### 2021 Village of Pinehurst Business Survey Findings Report

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#### 2021 Village of Pinehurst Business Survey Executive Summary



#### **Purpose and Methodology**

ETC Institute administered a business survey to businesses in the Village of Pinehurst during the summer of 2021. The survey was administered for the ninth time as part of the Village's efforts to assess how well they are meeting the needs of its businesses. The survey results will help Village leaders and elected officials set community priorities including staffing and budget expenditures, determine areas or services that need improvement, and identify future needs.

The four-page survey and cover letter were mailed to a sample of businesses in the Village of Pinehurst. The cover letter explained the purpose of the survey and encouraged business leaders to either return their survey by mail or complete the survey online. Ten days after the surveys were mailed, ETC Institute sent emails and placed phone calls to the businesses that received the survey to encourage participation. The emails contained a link to the on-line version of the survey to make it easy for businesses to complete the survey. A total of 75 completed surveys were collected from businesses in the Village of Pinehurst.

The percentage of "don't know" responses has been excluded from many of the graphs shown in this report to be consistent with the presentation of the resident responses. Since the number of "don't know" responses often reflects the utilization and awareness of services, the percentage of "don't know" responses has been provided in the tabular data section of this report. When the "don't know" responses have been excluded, the text of this report will indicate that the responses have been excluded with the phrase "who had an opinion."

This report contains:

- An executive summary of the methodology for administering the survey and major findings,
- charts and graphs for each question on the survey, including short-term and long-term trend comparisons (section 1)
- Importance-Satisfaction analysis; this analysis was done to determine priority actions for the Village to address based upon the survey results (section 2),
- tables that show the results of the random sample for each question on the survey (section 3),
- a copy of the survey instrument (section 4).

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#### **Major Findings**

**Use of Village Services**. The Village services that the highest percentage of businesses have used in the past year were: fire inspections (72%), police patrol (39%), streets and grounds (29%), and building inspections (25%).

**Satisfaction with Village Services and Departments**. The services that had the highest levels of satisfaction from businesses who had an opinion were: fire emergency response (100%), Village Hall (front desk) (100%), police emergency response (100%), and building inspections (100%).

**Most Important Village Services**. Based on the sum of the top three choices, areas that businesses rated as the most important were: 1) police patrol (59%), 2) fire emergency response (56%), 3) police emergency response (43%), and 4) streets and grounds (37%).

**Satisfaction with the Overall Quality of Village Services**. Forty-four percent (44%) of the businesses surveyed feel the overall quality of services provided by the Village meets their expectations; 42% feel the overall quality of Village services is higher or significantly higher than their expectations. Only 7% feel the overall quality of Village services is below their expectations.

**Satisfaction with Various Village Services**. Most (92%) of the businesses surveyed who had an opinion indicated that they were satisfied with the cleanliness of streets and public areas; 89% were satisfied with the landscape and maintenance in rights-of-way and public areas, and 86% were satisfied with creating and promoting special events.

**Perceptions of the Village**. Ninety-two percent (92%) of the businesses surveyed who had an opinion indicated that they were satisfied with the overall feeling of safety in the Village; 92% were satisfied with the overall quality of life, and 89% were satisfied with the overall image of the Village.

**Likelihood of Recommending the Village as a Business Location**. Eighty-one percent (81%) of businesses would be very likely or likely to recommend the Village as a business location to friends, family and co-workers; 11% would be somewhat likely to recommend the Village as a business location to friends, family and co-workers, and only 9% would not be likely to recommend the Village as a business location.

**Business Atmosphere Compared to Two Years Ago**. Forty-one percent (41%) of businesses feel the overall business atmosphere in the Village is better than two years ago; 33% feel there has been no change, but the atmosphere is good; 5% feel there has been no change, but the atmosphere is worse.

**Village Customer Service**. Seventy-eight percent (78%) of businesses rated the customer service from the Village as very good or good, compared to only 3% rated the customer service from the Village as poor.

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**Level of Agreement with Statements About Customer Service from Village Staff**. Ninety-two percent (92%) of the businesses surveyed who had an opinion agreed that the Village staff was courteous during their most recent interaction with them; 90% also agreed that Village staff was responsive to their needs, 86% agreed that Village staff was competent, and 83% agreed that their issue was resolved promptly.

**Satisfaction with Village Communications with Businesses**. Sixty percent (60%) of businesses were satisfied with the job the Village does communicating with business owners, compared to only 7% who were dissatisfied.

**Village Website**. Of the 55% of business that visited the Village's website (www.vopnc.org) during the past 12 months, 82% who had an opinion rated the availability of information on Village services on the website as "very good" or "good," and 69% felt the website was easy to navigate, and. Overall, 78% of those who have visited the Village's website indicated they were either "very satisfied" or "satisfied" with the website.

**Village Mobile App**. Eleven percent (11%) of businesses indicated they used the Village's mobile app (MY VOP) during the past 12 months; 76% of those who have used it indicated they were "very satisfied" or "satisfied."

**Best Ways to Communicate with Businesses**. Two-thirds (67%) of businesses indicated that email is one of the best ways for the Village to communicate with them.

**Community Development (Codes and Ordinances)**. Sixty-eight percent (68%) of the businesses who had an opinion were satisfied with historic district guidelines; 62% were satisfied with business signage regulations, and 57% were satisfied with zoning ordinances.

**Impact of Various Cultural and Entertainment Opportunities**. Forty-four percent (44%) of the businesses surveyed feel the tree lighting in the Village Center has a positive impact on their business; 42% feel the Holly Arts & Crafts Festival has a positive impact; 42% feel cultural activities have a positive impact on their business, and 40% feel Live After Five Concerts have a positive impact on their business.

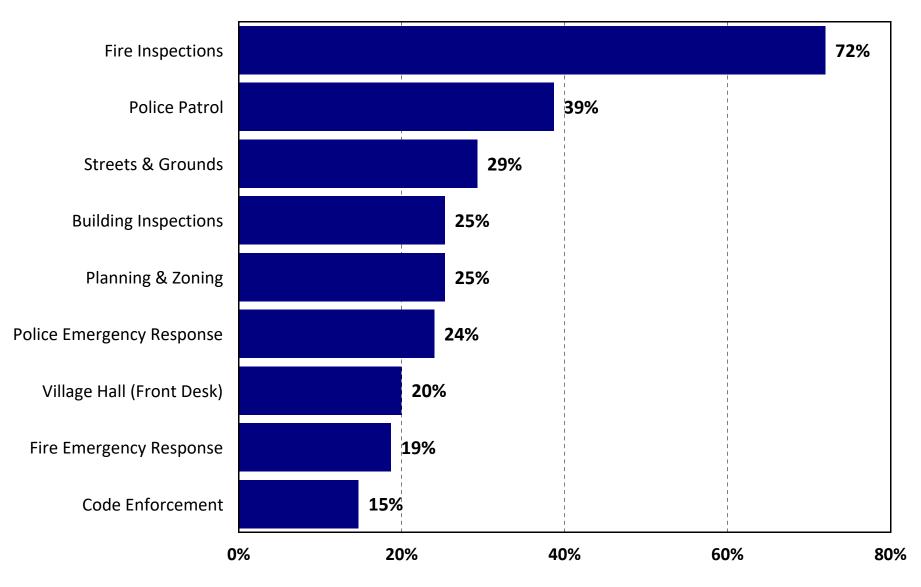
**Satisfaction with the Way the Village handles Events That Attract Large Crowds**. Sixty-eight percent (68%) of businesses are satisfied with the way the Village handles events that attract large crowds, compared to only 2% who are dissatisfied.

**Reasons Influencing Decision to Locate Business in the Village of Pinehurst**. Eighty-nine percent (89%) of businesses surveyed indicated safety and security in the Village was either "extremely important" or "very important" in their decision to locate their business in the Village of Pinehurst. The other top reasons included: overall quality of life in the Village (83%) and quality healthcare (79%).



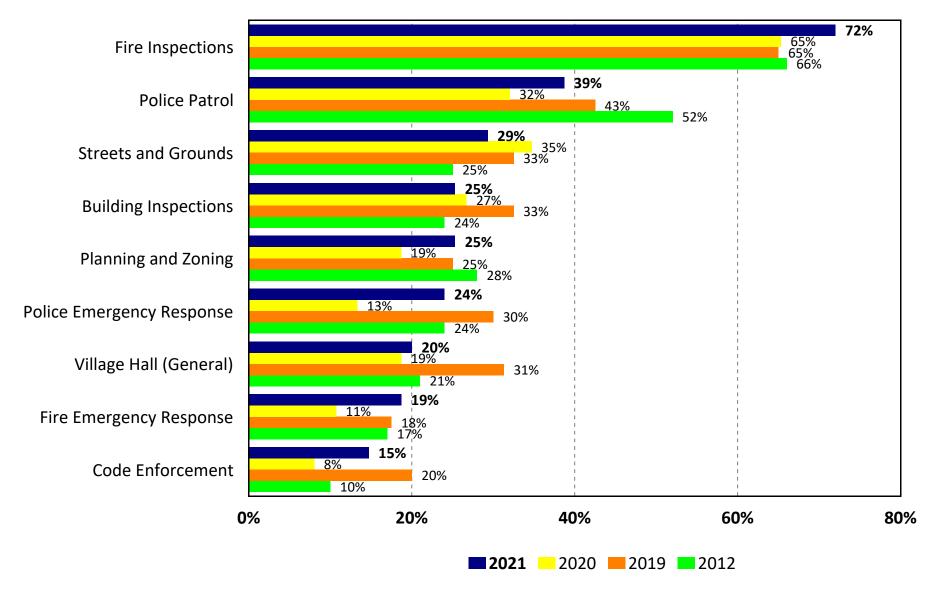
## Q1. Have you used this service or department in the past year?

by percentage of respondents who answered "yes"



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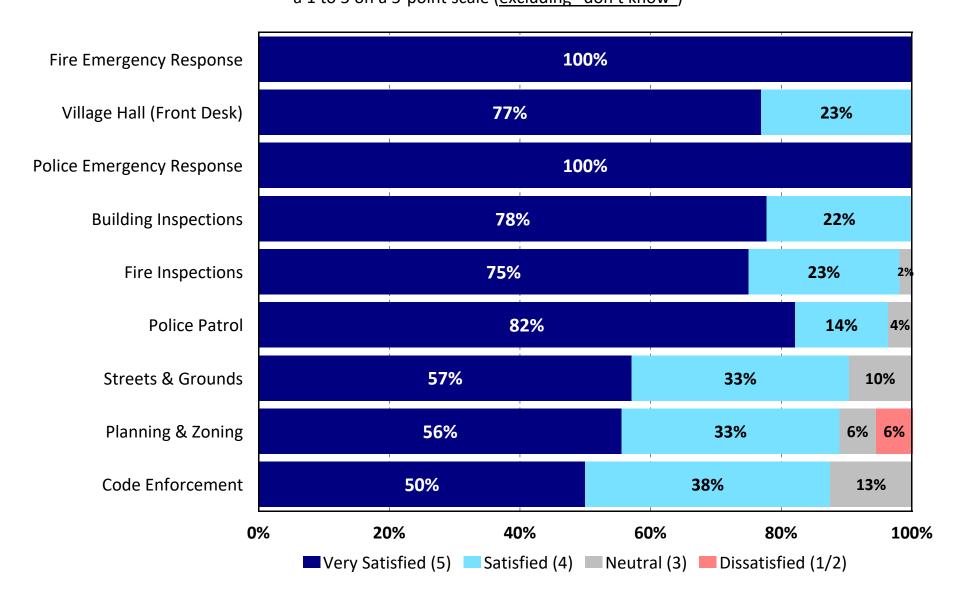
by percentage of respondents who answered "yes"



