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FY 2022 Budget Priorities Citizen Survey

SURVEY OPEN FROM JUNE 23-JULY 7

Survey Tool



Consisted of 13 questions including demographics, budget considerations and priorities, and open-ended comments.



Featured listing of 39 programs and services to evaluate.



Made available to all residents online from June 23-July 7.



320 total responses.



Percentages are shown for total responses of each question.



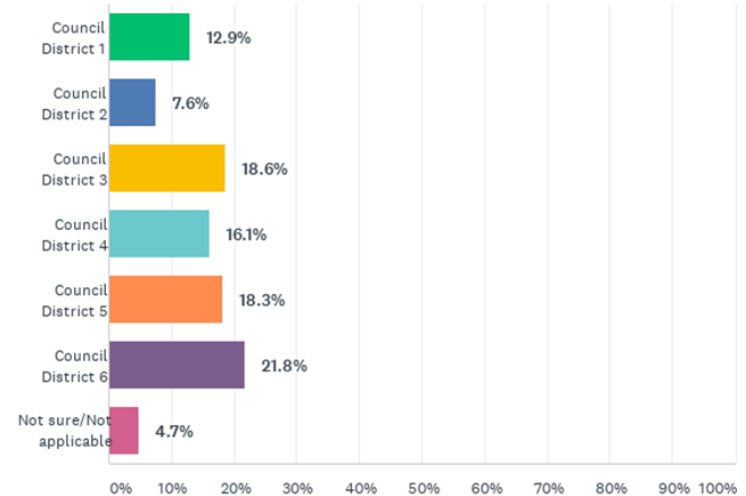
Not a statistically valid survey, therefore results are not a scientific representation of the entire City.

Which Council District do you live in?

Adequate representation of responses from all Council Districts.

Council District 6 had the largest percentage of responses with 21.8%.

There was 4.7% of responders that did not know their Council District or did not want to provide this information.

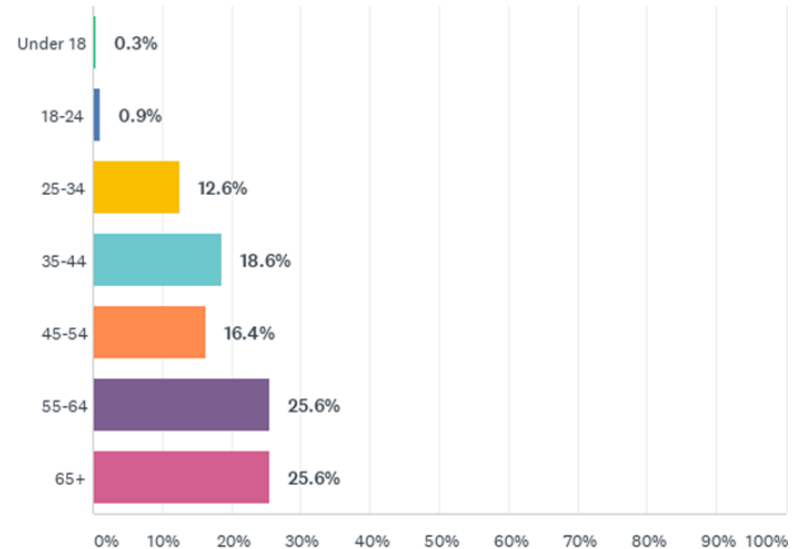


What is your age?

Responders represent a mixture of age groups throughout the City.

32.4% of responders were below the age of 44.

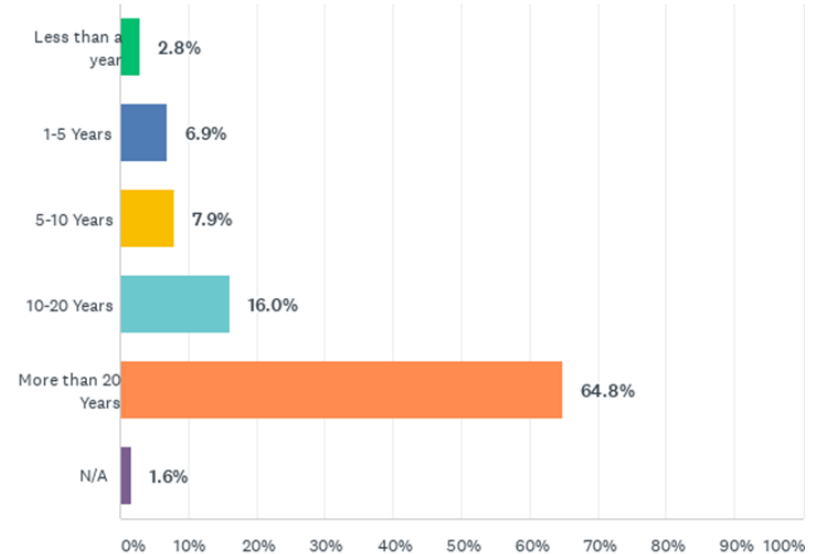
25.3% of responders were above the age of 65.



