

Welcome to the Preparatory Survey for the City of Bee Cave's update to its Comprehensive Plan, which currently dates from 2009. The Comprehensive Plan is a tool the City will use to guide decisions, policies, and investments related to land use, transportation, open space and parks, infrastructure, urban design, and public services. This survey will assist the City in identifying the topics that most need to be addressed and the ways that the plan process will be most effective and generate the most interest and support from Bee Cave taxpayers and residents. It should take about 10 to 15 minutes. All respondents can choose to remain anonymous.

Lastly, as you take this survey, please keep in mind that many topics and issues which affect the functionality and quality of life in Bee Cave are not necessarily ones where the City government can bring about immediate change or where the City has direct control; however, it is still important for City officials to have a sense of community sentiment even for these matters, and the input can still inform the updated Comprehensive Plan in various ways.

- 1. Please enter the seven-digit login code mailed to you by the City of Bee Cave, exactly as it appeared on the postcard:
- 2. Please state your relationship to the City of Bee Cave:
 - □ I am a resident of the City of Bee Cave
 - \Box I am a business operator or property owner in the City of Bee Cave, but not a resident \Rightarrow SKIP TO QUESTION 5
 - □ I am both a resident and a business operator or property owner in the City of Bee Cave
 - □ I am not a resident, business operator or property owner in the City of Bee Cave ⇒ *Please do not complete any more of the survey.* The City is targeting this survey to residents, property owners, and businesses located within Bee Cave city limits only. Others are disqualified from responding. We apologize for any inconvenience.

3. How long have you lived in Bee Cave?

- □ Less than 2 years
- □ 2-5 years
- □ 6-10 years
- □ More than 10 years



4. Do you own or rent your home?

- 🗆 Own
- □ Rent

5. How satisfied are you with the quality of life in Bee Cave?

- □ Very satisfied
- □ Somewhat satisfied
- □ Indifferent / no opinion
- □ Somewhat dissatisfied
- □ Very dissatisfied
- 6. In choosing Bee Cave to live or do business, what would you say was your determining factor? <u>Choose up to three</u>.
 - □ Small town atmosphere
 - □ Convenience/location
 - □ Good schools
 - □ Good quality of life
 - □ Aesthetic appeal of development
 - □ Quiet/peaceful
 - □ Recreational access i.e. parks, trails
 - □ Rate of growth
 - □ Family-oriented
 - □ Access to lakes
 - □ Natural beauty of area



- 7. What do you think is missing from Bee Cave? <u>Choose all that apply.</u>
 - □ Parks and Open Space
 - □ Trails
 - □ Restaurants
 - □ Shopping
 - Park Amenities (Swimming Pool, Tennis Courts, ball fields)
 - □ Pedestrian connectivity
 - □ Entertainment activities
 - Other:

8. How important are the following issues to you regarding Bee Cave's future?

	Very Important	Moderately Important	Not At All Important	No Opinion
Commercial economic development				
Additional affordable housing				
Open space				
Sense of community				
Public safety				
Tax base / city fiscal management				
Environmental quality				
Energy efficiency				
Cultural diversity				
Scenic / visual quality				
Education (K-12)				
Traffic				
Pedestrian and bicycle connectivity				
Senior living facilities				
Dark skies				
Adequate infrastructure (water, wastewater, roads, propane)				



