
arts should be as important a consideration as structural integrity	Nov 3 Summit
continue existing plan, enhance with additional events	Comment Forms
more accessibility through schools, rec centers	Comment Forms
more art exhibitions and education	Comment Forms
see #7	Comment Forms
sure	Comment Forms
they do a great job already. Diversify this into each "community center/village center"	Comment Forms
yes	Comment Forms
Why not?	Virtual Summit
Again I think there is too much it is all wonderful but I worry about the cost	Virtual Summit
An arts school	Virtual Summit
Art and cultural development is key specifically for young people. Work with Parks and Rec to create new or improve existing programs	Virtual Summit
by private donation matching rather than complete funding	Virtual Summit
By spending as little taxpayer money on this as possible. It should not be a core mission of the city.	Virtual Summit
Concerts are a good idea. Brings people together and makes them feel good. The Art Festival is also fun.	Virtual Summit
Continue and expand on what it is doing....include the schools (wonderful orchestra and theatre at the high schools). More arts education for all ages 0 - 100+	Virtual Summit
Continue the programs. Weekday concerts later so people can get home from work first.	Virtual Summit
Do not think the city needs to continue to purchase sculptures every year. The collection should grow only if it is appropriate to display them on city property and it enhances city property. Too much random clutter.	Virtual Summit
Doing a great job.	Virtual Summit
Encourage volunteerism.	Virtual Summit
Get out of the way and let it thrive. Give them permission not dollars.	Virtual Summit
Good	Virtual Summit
High schools seat @ 600 Lakewood Center -?? Outdoor seating is the time when the greatest numbers can be gathered. Closest large venue is Rolling hills (just outside LO) with 2500 seating available for indoors.	Virtual Summit
I believe the City's current support is entirely adequate.	Virtual Summit
I don't see a need for a change in direction.	Virtual Summit
I like most of the exhibits in the Gallery Withou Walls and should be contnued. Before embarking on neighborhood art make a cost/ benefit matrix. You will probably find out only a very limited number of people are interested. A good example of indifference to this idea is the annual hanging flower baskets which can not be seen by most.	Virtual Summit
I think this is good with festivals concerts art etc. I would like to see this continue	Virtual Summit
Install more public art in areas other than downtown LO	Virtual Summit
Keep on doing what is being done --- encourage various activities and be flexible in how they are done.	Virtual Summit
Keep the Festival of the Arts and concerts. More oportunities for kids to study the arts and mentoring by the many wonderful artists that live here would be great.	Virtual Summit
Let provate organizations doo the concernts etc and make the fees reasonable for them to do so at public venues.	Virtual Summit
Nothing more is needed.	Virtual Summit
Put acquired art in the round abouts traffic control devices open spaces in parks etc. Belt tighten by buying only every other art cycle.	Virtual Summit
see my comments on question 1.	Virtual Summit
Should not be a priority	Virtual Summit
Sparingly - our taxes are brutal now. I seem to get along just fine without attending the arts functions supported by my tax dollars.	Virtual Summit
The City has better things to do...	Virtual Summit
The City should continue to support the 'arts and culture scene' through continued partnership with associated arts history and culture groups. However greater utilization of the WEB needs to occur. Programming needs to occur at minimum throughout the City and preferably in facilities near the population center.	Virtual Summit
The City's support of arts and culture must be balanced against fiscal responsibility.	Virtual Summit
this should be a private concern.	Virtual Summit
Through the schools Art without Walls and ultimately having an art exhibition area to show LO's commitment to the Arts	Virtual Summit

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How should we measure success for the arts in Lake Oswego?	
<i>Comment</i>	<i>Source</i>
almost n/a	Comment Forms
draw of events and public arts	Comment Forms
interest in the arts by kids in our schools	Comment Forms
participation/utilization rate	Comment Forms

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What strategies (including new technologies and social media) are needed to ensure all segments of the community are able to participate in decision-making?	
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track when people give comments and then answers are given, e.g. in an online system that records the history	Nov 3 Summit
this is not the right question	Nov 3 Summit
no attempt to communicate back to people, there are already mechanisms	Nov 3 Summit
on-line heard, this could happen more often	Nov 3 Summit
city council round table on Saturday worked well (during education crisis)	Nov 3 Summit
citizens are very active in small groups.	Nov 3 Summit
weight of comments has a big impact	Nov 3 Summit
people have the skill set to make themselves heard	Nov 3 Summit
civility: control name-calling	Nov 3 Summit
There should be links from meeting agendas to meeting audio	Nov 3 Summit
transparency: who is responding to the city's issues	Nov 3 Summit
input is ignored in sensitive lands discussion	Nov 3 Summit
summary of past projects-see history-learn from mistakes-report back on outcome	Nov 3 Summit
WebX online conferencing is very popular	Nov 3 Summit
web tools would fit in better to lifestyles, e.g. shared Google docs	Nov 3 Summit
the city should explore technology	Nov 3 Summit
agendas for commissions is too full of legalese-use layman's terms/graphics	Nov 3 Summit
e-mail agendas to meetings, advance notice	Nov 3 Summit
more of the same, e.g. public broadcast, planning commission	Nov 3 Summit
haven't heard from 50+ advisory board	Nov 3 Summit
sign up for interest list, e.g. land use, or forum for facebook page	Nov 3 Summit
integrate social media before and after meetings	Nov 3 Summit
website improvements to allow searches	Nov 3 Summit
system for logging calls	Nov 3 Summit
prioritize projects: 4-5 key projects, lots of meetings are hard to track, participate in	Nov 3 Summit
keep costs down, use less glossy mailings, use logo	Nov 3 Summit
hierarchy of other governments, push back for local control over elected officials, policy avalanche	Nov 3 Summit
GIS Data/Crime map	Nov 3 Summit
Charter amendment for government doc.	Nov 3 Summit
liaisons for older community members who want to age in place	Nov 3 Summit
2-3% of people show up to neighborhood association meetings. Could they submit written statements? What about HOAs? E-mails?	Nov 3 Summit
More committees, more electronic	Nov 3 Summit
connect civically with adults/kids	Nov 3 Summit
need more education on what taxes do-what citizen responsibilities are	Nov 3 Summit
Hello LO newsletter is great	Nov 3 Summit
we get better educated with the short version of anything, the long version to read more_ link	Nov 3 Summit
LO Review: more facts, less opinion	Nov 3 Summit
Need personal face to face communication from time to time	Nov 3 Summit
want the ground rules from the city at the beginning rather than at the end	Nov 3 Summit
post public meetings electronically, NA meetings, CC, PC, tree permits	Nov 3 Summit
awareness as well as involment	Nov 3 Summit
city should speak at NA meetings	Nov 3 Summit
actually listen to public input and act on it	Comment Forms
better city website	Comment Forms
housing! So many leave the city due to unaffordable housing. How can we correct this?	Comment Forms
keep open schools strong and our community stays strong	Comment Forms
promote social media at group gatherings, farmers market, library	Comment Forms
Schools are the backbones of our entire city. Without our educational promises, there is not a single young family who would move to the city. Our fabulous school district should be the #1 priority of our City. Followed by attracting businesses.	Comment Forms
unresolved WEB debt is an impediment to progress in many areas	Comment Forms
use internet for genX and boomers	Comment Forms
we need to continually recognize that what makes LO great is the diveristy in our population (young families, seniors). We must strive to compromise to meet everyone's needs.	Comment Forms
I think that this type of civic engagement is fine for some one in the older age bracket as well as the home bound. At least it gives us a chance to participate without going elsewhere to a meetong. It is also very convenient time wise.	Virtual Summit

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A more open dialog with city government.	Virtual Summit
A small news letter in everyones water bill would ensure the most people would know what was going on and what policies were being considered.	Virtual Summit
Active website with real time information webcasts of meetings	Virtual Summit
After preliminary plans are drawn up allow the citizens to vote on approval - or disapproval - of the plan (through Clackamas County Elections not some online 'vote' where only a couple thousand actually 'voice' their vote).	Virtual Summit
All media but make sure the input is from LO residents vs. those that want to tax and stress our resources that really are not part of the community...for example those that want access to the Lake would ruin LO as it would divide the community and it would be those from Tualatin Tigard Wilsonville Gresham etc---not LO residents. Keep it with us	Virtual Summit
Any decision involving more than 5% of the city's annual budget should be made the subject of a community meeting. At the end of the meeting those participating should vote on the decision and the City's officials should act in accordance with the result of the vote. Such meetings should be announced at least a week in advance and be held in a location (real or virtual) capable of conveniently accommodating at least 10% of the City's adult population.	Virtual Summit
better keeping up with latest media to reach youngest audiences - LO currently behind in a few areas difficult to embrace the unknown but generally necessary to evolve (example: postage becoming too expensive). Items like tree notices should be emailed but continue to go by mail.	Virtual Summit
City council should keep an open mind and listen to all citizens not just those supporting their view point. The coucil needs to LISTEN to ALL citizens.	Virtual Summit
combine all city information onto a single web-site and re-organize the web-site for easier use more use of single button click to get to a department. Continue to send mailers in the short term for those citizens who don't use computers and provide hard copy information in the library and city hall. HelloLO is a great communications tool	Virtual Summit
complete more community surveys on important topics. let the community provide input.	Virtual Summit
Continue with pulbic meetings and workshop; work through the Review newspaper; and send periodic updates via the mail.	Virtual Summit
Continued web and news paper information	Virtual Summit
Do not limit quick reads surveys to social media. Not everyone has or uses facebook twitter etc.	Virtual Summit
E-Mail	Virtual Summit
E-MAIL	Virtual Summit
Email city website and Facebook are adequate.	Virtual Summit
Email is a great way to keep in touch. You may consider sending out the city council agenda that way rather than relying on the newspaper for everything. I also like the phone system you have for alerts.	Virtual Summit
Email responses. There should be a link on the front page to make it easy to find where to participate.	Virtual Summit
First the City Council should take an open minded approach to actually listening to citizens at meetings where their input is requested. Several of the City Council members are condascending to the citizens of Lake Oswego. We certainly do not want to 'automate' a bad process with social media.	Virtual Summit
Full transparency of decision processes. We can have transcripts and videos on-line of all meetings memos etc. The government shouldn't be afraid to air everything they're doing.	Virtual Summit
I believe more surveys of the population on their opionions regarding policies and decisions would be very helpful. It seems to me the city is very lacks in soliciting the opinions of residents.	Virtual Summit
I don't believe that this is the responsibility of the City. People who want to be involved already are or in a community such as ours know of organizations where they can contribute.	Virtual Summit
I see more people getting involved but the current mechanisms for receiving public comment too often leave people feeling unheard and marginalized. Surely there are techniques for validating disparate opinions and for positive consensus building. I do not see this happening at our city government.	Virtual Summit
I think if you are interested now you have every opportunity to be heard. All you have to do is atne dany meeting you want. i would not change anything along these lines.	Virtual Summit
I think you need to have complete written information sent out that details the issues and decisions that need to be made followed up with public meetings. Not everyone is linked into hi-tech approaches	Virtual Summit
It appears that we are currently making use of most current and efficient means of gathering input but I believe issues lie in the underlying intent philosphy and processes used to convert information into decisions. The effect is to discount the input of many well-informed citizens who may disagree with some current decisions and directions resulting from them.	Virtual Summit
It's not so much a matter of how you reach citizens but that there is respect for all citizens.	Virtual Summit
Keep the website updated and communicate through the LO Review. Don't make it complicated.	Virtual Summit
Make sure that Lake Oswego residents actually feel that they have some input to decision making. Two cases where that has obviously not been the point the West End Building and the Sensitive Lands rules.	Virtual Summit
More honest elections with pre information that is transparent and clear about the people / issues.	Virtual Summit

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Most things that involve spending large sums of money (streetcar redevelopment WEB) should be put to a community vote.	Virtual Summit
New technologies and social media are terrific forward-thinking ways to engage the community especially if you primarily want to hear from are the under-55 set but please accept the idea that there are many within our community who not only do not have access to a computer (in spite of their being available in the library i.e. lack of a ride etc) but also these folks are not comfortable navigating through computers and especially through social media sites. Think about who you are trying to reach and make these questions available to all. The USPS works fine for that.	Virtual Summit
NO new technologies or social media are needed. Simply provide greater time lead-time and more in-depth and factually accurate background materials in advance of any meeting. Also hardcopies of materials should be readily available for interested neighborhoods and citizens at City Hall the Library the WEB and the ACC.	Virtual Summit
None	Virtual Summit
None communication is good.	Virtual Summit
Not everyone has access to online info texting social media etc. The City of Lake Oswego needs to remember this....	Virtual Summit
not sure	Virtual Summit
Open public forums with creative brainstorming	Virtual Summit
Send out weekly e-mail to those who subscribe. Include the Oregonian in your announcements or seed articles about what is happening. Keep LO Residents apprised of any plans you have and truly listen not like the Trolley Fiasco or the intrusion into our private decisions about our property.	Virtual Summit
Start by listening to citizens when they write to you or testify. Stop ignoring input you already get.	Virtual Summit
Strategies such as this.	Virtual Summit
The city has offered may different ways of ensuring all segments of our community can participate in decision-making. The City has to ask themselves why then do they get so little turn out and few collective comments about decision making issues. The City should ask that question in an all community survey without asking for consultant assistance. The general public has a prevailing inherent attitude that the decision making has already happened and no matter how much input they give City's mind is already made up. The City doesn't seem to care why there is low turnout and few comments instead they have labeled this the vocal minority. In order to truly strategize. Unless this attitude is turned around and until people feel that their written comments and oral testimony are truly considered then civic engagement will not happen. The advisory boards are hand picked members and are of like mind. Unless Council and Mayor is truly interested in listening to & reading everyone's comments and is willing to give each and every person a reply and acknowledgement then the community will continue to show apathy. The lack of involvement and civic engagement doesn't mean the public agrees with the decisions that are being made.	Virtual Summit
The Lake Oswego Review would be a good place to post your questions for people to respond to. Many families get this.	Virtual Summit
The problem is that right now there are many citizens who feel that their input is ignored marginalized and misrepresented. The City pretends to take citizen input but always has their end point in mind and directs the process to what the desired outcome is so people are cynical about the idea that their input actually makes a difference. Those who don't agree are subjected to slander and treated like they are criminals.	Virtual Summit
There are no new technologies or media needed. The internet and for those without it a printed summary of what is asked for should surface. My experience with the city council is they don't often listen and have pre-judged the matter. In short it is a waste of time to go to council meetings until a major change occurs with some of the persons involved.	Virtual Summit
This type of virtual questionnaire is good.	Virtual Summit
Too many citizens have offered input and still feel marginalized and unheard. Surely there are strategies for truly listening and absorbing varied opinion.	Virtual Summit
Use many different mediums to make sure you capture the old as well as the young.	Virtual Summit
We need a mayor and 3 different city council members who will actually listen to citizen comment and act on that rather than their own agenda. We don't need any more million dollar surveys by outsiders. ALL meetings should be open to citizen input- including study sessions.	Virtual Summit
What do you consider 'all segments' of the community? The 'property-taxpaying citizens' in this community should have the biggest say so in the decision making in this community as they will be the ones paying for it.	Virtual Summit
What is the best way to get you involved in your neighborhood and local government?	
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farmers market	Nov 3 Summit
elementary is divorced from neighborhood	Nov 3 Summit
Lake grove/river grove split	Nov 3 Summit