#### **Q1. Overall Satisfaction with Pinehurst**

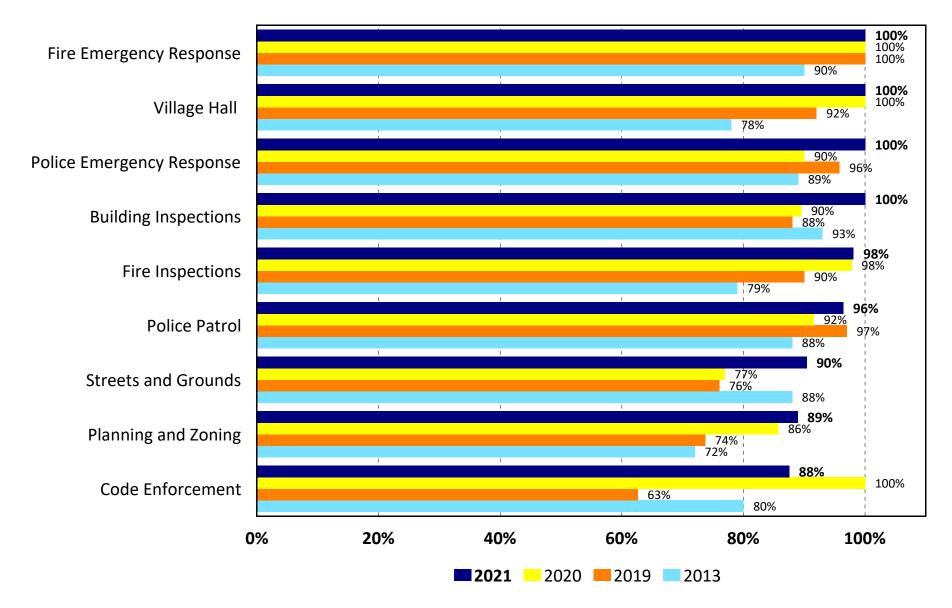
### Services or Departments Used in the Past Year by percentage of respondents who had used the service or department and rated the item as

a 1 to 5 on a 5-point scale (excluding "don't know")



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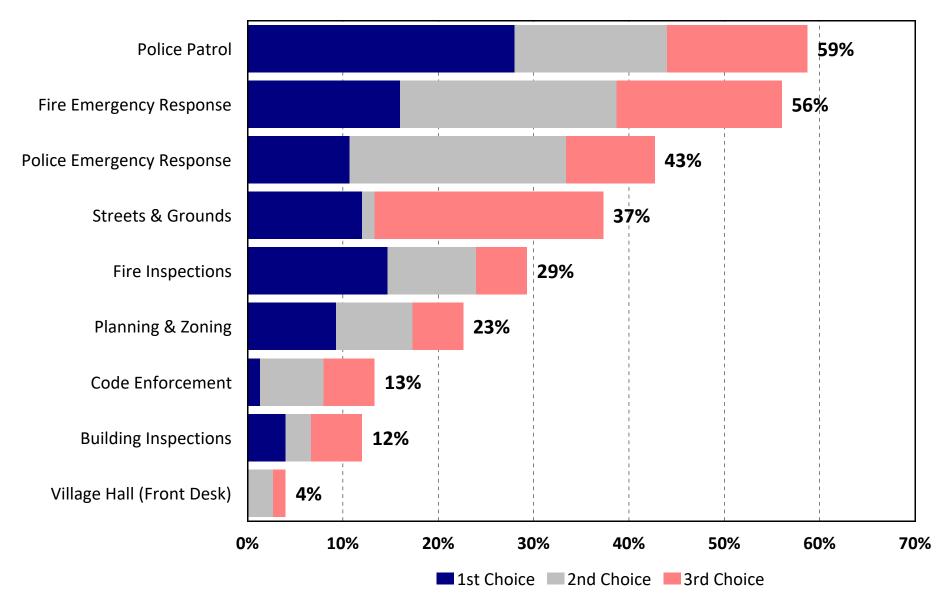
by percentage of respondents who answered "very satisfied" or "satisfied"



### Q2. Village Services or Departments Rated as the

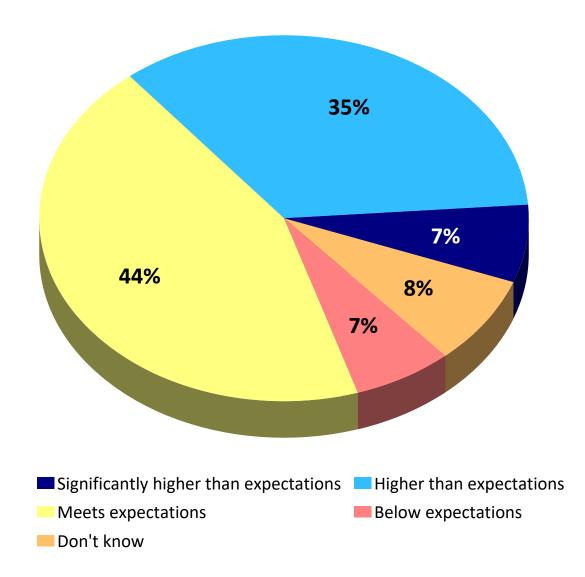
#### Most Important to Their Business

by percentage of respondents who selected the item as one of their top three choices



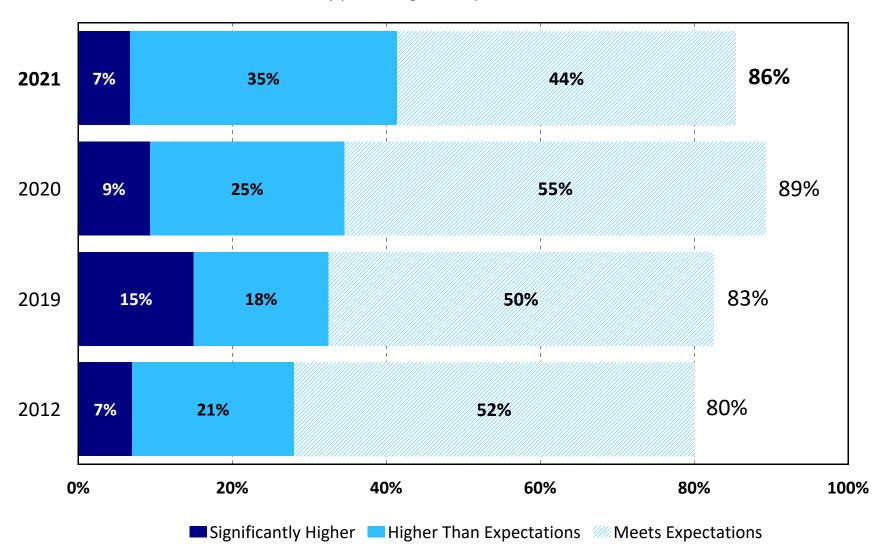
### Q3. Satisfaction with the Overall Quality of Services Provided to Your Business by the Village of Pinehurst

by percentage of respondents



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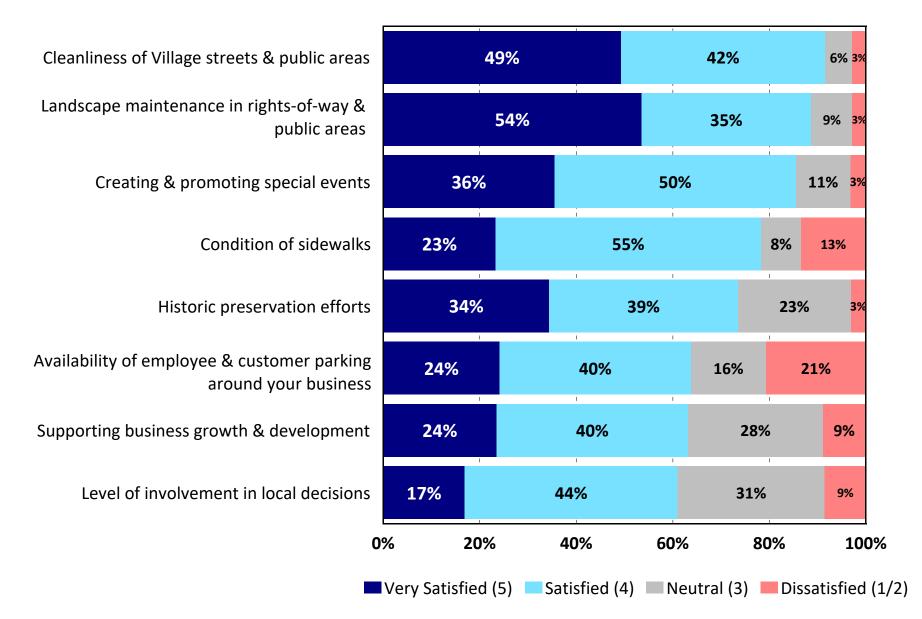
2012 to 2021



by percentage of respondents

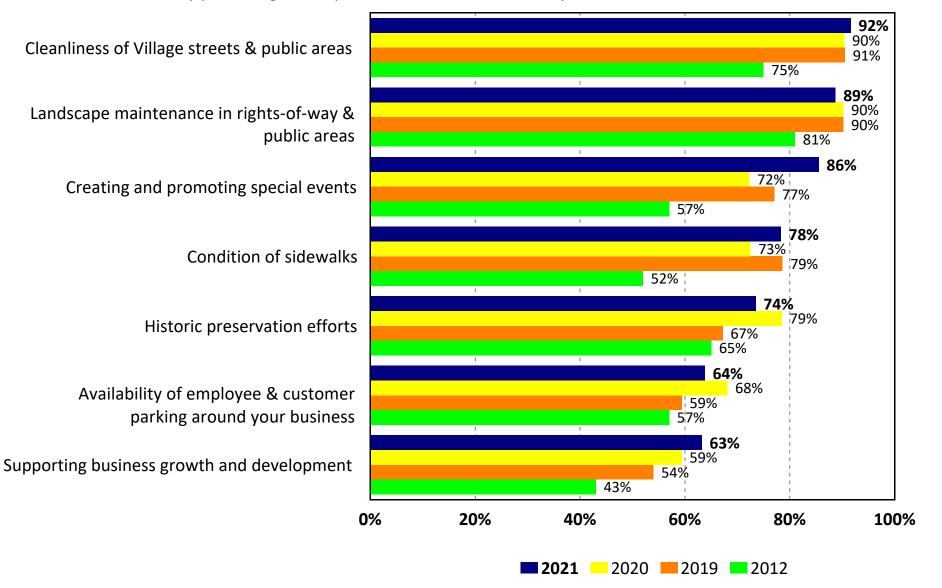
#### Q4. Level of Satisfaction with the Village in Various Areas

by percentage of respondents who rated the item as a 1 to 5 on a 5-point scale (excluding "don't know")