- 9. Which goals from the 2009 Comprehensive Plan (stated approximately as they appear in that document) do you feel should still remain with little or no changes? <u>Check as many as you want, or select "All of the above" or "None of the above" as applicable.</u> You may also add your own recommendation for a new goal to be added for the plan update after "Other".
 - □ To promote respect, conservation, enhancement and protection of important natural features and resources within the City.
 - □ To provide opportunities for coordinated, well-planned growth and development that are consistent with the Comprehensive Plan, while retaining the Hill Country and "small-town" character of the City.
 - Preserve the inviting character of the City, and encourage the development of high quality, low density residential neighborhoods that promote public health, safety and welfare and that meet the various housing market needs of the community.
 - □ Identify areas suitable for future retail and nonresidential, and/or business park development within the City.
 - Provide a transportation system that will effectively serve the existing and projected travel needs of the City in a safe, expeditious, economical and environmentally sensitive manner, especially as it is impacted by growth in surrounding communities.
 - □ Encourage the organization and development of land uses in a manner that facilitates an efficient and cost-effective transportation system.
 - □ Ensure that public services and facilities will adequately serve the needs of residents and businesses within the City of Bee Cave, and that such services and facilities are adaptable to future growth.
 - □ Realize that the character of the City is primarily that of a small town, and that public facilities should provide a sense of community identity, both functionally and aesthetically.
 - □ Ensure that future community facility and service needs are met through sound long-range and fiscal planning.
 - □ Be a full life-cycle community.
 - □ Preserve the existing low density (i.e., "small-town"), sub-rural or urbi-rural character of the community.
 - □ Promote a more livable community and high quality of life through good urban design practices and through a proactive approach to the visual image of the community.
 - □ Local residents and visitors should feel safe from crime, injury and other physical and psychological harm.
 - □ Provide a comprehensive system of greenbelts and open space that is compatible with the environment and conducive to residential neighborhoods.
 - □ Create trail and sidewalk linkages between residential neighborhoods, linear greenbelts, schools, public administrative facilities, nonresidential centers, and other activity centers, wherever physically and financially possible.



- $\hfill \label{eq:alpha}$ All of the above
- □ None of the above
- Other (please describe)

10. What are the five most important issues that will be facing Bee Cave in the next five years? <u>Choose up to five</u>, including issue(s) you may add in the space next to "Other." Please note that some issues may relate to facilities and policies outside the City's direct control.

- □ The location, density, and type of housing
- □ The location, density, and type of commercial development
- □ The aesthetic / architectural character and image of Bee Cave
- □ The extent and amount of future growth / ultimate community size
- □ The condition and redevelopment potential of existing developed areas
- □ Vehicle traffic congestion, roadway pavement conditions, and safety
- □ Transportation connectivity within and outside Bee Cave
- □ Walking, biking, and transit
- □ The condition and expansion of fresh water supply infrastructure
- □ The condition and expansion of wastewater infrastructure
- □ The condition and expansion of storm drainage infrastructure
- □ The condition and expansion of natural gas infrastructure
- □ Size and distribution of public parks and recreational facilities
- □ Improvement and programming of public parks and recreational facilities
- □ Open space and natural habitat / ecosystems
- □ Flooding, drainage, and aquifer sustainability
- □ Commercial businesses / economic development / employment base
- □ Tax base, fiscal health, and government efficiency strategies
- □ Environmental sustainability
- □ Housing quality, diversity, and affordability
- □ Cultural and educational facilities / programs
- □ Public safety services
- □ Annexation of areas in the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) into the City
- □ Other (please describe)



- 11. How do you generally feel about the way Bee Cave has handled housing development?
 - □ Very well
 - □ Moderately well
 - □ Mixed performance
 - □ Moderately poorly
 - □ Very poorly

12. Please tell us why you feel this way about Bee Cave's handling of housing development.

- 13. How do you generally feel about the way Bee Cave has handled retail and commercial development?
 - □ Very well
 - □ Moderately well
 - □ Mixed performance
 - □ Moderately poorly
 - □ Very poorly
- 14. Please tell us why you feel this way about Bee Cave's handling of retail and commercial development.



- 15. How do you generally feel about the way Bee Cave has handled parks, open space, and recreation?
 - □ Very well
 - □ Moderately well
 - □ Mixed performance
 - □ Moderately poorly
 - □ Very poorly
- 16. Please tell us why you feel this way about Bee Cave's handling of parks, open space, and recreation development.
- 17. How do you generally feel about the way Bee Cave has handled transportation? Please note: local streets, sidewalks, pedestrian and bicycle paths, urban design, and parking policies are under direct control of the City of Bee Cave; state highways, such as Highways 71, 2244, RR620 and Hamilton Pool Road, and public transit (not currently available in Bee Cave) are provided and operated by other agencies.
 - □ Very well
 - □ Moderately well
 - □ Mixed performance
 - □ Moderately poorly
 - □ Very poorly
- 18. Please tell us why you feel this way about Bee Cave's handling of transportation.



