

2022 Master Plan Survey Results

Are you a...

Permanent year round resident of Thornton	305
Seasonal or Part Time resident of Thornton	134
Non-resident property owner of Thornton	66
	505

1a. If you are a permanent resident, what is your type of housing?

Single family	265
Condominium	25
Mobile home	5
Rental unit	5
Other	2

1b. If you are a permanent resident, what is your employment status?

Full time	129
Part time	18
Retired	130
Self Employed/Work Remotely	26
Other	2

1c. If you are not a permanent resident, do you plan to become one in the next 5 – 10 years?

Yes	110
No	82

1d. Once a permanent resident, what kind of housing will you live in?

Single family	93
Condominium	16
Mobile Home	4
Rental Unit	0

1e. Once a permanent resident, will you:

Seek employment	16
Start a business	12
Work Remotely	35
Retire	51

2 Please rate the type of development you would like to see in the next 5 –10 years.

	1 - Would Not Like to See	2	3	4 - Would Like to See	5 - No Opinion
Industrial	318	60	34	36	22
Commercial	152	100	87	132	12
Residential	86	88	143	139	19
Agricultural	40	40	119	238	45
Recreational	41	38	92	291	21

2a. Please rate the type of residential housing you would like to see developed over the next 5 –10 years.

	1 - Would Not Like to See	2	3	4 - Would Like to See	5 - No Opinion
Single family	46	44	97	278	15
Cluster/Condo	200	91	74	69	22
Workforce Housing	209	57	68	85	38
Multi Family	203	86	66	57	37
Second Home/Resort	158	72	97	110	26
Affordable Housing	120	60	68	114	25

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2b. Please rate the type of businesses you would like to see developed over the next 5 –10 years.

	1 - Would Not Like to See	2	3	4 - Would Like to See	5 - No Opinion
Retail	89	74	120	183	9
Lodging	124	105	96	118	21
Restaurants	43	42	117	269	4
Home Businesses	57	61	124	171	54
Recreational	44	37	98	280	9
Industrial	273	76	48	43	22

3 Would you support using town funds to purchase land for special use?

Yes	383
No	108

3a. If yes, what types of use are you in favor of? (check all that apply)

Recreation	341
Protection of wetlands	304
Open Space	313
Community gardens	260
Other	41

3b. Are you in favor of the town making changes to the zoning districts to better reflect how the current zones are being used?

Yes	245
No	160
Unsure	75

3c. If yes, what zones are you in favor of making changes to? (check all that apply)

Rural Residential	73
General Residential	88
Recreational	80
Commercial	104
Industrial	50
Unsure	152

4 Would you be in favor of alternative fuel/electric car charging stations in Thornton?

Yes	274
No	143
Maybe	78

4a. Would you be in favor of park-and-ride lots in Thornton?

Yes	199
No	182
Maybe	110

5 Is your existing internet access sufficient for your needs?

Yes	304
No	185

6 Please rate your satisfaction with the following town services:

	1 - Unsatisfie d	2	3	4 - Very Satisfied	5 - No Opinion
Emergency Services	13	17	74	248	136
Planning/Zoning	32	47	122	98	186
Recreational facilities	78	89	95	103	125
Library Services	20	53	91	134	192
Road maintenance	21	49	130	265	27
Transfer Station	46	44	117	238	45

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7 What type of recreational facilities would you like to have in Thornton (check all that apply):

Hiking Trails & Parking	389
Mountain Biking Trails & Parking	254
River Kayaking, Swimming & Tubing Put-In & Take-Out Locations &	367
Picnic Areas	253
Sports Fields (baseball/softball, frisbee golf, etc.)	198
Sports Courts (basketball, pickleball, etc.)	192
Other:	54
Community Center	5
Gym Facility/Indoor Pool	2
Nordic Skiing/Sledding Hill	2
Multiuse Trails/ATV	2
Walking Trails	6
Bike Lanes	5
Playground/Park	5
Ice Rink/Inline Skate Rink	2
No Changes/many already exist	4
Concert Venue	1
Increased National Forest interaction	1
Shooting/Archery Range	1
Town Forest	1
Restricting access to certain areas to residents only	1

8 Would you like to see the town enact a noise ordinance?

Yes	276
No	171

9 How do you like to find out about town events? (check all that apply)

Town website	335
Social media	256
Newspaper	112
Word of mouth	161
Other	49
Community forum by email, create local radio station	1
Sign on Road	1
Bulletin Board	1
Mail	1
Library	1

9a. What is your favorite type of event?

Music/Concerts	57
Town/Community Events - Seasonal, holiday, picnics	37
Outdoor Activities	13
Fairs	9
Family events for all ages	8
National night out	8
Annual community events	7
Festival	7
River Activities	7
None	6
Walking	6
Farmers Market	5
Parades	5
Peace and Quiet	4
Any outdoor activity.	3
Arts and Food/Cultural festivals	3
Trunk or Treat	3
4th of July Celebration	2
Car shows	2
Old Home Day	2