

## Parksville Resident Survey 2010 - QUESTION #14

Attendance at City meetings, including those for planning matters such as public hearings is typically low. If you do not attend is

Question #14 - Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
The meeting times don't work for you	13.6%	242
You don't think you could contribute	9.0%	159
You are generally satisfied with things	12.9%	228
You don't know what to expect at these	6.8%	120
You don't think it would make a	42.9%	761
You're too busy	10.1%	180
Other (please specify)	29.7%	527
	<i>answered question</i>	<b>1774</b>
	<i>skipped question</i>	<b>145</b>

Response Date	Other (please specify)	Issue A	Issue B	Issue C
Jun 10, 2010 3:29 PM	We are 91 and 86 years old and are quite deaf, so even with hearing aids we can't really follow the business of the meeting.	age	can't hear in forum	
Jun 2, 2010 5:08 PM	Elderly and no transportation.	age	no transportation	
May 17, 2010 8:27 PM	too old	age		
May 18, 2010 9:03 PM	I am too elderly, age 88 years.	age		
May 20, 2010 5:20 PM	age factor is restricting	age		
May 21, 2010 3:52 PM	In our 80s; difficult to attend.	age		
May 25, 2010 6:01 PM	87 years old; not capable of going to meetings	age		
May 26, 2010 3:47 PM	age and mobility	age		
May 27, 2010 4:56 PM	Retired	age		
May 31, 2010 5:52 PM	Too old.	age		
May 31, 2010 9:17 PM	I'm lazy and old and don't like going out at night.	age		
May 31, 2010 10:08 PM	At retirement age, meetings at 21:30 hours starting time or later not suitable for us.	age		
Jun 1, 2010 3:40 PM	I am retired and don't want to have concerns.	age		
Jun 1, 2010 10:21 PM	To old to become involved.	age		
Jun 4, 2010 10:01 PM	I am 88 years old.	age		
Jun 8, 2010 9:57 PM	too old	age		
Jun 10, 2010 10:12 PM	In our 80s and feel we've done our bit. Younger and more energetic should lead the way.	age		
Jun 11, 2010 8:17 PM	Age 81 years.	age		
Jun 15, 2010 4:08 PM	Being 82 and handicapped, I do not go out after 5:00, but try to read all that is printed of these meetings. Just because some of us are handicapped doesn't mean we're not interested.	age		

Jun 16, 2010 3:50 PM	Unable to attend because of age related issues.	age		
Jun 16, 2010 5:25 PM	age 92	age		
Jun 16, 2010 6:09 PM	We are too old to be able to contribute. We have problems with hearing and understanding.	age		
Jun 17, 2010 9:55 PM	I am 75--just a tad too old.	age		
May 19, 2010 3:47 PM	Council meeting times are okay. Too many lazy people.	apathy		
Jun 2, 2010 6:09 PM	I'm a lazy bastard. I need to change that and then I can write letters to the editor.	apathy		
Jun 17, 2010 8:14 PM	Need to make effort to attend.	apathy		
Jun 18, 2010 8:33 PM	apathy	apathy		
May 28, 2010 8:08 PM	The public should show more public interest at City Hall including myself.	apathy		
May 28, 2010 10:11 PM	I need to go with a buddy to enforce that I get out. Hard to go out at night.	apathy		
Jun 16, 2010 8:36 PM	Many people are apathetic and disillusioned of politicians.	apathy		
Jun 16, 2010 9:06 PM	lack of interest	apathy		
Jun 18, 2010 9:33 PM	Haven't checked into times, but I may.	apathy		
Jun 18, 2010 10:36 PM	other than voting, no activity	apathy		
Jun 21, 2010 5:29 PM	I am to blame for not making it a priority. I'll try to do that. I would like to attend the Thursday meetings with the mayor, but I work.	apathy		
Jun 1, 2010 10:01 PM	Haven't felt really compelled to be there.	apathy		
Jun 10, 2010 6:35 PM	don't need to at this point	apathy		
May 18, 2010 10:30 PM	I can't hear when I'm there. It is a black mark on a Council that can't solve this audio problem in a public forum.	can't hear in forum		
Jun 2, 2010 8:09 PM	Council evasive with answers. Sound devices not fit. Can't follow debate.	can't hear in forum		
Jun 2, 2010 8:24 PM	My hearing isn't good in crowds and also I don't drive at night.	can't hear in forum		
Jun 3, 2010 3:48 PM	I can't hear what is going on - Council members do not talk into the microphones - acoustics are poor	can't hear in forum		
Jun 14, 2010 3:52 PM	1. Acoustics--very difficult to hear in Forum. 2. Meetings tend to be 'rubber stamps'.	can't hear in forum		
Jun 18, 2010 4:18 PM	Hard of hearing in crowded places.	can't hear in forum		
May 18, 2010 11:20 PM	Craig Bay sends representatives who report back	Craig Bay RA reports to us		
May 27, 2010 5:05 PM	the residents association of Craig Bay attends and reports to us.	Craig Bay RA reports to us		
Jun 2, 2010 10:02 PM	Meetings seem to rubber stamp preconceived decisions. I have attended.	decisions already made	have attended	

May 18, 2010 3:40 PM	Decisions already made behind closed doors	decisions already made		
May 21, 2010 8:27 PM	My experience with Municipal Councils is that the typically the City Engineer calls the shots and the elected just go along for the ride.	decisions already made		
May 26, 2010 9:03 PM	Usually by the time it goes public it's a done deal.	decisions already made		
May 28, 2010 9:09 PM	City "staff" make the decisions in Parksville, not Mayor & Council (Fred Manson is a prime example)	decisions already made		
May 31, 2010 5:51 PM	Current City council seems to have rubber stamped their wishes and it would make no difference if we attended.	decisions already made		
Jun 2, 2010 4:36 PM	I may be wrong but are the meetings cut and dried before hand?	decisions already made		
Jun 2, 2010 4:58 PM	You seem to have your agenda and go ahead	decisions already made		
Jun 3, 2010 9:46 PM	Council's mind is made up. I cannot make any difference.	decisions already made		
Jun 3, 2010 10:29 PM	This Council has bulldozed its desires on the community	decisions already made		
Jun 7, 2010 8:13 PM	Important decisions are made outside meetings.	decisions already made		
Jun 8, 2010 10:41 PM	So often things have been decided, but people's expectations are changing.	decisions already made		
Jun 11, 2010 9:20 PM	Your minds are already made up.	decisions already made		
Jun 15, 2010 4:31 PM	When I have attended, council seems to have already made up their minds.	decisions already made		
May 20, 2010 10:51 PM	The mayor and his pal Al have an agenda already in place.	decisions already made		
Jun 4, 2010 5:04 PM	I didn't know when they were and that I could attend.	didn't know we could attend		
Jun 11, 2010 3:42 PM	Was unaware that such meetings occurred regularly and are open to public.	didn't know we could attend		
Jun 18, 2010 10:42 PM	Unaware that we can attend.	didn't know we could attend		
May 21, 2010 10:38 PM	I try to attend those I hear about. Therefore I suggest better advertising about the meetings a few weeks before they happen.	do attend	need better adverstising	
May 27, 2010 10:56 PM	I forget that they are taking place .Maybe a calendar of dates and times would be helpful. I do enjoy them when I do go.	do attend	need better adverstising	