- 19. The previous version of the Comprehensive Plan emphasized the desires to maintain a "Small Town" atmosphere with a "Hill Country" ambience in Bee Cave. Which of the following community features have the most impact on the city's ability to achieve these desires? <u>Choose up to four, or choose "None of the above".</u> You can add a community feature after "Other".
 - □ Housing density and types
 - □ Architectural style and aesthetic design features of housing
 - □ The physical form / density of commercial uses
 - □ The types of businesses occupying commercial uses
 - □ The architectural style and aesthetic design features of commercial uses
 - □ The location and size of open spaces and natural areas
 - □ The design of streets and highways
 - □ The amount of automobile traffic
 - □ The presence of a walkable, mixed-use town center
 - □ Preservation of historic buildings and sites
 - □ Landscaping of private development
 - □ Landscaping of public facilities and rights of way
 - □ Cultural activities and social networks
 - □ None of the above
 - □ Other (please describe)
- 20. Please give your opinion on whether each of the following elements of the Bee Cave community have been successful so far in achieving the desires for "Small Town" atmosphere and "Hill Country" ambience.

	Successful	Unsuccessful	No Opinion
Housing development			
Retail / commercial development			
Open space and parks			
Transportation system			
Cultural and civic facilities / programs			
Landscaping and architectural style			



- 21. What would make you move away from Bee Cave? <u>Choose all that apply.</u>
 - □ Density
 - □ Noise
 - □ Light pollution
 - □ Taxes
 - □ Quality of development
 - □ Schools
 - □ Pace of development
 - □ Traffic
 - □ Cost of living
 - □ Cost of Utilities
 - Other (please describe)
- 22. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements about Bee Cave's land uses, development, and growth patterns.

	Strongly Agree	Moderately Agree	Moderately Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Indifferent/ No Opinion
Bee Cave should continue its current rate of growth.					
Maintaining a "Small Town" atmosphere should remain a priority in the updated Comprehensive Plan.					
Maintaining a "Hill Country" image should remain a priority in the updated Comprehensive Plan.					
Future housing development in Bee Cave should primarily occur at "rural" densities (large lot single family).					
Bee Cave should allow more multifamily rental apartments to provide housing for local workers.					
Bee Cave should accommodate more facilities for seniors' living facilities and medical services.					



	Strongly Agree	Moderately Agree	Moderately Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Indifferent/ No Opinion
It is beneficial for Bee Cave to mix housing, retail / commercial, and public or civic uses together within walking distance.					
Bee Cave has sufficient retail offerings within the City to provide for its residents.					
Bee Cave should add more suburban "big box" retail development on major roads.					
Bee Cave needs more large employers located within the City.					
Bee Cave's transportation and infrastructure systems are sufficient to encourage further economic development.					
23. Please indicate your level of agree transportation facilities.	ment with t	he following s	statements abo	out Bee Cave	?'s

	Strongly Agree	Moderately Agree	Moderately Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Indifferent/ No Opinion
The City needs to add more transportation connectivity (streets, trails, etc.) within its boundaries.					
The existing major roads will be sufficient to move traffic safely to, from, and through Bee Cave.					
Bee Cave's local transportation system should place more emphasis on pedestrian and bicycle mobility, safety, and access.					
The City should emphasize the addition of sidewalks along thoroughfares and highways such as Highway 71, if possible.					
Commercial development in Bee Cave should be designed for orientation to pedestrian and bicycle access.					



24. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements about Bee Cave's amenities, aesthetics, and public service delivery.

