



San Ramon General Plan Update

Community Survey #1 Summary | October 2021

This document provides a summary of Community Survey #1 which was available throughout the month of October. The intent of the survey was to gauge the awareness of the community to the ongoing General Plan, Housing Element, and Climate Action Plan process. In addition, the survey allowed the City and Consultant team to ask a series of questions related to each of the components of this effort. Questions provided as part of the survey were in a multiple-choice format with the opportunity to provide written responses and comments on applicable questions. Feedback solicited from the community will be used throughout the process to select and narrow sites for potential housing and support the creation of goals, policies, and programs in both the Climate Action Plan and General Plan. The feedback provided on following pages are presented as written, without editing, and do not necessarily reflect the views of the City. Any comments that contained profanities were removed. There is no ranking or order to these ideas.

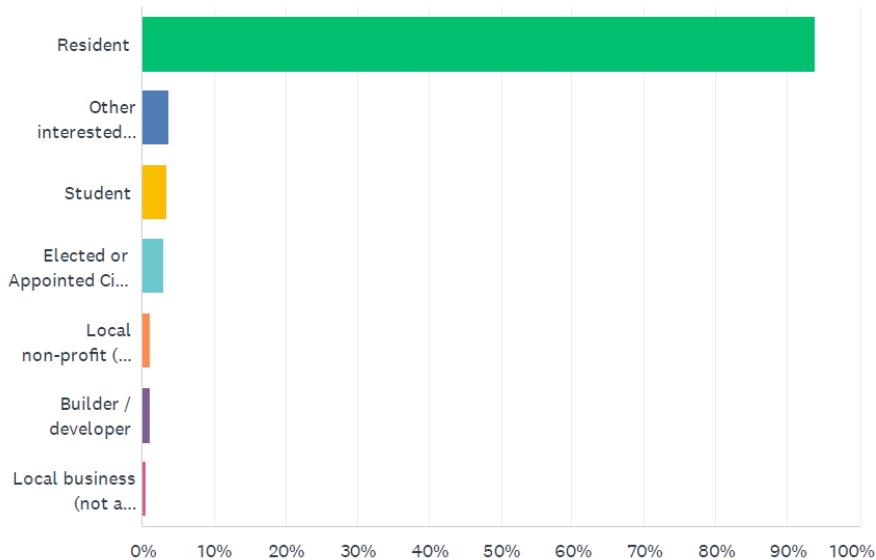
Topic: Project Overview, General Plan, Housing Element, Climate Action Plan

Location: Online via plansanramon.com

Responses Received: 296 *community participants*

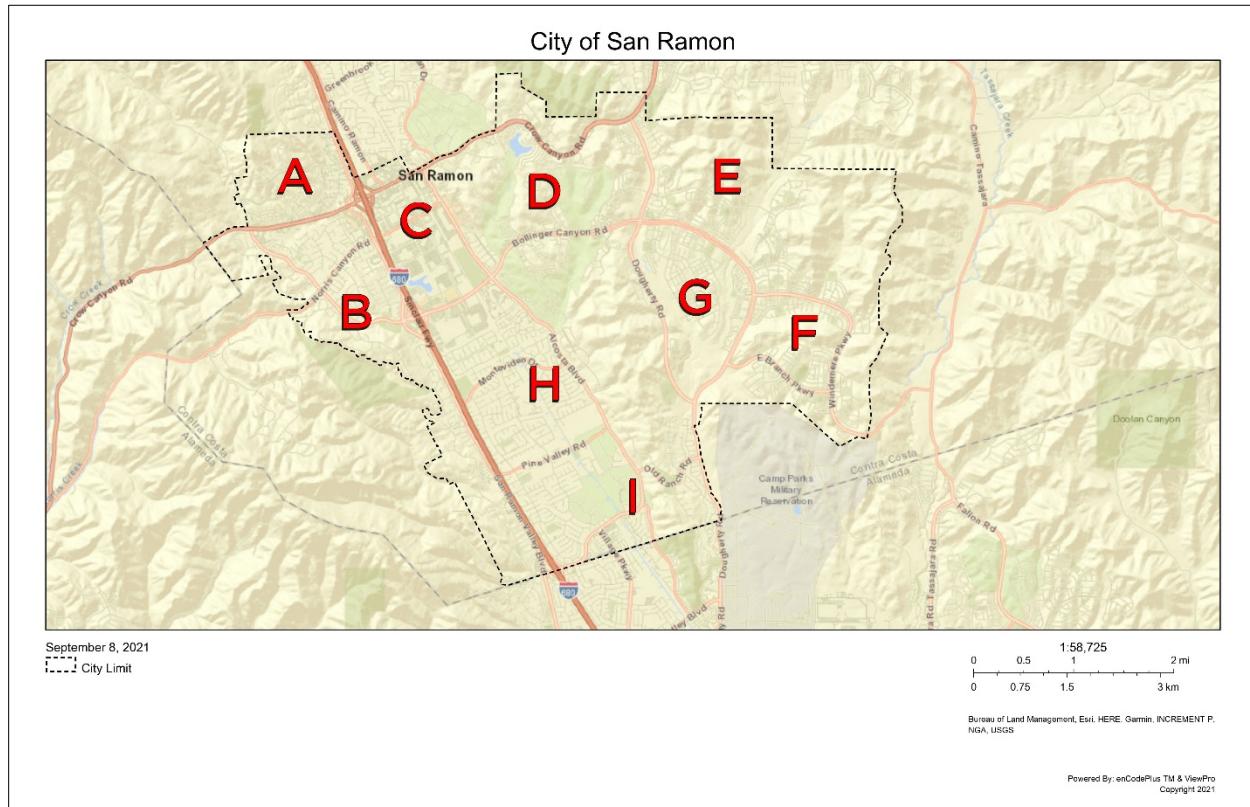
Question 1 – What is your relationship to the San Ramon Community?

Answered: 295 Skipped: 1



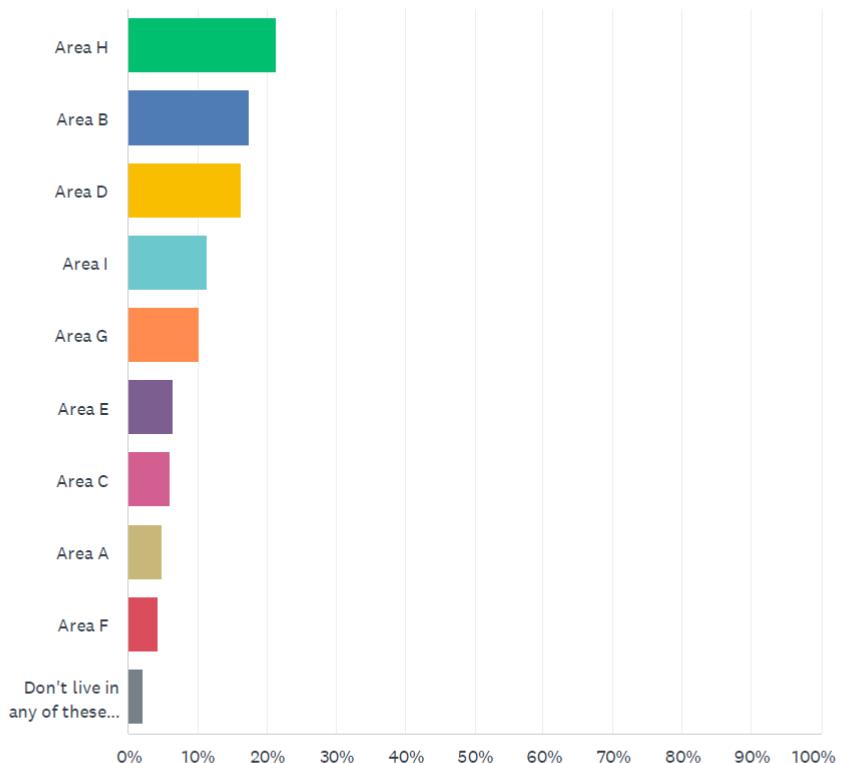
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Resident	93.90% 277
Other interested person	3.73% 11
Student	3.39% 10
Elected or Appointed City Official	3.05% 9
Local non-profit (not a resident)	1.02% 3
Builder / developer	1.02% 3
Local business (not a resident)	0.34% 1
Total Respondents: 295	

Question 2 – What area do you currently live?



Question 2 – What area do you currently live? *[Continued]*

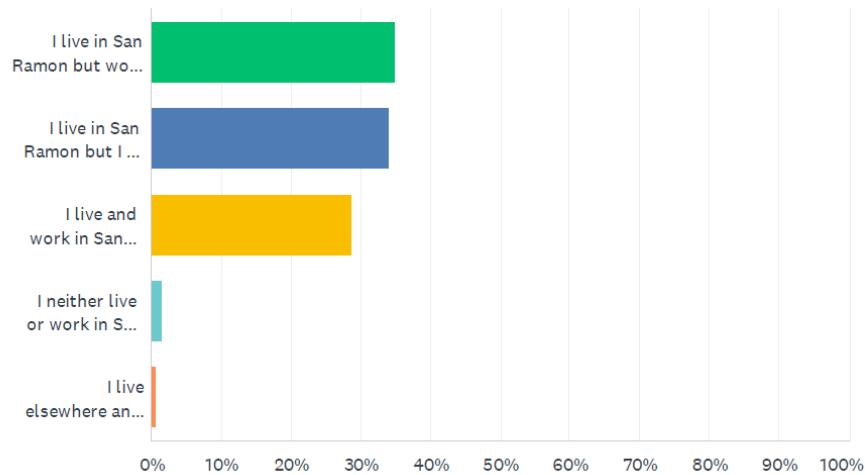
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Area H	21.40% 61
Area B	17.54% 50
Area D	16.14% 46
Area I	11.23% 32
Area G	10.18% 29
Area E	6.32% 18
Area C	5.96% 17
Area A	4.91% 14
Area F	4.21% 12
Don't live in any of these areas	2.11% 6
TOTAL	285

Question 3 – Do you live and/or work in San Ramon?

Answered: 278 Skipped: 18



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
I live in San Ramon but work elsewhere	34.89% 97
I live in San Ramon but I am retired	34.17% 95
I live and work in San Ramon	28.78% 80
I neither live or work in San Ramon	1.44% 4
I live elsewhere and work in San Ramon	0.72% 2
TOTAL	278

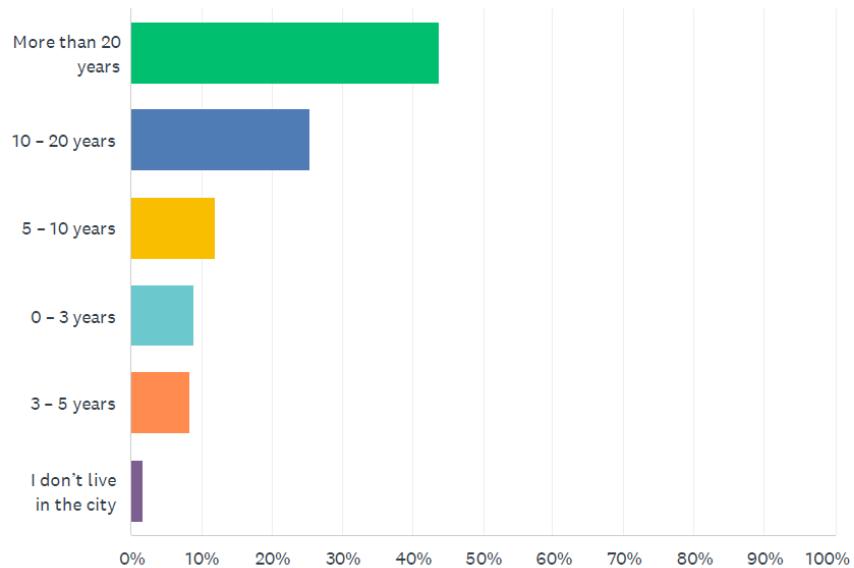


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Question 4 – If you live in San Ramon, for how long?

Answered: 277 Skipped: 19



ANSWER CHOICES	PERCENTAGE	RESPONSES
More than 20 years	43.68%	121
10 - 20 years	25.27%	70
5 - 10 years	11.91%	33
0 - 3 years	9.03%	25
3 - 5 years	8.30%	23
I don't live in the city	1.81%	5
TOTAL		277

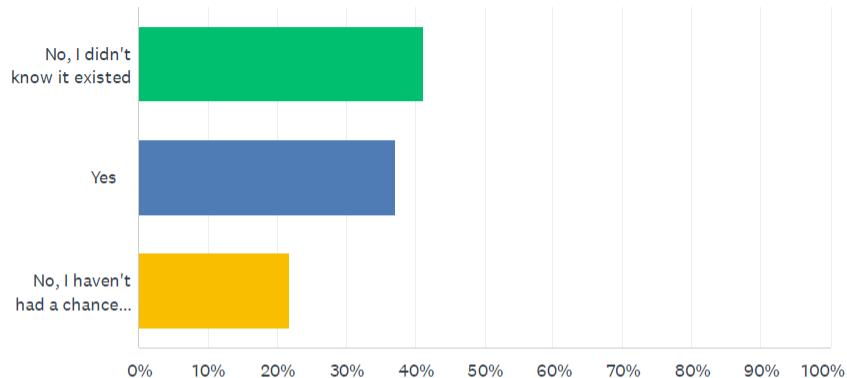


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Question 5 – Have you visited the project website (plansanramon.com)?

