

**Parksville Resident Survey 2010 - QUESTION #16 (seperated by "YES" AND "NO"**

**As a means to stimulate the local economy, do you support the enhancement of our tourism industry?**

**Question #16 - "Yes"**

*answered question* **1499**

<b>Response Date</b>	<b>Comments associated with "Yes" responses:</b>	<b>Issue A</b>	<b>Issue B</b>	<b>Issue C</b>
May 8, 2010 4:53 AM	as long as we quit designing super highways down the middle of our town.....	19A	traffic	
May 14, 2010 10:49 PM	If the traffic could somehow te restricted. 19A very busy.	19a	traffic	
May 28, 2010 4:18 PM	but not by diverting traffic from the coastal hwy 19A.	19A	traffic	
Jun 4, 2010 10:20 PM	But not by closing or changing highway lanes downtown	19A	traffic	
May 20, 2010 8:52 PM	no changes to 19A	19A		
Jun 11, 2010 9:25 PM	Stop allowing the Highway 19A to be one big car dealership. It is really ugly and the first think you see when you drive into Parksville.	19A		
May 18, 2010 9:52 PM	But affordable housing must exist for those who are in the tourist industry - the only problem with tourism is of course that it is seasonal.	affordable housing		
May 21, 2010 12:56 AM	Yes, but without house keeping people living in Parksville whose going to look after guests.	affordable housing		
May 27, 2010 3:45 PM	Only if we can provide affordable housing for people who work in the industry.	affordable housing		
May 28, 2010 9:09 PM	But only if something is done to provide HIGH QUALITY affordable housing.	affordable housing		
Jun 3, 2010 5:09 PM	But for service operations relying on our minimum wage employees, lack of affordable housing precludes available reliable labor force.	affordable housing		
Jun 7, 2010 8:13 PM	But ensure that reasonably priced accommodation is available for staff.	affordable housing		
May 23, 2010 3:47 PM	Absolutely. W/O tourists and general activity our town/city will die because there is nothing else bringing people in.	brings in money	brings new residents	
Jun 3, 2010 10:20 PM	Stimulate the economy by bringing tourists here to spend their money.	brings in money		
Jun 4, 2010 10:15 PM	We need the tourists to ensure businesses can stay open.	brings in money		
Jun 10, 2010 3:23 PM	The more the better as it means more money.	brings in money		
Jun 11, 2010 8:33 PM	Our local businesses could really use the support from tourists.	brings in money		
Jun 15, 2010 2:54 PM	It's important for the community and for businesses.	brings in money		

May 20, 2010 5:47 PM	We need the people to help out with our offset of costs.	brings in money		
May 21, 2010 4:34 PM	tourists bring money to city	brings in money		
May 21, 2010 8:25 PM	Economic benefits	brings in money		
May 27, 2010 3:24 AM	We are a tourist area and need to continue to attract tourists to support our economy.	brings in money		
May 27, 2010 10:08 PM	This area is about tourism. Without it we lose our lifestyle.	brings in money		
Jun 1, 2010 9:14 PM	As much as we can. This brings outside dollars in to us.	brings in money		
Jun 16, 2010 7:56 PM	This is the main economic strength of Parksville and should be enhanced to ensure full utilization of current facilities (hotels, restaurants, etc.) and economic growth in the community.	brings in money		
May 20, 2010 6:47 PM	But only for a share of the profit.	brings in money		
Jun 7, 2010 5:29 PM	I believe my previous comments support tourism, which could translate into new residents.	brings new residents		
Jun 9, 2010 6:37 PM	Let's do it in a way that also enhances the lives of the citizens - make Parksville a place that people want to come to and live.	brings new residents		
Jun 15, 2010 8:07 PM	Before moving here, we very much enjoyed this area as tourists.	brings new residents		
May 31, 2010 8:58 PM	Tourism is our greatest asset and leads to new residents when they stop being visitors.	brings new residents		
May 29, 2010 1:22 AM	But not at the cost of the tax base (permanent residents)	costs		
Jun 1, 2010 5:51 PM	I believe that business should pay the \$20 levy that has recently stopped.	costs		
Jun 8, 2010 5:29 PM	If it does not cost the taxpayer, eg. house taxes.	costs		
Jun 10, 2010 10:18 PM	Funds to come from local tourist industry	costs		
Jun 18, 2010 10:34 PM	Spending \$127,000 on a new sign is ludicrous. Why a new home costs about \$300,000 and most of that costs is for land. How much land does that sign occupy? The plethora of new signs means Mayne's friends are prospering.	costs		
May 21, 2010 3:59 AM	watch the cost of doing changes	costs		
May 26, 2010 3:36 PM	It takes money.	costs		
May 27, 2010 5:07 PM	But at what cost? Locals pay for everything and hotels/corporations benefit. No.	costs		
May 28, 2010 8:08 PM	At a reasonable cost to the taxpayer.	costs		
May 17, 2010 10:20 PM	How? Cost? Who has ever heard of Parksville.	costs		
Jun 4, 2010 6:42 PM	The local businesses should be able to support this.	costs		
Jun 10, 2010 10:23 PM	As long as that does not involve more beachfront development than the market/economy can handle. More things for people to do while they are here, perhaps.	development	events	facilities

May 24, 2010 12:18 AM	Within reason. No beach clubs, but more open spaces. More parks and facilities like a city campground and sani-dump. Better bylaws to limit the riraff in existing campgrounds. ie maximum stay time in a campground or park	development	facilities	services
Jun 14, 2010 2:58 PM	Support, yes, but no more resorts. Infrastructure is costly and resources limited.	development	infrastructure	
Jun 14, 2010 4:58 PM	Island Hall hotel employed many local people in the past. We need a hotel, not condos.	development	jobs	
May 25, 2010 4:09 PM	Enhance, yes, but not at the cost of disturbing the natural setting and beauty (ie obstructing the view of the beach with more highrise condos).	development	natural setting	
Jun 3, 2010 3:21 PM	But only if development does not further spoil our enjoyment of the waterfront. No more highrises.	development	natural setting	
Jun 3, 2010 5:34 PM	Leave the beach and waterfront alone so everybody can enjoy it. People come to enjoy the waterfront, not to see monstrosities like the Beach Club.	development	natural setting	
Jun 3, 2010 6:34 PM	The lowlands below Hwy 19A should all be community park. Flood plains should not be developed.	development	natural setting	
Jun 3, 2010 8:31 PM	Just not more obstruction of water view.	development	natural setting	
Jun 3, 2010 9:18 PM	Provided no buildings/hotels/condos impair the views over the bay.	development	natural setting	
Jun 4, 2010 10:48 PM	This area has been built on tourism. We must control building on the beachfront by regulations benefitting this industry but not overpowering parkland.	development	natural setting	
Jun 18, 2010 8:22 PM	From a tourist standpoint, Parksville is a less desirable place to visit than 10 and 20 years ago. So why come to Parksville, when other island communities are more attractive now that we have lost our view of beaches?	development	natural setting	
May 31, 2010 10:05 PM	So long as it is low key. Not for instance another Beach Club. Though smaller hotels or restaurants are needed - plus something to do in the evening - small movie house?	development	services	facilities
May 21, 2010 10:38 PM	However, it depends on what enhancements. Beach Club--no. More restaurants, better beaches, camping--yes.	development	services	family friendly
May 24, 2010 4:47 AM	but not by building more resorts but by supporting the tourist bureau and such	development	services	
May 24, 2010 7:24 AM	Enhancement - not furthering the spread of resorts. Making our tourists more comfortable in our restaurants and public areas, providing them with more small green areas to rest and washrooms that are within easy reach of shopping and accessible to all.	development	services	