May 19, 2010 4:16 AM	I attend meetings of interest. I believe council has not cared about my views.	do attend	public input not taken into account	
Jun 21, 2010 3:06 PM	I do attend and I feel that public voices are not very well heard.	do attend	public input not taken into account	
Jun 2, 2010 3:30 PM	I attend any public hearings on matters that concern me that I can but they seem to have an uncanny knack of occuring when I am working.	do attend	too busy	
May 10, 2010 3:53 AM	I attend when topic is of interest to me	do attend		
May 18, 2010 10:06 PM	I do attend when possible	do attend		
May 19, 2010 6:16 PM	We attend now and we know it can make a difference.	do attend		
May 19, 2010 10:46 PM	I attend when possible.	do attend		
May 25, 2010 11:09 PM	I attend depends whether there is a issue which impacts or affects me- I attend council more than most	do attend		
May 25, 2010 11:22 PM	I do attend as often as I can.	do attend		
May 26, 2010 5:12 PM	I used to believe that city council was representing me and had integrity, do I need to look over their shoulder? Who's going to do my job while I'm at those meetings? But I'm trying to attend as often as I am able now.	do attend		
May 27, 2010 9:03 PM	I attend when concerns are being addressed	do attend		
May 28, 2010 5:14 PM	we do attend	do attend		
May 28, 2010 6:48 PM	I try to attend when issues of concern to me our discussed.	do attend		
May 28, 2010 9:38 PM	I usually attend public meetings and they are usually packed.	do attend		
May 31, 2010 4:27 PM	We attend.	do attend		
Jun 1, 2010 5:37 PM	I attend when I can - this is a recent addition to my life because of disappointment and dissatification with our Council.	do attend		
Jun 2, 2010 5:20 PM	I do attend.	do attend		
Jun 2, 2010 5:53 PM	I do attend sometimes	do attend		
Jun 4, 2010 4:34 PM	I wasn't aware of the bad things that were happening but I'm attending now.	do attend		
Jun 4, 2010 6:14 PM	I try to attend	do attend		
Jun 4, 2010 10:21 PM	Attend only when affected by things under discussion	do attend		
Jun 8, 2010 6:17 PM	Do attend meetings.	do attend		
Jun 10, 2010 9:18 PM	Although the time is a bit early, we do attend when issues we consider important are being discussed.	do attend		
Jun 10, 2010 10:05 PM	I am involved and do attend now	do attend		
Jun 11, 2010 6:44 PM	I do attend when an issue is of major concern to me. As well, I participate in groups which raise awareness of issues.	do attend		
Jun 14, 2010 9:11 PM	I attend every one.	do attend		

Jun 15, 2010 3:10 PM	I attend as many City meetings as possible now. At one time I didn't. I thought council would follow the OCP and things would be okay. Not so.	do attend		
Jun 15, 2010 3:34 PM	We do attend.	do attend		
Jun 15, 2010 8:44 PM	I do attend City Council, Committee of the Whole, as often as possible.	do attend		
Jun 16, 2010 9:20 PM	I attend	do attend		
Jun 17, 2010 3:54 PM	Council should be operating within an agreed OCP at its regular meetings. If special public consultations are offered, we try to attend.	do attend		
Jun 17, 2010 6:50 PM	We attend hearings.	do attend		
Jun 18, 2010 4:02 PM	I frequently do attend these meetings.	do attend		
Jun 18, 2010 6:23 PM	I do attend occasional meetings and public hearings/open houses on an as needed basis.	do attend		
Jun 21, 2010 4:30 PM	We attend when there are matters of interest.	do attend		
Jun 21, 2010 4:54 PM	I attend as often as able and specific to issues by reading the agenda online.	do attend		
May 26, 2010 7:56 PM	at these meetings the only ones who know in advance the agenda are the council/ mayor and who ever is seeking variances or other beneficial treatment at the expense of the tax payers	don't know agenda		
Jun 4, 2010 10:20 PM	When are the meetings? Need babysitters and work conflict with meeting times.	don't know when they are	family commitments	
Jun 3, 2010 4:51 PM	I'm not aware of the meetings. Send out info for times.	don't know when they are	need better adverstising	
Jun 14, 2010 8:40 PM	We don't know when the meetings are taking place. Maybe they should be better advertised.	don't know when they are	need better adverstising	
Jun 7, 2010 5:31 PM	Don't know when they are held and I don't think Council care what the citizens want. It seems to be all the Mayor's ideas that count. He doesn't care about the average person.	don't know when they are	public input not taken into account	
Jun 8, 2010 3:45 PM	Didn't know when they were held. Will check and attend more often.	don't know when they are	will attend	
Jun 8, 2010 8:18 PM	Unaware of dates/times, but will endeavor to attend in future.	don't know when they are	will attend	
Jun 21, 2010 4:21 PM	Not aware of meetings as do not always read the local paper. Will make a point of attending them in future.	don't know when they are	will attend	
May 8, 2010 3:32 AM	never know when they are happening	don't know when they are		
May 14, 2010 2:11 AM	I don't hear about them or am not aware when they happen.	don't know when they are		

May 17, 2010 5:26 PM	never aware of meeting times	don't know when they are		
May 17, 2010 8:38 PM	I would like to know the times and agendas of these meetings	don't know when they are		
May 18, 2010 4:29 PM	Don't know when the meetings are--date and time.	don't know when they are		
May 18, 2010 6:04 PM	When I have voted with regards to developments they have proceeded regardless and I am not always aware of the meetings.	don't know when they are		
May 18, 2010 7:54 PM	don't know when	don't know when they are		
May 18, 2010 11:38 PM	never know whne the meetings are	don't know when they are		
May 19, 2010 9:21 PM	Don't know the meeting times	don't know when they are		
May 19, 2010 9:57 PM	don't know about meetings	don't know when they are		
May 20, 2010 6:23 PM	Too many people don't know when they are.	don't know when they are		
May 20, 2010 9:14 PM	Not informed of meeting times.	don't know when they are		
May 25, 2010 9:24 PM	Dont often know when being held	don't know when they are		
May 25, 2010 9:41 PM	Don't ever hear about meetings or agendas at City meetings.	don't know when they are		
May 25, 2010 10:30 PM	I always read about them after they have been held	don't know when they are		
May 26, 2010 3:55 PM	Just moved - don't know about meetings	don't know when they are		
May 26, 2010 6:52 PM	We are not notified when things are being decided upon.	don't know when they are		
May 26, 2010 10:16 PM	I don't know when the meetings happen.	don't know when they are		
May 27, 2010 7:51 AM	Never knew about these meetings	don't know when they are		
May 27, 2010 5:12 PM	Don't know when they are.	don't know when they are		
May 27, 2010 9:54 PM	We don't know when they are.	don't know when they are		
May 28, 2010 9:59 PM	I'm usually unsure about the times of the meetings	don't know when they are		