Answered: 280 Skipped: 16



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
No, I didn't know it existed	41.07%	115
Yes	37.14%	104
No, I haven't had a chance, but know it exists	21.79%	61
TOTAL	280	

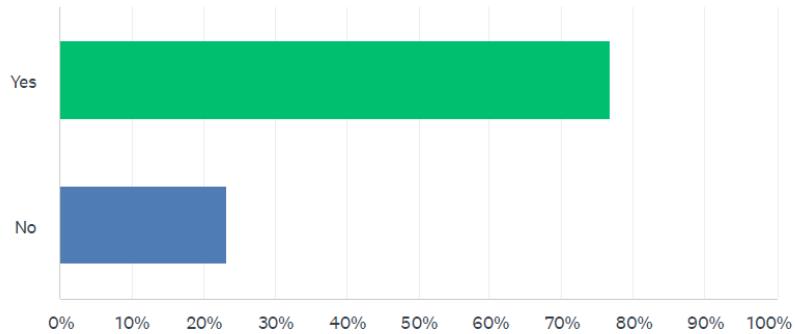


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Question 6 – Do you know what a General Plan is?

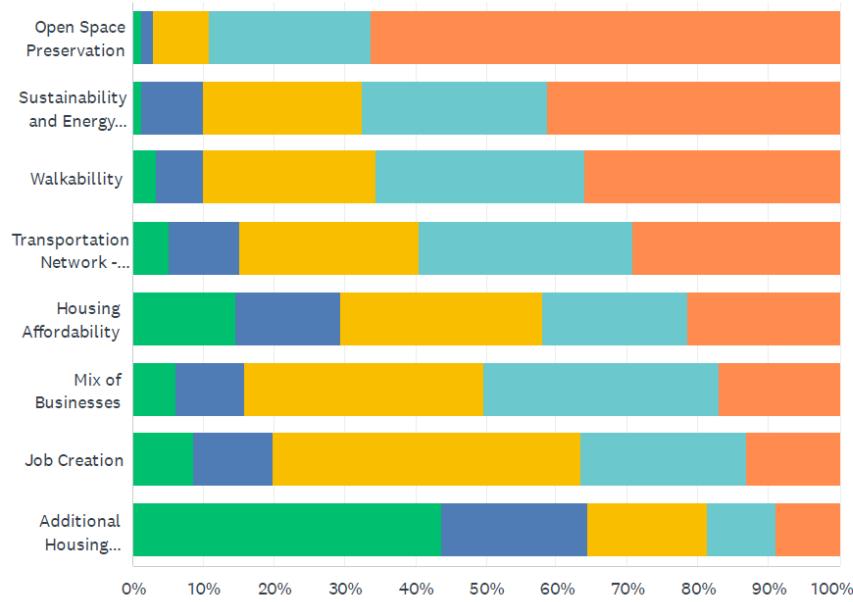
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	76.71%	191
No	23.29%	58
TOTAL		249

Question 7 – Indicate the level of importance (1 - least import to 5 - most important) for the following items in terms of future development in San Ramon.

Answered: 250 Skipped: 46



1 - Least Im... 2 3 4
 5 - Most Im...

	1 - LEAST IMPORTANT	2	3	4	5 - MOST IMPORTANT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Open Space Preservation	1.20% 3	1.61% 4	8.03% 20	22.89% 57	66.27% 165	249	4.51
Sustainability and Energy Efficiency	1.20% 3	8.84% 22	22.49% 56	26.10% 65	41.37% 103	249	3.98
Walkability	3.24% 8	6.88% 17	24.29% 60	29.55% 73	36.03% 89	247	3.88
Transportation Network - Roads, Alternative Modes, etc.	5.20% 13	10.00% 25	25.20% 63	30.40% 76	29.20% 73	250	3.68
Housing Affordability	14.52% 36	14.92% 37	28.63% 71	20.56% 51	21.37% 53	248	3.19
Mix of Businesses	6.05% 15	9.68% 24	33.87% 84	33.47% 83	16.94% 42	248	3.46
Job Creation	8.64% 21	11.11% 27	43.62% 106	23.46% 57	13.17% 32	243	3.21
Additional Housing Creation	43.72% 108	20.65% 51	17.00% 42	9.72% 24	8.91% 22	247	2.19

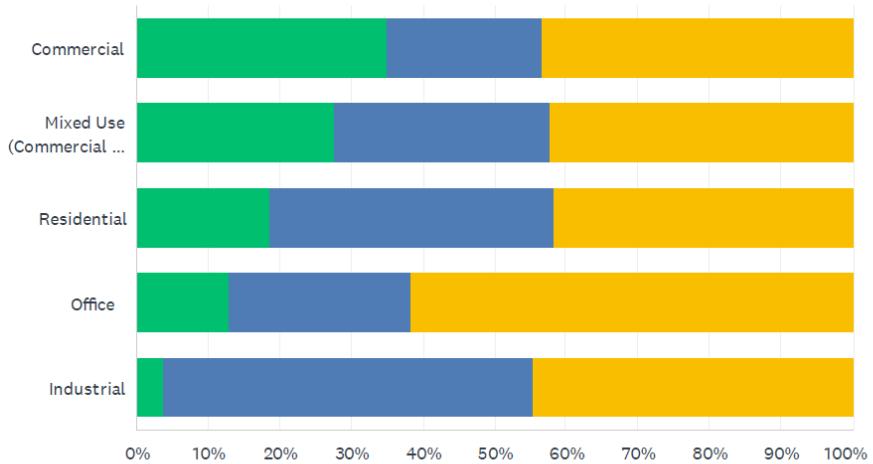


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Question 8 – What type of development do you feel that San Ramon needs more or less of?

Answered: 248 Skipped: 48

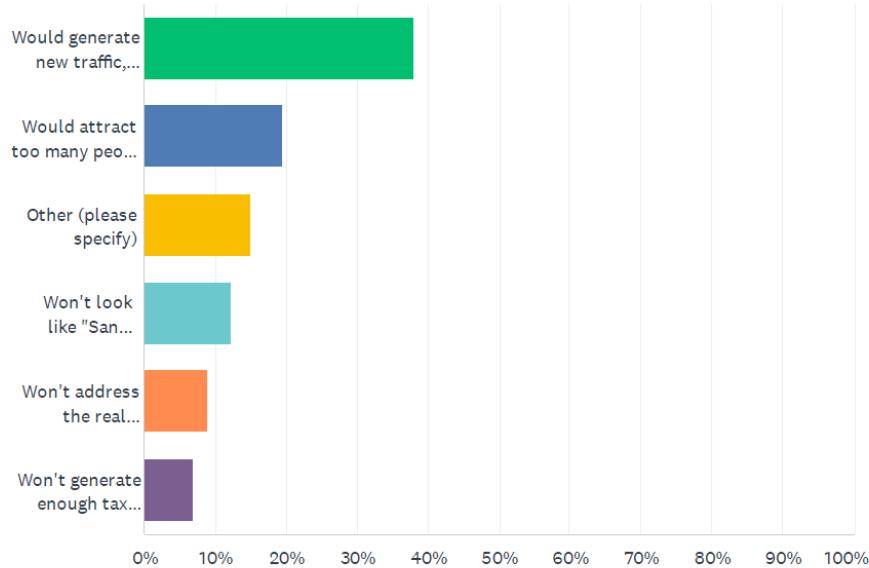


■ Needs More ■ Needs Less ■ Same as N...

	NEEDS MORE	NEEDS LESS	SAME AS NOW	TOTAL
Commercial	34.87% 83	21.85% 52	43.28% 103	238
Mixed Use (Commercial + Residential)	27.57% 67	30.04% 73	42.39% 103	243
Residential	18.60% 45	39.67% 96	41.74% 101	242
Office	12.86% 31	25.31% 61	61.83% 149	241
Industrial	3.75% 9	51.67% 124	44.58% 107	240

Question 9 – What is the most important concern you have about future growth in San Ramon?

Answered: 248 Skipped: 48



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Would generate new traffic, school, and park / open space demands	37.90%	94
Would attract too many people	19.35%	48
Other (please specify)	14.92%	37
Won't look like "San Ramon"	12.10%	30
Won't address the real housing needs of the community	8.87%	22
Won't generate enough tax revenue to cover the costs of providing City services	6.85%	17
TOTAL		248

Question 9: What is the most important concern you have about future growth in San Ramon? The responses below are answers to those who responded "Other (please specify.)"

Responses

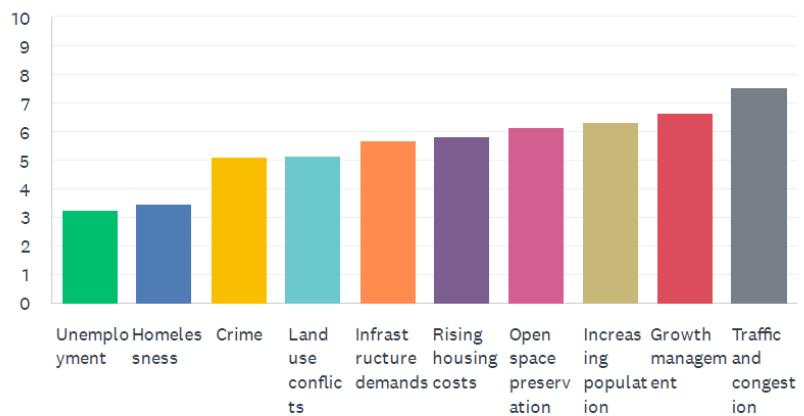
Our town is too big now! Stop high density housing!
Unaffordability and unsustainability
Safety for pedestrians and bicyclists- narrow roadways
Pressure to develop open space instead of infill areas & redevelopment of existing areas sought by owners
Affordable and low-income housing tends to attract crime- Pittsburg, Antioch, Brentwood, Oakley are prime examples. Please don't allow section 8 housing or low-income apartments. Don't want extensive Bart or bus connections, because enables homeless to come from Bart to San Ramon. Police officers even said if Walnut Creek didn't have Bart there would be substantially less crime in downtown area.
Crowded, inhabitable, polluted, noisy
People needs to know or aware about trash management like garbage, recycling and composting.
Uninhabitable crowded city
Failure to deliver sufficient affordable and market rate housing to serve the needs of the community
Attract the wrong audience (people)
Environmental issues such as lack of water, hills filled with development, air quality, too many cars
Pushing Out businesses
Water needs/density
Infrastructure is not sustainable for current population
Over population
Won't be well planned out
Won't be balanced in terms of all of the sectors - the ones you've outlined below. As well as keeping up a balance of new vs renovated/improved public facilities and roads.
No central downtown
Impacts on local ecology, easy to harm or destroy but as we've seen with projects (e.g., creek restoration) require a lot of dedication and energy to heal
water supply if continue to develop more housing
there won't be enough affordable housing for younger people
Completely change the feel of San Ramon. Housing is expensive because of the smaller town feel. I paid a premium to move to this area, yes it was expensive, but it is that way for a reason
Completely change the way San Ramon is/was and the community we bought into after reviewing the 2035 general plan
Lack of climate action

Question 9: What is the most important concern you have about future growth in San Ramon? The responses below are answers to those who responded "Other (please specify.)"

Responses
safety
solutions are not climate conscience or serious enough about climate
No more housing!!!!
There are few moderate priced clothing stores I shop/dine at which leads me to shop in other cities. The Lot is not somewhere I would shop
Crime. Traffic. Noise. Pollution. Overcrowding.
Would destroy ambiance and services currently in place for high density housing/retail. Quality of life will suffer
More concrete, not enough "garden"
Lack of water
How to do justification for environment, people, school and opportunities
2, 3, and 4
The city is now divided; we have the older San Ramon and the newer (Windermere area) San Ramon. We, in the older area are getting overflow to California high school because many parents don't want their children going to Dougherty High School. And our old neighborhood streets are unable to handle the congestion. If a student transfers from DVHS they should be required to take the bus. Speaking of buses! It's time the city of San Ramon provides a bus system FREE to all students that attend CHS. Our neighborhood is unable to host 3,000+ students in and out daily. I am living in the house I grew up in. Born and raised in San Ramon. I have seen the growth and change. My parents bought this house in 1967 before CHS was built. San Ramon has missed many opportunities in providing the community public, free, transportation to CHS. You built the high school in a high-density area, now please provide the students and parents, the transportation they deserve. Stop and think about every high school in the Tri Valley area. Can you think of any that is smack in the middle of a neighborhood? No, they are not. They all are accessible off a main road. I understand growth is inevitable. And I do embrace that. I believe San Ramon so far as done a great job in keeping our city beautiful. I just pray we don't allow developers to come in and make changes and we end up looking like Dublin. This five-story high rise that is in discussion in Market Place, I certainly hope that if there are students in that building they are automatically slated to DVHS and that they don't have the ability to transfer to CHS, "just because", like many of the other students are. Our streets are impacted and congested enough.
Would destroy the community feel of San Ramon
Overcrowding that destroys the quality of life; we need limits on how much growth of building and population is realistic and supported by the residents.

