

City of Poquoson 2017 Citizen's Survey

Summary Report Appendix: Write-in Responses and Comments

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Responses for Write-In Question 1:

**What new retail businesses and commercial establishments would you like to see in Poquoson?
Please be as specific as possible.**

Something that carries what Target would have but then again I would never want a big store here.
 Starbucks, Boston Market, Sporting Goods Store
 not a big box type, keep the small town feel
 CVS, Target, Aldi
 gas station for competition always 10cents plus higher than other
 Inexpensive clothing and food stores
 medical facility, wawa or royal farms, krispy kreme, brusters
 retail shops
 Coffee house
 none, I would prefer to drive 15 minutes instead of increased traffic
 Clothing store w/ footwear; Kinko's - Fedex type; Coffee shop
 None, too crowded now
 Starbucks, Chick-Fil-A, Trader Joes
 medical supply store
 entertainment venues- i.e. brewpubs, casual dining
 gift shops - wis we could bring bake ute's or something similar
 Bakery, (very hard for businesses to compete with large chains in the area.)
 more grocery and hardware stores
 Absurd question. You can not pick your favorite. Its either permitted for the use or not. I would like to see higher quality uses, no dollar general types
 No Thanks
 Hardees, Taco Bell (only), Firehouse Subs
 Ice Cream shop. Water Sports Rental option, putt-putt course
 A Brew Thru so you don't have to get out of your car for small (or few) items. A notions store (one that sells sewing supplies - zippers, buttons, yarn, thread, and related items)
 None
 More small shops, a walkable downtown area
 medical
 Destination restaurants, natural/organic markets; doctor's office, office complex for corporate offices; businesses complimentary to NASA
 None - causes traffic congestion
 Messick Point - restaurant, boating rentals, water sports, etc. Healthier eating options, cafes, coffee shop.
 Med Express, urgent care or Doc in the Box
 a nice eatng place
 none
 restaurant; icecream store
 Walmart grocery store
 Chick-Fil-A, some type of recreation (skating, bowling, etc)
 department store for men/women/children
 Chic-fil-a, quality bakery / coffee shop
 coffee; outdoor dining; sweet frog
 A "real" hardware store, seed and feed store like a Southern States, bait and tackle, clothing store options.

It is not up to the businesses to decide - don't chase my business away

none

None

Doc-in-the-Box; Upscale consignment shop- high end restaurant

ral bagel and coffee shop (not chain)

A movie theater, a fitness center with a sauna and therapy pool

Mental health providers, retirement home

leave private enterprise to its own devices

Our neighbors think of Poquoson as "quaint" which we should encourage with more privately owned businesses / restaurants / cultural events.

Would love a coffee / dessert shop, Chick-fil-A, better garden store options - instead of pop-up McDonalds nursery -> year round, boating store (selling boat accessory / maintenance - not selling boats)

Fishing specific store perhaps near Messick Point

no comment

Coffee Shop, Ladies Boutique, Ice Cream Parlor, Farmers Market

quality gift shop

We should invest in locally ownerd small businesses

Restaurants, clothing stores, medical facilities, small manufacturing

Bakery

Wa-Wa

Would prefer that existing commercial buildings be utilized first- vs-any new development - empty existing commercial buildings are unsightly - and potentially create negative impression of our town.

Work w/owners to renovate if necessary to bring in business.

A small scale type Walmart where we can buy nice selection of clothes, pet supplies, baby supplies, sports equipment, electronics, etc. (With this kind of store, theonly time I would have to leave Poquoson would be for my job or Kohl's!!) No groceries are needed - we have 2 perfectly good grocery stores!

No input

Walmart would have been nice for tax purposes

none

Although I don't support Starbucks, many say Poq. should have one

OK as is

We have plenty already

none

No retail/commercial businesses

Clothing stores, gift shops, starbucks, book store, bakery

ones that pay taxes

Enough already

A coffee shop

Bike tour of Poquoson and history ride

car sales

small mom & pop shop (gift, antique, consignment)

New gas stations

miniture golf, med express, urgent care restaurant chains, shops like Oyster Point

fast-food restaurant, ice cream shop

chic-fil-a, taco bell

family-owned, privately owned, outlets

none

Ones that do not duplicate existing businesses. Eg – no new grocery

more small businesses. Mom/pop shops.

Small equipment repair shop, home repair shop

More theater

Business that utilize and promote our natural assets. Senior living facilities, medical offices.

I would like to see development hat is geared toward assisting our aging populaton to be able to remain in poquoson to include houseing and medical facility.

small boutique, local businesses that will draw day tourist.antique shops, artisan shops, socialty shops, cultural tourism. Coffee shops.

coffee shop with drive thru, small department store like Peebles in Fox Hills area of Hampton

Starbucks, health / well being shop, small fresh meats, veggies (farmers market) open space! Possibly

small sandwich shop and dessert shop. Kid-teen friendly shop (like past Utes or similar)

private-owned- no chains- no need for new building, renovate existing space to protect green space

A good restaurant (like Fin). An upscale grocery store.

NONE

Medical, technical

Boat store - parts and supplies

coffee shop, bakery, New American Bistro type Restaurant

Family owned, non-chain food and retail options.

None

Hardware store. Card shop - like Hallmark

Medical facility. Retail shops.

Sweet Frog (yogurt); Dunkin Donuts (or local donut shop)

need to focus more on office and light industry

Build up a marina with shops like downtown Annapolis, MD

None

None

Quality mom and pop shops.

whatever the property owner wants to place in proper zoning areas. Not up to citizens to decide.

None. We are satisfied with the businesses currently in Poquoson.

None

Coffee shop - small gift shop - local crafts - antiques - craft winery - brewery

None

We need commercial establishments (not retail !) that provide employment, without high infrastructure costs to the city.

bike shop, antiques shope

a higher end better managed grocery store

more upscale gym/workout facility

medical
 a bakery (non-chain or regional chain)
 Specialty shops: Woman's boutique, antique, gift shop
 A bakery, a coffee house, chick-fil-a, a deli
 Walmart grocery
 a more up-scale general merchandise store
 md express, invite new small businesses suace as Mares.
 a coffee shop- preferably not a large chain, Harbor Espresso was great. It was a meeting place for high school age adults and residents.
 Golden Corral, Wawa
 None
 Independently owned eateries.
 coffee house, brewery, outdoors outfitter, west marine
 Walmart grocery
 smaller business
 Professional development, offices, etc
 Upscale grocery, like Harris Teeter or Whole Foods
 Target, or even a small outlet mall/store
 A Starbucks or a locally owned coffee shop. Good coffee & places to gather and a hotel a B&B
 Wawa, fresh seafood market, coffee shop, sporting goods + tackle store, Patient First
 Would love sidewalks Little Fla
 Clothing stores
 The private market will decide this
 Walmart Neighborhood Center
 None
 Small stores like TJ Maxx, Marshalls, Whole Foods, Fresh Market
 I would like to see some small retail (clothes, sandwich shops, etc.)
 Coffee shop (Dunkin); ice cream shop (DQ), gas station (for competition)
 Starbucks
 A store similar to Target would help us shop in Poquoson
 like the way it is
 Boating/kayak retailer, gas station w/ pump stations to accommodate boat trailers
 Specialty clothing & food, engineering + sporting goods + remodeling companies
 Starbucks or higher end coffee shop, another gas option
 NO MORE APARTMENTS!
 Why would ANYONE want to put a VAPE Shop
 N/A
 Only what can be accomodated within the available bldgs without additional construction
 NONE
 small restaurants, quality clothing stores, card/gift shop
 Restaurants, pubs
 Coffee Shop/Bakery
 WaWa

NONE! Poquoson is my residence. I would favor higher taxes than more business.
 West Marine, Wawa with Ethanol-Free Gas
 Bigger ABC store
 Clothing and urgent care or other health clinic retailers, farmers markets on weekends
 Starbucks and/or local coffee shop
 Bike store, fishing store, art store
 aldi or similar specialty grocery store/panera/ coffee shop
 Bakery, chick-fil-a, gift shop / card shop like Hallmark, higher end restaurants
 upscale commerical retail
 home decore or furniture? We have everything else except clothing which we may be too small for?
 some sort of frozon yogart or icecream shop mabe bbq pork store
 auction house
 coffee shop and bakery, prefer small business rather than a chain like Starbucks.
 none
 Coffee shop, ice cream or donut shop, medical or research facility
 medical center, healthfood store, clothing boutique
 Del Taco / Jack in the Box / ChicFila
 competition for Taylor's to help bring prices down
 Lowes
 Updated building elevations for existing businesses
 Smaller version of big box retailers
 Starbucks, Chick-Fil-A
 A local market w/local grownns veggies & local farmer meat
 we feel our needs are met here for the basics. The more commercial properties that are available will
 bring in more trash like the vape shop.- please no more of this.
 would support a new antique shop
 Target, Sweet Frog, Starbucks
 Small snack bar at Messic - could be seasonal
 nothing specific
 none
 none
 long john silvers
 walmart
 I go to whole foods or fresh market for their grocery items. Wish we had one. No clothing or gift
 shops! Poq pharmacy and the Pineapple try but it would be nice tho hav a clothly store
 local bakery, teen center
 small businesses, non grocery
 development like the fountains would be beneficial
 restaruants/bars making use of water views outdoor seating but clean/temp comfortable etc
 Another gas station
 Farm to table restaurant using local seafood and produce
 Nursing home, commercial office space, business park, bowling alley, movie theater
 target, upscale clothing -? Outlet mall

Poquoson's current businesses meet my needs.
 none; If I want to shop I go to NN or Hampton.
 chick-fil-a, bakery, drive thru coffee (high quality), and equipment rental, urgent care facility
 Some type of 'Teen Center' with dances, music and karaoke. must have adult supervision plus security.
 Off duty officers could use the \$\$ given the opportunity.
 specialty ice cream/milk shake store?
 WaWa
 I do not want or need anything new in Poquoson
 Hunting / fishing/ gun shop
 A reputable technical support center such as Facebook, Google, Apple, Microsoft
 medical facility; organic grocery store like Aldi's or Trader Joe's.
 Ice cream / donut shop (Baskin-Robbins/Dunkin Donuts), wine store, art supply store (A.C. Moore)
 A couple of seafood restaurants along the lines of the old "Bubbas". Ones that you can take kids to
 without it costing a fair weeks salary.
 consignment shop, small family business, antique stores, donut shop, quaint stores
 Lets fill up empty spaces 1st
 Chick-fil-A, Wegman's
 Indoor play structure / place, gymnastics school
 Family restaurants
 None
 None
 A good sporting store such as Cabela or Greentop in the Big Woods
 A store that sells everything
 panera bread, starbucks
 Food stores. Hardware
 Small Business
 starbucks - chickfila - cracker barrel
 A Wal-Mart Neighborhood Market (better prices)
 Peebles, tractor supply
 N/A
 Farmers market
 The previously planned "small" walmart
 I think it is balanced now
 None
 Old Point Bank
 Target
 Building of Boats
 I would like to see a Starbucks store and Ice Cream Facility
 locally owned/non-retail restaurants and small stores
 Panera, Wawa, another gas station option
 none
 R & D only
 Postal store

medium sized department store
 starbucks, bakery, popeyes
 A business such as Costco that sells auto tires & furniture plus groceries, but there will be too much opposition to groceries & gasoline.
 No preference
 patient first type facility, west marine type of business
 none
 none - we already have enough
 small dept store ie Walmart, Peebles or a business similar to Med-Xpress
 Put in a round-a-bout at Victory and Wythe Creek
 a nice department store. Another grocery store - I love food lion but could not understand the objection to a walmart. With all the new apartments and homes it seems more grocery stores would be needed.
 small medical clinic(like port warwick); ice cream store
 Chic-fil-a
 High end grocery ie Whole Foods, Fresh Market, Kohls, Peebles (clothing store)
 None
 More public help with the elderly, dog park
 A place fore the young people to gather safely
 how about higher quality restaurant? Non-chain, real food
 patient first/med express
 meat mkt/butcher lg. mail order or direct marketing weekend fleamkt or farmers outdoor market , community center w/ indoor pool
 Boutique style outdoor farmers market craft weekly local goods
 Wawa / Krispy Kreme / Chick Fil A
 Urgent care, only locally owned businesses, small business
 None
 Medical clinics open late, medium size and price dept store (better than Walmart)
 none, they are close enough to us
 Clothing stores, gift shop like Uta's
 Restaurants-local, frest, seasonal--only 'good' one is corner Bistro- everything is processed, fried, frozen...
 a site to entertain kids
 (all small bus.) pub, icecream shop, resturants, shopping, with outdoor seaating available to sit ad gather
 Some light manufaturing
 med express or urgent care
 a larger hardware store, a chick-fil-a would really increase traffic
 Large West Marine - like Deltaville (to support our water activities)
 fitness facilities connected to medical facilities
 local independent "shops"
 a walmart
 Wawa, Chick fil a
 walmart/kmart, urgent care center, gas station, chain restaurant

None

Any retail that brings revenue to the city

Dept. stores and clothing

none-poquoson is perfect the way it is

none

Whole Foods, REI, The LEGO store, Yankee Candle, Wegman's

Medical facilities; bakery

We have enough now. We don't need more traffic !

small locally owned businesses

Draw tourism here, antique shops

I think the business currently in Poquoson serve the needs.

Urgent care / medical 24-hour. NOT Walmart! Perhaps a small town center-like place w/ retail stores and restaurants a la Hampton or Nnews city center.

arcade, brewery, distillery. Bowling alley

seafood buyers, marine businesses

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boat engine repair shop, dog groomer, art supply store

Small wawa

A store that sells more household-type goods

Medical office/ park with office space for local business like landscapers, plumbers, electricians with storefronts facing the street.

None

shoe store

starbucks, another nice restaurnt on the water

aldi, rec center (YMCA) for kids and adults - also have a befor and after care

peebles and starbucks

privatley owned restaruants, small department store(ie belk)

coffee shop, aldi's, farmer's market

Starbucks

Bowling alley, lazer tag

A good bakery, bookstore

A bed+breakfast coffee+donut shops, bagel shops, Target, Michaels Arts/Crafts, REI, Barnes+Noble

starbucks

clothing stores

None

Ross

Medical, small retail,light industry,restaurants

locally owned bakery / coffee shop w/ drive thru (Busy mom needs drive thru!)

I would like to see a coffee shop, as well as a new bar and bowling alley

Nothing. It is naturally beautiful here, don't turn Poquoson into a Denbigh.

None

None, we are fine with current businesses

coffee shop- not sure If I want/need anything else

it would have to be something different->something to bring non residents to shop or else we won't be able to support any more commercial establishment because we are too small. For example, surf rider there only 2 are in poq and are in hampton - so people come from york county all the time.

Open air farmer's market

coffee shop, bakery, bagel

NONE

NONE

none

Chick-Fil-A, Wawa

only a few more choices to eat out (Krispy Crème, Dairy Queen). We have PTC and Patrick Henry Mall, K-Mart, Walmart nertc within about 7 les all around. We do not need thewm. We have the dollr dtore, dollar General, Taylor's - you can get what you need there now

Build a new Walmart in Poquoson to bring down food prices

Business that sells cards, stationery, books, gifts, aand offers coping services. I miss the services of a shop like "Going Postal" and a good card shop

None - like current retail/commercial choices

None. I have lived here over 30 years. Want to preserve small[-town feel

Something like a Macys or JCPenneys or Burkes. A clothing type store, not a Walmart.

mini-Walmart

locally owned unique restaurants, arts & craft stores, specialty stores

small, preferably locally owned

none

sporting goods, women's clothing, bookstore, toys+games (traditional, not electronic)

Local businesses, clothing, locations to pick up/return ordes, no supercenters or very large chain retail.

Doesn't matter what someone "would like to see", it matters who wants to be here. Recruiting specific businesses is a waste of taxpayer money.

none

more dining/restaurants that would attract people from adjacent areas. Not more fast food chains/restaurants

Starbucks, updated grocery store

Local bakery w/ eat in dining

outpatient/doctr in a box emergency medical care facility

a coffee shop,small private gift stores or restaurants like ritas or brier patch

a true ice cream place would be amazing

I personally am not looking for any new businesses

There is plenty of this within a short drive

Peebles

Industrial park area, Halmark-type store

More food options (restaurants)

Chick fila

None - everything we need is less than 5 miles away

chic-fil-a, wawa (old taco bell location/ lot between post office and mr c's)

non chain restaurants

sweet frog, bakery - utilize existing, unused, store fronts
 Owning any profitable business in Poquoson is extremely challenging.
 A real farmer's market, a real seafood market, recreational complex, biological research
 Urgent Care, Dr's offices, medical labs
 A small neighborhood market Walmart
 Better daycare options, small unique boutique shops - clothing
 Fair cost, secure community storage area for outsized items! Re: RVs, boats, trailers, large trucks, commercial trucks & vans to keep them away from residential areas! Get high traffic home businesses out of residential areas.
 None.
 Toy/hobby store, electronic (repair) shop
 more food options, NO WALMART
 Government contractors
 Coffee shops & ice cream shops
 small businesses to fill many vacant spots
 Hallmark, Starbucks
 Emergency medical clinic
 Nothing Bunt Cakes
 I think we are very appropriately developed now.
 Restaurant, higher-end, e.g. table clothes.
 Food store, gas station
 NO EXPENSIVE restaurants !! Not everyone makes \$80,000+. Need Captain D / Taco Bell/ Sam's Club
 Sporting goods store! Bait, tackle, ammo, uniforms, trophies, balls, shoes etc.
 T.J. Maxx
 Nothing that is what hampton and newport news is for
 clothing stores
 none
 Technical research
 No others - its not too far to drive to these other businesses. Keep the small town feel!
 don't need anymore
 I would like to see a shopping and restaurant area that would appeal to tourists and celebrate our city.
 small, mom and pop/entrepreneurial spaces. Maybe a start-up tech incubator sponsored by city.
 funeral home option
 dunkin donuts and baskin robbins duo or bagel + coffee shop or donut, bagel coffee shop. Pastry shop
 department store
 none -keep poquoson small
 a hardware store needs to compete with Taylor's. A business that would address needs for Poquoson's water highway and fishing/boating interest.
 Unique fashion boutiques, quality restaurants, bars and pubs.
 not any. I like poquoson the way it is.
 Target (not Walmart)
 Different, good restaurants, not fast food!
 art gallery, coffee shop (SB), knitting shop

clothing store

large, easily accessible gas station

A good local seafood restaurant on the water, more water oriented businesses ie. Water sports bait and tackle, etc.

government buildings

Whole Foods, Trader Joes. Poquoson has high median income, think high end!

dept store

small coffee shop

none

I do not want to see any expansion on current businesses present. I think we have just the right number.

limited waterfront dining-built up high to avoid flooding

none

walmart

small department stores such as Peebles

affordable groceries

ice cream shop

Chick-Fil-A and WAWA

only local business- coffee shop/bakery

I personally believe Poquoson should slow down the growth until we can handle growth better.

giftshop-like Ute's, Ladies wear. No more nail salons or pizza shops

any business that would occupy the already existing and vacant developed areas

Happy w/ current status

clothing store

small cafes, bakeries, boutiques

poquoson is supposed to be a small town community and does not need more retail and commercial establishments-raise taxes and keep the small town atmosphere

coffee shops, another gas station, bakery

Computer software. Think tank.

locally owned boutique

Chick-Fil-A

no new retail; commercial establishments

Coffee shop, sandwich shop – NOT CHAIN

there are no urgent care facilities in poquoson, victory blvd. would be a good location

wawa

small dept. stores such as peebles, walmart

Locally owned, smaller destination-worthy: boutiques, farm to table restaurants, craft beer house.

Give people a reason to come here. Have a "maker's space", a small business incubator.

bait shop and tackle shop, YMCA, medical park

starbucks

wawa

Coffee shop (Starbucks)

newer restaurants/coffee shop i.e. starbucks smaller chain fitness center like orange theory. No huge retail chains

I think we are just fine without any more retail or commercial building
 None
 No more auto repair shop. Any small business that product is not exposed to public sight.
 chick-fil-a, speciality shops such as event supplies, clothing
 anything that will help with taxes
 save the big woods need more parks
 n/a
 clothing stores, consignment shops
 None - what we have meets our needs. If we need something different we go out of Poquoson.
 YMCA or something comparable. Bicycle shop. Small engine repair.
 Gun shop or shooting range
 Trader Joes (organic foods), small commercial buildings, coffee etc.
 The city is now on track - family oriented business
 Baskin Robbins
 Dress Barn
 laundry mat, discount grocery
 more restaurants, shopping
 a department store for family clothing, bowling center
 shoe and jewlery repair
 starbucks
 boutiques and coffee shops
 a UPS store, Starbucks, a restaurant-like steakhouse
 I am not sure because places like the tea room and ritas were not profitable enough to sustain themselves.
 home center (Taylors & Mcdonalds are too expensive)
 A mom and pop coffee shop/ice cream
 wawa gas station
 Population is too small to support a national retailer.
 make local business, not chains
 None
 encourage small non-chain restaurants
 Ones that pay taxes. Everyone will say they want small local businesses but they're less profitable and harder to start. Bring in any biz likely to succeed.
 none- Poquoson has all its needs
 local businesses; home décor
 A department store
 non-chain restaurants in existing structures
 A weekly farmers market similar to Yorktown
 NONE
 Not sure
 Would love to have a Lowe's or Home Depot but I know that's silly.
 More "mom & pop" restaurants, gift shops
 None that we don't already have - more business may undermine present businesses.

WaWa, Chickfila, urgent care facility
 Coffee shop, bakery
 Card shop (Hallmark maybe)
 WaWa
 NONE
 Health care & sports complex - e.g.indoor tennis/swimming pool
 Would like to see more restaurants & shops that are locally owned, dog park
 Walmart
 none
 none
 coffee shop/clothing store/sports store
 local owned coffee house
 specialty shops such as Ute's and Silvermoon. Those made Poq special and a destination
 Super market, gas station
 none
 Sprouts farmers mrket (a cheaper whole foods competitor)
 need diversity, not more of what we have
 Sonic, WaWa, eateries, department stores
 Open a little ceasers pizza at back river market and deliver. Manufacture low cost boats here
 Affordable retailers with clothing, restaurants, variety stores geared toward family needs
 Restaurants
 We don't need any more grocery stores.
 Walmart
 No more nail salons - massage parlors - barber shops
 a coffee shop or ice cream shop
 Restaurants nothing else. We can go to N.N. & Hampton for what we need
 A large assisted living facility for elderly
 None come to mind
 None
 NONE!
 larger hardware store
 none - Happy with Poquoson as is.
 The mix of what we have is sufficient to the population.
 Dry storage marina at Messick Point
 Home Depot, Lowes, Chick-fil-A
 There is nothing I personally need that I can't leave the City for.
 Higher end clothing retail (ex. Macy's, Dillards or something not in our area), jewelry, bait & tackle store
 Target - without groceries!!
 professional (doctors, financial advisors, etc)
 Upscale brewery, indoor coffee shop area to meet others, not drive thru
 We need a coffee shop...not Starbucks!! Small family owned & mom & pop businesses. A brewery would be nice, some nice small restaurants or eateries.

I'd like to see Chick Filet/Starbucks/Panera in the old Taco Bell/Pizza Hut/KFC building
 We are content with the current establishments.
 A Walmart type store that does not include groceries
 recreational water activities rentals
 Too much City involvement is why they are not here
 None
 None
 No commercial establishments - few if any retail
 We need more independently owned restaurants, small speciality grocery stores, gift shops, boutiques
 Restaurants
 Chick-fil-et (only)
 Medical Care & independent and assisted living options for elderly & retired
 More quaint shops for shopping.
 Possibly a bookstore, bakery, sports complex
 None that we have to make concessions to attract them and then the tax revenue they generate
 doesn't justify it. I'd love to see the small & uniques shops like Ute's come back. What happened to
 the "Unique Shoppes of Poquoson"?
 Coffee shops, local restaurants that serve more than seafood.
 No commercial - already empty spots
 Indoor playground for kids
 a doctor's office
 None
 Fuel competition (WaWa)
 Aldi, Lindles, Fresh Market, Family Dollar, Multi Family Entertainment (i.e., putt-putt golf, bowling,
 movies, indoor bounce houses, etc.)
 A studio for crafts
 More destination shops and businesses, Manteo stands out
 Small dept. store providing family shoes & clothes only not food, household items, etc.
 more eating & dining places - less hard surfaces
 None- don't mind driving
 got enough
 embroidery shop
 upscale grocery, gourmet restaurant, gift shop, urgent care, winery, brewery
 A place to meet up ie Starbucks chain because they can self support/wifi is free/great jobs for
 community - might like bar/club fun friendly
 have enough
 craft store, Starbucks
 there should be minimal restrictions for new business ventures
 none, Poquoson is too small
 drive in theater
 none. We have enough regtail, that is Poquoson's appeal
 none
 none

none

Medical, dress shops and jewelery store

bookstores, coffee houses, pet store

Some with quality goods

Bakery, urgent care center, assisted living facility

none

Wawa or similar business that allows for fueling of larger boats. The gas stations in town are not sufficient.

new eating establishments only. Walmart is close enough in your county to retail shopping

More home meal delivery

We are a community on the water and yet there is almost no open areas to walk and enjoy the beautiful views. If you don't live on the water you must stand in a parking lot (at Messick) to enjoy the water view! :(And most people don't have water views. There should be a lovely walkway (like Heidi's Point from long ago) that is on a city property that lets the residents enjoy the coastline. The water views should not only be accessible to people that buy a hamburger or have a beer at a restaurant.

Better restaurants - only pizza and terrible fast foods.

small business efforts

none

coffee/bagel shops, restaurants

movie theater/community center

nothing the city is fine the way it is

another resturant where taco bell/pizz building or reopen w/ new management

mom and pop shop

more businesses and services geared toward eco-friendly/prservation for rresidents. A high-tech internet company that runs fiber we be amazing

town cannot support these

a nice bakery and ice cream shop

nothing specific but would like to see the many vacant buildings utilized.

medical facilities, info tech support. Marine sales and services. Short-term office space rental.

a gas station with easier access and more pumps. Some kind of clothing store, cititrends?

none! We don't need to make poq. A shopping district. We are 10 min. from 3 malls/shopping centers.

uniqu, high quality businesses that draw out of city consumers. We shouldn't be sold to the lowest bidder.

more independent restaurants

chick-fil-a

A "WaWa" type gas station new intersection of Ridge & Poquoson Ave.

the current ones meet our needs

bakery, clinic - like med-express

funiture store

small businesses, no chains. Steak restaurnt, waterfront dining. No more grocery stores or nail salons

gas station, coffee shop, walmart-type all putpose store

Chick-Fil-A. Something for the teens to do

none

only locally owned small businesses

coffee shop, bakery
 specialty, boutique, antique shops that bring visitors in. Boating, fishing supplies
 Dr's office? Small businesses?
 Yoga studio
 none
 we own a mobile ice cream business. Someday may put or build an old fashioned ice cream shop
 I believe the businesses we have are sufficient for my needs
 I like the establishments we currently have and enjoy supporting them
 tarbucks, brewer, wine shop/gourmet ship, high-end consignment, good restaurants similar to cfrab
 shack (NN), Deadrise, Circa (NN) Aroma's, Vintage Tavern
 clothing and/or shoe store, target
 None
 Local shop owners – gift shops
 Coffee shop (Local or Starbucks), Ice cream shop
 A Wawa would be great!
 we don't need two 7/11s. Id love to see a walmart here.
 Some kind of department store with more variety than dollar general
 medical offices/urgent care, Trader Joe's
 small local owned shops
 med express
 wawa/hobby lobby
 none
 starbucks
 not sure-satisfied with current options
 a clothing store like burlington coat factory
 Coffee shop
 dog groomer
 a gift+specialty boutique shop (similar to Ute's shop that closed) with Poquoson specific items
 Hardware store
 Footlocker
 More family doctors, eye doctors
 No big box stores- small shops only
 Farmers mini market and craft co-ops
 brewery, cigar shop
 Nothing new construction - remodel some of the vacant spaces.
 low number
 none
 Clothing stores, restaurants, sporting goods store, garden nursery
 Chic Fil A, Panera welcome, more food loc ations, fast food currently needs better management
 I would like to see locally-owned business, especially if the city is trying to promote a "small town"
 feel. If a city is truly interested in attracting tourists it must eliminate the vacant buildings and
 promote businesses other than hookah lounges and vape shops.
 No more vaper stores, a bakery ! And coffee shop that encourages community to gather.

nice dinner restaurant/True Value or Ace Hardware
 True Value or Ace Hardware
 clothing stores
 organic grocery - not expensive like Whole Foods
 none!
 a coffee shop
 Medical offices, professional offices, and light industrial research.
 chick fil-a
 Aldies, Lidl, Trader Joes, Ladies dress store, Men's dress store
 Free market will determine this issue-unsupported businesses will fail
 sports memorabilia; collectibles like the comic book store; 2nd hand sporting goods
 small department store- like a Peebles or Belk
 Small business boutiques, antique stores and craft shops
 None
 chick-fil-a
 sheetz/wawa store/gas to provide competition and lower gas prices
 no big box stores
 store like micheals arts and crafts
 a local butcher
 Clean. One's that pay taxes and hire new employees - especially young people and professionals
 chick fil a
 sporting goods
 another gas station
 chic-fil-a n th e taco store. WAWA gas oppisit city hall drive
 small commercial shops such as trader joe's
 gas station outside of poquoson, current ones too congested
 (none) everything anyone needs is no more than 15 min away
 development of Messick point waterfront restaurants + shops
 a community center and a facility like a YMCA
 trade schools
 doctors/service provider, general practioners, used book store
 I would like to see commercial development similar to the city center (NN) concept in the Big Woods
 but Victory Blvd. would first need to be widened to accommodate existing traffic. An open walking
 mall concept with smaller "quaint" stores mix of chain and locally owned.
 metro needs to clear junk trailers, and shed from the property
 Starbucks or Dunkin Donuts
 Boutique stores, clothing, jewelry. A bussiness that would employ many people (IT consulting)
 I am okay with what is here now
 A real gas station!
 Pollards chicken
 Upscale grocery store (Wegmans). Poquoson's treatment of business in the past will inhibit viable new
 businesses coming to our city.
 Consignment/thrift stores

Micro breweries, farm markets, restaurants, boutique clothing and gift stores
 Gun range in big woods
 walmart neighbor store
 would hav liked the walmart project to hae been approved/build.
 local establishment in existing commercial buildings/areas. No
 Chick Fil A. Local buildings do not offer commercial kitchens that support thawing businesses. Many
 dining options are limited by space/seating and kitchen space. Wild Birds Unlimited, Garden Center,
 coffee shop/bakery
 nothing leave as is
 small local shops
 An urgent care type clinic, Trader Joe's and Barnes and Noble
 A variety store that would carry computer paper; food store similar to Trader Joe's
 T.J. Maxx or similar retail
 Nice steakhouse. A men's clothing store
 clothing store
 Lowes, Target, Home Depot, Walmart, Ross, TJ Maxx
 grocery
 sewing/guiling/craft store; book store; coffee shop; seasonal Farmer's market a specialty store like
 Ute's; teen center (like a YMCA family center), bike shop
 chic-fil-a, cook out, Home Depot/Lowes
 Walmart (a small one)
 "none" shop the malls, "if they remain open"
 medical facility
 Bakery
 soccer fields - real soccer fields! Micro brewery with restaurant
 None the ones here have a hard time staying afloat now
 there are more than enough
 a small specialty grocery type store such as fresh market or trader joes. Also some antique shops
 starbucks, trader Joes, private hardware store (no chains)
 nothing specific, help incentivize bussiness to come and stay.
 Starbucks where KFC, Taco Bell, Pizza Hut was
 Microbrewery, seafood restaurant at Messick
 None. Poquoson is close enough to other locations with these establishments
 None – Storage units, abandoned restaurants, vape shops – we are just like Newport News now
 Please do not make Poquoson a "mall city". Keep it "Poquoson".
 Chick-fil-a
 None
 higher end restaurants, health food stores, local produce/farmers market
 Ethnic grocery
 The market should determine
 None. Keep Poquoson local. Local businesses.
 None
 None, we have enough businesses in town.

Tire dealer, cut-rate gasoline station

No more

A "mini" Wal-mart, A Lowe's or Home Depot, larger "office" businesses

Clothing store

Coffee bagel shop

None

More grocery stores, clothing stores

I would like Poquoson to remain as it is now.

Retail such as (yes) the Walmart we tried. Not only for in town people but those that live close to us in York. Put business in here that draw them from going up 171 to 17 but 171 to Poquoson to shop.

Regional athletic complex, high quality clothing shop, small theater

Boating, fishing, paddleboard and jet ski businesses that can access local waters going with Poquoson being a waterfront community.

None

Larger places to shop - General store

Chic Filet

Gas station - Wawa - you can pull thru w/boat & has new gas tanks (less chance bad gas)

I'd like to see a fabric store.

None

anything that is locally owned - no commercial

No big box or chain stores.

Any store that wants to be here.

Computer Stores, Clothing Store

Chick-fil-a, Wegmans

Wegman's grocery; government contracting offices.

gift / antique shop; clothing boutique / consignment

Nice restaurant / bar with entertainment

I would support privately-owned small businesses. We do not need chain stores / restaurants in our city.

Urgent care facility, also good medical building. Perhaps also specializing child care as Poquoson is noted for good education thus influx of families with children.

Seafood processing. Dry boat storage, saltwater supplies

hardware store that can compete with Taylor's - their prices are ridiculous

more gas places to fill up

restaurants, hardware store

nice gift shop, a Marshalls or TJ Max type stores

develop water activities, shops at Messick Pt., charter fishing, tours, boating, marinas

clothing/shoe store

A medical Center and possibly a "Doc in the Box" urgent care

a small business coffee shop - not Starbucks

large chain grocery stores

a general practitioner MD

"Doc in the box" emergency treatment

WaWa, Panera, mini-walmart, medical emergency facility

antique store, boutiques
 no comment
 craft shops
 walmart
 clothing/shoe stores, athletic apparell department
 Fresh Market or Trader Joes
 clothing store
 no drugstore, no auto stores, no grocery stores (enough already)
 BJ's or Costco or Sam's
 Computer store, tire store
 bakery or coffee shops, antique or crafts mall
 gas stations
 Small Trader Joe's
 Organic Farmer's Market; Trader Joe's / Aldi, Quality Seafood Market, gift shop, consignment store
 A weekend open air shopping area where people could rent small spaces to sell quality arts and crafts.
 Colorful, wooden sheds w/ electric. Boutique style stores to draw prople who have money to spend.
 Chick-Fil-A, Target, freshwater bait & tackle
 if we bring businesses in, make it something unique to sell people to poq. Not another that is just
 down the road
 non-major chains that pay low wages. i.e., not Walmart
 less development, more parks and open spaces to enjoy the waterfront
 none
 small businesses and/or restaurants
 WaWa
 Chick-Fil-A
 WaWa - 24 hour
 Walmart
 none
 gift shop feagturing local items - farmers' market. Local restaurants. Small coffee shop/bakery;
 sandwich shop (Jason's deli, Panera
 none is needed
 locally owned business and restaurant - nothing specific.
 office buildings
 none
 anything fron North Carolina
 none
 Panera Bread, gift shops, new business start-up center
 can't think of any
 Chick-Fil-A or Krispy Kreme
 I'm satisfies with what we have
 locally owned small businesses such as coffee shops, cafes, local art & promotion of the traditional
 culture of the city
 none. We need to keep the small town environment
 small coffee shop, movie theater, Chick-Fil-A

n/a

rentable picnic shelters w/grills for family gatherings, reunions, etc. Boutique selling wedding or formal wear, perfumery (outlet prices for perfumes) party store, jewelry store (local artisans) home store, linens (such as Bed Bath & Beyond)

none

None

Like it the way it is.