	Strongly Agree	Moderately Agree	Moderately Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Indifferent/ No Opinion
Bee Cave residents have sufficient access to parks, open space, and outdoor recreation to provide a high quality of life.					
Bee Cave needs to do more to preserve natural habitat and ecosystems.					
The City should consider measures to enhance Bee Cave's natural and cultural heritage, recreational opportunities, and aesthetic image even if they may entail property tax increases or shifting spending away from other programs.					
Bee Cave is friendly to business and development.					
The architecture and landscaping in Bee Cave have enhanced the attractiveness of the City.					
The City Library currently provides a sufficient range and quality of services for residents.					
The City Library should be physically expanded, even if it may entail property tax increases or shifting spending away from other programs.					
Bee Cave needs more cultural activities and facilities for social interaction, even if they may entail property tax increases or shifting spending away away from other programs.					
The City should consider establishing a dedicated					

establishing a dedicated entertainment district.



- 25. Would you be willing to pay more property tax to add or improve upon the following facilities and services? <u>Check all that apply</u>.
 - □ Expand the library
 - □ Start up a parks and recreation department
 - □ Contract trash collection service
 - □ Initiate a recycling program
 - □ Support the construction of a bypass road between Hamilton Pool road and West Highway 71
 - □ Create more hike and bike trails
 - □ Build more sidewalks, including along State Highway 71
 - □ Create a community swimming pool
 - □ Acquire more open space
 - □ Acquire multi-purpose athletic fields
 - □ Create community tennis courts
 - □ Install and maintain public art and landscape enhancements
 - Develop cultural and entertainment facilities / programs
 - □ Not willing to pay additional taxes
- 26. When the City of Bee Cave conducts its Comprehensive Plan Update process, what would be the best methods for the City to notify you of opportunities to participate? *Pick all that apply*.
 - 🗆 Email
 - □ Flyers and signs
 - □ City website
 - Other (please specify)



27. In what formats are you most likely to provide your own input and feedback during the Comprehensive Plan Update process? *Pick all that apply*.

- □ Email to designated comments mailbox
- □ Comments form on City or project website
- □ Talking or writing to a City Council member
- □ Submitting a written comment at a designated drop-off location
- □ Mailing a written letter to City staff
- □ Attending a public meeting organized by the City specifically for the plan process
- □ Attending an already scheduled meeting of a resident, business, or other organization that I belong to where the Comprehensive Plan is put on the agenda
- Other (please specify)
- 28. If you have any other comments regarding the content or the process of the upcoming Comprehensive Plan update, please leave them here:

We would now like to obtain some basic demographic information from you in order to best understand the input we are obtaining from this survey. Again, all responses remain confidential.

29. What is your age?

- □ Under 18 years
- □ 18-24 years
- □ 25-34 years
- □ 35-44 years
- □ 45-54 years
- □ 55-64 years
- □ 65-74 years
- □ 75 and over



30. What is your gender?

- Female
- □ Male

31. How many persons are in your household? (enter number)

- _____ Adults 18 and over
- _____ Children under 18

32. What is your employment status? (pick one)

- □ Student, not working
- □ Student, employed full or part-time
- □ Employed part-time
- □ Employed full-time
- □ Unemployed, looking for paid work
- □ Unemployed, not looking for paid work
- □ Stay-at-home parent / caregiver
- □ Retired / disabled
- □ Would rather not say

33. What is your current estimated annual household income?

- □ Less than \$25,000
- □ \$25,000 \$49,999
- □ \$50,000 \$74,999
- □ \$75,000 \$99,999
- □ \$100,000 \$124,999
- □ \$125,000 \$149,999
- □ \$150,000 \$199,999
- □ \$200,000 and over
- □ Would rather not say



Thank you for participating in our survey! If you have questions about the City of Bee Cave Comprehensive Plan update, please contact Starr Davey, at:

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- Or by phone at 512-767-6671.

If you wish to be placed on an email notification list for future alerts about the Comprehensive Plan, you can provide your email address here:

Or, you may send your email address separately to sdavey@beecavetexas.gov.