Question 10 – Rank the following challenges facing San Ramon in order of (1) least challenging to (10) most challenging?

Answered: 248 Skipped: 48



	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	TOTAL
Unemployment	0.83% 2	4.56% 11	2.49% 6	5.81% 14	5.81% 14	2.07% 5	9.96% 24	21.16% 51	20.75% 50	26.56% 64	241
Homelessness	2.88% 7	3.29% 8	4.94% 12	5.76% 14	3.70% 9	7.00% 17	8.23% 20	13.58% 33	27.98% 68	22.63% 55	243
Crime	6.17% 15	9.88% 24	10.70% 26	9.47% 23	7.41% 18	9.88% 24	13.58% 33	9.47% 23	10.29% 25	13.17% 32	243
Land use conflicts	3.72% 9	2.89% 7	9.92% 24	11.16% 27	13.64% 33	20.25% 49	14.46% 35	10.33% 25	8.26% 20	5.37% 13	242
Infrastructure demands	2.88% 7	9.88% 24	9.47% 23	15.64% 38	13.58% 33	16.05% 39	16.05% 39	9.05% 22	5.76% 14	1.65% 4	243
Rising housing costs	24.17% 58	7.50% 18	7.50% 18	4.17% 10	5.83% 14	9.17% 22	11.25% 27	10.83% 26	6.25% 15	13.33% 32	240
Open space preservation	17.07% 42	8.94% 22	8.94% 22	13.01% 32	15.04% 37	7.72% 19	7.32% 18	8.13% 20	4.88% 12	8.94% 22	246
Increasing population	14.29% 35	13.47% 33	13.47% 33	11.43% 28	8.98% 22	11.43% 28	6.12% 15	7.76% 19	8.16% 20	4.90% 12	245
Growth management	12.86% 31	16.18% 39	13.28% 32	13.28% 32	12.45% 30	11.20% 27	7.47% 18	6.64% 16	3.73% 9	2.90% 7	241
Traffic and congestion	16.74% 40	24.69% 59	20.08% 48	9.62% 23	13.81% 33	4.60% 11	4.60% 11	2.09% 5	3.35% 8	0.42% 1	239

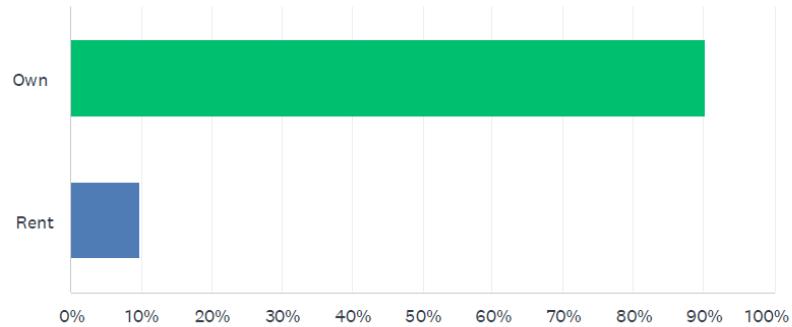


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Question 11 –Do you currently rent or own your home?

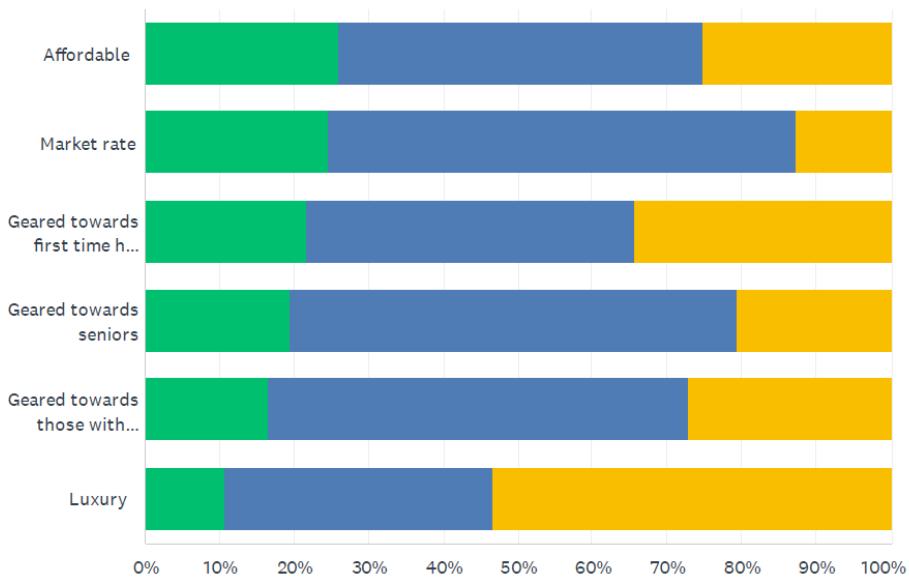
Answered: 236 Skipped: 60



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Own	90.25%
Rent	9.75%
TOTAL	236

Question 12 –Is it Very Important, Important, or Not Important for the city to have housing that is?

Answered: 238 Skipped: 58

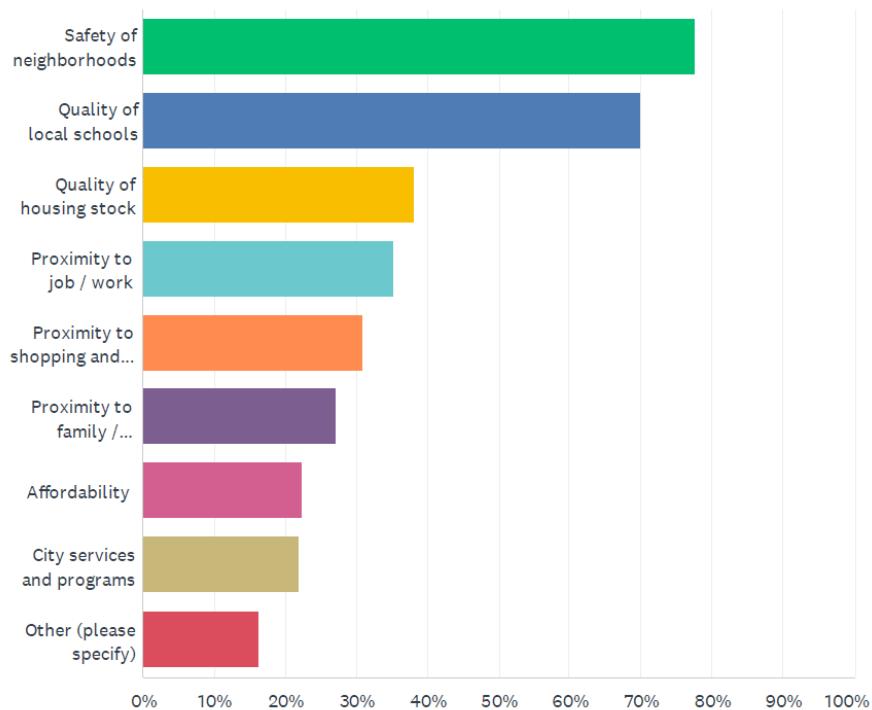


[Very Important] [Important] [Not Important]

	VERY IMPORTANT	IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT	TOTAL
Affordable	26.05% 62	48.74% 116	25.21% 60	238
Market rate	24.58% 58	62.71% 148	12.71% 30	236
Geared towards first time home buyers	21.61% 51	44.07% 104	34.32% 81	236
Geared towards seniors	19.41% 46	59.92% 142	20.68% 49	237
Geared towards those with special needs	16.53% 39	56.36% 133	27.12% 64	236
Luxury	10.59% 25	36.02% 85	53.39% 126	236

Question 13 –If you currently live in San Ramon, what made you decide to live here? (Select all that apply)

Answered: 233 Skipped: 63



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Safety of neighborhoods	77.68% 181
Quality of local schools	69.96% 163
Quality of housing stock	38.20% 89
Proximity to job / work	35.19% 82
Proximity to shopping and services	30.90% 72
Proximity to family / friends	27.04% 63
Affordability	22.32% 52
City services and programs	21.89% 51
Other (please specify)	16.31% 38
Total Respondents: 233	

Question 13: If you currently live in San Ramon, what made you decide to live here? (Select all that apply) The responses below are answers to those who responded "Other (please specify)."

Responses

Marriage
East Bay Parks
Walkability to amenities - parks, trails, grocery store, restaurants
Open Space, Green
We moved from the East Coast and did not know anyone here. We moved here instead of Dublin/Danville based on philosophy. Build a school then community. Also, they kept the downtown plan. It is diverse. Plan for all ages. I do see a change in crime. Need more safety at Target, gas stations, homes near highway, robbery at Safeway
Open space & natural areas
Greenery
Greenery/Beautiful neighborhood/good climate
open spaces, trails and not overbuilt (this was 21 yrs. ago)
Good investment for first home
Quality of infrastructure and green areas
Master land community/integration of workforce housing.
Environment - beautiful hills, cows, weather
Proximity to San Francisco
Grew up in SR
Close to work
Small town when we moved here ... #1 priority for us
Type of house
My parents moved and raised my brother and I here for most of the listed reasons, I've stayed due to proximity to them and my work
Open space. Light traffic within city
Lovely environment. Hilltops uncovered
Small town feel, not over developed, and open space
Open feeling
not crowded
Open space, parks, small town feel
Move here before the city became a city and ruined the area
Close to airport for pilot husband
We bought our house from my in-laws who have owned the house since the 70s
Moved here with parents in 1983
affordable senior individual home
Open spaces. Clean and quite neighborhoods.
1982 less expensive than Danville or Pleasanton, our first choices. Nothing much here. Love-

Question 13: If you currently live in San Ramon, what made you decide to live here? (Select all that apply) The responses below are answers to those who responded "Other (please specify)."

Responses

-our neighborhood and location and quarter acre lot. So lucky

Open spaces

Moved San Ramon in Oct. 1968!!! (Rancho Solano)

Less traffic

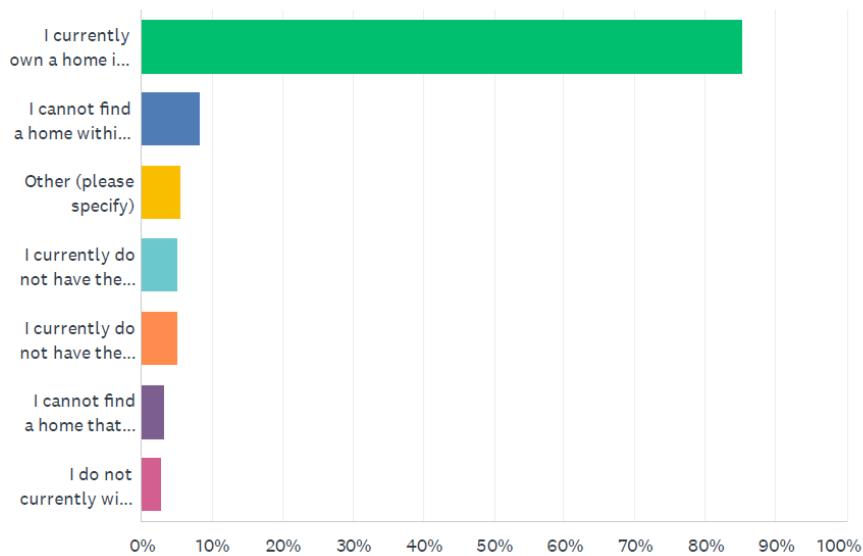
Born and raised here

Smaller population at that time.

Not overpopulated - prior to Windmere

Question 14 –What reasons prevent you from owning a home in San Ramon? (Select all that apply)

Answered: 217 Skipped: 79



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I currently own a home in San Ramon	85.25%	185
I cannot find a home within my target price range in San Ramon	8.29%	18
Other (please specify)	5.53%	12
I currently do not have the financial means to afford a mortgage payment in San Ramon	5.07%	11
I currently do not have the financial resources for an appropriate down payment in San Ramon	5.07%	11
I cannot find a home that suits my living needs (housing type, size, disability accommodations)	3.23%	7
I do not currently wish to own a home in San Ramon	2.76%	6
Total Respondents: 217		

Question 14: What reasons prevent you from owning a home in San Ramon?
(Select all that apply) The responses below are answers to those who responded "Other (please specify)."