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informative interactive website for neighborhood associations shared activities, email list	Nov 3 Summit
what can you do for your neighborhood association, not the reverse	Nov 3 Summit
chamber of commerce has few neighborhood associations listed	Nov 3 Summit
advisory board access: you will be heard	Nov 3 Summit
most people are content	Nov 3 Summit
policy: identify range of people to be represented	Nov 3 Summit
neighborhood associations aren't taken into consideration in the comprehensive plan	Nov 3 Summit
looking for generalists	Nov 3 Summit
not difficult to identify issues	Nov 3 Summit
neighborhood associations should have an educational focus	Nov 3 Summit
there is not enough city support for neighborhood associations	Nov 3 Summit
cultivate leaders for boards and commissions	Nov 3 Summit
make it easier to work meetings into my schedule	Nov 3 Summit
what programs draw people to neighborhood associations? Use social media	Nov 3 Summit
individual characteristics of neighborhood associations: one size does not fit all	Nov 3 Summit
look at other models of civic engagement, bring it here	Nov 3 Summit
balance structure vs. keep it meaningful	Nov 3 Summit
encourage people's self responsibility	Nov 3 Summit
neighborhood signs, website, email	Nov 3 Summit
smaller neighborhood associations?	Nov 3 Summit
neighborhood associations meet quarterly? Semi-annually	Nov 3 Summit
less frequent summits would allow more people to meet, consolidate advertising, regular dates, county wide	Nov 3 Summit
more neighborhoods with specific issues	Nov 3 Summit
annual consolidated report with hyperlinks	Nov 3 Summit
want to feel like someone is listening/cares	Nov 3 Summit
best way to get people involved is for them to see a benefit from involvement	Nov 3 Summit
usually issue-based. When issue goes away, people go away	Nov 3 Summit
we already have good involvement, continue to provide the information	Nov 3 Summit
E-mail communication. Meetings like these. Outreach from neighborhood associations	Comment Forms
make it accessible and interesting. Vital for neighborhood, LONAC is not the answer	Comment Forms
media access and ability to comment	Comment Forms
through the schools!	Comment Forms
vote and participate	Comment Forms
walk your neighborhood, talk to your neighbors, stand up and volunteer	Comment Forms
I do participate in my neighborhood meetings as I am able. I am a little old to take on a real committee assignment even though many appeal to me.	Virtual Summit
Actually listen to us when we do get involved. If you ignore the input and 'end run' the residents why would we think we can make a difference.	Virtual Summit
As long as city government continues to ignore citizen input there does not seem much point in getting involved.	Virtual Summit
Attend council meetings.	Virtual Summit
Attend meetings get information online answer surveys	Virtual Summit
Attend meetings read the LO Review talk to neighbors	Virtual Summit
Attend meetings talk to councilors and members of boards and commissions volunteer.	Virtual Summit
Attend meetings and volunteer for committees.	Virtual Summit
Ban CCR's in neighborhood associations....they are devisive and controled by a few. Community Committee input is important. More programs like Neighbors helping Neighbors. More community support for those community members is crisis so they can stay in the community. More advance notice through media and mailings/emailings of government hearings issues etc.	Virtual Summit
Become a member the your neighborhood association. Join worthy groups such as the Heritage Fondation.	Virtual Summit
By letting me know what is being considered at any given time there are so many things being decided at the city in so many different areas it is very hard for the citizens to know when something comes up that is important to them. (again maybe a simple note with the water bill)	Virtual Summit
By sending an email or puting the current issues being considered in the L O Review	Virtual Summit
Contue to publicize neighbor hood meetings and subjects 'pro and con' to be discussed.	Virtual Summit
Distribute a summary of all city council meeting (with a link to the full meeting minutes) and highlight items where citizens can get involved such as: survey due dates citizen input meeting dates and times etc. Distribution could be via email for those citizens willing to provide their email address. (However this email address would not be flooded with other city emails.)	Virtual Summit
Do a better job of implementing popular opinion and as elected officials honor those who you represent especially when it is not what you personally want to do. The job is to represent People not your own person. If done people will become more involved.	Virtual Summit

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Don't just send out announcement actively solicit feedback through opinion polls. I don't have a lot of free time to attend meetings but I do have time to fill out short surveys.	Virtual Summit
email web-based communication	Virtual Summit
E-mail updates and a subscriber list.	Virtual Summit
emails from City are good sources of news. My involvement is dependent on things that are happening within city.	Virtual Summit
Get rid of the red tape to be productive in the neighborhood.	Virtual Summit
Go to a City meeting when there is a topic you care about. Write to the City Council. Write to the paper.	Virtual Summit
I already am to some degree as time allows. One of the best things that the Council is really pretty good at is acknowledging comments submitted by citizens and listening.	Virtual Summit
I am involved. I am tired of being involved so long. The question you should ask here is what is the best way to get others who have not been involved involved? Are they perfectly content in letting those of us who are stay involved? Don't know.	Virtual Summit
I get involved when I have a specific issue. Too many neighborhood and community meetings are too general. Work through small groups whenever possible	Virtual Summit
I get involved when I have an issue that concerns me. Many 'neighborhood' meetings etc. are general. More specific topics are helpful.	Virtual Summit
I have always been involved and very aware of what is going on in my community and have been involved in volunteering for various organizations my entire adult life. I did not need the City to do this.	Virtual Summit
I have been more involved since the sensitive lands property seizures. I suppose outrage and injustice gets me involved best.	Virtual Summit
I only get involved when there is a specific issue that directly affects me. My time is limited. I do respond to on-line surveys but don't have time to go to evening or weekend events	Virtual Summit
Join and Paticipate	Virtual Summit
Join in on a local level	Virtual Summit
Keep me informed allow input and don't make decisions until views have been expressed.	Virtual Summit
Lake Oswego seems like one of the most civically engaged cities in the state of oregon.	Virtual Summit
Less online surveys and more face to face community summits...	Virtual Summit
Listen to and/or attend City Council meetings assuming there is ample time for citizens to engage in a discussion. Be a member of neighborhood association.	Virtual Summit
Make sure the opinions expressed by the neighbors are given due consideration and are not dismissed out of hand when they get to the City Council	Virtual Summit
More timely information from the city about it's plans and direction.	Virtual Summit
My neighborhood only has one NA meeting per year. It would be really nice if they had at least one per month & if we could go over current projects/plans - either contemplated or going on in other parts of Lake O too.	Virtual Summit
My neighborhood would be with the neighborhood association. I don't even know when they meet. I don't think they are particularly active. Perhaps if they were more active and solicited involvement. As far as local government give me a list of areas of interest and I'll tell you what I might help with.	Virtual Summit
Neighborhood association school or join a committee	Virtual Summit
Neighborhood associations public forums and advisory groups.	Virtual Summit
Neighborhood meetings and by internet.	Virtual Summit
Neighborhood meetings like they have. Issues that are of close concern to get involved on that topic to educate others	Virtual Summit
Online communication such as this.	Virtual Summit
Provide information and allow us to vote.	Virtual Summit
Stop ignoring the citizens' values and vision in favor of your own.	Virtual Summit
Surveys such as this.	Virtual Summit
The best way is to show that citizen involvement is effective. Having the each issue of the Lake Oswego Review publish City officials' decisions side-by-side with the relevant citizen vote tallies (see my comments on Policy Question #1) would be a step in that direction.	Virtual Summit
This is good	Virtual Summit
To re-establish a citizen staffed Committee for Citizen Involvement. The Planning Commission is not the appropriate body to assume this responsibility. Then outreach invitation and support by the CCI to the individual Neighborhoods.	Virtual Summit
Understand that a lot of people are not impressed with slick promo-type events such as the youTube media on the front part of this survey. This turns them off from involvement because it appears that some decisions have been made already (for example how to present these ideas). Again you're doing a great job of engaging the 20-somethings and understandably they will be the ones around in th next 50-70 years but for those of us who plan on at least another 30 or 40 years we want to be approached in a slightly more traditional way. Also you need to offer opportunities for decision-making (which perhaps this is) without it appearing that the ultimate decisions are already foregone conclusions.	Virtual Summit
Volunteer.	Virtual Summit
How should we measure success for civic engagement?	

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

<i>Comment</i>	<i>Source</i>
attendance at evenings like tonight. Responses to surveys	Comment Forms
braod based discussions vs small focus groups shaping key policies. More open city government	Comment Forms
concentrate on sustainability and accessibility	Comment Forms
creates participation	Comment Forms
degree to which city council act in manner majority wants	Comment Forms

EDUCATION

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During the first year of public outreach the idea of Lake Oswego as a learning community was raised. What role should the City play in supporting and enhancing community education and learning opportunities?	
<i>Comment</i>	<i>Source</i>
continuous learning	Nov 3 Summit
LO+marylhurs+PCC	Nov 3 Summit
leverage community school emails to publicize k-12 and adult learning courses. For example, class at LHS that could include more people.	Nov 3 Summit
parks and recreation should be more closely connected with community schools	Nov 3 Summit
consider transportation for special needs	Nov 3 Summit
club sports, parks and recreation, and schools meet (x) times a year to c=plan facilities, coordinate more closely	Nov 3 Summit
foreign/world language private programs	Nov 3 Summit
work for 8 year old to 80 year old	Nov 3 Summit
offer language classes for all ages, integrate young and old	Nov 3 Summit
housing for young families: research families with kids 2-5. Where are they?	Nov 3 Summit
incentives to get young families	Nov 3 Summit
incentives to get empty nesters to move/downsize	Nov 3 Summit
multi-level homes	Nov 3 Summit
segment starter home	Nov 3 Summit
need LO realtor to see range of LO homes (Portland realtors don't know).	Nov 3 Summit
city needs baseline and performance measures to judge success	Nov 3 Summit
public schools are the cornerstone of the community	Nov 3 Summit
life long learning is important	Nov 3 Summit
we would not pay what we pay if schools were not top notch	Nov 3 Summit
citizen mentoring programs at schools	Nov 3 Summit
open community to wide economic spectrum to enhance entire population	Nov 3 Summit
strength of tomorrows economy is the strength of the school system	Nov 3 Summit
pay attention to senior issues	Nov 3 Summit
work with principals to keep schools open	Nov 3 Summit
city help with technology	Nov 3 Summit
scholarships for folks who can't afford it	Nov 3 Summit
city create scholarship fund	Nov 3 Summit
city work with schools on cost or permits at schools	Nov 3 Summit
core classes are important but basic weaving is not	Nov 3 Summit
study abroad programs with city's help	Nov 3 Summit
strong support with money in tough times	Nov 3 Summit
larger connection between marylhurst, pcc, LOSD	Nov 3 Summit
education is a core value	Nov 3 Summit
sidewalks provided by city to improve school connections	Nov 3 Summit
adult community center	Nov 3 Summit
community helps with tutoring	Nov 3 Summit
do research on heritage of area, consolidate materials in one place	Nov 3 Summit
Lakewood Center is a re-purposed elementary school-city and community work together	Nov 3 Summit
Partnerships with city on training	Nov 3 Summit
18-hour school facility?	Nov 3 Summit
Education, arts, rec programs	Nov 3 Summit
adult education	Nov 3 Summit
survey community-what do you want to learn	Nov 3 Summit
connection with community school	Nov 3 Summit
what opportunities for adults or what we might become	Nov 3 Summit
lifelong learners-lectures	Nov 3 Summit
School district to work with City simliar to successful concert series	Nov 3 Summit
facilitate educational programs to meet diverse needs (disabilities, special needs)	Nov 3 Summit
city and schools should work together to coordinate and provide services	Nov 3 Summit
city should take a bigger role in state policy on education	Nov 3 Summit
city should faciitate ways to bring educational oppotunities to our citizens	Nov 3 Summit
city work to ensure safe crossings to our schools (crosswalks, speed limits...)	Nov 3 Summit
put policies in place for the city to financially support the schools	Nov 3 Summit
maintaining affordability of the city. (water, etc)	Nov 3 Summit
City and school should work closely on using facilities - working positively both on school grounds and city building	Nov 3 Summit
usage	Nov 3 Summit
athletic field maintenance	Nov 3 Summit

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access to continuing education, life long learning	Nov 3 Summit
market education	Nov 3 Summit
community school-self supporting	Nov 3 Summit
ACC - continue to support parks and rec	Nov 3 Summit
more safe places for teens	Nov 3 Summit
questions use of WEB - Teen Center	Nov 3 Summit
Keeps schools well supported, this will draw people to the city	Nov 3 Summit
school district bigger than city-we need to address this	Nov 3 Summit
Need a broader range fo adult education	Nov 3 Summit
need strategies for attracting families	Nov 3 Summit
being smarter about using existing rec space-fields	Nov 3 Summit
cohesive program between schools, parks & rec, and city	Comment Forms
I don't believe the city should spend much of it's limited budget on continuing education. These dollars should be used for k-12 for the most part.	Comment Forms
Provide indirect support and coordination but education is responsibility of the State of Oregon	Comment Forms
schools are the #1 reason people move to LO. Strong support is or should be the #1 spending priority right after life safety	Comment Forms
Schools are the cornerstone of our community. Without our exceptional schools, there is far less reason to live here. The City should prioritize policies the support our schools	Comment Forms
support city funds to keep educational system in LO and utilize community. Foster a culture of learning for all ages	Comment Forms
support fields and pool. Other than that, do not blur the responsibility of city and school district	Comment Forms
support public library, support programs at the library, author series, computer training	Comment Forms
the city should be very supportive of LOSD because the schools bring famnilies to this community. The LO community schools and LO Parks & Rec should work more lcosely together for seamless educational opportunities for all ages	Comment Forms
The city should continue to support existing partnerships between LOSD and the city, and continue to look for ways to partner with nearby higher education institutions	Comment Forms
I think the city's emphasis on educational activities associated with the arts and those things that the schools are cutting from their programs are the things most needed	Virtual Summit
I yhink that the main function of the school district is to educate our children. I also think that maybe some adult classes could be tried. We definitely must continue with our school foundation efforts.	Virtual Summit
A strong education system is the backbone of the community. The City should invest in it as it keeps all other areas strong and viable.	Virtual Summit
Any role it can especially through creative monetary or value contributions.	Virtual Summit
City include education as a community value	Virtual Summit
City should aid the school district in any way appropriate.	Virtual Summit
Do as much as you can. Remember this is a city proud of its identity as educated and informed. Be sure to coordinate with LOSD.	Virtual Summit
Don't understand the question. I thought that this is responsibility of school board not the city.	Virtual Summit
Education comes before any other priority for the city.	Virtual Summit
Everything needs to be put on the table. This has to do with how we propose development to encourage families to move to LO and additionally how we fund our schools. Education is key to the very fabric that makes up or community. The city can help fund manage and share properties and use a broader scope to maximize all existing facilities.	Virtual Summit
everything possible.	Virtual Summit
existing programs are fulfilling the needs. More could be added.	Virtual Summit
Focus on helping K-12 education! Do not spend City resources on higher education institutions except as a business development activity.	Virtual Summit
Give educational efforts flexibility to operate perhaps encourage discussion --- but not something that the City needs to provide funding for etc.	Virtual Summit
High priority. Support LOSD both financially and work together to enhance all educational opportunities within our city.	Virtual Summit
I don't know about this question but I do know that people with children move here for the schools. The City should do all it can within the law to support our schools AND the city should be in a leadership role to advocate for better education funding at the State level. City services should not be so expensive as to prevent young families from moving here or be so costly that people don't have the money to give to the Foundation. There also may be some synergies between Community School and the Parks/Rec programs to pursue.	Virtual Summit
I feel the City adequately supports this goal already through the Parks and Rec program and other programs.	Virtual Summit
I have no children or grandchildren in LO schools so have no basis for ah opinion.	Virtual Summit