May 31, 2010 4:44 PM	I'm not sure when they are.	don't know when they are		
May 31, 2010 5:08 PM	Don't know when they are.	don't know when they are		
Jun 1, 2010 5:55 PM	Have not heard about any meetings.	don't know when they are		
Jun 2, 2010 4:40 PM	I don't know about them.	don't know when they are		
Jun 2, 2010 6:18 PM	I have not made myself aware of meeting times.	don't know when they are		
Jun 2, 2010 8:44 PM	most of the time have no idea when meeting taking place	don't know when they are		
Jun 3, 2010 3:30 PM	Never know when they are.	don't know when they are		
Jun 3, 2010 3:54 PM	don't hear about them	don't know when they are		
Jun 3, 2010 5:21 PM	I am interested but always forget.	don't know when they are		
Jun 3, 2010 8:21 PM	Not much notice.	don't know when they are		
Jun 3, 2010 8:31 PM	Don't know when meetings are, time and what is on agenda.	don't know when they are		
Jun 3, 2010 9:29 PM	Don't know when they are scheduled.	don't know when they are		
Jun 3, 2010 10:01 PM	I never know when or where the meetings are.	don't know when they are		
Jun 4, 2010 3:40 PM	Don't know when they are.	don't know when they are		
Jun 4, 2010 6:53 PM	When are they?	don't know when they are		
Jun 4, 2010 7:52 PM	There is little or no prior notice or publicity about special meetings in most cases.	don't know when they are		
Jun 7, 2010 5:29 PM	Don't know when they are held, or if there is anything of interest to me on the agenda. I would go.	don't know when they are		
Jun 7, 2010 5:55 PM	It seems I never hear about meetings.	don't know when they are		
Jun 7, 2010 10:17 PM	I don't know when they are.	don't know when they are		
Jun 7, 2010 10:37 PM	Often unaware of timing.	don't know when they are		

Jun 8, 2010 4:21 PM	Not aware of them in the first place. Promotion of meetings that are key.	don't know when they are		
Jun 9, 2010 9:27 PM	I rarely hear when they are.	don't know when they are		
Jun 10, 2010 4:35 PM	Lack of communication back and forth. Lack of notice of meetings.	don't know when they are		
Jun 10, 2010 6:01 PM	Never know when the meetings are.	don't know when they are		
Jun 14, 2010 3:18 PM	Don't pay attention to when the meetings are being held.	don't know when they are		
Jun 14, 2010 10:16 PM	Usually I simply forget to go.	don't know when they are		
Jun 15, 2010 2:54 PM	Don't know when meetings are held.	don't know when they are		
Jun 16, 2010 8:47 PM	Forget	don't know when they are		
Jun 17, 2010 6:11 PM	We didn't know when there was a meeting	don't know when they are		
Jun 17, 2010 6:29 PM	I don't often know when they are held.	don't know when they are		
Jun 18, 2010 10:48 PM	Aren't reminded of when important meetings are taking place	don't know when they are		
Jun 17, 2010 3:04 PM	Unsure where to go--no signs. Went a couple of times and wasn't sure if we were in the right place.	don't know where they are held		
May 31, 2010 4:52 PM	Therefore I would be very frustrated. I have lived here my whole life, I would like to see it stay small and personal.	don't think it would make difference		
May 18, 2010 5:41 PM	don't think I have the power to change things	don't think it would make difference		
May 25, 2010 9:04 PM	I mistrust the current council.	don't trust elected officials		
Jun 8, 2010 8:32 PM	New baby, new to community, unaware of meeting times, location and topics	family commitments	don't know when they are	
May 18, 2010 9:35 PM	small kids at home	family commitments		
May 21, 2010 3:40 PM	I have a 2 1/2 year old and a 5 month old.	family commitments		
May 21, 2010 6:28 PM	no evening childcare	family commitments		



May 25, 2010 10:44 PM	other committments	family commitments		
May 26, 2010 10:46 PM	Have kids to take care of at night.	family commitments		
May 27, 2010 5:26 AM	Family of 3 active children, hockey, dance, music etc	family commitments		
May 28, 2010 9:01 PM	I am a family caretaker.	family commitments		
Jun 10, 2010 5:25 PM	Single parent; no childcare made available.	family commitments		
Jun 11, 2010 9:36 PM	I have children that I would prefer to spend my time with.	family commitments		
Jun 17, 2010 4:41 PM	I have a daughter with ALS to care for.	family commitments		
May 28, 2010 8:43 PM	Rather talk one on one. Went to council meeting (last council). No one was asked for input.	have attended	public input not encouraged	
Jun 8, 2010 4:24 PM	I used to attend meetings but realize the City was not sincere or honest and had their own agenda.	have attended	public input not encouraged	
Jun 18, 2010 8:22 PM	I have gone to a few meetings and have not been given the opportunity to speak, thanks to the Chair not recognizing me and/or meeting room being too small.	have attended	public input not encouraged	
May 28, 2010 4:24 PM	I know it would not make a difference. I have in the past attended and took part in votes that were overruled.	have attended	public input not taken into account	
Jun 2, 2010 6:21 PM	Have been to meetings. Said what I had to say and it is like talking to a wall.	have attended	public input not taken into account	
Jun 2, 2010 8:42 PM	I have attended. People say what they think, then City does what it wants.	have attended	public input not taken into account	
Jun 7, 2010 3:11 PM	I have attended meetings in the past and the council members tend to ignore comments from residents.	have attended	public input not taken into account	
Jun 11, 2010 5:09 PM	Went for a while. Appears they do as they choose.	have attended	public input not taken into account	
Jun 14, 2010 6:48 PM	Don't know when items of concern are on agenda. Attended some meetings, but obvious council wasn't listening.	have attended	public input not taken into account	

May 17, 2010 10:27 PM	have been, just ends up a pissing match with no outcome, very frustrating	have attended		
May 21, 2010 6:25 PM	Been there and nothing said was acted on.	have attended		
May 27, 2010 8:43 PM	The last time I came to a meeting I asked some questions and Chris Burger was trying to tell the City what it wants.	have attended		
May 31, 2010 9:48 PM	I have attended and continue to do so, as I want my voice to count.	have attended		
May 31, 2010 9:57 PM	I have attended on occasion.	have attended		
May 31, 2010 9:59 PM	We were away for the last one. We attended another one a couple of years ago. We were forced into City a few years ago.	have attended		
Jun 1, 2010 6:28 PM	Have attended council and public meetings several times and for a while regularly.	have attended		
Jun 1, 2010 9:14 PM	I attended Beach Club meetings and saw models inferring significantly different view corridors than there are. The footprint on the land is extreme. These were concerns but it was still developed.	have attended		
Jun 2, 2010 9:20 PM	Have been to a few City meetings	have attended		
Jun 3, 2010 5:34 PM	I have been attending council meetings and all other City hearings and information presentations.	have attended		
Jun 4, 2010 6:11 PM	Have attended. Until recently did not occur to me to attend.	have attended		
Jun 7, 2010 8:32 PM	When first here, I did attend, but the agenda seemed 'small thinking' then.	have attended		
Jun 11, 2010 6:08 PM	Did attend new firehall open house - support fireman :) and new hall without borrowing millions!	have attended		
Jun 11, 2010 8:47 PM	I have attended on issues that matter to me.	have attended		
Jun 11, 2010 9:43 PM	I have attended City meetings.	have attended		
Jun 11, 2010 9:52 PM	Attended some.	have attended		
Jun 11, 2010 10:20 PM	I have attended.	have attended		
Jun 14, 2010 6:00 PM	Have attended when it is pertinent.	have attended		
Jun 14, 2010 6:11 PM	I attend because of the Jensen St debacle.	have attended		
Jun 15, 2010 9:05 PM	I have been to a couple of public meetings or information meetings. People are complacent.	have attended		
Jun 16, 2010 3:38 PM	I have in fact attended several council and public meetings at City Hall.	have attended		
Jun 17, 2010 6:08 PM	It varies. I have come a couple of times. Spent 15 years on city council in Manitoba.	have attended		
Jun 17, 2010 6:44 PM	Recently started attending meetings - need public input	have attended		
Jun 18, 2010 9:08 PM	We attend several meetings and have done for many years.	have attended		
Jun 10, 2010 8:22 PM	Mobility and night vision problems. How much is the public listened to?	health/mobility issues		