Responses

It took us many years to buy a home in the area. We previously rented within our means. If someone wants it they will work for it.

Minor

currently live with relative who owns home in San Ramon

The ability to stay in my home as I get older and retire, cost of property taxes

Senior on way to retirement

I can't compete with 100% cash buys from Asia.

None

High crime rates.

if I were younger, I could not afford to live here

Not enough land (dirt) with most homes/too close to neighbors and don't like tract housing

I live with my parents, but I want to move out

The only reason I live here is because I live in the house I grew up in. Otherwise, with a teacher's salary and as a single mom with three kids I would never be able to live in San Ramon

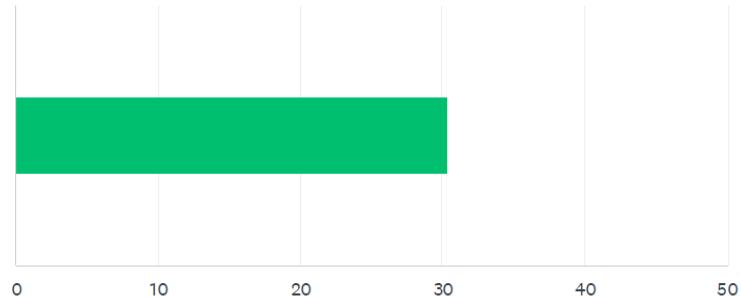


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Question 15 –What percentage of your income do you currently spend on housing? *The answer shown below in the graph is the average percent.*

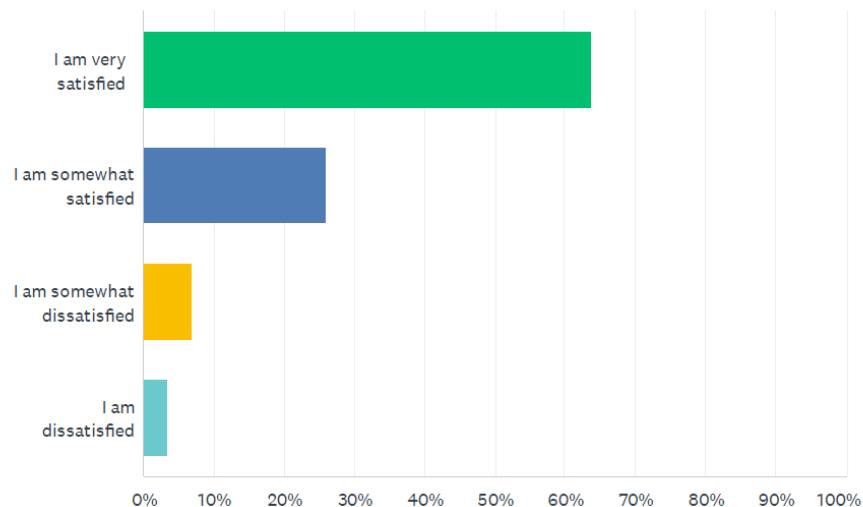
Answered: 215 Skipped: 81



ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
	30	6,525	215
Total Respondents: 215			

Question 16 –How satisfied are you with your current housing situation?

Answered: 234 Skipped: 62



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am very satisfied	63.68%	149
I am somewhat satisfied	26.07%	61
I am somewhat dissatisfied	6.84%	16
I am dissatisfied	3.42%	8
TOTAL		234

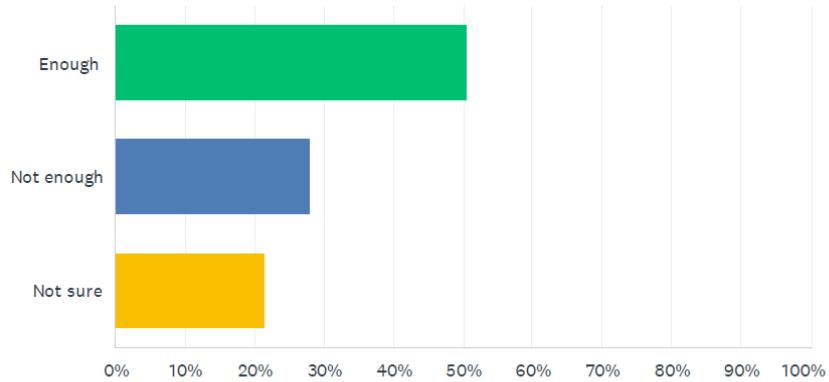


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Question 17 –Does San Ramon have enough housing options available to meet the needs of the community?

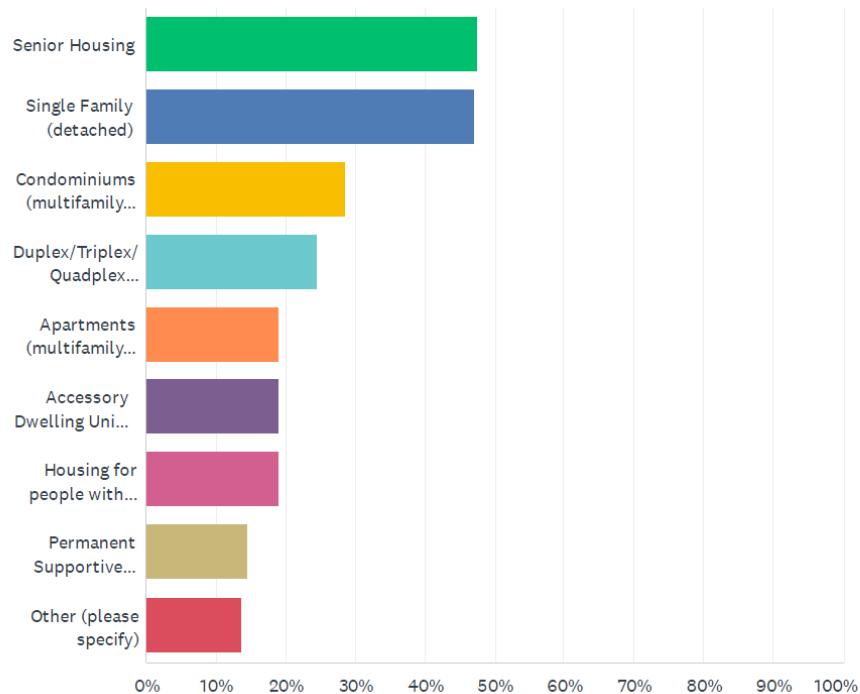
Answered: 237 Skipped: 59



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Enough	50.63%
Not enough	27.85%
Not sure	21.52%
TOTAL	237

Question 18 –What additional housing types are most needed in San Ramon? (Select all that apply)

Answered: 221 Skipped: 75



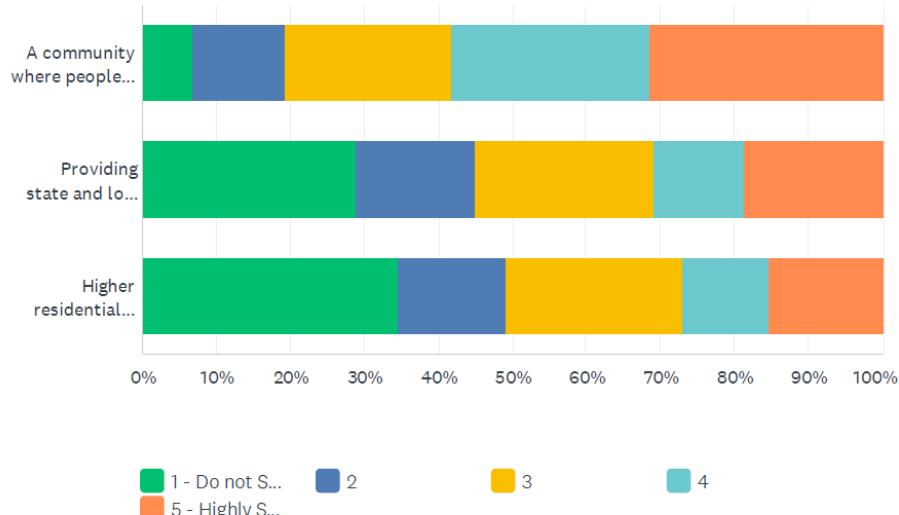
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Senior Housing	47.51% 105
Single Family (detached)	47.06% 104
Condominiums (multifamily ownership homes)	28.51% 63
Duplex/Triplex/Quadplex (attached)	24.43% 54
Apartments (multifamily rental homes)	19.00% 42
Accessory Dwelling Unit, Granny Flat, Guest House	19.00% 42
Housing for people with disabilities	19.00% 42
Permanent Supportive Housing (housing for the homeless, transitional housing, etc.)	14.48% 32
Other (please specify)	13.57% 30
Total Respondents: 221	

Question 18: What additional housing types are most needed in San Ramon?
 (Select all that apply) The responses below are answers to those who responded
 "Other (please specify)."

Responses
Too many homes already exist
I think our first critical step is to work on providing more affordable house before we entertain more permanent supportive housing
Cooperative housing
No more please
Population has gone up already...do we need more housing?
Smaller single family
Don't need anymore homes built
None
I don't think we need more housing. We have enough already.
San Ramon doesn't need any more houses
do not need more housing, over developed
More affordable housing with the Base Income to be raised to San Francisco levels
None
affordable housing for teachers, police, firefighters...
None. We don't need more.
We can't build a lot of houses without solving transportation/infrastructure problems!
None
not sure
No more houses!
None
No more residential growth
No opinion
None!!!!
No more housing. It's becoming too dense and crowded already.
Have single daughter, two kids living with us. They need an apartment. Hopelessly expensive.
We have enough housing
NO more homes too crowded as is!!!
None
Not sure
three stories or less

Question 19 –Indicate our level of support (1 - Do not Support to 5 - Highly Support) for the following:

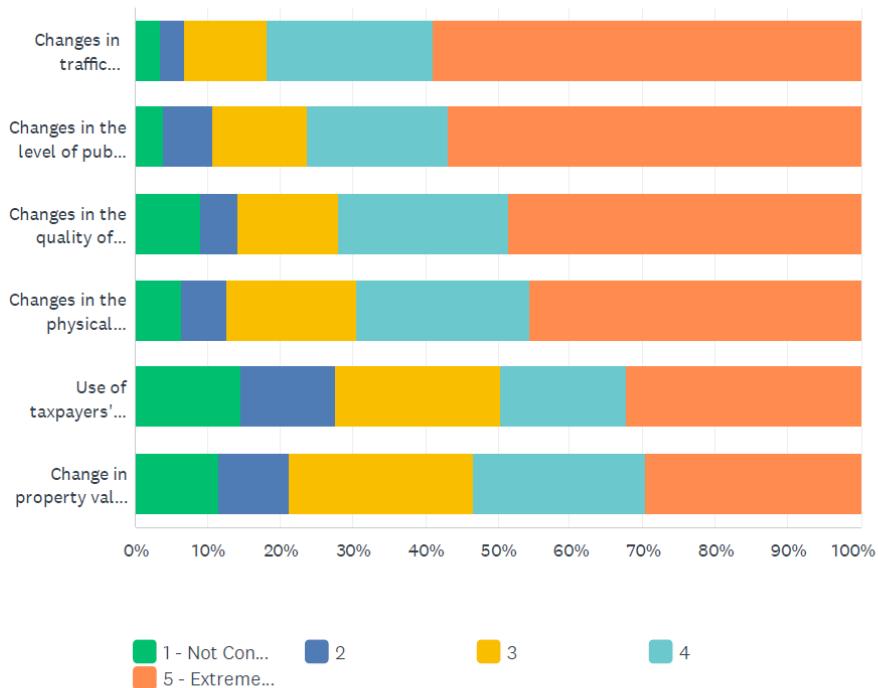
Answered: 236 Skipped: 60



	1 - DO NOT SUPPORT	2	3	4	5 - HIGHLY SUPPORT	TOTAL
A community where people can afford to live where they work	6.81% 16	12.34% 29	22.55% 53	26.81% 63	31.49% 74	235
Providing state and local subsidies to develop affordable housing	28.81% 68	16.10% 38	24.15% 57	12.29% 29	18.64% 44	236
Higher residential density in the core of the City in order to limit urban sprawl	34.62% 81	14.53% 34	23.93% 56	11.54% 27	15.38% 36	234

Question 20 –Indicate our level of concern (1 - Not Concerned to 5 – Extremely Concerned) for the following:

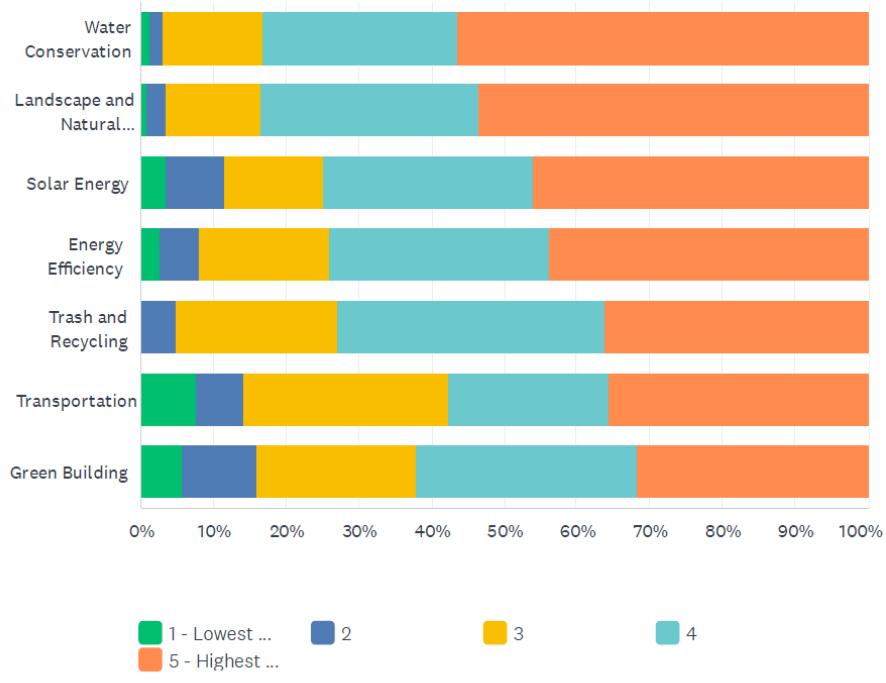
Answered: 238 Skipped: 58



	1 - NOT CONCERNED	2	3	4	5 - EXTREMELY CONCERNED	TOTAL
Changes in traffic congestion	3.39% 8	3.39% 8	11.44% 27	22.88% 54	58.90% 139	236
Changes in the level of public safety	3.81% 9	6.78% 16	13.14% 31	19.49% 46	56.78% 134	236
Changes in the quality of schools	8.94% 21	5.11% 12	14.04% 33	23.40% 55	48.51% 114	235
Changes in the physical appearance of the neighborhood	6.33% 15	6.33% 15	17.72% 42	24.05% 57	45.57% 108	237
Use of taxpayers' dollars and public funding for affordable housing subsidies	14.47% 34	13.19% 31	22.55% 53	17.45% 41	32.34% 76	235
Change in property value to the surrounding neighborhood	11.44% 27	9.75% 23	25.42% 60	23.73% 56	29.66% 70	236

Question 21 –How would you rate the following areas in terms of their importance in addressing the changes to the environment?

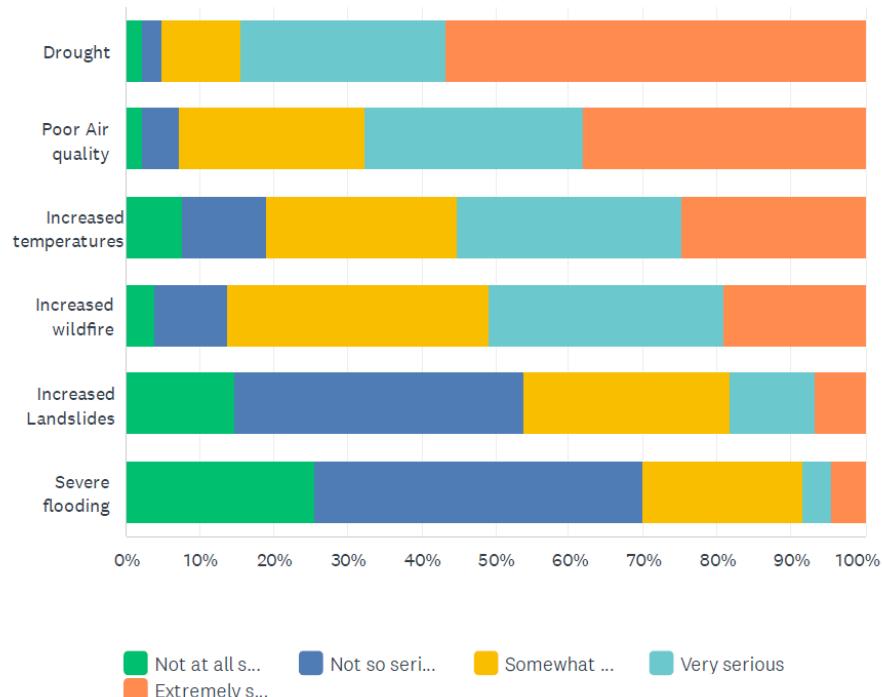
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	1 - LOWEST PRIORITY	2	3	4	5 - HIGHEST PRIORITY	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Water Conservation	1.32% 3	1.76% 4	13.66% 31	26.87% 61	56.39% 128	227	5.48
Landscape and Natural Preservation	0.88% 2	2.63% 6	13.16% 30	29.82% 68	53.51% 122	228	5.39
Solar Energy	3.54% 8	7.96% 18	13.72% 31	28.76% 65	46.02% 104	226	4.98
Energy Efficiency	2.63% 6	5.26% 12	17.98% 41	30.26% 69	43.86% 100	228	4.95
Trash and Recycling	0.00% 0	4.87% 11	22.12% 50	36.73% 83	36.28% 82	226	4.77
Transportation	7.49% 17	6.61% 15	28.19% 64	22.03% 50	35.68% 81	227	4.43
Green Building	5.73% 13	10.13% 23	22.03% 50	30.40% 69	31.72% 72	227	4.36

Question 22 –How problematic do you think each of the climate-related hazards will be for San Ramon in the future?

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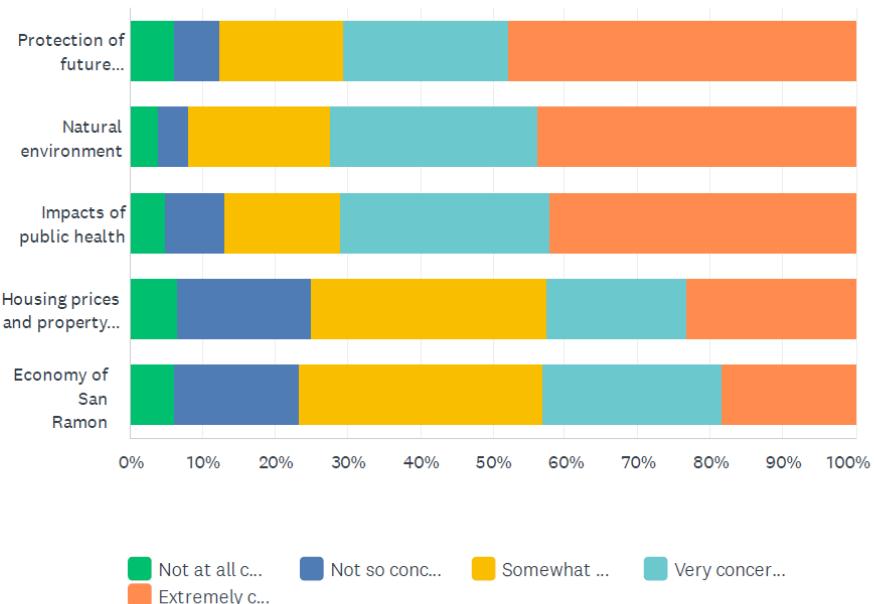


█ Not at all serious █ Not so serious █ Somewhat serious █ Very serious
█ Extremely serious

	NOT AT ALL SERIOUS	NOT SO SERIOUS	SOMEWHAT SERIOUS	VERY SERIOUS	EXTREMELY SERIOUS	TOTAL
Drought	2.21% 5	2.65% 6	10.62% 24	27.88% 63	56.64% 128	226
Poor Air quality	2.21% 5	4.87% 11	25.22% 57	29.65% 67	38.05% 86	226
Increased temperatures	7.52% 17	11.50% 26	25.66% 58	30.53% 69	24.78% 56	226
Increased wildfire	3.98% 9	9.73% 22	35.40% 80	31.86% 72	19.03% 43	226
Increased Landslides	14.67% 33	39.11% 88	28.00% 63	11.56% 26	6.67% 15	225
Severe flooding	25.66% 58	44.25% 100	21.68% 49	3.98% 9	4.42% 10	226

Question 23 – How concerned are you about the negative impacts of climate change?

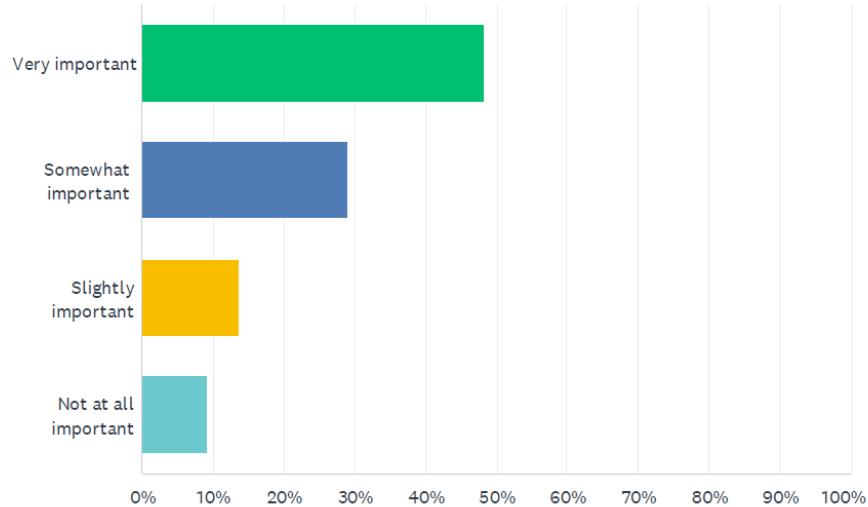
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	NOT AT ALL CONCERNED	NOT SO CONCERNED	SOMEWHAT CONCERNED	VERY CONCERNED	EXTREMELY CONCERNED	TOTAL
Protection of future generations	6.14% 14	6.14% 14	17.11% 39	22.81% 52	47.81% 109	228
Natural environment	3.95% 9	3.95% 9	19.74% 45	28.51% 65	43.86% 100	228
Impacts of public health	4.82% 11	8.33% 19	15.79% 36	28.95% 66	42.11% 96	228
Housing prices and property values	6.58% 15	18.42% 42	32.46% 74	19.30% 44	23.25% 53	228
Economy of San Ramon	6.17% 14	17.18% 39	33.48% 76	24.67% 56	18.50% 42	227

Question 24 – How important is it that the City of San Ramon implement programs and policies that reduce greenhouse gas emissions?

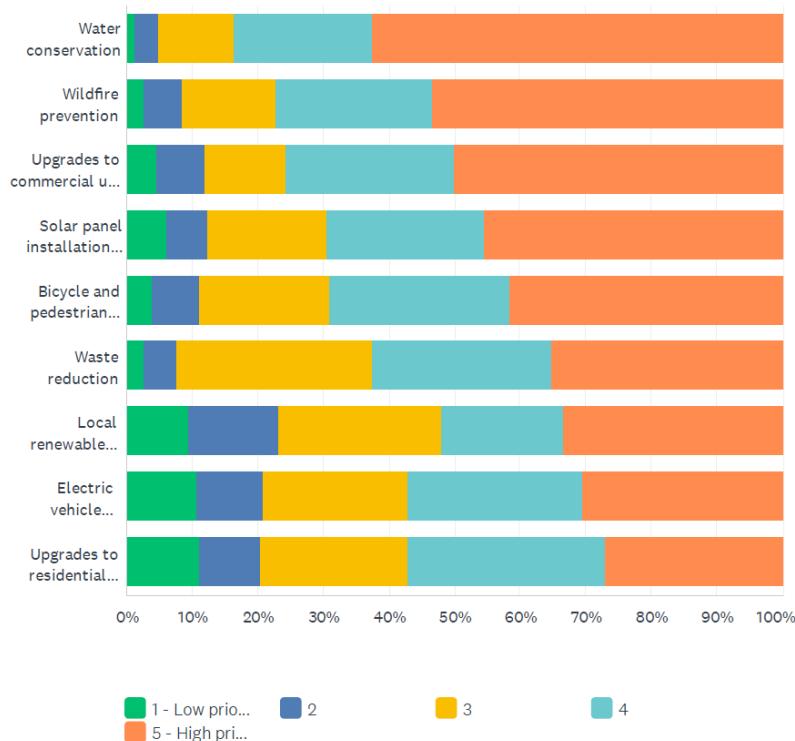
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Very important	48.25%
Somewhat important	28.95%
Slightly important	13.60%
Not at all important	9.21%
TOTAL	228

Question 25 – How would you rate the priority for the following greenhouse gas reduction strategies?