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I think that is why you have community school and a school board. I would focus City people on more City issues and school board on school issues	Virtual Summit
I think they do a pretty good job now. We do need to maintain some sort of community center such as the WEB with classes.	Virtual Summit
Information	Virtual Summit
It appears that this question implies the city should be engaged in new roles beyond those necessary to educate our children. The city should limit itself to being a reasonable host for educational institutions and organizations with their own funding to provide services to LO citizens.	Virtual Summit
Keep an active Parks and Recreation Department; active adult community center library and partner with the schools in ways to create synergy with regard to facilities and field costs/sharing	Virtual Summit
No comment	Virtual Summit
None - it is not the City's responsibility. That is why there is a school district with its own elected board appointed administrator and taxing authority. it is not the City's fault if the state funding system is broken	Virtual Summit
NONE! More than 50% of our state and Federal taxes go to support an ever increasing Education budget..... a hugely ineffective and inept system already. Why would we think that more money would remedy the ineptitude. Don't compare LO to Grant HS compare it to private schools who are vastly more effective with a fraction of the NONE. The school system is an independent entity from the city. They have complete freedom to conduct their affairs as it should be. They have the power to float bonds for any purpose. The city should not be involved because the school system will become politicalized. An example is the recent illegal action of the mayor to provide funding for the school system by raising our taxes by the slick scheme of increasing the city franchise fee (tax) without a vote.	Virtual Summit
Not too much this cost all of us and I don't know if the cost of some programs is worth the amount of participation	Virtual Summit
Perhaps coordinate more with the school district so there isn't so much overlap between Community School and Parks/Rec offerings.	Virtual Summit
Probably the most important part of our country's infrastructure is our educational system. In order to have a stronger middle-class working population we must have a strong educational system. And in this system we must learn to get out of ourselves and learn about other countries become fluent in other languages (both speaking and writing) and be aware and knowledgeable about manufacturing and high tech. Therefore the role that Lake Oswego should take is to do whatever is legal to enhance our educational system and prepare our children to take meaningful jobs at acceptable income levels.	Virtual Summit
The City has no role. The current government bureaucracies (Oregon Department of Education Clackamas Education Service District and Lake Oswego School District) are more than enough.	Virtual Summit
The City needs to quit spending money on community education. The 'taxpayers' in this community are overburdened and it is not the responsibility of the taxpayers via the City to squander the taxpayers' tax dollars.	Virtual Summit
The City provided these opportunities through its Parks and Rec program and other programs. Otherwise the City should support others with this goal.	Virtual Summit
The City should be the main source of funds for offering educational opportunities for adults. The school district's facilities should be used but financing adult education is more than the school district can handle.	Virtual Summit
The city should do a better job helping the school district secure funding that is more stable.	Virtual Summit
The city should play a limited role.	Virtual Summit
The City should support community education as well the public schools. Public education at all ages is what makes Lake Oswego a great place to live and attracts many to this community. However we need to be more innovative in our approach and less traditional.	Virtual Summit
The City's role in community education should be through continued partnership with the LOSD in the use of facilities. And for life-long learning through enhanced relationships/partnerships with both Marylhurst College and Portland Community College.	Virtual Summit
The number one priority behind public safety is the schools. The city should do everything in their power to strengthen LOSD. The backbone of our community is the schools. Through zoning planning and every other way education should be a top priority for the City	Virtual Summit
The Parks & Rec offerings are suitable large variety new offerings come along all the time	Virtual Summit
This is not the role of the City. The city has basic responsibilities - police fire and roads. That is it.	Virtual Summit
This is the paramount issue. The main reason live here is for our quality schools. The city must help when ever possible to help maintain this valuable asset	Virtual Summit
This should be left to individuals. The property taxpayers of Lake Oswego cannot afford and should not have to pay for community education.	Virtual Summit
We need a community center with pool facilities class space childcare etc. Something similar to Southwest Community Center. A center for all ages.	Virtual Summit

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Some of the school locations are noted on the 2035 Vision Map as neighborhood hubs or gathering places. What role beyond their primary role of childhood education should school facilities play within the neighborhoods and community and how can these roles help to keep closed schools viable until they can be re-opened in the future?	
<i>Comment</i>	<i>Source</i>
Beaverton uses community schools/programs at schools being used as community centers	Nov 3 Summit
use elementary schools as hubs for activities for all ages	Nov 3 Summit
mobile coffee stand-make more accessible	Nov 3 Summit
playgrounds are great gathering hubs	Nov 3 Summit
car traffic may be an issue	Nov 3 Summit
high school business class could build "menu" of options	Nov 3 Summit
recruit/integrate retired people in art, reading assistance, aerobics...in schools	Nov 3 Summit
city needs a facilitator to galvanize integration and opportunities for community to share talent	Nov 3 Summit
software that can help identify opportunities where people can plug in and learn about opportunities/needs	Nov 3 Summit
adult community center classes in schools	Nov 3 Summit
home school open to public closed school	Nov 3 Summit
tap federal money for empty schools	Nov 3 Summit
lease property out	Nov 3 Summit
use community center to help tutor at schools	Nov 3 Summit
use available class space for scouts	Nov 3 Summit
schools need to be open for use, city to help with heat, electricity, janitor at closed schools	Nov 3 Summit
circulator bus	Nov 3 Summit
turn over schools temporarily to the city for community use, or boy/girl scouts	Nov 3 Summit
disruptive to elementary schools, good for highschoools	Nov 3 Summit
use the gym of closed schools	Nov 3 Summit
new identity for LO: LO to become a destination, re: lifelone learning opportunities	Nov 3 Summit
only usable as schools because conditional use permit is required in residential zones. What events appropriately can occur?	Nov 3 Summit
concern that the closed schools don't become a "hang out"	Nov 3 Summit
is there a need for daycare/after-school activities	Nov 3 Summit
could be ideal locales for adult education	Nov 3 Summit
classes are personal spaces of teachers/students. Should be careful as to what sue can occur after hours	Nov 3 Summit
need dedicated spaces	Nov 3 Summit
reduce stress on existing buildings where people are meeting by using the closed schools to keep them alive	Nov 3 Summit
people not to go to downtown PDX for lectures but stay here	Nov 3 Summit
world affairs counsil series here in LOHS rather than Marylhurst	Nov 3 Summit
Look at possibility of renting out vacant (closed) school space to groups (event planner?)	Nov 3 Summit
work to get kids out in the community	Nov 3 Summit
ensure safety around the schools as other people/groups use facilities	Nov 3 Summit
Use closed schools to hold events for various district groups (i.e. special services)	Nov 3 Summit
clear policy on how school space can be used (all city space as well)	Nov 3 Summit
find a way to use closed schools for neighborhood activities to keep its role as a community hub	Nov 3 Summit
maintain open access to school playgrounds and outdoor facilities	Nov 3 Summit
nice to have smaller library sites	Nov 3 Summit
library drop boxes at the schools	Nov 3 Summit
maintain partnership between schools and LOPD. Resource officers in schools	Nov 3 Summit
allowing city employees to participate in school activities maintain/create "community connector" positions- connect city with the kids	Nov 3 Summit
bring high school activities into the community-more activities like track meets	Nov 3 Summit
partnership with various city organizations (lion club, rotary)	Nov 3 Summit
Use schools for adult education - fields, facilities	Nov 3 Summit
Luscher as an educational resource	Nov 3 Summit
connnect closed schools- local community centers	Nov 3 Summit
national guard armory is an asset	Nov 3 Summit
share school facilities and libraries with civic organizations	Nov 3 Summit
daycare sites at closed schools	Nov 3 Summit
schools can provide space for community gardens	Nov 3 Summit
decentralize adult classes to elementary schools, use empty schools	Nov 3 Summit
schools could distribute library services/books	Nov 3 Summit
how do we link with private schools/marylhurst	Nov 3 Summit

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expand education both public and private	Nov 3 Summit
help schools by partnering with foundation	Nov 3 Summit
city can encourage outreach for participation in foundation	Nov 3 Summit
upgrade elementary schools - make them great and attractive to new families-technology improvements, computer labs	Nov 3 Summit
covered outdoor facilities	Nov 3 Summit
Allow neighborhood groups, church and community groups to continue to use those facilities in fiscally responsible ways	Comment Forms
closed schools should be utilized to fill education gap; adult education (18-65), after school for 911-18), early earls support, etc	Comment Forms
community "all ages" learning events	Comment Forms
Community centers! Especially utilizing the schools that are closing for community hubs for all ages. They can offer classes, open gyms, rec opportunities, etc to bring people together. Think: Garden Home Rec center-a great model	Comment Forms
Limited. Since 71% of residents do not have school-age children. That may change slightly but not much in next 20 years.	Comment Forms
Make them community activity centers	Comment Forms
meetings, neighborhood meetings, seminars	Comment Forms
offer after-hours recreation	Comment Forms
rent out or sell surplus schools to help growing shortfalls	Comment Forms
Use buildings (as appropriate) to support adult education and community gathering	Comment Forms
utilize closed schools for community education of all ages and community meetings.	Comment Forms
Maybe they could be used for all sorts of civic activities as well as adult education programs such as community	Virtual Summit
schools could be made available during non-classroom times for use by the community	Virtual Summit
Active Schools and their facilities should be available for instantaneous community meeting places - as LO High School was used for this meeting . Closed schools should be kept kept available for reopening within 120 days notice. either for school or community activities	Virtual Summit
Allow private enterprise like 'day care' to use and maintain the facilities at 'cost' or slightly above. If there are wood shops or meeting rooms offices storage areas (like RV storage) or craft rooms etc rent them to private management to raise money like the national parks get private management and concessionaires.	Virtual Summit
Anything for the well being of the community. Art Expos parks and rec programs etc.	Virtual Summit
As to closed schools let groups use the facilities for meetings sports etc. --- perhaps with some appropriate charge. Schools should be a focus of neighborhood involvement as it helps define 'the neighborhood'.	Virtual Summit
Closed schools could be used for community meeting spaces. Their gyms can be used for athletic needs.	Virtual Summit
community meeting locations day care teen centers	Virtual Summit
Community meetings sports help the ill hungry and homeless in our community public events and gatherings community education art events Neighbors helping Neighbors year round small businesses off-site innovation classes for students housing etc.	Virtual Summit
Community recreation areas both indoor and outdoor; meeting places for community organizations.	Virtual Summit
Consider facilities for more than education facilities; open up after hours for athletic facilities for community etc	Virtual Summit
continue as recreation sites (as community school schedules gyms and fields); need to be kept clean and safe could play role for 'healthy' community options - mini farmers markets gathering places for neighborhood association or office for neighborhoods (they are the ones who vote for schools)	Virtual Summit
Don't fight to keep them open close them when not needed.	Virtual Summit
I think they do serve the community in many ways: sports scouts etc.I think we should look at the closed school and find a way to have these making money instead of costing the community	Virtual Summit
If the groups want to rent space would help.	Virtual Summit
If we lead and do the right things in this vision plan they will re-open. Look at Westridge for example when the last economic downturn hit. It is imperative to keep the closed schools in ready for re-opening status. Until then the fields and the schools do provide opportunity for meetings and recreations. I do not believe we should transition a school into something that can not be reversed	Virtual Summit
It seems questionable to assume these closed schools will necessarily re-open. So some wordsmithing appears appropriate. This is a somewhat challenging question for one needs to acknowledge sometimes the nestled location of such schools-very much within their respective neighborhoods.; as opposed to sitting on a major thorough-fare. It would seem the most appropriate uses would be for private school operations. Also as the location for parks and recreation programs. Additionally for Neighborhood Association meetings. There should be NO commercial operations-other than private K-12-allowed.	Virtual Summit
Maintain their athletic facilities for Recreational use - both fields and gyms.	Virtual Summit

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Make the schools pubs for the neighborhoods. Work in partnership with the school district to make the schools an active part of the neighborhoods whether they are closed or open.	Virtual Summit
Maybe they never will need to be reopened. The school enrollment is down - that is just fine. Sell the schools and theuse that money for what is needed in the existing schools then the schools would not be begging to t he City for money.	Virtual Summit
No additional roles are needed.	Virtual Summit
None	Virtual Summit
Offer start ups office space for reasonable rent. Small groups often need meeting rooms rent them one.	Virtual Summit
One possibliy is to facilitate the use of the puclicly-owned facilites for community recreation and education. By the way these activities should be self-funded. My understanding of the LO demographics suggests it is unlikely that closed schools will re-open. Why are you assuming otherwise?	Virtual Summit
Palisades school should be used as a park and community gathering place.	Virtual Summit
Please do not complicate the job of the already challenged professional educators.	Virtual Summit
Quit spending money on unnecessary projects. we have yet to utilize the West end Bldg and are talking about a new library location use the west end bldg	Virtual Summit
Rent the facilities for various social or city functions	Virtual Summit
School assets (gyms playgrounds meeting space classrooms) should be readily available for community use throughout the day on weekends and during the summer. There should be both open use and fee based usage available to the widest variety of citizens as possible. The primary purpose should NOT be to keep these facilities available for future use but to more fully maximize our community's investment.	Virtual Summit
School facilities should be open to all citizens (gyms playgrounds classrooms etc.) as much as possible on evenings weekends and during the summer. Use can be open or fee based. The goal should be to use our resources as much as possible.	Virtual Summit
Schools should be allowed to improve their parking lots. The code I believe says that 'athletic fields are not part of the green space' so schools have a ton of unkept weedy areas. Allow schools to finish these areas with better and expanded parking to keep people off the streets minimize the weed maintenance. It makes sense. The school district needs to decide how to use it's facilities not the city. This can be rented to private schools churches community colleges; used for seasonal markets/bazaars; athletics arts whatever makes sense.	Virtual Summit
Schools should not be closed. Staff at city hall should be reduced. No further real estate purchases should be made. Schools come first.	Virtual Summit
Sports fields playgrounds and gyms for recreational sports.	Virtual Summit
sports fields. Community functions boys scouts girl scouts etc.	Virtual Summit
The closed schools are not needed that is why they are closed. They should be morthballed. Any public use only consumes electricity gas for heating A/C etc. unless a fee is charged for the use. For those schools that remain open then they should be available for meetings of the public without restriction who meets there; community members the ACLU Boy/Girl Scouts garden club religious groups and so forth. A fee should also be charged to support the school budget	Virtual Summit
The closed schools should be used and maintained by the city so they will not have to be replaced when the school population increases.	Virtual Summit
The school district should determine whether or not a given school is viable and when to sell or dispose of the property.	Virtual Summit
Use existing facilities for parks and rec programs... as well as adult education/ continuing education opportunities. Partner with local colleges.	Virtual Summit
Use for community meetings lease out to day care or pre/post school child care providers. Use as community centers that offer classes or entertainment.	Virtual Summit
Use the athletic facilities for the community. Rent out space to the private schools if it is cash positive.	Virtual Summit
Would be great to tap into the learning and experience of our entire community to share the commitment and experience to learning and our schools---the excess facility capacity can be used this way.	Virtual Summit
How should we measure success for a learning community	
basic metrics for education	Comment Forms
cooperative learning, symbiotic relationships, multi-generational tutoring and mentoring. Transport for seniors	Comment Forms
cost, results and growth of citizens	Comment Forms
If our schools continue to keep their "excellent" status and small class sizes	Comment Forms
maximize current field-turf/lighting. Re-design to maximize	Comment Forms
participation, variety	Comment Forms
people fo all ages (preschool through retirees) being engaged in learning opportunities	Comment Forms
ratings of school district	Comment Forms

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SAT scores, HS graduation rates, % accepted and attending college	Comment Forms
the ability of the learning community to interact with the community at large in a positive manner	Comment Forms

