2022 Survey of Pleasanton Business Leaders

Results of a Study Conducted from January 18 – February 18, 2022

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1 METHODOLOGY

From January 18 – February 18. 2022, FM3 completed 313 online and telephone (landline and wireless) interviews with Pleasanton business owners and managers. The licensed business population size is 4,452. Subsequently, the margin of sampling error for the study is +/-5.4% at the 95% confidence level; margins of error for population subgroups within the sample will be higher. Due to rounding, not all totals will sum to 100%.

The sample is based on a list of business licenses registered to and provided by the City of Pleasanton. Businesses were contacted with the email addresses and phone numbers on file with the license. Phone operators specifically asked to interview and confirm if the respondents were owners and managers authorized to make decisions on behalf of their organization. Responses were weighted based on their business ZIP code (94588 and 94566 -- areas of the city north and south of the Arroyo Valle, respectively), the number of employees their business has, and the type of business that they fall under to ensure that sample demographics are proportional to the overall population (seen in Figure 2).

The 2022 survey is based on previous surveys conducted Pleasanton in 2015 and 2012 by JD Franz, another polling firm, and a majority of the questions were brought back to maintain consistency across time. That said, due to the lack of unabridged datasets from the previous surveys, only a few results in this report (Figures 10, 26, and 31) are directly comparable with past results. FM3 also worked with City staff with input from the Economic Vitality Committee, over the course of several meetings and drafts to develop new questions that would better reflect the state of business in Pleasanton in 2022.

2 Profile of Business Respondents

2.1 Demographics

Most respondents represented small businesses (86%) and businesses headquartered in Pleasanton (74%), with roughly two in five (42%) woman-owned and one-third (32%) minority owned (Figure 1).

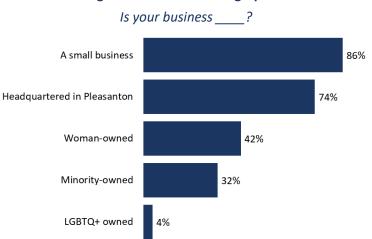


Figure 1: Business Demographics



From the City's business license list, administrative staff created categories for businesses that were subsequently contacted for this survey. Those working in "business services" made up the largest portion of respondents (35%), while roughly one in ten fell into each of the following categories: professional services, healthcare, personal services, and trade services (Figure 2). Business services broadly includes industries such as real estate, property management, information technology, along with numerous small and non-specialized services that do not fit neatly into professional, personal, or trade services.

Business services 35% Professional services 11% Healthcare 10% Personal services 10% **Trade Services** 10% Retail Restaurant/Food 6% Education/Instruction Non-profit 4% Recreation/Tourism 1%

Figure 2: Business Type

In general, business demographics collected in the survey were similarly distributed across the largest business type categories. For example, more than 80% of each business type analyzed described itself as a "small business." Notable outliers were woman-owned businesses, which were a majority of healthcare and personal services businesses, but only 29% of businesses services and 25% of trade services. Personal service businesses were also more likely to identify as minority-owned (13%) than other business types.

Figure 3: Small Businesses, Headquarter, and Ownership Status by Most Common Business Types Only business types represented by at least 10% of respondents are included

	Business Services	Healthcare	Personal Services	Professional Services	Trade Services
Small business	83%	89%	93%	90%	95%
Headquartered in Pleasanton	73%	70%	77%	82%	90%
Woman owned	29%	61%	77%	44%	25%
Minority owned	30%	32%	33%	38%	25%
LGBTQ+ owned	1%	5%	13%	3%	2%

¹ For analytical purposes, we limited the analysis by business type to the five largest groups: business services, professional services, healthcare, personal services, and trade services.



Older and newer businesses were evenly represented (Figure 4). Twenty percent have been in Pleasanton for fewer than five years, a quarter (25%) for 5-10 years, and 21% for 11-20 years. Nearly a third (31%) have been in business in the City for at least 21 years.

Figure 4: Time in Business in Pleasanton

How many years has your business been in Pleasanton?

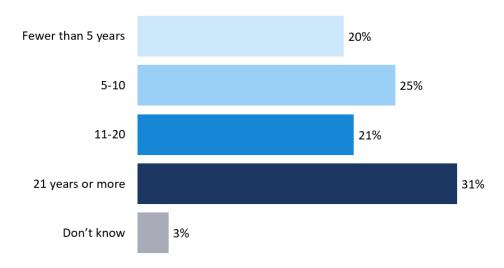


Figure 5 breaks down how long the largest sectors have operated in Pleasanton. Trade and business services are most likely to have been operating in Pleasanton for more than 20 years (44% and 39%, respectively). Healthcare and personal services are more likely to have been operated for fewer than five years (34%, each).

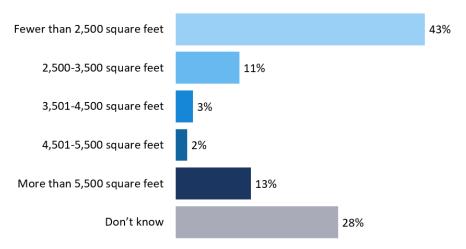
Figure 5: Time in Business in Pleasanton by Most Common Business Types
Only business types represented by at least 10% of respondents are included

	Business Services	Healthcare	Personal Services	Professional Services	Trade Services
Fewer than 5 years	13%	34%	34%	24%	14%
5-10 years	24%	33%	30%	28%	24%
11-20 years	21%	14%	15%	29%	13%
21 years or more	39%	18%	18%	15%	44%
Don't Know	4%	3%	3%	5%	5%



Square footage follows somewhat of a bimodal distribution as seen in Figure 6. Forty-three percent operate with fewer than 2,500 square feet in Pleasanton and 11% operate with 2,500-3,500 square feet. Few have between 3,500-5,500 square feet, while 13% operate with more than 5,500 square feet.

Figure 6: Square FootageApproximately how many square feed foes your business have in Pleasanton?



The typical respondent also had five or fewer employees in the City and none outside it (Figure 7). Over a fifth of Pleasanton businesses interviewed were self-employed businesses.

How many employees do How many employees do you have outside of you have in Pleasanton? Pleasanton? 48% 0 23% 1 (self-employed) 16% 1-5 34% 2-5 8% 6-15 20% 6-15 16-25 16-25 6% 26-50 3% 26-50 51-250 3% 51-250 251-500 Don't know Don't know 19%

Figure 7: Employee Count



2.2 Future Expectations

Four in five (81%) said their business are "definitely" or "probably" likely to still be in Pleasanton two years from now and only 6% feel this will not be the case (Figure 8). Notably, only 56% of restaurant and food service businesses said they were likely to stay in Pleasanton two years from now, compared to at least 77% of other business types. Fifteen percent of respondents in food services say they were unlikely to stay and 28% were uncertain.