Answered: 227 Skipped: 69



	1 - LOW PRIORITY	2	3	4	5 - HIGH PRIORITY	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Water conservation	1.32% 3	3.52% 8	11.45% 26	21.15% 48	62.56% 142	227	4.40
Wildfire prevention	2.67% 6	5.78% 13	14.22% 32	24.00% 54	53.33% 120	225	4.20
Upgrades to commercial uses to reduce energy use	4.42% 10	7.52% 17	12.39% 28	25.66% 58	50.00% 113	226	4.09
Solar panel installation on residential and commercial buildings	6.17% 14	6.17% 14	18.06% 41	24.23% 55	45.37% 103	227	3.96
Bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure	3.98% 9	7.08% 16	19.91% 45	27.43% 62	41.59% 94	226	3.96
Waste reduction	2.70% 6	4.95% 11	29.73% 66	27.48% 61	35.14% 78	222	3.87
Local renewable energy generation (i.e. wind power)	9.33% 21	13.78% 31	24.89% 56	18.67% 42	33.33% 75	225	3.53
Electric vehicle charging infrastructure	10.62% 24	10.18% 23	22.12% 50	26.55% 60	30.53% 69	226	3.56
Upgrades to residential buildings to reduce energy use	11.06% 25	9.29% 21	22.57% 51	30.09% 68	26.99% 61	226	3.53

Question 26 – What have you done to reduce energy use in your residence?

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Responses

Unplugged unused appliances, turn lights off when not in room
Use gas and electric energy during less demands.
installed solar panels
Dual pane windows, ceiling fans in every room, LED lights, hybrid cars, new HVAC, efficient appliances.
More consistently turning off the lights when I leave the house
We keep AC at 77 deg during daytime and just run air fans when experiencing heatwaves. We have upgraded our windows to keep the heat out.
Smart lights and thermostat. All low flow and flush water. Timed showers.
LED lighting, solar panels on roof, new energy efficient HVAC system
Installed solar panels w/backup battery storage
Solar panels
Replaced some of our lawn with artificial lawn to save water. Some drought resistant landscaping. We use all LED lights. We have a smart thermostat.
We are in the top 20% for saving water and electricity. Unplug household items. Short showers
Added measures to reduce energy use when remodeled. Live simply. Own only one vehicle.
Less watering of grass, low flush toilets, have water heater turned down
Turn the lights off when not needed; purchase fewer goods
Conservative use
Reduce water usage, adjust thermostats. Considering Solar energy now
Install solar and batteries and change appliances to electric
Purchased an EV and reduced consumption of water, gas, and electricity.
installed solar panels
recently had solar panels installed with back-up battery
Careful with appliance use. (Dishwasher/washing machine fully loaded before turning on.) Do not use central heating or A/C. Use fans and open/close windows and blinds as appropriate.
solar, water conversation using drought tolerant landscape, ev
Getting g solar.
Nest thermometers
Use less ac and heat
updated most bulbs to LED, installed timers for exhaust fans, use nest thermostat to better manage energy use
Water

Question 26: What have you done to reduce energy use in your residence?

Responses

Bought solar 10 Years ago
Use Nest thermostat, reduced water consumption in lawn
Energy efficient appliances. Getting flex alerts. Keeping energy consumption to off hours as much as possible. Smart thermostat
Energy efficient appliances, reduce heat load, installed enough solar panels to cover daily electricity costs; time-shift use of high energy consumption (laundry, dishes, etc.) to later in the day.
Lower use! Be conscious of waste! Change use methods! Take out lawn, use efficient watering devices!
Updated appliances, toilets, low flow spigots, etc.
Solar Energy Home Electric Cars Energy Efficient Appliances
Turn off lights not in used, use high energy efficiency rate appliances
Mindful and careful with usage.
We installed solar panels and battery storage; conservation.
Replace whole house light for LED, reduce energy usage.
Solar on Roof Electronic Timers for Lights Nests and Energy Star Appliances
Installed solar panels 10 years ago. Set thermostat at 65. Installed double paned windows. Reduced watering. Better at recycle/reuse/reduce/rot.
Installed solar panels.
hybrid vehicles, special roof. cut back trees, pool cover recycling
I have installed solar panels on the roof, and am slowly replacing all appliances with newer more energy efficient models.
Reduced Air Conditioning and Heating Usage
Keep electric use down between 4 & 9 pm
General conservation methods
huhiug
Solar power. Water less
LED Lights
Turn off lights
Changed grass to native drought gardens. Removed the air conditioning unit from the house. Instead invested in insulation and natural air flow techniques.
Energy efficient appliances. Optimum temperature on thermostat. Use of daylight as much as possible.
Limited use of air condition, use blocking sun light shade to reduce house temperature, turn off light when it is not needed.
Recycle And compost, water conservation, less use of heat or air conditioner

Question 26: What have you done to reduce energy use in your residence?

Responses

Solar panels on roof	Water reduction	No lawn
Solar panels, electric vehicle.		
All LED lighting; extra thermal insulation; abundant solar panels		
Solar panels	Native landscaping	Increased house insulation Energy efficient windows throughout
Reduce electricity usage to as late in the evening as possible		
change to energy efficient light bulbs, using full loads in clothes and dish washer, turning off lights, turning down heater and turning up air conditioning temperature		
Replaced appliances with energy efficient ones. Turn energy using items off unless in use.		
Efficient light bulbs. Built patio cover to block intense sun in Summer. Planted native trees to shelter house. Replaced electric dryer and stove with gas.		
Heat pump water heater, heat pump heating / cooling, upgraded insulation.		
stopped usage of light bulbs/LEDs during the day. Stopped sprinkler systems and manually watering plants every other day	Keep windows open during mornings and evenings to bring down temperature within home during hot days to limit usage of air conditioner.	
Conserving water		
We live in a rented apartment and there is very little one can change. If I could I would use solar panels, and rainwater harvesting.		
Efficient appliances and cars.		
Do not have A/C. Energy efficient lighting and appliances.		
Added solar panels. Drive an electric car.		
Monitor and reduce energy usage		
Added solar, got rid of front yard, got new windows, replaced the furnace		
Solar installed		
Using electric car and planning to install solar panels. Reduce use of electricity during peak hrs		
Consciously reducing power usage during peak hours		
Low water use landscaping. Efficient appliances.		
Installing Solar		
Installed solar. Changed out to LED. Reduced AC usage.		
nothing because It's not affordable after paying mortgage and HOA		
Insulation, Insulation, Insulation - live with warmer and cooler weather without A/C and Heaters for the most part. LED where possible.		
led bulbs		
Electric vehicle		
I rely on my bike and walking as much as possible, and carpool when it is not. Ideally there would be stronger bus or other social transport culture in San Ramon. My household is conscientious of water & energy use, especially with features like air conditioning and heating.		

Question 26: What have you done to reduce energy use in your residence?

Responses

We recently invested in solar panels for our home.
Solar. Consumption management
Closely monitor AC & heat
Solar power with backup battery, use an EV, heat pump HVAC, double paned windows
Solar panels
Limit AC (use natural temp fluctuations), turn off appliances
Recycling / do not use AC / minimal lights when not needed
Don't use gas stove, installed new insulation/high efficiency furnace/efficient water heater, installed new ductwork, don't use a/c unless over 100-degrees, open windows at night to cool house, turn thermostat way down to reduce natural gas usage by 30%, drive an electric vehicle
Set timers for lighting Use major appliances in off peak hours
Use LED lights, limit heating & cooling
Upgrades to old infrastructure
Ohm
installed a smart thermostat, upgraded appliances with energy saving and reduce the use of air conditioner, and plug outlet items
Less use of gasoline vehicles, Less electricity use
Recycle, reuse, save water
Water conservation. Public transportation.
installed whole house fan and hardly use A/C anymore, solar panels, replaced plasma tv with new tv (less wattage), turned off a PC that used a lot of electricity, use express shorter time setting on dishwasher and washing machine
Double pane windows, solar panels, new appliances
Water conservation.....less use of appliances which take energy
Not using a/c, energy efficient windows
Reduced electricity usage as much as possible!
Reduction of energy consumption, i.e., air conditioner, lights, appliances
New roof, insulation, windows and irrigation.
Added insulation to our house. Changed all our windows for better insulation.
run major appliances in the morning, turn off water while washing hands and brushing teeth, walk to grocery store
Drip system drought resistant plants removed grass
All LED lighting, insulation upgrade, fire retardant new roof, double pane windows, upgraded air and heat units to highest level of energy star, recycling (even though this is a waste given how most recycling just goes to landfill), variable speed pool pump.
dual pane windows, limited watering

Question 26: What have you done to reduce energy use in your residence?

Responses

Set thermostat to 80 in summer and 65 in winter
Led lighting
Conserved water, smart thermost
shift electricity use to evening; unplug items not being used; changed out bulbs to more energy efficient halogen
Less water usage. Hang clothes instead of using dryer. Turn out lights when not in use.
Solar panels, energy-efficient appliances, and hybrid plug-in vehicle
Led lights, dual pane windows, new HVAC, ceiling fans, more insulation, new appliances.
Changed all light bulbs. Close all window coverings in extreme heat or cold. Keep air at 78 and heat at 68 or 70.
Lower heating and higher cooling temperatures. Use big appliances at PG&E recommended times. Use less water inside and outside
We sent our son to college. :)
Energy efficient appliances; lower/raise thermostat; conserve water
Low energy appliances, don't use air conditioning, efficient lighting, reduce heating use.
Do not keep thermostat high in order to preserve electricity and gas - have purchased energy efficient appliances
Solar panels, reduction in water use. Recycle nearly everything.
Adjusted thermostat and reduced water sprinkler usage
Maintain a consciousness about my own energy use. I am using less than other homes my size.
Solar panels, energy efficient devices
Exercising, Recycling water, avoiding HVAC systems as far as we could, keep house clean to avoid dust, switching off appliances if not in use, indoor plants
We rarely run air conditioners. We only use LED lighting. We limit using the oven. We only do full loads of laundry and dishes.
Solar panels
Smart Thermostat and SmartPlugs
Only run heat/ac, appliances, lights, when absolutely needed. Got new windows, steel roof.
Solar updated appliances
Turn off lights when not in use
Solar panels
Water conservation + reduced energy consumption
Replaced appliances and pool equipment with more energy friendly items.
installed high efficiency HVAC; turn off lights when not in use; raise thermostat in hot temperatures
Solar panels, Tesla battery wall, Tesla car, electric water heater.

Question 26: What have you done to reduce energy use in your residence?

Responses

LEDs, solar, efficiency of HVAC.
Energy efficient appliances, use of timers for lights, smart thermostats
Lower all electricity use.
Upgraded our utilities. New AC, Furnace.
Change the times we use appliances, we have solar for both electricity and for heating our pool
Energy efficient appliances and light bulbs, composting, reducing trash/recycling, saving grey water, adjusting temperature indoors, conserving energy
Reduce use Recycle Peak Hour reduction
Energy efficient leds
Installed energy efficient HVAC and water heater
recycle and solar
Go green
Conserved
water conservation and waste reduction
Solar, Drip, energy efficient appliances and windows.
Scheduled low to no power use time, make sure lights are only on when necessary, solar panels to heat pool.
Drive EV. Conserve water. Recycle
Installed ceiling fans in most rooms, changed light bulbs, and installed a nest.
Control usage/ time of usage for appliances. Hybrid vehicle. Plan vehicle trips to avoid traffic (terrible) and emissions.
Solar
Be responsible and not wasteful but still live.
Moving from HVAC to mini split and then installing solar
LED lighting Automated thermostat
installed solar
Use as little gas and electricity as possible. Energy efficient appliances. Wish I could buy solar.
LED lighting through entire house. Full laundry and dishwasher loads. Upgrades weather stripping. Reduce shower times and intervals.
We have all energy efficient appliances including low flow toilets. We have all led lighting inside and outside on our home. We have ceiling fans in all major rooms
Reduced the use of air conditioning; keep water heater setting lowered
use high energy appliances on off hours; purchased newer/energy efficient appliances;
Electric vehicle purchase, using electricity during off peak, open windows instead of AC.
white roof, double pain glass, interior ceiling fans, energy rated appliances.