Jun 15, 2010 9:05 PM	We have the hotels, the beach. I love the Beach Club, but realize some opposition to more development on that part of the beach. Shuttle to resort area may be a good idea.	development	services	
Jun 16, 2010 3:38 PM	But not if it means more fast food outlets and eyesores like the Beach Club.	development	services	
May 28, 2010 9:38 PM	That does not mean adding more Beach Clubs. Encourage businesses that will attract tourists--look at Coombs.	development	shopping	services
May 17, 2010 9:54 PM	But I think we have enough hotels/resorts. Shopping would have people spending more in the community.	development	shopping	
May 7, 2010 6:11 PM	without ruining our skyline anymore than it is.	development		
May 8, 2010 7:16 PM	Depends on what "enhancement" means. If it means destroying our natural surroundings so someone can make a bunch of money, then absolutely not.	development		
May 10, 2010 3:53 AM	But no more Beach Club projects or high rises on the ocean side of 19A	development		
May 12, 2010 6:45 PM	ecofriendly tourism, not high priced condos for the rich who will not become part of the community through volunteerism, local shopping, etc.	development		
May 14, 2010 2:11 AM	Within reason I support the tourism industry, but not at the expense of other industries or if it means losing the small town feel. If it means building towers on the waterfront or commercializing our parks then no I don't support changes in that way.	development		
May 14, 2010 9:36 PM	Lets go on with the other condo project by the Beach Club. Free enterprise is democratic.	development		
May 17, 2010 10:46 PM	if it does not include beach front development	development		
May 19, 2010 4:14 PM	We don't make more Beach Club resorts.	development		
May 19, 2010 6:16 PM	But NOT as in over building the waterfront.	development		
May 19, 2010 9:01 PM	within limits, re: no more Beach Clubs	development		
May 19, 2010 10:46 PM	People come here because it is supernatural. Why try to turn it into a Calgary, etc? Don't pave paradise and put up a parking lot.	development		
May 20, 2010 6:53 PM	Not with more hotels though	development		
May 20, 2010 10:51 PM	That is the way new development should be on south side of highway so beaches remain. The view from high buildings is just as good from the south side of the road.	development		
May 21, 2010 4:42 PM	support but limit waterfront and riverside development	development		
May 21, 2010 5:09 PM	Not RV parks.	development		
May 21, 2010 6:25 PM	Do not limit our access to the beach or build any more highrise hotels on our beach. They can have Resort Ave.	development		

May 21, 2010 6:43 PM	We need more rental rooms, not condo/time shares or 1/4 ownership.	development		
May 24, 2010 1:14 AM	Very much so. The beach is what brought us here. We were shocked to find out and see what kind of a mess has been made because of development on the beach side of the highway.	development		
May 25, 2010 5:51 PM	Not with more hotels. The present ones don't have enough business as is.	development		
May 25, 2010 6:52 PM	But don't build skyscrapers.	development		
May 25, 2010 10:04 PM	Make it easy to do business and build in Parksville.	development		
May 26, 2010 1:53 AM	Only where the resorts are at the south end of town, not at the waterfront downtown	development		
May 26, 2010 4:50 AM	Those prime beach areas need to be developed; but not to the extent of the Beach Club!	development		
May 26, 2010 4:16 PM	You also need to have more businesses, develop the beach area so people enjoy their stay.	development		
May 26, 2010 4:20 PM	but not if it means that the city allows more building on the waterfront	development		
May 26, 2010 9:03 PM	As long as it excludes beachfront development.	development		
May 27, 2010 5:12 PM	But no 'English Bay style' developments	development		
May 27, 2010 6:13 PM	But not by having beachfront development	development		
May 27, 2010 9:02 PM	The Beach Club is a disaster. Stop that mentality on the greatest asset we have, 'The Beach' and all it represents 'Freedom'. Can't see as well now either. Developer lied to us. Not that unusual.	development		
May 27, 2010 10:00 PM	Except on the waterfront. No more big buildings.	development		
May 28, 2010 5:04 PM	But no more highrise waterfront development.	development		
May 28, 2010 5:22 PM	But without the cost of outside developers building what they wish.	development		
May 31, 2010 4:21 PM	Other than building on beach front.	development		
May 31, 2010 4:36 PM	But not at the expense of local residents, ie do not develop waterfront properties.	development		
May 31, 2010 6:26 PM	No more large buildings along front.	development		
May 31, 2010 10:17 PM	But not big development on the beach.	development		
Jun 1, 2010 4:26 PM	But, control the capital growth of the resorts.	development		
Jun 1, 2010 6:09 PM	But with restrictions on beach front properties so we have no more palaces.	development		
Jun 1, 2010 10:01 PM	But not by building Beach Club type buildings in the prime areas along the waterfront.	development		
Jun 2, 2010 5:30 PM	But no on beach development. Keep the view.	development		
Jun 2, 2010 6:18 PM	Beachfront development must be capped, or limited so the public access areas such as the park can be extended.	development		

Jun 2, 2010 6:43 PM	But leave the RV parks and only allow 2 storey buildings for motels.	development		
Jun 2, 2010 10:36 PM	But not by filling beach. Could hotels be on the other side of the highway?	development		
Jun 3, 2010 5:25 PM	enhance what you can, but more resorts would reduce the income of existing ones.	development		
Jun 3, 2010 5:28 PM	But not with new buildings obstructing the view of the water downtown.	development		
Jun 3, 2010 9:29 PM	In a controlled manner with minimum impact on the existing neighbourhood. No more Beach Clubs.	development		
Jun 4, 2010 5:46 PM	Only if it does not involve further development on the beach.	development		
Jun 4, 2010 8:25 PM	As long as you don't put up more Beach Clubs	development		
Jun 4, 2010 10:58 PM	But don't build any more monstrosities on the beachfront.	development		
Jun 7, 2010 3:11 PM	The old Island Hall used to stimulate the downtown. Since the Beach Club has gone in there is no big increase in tourism.	development		
Jun 7, 2010 4:32 PM	Responsibly. Please do not erect motels and hotels down on big strip. The Okanagan built so irresponsibly. These mistakes should be learned now.	development		
Jun 7, 2010 4:49 PM	But not with further beach development, as the Beach Club.	development		
Jun 7, 2010 5:24 PM	Get on with waterfront development	development		
Jun 7, 2010 5:44 PM	But I don't think building accommodations along the beach front is the way to go.	development		
Jun 7, 2010 10:23 PM	However, I think there are more than enough hotels already.	development		
Jun 8, 2010 3:45 PM	But that does not include tall buildings along the waterfront.	development		
Jun 8, 2010 5:20 PM	But what does that mean? Selling the beach to highrise condos that seem to be empty 10 months of the year?	development		
Jun 8, 2010 5:23 PM	No more buildings on the waterfront	development		
Jun 8, 2010 5:52 PM	Within reason. Any hotels need to be built inland.	development		
Jun 8, 2010 6:01 PM	except near the beach	development		
Jun 8, 2010 9:03 PM	But no more tourism built structures on beachfront.	development		
Jun 10, 2010 3:57 PM	Not with waterfront condos.	development		
Jun 10, 2010 8:58 PM	Yes, to a point. No more Beach Clubs.	development		
Jun 10, 2010 9:13 PM	Tourism is our economy. That does not mean we need to focus on large projects. The local economy would be better served with tourism aimed at all economic levels	development		
Jun 10, 2010 9:35 PM	But no more highrises on the beach.	development		
Jun 10, 2010 10:32 PM	Except for that huge monstrosity on the waterfront - where are people going to park to visit shops in front? It is just plain ugly.	development		
Jun 11, 2010 9:09 PM	Hotel would be a great idea - not condos	development		

Jun 14, 2010 3:37 PM	However, we need to qualify the level of tourism we are attempting to attract; ie, 5 star--should that be disired--requires major change. I don't believe we should be attempting 5 star attractions.	development		
Jun 14, 2010 6:11 PM	As long as it does not include further commercial beach development.	development		
Jun 14, 2010 6:29 PM	As long as it doesn't put anymore eyesore Beach Club on our waterfront in the name of tourism money.	development		
Jun 15, 2010 9:28 PM	As long as buildings are attractive such as the Beach Club.	development		
Jun 16, 2010 4:00 PM	But not like Island Hall area.	development		
Jun 16, 2010 5:57 PM	But would not support people living on beach or development of oceanfront commercial projects.	development		
Jun 16, 2010 8:03 PM	Keep in mind, no developments on the beach.	development		
Jun 16, 2010 9:18 PM	Without further building.	development		
Jun 17, 2010 4:13 PM	With limits on size and heights. No more Beach Clubs.	development		
Jun 17, 2010 4:25 PM	But not by making us a sky scraper city. Don't put so many buildings in such a small space.	development		
Jun 18, 2010 3:28 PM	Only if there are no further hotels built on the beach.	development		
Jun 18, 2010 4:02 PM	On a limited basis. Not by permitting/encouraging developments such as the Beach Club.	development		
Jun 18, 2010 5:59 PM	This has always been a tourism place, but it does not need to become like Miami or Reno.	development		
Jun 18, 2010 9:08 PM	With certain restrictions--we do not want to become Miami Beach north.	development		
Jun 18, 2010 10:19 PM	Only if it does not include any more buildings on or near beach or waterfront.	development		
Jun 21, 2010 3:06 PM	To a point--as long as the tourism industry doesn't mean more development on our beach.	development		
Jun 21, 2010 3:32 PM	This does not mean highrises.	development		
Jun 21, 2010 4:21 PM	However, this does not mean building resorts with 9 or 10 storeys.	development		
Jun 21, 2010 5:29 PM	As long as it doesn't become overdeveloped.	development		
Jun 21, 2010 6:38 PM	Keep buildings low. Don't block ocean view from 19A. Balance important between local economy/housing.	development		
Jun 4, 2010 5:55 PM	Make beaches accessible to everyone.	development		
Jun 18, 2010 9:50 PM	Tourism is very important and Parksville is a natural beauty but if Parksville downtown was more appealing, would draw more people and also need to be open longer hours and Sundays and more small restaurants.	downtown enhancement	services	