Figure 8: Likelihood of Being in Pleasanton in the Near Future Do you feel your business will definitely, probably, probably not, or definitely not be in Pleasanton two years from now? 46% Definitely/ **Probably** 81% Probably 35% Probably/ **Definitely** Not

Definitely Probably not Definitely not 12% Not sure

As seen in Figure 9, many were optimistic about their revenue in two years, though most expected to maintain the same number of employees and square footage. Those in education, healthcare, and the restaurant and food industry were most likely to expect more revenue. Respondents from the education sector were also most likely to expect expansion of employees and square footage.

Figure 9: Expectations for Growth Also, two years from now, do you feel your business will have more, less, or about the same__ ■ More ■ Same ■ Don't Know ■ Less Amount of revenue 41% 26% 17% 16% Number of employees 29% 21% Number of square feet of space 15% 56% 14%



3 Doing Business in Pleasanton

3.1 Views of Pleasanton as a Place to do Business

Pleasanton is still overwhelmingly viewed as an excellent or good place to do business. As shown in Figure 10 below, more than four in five (84%) say Pleasanton is an excellent or good place to do business. While this rating is lower than when the survey was last conducted seven years prior, such a trend in ratings is consistent with other surveys conducted in the region since the start of the coronavirus pandemic. As shown in Figure 11 below and on the next page, these views are also consistent across several organizational and demographic factors: years in operation in Pleasanton, employee count, ZIP code of operation, business type, and minority- and women-owned status.

Figure 10: Pleasanton as a Place to Do Business

In general, would you say that Pleasanton is an excellent, good, fair, or poor place to do business?



Figure 11: Pleasanton as a Place to Do Business by Demographics

By Years in City, Number of Employees, and ZIP Code

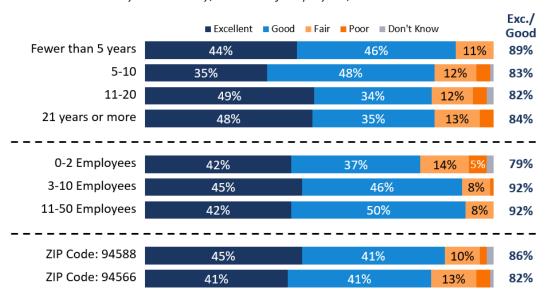
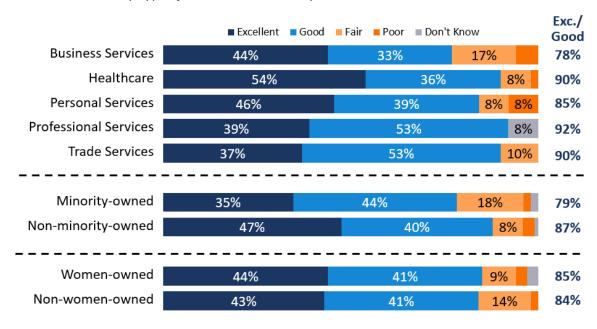




Figure 11: Pleasanton as a Place to Do Business by Demographics (continued)

By Type of Business and Minority- and Women-owned Status



Those who rate the city as an "excellent" or "good" place to do business see the city as business-friendly and well-kept, and are fond of its location and open space. Low crime and safety, local government, and community were also commonly cited factors. As shown in Figures 12 and 13 below and on the next page, those who give an "excellent" or "good" rating do so for similar reasons.

Figure 12: Reasons for Calling Pleasanton an "Excellent" Place to Do Business

Why would you say that it is an excellent place to do business? (Open-ended; Asked of those who said Pleasanton is an "excellent" place to do business, n=143)

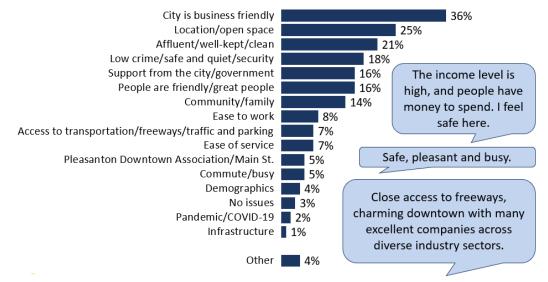
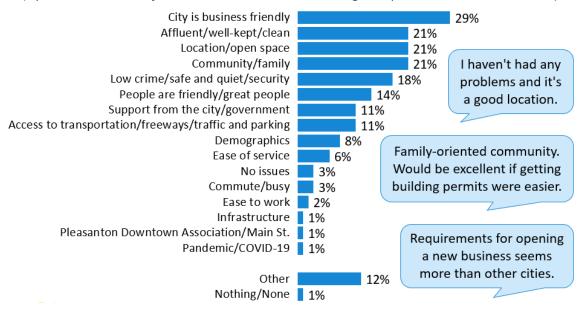




Figure 13: Reasons for Calling Pleasanton a "Good" Place to Do Business

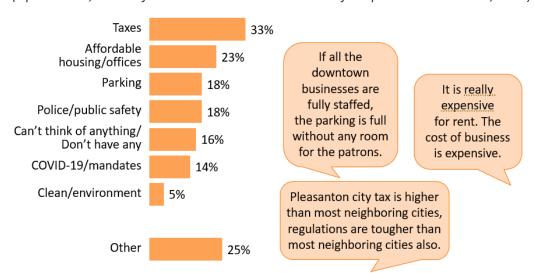
Why would you say that it is a good place to do business? (Open-ended; Asked of those who said Pleasanton is a "good" place to do business, n=139)



A third (33%) of those who rate the city as a "fair" place to do business cited taxes as the reason for the rating. This is followed with housing and office costs (23%), parking (18%), public safety (18%), and COVID-19-related issues (14%). Among the nine respondents who rated Pleasanton a "poor" place to live, taxes, COVID-19 mandates, and housing costs were also mentioned.

Figure 13: Reasons for Calling Pleasanton a "Fair" Place to Do Business

Why would you say that it is a fair place to do business? (Open-ended; Asked of those who said Pleasanton is a "fair" place to do business, n=36)





3.2 Views of Pleasanton's Location, Amenities, Infrastructure, and Services

Pleasanton received high marks for attracting and accessing customers and vendors, but lower ones for attracting and retaining employees. Figure 14 shows ratings for various aspects of Pleasanton's commercial geography. About four in five rate attracting (80%) and accessing (77%) customers as "excellent" or "good," while two-thirds (65%) say the same of access vendors. However, they give moderate ratings for attracting (52%) and retaining (51%) employees. As seen in Figure 15, this is an issue for the most common sectors aside from business services.

