

LRP Community Facilities

City fees for refuse collection, sewer, water and power are higher than any where else I have ever lived.

Posted: 2/13/2006 5:57:09 PM

Ever tried to open the door(s) to a public restroom (theaters, grocery stores) while using a walker to ambulate. Very difficult. Railings, & electric open-shut controls would help.

Posted: 1/26/2006 5:37:56 PM

Glendale actually has a reasonable no of parks for a city this size. I do support saving those open spaces that we have and not converting them to residential or commercial use.

Posted: 1/30/2006 7:16:47 PM

Glendale has done a good job of protecting open space, but there is a chronic shortage of neighborhood parks. More emphasis should be placed on adding useable parkland, especially as the population grows. The general conditions of the streets, and quality of utilities is high.

Posted: 1/28/2006 1:32:05 PM

Glendale's utility and public works infrastructure seems strong. Video streaming great idea. Open space a mixed bag: its great but don't overdo buying up open land and then trying to shoehorn all the new housing into dense areas of the existing city.

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I am paying between \$150 - \$200 monthly in my GWP bill which is exorbitantly high in comparison the \$75 - \$100 I was paying in my previous home in Long Beach, CA. As a renter in Glendale, I am also charged an additional user fee which feels like I'm getting dinged two times for the same bill.

Posted: 2/15/2006 1:19:26 PM

I definetly want out city to keep up with current trchnology but as a part of improvement to the infrastructure. It is fine and important to provide high speed underground fiber optic wiring or the means of doing so but if the sewer/water/electrical/phone systems cannot handle the number of housing units we are putting in place then the quality of life is affected in a negative way.

Posted: 2/1/2006 12:25:24 PM

I don't think we need more parks and recreation facilities throughout the city I do however feel that the ones we have should have more police presence. I also think that our parks should be well maintained.

Posted: 2/13/2006 8:27:36 AM

I have been to the libraries in Glendale. They appear to me like they are not that popular. What is the cost to maintain and staff a library? Could we do better by shutting them down and paying either a private company, or combining costs with neighboring cities to allow Glendale residents to use their libraries? I hardly see anyone in the Chevy Chase library during its hours of operation.

Posted: 1/26/2006 3:31:50 PM

I live on Urquidez Ave. The water pressure on that block is marginal at best. Are there plans to improve water pressure.

Posted: 1/31/2006 12:23:36 PM

I will miss the open space at the corner of Wilson and Brand. I have seen some new lights installed and some traffic signals staggered allowing for people to turn left and or right without interfering with the flow of traffic. Community Centers - Again I mention churches which have facilities ...but don't know how that can be managed.

Posted: 2/1/2006 12:52:38 PM

Lets have the public help the city develop parks in the purchased land and provide transportation to these sites. How about some overnight camp grounds for groups.

Posted: 2/19/2006 4:49:21 PM

Libraries with internet access help the less affluent keep up with technology and communicate worldwide. Again this leads to the need for longer library hours. The libraries need to be open 7 days a week.

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Libraries: Build and maintain high quality libraries that are conveniently located with state of the art technology and

quality resources.

Examples: The Brand Library and Art Center, Pacific/Edison, Central Library. Very High High Low Very Low NA
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Streets: Construct, maintain and repair the city's roadways.

Examples include City efforts to provide roadways that are clearly marked, free of potholes, well-lit and posted with understandable directional signs and signals. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA

Utilities: Provide residents and businesses with reasonably priced and reliable water and power supplies as well as refuse collection services.

Posted: 1/18/2006 7:44:38 PM

Love the store-front library concept that will be developed in Adams neighborhood

Posted: 1/31/2006 4:59:59 PM

Low Income Neighborhoods should be a priority in terms of Street improvements and neighborhood beautification projects.

Posted: 1/19/2006 1:35:19 PM

need to provide more sports oriented activities for kids not adults. im tired of these little parks and playgrounds where adults are gambling. the parks are for kids and families not gambling.

Posted: 2/13/2006 1:24:10 PM

Overall, the City does a fairly good job with parks. But, instead of tearing down small single family homes to make way for mini parks, please tear down some of the ugly apartment houses instead. Unlike Los Angeles, Glendale does a good job of street repair and maintenance. Utility rates are acceptable.

Posted: 2/17/2006 3:30:28 PM

Parks and Recreation Facilities: Provide parks and recreation facilities throughout the city. Examples include Maple Park, Wilson Mini Park, Scholl Canyon Golf Course. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Open Space: Preserve open space. An example would be Deukmejian Wilderness Park. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Community Centers: Provide funding for building, maintaining and programming City community centers. Examples include Pacific/Edison, Maple Park, Adult Recreation Center, and Verdugo Job Center. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Technologies for Public Access: Provide convenient and accessible technologies for public access, Examples include high speed web access, Building Permit kiosks at home improvement stores (for builders or contractors), city business on-line services, video streaming of public meetings, and on-line access for paying fees and bills. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Libraries: Build and maintain high quality libraries that are conveniently located with state of the art technology and quality resources. Examples: The Brand Library and Art Center, Pacific/Edison, Central Library. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Streets: Construct, maintain and repair the city's roadways. Examples include City efforts to provide roadways that are clearly marked, free of potholes, well-lit and posted with understandable directional signs and signals. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Utilities: Provide residents and businesses with reasonably priced and reliable water and power supplies as well as refuse collection services.

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pls provide more information about recycling. I am familiar with the flyer but when I have had additional questions about things that were not clear to me the people who answered the phone just referred me back to the documentation

Posted: 2/23/2006 3:28:00 PM

Reduced library hours are a sham. More hours would take care of many public needs.

Posted: 3/2/2006 10:22:45 AM

See my comments above under #2

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The water in the area where I live (La Crescenta) is extremely hard. It literally corrodes everything it touches on an ongoing basis.

Posted: 1/19/2006 9:08:55 AM

This survey is quickly running into rote reply mode. Yes, all of these things are important, but my personal

satisfaction, how does that apply when it's either high or low, no in between. Who wouldn't be concerned about these things, and who wouldn't see room for improvement?

Posted: 2/13/2006 9:44:51 AM

To me, these are the elements that make a city stand out. Moving ahead with technological improvements, enhancing libraries and most of all providing safe places for families and young adults benefits everyone.

Posted: 2/13/2006 10:44:43 AM

Too many power interruptions in my neighborhood. Also, should re-examine need for Park Rangers. Too expensive and of little value. Program justified after one murder victim dropped in Brand Park, but was not killed there. Even so, still does not justify cost. No increase in security.

Posted: 1/31/2006 12:34:39 PM

We could use more parks. I live by Brand Park. It is taken over every weekend by the men playing soccer. I think this is great, however I think we need parks just for soccer. The men take over the entire park, which makes it hard for kids and other adults to play. Could we find more space just for soccer, baseball...and leave Brand park as a no soccer zone? I also think we need more dog parks. Dog parks build community. I have met several of my neighbors, just by walking my dog. It would be better, if we had a place to meet and socialize with our dogs.