May 19, 2010 6:57 PM	Maybe with Fountains and small squares or parks with benches. Having said that, I fear that vandals would have a field day.	downtown enhancement		
May 31, 2010 8:09 PM	Make the downtown core much more attractive with flowers, benches to rest on, and stores with washroom facilities.	downtown enhancement		
Jun 3, 2010 10:29 PM	central towncentre	downtown enhancement		
May 15, 2010 7:43 PM	Maintain the small town feel. Support the sand castle building, volleyball tournaments and such. support and keep the Brant festival (enlarge it to attract more tourist dollars. Maintain the public beach access and no more uncontrolled development on the beach front from French Creek to the Englishman river	events	development	
Jun 8, 2010 4:43 PM	Having activities or events such as Sandcastles and others good. Beach Club clones, bad.	events	development	
May 25, 2010 8:41 PM	Why not look to other activities (beside beach and golf). Look to mountain biking, road biking, hiking. Discuss with Greater Victoria Cycling Coalition re economic impact.	events	facilities	
Jun 2, 2010 6:03 PM	Tourism brings people. People need entertainment, which I think Parksville needs more of.	events	facilities	
Jun 17, 2010 9:03 PM	Different community events. Involve high school students in creating events/ideas. Need cinema, swimming pool, etc.	events	facilities	
May 28, 2010 6:01 AM	there is not much here for a tourist to do, and I would guess that Tourism would/should be the biggest industry in this community in the summer months.	events	facilities	
Jun 18, 2010 9:57 PM	Sports tournaments. Advertise in local cities.	events	marketing	
May 21, 2010 4:14 PM	Festivals. It depends on what you mean by enhancement. We have lovely resorts, spas, restaurants, etc. The focus should be on preserving and promoting the natural beauty of our area.	events	natural setting	
May 17, 2010 5:04 PM	I believe that is the only industry in this area--so really needs to be publicized widely about events coming up.	events		
May 18, 2010 4:34 PM	need more activities year round to keep our tourism	events		
May 18, 2010 5:12 PM	Continue with festivals at the beach and attract outdoor events for ALL ages.	events		
May 21, 2010 10:19 PM	I say yes with reservations. I think Bard on Broadway is good for the summer. I think we should have a good garden plot.	events		
May 23, 2010 9:58 PM	Once again, more special events	events		
May 27, 2010 6:24 PM	The many yearly events are a good draw for tourists.	events		
May 27, 2010 10:43 PM	Better communication of events and attractions throughout Oceanside.	events		
May 28, 2010 5:53 PM	More outdoor stuff. More music and entertainment outlets.	events		

May 31, 2010 9:25 PM	Promote trade fairs, tournaments for all sports, also have a tourist in your own town for a day like Victoria has - promotes word of mouth advertising by locals.	events		
May 31, 2010 9:38 PM	There is more than golf and beach. Promote other activities.	events		
Jun 7, 2010 6:09 PM	Not with brick and mortar--events: farmers markets, fringes, local talents, band a-week for summer (not for profit - just exposure) more young events etc.	events		
Jun 7, 2010 6:12 PM	Attract more events--golf or any sporting events, BC Lions training camp, etc.	events		
Jun 8, 2010 8:47 PM	More festivals to attract people.	events		
Jun 10, 2010 10:33 PM	More summer entertainment on beach.	events		
Jun 21, 2010 3:38 PM	events, concerts	events		
Jun 21, 2010 5:11 PM	More activities in the community park during the year. Beachfest and Sandcastle contest is great. But more ideas needed.	events		
Jun 18, 2010 6:23 PM	Parksville is a summer resort community because of its great beaches and weather, but could be expanded for fall/winter/spring tourism.	extend season		
Jun 4, 2010 10:18 PM	Work to stimulate off-season tourism	extend season		
Jun 14, 2010 9:11 PM	Including agri-tourism and culinary tourism.	extend season		
Jun 16, 2010 5:28 PM	Walking trails, theatre, affordable family accommodation.	facilities	family friendly	
Jun 18, 2010 9:38 PM	Tourism is important to our local economy. Enhance tourist facilities - R.V. Parks, camping, affordable resorts, businesses that attract tourists.	facilities	family friendly	
Jun 2, 2010 3:24 PM	Quality tourism can provide amenities for residents. Provides jobs.	facilities	jobs	
Jun 18, 2010 10:18 PM	Improve/enhance what we have - we don't need new theme parks etc. Emphasis on our natural beauty.	facilities	natural setting	
Jun 3, 2010 3:09 PM	Pedestrian walkways, open air cafés, a European style environment with squares, cobblestones, architecture.	facilities	services	downtown enhancement
Jun 4, 2010 10:29 PM	Should have more activities for tourists to do at beach--rent canoes, pedal boats, etc.	facilities	services	
Jun 10, 2010 6:56 PM	The facilities and services and cultural events that tourists enjoy are also of interest and benefit to residents.	facilities	services	
Jun 14, 2010 4:13 PM	Depending on what you do. Fix up and beautify what's here and make it easier for people to get to it. Signs help to discreetly assist people to find what they're looking for. What about having informed volunteer 'tourist helpers' with info to assist people on the streets? Tourist Info Centre is too far out of town. We need a 'Lost & Found/Info' booth at the beach park.	facilities	services	

Jun 14, 2010 6:09 PM	Beach Club should have catered to conferences/seminars/workshops etc. or at least these visitors consuming local services. Also opposed to view blocking - "elite"	facilities	services	
Jun 16, 2010 3:00 PM	If residents want more amenities, then we need more tourism to support the costs and encourage local business. Tourism fits with our strengths/location/image, etc.	facilities	services	
May 17, 2010 5:00 AM	Council should support the Chamber of Commerce in their efforts to finance the Tourist Information Centre. It seems Council is very negative/ignorant in promoting Parksville/Oceanside as a place to live and play.	facilities		
May 17, 2010 4:45 PM	Help the local Lions Club to bring more rides for kids in their Ventureland playground.	facilities		
May 20, 2010 6:23 PM	Arenas and pools increase the people who come to the area. It brings in people who spend money outside of the prime summer months. Pools are used mostly between Sept and June when our vacancy rate isn't that high.	facilities		
May 20, 2010 10:41 PM	There needs to be things for people (tourists & locals) to do here when it rains. The bowling alley is a joke and there is no pool.	facilities		
May 27, 2010 5:26 AM	The arts is missing. As a parent of a dance and music student and touring this province in the same size cities. How great it would be to see a proper theatre for the new and experienced people who engage in these activities.	facilities		
May 28, 2010 5:14 PM	water park suitable for older children	facilities		
May 31, 2010 10:31 PM	we need a bandstand proper area in the park	facilities		
Jun 4, 2010 4:46 PM	Congratulations on waterfront walkway and gorgeous new signage.	facilities		
Jun 9, 2010 10:47 PM	Make better bike path from Craig Bay to downtown Parksville.	facilities		
Jun 10, 2010 10:40 PM	Free beach access and facilities (as is) along with sports fields	facilities		
Jun 11, 2010 4:57 PM	Better sidewalk or pathway to town and bike lock spots.	facilities		
Jun 15, 2010 4:31 PM	A cinema would be nice.	facilities		
Jun 16, 2010 4:23 PM	There should be more to attract tourists to this area, even if it means building a rollercoaster or waterslide.	facilities		
Jun 17, 2010 6:44 PM	A public downtown bathroom facility would be great--wheelchair accessible, of course. Perhaps it only needs to open during peak summer months and for street market or celebrations.	facilities		
Jun 18, 2010 10:02 PM	Boat harbour would work well.	facilities		
Jun 18, 2010 10:07 PM	(more) attractions for children is needed. More hiking trails close to city centre. Sidewalks.	facilities		
Jun 18, 2010 10:32 PM	It would be nice if we could have a cruise ship dock.	facilities		

