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Which statements reflect the reason(s) you live in Sunset Valley.(check all that apply)

#	Response Date	Other (please specify)
1	Jan 27, 2010 9:15 PM	Living in Austin without actually having to "live" in Austin.
2	Jan 27, 2010 9:46 PM	Common sense, non-intrusive rules like nuisance law but no leash law.Narrow streets and large lots-rural feel.Small community where one vote really matters
3	Jan 27, 2010 10:50 PM	We were targeting a home location that provided large lots than the normal and as close-in to downtown Austin as we could afford.
4	Jan 27, 2010 10:52 PM	Please don't let the Walk for a day go through our city and change that.
5	Jan 27, 2010 10:55 PM	In 1952, before SSV was incorporated and I was a child, my family purchased the home my husband and I now own. I grew up in this home, and I love it here.
6	Jan 27, 2010 11:01 PM	because the house was located on the vegetation buffer. Which everyone has cleared, except for us, even though though they are not suppose and the city does not do anything about it.
7	Jan 27, 2010 11:15 PM	ability to ride and keep horses
8	Jan 27, 2010 11:30 PM	Just great people. Greatest Police Dept.
9	Jan 27, 2010 11:58 PM	We bought here 34 years ago because we could have a house with land. That is important to us The other things I marked are the good things about Sunset Valley now.
10	Jan 28, 2010 12:30 AM	"Walkability" to stores, especially now with Sprouts, but Barnes & Noble and Central Market have always been in walking or biking range. Very important to us.
11	Jan 28, 2010 3:58 AM	Large wooded 1-acre lots Deer sleeping in the back yard Sense of privacy Country living with all the conveniences of an urban environment
12	Jan 28, 2010 5:59 AM	Freedom to have a bit of land and grow vegetable, keep animals, or leave it natural.
13	Jan 28, 2010 2:26 PM	The excellent help provided by the public works department, especially Katy P and Sam C. Help with heavy items, picking up limbs, etc., is invaluable for the little old ladies who live here at #2!
14	Jan 28, 2010 8:59 PM	We were looking for property (more than a small lot) in 1967ish close to town, but out of "Austin"
15	Jan 29, 2010 6:44 PM	proximity and convenience to all of the stores, restaurants, etc.
16	Jan 30, 2010 12:13 AM	Like large lots in the older section of town.
17	Jan 31, 2010 6:41 PM	Rural character, impervious cover restrictions, lack of street lighting.
18	Jan 31, 2010 9:44 PM	Unique blend of qualities
19	Feb 1, 2010 3:13 AM	Although I do live full time in SSV, I hope some day to do so. My family and I move there in 1951 and I consider it my home and spend as much time as I can there. The above checked reasons

- 20 Feb 2, 2010 2:09 PM reflect why I love SSV and want to return there fulltime.
- 20 Feb 2, 2010 2:09 PM The people here are very nice-we like Sunset Valley a lot
- 21 Feb 2, 2010 3:02 PM Community porgrams and services
- 22 Feb 2, 2010 5:43 PM Safety
- 23 Feb 3, 2010 5:22 AM We love the following programs: brush pick-up, mulch delivery, recycling, and close reports.
- 24 Feb 4, 2010 12:03 AM Fast response by our city police.
- 25 Feb 5, 2010 10:56 PM Self-governing community
- 26 Feb 7, 2010 2:11 AM Homes with large lots. Quality schools are very important to us and that is one thing we cannot check on this list.
- 27 Feb 7, 2010 4:27 AM Old Sunset Valley has very poor access to its wonderful trails and green space
- 28 Feb 8, 2010 3:26 AM I like it that we have ample parking for the aliens at the burger center
- 29 Feb 8, 2010 5:32 PM Came 50 yrs ago to be on edge of town to raise our family
- 30 Feb 8, 2010 5:39 PM I have lived here since 1952 before Sunset Valley and have seen the area change. I hope to be here for more years.
- 31 Feb 8, 2010 6:08 PM ability to buy a large lot
- 32 Feb 11, 2010 12:48 AM small, intimate community
- 33 Feb 11, 2010 11:52 PM small town atomsphere. likable townhall, parks/rec, police force.
- 34 Feb 12, 2010 4:26 PM I had lived in South Austin since 2001 and wanted to stay in the South Austin area.
- 35 Feb 12, 2010 5:12 PM accessible local government
- 36 Feb 14, 2010 4:48 PM friendliness of neighbors
- 37 Feb 15, 2010 4:44 PM Rural character with ability to keep animals.
- 38 Feb 15, 2010 9:38 PM Live here
- 39 Feb 16, 2010 6:18 AM SV has a nice, close-knit feel; nice lot sizes; good sense of neighborliness

The reason I liked living here and the reason I moved here are two completely different reasons all together. We thought at purchase we were getting more land and house for less money with good proximity to town and a peaceful community. Turns out we were getting more stress, less property owner rights, nicer immediate neighbors but more stressful overall ownership/city relations and lots of remedial ownership stress and cost in the long run. Who would have though that this darling little city/community would be so full of stress, disappointment and lack of peaceful and quiet enjoyment??? On top of lack of owner based rights/seller benefits and ability for resale, the city and some of its residence have insured that ssv will always be a challenging

40	Feb 16, 2010 8:16 AM	<p>place to live and sell property. Many of us who need or want to move or escape from this chaos will pay for moving here for the rest of our physical and financial lives due to the never ending need of some of the residence to save the planet through ssv and or trying to make others pay for some political nonsense!! Since those who sold us our properties were without honesty and honor in their lack of disclosure, those of us who thought we were moving to heaven will forever see ssv as a sort of hell in the end less we can afford to suck it up emotionally and financially and stay here. Otherwise due to the issues in our small and tumultuous city, will lose our homes and good luck to the bankers selling them. Not many seem to be interested in buying here as our little community has formed quite a bad and formidable reputation for being a place not to live in the austin and surrounding areas due to the notorious history of difficulty of peacefully living in the city of ssv. If I were able I would live here forever despite the political environmental issues. However for many of us as of late that is not to be. Thus, due to political and unforeseen financial concerns one must sometimes give up. Give up on the dream, give up on the homestead, give up on the friends and just plain give up with no hope of a future. I recall of some discussing the flooding issues and blaming it on the meadows for losing so much. After much research I found that their homes flooding was due to the city of austin and some of the creek and road improvements they had put into place. Now many of us are losing our homes due to the over reactive behavior of some who live in our very own city. Who will solve our problems? Who will purchase our homes at a reasonable price? Who will stand up for those of us who are paying for the extremist who have damaged the reputation of ssv as a reasonable and happy place to live? Where is our voice after all the damage that has been done? Is it not bad enough that the economy is such that all real estate is hard to sell? But what of those of us who live in ssv who have to pay for the extremist in our community at such an incredibly high price. It is most likely too late for most of us. In the future, my hope is that some of you if not all of you think carefully before you speak, act and fall in a way that affects your whole community. Speak softly and carry a big stick. That is all I ask as the damage has been done. Not withstanding a miracle, it is too late for me.</p>
41	Feb 16, 2010 4:27 PM	ability to own and ride horses in the community
42	Feb 16, 2010 4:39 PM	Larger lots
43	Feb 17, 2010 10:51 PM	<p>community commitment to local ecology low impervious cover farmer's market friendly police service ecological education programs landowner opportunities for wildlife conservation and natural landscaping</p>

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The term quality of life is used to evaluate the general well being of individuals and communities. While the term is used in a wide range of contexts, quality of life should not be confused with the concept of standard of living, which is based primarily on income. Instead, standard indicators of the quality of life include not only wealth and employment, but also the build environment, physical and mental health, education, recreation and leisure time, and social belonging. Based on this definition, how would you rate the quality of life of residents in Sunset Valley.