Medical like First Med

Locally owned businesses that fit the typical Poq resident, i.e. water-related activities, sports, equipment, etc., i.e. cruise lines...booze cruises, dance cruises, etc.

A bakery

An Aldi grocery store

More places to eat. Farmers Market.

A good Thai restaurant

Auto repair workshop

No Walmart

More local businesses

None

Chain restaurant

None - we are a bedroom community and should remain so

None

We could use some small boutiques, similar to the thing sold in Poquoson Pharmacy - gift items.

None

Have empty buildings already - why build more?

A local butcher with local meats. A local farmers market

None

Starbucks, Physician offices, high end grocery

locally owned and operated

None - there's enough already

Another hardware store to compete with Taylor's prices.

none

1. book/stationary store 2. clothing store-men, women and kids

upscale restaurant

none / N/A

none

Maximize use of existing real estate to occupy current space

A really good bait and tackle shop - assisted living places for elderly

Patient 1st or Med 1st type facility

CVS or Walmart

none

Starbucks

A chain restaurant, one more fast food restaurant

a bakery, Going Postal shop

A Starbucks or Dunkin Donuts

no big box stores!

none

none

bakery, coffee shop

coffee shop, donut shop, ice cream

peoples dept. store

clothing stores

none

I'd prefer to keep Poquoson the way it is- we love family owned business.

chic-fil-a

Most of my needs are met in Poquoson. I think we would benefit from a seasonal local famers market, smilar to what you see city center or Riverwalk. W (a family with young kids) would lov a putt putt/arcade type of eatery.

farmers market

A coffee shop with a bakery where citizens can meet

r

Arts and crafts shops. Lessons but not necessary – not far away

Walmart

A nice gift shop like Ute's was – Ute's is missed.

chic-fil-a

upscale restaurant

clothing store

I would love to welcome more commercial business/industrial business. Our buisness owners should be able to work where they live. I would love to see a store front (similar to county grill) withindustrial behind it so it is unseen. In frnt of store front could be a park where food trucks could go for lunch hours. Med express type service! Eye doctor, sweet frog, sports bar. other ideas: hallmark, paner bread, starbucks, chick-fil-a. while small business is preferred - these places stay busy. They all meet desire of most citizens. the 3 foo chains are all places where adults and students can grab food or coffee. meet for studing, working socializing

wawa

chic-fil-a, walmart, better family resturants

clothing

boaters world

Nice resturaunts, antique shops

I would like the grocery store from walmart

I would like to see a commission formed to study a co-op for the Seafood bus such as gulf port states

Cox communication service center

Target or Juans Mexican Cantina

none

a coffee shop; a microbrewery pub, pet store, medical

small hardware store- fishing supplies

Whatever a business person thinks will work and has the will to try.

coffee shop

doctor's office
 more places to eat close to the water, boaters docks
 urgent care facility; otherwise, stop buiding until these junk storefronts are cleaned up, filled, or torn down
 A different gasoline provider w/a store (not another 7-11, a royal farm as an example)
 upscale retail, boutiques
 non-chain restaurants
 Movie theater
 None
 A general variety store - remember old Gibson's store?
 Keep it small but, KFC/Taco Bell "old" store to a local tea, coffee, wifi shop
 clothing
 laundromat
 clothing, nice restaurant, shoes, family doctor
 Nothing really. I think we are good.
 Chick-fil-a, Chipotle or Jersey Mikes in the former Kentacohut building. Coffee shop. Shooting range, farmers market, food trucks, haunted house! Dog park. FOOD TRUCKS! And a brewery!
 None
 Walmart, Lowes, Home Depot, gas station, quality restaurant
 coffee shops, Starbucks, WaWa, deli - Smithfield ham
 Commercial/Recreation/Entertainment options to stay in Poquoson within the Big Woods and Wythe Creek corridors
 chain restaurant
 restaurants
 Small movie theater; unique gift shops; ice cream shop; coffee shop (NOT Starbucks!)
 coffee shop, med express
 keep small town atmosphere. Ten years ago town was a great destination for shopping and lunch.
 ABSOLUTELY NONE!
 Texas Roadhouse, Sam + Steves
 none
 coffee shop, donut shop, icecream store
 I think with 12000 people in Poquoson we have sufficient retail business.
 None
 Gift shop (like Ute's); Hallmark
 Store that has everything for sale
 Another convenience store or gas station like Wawa or Royal farms.
 Business or establishments that can enter existing and unused buildings.
 yoga studio, value pet
 Sweet frog. We do not have an ice cream place in the city
 Realistically not enough people, going to have to drive to Hampton, NN, or York
 fast food such as chic-fil-a or a better local restaurant
 none. We do not have the population to support more than what we have
 fitness center

outdoor watersports - kayak rentals, etc.

A local pub with craft beer and live music that has an interesting ambiance and is family friendly.

Family owned coffee shop with local music, poetry readings, book clubs, etc.

Promote "on the water" venues: winebar, sports bar, brewery.

movie theater

Chick-Fil-A

price-competitive gas station

clothing, appliance, etc.

retail marine parts/service center

little shops

Anything targeted towards local Poquoson residents, not large retail chains - nothing that we already have (i.e. CVS - Rite Aid)

none, they would be to the detriment of existing bus.

something like the antiques shops that used to bring visitors

We have "right mix"

Bakery/Bagel Place, another option for gas

Walmart Market Place

a coffee shop where people can socialize & study. I am a graduate student & I leave Poquoson to study at Starbucks in York County.

Pet store/feed store, upscale restaurant, outdoor/boating/rec sports retail

Bakery would be really nice

medical/professional offices, restaurants, specialty shops, 3rd gas station

Panera, Chik-Fil-A

Small hotel and waterfront/marina(s) shuttle

I think that it should be voted/decided case by case. One venture at a time! Do we really need this project!

Gas station (with easier access)

Built to be village type area incentive to these businesses

None. Eventually all the available land will be used up. Then what? Go ahead and raise taxes and leave available land alone.

Sushi Bar, clothing,

No national chain. Locally owned business is better.

None. But if any small businesses.

Chic Fellet, and there are a number of vacant business fronts available for new business

None - Don't clear trees for more buildings

Upscale groceries & restaurants

No more dollar stores or liquor stores, no big commercial enterprises

Older buildings need to be used no more new building taking trees down

WaWa, Walmart, Target

West Marine, Peebles

To begin with I'd like to see fewer bizarre stores (smoke shops) & no more Dollar Trees or auto parts stores. Unfortunately, smaller quality shops don't attract business.

I miss Ute's. I would like more non-chain restaurants or coffee shops. I miss a gathering place where I can talk & have coffee with friends.

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Responses for Write-In Question 2:

What new restaurants and entertainment venues would you like to see in Poquoson?

None, unless small/family restaurant. No chains.

More waterfront restaurants

Chick-Fil-A, Five Guys

Nice, inexpensive, family type (country style) other than seafood, mexican, oriental and and italian

Chick-fil-a

Denny's, concerts at the waterfront

bakery/bagel shop; retail shops

Theater; upscale restaurants / classy drinking establishment

None, too crowded now

Zoes Kitchen, Panera

maybe a steak house

Mellow Mushroom, BJ's Brewpub, etc.

winter's with entertainment; movie theater - make smaller like cinema café

Restaurants already here should improve the quality of food (several are not up to par with their fare).

no new restaurants

same as above

No Thanks

Hardees, Taco Bell (only), Firehouse Subs

micro-brewery with restaurant

?

existing restaurants are fine

a brewery

Destination restaurants, sushi restaurant, horse trails, boat rentals and tours

None - causes traffic congestion

Coffee shop; homemade ice cream stand

Outdoor music festivals, farmer's market, etc.

None

fine dining

none

need good italian rest.; don't need entertainment venues

Chick-Fil-A, some type of entertainment such as skating, bowling, laser tag, rock wall

a coffee shop

Starbucks, Chick-Fil-A

chick-fil-a- steak place- Picadilly restaurant

Chick-fil-a, quality bakery / coffee shop, tea room

outdoor movie theater that can be watched by boat

Doesn't matter to me personally.

Any that want to come

a coffee shop that serves breakfast. Starbucks "like"

none

None

Fitness Center (like Curves)

crab restaurant at Messick Point

we have more than enough

chick-fil-a

Would love a coffee / dessert shop, Chick-fil-A, better garden store options - instead of pop-up McDonalds nursery -> year round, boating store (selling boat accessory / maintenance - not selling boats)

Movie theater

ok as is.

chick-fil-a

Upscale Steakhouse, Taphouser/Brewhouse with live music

denny's or similar

coffee shop

None

Seafood and a mixed-menu type; movie theater, arts and crafts

Chick-Fil-A

No suggestions - existing is sufficient for our needs as seniors.

No more - we have plenty! When I moved here 20+ years ago, Poquoson was so particular about new venues/establishments moving in. Now, it seems, just any business can move in & usually goes out of business. I hate seeing empty buildings!!

No input

Hooters, Longhorn, Friday's

none

see above

OK as is

no new restaurnts. Maybe entertainment venue of some sort

Youth Center

Promote/incentivize locally owned restaurants/entertainment

Locally owned restaurants, movie theater, deli-sandwich shop

live music - like riverwalk

We have adequate

Music in the park - like Gloucester

Chick-Fil-A

bowling alley. 9 hole golf course

sports bar, theater to show old/childrens' movies (Naro-like)

Chick-Fil-A, neighborhood Walmart

ice cream parlor, bakery, pastry shop, olive garden, red robin, PF chang etc.

putt putt golf

9 hole par 3 golf course, putt putt course

movie theater

none

Ones that do not duplicate existing in area. Maybe a microbrew – restaurant

chic-fil-a, starbucks, burger king

Starbucks, good N.Y. Deli and bagel restaurant

None

no restarants. An entertainment venue for kids and or teenagers

we have a good amount of restaurnts; hopefully th brwery that was slated to go in near city hall will still be coming too.

need a good seafood restaurant.

seafood and BBQ

family restaurant with outdoor seating + live music

sandwich shop / deli, coffee shop with outside sitting

a community park/picnic area is all we need for entertainment. Put Chic-Fil-a in the old KFC. That's it

A good restaurant (like Fin). An upscale grocery store. A longer running / walking trail - like the one by City Hall - just much longer.

I would like to see a cinnabon in the old Taco Bell bldg. There are none on this side of the water.

Movie

small, unique, local restaurants billard room

Brew pub, oyster bar, bait and tackle, coffee shop

None

Chick-fil-a

Starbucks - summer concerts in the park

More local restaurants

Seafood restaurant at Messick Point

Movie theater

smaller resturants (not chains) and outdoor music events

Build up venues in tag marina area for a waterfront dining area

putt putt

None

Unique farm and table.

Would like to see existing restaurants supported more!

N/A (see above)

None

None

More seafood restaurants on a waterfront. No more fast food !

higher end eateries

nicer upscale restaurant (not chain)

movie theater

local restaurants (more of) that use local goods when possible (seafood, vegetables, etc.)

puttina astarbucks/panera combo where kentacohut was.

Deli – sandwich shop

A bakery, a coffee house, chick-fil-a, a deli

Fire House Subs, Panera

bookstore/coffee shop

Chick-fil-a

we seemed well searved by existing restaurants a put-put golf course and arcade migth do well

we have enough restaurants, invite a small group such as the old poquoson players and use middle

school for performances
 none
 Small diners, delis, and family restaurants
 More "ethnic" options I.e.Mediterranean
 n/a
 None
 Locally owned restaurants or entertainment
 A good steak place
 Movies, a good steak house
 A restaurant with space for a music performance would be great. Keep some of the money people spend on food/entertainment here.
 Family friendly restaurant like a Wild Wing Café
 Sidewalks Little Fla
 A movie theater, firehouse subs, chickfila
 The private market will decide this
 Outdoor concerts
 None
 Local owner – farm to table – restaurants – NO CHAINS ! !
 Restaurants, coffee shop – yes ; Entertainment – NO No bowling alleys, roller rinks, or movie theaters
 amphitheater @ Messick Point (on the hill)
 None
 A small movie theater
 enough in Hampton, York to support Poq
 Upscale evening bar down at Ren's or Owen Marinas
 none
 Starbucks, etc.
 Poquoson can only handle so many places to eat. Chick Filet would be great.
 something for youth other than sports
 Local Business
 NONE
 Movie Theater
 unique fresh foods
 Pub with evening musicians
 NO Chain Restaurants
 Movie Theater, Olive Garden, Red Lobster restaurants
 Bowling Alley, Movie Theater
 Ice Cream Store, Movie Theater
 We have sufficient.
 Get good chains! Panera Bread, Firehouse Subs, IHOP, Dairy Queen, Chick Fillet, Five Guys, Taste Unlimited, Need Drive Thrus for old and busy and young families. No more pizza restuarants!
 A brew pub
 Venue for music, coffee house or bakery

local

Coffee shop (eat in) wedding Pavilion

movie theater

Chick-fil-a

youth park, skating, open area by post office

Coffee shops (preferably local, not a chain). Ice cream parlor, Chickfila

we have enough restaurants

some sort of frozen yogurt or icecream shop mabe bbq pork store

locally owned coffee shop

Movie theater.

none

No new restaurants other than to fill existing space (Kentacohut). Roller rink or indoor tennis courts for our youth.

would like to see another business move into former Kentacohut & other existing rental spaces.

Perhaps a theater, sports complex.

Del Taco / Jack in the Box / ChicFila

Starbucks

Starbucks or Dunkin Donuts or Wawa

Chick-Fil-A, Sweet Frog

outdoor store, Dave & Busters

A coffee shop, a decent place to eat, a nice bar

do not need to destroy any more land for this - there are already empty buildings that were restaurants.

A good steak restaurant. Ex. Texas Roadhouse

none

Captain D's, 5 Guys, putt putt, a nicer bar than Georges

Movie/concert in the municipal park (free)

"upscale" bar for evening drinks/food

none

none

steak house

Friendly "coffee house" type restaurant. Cozy tables, wifi etc.

none - we have enough

seafood restaurants

not fast food

small local businesses keeping with poq character

It would be nice to have another sandwich shop, coffee shop and donut retailer.

2 AXBY's, places to go sit outside in shade on the water to eat. Only surfrider and marina have places to eat on water + and they are junky. Bull Island BBQ.

Panera bread, chic-fa-la

None

See question #1

Dunkin Donuts, Steak House

movie theatre, teen dance for middle and high school

A coffee shoppe / bakery

none

Additional ballfields for children's entertainment

Paties at the Point' to incl sufficient advertising of upcoming events.

Chik-filla, Taco Bell

none

Movie theatre

Male strippers such as Thunder from down UNDER

Restaurants offering music; coffee house; Brewery

A couple of seafood restaurants along the lines of the old "Bubbas". Ones that you can take kids to without it costing a fair weeks salary. A large facility with stage and auditorium and seating for 2500 or more.

city square, small, unique, family friendly (if brought in) tea room, etc.

Enough restaurants, maybe clothing

Thai restaurants, sushi restaurants, ice cream parlor, Starbucks, steakhouse, bakery

Same as one

None

A seafood restaurant downtown

Micro brewery, a cheese and wine store

another bar and restaurant other than Georges

Small to average restaurants

small sports complex for youth

more high end restaurants

see above

Cook-Out, a good quality Seafood Restaurant and Messick Point

Ice Cream shop- In+Out Burger-Steak

Starbucks, Chick-Fil-A

Chick-fil-a

Family type

Texas Roadhouse

Family-owned ice cream shop, casual bar, additional waterfront restaurants

Chick fila, Panera

Chick-fil-a

I would rather very few. Poquoson should not be a Hampton, Newport News, Norfolk etc.

steakhouse, BBQ place

Panera

none

None

Chickfila

none

movie theater, small outdoor amphitheatre, kero sushi

Panera Bread or Cracker Barrel might survive

We are fine as is

coffee shop
 Starbucks
 none
 none
 Walkable store fronts along Wythe Creek / no parking lots
 family oriented restaurants and entertainment(like minature golf)
 more waterfront dining
 Panera, Starbucks, Steakhouse, Zaxby's, 5 Guys, Mission BBQ
 None
 Deli, coffee shop
 A brewery, a coffee shop
 see above
 chick-fil-a, coffee shop, panera
 starbucks, chick-fil-a, more mom and pop family restaurants w/home cooking bakery small 1 screen cinema
 Just another option to grab a bite after late sports practice and or games.
 Krispy Kreme / Chick Fil A / Doctor office w/ walk in clinic urgent care
 A coffee shop, only locally owned, small businesses
 None
 Too old to really know needs in this area. Maybe a movie theater.
 none! Chick-fil-a
 tapas, sushi,steakhouse,Good seafood, wine bar
 NONE
 rest: steak, italian, brewery (pub) outdoor seating) ent. Venus:small local bands outside for summer concernts/ outside movies (lawn charis open area)
 A locally ran ice cream parlor like the one in Smithfield, VA w/ seating inside and outside
 a good greek/italian restaurant
 Riverwalk would be a dream- music, food, farmer's market
 Foreign/Oriental restaurants (Thai, Indian, Bangledash)
 A good family steakhouse, something kid/teen friendly for hang outs.
 fine dining, bakery, bettter managed mcdonalds and wendys
 venue for wedding receptions and large parties
 a walmart
 Wawa, Chick fil a, ice cream store
 bowling alley, movie theater, red lobster, ruby Tuesday, burger king, arbys
 none
 None
 Any that are willing to come here
 No more pizza or Italian - more family restaurants with a broad menu
 none
 Chipotle, Panera, Escape Room, Five Guys, Starbucks
 Coffee shop
 We have enough now. We don't need more traffic !

chic-fil-a
 No more restaurants
 None
 Movie theater. Musical venue similar to "the Norva" in Norfolk.
 Chuck E Cheese, Arcade, Drive in theater
 Chick-fil-a, one of a kind restaurant, theater, a thai restaurant, looking forward to the brewery
 Chick-Fil-A, ice cream shop, batting cages, sportsplex/fields
 Chick-fil-a
 marian with shops, restaurant and music
 starbucks, another nice restaurnt on the water
 movie theater
 steakhouse
 minature golf, no chain restraunts
 develop some public beach areas! (not at messick) restaurant like york river oyster co. w/ outdoor seating on the water
 Have great restaurants already. Need more entertainments
 bagel, coffee, donut shops, ice cream shop
 ice cream store
 IHOP, movie house, small skating rink or bowling alley
 None
 Movie Theater, Starbucks, Chick-Fil-A
 Chic Fil A, Arby's
 Outdoor movie night in the park, healthy food options on the go.
 No large chains or any more fast foods
 Zero
 Good steak rest and chic filet
 None
 n/a
 mediterranean style food, different types of restaurants
 locally owned restaurants - not chains
 hardees
 cold stone, dukin donuts
 A nice pub and restaurant
 NONE
 Community Center for classes, events, for all - not only for children or retired, etc.
 Chick-Fil-A, Wawa
 Everything is so close to us, shopping, theaters, ice plex, etc. That's what happened to Willimsburg. It was so nice and now its overbuilt and over populated
 Burger King
 Restaurant for lunch like Briar Patch; restaurant focused on healthy selections including vegetarian options
 None - OK with current array
 none

Cafeteria
 Chick-Fil-A
 movie
 better seafood restaurant
 eat-in chinese and thai restaurant, mini golf
 same - small, locally owned
 Family
 none
 Movie Theater, Bowling
 Chick-fil-A, Internet Café, steakhouse (replace Victor's!)
 "Fast Fresh", or local restaurants
 see above
 perhaps a new "local" restaurant
 marine supply stores to offer products for boaters, sporting goods, more commercial office space
 Starbucks
 Chick-fil-a, bakery (local)
 no more fast food restaurants. A few upscale restaurants
 no chains unless small like panera
 overall I'm pleased with our dining options.
 a small brewery, such as St . Georges
 None!
 Starbucks, Chickfala
 Starbucks, Panera Bread, Chic-fil-a
 Coffee shop
 Olive Gardens
 None
 some sort of entertainment venue on the water beside owens restaurant
 Chick-fil-a
 chickfil-a, starbucks
 Mom & Pop restaurants (no chains), virtual reality venue
 Brew pub, unique non-chain restaurants, 5-Guys, R/C car, track & boat pond, FPV drone course
 Small business brew-pub
 No more fast food! Ice cream shops, chocolatier, piano bar.
 Seminars and events to highlight water & fishery activities in and around Poquoson, as well as
 initiatives & needed actions to maintain & improve business & rec activities.
 None.
 Bagel bakery! Roller skating/Ice skating rink:)
 Chick-Fil-A, Sweet Frog, Five Guys
 Steakhouse; seafood; roller skating
 beach/swimming
 none - current fast food not good, why bring in others to fail
 Royal Farms
 we have enough

coffee house, unique (not chain) restaurant
 Local, family-owned. Barbecue, Italian, a small club for older adults to socialize, dance.
 Nice steak restaurant
 See above
 soft serve yogurt (like Freddie's or TCB4); good coffee/expresso; healthy food choices - not fried or
 pork barbecue
 Make what we already have better!
 Restaurants on water with live music
 Chick-Fil-A, KFC, Starbucks
 none
 N/A
 a steak house
 movie theater
 more music concerts
 more parking for public access for boating and recreational vehicles
 movie theater and nice family restaurant with a separate room for club meetings, family, etc.
 none -keep poquoson small
 none
 K.F.C - Taco Bell - Steak Restaurant
 Movie theater (dinner-and-type?)
 microbrewery
 none needed
 Local seafood, bakery, Starbucks, delivery options
 none
 We have enough restaurants, would like to see beaches, water sports, charter fishing
 ice cream
 family rest
 chick-fil-a, a good steak house
 none
 Indoor batting cage to promote kid's participation.
 chick-fil-a
 none
 none
 victory blvd needs to be widened before any new development starts in poquoson
 Note Brown Brothers (complex w/ farm fresh) is charging too high rent and remains empty
 soft serve ice cream shop/ bakery
 we are fine with what we have
 More entertainment especially for young people.
 Taco Bell, deli/wine shop, ice cream/yogurt shop. (B+R, Coldstone, Sweetfrog?)
 a donut shop and ice cream shop
 Happy w/ current status
 chick-fil-a
 people don't move here for restaurants and entertainment. They move here for a simpler lifestyle-

everything you want is close by and doesn't need to be in Poquoson
 coffee shop, bakery
 chic-fil-a, sweet frog
 outdoor movies, like a drive-in
 Open microphone/poetry (at coffee shop, maybe)
 theater
 Chick-Fil-A, panda express, chipotle
 Ethnic food restaurants. A music/concert hall/stage space would be awesome.
 outback, movie theater, ben and jerry's
 chick-fil-a
 None
 wawa, starbucks, chickfila, cook out
 eeping city very much as it is now. We have doubled in size in the past fourty years
 Concerts (similar to Yorktown or City Center)
 Something that the young people could find good clean fun, not on the streets at night. Skating
 rink/family, youth night. Etc.
 movie theater, laser tag, golf store
 any
 chick-fil-a
 fast food
 Starbucks or coffee shop - Chic Fil'A - teen center - putt putt
 Ice cream store. More outdoor dining options
 golf courses, decent marinas, family atmosphere (healthy, active)
 No more fast foods - variety of cuisines
 none
 Chick-fil-a or Starbucks
 a good mix - starbucks, 5 guys, and upscale restaurants
 family style (eat-in)
 center for the perfroming arts
 no chains
 anything not chain
 limited development to utilize natural space for events such as concerts, fairs, an family events
 Steakhouse, sports arena for indoor soccer/basketball/field hockey/paint ball. Lighted soccer areas for
 soccer (ie South Lawson park to field) Coffeehouse when you would go for a light meal or
 coffee/desert tournaments)
 not sure- the hardees/ pizza hut place went out of business and is still unoccupied
 greek restaurant & Thai (not more pizza)
 More family things. Bowling, putt-putt, roller skating, dog park !
 chic-filet, steakhouse such as lonestar, texas road house
 Brewery; fine dining
 more mom&pop, less chains
 None
 locally owned

Ones that pay taxes and are successful. Some might say they want, for example, a small old-time ice cream shop. But if that gig isn't profitable, it will fail and we'll have nothing. We should allow whatever business is likely to succeed.

none

Starbucks, First Watch

Good restaurants and some business to replace KenFried & Taco Hut

Chick Filet

NONE

More stuff for kids to do

Something for the kids to do!

Steak place - Entertainment for teenagers

No new one, but improvements in the quality (food and groceries) of a number of existing ones.

Chickfila

Chick-Fil-A

none

More breakfast restaurants - dunkin donuts or Starbucks

Chick fil a, Sweet Frogs or ice cream shope *would benefit to have a community center

NONE

Starbuck or locally owned good coffee shops

Coffee shop like the Old Harbor Café or Aromas, a place for some summer/fall weekly music events for community w/food trucks

Texas Roadhouse, Movie Theater, Donatos Pizza, Popeye's Chicken

panera, Chick-Fil-A

none

steakhouse - such as Texas Roadhouse. Other than that, only family owned restaurants

none

something with music

steak. Seafood

none

Starbucks, Dairy Queen, part wirth workout circuit (like Mt Trashmore)

need to patronize existing businesses first

seafood restaurant, skating rink, playgrounds

a kids' indoor play zone, arcade

A steakhouse, a resaurant with food varieties a la Cheddars or Ruby Tuesday

Maybe a community theater. A restaurant that is mor upscale than the current offerings.

Remove Wendy's & McDonalds - they are awful

No more junk shops - i.e. "Thrift stores"

live music venue

Really have no true idea

Locally owned restaurants

Chick fil a/ Family owned Italian restaurant, no chain

Chick-Fillet

None come to mind

None
 NONE!
 family style restaurants
 Stay as is.
 brewery
 Movie theater
 Mexican (upscale), Chick-fil-A
 like to see more private owned restaurants.
 a good sports plex for children/community. Ex. Williamsburg/JCC
 hi-end non chain seafood restaurant, bakery, coffee shop
 Coffee shop, brewery, Duck Donuts, Chick Filet, small cool eateries - health concious choices
 See above; outside venue for live music
 We do not need more restaurants. We have enough good ones already. Need more parks. Need antique shops.
 We are content with the current establishments.
 Starbucks, a Steakhouse, an Ice Cream Shoop
 Microbrewery/restaurant, Coffee shop, Chik-Fil-A
 None
 None
 We think a Chick-fil-A would thrive and help Poquoson's tax base especially with nearby NASA.
 None
 family restaurant - not more seafood - Chic-Fil-a
 Family owned restaurants, maybe a YMCA
 Original, not chain - like Ghent in Norfolk
 Chic-Fil-A at old Kentacohut. Some sort of concert venue
 None
 coffee shop
 No Comment
 Starbucks/medical offices, gas station, Brewery, Chick-fil-A, Panera (high end fast food)
 Establishments for young individuals.
 No more chain or fast food that can drive 5 minutes out of Poquoson and be at one.
 local bakery, coffee shop, brewery
 too many restaurants already
 None
 We have enough
 Pro business growth - Any that would be successful
 Panera Bread, Starbucks, Chic-filet, Olive Garden, Cracker Barrell
 Mathews has done a great job with local restaurants and local participation
 Bowling, skate rink, movie, mini golf - family activities not including sports
 movie theaters - safe team venues
 Would love to see a youth center for young adults
 None

affordable family style restaurants

Burger King

Baker's Crust, Panera, gourmet restaurant, brewery w/restaurant, winery w/restaurant

bar/restaurant. live music events

movies

the market will determine this answer

A healthy food restaurant - fast (ex chipotle) fresh low carb/fat options

a multiuse auditorium like the one proposed in 2008 that was shot down by the city

Chick-Fil-A, Starbucks

Chick-Fil-A

we don't need more, sometimes less is more

none

not any

a small brewery

I think what we have is suitable

Thai food

maybe a chain restaurant upper scale

Chick Fil A, Golden Corral, Starbucks, Dairy Queen, Krispy Kreme

none, too many already

Brewery, diners, steakhouse - no fast food. Unfortunately the high rents are not small business friendly.

Craft brewery, movie theater

Something like the walkway at Yorktown Beach - a brick path open to all and a few restaurants with seating outside set back from the path.

Chick-Fil-A, donut shop/coffee, laser tag, community center

Chick Fil A

any eateries!

chick fil a

bar and grill such as schooners or harpoon larry's simi outdoor

family

mom and pop shop/locally owned restaurants

independent sports bar, foreign cuisine (south america, europe)

drive thru starbucks

no more restaurants - have music at the point on Friday nights

steak houses restaurants

chick fil a, batting cage

high-end restaurant

steakhouse

coffee shop, frozen yogurt shop, something like island fitness

community concerts w/ food truck rodeos similar to welly events at port warwick/ city center / new town williamsburg.

more independent restaurants

chick-fil-a

A seafood/steak restaurant on the waterfront (end of Poquoson Ave next to park)
 the current ones meet our needs
 none to suggest
 game place for teens or movie theater
 a steakhouse and a sports facility (indoor/outdoor) for kids
 coffee & donut shop, tea room
 Chick-Fil-A. Something for the teens to do
 none
 only venues providing gathering places for kids
 bowling, small movie theater
 no vape/gamerooms/lounges
 franchises struggle here. "surfs up" type place? Play into legacy of seafood
 sports pub
 none
 we own a mobile ice cream business. Someday may put or build an old fashioned ice cream shop
 None. If I need to do something that isn't located in Poquoson I will travel to another city
 none. The ones we currently have are great. They have a long standing service to the citizens of our city and I believe would suffer from more moving in
 Starbucks, brewer, wine shop/gourmet shop, high-end consignment, good restaurants similar to Crab Shack (NN), Deadrise, Circa (NN) Aroma's, Vintage Tavern
 Chick-Fil-A and movie theater
 None
 Local restaurant
 If chain restaurants come, please make them "higher-end"
 More places on the water
 another good deli - miss that - and a bakery, Chick Fil A, tea room
 something for kids to do /teens
 Steak restaurants, breakfast-deli
 Coffee shop like Starbucks or Panera
 Chick-fil-a
 Arby's/dairy queen
 we don't need anymore restaurants- a teen center would be great
 none
 Starbucks, putt, putt golf
 there is already a good variety of restaurants here. I am satisfied with the options here already.
 none
 More restaurants on the water
 another steak house to take the place of Victor's
 one high-end restaurant w/view
 Starbucks or coffee shop Panera bread
 Chick-fil-A, Popeys
 Something geared towards teens and young adults
 more local seafood restaurants

steak restaurant, breakfast place
 Starbucks or Chic-Fil-A where Taco Bell was.
 none
 Chick Fil A
 Steak restaurants, movie theater, sports bar, arcade
 more for children to do
 I would like to see a variety of cuisines, with an emphasis on locally-owned businesses. I would like to see the community center expanded to provide performance areas for plays and movies.
 see above + tiki bar by beach with oysters and music
 Denny's restaurant/music concerts at park area
 nice dinner restaurant/entertainment at park area
 movie theaters
 steakhouse type of restaurant, wind and beer bar
 none!
 I am pleased with what is available
 Chick Fil A
 More variety/not fast food.
 movie theater, stage plays
 Free market will determine this issue-unsupported businesses will fail
 organic food, farm-to-table like First Watch. Bounce house-type kids' party venues or MyGym.
 coffee shop, donut shop
 Starbucks/coffee cafe (open mic) or pavilion
 Panera bread, Local deli, or coffee house
 Chick Fil A
 small unique restaurants
 chik-fa lay
 it's a small clean town - that's keep it that way
 Hunt/fish lodge @ white house cove, Panera, Steak house
 dave and busters
 dairy queen, five guys
 sweet frog
 rec center and theater
 Bowling lanes
 something that would benefit minor children
 Chick-fil-A, area for outside bands to perform
 nonchain (mom+pop) restaurants, coffee shop
 We have a good mix of restaurants but the quality leaves much to be desired. Something like an Applebee's/Chili's/RubyTuesday style place would be nice.
 Panera/ Chick-fil-a no more pizza
 Panera Bread, bowling Alley second run movie theater
 A coffee store combined with a bakery. Sandwich or cheese shop, other small chain restaurant
 see above
 Drive-in movie theater

Pollards chicken, dinner theater
 Drive-in movies
 More variety in restaurants. An auditorium for school band and chorus use as well as other performance arts
 movie theater
 family restaurant
 locally - owned restaurants
 Arby's, Chick Fil A, Firehouse Subs
 Chick Fil A. See above comment for restaurants
 nothing.
 local own
 Starbucks and Krispy Kreme
 Chick Fil A
 Different small restaurants, good known family style.
 A few more places like Poquoson Diner.
 Casual dining that isn't fast food
 Upscale Italian restaurant – Steakhouse
 Ice Cream, Ruby Tuesday, Applebees
 fine dining
 Panera, local theater, auto/woodworking hobby shop
 movie theater
 I feel Poquoson has the needed places already. The beauty of Poq is living here for schools/community, knowing you won't have lots of stores to "clutter" the town, driving 10 mins is better than making Poq like NN or Hampton.
 a good, decent restaurant!
 Independent family restaurant with home style "variety" menu
 none
 Dairy Queen/steakhouse/Chick Fil A...golf course/put put golf
 none
 some meal places are vacant now
 More locall-owned restaurants, an ice cream store or coffee shop.
 Starbucks, no enterttainment
 Resteraunts- new OK but work with existing non chain to remain viable. Entertainment movie theater, physical fitness
 We are fine on restaurants, maybe a movie theater
 Seafood restaurant at Messick; Band shell at Messick
 None. What we have is great.
 None
 A theater that possibly shows 2 - 4 movies at a time.
 coffee shop
 None
 movie theater, coffee shop
 Private specialty restaurants

Let market factors determine
 Fine dining
 Something suitable to keep kids off the streets.
 Concert space for bands on the water.
 We have enough restaurants - Quality entertainment for our youth would be nice, i.e. bowling alley
 None
 movie theater, bowling, miniature golf
 No more
 Maybe a Chic-fil-A; good steak place
 Sit down chain restaurant to draw people to Poquoson
 game rec center for kids
 None
 Movie theaters, bowling alley, putt putt golf, Baskin Robbins
 I would like Poquoson to remain as it is now.
 There are enough restaurants in Poquoson, possibly just not the right ones!
 small theater, somewhere for outdoor concerts w/foof/adult bevs. Nearby.
 An amphitheatre for concerts, bakery, donut shop, pancake house
 No more restaurants
 Movie theater
 Chic Filet & Bowling
 Organic/NonGMO restaurants w/decent prices. Somewhere for old kids (teens) to go - play - be entertained & out of trouble.
 Coffee shop, maybe a small theater.
 a local seafood restaurant or another diner.
 anything that is locally owned - no commercial
 I like the ones that are here now.
 Upscale Steakhouse
 None
 We have enough restaurants!
 Thai; Chipotle type restaurant
 Prefer local or a non high priced chain
 I think Poquoson would support a sporting goods store.
 Diner (existing) is good but no more fast food. Makes Poquoson junky.
 Outdoor band night
 fish and chips pub with live music
 steak house
 long john silvers, Arbys
 we need movies for the people who don't like to leave our area - especially at night
 steak house
 something with a a hall or banquet room large enough for 100 - 150 people
 none
 Vinny
 none. We already have too many

Chick-Fil-A
 a KFC or Chick-Fil-A
 a good, quiet steakhouse
 Parera, micro-brewery, Starbucks
 locally owned small restaurant
 no comment
 seafood restaurants, sports - playing & watching
 non-chain, ethnic - thai, greek, etc.
 Chick-Fil-A, Olive Garden, Ruby Tuesday
 steakhouse
 Starbucks, Panera. Entertainment venues would not have enough participation to make money
 new football stadium
 An auditorium for the high school band and chorus so concerts can be held in the city
 healthy options, Panera?
 none
 Golden Corral, Arbys, Steak & Shakes
 Tea Room
 Quality Seafood (Like Merroir), Beer Garden
 A tea house specializing in tea, treats. A coffee house. A computer access store. Media related store
 selling newspapers, magazines, etc.
 Chick-Fil-A, drive in theater
 hot yoga
 Jack in the Box, Chbick-Fil-A
 none
 a place to hear music/eat dinner
 none
 Chick-Fil-A
 Chick-Fil_a, sit-down family restaurants, theater
 reataurants & entertainment for teenagers and young adults
 none
 local coffee shop or a Xdtafrbucks, WaWa
 none is needed
 something for kids after school, summer breaks - skate park? Outdoor movies
 none
 cookout
 Chick-Fil-A, WaWa (if demanded
 Cinema bistro, brew pup, boat rentals
 only family type activities
 Chick-Fil-A or Krispy Kreme
 small businesses like the Briar Patch, local coffee shop
 Starbucks
 Chick-Fil-A
 none

small coffee shop, movie theater, Chick-Fil-A

n/a

craft store/Wsmas decorations, "I love Poquoson" souvineeres, local, local artisans (not from china), dairy quees, Starbucks, cracker barrell, Chick-Fil_a, Panera's, Jason's Deli, small movie theater small party center to rent rooms for ceremonies, birthday parties, retirements, receptions

Cbchick-Fil-A

None

Chick Filet in the old KFC/Taco Bell

Breweries & wineries - outdoor concert venue (music/movies) & lawn seating near/on water. Think Buckroe Beach outdoor movie nights

No to laser tag indoor or safe outdoor concerts, an Arbys & a mid price restaurant or cafeteria.