Figure 14: Rating Pleasanton's Location

Thinking more specifically about Pleasanton's location. Would you say the city's location is excellent, good, fair, or poor in terms of _____?

Aspect of Location	Excellent/ Good	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't Know
Attracting customers	80%	38%	42%	10%	2%	8%
Accessing customers	77%	37%	40%	12%	3%	9%
Accessing vendors	65%	29%	36%	12%	4%	19%
Finding appropriate business space	59%	21%	39%	20%	10%	10%
Attracting qualified employees	52%	18%	34%	23%	8%	17%
Retaining quality employees	51%	18%	33%	23%	6%	19%

Figure 15: Attracting and Retaining Employees by Most Common Business Types

Only business types represented by at least 10% of respondents are included (% Excellent and Good)

Aspect of Location	Business Services	Healthcare	Personal Services	Professional Services	Trade Services
Attracting qualified employees	65%	46%	37%	49%	41%
Retaining quality employees	61%	45%	43%	34%	43%



Pleasanton's roads are well-regarded, with 79% rating them as "excellent" or "good" (Figure 16). Upwards to 73% viewed sewer, telecommunication, utility, and water services in the same light. Public transit services received fewer positive ratings due to its unfamiliarity to many respondents (27% said they "don't know" how they would rate public transportation services).

Figure 16: Rating Pleasanton's Infrastructure

Thinking about the infrastructure in Pleasanton. Would you say that the quality of the _____ in Pleasanton is excellent, food, fair, or poor?

Aspect of Infrastructure	Excellent/ Good	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't Know
Roads	79%	29%	50%	18%	2%	1%
Sewer services	73%	29%	44%	11%	2%	14%
Telecommunication services	69%	25%	44%	16%	7%	9%
Electricity utility services	68%	28%	39%	16%	7%	9%
Water services	67%	26%	41%	12%	9%	11%
Public transportation services	47%	13%	34%	18%	8%	27%

Businesses valued Pleasanton's downtown, recreational activities, schools, and restaurants and shops - but they were very unhappy with housing costs. Notably, Pleasanton's public schools received more "excellent" ratings than most other amenities. As shown in Figure 17 below, nearly half (47%) rated the amount of affordable housing for employees as "poor."

Figure 17: Rating Pleasanton's Amenities

Thinking about the amenities or quality of life elements in Pleasanton. Would you say that the quality of the _____ in Pleasanton (is)(are) excellent, food, fair, or poor?

Amenity	Excellent/ Good	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't Know
Downtown	81%	42%	39%	13%	3%	3%
Recreational activities	79%	27%	52%	13%	1%	8%
Variety of restaurants	77%	34%	43%	18%	3%	1%
Shopping and retail options	75%	27%	48%	17%	5%	3%
Public schools	71%	39%	33%	6%	1%	22%
Entertainment options	56%	14%	42%	29%	8%	7%
Amount of affordable housing for employees	12%	2%	10%	27%	47%	14%

About half of businesses were interested in working with local students more. When asked about their interest in having more opportunities to work with local students, 48% said they were at least "somewhat interested." Those most likely to say they were "very interested" are in food service, education, and tourism businesses. Those most likely to say they were "not at all interested" are in professional and personal services, and whose businesses are more likely to only have one or two employees.



4 VIEWS OF CITY PROVIDED SERVICES

Respondents reported higher satisfaction with business-related City services they deem more important. Notably, public safety is near-unanimously considered an important city-provided service (Figure 18) and 88% believe the City is doing an "excellent" or "good" job providing it. Services seen with less importance are also met with proportional ratings in quality.

Figure 18: Importance of City Services

I would like to ask you about some of the services the City of Pleasanton provides. I am going to read you a list of five of these services. Please tell me whether you think it is a very, somewhat, not very, or not at all important service for the City to provide.

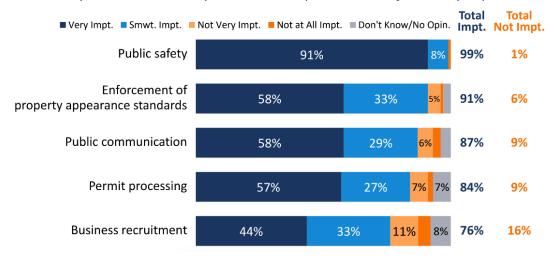
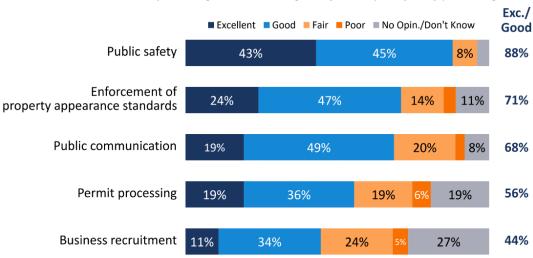


Figure 19: Rating City Services

I'm going to read the same list of City of Pleasanton services. This time, please tell me whether the City is doing an excellent, good, fair, or poor job of providing it.





5 EXPERIENCES WITH THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Don't know

5.1 Rating the City's Performance During the Pandemic

Three in five (61%) rated the City's communication with business owners through the pandemic "excellent" or "good" (Figure 20).

How would you rate the City of Pleasanton's communication with business owners through the coronavirus pandemic?

Excellent

Good

Fair

23%

Poor

11%

Figure 20: Rating the City's Communication

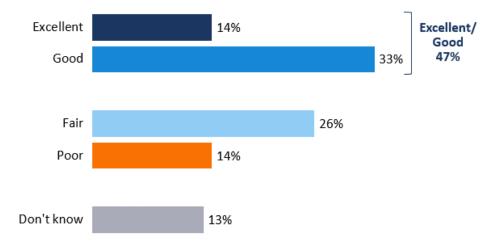
Nearly half (47%) rated the services provided during that time the same (Figure 21 on the next page). Notable breakdowns for City service ratings across several organizational and demographic factors are as follows:

- Businesses in operation for fewer than five years and between five and 10 years are more likely to give at least a "good" rating (57% and 50%, respectively) than businesses in operation for 11 to 20 years (45%) and over 20 years (43%).
- Larger businesses (at least ten employees) are slightly more likely to give higher ratings (55%) than small businesses with 3-10 employees (48%) and fewer than three (44%).
- Those operating in the 94588 ZIP code region north of the Arroyo Valle and west of Interstate 580 gave slightly higher ratings than those in the 94566 ZIP code region south of the Arroyo Valle (50% to 44%).
- Those in healthcare (60%) and business services (51%) gave noticeably higher ratings compared to those in professional services (40%), trade services (36%), and personal services (33%).
- Minority-owned businesses (43%) gave slightly lower ratings compared to non-minority-owned businesses (49%).
- Women-owned businesses (48%) gave similar same ratings as non-women-owned businesses (46%).