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We need to preserve the open space and wilderness areas!

Posted: 2/13/2006 1:54:06 PM

Would love to have a nice grassy off leash dog park (that is something I would be willing to actually donate additional money to maintain).

Posted: 1/21/2006 6:27:35 AM

LRP Community Safety, Health and Wellness

1) Enforcement of design and code regulations seems spotty. How do people get away with some of the things that they do? 2) Glendale's reputation continues to be poor; I've attended classes and workshops where speakers at the podium say, ""Not Glendale. Don't work there. It's awful."" My roofer wouldn't work with city hall, and I ended up pulling the license and permit on his behalf.

Posted: 3/2/2006 10:22:45 AM

All of the above mentioned items are vital to a City's health. Gang problems, crime rate, emergency preparedness is critical as we cannot depend on outside help to arrive on time if at all. I think that we have an aging population who require up to the minute emergency care. Police and Fire Dept. must be trained and prepared to handle whatever comes at it.

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Code compliance is poorly enforced in South Glendale. There are eyesores and hazards that I've personally complained about multiple times over the years we've lived here and nothing has been done. Neighbors regularly violate code against parking cars on lawn. Their solution is to remove the lawn, now they park on the dirt in front yard and neighborhood services does nothing to s. That's just one example. There are elements moving into the community trying to drag it down to their level and these problems need to be addressed. Another neighbor has rehabilitated a hillside home and is inhabiting it, but the garage continues to be a collapsed wreck pouring into the street--a problem for YEARS! Nothing has been done. 1443 Columbia Drive is the address. I have called multiple times. How and why is this allowed to continue to blight our neighborhood? You tell me. And would this happen in North Glendale? I don't think so.

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Facilities such as libraries and fire stations appear aged and in need of replacement

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Fire Dept. closes down stations to participate in ceremonies for hours at a time thus weakening response times and outcomes. Expanding police personnel is not justified -- too costly and it will not reduce overall crime in city.

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Glendale is doing a good job overall. The area to be careful of is overdevelopment, especially in the hillsides. Leave open space.

Posted: 1/31/2006 8:11:37 PM

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I am comfortable that the city has a fine police and fire protection program. I was unhappy to have our police chief voice his opinion in an official way on the Americana project. I think he should have limited his involvement to advice to staff and council. I think health care and education for those unable to afford it is an action that in the end protects everyone.

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I am in favor of all of the above.

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I have had major problems related to the lack of responsiveness from the Glendale Fire Department regarding fire prevention. The response, overall, from a customer service perspective, has been abysmal. Only one person was really responsive. The rest were awful and the fire hazard around our apartment complex at 2100 Valderas Drive continues to be high. I would like to be contacted to provide further information. I can be reached at (818) 248-5259. Thank you. Bruce Saltzer

Posted: 2/7/2006 11:35:30 PM

I live close to the fire near Los Encinos (La Canada) several years ago. May I see the speed with which firefighters showed up as well as police advising us to evacuate was impressive. I am very grateful to city workers and government for this preparedness

Posted: 2/23/2006 3:28:00 PM

I live in northwest glendale and have noticed a sharp increase each year in what the police call ""quality of life"" crimes, which includes drug dealing, public drinking (usually by teenagers) and sex in parked cars. We call the police almost weekly to report such crimes, but the police are too understaffed to respond in a timely manner.

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I was told by the police that they are able to edit what goes into the local newspapers and what crimes get reported. How can we honestly evaluate what they are doing for us? I understand that police officers have to participate in ""sexual harassment"" classes. I would encourage that they also be taught a class in ""customer harassment"". For every good experience I have had with a Glendale police officer I have had an equally bad one. Maybe some of these people should not be police officers. None of these meetings were under stressful conditions. I have not had this problem with any other PD's.

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Improvement is needed in code compliance. Our police and fire departments are high quality, but the police department is understaffed for the size and complexity of Glendale.

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In the event of emergency, I have no idea what I need to do. If I need clean water or potassium iodide, what do I do? I sought assistance for a fire-prevention program for my building, but wasn't able to get what I felt would be useful. Mostly, I feel helpless to help or protect myself in the event of catastrophe.

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More multi-lingual assistance needs to be available - everyone in Glendale could use a card with common disaster related phrases such as ""the phones are not working - listen to a radio"" or ""don't drive there, the bridge has collapsed"" in several languages with phonetic English pronunciations. That way those of us who only speak English can still communicate with neighbors.

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Need more police patrolling neighborhoods. Too many homeowners making improvements without permits. When

I had sewer line replaced, city gave conflicting guidance to contractor (and why is Glendale the only city in the area to not allow trenchless sewer replacement?). City needs to get aggressive with apartment buildings that permit tenants to dump couches, TVs, hot water heaters, etc. on curbs. Banquet halls should be regulated like adult businesses (legal theory is the same: city can regulate the businesses to prevent "negative secondary effects." Ask Mr. Scott.)

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Overall, services in this area are very good. Police and Fire Services are adequate and seem to function well.

Posted: 2/17/2006 3:30:28 PM

Police and Fire in this town are world class. I feel safe and that they are responsive. Code compliance is a disaster; houses are being defaced, unpermitted work is rampant and there is a culture of allowing "uglification". I truly feel that my property rights are being violated by what is allowed here.

Posted: 2/14/2006 8:40:43 PM

Police haven't had the manpower to oversee parking and traffic congestion problems. When they have been present, they have been effective, but have said they will prioritize needs of the moment. Therefore, I feel the police department's input should be required for any new development that may contribute to the need for their services. Better education for parents who use the hospital emergency care for medical needs that are not emergency.

Posted: 2/1/2006 12:52:38 PM

Police spend too much time chasing harrassing the public on so called traffic violations. Fire Dept personnel are way over paid, except for the paramedics. There is enough people out there wanting to be firemen that you don't need to pay them so much.

Posted: 2/21/2006 8:49:58 AM

Police: Provide Police Services that include crime prevention, investigation and quick response. Examples: Officers patrolling the streets, in-school resource officers, detectives to investigate crimes, specialized gang enforcement officers and Community Policing (COPPS) activities. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Fire: Provide a Fire Department that maintains a Class I Rating (highest in the country). Fire services include fire prevention, rapid extinguishing of fires, paramedic services and disaster response. Examples include providing quick response time to emergencies, hazard inspection of nightclubs and assembly halls, Emergency Medical Technician/Paramedics, and partnerships with surrounding communities (Verdugo Communication Center). Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Building Safety: Ensure that housing, buildings and infrastructure are safely constructed. Examples include plan checks for safe construction standards and inspections during residential and commercial building construction. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Code Compliance: Ensure that neighborhoods and business districts are safe, well-maintained and free of blight. Examples include graffiti removal, demolition of unsafe structures, removal of junk and furniture from City parkways, and inspections of housing units and businesses to ensure they meet health and safety standards. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Disaster Preparedness: Provide programs and services to respond to in natural disasters or terrorist acts. Examples include the Police Mobile Command Center, City staff trained as first responders to mudslides, earthquakes, wildfires and train wrecks, Neighborhood Watch programs, GTV6 (City television) emergency broadcasting, and training programs to train the community (GRIP, CERT). Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Health and Wellness: Provide programs and services to residents to prevent illness/injury and encourage healthy living. Examples include flu shot clinics, CPR classes, public education classes (e.g., literacy programs for seniors on how to read medicine labels), health fairs, partnerships with health care facilities (3 major hospitals), fitness programs, Fire and Police intervention programs for health/drug problems, and community health facilities

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Policing should include foot patrol in highly populated areas such as Brand Blvd. It is as important the police communicate one on one with citizens as it is for citizens to have the same opportunity. Regarding building permits, I consider many of the permits required to be ludicrous and too high in cost.