#	Response Date	Other (please specify)
1	Jan 27, 2010 8:46 PM	Your cursor only allowed me to check twice
2	Jan 27, 2010 9:46 PM	Build environment???
3	Jan 27, 2010 10:50 PM	The split between old Sunset Valley and newly developed neighborhoods has been an extremely unwelcoming reality of Sunset Valley. I believe there has been improvement with this issue, yet their remains polarizing voting blocks & alliances that perpetuate the divide. Although we have exceptional Sunset Valley community events and all participate & enjoy them, we are divided when it comes to how best to make up for the environmental impact of historical agreements made with the Retail Developer.
4	Jan 27, 2010 10:52 PM	Please don't let the Walk for a day go through our city and change that.
5	Jan 27, 2010 11:15 PM	I do not understand this question.
6	Jan 28, 2010 3:58 AM	*Education meaning the level of education of the overall population of the residents of Sunset Valley, not the local schools themselves.
7	Feb 2, 2010 3:02 PM	Love it that people in SV -need to know- which street do you live on!
8	Feb 4, 2010 12:03 AM	Very Good - Open spaces between homes.
9	Feb 5, 2010 10:56 PM	(By education, I'm referring to public schools.) Please be aware when you tally results that this list differs in order from the printed mailed copy.
10	Feb 7, 2010 3:31 AM	Areas to be improved on: Equal services. Equal access to city amenities. Equal treatment to all citizens by city government.
11	Feb 8, 2010 5:32 PM	few educational opportunities for adults and our nearby grade school is deplorable
12	Feb 12, 2010 2:03 AM	SV should construct a jr. Olympics pool, basketball & volley ball courts, small gazebo or pavillion for its residences' use. Cost is \$10/family/year.
13	Feb 14, 2010 4:48 PM	Safety
14	Feb 15, 2010 9:38 PM	Depends on the individuals

many of these are not specific enough to be telling. For ex. environment, of coarse we have beautiful surrounding but many of us are unable to take advantage of the beautiful natural setting around us due to the inability to physically motivate. For me personally environment is more than having a huge amount of green space which I am unable to utilize, it is more about a small

15 Feb 16, 2010 8:16 AM

amount of surrounding green space for viewing and mostly about emotionally environment which I must say is seriously lacking in our community due to the political environment which has been less than acceptable. There has been a lot of passionate and aggressive political discourse in ssv since I got here and it seems to be never ending. As far as recreation and leisure those things generally are things that most people can appreciate within a community. Forrest and wildlife are nice but often not appreciable to elderly, the very young and those with health issues. A community pool, events that do not require much walking and activities that do not require a lot of emotional or physical stress would be more available to a wider variety of residents. Some of the activities at ssv city hall attempt to accomplish this but fall short as they are too early or late in the day or do not qualify as recreational to those of us who are physically challenged. As far as social belonging, it is hard to feel a belonging or social closeness with people who are responsible directly or indirectly for the inability to sell ones home. And the same when it comes to having a discussion about something other than environmental causes to the world that one does not feel responsible for but you are blamed for. This is a tricky problem for those powers that be, as many in any community do not understand or care for the huge dilemma or responsibility they often create when trying to do good deeds without thinking of unintended consequences in their community. How is one to feel well being or vitality in ones community with all this stress, pressure and insecurity which has been caused directly by those in ones community?

16 Feb 17, 2010 10:51 PM

Both health care and education are poor in Texas so these are generally poor in Sunset valley. The commitment to of the city to the local ecology increases both health and education locally.

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Tell us what factors are important to your quality of life in Sunset Valley.

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1	Jan 27, 2010 8:46 PM	Again, could only click on two
2	Jan 27, 2010 9:46 PM	We like the individuality of old Sunset Valley homes.
3	Jan 27, 2010 10:52 PM	Please don't let the Walk for a day go through our city and change that.
4	Jan 27, 2010 11:01 PM	the congestion in sunset valley is so high it is very diffucult to get around for the people who live here.
5	Jan 27, 2010 11:15 PM	Regarding the quality of public schools, while this is important to me, the local schools are of poor quality and we have to work around them.
6	Jan 28, 2010 3:15 AM	Quality of schools is extremely important, but the Sunset Valley school district is simply an embarrassment!
7	Jan 28, 2010 3:58 AM	A bike/horse trail connecting Sunset Trail with the rest of the other city trails would be nice, instead of having to go down heavily congested Jones Road. How about via one of the creek areas? Just a thought.
8	Jan 28, 2010 5:59 AM	We do not have access to quality public schools. People should have the option to build as smal of a home they desire on their land.
9	Jan 28, 2010 10:21 PM	Farmers Market
10	Jan 30, 2010 12:13 AM	We enjoy proximity to downtown Austin, and relatively easy access to major routes.
11	Feb 1, 2010 2:42 AM	There is more traffice congestion on Brodie than we like, even though the right-turn only lane ha helped immensely.
12	Feb 2, 2010 3:02 PM	Lots of traffice outside our exact street.
13	Feb 2, 2010 4:15 PM	Traffic has doubled-tripled since moving here ten yrs. ago.
14	Feb 3, 2010 5:22 AM	We like a lot of variety in type and character of housing. The most important factor for us is the city's trail system - please don't publicize it or connect it to Austin's system because overuse will degrade the whole system.
15	Feb 5, 2010 10:56 PM	City government listens to the residents
16	Feb 7, 2010 2:11 AM	Quality of public schools is very important but not currently at the level we would expect -- the City of Sunset Valley should make a significant commitment to improving the public schools in our neighborhoods. This would include a financial and community level commitment to Sunset Valley Elementary. We have a profound responsibility to creating an educational environment that is close and accessible and we would like the City to pay more attention to this.

17	Feb 7, 2010 3:31 AM	Would like to see more diversity in housing like allowing smaller homes, log homes, full stucco exterior homes with opportunities for more individual tastes
18	Feb 8, 2010 3:26 AM	a municipal government that reflects the people in the community. a govt that sees itself as a part of the community and an extension of the community rather than as a separate entity which "governs" and hands down order upon the community.
19	Feb 8, 2010 5:32 PM	Traffic congestion a huge problem and poor school an embarrassment
20	Feb 10, 2010 9:53 PM	opportunity for a community based farm
21	Feb 12, 2010 10:15 PM	Being able to walk my dog down street on leash without being attacked by loose dogs because we don't have a leash law.
22	Feb 14, 2010 12:34 AM	RE: low traffic, but not at the expense of widening Brodie or any other streets. I can wait. RE: type of housing. Want more affordable, no minimum size limits but yes, please limit maximum. No brick, etc. facade requirements. Let people be creative like in Travis heights.
23	Feb 14, 2010 4:48 PM	Safety is especially important to me, after living in New York City, where the crime rate was very high.
24	Feb 15, 2010 9:38 PM	One trades off some factors for others
25	Feb 16, 2010 8:16 AM	Ability to have reasonable control over ones own property, peaceful community relations, and a friendly community. This all translates into quiet and peaceful enjoyment of ones own property, the ability to enjoy ones neighbors and make relationships which are happy and joyful and the ability to have a reasonable expectation of mobility in ones living arrangements and financial security when one has been mindful and responsible with ones financial life.
26	Feb 16, 2010 1:33 PM	Farmer's Market & progressive policies that move the city towards Sustainability. I got a flyer about a potential farm and think it's an awesome idea. Local food is growing so fast. an urban farm could provide the city with healthy food and be a profitable venture.
27	Feb 17, 2010 2:22 AM	Switch to Eanes ISD.
28	Feb 17, 2010 10:51 PM	community commitment to local ecology low impervious cover farmer's market friendly police service ecological education programs landowner opportunities for wildlife conservation and natural landscaping

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Since 1995, the year of the last update to the City Master Plan or since you moved to Sunset Valley, whichever is later, the quality of life in Sunset Valley has:

#	Response Date	Other (please specify)
1	Jan 27, 2010 9:46 PM	Trails are improved although access to trails is poor.
2	Jan 27, 2010 9:59 PM	Except for the schools. I'm very disappointed with the quality of education at SSV elementary.
3	Jan 27, 2010 10:52 PM	Please don't let the Walk for a day go through our city and change that.
4	Jan 27, 2010 10:57 PM	Biggest improvement was road work on Brodie to reduce traffic problems on weekends.
5	Jan 28, 2010 3:58 AM	Much more traffic congestion since when we first moved here. However, more retail tax revenue for the city. It's a double-edged sword.
6	Jan 28, 2010 2:26 PM	Development of Weaver property, etc.
7	Jan 28, 2010 10:21 PM	Haven't been here that long to know.
8	Jan 30, 2010 12:13 AM	We liked the rural atmosphere in the past, but the shopping center is convenient.
9	Jan 31, 2010 6:41 PM	I.e., the development of formerly agricultural/open space has diminished the rural quality of the city
10	Feb 2, 2010 3:02 PM	Not able to comment; to short a span living here
11	Feb 2, 2010 4:15 PM	As we grown we've lost that community feel that used to be here in the wonderful "90's". Police are not on our streets anymore used to see them each hr. Now in Retail more
12	Feb 2, 2010 10:01 PM	I may not have been aware earlier or but I notice a great deal more strangers walking, jogging their pets in our neighborhood (probably from the adjacent apt. complex). The leave dog poop in our yards and driveway.
13	Feb 3, 2010 5:22 AM	The trail system is wonderful. Please don't widen the trails or connect them to Austin's trail system. Our trails are Sunset Valley's best kept secret and they need to stay that way to protect them from overuse.
14	Feb 7, 2010 2:11 AM	We have lived here less than a year
15	Feb 7, 2010 3:31 AM	Unchecked special interest pursuits of some elected officials leave citizens increasingly powerless.
16	Feb 8, 2010 3:26 AM	a lot has changed but I think it has improved overall. we seem to have a much more stable govt today than we did a short while ago.
17	Feb 8, 2010 5:07 PM	The longer we live in SV, the more we love it, but increased traffic on Brodie is drawback. Nice if caution light at Brodie/Lovegrass functioned as traffic stop at least from Thanksgiving to New Year.

18	Feb 8, 2010 5:32 PM	Traffic impossible, nearby grafetti on buildings, more restriction on impervious cover
19	Feb 9, 2010 9:47 PM	Loss of greenspace due to commercial/residential building.
20	Feb 11, 2010 11:52 PM	northbound brodie expansion - great idea; now we just need to expand the east bound 290/71 frontage at Wendy's to open flow ont brodie south
21	Feb 12, 2010 2:33 AM	I was not living in sunset valley at that time.
22	Feb 12, 2010 8:03 PM	Traffic increase on Jones Road. Often takes 3 minutes or more to turn on to Jones. The noise at Burger Center has increased greatly since 1997. It is unbearable at times inspite of installing double pane windows and patio door as well as new garage door. Often two football games are played at the same time in both the football stadium and the stadium that is at the corner of Jones Road and Pillow. The loud speaker is often so loud that we can hear it in our bedroom which is on the south end of our house even with all windows and doors shut. The drumming from the bands feels like it is in our bedroom. At times the noise continues after 11:00 pm. I think it is very likely that the noise is above the level legal limit. Light pollution has also increased from AISD and the shopping centers. Both Burger Center and Pillow Elementary have what I consider superfluous lighting turned on all night. Honestly, you would think with their budget shortfall, they could save a lot of money by turning off some of the lights. It is never dark at night in our yard!
23	Feb 14, 2010 12:34 AM	We have lots more money but maybe too much. Too many amenities. We make ourselves desirable but to what effect? megahouses? park mentality?
24	Feb 15, 2010 1:33 AM	Don't know. Here short time.
25	Feb 16, 2010 4:39 PM	Not sure I moved here in 2001 It's gotten better since I moved here
26	Feb 17, 2010 2:22 AM	3yrs
27	Feb 17, 2010 10:51 PM	Due to some increase of impervious cover and some city landscaping that does not preserve the natural habitat.

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Rank the importance of the following planning activities.

#	Response Date	Other (please specify)
1	Jan 27, 2010 8:46 PM	ditto on the cursor
2	Jan 27, 2010 9:15 PM	Although we rated improving water infrastructure very important, we do not think that it is important for Sunset Valley to have its own well. We strongly believe that Sunset Valley should negotiate a long-term water supply agreement with Austin or LCRA and shut down the city water works.
3	Jan 27, 2010 9:46 PM	Revamp the city water well so we can have clean aquifer water. Connect Sunset Valley by providing direct access to the trails.
4	Jan 27, 2010 10:52 PM	Please don't let the Walk for a day go through our city and change that.
5	Jan 27, 2010 11:15 PM	I have rated some things "not important" not because I feel they are unimportant, but because I do not feel they need to be improved upon at this time.
6	Jan 28, 2010 1:37 AM	protect the privacy of the existing community by not imposing/increasing foot traffic by establishing trails thru private property without the express consent of all those affected.
7	Jan 28, 2010 3:58 AM	Get rid of that nauseating S-curve in front of city hall on Jones Road!--Very Important. Enforcement of traffic laws on Jones Road would help defray construction costs and cure speeders of the medical ailment commonly know as a lead foot. As it stands now, I don't think most of us could even pass a field sobriety test after having to drive through it.
8	Jan 28, 2010 5:59 AM	please consider building a community swimming pool.
9	Jan 28, 2010 2:26 PM	A community swimming pool would be great (especially if it's heated). What alternatives to automobile trans?
10	Jan 28, 2010 8:59 PM	Where I live, some of these do not affect me.
11	Jan 30, 2010 12:13 AM	Most items don't need further improvement (like parks, community appearance), as they are fine now. Government should be primarily concerned with infrastructure adequacy.
12	Jan 31, 2010 6:41 PM	The infrastructure related to well water should be modernized to make the city less dependent on City of Austin water sources. All efforts should be made to limit further impervious cover development in the area.
13	Jan 31, 2010 9:44 PM	City should limit its planning activities to those essential for a small city. It should not be expected to pay for improvements that do little for city benefit but raise home owner values.
14	Feb 2, 2010 3:02 PM	Some communities have limited access to pass thru traffic. Would love to see SV do that too.
15	Feb 2, 2010 4:15 PM	Please NO MORE commercial or residential in our area
16	Feb 2, 2010 10:01 PM	Traffic on very narrow roads has become an issue when neighbors park on both sides of the

		street. One can't pass at all.
17	Feb 3, 2010 5:22 AM	We need ordinances that prohibit abandoned junk cars on people's property (see Pillow Road), time limits on permits for exterior remodeling (see #3 Pillow Road), and ordinances prohibiting storage of large commercial equipment in residential areas (see # Pillow). Please don't improve public access to trails and open spaces in the city because it will led to increased use,which will degrade the entire trail system
18	Feb 5, 2010 10:56 PM	Would really like to see an all-weather trail (cement through the creek bed and reservoir drainage areas) from the end of Yellow Tail to City Hall
19	Feb 6, 2010 6:32 PM	We have enough development. Recreation for residents, not to bring people in
20	Feb 7, 2010 3:31 AM	More equal access to amenities by finishing the links to the city owned open spaces from every street.
21	Feb 8, 2010 3:26 AM	I watned to clarify that protecting the environment does not mean closing it off from access. public lands ought to be open for the public to use. there are too many restrictions on access to our public areas now.
22	Feb 8, 2010 5:07 PM	Make access to bus stops easier and safer. Make crossing 290/71 on foot&bicycle safer. Move toward more rainwater harvesting. Reduce water waste: it seems the greenbelt sprinklers on run during rain!
23	Feb 8, 2010 5:32 PM	We spend too much time and energy on environmental, impervious cover issues and not enough on health and services for well being of individuals
24	Feb 11, 2010 11:52 PM	now we just need to expand the east bound 290/71 frontage at Wendy's to open flow ont brodie south; Also need better (more informative, better quality) hiking /trail map. needs replacement map - old/degrading
25	Feb 12, 2010 12:20 AM	Master plan that details the community desires about land use in commercial areas: very important
26	Feb 12, 2010 2:03 AM	Balanced representation on council. 2 from older area, 1 from village, 2 from meadows.
27	Feb 15, 2010 4:44 PM	If we want to keep this city a small, quiet place for families and critters there is no need to "promote community identity in the region." The more you make our trails, nature areas, and green spaces known to the 'region' the more people, traffic, and destruction you will have in those areas.
28	Feb 15, 2010 9:38 PM	The question is water now and in future
29	Feb 16, 2010 8:16 AM	promote ssv as a peaceful, happy and easy place to live!!!
30	Feb 16, 2010 1:33 PM	Support the farmer's market. Encourage rainwater collection & alternative energy installations.
31	Feb 16, 2010 4:21 PM	Not in favor of expensive improvements for water well; City of austin water supply is excellent and will be cheaper than new well and improvements which would continue to be limited supply and un reliable when aquifer level drops; leave the water in the aquifer for benefit of flow to Barton Springs.