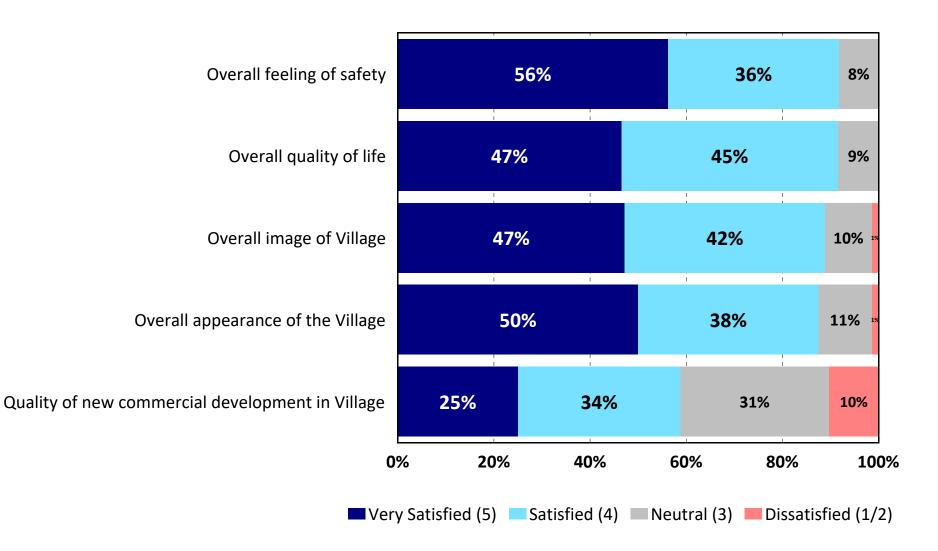
### Q4. Level of Satisfaction with the Village in Various Areas 2012 to 2021

by percentage of respondents who answered "very satisfied" or "satisfied"



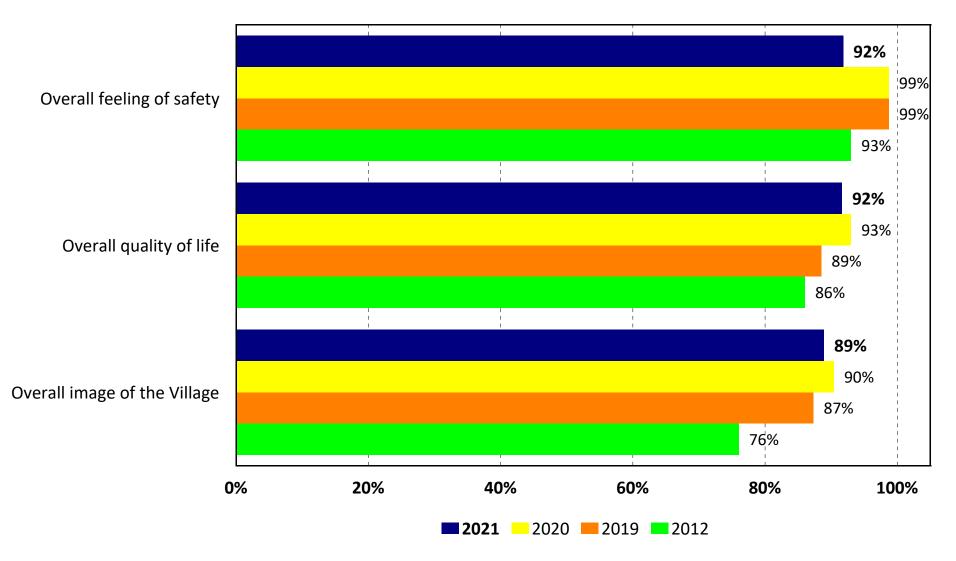
## Q5. Overall Satisfaction with Various Perceptions of the Village of Pinehurst

by percentage of respondents who had used the service or department and rated the item as a 1 to 5 on a 5-point scale (<u>excluding "don't know"</u>)



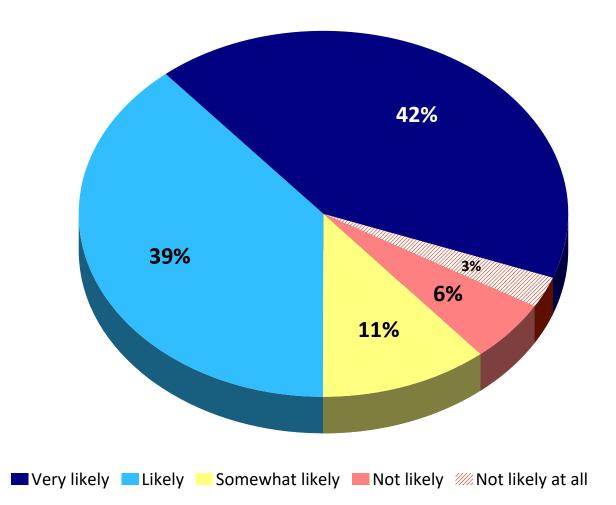
# Q5. Overall Satisfaction with Various Perceptions of the Village of Pinehurst - 2012 to 2021

by percentage of respondents who had used the service or department and rated the item as a 4 or 5 on a 5-point scale (<u>excluding "don't know"</u>)



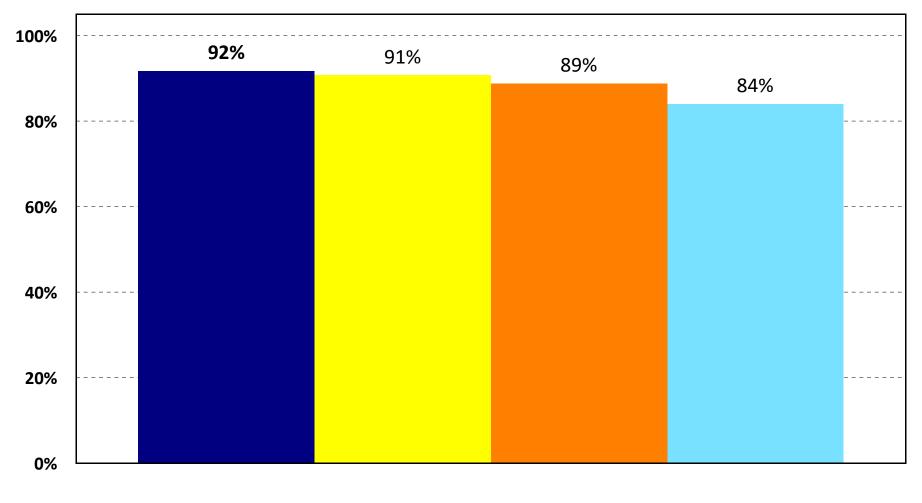
# Q6. How likely would you be to recommend the Village as a business location to friends, family, and co-workers?

by percentage of respondents



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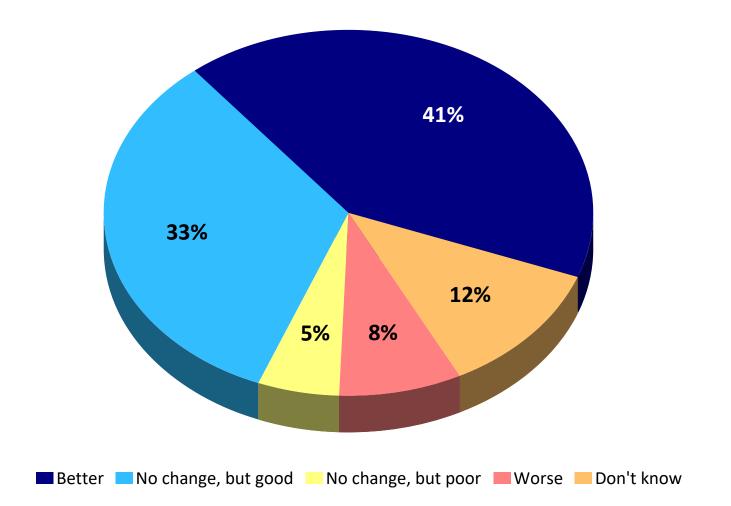
by percentage of respondents who answered "very likely," "likely," or "somewhat likely"





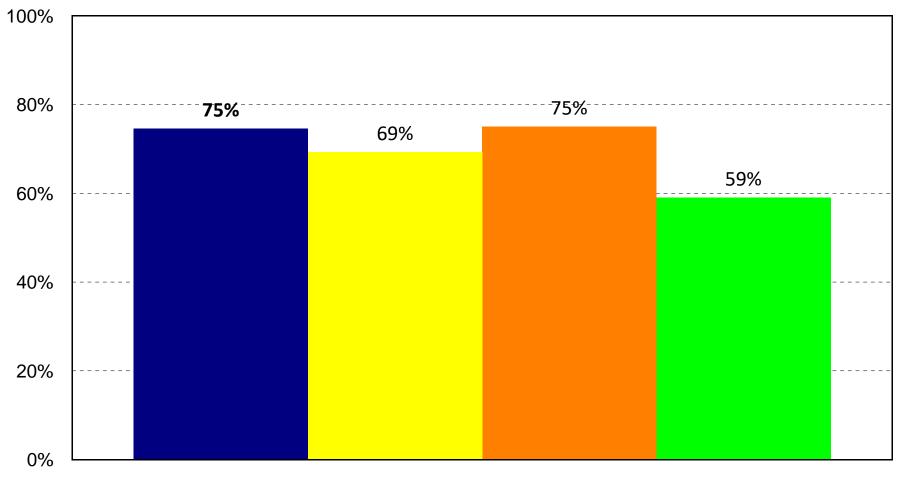
## Q7. How would you rate the overall business atmosphere in the Village of Pinehurst today, compared to two years ago?