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Posted: 2/13/2006 9:27:02 AM

the police and fire response times have taken a plunge. the response times has gotten dramatically worse.

Posted: 2/13/2006 1:24:10 PM

There is a tremendous amount of construction going on in the backs of properties that I doubt very seriously will be done within all the codes for safety etc. It seems as though zoning for single family residential is a thing of the past. I don't agree with this-it creates more problems. Zoning should not be allowed to be changed without major neighborhood involvement. Folks should not be allowed to circumvent the zoning rules and build on and use the space as rental property.

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We are doing very well in this area, we don't need to spend any more city resources to increase service levels.

They well exceed my expectations.

Posted: 1/19/2006 9:08:55 AM

We have found the police to be VERY responsive on the one or 2 occasions we have had to call them for neighborhood disturbances

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LRP Community Service

After school programs seldom seem to get off the ground, or if they do in one place or another, they are difficult to keep going. Could high school students, for their community volunteer work, be part of the solution? Tutoring could be part of the mix. Church facilities have gymnasiums that aren't being used. I imagine rental, insurance, & maintenance are issues in regard to their use. Could the Glendale Community Foundation...not sure of the exact title...contribute to that ? Sad to see Noise Within's departure.

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Are the programs we have effective? What is the gap of the unmet need? Take diversity. How do you measure it? Have we really removed the animosities and ethnic tension we have in the community? Glendale High school had five ethnic fights in a single Friday on February 27th. How do we measure the effectiveness of a Unity Fest? The answer is that we don't. Going to a food and music festival is about as effective as going to the foodcourt of the Galleria and listen to a Tarantella piped in as Musak. Professionally conducted, unbiased surveys that report the outcomes with candor are desperately needed. All the programs we provide, regardless of effectiveness lack clearly stated objectives and measurable outcomes. Proper policy development is lacking. The City of Glendale does not fund the social service programs, the Federal Government does through HUD grants to the city. The distribution of those funds is not based on the unmet need and the city does not support their stability and continuity. We can start addressing the problem by addressing one core ethical measure: CANDOR and my level of satisfaction: Very Poor

Posted: 2/7/2006 9:30:19 AM

As a resident, I went through Glendale schools from Columbus in 1929-30, Wilson 30-32, Toll 32-33, Hoover 33-36, Glendale Jr. College 36-38. I now live 400 miles away, and so only use your city services (mostly the Library)during a vist (annual if possible). I do very much appreciate what you've already done to preserve the historic Glendale I knew, and I strongly urge you to keep up and expand your local history-oriented programs as much as you possibly can.

Posted: 2/13/2006 1:25:26 PM

Bringing arts and culture to Glendale will enrich the entire city and its populace. We have few museums, and few arts venues. Great improvement has been made by the current staff but we are still well behind our neighbors.

Posted: 2/14/2006 8:40:43 PM

City should adopt policy to have its workforce at all levels to reflect the composition of it citizens -- a mirror of itself. How can it defend the fact that there are still no Armenians in the fire dept.

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Diversity needs to remember the past as well as embrace dynamics of today's status changes.

Posted: 3/2/2006 10:22:45 AM from

Education and Literacy: Provide library books, educational materials, reading and literacy programs, and life-long learning opportunities. Examples include Summer Reading Programs, Book Mobile, and English as a Second Language (ESL) classes (Glendale schools are managed by the Glendale Unified School District). Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA

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Examples include Open Studio Tour, Alex Theatre, Brand Library, music concerts in the Parks. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA

Diversity: Value and celebrate Glendale's rich diversity through special events, outreach, and efforts to build a

diverse workforce that serves and reflects the community.

Examples include Unity Fest, job fairs, a culturally diverse workforce, Week of Remembrance, multi-lingual outreach materials and Cesar Chavez Day.

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Glendale has made good strides in promoting diversity, but more can be done.

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I don't personally need these services but I think it's important for those who do need the services.

Posted: 1/31/2006 8:11:37 PM

More Volleyball, Less basketball.

Posted: 1/26/2006 3:31:50 PM

My priority is disability access & disabled-friendly configuration. For instance, while ramps outside of establishment are appreciated, some disableds would prefer: 1) railings; or 2) more disabled parking spots; or 3) having disabled parking spots closer to the entrance of the target building; or 4) a crackdown on misuse of disabled parking placards. A ride service does not answer the needs of those who can't get to a pick-up or drop-off point.

Posted: 1/26/2006 5:37:56 PM

Only important if all ethnicities are included!!!!!!! I am concerned about the Armenian population in this city who do not seem to integrate but to isolate themselves from the rest of the citizens. It is not healthy for this community to have this large no of residents who seem to think that this is the country of Armenia.

Posted: 1/30/2006 7:16:47 PM

Ot seems the Armenian community is catered to more than anone else. I realize Glendale is the ""Armenian Capital of the World"" today, nevertheless, I feel they are concerned the ""center of the universe"" in Glendale. This truly offends me for many reasons.

Posted: 2/13/2006 8:32:14 AM

Our youth need more wholesome activites and places to go.

Posted: 2/13/2006 10:44:43 AM

Please make tennis court retention and adding new ones a priority. The public non-pay courts and even the pay courts are always full so there are a lot more people out there who want to play tennis then we may realize. I see people of all ages. I would appreciate more classes and other ways to meet others interested in playing tennis. Unfortunately, for example at the Glorietta courts the only classes offered have been in Armenian. When we asked about classes in English the operator took the sign for the classes down. I do not wish to deprive anyone of a class in their language and may I say the operator there is a very nice man, just would appreciate opportunity for the rest of us somewhere in Glendale.

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Recreation: Provide recreation and sports programs for youth, teens, adults and seniors. Examples include leisure classes, playgrounds, after school recreation programs, basketball leagues, and arts and crafts activities. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Social Services: Provide social service programs for youth, teens, adults and seniors. Examples include homeless programs, senior citizen meals, case management, youth counseling and employment. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Education and Literacy: Provide library books, educational materials, reading and literacy programs, and life-long learning opportunities. Examples include Summer Reading Programs, Book Mobile, and English as a Second Language (ESL) classes (Glendale schools are managed by the Glendale Unified School District). Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Arts and Cultural Activities: Provide art, music, theater, and dance programs and cultural events for entertainment & personal enrichment. Examples include Open Studio Tour, Alex Theatre, Brand Library, music concerts in the Parks. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Diversity: Value and celebrate Glendale's rich diversity through special events, outreach, and efforts to build a diverse workforce that serves and reflects the community. Examples include Unity Fest, job fairs, a culturally diverse workforce, Week of Remembrance, multi-lingual outreach materials and Cesar Chavez Day.

