

## PURPOSE

The purpose of this document is to summarize the comments collected on post-it notes at the September 23 Park County Strategic Master Plan Update Community Workshop in Bailey. The comments are organized by vision question (below) and grouped into themes. The numbers in the parentheses (3) indicate the number of individual comments collected at the workshop that were the same or similar to that particular comment or topic.

## BACKGROUND

57 community members attended the Bailey Community Workshop to help planners create the master plan vision statements, the first step in developing and up-to-date Strategic Master Plan for Park County. One exercise during the Community Workshop was an interactive, energetic event with small and large group discussions structured on these questions:

- What do we treasure about Park County that you don't want to change?
- What concerns do we have about Park County and what changes are needed for the future?

## RESULTS

### WHAT DO WE TREASURE AND WANT TO PRESERVE ABOUT PARK COUNTY?

#### History/heritage

Rural character/Mountain Character (17)

Sense of community (6)

Individual Rights/Honor individual differences (2)

Conservative Values

Natural beauty/scenic views (10)

Bristlecone Pines (2)

Wildlife (9)

Topography (2)

Wetlands

Ridgelines

Clean Air (3)

Proximity to wilderness

Snow

Gardening

Kenosha Pass

History (7)

- South Park City



- Cemeteries
- Railroad Museum
- Historic Structures (4)
- Snowstorm Dredge & Gold Dredge

Peace & Quiet (7)

Quality of life (4)

Keep Park County as it is

Low crime rates

The developing community consciousness

Spirit of volunteerism

### **Economy**

Home businesses

Local mom and pop stores

No big industry

Mining

Ranching

### **Land Use Regulations**

Small lot (1-5 acres) zoning for livestock

Keep low density (2)

### **Governance**

Small government

Low taxes

### **Recreation**

Trails/Access

Open Space (10)

Recreation activities/Recreational appeal (4)

- Hunting (2)
- Fishing
- Hiking

National land use

Keep recreation compatible with rural character

Shooting rights

### **Natural Resources**

Water quality (3)

### **Public Services**

Investing in schools and libraries (4)



Emergency Services  
Infrastructure  
Keep roads unpaved  
Lack of congestion

## **WHAT CONCERNS DO WE HAVE ABOUT PARK COUNTY AND WHAT CHANGES ARE NEEDED?**

### **Community/Quality of Life**

Reputation that anything goes in Park County (2)  
Bailey V. Fairplay Culture  
Preserve the natural environment  
Concern about groups coming into county making big changes for short term weekends with lasting effects

### **Economy**

More economic development along Hwy 285  
Improve roadside appeal, make people want to stop (3)  
More jobs (3)

- More jobs for youth (1)

More diverse tax base  
More business growth/keep money in the county (2)  
Lack of opportunities  
Encourage businesses not currently in the county-drugstore, bakery, butcher, farmer's market, movie theatre...  
Support low impact commercial that fits mountain style (2)  
Limited commercialization  
Draw in more tourists  
Need a brewery in Bailey  
Lack of grocery store in Bailey (2)  
No dollar store in Bailey  
No bank in Bailey (2)  
Support Bailey businesses  
More services on Crow Hill  
Concern that anti-growth attitude will hurt young residents  
Concern for blind economic development  
Special event regulations too restrictive  
Keep Special event regulations (4)

- Don't allow blow out music events
- No infrastructure for large events
- Limit large events on agricultural lands/no events near residential

Encourage medical facilities and physician (2)



## **Governance**

Better Animal control rules enforcement  
More county meetings/public input opportunities in Bailey area (2)  
Lack of county communication/need a better system to inform the entire county  
Less government regulation  
Regulations are not enforced (2)  
Less nanny state  
More leadership from large landowners partnering with county on community projects  
Want more tax resources to go to high population areas  
More help with neighborhood issues  
Put money towards road improvements and business support  
Concern about the size of government & regulations given size of population  
Uphold new regulations  
Inconsistent procedures for government hearings

## **Marijuana**

Change the perception that marijuana is bad for Park County  
Tired of being known as "Pot" County  
Only 1 Marijuana store per 30 miles  
No more marijuana businesses (3)  
Don't allow marijuana grow operations in residential areas (2)  
Concern about marijuana (7)  
Repeal Marijuana

## **Land Use Regulations**

More low impact development  
Include look and feel of structures in master plan  
Enforce land use regulations (3)

- No junk yards
- Commercial timber cutting

Prevent commercial sprawl on 285  
Inappropriate spot zoning  
Allow proposed businesses to negotiate with neighbors to get approval  
Loosen Building codes (2)

- Less restrictions for small construction projects

Improve permitting process  
Bigger lot sizes  
Concern about light pollution  
Covenant enforcement

## **Recreation**

Shooting on small properties is a safety hazard



Restricted hunting in residential areas (archery/muzzle loaded) in residential areas overpopulated by elk/deer

Use the rivers and mountains, make them more accessible

Maintain outdoor rec. opportunities-Hiking, biking, horseback riding, camping, climbing

Don't build sports fields or rec centers that mimic city amenities

Housing

Need more affordable housing (2)

- Housing for singles and young families

### **Infrastructure**

Improve current infrastructure to handle future development before it occurs

More funding for Road & Bridge

Better road maintenance (8)

Improve dirt roads

Improve secondary roads

Improve subdivision roads

Traffic (2)

Traffic on Hwy 285 (4)

Expand Hwy 285 (2)

Concern about increased traffic

Only 3 roads into and out of county

Waste water treatment for Bailey area

### **Public Services**

More police services (3)

- More highway patrol

Law enforcement underfunded (2)

Need more funding for emergency services

More ambulance services (3)

Need medical facilities (6)

- Hospital

No medical care available on CR (24)

Need retirement home/Independent living facilities (2)

Increase funding for schools (3)

No common core in schools

Need transit

### **Natural Resources**

Water quality (2)

Lack of water (3)

Control watershed pollution