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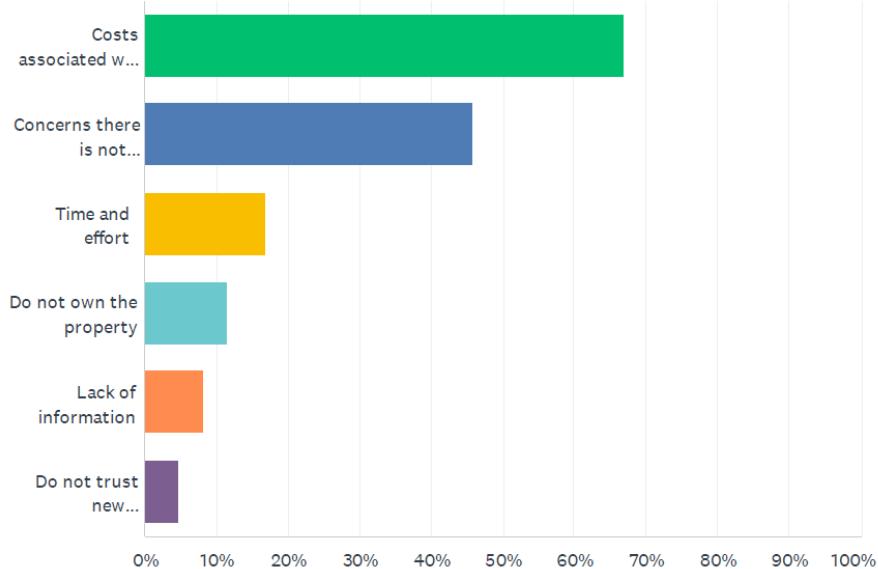
Responses

Do not run air conditioner. Do not use appliances after 4 p.m.

Solar panels

Question 27 – What are some barriers that prevent you from completing energy upgrades to your residence? (Select all that apply)

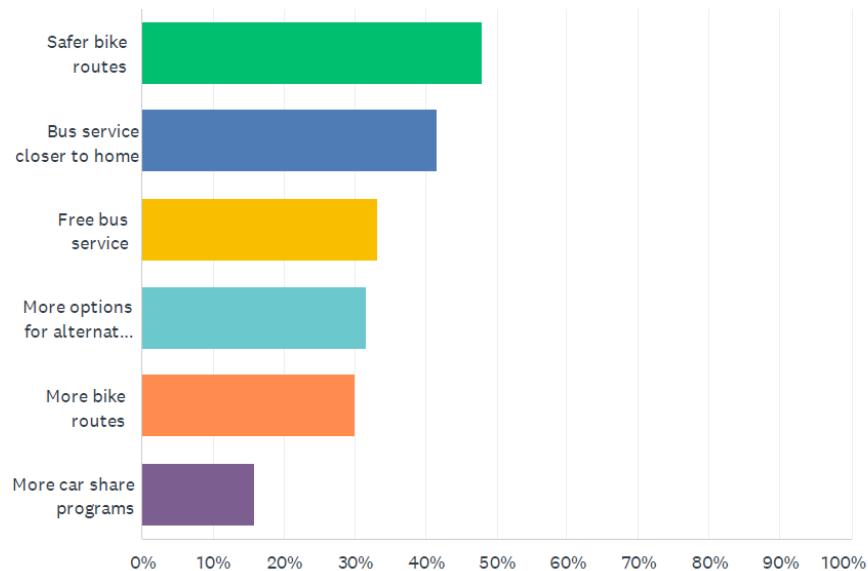
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Costs associated with upgrades	66.99%	140
Concerns there is not financial benefit for the upgrades	45.93%	96
Time and effort	16.75%	35
Do not own the property	11.48%	24
Lack of information	8.13%	17
Do not trust new technologies	4.78%	10
Total Respondents: 209		

Question 28 – What can encourage you to use alternative modes of transportation? (Select all that apply)

Answered: 190 Skipped: 106



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Safer bike routes	47.89%	91
Bus service closer to home	41.58%	79
Free bus service	33.16%	63
More options for alternative modes (scooters, bike share, etc.)	31.58%	60
More bike routes	30.00%	57
More car share programs	15.79%	30
Total Respondents: 190		

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Responses

Eliminate skylight windows in new home developments to avoid excessive afternoon heat inside the home causing air conditioner to run all day. Or only design skylight windows opposite of the sunset side. It cost too much to replace the skylight windows on the older homes inside Echo Ridge neighborhood.

We need to STOP the high-density housing! It is ruining San Ramon with traffic, parking, beauty. San Ramon is losing the charm it had that brought many of us here. This is supposed to be a suburb, please don't change that. Other places in the county and nearby already offer it. We don't need to be Walnut Creek, or Dublin.

The map used to select where I live needs to show boundaries between the areas. I live between G and H - east of Alcosta but on the west side of the hill. It's not clear whether I should have selected G or H.

I'm afraid people are trying to turn San Ramon into an urban environment instead of the suburbs and I do not want the city of San Ramon to grow like Walnut Creek, California. I enjoy the true beauty of nature here and I am hopeful, it will stay a lovely suburb

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I believe small businesses close due to the high rent and long leases. I have spoken to the owners of small businesses. I want our town to attract teachers so that they can live where they work. Our college age children have the opportunity to live in the East Bay. Hard working families who are not in IT to be able to buy a home or Condo.

Focus provision of additional housing of higher density development of infill areas & redevelopment of existing areas (shopping centers, office parks)

I understand need to housing and growing population. This is all about nimbyism. High paid professionals don't want crime, homelessness, easy access to our city. Every day on the news seeing more crime in Antioch, Pitsburg, bay point, Brentwood, Oakley because many people moved from Oakland or Richmond to find affordable housing and with them brought same issues with gangs, drugs, and violence. It's on the news. Nor do I want to see San Ramon turn into a Fremont which has very rich multimillion dollar homes but lots of crime. I want to see our schools stay competitive and top notch. Just being real. People want enclaves because we want to feel and be actually safe driving around and shopping. We don't want easy access to our city. I want to see license plate readers at every major street corner or entry into our city like Danville has. Yes, the population is growing but how are we going to educate the students.

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Responses

Need qualified teachers, good extracurricular activities. For weather and climate change need less grass, more drought resistant yards, or desert style yards, need to keep ensure clean water available for drinking. Not unlikely next 40 years we will see cities dry up in us or flood over. My major concern is stop building apartments, condos, packed housing like at the-preserve where homes are literally stacked atop each other. Too many sensitive people about. The fact is San Ramon is mostly elderly who have lived here since 1960-1970s and original owners, with new wealthy white, Indians, and Asians are moving in now who are updating homes, paying more for homes which increases property tax revenue, they want good schools and don't want the crime scene in pleasant hill, Fremont and definitely not Oakland or Richmond side. Don't allow any smoke shops, liquor stores to pop up, invest more in solar panels over parking lots, use that ample sunshine. If you start planning more homes, please work with school district on how to keep it the best. I have family who worked hard, grew up in the projects, and became top of their class but that's the exception not the rule. Keep open space open. People want to enjoy nature

San Ramon should set a goal to be net carbon-neutral by a certain date in the near future.

No more construction. No more affordable housing. Enough with destroying San Ramon for money and greed.

Love to have more dog parks since we have lot of new dog owners due to pandemic

The city needs more streamline process for permits and installation of solar products. Taking 4 months to approve a solar/electrical permit is unacceptable to tackle climate issue and energy independence from the grid.

I am very concerned that the proposed housing increases in San Ramon will have a severe impact on the overall quality of life for all residents of San Ramon

I appreciate the survey. I'm unhappy that I had to reach out to the Mayor to find out about it. Should be advertised more to gain San Ramon residents participation. Same with General Plan Update.

San Ramon does not need any additional housing.

We moved to San Ramon 21 years ago and were drawn to the area by the open spaces, trails and parks, safe neighborhoods, and great schools. I have been totally dismayed with the density of the new housing and the ensuing traffic congestion. My neighborhood doesn't feel safe any longer and I take precautions when walking alone. My children cannot take their bikes to school any longer because of the traffic and speeding along Bollinger. I no longer walk along Bollinger because of the noise and pollution. I witnessed a gang of young men thieve the local Walgreens on Windemere with no remorse or fear of repercussion. I am deeply concerned about the density of housing projects and development along the Bollinger corridor. The future development of San Ramon should be centered around the preservation of the natural environment and open spaces. I am concerned that the city is on the path to becoming a

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Responses

replica of Dublin. Future commercial projects, need to be less cookie cutter architecturally, and have more character. Specifically, the Ulta cube on Crow Canyon is a total misfit and does not represent the character of the city that I was drawn to 21 years ago. I invite members of the planning commission and elected officials to head over to the Safeway on Bollinger past 6 pm and view the effects of urbanization.

No more high-density housing!!!!!! Enough. Brings crime and changes the feel of San Ramon.

City leadership needs to have BIPOC representation at the highest levels to address racial equity, and the resulting intersecting impacts on climate, environmental

Finish building in Dougherty Valley before you tear down our stores and shopping centers for more housing

We need to bring in more local businesses and support them. A lot of business from the city are going out and we also have to go to nearby cities for multiple needs.

Improve iron horse trail by planting more trees either side

Don't understand how you can keep building houses when we have a water shortage. Where is the water going to come from in the future. Low-income housing will bring crime. I want to keep our small town and open space.

Concern about traffic congestion commuting to South Bay for work

Less construction, less congestion, less traffic, more green spaces, bike only trails, walking trails in park setting, more night sky friendly viewing, less pollution please.

Keep housing market in a mid-high end so not everyone can move here

I am adamantly opposed to multi-unit housing in current residential areas. We have lived in our home in San Ramon for 43+ years. I don't want to see current shopping centers and open spaces filled with apartment buildings and condos.

Continue to get out the information about the General Plan to the Residents. Continue to ask for their feedback and from many different sources - yelp, Nextdoor, mail, etc.

Housing encroachment on hillsides and sight lines must stop

Thank you for soliciting thoughts from San Ramon residents. BTW I'm eagerly awaiting the pedestrian/bike bridge on the Iron Horse Trail over Bollinger!

I am 71 years old. I can't ride a bike. Would love easy transportation that quick and easy. I would love to be able downsize my house without financial obstacles.

I am concerned with news I have been hearing about high density building and removal of existing resources such as grocery stores located near communities with high density housing (apartments). While I appreciate developers wish to make money, their greed is not something I am interested in. I am more interested in making sure the existing community has access to the services they need even when they don't drive (for whatever reason (age, accessibility, desire, physical handicap) or don't own cars. Removing local grocery stores from areas that

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Responses

have high density housing in order to build more housing units, doesn't help a housing need, it creates food deserts. Development should be more mindful of the communities it will impact than about profits.

Make it cheaper to get solar panels for commercial buildings and residential. Require Developers to contribute to the community and build energy efficient housing.

Solar being affordable

Reduce bike lanes on road to encourage bike riding on Iron Horse Trail. Increase pedestrian trails and access. Slow the rate of building and development.

Ensure that business take energy efficient steps. Rainwater harvesting should be made mandatory. Solar panels should be affordable including installation.

It is a mistake to replace commercial property with high density residential, eg Marketplace plan.

No housing development in the the Marketplace. There needs to be Greater concern over water usage. No more housing, we don't have enough now to maintain our water usage.

Traffic

Very concerned with rezoning for denser residential units. I don't agree this strategy preserves open space, it only defers building in the open spaces for now. State legislature will only continue to require more housing and eventually the unprotected open space will end up being built on anyway.

The USA is one of the most efficient and clean countries in the world already. Draconian demands on middle class people in San Ramon is useless and needlessly expensive/inconvenient. We need proper forest management to clean out under brush so fires don't rage twice a year and pollute our state. The smelt need to take a back seat to the people who live in CA/San Ramon so that needed natural water resources are not dumped into the ocean. The roads in San Ramon are in dire need of repair. The damage to cars from potholes and eroded streets/freeways cause expensive repairs and needless environmental refuse. Charging fees to use the former car-pooling/diamond lanes (that did not work) is a burdensome-tax on the poor for the use of roads we all have already paid for with the highest gas taxes in the nation - yes! San Ramon gas is the highest in the nation. It seems San Ramon is being unfairly charged - why aren't the roads through the Peninsula, the coast, and Hayward through Oakland being charged. None of us should be! BTW explaining climate change through the lens of human abuse is hard to reconcile when observing the big picture. The San Ramon general plan should focus on less crime, and making public services that fall under city responsibilities like roads, power, refuse and water more affordable for its residents so the citizens can focus on their families and businesses in peace. . . . in my opinion.

San Ramon is beautiful, and we do not want to leave it. We have been living here since 2009 but since we would be buying a house now, it might end up that we would need to leave it.

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Houses are unaffordable in San Ramon.

Consider school drop off traffic congestion in this plan. Require companies to participate in solar/smaller footprint. (Chevron, ATT)

Housing availability/cost, transit, and climate issues are all linked. San Ramon is growing and the more we make living here more feasible for all income levels, the less people may have to commute to work in San Ramon.

Keep San Ramon small. We moved here because it was a "bedroom community." We would like to it stay that way. Reduce future growth in San Ramon.

Is there still any thinking of adding a Bart line here?

Develop more commercial area such as shops and restaurants so that we don't have to drive to Dublin for grocery shopping. It will also reduce traffic on the road which will reduce green gas footprint for San Ramon

Housing affordability would be a huge risk

Open space should be integrated into all development, not just hillside open space but buffers. For example, a triplex has housing that is compact. More buffer open space that the housing shares near their property. I realize that is expensive land to keep as open space but stack and pack housing needs more space in, near and around. Improved park space for physical activities and youth sports of all kinds. Work with EBMUD to demand water conservation efforts now. Lawns and ornamental turf are still being installed and watered. They serve no-purpose except being ornamental. Rebates/incentives for pulling out turf. Demand that manufacturers pay, and pass on to consumers, fees and charges for the amount of packaging and plastic they use. Its beyond useless how much plastic and packaging is allowed. Use fees to find a way to recycle it.