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Screw diversity. This should be America and we should act like Americans.

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The city does not seem to be as concerned about the arts as I would like.

Posted: 2/13/2006 4:10:08 PM

There is no ""Average"" choice in the pop up menu. Under Recreation and Arts & Cultural I would have put ""Average"" rather than ""Low"" for My Satisfaction.

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there is way to much stress put on culturally diverse group events. need to stick with events that worked in the past.

Posted: 2/13/2006 1:24:10 PM

This is Glendale NOT Pacoima! We do not need teen centers for delinquents to hang out. We need a good school system and good sport programs.

Posted: 2/13/2006 8:27:36 AM

Your rating system needs an 'average' neither high nor low. Libraries are doing a great job but need to be open every day and longer hours. There are not enough affordable community meeting rooms in libraries.

Posted: 2/28/2006 12:02:33 PM

LRP Economic Vitality

Economic Growth: Attract new businesses to Glendale to continue to provide for the needs of the community. Examples include the Americana, Galleria improvements. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA

Jobs and Job Training: Provide job-seekers with skill development programs and helps employers find employees with desired skill sets and work experience. Examples include computer training, youth employment, nurses training, and retraining of displaced workers, resume preparation, mock interviews and other services provided by the Verdugo Jobs Center. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA

City Funds/Emergency Funds: Maintain satisfactory levels of reserve funding. Funds are placed in interest earning savings accounts to be used for unplanned needs or emergencies.

An example would be "rainy day funds" to deal with unexpected emergencies. Very High High Low Very Low NA
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Comments:

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Big picture thinking needs to be paramount. Some small programs serve too few to be worth the resources put against them.

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Business Retention: Help all existing businesses to be successful and provide the services necessary for the community. Examples include Brand Blvd. of Cars, Façade Improvement Programs, Merchants Associations and Business Improvement Districts. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Economic Growth: Attract new businesses to Glendale to continue to provide for the needs of the community. Examples include the Americana, Galleria improvements. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Jobs and Job Training: Provide job-seekers with skill development programs and helps employers find employees with desired skill sets and work experience. Examples include computer training, youth employment, nurses training, and retraining of displaced workers, resume preparation, mock interviews and other services provided by the Verdugo Jobs Center. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA City Funds/Emergency Funds: Maintain satisfactory levels of reserve funding. Funds are placed in interest earning savings accounts to be used for unplanned needs or emergencies. An example would be "rainy day funds" to deal with unexpected emergencies. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Comments:
Posted: 1/18/2006 8:13:37 PM from 206.117.117.181

Business seems to want to come to Glendale and Montrose.

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City keeps draining the reserve fund well below prudent levels and its effort to develop a long range strategy is of NO VALUE unless cost and revenue are factored in. Shame on the city to conduct this expensive exercise without showing the financial picture to the taxpayers. All you are going to get in the results of this survey is feel good stuff that doesn't equate to reality.

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Down with welfare programs and no more Gallerias with crapy tiny parking structures.

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Economic development and attracting clean business and housing that will contribute to the tax base is crucial to the economic future of Glendale.

Posted: 1/28/2006 1:32:05 PM

I am a strong believer in skill development programs to help those who are currently receiving state aid to develop skills to earn a living.

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I love Glendale because we are small and not insanely busy like some of the other burbs, so I am all about attracting new business and improvements as long as it doesn't mean that we become a crowded, dirty, crime ridden place.

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I still travel to Pasedena for the stores and services not provided in Glendale. I.E. ""Higher end"" stores (where is Gelson's, Saks 5th Ave., Nieman Marcus, even Anthropology, etc.) and restaurants: Where are Glendale's 5 star dining facilities? Where is our 5 star Hotel? We are the 3rd largest city in LA, but we are sadly lacking in these areas.I would gladly spend my dollars in Glendale, if given the chance.

Posted: 2/27/2006 11:04:15 AM

I work at GCC and as in a city the unexpected can happen at any time. It is critical to me that the City maintain adiquate reserves in order not to draw from programs in the General Fund budget

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If, for example, a bookstore wants to do business in Glendale, please don't put it right next to or across the street from an existing one. Restaurants can be close to one another if they offer a diversity of cuisine. When businesses are vacated, make sure the empty building is clean. Unkempt vacant buildings affect existing businesses. It has been my experience that the companies wishing to do business in the city mainly convince the city it is a good idea. 300' radius of notifying others who may be affected..(other businesses or residential areas) is not a large enough radius. Perhaps there should also be one Saturday a month when hearings can take place so that people who work out of the area can attend.

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Maintenance of summer employment for youth is important for me and my family.

Posted: 2/22/2006 4:45:11 PM

need some more nightlife in the city. there is nothing to do in the city after 800 pm. the police dept has runout all the nightclubs and bars.

Posted: 2/13/2006 1:24:10 PM

Need to attract more business to Glendale. Pasadena and Burbank are growing while Glendale seems to be remaining the same. Hopefully the new Americana will attract more restaurants and shops but for the last few years all of the new restaurants have been going to Pasadena and Burbank.

Posted: 3/6/2006 10:29:49 PM

Pass an ordinance to discourage big-box retailers such as Wal-Mart from trying to move into Glendale.

Posted: 2/13/2006 8:57:09 AM

Steps 3 through 8 are only rarely applicable to me as a visitor. Mostly I use your Library services and relish your examples of historic preservation, as noted below.

Posted: 2/13/2006 1:25:26 PM

The City has been much too generous with the car dealerships. They aren't going to leave the City if they don't get upgrades constantly. The City needs to quit pandering to their every desire with the public's money. We can see them just fine when we drive down the street, street signs in the Center of Brand were not needed. The renewing of the sidewalks on Brand was also not needed. The old sidewalks were perfectly good. If the City was going to do something useful, it should have been to indent the bus ss instead of extending them into the traffic lanes. The bus ss and all traffic ss for blocks. It's too early to say if Americana will work. It will depend on the mix of stores and restaurants. If its the same chains you can find by going to Burbank or Pasadena, it will not be the special place we were promised.

Posted: 2/17/2006 3:30:28 PM

There are no interesting or cool restaurants or shops in Glendale. One must go to Pasadena. Small business is not encouraged it seems, everything is in the Mall or a chain restaurant. And the environment is not friendly, it seems cold and uninviting. I'm excited about the new Americana.

Posted: 2/13/2006 3:53:26 PM

This questionnaire is written not to provide good data, but it appears to be a "pat on the back" for projects that have already been built or approved. I do not want any more projects like Galleria or Americana, unless you can show/prove that they have a benefit above and beyond enriching the developers and city councilpersons who build and approve these projects.