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

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Should the City consider exploring ways to encourage historic preservation through strategies such developing incentives (such as priority permitting grant façade improvements) for requiring/allowing: a. Deconstruction of historic buildings instead of demolition b. More adaptive reuse (reusing an old site or building for a purpose other than which it was built or designed for) of historic structures and older buildings c. Incorporation of new energy saving building materials into historic buildings.	
<i>Comment</i>	<i>Source</i>
transfer unused FAR (impacts community character, appropriate in certain zones)	Nov 3 Summit
façade rehab needs to be compatible with historic character	Nov 3 Summit
cross-reference commercial development standards with preservation code	Nov 3 Summit
deconstruction: find incentives or other ways to make it economical, but focus should always be on preservation	Nov 3 Summit
regulation for resources on the national register	Nov 3 Summit
adaptive reuse needs to be compatible with neighborhood character	Nov 3 Summit
provide incentives to prevent demolition by neglect	Nov 3 Summit
deconstruction: city staff needs to buy in	Nov 3 Summit
could LO be a community where it is socially unacceptable to demolish historic structures?	Nov 3 Summit
a. no, b.yes, c. no	Comment Forms
a. yes, b. yes, c. no	Comment Forms
a. yes, b. yes, c. no! do not meddle with energy savings mandates. For much background I can tell you-stay out.	Comment Forms
a. yes, b. yes, c.yes	Comment Forms
a. yes, b.yes, c.yes	Comment Forms
a. yes, b.yes, c.yes	Comment Forms
a. yes, b.yes, c.yes	Comment Forms
a.yes, b.yes, c.yes but only if the materials are compatible with restoration of the historic buiding. The city needs to tighten regulations for preserving historic structures.	Comment Forms
b.yes	Comment Forms
b.yes, c. yes, more funding for preservation	Comment Forms
yes to grant façade. a. yes-better for the environment but where are funds for this coming from?, b.yes, c. no,	Comment Forms
Sounds good	Virtual Summit
I think the above stated policies are good ones	Virtual Summit
A historic building is tied to its location otherwise it is just another old building. What is historic should remain in as much an original state and place as possible. I am against moving historic buildings for any reason.	Virtual Summit
A. Deconstructing is the private owners decision not the city. B. Having a friend living in a former fire house repurpose of a building in the owners right...the church on Frist street is a great example. Once a church now a home. C. I can't believe that this is even a discussion point. If the owner wants to keep it original that 's their right. If they want to take advantage of technology again that's their right.	Virtual Summit
Agreed providing that city taxpayers do not subsidize private property preservation that should be the responsibility of the property owners	Virtual Summit
all good inclusions but keep in mind cost versus practicality - and timelines for completing projects	Virtual Summit
At what cost? Many of LO's older buildings are already gone and I see few others with architectural/historic value. Who's to decide what should be 'required'?	Virtual Summit
Be more flexible in allowing demo of old buildings and enhance value of city.	Virtual Summit
Could be encouraged but not legislated. Funding for any of this hould come from grants and private monies.	Virtual Summit
deconstruction should be the only way buildings can be torn down or partially removed for remodeling. Our Lady of the Lake School should have been required to deconstruct their structures rather than plow them into the land fill. Especially siince Re-Building offered to come in and deconstruct and recycle so much of what was removed by bulldozer.	Virtual Summit
Demolition is fine. FAVOR UNIQUE BUISNESSES QUAINT SHOPS NOT WALMART. Do not require energy saving buildings further than state law it's already too costly and prohibits profitability.	Virtual Summit
Encouragement of re-use of historic and older buildings is important to maintaining the character of the town and is worthy of resourcing.	Virtual Summit
For a. if unsafe tear it down and replace it with a plaque. b. ditto c. Definate no. with every swist of the screw and element of history is destroyed.	Virtual Summit
Good idea to all of the above- just no new tax dollars to pay for this.	Virtual Summit
Historic preservation is important. Don't agree with the above	Virtual Summit
Historic preservation should be encouraged but while maintaining the historic integrity of the buildings. Not sure this does it.	Virtual Summit
Historical policies should give due consideration to the property rights of the owner.	Virtual Summit

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I have lived in two lovely old homes in this City and in the last 25 years I have seen many of the old homes here disappear. This community 'was' known for the old homes but will probably not be in the future as they are too expensive to live in with the high cost of maintenance and on top of that the high property taxes and high cost of water for irrigation. Unless and until property taxes go down these homes will not be maintained and will then be bulldozed and replaced with 'faux' homes.	Virtual Summit
I think historical buildings that make up areas of say New England(Boston etc.) give them some Arch significance and an everyday presence of history. Lake Oswego does not have this type of history yet but if older buildings can be remodeled or improved why not. Most certainly all construction should be updated when the time is right for conservation etc	Virtual Summit
I think the Historic Group is very hard on change and updating these buildings/homes.I think it is important to have these places in the community. But let's citizens update and expand on the building if needed. Look at Europe and how they have updated and kept the same feel but they are more useable space	Virtual Summit
I think the preservation of old structures are good when the structure is significant or unique. I do not support restoring buildings that were never attractive or unique.	Virtual Summit
I think there should be less 'formal' guidelines and if someone has a historic project accept the request based on the specific merits of the project. Don't over manage.	Virtual Summit
I think we have a nice mix already of historic building etc. I am more concerned about individual's property rights. I would encourage the city to always take into considering the rights of the current property owners.	Virtual Summit
It is doubtful that the City of Lake Oswego has undetermined or unmanaged historical structures that need this kind of managemet. Perhaps we should be putting this effort into maintaining our current community buildings: city hall Lake Oswego High School etc.	Virtual Summit
It would make sense to preserve the little bit of history we have.	Virtual Summit
Let's not spend too much tax payer money on this purpose. It should not be a core mission of the city.	Virtual Summit
Maybe but put the money into our kids	Virtual Summit
No It appears the most critical history has been protected	Virtual Summit
No comment	Virtual Summit
No.	Virtual Summit
No. You should get private funding for any historic preservation. If it is worth keeping someone will step forward.	Virtual Summit
Older buildings which are landmarks though not necessarily on the historic list should be preserved... ie: the Sundeleaf building currently housing Starbucks on State. It should not be moved. Having buildings such as that near newer buildings gives a stronger sense of history and is a graphic reminder of how much the city has evolved.	Virtual Summit
Our primary objective should be the active preservation and maintainance of our built heritage. At this time on behalf of the Lake Oswego Preservation Society the following additional recommendations to those shared at the Cultural Summit are offered: Enact legislation to prohibit 'demoition by neglect'; Provide notification to neighborhoods and interested citizens/groups of demolition permit requests; Provide incentives for the moving of historic structures as an alternative to demolition or deconstruction; Require mandatory deconstruction on any remodel of an historic home; Provide protection comparable to that of Landmark Designation Properties to National Register properties; Encourage the use of Conservation Easments; Provide assistance to Historic Property-owners through both technical and financial programs; Provide educational opprotunities for property-owners neighborhoods and citizens regarding the benefits of both historic preservation and sustainability.	Virtual Summit
Right now the city should focus on fiscal responsibility and not add additional expenses.	Virtual Summit
Sounds like the city would be financing the improvement or maintence of private property. There are historic preservation programs throughout the country. We need to take a look at what works best encouraging without restricting the property owner of an historic structure.	Virtual Summit
The city doesn't need to control everything and should let the historic properties evolve through private enterprise. There are plenty of regulations on the books to insure that the evolution of LO will be in keeping with the desires of the citizens.	Virtual Summit
The city needs to be more respectful of citizen's private property rights. Other than that which currently exists the city should not grant any additional incentives (which is really 'code' for credits/breaks for one group of properties -- the burden of which is bourne by the rest of the community) nor should the city place additional requirements on property owners which already fall under the tax deferred 'historical' designation.	Virtual Summit

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

The City should ENCOURAGE historic preservation including the use of incentives but property owners should have the freedom to make the ultimate decision depending upon economics and a host of other issues. When the City goes into the 'requiring' mode then this tends to build in mandated costs for the property owner. It seems that the City already has many 'requirements' that greatly restrict individual efforts and add to owners' costs. I have thought about rebuilding on our property but have dropped the idea when I realized all the hoops that I had to go through --- all at added cost.	Virtual Summit
Use deconstruction with use of the old site.	Virtual Summit
With just a 100 year history if we don't preserve the very few historic buildings we have we'll end up with nothing left from the beginning of our history. We should make it easy for people to love and care for our older buildings--being caretakers of them for the next generation. The Europeans know how to do it--we should take their example of valuing the old and not always having to take down and start over.	Virtual Summit
yes	Virtual Summit
Yes	Virtual Summit
Yes as long as it does not cost the City anything.	Virtual Summit
Yes but not by having the City incur expense to do so...	Virtual Summit
Yes deconstruction rather than demolition of historic buildings. However the City should work through both policy and code to prevent demolition. Yes more adaptive re-use in commercial areas and along major thorough-fares. The City should lead this effort by adaptively re-using its buildings including both the library-if another location is chosen-and the WEB. More detail is needed regarding the type of 'energy saving' building materials are being referred to. Certainly not new 'energy savings' windows.	Virtual Summit
Yes on a. and b.	Virtual Summit
Yes to incentives No to 'requireing/allowing'	Virtual Summit
YES!! YES!! YES!! Currently Lake Oswego views buildings as disposable. This needs to be changed.	Virtual Summit
Archaeological resources are referred to in the current historic goal and polices in the current plan. In the past the only action the City has taken to preserve and enhance archaeological resources is to call the state which has a specialist on staff to handle the issue. Should the City consider the cost and benefit to taking on more responsibility for protecting archaeological resources?	
<i>Comment</i>	<i>Source</i>
protect architectural resources-yes to expanding the city's regulation	Nov 3 Summit
expand historic resources inventory	Nov 3 Summit
conservation easements	Nov 3 Summit
photo inventory and story of property	Nov 3 Summit
use older homes of good design as examples for new construction	Nov 3 Summit
outreach to real estate community	Nov 3 Summit
celebrate community and place (arts and history)	Nov 3 Summit
city must provide substantial funding mechanisms for home owners of historic properties	Nov 3 Summit
develop a film to capture the importance of historic preservation	Nov 3 Summit
more stringent oversight of remodels of historic properties	Nov 3 Summit
written histories of all historic properties	Nov 3 Summit
<i>develop higher profile for historic preservation</i>	Nov 3 Summit
LO has grant money for historic properties on the LDL	Nov 3 Summit
schools: weave LO history into curriculum	Nov 3 Summit
neighborhood associations: promote historic properties	Nov 3 Summit
library: promote historic preservation	Nov 3 Summit
no	Comment Forms
no	Comment Forms
no	Comment Forms
no	Comment Forms
no, limited within LO	Comment Forms
no, state is enough	Comment Forms
yes	Comment Forms
yes	Comment Forms
yes	Comment Forms
yes	Comment Forms
Why? Why not leave it the way it is?	Virtual Summit
I'm unclear as to what the archaeological resources are that the city would consider protecting and what the budget would be for that	Virtual Summit
Absolutely not!	Virtual Summit
Absolutely not!! We don't need our own archaeologist. Why not continue to rely on the existing state staff?	Virtual Summit
Absolutely.	Virtual Summit

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consider but part of the vibrancy of the community is it's ability to change and stay updated - historic is welcome only when it is not unsightly or a drain (on finances) to maintain	Virtual Summit
Cost is a big issue- no new taxes. It is a good idea that so much information on LO history is out here but nothing new is needed.	Virtual Summit
Education is a better place to put the money	Virtual Summit
no	Virtual Summit
No	Virtual Summit
NO	Virtual Summit
no	Virtual Summit
No	Virtual Summit
No	Virtual Summit
NO	Virtual Summit
No	Virtual Summit
No We do not need to add employees to study limited archaeological resources.	Virtual Summit
No if that suggests hiring someone for staff. I think we are better served to hire in a contractor or consultant on a need basis (if artifacts are discovered).	Virtual Summit
No if the State has resources and programs in place to do this then I think we should use those resources and not recreate the wheel.	Virtual Summit
No In the grand scheme of things our city is just not that historical	Virtual Summit
No let the State handle this since they already have the resources in place.	Virtual Summit
NO NO NO	Virtual Summit
No -- the City has enough to do and this would be one more set of policies staff involvement and possibly conflict with the property owner. Present process of contacting state seems reasonable.	Virtual Summit
No this can be outsourced and represent our resources well...	Virtual Summit
NO!	Virtual Summit
No!	Virtual Summit
No.	Virtual Summit
no. Call the State.	Virtual Summit
NO. I don't believe this area warrants any additional City resources.	Virtual Summit
No. Just more bureaucracy.	Virtual Summit
No. This is not something that the city encounters often enough to rethink how it's currently handled.	Virtual Summit
NO. Use the experts provided by the state archaeologist. Don't spend any money on this.	Virtual Summit
No. The city doesn't need to hire staff for this function.	Virtual Summit
No. We don't need more staff. How about volunteers?	Virtual Summit
NO Keep it with the State	Virtual Summit
nope.	Virtual Summit
That is fine. We pay too much for this kind of stuff already. We should not fund further waste of LO Resources on it.	Virtual Summit
That should remain the domain of those who wish to take on such endeavors with as little interference as possible by government.	Virtual Summit
The city should be more fiscally responsible and NOT take on any additional projects until the economy recovers.	Virtual Summit
This is a reasonable way to address this goal. No change needed.	Virtual Summit
To some degree but how will this be funded? We should rely on the state or feds when appropriate.	Virtual Summit
Until the State does away with this position I do not see the City needing to hire anyone. Job this out to the State	Virtual Summit
Yes preserve as much of the original resource as possible.	Virtual Summit
Yes such cost/benefit analysis should occur.	Virtual Summit
Yes the City should budget and/or fundraise to protect our history.	Virtual Summit
Yes where development or construction is proposed in more sensitive archeological areas.	Virtual Summit
How should we measure success for historical preservation?	
<i>Comment</i>	<i>Source</i>
# of buildings preserved, amount of funding	Comment Forms
% preservation of historic resources	Comment Forms
by how little you get involved	Comment Forms
by the addition of more properties to the city's landmark designation list every year and preventing the loss of properties already on the list. More historic easements. Do away with demolition by neglect.	Comment Forms
cost effectiveness	Comment Forms
no broken down or unrestored buildings. Preserve integrity of original building	Comment Forms

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participation at historical events	Comment Forms
success is when we stop tearing down old buildings. We need to start maintaining them	Comment Forms

LIBRARY SERVICES

How can the library continue to support and enhance the city's vibrancy and sense of community?	
<i>Comment</i>	<i>Source</i>
leverage technology, focus on internet	Nov 3 Summit
multiple locations, second branch in lake grove	Nov 3 Summit
separate facility for children	Nov 3 Summit
central location	Nov 3 Summit
community spaces	Nov 3 Summit
flexible spaces, adaptability	Nov 3 Summit
databases	Nov 3 Summit
role in helping children read	Nov 3 Summit
flexibility in browsing	Nov 3 Summit
bookmobile	Nov 3 Summit
library is an economic catalyst, adds urban vibrancy	Nov 3 Summit
stand-alone building, like Beaverton	Nov 3 Summit
no partnership, just a library	Nov 3 Summit
meeting spaces	Nov 3 Summit
library as a community center	Nov 3 Summit
programs, programming spaces	Nov 3 Summit
after education, library is a high priority. Keep the library accessible for older neighbors	Comment Forms
Become a community center that integrates all of the components of the community of culture	Comment Forms
community events both within the library and out in the community and schools	Comment Forms
Do not build a new building-have branches instead at each "community center/village center"	Comment Forms
early childhood reading. Help parents prepare children to learn to read.	Comment Forms
it would be lovely if it were more centrally located because it can be such a great community center for people of all ages. Especially if folks could bike or walk there.	Comment Forms
more distributed library services leveraging more technology	Comment Forms
move into 21st Century - where focus is not paper books	Comment Forms
new library!	Comment Forms
I think yje library is a tremendous asset to our community. I understand that one possibility is to build a new larger facility somewhere around first street and B avenue. That would be fine with me and very convenient.	Virtual Summit
1. Evaluate the impact of technology in terms of the evolving role of the library. In the next 25 years it will be less of a place to stack books which might be available electronically and more of a Community Center with conference rooms etc. 2. Expand the role of the library from lending books to lending other things like tools etc. This would also encourage sharing of resources and sustainability. Everyone does not need to have a sander!	Virtual Summit
A good library is important and that is all I will say on that subject	Virtual Summit
A lending library is vital to a community. When choosing a community in which to live people inquire about the school system the library cultural events parks. The library must be well lit friendly convenient well stocked.	Virtual Summit
A new library should be built in the North End as an anchor for new developement. I like having adequate parking at the library so mothers and kids don't have to walk in the street without sidewalks to get to story hour.	Virtual Summit
A vibrant library is a vital part of our Cit's structure. Apparently a larger facility is needed. Careful community wide input should be used for deciding its future size and location. The input should be as void as possible of special interest individuals/groups as possible. I do NOT see those inputs being used as the move to purchase the 'Lacey's' location for that purpose proceeds.	Virtual Summit
Although I think it's current location is great... it might be better if moved closer to 'A'. Need more materials and parking for expanding special programs.	Virtual Summit
Be there be up to date in facilities and programs be open	Virtual Summit
Being part of the schools and larger community who now longer has kids in the schools...	Virtual Summit
books have long been a critical part of community culture. With changing technologies i think the library can assit in reaching out servies such as internet and digital files to those who do not have access.	Virtual Summit
By locating services near the city's population center. By NOT re-locating even further from the city's population center.	Virtual Summit
By remaining in a downtown location	Virtual Summit
Consider establishing several small branch libraries in addition to relocating the main library.	Virtual Summit
Contine to provide a leading service to residents in a cost effective manner	Virtual Summit
Continue as-is!	Virtual Summit
Continue doing what it is doing now. Provide more on-line materials to help users access materials more easily and to help reduce costs.	Virtual Summit