by percentage of respondents



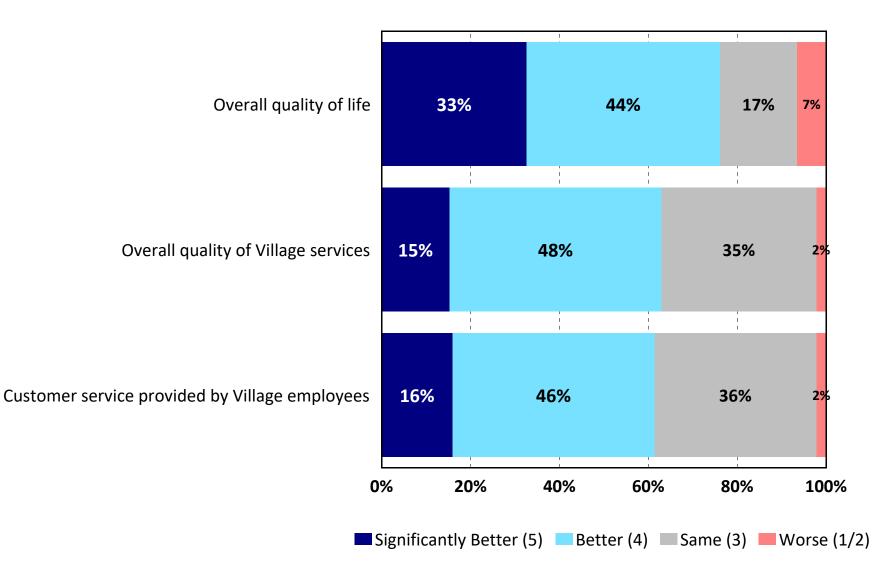
#### Q7. How would you rate the overall business atmosphere in the Village of Pinehurst today, compared to two years ago? 2012 to 2021

by percentage of respondents who answered "better" or "no change, but good"



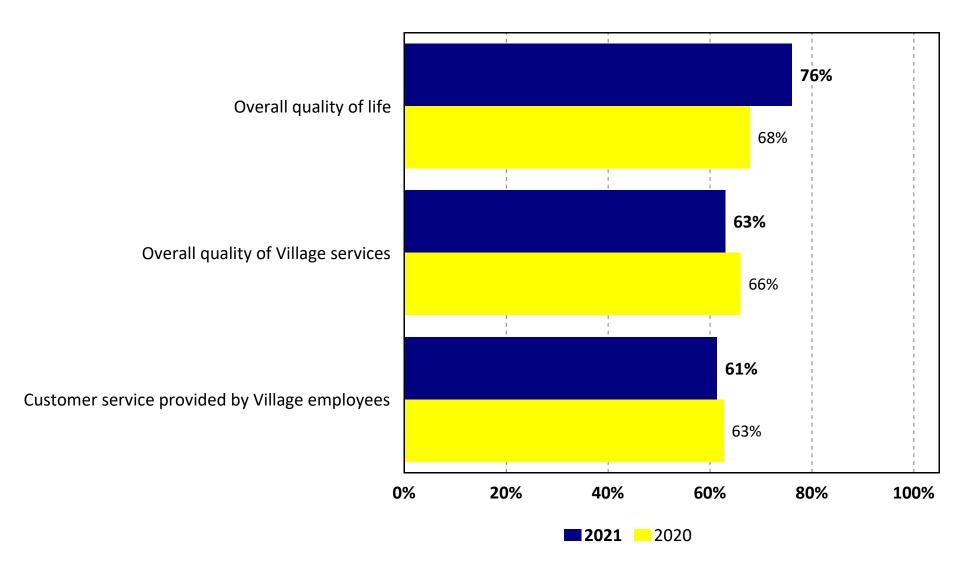
## Q8. Satisfaction with various aspects of Pinehurst compared to other places businesses have operated in the past

by percentage of respondents who had used the service or department and rated the item as a 1 to 5 on a 5-point scale (<u>excluding "no opinion</u>")



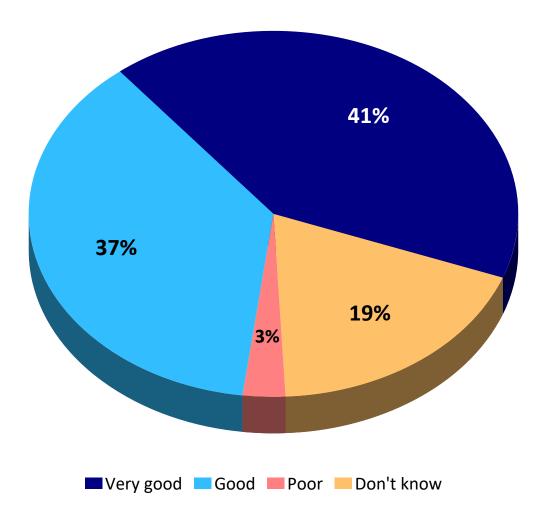
### Q8. Satisfaction with various aspects of Pinehurst compared to other places businesses have operated in the past 2020 vs. 2021

by percentage of respondents who answered "significantly better" or "better"



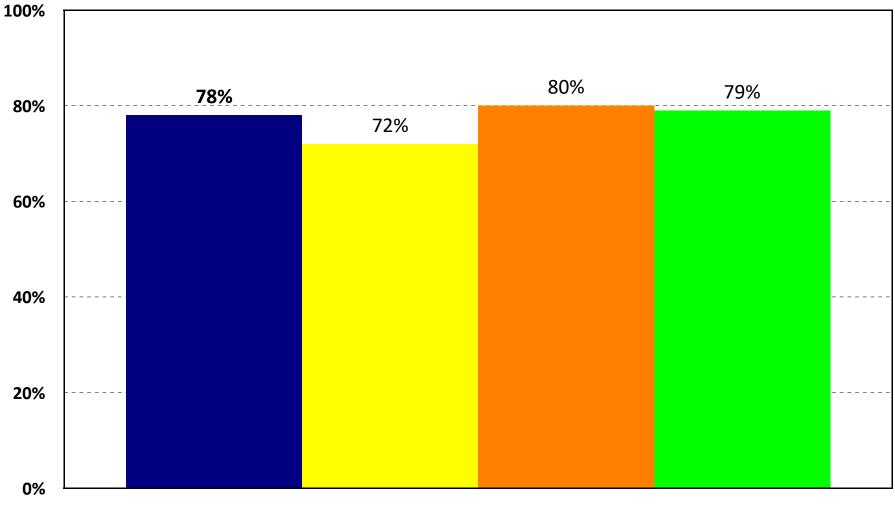
## Q9. How would you rate the Village of Pinehurst customer service?

by percentage of respondents



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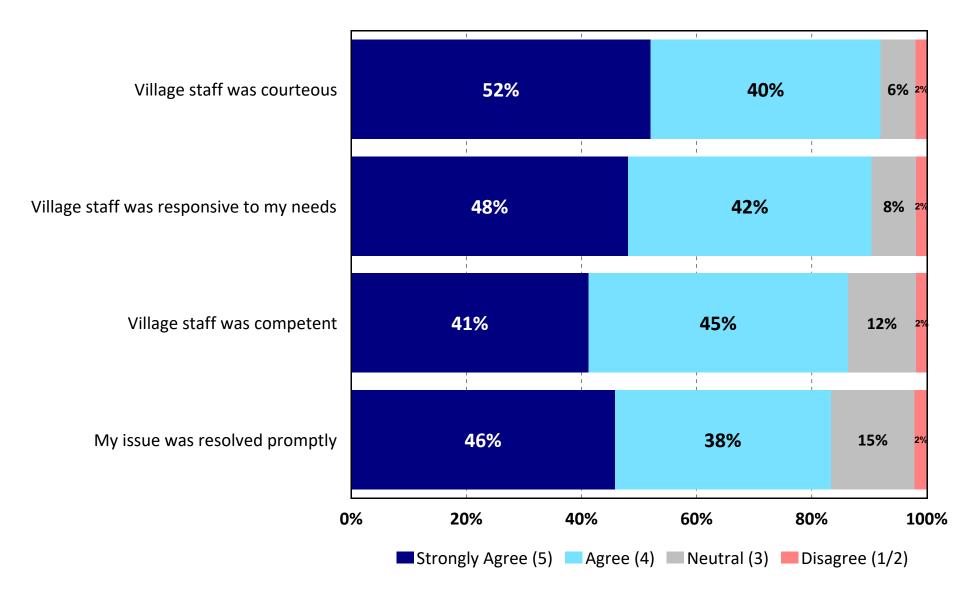
by percentage of respondents who answered "very good" or "good"



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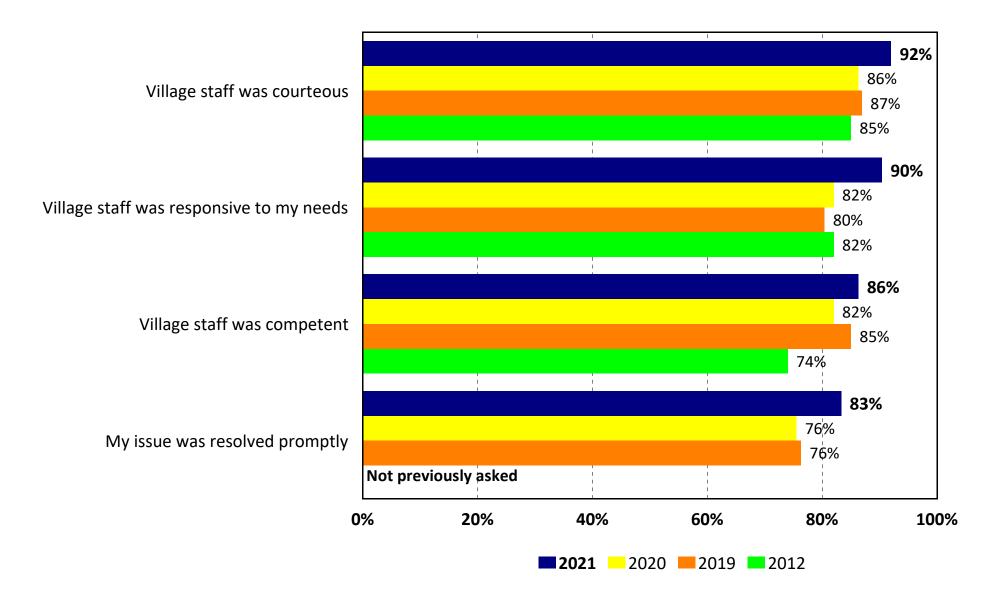
### Q10. Level of Agreement with Statements About Most Recent Contact with the Village Government Staff

by percentage of respondents who rated the item as a 1 to 5 on a 5-point scale (excluding "don't know")