May 17, 2010 4:34 PM	have trouble getting around	health/mobility issues		
May 17, 2010 8:06 PM	poor health	health/mobility issues		
May 19, 2010 3:13 PM	deaf	health/mobility issues		
May 19, 2010 3:18 PM	limited energy/health	health/mobility issues		
May 19, 2010 6:44 PM	Many of your citizens, like us, are elderly and have done our part in other communities before retiring here and don't have the energy to get involved again.	health/mobility issues		
May 21, 2010 6:34 PM	disability	health/mobility issues		
May 25, 2010 4:15 PM	To avoid colds and flu.	health/mobility issues		
May 25, 2010 8:17 PM	Neither my husband or I drive at night.	health/mobility issues		
May 26, 2010 10:05 PM	no longer drive	health/mobility issues		
May 28, 2010 4:49 PM	Handicapped--health problems.	health/mobility issues		
May 31, 2010 5:15 PM	Mobility issues.	health/mobility issues		
May 31, 2010 10:19 PM	Poor health	health/mobility issues		
Jun 3, 2010 3:14 PM	Don't drive at night.	health/mobility issues		
Jun 3, 2010 4:01 PM	Cannot get there for health reasons.	health/mobility issues		
Jun 3, 2010 10:50 PM	Too often out of town for medical appointments/consults/cancer clinic treatments	health/mobility issues		
Jun 4, 2010 4:18 PM	ill husband	health/mobility issues		
Jun 7, 2010 9:01 PM	I am too frail to sit through a meeting.	health/mobility issues		
Jun 8, 2010 6:08 PM	have not felt well	health/mobility issues		
Jun 8, 2010 7:58 PM	owing to blindness, I need transport always	health/mobility issues		

<b>Jun 9, 2010 6:05 PM</b>	In a wheelchair so hard to get around and out	health/mobility issues		
<b>Jun 10, 2010 6:56 PM</b>	Handicapped and can't get out to them. Also, council wouldn't pay attention to anything I said anyway; eg, the Beach Club.	health/mobility issues		
<b>Jun 10, 2010 8:03 PM</b>	I find it hard to sit or stand too long.	health/mobility issues		
<b>Jun 10, 2010 10:36 PM</b>	Difficulty getting around - don't drive at night - don't have a computer to find out when mtgs are.	health/mobility issues		
<b>Jun 11, 2010 4:07 PM</b>	No longer active enough and difficult physically	health/mobility issues		
<b>Jun 11, 2010 5:01 PM</b>	Health problems (used to be quite active regarding meetings)	health/mobility issues		
<b>Jun 14, 2010 5:41 PM</b>	It's generally dark when they're over and I don't drive after dark.	health/mobility issues		
<b>Jun 14, 2010 6:21 PM</b>	Unable to drive.	health/mobility issues		
<b>Jun 17, 2010 8:03 PM</b>	Health problems do not allow me to sit for a long time.	health/mobility issues		
<b>May 27, 2010 10:32 PM</b>	Don't drive and find I can't go to some things that I would like such as sports and entertainment.	health/mobility issues		
<b>May 22, 2010 5:37 AM</b>	Agenda too wordy , much time wasted on trivialities	meetings poorly organized		
<b>May 25, 2010 3:43 PM</b>	ordinary maintenance motions first on agenda	meetings poorly organized		
<b>Jun 1, 2010 6:40 PM</b>	If you specify the meeting's agenda, please stick to it.	meetings poorly organized		
<b>Jun 10, 2010 8:12 PM</b>	From what we've read in the paper, most City meetings are ill prepared and not worth the effort.	meetings poorly organized		
<b>Jun 15, 2010 4:42 PM</b>	Dissatisfied with how things are presented, such as plans in poor light, too small to read locations properly.	meetings poorly organized		
<b>May 23, 2010 3:47 PM</b>	I am a business owner and feel that my opinions might not be shared by others which could result in negative business results. A catch 22.	my input may negatively affect my business		
<b>May 26, 2010 8:40 PM</b>	Never properly advertised until next day's paper. Delegations attending are treated as simpletons. Their views and concerns are trivialized and no one makes a difference once mayor and council have pre-decided. Residents do not matter.	need better advertising	public input not taken into account	decisions already made
<b>May 11, 2010 4:31 AM</b>	Better advertising further in advance	need better advertising		

May 12, 2010 3:44 AM	advertise the time and date of meeting	need better advertising		
May 17, 2010 10:00 PM	feel meetings could be better publicized	need better advertising		
May 18, 2010 8:22 PM	Placing a notice in the news paper is not communicating. Specific topics and detailed agenda with open forms should be better advertised.	need better advertising		
May 19, 2010 6:59 PM	advertise times where and when	need better advertising		
May 19, 2010 9:27 PM	poor advertising	need better advertising		
May 21, 2010 4:42 PM	better notification of when and where eg. email/radio/signs	need better advertising		
May 22, 2010 4:52 AM	I forget about them. Are there good sized ads/notices in the newspapers? The city could send everyone an annual scehdule.	need better advertising		
May 25, 2010 9:40 PM	Not sure how residents are notified. I never know about them.	need better advertising		
May 27, 2010 8:22 PM	Don't notice the ads. Maybe a mass email would be better. For me, personally, it would be more enticing.	need better advertising		
May 28, 2010 3:32 PM	Meeting times poorly advertised and council (mayor) indifferent to community input.	need better advertising		
May 28, 2010 10:46 PM	Please give agendas in News and provide enough info to understand the discussions.	need better advertising		
May 31, 2010 9:25 PM	More notification of meeting and times along with agendas	need better advertising		
Jun 1, 2010 5:51 PM	No information given prior. What is discussed could be advertised in PQB News.	need better advertising		
Jun 1, 2010 9:10 PM	Advertise the time better so I know when the meetings are.	need better advertising		
Jun 3, 2010 9:33 PM	Once a year, send out a flyer identifying dates and times for monthly meetings. People won't go to a website.	need better advertising		
Jun 8, 2010 3:02 PM	Announce dates and agenda in newspapers well ahead. Hold meetings in the mornings.	need better advertising		
Jun 8, 2010 4:07 PM	More notice, or advertise. Make people more aware.	need better advertising		
Jun 11, 2010 5:38 PM	I'm new in Parksville - need more public notice information	need better advertising		
Jun 14, 2010 6:34 PM	Need better communication - announcements of when they are.	need better advertising		