Posted: 1/26/2006 3:31:50 PM

LRP Housing

I am not in favor of Section 8 housing as I have had experience with it as a landlord. I would like to see teachers and police personnel able to afford housing in Glendale. As a retired teacher who does live in Glendale, there is an advantage to interacting with one's students outside of the classroom, at church, on the soccer field if one's children also play..etc. It will take some time to entice people to walk and use public transportation to downtown, but it will in the end foster more interaction between members of the community as well as cutting down on congestion, pollution etc.

Posted: 2/1/2006 12:52:38 PM

As a working, single mother of two (is there really any other kind?), who thankfully earns a decent salary, I am finding it impossible to buy a place for my family. The first time buyer programs and housing subsidies/assistance programs need to account for those who make enough to not qualify for subsidies yet don't make enough to not need that type of assistance.

Posted: 2/15/2006 1:19:26 PM

City allows too many incompatible housing projects in neighborhoods. Glendale is overbuilt. As a result, transportation systems, parking, and retail establishments cannot handle existing loads. The city should be focusing on REDUCING not increasing population density.

Posted: 2/20/2006 10:11:47 AM

City's only expectation of future revenue to finance burgeoning cost centers, ie., pensions, is with more housing. Residents do not want this. Big conflict between council & citizens

Posted: 1/31/2006 12:34:39 PM

Developer fees have not been assessed to the extent allowed by law, and this is a terrible missed opportunity. These fees could go a long way toward these special programs.

Posted: 3/2/2006 10:22:45 AM

Development in Area 14 and other areas north of the 134 Freeway need to be slowed. The rezoning the planning commission has proposed needs to be passed. Additional condos are not wanted in these areas - too many have all ready been built in the last few years.

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Even though I live in a multi-dwelling complex, too much such housing has been allowed and continues to be allowed. Smaller, single family homes that have been torn down in multitudes should have been replaced by similar housing stock. The zoning laws need to be changed to reduce and slow down such growth. The hillsides must be protected. More \$1 million homes are not needed.

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Housing Downtown: Develop urban style housing in downtown Glendale. Examples include Monterey Towers, Paseo Colorado, and other mixed use projects (housing above retail). Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Transit-Oriented Development: Promote development of high density projects around major roadways and mass transit routes to help reduce automobile traffic. Examples include transit going in and out of Galleria and Holly St. in Pasadena (which is over a train station). Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Variety of Housing: Provide diverse housing opportunities in the City. Examples include single family and multi-family housing, studios, live/work, row house style, townhouses, condos, and apartments. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Housing Affordability: Provide housing affordable at all income levels. Examples: Senior housing, Section 8, First Time Homebuyer's Program, Orange St., Habitat for Humanity, and Vine-Pacific. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Comments:

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Housing Affordability: Provide housing affordable at all income levels.

Examples: Senior housing, Section 8, First Time Homebuyer's Program, Orange St., Habitat for Humanity, and Vine-Pacific.

Posted: 1/18/2006 7:51:35 PM

I am interested in preservation of and adaptive reuse of what is still left of Glendale's greatest asset: it's beautiful and unique historic architecture. I support Historic Districting whole-heartedly.

Posted: 2/27/2006 11:04:15 AM

I believe high density housing is necessary for future quality of life, with residents being able to walk to shops and services, and mass transit readily available. I think we have enough low income housing in Glendale, or low income by default, i.e., over crowding of extended families and illegal in-law apartments in our more modest neighborhoods

Posted: 2/13/2006 9:44:51 AM

I have serious concerns re: continued increase in developing housing. Glendale consists of a small geographic area and I am very concerned about increasing the density much more than it already is no matter the income level. There is minimal street parking available on my street when I have guests now and if the density is increased there will be none.

Posted: 1/30/2006 7:16:47 PM

I would like to see the city develop urban style housing downtown. I am NOT in favor of any kind of section 8 housing what so ever! I am however in favor of affordable housing for seniors.

Posted: 2/13/2006 8:27:36 AM

I'm HOPING that Glendale will soon have neighborhoods where old houses are given historic preservation status.

Also, I'd like to see Glendale S the tearing down of old houses (and construction of new, bigger ones).

Posted: 2/23/2006 5:35:48 PM

I'm very disappointed in how the city has handled permits within neighborhoods, allowing for McMansions and the demolition of beautiful archetural homes. New is not always better. The city needs to do a better job in perserving our architectural heritage...or we might as well be Stevenson Ranch.

Posted: 2/13/2006 3:53:26 PM

More and more cheap and poorly designed apartments keep going up in Glendale - thus creating more ghettos. More single family housing is important and maintaining what we already have.

Posted: 2/13/2006 5:57:09 PM

need to keep the building codes strict on historic land sights like kenneth rd village.

Posted: 2/13/2006 1:24:10 PM

Northern Glendale is forgotten

Posted: 2/18/2006 7:28:23 AM

Offer huge incentives for people not to drive in the city. Provide large safe parking areas outside or on the outskirts of the city. Provide lots of transportation throughout the city. Make all traffic violations very punitive...enough so people/residents think twice about driving through the city.

Posted: 1/26/2006 3:31:50 PM

Please do not change change zonings to permit building more apartment complexes.

Posted: 2/1/2006 4:37:27 PM

Provide creative housing and insist on the best. Glendale is a mecca for shoddy development - it is a local joke. Also, provide Adaptive reuse incentives so older, architecturally interesting buildings can be retained.

Posted: 2/14/2006 8:40:43 AM

seems we do not do well reusing our old buildings...we just seem to know them down instead. Other cities seem to have figured out how to do this.

Posted: 2/13/2006 2:34:32 PM

Studies of the most successful communities show that a variety of housing--both in terms of affordability and type--reduces traffic and provides a varied work force. Though it might be a hard sell, affordable housing should be spread throughout the city.

Posted: 2/13/2006 10:44:43 AM

Tear down condos or require every new construction project to have 2.2 parking spaces per 2 bedroom unit.

Posted: 2/1/2006 5:23:27 PM

The city seems maxed out in terms of what it can handle w/large apartment developments. Let's keep those to a minimum.

Posted: 2/13/2006 8:57:09 AM

The price of housing is driving the average middle class family to look elsewhere. This promotes speculative investors who rent or lease there property which in turn is never kept in the same condition as if the family owned the property. I feel that this can be detrimental to a neighborhoon community. Although the rents are at the upper ranges this doesn't mean that the tenants will put the same level of care or carte at all about the neighborhood

Posted: 2/1/2006 12:25:24 PM

There is not enough low-income housing and too much hillside development has been allowed.

Posted: 2/28/2006 12:02:33 PM

Transit oriented housing works best with light rail. Since we don't have it and it isn't forseeable, it's not practical. Focus on new housing should be on owner-occupied with moderate density levels.