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| 32 | Feb 16, 2010 4:33 PM | Would like to see future development in the form of eco-conscious garden homes, condominiums, or town houses (whatever you cant to call them) so that older residents who wan to downsize, but still remain in SSV and continue to enjoy its amenities, would have an option other than a retirement community or apartment. Something that is energy efficient, looks as if it fits in the neighborhood and is affordable (not \$300 to \$500,000) |
| 33 | Feb 16, 2010 4:39 PM | I like the idea of teh SSV farm! |
| 34 | Feb 17, 2010 2:22 AM | We love the farmer's market. |
| 35 | Feb 17, 2010 10:51 PM | Of top importance are activities to increase each of the following: community commitment to local ecology low impervious cover farmer's market friendly police service ecological education programs landowner opportunities for wildlife conservation and natural landscaping |

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Rank the level of concern you have for challenges that may be facing your neighborhood.

#	Response Date	Other (please specify)
1	Jan 27, 2010 9:18 PM	We do not want a path put through our property connecting the streets. People should walk around (improves physical fitness). Do not want underground highline wires after witnessing debacle on Pillow Road. We do not want lighting on the street.
2	Jan 27, 2010 9:46 PM	We need a road in SV from Brodie to Mopac. We need a trail connecting Oakdale to Sunset Trail that doesn't go down Jones Rd. We like the stadium sounds not the traffic sounds. Parking on the street calms traffic speed and encourages guests!
3	Jan 27, 2010 10:52 PM	Any way to require people to turn off their porch lights over night, or at least ask nicely?
4	Jan 27, 2010 10:55 PM	Traffic control in heavy traffic areas, such as Brodie and Jones Road and the streets that feed into them: all of major importance.
5	Jan 27, 2010 11:15 PM	Again, I have marked some things "not important" and this is because I feel they are completely adequate at this time.
6	Jan 27, 2010 11:30 PM	No parking on the street after 12pm
7	Jan 28, 2010 12:30 AM	I do not see any advantage to publicizing our trails or making them more accessible to the public outside of SV residents. I am very concerned about this issue.
8	Jan 28, 2010 1:37 AM	Lack of police control on the major streets, such as speeding, texting, aggressive driving.
9	Jan 28, 2010 3:15 AM	The Lovegrass Lane light needs to be in sync with the Home Depot blvd. light. flashing lights are useless and have not resolved any issues entering and exiting the Meadows!!
10	Jan 28, 2010 3:58 AM	An Individual/City Emergency Preparedness Plan--very important (see #11)
11	Jan 28, 2010 2:26 PM	Drainage and flooding concerns The very concept of consistency in housing design scares me. There is too much interference in Austin in what people do on their own property and we certainly do NOT need to emulate that!
12	Jan 28, 2010 5:35 PM	not parking on street
13	Jan 29, 2010 4:35 PM	Not sure what you mean by "parking on the street" are you asking if it is important to allow it? If so, my answer is very important.
14	Jan 30, 2010 12:13 AM	Re neighborhood and property conditions, city should set standards for construction, but not design.
15	Jan 31, 2010 6:41 PM	Unnecessary light polluting sources should be limited. Please do not put up street lighting.
16	Jan 31, 2010 9:44 PM	The city has no control over through traffic and expenditures on street rebuilding have been too high - rebuilding new roads with all new "bells and whistles" takes money away from critical areas like flood control. Let's rebuild the bridge on Pillow but not the road. And we do not need to

		link city paths to mega-walking plans - we will have thousands of walkers and bear the cost of maintenance and trash removal. It is just ridiculous.
17	Feb 2, 2010 2:09 PM	The amount of stree parking makes it somewhat difficult to get into and out of our driveway
18	Feb 2, 2010 3:02 PM	Sound barriers on Sunset Trail to reduce noise from Westgate VERY important to us. SOUND PROOF WALL for ALL 8 homes along Westgate frontage..ie Sunset Trail
19	Feb 2, 2010 5:40 PM	As someone who is very chemically sensitive I would like to see the constant promotion of organic or the least toxic chemicals used on lawns or to control common pests. also the use of fireplace burning which only causes polution on the air we breath.
20	Feb 2, 2010 5:43 PM	I wish we had more lights on the streets. It's too hard to see late at night.
21	Feb 2, 2010 10:01 PM	Strangers coming into our neighborhood from teh adjacent apartment complex make us uneasy when our children are playing in the yard. One must be contantly vigilant about who is around you (our) kids.
22	Feb 3, 2010 5:22 AM	1) Access to parks and trails is already adequate, please don't "improve" it or connect our trails to Austin's trails because increased use will degrade our trails 2) need ordinances prohibiting abandoned cars, even on private property, if they can be seen by anyone, 3) retain rural atmosphere, 4) no residential street lights because increased lighting encourages speeding, interferes with wildlife, and contributes to already high levels of light pollution, 4) living in a quiet neighborhood is very important to us, 5) we like lots of variety in housing as long as it meets codes, 6)must be able to park on one side of evey street, which means residents need to remove large rocks they placed in easements.
23	Feb 3, 2010 1:34 PM	Most of these are not problems on Pillow Road
24	Feb 5, 2010 4:12 AM	No legal neighborhood access into trails or greenbelt without crossing private property
25	Feb 6, 2010 6:32 PM	Leave the parking on the street issue alone. If I wanted that type of control I'd live in an HOA. However, if it's "critical" from a safety angle then yes it should be addressed
26	Feb 7, 2010 3:31 AM	Have some concern with questions that seem to be suggesting bigger government on a local level to control how peoples homes look etc. Home owners should not have to worry about loss of personal freedoms on their own properties beyond normal code compliance's. This is not a gated community or a "restricted" one as defined in yesteryear.
27	Feb 7, 2010 4:27 AM	I am in favor of allowing parking on the streets
28	Feb 8, 2010 3:26 AM	dont want any street lights please! also dont need any parking signs anywhere, although I understand the need for some regulation in certain areas.
29	Feb 8, 2010 5:07 PM	Narrow streets + HOA restrictions + impervious cover restrictions in Meadows means: solutions for more residential parking are shutdown and Rainwater harvesting inhibited.
30	Feb 8, 2010 5:39 PM	Since I live on Brodie Lane many of the items listed above do not affect me as much as some of the other people. I do think we need more street lights on Brodie Lane. There are soem spots where it is very dark for a person to walk.
31	Feb 8, 2010 5:44 PM	Parking on Sunflower Trail is a big problem

