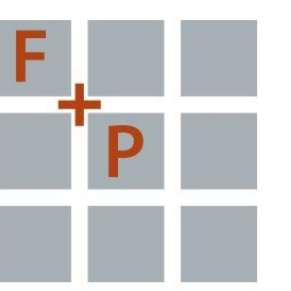




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AGENDA

Welcome and Introductions

Comprehensive Plan 101

Summary of Survey Results

Elm Street to Town Hall

Existing Conditions

Breakout Session 1

Breakout Session 2

Next Steps





WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

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COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING 101

MGL Chapter 41, Section 81D

9 Elements

Goals and policies statement

Land Use

Housing

Economic development

Natural and cultural resources

Open Space and Recreation

Services and Facilities

Circulation

Implementation

Community-based themes

Resiliency

Climate/Physical

Social

Economic

Public Health

Equity

Area-based

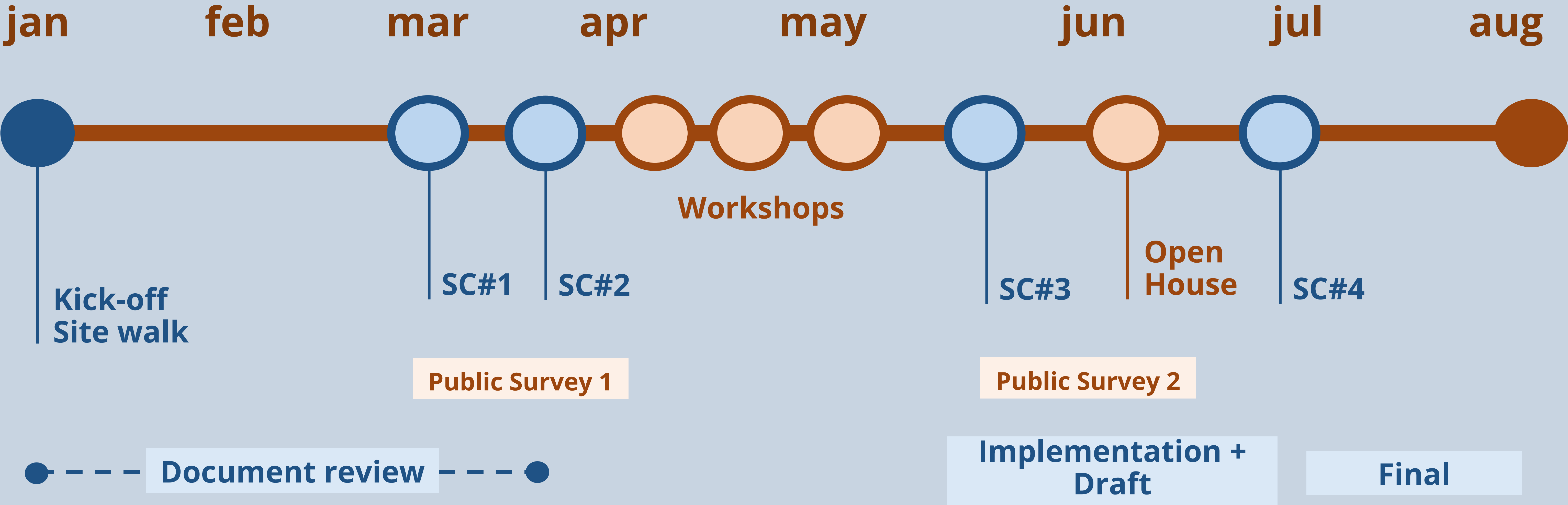
Infrastructure-based

Resource-based

Other themes?