More locally owned restaurants

Chick-Fil-A

A good Thai restaurant plus a coffee shop.

another ethnic style eaterie or european style restaurant

None

Ruby Tuesday, Applebees, etc.

None

None

I was sorry to lose KFC, Taco Bell & Pizza Hut - Another seafood restaurant would be welcome.

None

Keep it all rustic & simple

Bakery/fresh breads and other freshley made foods.

None

"The Point" in Phoebus has indicated interest

locally owned and operated

None

Chick-Fil-A, WaWa, Ihop

none

we have plenty of great restaurants

see above [upscale restaurant]

none / N/A

none

none

I'm okay as is

Small dinner theater, Outback Steak House

none

Chick-Fil-A

Starbucks

Chic Fil A

coffee shop (i.e. Starbucks), Chipotle

none

none

Chic Fil A
 Chick Fil A
 Chili's
 Chick-Fil-A, firehouse subs, Panera Bread
 chic-fil-a
 none
 chic-fil-a & block parties on Wednesday nights
 A putt putt, arcade eatery type location. We find we leave Poquoson mostly for those types of kid activities.
 bakery, brew pub
 A bowling alley; miniature golf; recreation center for teenagers
 Chic-Fil-A
 A high end restaurant with table cloths, good service, good food
 Chic-Fil-A
 Don't know
 None. I like what we have and we do not need more empty buildings.
 chic-fil-a, sushi
 chic-fil-a
 Our city is small and wonderful it is truly a place to live! Let's make it more fun. Add some type of pavilion, weekend drive in movies, music, food trucks, farmers market, etc.
 family, putt putt, movie theater
 restaurants like circa 1918
 Ruth Cris or a Shulas Steak house
 Burger King, Chic-fil-a, golf course in Big Woods
 I'm satisfied with what we have
 High quality lunch restaurants
 steakhouse, coffee house
 small, local (not chains)
 a coffee shop; a microbrewery pub, pet store, medical
 ice cream, coffee + doughnuts
 country cooking, farmers market (spring, summer, fall)
 attractive + well equipped youth center
 A coffee shop like Aromas in City Center
 Whatever a business person thinks will work and has the will to try.
 a small movie theater
 seafood restaurants
 more waterfront establishments
 coffee shop (Starbucks or other)
 Chick-fil-a, Cheddars
 None
 Regionally owned seafood and steak restaurants as well as gourmet burger and sports bar & grilles. A breakfast oriented restaurant would be nice.
 concert series @ Bull Island, end Messick Road

high end classy bistro
 development on waterfront
 Chic-fil-a or Taco Bell
 Chick-fil-a, Chipotle or Jersey Mikes in the former Kentacohut building. Coffee shop. Shooting range, farmers market, food trucks, haunted house! Dog park. FOOD TRUCKS! And a brewery!
 None
 chain Italian restaurant, chain steak restaurant
 Brewery, sports bar & grill
 Any and All - Added variety, options to stay in town.
 a small chain or other one
 seafood
 "Concert at the Park" someplace for residents to gather + listen to a concert
 no chain restaurants
 NONE- please leave Poquoson as is (that's why we moved here)!
 Texas Roadhouse, Sam + Steves
 none
 no comment
 We have plenty of restaurants.
 Small outdoor concert venue at Messick Point. 2 more sit-down restaurants. 2 fast food restaurants – prefer Chipotle and Chic-Fil-A
 Pancake House or place with sandwiches/omlettes/salads. Bagel shop. Deli(with wine and cheese)
 Mini golf. Have enough resturaunts!
 None
 coffee shop, bakery, diner
 A burger restaurant, ice cream shop
 Tapas, small gourmet food, Greek restaurant
 Coffee/bagel shop with drive thru
 Steak house, chic-fil-a
 breakfast/cofee shop, brewery/wine bar
 high end restaurants ould be delightful
 beach access/family friendly marina shops and restaurants
 more diversity and healthy options
 coffee shop, resturants simliar to first watch
 A local pub with craft beer and live music that has an interesting ambiance and is family friendly.
 Family owned coffee shop with local music, poetry readings, book clubs, etc.
 see above
 Starbucks, coffee shop
 Chick-Fil-A
 how about any new "real" restaurant - not just fast food
 any thing "not fast food"
 steak and seafood
 Starbucks
 Anything but fast food, small sail boat rentals in Messick

more variety of restaurants with outside areas for dining; bar and grills
none, they would be to the detriment of existing bus.

tea house restaurant

None

Chickfila or steakhouse

Entertainment - something unique to the area so "outsiders" would come.

No more nail salons! More options for dining.

Dave & Busters, Travel Kiosk (highlight boat tours/jetski rentals etc)

ATV park for kids

Waterfront venues (Messick, Whitehouse Cove, etc)

Indoor Firing Range

coffee shop, miniature golf, bicycle rent stations

I'm pleased with what we have!

ice cream store, chick

Industrial; Farmers Market

None.

Restaurant w/music performances in evening, sushi bar

Locally owned.

None, But if any small

Chic Fillet

I think we have enough - more restaurants would draw away from existing

Upscale such as Circa 1918

Anything of quality that retains "small town" & dignity

home cooked foods

Olive Garden, Chickfila, Game Stop

More quality restaurants. Not your pizza & fast food restaurants. Never have liked Surf Rider - terrible setting be trailers. Too bad they didn't design it better to take advantage of scenery - the water! We love Owens!

I miss Ute's. I would like more non-chain restaurants or coffee shops. I miss a gathering place where I can talk & have coffee with friends.

Chick Fil-A/coffee shop, golf driving range

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Responses for Write-In Question 3:

What new cultural, arts, and educational enterprises would you like to see in Poquoson?

More history on Bull Island. The Poquoson house / museum - hours more available.
 Movie theater
 small scale civic center; 250-500 seat auditorium
 an area of craft and artistic shops would be a good draw.
 Votech school
 None, too crowded now
 YMCA
 None
 anything marine-oriented, small Poquoson marine history museum etc
 Too bad we don't have a local play theater as we once did.
 If it adds to the tax base its fine. Not a necessity at all
 No Thanks
 reoccurring live music and food trucks
 ?
 museum-art; yoga studio
 expand the library
 more music, concerts, family venues, art shows
 None
 none
 a push towards technology, coding classes
 Open air weekly / monthly market - push towards naturalization of yard care - no chemicals - runoff into the bay. Organics, homesteading, gardening, self sustainability in event of national, state, local disaster.
 Any that do not require taxpayer support!
 we need an arena/events center... big woods?
 recreational center to create k-12 activities good schools must be supported by better extracurricular activities. Keep kids out of trouble.
 ?
 A community center that offers ceramics and painting classes, and other classes for adults and youngsters - crochet, knitting, jewelry making
 art museum of local works / artists
 We desperately need an auditorium / convention center big enough that the PHS band doesn't have to have concerts at Tabb. Big enough that PHS graduates can graduate in town.
 I think some kind of book store, selling both new and used items, would be great. Those "paint / pottery night" places I've seen in Hampton Roads seem to do well. Not sure if it's a thing here - but sailing lessons of various level of experience.
 Living museum perhaps at Amory Wharf
 no comment.
 Boating/watersmens museum (boatbuilding, crabpot + workshops)
 Youth Center to give the kids some
 Arts and crafts classes, concerts, festivals
 No suggestions. Other than sidewalks to make walking around town from adjacent streets, like Poquoson Avenue, safe and safe biking paths around town.
 Give raises t teachers/aides! Poquoson has some of the best schools in the area - where's the money

to keep the great teachers & aides?

No input

Paths in marshland down Messic Point

none

OK as is

none

none

none

Art galleries - Poquoson Arts League year-round gallery

movie theater

trade school

no opinion

Classes with Parks & Rec more affordable

Movie theater

use theater above for shows, lectures, meetings

marine learning facility from local waters. Outdoor adventure park with challenges, zip lines like in Va Beach Aquarium

more from museum, youth center

?

college classes at our library; visual arts along our mainstreets, some that would signify that we are a united water town

none

An auditorium for all the schools so events no longer need to be held at York Co. schools. Or give up & combine with York Co. schools – Massive Resistance is over!

a community center for kids.

Computer courses

None

a multi-use (theater, visual arts, stem) cultural arts center for poquoson.

upgrade the poquoson museum

Art studio space for rent and retail sales

small arts festival in spring (similar to seafood festival)

classes available for design or computer design as a second choice

Educational Opportunities about our waterways, animals, plants, etc. Offer incentives to protect our greatest asset.

A nice new recreation center - with sports, classes, etc. Near the library.

NONE

Boat school, sail and power

More seasonal festivals (think seafood festival light) at varied venues to include Messick Point and Poquoson Museum.

None

Poquoson Museum is a well-established venue.

Sailing center or wetland conservation area

None

A type of Mariner's Museum would be wonderful.

More financial support to Poq museum and it's programs. Keeping tax rates same or lower!!

N/A

None

Arts + local shop crafts with own space year round

None

Poquoson needs a recreation center that provides classes and opportunity for classes in art, music, individual sports, and enrichment opportunities. Surrounding communities provide these. Maybe repurpose PMS ?

Partner with VIMS to educate people about the Chesapeake Bay and preserving our waterways. Add some demonstrations

Continue to develop the Poquoson Museum into a living museum with wildlife, plant life, and arts and crafts

a community center that would support all of the aboe and encourage new activies

tutor for children - kunion

expand the poquoson museum, have an expanded watermans museum

None

museums

artist coop, farmers market, disc golf course

More Parks

?

Any

I would like to see us beomce a destination for people both local and out of the area for food, water activities and art. A city square art center offering classes on all levels would draw visitors. We are a community of many artists + a watersports center would focus on all of our strengths.

Sailing camp, hunter safety course

Apprentice Poquoson for local trades / businesses

Sidewalks Little Fla

Live theatrical productions, concerts

Anything that does not require tax dollars to survive.

?

None

Senior center / classes (comm. College non credit); YMCA

Something family-friendly - hands on (pottery, painting, etc)

unsure

Art musician

no opinion

N/A

Just not sure we need this.

Definitely not a VAPE Shop!

N/A

NONE

We need more than Parks and Rec!!! Expanded library for Poquoson residents, family entertainment. Music, Art Show, Nautical Bazaar.

Adults books and video

Venue for multi-use music, theatre, concerts, art space for creating and showing plays etc. City needs more or larger gathering space for these types of events

Undeveloped and raise taxes or starter home type community

Brewery, walkathon, art show, antique car show

easier access to what we have; art league/poq player

Music Hall

arts and crafts store, book store?

none

Performing arts theatre, educational hiking trails.

Learning center for students such as a nature trail with facts. Expansion of Poquoson museum.

Poquoson does a good job at offering classes for all ages.

none

New and improved community center, at least updated

Believe we should expand the arts but not sure how

Children's museum

A farmer's market

same as above

none

Free weekend entertainment for youths (14-21). Could be sports, music, contest, etc. And must be alcohol and drug free. Possibly run by the youth committee with adult clubs involved as sponsors and monitors.

nature trails like aty Poquoson museum

none - we have plenty in surrounding communities

teach simple math and spelling school real history would help

a theater! An indoor swimming pool. Safe bike paths/walkway. A bowling alley. Riffle range (outdoor, indoor)

theater

events like the seafood festival

Community Center

Love to see a community center for plays/concerts would love to see athlete facility- gym for bball/vball indoors field hockey/etc tournaments

None

None, happy with what is available outside of Poquoson

Music (open to public)

It currently meets my family's needs.

farmer's markets

would just like to see new families moving in with young children to grow the schools

A designated area to set up for 'Weekend' ventors to sell/purch/swap fresh vegetables, baked goods, flee market items. The FLEA MARKET on Jefferaon Ave is packed every weekend locals and watermen to be included.

We enjoy the bands at Messick point. Would like dance & drama venues in town. Poq. Island players need more advertising for events i.e. high school plays and concerts for community and not just parents/students.

None

promote poquoson history and culture

Store for local artists / bookstore

A place where one can become CCNA certified

Music Venues! Indoors and/or outdoors for performance

A (large) art center (really large) for classes, artists cubicles / sales (ALA "The Old Torpedo Factory" in Alexandria) that could accommodate painters, stained glass, pottery , kilns, fiber art, sculpture, large scale mixed media, woodworkers, etc.

A large facility with stage and auditorium and seating for 2500 or more.

little theater, plays etc.

Movie theater

None

Specialty stores and art focused enterprises. Some nice B&Bs. Better use Messick Point need something for pre-teens

live stage theatre, music

More support for current museum-walking trails

Farmers market days, bands, food trucks, etc

New development at Messick Point for concerts.

NA

A park, or outdoor concert area

?

Neutral

Weekly farmer's market at the Poquoson Museum

Skate park

none

None at this time

none

Not sure if any

We're good

poquoson is too small for any more businesses and would not support art or cultural enterprises.

none

none

I don't feel that Poquoson can support the arts

Theaters and movie and plays

I think poq. Is too small to support these enterprises- unfortunately

?

None -

None

Theater for movies / plays

It would be nice to have an auditorium bigger than now available in PHS or PMS

living museum/aquarium/wetland type of center with an adventure course(ropes, zip-liners, cargo nets)

N/A

None

Mid-sized auditorium w / excellent acoustics where all of the above could be enjoyed.

Community theatre, boating classes, outdoor concerts

NONE

no sure right now

A park band shell for concerts using the Poq. High School band or other musical groups in area [like the Continental Army Band].

bookstore, music store, arts and crafts store

none

Barnes and Noble w/ Starbucks

more walking and bike trails

none

a walmart

None

vocational training center

None

Same answer as above

A large auditorium for the high school, Shakespeare Theater, Art gallery

Sports facility, Gymnasium, Year-round pool

a 'real' community center

Messick Point and the wharf area developed as recreation wetlands. Highlighting the waterman traditions.

History museum? Community college or trade/vocational skills school

Boating school, water education with VMS in Gloucester

art center, art galleries, music hall, cultural art center

More places for young kids to learn and grow, family activities

not sure

any

small theater, summer concerts

movie night in the park, outdoor concerts if lawn area was available on wythe creek within walking distance

Public/private partnership types

VO-TEC Hands on

Music Venues

More for the 5-yr and under kids.

Anything educational would be great

Zero

none

A community center or YMCA

Special Ed groups; school partnering w/other schools to provide Summer school (Our summer PE was canceled last minute w/no other option). Would have liked to be offered an alternative.

The poquoson library (back when it was at the police station building) hosted/created this cute etiquette class for young girls -> I think it'd be fun to bring that back

utilize our schools for adult education at night

left alone

NONE

NONE

again, Community center - partnership w/VIMS , CNU, etc. for classes in various areas of interest; social events that showcase local talent.

Maybe more craft/art firs - smaller version of Poquoson Seafood festival

Gallery for display/sale of various art works by local artists open more often than the Christmas season as is the case now w/the Art League

Expand museum to include more history of Poquoson

none

Civic Center

A bigger museum.

outdoor theater

Community Theater

Community arts, music center, woodcraft shop, maker studio

those related to nature & the environment

Performing arts theater/venue

Community or vocational college, local theater

We need a facility, school owned or not, for events such as graduations, band performances, chorus, etc. Simply an auditorium at PHS would suffice.

none

open space or parks that allow interaction w/ Poquosons unique environment -> nature walks

Venues that highlight Poquoson,s watermens contribution and Civil War related importance.

N/A plenty oppertunities close by and poquoson cannot support

teaching children about the wetlands, chesapeake bay and climate

Parks and Rec, and the library are doing a fine job

A sport center for the community like the one in NN with space to have activities and classes undeveloped

None (citizens will not support)

None

Monthly festivals in Poquosons open spaces-similar to the Kiwanas barbecue

rotating (on loan) art gallery, trade schools

Maker space, hacker space, glass working, ceramics/pottery

Tying in with #1, themed "fishing village" comprising of shops for small businesses, art studios, small localized restaurants

A community theater with musicals performed by local volunteers that audition. A community choir with a community orchestra. Any family friendly festivals/events - local art shows, concerts. A community center with classes like dance lessons, music lessons, STEM classes, art, baking, etc.

Ceramics & art training & sales center.

None.

Petting zoo or something like Bluebird Gap Farm

expand Poquoson Museum

Spring, Summer outside musical functions

none

pottery studio open to public arts/crafts

rec center for kids, adults, elderly

A community college annex would be great. We like our local artists.

We are too small to support endeavors in the arts.

Own movie theater with reasonable admissions charge

An art center with affordable lessons for all ages (taught by trained instructors). Currently must drive 22-25 min to Pen Fine Arts Ctr; Charles Taylor, or Midtown Comm. Center.

Art sales and training center

Some sort of industrial enterprise for young people not destined for college or further educational learning or training

Road and parking area/ viewing area on the bay

none

Don't know

don't need any

An auditorium/arts venue that the whole city could utilize. I would like to see the establishment of a community choral society and orchestra.

More city commitment to what is already established ie Poquoson Museum

larger museum

none -keep poquoson small

not qualified

Enhance the museum and create a place for local artists and historians.

art galleries, fresh food street markets, fish and seafood market

Nature park with education center

see #1, in residence artist, ie. Art center Norfolk

Adult learning opportunities - classes at the library - maybe cooking, coffee, beer, wine, arts and crafts

none

?

center for seniors

small community theater/music venue/art display (combined)with classes. Tie in w/ school system and possible. This would further define Poquoson

something for children

More walks, like nature walks, bike routes. Increase outdoor activities options, rentals of kayaks, other water activities.

a playhouse for the arts and/or an area for concerts

none

beach at messick pt

we have a museum

More learning courses/classes given at local schools.

?

Wednesday night events, like at port warwick, with beer truck.

Happy w/ current status

we have local arts and educational enterprises-most residents value keeping retail and cultural venues on a small hometown scale

Continue to develop and expand the Poquoson Museum.

place for kids to learn & play; community center for youth activities/sports (starting at age 3) (ie wisc

in Williamsburg)

Friday or Saturday music, entertainment, food and drink at Messick Point.

Hang-out for teens

community center, sports complex, olympic size pool & large auditorium, theater for concerts & graduation for high school

Open mic night, poetry slam, an "elders" council. We should embrace diversity- welcome invite ALL to this mostly white, conservative enclave. Music/movies in the park, adopt an elder program.

youth center, outdoor concert area

None

increased number of affordable programs and classes for kids and sports for adults (i.e. volleyball, golf)

mainly concentrate on educational enterprises

Medical facilities i.e. urgent care. Specialty shops.

We need a place where troubled teens/drugs can learn a trade so they won't have to depend on welfare

tutoring center

any

n/a

?

Outdoor stage for weekly music, stories, etc. Maybe in partnership with the Poquoson Museum - would be a great addition to the property and a great location too!

Not enough support for cultural and art enterprises. Would be nice but move ins are more interested in other endeavors (sports etc.)

continue museum, parks

something similar to Charles Taylor in Hampton

none

computer labs for poq residents only

movie theater

center for the performing arts

Children's Museum, a touch-a-truck event for children throughout the year to showcase the friendliness of Poquoson. Outdoor art shows held along Wythe Creek during summer evenings.

Outdoor movies for kids.

Don't know except that I sure don't want walmart

book store

brewery

Teen ethics/morality classes and premarital counsel

none

Ones that make money so they can pay taxes.

new middle school

Athletic facility/field house

None, better advertising of the things we have already

Not sure

NONE

Nothing new but a renewed emphasis through schools and churches

water animal/environment educational facility for kids to learn about Poquoson waterways
 none
 Single/multi housing, light commercial
 NONE
 Theatre
 Yoga studia, a dog park (very important as brings lots of people together), sidewalks along Victory & Yorktown Rds to form a loop.
 none
 Expand Poquoson Museum & Library
 n/a
 places to do outdoor/or small venue concerts
 Auditorium at high school for more concerts
 none
 outdoor concerts at Messic Point or other area
 none
 teen/tweens gathering places/game rooms
 art classes, painting, ceramic shop? Quilting center, "how to" stuff
 An art museum, more churches
 A small museum (that is actually open) something like the PFAC
 none
 more child sport choices
 movie maybe
 None. It's not needed here. We can take a short ride to N.N., Hampton, Yorktown
 A movie theater
 Movie theatre/outdoor concerts in summer
 None
 NONE!
 None- What we have is sufficient.
 Schools with no cell phones including teachers
 Art shows. Music events, expanded library and summer educational programs
 None
 movie theatre, outdoor venue for music
 If plans ar to fund anything should be library & support for museum we already have.
 Perhaps a summer concert series in the open area by the pool (seafood restaurant) which would bring revenue without destroying trees.
 Some type of family entertainment
 Ampitheatre, Concert/music venue
 None
 None
 None
 Don't think I need any
 More classes for adults at Parks & Rec. Such as arts & crafts, exercise, photography, cooking, book club, etc.

A small concert venue. Could be used for public speaking events as well, and comedy shows or plays
N/A

No Comment

Outdoor concert series would be nice

More growth & support for our Poquoson for education awareness. Possible welcome center for the City tied in with the museum. More support for the heritage awareness of Poquoson.

Concert venue - The high school has to perform at Tabb High School

We are doing ok as is. We have the Poquoson Museum, Poquoson Art League. Parks & Rec does a great job.

a fun venue for children

there are already many within a short drive

None

Improve Poquoson Museum, support their efforts to preserve Poquoson history.

I do not know specifics but it would be desirable.

support for the Poquoson Art League to have a permanent building for shows, demos, education studios

N/A

more on history and culture of Poquoson and VA

a small arts mall for local people to teach the kids how to do arts and crafts, etc.

community theater

theater schools, after school camps (not day care)

anything that is not using my tax dollar

a private school

any

Indoor childrens' playroom or gym

all for cultural arts and education, but still think Poquoson has all it can support. We don't need to try and compete with bigger cities. Once again, that is the appeal

none

local orchestra, more support for museum

none

we have everything here

Make use of the water we have to teach children to care for it

Movie theater, waterman museum

none

More recreational. Yoga or some other fitness studio. Movie nights/family events at the park. Summer "concerts" like Port Warwick & City Center.

None

Nature walk along the marsh - the learning garden at the POQ museum is lovely! Good start! More like that - bike paths, walking paths

Larger community center with classes instead of at library

none

a community center for the younger/teenage age group to encourage a safe atmosphere for them to "hang out".

shop kid's need to learn how to work with their hands

encouraging tech, ecology, sustainability for residents and how they can do their part.
 town will not support any of these
 make use of available military and civic entertainment organizations (bands)
 special events facility
 bookstore
 yuma, community concerts, high quality childcare (NAEYC/ smart beginnings ranked
 Need a venue for our youth on/near Wythe Creek/Little Florida intersection. Would have gym, pool,
 activities center, batting cages, etc. In addition, rooms for learning woodworking, metal work,
 pottery, etc.
 the current ones meet our needs
 Saturday morning farmers' markets, cooking school
 an art gallery of some type
 a waterman history museum would be great
 none
 none
 expand Poquoson history museum, working waterman museum
 love the history museum by PMS. More like this...supporting out town's character, history and pride
 none
 would love to see a "concert type" local setting like Port Warwick, Suffolk City, Bettett Creek has. Free
 concert night for community. We sell ice cream at these venues
 none
 keep expanding the Poquoson museum. Build partnerships with companies willing to donate to
 improve this for future generations
 watermen's museum, children's museum w/Activities & art gallery w/art classes.
 performing arts venue
 None
 A place for kids to hang out at night.
 Sports fields that don't flood and are not bug infested.
 none-poquoson is not the place for that
 none
 programs for children during summer months
 none
 small outside stage entertainment area for music/bands, children's shows
 Art studios, pottery, painting glass
 expand marsh walk, bike tours, skateboard park, play grounds
 local fishermen's museum
 none
 Botanical garden with a maze
 I would like to see a city performance area to give the schools a larger venue for performances (plays,
 movies, etc.). I would also like to see the city promote local bands by hosting performances at such a
 venue.
 community sponsored concerts
 a center for local artists
 none!

More programs that lead to trade skills for non college bound youth
develop space for concerts etc.

Interesting "speaker" programs

Free market will determine this issue-unsupported businesses will fail

sewing+quilting classes; chili cook-off; free fitness events like yoga once a month

upgrade the park+rec building- OLD. With extra space for inside youth activities.

More emphasis on our history/beginnings

None

na

I really enjoy poq seafood festival anything like that

poquoson high school needs to bring wood shop and mech shop back to hold prep noon-college
bound students and give everyone the opportunity to experience hands on work

Childrens museum, oceanography awareness i.e. BioBlitz Miami Dade, FI

NFL Football team! The "Bulls" (come on, you know it would be awesome!)

planetarium, with links to NASA, emphasizing our place in history of the space travel

none

Theatre for hometown actors of schools to use. Could not attend our 8th grader's graduation because
no room at middle school. Poquoson High school gym could have been used.

other venues close enough, none needed here

None that I know of. We have an excellent library.

Community orchestra

see above

Mix of retail (Wegmans) and corporate offices.

I think we have adequate amounts of this already
music and hobby etc.

environmental and poquoson history - the new master gardener's learning garden is a great example!

theater/performing arts. Larger community center

nothing.

Center for activities (all ages) Cultural, Arts, Sports

No thoughts at this time

Barnes & Nobles bookstore. Chesapeake Bay office

New Middle School

local theater, music studio- instruments + vocal

none

none

park for families and kids with a playground

none just means higher taxes for us

how about restoring it to a watermans community that has already been ruined

arts - a local arts store - where local artist can sell ther crafts - such as the Gallery at Yorktown. (near
Riverwalk)

N/A

N/A

None

adult education (beyond Parks & Rec), creative classes
 Library expansion or upgrades
 Continue various adult education classes at the High School or Middle School
 None
 None
 No more
 None - Library is great; museun is enough "culture"
 Help Poquoson Museum
 Arts gathering center
 None
 I would like Poquoson to remain as it is now.
 Outdoor concert area.
 A fishing museum w/working boats & fishin displays (dredge, crabpots, etc.)
 Feel our museum & arts are adequate. Poquoson is unique - we will never be a Large city so don't ruin our city by trying to make us something we are not.
 We have them for a small town.
 DIY crafting place that offers classes, i.e. pottery, painting.
 None
 anything that is locally owned - no commercial
 None.
 Outdoor Concerts
 None
 Learning Center (tutoring)
 None
 Poquoson could become a place to hold a waterfront wedding if there was an area to do so. Messick Pt. would be an ideal location. Something like what Yorktown has done with the freight shed.
 Ultimate financial planning and investing
 art gallery, nature trails
 none
 new book stores
 parks, fitness activities, native american museum
 auditorium for the high school
 none
 business that provides tutoring (private)
 support our local museum
 community art center
 no comment
 community sports center or even better, use the ones we have (school facilities)
 none. Enjoy seafood festival arts & crafts
 little theater, movie theater
 outdoor concerts
 none
 child's early learning center

none
 water park, put put, go carts
 Art show, live music at Messick Pt.
 An art gallery featuring works to permanently display and sell works from local and regional artists.
 Kid geared educational areas teaching wildlife conservation, boating and fishing.
 an aquarium
 specialized school focused on STEM
 none
 none
 community gardens
 none
 teter/music venue, outdoor areas around waterfront
 none is needed
 paint studio (e.g., wine & design) or pottery (make your own)
 none
 none - who cares
 n/a
 bigger museum, better park
 enhance the working watermen traditions throughout the cikty
 do weekly outdoor events like Hampton's block party
 none
 n/a
 community treater entertainment center for live performances; community actors/dancers/singers
 etc.
 none
 None
 If preserving wetlands is a Poq priority, Ducks Unlimited & organizations like that should have a
 presence/representation of Poq residents. I don't know if they do, but offering extnsion prorams to
 H.S. students that tie in w/VIMS, and other colleges/programs focused on preserving
 wetlands/preventing flooding, etc.
 more parks/bike paths
 Develop access to Plum Tree Island Wildlife Refuge for hiking/bicycling, etc.
 No large retailer. Leave it alone.
 None
 The museum and learning garden are doing a great job
 None
 Maybe a watern museum similar to the one at Yorktown - put mor emphasis on Poquoson's history
 thru making our environment look more quaint - historical - street lights, etc.
 None
 Government can't develop - leave it up to citizens
 None
 multi-use hobby, arts, "extension services" building for classes
 we have some great cultural
 Can't think of one

none

none / N/A

none

support library activities and existing festivals

An ampitheater dug into the dirt pile at Messick Point - a better, and managed dock at Messick. More cultural events at Messick - a pocket park in Western POQ.

Any that would benefit the education of students concerning the history of this area and town
larger library

a university/college sattelite learning center

Expand Poq. Museum

a rec center for kids/teens

none

none

electronic marquee at Wells Fargo to replace current one

none

biggest need is sidewalks or bike paths along Little Florida. Hard when having to walk that area.

none

accessible bire/wildlife refuge, dog park

support the Poquoson museum

A park setting, with a stage for local talent to perform musicals and plays (like a music circus)

Poquoson Museum is great addition. More quality like that. Can the city buy dragonflies/bats for mosquitos?

We reside close enough to such facilities. A suburb should not try to replicate things like the Ferguson Center.

I don't know

book store

Art gallery, music store

expand on what we have now. They are doing a good job

Nothing

art show- more than just seafood festival

Whatever a business person thinks will work and has the will to try.

more art and craft shows

small community college

parks and rec indoor swim complex

art galleries

None

No opinions. We are probably too small to attract anything significant.

vender location @ Bull Island, end Messick Rd NOT just the Poq Seafood Festival but maybe even a sidewalk art display.

None

Yoga studio that offers hot yoga. Dog training locally, gardening classes for adults.

None

Theater & plays. Book store

none

none would need tax money to fund

none

none

none

none

Waterman's Museum

No idea!

None

None

park with longer walking trails

none

art gallery

none summer festival or concert series

Cooperation with YMCA to offer better sports and educational camps and programs. Poquoson Rec camps are NOT sufficient for working families b/c they are only 3-4 days a week on halfdays

Ferguson is fine.

A cultural arts center for the many talented artists who live in Poq. Would be a wonderful educational venue.

none; this is basically a residential community

classical arts

wetlands education and promotional center

we need flowering plants - business area Wythe Creek. If we are not careful we'll lose what make Poq. "great" and be just another city!

sidewalks

Arts not as important, but wildlife/environment education...especially geared toward kids.

none, they would be to the detriment of existing bus.

pottery making and painting, wine and paint party; lifelong learning classes

None

Theatre (for plays, band performances)

?

Senior events plus outdoor concerts

more frequent festivals and community gatherings that attract nearby residents and tourists (the Seafood Festival) - possible once per quarter

I don't think Poquoson is large enough to support a venture like that full time. Shows or (illegible) day at Messick would be better.

Not Needed

Ace * shows

None

Poquoson Museum should obtain house & building along frontage & develop an arts & cultural center including performances, exhibits, classes, events & other related activities

Nothing new I like what we have

The museum could expand to include arts

When I drive into Poquoson along Victory Blvd. I'd like to see evidence that I am entering a unique town. It should look inviting & attractive.

More walking/bike riding paths to nature center would be great.

City of Poquoson Citizens' Survey 2017

Responses for Write-In Question 4:

The City of Poquoson currently owns 8 acres in the Big Woods directly north of City Hall Avenue. How should this property be developed? Please be specific.

Not to be developed. Keep Poquoson small.

residential and commercial - nig woods needs a golf course to solve drainage and wetland issues.

recreational

Shopping, Restaurants

business's that will bring in tax revenue. It should flow into the wythe creek shops.

Public Area

Theater, shiopes (clothing \$\$), restaurnts (\$\$)

Medical facilities, professional office space, commercial retail space.

Wawa, Medical Express

city pare w/bike paths and walking paths

Leave the woods alone

see answer number 3

Professional / commercial / research / light industrial

Leave it alone - there is hardly any woods left

New Commercial Village

no homes - medical buildings

mixed use development- specifically retail/restaurant/residential - something serving as a central attraction or focal point of the city

mor affordable elderly housing w/shops and restaurants

more commerical occupancy other than offices

Asthetically pleasing "gateway" uses. Those that help the tax base. Those that will be attractive long term.