Jun 16, 2010 8:03 PM	Advertise further ahead of time and more visable so people can plan ahead.	need better advertising		
Jun 17, 2010 5:24 PM	Reasonably reported in local newspapers.	need better advertising		
Jun 17, 2010 6:44 PM	Create a printed schedule so the public is aware of City meetings.	need better advertising		
May 17, 2010 6:49 PM	I think we should be able to do input by email and not always old fashioned idea of bodily showing up.	need other forms of access		
May 27, 2010 9:02 PM	Video crews need to be brought back in to let 'general public' see the goings on in chambers.	need other forms of access		
May 31, 2010 9:38 PM	Is there time for attendees to speak? Why not open up discussion on social media?	need other forms of access		
Jun 1, 2010 6:09 PM	I want to return to good old town hall meetings everyone coming at one time so I know what my fellow residents are saying not what city hall puts in paper.	need other forms of access		
Jun 4, 2010 9:05 PM	City meetings on the internet	need other forms of access		
Jun 8, 2010 10:27 PM	Why doesn't the City have the City meeting on Shaw Cable on the community channel?	need other forms of access		
May 22, 2010 4:32 PM	I hadn't thought about it.	never think about it		
May 26, 2010 6:27 PM	Never think about it.	never think about it		
Jun 16, 2010 5:57 PM	Never thought of attending, but perhaps will do so in the future.	never think about it		
May 20, 2010 3:43 PM	very new to the area	new to area		
May 26, 2010 9:57 PM	New in town	new to area		
May 27, 2010 4:27 PM	Newbie	new to area		
May 27, 2010 8:21 PM	Just moved here.	new to area		
May 31, 2010 10:10 PM	I'm new in town and so far do not see a need if things are going well.	new to area		
May 31, 2010 10:32 PM	New to area; listening and learning about local issues through newspapers, neighbours.	new to area		
Jun 1, 2010 6:29 PM	Only recently moved here.	new to area		
Jun 4, 2010 9:27 PM	Have not been here long enough.	new to area		
Jun 7, 2010 4:06 PM	Being new to town, just starting to become aware of the issues	new to area		
Jun 7, 2010 8:51 PM	Just moved here.	new to area		
Jun 8, 2010 5:44 PM	Just moved to Parksville and we haven't had a change to attend yet.	new to area		

Jun 15, 2010 6:56 PM	Haven't thought of it. I've been here for 1 year. Have to get the 'lay of the land' first.	new to area		
May 14, 2010 8:50 PM	No transportation, plus age 95 years	no transportation		
May 25, 2010 6:09 PM	no transportation	no transportation		
May 28, 2010 10:41 PM	no public transit	no transportation		
Jun 3, 2010 4:26 PM	No transport at meeting times.	no transportation		
Jun 4, 2010 4:40 PM	Lack of transit to and from Craig Bay.	no transportation		
Jun 4, 2010 5:29 PM	Also, no bus at night to get back home.	no transportation		
Jun 4, 2010 8:40 PM	transportation issues	no transportation		
Jun 11, 2010 6:14 PM	No bus service at night	no transportation		
May 12, 2010 5:05 AM	Debate and differences are good and should be discussed. I get frustrated when there is agreement amongst the council - everyone still feels the need to 'orate' instead of just getting on with the next item.	not happy with the meetings		
May 22, 2010 5:27 AM	Any important things go "on camera"	not happy with the meetings		
Jun 2, 2010 9:14 PM	Too much grandstanding. Not enough common forethought.	not happy with the meetings		
Jun 4, 2010 9:03 PM	The people who do attend seem to have their own agenda.	not happy with the meetings		
Jun 7, 2010 5:44 PM	I don't like going to meetings - I find them tedious.	not happy with the meetings		
Jun 10, 2010 5:11 PM	Too many vested interests and most schemes seem for benefit of Chamber of Commerce.	not happy with the meetings		
Jun 10, 2010 9:09 PM	A complete waste of my time.	not happy with the meetings		
Jun 11, 2010 6:33 PM	Generally boring	not happy with the meetings		
Jun 14, 2010 5:55 PM	Not interested - don't like meetings.	not happy with the meetings		
Jun 14, 2010 8:58 PM	The meetings are too slow.	not happy with the meetings		
May 17, 2010 9:34 PM	I don't think I could raise a reasonable response from the Mayor & Councillors. Also, I don't necessarily agree with the whiners and complainers on all issues.	not happy with the meetings		
May 14, 2010 9:36 PM	Too many of the minority show up	not happy with the meetings		
May 17, 2010 10:20 PM	Meetings packed by organized groups against those who want to contribute their ideas.	not happy with the meetings		

May 26, 2010 8:06 PM	Too much rambling.	not happy with the meetings		
May 26, 2010 4:54 PM	As a citizen I don't feel welcome. The meetings I have attended were poorly organized & the presentations too complicated/unclear/confusing.	public input not encouraged	meetings poorly organized	
May 17, 2010 5:00 AM	The opinion of the public is not sought during discussion of the issues. Public is only allowed comments at the end of the meetings, after Council has made their decisions.	public input not encouraged		
May 21, 2010 9:27 PM	you guys just ram things through council without any input from the community	public input not encouraged		
May 26, 2010 9:09 PM	Agenda is previously arranged before the public sit in.	public input not encouraged		
May 7, 2010 8:58 PM	I think I can make a difference, the city won't allow me to	public input not encouraged		
May 8, 2010 10:33 PM	Council for the most part has their own agenda and not willing to hear from others.	public input not encouraged		
May 14, 2010 10:12 PM	Not being allowed to speak at meeting is very poor policy. People go once and don't want to come back.	public input not encouraged		
May 18, 2010 4:10 PM	The impression given by council is that they really don't want residents to attend.	public input not encouraged		
May 18, 2010 5:39 PM	was surprised at meetings I have attended how little input there was allowed from public	public input not encouraged		
May 19, 2010 5:21 PM	Public is not encouraged to participate at planning meetings. Instead we're offered fait accompli usually.	public input not encouraged		
May 19, 2010 10:17 PM	They're boring and there is no opportunity for direct public input.	public input not encouraged		
May 28, 2010 3:48 PM	Past experiences has shown that public concerns are the last item considered by Council	public input not encouraged		
May 28, 2010 5:57 PM	Poor public participation process used by City	public input not encouraged		
May 28, 2010 10:28 PM	In my experience, the public has little chance of being heard.	public input not encouraged		
May 31, 2010 8:24 PM	Council in the past have based their priorities on business input only.	public input not encouraged		
Jun 1, 2010 4:04 PM	Buildings are erected before permission is given.	public input not encouraged		
Jun 3, 2010 6:34 PM	A formal business meeting does not allow public input.	public input not encouraged		
Jun 3, 2010 10:42 PM	Historically these meetings tend to discourage input from citizens unless it is in line with City Hall.	public input not encouraged		



