



Survey: City considers second business park

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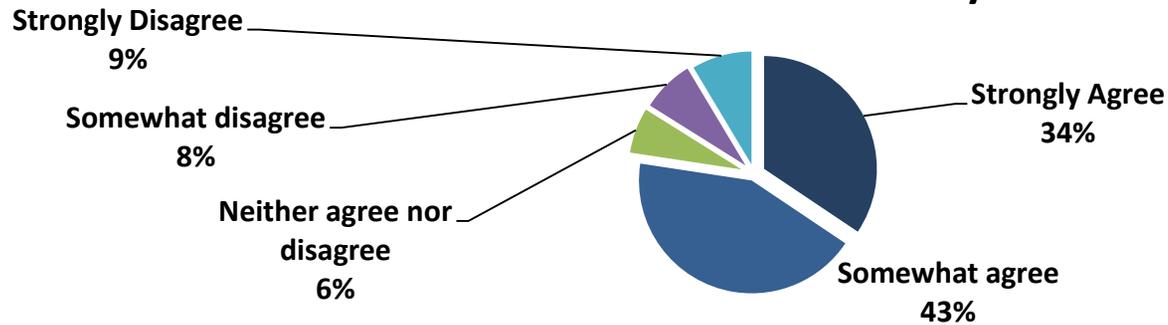
Community members were asked their opinion about the City's support for a second business park. The survey began with this introduction:

Gary Carlson Business Park is an industrial park on Eisenhower Road in Leavenworth. The park is nearly full and the Leavenworth County Development Corporation is exploring options for an additional business park. The new park would be adjacent to current undeveloped property. The park is intended to attract largescale job providers to Leavenworth. For example, in 2015, Cereal Ingredients expanded their company in the current business park, bringing 100 additional jobs to the community.

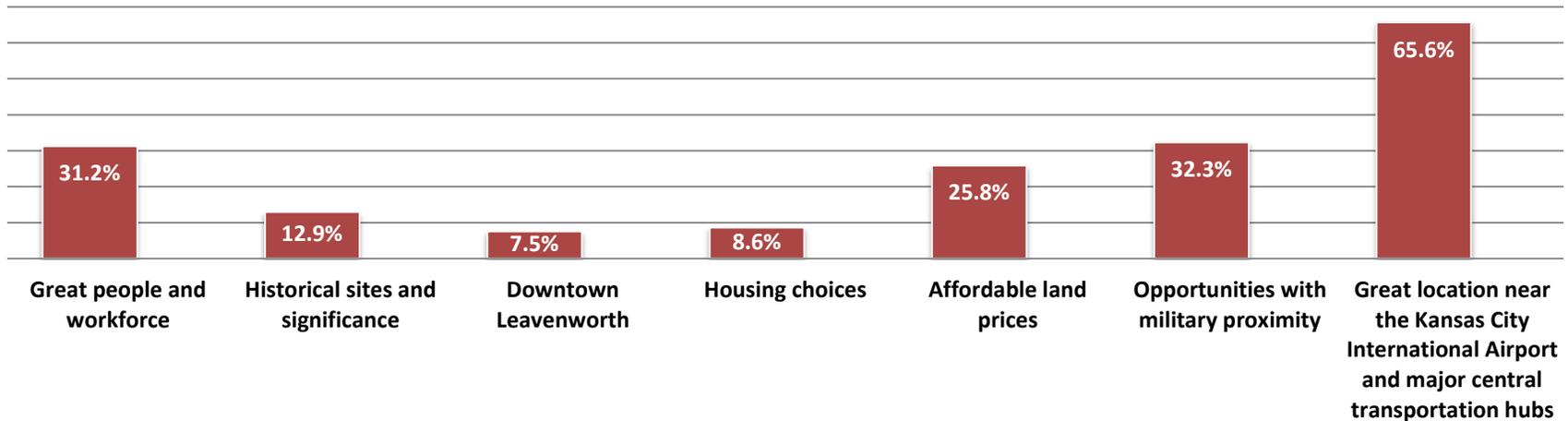
The previous business park was built using Countywide Sales Tax dollars. The City of Leavenworth would like feedback on a similar new project. It would not require an increase in tax dollars.

Feedback was obtained over a period of about two weeks. The survey was digital only. There were 93 responses.

How much do you agree with this statement, "A new business park should be a top priority for economic development in the Leavenworth community."



What is Leavenworth's biggest asset that would encourage businesses to relocate here?