City Park with walking/biking trains

Leave it alone!

public park

park area

community center

Carefully - meeting the needs of all - not just a few

should not be developed

Walmart

small shops

small shopes and resturants

Should be used for commercial development to bring in more tax revenue

leave as it

maybe weekly summer music/like city center

It should not be developed. The very things we value (peace, quiet, less traffic, low crime) would be compromised.

No more residential until Victory and Wythe Creek are 4 lanes.

fine dinning

leave it alone

not retal stores or walmarts

Renegotiate with Walmart

It should be developed as little as possible, maybe a park, trails through OK

a recreational area with bike trails

Yes/ retail + arts

low density affordable housing. No apartments or condos except for senior citizens.

housing would be fine - would rather not see high density housing. A park would be nice too. A few shops

Housing for older - retired people and stores, medical center is needed.

Something similar to City Center / Port Warwick and mixed use development.

I believe an outdoor park/amphitheater similar to Chesapeake Park on Greenbriar Rd. - area for events exercise, camping by scouts, parade finish line etc.

Yes

a new high school, football stadium, and arena for basketball/wrestling events and other community events

A park such as Sandy Bottom Nature Park, Hampton

Leave as is

Small shops, stores + restaurants- neighborhood Walmart!

not be developed; leave land and leave poq small town feel

I'd like to see a towncenter concept with mixed development and retail, restaurants with patios, a microbrewery, movie theater and greenspace with a community center and lots of outdoor seating.

High end shops and services

it should be left alone

don't

Would rather see it as a walking / running path w/ a dog park than to see it torn down.

Walking/Bike Path enclosed dog run no leash required

parks, trails - no more ballparks - maybe camping

medical/office complex, small boutiques, bakery

See the need for emergency evacuation to widen road Victory Blvd only. No housing, business, development.

family recreation area, boutique shops

starter homes for young couples

Youth Center if anything

Leave as Big Woods

keep trees

Professional and/or medical arts; small manufacturing - not factories

Not at all

I'd love to leave that alone, but if it must be developed, don't over develop it.

Concerned - very concerned - about any new development on a grand scale especially, 2 roads in and out of Poquoson is not sufficient for added population!!!

Leave it alone! If you keep developing, where will the wildlife go: Wildlife is already in trouble because of all the building of homes & apartments!

N/A

Multi-uses so tax revenue exceeds service costs

No apartments, shopping center, movie theater.

Parking lot for storms

Property should be preserved as open space for city residents.

Office space and medical facility

If anything, affordable apartments/townhouses for "younger buyers/renters"

Business park (medical, legal, small business)

Mixed-use development including open space, shops and residences

Defer to City Council

Senior living and upscale professional, health clinic

not with 500 homes or a big box store

Leave as it is - looks great

Professional (medical/health, law, etc)

no development

left alone

free parking garage for cars in case of floods. Restaurants like Port Warwick. A city center type feel it should not be developed. Preserve all trees and wetlands, wildlife.

with a "town center" atmosphere" retail, park

walking, bicycle trails, centered with fountains, gardens

leave as many trees as possible, possibly using the new "tree lift" technology and replanting them elsewhere. Theater, skating rink (indoor), family+privately owned retail franchise or two

low density housing or not at all

Very carefully – Need to not endanger flood-barrier/runoff area and need to make gateway attractive.

High density apartments right up to road are NOT the answer

people have to drive so far out to see a movie

leave it the way it is!

no

Conservation, recreational and sports facilities, professional and medical office space

Medical facility

Hiking / bike trails. Lake for fishing, kayaking, etc. Senior living facility, medical office.

housing for seniors, medical building, outdoor recreation activities to promote the natural surroundings

conservation efforts or dedicated to small business ventures that are locally owned. A cultural arts center would be beneficial to youth and aging. A year round covered farmers marketplace would fare well.

ideally it should be left as woods with no development

moderately priced single family homes

family entertainment ie: ropes course, unique park or mixed use with town center feel

Public recreational or sports facilities, various retail, designed to be a smaller window shopping experience where people can meet, shop, and talk while the kids are having fun, safely.

nothing retail or commercial

A nice new recreation center - with sports, classes, etc. Near the library.

Yes, but preserve as many trees as possible

No apartments or condos; office bldgs 2 story minimum; minimum residential lot size 100' x 300'

Medical arts, sport fields

public park, field, or community center

It shouldn't. Leave as is

Not at all

Build affordable single family homes. No more apts or townhomes.

Yes. Housing for senior citizens

Park

mixed use with attention to open space

No, the woods are a good buffer from York County

None at all

What I don't want to see is more tanning salons, pawn shops, dry cleaners, or pizza stores. A community center would be very nice, for classes etc. A park, light shopping, outdoor eating.

small retail and professional offices, as at City CTR.

It should not be developed and should remain as open / wooded space.

The City of Poquoson (local government) doesn't own it, taxpayers own it. Tired of land bying called city-owned.

Residential time not high density however

No development

The city should not be buying and selling property through EDA. Build a community center that can also be an emergency shelter temporarily.

some business, some resiential, with some "green" space

provide more bike trails/parks etc. we have to leave the city to find this currently

a public park, possible with an athletic area(s) for basketball, soccer, skateboarding, etc. possible a dog park area also. Botanical gardens possble small unque restaurats also.

add a gym (ymca or one-life), medexpress, famers market? (similar to yourktown marketdays)

see below

park, dog park

Walmart Grocery! Farm Fresh + Food Lion too expensive

light industry, professional

A small medical center, with emergency capability for aging population

professionl offices and small retail

nature par with trails and maybe a picnic area

Mixed use, focus on walkability and common space. No huge houses

Parking garage & lot

Would like to see it turned into a park.

Something commercial

use proposed developer for Legacy of Poquoson

Commercial only

business park

Smaller business and park area

Maybe a professional business park, research park (we need business tax revenue but NOT like Walmart)

yes, housing for small families

Housing w/amenities, restaurants

Major retail outlet such as Target

I feel there needs to be something that will increase revenue but also save public acces to the land.

Maybe small retail/food and a park area and "cottage" single homes for older people to ???

Mixed-commercial + retail w/ greenspace, family-friendly restaurant, Patient First

Local small businesses

Commercial development to bring more businesses into the city
 Business office's doctors, lawyers. Small hotel, motel
 Local retail + professional
 the Commercial - you best be the best opportunity w/ WalMart. So we now continue to pay \$3500 +/- each month for debt service. Just goes to show you can't fix stupid!
 Age restricted condos
 It should be left alone
 A public park, field, or community center
 Small area w/ condos above and shops below w/ open space for walking trail / playground / park-like setting
 Maybe in a small friendly family park like area
 a Target "small format store" or similar
 not developed, let wildlife alone
 New simple family homes, retail shops, new police station
 offices for business, e.g. legal, engineering, architectural, etc.
 A park. Walking, running, bike paths.
 NO APARTMENT!!! Open to business.
 Office & medical space
 I wouldn't
 A City owned community center and park for City residents use inside the woods
 DO NOT DISTURB
 Research
 no apartments, townhouses or carriage homes ok.
 Limited housing without wetlands impact
 Leave it alone
 Clean, light industrial facilities, etc.
 Community Center, Sports Center
 Small retail shops if any
 Mix of housing, retail, and food-similar to Port Warwick in Newport News
 BIG Wal-Mart
 Mix of retail, clothing, sporting goods, affordable housing. Maybe a small business incubator. Art venues.
 Park only. Bike trail, walking trail, fishing pond, absolutely no residential or business development.
 leave it as is
 restaurant
 Residential 1/2 acre or more lots - no low income housing
 split between commercial; garden plots for Poquoson residents
 Maybe a city center type area with restaurants, ice cream, coffee shops, splash pad, park, etc.
 do nothing until victory blvd is widened! Then I think the city should stick to the plan of professional light industry, make a doctors office we just add 2 more multifamily area on the creek
 as a natural walking/hiking trails natural observation area
 starter homes/townhouses (no apartments) with central walking area with shops - coffee shop - such as Hampton Town Center or Oyster Point (smaller scale)
 Need to be careful cause Victory Blvd. is a mess. Need to widen it before development.

not

High revenue / low traffic development. Perhaps research company, medical facility. Farmers market seasonally?? Indoor tennis complex.

Development should be recessed from road and nicely landscaped along Victory Blvd, also a low traffic development...perhaps a medical facility or research lab.

Do not develop the area

Light industrial complex

Beach, sand volleyball, habitat for bats/dragonflies

strip mall

City park/garden

Industrial or business park (something that would pay taxes)

Nothing. It adds a great barrier/divide into our awesome city. If anything, a nature trail that doesn't destroy the land

mix open space, shops and residences

special events, seafood fest etc...farmer's market

no more multi-family construction

No apartments right up on Victory - no large retail store. Leave the woods.

not developed

Put a Target in

Recreational - civic center, ballfields, playgrounds, open spaces, trails

not sure but not with "big box" stores

no development

do not develop

park or public recreation

anyway that would place on tax rolls

central location for park, trees, fountains small bldg for meetup, where a stage can be used for Poquoson events... but when not in use, a place we can walk, meet friends, etc. not all pavement - keep it natural and welcoming to all.

left alone or used for trails

quaint Williamsburg row of local small businesses

small business and park

remain as woods, possibly trails added, but basically, preserve the woods and do not cut down the trees for potential development!

Other than new single family homes - nothing!

not sure- just don't want to run out every other thing with a Wal-Mart. If we need affordable housing start there. A sports community center/venue/w/play/music possibilities would be great close to the schools.

A couple of nice restaurants would be nice or a movie theatre.

More at nature trail, park

One or a combination of: open space, playground, walking area, botanical garden, garden plots

Business park, commercial/retail - - NO HOMES

no more apt. bring in business

It should not be developed.

leave it natural for the wildlife.

Recreation / Ballfields

a recreation center w/ sports fields, pool that can be used for public and swim competition, banquet room rental, playgrounds and festival grounds

Nature Preserve with the only made made object is a sidewalk-LEAVE the trees!

Retail, office space, any tax revenue

you should converge the natural woodlands instead of killing

Movie theatre / bowling alley

Technical support center

Assisted living units, small shops and stores that don't require massive parking lots for massive traffic.
none

Build a facility that would handle all future city administrations - Include large auditorium, stage, and meeting place.

"mayberry" type streets, shops

Keep it the way it is for now. Future improvements

Retail shops - small sign

Townhomes and senior living housing

Should not be developed

It should be made a green space for citizens

Do not develop

A upscale specialty store such as Cabela's or Green Top sports complex like Boo Williams in Hampton.
Something for pre-teens.

a park for walking in the woods

Lots of stores

single family homes w/ no less than 1/2 acre

If it has to be developed than mixed use

Connecting road between food Lion and City Hall; leave the rest undeveloped

Homes that young families can afford. Our school enrollment is very low and homes under \$300,000 that are not in a flood area or older & need of work would bring these families to Poquoson

Lower priced starter homes for young families.

commercial and light industry

no comment

NA

Park area with stage for music, farmers market, block party, etc bike or walking trail

Not into a city center, a farmers market if anything

Recreation area

Something that will bring revenue in

The property should not be developed. 8 acres is tiny. The woods are nice.

Medical park, physical therapy

If the surrounding land will be used for high density housing then the city should leave this area wooded or create a park with trails.

DON'T DEVELOP IT!!!

Combination of affordable single houses/apartments with a few storefronts

Panera and a Wawa or other gas station option a business headquarters such as Ferguson
left alone

Remain as is

Business retail stores, Wegmans

mixed use, moderately priced housing, retail stores

park with walking paths, ponds, bike rentals, kayaks, exercise equipment for adults and children

Smokeless businesses or industries would be nice to assist with our taxes but most large business & industry (smokeless) do not want a name that cannot be produced except for natives

Open space, residential, multiple -use

make a park

I would prefer no development, or perhaps developing 1-2 acres for "patient first" type facility

leave it as it is - we don't need anymore houses apts.

whatever brings in the most revenue or community space and fields

Small single family entry level homes, 0.25 acre lots

parking lot for storm season

Commercial / residential

City park without sports fields but with walking trails

businesses that would bring good revenue

small businesses, shops, perhaps offices

Not too densely

Retail space to include clothing shops (family-friendly) and restaurant space. Grocer such as high end organics. NO Walmart or the like that will bring in problems.

Keep as woodlands

Do not develop!

a Sports complex/new swimming pool/ walking trails

some sort of restaurant/ brewery with good food. Forget about fried seafood, greasy mexican

It should be made into a walking or bike trail

affordable housing, park area for concerts

residential with large lots, spaced apart that has sidewalks to the library small strip centers with unique shops, eateries, businesses

sports complex

Small businesses

A city park with bike/walking trails, playground, picnic shelter. Family friendly park. Clubhouse to rent

Keep it for future use

Professional office

Research center, Mixed use development, recreation or sports facility

It shouldn't

keep it natural, more housing and business

Park, Soccer fields

Park with picnic & play area, walking trails, outdoor amphitheater, music & theatre productions

Soccer-T-Ball-Sports complex

not sure I agree w/development of this area - traffic problems already

Light industrial park nicely laid out and landscaped that is respectful of the environment and provides a source of pride and contributes to Poq's economy or public park / gardens.

commercial retail - stores, shops, restaurants

movie theater YMCA

Yes. Anything but living spaces. Bring smaller shops or offices.
 no large businesses - no apartments, combination of single family and a few townhomes
 office park, medical and other
 a park
 WaWa, Chick fil a, lower income housing - 4 bedroom house under \$250,000
 urgent care facility - walmart
 medical center
 no development
 It does not need to be developed
 Any commercial business or businesses!
 A shopping strip with plenty of parking - Dept. store, etc.
 should be left alone
 Developed as a town center with apartments/shops/restaurants/townhomes
 Sports/ Recreation facilities (Gymnasium – Racketball Courts)
 Use it as a park. We don't need any more high density housing.
 public greenspace
 If it is developed, the development should not destroy wetlands.
 Should not be developed ! !
 A bustling town center w/movie theatre, restaurants, retail stores like Hpt Town Center and Nnews City Center
 Drive In theater or preserve woods
 recreation center with mixed use fields
 cultural art / community / welcome center with shops and restaurants
 No apartments - small houses and green area
 commercial real estate
 I would like to see it be left alone
 it would be grat if it wasn't developed. Trees keep the heat down.
 community center for cultural events, plays etc.
 a city center type area with a event venue, shops residences smaller hotel, walking trail, unique restaurants.
 do nothing - leave he trees
 small department store restaraunts
 some multifamily homes, some open space, retirement living, would like to see an area like salt ponds developed in poquoson
 Town center atmosphere or recreational in nature
 Restaurants, small shops, community center for seniors and teenagers
 Recreation area, trail
 Sports fields-turf fields, retail, coffee/bagel shops, parks
 it shouldn't. Redevelop existing shopping centers into a town center concept
 I like the look now. Would like to see tall buildings
 None
 Leave them alone
 Medical, small retail,light industry,restaurants

Should not be developed. If it has to, single family homes.
Commercial, industrial, no residential
Development = more crime = me moving out
No - do not need anymore houses or stores
Walking trails, park, community center
nothing high density, roads don't support that
Farmer Market style-organic, artisan goods. Lots of walking "green style" open air. Commercial/retail
losing \$ to online Poquoson should not focus too much on efforts that are failing.
maybe some new stores/restaurants -> definitely not apartment
Park, community center
mixed use of open space, small shops and residencial
Business Office Park
should not be developed
Leave it as it is.
do not develop for "development" sake - no rush to develop - woodland is dissappearing
single family homes, light retail, maybe a WAWA, small park, walk/running trail
A wonderful place ,like Sandy Bottom. To walk, jog, playgrounds, dog park, picnic areas, places to
have cookouts, trails.
A new Walmart
Mixed use - residences, shops, business, park for families to play and picnic
In a way that doesn't make traffis entering the City chaotic
No development. No chain stores. No section 8 housing. Keep Walmart out
Civic Center or a Department store (only 1) other than Walmart or Kmart or Target
Park
Public/City Park
Athletic center to include indoor vollyball, soccer, swimming
Yes - mixed development, open spaces, shops, residences
I prefer it not to be developed
A full service community/recreation center for all of Poquoson
Community and/or teen center, mini golf
undeveloped conservation or public park
City Center (Community center, shops, restaurants, etc.)
place for kids to go afterschool/summers for activities, homework help, "safe haven"
Partially developed, while retaining wooded areas & paths.
retail and housing... keep trying to be specific and the property will remain vacant for another 100
years
If anything, entertainment for families such s miniture golf, bowling etc. I prefer it stay as it is
any development should employ roadside buffers to maintain natural aesthetic of entry way;
development should avoid wetlands and no development should be permitted in RPAs
New school
Leave it alone
a "city center" type arrangement that supports community type events.
with strong consideration to the current and increasing congestion on victory. Traffic survey was a
joke. Stopping at carys chapel. At least consider from 134 to wythe creek

Park, trails, biking

small business and office complexes, a few condos but not adjacent to Victory Blvd.

New housing

Walking trails

I do not want to see it as a shopping center or apartments/lower income housing

gift shops, ice cream shop, offices

Nature trails and outdoor center or cultural center. The walking trails in town are too short; 1 mile or less.

I believe it should not be developed or use as soccer fields, which would not tear up the land or increase traffic much

Leave it alone

It should say Poquoson, it should say community, it should say welcome.

Buildings such as those at City Hall for professional office, medical for example.

Medical, doctor's offices, urgent care, high elevation parking lot during flooding

Park

Shops w/apartments overtop. NO BIG BUSINESS!

Would like to see development of assisted living and nursing home in proximity of Villas to provide responsible level of care facilities near each other for efficient, responsive care needs of elders.

No. It's a good buffer zone that helps keep Poquoson peaceful & quiet.

Trails, sightseeing, animal safari (hehe!) w/wildlife, something like Bluebird Gap Farm

Golf course

In a way that won't attract crowding in a negative way.

Residential development & small business

leave it as it is

Park

no - there is plenty vacant space currently

Retail, gas station

starter homes for young families

bike/walking trails. Park

rec center for community

Small shops with owner apartments above. Go up to 3 stories.

This should be developed as a "retreat strategy", and all sea word /flood prone lots to return to nature/SLR buffer.

Nice stores

Not \$500,000 homes but shopping center

No apartments – small industries

left alone/maybe wawa station or the like

a public park

a park!

leave it as is

Healthcare – medical center. Physical fitness center

Not developed - we are losing all the green!

A small scale city center like Newport News/Hampton

A combination of affordable housing, shopping and cultural venues ie. Auditorium.

leave the big woods alone
 open space, ball fields, parks
 None. Leave it alone.
 big park, rec center
 medical facility or community center
 The city should reserve 3-4 acres for emergency tidal/hurricane for resident parking.
 do not attract low income families! Will bring crime and litter. Coffee or pastry shop.
 businesses - large ones
 none-walking trails, noland trails
 Maybe light retail or light industrial (research)
 Quaint stores, sidewalk cafes, markets and condos above street level
 park or small family homes
 Combination commercial and residential, a "town center."
 Shopping (Target, movies) or nature park depending on city image
 Part of "gateway" to the city. It needs to be developed consistent with the rest of the Big Woods. Not residential!
 city needs only
 public park
 NOT WALMART or similar business!
 government buildings
 Commercial, higher end retail, shopping, activities
 Shops and housing, beautiful landscaping
 mixed residential & retail
 Nature park
 leave it alone
 not
 If developed it should be technology and research
 no clear cutting, could be used for single family homes, shops, restaurant, churches. No apartments.
 Homes should be built a good distance away from Main roads
 a very nice retirement community
 new construction- nature paths/park
 No future development until better roads and infrastructure can handle growth.
 Public park, soccer fields, community center
 a city park. Preserve our natural resources
 technology center type business
 medical offices or business park
 single family homes, independent and assisted affordable living for seniors
 preserve poquoson green spaces
 Recreational fields
 Small business eg. Drone development
 park - skateboard, walking path, 4x4
 affordable housing to increase school enrollment
 R+D businesses, new town center

Small storefronts, offices NOT HOUSING
 no development of more homes
 sports complex like the BOO williams sports center
 aptmnts, smaller homes or condos with below retail space
 leave undeveloped
 mult-use - residences shops, open space, office facilities
 don't touch it
 None
 not with large department or retail space.
 a small park would really be nice
 Use to build for questions 2 and 3
 small shops an restaurants saving as many trees as possible
 anything that will help with taxes
 park, walking trails
 leave it alone
 NO apts, no big box stores
 Leave it as is
 Walking/biking trail that would wind around the site - maybe room for 1-2 acre community garden
 Something that will bring much needed tax revenue to the City. No more parks or City maintained
 developments. Commercial development!
 The 8 acres should not be developed. There is value to the city to have a natural buffer.
 Save it for future generations - once it is paved it is gone forever
 Botanical garden and park
 gift shops, Chick-fil-a or Starbucks
 tax producing ventures
 yes, developed for commercial use
 movie theater or bowling center
 It should not
 a park for walking and picnics
 carefully, with as many trees left as possible (not apartments)
 no development is preferred. If it must be utilized a large outdoor space for community events would
 be ideal to limit building
 make it into a park
 Smaller more affordable homes - park
 restaurant such as chic-filet, wawa gas station
 City land=public space; park to spur community events/cultural events
 do not develop, make into park
 ½ acre homes. Why do I hear a new development is a "done deal"
 it should not be developed
 They should allow whatever is most likely to succeed. Don't capitulate to whiners who want to get in
 the way of free enterprise.
 none- save the trees
 Property should be leased, not sold. Either apartments (high-end); athletic facility

Both residential & commercial
 It should not be developed
 A park or recreational site for families
 Better ballfield facilities like in York County
 Parks & Rec sports fields - Turf & grass
 Only if it lowers taxes
 Loade question. Would like to see a "Big" box store/ not a grocery that would help the tax base, but at the same time also believe the buyer of the land has the right to decide.
 Entertainment area for families and teenagers
 Depending on whether its use caused added traffic and the elevation its highest and best use.
 residential single family homes or townhomes, no apartments
 Parks - recreation - medical
 leave it alone - preserve and protect!
 none
 A community center would be very beneficial with all of the sports that Poquoson has.
 WaWa
 DON'T DEVELOP!
 Just good pathways, relaxing benches on the way. Not too much construction.
 Playground, dog park, some retail establishments around it.
 Professional Offices
 do not develop at all. There are only two wayas in nd out - preserve wildlife & keep it accessible for thosed who already live here
 Businesses
 if ahything is developed than Victory Blvd would absolutely need to be increased prior to any development and building
 parks with workout circuit (like Mt Trashmore), hiking/running trails
 Leave It alone
 town-center concept
 Retail. Community Center
 park with kids splash pad, good swings, playground. Maybe another pool or YMCA
 A shopping center with a variety of stores for shopping and new restaurants
 Park with walkint trails
 Leave it undeveloped.
 Park 2/walking path and playground
 "New" grocery store
 ?
 Keep it Natural.
 Either a medical facility by Sentara or Riverside or an assisted living facility for elderly.
 Park with picnic area
 Single family homes on 1/2 acre lots - NO housing developments, no commercial
 Leave as is
 unknown
 Leave as is or make a recreational park

Theater complex with a food court and outlet mall
 Multi-use buildings (commercial/residential) like Oyster Point
 I like the wooded area, but if it has to be developed I guess apts.
 Leave alone or a park
 small town commercial area with carefully chosen businesses. Some for single family homes - some for open use of citizens.
 Professional offices
 Not just giant parking lot out front. Needs to be quaint, charming, great representation of Poquoson.
 Pleasing to look at.
 NOT
 sports facility for family, picnic areas; a shopping area similar to City Center, Port Warwick.
 A nice park for everyone with picnic tables, etc. Things for children's entertainment.
 It should not. Leave it as is to benefit the trees and wildlife that are currently there.
 A Walmart type store that does not include groceries
 Senior active to assisted living
 Leave as is. Don't need the run-foo
 Left as is or park for recreation
 Preserve the trees. No residential or commercial development. Keep as natural as possible with walking trails & parklike atmospheres.
 Leave as is - or maybe a med center
 YMCA or other recreational/sports facility
 Ideally let it be!! *NO Apartments!!!! Smaller homes, some retail - do not overcrowd this town!
 Victory is already a nightmare
 A concert venue, amphitheater, or something of that ilk.
 Not
 mixed use
 Professional Office Park/Dr Offices, etc
 High quality tenants
 Open space for park environment for people to enjoy
 Whatever you do PLEASE don't junk it up with a Walmart or other chain store!
 Whatever generates the most tax revenue If you have to develop it.
 I would love to see a new high school built to move the middle school to the old high school
 arboretum
 Build starter homes and upscale apartments
 Don't develop
 Housing & Business - Let's grow!!
 Medical Pavillion, Business Center
 Please see below choice questions
 Movie, bowling, skating rink, any family entertainment activity excluding sports
 None
 Don't develop it

Thinking of existing traffic not much of anything. Exit and entry to our city needs to be the priority
 single family homes (no apartments) more retirement housing

High scale destination restaurants/shops
 to better use the land and avoid taxpayers paying to maintain a community of town homes or appts
 w/shops in lower level, "city center", "fountains", walking area
 no development
 sell it to the highest bidder
 understood it could not be developed by the Corps of Engineers
 a really nice park for the kids
 city center type shopping center/movie theater
 no more retail
 no specific suggestions - just try to keep it from looking too commercial
 leave it alone
 don't develop it
 Research facility
 Does it have to be developed?
 Build a community center that residents can rent to use, have gymnastics
 It shouldn't, it won't help financially
 Urgent care medical center, Chick Fil A, Starbucks
 leave it as is
 I'm OK with residential development or expanding for recreational use, such as walking/bike trails,
 community events
 small business or eating establishments, no big box stores no multi-family buildings
 Housing
 Should be set aside for conservation!!
 Yes - but no Walmart as there is another close but a Target would work - things like at Tech Center and
 Trader Joe's.
 Large multi-purpose venue for school and city gatherings.
 Leave it as is. Stop cutting the trees
 left as open space
 community center - to provide something for the community to do - a movie theatre maybe?
 turn into a family friendly park with trails for walking, jogging
 shopping, medical facility, community center
 keep it as natural as possible. If it must be developed, do it lightly and with high-end fit and finishes.
 Stop building cheap, vinyl apartment buildings w/ no architectural appeal. Our city deserves better!
 the city should not develop the 8 acres that it owns
 leave it as is
 leave it as it is for wildlife. No buildg.
 clearly, what this survey is all about
 office or medical facility with tight architectural standards
 gas station, small starter homes (3bed, 2 bath), townhomes apartments
 don't develop it!!! Leave the woods!!!
 YMCA/community center; community complex w/medical facilities, nursing home, child care center, a
 community resource that would be unique to Poquoson
 do not build any apartments - build smaller homes or townhouses for younger families
 it should not be overdeveloped/if need then a park

either leave it alone or make it a park
 it should not be developed
 residential - both single & multi-family homes
 movie theater
 a park w/learning gardens or an indoor/outdoor sports complex w/a YMCA type facility. Sports fields, batting cages, indoor sports, etc.
 should not be developed
 park environment - bikes, nature walks
 not with housing
 park
 small single family homes on small lots
 park area w/pavilions to rent, small fishing pond, walking trails, larger playground area, family outdoor activity area
 mixed-use residential, light commercial (business office/dental/med)
 sports facility for kids & adults, attractive "city center" area w/apartments & trails. Shops underneath
 conservation area
 preserve it!
 city park area for "gatherins, concerts' etc". Good revenue stream for city while promoting green space
 it should not be touched. Traffic on Victory is already bad
 walking and running trails, even a dog park
 retail such as Target, Penney's, clothing store
 Affordable mid-size single dwellings
 Need more information.
 Town center
 A combination of shops and single family homes
 we need families but must retain trees and green areas
 Poquoson is perfect the way it is! Leave it alone!
 stores and restaurants that pay taxes
 none unless victory blvd is widened
 parks are needed in Poquoson
 save for future city use
 we need an auditorium-something big enough for our concerts and recitals for our schools and businesses
 leave it in its natural state
 don't develop or use as an activity center, walking trails, put-put golf
 as minimally as possible and with long term businessess (something likely to be successful and stay).
 My preference is to leave the big woods undeveloped
 not developed at all. It is the one barrier that separates our little town from the rest of the world
 industrial
 carefully- want "buffer" to distinguish Poquoson
 It should be left alone or made a park
 green small business park NO apartments

leave alone

mixed use--parks and commercial offices

Nice big clean year round recreation center with a pool, raquetball courts and work out rooms

entertainment/retail/ green space

should not be developed

half business half apartments (unless large corporation), local employment park

A park with a walking path, bike path, benches and large grassy area

no grocery chains - strip malls - like to see something similar to Wisp

I do not see the need to develop this area especially with so many vacant buildings in town. If the city is truly interested in a "small town" feel and attracting tourists, clear-cutting Big Woods is not the answer. Sinc attracting tech industries has failed miserably, preserve Big Woods as an environmental preserve.

Parks and open spaces with trees for concerts!!

Building like City Center, top residential bottom business

business residential area

a park for concerts, etc.

Town Center setup, retail and some housing

city park

NOT developed

The ideal plan would balance the small town beauty of Poquoson with businesses that create tax revenue

commercial or mixed use

Develop in accordance with existing proposal

upscale private single family dwellings

Do not devleop

PUD - such as "legacy"

In accordance with the cities comprehensive plans and architectural requirements. Undeveloped property is where majority wishes can be required to develop not retro-enforcing

something green- sports fields, nursery for organic produce.

Its should be made into a family oriented park used for events also.

Best way to generate tax revenue. Retail or Lt. Industrial.

Leave it alone

At most, sensible housing / small businesses

Community youth / Rec. center [Tennis facility] Park

leave as it is

professional and medical facilties, retail shops, upscale grocery store

family friendly park

public park

reserve this property to build a future school on given sea rise relative to land projected

now properly zoned, attractive commercial businesses to add to tax base, and not be held captive to "small town" complex

Park/natural area, bike trail, eniromental experiece visitor center

single family housing and commerical

professional park, offices
park

Mix use development including open space, shops and residences

I am concerned about the traffic flow leaving and returning to Poquoson. If housing is approved, I think we need smaller, modest homes for younger people who won't want to stay in Poquoson and for older citizens who want to downsize.

Establish a park area

if it doesn't benefit our children - leave it alone

combination of open green space w/ restaurants + shops

Lounge facility that will encourage meetings, reunions, etc Along with this building should be an adult, senior, youth center for our residents. Our youth and seniors need this.

minimal population & traffic impact such as small business or tech

why develop it?

Something like the mall at short pump, city center (NN) Open walking mall with convenient parking. Mix of locally owned and small chain. Unique, eclectic. Something to attract non-locals. But FIRST: widen Victory Blvd!

public park with some undeveloped.

develop a medical, professional center. Residents shouldn't have to go to Newport News for health care.

it should not be developed. It is nice to see the big woods as you enter poquoson and separates our community from york county

Leave it alone

Can't we leave it for the deer who keep trying to survive in our town?

Residential or idea provided above

No development at this time

Park with activity areas for children, picnic areas

No development. No big-box store.

Viable marina and no more.

It should not be developed, it should be empty / woodland.

Mixed use planned community like Port Warwick: town houses and small retail and businesses; smaller starter homes and retirement appropriate housing.

should be made into city park

do not develop

park

as a park no development

leave as is

Poquoson should keep it undeveloped in case of future city needs. We may net years down the road. Should stay as is until empty storefronts and buildings are updated and occupied (ex: taco hut and old watermelon patch).

maybe a city park

commercial/retail space

leave as is

Apartments on top of small retail stores with smaller single homes with walking areas

Colonial and park-like setting with a town square.

New High and Middle school

Very carefully. Traffic is already an issue. Maybe affordable housing for retirees

Not develop it – Leave it open

I would like to see no major development

Half kept rural – Half medical and small business

park

Commercial Ventures and/or retail and residential

Mixed use, retail/services along Victory, townhome + single-family residential, small park.

hold until existing empty spaces are filled

family park

Don't develop it! Especially if the other acres will be developed. It would only be developed for taxes. There are already spaces available of commercial and enough single family homes under construction. I would rather pay more prop. Taxes for schools/services then build just to get more people for taxes! Especially no apartments!

Leave it alone!

Professional park/clean office buildings - lawyers/doctors/CPA/designers/manufacturing/etc.

small number of single homes with at least 3/4 - 1 acre

do not develop this property

natural habitat with trails

park - soccer fields - new middle school

not developed

save it until a real necessary need arises

leave it alone city government has destroyed enough already

Leave it undeveloped would be 1st choice. If developed, leave plenty of green space, have a mixture of office space and retail - no fast food chains. Victory blvd. needs widening before development.

Make it into a park or leave it as woods. Why does it have to be developed?

Mixed development

It should be left as it is, no development

It should be mixed use development. Homes should be geared for younger families to afford.

How about an updated Police Dept. and moving local businesses off Poquoson Ave to this area.

Why develop it? Traffic is already awful. We already have abandoned buildings. Crime is rising ...

Not w/a Walmart or Kmart or another grocery store.

Leave as is

leave as green space

Retail, single family home mix

Retail or commercial, not residential

Hotel

It shouldn't. If it is, it should be a family fun center.

Keep as green space.

Left natural until (and if) needed for future City use - police offices/jail, parks & rec offices, etc.

Reserve land for public plaza with walkways and benches.

Apartments

1. Mixed use - office retail, residences. 2. Office/light industrial

Not sure

Restaurant cluster. Encourage people to ride to Poquoson.

park & open flea market for locals to sell items

Parks area with walking trail.

An industrial center on research complex.

Sports complex for regional use.

A community recreation area with covered picnic shelters, trails (bike and walking) dog park.

Walking trails & botanical garden

Medical quick service

Affordable housing. \$250-\$300,000. But the road Victory needs to be widened 1st!

Do not develop Big Woods. Leave it as is.

a park/walking trails

No! We need to focus on the areas that have already been developed. Adding more is ruining our planet & ecosystem. Not to mention the City will lose its charm.

Not developed. Leave as is.

Shops - not a church - careful of congestion

arts/community center

Local businesses - affordable housing but upscale

Bring in high end commercial development with a high tax base.

NO development

A national chain to draw York County customers

Green space / community gazebo -- thnk Port Warwick's green space.