<b>Jun 4, 2010 9:54 PM</b>	Public input is very limited	public input not encouraged		
<b>Jun 7, 2010 6:09 PM</b>	Generally the public is shut out, any/all City meetings (unless for question period) - a town hall type of meeting would be great and the coffee with the mayor was a good start!	public input not encouraged		
<b>Jun 11, 2010 3:22 PM</b>	Not encouraged by Council at all	public input not encouraged		
<b>Jun 11, 2010 8:58 PM</b>	Because input from the citizens is delayed to the end of the meeting agenda. Issues of interest to citizens should be at the front of the agenda, with time for citizens to speak.	public input not encouraged		
<b>Jun 16, 2010 10:16 PM</b>	The format of the meetings does not encourage public input.	public input not encouraged		
<b>Jun 18, 2010 9:08 PM</b>	Too long a wait for items of interest to resident.	public input not encouraged		
<b>May 31, 2010 5:06 PM</b>	The ones I have attended are a total waste of money and time (re: Jensen St. extention)	public input not encouraged		
<b>Jun 14, 2010 9:32 PM</b>	Too difficult to say what's on one's mind.	public input not encouraged		
<b>May 21, 2010 8:58 PM</b>	didn't think you needed any input	public input not encouraged		
<b>May 31, 2010 8:58 PM</b>	In the past we have attended public meetings and given input, but have felt that it was ignored, as what was to be discussed was in fact already a 'done deal'.	public input not taken into account	decisions already made	
<b>Jun 7, 2010 9:21 PM</b>	I think the machinery is already in place, the Beach Club being an example. It may have taken years to develop, but there was never a chance to stop it.	public input not taken into account		
<b>Jun 4, 2010 6:42 PM</b>	Because some things have already been decided and we don't think council listens to outside ideas or concerns; ie Beach Club, which is ugly.	public input not taken into account		
<b>Jun 16, 2010 9:18 PM</b>	The mayor and council make the decisions (as was shown after telephone surveys, voting down the Beach Club). They changed the height of the Beach Club to suit the builder.	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 14, 2010 3:20 PM</b>	decision appears made before public input	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 8, 2010 1:27 AM</b>	the current Mayor , I voted for him, big mistake doesn't like to listen to ordinary citizens	public input not taken into account		

<b>May 17, 2010 9:54 PM</b>	The mayor and council don't seem to care what residents think. the big apartment on the beach is a fine example of previous council decisions.	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 17, 2010 10:46 PM</b>	council does not listen to the citizens	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 20, 2010 1:15 AM</b>	no one listens to the under dogs,	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 20, 2010 5:47 PM</b>	council won't listen anyway	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 20, 2010 6:00 PM</b>	Council does as it pleases adn doesn't listen to what the residents want. A good example is the Beach Club and the Alberni hwy.	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 20, 2010 6:47 PM</b>	I have attended in the past. Council and the mayor clearly don't want to hear from the community. Over 80% of residents in the Island Hall area did not want permanent residents and overheight buildings there.	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 20, 2010 9:53 PM</b>	The residents of Parksville were opposed to the Beach Club but council approved it.	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 21, 2010 12:56 AM</b>	I,ve attended council meetings, but could not speak, and attended public meetings and our views have been dismissed, as they didn't agree with developers and members of council.	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 21, 2010 4:58 PM</b>	Council ignores public input and does as they please.	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 21, 2010 6:17 PM</b>	They're gonna do whatever suits them no matter what.	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 21, 2010 9:42 PM</b>	They really don't listen to folks.	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 21, 2010 10:19 PM</b>	I think meetings will be better attended now. I thought City Hall wasn't listening often.	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 25, 2010 3:20 PM</b>	no one at City Hall listens to us	public input not taken into account		

<b>May 25, 2010 5:51 PM</b>	Mayor and council generally do what they want anyway. They (Mayor; Greir) have very little respect for the average person or what they want.	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 25, 2010 8:07 PM</b>	I know from experience that what the public wants is ignored. The public did not vote to have the Beach Club, but it's all about money, not what the taxpayers want.	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 25, 2010 9:52 PM</b>	You don't listen to the people of Parksville, such as Al Greir with his comments downgrading people.	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 25, 2010 10:49 PM</b>	Councillors and staff display an "I don't care what you think attitude". Forget about the coffee/donut sessions	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 26, 2010 1:53 AM</b>	the mayor and council push their adgenda's over the majority-example the beach club	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 26, 2010 9:34 PM</b>	In the past they do not listen to the citizens. We remember the Beach Club decision.	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 26, 2010 10:28 PM</b>	Doesn't even listen to votes from referendum (ie firehall).	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 27, 2010 10:00 PM</b>	council doesn't listen to us.	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 28, 2010 5:22 PM</b>	Seems Council listens to the Public with a "deaf ear"	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 31, 2010 4:36 PM</b>	Council has typically not listened to community input.	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 31, 2010 5:03 PM</b>	I think mayor and council would do whatever they want, regardless of what people think.	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 31, 2010 8:01 PM</b>	I don't think our input is listened to; eg Beach Club.	public input not taken into account		
<b>May 31, 2010 8:09 PM</b>	Council don't seem to listen to residents. Things still go ahead even when obvious that residents are not in favour; eg Beach Club.	public input not taken into account		

May 31, 2010 8:17 PM	And they don't listen anyway.	public input not taken into account		
May 31, 2010 9:57 PM	No one listens to general input	public input not taken into account		
May 31, 2010 10:05 PM	When citizens try to participate, Council seems to not listen so they feel it makes no difference. Council do what they want anyway.	public input not taken into account		
May 31, 2010 10:17 PM	Who's listening	public input not taken into account		
May 31, 2010 10:24 PM	the people elected to Council tend not to follow what the people want - except for Chris burger	public input not taken into account		
May 31, 2010 10:29 PM	I have been to some meetings where public has spoken, Council received remarks, but what did Council say (behind closed doors) about the public's remarks.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 1, 2010 8:30 PM	Council rarely listens to the people.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 1, 2010 9:42 PM	Council does not care what people think.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 2, 2010 5:33 PM	Nobody is listening.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 2, 2010 9:01 PM	Mayor and council disregard what the public want.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 2, 2010 9:25 PM	In most instances lately, City council does what they want regardless of the citizens; eg the Beach Club--ugly.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 2, 2010 10:15 PM	I know it does not make a difference - see #12	public input not taken into account		
Jun 3, 2010 4:29 PM	I feel that the City is just trying to humour us and really couldn't care less about us.	public input not taken into account		

Jun 3, 2010 4:47 PM	Any meetings I've attended have always ignored any input from the public.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 3, 2010 5:44 PM	Al Greir and Ed Mayne heads are so big there isn't enough room in there for me. They are pathetic.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 4, 2010 5:49 PM	Nobody listens too the small people our opinions don't count.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 4, 2010 8:06 PM	Waste of time. Nobody listens (we are fringe).	public input not taken into account		
Jun 4, 2010 9:14 PM	Municipal councils are notorious for their failure to listen to the citizens.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 4, 2010 10:48 PM	Meetings especially regarding traffic plan for city are confusing. Sometimes citizen opinions seem to be ignored!	public input not taken into account		
Jun 7, 2010 3:58 PM	We'd rather answer questionnaires or surveys and then let the elected council act on our behalf. Council needs to pay attention to responses of residents.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 7, 2010 4:18 PM	Council does not listen anyway	public input not taken into account		
Jun 7, 2010 4:41 PM	Too many things passed against public opinion. Attending seems a waste of time.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 8, 2010 4:43 PM	I also don't think the public is heard.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 8, 2010 4:43 PM	Past experience, City doesn't listen.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 8, 2010 5:04 PM	The ugly Beach Club is an example. So many people were against it at a public hearing yet there it is - forever a blight on the landscape.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 8, 2010 5:20 PM	I'm sure lots of people fought the Beach Club resort. Did it make any difference?	public input not taken into account		