Posted: 1/28/2006 1:32:05 PM

We need more affordable housing in Glendale.

Posted: 2/22/2006 4:45:11 PM

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Glendale has lost it's heritage thank to the city council.

Posted: 2/13/2006 9:26:46 AM

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Posted: 2/13/2006 9:27:02 AM

Again, Glendale does a good job in all areas. Keep up the good work! But there is always room for improvement.
Posted: 1/31/2006 8:11:37 PM

all of this is not being done.
Posted: 2/13/2006 1:24:10 PM

Although I appreciate art work around the neighborhood, I feel that this can be best addressed when a developer approaches the city for permits to build a project and not placed as a draw on the city's budget. Historical preservation I feel is the city's responsibility. I am all for futhering the environment and it is important that the city makes every effort to improve and encourage these type of projects but not at the cost of the overall good of the city. (Meaning that if the dollars aren't there to make a project 100% environmentally friendly then a best effort solution should be adiquate.
Posted: 2/1/2006 12:25:24 PM

Art and architecture are extremely important, but of the right kind. Neighborhood character is being lost to design review board approvals such as the recent allowance of a charming Spanish style cottage on Adams to be turned into a peaked roof home. This is absurd and I understand all the rage. Will D & R continue to let these atrocities happen? I am also disturbed by the ongoing mansionization of our neighborhood with huge housing projects approved by a D & R board that denies the character of the neighborhood in favor of what they believe to be the character of the day. And when that day calls for 6-8,000 square foot homes in a primarily 1600 square foot neighborhood, I'm sure theyll approve those projects as well. I could go one, but I won't. Suffice to say, much could be done better on all the above fronts. I do appreciate, finally and at last, the changes in the Adams Square area, but it's been a LOOOOONG time coming.
Posted: 2/13/2006 9:44:51 AM

As I said earlier: PLEASE establish historic neighborhoods, and S the tearing down of old houses. I moved here because of the charming old houses, and they're vanishing before my eyes at an alarming rate. S IT S IT S IT.
Posted: 2/23/2006 5:35:48 PM

City seems aware and communicative on recycling matters. Neighborhood character, historic preservation and architectural excellence are all handled very poorly. If we don't get serious about the quality of our urban environment and start addressing these matters we won't need any of the other things on this survey because no one will want to live here. I see serious decline in the beauty of our urban environment and it has accelerated in the last 2 years.
Posted: 2/14/2006 8:40:43 PM

City should allow for public input after issues have reached the council because prior to that, most citizens do not follow the process. They are too busy running their own lives, but when it reaches a level of action on the part of the council, the citizens finally wake up and respond, offer too late to have an impact.
Posted: 1/31/2006 12:34:39 PM

down zone all residential properties, except in downtown. S the rapid construction of multi-unit development before it is too late!
Posted: 2/20/2006 1:07:22 PM

Environment and Conservation: Strive to operate the City in an environmentally friendly manner and effectively manage the community's natural resources.
Examples include hillside preservation, using recycled paper, energy and water conservation campaigns, shade tree program, solar conversions, encouraging the use of "green" power, alternative fuel vehicles, and administration of "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle" programs
Posted: 1/18/2006 7:44:38 PM

Historic Districts should be established to promote the wonderful neighborhoods Glendale has and keep them from being turned into just another street.
Posted: 2/13/2006 8:21:54 PM

Historic preservation is extremely important to maintaining the character of Glendale.

Posted: 2/13/2006 8:41:33 AM

I am disappointed that we are not as far along in our preservation efforts as other communities in Los Angeles. I am interested in preservation of and adaptive reuse of Glendale's greatest asset: it's beautiful and unique historic architecture. I support Historic Districting whole-heartedly.

Posted: 2/27/2006 11:04:15 AM

I am in favor of all of the above with the exception of the Public Art, lets spend our money on more important things.

Posted: 2/13/2006 8:27:36 AM

I am in high favor of Historic Preservation...especially for the beautiful area of ADAMS HILL!!! We need to focus on Adams Hill and help clean it up, bring in new businesses.

Posted: 2/13/2006 1:54:06 PM

I am very disappointed in the amount of trash on our streets and freeway exits. I don't see how one can use the term ""Glendale Beautiful"". I've been to third world countries that were cleaner. There needs to be a massive clean-up of the trash scattered around Glendale.

Posted: 2/13/2006 1:45:52 PM

I appreciate public art, and feel it should be included. Interesting archietecture that will stand the test of time...weather well should be first consideration...the art doesn't necessarily have to be in the form of a bronze feature...however, a space could be allowed for such...a garden until such time there is a budget for such...Some sort of time line for acquisition...

Posted: 2/1/2006 12:52:38 PM

I need to become more aware of public participation at Council Meetings. How do I find future agendas, and days and times of Meetings?

Posted: 2/13/2006 8:32:14 AM

I really appreciate this opportunity to have my ""voice"" ""heard."" This has been a good example of public participation, depending on whether or how my input is used. Thank you.

Posted: 1/26/2006 5:37:56 PM

I worry greatly about old buildigs, and particularly buildings with character that reflect the city's history. I'm seeing older buildings being demolished and replaced without thoughtful consideration as to their historical significance. Pasadena has taken great length to incorporate its old town development with original structures. There is a way to meld the old with the new. I'm part of the younger generation - I wasn't here when these structures were built, I don't have a personal memory or attachment. But seeing them reminds me of another time I'd like to know more about and preserve. How odd that people much older than I am are happy to see them go.

Posted: 2/13/2006 9:35:39 AM

I would like to see a commitment from city officials to retain the density and character of our established neighborhoods both in north and south Glendale. I would like to see incentives established to help developers and property owners to retain the historic fabric of neighborhoods.

Posted: 2/13/2006 10:44:43 AM

I would suggest better public art. The Marketplace Frogs are embarrassing. They never work and the craftsmanship is sloppy. Plus they are just silly. I'm disappointed that the city has not moved toward the trend of Historic Preservation. We are quickly lossing our character and flavor of our city and becoming just a bland, non-noteworthy town.

Posted: 2/13/2006 3:53:26 PM

My family has been in Glendale since 1930 and my wife's family since 1915. Some neighborhoods have maintained their charm, but the Design Review process has failed too often. They nitpick minor details while allowing monstrosities that are totally out of place.

Posted: 1/28/2006 1:32:05 PM

Neighborhood Chacter/Community Planning How would you explain projects like the Galleria and Americana? Public Participation We do need a better way to communicate with our public officials. Or at least require acting classes be taken by everyone that talks to the public. It seems like (from what I have seen on the televised public meetings) that the city council gives the public the impression that they could care less about what the individuals think about change/anything in Glendale. It is almost as if they are trying to discourage discussion as a means to

communicate with the council, which discourages everybody that might contribute. The city might think about hiring a neutral referee to keep the council "forced to listen" and could take care of the painful "squeaky wheels" that suck up huge amounts of time and energy at the city council meetings. I will be at some of the LRP meetings, but I am not encouraged by possibility that some of those "council members" and the "wheels" are going to show up. Historic preservation Where should it s? What rules should it follow? Our church in South Pasadena was made a "historic" site (not by the current congregation) so it could help block a freeway and keep from splitting a community. Did they do the right thing? Was that church that valuable? It incidently also blocked by the nature of "historic" status held back a redevelopment project that the city could have really used. It also prevented the widening of a major street from two lanes to four lanes, which is being used by the traffic that could be on the freeway if it had been built.