Urgent care facility, also good medical building. Perhaps also specializing child care as Poquoson is noted for good education thus influx of families with children.

multistory commercial - low taxes to draw

it shouldn't

hiking trails

leave it as it is

don't know

we like it as it is now

Community Centers, bike paths & walking trails

small shops, small restaurants

too late now...but it would have been a great location for a new high school/middle school complex (e.g., Grafton) and elementary school should have been in the current HS

leave it as green and open space to preserve Poquoson

don't know

a mixed residential/commercial

it should be left as it is

create an area for the seafood festival

office spaces and medical facilities

Wawa, Starbucks

Police station

it should remain a wooded buffer

small shops, restaurants, businesses. No large retail
 mixed - urban town center
 sparseley, keeping big trees - no huge concrete parking lots
 small retail stores (shopping center)
 upscale affordable housing and local businesses
 leave it for wildlife. It is depressing to see dead animals & starving deer in the area
 professional office space
 Residential starter homes < \$250,000
 does it have to be?
 walking trails or park
 It should've been left alone to begin with!
 Single family homes - large lots
 Develop walking paths as an extension to the Oxford Trail.
 Jogging trails, dog park
 We need improved economic development processes. It was very disheartening to hear from the Daily Press that the KFC / Taco Bell was closing. Our Economic Development Office was quoted as not knowing! This was terrible!
 New high and middle school, perhaps similar to Grafton's setup.
 hotel, drive in theater
 encourage future industry oriented companies, e.g. technology companies, etc.
 do not develop - keep the big woods Poquoson's treasure
 woodland
 retail/shopping
 parking garage
 houses - moderate sized & affordable to families
 unknown to me
 small retail or non-intrusive light commercial
 Walmart
 community center for recreation & cultural arts
 restaurants & entertainment for teenagers and young adults
 nothing. Leave it alone - all of it
 Public area (community center/venue); mixed use - residential, commercial
 do not develop this area, leave in natural state
 community center w/technology (computers), courts (b-ball, v-ball teams) - rec center
 office buildings
 as a park
 no more homes/apartments
 it shouldn't be developed at all
 WaWa only (1 store)
 small business start-up building, culinary school w/restaurant
 not be developed
 it should not be developed, if so a park with bike trails, zip lines etc. Preserve
 walking/hiking trails

microbreweries, bakers, art gallery, bookstore
 city park, dog park
 No - it should not be developed
 area for sports or family useage
 yes
 dog park
 No
 small out let mall O(exterior entrances); shopping and restaurants
 a few small businesses (only 2 or 3)
 light industrial
 None
 Should be left alone!
 Dog park, playground, water park, water-related accessories & fishing/hunting supply shop
 I'm not sure - small housing - no high rise apts.
 ALDI grocery store
 Not developed - need more frees
 An architecturally pleasing office park.
 Park
 Expansion of "town center"
 None leave us some land - Keep out all the traffic
 Should not be developed, beautiful just the way it is.
 Develop similar to Town Center, VA Beach/NN
 None
 Leave it alone - don't bring more traffic than is already here
 A nature park if you cannot leave it alone.
 not sure
 Do not develop it.
 Leave alone - walking paths
 commercial development
 Not at all
 None
 professional, light industrial, mixed retail, some multi-family
 we need to maintain the "Big Woods" feel. I'm tired of all our green space being bulldozed and concrete
 Minimal commercial establishments. Potential park for children.
 professional offices/business park
 mixed-use development including more single family low priced small family housing
 strip center
 none / N/A
 none
 mixed retail/residential planning compact and green/open spaces
 Nice gateway type development - not too close to road, no eyesore or noisey
 High end office space such as medical - an emergency facility like Med 1st

Yes it would be nice to have a retail clothing, shoe stores
 professional office/commercial retail
 Park
 a center with restaurant, entertainment venue, Hallmark type store, other small shops.
 business and professional
 no we need nature areas
 small multi-family complex and small retail with a "town center" feel
 It should not be developed
 homes
 If there is a big set back, housing "in the woods"
 park, community center, pool
 gas station
 businesses that bring in tax money to keep our real estate taxes low.
 mixed use w/shops and residences
 :(don't sell
 town center w/entertainment
 Public/Private recreation facilities, maybe w/ smaller eateries could even be seasonal. A place for families/friends to gather (while spending dollars)
 veterans medical facility
 City park similar to newport news park
 Please don't destroy the beauty of the Big Woods by tearing it all down. Leave trees, etc. Have small shops and 2 restaurants and a miniature golf course – all beautifully landscaped, providing a lovely entry into Poquoson.
 Nature/hiking trails, exercise facility
 A small number of townhomes – 8-10 and then a park area. Nice homes, not like what is currently out there.
 Don't know
 Park or leave as reserve. We have too many empty buildings already.
 recreational building
 If it must be developed: recreation center, med express, small food chains, industrial park, allow food trucks, open park with walking trail and pavilion for weekend music, farmers markets, food trucks movies. There are ways to make money in that space without compromising what Poquoson is!!!!
 single family homes and some apartments
 park
 recreational use
 No more Churches! No more drug stores!
 A park
 A golf course would be nice
 Pick a number? Something with the highest tax revenue and most employees
 Small local business and NASA support contractors
 small shops mainfloor + residences 2nd and 3rd floors
 no development or add/maintain trails
 modest development < 100 homes; preserve soul of the green space!
 save trees- small development (carriage homes)

No development

Leave it alone.

condo's, cluster homes for 55 and older

medical buildings, retail, gas station

retail shopping, gas station

indoor swim complex

it should not be developed. Period. Is that clear enough?

retail (no big stores) medical offices. Multi use homes for over 55, gas station w/small store, mix use w/homes

In ways that preserve trees

City Center type of building, w/over the retail apartments

None

A broad-based retail establishment that would keep our sales taxes here in Poquoson

Mixed Use

leave it alone

mixed use development including open space, shops & residences

make it a park

preserve large portion as is. Perhaps a small residential development for elderly

Walking trails & dog park. Or a shooting range.

leave it alone

Large store like Walmart, Lowes, Home Depot

Avoid Sec 8 townhomes single family shops

Commercial, Entertainment, Recreation; not residential; not City owned

City park

It should not be developed

Would recommend light industry or corporate headquarters/professional area

business that does not compete with our local businesses. Building that leases office space.

small business/ affordable retail shops

the property should be left alone! Please do not develop!

leave as is

park recreation, shaded picnic- gathering areas

no development! Or keep wooded park with trails

Mixed houses, apartments

Med X-press; shops and services in a planned unit around a courtyard or similar

Small shops for shopping or multi sports complex

Smaller businesses and or restaurants with lots of open space (park like) between and around them.

When all homes in poquoson are occupied then develop housing there.

Small entertainment center/theatre-movie and live/arts center/ymca

City draw with music, parking etc

nature preserve/green space

Not developed

No! Accessing in and out of Poquoson is already a problem. We do not need more traffic on victory!

small shopping/dining gathering place

single family residential
 single family residential, small commercial business
 dog park
 as a city park - no new buildings! Splash pad, play games, a place for kids to ride bikes would be great.
 Not more low income housing
 Most of it should be green space. Part of it (3-acres or so) should be a community family friendly space
 for live music, arts, unique small restaurants + shops. NO strip mall!
 City center venue port Warwick
 park
 No ideas at this time.
 natural park
 I think that a coherent infrastructure and architectural blueprint should be put in place then just let
 competition play out.
 retail?
 don't develop it
 professional office - single home - large yards
 Would prefer nothing, unless new development on Wythe Creek brings in a lot of demand for housing.
 Then build nice town houses or single family homes.
 perhaps a "town center" area
 Keep rural
 Within the approved zoning
 Retail - medical - industrial/research
 mix of housing and commercial (large & small)
 A community center! - Like the Denbigh community center on Warwick.
 small quantity retail & housing. A small B&B. There is no place in Poquoson to put up a guest.
 Yes, we need the money!
 As part of a "masterplan", not individually, sold to whoever will buy it.
 It should not!
 The young people have needed a skate park for years. Give them something to do to keep busy and
 avoid drugs. Skate parks are NOT an attraction for drugs. We have traveled and seen them all over the
 country. No excuses, make it happen.
 To bring in medical, professional, restaurant, entertainment, city can then focus on improvements to
 other areas such as the pool.
 Lightly - No high rise apartments, 2 story with multi use retail on 1st floor
 This should be a showpiece for what Poquoson aspires to be
 Any kind of residential use would be fine. It would support our small businesses!
 It should be used for Businesses it is the perfect location
 Low Park – Bike walking
 Make it a cemetery. Make it a park with gazebos and ponds
 Income generating. Retail/restaurant/entertainment. Senior Assisted Living. Attractive Frontage.
 Revenue generating sports center.
 Please preserve land.
 I wouldn't
 Leave natural or either some kind of park but leave a large portion trees

Not developed, save the woods

Leave undeveloped. Park for the residents/citizens. Should not be developed for commercial use.

Light commercial business

manicured open space (park like) small shops & offices

conserve public park paths

Bike trails/walking trails, campsites

Should be left alone! U R ruining P-town

Please do not EVER allow Walmart or other large chains. And, never build anymore cheap housing - Poquoson is better than that!

I really don't want area developed unless as a green space. Coming into town, the "big woods" signals that I'm home and can relax. The city property would be better as a park.

Mixed use - retail/condo/home

City of Poquoson Citizens' Survey 2017

Responses for Write-In Question 5:

What types of new land use or development, if any, would you support at Messick Point?

A public beach, but not promote it, due to tourist coming. Haha - strictly for originals.
 public access and enjoyment. Boardwalk. Boat building school.
 problem there is getting there- so not sure what can go there
 small shops; restaurants
 More water activities
 walking trail- improve parking so residents can enjoy the waterfront- NOT MORE BOAT TRAILERS
 concert park; upper scale restaurant
 Place for families to gather
 with rising water levels, none
 recreational - watercraft, etc. / retail targeted at marine activities
 Leave it alone
 No townhouses or apts. Too much traffic. I live on Messick
 beautify what's there and improve "marina"
 Restaurants are fine but no indication they can survive there. Residential of high quality would be excellent.
 No Club
 amphitheater
 water activity rental + restaurant
 none
 higher roadways leading into the area
 Park
 none - too out of way to reasonably expect success
 restaurants, boat rentals, kayak tours, other water activities. Not residential
 none
 functional; activity
 Restaurant, water sport concession (ex. Rent kayaks, paddleboard, fishing equip, etc.). Concession store.
 None
 unknown
 none
 waterside restaurant; piers; tackle shops
 Dry boat storage
 fishing pier, farmers market
 restaurant
 I don't care - a beach would be nice but not a good location - storms, etc.
 small beach; picnic areas for families
 None at the present time until the city reduces the speed limit on Messick to 25 mph and enforces it.
 Please see additional comments.
 beach! We are the only local (seaside) area without any sort of beach. It does not have to be huge, but it is a disgrace we have not had local access.
 small beach area
 outdoor, small amphitheatre for concerts/events
 Preservation, no development @ Messick
 ?

Water sports- anything water connected
 beach access and maybe small soda and snack retail and water renting items like paddle boats etc.
 none
 A nice (seafood) crab restaurant, public park area
 none. Enough money has already been spent there
 We need a town "beach".
 leave as is
 I like the stage there for small concerts or community events but I'd really like to see water / wetlands conservation. The trash and oil thrown in the water by waterman is unacceptable. They should be fined.
 Fishing store. Boat US . Wst Marine
 Retail seafood/farmer's market, music concerts, covered picnic areas
 Build upland to prevent flooding, soil erosion.
 commercial (more tax \$)
 Multi Functional Restaurant/Marina
 Festival-type activity. Park to allow sitting and watching activities
 A stage and snack bar
 Nice, family-oriented, reasonably priced restaurant.
 Same answer as 4 above!
 More land use for wildlife!
 N/A
 A 3 season resort
 campsites on the hill (10), ampitheater, beach, hill for snow sleding
 none
 boat ramp is fine. Otherwise none
 Restaurant. General merchandise
 nice children's playground, beach, restaurant..
 Seafood (fresh, local) restaurant
 none
 Enhance the area with play area for children, picnic tables. Use for outdoor community events
 recreational
 flooding would be factor for any consideraation
 none
 none
 Reck (sic) area
 park or something to improve the natural beauty
 none
 car shows, concerts (bring blanket and wine basket). Food trucks. More beach, family activities, trails, place where families can gather. Farmers market
 a pier for family fishing if possible
 more for boaters, another boat launch, restaurant, bait & tackle shop
 full package marina, boat lifts, restaurant, fuel, berths, etc.
 beautified marina, boat tours, lots of flowers/landscapes

maybe a restaurant

Something compatible with flood-prone area. Permanent structures need to be flood tolerant and a beach for swimming seems like a waste of money.

a combination night club with dancing.

Beach

Outdoor / nature based recreation that utilize and promote our natural assets.

outdoor recreation to incorporate water activities. Education individuals about the water and poquoson history.

a park with a farmer's marketplace (at most)

boat marina

restaurant, water sports

restaurant outdoor seating with music, maybe few small shops

Open fishing pier to public, bring back live music, and family friendly events and vendors.

a park, picnic area, fishing, family fun spaces

Beach, restaurants, shops, entertainment venue.

Add the beach that was talked about, but first clean up all the glass at the location (shore.) REMOVE THE BURNED BOAT!!!

Marina

Concert venue

marina & restaurants

The Point itself has fantastic development potential. Unfortunately, access (Messick Road) is inadequate to sustain sufficient traffic to the point.

None

Beach

None. Its too far for business.

Beaches. Recreation.

support as in frequent or support as in not oppose? Boat storage facility- I wouldn't use it, but seems appropriate.

Restaurant; featuring local seafood

restaurants, marina, park

I would support restaurants and shops

Maybe a restaurant

None

It would be great to see the area used for boating, water sports, fishing, and family friendly activities. It would be SO nice to see those slips full of boats.

Restaurant, marine repair, non-ethanol gas!

None, people from out of town already crowd our boat ramps and most of them spend no money in Poquoson. I know they are "state owned" but there should be some way for Poquoson to recoup money for roads they wear and tear to get to ramps.

Restaurant, shore activities - kayak rentals etc fishing supply store

None

Recreation, spa

good resturant

leave it alone

no development, but providing a beach area for residents to use would be nice
 a beach area picnic area park like setting.
 a beach w/restroom facilities and bait/tackle shop
 Water recreational use (Sail board, kayaks, etc)
 nothing
 None! No beach. No housing.
 None
 none- there are flood zones-allow them to remain natural
 Picnic and recreation center, kayak etc. rentals
 a fishin per would be a great compliment to the existing facilities
 doesn't sem practical sinse its suceptable to flooding
 None
 Small restaurants, nautical/fishing, running, water sports such as kayakingm paddleboarding, wildlife
 friendly- not speedboats and jetskis.
 Just build it up with dirt
 park / nature trails - no commercial use
 More eateries
 small ampitheater, courseway to Plum Island
 None
 None - too far at one end - roads do not accommodate increased traffic. City facilites should be more
 centralized.
 Parks
 none, flood zone
 Not sure
 Hotel, restaurant, fishing pier
 Using Messick Point would be a huge benefit to our city. Maybe a public/private development with
 beach another easy access to water. Maybe water sports - kite surfing, kayak, nature walk.
 Restaurants, very small retail or maybe a nice hotel.
 Larger restaurant, walking trail w/ playground, public pavillion + grills
 Boat dock + slip rental
 None
 ?
 Boat storage + marine repair
 Residential / mix use
 Age restricted condos for older folks who want to downsize but remain in Poquoson.
 Beach – Park – Stage – Picnic area – Lots of trees
 A public beach or a good restaurant with a nice view overlooking the water.
 Outdoor venue for music and festivals - basic stage area w/ benches or natural setting seating.
 Concession @ boat ramp.
 Family friendly restaurant, safe beach area, wading, beach changing station, and swimming
 A nice restaurant
 unsure
 none
 Tackel Bait Shop, Gas Pumps, Public Park over where Beach is

Vacation cottages, seasonal shops
 Restaurants, park
 No Beach! Maybe a watermans museum?
 Seafood processing & some rec
 Beach Area, Family Venue
 Leave it alone
 NONE
 Low Cost Docking Work Boats
 restaurants, gift shops
 water sports, restaurants, some condos/townhouses
 None
 No new development. Keep as is.
 Marina for boats in coastal travel.
 Marina
 Public use or single family only.
 Upscale restaurant with ability to dock a boat like Smithfield Station.
 Raised / high parking for parking cars during floods
 Shops, sporting good supply, fish market, small aquarium or learning center for kids. Water/splash park. Restaurant/bar
 none
 Wedding Venue, fishing charters.
 seafood restaurant
 Parks and Recreation
 Poquoson needs a dedicated public fishing pier.
 very little one of the last remaining open air spots that feel like what w are about in poquoson.
 fisheries, ecolas area
 not
 Seafood / Farmers market. Beach on trails around water. Ice cream shop / sandwich store / mini market. Fishing and water sports.
 maring, water sports, seafood market, beach activites, ice cream shop, nature trail, fishing pier?
 Sandwich shop
 townhouses
 Park; walking path w/benches (not tourist type, rather something for locals to enjoy scenic views.
 enjoy Messic Point just as it is
 A small bech with bug control, ice ccream shop, public fishing pier.
 none - unless you make it into a waterfront w/places to eat and play (beach)
 City to lease public land to private enterprise for marine development - boat storage, repair, restaurant, etc. On back river side, dredge out for deep water use - also bulkhead along land.
 Indoor/outdoor restaurant
 park or beach
 none
 A sandy beach area with water sports, rentals, snacks, picnic tables and benches and charcoal grills.
 expanded docks were a great addition - paddle boats/canoes/beach - capitalize on water attiivities
 anything to do with boating and fishing

water related establishments? Businesses that would keep messick point a water/fisherman, water recreation area.

none - too much flooding

fish house

recreational fishing and docks, boat rentals

An upscale or even medium scale restaurant with bar/views/good food and outdoor seating...even dancing. Don't want to folks to dress up but there is nowhere to go sit or have a drink outside on the water... except at Surf Rider or marina and the whole town is surrounded by water.

None

restaurant, lounge, BBQ

Seafood related businesses

none

None

none

small beach area for enjoyment by those who do not have access to water, boat ramp improvements, campgrounds, etc.

Restaurant-not looking for a bar, nice atmosphere here similar to Surf Rider. Also jet ski and paddle board rentals-maybe even parasail is a thought.

None. Leave it alone!!

green space - nature - park

Bait/tackle shop with rentals

Festivals, live music, "get togethers"

Seafood restaurant, marine supply store, sailing center, cg aux, small boat repair / dry storage / sales

none

Elevated roads and utilities - Then evaluate what can be supported.

useable beach

Flooding - Keep Rec Boating - Picnic - Ball Field

Beach area / park area for families

Anything that would contribute the existing business in the area

Upgraded marina

None

None

Eateries, arts and crafts shops

put another ramada at the high point near the parking lot

marina/restaurants/entertainment

family orientated-water-themed - casual restaurant

restaurant, gas pumps

restaurant, bait shop

Restaurant and gift store and concert area.

condos for empty nesters

no comment

Big City Park

More parking and boat ramps. A restaurant would be nice

?

None but keep it clean looking

Covered pavilion, public-use tall lookout tower, public bath-house, wind mill

Beach, nice playground, skate park

Park areas for family / community activities

I would support none. We need to be Poquoson!!

none

Place wooden posts so idiots can't drive all over the grass and create ruts. Place a pavillion with picnic tables on top of the hill and plant trees on top and sides of the hill.

none

None, stay as is

None

park

boat marina and restaurant

Until we delete existing wetlands and land regulations, Poquoson waterfront cannot be saved from the environmental estimate of 5 to 7 additional feet of water during the next 100 years

No beach!! We are ok w/BBQ place

recreational

any open air public space

Seems ideal for restaurants, boat docks, beach, etc. - need to recognize anything could flood or be destroyed in storms.

none

None

City park

land is too low- floods too often to support any more developments

?

None - it will flood out

None

Park, picnic area

none

a usable beach, pier, ect

long fishing pier charter boats, dinner boat

nicer marina to include a store

Waterfront restaurant with locally caught seafood

Just recreational fields. No developments.

None

Gas - for boats only

Perhaps a childcare playground on the hill. Not much commercial.

none, it is perfect the way it is.

fresh water to rinse boats and trailers - no soap allowed

Good seafood affordable restaurant, fishing pier

Expanding docks, additional dining options, general cleanup

small locally owned bus. - needs to be cleaned up - more inviting - small beach access ara - could be a good place for summer concerts, athletic activities (soccor, volleybal, etc..)

Needs to be left natural. Can one rent canoes or kayaks there? Maybe a "beach" on MP and a picnic

area on the grassy knoll - w/ a food truck in summer
 marina, shops, restaurants
 Riverwalk type area
 Seafood business - anything that will help / support our local watermen.
 restaurants, water experiential activities, guided tours, fishing excursions
 recreational + marina
 playground, beach
 deeper channel - bait and tackle store
 none
 none
 Nothing needs to be done to Messick Point
 Whatever supports the area
 Improvements to the marina and more Fri. or Sat. night bands with food and drink like we had a
 couple of years ago. Public picnic area and more parking.
 Cruise ship dock, ferry to Hampton/Norfolk
 None (Skeet shooting range – well managed!)
 Why does every acre of land need to be “developed” ?
 none
 Park recreation with boating, kayaking, canoing on the surrounding natural marshes.
 Fishing – Boating only
 Public access beach, boat launch / marina, public park
 Pool, boat school, water education facility, research center w/aquarium. Weekend cottages with dock,
 rental boats with restaurant aquarium, glass front facing water with fireplace. Screen porch with grill.
 restaurants and water sports
 wholesale retail seafood - commercial business
 wholesale retail seafood - commercial business
 restaurants, marina
 park / small eatery
 expanded marina with gas and floating docks with a bait and tackle shop
 None !
 marina and park
 not sure
 marina and event venue
 maybe a restaurant
 none
 disappointed higher end development was not done on Rens road, missed opportunity in that
 location. Messick will not have same draw of people - leave it alone!
 Waterman architecture type – like keeping it parkland better
 Music stage, recreational park setting, campground
 you need a high end seafood restaurant there
 Fix a beach, picnic areas
 None
 Fishing pier, outdoor activities (spring, summer, fall)

Beach
 Keep it as is for fishing and boating
 Zero, leave it alone!
 none
 A restaurant & high-end condos & shops
 restaurant
 Already happy with it.
 Reforestation and create public park.
 marine fule
 None other than parks
 NONE
 None!! Natural environment and shoreline should be undisturbed.
 I like it as it is
 residential
 local-owned marina w/local-owned restaurant
 Mini Virginia Beach. Small for local access.
 Boardwalk, Restaurant, Arcade
 none
 only "fishing" related
 Beach area for resident access but also "safe area" for hbitat restoration
 Deos any further development make sense with rising sea levels
 public beach/waterfront
 Music venue and park setting
 manufacturing that hires locals
 Lower density, retain some open space
 Really? Development? Have you seen the road? A good high tide and its covered. Maybe a
 campground, but leased/sold privately to a third party.
 none
 living shorelines (if needed), dining venue, open space park
 Nice place to eat w/ a beautiful view
 Good question
 Picnic / park area
 None
 nice seafood restaurants, shopping, a nice park
 The Messick Point beach
 small business, public land use
 None - more is not better
 make some money from users
 Park, water related shops & restaurants
 development of housing such as the Villas
 None. Leave it as a park. Roads cannot handle increased traffic.
 Park
 Restaurants, Maring, something to clean the area up.

More water sports activities near the water.

A good seafood restaurant

Roller skating rink or Putt Putt or Go Karts

NONE

?

Beach

Beach

Beach - Beach

park area for recreation and kids to play

recreational

fishing piers

beach

none

Bringing families together- activities for all centered around our waterways.

A fish market, one that gets people from surrounding areas like a farmers market. D. Both.

Seafood restaurant, Captain D not @30 meals / fishing pier

Recreation area for all such as beach, fishing pier.

paved parking area with a view of the water

restaurants with live music on water

community park

N/A

I don't know if any would succeed - given the distance.

Small condos with restaurants and some open space

A restaurant and various souvenir/arts/etc. shops open April - October

None.

board walk - gift shops along the water

In agreement with picnic shelters, outdoor grill, play area for resident usage.

keep as is

a nice marina and restaurant

Try to balance a place for commercial watermen + public use area.

farmers market

keep it like it is

Beach

no opinion

Something to attract residents to the area. Need restaurant, outdoor walking area.

A multi-use park with non-chain restaurant

boating, picnic, play area only. Floods

I would support all water oriented business and activities. I'd like to see Poquoson's image be that of a waterfront community.

none

Beach, water activities, condos, charter fishing

picnic, beach area, area for community gatherings and celebrations

keep natural, boat docks

Probably convenience store will be OK

condos/restaurants

higher end condos

none

restaurants, bait & tackle shop, playground

beach and boat gas

fishing pier

none!

Messick Point has so many possibilities. There's already a few improvements with a vision for the future. People can kayak, bike, walk, bird watch, fish, paint, boating. The natural waterfront and wildlife is AWESOME. Waterfront dining complete with sunset. Surf Rider comes to mind.

jon boat/canoe/kayak rental. Like NN park. Fishing pier

Marine industry facility

music venue

restaurants, gift shops

a park setting

restaurant

Commercial seafood

beach

place for kids to play & explore the water

High end condos

Facilities that would attract boaters from either shore

Kayak, canoe rental (it's not a beach)

possibly a restaurant if on the hill

band stand - permanent facility for family picnics and cook-outs, could be rented out by parks and recreations

Everything! It needs retail shops and restaurants.

a beach, improve public waterfront access, an event pavillion (ie The Freight Shed Yorktown)

beach and park

marina/restaurant

None

cultural center / playground

make it more recreational and make improvements for waterman

Nice family restaurant. Maybe a couple of small shops, sports items, gift shop

none

none

none!

n/a

Beach/park for families - camping

Kayak launch, picnic tables under shelters

Messick Point Golf Course, music venues, weddings, etc.

The park was a good idea - improve docks for working watermen

picnic areas and tables

Restaurant

local seafood use

park, restaurants, fishing docks for public

building up the marina; power shore, water restaurant, floating docks

restaurants, playgrounds, fishing docks

family friendly opportunities to enjoy the water such as venting paddle boards, kayaks, or jet skis

seafood related

Beach area

stomething for entertainment of young people

fishery, marina, oyster farm

none, already has enough developments

Larger marina

whatever the free market brings to the table

none- Messick Point should be for watermen

Restaurant, beach stores, sandy beach area, community areas

restaurant (non-chain) and/or marina

City park

Only things that are water related, i.e.: fishing pier

Park with bike & walking paths, trails, etc.

Townhouses - Single Family Houses

any if it lowers taxes

Possibly outpoor (unintelligible) but (unintelligible) parking is a problem - would not support any sort of commercial venture other than fishing!

Seafood places - park for picnics, etc.

I don't know enough about it to comment.

beach, ice cream place

Parks - recreation

none

More parks

None

jet ski rental/water sport/kayak

NONE

Excellent water view restaurant - high end, especially for local functions

Marina, restaurant, park

not sure but feel this might be a good idea

Just family friendly development. Parks/restaurants etc

none - leave it green

High-end condos/homes. Utilize this location

Business. Recreation

restaurants - locally owned; running trail

recreational

retail. Recreation

Recreation areas & Playground
 boat manufacturing, housing, boat rides
 Unsure
 Seafood restaurant
 Can't think of any, but open to ideas.
 public pier & park
 Outdoor theater
 marina
 apts? Small shops?
 Restaurants, beach, boating
 Messick is ideal for fishin charter boats and serious bay & ocen fishing (sport). There should be fishing tournaments out of Messick
 Let John Martin develop his property
 Park with picnic area
 A launch ramp for small boats, i.e. Sunfish sailboat kayak
 NONE!
 none, leave natural
 none
 Park - used for community events
 Dry storage marina with fishin pier and restaurant
 restaurant, bait shop
 the smell at the point would drive away any new development. Maybe charge boaters that use ramp.
 docks, shops, restaurants, park
 TGIF type of stuff
 expensive condos!
 Parks - too low for commercial development
 Not a beach! Something everyone can use not just locking the door and no one can walk out to enjoy the water.
 None
 improved beach; restrooms; dining
 Could also be a nice park-like area for the benefit of everyone. Perhaps like a community gathering place..In view of storms, etc. businesses would suffer in this location because of flooding there or in between trying to get there.
 None.
 Restaurant
 Ampitheatre, Small marina w/boat rentals
 Leave as is. Remove barrier on taxpayer funded pier
 None
 Retirement condos overlooking the water.
 After construction of some type of natural breakwater. Why build anything in an area that floods.
 Keep Messick as natural as possible to minimize rebuilding after flooding.
 Ok as is now
 Pier for public use for crabbing, fishing. Area for weekly concerts (family oriented).
 None - too much flooding to maintain

Some form of boating rentals; kayak, jet skis, etc.

None

restaurant & recreations - picnic area

Recreational Businesses - Water Related

Nice restaurant with water views

Restaurant, park, cultural center

Restaurants - wedding/party venues that can be rented out for large events

None

Messick Point cannot accommodate any more development

None - Develop boat docks/mooring areas

None

This is a great spot to attract new business & residents - Develop!!

A waterside complex, restaurants, a beach, a Riverboat Cruise that conducts gambling on boat only while cruising waterway, open air concert complex

Only seafood industry, this is a thriving area for the waterman & every effort should be done to support them

Recreation, restaurants, park

None

None

Beach would be nice - keep natural as possible

same. Because sooner or later we need to travel wythe creek road or Victory Blvd.

fishing pier - tackle - pocnic area - paddle boats

a playground where kids can play and gather. Families can come together or picnic

boat ramps for residenrts only

great place for a park/even destination

a ferry that goes to Norfolk/Va Beach. Fishing charter boats

unsure

park for family to enjoy

prefer it stay as it is

park, clean it up and maintain it, provide better access

none, leave it alone

The land is low lying - too susceptible to flooding. I wouldn't develop down there

None, leave it alone

Outdoor concerts, maybe a teaching water museum

public beach, picnic area

none

Marina, bait and tackle, water related ventures. I think the yaght club and BBQ place are great. I like there are clean restrooms and lots of parking.

Businesses that support fishing/pleasure boating

a public beach

boat docks

Boat dock community center with sailing classes, fishing pier, bring in tourists picnic area beach

Develop area for outdoor concerts, food vendors, etc.

a restaurant
 choice of in town restaurants
 nature trails/park
 outdoor entertainment (like amphitheater for community to gather for music, fireworks, plays, etc.
 public, natural, park like setting
 net-zero housing
 none. The city blocked b. mores from improvement. why should they profit off his expense.
 a band stage
 none-not big enough and people will not access because it is far away.
 concert series live music, food trucks, etc.
 VIMS satellite
 a playground
 tourism-seasonal boat rentals (motor, sail, kayak, paddle with food trucks, concerts camping (!)
 provide blueway tours, etc.
 anything water related
 park
 none
 park/boat launch - low impact
 RV park/campground w/facilities - water, elect, sewer, showers
 boat rental
 Not a beach! A park would be nice
 family area - playground, picnic tables, etc
 more marina life
 something similar to Paradise Ocean Club at Ft. Monroe would be neat
 have the Poquoson Seafood fest etc. at Messick Point
 condos sufficiently raised to prevent flooding
 there is nothing you can do at Massick Point that will be of any benefit to the city. Marine gas pumps
 or dry storage area on southern side of hill would be only useable thing
 boating/fishing/watersports
 sports facility & adults, trails, perhaps senior citizen housing like Ft. Monroe has
 an upscale restaurant, park, recreational activities
 none
 beach area, parks, bike paths, area for people to gather and enjoy
 Messick Point just needs to be cleaned up
 maybe add an other restaurant
 restaurants, public beach, kayak launch site like @ Dandy Pt in Hampton
 none due to flooding
 None
 Water-related business and greenspace
 Beach area with restaurant. Will draw \$ from Poquoson residents and outsiders
 Boat storage
 A beach! I thought last year that a beach area was passed for development near Messick. What
 happened to that? Very disappointed.

beach and fishing
 Restaurant possibly
 restaurants
 none-leave it alone
 none
 none
 none
 none
 quality public boat ramp, docks, boat slips
 None--beautifil as is
 None
 parks, boardwalk, beach, shops
 local seafood restaurants accessible to boaters
 marina
 none
 optional
 none
 More boat slips (affordable) + convenience store
 I'm not sure what needs to be done. If the city is truly interested in a "small town" feel, the waterman should have an area to work and moor. A permanent waterman heritage area along with marine-based business would be helpful. A restaurant or two (preferable local, non-chain) would also support watermen and visitors.
 Building a community BEACH! Surrounded by water and NO BEACH!
 Commercial and residential building and marina
 commercial/residential area/marina/restaurant
 none!
 none
 Full service marina with restaurant/bar, perhaps high end town homes
 any use development that is seafood related
 Anything that would enhance the small fishing village atmosphere
 Beach development - picnic, play ground, etc (keep it public owned)
 maritime/cultural and businesses supporting this theme
 Any as long as natural shoreline buffers (not bulkhead or riprap) are expanded.
 putt putt golf
 none
 None
 Parks / venue
 Better use of land as a community park
 Beach, fishing pier
 none
 restuarants, park facilities
 keep it more natural - do not put up buildings
 a beach

doing well now. Due to elevation has limited commercial use. Retain seafood industry, add quality restaurants - raised high
 none, open area, revamped adjacent business
 dog park
 fishing pier
 major recreational boating business
 none
 None
 I like it like it is
 restaurants + shops
 Beach, entertainment area, fishing area for those without boats. However, Messick Road would need raising up to make sure these new ventures would be safe.
 open space park
 kayak rental, water recreation activities that don't danger environment
 I Rarely ever go to Messick
 Keep it the way it is. No changes needed.
 Public park/beach
 A dog park
 None
 A restaurant/marina with tables and picnic areas.
 Mixed use planned community like Port Warwick: town houses and small retail and businesses; smaller starter homes and retirement appropriate housing.
 commercial seafood
 fishing and swimming use
 yes
 a beach
 Public park and beach
 it is beautiful as it is
 nothing
 A beach and picnic area.
 Minimal growth for seafood restaurant(s) and fishing center
 Dining place. Family recreation.
 More boat ramps
 Restaurants / possibly a boardwalk. A beach with picnic facilities and shady areas.
 None – Road network doesn't allow – Maybe kayak and paddle (water sports) boat rentals
 residential, retail, walking trails
 Marina, restaurant, mid-rise residential.
 family entertainment/picnicing + live music events
 family park
 none. Zero.
 None
 "none" need not develop the Point
 commercial business - road floods to the point - not good for beach use

do not charge for boat rental fees at docks

none

fishing piers

none

again nothing at present

really? How many more ways can you possibly destroy it

Development such as a small beach with sand or build up with a natural shore line

no development. Leave as is.

Commercial, recreation

Nothing on City-owned land - private-owned should be able to improve and utilize

Have a nice seafood restaurant and a band shell on top of the higher ground.

Don't know

Recreation, Park – However, the city of Poquoson does not take care of current parks. South Lawson Park is unusable due to bird waste.

A beach with clean water to swim in w/picnic shelters.

Leave as is

open air venue for music, picnics

Private enterprise

Marina expansion if market forces are favorable

Beach

Concert venue for bands. Restaurant

Possible seafood or retail shop (marina, bait/tackle, etc.)

Restaurants

Allow businesses: restaurants, seafood businesses, etc.

Commercial

None - Keep as is

Sports complex; seasonal concessions (food truck; bait & tackle); condominiums

Not sure

Very little.

Beach concert stage

Swimming area, restaurants, water park

No development

Development in Messic Pt is going to be very difficult if you can't do something about the flooding.