Jun 4, 2010 6:56 PM	We need to encourage more camping/hotels/motels mid range for families - enough condos on the beach.	family friendly	development	
Jun 14, 2010 6:48 PM	But this has limits. Parksville has a beach attractive to families. This should not be sacrificed to developers' desire to attract the very rich. Probably not their market.	family friendly	development	
May 18, 2010 11:38 PM	I say yes but we have lost so much with losing our RV Parks, what is here is too expensive for the average person to come and stay and there is not enough for people to do we do have a lovely park but it is not known to all who come here	family friendly		
May 20, 2010 3:43 PM	especially families	family friendly		
May 21, 2010 8:38 PM	Stop large resorts, encourage tenting, family friendly	family friendly		
May 25, 2010 2:24 AM	We already have enough infrastructure. It needs to remain affordable in order to attract families. Perhaps more short term camping? We no longer travel to the Okanagan or to Victoria because costs are ridiculous.	family friendly		
Jun 1, 2010 6:49 PM	I want all types of tourist, not just rich ones that can afford the Beach Club.	family friendly		
Jun 3, 2010 5:21 PM	Affordable access for all.	family friendly		
Jun 8, 2010 6:10 PM	Need more camping facilities for young families in the summer. When my children were growing up, we camped every summer at what is now Surfside or the mini-golf site. Now there is just expensive hotels.	family friendly		
Jun 11, 2010 4:10 PM	Keep RV parks and family type accommodation available.	family friendly		
Jun 17, 2010 9:36 PM	Bring more families by providing affordable tourist accommodations on the waterfront. Do not rezone from mix of tourist/commercial use. The beach is perfect for children.	family friendly		
Jun 18, 2010 6:11 PM	We do need a base economy. I see more need for more affordable resorts; ie, camping/RV resorts.	family friendly		
Jun 21, 2010 5:57 PM	Please leave affordable tourist accommodation near the community park and beach.	family friendly		
May 20, 2010 9:08 PM	leave the beaches free	fees		
May 26, 2010 4:02 PM	A \$5 parking permit to visit our local beach is too much.	fees		
Jun 17, 2010 3:04 PM	Perhaps we could charge for parking in the park to raise funds for ongoing maintenance/improvements.	fees		
Jun 14, 2010 6:00 PM	Moderate means taken for enhancement.	gradual growth		
May 17, 2010 8:19 PM	within reason	gradual growth		
May 17, 2010 8:33 PM	to some extent; not large or drastic	gradual growth		
May 19, 2010 4:05 PM	Change is good	gradual growth		
May 19, 2010 8:09 PM	To a limited point of view to attract tourists.	gradual growth		
May 22, 2010 7:55 PM	Within reason.	gradual growth		

May 26, 2010 7:56 PM	In an orderly and open manner.. with the foresight to the future...	gradual growth		
May 31, 2010 6:03 PM	To some extent, but not too soon and abruptly.	gradual growth		
Jun 3, 2010 4:35 PM	with specific limits	gradual growth		
Jun 7, 2010 5:39 PM	As long as it's gradually implemented.	gradual growth		
Jun 10, 2010 5:14 PM	But it must be done in a thoughtful way.	gradual growth		
May 27, 2010 9:29 PM	Must be done carefully.	gradual growth		
Jun 14, 2010 3:24 PM	Carefully and tastefully.	gradual growth		
Jun 2, 2010 6:09 PM	I support anything that is low impact and renewable	green		
May 17, 2010 10:27 PM	absolutely if it's green	green		
May 26, 2010 3:29 PM	But not at the cost of not spending tax dollars on badly needed infrastructure upgrades, safety concerns (ie sidewalks and lighting).	infrastructure		
May 26, 2010 9:53 PM	We need tourism for a tax base to pay for the upgrades that the city needs to do.	infrastructure		
Jun 2, 2010 4:27 PM	I support it if the industry pays for their 'drain' on our water supply. We shouldn't pay the price for their use.	infrastructure		
Jun 15, 2010 3:34 PM	Not at taxpayers' expense. Allow a special levy paid by the resorts/restaurants to encourage tourism. Remember that all those tourist use Parksville services (water, sewer, etc.).	infrastructure		
Jun 10, 2010 6:17 PM	Grow and evolve gradually. Encourage tourist activity. Stimulate the local economy; create jobs; many more jobs in the winter months. If more jobs were created, the growth would go up and tax revenues. Oceanside has always had a problem with affordable housing. This must change.	jobs	affordable housing	
May 18, 2010 10:56 PM	Creates jobs for people and brings money into city for development.	jobs	development	
May 19, 2010 8:54 PM	creates jobs for people and brings money into the city, ultimately for development	jobs	development	
Jun 11, 2010 9:36 PM	It will help provide jobs, bring business more revenue. Inappropriate location of resorts, ie. Beach Club not suitable, view of the ocean beach must not be further compromised for tourists and local residents.	jobs	development	
May 19, 2010 9:38 PM	I support tourism, as it generates revenue over a wider area than local industry or forestry. Without tourism, Parksville becomes a bedroom community. Encouraging growth of tourist based services and activities will ensure an ongoing opportunity for growth, a local job market for the youth, perhaps enhanced entertainment for the citizens and basically a much happier, energetic and vibrant community.	jobs	events	
May 14, 2010 4:00 PM	creates jobs for young people and families	jobs		

May 14, 2010 4:08 PM	Brantfest, Sandcastle, music, etc are great draws. The hotels and resorts have grown enormously since we came here, giving many people service jobs.	jobs		
May 18, 2010 5:01 PM	Tourists spend money which keeps people working. It also attracts newcomers to reside here.	jobs		
May 19, 2010 6:44 PM	Tourism does give young people entry level employment and some better paying management positions, too.	jobs		
May 19, 2010 9:27 PM	need to encourage tourism--good for the economy	jobs		
May 20, 2010 10:38 PM	Seems to be an important source of income for many of the businesses here--resorts, restaurants, etc.	jobs		
May 26, 2010 10:46 PM	We can't only focus on Parksville being a retirement community. More tourism helps our local business and youth find jobs.	jobs		
May 27, 2010 10:32 PM	For our commercial businesses.	jobs		
May 28, 2010 3:47 PM	More jobs.	jobs		
Jun 4, 2010 4:36 PM	I believe more tourism brings more jobs and money to the local community.	jobs		
Jun 10, 2010 5:11 PM	In moderation. We are a vacation area but only for creating local employment - it is not Monte Carlo.	jobs		
Jun 10, 2010 8:32 PM	The hotels, motels here pay their staff poor wages and charge guests expensive rates. I know because I worked at one time at Tigh Na Mara Resort and Pacific Shores Resort and they treated the staff horribly.	jobs		
Jun 17, 2010 4:15 PM	More jobs for people	jobs		
Jun 17, 2010 8:27 PM	We have no major companies or factories. Tourism is our major industry. We have many jobs which depend upon it.	jobs		
Jun 18, 2010 10:09 PM	Tourism creates jobs and tourist dollars to Parksville.	jobs		
Jun 3, 2010 5:15 PM	But we need higher wages.	jobs		
Jun 8, 2010 10:03 PM	I work in the industry.	jobs		
Jun 17, 2010 10:13 PM	Less signs; more marketing.	marketing		
Jun 17, 2010 10:49 PM	Local Tourism Board (Oceanside) needs to be made higher profile and supported more with community \$.	marketing		
Jun 18, 2010 6:35 PM	Parksville should be promoted as a great place to vacation. Current practice of promoting it as a place to move to is destroying the very essence of what is good here.	marketing		
May 17, 2010 10:53 PM	I support enhancement through marketing only.	marketing		
May 25, 2010 10:49 PM	Your lack of support of the OTA and Chamber is shameful and your attitude towards these groups must change - not theirs - yours!!	marketing		
Jun 4, 2010 9:37 PM	Tourism is our #1 industry so the City should do whatever they can to promote the area.	marketing		