32	Feb 8, 2010 5:49 PM	I would like to see my City of Austin corner night light back on my corner of Pillow and Jones Rd due to lots of walking traffic
33	Feb 8, 2010 6:02 PM	Its not fair to the people who take care of teh lawns & apperance of their homes. We have neighbors that don't keep up the appearance with is very frustrating.
34	Feb 8, 2010 6:08 PM	a- do not want Sunset Valley trails to be used by all of Austin. ^traffic,^wanderers through our property
35	Feb 9, 2010 9:47 PM	1/ Jones Road heavy traffic & cars speeding have greatly increased. 2/ Please let-be current on-street parking.
36	Feb 11, 2010 11:21 PM	A stop sign at corner of Jones and Reese would be a big improvement to speed of traffic between Pillow and Westgate
37	Feb 12, 2010 12:20 AM	What does Parking on the street mean?
38	Feb 14, 2010 12:34 AM	again, do not overdelvelop us until we are like any other upscale Austin subdivision.
39	Feb 15, 2010 12:42 PM	better street lights on road
40	Feb 15, 2010 4:44 PM	A number of residences in the city look like abandoned properties, or worse yet like junkyards. Wish there was something the city could do to clean these properties up or at least require the owners to screen their trash from the street.
41	Feb 15, 2010 9:38 PM	Can overdue some things
42	Feb 16, 2010 6:18 AM	we appreciate SVPD's patrolling services (regular drive-bys and close patrol)
43	Feb 16, 2010 8:16 AM	ability to improve property in a reasonable way using reasonable and locally acceptable rules which enable reasonable quiet and peaceful enjoyment of ones property and allow for good and fair use and future resale opportunities.
44	Feb 16, 2010 4:27 PM	Very concerned about quality of schools that Sunset Valley residents have access too AISD. Schools taht we rea assignd to are NOT good at all. This issue is teh most important issue that needs to be addrssed by teh City to keep it viable.
45	Feb 16, 2010 4:39 PM	Want to be able to park on the street
46	Feb 17, 2010 10:51 PM	I am in favor of residents being able to park on the street.

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Rate your overall satisfaction with the following City services.

#	Response Date	Other (please specify)
1	Jan 27, 2010 9:14 PM	Buffalo grass lawns seem to be an issue (on Sunflower Trl). Maybe you could provide maintenance tips that would help with the weed outbreak. Most yards really look bad.
2	Jan 27, 2010 9:18 PM	our city should have MORE recreational facilities (bowling ally, skating rink, pool) and LESS shopping.
3	Jan 27, 2010 10:52 PM	Please don't let the Walk for a day go through our city and change that.
4	Jan 27, 2010 10:55 PM	It is my opinion that ordinances for keeping private property neat should be enforced.
5	Jan 27, 2010 11:01 PM	i feel the police should as visible as they were 5 1/2 years ago when we moved here. i see people doing U turns all the time, which are illegal in sunset valley
6	Jan 27, 2010 11:30 PM	Great city departments
7	Jan 28, 2010 1:37 AM	There are some homes where the owner believes that junking it up and not mowing the front yard is acceptable even if the overgrown part of the yard is on the city's easement.
8	Jan 28, 2010 3:58 AM	1) We believe that individual property rights are of paramount importance and absolute above and beyond any city codes/ordinances and the wants of the community at large, so long as those rights do not infringe or encroach on the individual property rights of others. Minimum government intrusion into individual property rights is a must for a free society. This is the bedrock conerstone of freedom and liberty. 2) SVPD and Public Works are wonderful. Great group of people who genuinely care about our city. We consider them as part of the family, and we support them 110%!
9	Jan 28, 2010 5:59 AM	What does the city have to do with the maintenance of residential property?
10	Jan 28, 2010 6:58 AM	I personally had a very bad experience with a member of the police dept. I was close to looking for a legal counsel to pursue actions against the officer and I would have if I didnt have to leave the area for work for an extended period. It was malicious in intent and an abuse of authority from what I have found out from others involved in the incident.
11	Jan 29, 2010 4:35 PM	My dissatisfaction with code ennfocement and maintenance of residential property is mainly due to Danny's mess at the entrance to Pillow Road
12	Jan 30, 2010 12:13 AM	We answered no opinion on "maintenance of residential property (exterior of homes)" and "maintenance of business property." We don't know why the city should be responsible for this, other than to enforce code.
13	Jan 31, 2010 6:41 PM	Maintenance of residential property seems to me none of the city's business
14	Jan 31, 2010 9:44 PM	The trails are stressed from walking traffic and the 2009 drought. There will be additional expenditures required if the number of walkers increase. let alone more use by those with mountain bikes.

- 15 Feb 2, 2010 4:15 PM Only see police in retail areas- need more in residential -night time I have seen bright lighting around houses, that is Great!
- 16 Feb 2, 2010 5:51 PM Striping of traffic lanes is needed- they currently are hard to see or non-existent. Trails need litter pick-up
- 17 Feb 3, 2010 5:22 AM 1) City staff need to enforce ordinances instead of waiting for citizen complaints - I'm afraid to lodge a complaint because I'm uncertain about confidentiality in a small community. All of the staff are very friendly and helpful.
- 18 Feb 6, 2010 6:32 PM Police officers used to get out of their car or stop and talk to you, now (except for one officer) you just get a wave. It would be nice to see the Chief out on a weekend visiting with people, just a thought.
- 19 Feb 7, 2010 12:12 AM Some neighbors do not even attempt to keep exterior yard maintained, the buffalo grass is ridiculous and needs to go.
- 20 Feb 7, 2010 2:11 AM Flow of traffic from Brodie to Jones is a problem -- would like City to look at adding even bike paths that provide alternative access Maintenance of residential property is not the city's concern
- 21 Feb 7, 2010 3:31 AM Re: Maintenance of residential properties (exterior of home) Don't really think it anybody's business how anybody else is maintaining their own property. If you got time to obsess over your neighbors paint job you need to get a life and refill your meds.
- 22 Feb 8, 2010 3:26 AM the only real complaint I have was that you guys turned off the water fountain at city hall during the summer. a lot of us walk our dogs behind city daily - and a lot of guests to the city come there frequently as well. this is the only water for the dogs to drink - and I asked a city employee about the fountain being turned off and they said that it was supposed to be "symbolic for conserving water." that is absolutely ridiculous. The city provides trails to walk on but no water fountains outside even at city hall. and then during the hottest time of the year, you guys turn off the only water that the dogs have to drink... just to make a gesture? come on. being politically correct at the cost of our animals health? let's get this right guys - either turn the fountain back on, or make your statement at the fountain, and get a self watering bowl hooked up at the garden so that the dogs can get some water. here's a \$30 bowl made by Little Giant you can order one today online <http://www.tractorsupply.com/pet-feeders-waterers-bowls/pet-waterers/little-giant-ever-full-bowl-2401618> and put it out there year round.
- 23 Feb 8, 2010 5:07 PM We love City employees, from Public Works staff to Police!
- 24 Feb 8, 2010 5:39 PM Maintenance of City Streets: Brodie
- 25 Feb 8, 2010 5:53 PM Re: (p) our drainage pond has not properly drained via irrigation for close to 5 years. Stagnant water will often sit for a week. This is a concern and should not take a lot of money and 5 years to fix.
- 26 Feb 8, 2010 6:08 PM s. the house on 37 Lone Oak Trail that is owned by Sunset Valley is the worst house in all of Sunset Valley!
- 27 Feb 8, 2010 10:29 PM Allowing 1 Pillow Road to look the way it does. Is there even a recent permit for the mess?
- 28 Feb 12, 2010 2:03 AM Homes and properties in older section need code enforcement incl adoption of minimal maintenance standards

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| 29 | Feb 14, 2010 12:34 AM | I don't think of maintenance of private residences and businesses a city service nor do I want it to be, as long as they obey ordinances. |
| 30 | Feb 14, 2010 4:48 PM | I'd like the city to be sure that #23 Pillow Rd. was maintained better. They don't mow the lawn, 3 old cars are sitting there, rusting away, and the city doesn't do anything to remedy it. |
| 31 | Feb 15, 2010 9:38 PM | OK |
| 32 | Feb 16, 2010 6:18 AM | would like to know the plan for 37 lone oak; |
| 33 | Feb 16, 2010 8:16 AM | I feel strongly that codes and ordinances should only be enforced when someone complains. To spend money on someone driving around in order to catch someone is a irresponsible use of funds. |
| 34 | Feb 16, 2010 4:21 PM | City enforcement of codes and ordinances more than necessary and too complicated for a small city |
| 35 | Feb 17, 2010 2:22 AM | Please fix the pothole turning onto Ernest Robles from hwy 290 access. |
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Overall, how satisfied are you with how Sunset Valley City government operates?