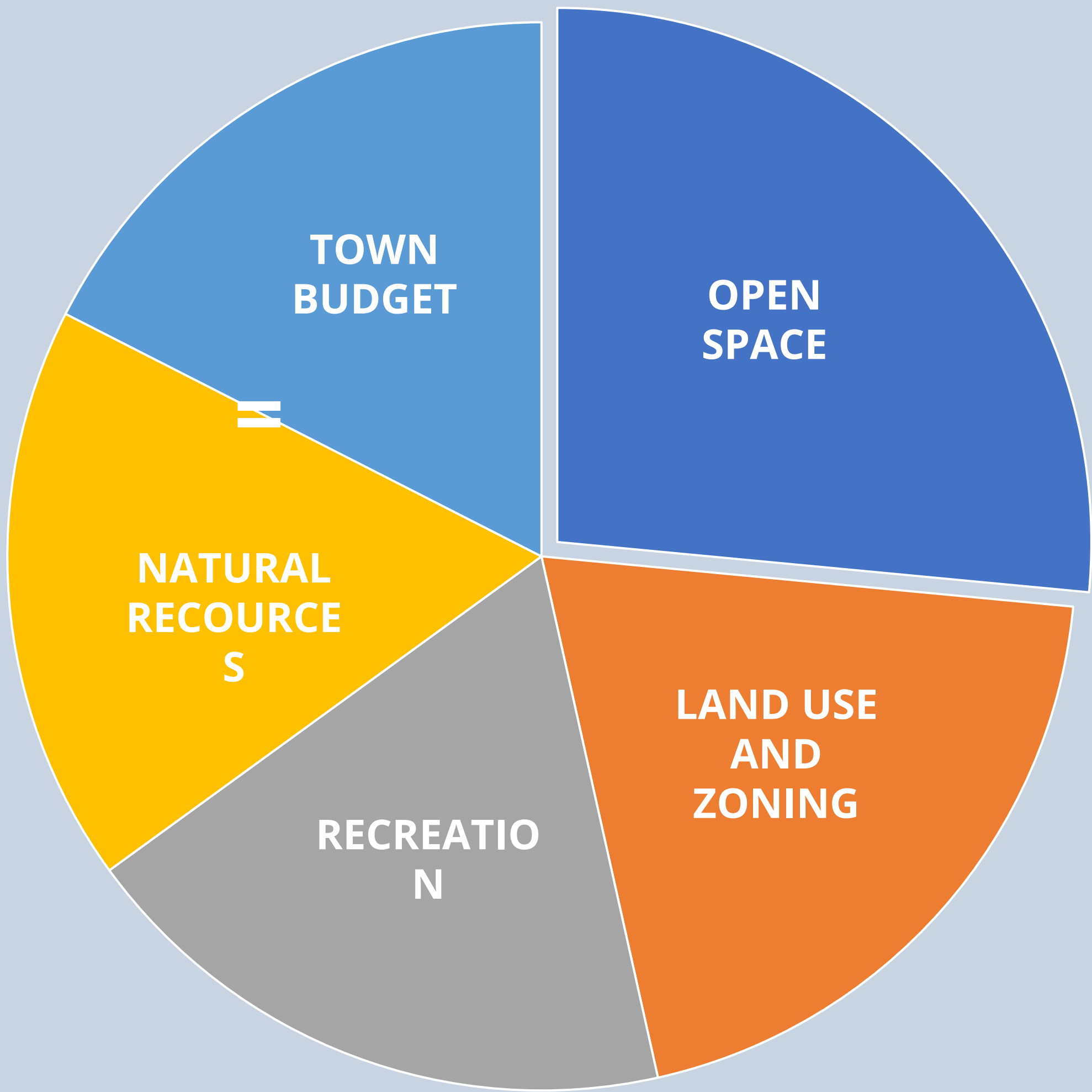
TIMELINE





SUMMARY OF SURVEY RESULTS

Top 5 Planning Topics



68 out of 68 respondents answered this question.

Top 5 Concerns

- 1. Too much growth.
- 2. Lack of options for restaurants.
- 3. Ability to continue to live in Groveland.*
- 4. Lack of options for retail.
- 5. Lack of options for recreation.

*Based on access to housing, goods and services, and jobs. Access may include affordability and travel time.

66 out of 68 respondents answered this question.



SUMMARY OF SURVEY RESULTS

2001 Draft Vision

The Groveland Master plan aims to continue and maintain the Town's reputation as a pleasant place to live and work. It seeks to do this through mutually supportive leadership, staff, boards, and committees who are committed to this goal. Implementation of the master plan will continue to balance land uses that are complementary to one another, and to surrounding communities in the Merrimack Valley. Existing and new uses should respect the natural environment, protect historic resources, and provide benefits to Groveland's residents.

~70% of respondents either Agree or Strongly Agree with this draft vision.

68 out of 68 respondents answered this question.

