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Survey Results: Economic Development

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All Responses

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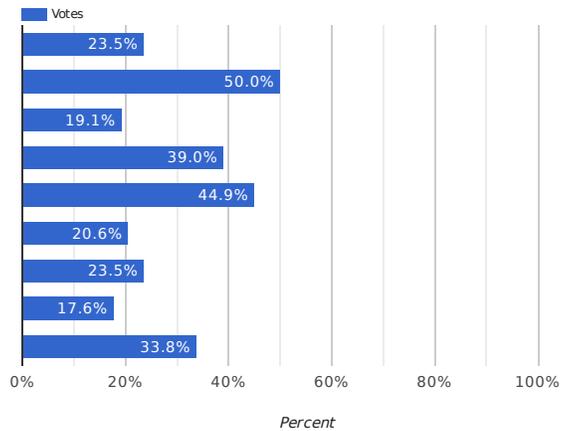
Target Participants:
All Boulder City

Q1 The City of Boulder City is creating their first ever economic development plan and would like your input.

Which of the following, if any, should be the top economic development priorities for the City of Boulder City?
(You can choose up to THREE)

(136 responses)

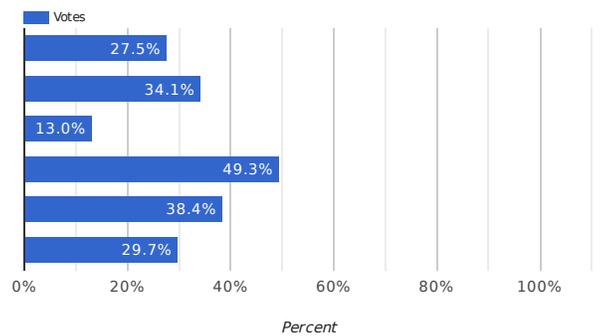
Options	Votes (136)
Economic incentives for businesses	23.5% (32)
Recreation and tourism	50.0% (68)
Job growth	19.1% (26)
Business retention	39.0% (53)
Attracting additional businesses to the community	44.9% (61)
Fostering entrepreneurs and innovation	20.6% (28)
Renewable energy development	23.5% (32)
Community image promotion	17.6% (24)
Investment in infrastructure	33.8% (46)



Q2 Which of the following, if any, do you think are the key pillars for a successful economy in Boulder City? (You can choose up to TWO)

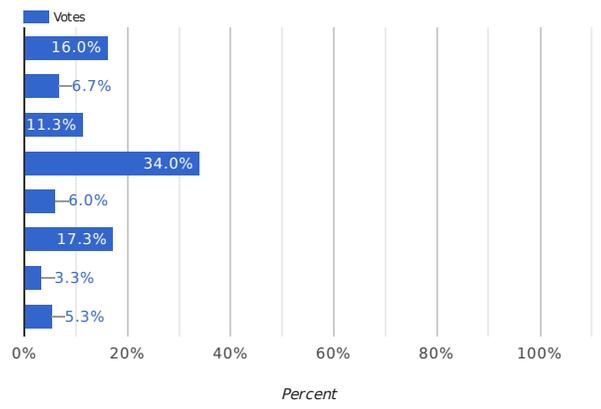
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Options	Votes (138)
Community character	27.5% (38)
Historical attractions	34.1% (47)
Energy industries	13.0% (18)
Recreation and tourism	49.3% (68)
Small business development	38.4% (53)
Sustainable growth	29.7% (41)



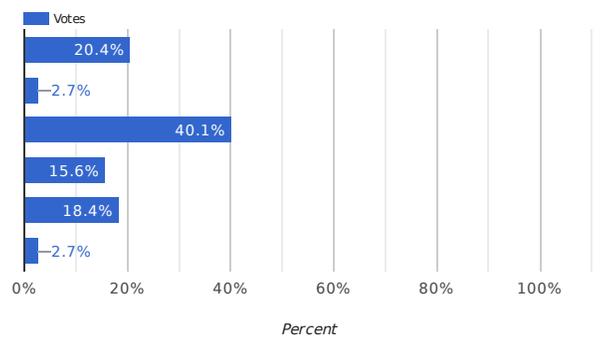
Q3 Which one of the following, if any, do you think is the best way to help sustain the local economy? (Choose ONE)
 (150 responses)

Options	Votes (150)
Develop cooperation between local businesses	16.0% (24)
Diversify local housing options for workers	6.7% (10)
Develop cultural and historical preservation programs	11.3% (17)
Attract additional businesses to the community	34.0% (51)
Higher quality education system	6.0% (9)
Higher quality of life (e.g. health, safety, recreation, culture)	17.3% (26)
Improve transportation options	3.3% (5)
None of these	5.3% (8)

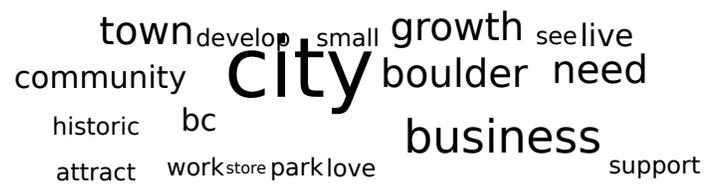


Q4 Which best describes you?
 (147 responses)