Jun 8, 2010 8:24 PM	After the "Beach Club" episode it became apparent to me that my input is of no consequence.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 9, 2010 6:37 PM	City and planning staff seem to have their own agenda and over the years it has been my experience that they do not listen to concerns.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 9, 2010 10:47 PM	They don't listen anyways!	public input not taken into account		
Jun 10, 2010 6:51 PM	Present Council appear not to listen (Jensen extension/community garden as horrible examples of a stupid Council)	public input not taken into account		
Jun 10, 2010 8:31 PM	City meetings are held, but the general public are not heard. People come to this area for a reason.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 10, 2010 8:32 PM	They don't listen to what Parksville wants, like the Provincial and Federal Government don't listen to people who voted them in. Big mistakes made and liars.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 10, 2010 8:56 PM	Judging from past Council and present Council - you don't listen to the people (silent majority).	public input not taken into account		
Jun 10, 2010 9:59 PM	Council does what it wants, regardless of people's input.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 11, 2010 3:08 PM	Elected representatives only listen to developers.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 11, 2010 4:10 PM	Going to meetings doesn't allow for much input. We hear what council is proposing, but they just seem to go ahead with their own agenda regardless of public input.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 11, 2010 4:12 PM	You don't listen to the public - we don't get a choice for our advise.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 11, 2010 4:23 PM	Don't think we'd have a hearing ear.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 11, 2010 4:26 PM	Politicians don't listen or act on the residents' concerns - no matter what they say prior to election	public input not taken into account		

<b>Jun 11, 2010 4:29 PM</b>	At times when I have attended I did not feel welcome/heard/part of the process	public input not taken into account		
<b>Jun 11, 2010 4:52 PM</b>	We tried once and our impression was Council had their own agenda and don't bother with us.	public input not taken into account		
<b>Jun 11, 2010 6:20 PM</b>	No matter what, you will still do what you want.	public input not taken into account		
<b>Jun 11, 2010 6:54 PM</b>	It seems that the council is always stacked in the favour of local business rather than for the majority which are residents	public input not taken into account		
<b>Jun 11, 2010 9:49 PM</b>	Council and Mayor do not listen to input from the public	public input not taken into account		
<b>Jun 11, 2010 10:30 PM</b>	The Mayor held a meeting at Craig Bay and would not listen to our biggest concern - water. We need water meters in each house to conserve water and reduce costs.	public input not taken into account		
<b>Jun 14, 2010 4:13 PM</b>	Does the City council take into advisement what we say, ask or request of them? It doesn't seem to me that they do what the people want. It saddens me that the mayor or council are trying to get things passed, not having respect for the rules as to how things should be done.	public input not taken into account		
<b>Jun 15, 2010 5:54 PM</b>	Opinions expressed at public meetings have been ignored re: the Beach Club. Public opinion was against the development and it's still there.	public input not taken into account		
<b>Jun 16, 2010 4:23 PM</b>	I can't afford a car to get there. City employees never listen to the public anyway.	public input not taken into account		
<b>Jun 16, 2010 5:45 PM</b>	City Hall does not listen to the people.	public input not taken into account		
<b>Jun 16, 2010 6:27 PM</b>	Don't listen to the public.	public input not taken into account		
<b>Jun 17, 2010 4:25 PM</b>	The mayor and council seem to do what they want, regardless of what the taxpayers want.	public input not taken into account		

Jun 17, 2010 9:03 PM	I feel our opinions don't count even when a majority voice. Council tend to do as they please (Beach Club, Alberni Hwy changes).	public input not taken into account		
Jun 18, 2010 6:35 PM	I stopped attending when it became clear that council was not listening to the public. The Beach Club is a prime example of staff and developers vetoing public interests.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 18, 2010 9:38 PM	Staff does what they want - regardless of public opinion.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 18, 2010 10:34 PM	Mayor's are arrogant. We had a referendum voting the expense of a new fire hall. Yet Mayne ignores the democratic decision and intends to overspend again.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 21, 2010 5:11 PM	Does council listen to the residents or to developers. Meetings are geared more to the developer. Not enough pros and cons.	public input not taken into account		
Jun 11, 2010 3:41 PM	It seems most Council Members have their own agenda and until just recently, the public was not listened to.	public input not taken into account		
May 25, 2010 3:38 PM	I'm a shy renter.	shy		
May 31, 2010 6:38 PM	Too timid to speak up publically	shy		
Jun 7, 2010 4:30 PM	Not comfortable public speaking.	shy		
Jun 11, 2010 9:57 PM	Don't feel comfortable public speaking	shy		
Jun 8, 2010 5:32 PM	meeting times don't work, between jobs and kids	times don't work for me	too busy	family commitments
May 9, 2010 4:55 PM	Advisory Planning Commision meeting at 8AM Monday DOESN'T work FOR ANYONE! - FOOLISH!	times don't work for me		
May 10, 2010 4:08 AM	8:00 am Monday meetings of the Advisory Planning Commission is foolish, unless you don't want anyone to attend.	times don't work for me		
May 14, 2010 8:03 PM	Better would be right after work, 5:15; plus serve tea/coffee and pastries for those attending	times don't work for me		
May 20, 2010 3:31 PM	Cannot attend evening meetings	times don't work for me		
May 20, 2010 10:08 PM	Work out of town lots; away half the time.	times don't work for me		
May 23, 2010 2:04 PM	Conflicts with my working schedule.	times don't work for me		
May 28, 2010 5:11 PM	wrong night	times don't work for me		
May 31, 2010 5:35 PM	often away	times don't work for me		



Jun 1, 2010 10:20 PM	Work out of town	times don't work for me		
Jun 2, 2010 7:00 PM	Same as fire practice sometimes.	times don't work for me		
Jun 2, 2010 9:53 PM	Out of town part of the time.	times don't work for me		
Jun 3, 2010 8:47 PM	As a senior, I would attend a morning meeting but not late afternoon or evening. Also, I wonder about contributing.	times don't work for me		
Jun 4, 2010 9:43 PM	Evening is not a good time for seniors to walk to this area	times don't work for me		
Jun 11, 2010 8:33 PM	Unfortunately for those of us who aren't grumpy old farts and have to work, the meetings are difficult to attend.	times don't work for me		
Jun 14, 2010 2:58 PM	It is tough with my work schedule.	times don't work for me		
Jun 14, 2010 4:35 PM	I work shifts at those times.	times don't work for me		
Jun 16, 2010 8:41 PM	A lot of people don't get home from work in time for meeting that start before 7:00 p.m.	times don't work for me		
Jun 17, 2010 4:13 PM	Seniors don't go out evenings. Working people can't go weekdays. Let's have some meetings on weekend afternoons.	times don't work for me		
Jun 17, 2010 4:58 PM	Also, make meetings more convenient for the public to attend.	times don't work for me		
Jun 18, 2010 3:28 PM	Usually the meetings are in the evening and I am reluctant to walk in the dark.	times don't work for me		
Jun 18, 2010 4:28 PM	Meetings too early.	times don't work for me		
Jun 18, 2010 4:33 PM	Meetings are too early. People eat at that time.	times don't work for me		
Jun 18, 2010 10:07 PM	Work out of town	times don't work for me		
May 17, 2010 6:40 AM	Have been away during any that interested us.	times don't work for me		
May 24, 2010 4:47 AM	busy with work and children	too busy	family commitments	
Jun 11, 2010 6:01 PM	Work and 3 kids. Too busy.	too busy	family commitments	
May 28, 2010 4:13 PM	Very busy, that is no excuse. Will try to attend.	too busy	will attend	
May 21, 2010 6:04 PM	I work 2 jobs, one at night, one during the day. Sometimes I double shift in one day.	too busy		
May 21, 2010 8:47 PM	I work 2 jobs	too busy		