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Continue doing what it is doing.	Virtual Summit
Continue operating in an efficient way.	Virtual Summit
Continue programs that bring people in to the library maintain state of the art communications and changes in reading research and education	Virtual Summit
Continue to offer services that provide a sense of community -- children's storytelling art exhibits and consider providing some lectures.	Virtual Summit
continue what it is doing...music community reads lectures ...perhaps adequate at present!	Virtual Summit
Further embrace the technology that allows the purpose of the library to be delivered remotely at people's homes so we do not need a big physical facility.	Virtual Summit
Greater variety of DVD's to be checked out. More 'How To' DVD's.	Virtual Summit
I think it has out grown the space think it is important to provide technology and materials to the community and schools	Virtual Summit
I think the current library is adequate.	Virtual Summit
In the world of digital communication the need for written literature seems to be fading. However I feel the library is a key component of a community and needs to be supported.	Virtual Summit
<i>It needs more space and a branch. Continue with free innovative events and speakers more current books dvds etc. Better technology. Work with the schools.</i>	Virtual Summit
It's a great library already	Virtual Summit
Keep open. My wife loves it.	Virtual Summit
Leave the library where it is. If additional library space is needed perhaps an 'Annex Library' would be appropriate in another location within the city. I visit library at least 50 times during the year and it doesn't appear to be overcrowded. Libraries don't need to provide space for meetings etc.	Virtual Summit
Library services are adequate at this time. Future plans should be in line with demographic projections to meet the number and age of our citizens.	Virtual Summit
Like most public libraries the Lake Oswego Library is woefully inadequate for this non-fiction reader. The library rarely has the books that I seek and the Library2go feature (which is supposed to have ebooks) has none of those that I was seeking (but which oddly enough Amazon.com does show as having Kindle versions). I continue to view the LO Library as a waste of tax dollars.	Virtual Summit
More programs for teens	Virtual Summit
Move it to downtown area. The Library should be part of the face of Lake Oswego. The shopping traffic will enhance library traffic and vice versa.	Virtual Summit
Move it to downtown LO.	Virtual Summit
Move to the west End Bldg	Virtual Summit
Move to the West End building where larger services can be provided	Virtual Summit
No changes needed.	Virtual Summit
Our Library should remain in the heart of downtown LO and not be divided into pieces in different parts of LO The green quiet setting is great as are the animal statues for children to explore as they come out of the library. Ideally the restrooms should be more user-friendly and updated the cosy feeling should be kept and not sacrificed even though expanding would be helpful.	Virtual Summit
Overall you do a great job. Parking is terrible and the library is crowded though. Need to choose a new library location that is best for the city as a whole not just those who will make money from an urban renewal district. All too often it appears that siting and design of larger development projects are designed to benefit a few financially not what is best for the community as a whole.	Virtual Summit
Provide more lecture opportunities for adults.	Virtual Summit
Since most of the library users I personally know first reserve a library book and enter the library only to pick up the book and then return the book via drop boxes I would suggest to install a drive thru window for pick up and drop offs thus eliminating lines and the need for additional parking. Also survey how many people currently using the computers in the library and for what purpose. Has the library turned into a free internet facility?	Virtual Summit
The current location is too buried within a neighborhood with limited/difficult parking. The library would be more useful in a spot that is more accessible by the entire community big enough to hold community events and have programs that are more interesting to our kids--especially older kids.	Virtual Summit
The 'Everybody Reads ' program should be sustained. Parking at the current library is an ongoing problem.	Virtual Summit
The library does an excellent job. If they are really interested in growing start up the bookmobile in the summer.	Virtual Summit
The library has always been a comfortable friendly place to visit. We do not need a grandiose library. Is it possible that the visits will be fewer due to the internet age and the affordability of computers?	Virtual Summit
The library is doing a fine job right now.	Virtual Summit
The library need to remain near the downtown core area of the city. Please do not move the library to the west end building. Continue cultural and civic events at the library.	Virtual Summit

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The Library needs to live within it's means. NO NEW TAXES--NO NEW BUILDINGS! I use the Library several times a week and need and enjoy it's services. They do a great job but expansion is not necessary for a town our size.	Virtual Summit
The new library could be in the Wizer block to tie in with the Melinnium Plaza and shopping.	Virtual Summit
The role of libraries is changing. That should be addressed before we ask for more money towards our library system. Do we need one building or can we use space in several?	Virtual Summit
They do an excellent job with their enrichment programs with authors music childrens programs adult programs and Lake Oswego Reads. In their constricted space they are limited for presentations and need a more suitable 'living room' for programming events. A new facility has been in discussion for the 23 years that I have lived here. It's time to provide the No. 1 ibrary in the state with a No. 1 facility. Imagine what the staff could do in a functional space designed for how libraries function in todays world.	Virtual Summit
To accomplish the above: need more parking space; limited parking discourages woud be users. Move to the WEB.	Virtual Summit
We do not need a grandiose library fewer people depend on the same support it gave the community years ago. Keep it simple.	Virtual Summit
We need to expand the library. It is one of the most used assets.	Virtual Summit
How can the library enhance accessibility to library resources for all community members?	
<i>Comment</i>	<i>Source</i>
adequate parking	Nov 3 Summit
outreach, kiosks, getting materials and services to people	Nov 3 Summit
expanded reference services with information evaluation	Nov 3 Summit
better software, increased online presence	Nov 3 Summit
physical and online accessibility	Nov 3 Summit
bookmobile	Nov 3 Summit
access for elderly or homebound	Nov 3 Summit
library as community center	Nov 3 Summit
study rooms, meeting rooms	Nov 3 Summit
local history room	Nov 3 Summit
integration with cultural aspects of city	Nov 3 Summit
transportation to the library from other parts of the city	Nov 3 Summit
need better access for very young and elderly	Nov 3 Summit
integrate transport options	Nov 3 Summit
designs that are age relevant	Nov 3 Summit
librarians as guides for information	Nov 3 Summit
public library as de facto school library/support	Nov 3 Summit
integrating access with schools, e.g. children's materials to helpful testing reading levels	Nov 3 Summit
book drops-books too in 2035	Nov 3 Summit
maintain diversity of formats	Nov 3 Summit
technology classes	Nov 3 Summit
separate entrance/space for children	Nov 3 Summit
build a new library downtown, outreach to day care and senior facilities and support school libraries	Comment Forms
central branch at current location with branches at each of the "community center/village centers." No new building! The one we already have is unique and has a unique location. Branches are the answer for needed space, etc.	Comment Forms
focus on children and learning	Comment Forms
have book returns at schools and other community gathering places	Comment Forms
inter-library cooperative system. More computers in house. More e-books	Comment Forms
more outreach	Comment Forms
move to west side (where population center is)	Comment Forms
see previous	Comment Forms
<i>strong web-based library resources, ebooks</i>	Comment Forms
updated website and search engine with added patron recommendations	Comment Forms
I think an easily accesable location is imperative.	Virtual Summit
I don't believe we need new library and that those funds would be better spent someplace else to promote the existing library and add to its services available to the community	Virtual Summit
Already doing an excellent job.	Virtual Summit

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Better parking	Virtual Summit
Book mobile and possibly a branch.	Virtual Summit
Branches in different parts of town.	Virtual Summit
By locating services near the city's population center. By NOT relocating services even further from the city's population center.	Virtual Summit
Check out larger libraries and college libraries to see what they are doing.	Virtual Summit
Choose a location for a new building that is best for the library. Not what is best for a few financially. I support the use of the WEB.	Virtual Summit
consider all members what does a 1st grader want from the library as opposed to a senior.	Virtual Summit
Current location is hidden in First Addition and hard to get to/park.	Virtual Summit
Expand online resources.	Virtual Summit
I inquire as to why the Library doesn't have this book or that book and am always told that the Library doesn't have room. There are wide-open empty spaces at the WEB -- why can't the Library 'house' books there (which would be very easy to transfer when reserved by a patron)?	Virtual Summit
I love the e-book rental program.	Virtual Summit
I think the library is good as it is.	Virtual Summit
If people want to use the library there are already many ways to access it.	Virtual Summit
Increase accessibility of online access (audio downloads etc.)	Virtual Summit
Integrate with the schools and connect the parents grandparents and kids through library activities	Virtual Summit
It seems that it is quite accessible now --- short of being next door to someone. The library can't be everywhere. But as I believe it does having book return facilities in the community is a good thing. Operating hours are important too -- so that people can get there when they are available.	Virtual Summit
Love the online circulation/hold ability. The Library2Go feature is fantastic only wish they had more mac based audiobooks. Lots more ebooks available than in the past.	Virtual Summit
More central and visible location or secondary smaller locations scattered through out the community that kids can get to easily.	Virtual Summit
More ebook choices and available copies	Virtual Summit
More online programs	Virtual Summit
More online services	Virtual Summit
More use of online tools	Virtual Summit
Move it to downtown LO with an extension in Lake Grove.	Virtual Summit
Move to West End Bldg	Virtual Summit
N/C	Virtual Summit
Needs more parking spaces.	Virtual Summit
On line.	Virtual Summit
online services.	Virtual Summit
Put satellite computer resource centers in those dormant schools. Request donations of older computers for use as search engines.	Virtual Summit
Put something in Lake Grove where most all people drive through.	Virtual Summit
Same as previous answer	Virtual Summit
See previous answer about restrooms also accessible by bus or public transportation for physically challenged members of our community. More child-friendly library sections. I don't know how to make it more accessible for folks with fading eyesight - maybe more effective lighting? Also reaching to the bottom shelves is hard sometimes for the elderly or even baby-boomers with bad knees!	Virtual Summit
seems to be doing a good job - continue what you are doing	Virtual Summit
Service organizations are always looking for opportunities get volunteers to deliver and pick up from the homebound	Virtual Summit
Several locations. In schools businesses.	Virtual Summit
The library location has to be carefully considered to be accessible to the entire population of Lake Oswego. The downtown location is located at the eastern edge and not near the majority of the residents. The WEB building would be a more central location. However if downtown is the preferred location due to the synergy and economic development benefits then a branch library or a childrens library should be located in the WEB building. Secondly access to the online resources need to be improved- both in quantity and ease of navigation. Website improvements for easier searches navigation etc. would be a huge improvement. Also I have to go to neighboring Multnomah and Tigard library since the LO library never seems to have enough copies of the material i need. Its a library I use by putting things 'on hold' and waiting for it.	Virtual Summit
The library should be located in a heavily trafficked central location (near Melinnium Plaza?).	Virtual Summit
The library should stay in downtown LO for accessibility. Do not move it away from shops and restaurants. It should stay where it currently is because of the cost of a new library.	Virtual Summit
Try putting an 'Annex Library' in another part of the city.	Virtual Summit
We need to have more book drops and get the one in Lake Grove functional.	Virtual Summit

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We very much enjoy using the online resources. Please continue to provide and expand.	Virtual Summit
How should we measure the success of the library?	
<i>Comment</i>	<i>Source</i>
circulation per capita, cost per circulation, registration of library users	Comment Forms
community satisfaction	Comment Forms
improve utilization	Comment Forms
library use	Comment Forms
Since libraries are closing elsewhere, we should be happy that our library is so heavily used	Comment Forms
use both in the library, web, outreach	Comment Forms
utilization rate, % community use/support actively	Comment Forms
volume of participation, volume of books, media, borrowers. Use of building to encourage programing. Use of building to encourage citizen participation	Comment Forms

RECREATION

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Residents have identified that the City should ensure that all residents have access to essential recreation services which includes Exercise and Sports Play for Children and Nature Experiences. This is currently not available equally throughout the city and would be difficult to provide in certain areas. To fill geographic gaps and provide equitable access to these experiences recreation facilities such as traditional playgrounds nature play areas sports fields sports courts trails and opportunities to enjoy nature will need to be renovated or new ones will need to be developed. How much and under what circumstances should the city invest in providing new parks and recreation opportunities in these underserved areas? Should the city provide public places if private recreation facilities are available?	
<i>Comment</i>	<i>Source</i>
Evaluation of closed school properties?	Nov 3 Summit
What about all residential areas?	Nov 3 Summit
Improve access to existing parks instead of acquiring new parkland	Nov 3 Summit
General agreement that equal access not needed throughout	Nov 3 Summit
Be opportunistic. May be very small scale	Nov 3 Summit
Make kids access easier, safer to explore on their own	Nov 3 Summit
Opportunities to get out and walk	Nov 3 Summit
bike lanes would help with access	Nov 3 Summit
some parks are hard to find.	Nov 3 Summit
Some parks are poorly marked	Nov 3 Summit
some parks have no parking	Nov 3 Summit
table agrees: improve access to existing parks is the most important	Nov 3 Summit
wouldn't make much sense in many areas: large lots with play space	Nov 3 Summit
if a large new subdivision happens, should it be required to build a park (what is the trigger?)	Nov 3 Summit
600 acres of parks might actually be pretty good for a city this size	Nov 3 Summit
taking care of what we have, like natural areas	Nov 3 Summit
invest in better ways to get around the city and be active	Nov 3 Summit
connections with respect to private property	Nov 3 Summit
how are uses spread out. Should focus on access to different services. What do people need?	Nov 3 Summit
Add/Delete activities/services to/from existing parks	Nov 3 Summit
Always demand for sports fields	Nov 3 Summit
Parks are underused, but dog parks are overused	Nov 3 Summit
need to promote and expand small parks to become more of a magnet	Nov 3 Summit
parks should be developed for different experiences	Nov 3 Summit
ball fields are at maximum capacity whenever they are open	Nov 3 Summit
Should the city provide public places if private facilities are available?	Nov 3 Summit
aquatic center would be good. Would be nice to have a year-round facility	Nov 3 Summit
ball fields vs. hunt club, can't see city doing that	Nov 3 Summit
already have private fitness clubs-can't see city going into that	Nov 3 Summit
city should look at cost of service then determine if service is needed-cost/benefit per usage	Nov 3 Summit
should be a variety of parks options	Nov 3 Summit
more important to care for existing parks than provide new ones	Nov 3 Summit
misleading question	Nov 3 Summit
twin walugas-split each side-not maintaining open space	Nov 3 Summit
less money to maintain existing-take care of existing	Nov 3 Summit
dog park (school fields are being used)	Nov 3 Summit
expand paths/trails, include dogs	Nov 3 Summit
bike paths to downtown	Nov 3 Summit
connect parks with paths--westside too	Nov 3 Summit
sports fields used early hours	Nov 3 Summit
how to measure success in recreation? Access	Nov 3 Summit
cautious about luscher Farm	Nov 3 Summit
nice thought, not critical, in future something to try for	Nov 3 Summit
not sure if kids will be allowed to walk to park	Nov 3 Summit
access to touchstone reservoir	Nov 3 Summit
take advantage of small opportunities for improvements	Nov 3 Summit
take better care of parks we have now, don't buy new ones	Nov 3 Summit
fix drainage	Nov 3 Summit
volunteer coordinator - put together volunteer group to work with city to help maintain the ball fields	Nov 3 Summit
community service day to clean up parks/fields	Nov 3 Summit
youth teen service groups too	Nov 3 Summit
its not that far now to walk to parks	Nov 3 Summit
use of public transportation	Nov 3 Summit

