

Comments Received- Listening Stations

January 1, 2008-April 30, 2008

Source: Listening Station – Republican Meeting

Number of Participants: 1

Date: 04/23/2008

Stop residential growth and unabated business growth. Don't talk to me about water cost if you allow over-extended growth.

JCC Resident

Heard about from: JCC Republican Committee meeting

Source: Listening Station – JC/W Recreation Center

Number of Participants: 1

Date: 04/24/2008

Less SUVs. More trees. Less developing.

JCC Resident

Heard about from: Recreation Center

Source: Listening Station – JC/W Recreation Center

Number of Participants: 1

Date: 04/24/2008

Please consider restructuring the rates/fees for the Recreation Center. Could you consider a senior rate for use of the Recreation Center? Please consider reducing the amount of the daily access fee for the Recreation Center and please have a reduced rate for use after 5 p.m. Please have more free times and a reduced fee for walking the track only. Let's encourage our residents to get moving and walking by reducing financial barriers to exercise.

JCC Resident

Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – JC/W Rec Center

Number of Participants: 1

Date: 04/24/2008

Preserve the character and beauty of our community. Developers should be required to leave in place tree buffer areas fronting roadways, and wherever else they can possibly not touch. Replanting these areas take decades if not more to replace. These forested areas remove pollutants draining to our waterways and help control flooding. Although the past five years have been pretty dry, it won't last forever.

Require developers to pay into the communities they are creating and profiting from, i.e. – schools and infrastructure.

JCC Resident

Heard about from: JCWCC

Source: Listening Station – JC/W Recreation Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/24/2008

Slow the growth. Water table down. Too much traffic.

JCC Resident
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – JC/W Recreation Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/24/2008

Mandatory recycling. Tether laws against tying animals. Suggest limit to four hours or weather conditions (not over 85 degrees or below 20 degrees).

JCC Resident ?
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – JC/W Recreation Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/24/2008

I think JCC should vote democratic. Less water usage. More forests.

JCC Resident
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – JC/W Recreation Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/24/2008

Control growth. Water problems should be considered.

JCC Resident
Source: Listening Station – JC/W Recreation Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/24/2008

Must we build where every tree stands? We are rapidly losing the reason people move here. How can you restrict water usage and at the same time allow construction? The whole north can't live in Virginia. We need real control.

JCC Resident
Heard about from: JCC Recreation Center

Source: Listening Station – JC/W Recreation Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/24/2008

Stop residential and commercial development. Better schools. New Board of Supervisors and new School Board.

JCC Resident
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – JC/W Recreation Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/24/2008

If a parent pays for a swim lesson, and is unable to attend, please see about giving them a credit.

JCC Resident
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – JC/W Recreation Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/24/2008

MORE SPONGES!

JCC Resident ?
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – JC/W Recreation Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/24/2008

Slow the growth of new homes. Protect our water resources.

JCC Resident
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – JC/W Recreation Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/24/2008

We need more free times at the Recreation Center.

JCC Resident ?
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – JC/W Recreation Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/24/2008

Start high school later. Start elementary school earlier. Make new developments pay for expanded services.

JCC Resident
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – JC/W Recreation Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/24/2008

Start high school later. Start middle school later. Start elementary school earlier.

JCC Resident ?
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – JC/W Recreation Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/24/2008

Later middle and high school start times. Earlier elementary start times. Less fertilizing and watering of lawns, more fresh produce.

JCC Resident
Heard about from: saw in Recreation Center

Source: Listening Station – JC/W Recreation Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/24/2008

Stick to general plan, maintain setback standards. Slow commercial growth, protect existing town citizens. Have traffic pattern analysis done to eliminate bottleneck intersections. Set reasonable speed limits and enforce them.

JCC Resident ?
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – Croaker Library
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/22/2008

Preserve greenspace and plan for schools.

JCC Resident
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – Croaker Library
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/22/2008

We need more youth activities.

JCC Resident
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – JC/W Recreation Center
Number of Participants: 1

Date: 04/24/2008

Too many people!! Cut development.

JCC Resident
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – Toano P.O.
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/15/2008

Must have clean large industry, i.e. Microsoft, research and development center. Limit tourism, which is not paying the bills. Curtail all residential building and retail of chain stores and restaurants. You must go often, don't expect to come to you.

JCC Resident – Joe Spina
Heard about from: Media

Source: Listening Station – Toano P.O.
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/15/2008

Where will the water come from for all the development? Keep upper County green – JCC is special so don't bulldoze it into extension! Monitor the quality of education in the County.

JCC Resident
Heard about from: P.O.

Source: Listening Station – Toano P.O.
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/15/2008

I don't see how JCC can keep letting so many houses and building be built when we don't have enough water for the people here now. It's ridiculous. Other counties limit growth, we should too.

JCC Resident
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – Building F
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/22/2008

(Water) A clean healthy water supply that is capable of meeting the needs of the population it serves. (Growth) Allowing the infrastructure to catch up with population growth by controlling development and thus keeping taxes reasonable. (Balance) Balancing the needs of the young (school, recreation) with the needs of the elderly (recreation, programs).