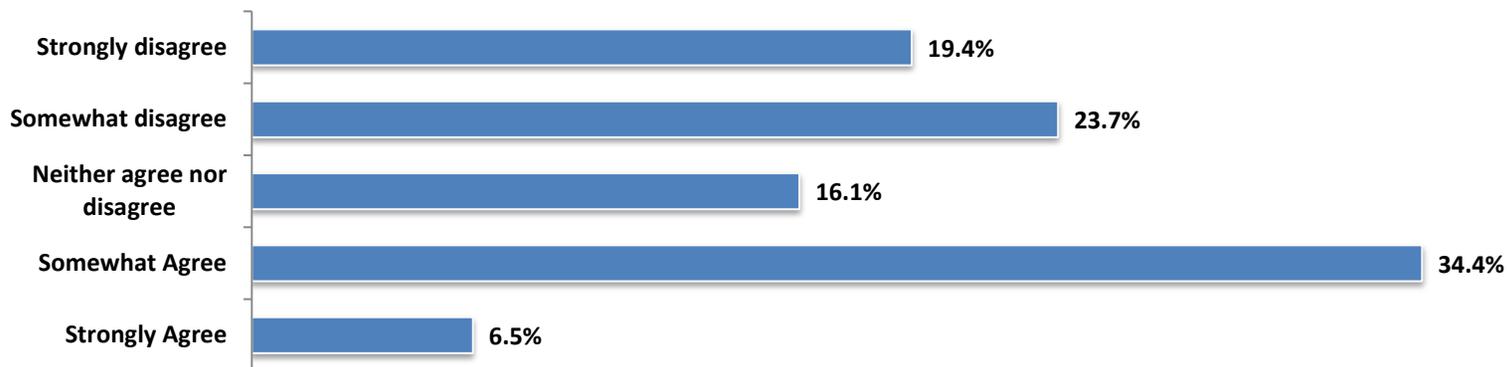
What employment opportunities would best fit the City in the future? You may choose more than one.

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
General warehouse/manufacturing	73.9%	68
Government Service	41.3%	38
Computer systems analysts/software development	47.8%	44
Education	25.0%	23
Finance/Accounting	12.0%	11
Medical or Social Services	27.2%	25
Engineering	29.3%	27
Other (please specify)	9.8%	9
<i>answered question</i>		92
<i>skipped question</i>		1

“Other” answers:

- Transportation companies
- Not much here now so anything would need to be built from ground up.
- Clothing stores! like the GAP, Old Navy, etc., great for not only employment for the youngsters, but for Leavenworthians to have ability to shop locally for clothing.
- Everything
- Tourism
- Let's give our residents the opportunity to learn skills and apply them @ jobs IN Leavenworth County - also, bring in more medical jobs - is an urgent care facility feasible?
- You need to bring a trade school and advertise it as you have young people as well as mid-career change people looking for jobs, but not really looking at a getting a college degree

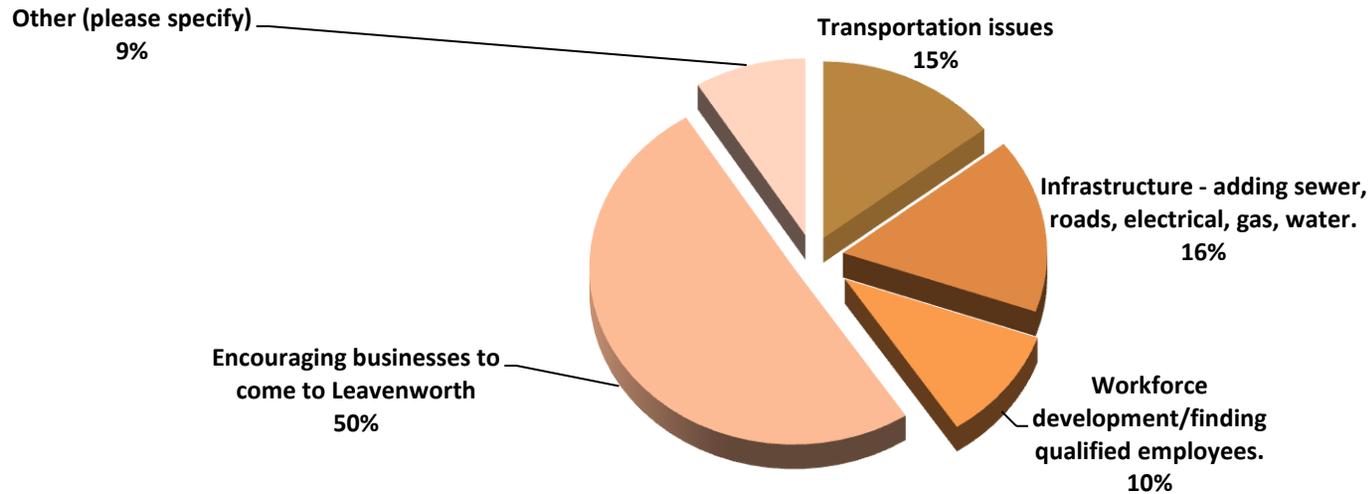
Agree or disagree: There are non-military jobs available for those in Leavenworth not seeking college degrees.