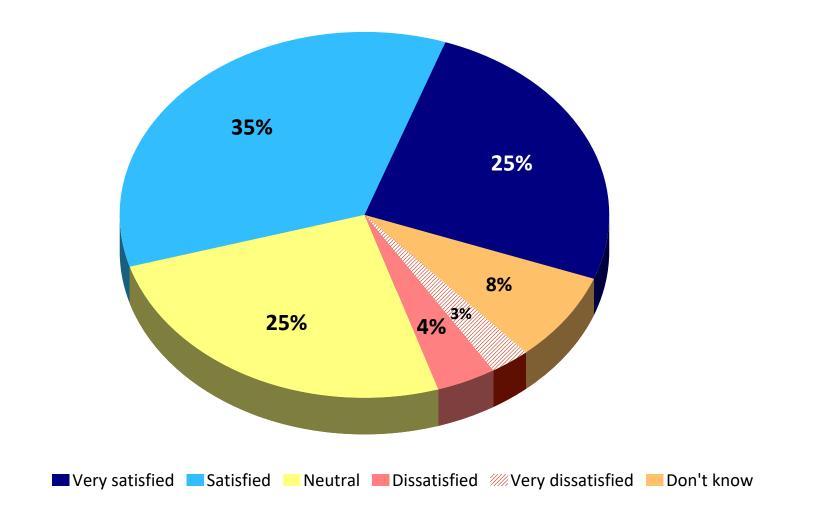
### Q10. Level of Agreement with Statements About Most Recent Contact with the Village - 2012 to 2020

by percentage of respondents who answered "strongly agree" or "agree" (excluding "don't know")



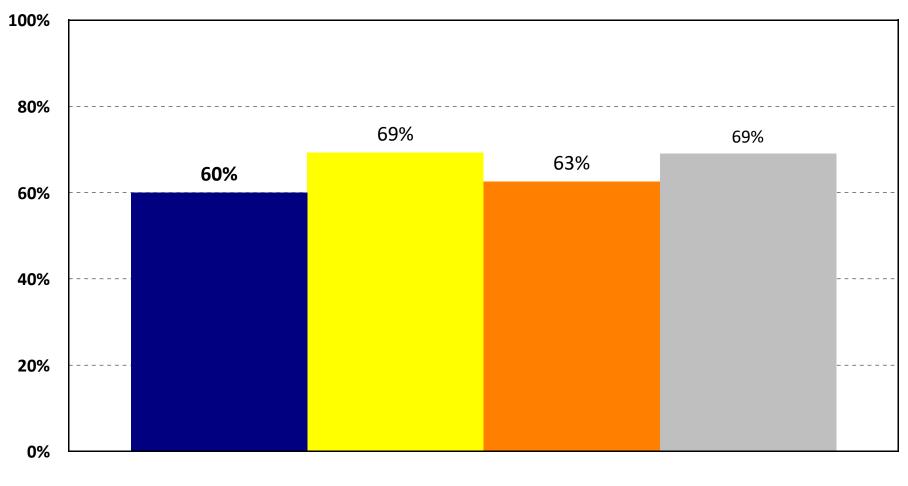
## Q11. How satisfied are you with the job the Village of Pinehurst does communicating with business owners?

by percentage of respondents



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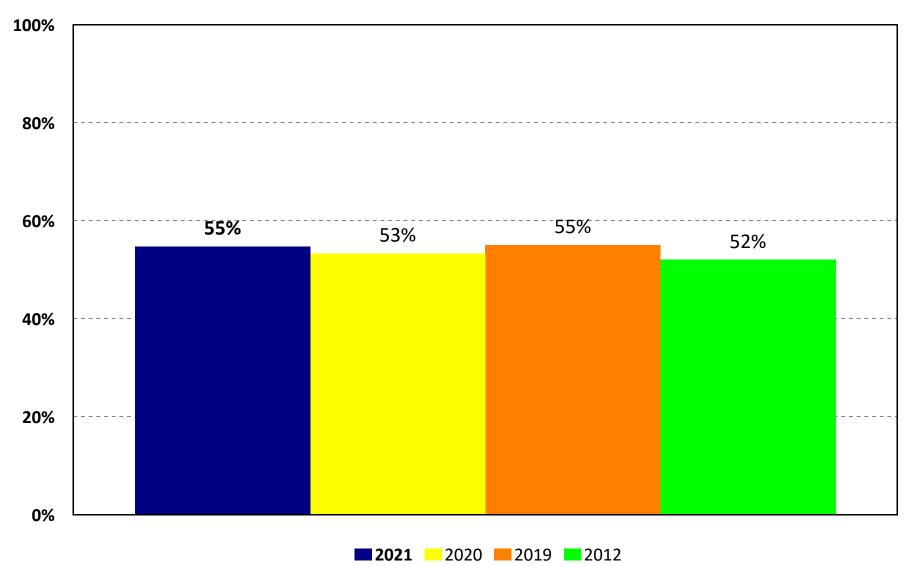
by percentage of respondents who answered "very satisfied" or "satisfied"



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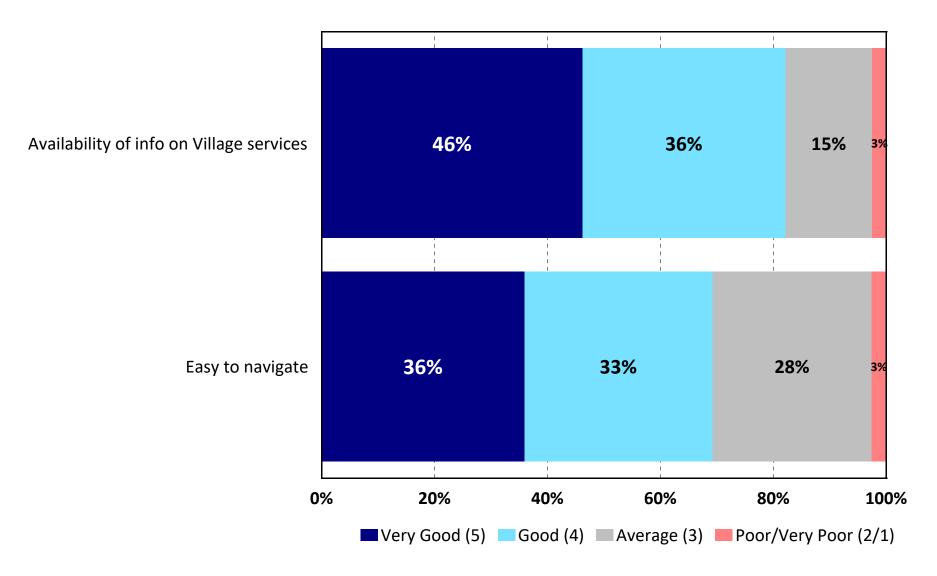
### Q12. Have you visited the Village's website (www.vopnc.org) during the last 12 months? - 2012 to 2021

by percentage of respondents who answered "yes"



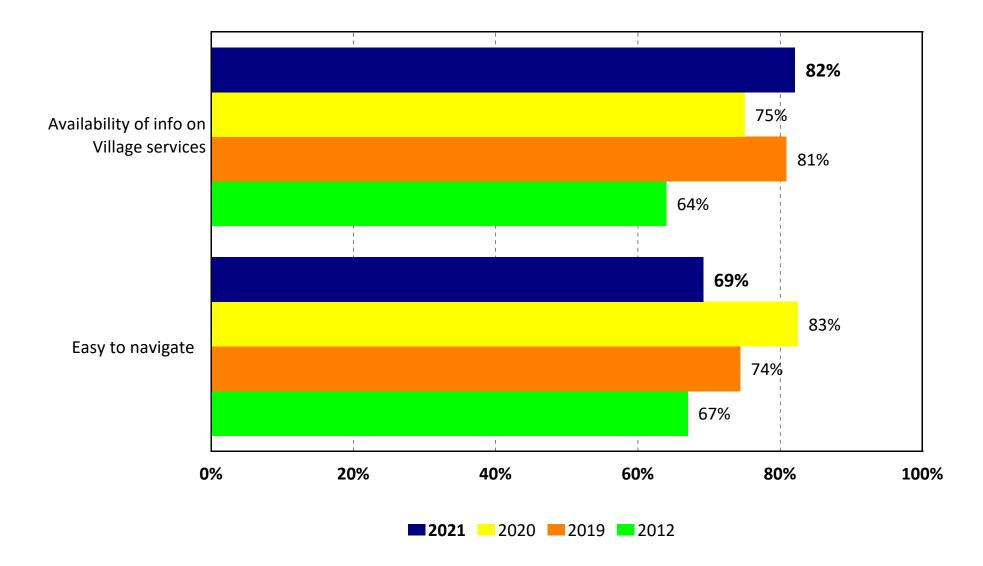
## Q12a. How would you rate the following characteristics of the Village website?

by percentage of respondents who rated the item as a 1 to 5 on a 5-point scale (excluding "don't know")



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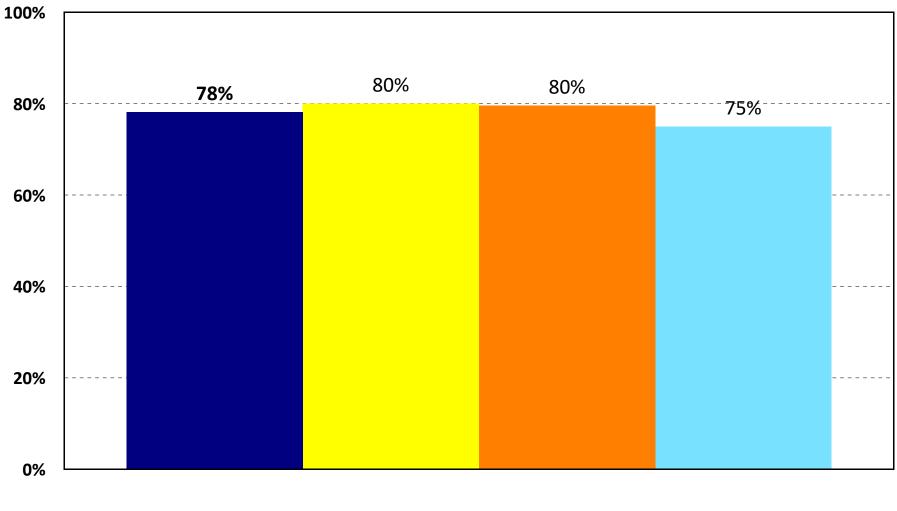
by percentage of respondents who answered "very good" or "good"



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#### Q12b. How satisfied are you with the Village's website? 2013 to 2021

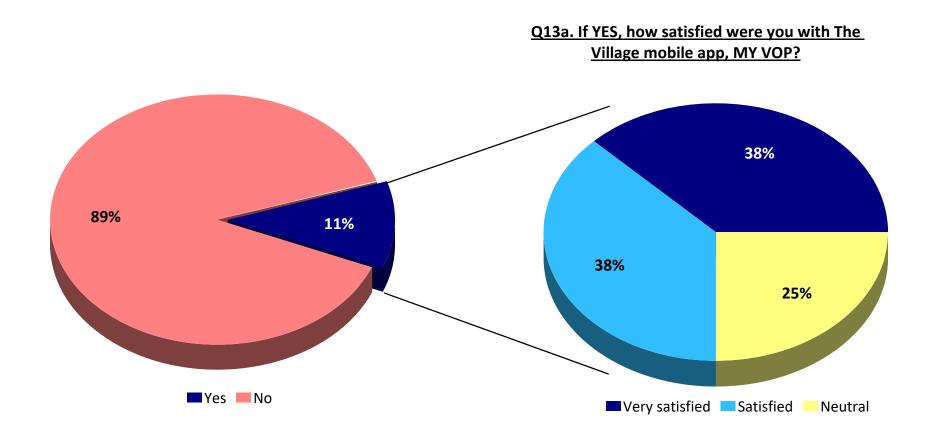
by percentage of respondents who responded "very satisfied" or "satisfied"