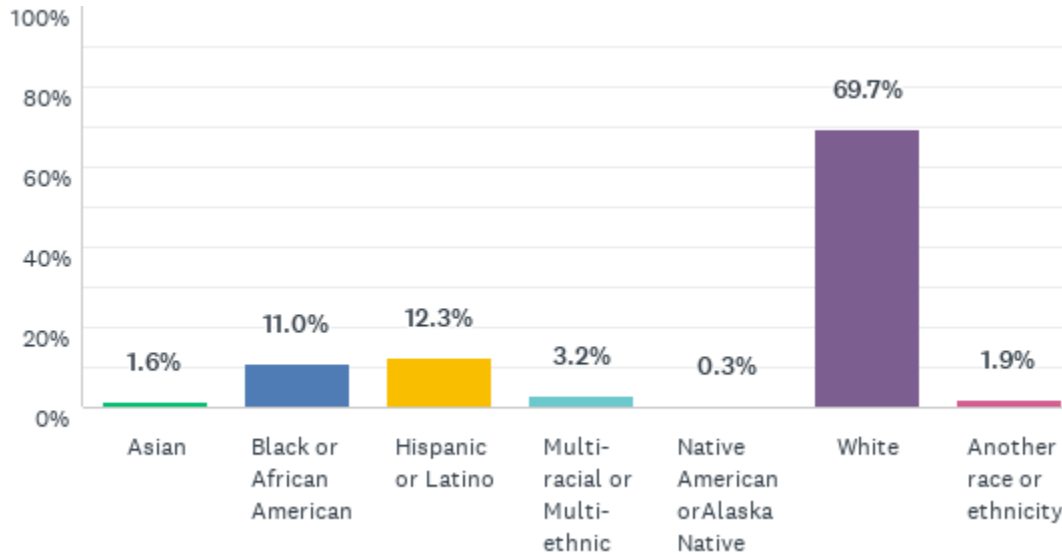
How long have you lived in Mesquite?

The largest group of residency are those responders that chose “More than 20 Years” at 64.8% of the total responses.

The “More than 20 Years” group belonged to multiple age groups which shows there is a significant representation of individuals who have grown up in Mesquite.

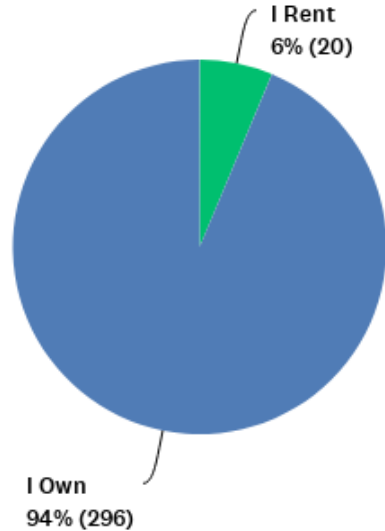


What is your race or ethnicity?