Jun 4, 2010 10:11 PM	Support OTA completely	marketing		
Jun 11, 2010 4:52 PM	We have an opportunity to attract tourists but we are not proactive enough.	marketing		
Jun 11, 2010 5:37 PM	Like the new Welcome to Parksville sign. Thanks!	marketing		
Jun 15, 2010 8:20 PM	Return funding to the Chamber and to the OTA.	marketing		
Jun 16, 2010 10:06 PM	Curb spending. It can be well advertised and promoted on a much smaller budget.	marketing		
May 22, 2010 3:50 AM	promote B and B s	marketing		
May 28, 2010 9:10 PM	I think we need to target a different group like they do at 'Head Smashed in Buffalo Jump' in Alberta. [cultural; educational]	marketing		
May 28, 2010 10:11 PM	People come here from all over the world to see nature close up. We must preserve our ecologies. Why pave paradise?	natural setting	development	
Jun 2, 2010 5:46 PM	People visit this area because of the beach, not the Beach Club.	natural setting	development	
Jun 7, 2010 8:32 PM	Too bad we ruined part of our sensational view.	natural setting	development	
Jun 16, 2010 8:54 PM	But not at the expense of our waterfront.	natural setting	development	
Jun 10, 2010 4:15 PM	The beach (low tides and lots of sand) will always attract people. Just add more amenities (see 13).	natural setting	facilities	services
May 17, 2010 5:33 PM	by doing it in such a way as to ensure protection of the beauty we have	natural setting		
May 18, 2010 10:38 PM	As long as green spaces are maintained.	natural setting		
May 19, 2010 5:51 PM	Parksville's beautiful beach is well known across the country. Citizens should support local business and enhance the friendly, clean environment we enjoy.	natural setting		
May 19, 2010 10:01 PM	People will love this town because of its natural wonders and beauty - that's why I do.	natural setting		
May 19, 2010 10:17 PM	It should be family focused and work to maintain environmental integrity.	natural setting		
May 20, 2010 4:54 PM	It is a beautiful place to bring people to visit.	natural setting		
May 25, 2010 5:39 PM	Clean up the beach.	natural setting		
May 25, 2010 10:44 PM	Keep the beach accessible to all.	natural setting		
May 26, 2010 7:13 PM	but only to the point where it does not detract from our natural beauty	natural setting		
May 26, 2010 8:40 PM	But erode view and beaches and they'll go elsewhere. They already are.	natural setting		
May 28, 2010 4:24 PM	But our best feature, the beach, can no longer be seen. I as a tourist would just drive right through this town.	natural setting		

May 28, 2010 6:48 PM	Tourism is important and will be an even greater component of our economy in the future if we make the right choices. Parksville's natural environment, with its diversity of species and ecosystems is our greatest asset. We need to preserve and feature our community's natural environment and species diversity to maintain and increase for tourism.	natural setting		
May 31, 2010 10:53 PM	People come here for the climate, beaches, scenery. Tourists are very important for the economy of Parksville/Qualicum.	natural setting		
Jun 1, 2010 10:44 PM	This is key to our area being sustainable. What else do we have to offer other than our beautiful, natural scenery?	natural setting		
Jun 2, 2010 3:30 PM	We are so extremely fortunate to have spectacular views almost anywhere you look - forests, mountains, islands, ocean, rivers - for goodness sake preserve them!	natural setting		
Jun 2, 2010 8:51 PM	Enhancement by showing what a lovely place Parksville is, not trying to become a mini Victoria.	natural setting		
Jun 2, 2010 10:35 PM	Providing this doesn't change the landscape of Parksville.	natural setting		
Jun 2, 2010 10:44 PM	A pristine waterfront is a good start.	natural setting		
Jun 3, 2010 4:18 PM	Depending on what the cost is. Losing valuable beach access, view, etc. is not the answer.	natural setting		
Jun 3, 2010 4:47 PM	I'm not in favor of using our beach view to accommodate tourism other than the City buying the land to increase the park size.	natural setting		
Jun 8, 2010 8:32 PM	Maintain natural parks and entertainment sites for tourism promoting the natural beauty of Parksville.	natural setting		
Jun 8, 2010 9:27 PM	People come here for the beach community park. It's for families--fly kites, make sandcastles, relax.	natural setting		
Jun 11, 2010 4:45 PM	Most tourists come here to slow down, see parks, ocean, greenery and have friendly service.	natural setting		
Jun 11, 2010 8:22 PM	Clean up and green the corner/intersection of Hwy 4 and Jensen Avenue	natural setting		
Jun 11, 2010 10:48 PM	Keep in mind it is nature that people come here for.	natural setting		
Jun 14, 2010 8:07 PM	As long as it does not encroach on the waterfront or restrict our views from the highway.	natural setting		
Jun 14, 2010 8:58 PM	Buy more green spaces and more beachfront.	natural setting		
Jun 15, 2010 3:10 PM	Tourism not only brings in money but will also help preserve the local attractions--the beaches, parks, wildlife, etc.--because that is why most tourists visit here.	natural setting		
Jun 15, 2010 6:25 PM	But not at the cost of the little bit of the east coastal island ecosystem we have left, and not at the expense of public access.	natural setting		
Jun 16, 2010 4:09 PM	But not at the expense of destroying natural waterfront beauty and access to it.	natural setting		

Jun 17, 2010 3:54 PM	Yes, but not in ways that detract from the natural setting. Keep the natural setting natural and public, for all to enjoy.	natural setting		
Jun 17, 2010 5:39 PM	Parksville infers a city of parks. Build on that inference and market it as Canada's Riviera.	natural setting		
Jun 18, 2010 4:44 PM	Enhance the natural beauty of our area. Tourists come here for our beach and our climate. We can't control climate, but we certainly can enhance our natural beauty.	natural setting		
Jun 18, 2010 6:55 PM	The focus should be on a beautiful place to visit. The focus should not be on encouraging people to move here; hence, increasing development and destroying the place you are promoting.	natural setting		
Jun 21, 2010 4:30 PM	It has to be balanced with the population's overwhelming desire to preserve the area's natural setting, beach and waterfront areas, and current lifestyle.	natural setting		
May 19, 2010 3:13 PM	For sure. This is paradise.	natural setting		
Jun 14, 2010 10:40 PM	Yes, but not to the detriment of other industries and the park and beach area.	other industry	natural setting	
May 14, 2010 8:03 PM	Yes & No -the tourists are here for only a short period of the year- we need more, different all year round industry	other industry		
May 17, 2010 5:26 PM	But not at the sacrifice of getting other work opportunities	other industry		
May 17, 2010 8:59 PM	But I believe a retirement community provides greater economic stimulus.	other industry		
May 21, 2010 8:13 PM	Yes, but it is only a few months long; what about industry enhancement for the rest of the year	other industry		
May 25, 2010 6:49 PM	How about creating other employment opportunities as well	other industry		
May 26, 2010 4:54 PM	Firstly determine where and how best to enhance tourism while balancing these changes with the needs of the non-seasonal business and resident needs.	other industry		
May 27, 2010 9:03 PM	But we need to induce larger employers to consider Parksville for developing business and just not more small independent businesses.	other industry		
May 28, 2010 9:19 PM	This is a loaded question. You should be asking do you support stimulating the economy through developing and attracting a diverse economy rather than the current economy being predominantly driven by tourism. This is a very misleading and poorly written question.	other industry		
Jun 2, 2010 3:46 PM	But it's important for tourism to not be the main focus because permanent residents need to be able to sustain and survive.	other industry		
Jun 3, 2010 9:33 PM	Like the sign says: 'Work. Live. Play.' A new sign is positive, but the work needs to come from housing starts and good wages from those housing starts.	other industry		