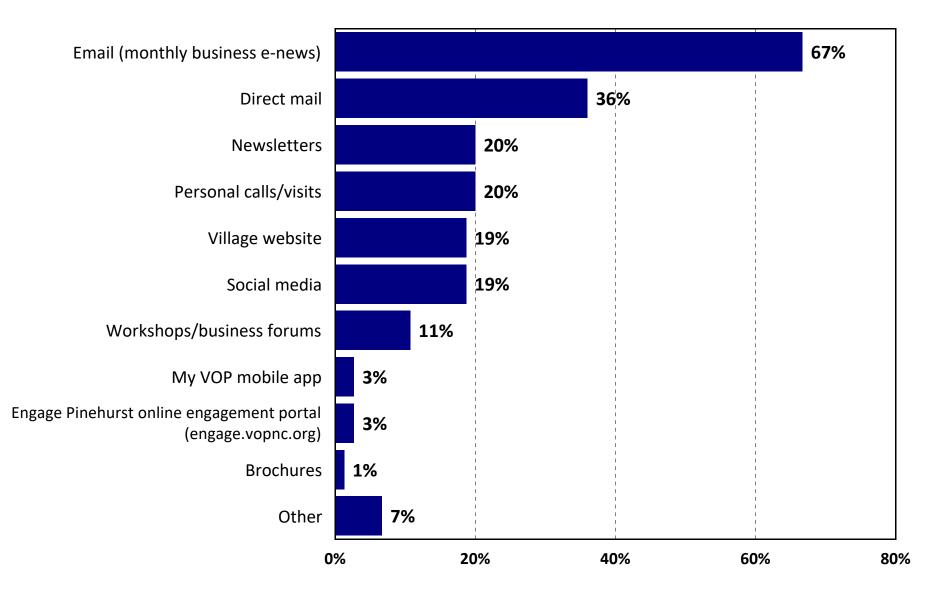
# Q13. Have you used the Village's mobile app ("MY VOP") during the past 12 months?

by percentage of respondents (excluding "don't know")



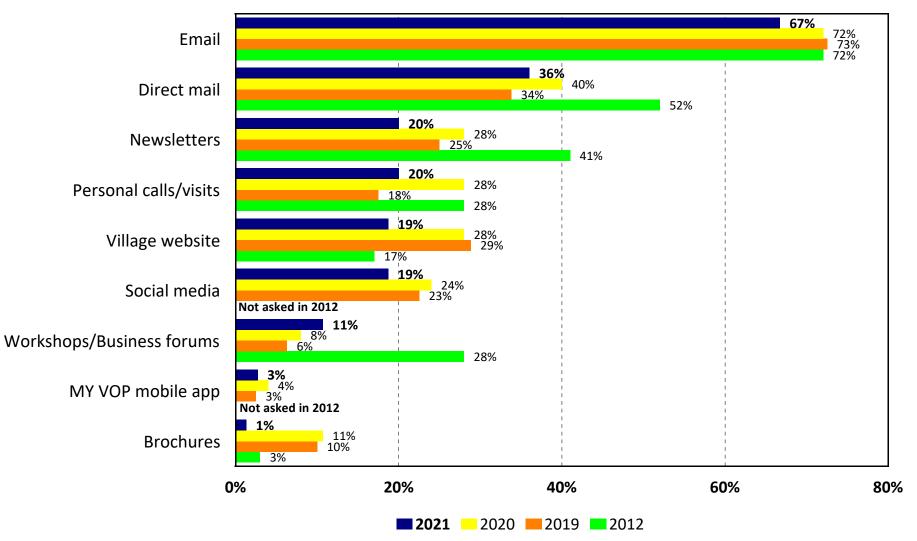
### Q14. Which of the following are the best ways for the Village to communicate important information to your business?

by percentage of respondents (multiple choices could be made)



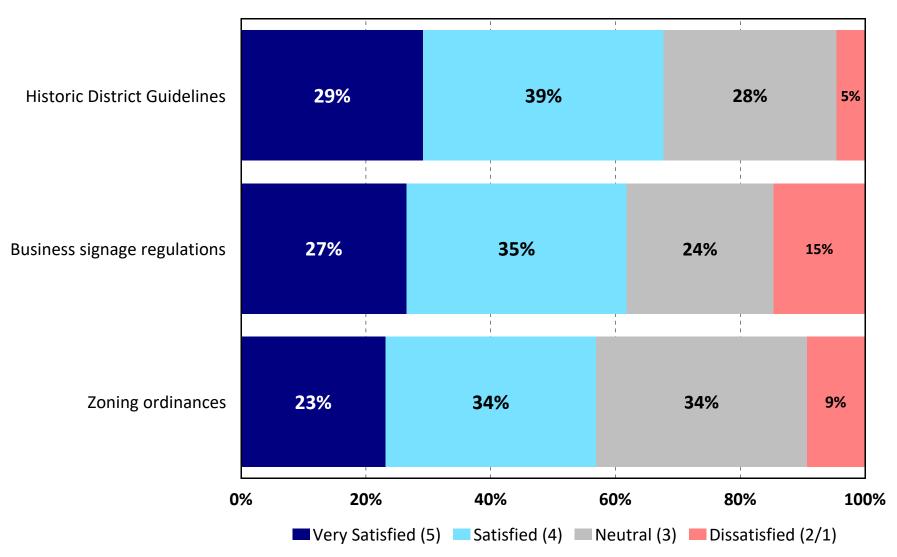
## Q14. Which of the following are the best ways for the Village to communicate important information to your business? 2012 to 2021

by percentage of respondents (multiple choices could be made)

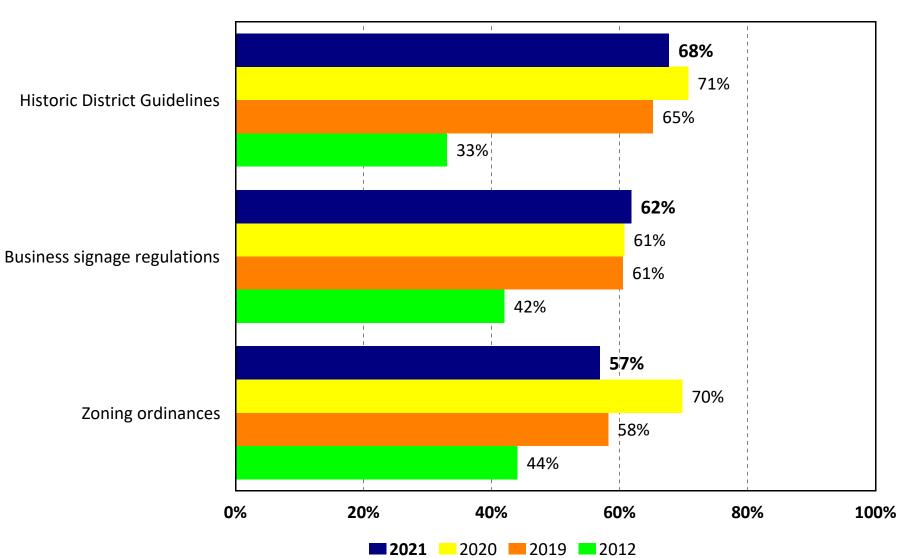


### Q15. Level of Satisfaction with Community Development (Village Codes and Ordinances)

by percentage of respondents who had used the service or department and rated the item as a 1 to 5 on a 5-point scale (<u>excluding "don't know"</u>)



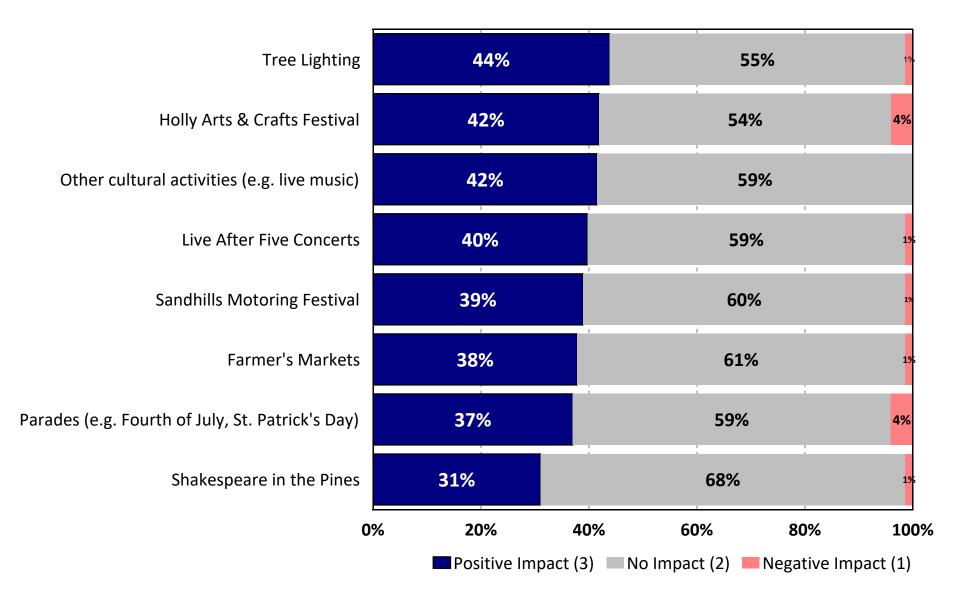
### Q15. Level of Satisfaction with Community Development (Village Codes and Ordinances) - 2012 to 2021 by percentage of respondents who had used the service or department and answered



"very satisfied" or "satisfied"