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Overall--my feedback would be that you would've provided an option, not just N/A, that would've bridged the gap between a forced choice of High or Low Satisfaction.

Posted: 2/15/2006 1:19:26 PM

Police: Provide Police Services that include crime prevention, investigation and quick response. Examples: Officers patrolling the streets, in-school resource officers, detectives to investigate crimes, specialized gang enforcement officers and Community Policing (COPPS) activities. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Fire: Provide a Fire Department that maintains a Class I Rating (highest in the country). Fire services include fire prevention, rapid extinguishing of fires, paramedic services and disaster response. Examples include providing quick response time to emergencies, hazard inspection of nightclubs and assembly halls, Emergency Medical Technician/Paramedics, and partnerships with surrounding communities (Verdugo Communication Center). Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Building Safety: Ensure that housing, buildings and infrastructure are safely constructed. Examples include plan checks for safe construction standards and inspections during residential and commercial building construction. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Code Compliance: Ensure that neighborhoods and business districts are safe, well-maintained and free of blight. Examples include graffiti removal, demolition of unsafe structures, removal of junk and furniture from City parkways, and inspections of housing units and businesses to ensure they meet health and safety standards. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Disaster Preparedness: Provide programs and services to respond to in natural disasters or terrorist acts. Examples include the Police Mobile Command Center, City staff trained as first responders to mudslides, earthquakes, wildfires and train wrecks, Neighborhood Watch programs, GTV6 (City television) emergency broadcasting, and training programs to train the community (GRIP, CERT). Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Health and Wellness: Provide programs and services to residents to prevent illness/injury and encourage healthy living. Examples include flu shot clinics, CPR classes, public education classes (e.g., literacy programs for seniors on how to read medicine labels), health fairs, partnerships with health care facilities (3 major hospitals), fitness programs, Fire and Police intervention programs for health/drug problems, and community health facilities

Posted: 1/18/2006 8:13:37 PM

See my comments above under #2

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So much of the city character was lost during the boom of the 70's and 80's. City needs to demonstrate better that those lessons were learned and won't be repeated. Character and history of the past need to be preserved while we delve into the future.

Posted: 3/2/2006 10:22:45 AM

Someone should eliminate the design review board. The people who speak out on others properties should be the ones to pay the bills.

Posted: 2/13/2006 7:55:58 PM

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Posted: 2/21/2006 3:48:19 PM

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Posted: 2/21/2006 3:48:45 PM

Thank you

Posted: 2/18/2006 7:28:23 AM

The city should get more financial support from local entertainment companies to fund educational arts, music and dance programs for students. More work needs to be done with historic preservation and historic overlay zones. Glendale has special neighborhoods that are threatened with overdevelopment. More needs to be done to promote sustainable buildings. Americana at Brand could have solar panels incorporated or gray water irrigation of landscaping, for example.

Posted: 2/28/2006 12:02:33 PM

The people of Glendale are horribly not conservative of the environment. Just look at the trash that is dumped on the streets. Wrappers, shopping bags, paper cups etc etc etc. People do not pick up after their dogs. Cats roam freely. These are not good things for our environment.

Posted: 1/30/2006 7:16:47 PM

The public art in this city is a joke. The "frog fountain" is art? You're kidding, right? Council should learn the difference between "art" and "decoration." Shopping mall developers are not the ones who should be choosing the art that the city invests in. How about a MUSEUM in Glendale? Why was a shopping mall a priority above some kind of meaningful cultural institution? Historic preservation, and more importantly, the preservation of character defining architecture, is a crucial part of maintaining Glendale's identity and "specialness." Not enough is being done by council to protect the city's great architecture, and to curtail the replacement of great old buildings with badly built, oversized, uninspired new ones. Some on council seem downright hostile to the idea of historic preservation. Each council member should have to take a history of architecture course before being allowed to critique or support new construction or the demolition of old buildings.

Posted: 1/31/2006 5:31:57 PM

These are areas the City needs to improve. Although the public art referenced in the questions above are ok. Design review fails too often. We seem to have some very ugly buildings and continue to get more. Historic preservation has never been high on the City's list. Lip service is given to advocates. The City has allowed too many neighborhoods to be glutted by developers who may not have the City's best interest in mind when they undertake a project. The City needs to move faster in historic districting before even more neighborhoods are allowed to fall prey to a "bigger is better" idea.

Posted: 2/17/2006 3:30:28 PM

To thrive and survive in the future, Glendale needs to keep a focus on historic preservation. Keeping the character of our 1920's neighborhoods will separate us from the surrounding areas that destroy the old and replace with the new every few decades.

Posted: 2/13/2006 2:23:30 PM

Verdugo Woodlands, open space #1 reason I live in Glendale. If open space is developed we will leave glendale.

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When I moved to Glendale 16 years ago, many homes still had their original character - the second reason why I had chosen Glendale as my new town. Over the years cheap apartments replaced beautiful, well built, and well crafted homes. It greatly saddens me to our City turn into slums so quickly. "Today's apartments, tomorrow's slums." It has happened here in just a short amount of time. The City should never allow front scape fencing at any time, or the entire City will become a ghetto. I have tolerated cheap stucco, vinyl window (Would you put plastic rims on your Mercedes?), cheap iron gates as tall as the house, crappy columns on Spanish houses for such along time now and just seems to be getting worse. Before you know beautiful NW Glendale and Rossmoyne will be turned into a ghetto too! Please do something before it's too late. The California homes that were built in the 1900's, 1910's, 1920's, 1930's, 1940's, and 50's deserve our respect and protection - they are and always be a part of heritage. People buy homes not only because of the home itself, but because of the look and feel of the neighborhood. If someone buys a tudor next door and takes out everything that gave it character ie, windows, doors, walk path and entryways and replaced them with plastic and stamped color coated concrete all you have left is a big pile of crap! Please, please don't let that happen to our neighborhoods any more. Thank you for your asking and thank you listening.

Posted: 2/13/2006 5:57:09 PM

LRP Transportation & Mobility

...what can I say. Maybe teach or retrain people to drive

Posted: 2/1/2006 5:23:27 PM

accidents, and in-roadway warning lights ("disco lights"). Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA

Parking: Provide convenient, safe and accessible parking.

Examples include Orange St. garage, exchange & Marketplace, and requiring suitable parking requirements for new development. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA

Long-Term Regional Transportation Plan: Collaborate with surrounding communities to develop long-term transportation plans to improve regional traffic flow.

Examples include Metrolink, Burbank, and Pasadena connections Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA

Bike Lanes and Pedestrian Walkways: Provide special lanes for bicycles and sidewalks, walkways and paths for pedestrians.