May 24, 2010 5:50 PM	For now, my husband was busy to his work and I am still busy looking for a job while doing volunteer work.	too busy		
Jun 4, 2010 5:55 PM	I work 3 jobs to make ends meet. Money rules and I am not rich - make our city work for the poor working class	too busy		
Jun 7, 2010 5:48 PM	It's the same old people with the same complaints, and they go on and on repeating themselves. Advertise better and invite the young families.	too much negativity	need better adverstising	
May 25, 2010 8:34 PM	Stubborn, argumentative, circuit breakers on council. Get rid of the dinosaurs.	too much negativity		
May 26, 2010 9:44 PM	Too much negative views.	too much negativity		
May 28, 2010 4:02 PM	Too many people who don't want change show up. They forgot what doesn't grow, dies.	too much negativity		
May 31, 2010 6:03 PM	I don't like the argumentative tone and 'politicizing'.	too much negativity		
May 31, 2010 6:27 PM	Don't like people's attitude regarding changes. Changes are good for the city.	too much negativity		
Jun 1, 2010 10:56 PM	I get sick and tired of listening to people complaining about what council do all of the time.	too much negativity		
Jun 4, 2010 10:37 PM	Don't like being around so many nagative people	too much negativity		
Jun 10, 2010 9:29 PM	Too many arguments over small detail. Try all working on one item that the town needs, ie. Medical Hospital	too much negativity		
Jun 14, 2010 3:31 PM	Hate listening to the wing nuts that don't even pay taxes in Parksville.	too much negativity		
Jun 16, 2010 3:00 PM	Don't want to waste time listening to activists that have no clue as to how complex issues are.	too much negativity		
May 25, 2010 2:24 AM	I want to be in a supportive atmosphere which values constructive comment	too much negativity		
May 18, 2010 8:09 PM	too old	too old		
May 18, 2010 3:47 PM	When I vote in someone, I put my trust in that person to run the city properly	trust elected officials		
May 18, 2010 8:52 PM	people elected are to make proper decisions	trust elected officials		
May 26, 2010 7:13 PM	trust elected officials to do the right thing	trust elected officials		
Jun 1, 2010 4:26 PM	Council is elected to run City business. There is too much public interference already, which slows the decision making.	trust elected officials		
Jun 2, 2010 8:26 PM	We elect people to do a job. Too many opionions only delay progress.	trust elected officials		

Jun 18, 2010 10:32 PM	I am hoping that our Councillors will make sensible, forward thinking decisions.	trust elected officials		
Jun 4, 2010 10:30 PM	I will now attend although the time is not convenient.	will attend	times don't work for me	
May 7, 2010 8:33 PM	I plan to attend	will attend		
May 13, 2010 4:35 AM	I am encouraged by the new Parksville Residents Assocn and plan to support them by attending some meetings. There is such a lot of apathy among the local folks because they think the Council is controlled by business interests that will find ways to ignore residents.	will attend		
May 15, 2010 7:43 PM	Historically it has not worked. Now with the PRA all issues will be monitored and I shall be there as well	will attend		
May 21, 2010 7:03 PM	I expect to in the upcoming future	will attend		
May 27, 2010 3:24 AM	I have recently started to attend and will try to continue to do this.	will attend		
May 31, 2010 6:14 PM	I will attend.	will attend		
Jun 2, 2010 3:30 PM	We intend to attend more of these in the future.	will attend		
Jun 2, 2010 10:23 PM	just moved here - plan to attend at times	will attend		
Jun 8, 2010 3:59 PM	Now we know what you've done, so gonna be there now.	will attend		
Jun 14, 2010 4:45 PM	New here. Was very involved in Victoria. Will start attending in the fall.	will attend		
Jun 15, 2010 6:25 PM	I likely will attend planning meetings in the future.	will attend		
May 18, 2010 5:24 PM	Council is reactive, not proactive.			
May 21, 2010 5:09 PM	Get rid of trailer parks on the beach.			
May 21, 2010 6:43 PM	I believe this has improved lately.			
May 21, 2010 9:56 PM	Stay the course of using common sense and do what you can afford. Stay out of debt.			
May 25, 2010 4:40 PM	I am one of the 'silent majority'. That will change.			
May 25, 2010 8:41 PM	Change requires inspired leaders plus Resident Association group pressure--both needed.			
May 25, 2010 10:20 PM	Hire a City Planner.			
May 31, 2010 5:17 PM	Not enough younger people attend to make a difference			
May 31, 2010 10:39 PM	not comforable going out at night			
Jun 2, 2010 5:42 PM	Do you feel the meetings work for the taxpayer?			
Jun 3, 2010 5:09 PM	Served as member and chairman old "Board of Variance", Advisory Planning Commission and regular Council meeting attendance in small community - been there, done that			
Jun 3, 2010 6:46 PM	Do your beaurocrats want to respond to direction? Are they given relevant direction?			
Jun 4, 2010 9:15 PM	other			
Jun 4, 2010 9:43 PM	Other			

Jun 7, 2010 4:32 PM	Please send info			
Jun 7, 2010 6:23 PM	I don't understand all the issues or the process			
Jun 7, 2010 9:26 PM	I had a recent concern about noise and the mayor was not at all helpful.			
Jun 8, 2010 3:26 PM	certainly not satisfied with things			
Jun 8, 2010 5:52 PM	We pay our council to represent us, not themselves.			
Jun 10, 2010 5:55 PM	We should leave the planning to City planners. Their big plans should be approved by plebiscite during elections.			
Jun 10, 2010 9:41 PM	You take a person off the street and vote them into town council, or provincial or federal politics, and the next day they spend and spend.			
Jun 11, 2010 4:57 PM	Assumed elected council would look after our beach/seniors.			
Jun 11, 2010 6:49 PM	Residents need an effective voice, not lip service, at planning meetings. Councillors need to balance development wants and residents long term needs.			
Jun 11, 2010 8:54 PM	Today's politicians at all levels tend to make us a little cynical.			
Jun 11, 2010 9:25 PM	I am a landed immigrant and I'm not allowed to vote (but I can pay taxes).			
Jun 14, 2010 4:58 PM	The waterfront should be for everyone, not just a few.			
Jun 14, 2010 5:47 PM	The real spoke in the wheels of Government are not the politicians but the people who actually work to make the town better.			
Jun 15, 2010 10:25 PM	I rely on word of mouth. Support civic groups. Rely on newspaper reporting.			
Jun 18, 2010 5:59 PM	Need new OCP.			
Jun 18, 2010 6:55 PM	Development seems to be all council thinks about. Lifestyle and natural setting are forfeited for growth.			
Jun 18, 2010 8:12 PM	If issues arise concerning us or our neighbourhood, we would attend.			
Jun 21, 2010 6:38 PM	I attend planning events but not City meetings.			