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Survey Results: Website Improvements

These FlashVote results are shared with local officials



Q1 Over the last 12 months, about how often have you visited the City of South San Francisco website (www.ssf.net)?

(146 responses by)

Options	Locals (146)
Once a month or more	32.9% (48)
Once every few months	31.5% (46)
Once or twice	25.3% (37)
I haven't visited it in the last 12 months	8.9% (13)
Not Sure	1.4% (2)



Q2 Have you ever found it hard to find information or accomplish a goal when you visited the website?

(135 responses by)

Options	Locals	(135)
No	46.7%	(63)
Not Sure/Never visited the website	11.9%	(16)
Yes, and I had a hard time with:	41.5%	(56)

Locals
No -46.7%
Not Sure/Never visited the
website
Yes, and I had a hard time with:
0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% Percent
located online details new commission link relevant updates plans information city rec looking work registration schedules lot info things
permits code live specific figure event well contact contact park building
department report hours search police
recreation make calendar street feature tree class
Finding what committees are in SSF, days they meet, and how to join/when they are accepting apps
getting information on pruning trees not belonging to me but to a neighbor
Parks & Rec
things are categorized in confusing ways
Finding details about the various departments, their schedules, and their processes.
Search box does not seem to yield relevant posts, even though I have located them by hunting!
It doesn't offer a lot of details. I know the program exist, but I need to know more.
I was looking good at contractor and building codes and business info
project plans
I don't remember
Yes, couldn't find the survey about the new Bike lane and Bus stop ramps between Spruce and Country
how to report parking concern
Finding specific staff PHONE NUMBER
Finding how to communicate with city officers.
Finding municipal code
calendar was not updated for events, some departments were not updated as well
Navigating through to find information about police, public works
It took me awhile to figure out where the Park and Rec online sign in
Parking notifications as well as city tree fungus notifications

searching results are not accurate	
Permits, parks	
Finding contact information in different city departments	
A lot of things	
Online class registration, pool hours	
finding how to log in for a council meeting	
Can't find uptodate organization chart	
Having to download report PDFs linked to council/commis	ssion agendas, rather than open in browser
Figuring out who to call	
Finding applicable codes	
The intranet has no information.	
Accessing council live stream	
Master fee schedules, similar level items	
Finding updated event information	
Getting to park and rec registration	
searching the website to find a specific resource	
finding board members	
how to get a tour of new police station	
calendar of events	
The search feature	
Finding city events	
Too much information on the home page, too busy, makin	ng it harder to find information
finding city council meeting zoom links	
Finding information I wanted	
finding an address to write to city leaders	
LOCATING INFORMATION I'M LOOKING FOR	
Trying to find out more details on something I read about	:
Finding relevant information about hours or where to go	
Find link to council live meetings and commissions meeti	ng minutes aren't updates
Building department info	
street/curb problem and flooding of front yard	

Q3 Think about the last time you visited the City website, what were you trying to do? (Choose ONE)

(130 responses by)

Options	Locals (130)
I have never visited the website	3.8% (5)
Pay a bill or fee	0.8% (1)
Report a problem	10.0% (13)
Reserve/rent a public facility or park	3.8% (5)

	Locals (130)
Find information on City Services (meetings/agendas, documents, contact info, job opportunities, services, etc.)	58.5% (76)
Find assistance/resources (housing, legal, food)	1.5% (2)
View crime statistics	0.8% (1)
Apply for a license or permit	4.6% (6)
Other:	16.2% (21)
Locals I have never visited the -3.8% Pay a bill or fee Pay a bill or fe	
movie agenda exercise pickleball times registration previously calendar behavior official	
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Park and Rec classes
Register for Parks and Rec classes
register for a class/drop in pickleball
Register for swim class
Enroll in fall music classes
Class registration
Adult exercise classes
research corrupt city official behavior
Looked for City Calendar of events.
Find a city event
Parks & Rec information
l can't remember
Register for classes park and rec
Register for parks and rec classes

Q4 Which of the following changes, if any, would improve our website the most? (You can choose up to FOUR, if any)

(122 responses by)

Options	Locals	(122)
Easier navigation	58.2%	(71)
Better search results	41.8%	(51)
Multi-lingual translation	4.9%	(6)
Web accessibility for disabled users	3.3%	(4)
More direct buttons for departments	50.8%	(62)
More images or videos and less text	12.3%	(15)
Better mobile phone experience or performance	27.0%	(33)
More project updates	23.0%	(28)
Other:	13.1%	(16)



reply menudepartment clearer documents give data nice page access ssf drop event find sent information much complete look updates set consolidated going

More visually appealing website

Deeper more complete content. More text documents.

never visited site

knowing which department to look under for what I need

Clearer and consolidated information on all city events through the calendar

Would like to see crime statistics by neighborhood

the drop down menu is annoying

Access to SeeClickFix data

more detailed event info, rather than a pdf of the event's flyer that we used to find the webpage

direct access to city departments

It would be nice to receive a reply on sent messages, otherwise, it seems person doesn't give a dar

None

I just use engage ssf works find

More current Event updates

The home page is too busy - too much going on, but the navigation menu and drop-down menu is great!

More content and things that are community contributed or engaged.

Q5 Any other comments or suggestions for improvements to navigation or other changes that would help make the City's website more useful to you?

(30 responses by)

now employee meetings familiar really really access update department access confusing going look email replyfind know look email replyfind direct page type links site instead City make least phone reading around navigate months like Website help time move

SSF has wonderful services and programs, and there is a ton of good information on the website. However, the website does not do your offerings justice, as it is clunky and looks dated. Information is often embedded many layers deep, making it hard to find what you are looking for.

I contacted a department (don't recall which one but I'm sure you can figure out) to find out about property lines. The lady that replied was very vague in her reply with absolutely now empathy at all. I should have saved the email to provide it. She had the glamorous title but not helpful at all, not realizing she is a city employee that should be assisting South San Francisco residents.

Links from the development construction map to the appropriate planning documents/presentations for each numbered project.

None I can think of right now.

None

more services info, food pantry, free shots, more on the classes offered for free. more advanced notice, not tomorrow is movie night in paradise valley. Calendar should be updated for at least 4 months out.

There should be a button on there to communicate if you are going to miss a class, rather than have to send an email

More modern design that showcases the city's strength. The current site design is a bit drab.

Search engine directions are misleading and confusing. Missing my yellow pages!

None at this time, thanks.

More content around how to become more engaged, contribute, and share feedback.

More direct email addresses for city staff, there are times that you want a record of your conversation, or the resolution to a problem. I realize that email is time consuming, but it would be helpful to have that type of correspondence option available.

Monthly summaries of what's going on in each department

Better calendar of events and meetings

Make it easier to see the Council Agenda and watch the council meetings.

Have reports open in browser instead of downloading pdfs

A flow chart for common and slightly less common city requests so we know who to contact

Appreciate all you do and wish to learn more about how to get around and navigate the new building.

Too much staff and really very little help

Please let employees/the public know what is happening in the city.

Drop down too fast, obscures reading and navigation

a lot of "page not found" links - get rid of them.

The communication handwork call

City Calendar should be on the main menu

Navigation that is like the City of Austin TX's website.

This is the 2nd time I'm completing this survey.

I know all that familiar with it. I moved here about 15 months ago and I was trying to familiarize myself with the city services, etc. To tell you the truth, I can't really remember particularly about when I visited the site.

Update the UI! it looks like its from the 90s.

Yes update it with real pictures and updates of events.... Rsvp or registration to events should be easier and website should have more Spanish language content!!

make all inquiries or emails be responded by a person with their e-mail or phone number, instead of a canned reply or answer

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