Figure 21: Rating the City's Services

How would you rate the services provided by the City of Pleasanton to support and aid businesses through the coronavirus pandemic?



5.2 Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Businesses

Many businesses introduced greater flexibility in work hours (51%), remote or contactless services for customers (46%), and work-from-home (45%) in response to the pandemic. Smaller shares paused operations entirely (25%) or laid off employees (18%).

Figure 22: Actions Taken in Response to Pandemic

I'm going to read you a list of actions some business-owners have taken over the last 2 years in response to the coronavirus pandemic. Please tell me if you had or have taken that action for your business.

Action	% Who Took Said Action
Introduced greater flexibility in work hours	51%
Introduced or increased remote or contactless services	46%
Allowed or increased work from home	45%
Reduced employee work hours	37%
Decreased hours of operation	35%
Reduced the number of services offered	28%
Paused all services or operations completely	25%
Laid off employees	18%
Increased hours of operation	8%
Other	4%
Did not take any actions	11%

Two in three businesses received some form of financial aid. As shown in Figure 23 below, the federal government was the most common source of aid, with upwards to nearly half receiving Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loans. Upwards to 17% received state aid and upwards to 9% received local aid.



Figure 23: Types of Aid Received

I'm going to read you a list of ways in which some business owners have sought aid in the last two years.

Please tell me if you have received aid or relief through that means.

Provider of Aid	Type of Aid	% Who Received Aid
	A Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Loan	48%
	A COVID-19 Economic Injury Disaster Loan	15%
Federal	Federal Tax Credits	9%
	Small Business Administration debt relief	6%
	Restaurant Revitalization funding	3%
State	CA Small Business COVID-19 Relief Grant	17%
State	State tax credits	6%
Local	Alameda County CARES Act Grant	9%
LOCAI	City business support loan program	7%
Private/Other	Private donations through platforms such as GoFundMe	1%
Private/Other	Other	4%
	Did not receive aid	34%

Two in five say their business is doing worse financially than before the pandemic, while one third say they are doing better. Older businesses were twice as likely to say they were facing financial challenges compared to businesses in operation for less than five years. Nearly seven in ten in the personal services sector say they are doing financially worse -- a rate significantly higher than all other common sectors in Pleasanton. As noted earlier in Section 2.1, personal service businesses are more likely to identify as woman-owned. Subsequently, woman-owned businesses were also more likely to say they are doing worse compared non-woman-owned businesses (48% to 33%).

Figure 24: Businesses' Current Financial Situation

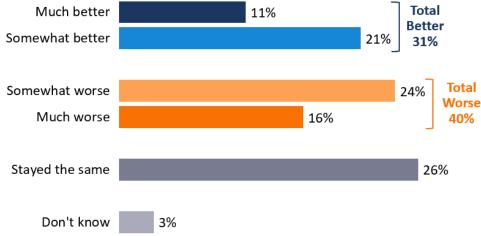
Would you say that your business is currently doing better, worse, or staying the same financially as it was before the coronavirus pandemic?

Much better

11%

Total

Retter





Employee exposure to COVID-19 has been a substantial concern throughout the pandemic. As seen in Figure 25 below and on the next page, concern about exposure to COVID-19 is a more common concern than other financial issues including offering competitive wages and declines in sales.

Figure 25: Businesses' Top Concerns

Now I would like you to rate how much of a problem, if at all, each of the following are for your business as a result of the coronavirus pandemic: an extremely serious problem, a very serious problem, somewhat serious problem, or not too serious a problem in your business

Concern	% Extremely/Very Serious Problem
Concern about the well-being of employees being exposed to COVID-19 on the job	47%
Offering competitive wages	39%
Decline in business or sales	36%
The emotional health of employees	36%
Difficulty purchasing and receiving new inventory for your business	32%
Hiring employees to keep up with increased workflow	32%
Daycare or childcare challenges for employees	17%
Lack of technology and web resources to compete online sales	8%

6 General Interactions with the City

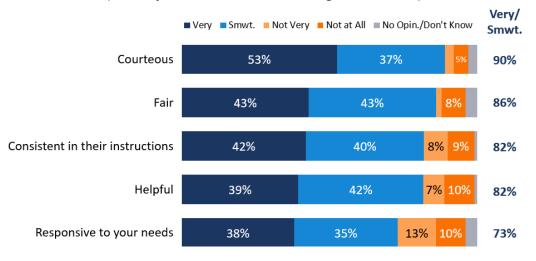
City staff received high marks for their courtesy, fairness, and helpfulness in the building permitting process.

Few businesses have been involved in the building permitting process lately (Figure 26). Only 14% said they've been involved in the building permitting process -- with 3% having done so in person, 5% online, and 6% both. Businesses most likely to have been involved were in trade and food services; they also tend to be larger businesses. City staff received high ratings across the board from those with personal experience of the process.



Figure 26: Ratings for Staff in Permitting Process

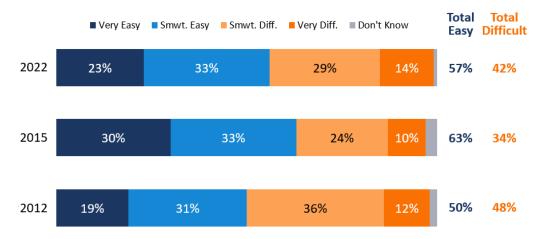
In general, would you say that the City staff involved in that process were very, somewhat, not very, or not at all _____? (Asked of Those Involved in Permitting Process, n=46)



As shown in Figure 27, a majority said the permitting process was easy (57%), though the share who said it was "very easy" (23%) is lower than in 2015 (30%). The total share of those who said it was difficult (42%) has also increased since 2015 (34%). That said, these ratings are still more positive than results from 2012.

Figure 27: Permitting Process Difficulty

Overall, would you say that the permitting process was very easy, somewhat easy, somewhat difficult, or very difficult?