#	Response Date	Other (please specify)
1	Jan 27, 2010 8:46 PM	ditto on cursor problem
2	Jan 27, 2010 9:46 PM	We have a fantastic public works department that really enhances the quality of life here.
3	Jan 27, 2010 10:50 PM	Sam Cantu is a true asset to the Public Works Dept, his demeanor & reliability is outstanding! City Council meetings agenda management has improved but my experience is that the perseverance required to stay through the agenda is challenging. Again, improvement has been clearly made, the online access to taped sessions is excellent. City Administration Office has also improved dramatically for the better.
4	Jan 27, 2010 10:52 PM	Please don't let the Walk for a day go through our city and change that.
5	Jan 27, 2010 10:55 PM	Overall, I believe our city government runs smoothly and for the benefit of all.
6	Jan 27, 2010 11:01 PM	i wish the city workers were friendlier. they are friendly at all. They don't even keep eye contact when you talk to them.
7	Jan 27, 2010 11:15 PM	Council meetings are by nature somewhat tedious. I'm grateful for my neighbors who give their time to serve on council and/or attend the meetings. I think the city does a great job overall.
8	Jan 27, 2010 11:30 PM	Great
9	Jan 28, 2010 1:37 AM	Through out the year I have left call back messages for different city departments that have not been returned.
10	Jan 28, 2010 3:58 AM	Haven't had as much contact with city council meetings or city administration like we have with the PD or Public Works.
11	Jan 31, 2010 9:44 PM	Council meetings are too long, and it is clear that many policies would be better undertaken by our full time city administrator. The council should not run the city - which was particularly the case in the previous major - but rather establish key policies. The current situation deters suitable candidates and exhaust those that do come forward.
12	Feb 2, 2010 2:09 PM	Everyone that I have dealt with has been extremely nice
13	Feb 2, 2010 4:15 PM	Need more police visibility on residential streets day and night times.
14	Feb 3, 2010 5:22 AM	City needs to develop ordinances re junked cars and enforce them. Otherwise I'm very satisfied All city employees are so friendly it's a pleasure to live here.
15	Feb 5, 2010 10:56 PM	Many important and necessary systems have been implemented that make the city run more smoothly. The addition of Clay Collins as City Administrator has made a HUGE difference in the quality of government.
		Council members deal with too much minutia at the council meetings. This makes meetings way

16	Feb 6, 2010 6:32 PM	to long and this turns good people away from getting involved. Over all these are good people doing a good jib.
17	Feb 7, 2010 2:17 AM	Katy, Carolyn, Sam, and Josh---and the rest of the public works employees are fantastic. I hope the city pays well so that we don't lose them.
18	Feb 8, 2010 5:07 PM	We need better recycling pickup service...We need a contract that provides residents with larger collection bins with lids- it is very windy and late pickup means plastic blows around!
19	Feb 8, 2010 5:22 PM	City Council meetings
20	Feb 8, 2010 5:32 PM	Council has difficulty voting "no" on weak proposals- puts HOT money into projects without checking non-profit status, income statements carefully, has pet projects without widening scope
21	Feb 8, 2010 5:39 PM	I read teh reports of Council Meetings in newsletter
22	Feb 9, 2010 9:47 PM	Encourage & actively promote wider attendance.
23	Feb 12, 2010 2:03 AM	Council meetings aimed at postphonnement, delay and often promote reckless ideas, i.e. Drilling water well and dist system that mixes this water w CoA water. If reliability is a problem, put in a storage device. In the past 2-3 years, the older sections were upgraded with water, sewer, drainage and street improvements at the expense of the citizens of the village and meadows. Or code enforcement, you allowed two structures, driveways and mail boxes on a single lot (owned by a former elected official.) City is constantly purchasing properties that become available and have not approved the construction of elderly or rental housing.
24	Feb 12, 2010 2:25 PM	City council mtgs-- residents are encouraged to attend but the mtgs drag on... need to limit time for speaking pro/con and stick to it!
25	Feb 12, 2010 4:26 PM	Meetings should not extend past 10pm, EVER! We Council cannot expect the community to participate and believe transparency is encouraged when meetings extend past 10. It is not reasonable to expect people to leave their families at home or bring their families for marathon meetings. Constructive suggestions: 1-Start meetings at 6pm or 6:30, 2-have more meetings if absolutely necessary (but not if any meetings continue to last 4+ hours), 3-better enforce time management during meetings (staying on topic, limiting time allowed for comments from residents and/or council members), 4-put less items on agendas/be more realistic as to what can be accomplished in 3-4 hours, 5-make more items time certain to create expectation as to how meeting will flow, 6-have a time certain 5 min. break every 1-1.5 hours to give residents the ability come and go without interruption.
26	Feb 12, 2010 5:12 PM	City Council meetings are too long. Do not adhere to Robert's Rules of Order well. There is no clear understanding by city council members of the difference between their role as policy makers, the Mayor as the chief administrative officer of the city, and the role of city staff. City council members stick their noses too deeply into the implementation of policy by the Mayor and staff, instead of carefully considering policy and ensuring that it is implemented timely. The Mayor and staff need to document the policies and procedures timely and well.
27	Feb 14, 2010 12:34 AM	Too much crony-ism on council. Too much talking between meetings by council (not all council). Too much me, me, me as opposed to representing all of us. But they have a heck of a difficult job and no training. So it seems natural. Just sad.
28	Feb 15, 2010 4:44 PM	A much improved professional image in recent years.

29	Feb 15, 2010 9:38 PM	Depends on issues
30	Feb 16, 2010 6:18 AM	public works staff is excellent - prompt, personal responses every time we've contacted them
31	Feb 16, 2010 8:16 AM	Everything has been better since mayor mills has been in office. I still see room for improvement but i suspect that is why I got this survey. I have no doubt that things will continue to improve as long as Mayor Mills is in charge.
32	Feb 16, 2010 1:33 PM	I parked my car (has business collateral on it) at the end of the street when I had a business party so people knew where to turn (since there are 2 sunset trails, it's very confusing). I think every cop in town (except for the chief) was around the car when I returned. I needed to drop someone off and come back to move the car and the officer would not let me. He was rude, accused me of soliciting business, and told me I had to move the car immediately. It was only parked there to show my guests where MY sunset trail was. I was very disappointed in the attitude and behavior.
33	Feb 16, 2010 4:21 PM	Too much detailed involvement in too many issues for a small city
34	Feb 16, 2010 7:20 PM	To much loaded on agends
35	Feb 17, 2010 10:51 PM	My dissatisfaction with the city council stems from what appears to be a lack of concern for what the citizens want as opposed to promoting particular council members personal agendas. As an example most residents are in favor of residents getting to park on the streets but the council continued to aggressively pursue a no parking policy.

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Rank the importance of the following capital improvement projects for the City.