Jun 11, 2010 3:22 PM	I don't believe it is possible to create industry so lets think of tourism and retirement as clean industry.	other industry		
Jun 14, 2010 5:39 PM	But also need other all year round industry.	other industry		
May 18, 2010 5:41 PM	but we need more than just tourism	other industry		
Jun 2, 2010 9:46 PM	Criminal control.	policing		
May 21, 2010 9:56 PM	Only if the City can control it. There are more unregistered B&Bs not paying tax than there are legal ones.	regulation		
Jun 16, 2010 6:27 PM	Control it in area east of the orange bridge.	regulation		
May 21, 2010 9:06 PM	Managed tourism growth might increase demand for high quality restaurants and shops.	services	shopping	
May 17, 2010 5:26 PM	Parksville needs the tourism office to be close to the train station and more bus service connecting the train station to the rest of town.	services		
May 21, 2010 8:58 PM	Services for tourists	services		
May 27, 2010 5:38 PM	But businesses must then realize that they cater to tourists by working longer hours and be open during holidays when tourists are 'travelling/visiting' here.	services		
Jun 2, 2010 9:53 PM	But in balance with residential living services.	services		
Jun 3, 2010 10:42 PM	This is what we are--a resort--so let's make us a destination. Bring Vancouver Island to the people; eg free use of bikes, etc.	services		
Jun 4, 2010 7:52 PM	Don't understand why the mayor wanted to close the visitor centre on 19A.	services		
Jun 10, 2010 3:14 PM	And charge commercial occupants additional water use rates and not the residents.	services		
Jun 10, 2010 9:29 PM	Collect money from motels and hotels in Parksville to have a trolley at the Train Station twice a day. This would bring tourist to downtown back.	services		
Jun 10, 2010 10:25 PM	More family resturants would be nice (not fast food outlets)	services		
Jun 14, 2010 5:31 PM	The resort strip (Resort Way) is great, the cottages and resorts bring tourist dollars to the community.	services		
Jun 14, 2010 8:46 PM	We need more good quality restaurants.	services		
Jun 18, 2010 9:33 PM	Allow vendors in the park within reason; ie, sandwich/beverage/hotdog stand.	services		
Jun 14, 2010 5:29 PM	Only to a point. We don't need or want big box stores here, or massive timeshare developments. We don't want Parksville to be another Nanaimo. We treasure Parksville's smallness and uniqueness.	shopping	development	small town atmosphere
Jun 1, 2010 9:10 PM	It would be nice to have more shopping locally. We lose dollars when the tourists to go Nanaimo or Courtenay to shop or see a movie.	shopping	facilities	

Jun 10, 2010 4:58 PM	But the tourists will come and are well served already. Try to enhance local shopping opportunities to keep the community's money and jobs flowing to larger cities.	shopping	jobs	
May 18, 2010 10:12 PM	Perhaps what we need is more variety in shops and services, and prices more in line with those in Nanaimo	shopping	services	
May 26, 2010 10:42 PM	Encourage shops/small cafés, etc. by providing incentives to use existing spaces.	shopping	services	
Jun 9, 2010 6:52 PM	Bring more to Parksville so we don't have to drive to Nanaimo at least once a week.	shopping	services	
May 20, 2010 6:00 PM	To a point. Businesses always ask people to shop local, but prices need to be fair, and if you have to take something back, some stores will not give you back your money, just store credit.	shopping		
May 21, 2010 8:27 PM	In addition to tourism I think that council should find a way to get the darned Canadian Tire Store here. For example up by the Wembly Mall. Do whatever it takes!!	shopping		
May 22, 2010 8:37 PM	Parksville is a beautiful town with the location and beach but some of the downtown stores and shops are somewhat of an eye sore and need some "class" and "style" like the town of Qualicum Beach. There is a real contrast between Parksville and Qualicum Beach - they are like day and night!	shopping		
May 26, 2010 6:18 PM	Allow 'box' stores, but in a well planned area. There is no local economy. Everyone shops in North Nanaimo.	shopping		
May 27, 2010 7:59 PM	Our beach and resort accommodation are our best assets. Just need to up the shopping experience to keep them in town.	shopping		
Jun 1, 2010 8:30 PM	Allow a big box store. We cannot get everything locally. Allow more shops, open markets in summer. Loosen up! Rules and regulations are far too rigid.	shopping		
Jun 2, 2010 6:39 PM	If people won't accept box stores, etc we need to be a resort, tourist town.	shopping		
Jun 8, 2010 5:32 PM	Less dollar stores. Lower rents so better stores can actually afford to come in. Limit the amount of 'big box'.	shopping		
Jun 18, 2010 10:09 PM	Tourists come for the beaches, parks and small unique shops. They don't come for big box stores and franchises.	shopping		
May 26, 2010 3:55 PM	I like the old fashioned tourist town look	small town atmosphere		
Jun 2, 2010 3:44 PM	Something should draw people here other than small quiet town	small town atmosphere		
Jun 4, 2010 8:35 PM	But only to a limited extent. I believe that our tourists also enjoy and appreciate Parksville's small town atmosphere	small town atmosphere		

Jun 14, 2010 9:32 PM	To a degree support tourism, but preserve small town character.	small town atmosphere		
May 25, 2010 6:18 PM	BUT only to a limited extent. I believe that our tourists also enjoy and appreciate Parksville's "small town" atmosphere !	small town atmosphere		
May 31, 2010 9:17 PM	Providing the tourists like Parksville the way it is.	small town atmosphere		
Jun 18, 2010 10:25 PM	But to also support local residents too.	take residents into account		
May 31, 2010 10:10 PM	by improving that in such a way that the local residents will also benefit	take residents into account		
Jun 7, 2010 9:55 PM	As long as these enhancements also enhance the community in general.	take residents into account		
Jun 8, 2010 8:24 PM	I believe that beautification of our community benefits the residents of Parksville as well as our tourism industry.	take residents into account		
Jun 10, 2010 6:51 PM	But not at expense of existing residents.	take residents into account		
Jun 16, 2010 3:21 PM	To the extent that the local economy needs enhancing. This suggests more business and commercial development, which is not necessarily the focus welcomed by the vast majority of the residents.	take residents into account		
Jun 16, 2010 6:24 PM	If it can still benefit the local population.	take residents into account		
Jun 16, 2010 10:40 PM	But not to the detriment of the permanent population.	take residents into account		
May 28, 2010 9:59 PM	So long as they do not impinge on the locals' way of life too much. We do have to live here all year long and tourists are only here 5 months of the year.	take residents into account		
Jun 4, 2010 9:14 PM	Careful planning is necessary so that tourism does not detract from the enjoyment of citizens/taxpayers.	take residents into account		
Jun 14, 2010 3:18 PM	Encourage tourism, but not at the expense of the local small businesses.	take residents into account		
May 18, 2010 10:39 PM	Yes, to a point.	to a point		
Jun 1, 2010 8:16 PM	To a certain extent	to a point		
Jun 2, 2010 9:25 PM	To a certain extent.	to a point		
Jun 4, 2010 9:36 PM	Up to a point.	to a point		
Jun 7, 2010 9:01 PM	Reluctantly.	to a point		
Jun 8, 2010 5:38 PM	Better but not bigger	to a point		
Jun 18, 2010 3:13 PM	To a point.	to a point		
Jun 2, 2010 8:24 PM	But driving in the summer is very crowded due to tourists. But it gives summer jobs for many people.	traffic	jobs	

May 27, 2010 6:07 PM	as long as everyone remembers people live here and have to be able to move around.	traffic		
May 16, 2010 5:33 PM	This is absolutely a number 1 priority!	yes		
May 17, 2010 6:32 PM	most important consideration as far as we are concerned	yes		
May 18, 2010 10:30 PM	It's one of the community's blood lines. One of our most important issues.	yes		
May 20, 2010 4:19 PM	It is a significant local industry. We should support it.	yes		
May 21, 2010 3:57 PM	Parksville has much to offer. This can be capitalized upon.	yes		
May 22, 2010 11:54 PM	Tourism is our main industry, so it makes sense to support it.	yes		
May 25, 2010 4:51 PM	we need it	yes		
May 25, 2010 9:59 PM	Absolutely.	yes		
May 26, 2010 9:57 PM	Very much so--our key industry.	yes		
May 27, 2010 2:58 PM	Very much.	yes		
May 27, 2010 3:23 PM	Need more tourism.	yes		
May 27, 2010 5:00 PM	Big time.	yes		
May 28, 2010 3:27 PM	Helps put Parksville on the map.	yes		
May 28, 2010 5:52 PM	It should be increased.	yes		
May 28, 2010 8:20 PM	Focus more on tourism and less on retirement/old age facilities.	yes		
May 31, 2010 5:06 PM	encourage tourism without gouging eg. Vancouver Olympics	yes		
May 31, 2010 8:31 PM	The more enhancing the better.	yes		
Jun 1, 2010 4:34 PM	Wish there was more of it.	yes		
Jun 1, 2010 6:28 PM	Very attractive area--good to share. A sustainable industry if properly guided.	yes		
Jun 2, 2010 9:11 PM	Absolutely, it is the driver of our community	yes		
Jun 3, 2010 3:16 PM	growth is healthy	yes		
Jun 3, 2010 5:44 PM	The more the merrier - we need more tourists.	yes		
Jun 15, 2010 10:48 PM	It's interesting meeting and chatting with the tourists.	yes		
Jun 16, 2010 10:25 PM	It should be a No. 1 priority	yes		
Jun 18, 2010 4:24 PM	Tourism is an essential part of the community.	yes		
Jun 18, 2010 8:41 PM	Tourists are interesting. Why travel the world when the world comes to you (with their heavy purses)?	yes		
Jun 21, 2010 5:40 PM	If not, we might as well close the door.	yes		
May 25, 2010 5:03 PM	as per question 10			
May 26, 2010 3:44 PM	Why have we not done this!!!!			
May 27, 2010 10:23 PM	I find Parksville expensive with the exception of a few places. The prices are much higher than Nanaimo.			
May 31, 2010 10:59 PM	probably necessary!			
Jun 1, 2010 10:56 PM	As stated elsewhere			
Jun 7, 2010 5:09 PM	see comments in conclusion section			
Jun 10, 2010 10:05 PM	Limited progress as it is now.			