Outdoor entertainment venue.

Add a charter fishing service, publicize current usage.

None

Restaurant on the hill

None.

None

None - keep building and you can't complain about the wildlife in your streets. Not to mention we will be just like any other city:(

road floods too much to be anything but a park.

restaurants, small shops, concert/festival area

Recreation - Marina - Restaurants

recreational, food and beverage

Condos

more recreation (parks); NO commercial development

Marina / restaurant / entertainment complex

First you've got to get the drug dealers from down tere. Open air "ampetheatre". A natural ampetheater not traditional seating, etc.

seafood processing, boat storage

none

none

none

none as area is too prone to flooding

seafood dining area

public beaches, boating access, picnic area

none

none

none - leave as open space

don't know

too far in the corner. Develop only one that is useful to watermen

nothing

no opinion

support our local watermen & clean up the mess out there

a restaurant

seafood, boating

no comment

fishing pier - or allow the public to use what is there

higher-end restaurant, quaint non-chain tourist shops

recreation

recreation, marina & restaurants

Messic Point will not brin grevenue. The shops proposed would close due to people onlhy launching boats from there. Non-residents should pay a fee to launch their boats here.

new condo development

Restaurants

none

More picnic areas and boating / kayak / water activities or dog park.

Add a diner

I don't support ANY additional development at Messick Point. Police do not enforce speeding @ corner of Messick and Poquoson Ave.

Fishing pier and bait shop where people who do not have boats or water access can fish.

none except bait or ice cream

none

no stron opinion

recreational

none
 anything that benefits the citizens but preserves nature and the waterfront
 build it up to help from storms
 houses - moderate sized & affordable to families
 flooding is a major issue and any use/development should take that into consideration
 none
 water related/supportive businesses & a nice restaurant
 none its already a burden for fisherman to get in and out/no loading/unloading docks
 park area; music ot theater venue; picnic arfea, walking trails
 none
 outdoor concert area could have potential w/covered area and more fly/mosquito cointrol
 nonee
 none
 nothing. Stop building ****
 none. Leave it alone. Don't try to fix something that isn't broke
 none
 boat rentals, fishing pier
 none - keep the natural beauty
 fish mrket, park for children, better boat ramps
 fishing pier (if the speed limit on Messick can be lowered to 25 mPH)
 Boardwalk, restaurants, children's amusement center
 seafood restaurant on top of the hill
 none
 light house
 doesn't matter to me - I don't go down there
 none
 small shops to sell fishing, beach, seashell, marina memorabelia/souvenirs
 small beach area
 none
 None
 None
 water park, "floating" restaurant (accessible by boat - maybe built on dock platform for floating experience).
 some small shops & beachy waterfront park - outdoor concerts.
 Waterfront restaurants and retail development designed as a small coastal town.
 None
 A nice waterfront restaurant, ferries to Factory Point!
 Beach, restaurant, condos
 Reliable bait & tackle/food retail

 None
 Marina
 Beach Front, restaurant, more public dock

None- although would support efforts to mitigate effects of global warming.
 Improved joint watermen & pleasure craft facilities. *Don't outprice the watermen.
 concentrate on beautifying the area with landscaping
 Unsure
 water related development - Government not capable of doing
 Dog park
 A community beach area
 None
 enlarged marina w/services, luxury condos, townhomes
 Better park. No beach, family space
 none
 picnic/play area
 don't know
 none
 none
 flood restrictions should limit development of this area
 See #3 - more lighting around the seawall - kayak/canoe rental/tows - bait shop
 Beach area for wading and maybe a fishing/crabbing pier
 conservational space
 Re
 not a beach! Boat and motor repair
 seafood - sail center
 small retail or restaurants preferably locally owned
 none
 permanent eatery
 restaurant
 full service marina
 restaurants and places for small festivals
 unsure
 condos looking over back river
 I think Messick Point development wouldn't be sustainable. Also would increase traffic in an already
 narrow, limited set back of road.
 leave as is, encourage more public events
 walking paths to see wild life
 A restaurant; some local retail shops.
 family oriented area – picnics, boating, outdoor concerts
 Restaurants, park
 Nice affordable marina for residents
 None
 Water-related business/recreation
 affordable marina for residents
 It is a beautifull place, however, in reality - the bugs carry you away. I do not belive it makes sense to
 invest to much in outdoor space but perhaps a restaurant similar to surf riders with lots of windows to

enjoy the views.

dredge to allow tourboats. Make it a stopping point for boaters

a nice seafood restaurant, bait shop

recreational, restaurants

Leave it as it is. It is beautiful there

Restaurants, bait and tackle shops

townhomes, condos

Same thing I suggested in question 1. Housing Louisiana and Texas formed co ops to protect watermen.

Seafood market and restaurant

restaurants, boat and fishing sales/repair

great location...just so remote = unlikely to be a driver of business

a small community beach would be nice

better advertising for local, existing seafood sales from our watermen!

pavilions, picnic + grill facilities, sand for volleyball, etc.

Play ground

new boat docks, beach waterside restaurants

dock area for boaters, beach area

boat rentals, playground, fishing pier

none. This also should not be developed. Stop developing until this junky strip mall main street looks better. Clean up what's already here.

park community center recreational boat swimming

restaurant, retail

recreation

restaurants overlooking water

None

No opinion.

Public beach to help STOP trespassing on private property

Art & craft vendors, concert series, kite flying March event

public access

picnic area, barbecue pits, horseshoe pit or other games

water vehicle rentals, ice cream shop, sports fields

Better park & playgrounds for kids.

Restaurant, dog park

None

None

Bar & restaurant

None

Recreation, entertainment, waterfront access, possible dining with access from the water

Lots of things - A beach should be #1 for town! Surrounded by water & only access to water to do in a boat! Very bad thing for attracting young families to fill our schools. Clean up the point of land next to barbecue place.

none

Messick probably shouldn't be developed as it is very low.
 Limited. Keep it natural
 restaurant, homes
 if you could control mosquitos, and an event area would be nice.
 none- we would love to see it left alone
 leave as is
 none- floods too quickly
 boat rental, picnic area, playground
 none
 Very little commercial due to road access, flooding, poor night lighting, speeding, animals on road.
 Maybe an open air concert area or kid's park
 Beaches, fishing and playgrounds
 None
 Use the high ground for a playground
 casino/seafood process plants/watermens market place
 None, it wont last
 None
 community gathering center with insect control
 tiki bar accessible by boat
 recreational or restaurant
 beach access, resturants
 outside recreatin area
 NONE! Keep it green. We need green space on the watch in Poquoson.
 Like Harbor Center, water based venues.
 park
 Cleaning up what is already there would be a welcomed improvement.
 commercial building
 No development. Instead make it more "recreation"-friendly, example - biking, walking/pathways
 none
 a community beach area
 it should remain the "jewel" of Poquoson undeveloped
 parks, marinas, restaurants, sailboat rentals
 more restaurants, parks
 Waste of money
 Restaurant, park, anything that maintains/improved public access.
 Non Protect Wetlands
 Larger Mariner; commercial business
 none.
 A very good seafood retail shop & restaurant
 A better way to get there is needed first, then small waterfront boardwalk + beach area would be nice.
 Restaurant or better access for small boats or Kayaks when really busy.
 Public gathering facilities such as picnic pavilion, permanent restrooms, swimming area.
 Outdoor recreation, concert venue

Fishing pier, small boardwalk, picnic shelters, tables & grills (Look to Yorktown waterfront as our example)

Businesses should support our fishing industry!

N/A

Playground – water activity

A park

Support seafood industry & watermen. Support sport fishing. Encourage visitors by boat by providing showers/laundry, beach, live performances, mooring field & other amenities

A bike path or hiking trail.

None

marina - small

Restaurant/entertainment

City park space, small waterfront type shops

recreation public use park

beach

None! Leave as is!

campground

None really due to mosquito problem

I don't know enough to answer this question.

Beach area

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Responses for Write-In Comments Section (**Space for additional comments**):

The main reason my husband I came here was for the schools, the land, the small town feel w/locally owned businesses. No chain / retail should be added. Poquoson is just fine how it is.

Public access to waterfront is vital. Sea level rise is our future.... Do we have a plan? Poquoson has always had a nice economic stratum across families - it would be important to maintain.

Like trees planted at the homes at Whitehouse Cove Marina

We need to live within the amount of taxes that are generated now and not up taxes for things we cannot afford. If w have extra \$ then do extra work i.e. sidewalks, bike trail etc.

Poquoson has room for change, it will never be like Hampton or NN because of space but it can have some of the benefits that these cities have if some residents will let it be. I for one do most of my shopping outside of Poq. As most mom and pops are out of my budget price wise. Farm Fresh included

maintain our small town atmoshpere without allowing urban sprawl- keep new development on a small scale

increased development should not be considered until we hve imporved outflow of traffic during emergencies

This city has become overdeveloped. The homes I feel that have been built have brought in the wealthy who think they are above everyone who have lived here for many years. I don't like what it has become.

There are children in our schools that want to get involved in sports - too expensive. Some parents can't afford costs to put them in them.

wake up poquoson, nothing stays the same, you eithr grow or die, no growth means higher taxes for homeowners and renters. New sources of income is required.

Too much traffic already/too fast/lower speed limits. Poquoson has already lost its charm but is still better than surrounding cities/towns.

Bigger is not better.

why can't existing vacat commerical spaces be renovated or modified instead of and prior to buiding new strucures?

Initially moved here when my son was in the 6th grade. We were paying for private school at the time and decided Poquoson schools would allow him to be in an excellent school system and we could build our new home.

Last time we filled out a survey, the #1 thing people wanted was sidewalks. None have been done. We need sidewalks. Hunts Neck, Little Florida, Yorktown.

1 the appearance of the Main st (wythe creek) corridor presents a clear opportunity to enhance the city's image
2 we need development that provides quality homes for "down sizers" that will then open up larger homes for families with children

keep the town small

Thank you for offering this survey. I do believe growth is needed but thoughtfulness is necessary so we don't lose what makes Poquoson a sought after city

I would strongly advocate for zero growth until we can improve entrance and egress to and from the city by widening Wythe Creek and Victory to 4 lanes.

no more housing projects

Please try to conserve as much land, trees, etc as possible. If any plans to develop the big woods are intended it is essential to widen Victory blvd.

3 children graduated PHS. 2 grandchildren graduated PHS. Great schools.

I think that the bmp on victory blvd/city hall dr. needs a fountain or some way to agitate the water so that it is not stagnant. It is a bit unappealing right now - not a good look at the entrance to our city.

Additional comments about Messick Point. I have lived on Messick Rd for 13 years (above Ridge Rd) and have seen a steady increase in traffic through the years. I have personally had my mailbox mowed over 3 times requiring complete replacement by speeding, distracted, and sometimes drunk drivers. The same goes for my trash and recycle bins. They have been hit, knocked in to the ditch and the drivers just keep going. I'm left to clean up the mess if I'm home before the trash truck arrives. Two weeks ago after my can was hit by a truck towing a large boat the damage required me to call public works and replace the can. The feasibility of widening the road is probably cost prohibitive, and the majority of homes just don't have the frontage to accommodate that, not to mention the drainage, powerlines, H2O lines, sewer, etc. However, speed control alternatives could be installed such as speed humps, tables, rubber strips, etc. If that was done a controlled lower speed of all the large vehicles towing boats, waterman vehicles, etc. I would not be opposed to the future development of the area.

I would like to see the pool completely renovated and updated with a community center built.

the city planners and administrators have done an excellent job in recent years. We do not need to be like Williamsburg, or VA beach, or Richmond, we just need to be the best Poquoson we can be, with all that entails. Just simple high impact tweaks of what we have now. good luck and God bless.

a small, city center "like" structure down wythe creek road with overhead apartmnets would work, especially for retirees. Big woods equal new igh school, football/trackmulti-event stadium and 8000 seat arean, big enough to host events. Also has ample parking

Need a sports complex like James City County has for k-12. And I don't have any kids in the school now! This supports the kids and family atmosphere of Poquoson.

More development brings more crime, taxing our current public servicecs. I moved here for the small town character, would like to see it stay that way.

No mention of The Legacy in this survey- TOTALLY AGAINST! There was no foresight in building this town - it is a quaint little water town + should have that theme! Wythe Creek Road looks like Denbigh Blvd.- wWhat a shame! Why do you not have a beautification committee? Street signs like Smithfield has! Missed Opportunity of a lifetime when they didn't develop proposed project at the whitehouse Marina!!!

need to address increase crimes and town safty; as well as, drug issues within the town that trying to be kept off the radar

Allow use of land already zoned for that use to be approved.

we don't need to repeat mistakes of our neighbouring cities with a populaton of 12000 we have enough. More businesses would kill the existing ones. We already have vacant commerical buildings.

Regarding Browns Neck Rd - if you intend to increase traffic down this road, you must do something about the maniac drivers careening around the corner and going 50 mph+ down the road. It is very unsafe for pedestrian traffic. Also, if you intend to develop more businesses or, God forbid, more multifamily homes, what are you going to do about traffic in and out of Poquoson? We would rather see the city spend its resources on flood prevention / control, water clean up @ Messick, and gentrification of businesses on Wythe Creek than further home building / land destruction.

A community sports plex including and indoor pool benefits all age groups and citizens reducing medical problems and offering a meeting place for clubs, classes and entertainment. Virginia Beach uses their facilities as a good example.

I love the old Poquoson; smaller,quieter, less people.

would love to see a fitness park similar to the one in va beach. A city run dog park would be grate aslo along with more running/walking trails. A dog park with supervisor

Big Woods is one of the last significant pieces of land available to promote tax revenue producing development. Solely building more residential properties continues to put Poquoson's taxes on individual residences.

Shocked to know in that in this time apartments are rented with old galvanized pipes, City of Newport News has not updated old galvanized installation while property value increased. I hope in future more focus will be on this health concern. Thank you.

We are retired military and Poquoson is one of the best places we have had the pleasure of living in.

clean up pond coming into wythe creek rd

Don't fix it if it ain't broke.

We are from here and love it here. We know revenue is important, but it's also important to keep Poquoson "small". We don't want to lose that.

We have lived in Poquoson for 40 years. We have watched it grow and are okay with progress and the City's need/desire to increase it's tax base. However, the thing we most dislike is the traffic jams at rush hour with exponentially more people trying to get in and out of town with only 2, two lane roads in and out. It is insufficient now and will only get worse with more people moving in. As retired people, we'd also like to be able to walk around town safely which we cannot do now. Sidewalks should absolutely be a priority, especially on/along Poquoson Avenue and Hudgins Rd, etc, maybe Little Florida so residents could safely walk to commercial establishments downtown for instance.

Poquoson does have good neighborhood character & a smaller, friendly population plus peace & quiet. Poquoson used to have: low density of homes/stores, smaller roads & less traffic, lots of trees & open space. Poquoson is now: crowded with new homes/apartments, quadrupled the amount of traffic since I moved here 20+ years ago!, less open space for wildlife. What can I say? I'm a nature lover!

Thanks for sending this survey. We have a wonderful City and I hope we can keep it that way.

. Miss Utes, Briar Patch, Silvermoon etc but they can't make money for the landlord, the city and fail to clear a profit.

There are parks, playgrounds, sports fields, a nice pool. It would be nice to have a place for water sports. When you want to do anything you have to go downtown. The young people need activities such as putt-putt, bowling, go-carts to race.

Choose zoning/development decisions wisely so Poq. Doesn't turn into the place people moved to avoid what their previous community became through increasing housing diversity, increasing traffic, increasing crime, declining schools, etc.

Thank you for asking for citizen input

Hold down increases in property taxes, especially for seniors please

I do have grandchildren in school here.

People on their " " cell phones when driving the truck, car, SUV

I have talked with past shop owners who say Poquoson did little to help the small business owners. Patronage remained low and rents increased beyi

Graduated

There is enough single family homes already. Too many homes being built. Established homes don't turn over. Understand how people want to keep area small, but at some point growth is inevitable. Our teenage and young adults shouldn't have to travel to Norfolk, Va Beach, Williamsburg to do things all the time.

there needs to be way more strick noise ordnances!!

my family does not support the Legacy development plan

the city needs to focus on financial management to include better, more cost effective use of tax dollars. Tax rates have increased significantly in the 11 years I have lived here, but services have been reduced. Trash and recycling would be a good place to start. It is being abused by citizens and there is no accountability from the city. Then you need to find a way to better manage education system finance.

my late husband and I moved here. We built a lovely home on the water for his boat. There were lots of shops and a few goo restaurants. We lovd the quiet serene atmoshere. He died 19 years ago however, in that short time, he wouldn't know the place now. i fear that what some want to do will ruin our small town atmosphere.

The holding pond on Victory Blvd. is a mosquito gathering place, and would not keep streets behind Farm Fresh from flooding. The more development in the Big Woods, the more flooding which flows back to the streets behind Farm Fresh. Ensure all drains and ditches are maintained routinely. Frequent reminders to residents to keep grass, leaves, and debris out of the ditches!

Less major development in Big Woods.

Do "whatever it takes" to maintain and improve quality of Poquoson City schools. As Poquoson City schools go, so goes the entire city of Poquoson. *We support tax increase to invest in schools and public safety.

it is extremely important renovate/replace the middle school to include the middle school to include the field behind the school. The field is great, but the supportive structures are sorely lacking. (restrrooms, locker rooms, bleachers, concessions and walkways to structures)

we chose to move here to carry on the lifestyle of my grandparents and be good neighbors to the community. We enjoy the small town living and want to see this continue, as it becomes so rare. As most of our financial security lies within our property value, the decision the city makes are extremely important to us. we do not want to have to move and hope that the values are not shifting. thank you for allowing public input.

we moved to poquoson 40 years ago for the good schools and close knit neighborhoods. Two children graduated from poquoson high and now 2 grandchildren have graduated. Poquoson was and should continue to be a "small bedroom community". The current incentives to live in poquoson are definitely the good schools, low crime rate and small community atmosphere. to develop the big woods, add more single or multi-family housing or more retail stores will only serve to destroy everything of those reasons we built here all those years ago. rather than spending or developing, i believe the city should concentrate on improving the schools, creating bike lanes, and creating a better appearance along wythe creek road especially doing something about all the piles of dirt and mulch at the hardwood mulch.

Thank you to all those that put in so much hard work to get the community's voice heard!

No large commercial or retail is needed. We are surrounded in Hampton, York and NN. We do not need the added cost of fighting crime, increased traffic and damage to the environment. These quickly negate any perceived tax benefit. Protect our city!

As a 17-year traffic accident and homicide investigator, our police MUST start red-light runner enforcement!! It's out of control at both of the lights in town. Sooner or later, someone will pay the ultimate price if we don't act.

No mixed use, apartments, condos

The Saturday trash program likely best city backed plan city has done for citizens, very popular - consider every Saturday in warm months.

My answers to the previous questions are based on the city's building & zoning codes. Generally, I do NOT support approving variances for builders & businesses to come into our city.

Please leave Poquoson as is!!

Space for an additional single-sided message board on Wythe Creek road near the welcome sign (coming in from Hampton?) I don't think they need to be electronic, but perhaps a solar powered or other light that would illuminate/project on it (same for Victory sign).?

None to work on flood control. Would like to see this elevated to top priority. Why should we accept routine flooding on Ridge, Messick, and Poquoson Ave roads now, just during routine high tides? These would be great places to begin this effort to start building on for the rest of the community.

We owned a very succesful restaurant for several years. We loved it, it was like seeing the community almost daily.

Property owners and taxpayers should determine what to dowith their land, within city requirements. Too much opinions by community and non-property owners. Those that have built and cut down trees now want to "stop everything" and save trees. Families are burdened with taxes and new development of land for supporting elders, NOT INCREASING TAXES! Seniors are not on computers, and totally excluded on communications update/refurbish existing community center! Poquoson is NOW GREAT!!! Thanks to dedicated staf, volunteers and staff.

Need more policing of speeders. People speed down to Messick Road. Increasing chance of head on collisions, running over cyclists, pedestrians and rear ending vehicles pulling in and out of driveways. Little Florida is not equipped for cyclists or outside drivers that are unaware of small knit community.

Thanks for letting us comment. I would like our own downtown area to be more like a "little Smithfield" antique shops, luncheonettes, etc to draw more outsiders in

Would love to have sidewalks would make city nice for families to get out and walk together love the small feel & safety

COPIED FROM 2-PAGE ATTACHED LETTER : Unfortunately, this survey reflects the Poquoson government's obsession with economic development. They need to get over it! Somehow, they think they are still in the 80's and growth is the answer to all our problems, and in the meantime, real problems are ignored. I had hoped the comprehensive plan would address more of this. Since Poquoson is at the end of two roads, nobody passes through. Retail is dying nationwide, residential development costs the city money (net), and no commercial industry is going to invest money in a city that floods regularly and is predicted to be "one of the first to go." We can't compete with Williamsburg, Yorktown, or Busch Gardens for tourists. If you add up all the money Poquoson spent on salaries for "economic development" over the last 20 years, add the interest paid for properties purchased by the EDA, and add all the taxes lost by giving tax incentives to developers, you wouldn't even come close to the taxes generated by new commercial and retail establishments. Check the ten year summaries in the Poquoson Annual Financial Report. We need to accept, embrace, and protect what we are ... a small, but strong, community that values high ideals and supports families, provides good schools in a low crime area, and is fortunate to have an abundance of natural resources and recreational opportunities in an abundance of rivers, creeks, wetlands and streams adjacent to the Chesapeake Bay. Yes, we have also become a bedroom community, but what better bedroom companions than the bright, creative NASA scientists, or the protective, dedicated airmen and officers from Langley AFB? They bring to our city leadership, Instead of pie in the sky economic dreams, the city needs to get better at basic city functions. These include: volunteers, and fresh ideas. I like to think that the watermen and farmers gave us roots, but NASA and the Air Force gave us wings. It's a good combination. One that needs to be protected. Hiring the best capability candidates possible for open positions, not the cheapest, most personable, or most pliable person available. This has been part of the problem in the school quality decline over the last few years. We have lost many experienced administrators and teachers and largely replaced them with

inexperienced, cheap candidates. We still have more than our share of first year teachers who were passed over by districts paying more. (we're at the bottom of the scale). Our new city planner is fresh out of school, the school board's new finance director does not appear to have a degree in finance, our school's human resource director is a former secretary, a fine lady, but not qualified to be making even first-cut teacher selections. We should reinvest in school teaching staffs, bringing them back to the reputation and level of excellence they held before. The city and SBO have cut school funding, narrowed the goals and mission of the schools, and damaged staff morale. Poquoson teachers should be paid at least as much as the median scale on the Peninsula. We should be hiring the best, not the left overs. This will require a study of, and transformation of, current hiring policies. Examine the position creep that has taken place in both the city and school board office. Consider consolidating positions in areas such as purchasing, payroll, human resources etc. Reconsider the role of the EDA. It would appear it has cost us more in interest on loans than the city will reap. Why is the city in the role of real estate speculation in the first place? Having developers and their lawyers on the EDA board does not inspire confidence. That should not be allowed, and should be stopped now. Face the facts about tidal storms and sea level increases. The questions in the survey don't even begin to discuss what we need to be doing. Instead of improbable economic development, these areas are where our attention and resources should be going. There are places in the city where dips in the roads keep residents from getting in or out of their homes during extremely high tides, even though their homes or driveways are dry and the roads they are going to are dry. Roads like these need to be raised to allow citizens to enter and exit their homes. These improvements could add many more years to the ability to access the homes as sea levels rise. At the very least, the city needs to reevaluate these areas. Flaps on storm sewers have helped in some places but do not solve the problems. Since most of the problems were created by the lack of the building inspector enforcing road building requirements on developers, the city certainly should solve these problem areas. Severe-storm parking is another area needing immediate attention. Do you really think parking at the speedway is a reasonable solution for most people in Poquoson during storms? While it's a nice gesture, how would most people get there and back? Why can't all large higher-elevation parking lots in Poquoson be used for emergency parking during severe storms? Storm parking is a real issue that the comprehensive plan needs to address. They need to identify guidelines or areas where people can park in storm emergencies without fear of being towed or ticketed. Since seawater rise and higher storm tides are imminent, we need to be making realistic plans for Poquoson. Where can citizens from low lying areas go for flooding events? Traditionally, many Poquoson residents are very leery of evacuating to sites out of town. There should be emergency sites identified in town and plans to shelter severely affected citizens and those with no reasonable alternatives in cases where evacuation of the city is not required but citizens from low lying areas need shelter. Currently we have no Red Cross or city storm shelters available in the city. Just having a list of families willing to temporarily shelter background-checked flood victims would be invaluable. I realize that the comprehensive plan can't address details, but you can address the need for infrastructure to be in place during emergencies. I am suggesting that there be a standing committee of city officials, fire, police, churches, civic groups, schools, CERT, Red Cross, and federal liaisons that identify the likely needs of the city during and after a severe storm and identify which needs they each can handle and where more help would be needed. Many of these groups responded well after hurricane Isabel, but it often took several days, and citizens suffered in the meantime. We need to have ready-to-go plans next time. I am aware there is an

emergency plan for the city, but few of it's goals have been met or even worked on. The emergency plan goals should be included in the comprehensive plan. For our city they are critical. In summary, rather than spending more money chasing unrealistic economic development goals, we need to: reestablish our superior school system by investing in quality teachers and administrators; create a human resources office with guidelines that assures us that the best candidates are hired for positions in the city and school system; and most important, start to realistically deal with flooding and seawater rise.

tennis courts, movie theater

put the trees back along wyth creek. Develop an work-force houseing heighborhood for small families that want to move back/into poquoson

I think most businesses look nice – it is mostly the older businesses that aren't as attractive architecturally and landscaping isn't nearly as nice either. However, some of the worst looking properties are private residences throughout the city. There are homes/yards on Little Florida, Poquoson Ave & Messick that look like literal junkyards. Aren't there city ordinances that prevent this? Please have these residences spruce up their homes. Examples: House beside the Islander Apartments; Little Florida Rd (248). We appreciate the opportunity to participate in the survey.

Get rid of the mayor! He is all about tge \$\$ and wanting to develop Poquoson out of its history.

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Emergency backup system for sewer and water.

City needs to help people that their land is being washed away. Let us build our lots up without stupid permits. Clean ditches, buy new equipment

we need Legacy of Poquoson; please get it right!

More businesses needed to ease tax burden of residents. Not all that live here are wealthy! Continued high assessments and taxes are a burden to average homeowner.

Poquoson should not expand into large commercial endeavors and should remail a small community.

I like the small town look and feel I would like to who and why the city let build a car wash that looks like its from outer space. Very disappointed.

How about a more upscale grocery store?

Building on every square foot of available land does not fit the Poquoson lifestyle

We are so close to larget tourist areas but we do not offer much for tourists. Seems to me that we are missing a good way to create revenue for the city while sharing our heritage and the joy of the water. If there was a nice hotel, a B&B in town visitors to Yorktown etc would find us a great option. Water sport facilities and education could add to the tourist dollars coming into our town and also help support restaurants and small businesses. An art education center could add richness to residents, other local

people and visitors. And would bring in mal visitors as long as they had a nearby place to stay. Take a look at Pocosin Arts in Columbia NC to see how that community has done it.

We love Poquoson. We feel the most important improvement & we for our town is sidewalks on Little Fla. This road leads to Rec area & schools & heart of town w/ stores. Thank you.

I believe a survey such as this should be sent to every resident, not just a household

Keep the population rate about the same as is now. Due to traffic, crime rate, and living pace.

Government should not risk tax dollars to promote a commercial endeavor, private capital is better able to assess the risks + rewards. Government decisions are skewed by public opinion + often unrealistically optimistic when risking tax money.

I was disappointed that multi-family homes were not allowed at Whitehouse Cove. I would have considered moving there at retirement. Who cares if the buildings requested were 3 stories.

I really appreciate the time and effort that the city spent in preparing this survey. It was obvious that a lot of time and effort was put into preparing the questions. Please see my enclosed letter. Thanks. ---
ATTACHED LETTER: Thank you for preparing and distributing the 2017 Poquoson Citizen's Survey. Indeed, the small-town charm of Poquoson lends itself to hearing the voice of its citizens through written surveys. More population and more commercial development will, in my judgment, dilute that charm. Many of the questions seem to be aimed at asking whether Poquoson should have its own "town center" or "city center," much like our surrounding localities. Before marrying my wife, I was born, raised, lived, and worked in the City of Newport News. I attended Newport News Public Schools. My law practice is based in Newport News. I do not look longingly at the commercial developments in Newport News and Hampton and wish that for Poquoson. After my wife and I married, we decided to start a family and began looking for a place to grow our roots and raise children. What we wanted was: quality homes, quality neighborhoods, low crime, and a strong public school system. Poquoson tops the entire Hampton Roads area in these categories. Some additional retail would be a bonus. Small clothiers, family restaurants, a Starbucks, and a bakery would all dovetail nicely with the existing businesses in Poquoson. My concern is that this survey seems to envision a large-scale development, complete with a movie theater and a mixed use of retail and live-above residential units as a social epicenter. Poquoson does not need this type of development. City Center is mostly vacant, with stores leaving to go to the Tech Center. Hampton's Town Center seems to do better than City Center but has had problems of its own, now having already been sold. Poquoson is an enclave and an oasis away from those areas. I enjoy driving out of City Center each afternoon and heading into my quiet neighborhood. Poquoson's appeal rests with its nice homes and good schools. We do not need a full-blown town center with apartments, townhomes, and stores that will probably be vacant within five years. These commercial developments are cropping up all around us from Hampton to Williamsburg. I moved to Poquoson to get away from those Joneses, not keep up with them.

The schools are great, but I feel that more needs to be done about the growing drug problem, we maybe small in population but ignoring this issue can no longer be done.

Poquoson does not need to compete with Hampton and surrounding cities. Quiet and peace. Low crime.

Improve boat launch at end of Hunts neck. Only the cement ramp into water. Purchase land corner of Bayview / Hunts Neck for a park. (No development)

Poquoson should continue to be a quiet, safe, residential suburb with modest commercial developmentm but good public access to waterfronts + parks

I hope Poquoson does not build more apts on Victory. We need money for the city to operate but not more people with no more road widening! Traffic is getting awful.

N/A

Some high density housing is needed, but not at the expense of wetlands.

I selected Poquoson years ago as my place of residence because of its small town atmosphere, low crime rate, and good schools. I am willing to pay tax premiums to keep it that way. If you want to see how economic growth and diversity can kill a community, look at Denbigh (where I left). Please don't ruin this community to make developers wealthy.

Poquoson needs to change with the times! A better selection of restuarants needs to be offered in order to help families eat in town, Poquoson needs a larger gas station to accommodate more vehicles. Poquoson needs to appeal to young families by offering conveniences in town. Thank goodness for the new Taylors, Car Wash, and the Dollar Tree. We miss Victor's and Briar Patch, Surf Rider, has been a nice addition. Many families move after their children's graduation to a more convenient area. Poquoson needs to be more positive than negative on flood issues.

Your questions are highly biased in favor of less development or any use of the big woods.

Need things to attract families to move in. Affordable options for housing, healthcare options, clothing options. Also places - restaurants and stores that stay open later than 9pm. Activities for kids. Businesses that provide them.

our ditch system is very bad. Heavy rain cause ditches to overflow into yards plus standing water in ditches cause more mosquitoes. The big woods has been hear for 100sof years. Leave it alone.

City webpage(s) should list Poquoson TV channels.

We would love to see a beach area where we could play in the sand and swim.

we moved to poquoson to bein in a less dense community with a great school system with a city that has pride. If more development comes in and affortable housing is pat in, only the less desirable people will live in under section 8. crime will increase, drugs and and burglaries will be an everyday occurance. i've lived it and strongly suggest taht you be mndfull of the long term consiquences that can be had if prpoer planning is not adheard to.

I love Poquoson just the way it is. No changes please

Love the small, friendly hometown feel. Realize we need revenue, however we should still build quality (local builders) housing on spacious lots. Perhaps people that have lived here forever "down the road" can somehow be "grandfathered" in so that they pay less taxes and can continue to afford to live here.

In recent years I have noticed the buildup of traffic on Victory Blvd. We should consider this when deciding about Big Woods. Perhaps work on infrastructure first before developing. More homes on smaller lots won't increase our revenue as much as businesses. Thanks for your efforts!

We moved to Poquoson because of the "small town feel" and good school system. We value Poquoson's natural areas, but also realize the importance of bringing more taxes into the city. A balance of conservation + development needs to be found.

The action to complete the 4 lane of Victory Blvd. Look to annexing from York County the area from the Wythe Creek bridge to city line on E. Yorktown road, east of Carey Chapel Road.

#1 priority should be resolving high traffic volume into/out of Poq on Victory, especially with scheduled Wythe Creek bridge construction in FY 18. Traffic is already delayed significantly due to folks drive 10-15 mph below posted speed limit. This will only get worse as Victory becomes only route in & out of Poq

Someone should be able to fix the timing of the stoplights

Thank you for conducting this survey

Biggest concern is development of Big Woods and small low income housing. Keep large lots in development - keep development in Big Woods far back from Victory Blvd.

I grew up in a small town on Long Island very similar to Poquoson. I enjoy the small businesses, locally owned restaurants and many trees and open spaces. I would hope Poquoson can continue to be like that.

As a resident of Wythe Creek road, I really wish that the City would widen Victory Blvd instead. There isn't anything on Victory to be affected whereas on Wythe Creek Rd there are several houses too close to the road. If Poq has the money I don't see why they can't spend it where no families will be affected. No brainer to me!!

Get all news out in Daily Press on a regular and timely basis

Sidewalks

Poquoson should leave the Big Woods area as is. This the name (Big Woods). Deer and other animals need a home to (sic)

do not tax the city out of existence do not over regulate wealth is leaving to Williamsburg and Gloucester

we are senior citizens, retired and in our 70's. our home will soon be too large for us. We would like to move to a smaller home, not apartment or townhouse or assisted living. "start up" houses. The kind for newly wed couples is what I'd like to see available in poq. trailer parks tend to have a poor image but i would consider a mobile home complex for retirees as a wonderful addition to our poquoson.

instead of consentration of cutting tree. Filing in wet areas. The city should consentrare on building up the fire dept. Police dept and have the police enforce traffic laws better espically in residential areas.

we love everything about living!

Poquoson should be walkable w/ sidewalks on major streets and ditches are a problem. Power lines should be buried before sidewalks and then nice trees planted. Power lines ruin the look of our city and cause us to ruin our trees on main streets. They are a problem during storms. Bury all power lines before adding sidewalks, trees or anything else! Then focus on water view/casual but clean/covered for shade with seating drinks/good food. Not sure shopping matters... invite artists or musicians there. Have some activities on water for kids like water toys-tramps etc. Easy rental for water sports.

These are essentiallt the same answers we provided on the last city survey approximately 10 years ago, Please follow the will of the people.

No more apartments or town homes in Poquoson. No low income housing.

People leaving poquoson because of the increase in property taxes. York county schools are far superior and taxes are down. I thought we reached max growth @ 14,000. We can't support more people unless we have les shomes and more taxable income for businesses.