#	Response Date	Other (please specify)
1	Jan 27, 2010 8:46 PM	City Hall should be powered by renewables
2	Jan 27, 2010 9:15 PM	We think it is important that there be little or no further development in Sunset Valley.
3	Jan 27, 2010 9:18 PM	our city should have MORE recreational facilities (bowling ally, skating rink, pool) and LESS shopping.
4	Jan 27, 2010 9:46 PM	We need the city well back and trail access improved and flood control improved.
5	Jan 27, 2010 10:50 PM	I'm interested in us partnering to keep the Sunset Valley Farmers Market in our City however we should do so with modest capital expenditure (a plan that accentuates our value for the environment and conducive for use by the market and our community.
6	Jan 27, 2010 10:52 PM	Please don't let the Walk for a day go through our city.
7	Jan 27, 2010 10:55 PM	Emphasis should be on traffic control, uplands planning, including an enclosed facility for the farmers market, and replacing the water well.
8	Jan 27, 2010 11:01 PM	something has to be done and the traffic congestion. it is getting worse.
9	Jan 27, 2010 11:15 PM	These answers are specific to my neighborhood and my knowledge of the greenspace/trails. Uplands needs to be developed, water availability and quality must be maintained and flood control must be addressed.
10	Jan 27, 2010 11:30 PM	Ped crossing at entrance of Villas. Need 4 way stop. dangerous crossing at night, even with flashing light
11	Jan 28, 2010 3:58 AM	An Emergency Preparedness Plan--Very Important In the event of a natural/manmade disaster, economic crisis, civil unrest, and any other lovely potential catastrophies that the insurance companies typically exclude from coverage: 1) Encourage citizen preparedness and self-reliance for an extended period of time in the absence of water, food, electricity, police, fire, EMS, etc. (refer to the Red Cross or FEMA guidelines and recommendations) 2) Encourage more citizen response, participation, and training in First Aid, CPR, CERT, etc. 3) Set aside and warehouse essentials for the elderly and those who are truly unable to provide for themselves in a time of crisis. Why not make an Emergency Preparedness Plan a regularly scheduled community event? Better to be prepared and never need it, than to need it and not be prepared.
12	Jan 28, 2010 5:35 PM	lights where needed in hazards area
13	Jan 28, 2010 8:59 PM	On Stearns our water and wastewater are services by City of Austin.
14	Jan 29, 2010 4:46 AM	not sure what is meant by well water replacement...I like having well water.
		Trails should be maintained but rarely "improved" - we should not control nature and encourage outside users. I am unsure what is meant by water system improvements. I am absolutely against

15	Jan 31, 2010 9:44 PM	fixing, improving or replacing the well. It is ludicrous to support impervious limits yet take up to 11 million gallons from the aquifer. If homeowners want well water, they can pay for the system. It is iniquitous to expect those that cannot access the well to pay for it, which is the case if city revenues are used.
16	Feb 2, 2010 4:15 PM	We have nice City buildings- nothing needed there
17	Feb 3, 2010 5:22 AM	1) The most important improvements are those to our water and waste water systems. 2) The trails are the most important thing to me but I want the city to maintain the ones we have, not "improve" them because "improving" usually means making them wider, more accessible, and more widespread, all of which will lead to increased use, followed by degradation of the entire trail system. All motorized vehicles, including city-owned vehicles, need to stay off trails when they are wet. 3) What does "uplands" mean? Need to define term. 4) Need to shut down private wells because usage can't be monitored . Because we reside in a "frequent drought" part of the world, we need to be able to measure and control all water usage.
18	Feb 6, 2010 6:32 PM	Spending \$ on a new well is not cost affective. The rate payers on the water system can't take on that cost and we need to not be drawing water from the aquifer any longer.
19	Feb 7, 2010 12:12 AM	I'd like to see area on Jones road more manicured, trees planted are dead and spaiice. We have no privacy.
20	Feb 7, 2010 2:17 AM	I really dislike our hard, calcium deposit-filled water. It's expensive on appliances and unhealthy to drink and bathe/shower with.
21	Feb 7, 2010 3:31 AM	Capital improvements that maintain our independence as a separate sovereign self ruling city rank high for us. Perfect lawns and perfect streets rank well below fostering well being, civility and parity.
22	Feb 7, 2010 4:27 AM	The city government blew it when they did not develop the Uplands on Pillow with multi-use facilities when they had the money
23	Feb 8, 2010 3:26 AM	The city needs to make a decision about the water source for the future. ground wter or surface water. I think most people would say that at this point, they want to go with the cheapest and most reliable source.
24	Feb 8, 2010 5:39 PM	Capital improvements- maintain Brodie Lane. City water to my property. Many of these items affect various parts of the City.
25	Feb 8, 2010 6:08 PM	We love SSV open spaces but in times of tight budgets the city should focus on teh basics such as maintaining our infrastructure (water, sewer, roads)
26	Feb 8, 2010 10:29 PM	Forget the wells and stay on Austin water
27	Feb 9, 2010 9:47 PM	Sunset Valley should have a Farmers Market pavillion and an urban organic farm.
28	Feb 12, 2010 2:03 AM	SV adopted the CoA Drainage criteria. The real problem is the poor drainage, lack of detention and ponding and septic and individual wells in older section.
29	Feb 14, 2010 12:34 AM	Difficult to answer without more information. Don't improve trails and parks so there is no natural scene to rest the spirit please.

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| 30 | Feb 15, 2010 4:44 PM | Basic services are a priority for any municipality. Unfortunately, this city often spends more time, staff effort, and money on recreational issues than it does on basic infrastructure and planning for the future. |
| 31 | Feb 16, 2010 8:16 AM | land development for homeowners in such a way as to provide more property rights to residents, more use of impervious cover or more liberal variance approval of ic rules. |
| 32 | Feb 16, 2010 4:21 PM | Street improvements- good for now Trail improvements - good for now Water well replacement - too costly Wastewater system improvements- not aware of any problem |
| 33 | Feb 17, 2010 10:51 PM | Of top importance are improvements that address each of the following: community commitment to local ecology landowner opportunities for wildlife conservation and natural landscaping restoration of the natural ecology on all city property |

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How do you find out about City events and happenings? (check all that apply)

#	Response Date	Other (please specify)
1	Jan 27, 2010 9:18 PM	Neighbors--the web site and city council minutes are very uninformative and the newsletter is totally inadequate.
2	Jan 27, 2010 10:50 PM	Post Cards
3	Jan 27, 2010 10:52 PM	Post cards
4	Jan 28, 2010 3:15 AM	email
5	Jan 28, 2010 8:59 PM	also by mail unless "newsletter" does not mean strictly the monthly newsletter.
6	Jan 29, 2010 6:44 PM	would like to see more info communicated via website.
7	Jan 30, 2010 12:13 AM	Email is a great means of notifications. Don't waste time and money by sending paper postcards to those with electronic mail.
8	Feb 3, 2010 5:22 AM	Post cards about art events. The Art Commission is doing amazing work! The the programs are high quality and fun and they build community.
9	Feb 6, 2010 6:32 PM	Email newsletter would be great!
10	Feb 7, 2010 3:31 AM	Postcards seem to most get our attention.
11	Feb 12, 2010 2:03 AM	word from neighbors
12	Feb 12, 2010 5:12 PM	mailed postcards.
13	Feb 16, 2010 6:18 AM	postcards
14	Feb 16, 2010 8:16 AM	mail out post cards which I think are an added unnecessary expense to the city.
15	Feb 16, 2010 4:39 PM	postcards