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facilities in open space?	Nov 3 Summit
better routes to get from park to park	Nov 3 Summit
some are fine with access	Nov 3 Summit
would be nice to have park on kruse way-lake grove corridor	Nov 3 Summit
filling gaps	Nov 3 Summit
accessible by walking	Nov 3 Summit
plan for future parks	Nov 3 Summit
plug in our parks to regional trail + parks	Nov 3 Summit
maintaining current parks	Nov 3 Summit
trail to connect luscher farm to cooks butte	Nov 3 Summit
connection from commercial to parks-boones ferry	Nov 3 Summit
secure trails on private property	Nov 3 Summit
connection between tryon creek and foothills	Nov 3 Summit
bike path from LO to Portland	Nov 3 Summit
Canoe access to tualatin river in LO	Nov 3 Summit
willamette access for canoe	Nov 3 Summit
discuss public access to oswego lake	Nov 3 Summit
don't feel the gaps	Nov 3 Summit
better serve city and residents	Nov 3 Summit
don't develop existing park land	Nov 3 Summit
take care of what you've got	Nov 3 Summit
city focuses on services that private doesn't provide	Nov 3 Summit
less city services	Nov 3 Summit
greater public benefit comes from city services	Nov 3 Summit
access for all is essential	Nov 3 Summit
access to reacreation is important but maximizing utilization and maintenance before investing in new facilities	Comment Forms
Does the gap map take into accoun private facilities and exclusive neighborhoods? Policy #1 includes them when considering new investment. If the public is not welcome the public is not obligated to invest there	Comment Forms
don't add new parks. Maximize utilization at existing parks and improve connectivity.	Comment Forms
generally, no	Comment Forms
maximize and optimize the existing parks. Need more fields for soccer/lacrosse	Comment Forms
only invest when taxpayers can afford it	Comment Forms
Provide more recreation on the west side as community matures	Comment Forms
serve highest demand sports/dog parks, etc	Comment Forms
The city should conduct a needs assessment to determine how facilities are currently used and how they could be better utilized. That should determine how we invest to improve and expand existing facilities	Comment Forms
the city should not make the lake public. We have far more important needs	Comment Forms
Under no circumstances should the city be looking to expand new opportunities-parks are easy to get but very expensive to maintain	Comment Forms
underserved areas are within biking, walking, or driving distance from any home in LO. Lets make sure we maintain and enhance the existing infrastructure. We need to focus our efforts	Comment Forms
We should ensure that all of our existing facilities are well maintained and upgraded where necessary before investing in new facilities	Comment Forms
I think yjat our recreation facilities are great as is but I also realize that as the years go by and Lake Oswego increases in population we must keep ahead of the curve in providing new parks etc. I am definitely opposed to opening the lake itself to public use without proper safeguards to prevent over crowding or possible vandalism or other private property encroachment. It is really too bad that the city did not buy the one public swim/boat rental area when it had the chance. But if something on that order could be worked out somewhere on the lake I would not be opposed. But to just open up the lake to all comers would be a catastrophe in my opinion.	Virtual Summit
I believe that city has adequate park space at this time	Virtual Summit

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<p>* L. O. actually does have a large number of fine Parks already not to mention boundaries on two major rivers plus huge Tryon Creek just at our NW edge ... I don't see that availability of these resources is a real problem. In a hilly community with a lake in the middle you will never have exactly equal distribution of all resources but this isn't such a big town that great resources are very far from all residents. *I am OK with the City providing Parks and Nature trails at least two sports fields a Public Pool resource and Public Docks on the Willamette and a Public Tennis resource ... but we should not try to publically reproduce very much else. As someone who spent most of his adult life working multiple jobs so I could finally afford to buy a property on the Lake I am very worried that so many folks seem to suddenly think that this man-made reservoir with its water rights for power generation is somehow a public goody that anyone should be able to go boating on. We the current stewards of the Lake and generations before us have spent huge amounts of money in increased property taxes lake maintenance fees and easily doubled property values to maintain and improve this artificial body of water. If members of the public at</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>1) People made decisions to live where they live. In such a tightly-packed community it is not necessary or appropriate to try to create 'equitable' access to these experiences for many reasons. 2) It is usually best if private facilities provide services and the city does not. This is how the economy works - people build businesses and offer services to those who care enough to pay for them. The city was not created to replicate services already offered by private business.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>1. I think the city should improve what already exists rather than invest in more parks etc. There are plenty of parks just make them more usable and more inviting. 2. The city should not consider private recreation when deciding what to offer the public. It is good to have a choice between private and public. The city should leave private rec private and public rec public ie leave the lake and country club private.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>As a parent of young kids on the west side of town I would welcome the addition of a park that could be accessed without taking a car. It isn't possible to take bikes up the hill to the Westridge school yard (too steep for young kids to ride) and the the schools on Jean are too far. However most recreational facilities such as sports fields open areas and such are often accessed by driving regardless. In these situations I don't believe the City should be investing limited funds to save people a couple minutes drive to areas that already exist. Futhermore I do not believe it is a city's right to attempt forced access to areas that are currently private especially if there are similar recreational facilities to be found in the surrounding geography.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>As appropriate</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>City does not need to provide when private recreation facilities are available. Planning for the future - the next generation may need more because they will stay physically active longer in their lifetime. The changes are how the physical activities can be met</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>City services are adequate now and don't need to be expanded. Private recreational facilities are no business of the City. City should not meddle in private recreation facilities. Don't invent problems that aren't there.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>City should not provide recreation facilities if private ones are available. In terms of investment with all the other programs uderway I suspect the City can not afford mcuh if anything on this program.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>Do not agree with this at all.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>Do not think the city should continue to acquire land for sports fields only. Also think that the city does not need any more lake front property. It is ridiculous to keep making concrete parks along the lake downtown. The two we have are plenty. Do not think the city needs to provide facilities where private facilities are available with the exception of a swimming pool as young children need to learn to swim.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>Equal access to recreational facilities is a worthy goal and Lake Osego is known for its pleasant living environment. However residents know the range of facilities in the locale before they purchase or rent their home - so I do not see this as a high priority. Further before the city devotes limited resources to expanding recreational facilities it must ensure that basic city services are maintained without the substantial tax / service fee increases that we have seen in recent years.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>Every area is not the same and to try to provide every recreation service to every geographic area is not necessary. We have great services now and should concentrate on maintaining them to a high degree within the financial resources we have available. The city does not need to provide public places if private recreation facilities are available.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>Find a way to let all residents of LO utilize the Lake Grove Swim Park not just a tiny percentage of the city. We have a crappy swim park that all of the city can use and a great swim park that scanty few use. Don't spend more money doing heroic things do the logical modest and obvious things first. I know that it is stipulated in the original deed or whatever that only that small percentage can use the park. Figure it out. THAT would be enhance the recreation in LO more than anything else. If impossible then enhance the swim park available to all as a last resort.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>Fix what we have first! If you really believe in sustainability repurpose what we have and for please take care of it.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>Focus on improving existing parks vs. adding new ones....no new public places or parks are needed.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>For a city our size and with schools closing due to an aging population I believe we have enough parks and recreation opportunities. We just need to be certain to maintain what we already have and to follow the intent of the natural properties rather than trying to slip in sport facilities in natural areas.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>

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For starters the city needs to MAINTAIN WHAT THEY HAVE. Then have trails leading to what is existing today. The city should not be providing public facilities when private facilities exist- for example the tennis center on Raseekh should NOT be built as there are existing facilities not far from the city.	Virtual Summit
George Rogers Park Boat Ramp and Boat docks should be developed again- they used to be there. Lake access for the public is not an option and not a good idea for a great deal of reasons. Other than River access I think this City has outstanding parks and a lot of them.	Virtual Summit
Get more ball fields. Stop buying natural parks. We are way short of ball fields. Use Luscher farms for more fields.	Virtual Summit
Hold off on new parks and rec and on public facilities when private places exist. Honor people's financial concerns. Spend on essentials for now.	Virtual Summit
Hopefully city planning would address the gaps and not continue to pursue focal community development.	Virtual Summit
I attended the summit and noted how many people who are in the 'underserved' areas were shocked that they are considered 'underserved.' We are fortunate to have so many recreational areas available throughout our city. I would suggest not investing in providing more but instead making sure we can afford and maintain what we already have. I would also suggest that people have the opportunity to live where they want to live -- some may choose to live closer to (and possibly pay more for) various recreational options some people may not want to live close to the options. I don't think the city should provide public recreation if private options are available.	Virtual Summit
I believe that we should focus on maintaining our existing excellent facilities and playgrounds which seem to be	Virtual Summit
<i>I can't think of an area that is 'underserved.' I believe people can walk to a variety of parks and trails in each neighborhood. I've been told I live in an 'underserved' area... but I have a lot of opportunities available to me.</i>	Virtual Summit
I do not support any attempts to open Oswego Lake for public use.	Virtual Summit
I don't see the need to add more parks. We already have an amazing amount of parks. I recently noticed a park or viewing area in the old bank lot at the end of the Lake. Looks lovely but haven't noticed a heavy useage. As a resident and parent please stop spending on areas that do not generate any revenue. Stop spending take a break and enjoy what we have.	Virtual Summit
I don't want the city to 'acquire' any additional land. Not only is there the cost of obtaining the land there is a continuing expense of maintaining whatever goes onto the land. There are currently many unused areas. Plus there should be some school areas opening up as the student population drops. First and foremost there should be NO more taking of private property nor restrictions of the use of private property.	Virtual Summit
I feel that adequate opportunities are available throughout the city. Building new parks can have a significant environmental cost if natural areas are converted to playing fields and I do not support that.	Virtual Summit
I strongly feel it is NOT the cities place to provide access to the public on private places.I think this question is referring to the Lake. I feel there is access to the river in Lake Oswego to do all the water activities and there is not even a life guard there in summer. This is open to the public and should be promoted and used more. There are also public viewing areas to the lake and if in school there is the swim park. I would be very careful to get involved in this....I feel the city has other important issues to get involved in. I don't even have a lake easement and I have several friends that are very generous to take company out in their boat or entertain. I got an email from 'River Keepers' and I would watch this organization! I have experience with them on a project near Hood River. They have held up projects cost tons of money and got people not even in the area. They do email blasts to raise money for their organization. They have a group of Lawyer's that make money off of this type of issue!!!	Virtual Summit
I think it is important to provide public access for swimming and human powered boating. That body of water has utilized public funds and should be available to the public.	Virtual Summit
I think that the best and most efficient way to encourage recreation opportunities is to improve pathways (lighting sidewalks plantings) that connect all parts of the city. Think geo-caching with city groupons as destination rewards.	Virtual Summit
I think the City has these options and areas in place now except for plan at Lusher Farm.I think it is fine to have PRIVATE areas. Example the lake. I don't live on the lake or have access but I can use the river if I want to go to the water or be invited by someone. The school kids have their areas for swimming and swim lessons. I have read a few articles in the Review and I think this is a waste of the City's time when we have so many other important issues like the City Hall and police areas. I also think this is opening up a huge can of worms to the City if all recreation areas are open to the public. That means The public and not just Lake Oswego citizens.Open the areas and open it to the increase gangs etc.I would REALLY think about this and not just take the direction of a few people.	Virtual Summit
I think the City needs to focus in the current environment on maintaining what you have well versus expanding. As to 'recreational facilities' the City should not get into the gym, tennis, or other types of facilities. there are many	Virtual Summit

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<p>I think there is plenty of opportunity and access for open spaces and recreation throughout Lake Oswego. I would like to see the land use of the old Standard Insurance facility utilized better as it currently doesn't seem to engage the community. One of the things that residents pride themselves on in Lake Oswego is the easy access and abundant opportunity to enjoy nature.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>I think we should support by what is in demand and how does it serve. We should be efficient and make better use of what we have for example maybe lit fields to extend hours or use to meet demand or turf that take less to maintain but offer more options. I think Geographically thinking is inefficient thinking. Lets do better with what we have for the whole community.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>I think what we have is fine for now. The city has put a lot into fields and parks over the years and as I use them and watch their use I find sports fields being used the most. I hardly ever see more than 6 to 10 people at the Foothills park and Millennium is used mostly for the open market. I think it is time to put dollars we have into street improvement and paying off debt.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>I would suggest we manage what we have in these economic times. Can you say 'reset' on all these efforts</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>In my opinion there are plenty of parks and recreation facilities throughout the city. If anything I believe too much money has been spent on things like athletic fields. A lot of the use of these fields is actually coming from people from outside our community. In Lake Oswego I do not know of a single area that has more than a five minute drive or a 20 minute walk to a park.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>In providing recreational activities to residents private property rights must be recognized and maintained. We have a basketball hoop in our yard and it would violate my rights if everybody in the city were given equal access to my yard and hoop. The same reasoning should apply to access to the lake and its shareholders. The shareholders collectively own the lake and pay for its maintenance. The collective rights of the shareholders should be maintained and recognized just like an individual's rights.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>In some instances private recreation may substitute for public for example some of the facilities in Mt. Park. The question likely arises then is whether the City ought to subsidize some of these facilities. Doubt that can be done and keep the facilities open only to a selected clientele.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>It is possible to walk or bike to any number of parks, playgrounds, trails and so on from any place in Lake Oswego. 'Equitable' is a fuzzy, undefined term. Furthermore, people select where they live for the most part and what they are willing to pay for. The City should not be in the business of giving access to all things to everyone. The number of parks and recreational opportunities is very ample and greater than in many communities.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>It seems that there are many recreational service sites already within the city and quite accessible. It seems most important to maintain existing sites at the current level or even better; not increase sites and then not adequately maintain. I think the city is well served with the combination of private and public.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>Keep what we have and maintain them</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>L.O. is a very small city and currently there is a park or facility close enough for all to enjoy. Yes, private facilities certainly should be recognized as recreational options in lieu of city-owned locations. Many times a private corporation can do a better job in offering programs than the city with its restricted budgets. Surely L.O. is recognizing L.O. School District fields and programs as essential recreation services offered.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>Lake Oswego is known for its diverse parks, ranging from high developed sports fields to natural areas. In addition to the city parks, we have school fields, school swim parks and two large State Parks (Mary S Young and Tryon Creek) on either end of the city. To me it's not a question of new parks, but a question of maintaining the existing parks and offering park and rec classes.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>Lake Oswego should have public access as it is a treasure to all. It should not only be for the chosen to use. There are many educational opportunities that are currently lost. A large amount of public funding has also been used on this lake; if the public has no access, these funds should be returned to the public with interest. If it were open to the public, even more funding would be available. Invasive species already requires more planning and a permit, there could be more awareness at the lake (as there is at other areas) to keep it pristine. I have wanted to go on the lake for years but currently have no access either.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>Let people drive to the existing places. Of course it can not be equal.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>Let's make sure our existing parks are well cared and well maintained. We need to make sure we have enough recreation area for our children and adult population. The first priority is to maintain what we have.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>LO isn't so large that all citizens don't have access to essential recreation services. We live in a time of mobility that enables all of us to get to the existing recreational resources of our city.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>

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More athletic field space is necessary. Additional parks like Lucsher Farms with a soccer field and dog park should be added to the north side of town - a location like the Hunt Club. Leave the Lake Corp private and have no additional public access for watercraft. It is already too crowded and too costly for local government to get involved. There are many other lakes and waterways in Oregon for public use and enjoyment. Property values will plummet and water quality may be endangered by opening up the Lake to general public use.	Virtual Summit
Need to recognize aging demographics and ability of that population to afford the tax infrastructure required to sustain the recreation infrastructure. 'Affordable housing must consider the property tax burden'	Virtual Summit
New parks or facilities should be made available only if there is extra money to do so. LO has SO many parks and recreational facilities. The city isn't that big. Underserved areas can access many parks with a short drive or walk.	Virtual Summit
No new 'investments' in more parks!	Virtual Summit
Only invest in new parks when current parks are saturated and overused. Maintain what we have	Virtual Summit
<i>Only when exiting assets such as the current integrity of Lucher Farm is not disturbed. Yes the city should provide some public place if private facilities are available.</i>	Virtual Summit
Oswego Lake is a public recreational opportunity that is centrally located and should be available to all LO citizens. Retrofitting existing facilities could be retrofitted for access at minimal cost.	Virtual Summit
Oswego Lake is a public recreational resource that is centrally located. It should be retrofitted for year round recreation for all LO citizens. The costs would be minimal but the public benefits would be huge. If private recreation facilities such as the Mountain Park recreation center are available yet underutilized the city should explore whether partnerships could result in win-win opportunities.	Virtual Summit
other than a tennis center swim facility and community center the city currently has adequate parks to serve all citizens. yes the city does need to provide public recreation facilities even when private are available	Virtual Summit
Overall the parks are very good in LO. I don't agree with placing large artificial turf sports fields at Luscher Farm. Sports fields do not fit in with the character of the area. But yes sport fields are needed. Continue to use schools. Evaluate the city golf course. if it is losing money and has poor use maybe we need to use the land for something else.	Virtual Summit
Park space is limited and should be expanded. The city needs at least 3 extra fields to cater for growth in sports like lacrosse and rugby. The city would benefit from a quality swim facility	Virtual Summit
Parks and recreation facilities make wonderful assets to any city and Lake Oswego should maximize its opportunities to provide areas for the people to enjoy the outdoors meet with other residents and strengthen their sense of community. The city should provide more spaces for the public to use and enjoy.	Virtual Summit
Private facilities should not be considered but not every part of the city is required to have facilities its not that big of a city people go out to the market etc. they can get to an existing facility however if something new is going to be developed what is already in the area should be considered	Virtual Summit
recognizing the continuing decline of children in the primary grades I see no justification of building new sports fields. Luscher farm should continue in its present form and existing school playgrounds and sports facilities should be fully utilized until school population trends upward.	Virtual Summit
recreation is adequate at this time based on current and forecasted economic outlook.	Virtual Summit
Recreation is the role of the private sector. The phrase 'essential recreation services' is definitely a consultant phrase. Recreational opportunities are not an essential service let alone one that the city should provide. WE have adequate parks right now and in this community we have ample private health facilities.	Virtual Summit
See e-mailed comment that would not fit here	Virtual Summit
stop spending money please	Virtual Summit
Take care of what has already been purchased and built. Don't expand the system	Virtual Summit
Take care of what we have first! Our public natural areas are in terrible condition and the City should put our tax money to maintaining what we purchased with public money before any new parks are considered. We have plenty of park and natural area land that could be updated to meet needs--change grass to turf for more year round sports use add lights etc... If trails and 'connectivity' is desired it must be done in a way that respects private property--the use of exactions and takings is not acceptable. And the most convenient place for children to play is in their own backyards. The city's policies should not prevent families from using their private residential property as is currently the case with sensitive lands.	Virtual Summit
The accepted theory that everyone should have a park within 1/2 mile may be incorrect. It is apparent that citizens	Virtual Summit