Prioritization of 2001 Focus Areas

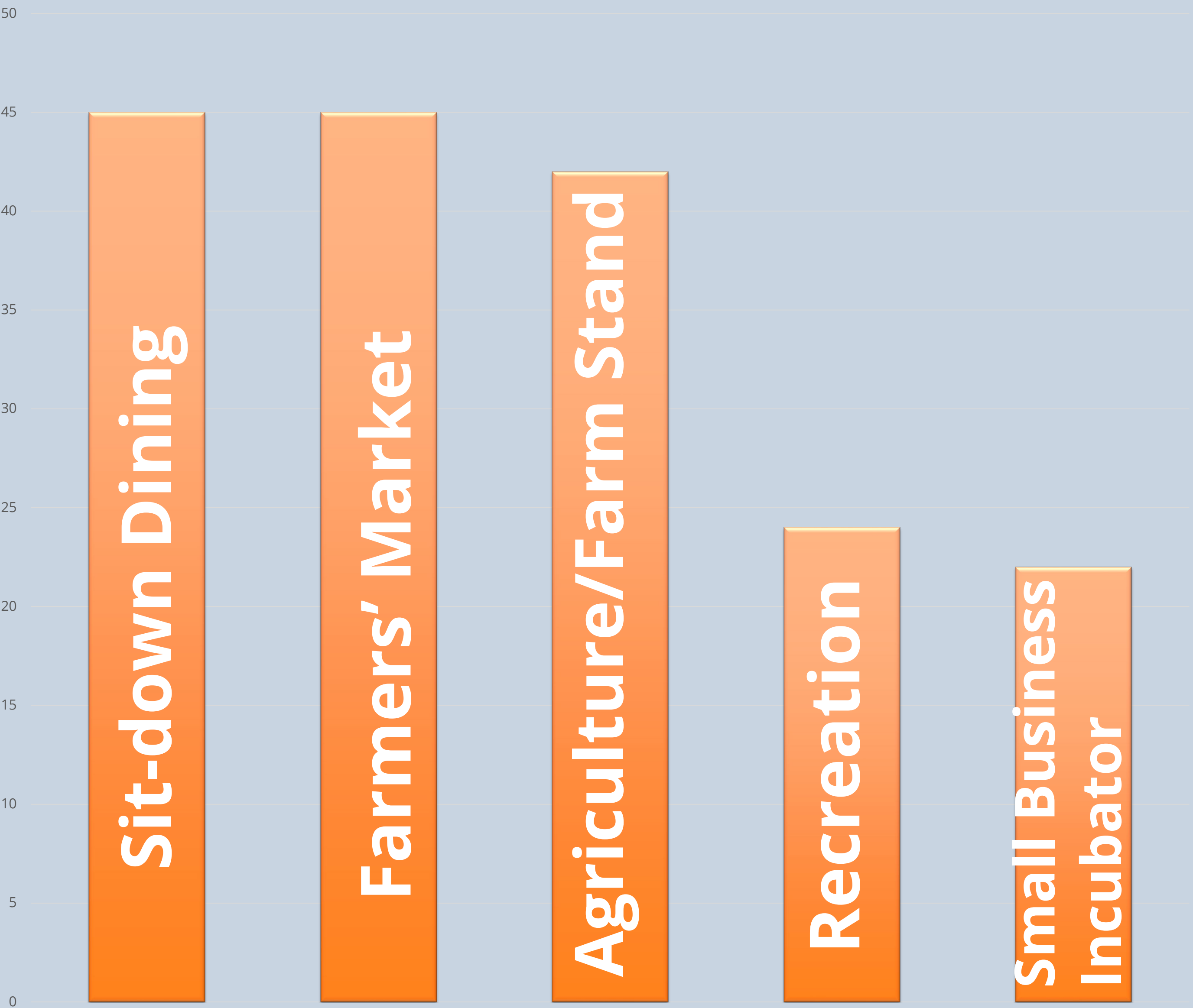
- 1. Growth management.**
- 2. Leadership**
- 3. Open space and recreation.**
- 4. Town Square and Elm Park.**
- 5. None of the above – my priorities have changed.**

68 out of 68 respondents answered this question.