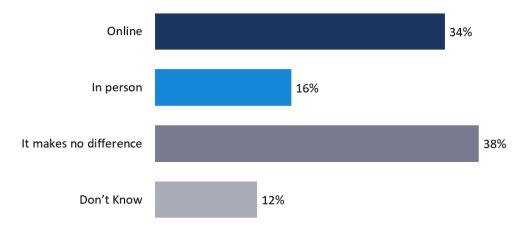


Nearly two in five (38%) respondents had no preference for whether the permitting process should be online or in person. Among those that had a preference, permitting online was preferred over going in person by a two to one margin (Figure 28).



Figure 28: Online or In Person Preference

Do you prefer utilizing the permitting process online or in person, or does it make no difference to you?

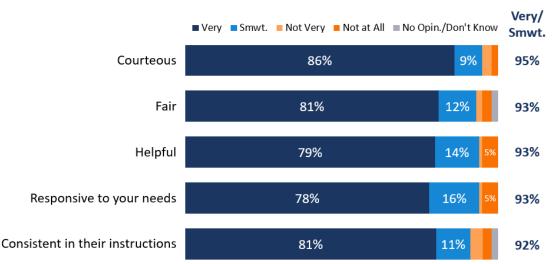


City staff also received high ratings across all categories for general information and assistance. One in three (34%) say they've contacted the City for general information or assistance in the past year. Twelve percent said they interacted with staff in person, while 15% said they had contact online and 8% through both means. Nonprofits, new businesses, and trade services were most likely to have had such interactions. As shown in Figure 29 below, four in five or more give the highest rating to City staff for: courtesy, fairness, helpfulness, responsiveness to needs, and consistency in instructions.

Figure 29: Ratings for Staff for General Assistance

In general, would you say that the City staff involved in that process were very, somewhat, not very, or not at all _____?

(Asked of Those with Other City Staff Contact, n=39)





7 VIEWS OF INTERNET AND PHONE SERVICES

Businesses overwhelmingly see reliable and high-speed internet and phone service as important - as shown in Figure 30, at least 88% say each is "very important" to their business. At the same time, as seen in Figure 31, most do not see obtaining these services as a problem in Pleasanton and less than a fifth (18%) say it is a major problem. That said, minority-, women-, and LGBT-owned businesses are more likely to say that obtaining reliable and high-speed internet access is a "major" problem.

Figure 30: Importance of Telecom Services

Thinking about internet and cell phone service, would you say that _____ is very important, somewhat important, not very important, or not at all important to your business?

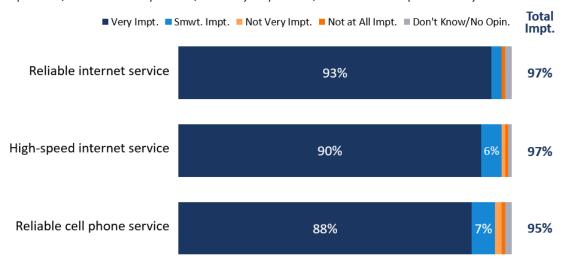
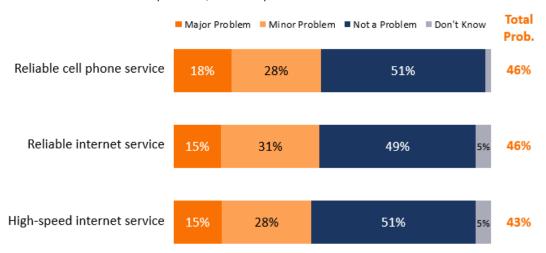


Figure 31: Difficulty of Obtaining Telecom Services

Have you found that obtaining _____ is a major problem, a minor problem, or not a problem at all in Pleasanton?

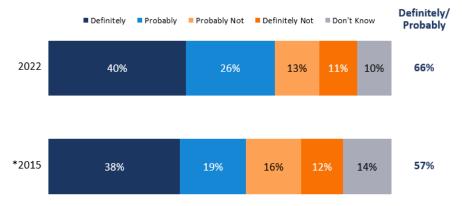




Two thirds also believe that the City should have a role in developing these services (Figure 32). This an increase by 9% from 2015 (57% to 66%), though the bulk of that increase is in the "probably" category (19% to 26%).

Figure 32: The City's Role in Developing Telecom Services in Pleasanton

Do you feel the City of Pleasanton should definitely, probably, probably no, or definitely not play a role in the development of internet and cell phone service in Pleasanton?



8 OTHER IMPORTANT ISSUES

At the end of the survey, respondents were given an opportunity to voice other important issues relevant to doing business in Pleasanton. As seen in Figure 33, 20% say they would like to see a broader degree of support from the City. This is followed by 11% saying the City is doing well and 7% voicing concerns about COVID-19-related issues. A plurality of respondents had nothing to add. Verbatim responses are seen on the next page in Figure 34.

Figure 33: Other Important Issues for the City to Consider

Now thinking about everything we have been discussing, plus anything else that may be important to you, what else would you like to tell the City about doing business in Pleasanton?

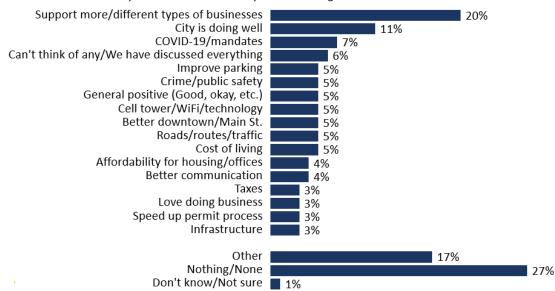




Figure 34: Verbatim Issues for the City to Consider

Access to living is very expensive for people and Pleasanton doesn't have any low-income housing.

A calendar of events sent to businesses and accessible online would be great! I seem to find out about street closures by word of mouth.

We get a lot of city support. We find it very easy and well supported to do business here.

Bring more diversity to the City. Let people know it's not just for Caucasians. My biggest issue is the affordable housing in Pleasanton. None of my employees can afford to live in Pleasanton.

Safety first. If people do not feel safe, they don't go out to dinner, buy a house or go out in public.

It is a pleasure to do business in Pleasanton.

City needs to remember everything does not revolve around downtown. Something needs to happen with the decline of Stoneridge shopping Mall and the number of crime and security issues.

Getting affordable high-speed internet has been challenging. It's available, but expensive.

9 CONCLUSIONS

On the whole, businesses are largely satisfied with Pleasanton's location, amenities, and quality of services they deem most important.

Pleasanton is still overwhelmingly viewed as an "excellent" or "good place" to do business, with four in five rating it so. They cited Pleasanton as being business friendly, having lots of open spaces, cleanliness, and safety. Many respondents were also optimistic about their revenues in the next two years.