JCC Resident
Heard about from: Stopped by office

Source: Listening Station – Building F

Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/22/2008

Greenspace, slower growth, need to change County's water.

JCC Resident
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – Building F
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/22/2008

Stop building residential areas. Stop building commercial- use empty stores we have. Stop building - our town is big enough.

JCC Resident
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – Building F
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/22/2008

Top issues are growth (too much), transportation, too many empty commercial buildings, and no water. Less residential commercial growth, not enough water and roads and jobs to support.

JCC Resident ?
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – Building E
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/17/2008

Be sure to restrict the county's "Land Use." Do not build out completely. Do continue to preserve "greenspace" areas. Restrict (if possible) the number of homes built in a subdivision.

Not JCC Resident
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – JC/W Community Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/17/2008

Please consider restructuring the prices at the James City County Recreation Center to encourage active participation by all County residents. How about a senior citizen discount? How about a reduced rate for coming in after 5 p.m.? What about free walk time on the indoor track?

JCC Resident
Heard about from: sign

Source: Listening Station – JC/W Community Center
Number of Participants: 1

Date: 04/17/2008

How about establishing an indoor walking club at the Recreation Center at the indoor track. For a small fee, membership would entitle you to walk the track, earn incentives, etc. Let's get the County fit!

JCC Resident

Heard about from: Listening station

Source: Listening Station - JCC/W Community Center

Number of Participants: 1

Date: 04/17/2008

Growth that encourages high school and college grads to stay is good. Activities oriented; but the County HAS to consider environmental impacts before it sells off too much greenspace or zones for too much sprawl. Please think about improving non-car transportation (bike paths, rail transport).

JCC Resident

Heard about from: Tom Fitzpatrick

Source: Listening Station – Grove Christian Outreach Center

Number of Participants: 1

Date: 04/16/2008

More affordable housing. More non-outsourced jobs.

JCC Resident

Heard about from: GCOG

Source: Listening Station – B

Number of Participants: 1

Date: 04/26/08

Put a limit on residential housing development.

JCC Resident

Heard about from: Paper

Source: Listening Station – B

Number of Participants: 1

Date: 04/28/08

Clean up Toano, have tacky bill boards removed. Build a dog park in Toano. Encourage property owners along Route 60/30 in Toano to "keep up" their properties.

JCC Resident

Heard about from: Website

Source: Listening Station – B

Number of Participants: 1

Date: 04/28/08

More parks.

JCC Resident
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – F
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/28/08

In order to fully appreciate the beauty and history of our area, we need to use it. For example the Norge Depot could be a conference room. To better understand our historic areas, more research should be required for a particular historic job. We need to involve the guests to historic area that interest them (hands on activities).

JCC Resident
Heard about from: JCC Library

Source: Listening Station – JCW Community Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/22/08

Concerned about the cost of water and plans for availability. Concerned that new development and approval for future growth outstrip County resources (i.e. water, schools, and roads). I see no need for James City County to participate in Regional Transportation Authority. Benefits to County would not justify the cost. Expansion of railroad system would be better.

JCC Resident
Heard about from: Virginia Gazette

Source: Listening Station – Grove Christian Outreach Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/16/08

To build house's for the low income families to afford, not apartments but houses. To help people with medical help when can't afford to pay.

JCC Resident
Heard about from: Church

Source: Listening Station – Grove Christian Outreach Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/16/08

Housing for the low income families. Stop bringing in the students from other countries to do the American's jobs. Low health insurance for the low income families.

JCC Resident
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – Grove Christian Outreach Center
Number of Participants: 1

Date: 04/16/08

More community services. Places for the homeless to go. More inexpensive children summer activities.

JCC Resident

Heard about from: Grove Church

Source: Listening Station – Grove Christian Outreach Center

Number of Participants: 1

Date: 04/16/08

The community needs to help draw together community resources like GCOC and financially support them. The community has a huge seasonal employment rate. How can we help sustain these families through the year? Busch Gardens should employ locals.

JCC Resident – no, work in JCC

Heard about from: Grove Outreach

Source: Listening Station – Grove Christian Outreach Center

Number of Participants: 1

Date: 04/16/08

More inexpensive places to live. Grove development to continue.

JCC Resident

Heard about from: Grove Baptist Church

Source: Listening Station – Unitarian Universalist

Number of Participants: 1

Date: 04/16/08

Regulate excessive growth and development.

JCC Resident

Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – F

Number of Participants: 1

Date: 04/16/08

Beautiful. Friendly.

JCC Resident?

Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – EOC

Number of Participants: 1

Date: 04/10/08

We need Sand Hill Road rezoned to residential. We need 118 Sand Hill Road cleaned up.

JCC Resident
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – EOC
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/10/08

Conservation. No water! School overcrowding, empty retail shops, increased crime. Stop the building growth.