More attention to Planning Commission input.

No RV parking or Low-income housing to be allowed please

I would like the city to live up to the services they are supposed to provide before embarking on programs that will offset funds to programs that have minimal to no value to the existing population. We cannot save everyone, as some do now want to be saved and others feel entitled. Did we see this kind of entitlement in the 50's to the 80's, I can't remember it being this bad. People need to be accountable for their actions, live within their means, and be socially conscience as a neighbor. When the government continues to enable those who are not living the norms of our society, a new society becomes another facet of life that depletes assets and resources from those that live within "acceptable norms". I am tired of catering to the entitled and disenfranchised, regardless of their social standing (some drive BMWs). If you don't like this little piece of paradise, move on, there is another town, state or country that may be better suited to your "norms". Now I will get off my soap box.

Every new and old government should have solar panels

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As a longtime resident, I've seen and appreciated many changes in San Ramon and feel we are able to continue growing while retaining hallmarks of our city's identity. Our wildlife and parks, unique and warm commercial spaces like the Marketplace, wonderful schools and an increasingly diverse community - these qualities are what come to mind when I reflect on San Ramon as my hometown, and they are what I would love to see us keeping as a centerfold for our vision of the future. San Ramon has done an impressive job of ecological mindfulness and care, I would love to see this extended to more options for community transportation and secure biking lanes. Alongside increasing racial diversity, I would like to see increasing economic diversity and options for those of us in lower income situations, particularly as Bay Area housing prices are unforgiving and unrelenting. Many of the service workers who run San Ramon's amenities are unable to live here due to prices; frankly, my parents and I wouldn't be able to stay in our home of nearly 20 years if not for our combined salaries. At the end of the day my hopes for San Ramon are ecologically and community oriented. Climate change is--here, and our best hopes for mitigating its impact are through communalism.

People moves here because of San Ramon, so DO NOT change San Ramon. Leave the way it is !

As a senior, I would walk more if there were more dirt or asphalt pathways. Cement has too much impact on arthritis. And I would like more asphalt pathways for cycling. It's too dangerous in the street bike lanes. I would get solar, but there are issues with my condo association.

We need more affordable housing for our young people. We should meet or exceed our housing element target.

Water usage should be reduced significantly, especially with the exceptional drought conditions

Excellent work in providing additional housing units is an area of existing density, i.e., commercial area.

Please don't greenwash your climate action plan. During the last mayoral race, every candidate I asked had superficial platitudes for addressing climate change. All I saw was (and still see) is talk about "open spaces" and "bike lanes. "How about streamlining the process and decreasing costs for installing solar panels? We're in a drought and I see no restrictions on lawn watering. Why isn't the city pledging to be net zero by 2030? If you consult with any environmental organization, they will tell you that the priorities for climate action are reducing dependency on fossil fuels, electrifying everything, and the primary contributors are transportation and heating/cooling. Bike lanes aren't going to encourage residents to reduce fossil fuel consumption. Nor are electric chargers because this community can charge at home. Subsidies for EVs would. Requiring employers to install more chargers would. Looking at HVAC for homes would be huge in this area since so many houses are older and inefficient. Then you can do something that will have an impact, and still pander to Chevron.

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Adding higher density in the core area of SR adds more cars, more traffic congestion, more air pollution, affecting current residents' quality of life

Slow it down. Stop sprawl into surrounding areas, limit infill housing projects, reject climate and housing mandates from Sacramento.

Subsidized solar panel installation to San Ramon home owners.

please don't add more houses to hillsides - let's not turn into San Leandro

San Ramon city should lead the way in climate change improvements; e.g. solar for all city properties, recycled water universally available for all non-consumption uses citywide, electricity only for residential and commercial properties

Seniors who wish to age in place should be allowed to do so, however, some housing for younger people who need affordable places to live should exist. be aware of sprawl, open space is important!

We should not build a lot of housing without thinking about traffic. We don't want to live in the city with a lot of people and narrow roads. And please don't ruin the Marketplace!

Oppose Marketplace apartment development and demolition of Nob Hill, Starbucks, etc.

Housing programs must allow a variety of structures to meet the different housing goals of families. Plans should not create massive population beehives. QUALITY OF LIFE MATTERS.

Installation of 5G in residential areas MUST NOT BE ALLOWED until OBJECTIVE long term studies prove, without a doubt, that EMF and RF Energy from 5G transmitters has absolutely NO ILL EFFECTS ON THE HUMAN BODY. This is especially important for children.

Do not turn San Ramon into a Dublin like area with all the high-density housing with all these little block looking 3 and 4 story housing. Do not let that happen to the Market Place shopping center. We need that center the way it is now.

San Ramon needs bus service to get around San Ramon, go to Stoneridge Mall and shopping centers in San Ramon.

I'd like to see more natural landscaping on city managed land, less water use. Need to address air quality issues, and have an alert system within the city. More housing affordable single family homes for young seniors.

I believe we have passed the point where reducing GHG will even slow climate change, we need to get GHGs out of the air. Unfortunately I see few efforts to fund these initiatives, we are hung up in "too little, too late" efforts to reduce and not extract GHGs.

Do not go WOKE with this. Recognize the majority not the squeaky wheels of the minority or the population amount

Hope housing in San Ramon does not resemble Dublin. More housing means more people, more schools, more traffic. Would like to see San Ramon take a slow growth approach.

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Slow the building and takeover of this once beautiful area by people that what to change and destroy it

Stop adding more housing developments. Keep our open space; if you're putting up solar panels, put them out of sight, not front and center

More Housing Choice Voucher options

No condos at the Market Place.

I'm very concerned about the congestion increase we've been seeing.

Stop building PERIOD! Excessive congestion/traffic is causing pedestrian injuries and auto accidents. Schools WAY too crowded. Not enough American restaurants! We never eat in SR and have to travel to Dublin and Danville to eat out. It's a shame what the city councils have done to SR over the years. Danville did it right.

Efficient bus service to Bart is not widely available. There should be an express route to west Dublin station that runs at regular intervals during commute hours.

The requirement with so many homes to be built, will destroy the City we have as we love - it will become a huge City and not a friendly city to live in - destroy its beauty

I strongly urge the city to stop granting unlimited construction of homes in the Dougherty Valley. Create a walkable downtown that mixes small business and affordable residential options for seniors and young families. The City Center is ugly architecturally but a pleasant respite from necessary trips to outlying areas for shopping and dining. It's location is not walkable from many homes thus increasing congestion in the Bollinger corridor. A portion of the vast office building spaces might be converted to a walkable and livable green city with buses connecting to BART and parking for electric vehicles while attracting service oriented and small businesses that would contribute to tax coffers and appeal to residents. Please no more strip malls (or malls of any kind) nor huge homes on postage stamp lots which eat up our green areas and degrade our hills, flora and fauna. We appreciate the opportunity to comment which we do knowing that the City is attempting to improve the quality of life for all of us.

We've lived here for almost two decades and owned local businesses the entire time. We believe residents should contribute to the community and schools, not just move here and take advantage, while giving nothing in return. Too many newcomers are just interested in themselves and not the community. We should not continue building new housing, as that just contributes to increasing population. Also, how are iron horse middle school and cal high supposed to handle the increases? Finally, the traffic is ridiculous as it is. It shouldn't take 20-30 minutes to traverse such a small city. Part of the problem is the completely illogical "timing" of the traffic signals. A second grader could do a better job of programming the traffic lights.

How can we contact city council? I am working on a Food Insecurity project for National 4-H GIS Team. Appreciate if someone can reach out to me at reach2sudharsan@gmail.com

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Would love if TRULY affordable housing could be interwoven into existing communities. Not all clumped together making “other side of the tracks” scenarios. The apartments around the Gale Ranch Ymca daycare was nice and had some designated for subsidized housing. I learned that from a senior who was renting for \$800/month. We need more subsidized housing for single parents with low income and seniors.

Please keep a grocery at Nob Hill. It is the only one near me. Also, one of the reasons we moved to this community was The Marketplace

Build more single-family homes.

I think San Ramon and the bay area is full. There is not enough water for those already here. Building new housing at this point seems incredibly unwise.

Need to reduce the residential housing sprawl that has occurred over the last 15 years or so. Open space important to the residents

Consider leading an effort for the local region to move away from PG&E's mismanagement.

We want to preserve single family housing and not repurpose area for a failure in housing/homelessness/increased immigration.

There is already a problem with heavy traffic in the area. It must be addressed. No one it seems respects speed limits this the need to have speed decelerators.

The proposed MarketPlace apartment development is ugly, out-of-scale for the area, will eliminate a major grocery store and mostly add way too much traffic to an area already too dense.

Schools should not be flooded, kids education in a relaxed environment should be a priority after the pandemic

Do not get rid of Nob Hill and go with the absurd 5 story apartment complex.. people love the shopping center and it is within walking distance for many people. It would certainly change the look of the area like you see in the city of Dublin..

Came here due to bedroom community and neighborhood. Pay thru the node to live in safe non traffic area. Long time resident don't want to lose no hill for compact housing. Want to keep less traffic and congestion. Bought because able to walk to stores now taking away for money for developer. WRONG!!!

Please keep disabled people in mind for all of this. Hire a disabled person to keep you in check if you have to. We're too often left behind or our needs are tacked on later as an after-thought. We need to be considered and involved from the start

Please stop more higher to medium density housing in San Ramon. Adding more density isn't going to make the roads bigger. Bollinger Canyon and Crows Canyon are freeways now if you haven't noticed, police are overwhelmed, ask them, and the quietness of San Ramon is leaving with overpopulated roads and communities. I'm against high to medium density residential as I believe it will reduce the value of neighborhoods, overcrowd the schools and

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increase domestic issues. Look at the high-density areas and how many cars it attracts as our roads are filled now. Crime is going up and you're not adding to our police force. The niceness of people and the community seem to be fading as the City grows which is sad. Please look at-the police calls and understand what they're dealing with. I also feel the City is thinking bigger is better and offering more "affordable" housing is going to make the City better in the eyes of ??? I truly hope \$\$\$ and politics don't ruin this City as I spent 10 years saving just to get in and already see the changes in these last few years. Please focus on building and maintaining the tranquility of the existing City. We don't have endless land, water and infrastructure to support this growth you keep approving. Slow down and focus on what's already here.

Why isn't the School Bus system improved? The traffic for DVH is ridiculous. The drop off loop is NOT sufficient. If there were more buses this would reduce cost/traffic/ shear frustration for parents and students alike.

Don't make San Ramon a Urban jungle by adding builder houses that are matchbox style.

Provide resources to residents for the following - solar panels, mini splits. And make grey water usage and installation mandatory and provide subsidy for it.

Please support keeping local neighborhoods and shopping locally. Do not change the Marketplace and ruin local businesses.

No multi story apartments or condo buildings above 2 stories.

Cap growth, do not develop the open space at Bollinger and Camino Ramon— plant grass instead. Build no more monstrosity's like the city center—useless building.

Do not replace existing, viable shopping centers with high density housing.

The State has sent the message that they are in charge of our community housing development with the passage of SB9 and SB10 recently. I would like to see the City working together with the residents to find any legal remedies to maintain as much control over the future development as possible via lawsuits or whatever means needed. Otherwise we will surrender our future to be the same as Dublin's.

Projects like City Center have been a huge benefit to residents through addition of entertainment, restaurants, cultural and art and also increasing tax base. Love being able to spend time with friends and family there--I'd like to see more of this kind of development in San Ramon.

electric vehicles are fine, but will not reduce traffic congestion. San Ramon needs a robust public transit option and it is not currently provided by County Connection. Seniors should be able to use transit to get around. Go San Ramon is a joke. Who wants to get in a vehicle with an unknown person. We should be able to use public transit to get anywhere as in Europe.

My biggest concern is that new housing stock will not address the affordability issue and that the dense housing will look like Dublin. My other concerns are the design of the buildings. I am not a big fan of the San Ramon City Center design because it has a very urban feel to it. We

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live in the suburbs so we can have trees and plants and open space. San Ramon is a beautiful city. My fear is that it will start to look and feel like a "city." I am all for lots of walking/bike paths and buses to take people around. How about a trolley like Walnut Creek has? Adding-more dense housing doesn't mean that it has to look like a city. Keep San Ramon green and beautiful. I grew up in the South Bay near San Jose. I purposefully moved to the East Bay, San Ramon because of the open space and green areas. Please keep it that way. Don't go modern to the extreme, but tasteful. Windemere is a good example to follow. Well designed and a lot of mixed housing.