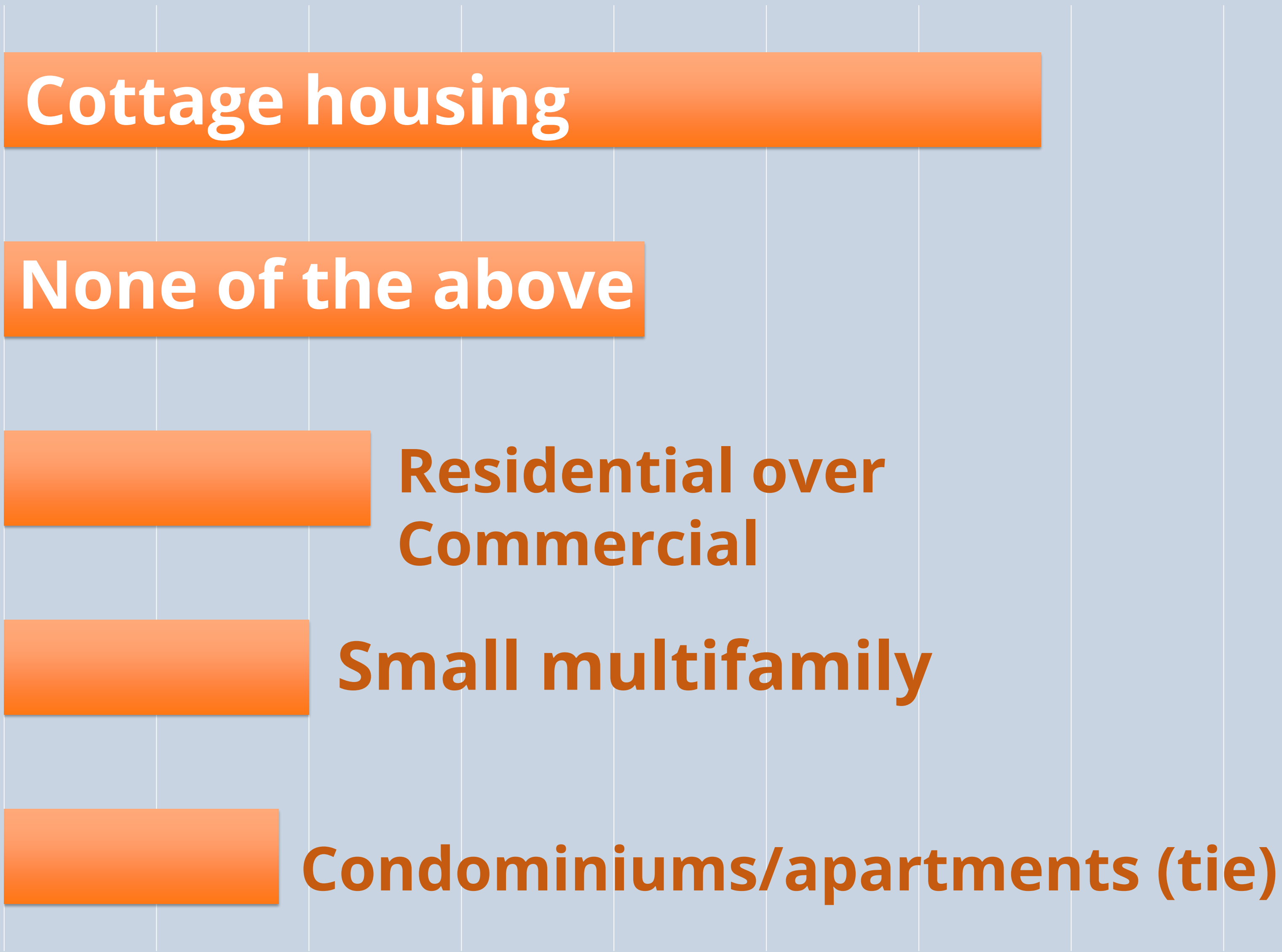
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Top 5 Commercial Uses



68 out of 68 respondents answered this question.