Examples include LA River bikeway, the Chandler Avenue bikeway (Burbank), and freeway pedestrian bridges.

Posted: 1/18/2006 7:51:35 PM

Although this bike paths and pedestrian walkways are nice and bring a level of community together I believe that this also puts a strain on major mass transit project which would benefit the majority rather than added benefit to a minority of the population

Posted: 2/1/2006 12:25:24 PM

Avoiding grid lock and providing parking is what will bring surrounding residents to our city to spend their money. We need to make coming here to shop easy.

Posted: 2/13/2006 10:44:43 AM

City has to become more pedestrian-friendly. Parking enforcement is a problem. When I call the city about an illegally parked vehicle, it often takes 24-48 hours for the city to respond.

Posted: 2/20/2006 10:11:47 AM

Consider adding ""disco lights"" to crosswalk on Brand just north of Glenoaks by the Catholic church. Brand is very wide at this point and people often cross at this crosswalk. It needs to be better marked given the proximity to Glenoaks the how wide Brand is where the crosswalk is. It is often difficult to see people crossing at this location. Need lots of convenient parking downtown, at Americana and at the mall. Without lots of parking and easy access to parking people won't shop in Glendale. They will go elsewhere. Lower level of parking at Glendale Fashion Square (Barnes & Noble) should be better marked, even though this is probably a private issue rather than a city issue.

Posted: 3/6/2006 10:29:49 PM

Existing traffic downtown is bad and future development is going to make it worse. There needs to be substantial infrastructure improvements. Seek funding for freeway on-ramp improvements. Antonovich's plan to link the Gold Line station in Pasadena to the Red Line station in No. Hollywood should be supported. That will provide practical, useable public transportation to many areas of the region.

Posted: 1/28/2006 1:32:05 PM

I am concerned about traffic congestion everywhere..but in particular...Central...Pacific where there are freeway accesses and exits. It is impossible now without the projects begun...hotel...multiple unit housing etc. The police department should be included in how traffic should be managed and as to whether they have the manpower to cover it. Suitable parking is of greatest priority. Any business going in must have its own parking or be near a garage that has places intended for their location. Neighborhood streets do not have the benefit of street cleaning when their street is the parking lot for a business. Believe me, customers have no respect for public sidewalks, gutters or private property when it comes to trash.

Posted: 2/1/2006 12:52:38 PM

I am in favor of all of the above. I think a program offering some sort of incentive or at least encouraging people to use public trans would also be helpful. California's seem to have a huge problem with public trans they want their cars with them everywhere they go.

Posted: 2/13/2006 8:27:36 AM

I'd love it if the Glendale Beeline's hours were extended, at least to 7:30pm, and if they ran on weekends. I don't know if they already do, because the schedules on the site don't look very up to date...

Posted: 2/15/2006 12:07:27 PM

I'm hoping that Glendale will S installing annoying speed bumps (I REALLY wish it would also get rid of the ones it already has). Also, the word ""S"" needs to be repainted on the ground at many, many residential corners where there are s signs.

Posted: 2/23/2006 5:35:48 PM

More housing, more people, more congestion, all degrade quality of life but council needs revenue growth which conflicts with this important issue.

Posted: 1/31/2006 12:34:39 PM

More work toward sustainable transportation is needed. We will run out of oil in a few years. We need clean alternative fuels and more public transportation.

Posted: 2/28/2006 12:02:33 PM

Must be a way to reduce congestion at 134 FWY and Glendale Ave, and then at Central and Colorado - the two worst! Incorporate a bikeway into the San Fernando corridor landscaping project - even if it is a trail bike/running path, not paved

Posted: 1/31/2006 4:59:59 PM

need to make the city more friendly with parking. there are so many cites with meters and time limits.

Posted: 2/13/2006 1:24:10 PM

Parking structures are avoided like the plague because of the long, slow lines when one tries to exit. Why not use meters and eliminate the kiosks? More of us would be glad to pay for our parking but not expixiate when trying to do so.

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Public Transportation: Provide convenient, cost effective, safe, multi-destination transportation options. Examples include Beeline Bus and dial-a-ride. Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Traffic: Manage and improve the design of traffic flow, minimize congestion, and improve safety via signals, roadways and signs. Examples include crosswalk "sting" operations, cameras at prominent intersections to avoid gridlock and accidents, and in-roadway warning lights ("disco lights"). Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Parking: Provide convenient, safe and accessible parking. Examples include Orange St. garage, exchange & Marketplace, and requiring suitable parking requirements for new development. Very High High Low

Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Long-Term Regional Transportation Plan: Collaborate with surrounding communities to develop long-term transportation plans to improve regional traffic flow. Examples include Metrolink, Burbank, and Pasadena connections Very High High Low Very Low NA Very High High Low Very Low NA Bike Lanes and Pedestrian Walkways: Provide special lanes for bicycles and sidewalks, walkways and paths for pedestrians. Examples include LA River bikeway, the Chandler Avenue bikeway (Burbank), and freeway pedestrian bridges.

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The Beeline is terrific! I use it a lot. Expand if possible.

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The community would be better served by designating certain streets for one-way traffic. Like downtown LA (tried for the Olympics, kept for the obvious benefits). Also, when I moved to Glendale, streets were narrower & quieter. I miss that. One-way streets would help control the busy-ness & noise as well, especially for the busses (& even fire trucks) that shouldn't be using those originally narrow & quiet streets.

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There is currently no safe way to go up and down Chevy Chase from Harvey drive to the golf course. Please, a lot more ""stings"" on Chevy Chase. More cameras on CC. Alternate transportation walking, bike bus on CC. Keep the large safe parking lots and garages out of the city with adequate transportation back into the city. If you hadn't noticed the large lots only attract traffic causing more congestion leading up to and away from the large lots. Keep the traffic out of the city. Maybe we can set the example, or be the first to bite that bullet.

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Traffic around Glendale is generally good. Except for Glendale Ave around between the 134 and Lexington. Must be a way to improve traffic flow.

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Traffic flow is horrible much of time, but much of that is due to overdevelopment. Parking is also difficult. Too many shopping developments, multiplex housing developments are given too many variances for parking. And for heaven's sake, require more full sized care parking spaces. Too many lots make their parking space quota by large number of compact or small car spaces. With many people driving SUVs, etc., they take up two spaces.

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Traffic is horrible and getting worse everyday. Something needs to be done so people can access markets, work sites, schools etc using public transportation.

Posted: 1/30/2006 7:16:47 PM

Transportation is relatively good. The Orange Street parking structure is very attractice and creative - it is well integrated and includes street level businesses. Do more of this, rather than the typical ugly parking structures & lots.

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What bike lanes or pedestrian paths??? Glendale is not bike or pedestrian friendly. Convert the Verdugo wash...it could be done

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While it's popular to complain that downtown Glendale has no parking, it is one of the easiest big cities in which to find parking. Please, no more large garages.

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