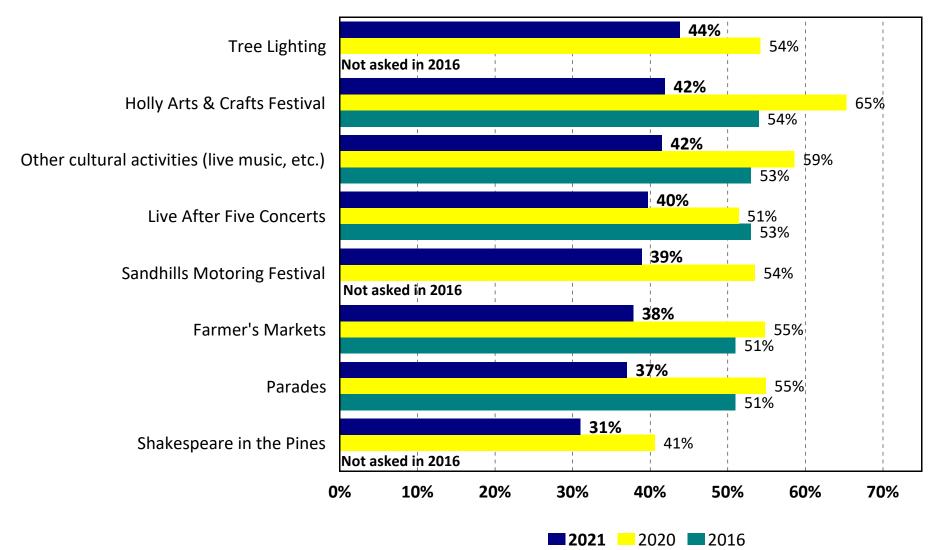
### Q16. How Businesses Feel About the Impact the Following Events in the Village Center Have on Their Business

by percentage of respondents who rated the item as a 1 to 3 on a 3-point scale



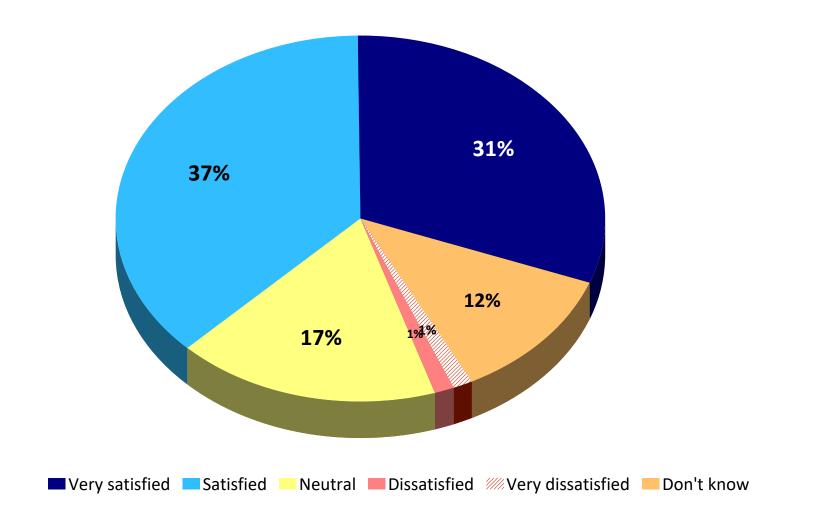
### Q16. How Businesses Feel About the Impact the Following Events in the Village Center Have on Their Business 2016 to 2021

by percentage of respondents who felt the event had a "positive impact" on their business



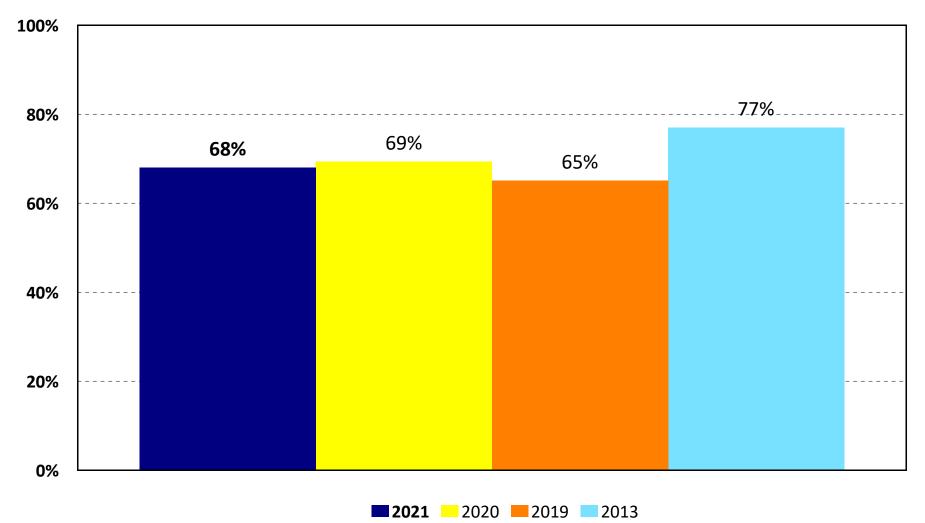
## Q17. How satisfied are you with the way the Village handles events that attract large crowds to the Village?

by percentage of respondents



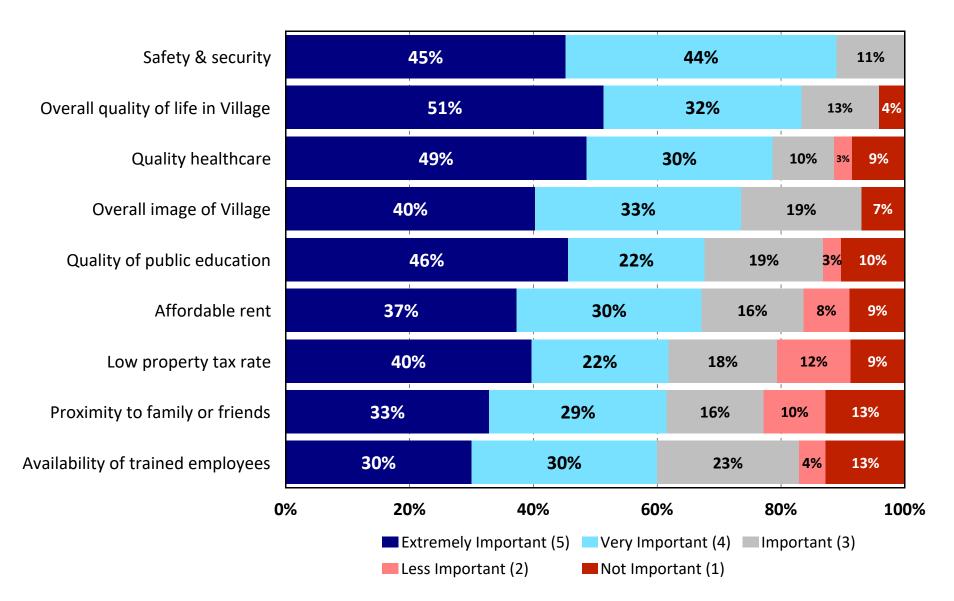
# Q17. How satisfied are you with the way the Village handles events that attract large crowds to the Village? 2013 to 2021

by percentage of respondents who answered "very satisfied" or "satisfied"

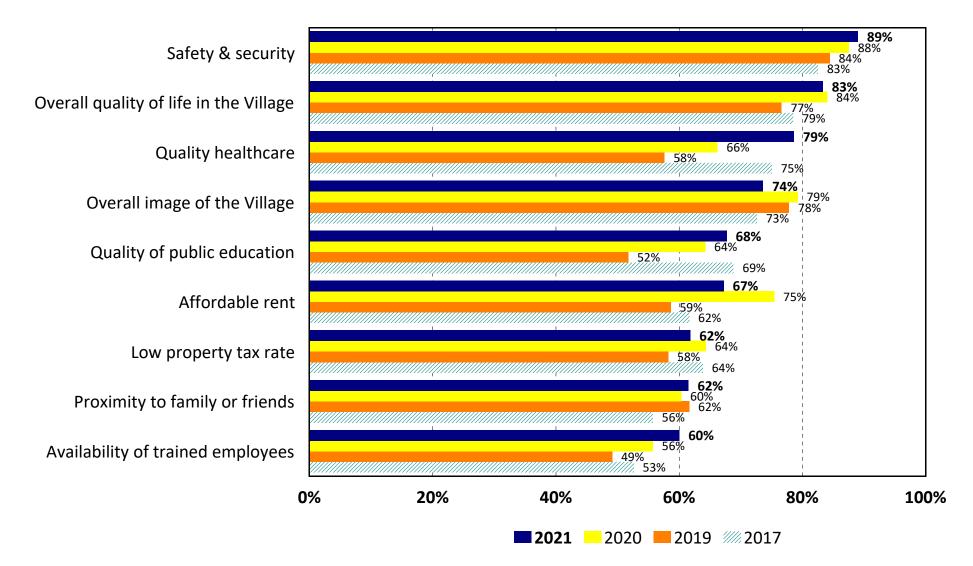


### Q18. Importance of Various Reasons in Your Decision to Locate Your Business in the Village of Pinehurst

by percentage of respondents who rated the item as a 1 to 5 on a 5-point scale (excluding "not provided")

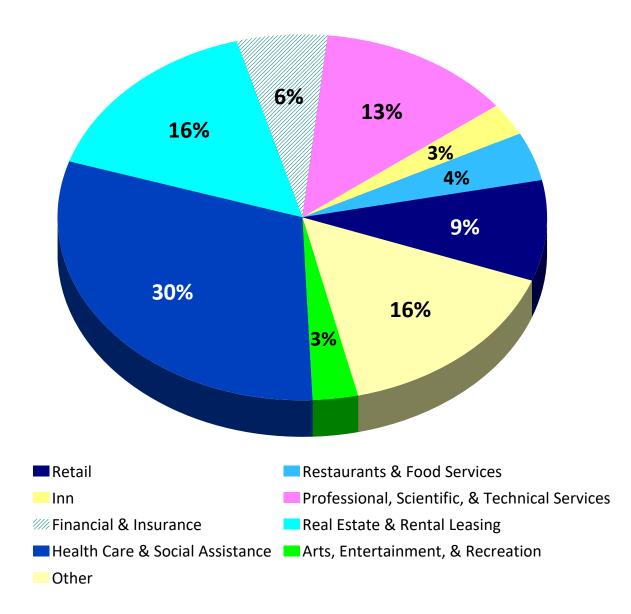


### Q18. Importance of Various Reasons in Your Decision to **Locate Your Business in the Village of Pinehurst 2017 to 2021** by percentage of respondents who felt the reason was "extremely important" or "very important"