Options	Votes (147)
I own a business in Boulder City	20.4% (30)
I own a business outside Boulder City	2.7% (4)
I work in Boulder City (not as a business owner)	40.1% (59)
I work outside Boulder City (not as a business owner)	15.6% (23)
I don't work or own a business	18.4% (27)
Not Sure	2.7% (4)



Q5 Any other comments or suggestions about economic development in Boulder City?
(60 responses)



Unfiltered responses

- I would love to see the businesses we have work together and support each other ,more cooperation and less competition.
- Work to support both Heritage and Active/Adventure tourism. Heritage tourism could include historic preservation. Energy development should acknowledge the dam and its role.
- Make sure ALL of the local businesses are involved and INCLUDED in the economic development plan. Spend more time reaching out to them and scheduling meetings at times convenient for them.
- Residents of Boulder City should contribute in the form of a small tax increase across the board to support its community hospital.
- Southern Nevada has a food deficit, most of the food in Southern Nevada is imported from out of state and is a terrible risk. I also believe that water conservation by not adding development to an overtaxed water source is key to sustainability. So to accomplish both goals I strongly recommend adding agriculture that does not use traditional tillage methods.
- Boulder City is truly a diamond in the ruff. There are many opportunities for growth here.
- The housing shortage is stifling the growth in this town. The new developments are a step in the right direction, but it needs to be expanded aggressively.
- No
- We need another grocery store
- Promoting a quality relationship between the City and the business community is a must. The redevelopment committee and funds could also be better utilized and promoted.
- Bring in another grocery chain to Boulder City! We need choices and when you have residents going over the hill for groceries, the local business are losing out!

City needs to be available for services to the community Mon-Fri.

Update zoning and building regulations to encourage renovation and restoration activities in downtown and tailor them to the limits imposed by older central business centers. Upgrade and FINISH the landscaping throughout the City. Much of it looks (and is) half-done.

It shouldn't be city's job to bring in companies, but to have codes that foster small business growth. The downtown buildings should have codes that encourage owners to keep and restore the historic nature of BC.

Boulder City needs to attract another Grocery Store. A Trader Joe's or Sprouts or Gelsons would be fitting for our City.

we need to continue to beautify Boulder City, create more parks.

Allow more growth consistent with the utility infrastructure. Land is one thing the city has a lot of. It seems like there is not much affordable housing for middle class families in BC.

Create a city owned fiber network to support the needs of software and content developers. High speed Internet fiber network would attract software and content developers.

I see the key to BC future is population growth to within the city current guidelines (permit wise) and attract more tourists, which will attract more new businesses.

I believe that our small town's economy is based on a number of entities such as: the city's and Chamber of Commerce's effort toward business development, diversification and retention, tourism and recreation and presenting a pleasing and functioning centralized 'town center'.

good idea for workshop thanks

First jobs, then housing. Otherwise you turn Boulder City into a bedroom community. The jobs need to be ones that are not entry level/retail/low wage jobs with no benefits. Boulder City would benefit highly from a better, updated zoning plan.

The slow housing growth has made Boulder City too expensive to live in. I have to commute to BC rather than live here. I much prefer the lifestyle of Boulder City than the surrounding communities over Railroad Pass.

I've lived in B.C. since 1991. I love this town but do not really want to see it grow much as that is the reason I live here. I would like to see a more appealing entrance to B.C. before Buchanan Blvd. and some serious clean up along the parkway. I'm happy to see that the infrastructure is being upgraded. Its good to see the Railroad Museum is a priority as well. Love that I can walk anywhere I need to go and that again is what is great about the control of growth and the quaintness of this beautiful little city. Thank You

The City needs to truly act and be more responsive and timely to the needs of our businesses in the community. They feel often ignored by City Hall and the Council members. By improving customer service and truly treating their needs with urgency instead of the current status quo, things could be completed more quickly than they are. We have a lot going for us, but the city and sometimes it's citizens have been our own worst enemy.

The city needs to offer more for teenaged kids and be more welcoming to younger families from outside Boulder.

The town is beautiful and has the power to attract ecotourism, historic tourism, and the arts including community theater. I cannot wait to see what's next.

keep BC a quaint city without the big box stores

We need a good place downtown for the tourists to park and a good map of the historical attractions and shops.

We have lake mead in our backyard and it's completely ignored. That is your money maker! Tourism and recreation will define our city

Work with the State to get the Railroad museum built and help ensure the passage of AB84

I do not think we need any additional growth, building more homes only taxes the limited services,schools, resources in BC and in my opinion lowers property values. I've lived here 30 years and love it here but if I wanted to be surrounded by businesses and homes I would have moved to Henderson years ago. Please keep us small and like our slogan used to be - clean and green!