Top 5 Missing Housing Types

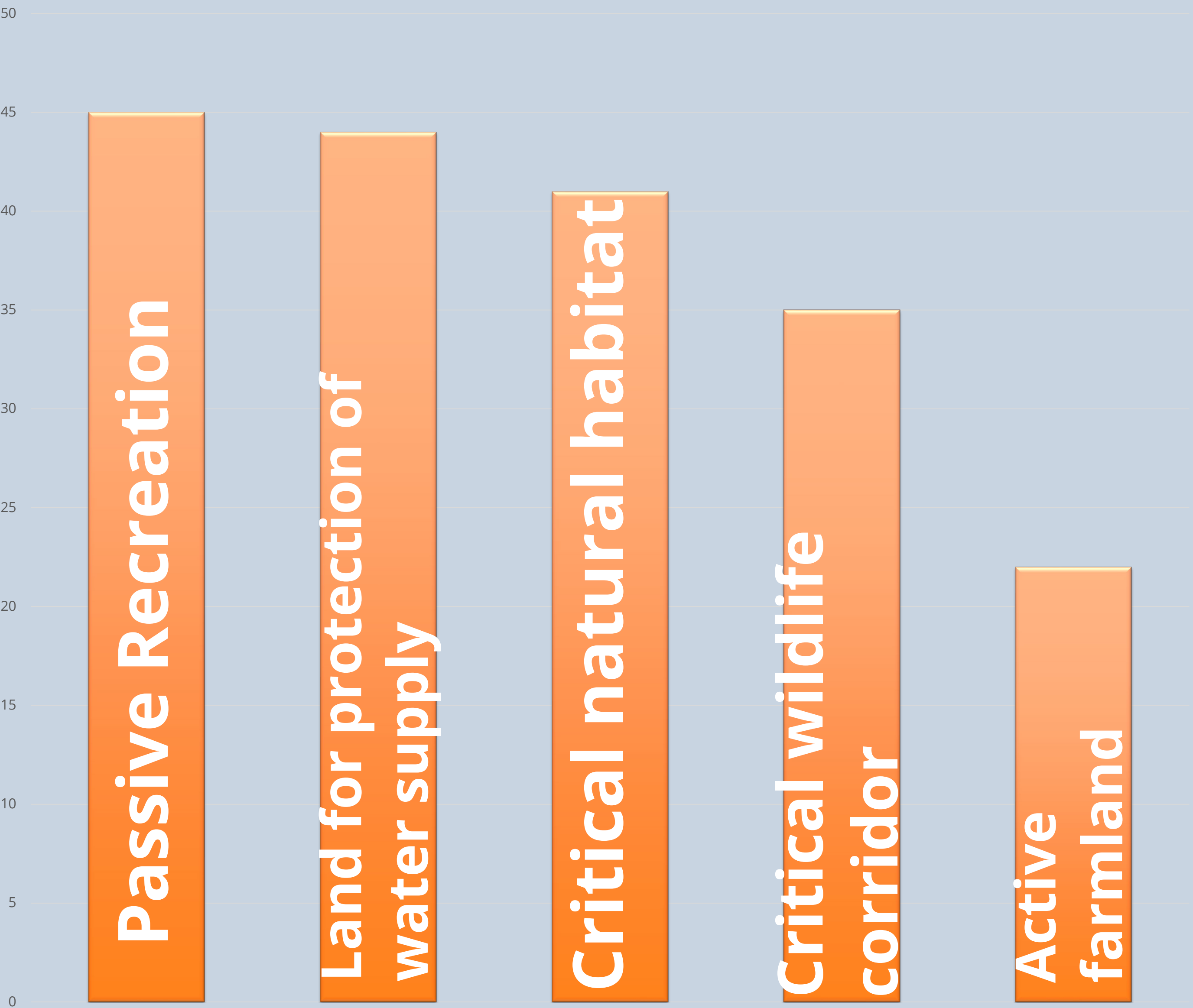


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SUMMARY OF SURVEY RESULTS

Top 5 Open Spaces to Prioritize



68 out of 68 respondents answered this question.

Top 5 Needed Community Facilities



68 out of 68 respondents answered this question.



SUMMARY OF SURVEY RESULTS

Errands

TBD

x out of 68 respondents answered this question.

x out of 68 respondents answered this question.



SUMMARY OF SURVEY RESULTS

Leave things
as they are.

Groveland is a town that
has changed immensely in
the [past] generation. The
development of the town
[does] not match the
current need of its
residents.

The community has suffered
a great hit due to Covid and
the recent political divides in
society over the past 2-3
years. A town is only as
strong as the community.
Right now we are hurting.

Vibrant, popular,
well programmed,
thoughtful

I would like to see a
better variety of
small shops and
restaurants. More
activities for adults
in their 30s/40s.

Investment in their
youth through growth
of strong school
system, investing in
the seniors with their
own community
center

A friendly
community

Apprehensively
friendly

Maintaining our intimate town
feel, our community
organizations and welcoming
others who appreciate them.



1: DEVELOPING A VISION: FILL-IN-THE-BLANKS

Instructions

Divide into # groups, one per board.

Fill in the blanks as a group.

At the end, each table will ask a volunteer to read that table's board.

Example

One of our favorite things about Elm Square is _____.

One of our favorite things about the Pines is _____.

When we have visitors, we take them to _____ in this area.

We think _____ is missing from this area.

The biggest challenge this area faces today is _____.

In 2035, this area of town will be known for _____.

The most important issues in this area for this plan to address are _____,
_____, and _____.

This plan must _____ in order to be successful.



2: ELM SQUARE TO TOWN HALL

Instructions: Comments

Review the stations.

Use the stickies to make comments or ask questions.

Write clearly!

Instructions: Priorities

Read through all the comments.

Use your five dots to selected your top five priorities (one dot per priority).



NEXT STEPS

May 12, 6-7:30 PM

Bagnall Elementary School to the
Georgetown Line

May 14, 10-11:30 AM

150 Center Street to Veasey
Memorial Park

June

Third Steering Committee Meeting
Open House

July

Second online questionnaire
Fourth Steering Committee Meeting

August

Draft plan and public review



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