JCC Resident
Heard about from: EOC office

Source: Listening Station – EOC
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/10/08

Conservation, small town feeling. Crime rate has increased. Schools are overcrowded, water rates are too high, and no water. Continued building.

JCC Resident
Heard about from: EOC office.

Source: Listening Station – EOC
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/10/08

Reduce the number of shopping centers. Give incentives for those developers truly giving affordable housing. Slow down growth.

JCC Resident
Heard about from: EOC

Source: Listening Station – Human Services Building
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/10/08

Help people to get house like me. Need more protection people. Keep bad people away from apartment.

JCC Resident
Heard about from: Walk-in

Source: Listening Station – B
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/10/08

Better public transportation, run more often, use smaller bus, go to Government Center. Municipal trash pickup instead of private. Plan for needs of over 65 population that is already here and will be here, more health, homecare and recreation services.

JCC Resident

Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – F
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/10/08

I am tired of paying developers to wreck our County's lands, rob us of our forests, waters, we pay, underwrite their costs.

JCC Resident
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – F
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/10/08

Sustainable future is questionable unless we take drastic measures to protect our resources.

JCC Resident
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – JCW Community Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/10/08

Overcrowding, land and house prices, entertainment. Very nice County, help it keep its rural feel. Thanks.

JCC Resident
Heard about from: JCC

Source: Listening Station – JCW Community Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/10/08

Stop building, leave some trees.

JCC Resident
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – JCW Community Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/10/08

Trees, quit taking them down. Planning with quality of life, not crowding for profit. Environment, water quality in tributaries to James, thus Bay. Soil quality, stop the concrete and runoffs. Unrestrained growth.

JCC Resident
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – JCW Community Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/10/08

Water conservation must become mandatory.

JCC Resident?
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – JCW Community Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/10/08

Approve no more new homes!

JCC Resident
Heard about from: Recreation Center

Source: Listening Station – JCW Community Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/10/08

No more Centex type land, people, community, abusers! No more developments (residential) until the water availability issues are settled. Not water rationing as we have now!

JCC Resident
Heard about from: Recreation Center display.

Source: Listening Station – A
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/04/08

Money must be applied to flood control issues, development in watersheds must require flood abatement plan. Zoning decisions should be made on cumulative impacts traffic, schools, etc. Water conservation programs must become more aggressive and alternate supplies identified.

JCC Resident
Heard about from: Heard about it since the 2003 issue.

Source: Listening Station – JCW Community Center
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/26/08

Growth- lack of infrastructure. Increasing elderly population with few services to support them – drain existing services. Would change disengaged youth, roads, and loss of quality of life.

JCC Resident
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – JCW Community Center

Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/26/08

JCC should remain a “super” town and not become an extension of Newport News. Three issues facing JCC are uncontrolled growth, property tax increases through higher assessments, and school crowding. Do a better job limiting growth.

JCC Resident
Heard about from: Recreation Center

Source: Listening Station – Governor’s Land
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/26/08

Comp Plan should include statement re: development approval only if infrastructure costs paid for by developer. Greenspace is critical to community character. New and widened roads have growth-inducing impacts.

JCC Resident
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – Governor’s Land
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/26/08

Raise taxes to buy greenspace and limit growth. NO more high density housing, low-income housing, or strip malls. No new megastores (Walmart, etc).

JCC Resident
Heard about from: Three Rivers Country Club newsletter

Source: Listening Station – Governor’s Land
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/26/08

Increase RPA to 300 feet throughout the County. Preserve greenspace by limiting infrastructure development.

JCC Resident
Heard about from: Three Rivers Country Club newsletter

Source: Listening Station – JCW Community Center/mailed
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/29/08

Better water quality, i.e. taste. Major issue is uncontrolled growth, with too much retail, i.e. Marquis in York Co. Land conservation, land conservation, land conservation! The reason we moved here!!! Not Newport News or anywhere else!!

JCC Resident
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – TNCC
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/30/08

Thank you for the new Thomas Nelson C.C. facility to be opened in 2009. That's awesome!
Issues for 5-10 years: nursing home placement for elderly, increasing crime, and housing.
Come back of section 8 housing. More options of nursing homes. Currently only 2 for needy and medicare patients. Option of another hospital (currently only Sentara).

JCC Resident
Heard about from: Thomas Nelson Community College

Source: Listening Station – TNCC
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/30/08

Affordable housing choices and apartments. Big issue is monitoring of growth in areas – overage of houses not sold. Wants to change incomes of jobs available in the County that match housing issues.

JCC Resident
Heard about from: Thomas Nelson Community College

Source: Listening Station – TNCC
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/30/08

More parking spots.

JCC Resident ?
Heard about from:

Source: Listening Station – TNCC
Number of Participants: 1
Date: 04/30/08

Do not infringe by development adjacent to historic areas. Control growth so that some of a rural community remains in JCC. Balance a budget around monies earned from a moderate tax rate and an increase in tourists' expenditures in area.

JCC Resident: No
Heard about from: Historic Triangle Substance Abuse Coalition Display