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<p>The city currently has plenty of parks maybe not in my neighborhood within a 2 minute walk but parks are available. I would like to see the tennis courts on McVey by the fire station cleaned up and made usable. It is a great location for children to learn and practice without tying up the income based tennis center. The surface is deplorable and seldom cleaned if ever. Other park facilities are spit shined and well maintained except this one. The city can't be all things to all residents. Private facilities provide a service to the city not just their members. For a town of only 35 000 to have 2 golf courses is rare. Perhaps if OLCC did not exist the Muni would be in better shape. It used to be groomed far better than it is now and was a money maker paid its way. What happened? Can I make a recommendation on your selection of type fonts for this slide show? At a quick glance the letter 'l' looks like an 'I' giving the impression that folks at city hall can't spell don't proof read or dont care</p>	Virtual Summit
<p>The city has enough green space and parks. We need a community center with pool for all ages to use.</p>	Virtual Summit
<p>The city has recently provided Foothills Furnace and Sundeleaf and Centennial parks. They are fabulous and available to all. The city should take a breather and focus resources on other neccessities. Hazalia was also a great addition. The city should not invest in a tennis center when there are private clubs and public outdoor courts available. The city should absolutely not get involved with making Oswego Lake a public body of water. The citizens of Lake Oswego are so fortunate to have three bodies of water available. More than 1/3 of residents have chosen to invest in a home that has lake rights. The lake is an extremely busy place that can not withstand more people and boats. The river launches are perfect for kayaks canoes and paddleboards. The new dock at Foothills is terrific. The swim parks at the lake are perfect and available to swimmers.</p>	Virtual Summit
<p>The city is always better if there are adequate recreation facilities which make it more liveable. Yes the city should provide public places if private facilities are available. Everyone cannot afford to belong to a country club or tennis club.</p>	Virtual Summit
<p>The city should concentrate on maintaining current parks and public lands which are in disrepair. Many of the 'underserved areas' are already developed residential. There may be oportunites for small facilities such as playgrounds in some of these areas but not much more.</p>	Virtual Summit
<p>The City should develop private access to public properties SO LONG AS PRIVATE PROPERTIES ARE NOT IMPOSED UPON.</p>	Virtual Summit
<p>The city should invest and make available to the public parking and boating access to Lake Oswego.</p>	Virtual Summit
<p>The city should not acquire new land until it can adequately take care of what we currently own. We should encourage businesses and private facilities. Otherwise the only residents of this city will be the city staff. No one else will be able to afford the taxes and fees.</p>	Virtual Summit
<p>The city should not be in competition with private enterprise. The city already provides enough. NO expansion.</p>	Virtual Summit
<p>The City should not be looking to acquire new property in the near term. Focus on renovating and maintaining what we have.</p>	Virtual Summit
<p>The city should not be providing any additional (or expanding/remodeling existing) public places especially if there already exists private recreation facilities. The city is almost entirely built-out so it should not be looking to provide new parks or 'recreation opportunities' in any part of the city. What we have works well (with the exception of the LO Public Golf Course - the city should close that money pit ASAP).</p>	Virtual Summit
<p>The city should not further invest in new parks.</p>	Virtual Summit
<p>The city should not 'invest' in parks at thjis time. LO is in severe financial straights and until there is a resolution of the \$20 000 000 outstangin loan on the WEB there should be no further new projects now. Do not reinvent the wheel. If private facilities are available then those who use them should pay a mambership fee. and should not be duplicated by publice facilities.</p>	Virtual Summit
<p>The city should not provide public places if private facilities are available. It is not the city's business to compete with our corporate citizens whose owners and employees support the city and its schools.</p>	Virtual Summit
<p>The City should provide access to the Lake via 'clean' rental canoes kayaks or row boats from one or more of the City -owned properties bordering the Lake. One possible location for such access could be the newly-acquired lots next to the dam on McVey; another is the new park next to the Lake Theatre.</p>	Virtual Summit
<p>The City should provide more access to the river through the newly remodled George Rogers Park and Foothills and the docks</p>	Virtual Summit
<p>The city should try to make/build accessable small parks and ball fields in neighborhoods. Concentrating ball fields in hard to get to areas such a Lescher does not make any sense. City and school district should work together. There is more than enough golf space in the city. Lescher area is too valuable as open/natural area to pave or turf.</p>	Virtual Summit

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<p>The decision on recreational facilities should be based on a long term projection of the City's demographics. For instance it is my understanding that our Community is aging as demonstrated by current and anticipated closures of schools. Correspondingly I would think that retaining Luscher Farm has a much more long term benefit than another soccer or baseball field. I can not help but share my opinion on how much less the dog exercise area is being used now that the fancy 'dog parks' have replaced the old park on Stafford Road. I remember driving by there and seeing 15-25 cars now there's maybe 5-10. The City SHOULD NOT provide public places if private facilities are available! WHY?</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>The people of the city have enough access to the lake through the Lake Oswego Swim Park the Lake Grove Swim Park and beautiful sights from Southshore Road Millennium Plaza and the new Park on State Street. There would be many difficulties faced if the lake suddenly were to have more boats and swimmers than it has. In the summer it already is hazardous to have too many lake abiding leagally allowed boats. I have seen children swimming almost hit by boats and these are drivers who have gone through rigorous tests and fees for the boats as well. Boats have to be meticulously cleaned and pass a certification that they don't carry species harmful to the lake. Regarding the 'just kayaks and non-motorized boats.' I have listened to 'quiet' canoes and swimmers at 5:00 a.m. wake me up as they talk to each other with every sentence heard over the still waters through to my bedroom (I have learned more gossip than I should know from these supposed 'quiet' people who are allowed on the lake...what might I learn from those newcomers who have no idea how easily sound travels across the water as the kayak and canoe at 5 am.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>The private facilities are the lake itself and should remain private.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>The property-tax paying citizens cannot afford more taxes to build more facilities. We are maxed out!!!</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>The question is very open. We are a small city. We have not fulfilled what was promised at Luscher farms for sports so we need to finish first what was agreed to before taking on new projects of any sort. yes the city should provide public places if reasonable to do so. We can certainly use a swim facility perhaps shared with West Linn to keep costs down.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>There is currently not equitable access to turf fields (multi-purpose) for soccer and lacrosse on the Lake Oswego HS side. Lakeridge HS has 2 turf fields on their campus and 1 adjacent at Hazelia. I work to support both Boys & Girls HS lacrosse at LOHS and we are frequently without a turf field for practice and even needed games. Our boys program continues to grow but is constrained by field availability. Both Lakeridge and West Linn programs have access to a second turf field to help alleviate conflicts and provide opportunities for participants in their sports programs. I believe there needs to be additional turf fields. If not at Hazelia it makes sense to add turf at our junior highs especially in the LOHS area. We have plenty of parks scattered throughout the city. I believe we need additional athletic field facilities for all ages of youth.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>There is no need to invest further in recreation facilities. The citizens are fortunate to have what we have. The city should maintain the space it has. The city should also support the private recreation opportunites that exist in the community (i.e. lake golf course hunt club etc.) and not try force its way on these existing resources. It will destroy the resources that make our community unique.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>These questions are too high level generic and seemingly black and white for me to comment on. For example my answer to whether the city should provide public places when private recreation is available is sometimes.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>this city has so many parks and outdoor recreation available...everyone has access from within short distance of where we live. I still think the West End building is still a great location for a large multipurpose community center.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>Uncertain without more detail being provided regarding the nature of the facilities the proposed location of the facilities and the cost. However those areas supporting/carrying the burden of higher densities are the areas most in need of and most deserving of such recreational services.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>We already have sufficient parks and recreation opportunities. Please Do not spend any more money on creating more. Just budge enough to keep them up. If the private facilities are available the city definitely should not try to compete.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>We do not need to invest in new parks. We don't have unlimited money we have plenty of park space but we need to invest in additional turf fields for kids' sports and other upgrades and maintenance. I don't think there are 'gaps' in park space!</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>We have enough parks</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>We have more than enough parks and recreation facilities now. they should be maintained and community involvement in maintenance should be encouraged. No to queston 2.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>we have too many parks as it is</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>What 'residents'? The 832 survey respondents or the 200 Community Summit attendees? Where are these 'geographical gaps'? What would be the cost to fill those 'gaps'? The city should not compete with private facilities. Rather it should encourage and/or facilitate private investments in providing recreation facilities on a fee-based pay per use basis.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>What 'residents'? The 832 survey respondents or the 200 Community Summit attendees? Where are these</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>
<p>Yes definitely public places. Private should not even be counted as only those who can afford can use.</p>	<p>Virtual Summit</p>

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Yes good athletic facilities are essential to a healthy population.	Virtual Summit
yes the city should provide public places even though private facilities are available.	Virtual Summit
The community said that renovating existing parks to maximize city investment in existing facilities is the highest priority. Is it more important to care for existing assets that may serve fewer people or to provide new ones that will provide more equity? At what point should the city not invest in facilities that provide limited service?	
<i>Comment</i>	<i>Source</i>
question: are the people in underserved areas unhappy with their lack of access?	Nov 3 Summit
along lake and canals, have different recreational opportunities, even if in "gap" area	Nov 3 Summit
some unincorporated areas have development opportunities that are likely to come over the next 25 years	Nov 3 Summit
don't want parks to fall into disrepair	Nov 3 Summit
prioritization factors - how is this done?	Nov 3 Summit
for natural areas, what is the best use?	Nov 3 Summit
not all recreational areas need to have grass	Nov 3 Summit
Partnering with schools might be a way to maximize recreational opportunities	Nov 3 Summit
Increase efficiencies/maximize existing facilities instead of developing new	Nov 3 Summit
What are the needs at each park?	Nov 3 Summit
Invest in what we have	Nov 3 Summit
there are policies that are limiting what people can do in their own back yard. That is where you want to play first.	Nov 3 Summit
some of these areas there are no vacant land for parks-fully developed with homes	Nov 3 Summit
small playground in neighborhood is very different than citywide facility like a driving range	Nov 3 Summit
Great thing about LO parks--they're all unique	Nov 3 Summit
discussion has been about outdoor parks. Need indoor place for kids to play/get energy out in winter, like a rec center	Nov 3 Summit
could closed schools be used as community centers?	Nov 3 Summit
start by asking what recreation returns to everyone	Nov 3 Summit
community schools plus parks plus recreation	Nov 3 Summit
use closing schools as parks and facilities-upgrade and use fields as community parks. Use all-weather turf	Nov 3 Summit
don't want luscher farm to go away but ok with the ball fields at luscher (hazalia). Kids use them all the time	Nov 3 Summit
if one more field could go on the farm, but move the ag to another area-OK	Nov 3 Summit
move behind hazalia-happy compromise	Nov 3 Summit
skate park-permanent fixtures. Location good-improve fixtures	Nov 3 Summit
sidewalks	Nov 3 Summit
hunt club? Historic bldg should be preserved but not for city to do-find private investor or go non-profit.	Nov 3 Summit
have more all weather fields (better drainage)	Nov 3 Summit
better field maintenance	Nov 3 Summit
connecting bike and walk paths	Nov 3 Summit
ivy removal	Nov 3 Summit
lake access question: canoe or kayak once a year?	Nov 3 Summit
depends on cost	Nov 3 Summit
want new indoor tennis center	Nov 3 Summit
beware of over-design and cost	Nov 3 Summit
balance new with old	Nov 3 Summit
look for future expansion opportunities	Nov 3 Summit
connect river run #1 and #2	Nov 3 Summit
Connect foothills and george rogers park	Nov 3 Summit
correcting fish passage issues	Nov 3 Summit
better kiosks system to explain where things are	Nov 3 Summit
better bike system	Nov 3 Summit
farmers market in lake grove area	Nov 3 Summit
how can city measure balance and connectivity?	Nov 3 Summit
leverage dollars, offer tax credits to gain land	Nov 3 Summit
maintain what we have-build up reserve over time	Nov 3 Summit
access should be redefined greater than .5 miles	Nov 3 Summit
invest in parks with highest use	Nov 3 Summit
priority is not acquisition	Nov 3 Summit
connect roehr and george rogers parks	Nov 3 Summit
keep city gardens and community supported agriculture	Nov 3 Summit
maintain Luscher farms as a farm	Nov 3 Summit

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maintain existing sports fields	Nov 3 Summit
dog parks	Nov 3 Summit
access to recreation is important but maximizing utilization and maintenance before investing in new facilities	Comment Forms
Does the gap map take into account private facilities and exclusive neighborhoods? Policy #1 includes them when considering new investment. If the public is not welcome the public is not obligated to invest there	Comment Forms
don't add new parks. Maximize utilization at existing parks and improve connectivity.	Comment Forms
generally, no	Comment Forms
maximize and optimize the existing parks. Need more fields for soccer/lacrosse	Comment Forms
only invest when taxpayers can afford it	Comment Forms
Provide more recreation on the west side as community matures	Comment Forms
serve highest demand sports/dog parks, etc	Comment Forms
The city should conduct a needs assessment to determine how facilities are currently used and how they could be better utilized. That should determine how we invest to improve and expand existing facilities	Comment Forms
the city should not make the lake public. We have far more important needs	Comment Forms
Under no circumstances should the city be looking to expand new opportunities-parks are easy to get but very expensive to maintain	Comment Forms
underserved areas are within biking, walking, or driving distance from any home in LO. Lets make sure we maintain and enhance the existing infrastructure. We need to focus our efforts	Comment Forms
We should ensure that all of our existing facilities are well maintained and upgraded where necessary before investing in new facilities	Comment Forms
I am all for parks and recreation but I think our primary duty as citizens is to our school district. Just so you know I have no children in school here. I just am a believer in the best education possible. After education comes fire/police protection then all the frills that make Lake Oswego so special including recreation a vibrant shopping area great restaurants fill in the niceties. Also Lakewood center for the arts is a real jewel in our crown.	Virtual Summit
* We have a pretty mobile population. Even though we live at the South end of L.O. we often drive to George Rogers Park because our child likes it. I don't worry so much about 'equity' in that we will drive or walk to whatever public facilities in this or adjoining towns we choose to use at that moment in time.	
*What is important is that we keep up our resources so that people will want to use them in the first place. If you can prove that a certain small park is only used 28 person-visits a year then you can clearly make the case that keeping it up to standard at say \$50 000/year would be a rather poor use of public money ... but if that park gets 4000 person-visits a year while similar properties get 40 000 maybe we should invest just a bit more to add a feature that would increase its usage ... not drain its money away to handle just what is already the most popular venues. A hard question but we do need to keep enough different Parks running in enough different parts of the City so that we don't all show up in the three or four most preferred Parks crowding each other out and diminishing the experience.	Virtual Summit
Absolutely!	Virtual Summit
Add a pool to an existing park like the portland parks wilson high school pool or add a community center	Virtual Summit
Again money is not unlimited. Maintain the existing facilities.	Virtual Summit
again maintain existing parks. Monitor parks for excess and make adjustments and improvements as needed.	Virtual Summit
Agree. Take care of what we have first.	Virtual Summit
Always take care of your assets; however it did not seem necessary to re-do pirate ship at Waluga Park.	Virtual Summit
Both the renovation and maintenance of existing parks as well as green spaces should each be listed and prioritized.	Virtual Summit
Fund the projects down the list as far as the funding goes.	Virtual Summit
Care for existing	Virtual Summit
Care for existing assets	Virtual Summit
Care for existing assets unless the property is one of a kind (like the Hunt Club).	Virtual Summit
Care for existing assets.	Virtual Summit
Care for existing assets...no place serves fewer people...we may be losing perspective...all of Lake Oswego is small and accessible to all...we are not talking about accessing North Portland and even that is not far or difficult...this is not LA ! I would like to know where the inequity exists.	Virtual Summit
Care for existing first. This is a wonderful city but I think providing is taken a bit too far sometimes.	Virtual Summit
Care for existing parks	Virtual Summit
City parks director should decide when to close a service. PRAB could make a recommendation and city council would make the final decision with input from the citizens	Virtual Summit
Current facilities are plenty adequate for our existing and future population. There is a decline in the number of children in our schools and very little land available for development.	Virtual Summit
Develop what the city already has not what they may go out to buy for further development.	Virtual Summit