Poquoson belongs to its citizens. We have the decision as to how monies are spent and what serves its citizens best. These are not decisions to be made by elected officials. The peoples' voices must be heard and not ignored by the few!

I have lived here many years and it's the same old thing that keeps coming up. After people move into the city they want a gate put up so know one else can move in.

poquoson is developed enough. People came here because of the way poquoson is. Why on earth does everyone want to develop it more? Shame on those that want to ruin this little city.

With Baby Boomers retiring, it would be nice to have a multi-residential area close to water with access to ramps; comm. Pool, townhomes/condos; (not trailers). Special environment + activities for young seniors/empty nesters

I don't understand why we have rules about domestic animals when they are never adhered to. Chickens, roostrs, goats. I try to keep my property nice (main part of town) only to have chickens in my yard, roosters, etc.

Very unhappy city does not require junk cars removed from residents. Public restrooms needed in parks. Homeowners need to remove trash from yards and lawns should be cut. Homeowners should be accountable for trimming tree limbs from power lines.

we would love to see our downtown develop a unique and charming atmosphere, that is special, not like every place else (like it is now). Also think a high end retirement community like patriots colony (Williamsburg) would draw in military retirees like us.

Love my town

Why didn't you address a huge problem that will be connected to any development on (ie) Victory Blvd - ? With a two lane road - massive traffic jams and forget about evacuation - Build road first -

Poquoson needs to find balance in development. Spend time and money on infrastructure. Have government be transparent. Pressure on environment while planning for long term tidal increases. Attract and embrace healthy growth.

need to be stricter about junky properties. Police and parents need to teach the children to walk against oncoming traffic and ride bikes with traffic on non-sidewalk roads.

we need to find a way that a conditional use permit cannot trump an R-1 zoning. If an area is R-1, it should be developed as R-1. otherwise adjacent property owners are living with the illusion that their property will not be setting beside some business ie restaurant , professional building. maybe it would be best just to keep Poquoson a bedroom community.

We need to raise Brownsneck Rd!

The city government needs to administer a special tax and start dredging our navigable waterways, this is way overdue and not fair to the people who pay the most taxes

A farmers market would be nice. Thank you for allowing us to be a part of your decision :)

Instead pf giving city employees frequent pay raises give the teachers a pay raiser other then every 3 years. And I think the city should do a manpower study.

Messick Pt. would be a great spot for a wind mill for renewable energy. We moved to Poquoson 3 yrs ago to escape the hustle and bustle. Please don't develop Poquoson just to make a little extra money; People will leave, crime will increase, schools will decrease, the entire community will suffer as a result.

Provide regular scheduled bulk trash pick-up

The current city pool needs serious renovations or a new larger city pool would be nice too.

Poquoson does not need to fill itself with a large amount of commercila and other developments. It would only lead to a crime riden area like the other places on this peninsula.

AEF #5 under storm flooding and sea level rise; since 1990, I have yet to observe city crews cleaning ditches and messick road as they do in the none affluent areas. I was once told by Mr. Jones that the tide will fill them in again. None the reason to work harder!

There is no need to build up or protect land (wetlands of non-wetlands) that you cannot use. We need to restore our U.S. 5th Amendment property rights. Thanks for the survey

please keep bycles and scooter off the roads someone is going to get hit.

im a 49 yr old mail and liflong resident of the peninsula. We moved to poquoson for the low crimerate, good schools and great quality of life. I would perfer to pay more in taxes, than see the city developed. If I wanted hampton, I would have stayed there. increased development will lower our property values.

you have a great library here in poquoson. I live alone and like the safty of the community. I have never been afraid in the 3 years I've lived here and love my church, PBC. Most of the questiones doesn't apply to me. Since ia am 83 yrs old the survey doesn't apply as much to me and i don't know what is best for the community.

poquoson must insist that residents cleanup their yards - remove junk, trash, old cars, campers, etc. There is a house on hunts neck rd that's disgusting in the back yard. The city should be ashamed! There are other just as bad. How can we respect our city fathers when they allow this kind of trash to go on. instead of worrying about the "big woods" do something about poquoson's slums first.

Schools need more funding and teachers need a raise to retain quality teachers beacause Poquoson teachers are the lowest paid in the area

I think making the city more walkable / bikeable via sidewalk construction on major roads (Wythe / Little Florida) would make the community more attractive to young families. In addition, maintain small town feel by requiring single family development vs. multifamily. Offer something different than the cookie cutter town center development in Newport News and Hampton.

I feel that the city should have stricter rules and enforcement so people would be unable to have junk cars, appliances, etc in their yards-ie: 174 Hunts Neck Rd. These areas contribute to rat and snake infestation leading to an unhealthy environment. Cars should have to be licensed and insured.

There is no small town center you drive into Poquoson and see parking lots there is no architectural theme to our town. Start w/a round-a-bout!

Clean up corner of Wythe Creek Road and Alphus Street - Service Station

Use money wisely

We moved to Poquoson for the small town, great schools, and low crime rate. While I do feel expansion is necessary, there are numerous empty retail spaces that should be revamped and rented prior to building more. I'm against a large amount of homes and apartments being build that will bring more people in that our infrastructure can't support

Police are not very helpful in emergency situations. From our experience, they took 30+ minutes to arrive and acted inappropriately. Made excuses for the criminal. That's how they make Poquoson seem like crimes don't happen! Very poor! We do not trust law enforcement for safety! They are a joke!

I would love to see a beautification of certain buildings- The ugly eyesores include the area where the Vape/Game shop is (Old Victor's Restaurant), Poquoson auto and storage units. Dollar General. Is there a problem with absentee landlords increasing rent and chasing out businesses? (like Harbor Espresso a few years ago)

I have a residential housekeeping business at least half the homes I clean are in Poquoson.

Think about how nice it would be to have a viable(safe) trail down to Comm. Shepard Blvd? people could walk/bike down to St. Georges brewery. Same for a safe trail along Victory Blvd out of town. How nice it would be to have a safe trail to ride or walk on.

got to improve fire service need more staffing

Too many new housing developments starting to look like VA Beach. We moved here for the small town atmosphere. New development behind my house has homes so close, they look like townhomes.

It's ok for the schools and their budget to shrink. In fact it's normal according to US population trends. Let the schools shrink. Shrink the school budget accordingly - or don't. Spend the surplus to improve quality. Growth for growth's sake is BAD policy.

Very satisfied with the way our city has been developed thus far. Sorry to have lost the Walmart Marketplace. Thanks for a way that the "silent majority" can speak out without being slammed by those who disagree with anyone with an opinion differing from their own.

Wythe Creek Rd is falling apart. Needs resurfacing.

Keep our City Peaceful as always' Can you look at how many houses are for sale? Schools lacking up to date equipment needed for education classes- clean street gutters more often to help flooding- Wythe Creek gets cleaned too much. City households know this is a waste. You're going to do what you WANT

after living here I feel this community is very active, (walking; biking; etc) I feel we need more spaces to enjoy outdoor activities areas to gather as a community keeping open spaces not all store front places - we need a good mix. Traffic on Victory - need great improvement - 2 lanes both directions w/ turning lanes a must.

Any development should have the minimum possible impact on wetlands, in the Big Woods or elsewhere. Development along Victory should also be pleasing visually as one enters Poquoson. We would love sidewalks along Hunts Neck - not one of the choices!

Thank you for valuing citizen input. I feel city truly has our interests at heart and tries to listen to the citizens.

More diversity would be better. Preserving the environment is very important for the future of Poquoson and Poquoson's future generations

before any use for big woods traffic flow on victory should be addressed from poquoson to rt 134. would like to see another retirement village for independent seniors

a Walmart is needed in Poquoson

widen victory blvd to 4 lanes from little florida rd to 134. stop killing dragonflies!

Poquoson does not need to become overpopulated. Getting rid of housing and commercial buildings before we add more would be better.

I am for growth! I believe this will be good for the future of our city as well as the city was make lower taxes

I love Poquoson and feel we should offer more choices for our residents who don't have boats to be able to enjoy our water - i.e. paddle boats, canoes, etc. and activities by the water.

please, do not develop the big woods, poquoson needs to remain as is it doesn't need to have those woods destroyed. Would bring more traffic to area. Improve on what is already here.

Preserve the small town that Poquoson is!

2 children went through Poquoson schools and were well prepared. Support local schools! Taxation for necessary services is not a bad thing outright. We will continue to pay a premium to live in a premium area

The Legacy Project is too big and destroys valuable green space and wetlands.

No development should ever destroy wetlands. Using offsets in other areas of the state does not offset the flooding and drainage problems that will be caused by the destruction of local wetlands.

Development and growth is obviously crucial for any city, but I do not feel it should be at the expense of peace and quiet, and comfortability of town, as well as crime rate and over population. Poquoson is the IDEAL place to live and raise a family, and the high cost of living and pricing helps keep it that way. Have lived here for 35+ years and my family for over 100+ years, and do not want to see our fair city turn into the dregs with constant crime and bad things happen between 10pm and 4am, like our neighbors in Hampton, NNews, and Norfolk. Lets keep the bubble, at any cost, even if it means more taxes!

Stop the multi family building compartment lowrise, condo on highrise. Build sidewalks to keep your citizens safe and quit allowing city workers to use vehicles for personal benefit! Make OUR city more family friendly. Bike lane, sidewalk paths.

Put cameras at all city entrances to log plate #s. This way if a crime is committed(dollar general) the plate can be available

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poquoson should do more for the waterman and native people. That is who started this city.

I wish we would put pipes in ditches on Little Florida Rd and cover the ditches to allow walking or bike riding along the road. It's dangerous.

We don't need a large development or Big business that increases traffic on Victory Blvd. A small single family development with green space on Victory would be ok.

Thanks for giving us the opportunity to provide feedback! :)

I understand that big woods may need to be developed for growth but it would be awful to see high rise apartments on victory.

poquoson is a wonderful little town with charm and character and it would suit us fine if it doesn't change at all. Certainly not anxious to see "big box stores" or any chains coming in.

I would like to see the city be able to have more say in the home/yards that look like junk yards. So frustrating work hard on your house and yard and your neighbors have junk piled up or don't cut their grass, trees and bushes.

Take over maintenance of private roads with multiple families living on them. For example barbara lane, 26 houses

1 child recently graduated

Poquoson main street needs parking! Everyone says they like the small town feel of Poquoson but for some reason elect officials that want to develop, develop, develop – you can't have both !

Develop end of Poquoson Ave. No Walmart or other huge retailers to put our local businesses out of business. Lights at Lawson Park. Keep ditches clear for drainage.

Update the pool - Thank you for putting this survey together. As a citizen of Poquoson I am glad I can express my thoughts about my community.

We moved here in 1999 from Cleveland, OH and chose Poquoson because of the small population (6,000) I fear the potential of losing this if you ??? To make a transformation to become bigger. You'll never get it back. Hard working, family focused individuals will move elsewhere.

This is a beautiful town and needs to stay this way so our kids and grandkids can enjoy the things we have and want to continue doing. No apt - brings wrong class of people.

I love Poquoson. Want more tax base but also don't want to drastically change community. More for kids to do esp. over summer for working parents is ideal.

I would like to see concrete metrics and goals for measuring progress on comp. plan after survey results are received. And those metrics should be reviewed in public on a periodic basis.

we love living in poquoson. We plan to stay and raise our kids in this small town that keeps them safe and provide a great educaiton. Thank you for keeping poquoson a great town!

Survey seems slighted/designed to meet a predetermined result

If Poquoson allows chain restaurants & retailers & multi family apartments & townhouses to build in Poquosin, it will no longer have a welcoming home town feel with a low crime rate!

It is obvious that the popultion of Poquoson hs outgrown its local postoffice facility. It would be helpful to have a more modern building with drive through features for the convenience of older people

Thank you for giving me and other residents an opportunity to give suggestions and ides. I have heard often of the need for more affordable housing for lower income of all ages and elderly citizens in Poquoson. I think that is very important to promote that so I suggest business development to help support that

Keep the trash out of Poquoson. Look what York County is becoming & Hampton has become. Protect this city's heritge & tradition. I am proud to be from this city & hope the feeling never has to change

No Walmart. I have not lived here that long, but what I notice the most is how people are always enjoying walking. Anything to bring more traffic would be a real shame. I think all sidewalks should be handicap accessible.

Please make decisions that WILL NOT increase taxes - again!

If additional retail/chain stores and/or multi apartment buildings are added to this city it will be ruined. Don't over develop and keep the small town charm. Thanks.

recreation should not be limited to little league football & baseball/softball. There should be more opportunities especially with the tax base we have

Two of our three children (all raised in Poquoson), now with young families would like to return BUT cannot afford the high local housing prices. These are young adults with professional degrees (electrical engineering and computer engineering)

development space in poquoson is limited, and any future development should be carefully planned to gain the best value for the town. It should also be held to the highest environmental standards. Commercial development that would bring in a higher tax rate is preferred ove rmore residential. Redevelopment of older buildings should be looked at more closely as well.

NO large big box stores like wal-Mart or lowes or costco. Ect

we had 4 children graduate from poquoson. Excellent schools and teachers

"Dragonflies" = no mosquitos, nats, etc. I would buy a bucket of larve for my area. However, when Langley sprays, they disappear.

The Big Woods should remain as a 'Buffer' for the gateway to Poquoson

instead of focusing on new development, I feel more effort should be focused on filling existing, empty storefronts. Although sidewalks and bike paths are nice, roadways are already narrow and lot spaces should not have to sacrifice as homeowners.

no more apartments. More places for people to work.

Adding/retrofitting sidewalks in older residential neighborhoods should not be done. They are not a huge safety benefit in low traffic neighborhoods. Cement is a major CO2 producer/pollutant impacting the environment. Also, the City should not make investments that have large maintenance costs, such as sidewalks, planting roadside trees, etc.

Poquoson has the friendliest DMV ever, which is very appreciated. Keep our school system strong - it is so important.

Attention needs to be paid to the "eye sores" throughout the City such as private yards that are overgrown and "junk" yards. Keep Poquoson as a clean and desirable city.

I hope these surveys will prove useful. However, past performance has proven that City Council will do whatever suits their wishes or bank accounts with little or no regard for the wishes of Poquoson residents as a whole.

As a former small business owner I felt there was lots of support by City officials.

More development = more traffic/people! No development

Last spring I read a beach was to be built at Messick Point?

It's important to preserve what we have and make improvements instead of new problems. Better water drainage (cleaning of city ditches) and land improvement (parks, recreation) to promote community and small town atmosphere should be a concentration

We need sidewalks & bike lanes for safety throughout the city

In 20 years people will appreciate open space/green space/wildlife more than some chain stores. Once it is gone it is hard to get it back. Especially don't want something like Walmart or other "mega-retailers"

We need low cost starter houses to draw young couples just starting out, but don't want crowded neighborhoods. Love the green spaces.

Confederate flags do our community a disservice, our lack of diversity is troubling, we have no city center, build sidewalks for kids to bike/walk on Little Florida and Poquoson Ave. City is displaying gross negligence for safety.

Need more firefighters and medics before it is too late. Faster pickups for people's junk they put on the side of the road.

Don't make it a city of rich, stuck up people who want expensive restaurants where poor people can't afford to eat. We deserve to eat out too !

We moved to Poquoson almost 20 years ago, as we thought it was a small seaside community similar to the ones we knew in the northeast. Unfortunately, we did not do enough research and found too late that there's no beach access anywhere (as required in other states), no public fishing pier or any other water related public activities. Except for the flooding, we might as well be in Kansas. My doctor said I should walk on the beach, so I have to drive 30-35 min (15-17 miles) to Buckroe or Grandview Beach.

Low crime water and well run youth sports are tops in Poquoson. Civic organizations activities and involved churches are noteworthy. We lost places for sports purchases, try to buy hooks, sinkers, bait, cleats, a jersey??? I can't!

Unfortunately "commercial development" seems to be about bringing in low-end businesses with questionable tax returns to our city. This does not help our image of a small town with a good reputation.

Be careful about expansion projects – if you're thinking only about all the tax income – better think about roads and infrastructure costs – They will bite you in the rear sooner or later. Current roadways do not exist that will provide significant traffic flow from any increase in population or industry development. Should concentrate on improving roads and infrastructure first and “then they will come”

when I give my friends directions when they are coming to visit, I have them come down victory in order to avoid seeing that trailer camp as their first impression of poquoson. Really needs to go somehow.

no stupid apt complex - no huge walmart

The desire to build and expand is an open door to the influx of more people, (small town gone) and increased risk of undesirable people.

Please: work with York County to widen Victory Blvd to 4 lanes NOW. Dredge our canals or reduce our property tax. Woodland Rd. Canals are USELESS

If we wish to keep our taxes from being raised, then we need to broaden our tax base.

maintain poquoson's small, safe, and rural town atmosphere

Poquoson Avenue speed limit should be 25 mph unless sidewalks are installed. Very dangerous to walk, run or ride a bike.

more drainage on ridge rd and poquoson ave. Put some water sheds there. Bike all around the city (paths) and to NASA, and connect to state bike trails.

Native of Poquoson, believe in small town, low crime, we are blessed w/so much public waterways.. Too bad we cannot have more public parking access for boaters (and neighboring York county) also very concerned about flooding issues to those who live in lower end of the city and can no longer have a safe place to overnight park vehicles during storm flooding. I live in upper Poquoson where flooding is not an issue but am concerned for my fellow citizens who struggle with this issue. There is a solution to that problem if we choose to take care of this.

would like something to be done so homeowners (senior citizens) aren't calling the load on taxes for the whole city of poquoson.

please keep poquoson small & safe, maintain excellent schools, any development keep large lots w/ single family homes

We need to watch how we spend tax dollars. Get the service we must have and not a beach at Messick point. The city touts a blue water highway as a tourist point, but doesn't do anything to enhance it business wise.

Try to encourage more civic engagement in government processes. People need to stay informed

More efforts need to be made to reduce city expenditures rather than dreaming up ways to spend more money requiring taxes to be raised. Example: if the school population is decreasing - the number of teachers and other school employees needs to be reduced.

Getting out of the during a flood, maybe provide ferry boat out.

It is difficult to decide what to do about developing Poquoson because we want to have more things to do, job, and share the tax burden, but we don't want to lose that "small town" quaintness and attract the wrong kind of people, ie. Crime. It's a delicate balance!

Love living in Poquoson have 4 generations of family here.

thanks for developing this survey. It demnstrates your desire for input, communication, and forward thinking. Kudos to you.

need bus service to malls, hospitals for disabled and elderly

I would like to see city with more family and kid oriented development. More sports and family activities facilities to be established. Not too many retailers and stores.

would love adog park in big woods area - \$5-\$10 annual fee goes to maintain it

Economic development should be centered around research and technology. School operations should be decreased rather than building high density housing to fill the classrooms.

Main concern of any additional development is an increase in traffic on Victory blvd. Widening Wythe Creek is not going to solve this problem

Poquoson management would be wise to visit many of Virginia's quaint towns. Several come to mind, such as Kilmarnock, Onancock, Cape Charles, Occoquan. Each has a river community with beautiful shorelines. We don't need more homes and people. What we do need is good planning.

Need more garden-type homes to allow senior residents to feel more out of "family homes"- opening up homes for families, but allowing seniors to stay in Poquoson.

do not develop the big woods! Especially the big woods on the city hall side. The other side of victory should be used for a hotel or medical facility.

we need to have a broader tax base and not rely so heavily on property taxes. Schools have been cut to the bone. There is no where else to cut.

we need a community center/auditorium/sports center. It could all be combined into 1 facility.

would like to see more passing zones on quieter straight aways. Can easily get stuck behind someone going 25 for miles

Wythe Creek road is our main street and it is quite unattractive. Incentivize cosmetic maintenance & improvement. How about a beautification committee?

my 3 adult children attended poquoson schools and my 5 grandsons currently do.

I have lived in poquoson for forty-two years. The population was 5500 when I bought my home. I don't think we need to get bigger, but we should try to improve on what we have now

1) ditches are mosquito havens and should be eliminated 2)sidewalks are necessary for safety for walkers and bikes – as well as for children and elders 3)The city should be quaint – small, but beautifully maintained – absolutely not commercialized.

I have 5 grand children in the Poquoson School system and feel most teachers are doing a good job except for bullying. It appears that they don't want to take action – just one complete should automatically call a conference with both parents/teacher/principal. Don't wait for a third or fourth incident. Nip it in the bud.

Was transferred here (USAF) + bought a house in Poquoson because of the good schools.

already grad

more parks at big woods. No development at messick pt. This should be available for all poquoson residents, not the rich condo owners.

Keep Poquoson the great small and safe community that it is.

As I mentioned on page one, I believe that the City could partner with the Poquoson Museum to build a covered outdoor, elevated stage where there could be weekly events as well as using the facility (and museum campus) for family reunions, weddings, etc.

Chain stores will most likely not feel they can make it in Poquoson and small mom and pop stores have come here and failed - no support for them as most people don't support them. Shop at Walmart instead! Poquoson used to be a small town but not anymore! This survey seems to have a definite theme which is no more development of any kind and don't cut any trees! Ironically if this course of action had been followed years ago, our population would be much smaller and sometimes we wish it were! [on sidewalks:] Nowhere until City maintains what is already here. If they can't afford to maintain what's here, no more new ones please!

Please put in sidewalks!!! (Hunts Neck)

Save what we have - try cobble stoned streets - it would slow everything down - more trees never hurt - pay our teachers more!

Love it here. Safety! Peace and quiet! Good services! Address flooding problems. There are enough stores!

no more apts. And townhouses more restaurants, computer consult business, urgent care facility, gourmet market, community sports complex - for Poq residents only

nothing wrong with being a bedroom community. Encourage seniors via assisted living facilities. High density living equals higher crime plus mixed use doesn't work. Ask Port Warwick, NN City center, hampton town center etc. Save money - close schools and pay york county per student

I think multi-family by food lion is fine, mixed space in big woods -- but keep a lot of it green. Maybe re-develop empty retail spaces.

I have lived in poquoson for over 20 years and have seen many businesses fold. The strip shopping center with the dry cleaner now stands empty except for the cleaner. I do not really know what shops ect. Would be successful- I sure wish I could be more helpful!!

keep poquoson small

anything we do for development should be towards maintaining our small town atmosphere. Bringing in too much big-business/restaurants would be over development.

national/regional business are best suited to determine if they can succeed in such a small town.

no high density apartments or homes, need sidewalk/bike path along little florida, need a good junk ordinance, need ordinance for mosquito control, junk breeds mosquitos, whether on private property or not, also need a junk car ordinance-doesn't matter I junk cars are behind a fence or not, Poquoson should not be a junkyard , poquoson already lost its small town feel when wythe creek was widened

1)Widen Victory Boulevard from two to four lanes 2)Create a town center via round park surrounded by government, church, and retail buildings, or a town square 3)Avoid cheap section & apartments

Please don't capitulate to a small but vocal minority. I have many close friends with good jobs and they still can't afford to live here. This needs to change.. York County is winning :(

Land should be leased rather than sold for commercial business.

What incentives will the City provide to increase occupancy

Raised three children in this community. Do not want Poquoson to grow into a city like Newport News or Hampton. We need to preserve Poq. & cherish its small uniqueness.

We need more sports fields for the children. Current facilities are no appropriate.

Anything to lower taxes. We may soon be forced to move. Hard to afford to live here. Cut amount of money given to schools - takes too much of our taxes.

Please spray for mosquitoes!!! No apartments. Communication fro City through email like (email marketing program) constant contact. City does a great job with storm & flooding automated calls. Please widen Victory Blvd. so we can get out in emergency.

Keep town small with focus on renovating pre-existing infrastructure. Preserve what we already have - it's a great place to live and raise families!

I lived in Poquoson for 20 years, moved away and returned to raise "my" family. With all the talk of our "little" city being taken away I am quite sure I will be forced to move as I will not be happy here anymore. I lived here when my family had to go out of town for groceries. I have seen Poquoson changing for quite a while and not in a positive direction. So sad to see this.

Good luck!

Don't screw up and ruin this town with your DAMN Legacy Development! You are criminals if you do!!!

Poquoson high school will lose it's edge as a good school that prepares students for any college in U.S., unless we have more enrollment (get more younger people to come here) & need to keep top notch teachers (by paying better) & encourage volunteers to train children in competitions such as Math Counts, Math & Science Olympiads, etc.

Nice public restrooms at the football field (middle school) - not porta-potties

We don't support multi-family and/or apartments. It would not represent the town and allow additional traffic which would destriy small town feel

Its' a shame that Poquoson does not utilize its location on the water to become the premier destination on the peninsula. Small-mindedness has held us back. Also, residents need to clean up the junk in their yards. Take some pride, people

We are a military family that moved to Poquoson in January. We love it here

We love Poquoson but feel we need a larger tax base and more involved activity for our youth. More sidewalks/bikepaths to keep citizens safe

please put in a flashing bright light when a pedestrian crosses the street and install more crosswalks and sidewalks

Please replace the road & culvert collapsing on Gordon Drive.

I highly agree & urge the point on higher landscaping standards in residential areas. The curb household junk sits on streets forever - Lodge Road!

Keep Poquoson small. There is no need to grow as all the surrounding cities have become. This is what Poquoson is all about small, quiet & peaceful, low crime. WHY would you CHANGE it!

The new high density buildings next to Food Lion are ugly and don't fit. Legacy will also be ugly and a major departure from citizens' view and desires for Poquoson. New developments should be chosen that provide 4X tax revenues than taxpayer expenses. The city should always have independent consultants review developer's projections of tax benefit before approving projects. Poquoson is at high risk for injury and death because sidewalks have not been extended as promised. Is Poquoson liable in a law suit?

Will the results be made public? I suggest a mailing.

Consolidate services with York County. Vehicle pool for all City employees.

I would like to see the existing buildings that are empty be utilized - even if it means a temporary incentive to owners for revitalization.

Install cameras at both entrances & exits of City. Require wildlife survey of all wooded areas before development (what's there and where it is going).

Make shoulders on main roads large so people can bike/walk more safely. Bring retail into area that no other city has. Improve Lawson Park bathrooms.

Totally against apartments!

I have lived here most of my lifetime. It would be a shame to see the integrity of Poquoson lost because of careless development!

Not another grocery store or pharmacy is needed or Walmart type store.

One thing that really needs to be improved is maintaining our tidal ditches. Browns Neck Road needs ditchwork done all the way down. Marina area is big problem when flooding occurs (not passable), especially from Mingee at the cul-de-sac needs to be re-ditched by a capable engineer!

We moved to Poquoson for the school system, (I am the single parent of a wonderful child) & I feel my daughter blossomed as a result to moving to Poq. I would like to maintain that "small town" feel while

expanding services to the residents so we don't have to shop outside the City, while maintaining natural, open spaces.

Poquoson can never be a large city (we do not have land). People move to Poquoson for the atmosphere is is now - don't destroy it! Much has already gone by wayside! If we have extra money, give some to Police Dept. to be open all the time with someone on duty inside to talk to. Also, if additional money is available the Police need the most comfortable cars, since they are in their cars so much. Other City employees only need small economical cars.

We moved to Poquoson because of low crime in the schools and the small town atmosphere, not to have shopping at big box retailers. Best shopping - Poquoson Pharmacy.

The City needs to live within its means, just like Citizens do. Don't spend money that is not there.

Any additional commercial or residential development will forever negatively affect the small town character of Poquoson. We have already lost too much woodlands and drainage negatively impacted. Our wetlands also negatively impacted already. What about the police force? Further development in Poquoson should not be considered without first increasing our police dept.

Think it should be an ordinance of some kind limiting trash, old vehicles, boats, landscaping material, lots of junk in a yard seen from road & especially neighbors - Hunts Neck Rd area -

This community has a lot of educated and military families (not mutually exclusive). Because there are people from all over the country that settle here for a period of time it would be beneficial to provide diverse entertainment. Music is an exceedingly diverse medium.

I love living in Poquoson!

Any new multi-family development should be limited to 100 units or less (per development) along Wythe Creek/Victory corridors - Poquoson sorely needs more independent and assisted living options for retired and elderly - This option was not included as a choice for Big Woods area (Choice Question #1)

Those of us ready to downsize have no options here. Many of my friends are moving to Williamsburg. Need for smaller, high-end, homes with less yard maintenance. Ability to walk to dinner, especially with outdoor seating, would be great!

Traditional architectural standards should be developed to portray our community's culture. Example: City Hall is not representative of our quaint, historical community. See Gloucester, Mathews & Smithfield for examples

I've lived in Poquoson since 1989 in a house built in 1972. I am mainly happy here except on the days my yard is flooded & when I have to leave & return home at low tide. These days have increased since I first moved here. What can a person do to improve the situation except raise the house? I've been told by people in the construction business it costs between \$80,000 & \$100,000 to do this. What average

person has that kind of money? While I understand it is important to plan for the future, I would love to see the City do more to help homeowners protect their property from further decline. I'm not just talking about money, although it would be great if Poquoson could pursue more grants, etc. But how about getting us more information on things we can do if we are not in a position to raise the house?

*Many, many thanks to Ken Somerset for helping me get my flood insurance premium reduced from over \$4700 down to \$2769.

Whatever goes into the big woods space, it needs to be affordable. Young families can't afford to purchase homes here because they are so expensive.

I highly recommend that there could be an indoor playground or some sort of indoor playground for small children as well as older children

I believe the greatest need in Poquoson is to have more lower priced family homes to attract younger families.

Let's not be afraid of development. Great City - Development will help keep it great and generate needed tax revenue!!

Messick Point should be left to continue supporting the seafood industry. Poquoson's heritage is based on the strong waterman and every effort should be made to help them out.

I would appreciate more concern, help, interest, etc. in helping people raise their homes.

None

Keep the Poquoson charm!

roads in and out. Please keep our city small townish. Driving along Wythe Creek Road seeing family good times at New Penguin Ice and people just out walking and being social brings to mind small town

I would like to see spaces for small local people to be able to open up shop - and not price it out of the world - made rental based on a % of sales.

would love to see a dog park in Poquoson

People outside of Poquoson have a very negative attitude about this quiet town. The majority are race related. Most people think this is a racist unaccepting town and it's very sad some are afraid to visit or live here because all they hear are stories related to racial tensions. I am military and we are a multicultural family and can say with honesty I have never experienced any racial tension or mistreatment from anyone in this town and I am everywhere and interact with lots of locals and have always had positive experiences. In my opinion Poquoson needs to do more outside of its own community and also do more community relations where outsiders can come and experience this town. Truly makes me sad when people say "How can you live in such a racist city?" I believe there are no more racist people here than in any other American city. I believe people in this city, for the most part, are giving, caring, friendly, loyal and just plain nice. Mosquito spraying kills more than mosquitoes.

There are other ways to keep bees, dragon flies and bats alive. Chemicals harm children, elderly U& people w/compromised immunity systems

Poquoson chose to commercialize their "main" street (Wythe Creek Road) a long time ago - residences were re-zoned and torn down and buildings went up - you can't take that back nor can you try to create another main street out of one of the side streets. It was decided that landscaping wasn't an important quality to have so the parking lots became eye-catching appeal. We try too hard to be like everyone else with this "fountain" project. We have forgotten who we are. Sometimes simple wins more commerce. Why would anyone outside of Poquoson want to come see a miniature Newport News or Hampton? Why would anyone in Poquoson want to invite a City Center or Towne Center into what is a small waterman community. If you like/love your town then you need to keep it simple, keep your values and offer others a unique experience and not a mirror image of the cities around us.

Poquoson needs a Catholic Church. A bus line that comes through on Victory and Wythe Creek. The parks & Rec should have adult leagues such as softball, basketball and volleyball

I realize there has to be growth, but people stay here because of schools, small town community feel and family ties. All great things to keep a community desirable

Don't develop Big Woods. If you need money then cut government workers

Need a listing of businesses. Difficult to answer. Attractive small businesses, not auto or general stores.

If there is a way to help drainage and prevent flooding, that's where my money would go. 1800 for flooding where during Isabel we only got 4" my garage is robbery

I see a lot of support for small businesses but establishments, with the exception of El Rancho and the Diner, are practically empty 3/4 of the day. Need to make concessions for those that want to open small businesses, so that they can stay in Poquoson instead of setting up in other communities/cities because of lower rents. I think it's funny that everyone wants a bakery or Chick Fil A and Starbucks, but since we know the population doesn't meet the economic needs, make it easier to open similar businesses.

We need a comprehensive plan to control tidal/storm flooding, you can't beat mother nature but you can mitigate issues. If the vision is to make POQ a small town people want to come to we don't benefit from having local TV news people covering flooding in town with every tropical storm or nor'easter.

We moved here for what it was; not what we wanted it to turn into. Leave it alone. Don't increase taxes to pay for additional services that we don't need or want.

Kids need activities here. Beach, community center, sports complex,. Develop so home prices can increase, this place is stagnant - it's not 1950!!

Poquoson is a unique city with little rhyme or reason to buildings, home developments, etc. This although "quaint" is not attractive (just look at those two homes behind Champs!). I have resigned myself to the fact that this city will never have a nice Wythe Creek corridor. Retail rents are prohibitive

and landlords are not required to keep buildings maintained. There have been many efforts by small groups to change the look and feel of Poquoson but all have failed. It is too expensive for the City to change things - so I tell people - if you want a nice area to live give Poquoson a try but realize you are not living in any type of planned area. If you want an area of downtown - go to Yorktown, City Center, Newport News, etc. If you want a planned community - try in another adjacent city.

Need to replace telephone poles on Poq. Avenue before a good wind blows them down. Need to widen Victory Blvd. to four lanes and get with Hampton about raising the road at the bridge since it one of only two ways in and out of Poquoson.

we need a bike path going down yorktown road. Many bikers and people joggin and walking daily which put traffic at a stop or very slow pace. In the early hours hard to see them even with reflective wear.

the city of poquoson should look to repair oads that do not have efficient draining and backs up into homes (i.e. cedar rd) There is no mention of the fire/police. The fire Dept has yet to stop a home from burning down in the last 20 years. They need training. they are a running joke through out the region. The police dept s inept and tells lies to the community. they just don't want to be bothered.

when they do ever deside to widen wythe creek rd!! Side walks should be installed and power lines should go underground wouldd look nicer to the ey and might even sut down in power loss during storms.

we need sidewakes!!! We are such a small, safe town that there is no excuse to not be able to walk all over town. I know I would walk or ride my bike to get to stores, ball filds, ect. If there was a save way to do it. Poquoson kids are lucky to grow up in a safe town and should be able to walk to friend's houses without fear of them being run over. stop spraying for mosquitoes!!! the dragonflies do a much better job. i'm down near the warf and sumer is hell if the town sprays but if they don't and let the dragonflies do their job, it's actually tolerable to be outside. thank you for sending out this survey! :)

we should demain greater transparency from our elected officials and our city employees. This survey is an amazing opportunity to get input directly from the citizens but the way it was discredited by our mayor was shameful. W have an amazing community but are at the crossroads of some major decisions. let our citizens decide. do not allow our mayor make such sweeping changes without the proper community input. we should maintain extremely high expectaitons for our town. its worked for generations so why not continue to hold that standard. commercial development is inevitable but anyone who wants to be a part of this town should go through a lengthy vetting process analyzing how they can enhance and support exisiting commercial entities - not create empy storefronts. keep up the good work. Anjie! two ideas for north of victory: 1 talk to business owners who live in poquoson but keep their businesses elsewhere - why? offer a tax incentive to move their business to poquoson. their employees will eat in our restaurants, buy our gas and use our banks. 2 create a multi-gen space: childcare facility, community center, offices nursing houme/retirement home.

we purposely moved to poquoson from a larger city for the smaller school district and safer environment.