Written Question: What additional industries would you like the City to pursue?

- If you want to keep the money earned here, in Leavenworth, you have to give people something to spend money on. That means you have to attract some of the chains with which people are familiar. Target, Panera, Starbucks. The "quaint" independent business model isn't doing it. People would rather drive 20-30 minutes for a recognized name than stay in the city for a coffee in a sloppy Harbor Lights. You'll also earn more the money military personnel bring to the area, despite their largely transient presence.
- Retail business
- Smaller class room sizes in schools , and increase community strength and cohesiveness to promote a safe, drug free, positive outlet for our community to band together.
- Clean leavenworth up
- I doubt there is any chance. LVCO and KDOT have let the roadway systems deteriorate into overcrowded with traffic. Now they want put a toll on the bridge. Not a good way to invite business.
- Clothing stores and dining that is not fast food related.
- Food manufacturing, a creamery, support services for the current manufacturing operations, food companys
- Clothing stores! Somewhere to buy good quality clothing!
- Anything in manufacturing where the jobs would pay \$20 plus an hour without need of a college degree
- Any that are willing to come here that pay a living wage.
- Direct (limited access) traffic way to I435 and Mo152. If this had already taken place, this survey would be about adding a 4th Industrial park!
- Restaurants which bring people which brings shops which brings restaurants. A circle that Leavenworth has yet to brake into.
- Proper retail stores and downtown revitalization geared towards younger generations with discretionary income.
- Environmental
- Medical - Urgent care, Spinal Cord & Autism based services.
- Tourism.
- I know it is a stretch, but what about research? Maybe medical. We aren't far from the KC area, near a military installation. Maybe something to think about.
- Light manufacturing
- call center
- Anything that doesn't require a military background
- You need to bring a trade school and advertise it as you have young people as well as mid-career change people looking for jobs, but not really looking at a getting a college degree
- More sit-down restaurants such as Cheddars and Houlihans, or Noodles and Company, Panera, and Chipotle, or cuisines such as greek, italian, cajun, mediterranean, etc.
- Cerner
- I like to see the city keep what they have the cmop is supposed to be leaving.
- Vocational training centers.
- Industry that increases employment options to the blue collar (high school diploma or associates degree) and lower level white collar positions (full college degree).
- More manufacturing jobs
- RV, motorcycle, ATV, automotive manufacturing. Major warehouse for Big Chain stores.
- Those that attract companies that may help alleviate the tax burdens from the general public. As well as any that creates jobs at a competitive pay.
- you haven't use sale tax dollars yet mite as well use on this .
- Costco
- Assembly plants/medical packaging
- Parts manufacturing plant for one of the car manufacture. (GM, FORD, etc.
- Finer restaurants, tourism
- Not sure
- tech
- River tourism--we have never truly capitalized on the fact that we are a river town. Look at New Orleans, scaled down.
- Anything not dependent on government decisions

What do you see as the biggest challenge to filling a business park in Leavenworth?



Answers to "Other":

- The upper level management won't want to live here.
- LVCO wants to build Eisenhower as a two lane cow path.
- Internet
- until leavenworht gets public transportation...I believe it's a dead end dream..
- No one cares about a business park.
- City commissioner need to stop implementing ridiculous rules.
- Nothing to do in Leavenworth but bars, and will they get the OK from the Leavenworth government.
- Lack of close highway access.
- Kansas legislature robbing roads and education
- Initial appearance of main street housing is not very reassuring
- Overwhelming presence of government

How much would you support a public-private partnership that would enable the City of Leavenworth to build an industrial park with support of a private developer?