Public safety is near-unanimously seen as the City's most important service and 88% believe the City is doing an "excellent" or "good" job in providing it. Ninety-one percent view public safety as "very important," and 99% consider at least "somewhat important." In general, respondents reported higher satisfaction with business-related City services they deem more important -- a signal that the City is doing well in prioritizing their services.

Attracting and retaining qualified employees is a challenge for some - and housing affordability for workers is a deep concern. However, they were happy with the City's amenities including the downtown, recreational activities, restaurant and retail variety, and public schools.

The difficulty of the City's building permitting process has increased since 2015, but those who have interacted with City staff as part of that process gave staffers high marks for courtesy, helpfulness, and fairness. Those who've interactive with City staff for general information and assistance gave similar high reviews. A plurality



preferred going through the permitting process online rather than in person, but a significant share were fine with either.

Businesses also highly valued high-speed internet and cell coverage, though some reported challenges with the cost and availability there. Broadly, two-thirds believed the City should have a role in developing these services.

A plurality (47%) gave the City positive ratings for their services throughout the pandemic, while three in five rated the City's communication as "excellent" or "good." During the pandemic, many businesses cut back hours or introduced more flexibility. Forty percent report their business is doing worse than before the pandemic, while 31% say they are doing better and 26% are doing about the same as before.



APPENDIX A

TOPLINE



2022 PLEASANTON BUSINESS SURVEY 320-990-WT (TRACKING) N=313

MARGIN OF SAMPLING ERROR $\pm 5.4\%$ (95% CONFIDENCE LEVEL)

(ASK FOR RESPONDENT BY NAME.) Mr./Ms calling on behalf of the City of Pleasanton. We are conducting a survey of	, my name is	and I am
calling on behalf of the City of Pleasanton. We are conducting a survey of	of businesses in the Cit	ty and would
like to include your organization. Participation in this survey is important		
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decisions on behalf of the organization. Would that be you? (IF NO,	ASK FOR SUCH A	A PERSON,
SCHEDULE CALLBACK AS NEEDED; IF NO OWNER OR DECISION		
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Yes, cell and can talk safely	36%	
Yes, cell but cannot talk safely	TERMINATE	
No, not on cell	64 %	
(DON'T READ) DK/NA/REFUSED	TERMINATE	
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BUSINESS.		
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- IF Q1 = CODES 1-4)

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All excellent (II – 143)	
For business/been in business for years	36%
Location/open space	
Affluent/well-kept/clean	21 %
Low crime/safe and quiet/security	18 %
Support from the city/government	16%
People are friendly/great people	
Community/family	14 %
Ease to work	8%
Access to transportation/freeways/traffic and parking	7 %
Ease of service	
Pleasanton Downtown Association/Main St	5 %
Commute/busy	5 %
Demographics	4 %
No issues	3 %
Pandemic/COVID-19	2 %
Infrastructure	1 %
Other	4 %
A good (n=139)	
For business/been in business for years	29%
Affluent/well-kept/clean	
Location/open space	21%
Community/family	
Low crime/safe and quiet/security	
People are friendly/great people	
Support from the city/government	
Access to transportation/freeways/traffic and parking	
Demographics	
Ease of service	6%
No issues	3 %
Commute/busy	3 %
Ease to work	2 %
Infrastructure	1 %
Pleasanton Downtown Association/Main St	1 %
Pandemic/COVID-19	1 %
Other	12.07
Other	12%
Nothing/None	

	Taxes						
	Affordable housing/offices						
	Parking						
	Police/public safety						
	Can't think of anything/Don't have any						
	COVID-19/mandates					-	
	Clean/environment					3 %	
	Other					-25%	
	d. A poor (n=9)						
	Taxes					-61%	
	COVID-19/mandates						
	Affordable housing/offices						
	Police/public safety						
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	Other					-16%	
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	EXC GOOD FAIR POOR DK/NA)	EXC/ GOOD
[]a.	(T- JDF) Roads 29 % 50 % 1 %	79%
[]b.	(T- JDF) Telecommunication services 25 % 44 % 16 % 9 %	69%
[]c.	(T- JDF) Public transportation services 13 % 34 % 18 % 8 % 27 %	47%
[]d.	(T- JDF) Electric utility services 28% 39%16% 9%	68%
[]e.	(T- JDF) Water services26%41%12%9%11%	67%
[]f.	(T- JDF) Sewer services 29 % 44 % 11 % 2 % 14 %	73%

5.	Now thinking about the amenities or quality	of life ele	ments Plea	asanton h	as to offe	er, would	you say
	that the in Pleasanton	i (is) (are) e	excellent,	good, fai	r, or poo	or? How al	oout the
	? (RANDOMIZE)						
		<u>EXC</u>	GOOD	<u>FAIR</u>	POOR	(NO OP/ <u>DK/NA)</u>	EXC/ GOOD
[]a.	(T- JDF) Public schools	39 %	33 %	6 %	1 %	22 %	71%
[]b.	(T- JDF) Recreational activities	27 %	52 %	13 %	1 %	8 %	79%
[]c.	(T- JDF) Variety of restaurants	34 %	43 %	18%	3 %	1 %	77%
[]d.	(T- JDF) Entertainment options	14 %	42 %	29%	8%	7 %	56%
[]e.	Shopping and retail options	27 %	48%	17%	5 %	3 %	75%
[]f.	Amount of affordable housing for						
	employees	2 %	10%	27 %	47 %	14 %	12%
[]g.	Downtown	42 %	39%	13 %	3 %	3 %	81%

How interested are you in having more opportunities for your business to work with local students? 6. Are you: (**READ LIST**) ...?

TOTAL INTERESTED	48%
Very interested	
Somewhat interested	25 %
TOTAL NOT INTERESTED	45%
Not too interested	21%
Not at all interested	24 %
(DON'T READ) DK/NA	7 %

7. Now I would like to ask you about some of the services the City of Pleasanton provides. I am going to read you a list of five of these services. As I read each one, please tell me whether you think it is a very, somewhat, not very, or not at all important service for the City to provide. (**RANDOMIZE**)

	NOT NOT VERY SMWT VERY AT ALL (DK/N IMPT IMPT IMPT IMPT NO OP		TOTAL NOT <u>IMPT</u>
[]a.	(T- JDF) Public safety91%8%0%1%0%	99%	1%
[]b.	(T- JDF) Public communication 58% 29% 6% 3% 4%	87%	9%
[]c.	(T- JDF) Enforcement of property		
	appearance standards58%5%1%3%	91%	6%
[]d.	(T- JDF) Permit processing	84%	9%
[]e.	(T- JDF) Business recruitment44 % 33 % 11 % 5 % 8 %	76%	16%

8. Now I'm going to read the same the list of City of Pleasanton services. This time, please tell me whether the City is doing an excellent, good, fair, or poor job of providing it. (RANDOMIZE)

	EXC GOOD FAIR POOR DK/NA)	EXC/ GOOD
[]a.	(T- JDF) Public safety43 %45 %8 %4 %	88%
[]b.	(T- JDF) Public communication 19% 49% 3% 8%	68%
[]c.	(T- JDF) Enforcement of property	
	appearance standards4%11%	71 %
[]d.	(T- JDF) Permit processing19%19%19%19%	56%
[]e.	(T- JDF) Business recruitment 11 % 34 % 24 % 5 % 27 %	44%

THESE NEXT QUESTIONS ARE ABOUT YOUR BUSINESS' EXPERIENCE WITH THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC.