Clean up the homeless population and Nevada Inn

Don't mess with growth control

Most of us live in Boulder City because we love our small, historic town. The small town feel is lost when we all argue and stew over things. Surely there is a way we can honor the standards we residents moved here for... Slow growth, historic preservation, a safe place with wholesome things to do... While taking care of our community by maintaing our power grid, rebuilding our pool and giving life to our outdated library (to name a few). Greed and a fast buck are not our standards. We do not want newest, most and biggest. We want comfortable, clean and well cared for. Thanks for considering my ideas.

Improved advertising and signage. Making it easier rather than harder for businesses to flourish. Better communication, less arguing. The Chamber of Commerce is doing a great job and the city needs to be 100% behind them.

My personal priorities for Boulder City include sustaining a strong educational system for our youth, maintaining our parks and the city aesthetics, minimizing growth and development, and protecting the safety of our small town. I do not believe renewable energy or "forced" employment growth, business incentives, or business growth are necessary or beneficial.

Find a way, through more solar, to bring utility rates back down to where they were 3 yrs. ago. This should help attract new business as well as help the existing ones.

Work with existing businesses to promote business. Be a town other businesses want to come to

No Welcome Center conglomerate on the outskirts of town. If this plan is implemented it will certainly do what everyone assumed the I-11 was going to do.. Turn our wonderful town into a ghost town.

I'm also a resident and the previous questions seemed to focus only on the perspectives of business owners, which historically seems to have constrained the thought process in town. It would also be interesting to understand the perspectives of people who don't live or work in Boulder City, but want to.

-Would love to see a locally-owned coffee shop downtown, especially for telecommuters and for co-working space

Need to keep aggressively advertising BC as a tourist destination especially now that the bypass has taken opportunistic business away from our town.

Maintain historical aspect of the city. Monitor growth, especially residential developments. Work with the federal agencies to exploit their interests (and budgets). Make the historical contributions of BC the focus of tourism outreaches. Keep Boulder City the small town that it is and has been.

Continue effort to diversify businesses beyond antique stores pawn shops and bars. Our restaurant choices are limited. What about more ethnic healthy (non fast food) restaurants. Bars could step up their food quality too, to get my business. What about more cultural businesses... cosmopolitan book store, food coop or Trader Joe's (or some other small grocery option). A real farmers market in more visible location like in our shaded parks. Need to maintain water filtration site and make it a gathering place for residents and visitors (social events, art shows, farmers market). Expand community gardens to schools and neighborhoods and attract residents to truly clean green BC. Careful if expanding OHV trails... once damaged the desert takes decades/centuries to repair and dust is major detriment to human health, asthma in kids.

More forward thinking rather than reactions to current problems.

Allow some growth! We have become stagnant or are even regressing. Small growth is good! No more boarded up buildings. More than one grocery store. Don't let the old fogeys hold Boulder City back!

I believe the vast way to fuel our economy is to promote tourism and promote new businesses, entrepreneurship, and redevelopment.

Create opportunities to develop Boulder City as a destination.

Keep up activities in the park that bring in tourist (special events/food festivals) As a local who works in Henderson, I'd like to stay in town as much as possible on weekends with fun outdoor options. Increase local restaurants and shopping. As always, local history is a wonderful way to attract people. Increase tv media coverage perhaps, for events. I hear the commercials for Art in the Park only. As a parent, these outdoor events give the kids something to enjoy also! Movies in the park relevant to young and old...classic/iconic? I just love when events are happening!

Help to rehab the inside of the old commercial buildings. Not just the outside.

I lived and taught in Boulder City for 23 years, raised my daughter here and have been active in community organizations.

Senior discounts on city billed items! Support Senior Center; since city uses a display board, inside BC Senior Center.

Don't place money over quality and safety of the community. Many people live here to be safe and get away from the trouble that comes with compromising community standards. If this happens, there will be less of an appeal to live here if the issues become similar to "bigger city issues." Recently I have seen some weird things happening on the street that was never the case in the past. Things are changing. With good leadership it doesn't have to be that way. But somehow money always trumps reason. I hope it don't happen here.

Include the Chamber of Commerce

I would like to see the city grow to around 25,000 people. I am a BC native and am not afraid of a little growth.

Focus on being / everything that Las Vegas is Not. People come to Boulder City to visit or live so they can get a break from the Las Vegas/Henderson vibe.

We need some sort of draw to get people to stop in Boulder City. ot just locals but tourists too. Family friendly. Something you can only buy or do in BC. Could be a family attraction, a restaurant, or a theme park, etc.

Our community would benefit from City training to interact with the public. Service minded individuals providing direction and information without bias or favoritism, will help to provide a consistent experience within the City network of support. The website has improved but is still difficult to navigate. As an example, all property files are now digitized, but the pathway is vague and ambiguous, unless you know how to maneuver. The plan for community pool could be done in stages, without the hope that the City will be more cautious with funds. A \$40M aquatic center is excessive. Spending should be tempered with the budget. If utility rates doubled for some residents, how are the funds being utilized. The statement by the mayor to simply raise taxes is unacceptable. Transparency is paramount to engaged and supportive citizens. Dismissing concerns has often simply led to frustration. A simple solution to the City image. Recycling containers w/trash receptacles.