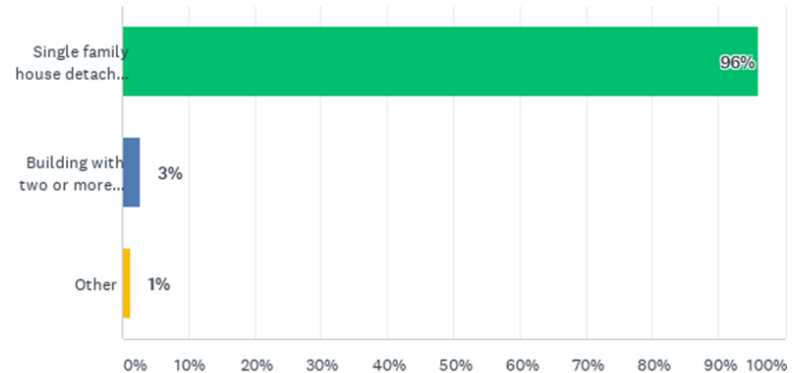


Housing Demographics

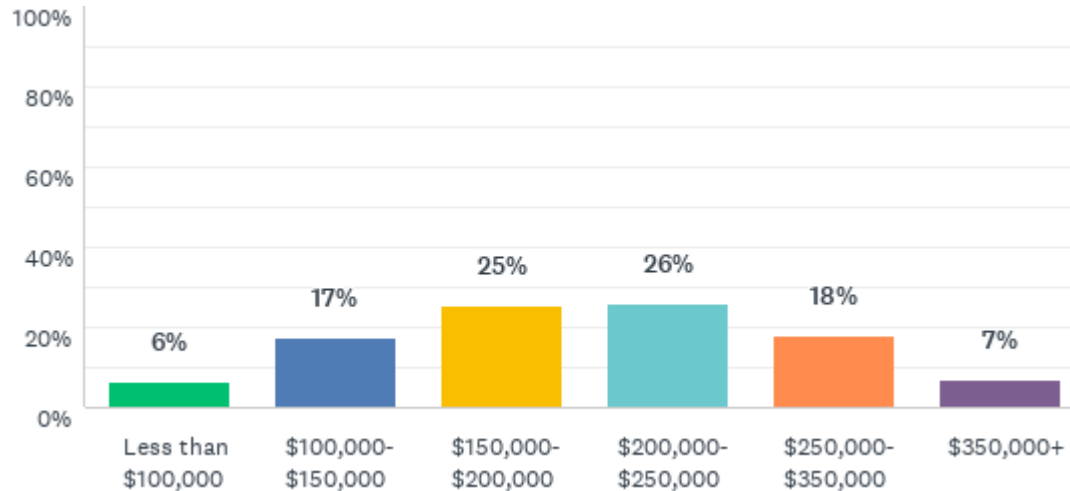
DO YOU RENT OR OWN THE HOME YOU LIVE IN?



WHICH BEST DESCRIBES THE HOME YOU LIVE IN?

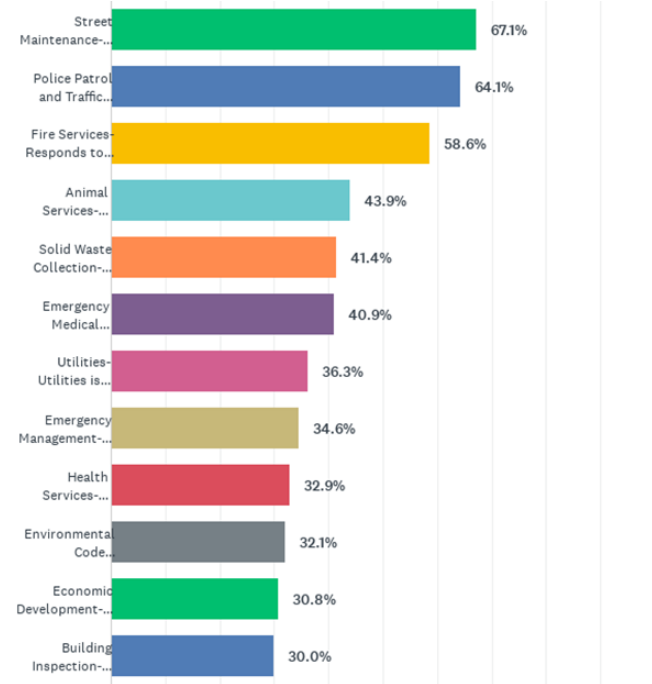


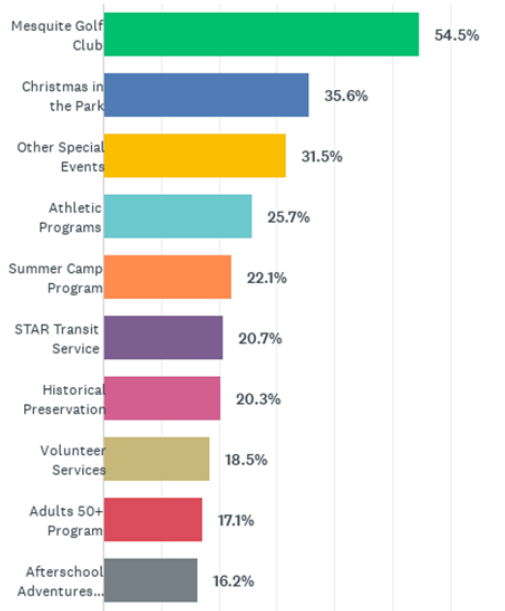
What is the Approximate values of your home?



Please select the 10 programs/services that you believe to be the **most important** and would like to see more effort (money) provided.