9. How would you rate the City of Pleasanton's communication with business owners through the coronavirus pandemic? Would you say it was ...?

Excellent	-21%
Good	40%
Fair	23%
Poor	-11%
(DON'T READ) Don't know/NA	5 %

10. How would you rate the services provided by the City of Pleasanton to support and aid businesses through the coronavirus pandemic? Would you say it was ...? (**READ LIST**)

Excellent	14 %
Good	33 %
Fair	26%
Poor	14 %
(DON'T READ) Don't know/NA	13 %

11. Next, I'm going to read you a list of actions some business-owners have taken over the last two years in response to the coronavirus pandemic. Please tell me if you had or have taken that action for your business. (READ LIST; ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES)

Reduced employee work hours37%
Laid off employees18%
Introduced greater flexibility in work hours51%
Allowed or increased work from home45%
Introduced or increased remote or
contactless services46%
Reduced the number of services offered28 %
Decreased hours of operation35%
Increased hours of operation8%
Paused all services or operations completely25%
Other (SPECIFY) 4%
(DON'T READ) Did not take any actions11%
(DON'T READ) DK/NA 2 %

12. Would you say your business is currently doing [] better, [] worse, or staying the same financially as it was before the coronavirus pandemic? (IF BETTER/WORSE: Is that much BETTER/WORSE or just somewhat?)

TOTAL BETTER	31%
Much better	11%
Somewhat better	21 %
TOTAL WORSE	40%
Somewhat worse	24 %
Much worse	16%
Stayed the same	26%
(DON'T READ) DK/NA	3%

13. Now I would like you to rate how much of a problem, if at all, each of the following are for your business as a result of the coronavirus pandemic: an extremely serious problem, a very serious problem, somewhat serious problem, or not too serious a problem in your business. (RANDOMIZE)

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[]a.	Hiring employees to keep up with	
	increased workflow15%17%21%29%19%	32%
[]b.	Difficulty purchasing and receiving new	
	inventory for your business 17% 16% 23% 9%	32%
[]c.	Decline in business or sales	36%
[]d.	Lack of technology and web resources to	
	complete online sales 3 % 3 % 13 % 17 %	8%

		EXT SER PROB	VERY SER PROB	SMWT SER PROB	NT TOO SER PROB	(DK/NA)	EXT/ VERY
[]e.	Concern about the well-being of						
	employees being exposed to COVID-19						
	on the job	-20%	- 27 %	19%	25%	10%	47%
[]f.	Daycare or childcare challenges for						
	employees	7%	- 10%	16%	35%	32 %	17%
[]g.	The emotional health of employees	- 13 %	- 23 %	27 %	26%	12 %	36%
[]h.	Offering competitive wages	- 15 %	- 24 %	19%	26%	16%	39%

14. Next, I'm going to read you a list of ways in which some business owners have sought aid in the last two years. For each one I read, please tell me if you have received aid or relief through that means. (READ LIST; ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES)

Alameda County CARES Act Grant9%
City business support loan program 7%
State tax credits 6%
CA Small Business COVID-19 Relief grant17 %
A Paycheck Protection Program loan48%
Restaurant Revitalization funding 3 %
A COVID-19 Economic Injury
Disaster Loan15 %
Small Business Association debt relief 6%
Federal tax credits9%
Private donations through platforms
such as GoFundMe 1 %
Other (SPECIFY)4%
(DON'T READ) Did not receive aid34 %
(DON'T READ) DK/NA6%

MY NEXT QUESTIONS WILL TURN TO INTERACTIONS YOU MAY HAVE HAD WITH THE CITY.

15. **(T- JDF)** In the past year, have you been involved in the City's building permitting process? **(IF YES, ASK:** Was that interaction in person or online?)

TOTAL YES	
Yes, in person	3 %
Yes, online	5 %
Yes, both	6%
No	84 %
(DON'T READ) DK/NA	2 %

	IF Q15 = CODE 1 OR 2	• •	1					
6.	In general, would you say or not at all	y that the City starr in? How about				e very, so E RACTE		
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	City staff overall?) (RAN	,	ii about i	ne most r	ccciit stai	ii iiiciiioc		
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		<u>VERY</u> <u>SMWT</u>	VERY	<u>ALL</u>	VARIES)	DK/NA)	<u>SMWT</u>	<u>NOT</u>
]a.	(T- JDF) Courteous	53 %37 %	3%	5%	0%	3 %	90%	7%
]b.	(T- JDF) Helpful	39 %42 %	7 <i>%</i>	10%	0%	1 %	82%	17%
]c.	(T- JDF) Fair	43 %43 %	2 %	8%	0%	4 %	86%	10%
]d.	(T- JDF) Responsive to y	our						
-	needs	38 %35 %	13 %	10%	0%	4 %	73%	23%
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]e.	(T-JDF) Consistent in th	eir					1	
]e.	instructions	42 %40 %	8%	9%	0%	1 %	82%	17%
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(RESUME ASKING ALL RESPONDENTS)

18. Do you prefer utilizing the permitting process online or in person, or does it make no difference to you?

Online	34 %
In person	16%
It makes no difference	38%
(DON'T READ) DK/NA	12 %

19. **(T-JDF)** Also in the past year, have you contacted any (**IF Q15 = CODE 1**: other) member(s) of the City staff for information or assistance? (**IF YES, ASK:** Was that interaction in person or online?)