Keep Poquoson legit!

It would be nice to have a cohesive architectural style for retail & professional offices, flexible design to allow businesses to come & go and that ultimately lends definition to Poquoson's character

It would be nice to have a restaurant that allowed boaters to pull up and dine outside. Surfrider does not make it easy for boaters. And Owens needs a major overhaul. A place like York River Oyster Co. would be ideal.

Most people are friendly but there is still an unwelcome attitude towards us "move-ins" and I'm not sure why. We want the best for Poquoson, too

kids have already graduated. I love the small town charm.

Kwwp Poquoson small and quaint

too many city employees. Too much nepotism

Anything at Messick Pt would flop. The roadway going there is too low and floods easily. The harbor itself is not a good one, the dock is a waste of money as a marina. There are too many seasonal things and not enough year round activities to sustain a business there. No home in Big Woods!!

It is such a challenge to maintain a town's charm and peaceful/quite character while adapting to changing-of-the-times. Baby boomers need places to live on the waterfront they love; most don't want trailers. Health, fitness and wellness is increasingly important to people these days. Taxes will need to go up. There is no perfect place to retire that has all you need for wellness that is cheap

we love Poquoson and 100% moved here because of the school system as well as small town atmosphere. Please do all you can to maintain the "non-Hampton and Newport News" type big development. Small - local business is good

we are willing to pay higher taxes to keep Poquoson a "small" town. Developing the Big Woods is going to bring more traffic and it will take decades for the city to see the benefits of any.

I feel adding businesses on the big woods land would not be a good thing. Unless the city plans to enlarge the road. Also the City needs to take into account most residents of the city wish to keep its small town charm and setting

Affordable housing for young families would be great asset to Poquoson for schools and future of the city.

I can't find anything to complain about in our city. I love living here

I absolutely love living in Poquoson and I'm excited to raise my 3 children here. I think the biggest change I would like to see is a public beach area to bring my kids to and more sidewalks around town.

Why fix something that isn't broke?? The more Poquoson is built up. The higher all statistics will rise! What's wrong with the way Poquoson is today? Absolutely nothing!!

My three children attend private school, because the drug problems in Poquoson public schools. I should get tax break.

More restaurants would be beneficial especially a coffee shop, also charging a fee for plastic grocery bags would bring in revenue. Need to fill vacant spaces in strip malls, we have no problem with chain retailers as long as smaller and in good taste

I am strongly opposed to more multi-family homes and apartments in poquoson. Not a big fan of legacy project or developing woods

people are moving to our town because we are a small, safe place to live. The city would do better to manage the funds that are entrusted to them instead of looking for ways to spend more mmone. It has become expensive for the young and old to live here

Have 3 kids that graduated from PHS!

Would like better sidewalks, trails and bike paths. Minimize comercial development that can be found nearby. Consider trail/boardwalk around perimeter.

Stop the development of the Big Woods. This will change Poquoson in a very negative way.

The city (council, planners, population at large) has no clear plan or vision for our community. If a potential client were to drive into Poquoson right now - today - s/he would see vacant, dated buildings, no clear town center with thriving businesses, no focus on tourist revenue, etc. Poquoson is a "small town" community in many bad ways. To thrive as a community, we have to expand our vision beyond ourselves and our eyes. If you want tourism a la Outer Banks, you need to cultivate businesses that would be unique to the area and would support local owners. You need to define an area for small business and local restaurants. You need to preserve watermen heritage by actively providing the resources (including natural) that they need. A few things not to do: clear cut Big Woods, put off sidewalks to connect schools, build overpriced McMansions for those only interested in living here without supporting the local economy, allowing businesses that do not contribute to the "small town" vision (vape shops, hookah lounges, etc.).

Repave Wythe Creek Road. Questioning why city trucks drive through our neighborhood EVERY DAY several times a day and do nothing. Don't pick up anything? And we have no ditches in our neighborhood.

The current plans for building so many homes and businesses will change the reason why we love Poquoson - too many people and cars!

Keep Poquoson's small city look and feel

stop the spraying for mosquitoes!

Please publish the weekly or monthly police report in our town. It would be a deterrent, and keep citizens informed of what's actually going on in town.

It is not the government or "concerned" citizens right to mandate to others! Government and citizens can influence their wishes by choosing to support or not support a business and by developing plan standards for undeveloped sites are best. Existing businesses and homes should conform to those requirements in effort during their construction with very few exceptions.

Clearing woods and developing land does not help, even though runoff is supposedly accounted for. New development does not negate blighted-looking businesses on Wythe Creek Rd. Let's take care of those first. Also, we need storm parking close enough to walk to.

Deal with the Drug Abuse here. Quit allowing development of home on property that is in wetlands + floods. Pave the lanes that people live on but the city won't participate in no more vape shops or Dollar Discount Stores. Deal with Bullying in schools!!

We feel that Poquoson, as a whole, needs to be more supportive of our waterman community as they are part of the reason we are here and they provide the community with food.

Poquoson has a litter problem. The real estate tax rate is getting too high. It's getting TOO expensive to live in Poquoson. At 1.07 it's close to the highest in Virginia.

poquoson needs to bring in retail, other revenue producing facilities in order to generate additional tax income

please don't poquoson into a hampton or newport news keep it small, friendly, and safe

I moved here about 10 years ago as a single mom. I felt really good about the community. The schools were great for my son, and I always felt safe, please keep this small town feel for as long as you can

The project called legacy is a huge mistake by city planners and council. They failed to independently verify bloated fiscal benefits prepared by the developer. We have good reason to believe such a large project will be a substantial liability to citizens. The ecological service of existing laws standing integrated forested wetlands of the big woods continues to be the most beneficial use.

ABOUT #2 - IF THEY AREN'T ALL #1 THEN POQ. HAS GOTTEN TOO BIG & OVERPOPULATED

Missed a good opportunity to add to tax base and create attractive gateway when victory blvd. neighborhood market was denied. Seemed many were fixated on illusion of a small town while shopping in York County and Newport News

would like to see more strict enforcement on residents to keep their property in better order. Many yards have overgrown grass, trees, branches, and other debris in yard. Never clean it up.

But, e'v had 4 go through Poquoson schools. Is the goal of Poquoson to be a destination or are we focusing on being just self-sufficient? What benefits our city and residents the most?

Raised 4 boys - how on their own - each one very successful. Poquoson 411 on facebook is good. But we need online reporting of all activities - including crime, breakins, etc. - so citizens ar aware and careful if problem occurs. Pedestrian/cyclist path between 87and 89 hunts neck rd. from hunts neck to dixon needs to be expanded and marked. signage could be a boy scout project (lik it was 20 years ago.)

Poquoson is an oasis and rare jewel compared to surrouding cities and should be maintained as such. Special care should be taken to make sure all areas are developed to keep flooding to a minimum and speical care to mak sure futrue development does not impact already developed areas. Listen to the residents and they will stay.

please take care when building new housing near existing/established residences-drainage is provided to new development and we have to deal with runoff water-never had issues before

My largest concern is traffic coming into and leaving Poquoson if too many residential, single, or multi-family developments are constructed.

people love poquoson for what it is and the history of its past. Not what you can do to change it into something you would want to move away from. Change isnt always the answer

Moved to Poquoson in 1981 and have never regretted the decision.

Don't try to raise money just to have more money- is there a reason we need more income? Leave the town pretty much as is.

Thank you for sending out this survey. This is what makes Poquoson great.

Before you add more business, the ones here should be cleaned up/such as Metro gas station and the rear of it. You cannot clean up a city with junyards like that.

We strongly object to any changes to zoning rules that reduce distances between homes. Don't compromise standards to permit more crowded housing. This is our #1 priority. Keep Poquoson from becoming a crowded community.

the city needs to enforce the same standards for metro as other businesses. As I drive to/from work each day and pass metro, it is frustrating to see the junk/homemade trailers and now a shed on a trailer that is strong unrelated business items. It needs to be cleaned up to. Show pride in our community.

These questions presume a certain direction when the answers are in the middle. We need responsible development and that does not indicate doom and gloom for the city. Conversely. It could be survival of our schools and long term affordability of housing, taxes, etc.

There are 4 adults in our household but only one received a survey. 2 Poquoson graduates.

anyone that serves on city council should have to own property in city limits

what about a movie theater and more picnic areas

don't let Poquoson become another hampton. Hampton allowed developers in after the war and they put up cracker box houses and strip malls. Now no more small town - high crime, poor population, higher taxes, no open space

for decades, Poquoson city council has been indicating a desirer to attract new businesses, but when walmart wanted to develop and build in Poquoson... A lack of city council support! Very disappointing!

we recently purchased a home in Poquoson to get away from areas with commercial development and apartments. Poquoson was highly desireable and we have admired it for years. Retail is struggling everywhere and is a bad investment. Apartments will change the lovely character of the city. Once built, these things can't be undone! I miss the trees that were on Wythe Creek road. we really need street trees to provide character and slow traffic down. Now we will lose more on Wythe Creek Rd. due to the expansion. that area is so lovely now and will be lost.

two (both) have graduated from Poq. High and went through all the Poq. Schools

Don't like the idea of adding more traffic to Victory Blvd

I like Poquoson as it is!

Bike trail would be nice

Please consider "Golf Cart Use" throughout the city. Would like to see a higher end restaurant in town (steak/Americana food) like Roadhouse or Longhorn style

We need to diversify the tax base and expand the base. A vibrant community needs growth.

In addition to "natural" flood control, we need more engineering based intervention. I.E. dikes, flood walls, dredging, raise flood prone streets, drain the storm stewers, assistance to raise homes, businesses tax credits for those who mitigate themselves. Engineering studies for other ideas

Our city needs to celebrate our heritage! A first time vistor should readily know of our Waterman + farming roots. Our main street businesses should showcase that heritage with external appearance and signage. We were recently in Gloucester- take a look at their charming, vibrant main street.

Need sidewalks on Poquoson Avenue below Crab Cake House to the water. Stop campers, big trucks, boats, cars from parking on the street below Crab Cake house on Poquoson Avenue. Very dangerous!!

People moving to Poquoson, or deciding to stay here, are doing so great schools, low crime and small town feel. To have these things, people expect to pay taxes to maintain that community. The city "plan" is flawed- develop for development's sake. Use what makes this town great an highlight the benefits!

Please try and develop the remaining open land in a responsible manner!

1. More single family homes would help the school system but I would like a development to be no more than 75 homes. 2. Land for additional businesses, restaurants, shops are limited 3. An urgent care facility would be a great addition

Bring back curb side pick up of yard waste/bulk items

viewing the city council meeting is very frustration. The council members speaking - the way the meetings are set up when a council member is speaking it is difficult to see who is speaking and to understand and see them clearly. It should be set up like the York County City Council meetings.

Poquoson doesn't need more development. Stop trying to make some use out of every square empty parcel. This is what sets poquoson apart from the surrounding cities.

Some say they are willing to pay higher taxes for the benefits of living in Poquoson, but at some point there will be a breaking point as fewer young people can afford to live in Poquoson. Encouraging some development can help ease the burden of those taxes and attract people to Poquosons.

My wife taught in Poquoson schools for 34 years and our 3 children went through this top notch system.

1: Adjust lights leading into Poquoson at night. Wastes energy sitting at light at 2300 when coming home from work. Timed lights save energy. Newport News exceeds in this area. 2: Mosquito control any method possible ! 3: Fine businesses that abandon buildings.

Consider installing a traffic light going out of Poquoson right before you go over the Hampton bridge going out toward NASA. Enlarge and redo parking lot at Post Office - it is dangerous now - fix it or work with Feds to do so.

Stop trying to put something on every piece of land.

We live in a beautiful eco-system that is fragile and needs our support so Poquoson and the Bay can flourish. When development occurs - the long term effects need to be considered not just the minimum "building & DEQ standards". Let's make Poquoson a vision of sustainability for us now and our great grandchildren. Also, when doing trades for environmental purposes - we as a community do not "feel the benefits" when land is offset in other communities (i.e. Gloucester).

Poquoson is a wonderful place to live, it does not need to be drastically changed. Small changes are fine. Excellent group of City employees.

Poquoson is a place of local heritage and support. Please don't add more residential & commercial building. Bike paths would be amazing.

I realize growth = more tax revenue; but it also means more demand for services. Poquoson has already increased real estate & "meal" tax to eye-popping rates. Time to think about how to cut costs and/or encourage development that does not demand the services that residences need. Question - Did Poquoson offer a deal for Ferguson's new office complex?

As a military family this is ideal location to Langley. It's been a pleasure to own and interact w/neighbors and City officials. Thanks You.

School system support most important.

They need to get wholesale stores because people will drive 3 to 4 miles out of this City to get a better price. They should have let Walmart build. This would have given the City a great tax support. This would have made Farm Fresh lower their high prices:)

Poquoson has not been a "small town" for several years. It has become a "high dollar" community for the upper class. Young people cannot afford the ("300-400-500,000 and up") housing here unless momma and daddy leave it to them or help purchase. The the rising taxes make it hard to maintain. Let's quit the "bedroom dream" and make this a community that young people can afford, so that they live here and thrive, thus making the community thrive. Right now it is a mansion community. Also, with no businesses to support the tax base but homeowners. It is amazing that this survey and the questions it covers is the same as has been put forth for several years with no results. I guess it is to make the people here feel like they are involved in the decision making. Only, on half or better, issued questions about there have been no decisions made any of the departments responsible for action. Especially getting commerce into this community. I noticed there was no questions involving our taxes. Let's see, we can tax a small pull along trailer but we can't tax a \$100,000 boat under the pretense of bringing business to Poquoson. The only thing it does is enhance the guy that owns the marina and shove more tax responsibility onto the homeowners to make up for that revenue. The we want to go to \$1.12 on \$100? Good job guys. The 3rd or 4th highest around with no results.

I noticed in #2 above that you put "small town atmosphere". I would like to see that kept in mind as we go forward with the plans/development for Poquoson. I am a born & bred "Bull Islander". I have seen many changes, some good & some not so good. I pray that we will always do the best for the City of Poquoson. Small town atmosphere should mean exactly that.

I do not mind multi-use family homes and a few shops, community center in BIG WOODS! But only if the roads are widened. Traffic is getting bad during peak hours.

People can be nosy - but need to learn to keep some stuff to themselves. Husband has lived in Poquoson thru childhood, we moved back to raise our kids. Bullying in school - while some kids have no backbone & can't brush it off others seem to have no regard for others.

Be well aware that I do not support any development of Big Woods. Keep the nature preserved and keep Poquoson separated from its surroundings.

Keep Poquoson great!! Don't build anymore!

Too many questions that take too much time to make choices probably will cause low rate of return

I think this survey is poorly worded. What is a small home? (trailers - cottages) - what is a small lot - less than 1/4 acre. Homes and lots like that bring home values down. Not in favor of it. The trailer park you have now is a disgrace. Clean that place up.

The entrance to Poquoson from Hampton really needs attention - you are greeted with waterfront trailers and a large, long, often malodorous sewer line.

We are opposed to development of Big Woods into mixed used or high density residential / commercial use.

Would like to see more commercial development in the "Big Woods" to increase the tax base. Would like to see sidewalks and bike paths in the Western District up Hunt's Neck Road.

I am not opposed to the new Big Woods development, but would like more than 11 "cottages" for the elderly. We need more choices similar to Villas.

Need more city sharing with York County - technology allows - No police or fire chief. City combine finance departments. We are a great city - do not have to be Big City!

Many people choose Poquoson because of its small town atmosphere and schools. Attention must be paid to maintain those qualities and expand slowly to accommodate small town needs. It is not too far to drive to Walmart and/or the mall so expansion should come from single family homes, marinas, water sports venues

not long after I moved here (1976) from Hampton I met an older gentleman of one of the founding families and he remarked to me - only half jokingly - that "every new comer wants to be the last one across the brodge". Still true

Residents should never be allowed to pile trash along roadways. It remains for weeks & weeks

Poquoson Pride - fix the crooked lampposts on City Hall Ave. They have been crooked for years. It gives the impression the city doesn't care about their city. 2. get rid of tacky holiday flags, go with banners. Thank you

Ban Buggy Sepnser

we've lost our quaint fissing village flavor and are now nothing but a suburb for Newpoer News, Hampton and York County. It is a shame we let that happen. We're nowhere near what we used to be appreciate the opportunity for input - thanks

The entrance to Poquoson from Hampton. The trailer court. The odor sometimes

1. we need to fill existing empty buildings before any new commercia,l buildings are built. 2. need affordable housing. \$200,000 & up homes are not affordable for start-up young people or older retired residents. The retirement homes are out of reach for single widows to afford

Poquoson is a great city. I hope we can keep it that way.

Get rid of vape shop strip mall - it's seedy! Poquoson looks like the hood! And it is BAD for citizens!

Thak you for asking my opinion!

Poquoson really needs a modern updated state of the art middle and high school. Overall that might be the best use for the Big Woods.

The former Backriver market on Poquoson Ave is a neglected, run down eyesore. Even though there are no trespassing signs people congregate & litter on property

the loss of school students does not bother me. The less we have less taxes

Need to start working on flooding as things are not getting better

more sidewalks & bike paths/lanes wixthin Poquosonwould greatly increase the quality of life of residents & its image. This has been a sorely ignored mistake & is frankly a safety issue

CityHall & Planning Commission have destrlyed Poquoson to look "unrecognizable" to native "bull islanders". Most who could afford to move out have & others are moving as soon as they can. Look at all the "for sale" signs. On every street. The secret is out - Poquoson flood regularly

we love Poquoson - which is what drew us here and we hope it continues to stay as "small town" as possible

We have one of the best cikties in the country. Why would you want to change it? Why bother with a survey if most of it is about increasing size, traffic, etc?

the police here waste time, only out for money and themselves. Lost all respect for this town because of them. They hurt women and cover it up cowards.

Close one of the schools. Underground electric lines so the trees along the road don't get hacked

The one thing many of us on Messick are concerned with is lowering the speed limit since kids & walkers are on the street all the time. Also, blocking off Messick and Ridge to residents only during floods to prevent wake damage from onlookers. Thanks

My 89 yr-old mother who lives here with me says "make/keep Poquoson beautiful with trees, plants, flowers especially at entrances to the city, to make it memorable and people will want to visit and/or live here"

My main concern is that we do not develop anything that will attract the wrong element of people. Living somewhere safe is why I moved here. I would like to see small retail shops. I am not against more affordable housing. I don't want anything store that I can drive to that are already close by. NO WALMART. I think some of the cenent buildings around here could be upgraded & easier to get into.

Keep trees. Don't develop the "Big Woods"! Bike paths on major roads.

Please get more funding for the performing arts at Poquoson schools.

The drainage ditches on either side of the main road should be covered and the pavement widened to accommodate bicyclists/pedestrians. Improve the pedestrian pavement from that already exists from the Middle School area to Trinity Church and extend it in either direction.

Traffic in and out of town is getting too heavy. We are only 5 to 10 minutes from anything we need that is not here. We moved here because it is a small quiet town. Is this all about money?

I love Poquoson just the way it is - small, peaceful, family bonds, homey - I've lived here all my life.
DON'T CHANGE ANYTHING!!!!

Please save/expand our forest & undeveloped lands. Do not overbuild/overpopulate. I am a world traveler - I have seen firsthand the horrors of overdevelopment/population take heed!!! Please don't destroy Poquoson. We do not want the crime, traffic & others problems like Hampton, Newport News, Norfolk & Portsmouth. STOP DEVELOPMENT.

I love our little town. We're retired Army, our three children went to middle and high school here. Our oldest granddaughter lives here and is raising here five little sons here.

Please do not develop the Big Woods. This would be bad for Poquoson lifestyle, appearance, traffic and schools.

My children graduated fro Poquoson school, attended college & have very good jobs - thank you Poquoson leadership & government.

Sidewalks! Please! There are a new generation of families here, where health and small town commuting (walking to the grocery store, schools, etc.) is very important.

What is plan for ingress/egress to Poquoson widening of Victory and Wythe Creek on easier commutes & evacuation routes?

Love the town! Don't change its close community spirit by bringing too much development. Great place to bring up a family.

N/A

3 children completed Poquoson schools - close knit programs and ability to participate. Keep small town "feel" to maintain uniqueness

Thank you for allowing us to voice our opinions before acting. I hope that we can maintain our comfortable safe community!

I would like to see a traffic light out at the end Huntlandia Road onto Wythe Creek Road. Sometimes you wait 20 to get out due to the traffic. I would like an opportunity to work in Poquoson as I live on SS and

would like a part time job working with the public. Not a great deal of opportunity as most places have their employees with no openings. Dont want restaurant work. Like retail or office work. An agency to help unemployed to get work would be great for this area. It is not safe outside of this area. Gangs and gun fights everywhere else.

Please stop supporting apartment buildings

I do not want to see Poquoson become a destination from the surrounding Tidewater area. Right now you come to Poquoson because you live here, visiting someone, passing thru, or you are lost! No big box stores here or entertainment venue (movie theater) to have too much more traffic and "foreigners" from outside our town.

Called Poquoson home for 55 years - don't want it to lose its small town character.

Small retail/restaurants are preferable for Poquoson. If we head down the road of "big retail" i.e. Walmart, Target, etc. then we are inviting all the traffic, trash, potential for crime, etc. Definitely prefer "small town" feel we now have!!

Love this small friendly safe town. Been here 37 years - came because of the schools - had children. Grandchildren and now great grandchildren in the schools. Worry about losing the small town feel with too much development. We do need "starter" homes - but nicely done.

As a "move-in" it is very difficult to connect with Poquoson. Love the small town atmosphere, peace, safety. Willing to pay more in taxes to keep it this way.

as noted on previous page- sidewalks or bike paths on Little Florida and in front of the middle school are desperately needed. Then moving pedestrians crossing toward the front of the school.

please keep Poquoson our sanctuary

We have standing water in ditches that won't drain. City employees ride up & down street but don't stop. "whitehouse circle"

We love Poquoson! Almost all needs are met, we feel saf, our children are able to play outside, explore, very connected to our neighbors, teachers etc. Just would like to see more options for "family fun" in the city so we dint have to take our money outside of the city.

I would like to see more acknowledgement and appreciation of the wide variety of birds/wildlive in our community.

Twenty four years abo we moved to Poquson because of it's "small town" atmspere her and a high quality small school system. We have done surveys like this one a few times. The results of the surveys have shown an overwhelming support of Poquson retaining a "small town atmosphere" with very little growth. The elected officials in the end have always said - "I know this is what you wnat but - this what you need." Find then they puch foward with their own agenda. Please - Keep Poquoson small!

We raised our 3 children here. Sidewalks would help children to bike and be more mobile. We should be more like a quaint city and not a Mercury Blvd. Keep a lid on developers. They only enrich themselves. My favorite shops are Trader Joe's and Whole Foods, but I am OK to drive 12-20 minutes. They do not need to be in town. On second thought, that would kill Poquoson Pharmacy too. I am OK driving 10 minutes to Walmart. That would have killed Poquoson Pharmacy and that is a gem.

Lower the tax rates and flood insurance

Need to repave Wythe Creek Road. It's bad.

The city website used to have important news on the front page. Now it's either non-existent or impossible to find.

lower taxes, lower flood insurance

Sorry about my writing. I have problem with my hand.

I am not against growth. Growth is inevitable. It must be growth that makes sense. Support what we already have - children/activities need some where to go. Businesses should be welcome (industrial). Invest in improving what we have (i.e. store fronts)

private property/residence should be better monitored for trash, old cars, tires, trailers, and etc. Brings down property value significantly!!

There are a lot of boaters in Poquoson. How about a boaters world store or a few restaurants.

The most important thing is to keep crime out of the city. Housing needs to attract more affluent people (no more apartments) and schools need to be kept at the current or higher standards.

children have graduated, but we have 3 grandchildren living in Poquoson, because our daughter moved back to Poquoson to have her children attend the Best!! Schools in VA.

Money should be spent to raise roads and preserve natural space to combat sea level rise, that is the biggest problem facing Poquoson

Building standards, variances, enforcements : Inconsistent- needs auditing. Clearly this survey was aimed at the Big Woods Project. Please remember balance when evaluating this project's sustainability and environmental impact. All credits owed by the developer for wetlands damage and remediation should be focused elsewhere in Poquoson. Also don't forget to consider its impact on emergency evacuations... an answer still not provided!

3 out of 4 households attended + graduated from PHS. The 4th was already out of school when we moved here.

there is a delicate balance between personal residence + adding to our school system - (more children-need school!) Teachers should have salary increase so may we retain the best!

The city employees are doing a fairly good job of cleaning the ditches for which they are responsible. However the monitoring of drainage swales, etc to be handled by property owners is very poor!

3 children have already graduated

decorate street lights w/flags entrance into Poquoson. Fishing piers walking/bike trail little florida and wythe creek.

small decorative light poles should be installed along wythe creek road with seasonal banners installed

I would like to see drainage ditch improvements to include retaining walls, concrete, or dredging on lodge rd.

you already tore down trees along wythe creek. Please stop paving over this city. I don't care how pretty a building is. I'd rather see (and pay higher taxes for) more trees.

Though traditional watermen are enterprising and admirable, neither they nor shoreline homeowners own the public water commons. We need zoning for the threat of industrialized oystering with submerged oyster factories.

The low crime rate and school system attracted my daughter and her family to move next door to me. New Poquoson family.

Need to do something about tidal flooding. Build a dam or something. Help older people with grants for flooding.

Strong need to expand the local tax base and affordable housing. Our children who grew up here cannot afford to come back. Without students, a school will have to be closed. A community that refuses to grow, withers and dies. Those who want no development, go buy the "Big Woods" and pay the taxes on "your trees"!

NEED TO BAN plastic bags in all stores to preserve the waterways. OBX did. We should get onboard and in hopes, Hampton, NN, York joins in!

I would love to see all the vacant retail space occupied before adding anymore new construction. What ever happened to the "community day"? Was that just a one time thing? I would love to see a dog park of some sort as well as a farmers market for spring, summer & fall.

Need to encourage small businesses & light industry to move to Poquoson. A large store like Walmart, Lowes, Home Depot would be good for Poquoson.

I think Smithfield is a great city to model after on a smaller scale. More City events, concerts, festivals. Not DRY festivals!

1) Please rezone so boats & non-working cars can't be left on streets indefinitely. 2)How about some rules on dog kennels? We have 6-8 dogs in kennel at end of River Road and you can hear the beagles barking for a mile! 3)Put a BEACH somewhere - How many miles do we have to drive to go to a beach. 4)

Work to attract young families & military families. I have lived in Grafton & York county, there is no "town feel" there like here. Need to sell the family town attraction with sports fields, events & beaches.

they all graduated.

It is almost impossible to own local business. Cost of rental space is too high. And we need to be unique so people will visit. No need to come here for same old business. Messick point is great but too out of the way for out of town visitors.

We would love for the Big Woods to be left undeveloped. We would hate for Poquoson to grow (too much) commercially- we love that "small town" feel and would hate to lose that.

Poquoson is a wonderful small town feel community. I wouldn't change a thing! LOVE the library!

Strong focus on school system - must continue to be Poquoson's highest priority. Rental property must be kept under 25%

I have tried to think of new business and development while preserving those that serve us so well. Dave and Poquoson Pharmacy provide "small town" care plus gifts. "Iris Art" isn't enough (your "cultural" question) but she supports the schools and most local events. Please see comments on added sheets. I hope this survey is read – not just tabulated. I've put time and thought into my answers and I believe many others have as well. I'm away from a computer, so please excuse my handwritten notes. Page 1 – Poquoson could be more attractive! Old buildings can be made "quaint" and inviting or look dilapidated. We have many of those! Google "facelifts for old strip malls" or "new life for old downtowns" and similar. One statement stands out – visual appeal brings business and that leads to local shopping and growth in other areas. Walking is a great idea for shoppers but NOT crossing either Wythe Creek or Victory. New, "contained" area with places to relax – eat, meet, etc. Would be nice, perhaps in the Big Woods. But WHAT businesses? There is a "mall" near Charleston, in a residential area (map included) that has a Bagel Shop. It is eat-in or carry-out or eat outside. It has free WiFi, water bowls for dogs, a bookshelf that is a read, take, or trade "library." Lots of newspapers around. It is ALWAYS busy but always relaxed. We need that. Not more drive-thru or "ho-hum" eateries! Anna's and Surfs Up are great, but limited appeal. I've been told that high rents and difficult management may account for the empty shops in come area. We don't really have much usable waterfront. The marina is too crowded, private and soon another "trailer park." Messick has limited and poor road access. Also, too out of the way except for locals (in my opinion). Sidewalks and bike paths are, and always have been, needed. But at what cost? To pipe the ditches on Little Florida and take so much of people's yards would be costly and unfair. Unfair to those who live there and unfair to tax payers. Young people can't afford Poquoson – taxes, flood insurance, etc. so school enrollment drops, federal and state money drops, teachers demands increase. We need good schools more than sidewalks! BUT – all new areas should have them! If the area across from City Hall is developed, perhaps consider a raised, enclosed crossing over Victory to the Library. A dog park, walking path, picnic and game areas in sunshine would be a good use (check near Menchville H.S.). While the Farm Fresh and Food Lion centers can't be rebuilt, all white and updated, this shows some possible improvements: (1) wider covered walkways – makes outdoor seating possible at eateries and landscaped areas at other places. (2) trees and plants (3)

consistent roofline and architectural interest – decorative columns. Small example at Floral fashions [picture attached] Winter – safety! No icy sidewalks to slip on. If groceries were protected New construction should be built for use plus visual appeal. The small trees in front of Wendy's are good! For street appeal – Older shops – Poquoson Avenue – could be unified with awnings and like signs.

As is, The Big Woods are a beautiful buffer between us and other localities, as well as an area that adds to our small town community and should be treated as such.

You cant stop growth but you can have a plan and stick to it. No trach homes, no apartments, no small lots

More homes and no more apartments as the small town atmosphere is disappearing.

we are a blended household with a varety of opinions. In the future, it might be benficial to allow the adults to each answer their own survey

We like Poquoson because of its small town atmospere, open gren spaces and undeveloped land. I don't mnd driving 15 minutes out of poquoson to shop. These new development, putting houses on vacant lots changes the haracter of poquoson and why most people move here in the 1st place. Preserve the small town feel!

Please do NOT sacrifice our green spaces for development. Work on using the currently developed areas to create a more "centralized" downtown commuunity gathering space. Please build more sidewalks so we can walk and bike more.

Poquoson is a wonderful place to live. It is however difficult for the younger population to continue to live here once they are grown. More affordable starter homes would be welcome. Also I understand real estate property taxes must continue to go up because there is not much tax base here in Poq.

1. Poquoson's "small town" atmosphere is significantly and adversely affected by the uneven and too often poor maintenance of individual residences. There are too many places - residences and even businesses (example - Metro gas station) that look like little more than junkyards. 2. The city leadership needs to lead and be visible in upgrading a common set of standards in the community.

Let's not lose what makes people want to move here!

Open for any development that brings in families with kids. Commercial/retail businesses should focus on serving residents of Poquosons' needs, not overtly attempt to get non-local business (i.e. large retail chains, CVS, etc.)

We appreciate the opportunity to answer the questions on this survey. Great job! And hope we see results.

Stop development in Big Woods. Do not need section "8" housing.

I believe development is necessary for Poquoson's independence and stability.

High taxes and lowering property values is driving Bull Islanders away.

Poquoson needs to keep children active. I have heard many parents wish for a sports/community center w/ a pool, courts & fields.

I was and council am still extremely disappointed with city voting against the luxury condos at the marina. It would have been an excellent upscale addition and tax base in place of the trailer park and the sad amount the city collect from them.

We have too many run down vacant homes. Rat infested and unhealthy raccoons living in them. City needs some type of zoning to address this issue. In all, I think the city is doing an outstanding job with funds available. Poquoson is a great place to live. Only dislike those white/blue flags. They look cheap and logo is all wrong. Should be a workboat, not a sailboat!!

Ideally, bulldoze the strip malls at the Wythe Creek/Victory Blvd intersection and rebuild a quaint, walkable marketplace - great for residents, excellent for attracting visitors/tourists.

Poquoson needs to choose wisely what it does with its open space. It needs to keep its "small town" atmosphere that most of its residents love!

There is always more to analyzing the real needs of our town, the budgeting and the financing of these needs than most Poquoson citizens understand. Does the benefits outweigh the actual cost? I put my trust in your hands to make the necessary decisions to determine the difference between real needs, wants and last of all would be nice to have on these surveys. There are people that believe the city owns the Big Woods Land, then others feel that have more rights than the actual landowners. The city has a good plan for the big woods, it is the best possible location. Delays and constant unneeded changes because someone wants our town never to change is unrealistic. I believe we have enough parks are ready some are seldom used. Green areas and parks are nice I like trees too. Cost is cost and this cost will be passed on to the future homeowners. It is my hope that our grandchildren can afford to live in our town. Thanks for listening.

Have existing shopping centers create a better appearance to appear more village like

When I was a child there was so much open land, we had easy access to play along the water. Now, most waterfront land is developed; even if I use a boat, I have no access to the water. I believe we are on the brink of losing the small town charm due to too much development. Raise the taxes instead.

Keep it quaint, leave some green space or we will look like everywhere else. We need more charm like Smithfield (for example).

Poq. Needs to remain small in population to retain its positive attributes. The larger the population and more business the more problems, the more police, fire, etc. Leave it as is as the place of desire to live and not like other cities that have grown with problems.

Pasture Road has lost a lot of woods due to houses being built - Clearing should NOT be allowed - It effects neighbors views - increases temps - lowers oxygen - should have reserves around any private or public building

Would like for the City to concentrate on incentives to fill all the vacant business spaces instead of building new. These vacant spaces, e.g. KFC are eyesores and attract crime. Stop developing and start using what we have.

Do not widen Wythe Creek - Poquoson does not need to become a Hampton or Newport New with street taking up front yards of houses

Please bring back the "quaint" small town, pretty feel of Poquoson. That is a rare and precious thing these days and is what set us apart. Keep the small town feel - city conveniences are close enough and easily accessible

Would love a Wawa in town - too many 711's! Wouldn't mind more options for shopping & groceries. Also make Wythe Creek prettier. Put something next to the comic book store.

I have had two already attend the schools

I think it is important to improve the aesthetics of Wythe Creek Rd to bring a better feeling of the close knit , friendly community that Poq is. There needs to be more of a "town center". Yes, even if it means higher taxes!

I wish there was a way for golf carts to get from neighborhoods to shopping areas on Wythe Creek. A wide bike/golf cart lane along Little Florida would help.