Program/Service	Respondents
Street Maintenance	67.1%
Police Patrol and Traffic Services	64.1%
Fire Services	58.6%
Animal Services	43.9%
Solid Waste Collection	41.4%
Emergency Medical Services	40.9%
Utilities	36.3%
Emergency Management	34.6%
Health Services	32.9%
Environmental Code	32.1%

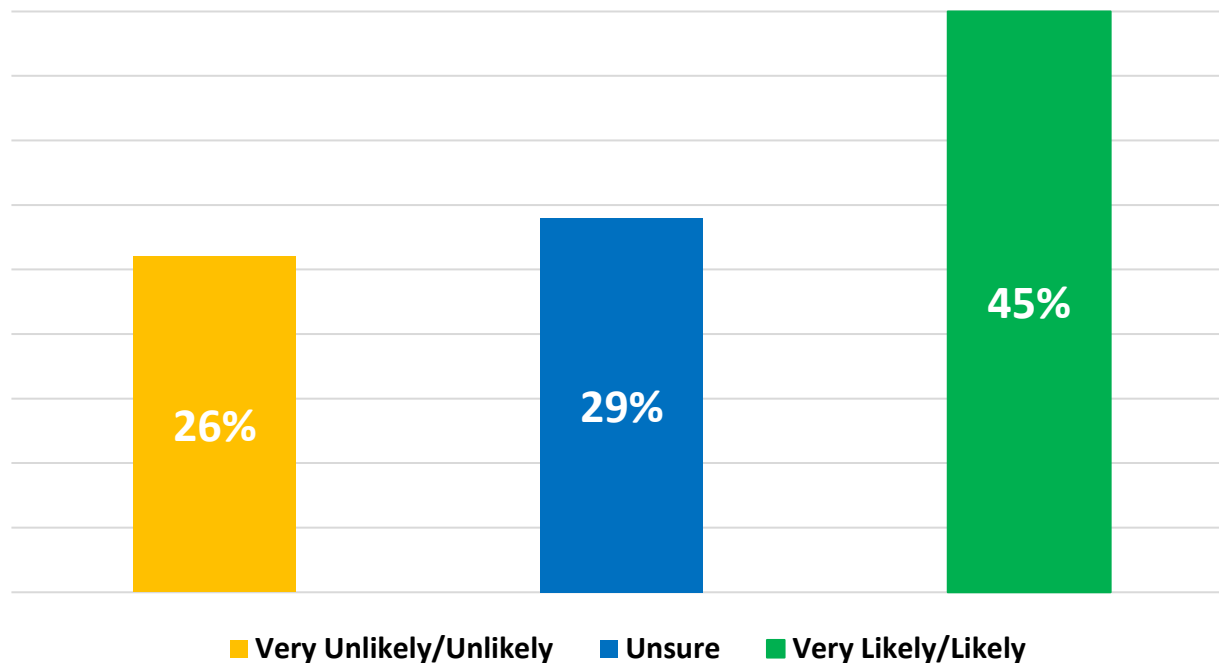




Program/Service	Respondents
Mesquite Golf Club	54.5%
Christmas in the Park	35.6%
Other Special Events	31.5%
Athletic Programs	25.7%
Summer Camp Program	22.1%
STAR Transit Service	20.7%
Historical Preservation	20.3%
Volunteer Services	18.5%
Adults 50+ Program	17.1%
Afterschool Adventure Program	16.2%

Now, please choose 5 programs/services that you believe the City should consider for reduction/elimination.

For those programs that you ranked highest, how likely would you support paying more in taxes/fees to improve the quality.



Open Ended Responses

Responders were asked to indicate any additional services the City is not currently providing that you would like to see effort (money) dedicated to. Below is a summary of major themes:

- City provided trash cans
- More youth programming
- More Internet and WIFI access
- Home improvement incentives
- Homeless Initiatives
- Renovation for existing city facilities
- Toxic waste collection
- More police officers
- More public murals and art
- More splash pads and water park
- More street repair

Open Ended Responses

Responders were asked to provide any additional feedback. Below is a summary of major themes:

1. **More Street Repair**
2. **More Police and less crime**
3. Less trash and litter in communities
4. More Code Enforcement

Responders were asked to provide any budget questions. Below is a listing of a few:

- Where can I review the budget?
- What is done with budget surplus funds?
- How does the city look for ways to reduce budgets and create a reserve?
- Where are we at in the process of street bond program? What roads are left to complete?
- Where does the beer and wine sale funds go?
- How is the money used for the drainage fee residents pay?
- How does the city ensure contractors are doing quality work and on time?
- Why aren't the fees for city programs enough to cover the cost?