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As a means to stimulate the local economy, do you support the enhancement of our tourism industry?

Question #16 - "No"

answered question

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Response Date	Comments associated with "No" responses:	Issue A	Issue B	Issue C
May 9, 2010 4:55 PM	NO MORE BEACH CLUBS... people will come anyway! We need the stimulation for local industry all year round.	development	other industry	
May 26, 2010 4:32 PM	NOT developing the beaches or green spaces to accommodate tourists.	development		
May 31, 2010 9:48 PM	I think our local tourism industry is doing fine and do not want any further development of the beach front.	development		
Jun 1, 2010 5:06 PM	Not if it means more hotels on the beachfront downtown.	development		
Jun 4, 2010 8:06 PM	It's too late. Beachfront has been destroyed. Too expensive to come to the area (ferries, gas, HST).	development		
Jun 7, 2010 5:38 PM	Not if it means ruining our waterfront by allowing commercial and highrise buildings.	development		
Jun 8, 2010 4:24 PM	Not if it means destroying the natural environment. Eg. Beach Club (terrible design) or cement fences or terrible entrance sign (unkempt).	development		
Jun 8, 2010 10:14 PM	Not if it means more highrises on the beach.	development		
Jun 11, 2010 4:23 PM	They do quite fine enhancing their own development.	development		
Jun 11, 2010 10:20 PM	I believe that will mean another wall of buildings beside the horrible Beach Club.	development		
Jun 15, 2010 8:44 PM	No more waterfront development.	development		
May 13, 2010 4:35 AM	Certainly not the way it has been done. The best way we can support tourism is by beautifying our town.	downtown enhancement		
May 25, 2010 8:34 PM	There are very little trickle down benefits.	economic sustainability		
May 31, 2010 8:40 PM	Tourists are like renters. They do not care about our community. They just come in, use up our resources, create waste and then leave. This is not sustainable.	economic sustainability		
Jun 1, 2010 6:40 PM	I qualify the 'no'. We need an extensive plan, not a 4 month plan for the summer season.	economic sustainability		
Jun 11, 2010 3:08 PM	Tourism is dependent on the economy, which can be scary. There isn't really anything else that can bring improvement to Parksville as a nice place to live.	economic sustainability		

Jun 16, 2010 8:36 PM	Tourism is not sustainable. It's foolish to develop for others. Tourism has the lowest dollar multiplication. Tourist jobs do not lead to healthy community.	economic sustainability		
Jun 17, 2010 6:17 PM	Tourism only stimulates the resorts. Does nothing for long term, established businesses in community.	economic sustainability		
May 12, 2010 5:05 AM	Tourism is a roller coaster - when financial times are tough, it's the luxuries that are generally cut first. That means staying in hotels, eating out, etc	economic sustainability		
Jun 17, 2010 3:23 PM	Enough already. We have more than our fair share of resorts. Plus, we really don't need any more minimum wage jobs.	enough as it is	poor wages	
Jun 10, 2010 9:41 PM	There is enough commercial development now. The economy does not need to grow further. Refine what we have. What needs to be stimulated?	enough as it is		
May 26, 2010 10:28 PM	Tourism already dominates our community. Don't need further funding here.	enough as it is		
Jun 8, 2010 4:07 PM	We have enough tourists that visit and end up moving here.	enough as it is		
Jun 14, 2010 6:39 PM	We have enough tourists here already.	enough as it is		
Jun 14, 2010 6:50 PM	Too much already.	enough as it is		
Jun 15, 2010 4:08 PM	Both summer and winter tourists take over the cafés and coffee shops, so that we who pay taxes here are prevented from meeting our friends. We often forego our coffee or go to neighbouring villages.	enough as it is		
Jun 15, 2010 10:25 PM	The tourism that we have at the moment is fine. Places like Tigh-namara, hotels, motels, mini-golf, beach facilities, restaurants.	enough as it is		
Jun 15, 2010 10:41 PM	Lots of resorts here now. Sunrise in receivership due to lack of buyers.	enough as it is		
Jun 17, 2010 9:31 PM	Too many tourists. They suck at driving and are just annoying.	enough as it is		
May 26, 2010 9:23 PM	No. I hate tourists. I came to Parksville for its 'bedroom community'; I work in Nanaimo. I want my small town back.	enough as it is		
May 17, 2010 8:20 PM	I believe we are doing enough for our tourism industry at this time.	enough as it is		
May 20, 2010 9:53 PM	There are adequate resorts in the area now.	enough as it is		
May 21, 2010 6:07 PM	We have more than enough	enough as it is		
Jun 11, 2010 8:47 PM	We already have a good tourist industry. With every new retiree moving here, all their relatives come as visitors, naturally increasing tourism.	enough as it is		
Jun 11, 2010 10:44 PM	Tourism seems pretty healthy as is.	enough as it is		
May 7, 2010 8:58 PM	We have a captive audience and then give them nothing except hotels when they arrive. We need to be allowed to develop more activities and the city needs to give access to groups to enhance tourism.	events	facilities	

Jun 16, 2010 6:37 PM	I'd like to see the industry making the most of family camping. Too many of our great locations in the province have been taken over for only the very well-off to afford.	family friendly		
Jun 18, 2010 6:48 PM	I feel that more families could benefit from campgrounds than the expensive highrise - families spend money on hockey schools etc. They can't afford Beach resort.	family friendly		
May 25, 2010 3:27 PM	natural growth is healthy growth	gradual growth		
May 26, 2010 9:09 PM	We do not seem to have the road network to support more tourism	infrastructure		
May 26, 2010 9:34 PM	They take too much of our water. 1.4 times per resident as per newspaper article study.	infrastructure		
Jun 21, 2010 3:24 PM	Unless something can be done about our water supply, we should not encourage increasing the number of people.	infrastructure		
Jun 10, 2010 9:18 PM	Not if it destroys our natural beach area. The natural beach and green areas are why people come for recreation--to get away from city and urban sprawl.	natural beauty	development	
Jun 11, 2010 4:16 PM	We have enough nature to attract visitors. No need for more skyscrapers on the beach.	natural beauty	development	
Jun 3, 2010 8:47 PM	To a certain degree, but I would hate to see it too big. It should still be a natural, small town.	natural beauty	small town atmosphere	
May 19, 2010 5:29 PM	Parksville has always been an attraction with its natural beauty and doesn't need enhancement.	natural beauty		
May 26, 2010 5:12 PM	anything that makes Parksville less NATURAL is a negative.	natural beauty		
May 31, 2010 8:24 PM	Too late; the beachfront has gone. It was the main reason for tourists to come here.	natural beauty		
Jun 2, 2010 4:57 PM	If you leave Parksville beach alone it will attract all the tourists you need.	natural beauty		
Jun 8, 2010 3:26 PM	It will enhance itself, although expansion of the most important resource (community park) would greatly encourage this vital industry.	natural beauty		
Jun 11, 2010 6:49 PM	Enhancements that only preserve and conserve our natural resources. Motels and hotels do nothing to preserve Parksville's natural resources.	natural beauty		
Jun 18, 2010 5:39 PM	We are a tourist destination now and will continue to be so because of our abundance of natural beauty. Manmade enhancements can only detract from what is already here.	natural beauty		

