

Villa Park Highlights



Villa Park Community Survey Responses

The last edition of the *Villa Park Highlights* was dedicated to a community survey and more than 130 survey responses were received from the community. This represents a response rate of approximately 6.7%.

The demographics of the respondents varied. Of the total responses, 73 respondents were male and 57 were female. All of the respondents were over 35, with 41 respondents between the ages of 35 and 54, 48 of the respondents between the ages of 55 and 70, and 29 respondents over the age of 70. With regard to how long the respondents had lived in Villa Park the demographics were also varied. Almost half of the respondents, 64, have lived in Villa Park more than 25 years - 22 lived in the Villa Park less than 5 years, 10 lived here from 5 to 10 years, 9 lived here from 10 to 15 years, and 21 lived here from 15 to 25 years. The respondents represented a broad cross-section of the community - from newcomers to long-term Villa Park residents.

At the October 12 Town Hall Meeting, the City Council will present a detailed presentation on the results of the survey and discuss some of the recommendations received in the results. Staff is still preparing an analysis of the results. The October 12th meeting will be an excellent opportunity for questions

and answers from the community regarding some of the priorities that arise from the results. Upon completion of the staff report, the report will be released across the E-Network and be available on the City website. Since the report will be out in the community prior to the October meeting, this will give the community an opportunity to review the results and come to the October meeting with questions and suggestions.

In brief, the survey asked the community five questions: What's important? How involved are you in local government? What are the key issues? What about VPTV? and Are we wired?

The City Council will use the responses to these questions to help formulate goals and objectives for Villa Park over the next few years. It is anticipated that this survey will be repeated every 4 or 5 years to solicit input from the community on all levels of government.

To get on the list for a copy of the staff report when released prior to the October 12th meeting, join the City's Electronic Network by contacting City Hall with your email address or sending an email to grodericks@villapark.org. The report will also be accessible on the City website.

What's Inside:

- Volunteer Happenings
- Street Clock Unveiled
- Neighborhood Watch



Did you miss out on the Street Clock?



There's still time to get off the bench by getting "On the Bench" - see inside for details!

Dates To Remember

- September 28th•
City Council Meeting
- October 3rd•
Pancake Breakfast
- October 12th•
Town Hall Meeting
- October 26th•
City Council Meeting
- October 30th•
HalloweenFest