TOTAL YES	34%
Yes, in person	12 %
Yes, online	15 %
Yes, both	8 %
No	64 %
(DON'T READ) DK/NA	2 %

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20.	In general, would you say								
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	THAN ONE STAFF MEN	MBER, S	AY: Wha	at about 1	the most r	recent stat	ff membe	r you tall	ked to, or
	City staff overall?) (RAND	OMIZE)							
		<u>VERY</u>	<u>SMWT</u>	NOT VERY	NOT AT ALL	(IT VARIES)	(NO OP/ DK/NA)	VERY/ SMWT	TOTAL <u>NOT</u>
[]a.	(T- JDF) Courteous	86%	9 %	3 %	2%	0%	0 %	95%	5%
[]b.	(T- JDF) Helpful	79 %	14%	1 %	5%	0%	0 %	93%	7%
[]c.	(T- JDF) Fair							93%	5%
[]d.	(T- JDF) Responsive to yo								
	needs	78 %	16%	1 %	5%	0%	0 %	93%	7%
[]e.	(T- JDF) Consistent in the								
	instructions	81 %	11%	4 %	3 %	0%	2 %	92%	7%
	probably not, or definitely							-46%	
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[]a.	(T- JDF) Amount of reven	ue							
[]b.	(T- JDF) Number of square								

(**T- JDF**) Number of employees-----29%------14%------21%

[]c.

(RESUME ASKING ALL RESPONDENTS)

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Now thinking about internet and cell phone service. Would you say that important, somewhat important, not very important, or not at all important to your busine about ? (RANDOMIZE)								
	about (KARADOM	VERY IMPT	SMWT IMPT	NOT VERY <u>IMPT</u>		(DK/NA <u>NO OPIN)</u>	TOTAL <u>IMPT</u>	TOTAL NOT IMPT
[]a. []b.	(T- JDF) Reliable internet service (T- JDF) High-speed internet	-93%	3 %	0%	1 %	2 %	97%	1%
	service	-90%	6%	1 %	1 %	1 %	97%	2%
[]c.	(T- JDF) Reliable cell phone service	-88%	7%	2%	1 %	2 %	95%	3%
24.	Have you found that obtaining or [] not a problem at all) in Pleasanto					problem,		problem,
				MAJOR PROB	MINOR <u>PROB</u>		(DK/NA)	TOTAL PROB
[]a.	(T- JDF) Reliable internet service			15%	31%	49%	5 %	46%
[]b.	(T- JDF) High-speed internet service -							43%
[]c.	(T- JDF) Reliable cell phone service							46%

25. Do you feel the City of Pleasanton should definitely, probably, probably not, or definitely not play a role in the development of internet and cell phone service in Pleasanton?

	<u>2015</u>	2022
Definitely	···· <u>38 %</u>	40%
Probably	19 %	26%
Probably not	16 %	13 %
Definitely not	12 %	11%
(DON'T READ) DK/NA	14 %	10%

26. **(T- JDF)** Now thinking about everything we have been discussing, plus anything else that may be important to you, what else would you like to tell the City about doing business in Pleasanton? (**PROBE FOR CLARITY AND SPECIFICS. PROBE FOR OTHER REASONS:** What else? **RECORD VERBATIM; RECORD UP TO 3 REASONS)**

Business support	20%
City support	11%
COVID-19/mandates	7 %
Can't think of any/We have discussed everything	6%
Improve parking	5 %
Crime/public safety	5 %
General positive (Good, okay, etc.)	5 %
Cell tower/WIFI/technology	5 %
Better downtown/Main St	5 %
Roads/routes/traffic	5 %
Cost of living	5 %
Affordability for housing/offices	4 %
Better communication	
Taxes	3 %
Love doing business	3 %
Speed up permit process	3 %
Infrastructure	3 %
Address homelessness	2 %
More street events	2 %
More signage/advertisements	2 %
Water quality	1 %
No government	1 %
Work with non-profits	1 %
No issues	1 %
Other	7 %
Nothing/None	27 %
Don't know/Not sure	1 %

IN ORDER TO CLASSIFY YOUR RESPONSES ALONG WITH OTHERS, I NEED TO ASK JUST A FEW QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR BUSINESS.

27. Is your business ____ (READ EACH, RECORD RESPONSE)? (RANDOMIZE)

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				(DON'T
				READ)
		YES	NO	DK/NA
[]a.	A small business	86%	1 17 / ₈ -	2 %
[]b.	Headquartered in Pleasanton	74 %	24 % -	2 %
[]c.	Minority-owned	32 %	63 % -	5 %
[]d.	Woman-owned	42 %	55% -	3 %
[]e.	LGBTQ+ owned	4 %	89% -	7 %

	Fewer than 5 years	20%
	5-10	
	11-20	
	21 years or more	
	(DON'T READ) DK/NA	
	oximately how many square feet does your business lord VERBATIM AND THEN CODE TO BELOW)	have in Pleasanto
	Fewer than 2,500 square feet	43 %
	2,500-3,500 square feet	
	3,501-4,500 square feet	3 %
	4,501-5,500 square feet	2 %
	More than 5,500 square feet	13 %
	(DON'T READ) DK/NA	28 %
ERBATIM A	w many employees do you have in Pleasanton? (ND THEN CODE TO BELOW)	
VERBATIM A	1 (self-employed)	23 % 34 % 20 %
ERBATIM A	1 (self-employed)	23 % 34 % 20 % 6 %
VERBATIM A	1 (self-employed)	23 % 34 % 6 % 7 %
VERBATIM A	1 (self-employed)	23 % 34 % 6 % 7 % 2 %
And how man	1 (self-employed)	23 % 34 % 6 % 7 % 2 % 8 %
And how man	1 (self-employed)	23 %34 %6 %2 %2 %2 %2 %2 %2 %48 %
and how man	1 (self-employed)	23 %34 %6 %2 %8 %8 %8 %8 %
And how man	1 (self-employed)	23 %34 %6 %2 %2 %8 % (OPEN-ENDED;48 %48 %8 %
And how man	1 (self-employed)	23 %34 %34 %6 %2 %8 %8 %48 %48 %48 %2 %
And how man	1 (self-employed)	23 %34 %6 %7 %8 %8 %16 %16 %3 %
and how man	1 (self-employed)	23 %34 %34 %6 %2 %8 %48 %48 %8 %3 %3 %3 %
and how man	1 (self-employed)	23 %34 %34 %6 %2 %8 %8 %48 %48 %3 %3 %3 %3 %3 %

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MODE		
Phone48 %	BUSINESS TYPE	
Online52 %	Business services35 9	
	Education/Instruction 5 9	
ZIP	Healthcare109	
9458850%	Non-profit 45	
9456650 %	Personal services109	
	Professional services119	
NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES	Recreation/Tourism 19	
0-255 %	Restaurant/Food 69	
3-1028 %	Retail 85	
11-5016%	Trade Services109	
50+1%		