May 10, 2010 4:08 AM	Tourism is only a 5 month industry at most. What is needed is some light industry manufacturing that can serve the whole island and provide needed tax base for the City. Residential development costs too much to the city for roads, curbs and other infrastructure, plus we don't have the water resources for more people.	other industry	infrastructure	
May 21, 2010 4:40 PM	There needs to be more focus away from tourism. This is a main staple of Parksville's economic growth, but there are not enough high paying jobs for youth and adults.	other industry	jobs	
May 28, 2010 8:30 PM	The tourism sector has seen large growth. We need year round jobs, not just seasonal.	other industry	jobs	
May 31, 2010 6:59 PM	Need more jobs that are self perpetuating, not just based on tourism which can fluctuate dramatically.	other industry	jobs	
Jun 11, 2010 8:54 PM	While tourism helps our economy what is needed is clean industry that pay good wages so we can attract younger people and their families into the area.	other industry	jobs	
May 11, 2010 10:44 PM	I would be more inclined to support a well diversified economy.	other industry		
May 13, 2010 5:36 PM	the tourists will always be here, but four only a few months each year, we need all-year industry	other industry		
May 18, 2010 4:10 PM	Get other parts of economy working!	other industry		
May 19, 2010 5:21 PM	Enough tourist facilities already. Need to stimulate local spending year round.	other industry		
May 25, 2010 9:41 PM	There's plenty enough tourism industry. Concentrate on other industry for this area.	other industry		
Jun 8, 2010 10:27 PM	The tourism industry is basically a seasonal type of employment. We require more full time jobs within the city and area.	other industry		
Jun 16, 2010 9:20 PM	We need year round vs seasonal jobs and industry to enhance the local economy.	other industry		
Jun 23, 2010 8:01 PM	Business and light industry are all year endeavors and should be supported over tourism.	other industry		
May 27, 2010 3:08 PM	Enhancement of tourism only creates more low paying jobs for young people. Too much greed by resort companies. Affordable housing is more important.	poor wages	affordable housing	
Jun 2, 2010 6:00 PM	Poor wages. Lack of housing for employees	poor wages	affordable housing	
Jun 11, 2010 9:56 PM	Employees in the tourism industry tend to make just minimum wage. More diverse industry and higher paying jobs are needed. Make more money and spend more money.	poor wages	other industry	jobs
Jun 11, 2010 4:14 PM	Need higher paying jobs and full year employment	poor wages	other industry	

Jun 11, 2010 8:58 PM	I think the status quo is fine. I'd like the city to encourage/require the tourism industry to pay a liveable wage and benefits to its employees so they can be full participants in the life of the community.	poor wages		
May 25, 2010 9:04 PM	Seasonal, low wage service jobs do not help.	poor wages		
Jun 4, 2010 6:41 PM	work too seasonal & low paying jobs don't support families	poor wages		
Jun 11, 2010 4:29 PM	What good are short term construction jobs and min. wage service and jobs that dry up in the winter? Manage what you have, well.	poor wages		
Jun 11, 2010 5:13 PM	Does not pay good wages. How are people to pay their way?	poor wages		
Jun 14, 2010 3:31 PM	Tourism does not provide enough well paying jobs.	poor wages		
Jun 8, 2010 4:37 PM	Businesses that benefit from tourism should be more responsible, not the general public who get little or nothing.	responsibility of business		
Jun 8, 2010 4:53 PM	Let business and tourism look after itself.	responsibility of business		
Jun 11, 2010 6:33 PM	Tourism is up to the tourist industry - I am a private resident	responsibility of business		
May 25, 2010 11:22 PM	The industry can look after itself.	responsibility of business		
Jun 3, 2010 6:46 PM	That's private enterprise's department.	responsibility of business		
Jun 11, 2010 5:38 PM	I would like to travel to Victoria for the day on the train, can't afford to stay over (would like the choice)	services		
May 17, 2010 3:38 PM	need to retrain locals to shop locally!	shopping		
May 19, 2010 6:59 PM	At what cost to the citizens - not just financial.	take residents into account	costs	
Jun 2, 2010 4:36 PM	Too much time and money are spent on tourism. The general public receive very little benefit.	take residents into account	costs	
Jun 2, 2010 10:02 PM	If taxpayers' money is used to enhance tourism, then the businesses benefit but not the taxpayers.	take residents into account	costs	
May 15, 2010 12:56 AM	Too much interest is given to tourism. Better to look after the people who live here year round. Tourism has its place. But not a priority.	take residents into account		
May 19, 2010 3:47 PM	We don't move here for tourism. Just quiet retirement.	take residents into account		
May 19, 2010 4:35 PM	It only affects Parksville for part of the year. Focus on the members of the community who are here year round.	take residents into account		
May 28, 2010 3:48 PM	Like it or not - this is a retirement community - emphasize that first then think about attracting tourists	take residents into account		

May 28, 2010 8:20 PM	Enough here for "temporary residents" ; meet the needs of those who live here always (i.e. medical facilities)	take residents into account		
May 31, 2010 5:17 PM	We need to find a way to have our local residents support local business. Too much focus on non-residents/tourists have made the rates go too high for the locals. How about a tax break to those that offer a local resident discount.	take residents into account		
Jun 3, 2010 5:03 PM	This is supposed to be a RETIREMENT community.	take residents into account		
Jun 7, 2010 5:48 PM	Focus on the people you do have. Once all is well, then focus on making 3 months of the year better.	take residents into account		
Jun 7, 2010 10:52 PM	Not if it is at the expense of the lifestyle of fulltime residents (ie. more tourism development) of beachfront or interference with Community Park would be detrimental.	take residents into account		
Jun 11, 2010 9:49 PM	Residents should be consulted.	take residents into account		
May 18, 2010 5:39 PM	The oceanside area is a beautiful place to live and should not be sold out to temporary or absentee ownership.	take residents into account		
Jun 2, 2010 8:09 PM	A short 3 month season should not affect my lifestyle. Hardly worth adjusting to. Had a business in town.	take residents into account		
Jun 8, 2010 8:54 PM	Not if it means selling out what we love about our community.	take residents into account		
May 18, 2010 8:33 PM	Tourism is already a flourishing business--tax dollars not needed here.	taxes		
May 20, 2010 1:46 AM	Not with my money.	taxes		
May 31, 2010 10:39 PM	tourism industry has not stimulated the local community it has increased our taxes.	taxes		
Jun 4, 2010 8:36 PM	We already spend way too much in taxes supporting motels/hotels/tourism with water. And they need to pay their fair share, rather than our having to restrict use.	taxes		
Jun 2, 2010 9:41 PM	Tourism only puts vast strain on our natural resources - plugs our roads and only offers low paying jobs that you cannot live on in this area of over priced housing.	traffic	poor wages	
May 22, 2010 12:30 AM	We can't get parked in the summer as it is. The town should be for the needs of the people who live here not visitors.	traffic	take residents into account	
Jun 18, 2010 9:08 PM	Tourist season is not fun for residents - long line ups, traffic, no parking.	traffic	take residents into account	

May 8, 2010 1:27 AM	The island is a sought after destination without being advertised as such. There are too many tourists already...it is hard to shop or get about in the summer months with so many and more each year..we limit our excursions in the summer time to off hours to avoid the tourist traffic and crowding in stores	traffic		
May 18, 2010 10:13 PM	Parksville is so busy during the summer months now making getting around the area difficult. More people would make it more difficult.	traffic		
May 21, 2010 5:14 PM	It's very busy.	traffic		
May 26, 2010 3:18 PM	They find us anyway. The highway is busy enough in the summer.	traffic		
Jun 2, 2010 4:44 PM	Traffic during the summer months is already too much for those of us who work in this community/combined with the increase in elderly drivers makes for unsafe driving conditions for drivers, cyclists and pedestrians.	traffic		
Jun 11, 2010 10:00 PM	We can't move in the summer now. Far too much traffic.	traffic		
May 23, 2010 1:16 AM	This question is too vague. A casino,strip club or medical facility could be an example used. It could be said that any of them would stimulate our economy and could be labeled as enhanceable for tourism? But many people would oppose them.			
Jun 4, 2010 10:53 PM	The only people this would really affect is those in the hotel industry.			
Jun 8, 2010 3:59 PM	We have always been a tourist community.			
Jun 10, 2010 8:56 PM	Tourists will come whether we advertise etc or not.			
Jun 14, 2010 5:47 PM	Not at all.			