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Other Comments

#	Response Date	Response Text
1	Jan 27, 2010 8:46 PM	Couldn't rank things because I could not check more than twice. Frustrating
2	Jan 27, 2010 9:14 PM	I would like for the public safety committee to restrict the use of the alleys on Sunflower Trail to "no thru traffic." People cut through and drive recklessly in the alleys, and there are a lot of kids in the neighborhood. There is no need to use the alleys as a street.
3	Jan 27, 2010 9:46 PM	We need better access from Sunset, Reese and Pillow to the open spaces, we need the city well replaced and we need improved flood control. And underground utilities would enhance the rural feel.
4	Jan 27, 2010 10:52 PM	Please don't let the Walk for a day go through our city. My quality of life is very dependent on our trails and nature areas. I like that I rarely see anyone on the trails. i don't go on our trails to interact with people. Please don't hurt the animals by having them constantly disturbed by having more people in the nature areas. If you are going to go ahead with WFAD even though many do not want it, please use option D with moving the trail to the west side of ERW. No matter how you limit the access of WFAD to only certain sections there is absolutely no way to prevent people from accessing the other trails. Please don't do it. Please don't take away the solitude that people seek in our nature areas. Please.
5	Jan 27, 2010 11:01 PM	again the traffic congestion really needs to be adressed.
6	Jan 27, 2010 11:15 PM	This is a wonderful opportunity to be heard. Thanks for soliciting our opinions. I expect they will vary from neighborhood to neighborhood.
7	Jan 27, 2010 11:30 PM	Many thanks to the city . Well done.
8	Jan 28, 2010 12:18 AM	I would like to see an accurate city phone book be published. Thanks
9	Jan 28, 2010 3:58 AM	WE LOVE SUNSET VALLEY!!
10	Jan 28, 2010 5:59 AM	We are so happy to be a part of Sunset Valley, even from a long distance. With Love from Hong Kong, The Pifer
11	Jan 28, 2010 5:35 PM	this was very well done thanks
12	Jan 28, 2010 10:12 PM	I would like to see pedestrian safety be a focus throughout Sunset Valley. This would include more crosswalks, more yield to pedestrian signage and more police enforcement of aggressive driving and failure to yield to pedestrians in and around pedestrian crossings.
13	Jan 28, 2010 10:21 PM	We love Sunset Valley! (All our friends want to move here)
14	Jan 30, 2010 12:13 AM	The city should limit its activities to providing necessary governmental functions, like water, sewer, and streets, and consider the size of our city. The little city of Sunset Valley should not try to save the planet single-handedly, and should not even consider things like horse arenas, additional greenspace purchases, or other non-essential (read frivolous) expenditures.

15	Jan 30, 2010 3:37 PM	Thank you - we love living in Sunset Valley!
16	Jan 31, 2010 9:44 PM	The city should be saving every penny it can over the next two years, cutting back expenditures for all save critical expenditures - like the Pillow bridge.
17	Jan 31, 2010 9:48 PM	Pam Bellanca does a great job in putting out a directory for the Meadows.
18	Feb 2, 2010 3:02 PM	We are indeed fortunate to live in such a community. Bravo to the City.
19	Feb 2, 2010 4:15 PM	Better Police protection- visibility. Better traffic flow for Brodie and Jones Rd
20	Feb 2, 2010 9:53 PM	Please don't change things too much- Its been a great place to live!
21	Feb 3, 2010 5:22 AM	<p>Even after living on Pillow Road for more than 16 years, I still smile every time I turn onto the street because it's so lovely and because I'm so glad to live here. I'm eternally grateful to all of the past and present staff and volunteers who have worked so hard to retain Sunset Valley's "rural" character and protect it from overdevelopment. Our Austin friends are jealous of our dark streets because they see more stars and even hear owls. They also love the country feel. They are concerned (and so am I) about why we allow abandoned junk cars to pile up on a driveway on Pillow and why we allow the mess at #3 Pillow. Thanks for the opportunity to respond to this survey.</p>
22	Feb 4, 2010 12:03 AM	<p>We are not at all in support of "The Farm at Sunset Valley" idea being proposed by Terrance Spencer. Most of the time we hear the term "investment" it is 'political speak' for spending tax dollars. Citizens can always utilize our community garden south of City Hall. I am not in favor of the city hiring a farmer as proposed by Mr. Spencer.</p>
23	Feb 7, 2010 1:53 AM	Keep Sunset Valley somewhat weird!!
24	Feb 7, 2010 2:11 AM	<p>Most important issues for our family are trail improvement, public school support and improvement, and being able to walk or bike around Sunset Valley that does not involve having to walk on main roads. For example being able to get to the city park from behind the Sunset Valley Meadows subdivision without having to go out on to Jones Road.</p>
25	Feb 7, 2010 3:31 AM	<p>If we do not prioritize celebrating what makes us unique and different from the city of Austin then we might as well become Austin....taxes and all. We moved here to enjoy personal freedom, open natural areas and a sense of community that was not measured in dollars and cents.</p>
26	Feb 7, 2010 4:27 AM	<p>The most important improvement in quality of life that the city could do is to provide trail access for its residents on Pillow, Reese and Sunset Trail without having to go on Jones Road.</p>
27	Feb 8, 2010 3:26 AM	<p>I think we should limit any further development of undeveloped land spaces, loosen up our restrictions and attitudes toward building little patios and decks, develop a better architectural standard for commercial and public buildings to maintain a common thread in appearance - so it looks like Texas rather than someplace else.</p>
28	Feb 8, 2010 5:32 PM	<p>Begin to "think out of the box"- as a City - Develop concrete ways to improve our school in order for our children to attend (presently 2 attend) -Get walking groups organized and going -Offer to plant every resident a fruit tree -Build or buy a grow box for every home a small vegetable garden in backyard -Focus more on health and fitness</p> <p>I appreciate teh newsletter and notes I receive. I want to compliment the Police Dept. Public</p>

29	Feb 8, 2010 5:39 PM	Works Dept and other staff I have met.
30	Feb 9, 2010 9:47 PM	Please immediately halt demolition plans for 37 Lone Oak Trail as the City considers an urban farm space. Thank you for all you do for us.
31	Feb 10, 2010 9:53 PM	it would be nice to have town farm that could provide produce for the residents.
32	Feb 11, 2010 6:49 PM	Stop messing with the trails and let's do something about drainage please!
33	Feb 11, 2010 11:52 PM	I enjoy living in sunset valley!!!
34	Feb 12, 2010 12:20 AM	I am disappointed that we did not undertake an actual comprehensive update to the master plan that actually took citizens at large into the process. Committees have rewritten parts and the city council will decide the goals and the community has been left out of the process that may not be taken up again for another 15 years. This is a disservice to those who have been waiting on the master plan revision to help solve some of the concerns where the commercial and residential areas intersect.
35	Feb 12, 2010 2:03 AM	Proper stewardship of land, resources and collection and disposition of taxes. Create term limits for elected and appointed citizen positions.
36	Feb 12, 2010 4:26 PM	Thank you for the on-line survey option.
37	Feb 14, 2010 12:34 AM	It's a very different world than when I moved here. Many, many good things (city services) and many not so good. Fancy upscale desires, wanting to be known as a city (what for?). I must say, I loved my peace and quiet from before. I loved my little narrow street with its potholes (speed control), and I also love the immediate attention from Public Works when I have a problem. Or need mulch, etc. Would not want to live anywhere else.
38	Feb 15, 2010 4:44 PM	Thank you for the opportunity to comment.
39	Feb 15, 2010 9:38 PM	It is sad that our elementary school is not really part of the community. What local children attend SV? Money sometimes spent frivolously on "experts".
40	Feb 16, 2010 6:18 AM	(1) would be interested in hearing more about SV farm idea; (2) promote community identity through car sticker only for SV residents
41	Feb 16, 2010 8:16 AM	This has been very stressful to say what I think. In the past I have always been afraid of expressing my views for fear of reprisals. Hopefully, there will be none and my views and hopes expressed here will bear consideration and improve the quality of life here in ssv for all those who live here now and plan to live here in the future. Thanks for asking and good luck to all of you who are trying to make ssv a better place to live.
42	Feb 16, 2010 4:21 PM	Slow down, reduce spending. Stop unnecessary and unneeded land purchases. Too many requests for expenses for benefit of small groups or areas or interests. We do not need a legislative lobbyist. This and the funding of lawsuits against Lowe's, City of Austin, and WalMart (ACCORD) raise awareness of our unique financial situation. That will be the reason for any punitive legislative action against S.V.
43	Feb 16, 2010 4:27 PM	I would like to see the City explore the idea of a community farm. I'd like to see some of the city owned properties used for community farming and food

44 Feb 17, 2010 12:01 AM production.

45 Feb 17, 2010 10:51 PM One of the main reasons that i came to Sunset valley is that there was no homeowners organization. I do not want the city council to become one.