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Existing assets must be maintained. If new assets are identified that will provide more equity they should be funded by shutting down or downgrading existing assets that provide limited service. Obviously the city should not invest in any facilities that provide limited service other than the core public services of safety and infrastructure at the point the city cannot pay for it.	Virtual Summit
Existing. But if only a small percentage get to use the Lake Grove swim park only charge them for the use. If we are not allowed to use it we should not pay for it.	Virtual Summit
Facilities that are underutilized should be evaluated and possibly eliminated if the resources can be redirected to areas of greater need.	Virtual Summit
Fix what we have first!! This is a small city with plenty of public areas for recreation. You are creating some issue of equity and limitations that just doesn't exist.	Virtual Summit
Forget this 'equity' smoke screen. There are plenty of facilities distributed around the area where people can easily get to what they want to use. The city has already gone beyond the point where it should not invest in additional facilities; especially in the current economy!	Virtual Summit
Hold off on new parks and rec and on public facilities when private places exist. Honor people's financial concerns. Spend on essentials for now.	Virtual Summit
I agree with this premise	Virtual Summit
I agree.	Virtual Summit
I do not support any attempts to open Oswego Lake for public use.	Virtual Summit
I live in the community and was never asked if renovating existing parks / facilities is a high priority or not. If I had been asked I would have said this is a very low priority. I think the question has false assumptions / premises. The city does need to do a better job: respecting citizen's private property rights; maintaining trails/sidewalks/roads/walkways (you could do an outreach to businesses and citizens for volunteers to donate \$ and time/materials for this) - this better connects citizens to the current recreational opportunities in LO; listening to what citizens actually want instead of pushing 'pet projects' of some certain council members.	Virtual Summit
I support maximizing investment in existing facilities and in this economy no investment should be made in limited services.	Virtual Summit
I think at this time maintenance is what should be completed and not spending money on new facilities. We do not have the money to be buying property for a population that is not going to grow very much.	Virtual Summit
I think we have enough parks and should maintain them. If open land comes for sale and make sense to purchase that is another long term topic	Virtual Summit
I think we need to focus on the existing infrastructure before acquiring new land or development.	Virtual Summit
I think we should care for the existing facilities we have - not everyone is sitting in the 'new' park created on the lake recently.	Virtual Summit
I would prioritize investment in existing facilities. It would be nice to have full facilities within walking/biking distance of anywhere within city limits but that is not practical due to topography and other considerations. Additionally the unfortunate reality is that even when facilities are within reasonable walking distance a majority will still choose to drive.	Virtual Summit
If existing parks are renovated to maximize city investment would not they potentially serve more people? Growth in such facilities should be justified by changes in demographics and budget ability. If you build it who will come? Utilization is perhaps a moving target. An 'under utilized' resource may be highly valuable to its users for just that reason.	Virtual Summit
If the existing facilities are only useful for limited people more should be developed to spread the usage around.	Virtual Summit
If the facility is not used - sell it! L.O. should spend more of it's money and time maintaining existing parks i.e. Westridge Park - blackberries and weeds everywhere.	Virtual Summit
If there is a clear tradeoff then it make make sense to sell/trade assets but we need full disclosure on what equality may mean. We need to consider sustainability and natural areas in this consideration. There may be areas that have little evident/direct 'people' value that are very important in term of wetlands native flora/fauna if we purchased properties for the people they should be maintained.	Virtual Summit
If you can't maintain what you have why add more facilities that you can't maintain? If this is all about the tennis center build it they seem to have a strong enough program to pay its way much like the golf course used to be. With shrinking budgets I wouldn't vote for any additional facilities until I see what you have taken better care of...even if it requires the city organizing volunteer events at sites to do the cleaning up. Lots of youth programs are looking for volunteer ops if you are looking to build community how about a barn raising style event to heighten awareness of and clean up a city owned eyesore.	Virtual Summit
Improve the existing assets and invest in them as opposed to more and keeping them all mediocre or worse--- greater connectivity between the existing ones is more important than new ones!	Virtual Summit
Invest in existing public assets but don't provide new ones. City shouldn't spread itself too thin. And City must not try to change private recreational facilities into public ones. Don't spend tax dollars trying to change private facilities that people have invested in.	Virtual Summit
It is all a balance. Recreation and parks should be a higher priority than projects like Street Car.	Virtual Summit

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It is important to maintain existing facilities but when thinking about the future it is more important to provide better facilities and more adequate facilities. We should look ahead and plan for the future---not wait for the problem to exist before we react.	Virtual Summit
It is important to the degree possible to equitably provide recreational services. Areas/neighborhoods carrying the burden of higher densities are most deserving of recreational services. And those families living on 5000 square foot lots are most in need of parks and open spaces. Enough of glamour 'parks' whose audience appears to be those not Lake Oswego residents/taxpayers. The millions of public dollars invested in 'Parks' such as Sundeleaf Plaza needs to end now. Parks and recreational facilities (and dollars) for Lake Oswegans.	Virtual Summit
It is more important to care for existing assets! We all made trade-offs in life so equity is not realistic.	Virtual Summit
It is more important to care for existing assets. If facilities provide only limited services then perhaps they are only used by a select group and should not be maintained by the city but by the group that feels they need them.	Virtual Summit
It is more important to maintain existing facilities.	Virtual Summit
It is more important to maintain existing parks with the caveat that the City should provide access to the Lake via rental canoes kayaks or rowboats from one or more of the existing parks bordering the Lake owned by the City.	Virtual Summit
It is more important to provide new recreational opportunities (assets) than to invest in maintaining ones that already exist. The city should not invest in nor support blocking access to public areas as it does now by not allowing paddlers to access Lake Oswego.	Virtual Summit
Just maintain what we already have. If we have a commitment we should keep it but not expand.	Virtual Summit
Lake Oswego is not that big. Yes care for existing assets. I don't see the facilities that we currently have being over utilized. Second part is too vague to answer.	Virtual Summit
Maintain existing assets. If something doesn't have reasonable use then why provide it? Devote the resources to existing facilities that are used	Virtual Summit
Maintain the Parks	Virtual Summit
Maintain what we have which is plenty to serve the citizens	Virtual Summit
Maintain what we have. This seems to be a rephrasing of the previous question. The city should NOT be investing in additional facilities at this time nor in the near future.	Virtual Summit
Maintain what we have. We have equity in this town. You are free to use any park or public school park in non school hours. We have a great shoreline on the Willamette and we have a City Swim park. We need to enhance and maintain what we have. the citizens over the decades ave done a great job of giving veryone great recreational options everywhere but it is our responsibility to maintain and enhance our existing infrastructure.	Virtual Summit
Maintaining existing assets that serve a region of the city is of greater importance than investing in new facilities that provide limited service unless trends are toward increasing use of the limited service. Where pay-for-use can be implemented in limited service to help pay for the service that policy should always be considered (weighted against cost of staff to maintain).	Virtual Summit
More important to improve and care well for the existing assests.	Virtual Summit
My hope would be that common sense would prevail. If a common area is barely used I wouldn't want to see it left to deteriorate but I would hope we aren't investing in planting hundreds of new flowers every season either. On a case by case basis I have to imagine that areas that are of limited use can be maintained but with reduced service (i.e. less care for vegetation fewere garbage pick ups shut off water fountains when major repairs are needed etc). I believe existing parks should stay but extra services such as what I just described could be reduced. Hopefully this would free up funds for investment in areas that can provide more value. I am not in favor of maintaining the same level of service currently in place if the facility is of limited use.	Virtual Summit
Need to keep existing ones at a minimum level before doing more.	Virtual Summit
New ones with more equity	Virtual Summit
No more spending on Parks besides maintenance	Virtual Summit
No new parks or renovation of existing parks. at this time. I drive by the dog park and playing field on Stafford several times a month. It is not overflowing and until it is don't waste the tax payer's money. Now is the point in time not to spend money on parks.	Virtual Summit
No new taxes- we are taxed too high already. Yes the City should renovate the existing parks no new parks are needed.	Virtual Summit
Provide new ones including Lake access to serve more people equally. The city should invest in facilities that provide limited services to insure equal access for the physically impaired. Beyond that facilities that provide limited service by those that the facility is limited to serving.	Virtual Summit
Renovate existing parks facilities on an as needed basis. Lake Grove project should return to the priority list before the city takes over property to expand Foothills. The Foothills plaza should be last on the list after something financially responsible is done with WEB.	Virtual Summit

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See Recreation Question #1 regarding 'community'. Existing assets must be maintained. If new assets are identified that will provide more equity they should be funded by shutting down or downgrading existing assets that provide limited service. Restated question: 'When should the city stop investing in facilities that provide limited service?' Obviously the city should not invest in any limited service facility or activity other than the core public services of safety and infrastructure at the point the city cannot pay for it.	Virtual Summit
Take care of what is now public and stay off private property at all costs.	Virtual Summit
Take care of what we have first!	Virtual Summit
Take care of what we have now and no new parks at this time.	Virtual Summit
Tax payer money spent on parks for dogs is wrong. The huge investment in dog parks is not appropriate.	Virtual Summit
The answer to this question is it depends. It's a poor question. Existing facilities should be cared for obviously but that does not mean the care can be done at minimal cost to allow for funds to toward new facilities if needed. If the costs are too high then don't provide a facility. People need to vote if they want something that appears to be cost ineffective.	Virtual Summit
The city doesn't need to invest in more parks. In recent years the city has invested millions of dollars in parks which are hardly used as it is. Greater fiscal responsibility should be recognized as a primary goal. At times it seems like the city has been trying to spend money to justify its own existence. The city should maintain what it has and no more.	Virtual Summit
The city should continue to maintain current assets. If a facility is being underused figure out why. If it is used frequently it should continue even if it provides limited services.	Virtual Summit
The city should definitely renovate and maximize it's current facilities rather than providing new ones.	Virtual Summit
The city should focus on what it has and not make further investments	Virtual Summit
The city should invest in youth sports fields as these get very high use. The park down on the river is grossly under used and should be promoted.	Virtual Summit
The city should provide proper maintenance and investment in existing parks. It's very important to take care of what we have. However I do not believe we need to add additional parks or facilities. Just see to it that what we have is awesome.	Virtual Summit
The first question is poorly worded as the either/or choices are not mutually exclusive. However except for a needed North side Dog Park prioritize upkeep of currently owned assets. Government should do a cost/user benefit analysis of each recreational activity and leave the high cost per user recreation to the private sector. For example once acquired there is a small incremental cost per use for a person to walk a trail or have their children play on a swing set in a park. As the cost per use rises often because their are fewer citizens participating the government's priority to provide that activity should diminish and the private sector can better compete.	Virtual Summit
The highest priority should be keeping the existing parks in good shape.	Virtual Summit
the parks are fine as they are	Virtual Summit
There should be new assets provided such as fields to equalize the availability to our LOHS students. I don't think the city should only invest in facilities with limited beneficiaries if there are new options that will serve many more.	Virtual Summit
This is very stacked question. More equity?? We have existing parks that meet many needs. When my children were small we bought a house in the Westlake area to take advantage of walking to the great park. As the children grew we move to the Village On The Lake area to take advantage of their great easement. Life is about choices and that is what so great about LO it's not a cookie cutter park and rec system.	Virtual Summit
This strikes me as a loaded question. Are those the only two options? I think not. Who defines 'equity'? Special interests? At what point...' What kind of a question is that? What does 'Limited Service' mean? Who wrote this thing?	Virtual Summit
We are well past the point where the city should be investing in facilities that provide limited services. I do not believe the public is saying renovate existing parks - the only word I have heard citizens use is maintain existing parks which is not currently being done adequately.	Virtual Summit
We are a relatively small town and I'm not sure what areas of town do not have any facilities within reach.	Virtual Summit
We can stop investing in the trolley - there's no clear need for this. You could stop forcing development down by the sewer treatment plant. Use those dollars to enhance life for those of us already here rather than trying to grow the population that will need more services.	Virtual Summit
We do not need to invest in new parks. We don't have unlimited money we have plenty of park space but we need to invest in additional turf fields for kids' sports and other upgrades and maintenance. I don't think there are 'gaps' in park space!	Virtual Summit
We have enough parks. the new one on lakeview is a waste. please just get spending under control.	Virtual Summit
We need to adequately care for existing assets not spend extra \$ on new ones that add to the burden. The city could minimize additional costs for facilities that provide limited service by using xeroscaping and low-maintenance resources.	Virtual Summit

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We need to do a better job with current assets. Make them first in class. Sports fields Dog parks trails and bike paths make us a valued community for young families. If there is low demand it should be for the private sector to provide.	Virtual Summit
We should adequately maintain what we have before we build new.	Virtual Summit
We should care for existing. Do you mean 'equity' is how far a park is from someone's house? If that was important to the homeowner then they would/should have built that into their buying/renting decision in the first place. The park system is more than adequate in the city. Question 2 The city should use as one criteria a use per capita factor on each dollar spent to maintain enhance buy... any facility.	Virtual Summit
We should not invest in any more facilities.	Virtual Summit
Yes -- I absolutely agree that the city should maintain and renovate existing parks and not continue to develop new ones. I often walk and am disappointed at how few people I see at many times of the year at George Rogers and Foothills. I never see anyone at the new Sundeleaf park -- what a waste of the city's money to add a park on busy State Street.	Virtual Summit
Yes it is more important to care for our existing assets we do not need to provide everything for everyone. Like all its citizens The City has limited resources. The City should spend those limited resources where the most value is received and take care of what we have now before developing more.	Virtual Summit
yes lets keep what we have. With ever increasing budgets and massive shortfalls in essential areas i think we have enough parks.	Virtual Summit
Yes work on existing. We have plenty of parks. they are not over crowded.	Virtual Summit
yes care for existing properties	Virtual Summit
How should we measure success for recreation in Lake Oswego	
<i>Comment</i>	<i>Source</i>
all groups (various ages and interests) have places to carry out their activities	Comment Forms
cost effectiveness	Comment Forms
people engaged in active lifestyles-at all ages	Comment Forms
quality of parks and amount of use	Comment Forms
start taking care of the schools, parks, art, etc. When a city buys too much too fast it is going to make the city too expensive for families to live there	Comment Forms
use hours per capita/acre, # of programs and variety of activities available	Comment Forms
utilization of parks and noticed improvements for connectivity via walking and biking	Comment Forms
utilization rate	Comment Forms