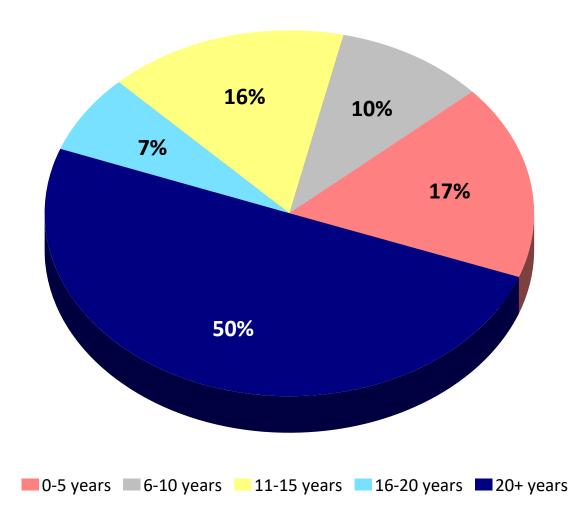
### **Q21.** Primary Business Category

by percentage of respondents



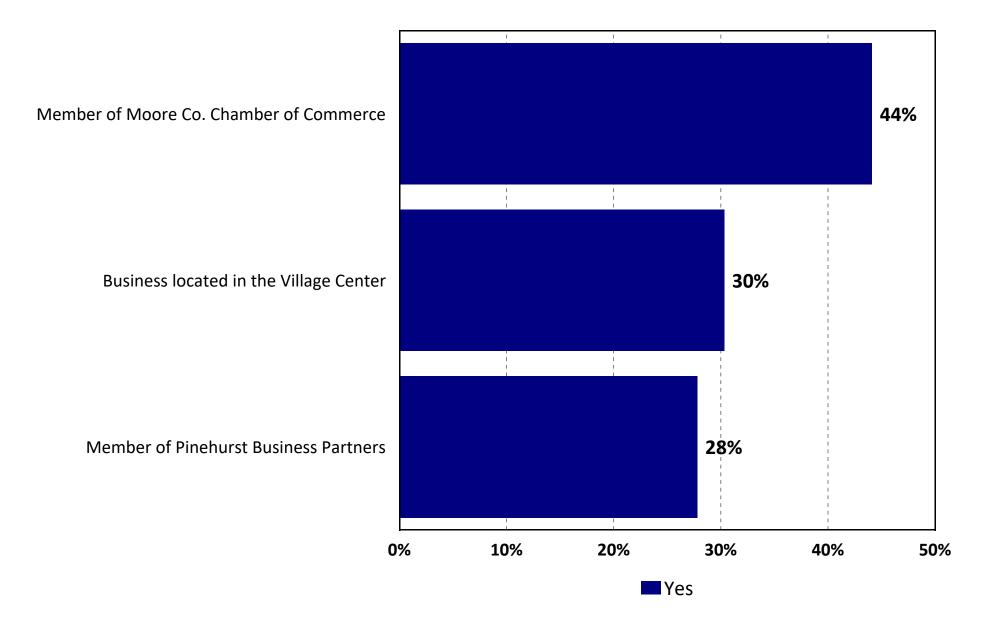
### Q22. How many years have you been in operation in the Village?

by percentage of respondents (excluding "not provided")



### Q23. Is Your Business Any of the Following:

by percentage of respondents who answered "yes"





### **Importance-Satisfaction Analysis**

#### Overview

Today, Village officials have limited resources which need to be targeted to activities that are of the most benefit to their citizens and businesses. Two of the most important criteria for decision making are (1) to target resources toward services of the <u>highest importance to businesses</u>; and (2) to target resources toward those services where <u>businesses are the least satisfied</u>.

The Importance-Satisfaction (IS) rating is a unique tool that allows public officials to better understand both of these highly important decision-making criteria for each of the services they are providing. The Importance-Satisfaction rating is based on the concept that public agencies will maximize overall customer satisfaction by emphasizing improvements in those areas where the level of satisfaction is relatively low and the perceived importance of the service is relatively high.

#### Methodology

The rating is calculated by summing the percentage of responses for items selected as the first, second, and third most important services for the Village to provide. The sum is then multiplied by 1 minus the percentage of respondents who indicated they were positively satisfied with the Village's performance in the related area (the sum of the ratings of 4 and 5 on a 5-point scale excluding "Don't Know" responses). "Don't Know" responses are excluded from the calculation to ensure the satisfaction ratings among service categories are comparable. [IS=Importance x (1-Satisfaction)].

**Example of the Calculation:** Respondents were asked to identify the major categories of Village services they think are most important to their business. Approximately thirty-seven percent (37.3%) of respondents selected *Streets and Grounds* as one of the most important services for the Village to provide.

With regard to satisfaction, 90.4% of respondents surveyed rated the Village's overall performance in *Streets and Grounds* as a "4" or "5" on a 5-point scale (where "5" means "Very Satisfied") excluding "Don't Know" responses. The I-S rating for *Streets and Grounds* was calculated by multiplying the sum of the most important percentages by 1 minus the sum of the satisfaction percentages. In this example, 37.3% was multiplied by 9.6% (1-0.904). This yielded an I-S rating of 0.0358, which ranked first out of 9 major service categories.

The maximum rating is 1.00 and would be achieved when 100% of the respondents select an item as one of their top three choices to emphasize over the next two years and 0% indicate they are positively satisfied with the delivery of the service.

### **Importance-Satisfaction Analysis**



The lowest rating is 0.00 and could be achieved under either of the following two situations:

- If 100% of the respondents were positively satisfied with the delivery of the service
- If none (0%) of the respondents selected the service as one for the three most important areas for the City to emphasize over the next two years.

#### **Interpreting the Ratings**

Ratings that are greater than or equal to 0.20 identify areas that should receive significantly more emphasis over the next two years. Ratings from 0.10 to 0.20 identify service areas that should receive increased emphasis. Ratings less than 0.10 should continue to receive the current level of emphasis.

- Definitely Increase Emphasis (IS>=0.20)
- Increase Current Emphasis (0.10<=IS<0.20)
- Maintain Current Emphasis (IS<0.10)

The results for the Village of Pinehurst are provided on the following page.

#### 2021 Importance-Satisfaction Rating Village of Pinehurst, North Carolina Business Survey Overall Satisfaction with Village Services

Category of Service	Most Important %	Most Important Rank	Satisfaction %	Satisfaction Rank	Importance- Satisfaction Rating	I-S Rating Rank
Medium Priority (IS <.10)						
Streets & Grounds	37%	4	90%	7	0.0358	1
Planning & Zoning	23%	6	89%	8	0.0251	2
Police Patrol	59%	1	96%	6	0.0211	3
Code Enforcement	13%	7	88%	9	0.0166	4
Fire Inspections	29%	5	98%	5	0.0056	5
Fire Emergency Response	56%	2	100%	1	0.0000	6
Police Emergency Response	43%	3	100%	3	0.0000	7
Building Inspections	12%	8	100%	4	0.0000	8
Village Hall (Front Desk)	4%	9	100%	2	0.0000	9

#### Note: The I-S Rating is calculated by multiplying the "Most Important" % by (1-'Satisfaction' %)

Most Important %:	The "Most Important" percentage represents the sum of the first, second, and third most important responses for each item. Respondents were asked to identify the items they thought should be the Village's top priorities.
Satisfaction %:	The "Satisfaction" percentage represents the sum of the ratings "5" and "4" excluding 'don't knows.' Respondents ranked their level of satisfaction with each of the items on a scale of 5 to 1 with "5" being Very Satisfied and "1" being Very Dissatisfied.
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### **Importance-Satisfaction Analysis**



#### **Importance-Satisfaction Matrix Analysis**

The Importance-Satisfaction rating is based on the concept that public agencies will maximize overall customer satisfaction by emphasizing improvements in those areas where the level of satisfaction is relatively low and the perceived importance of the service is relatively high. ETC Institute developed an Importance-Satisfaction Matrix to display the perceived importance of major services that were assessed on the survey against the perceived quality of service delivery. The two axes on the matrix represent Satisfaction (vertical) and relative Importance (horizontal).

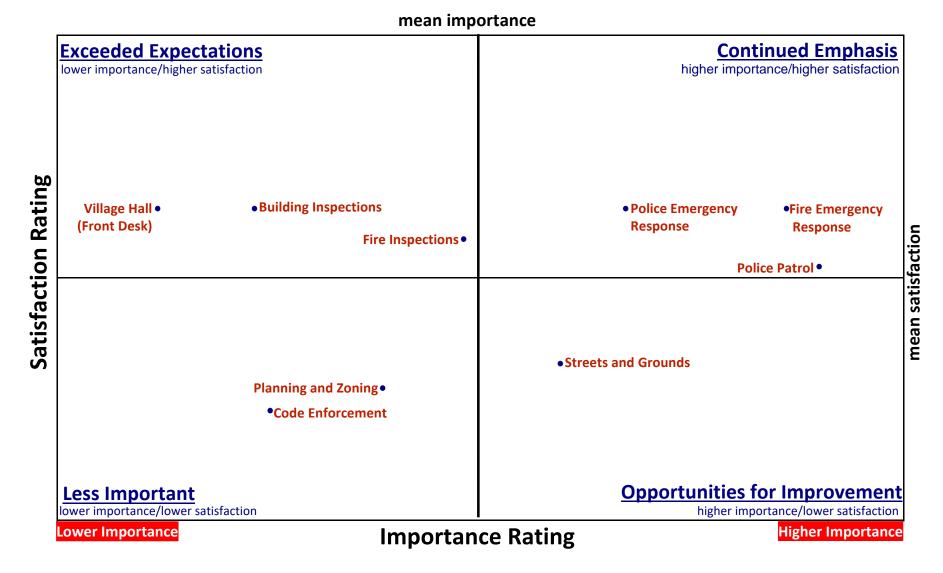
- Continued Emphasis (above average importance and above average satisfaction). This area shows where the Village is meeting customer expectations. Items in this area have a significant impact on the customer's overall level of satisfaction. The Village should maintain (or slightly increase) emphasis on items in this area.
- Exceeding Expectations (below average importance and above average satisfaction). This area shows where the Village is performing significantly better than customers expect the Village to perform. Items in this area do not significantly affect the overall level of satisfaction that residents have with Village services. The Village should maintain (or slightly decrease) emphasis on items in this area.
- Opportunities for Improvement (above average importance and below average satisfaction). This area shows where the Village is not performing as well as customers expect the Village to perform. This area has a significant impact on customer satisfaction, and the Village should DEFINITELY increase emphasis on items in this area.
- Less Important (below average importance and below average satisfaction). This area shows where the Village is not performing well relative to the Village's performance in other areas; however, this area is generally considered to be less important to residents. This area does not significantly affect overall satisfaction with Village services because the items are less important to residents. The agency should maintain current levels of emphasis on items in this area.

The matrix for the Village of Pinehurst is provided on the following page.

### 2021 Village of Pinehurst Business Survey Importance-Satisfaction Assessment Matrix

#### -Overall-

(points on the graph show deviations from the mean importance and satisfaction ratings given by respondents to the survey)





### **Tabular Data**

### Q1. Community Service Satisfaction. Please indicate if your business has used each of the services or departments listed below.

(N=75)

	Yes	No
Q1-1. Building Inspections	25.3%	74.7%
Q1-2. Fire Inspections	72.0%	28.0%
Q1-3. Planning & Zoning	25.3%	74.7%
Q1-4. Code Enforcement	14.7%	85.3%
Q1-5. Police Patrol	38.7%	61.3%
Q1-6. Police Emergency Response	24.0%	76.0%
Q1-7. Fire Emergency Response	18.7%	81.3%
Q1-8. Village Hall (Front Desk)	20.0%	80.0%
Q1-9. Streets & Grounds	29.3%	70.7%

### Q1. If "Yes," please rate the service or department using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Very Satisfied" and 1 means "Very Dissatisfied."

(N=64)

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Don't know
Q1-1. Building Inspections	73.7%	21.1%	0.0%	0.0%	5.3%
Q1-2. Fire Inspections	72.2%	22.2%	1.9%	0.0%	3.7%
Q1-3. Planning & Zoning	52.6%	31.6%	5.3%	5.3%	5.3%
Q1-4. Code Enforcement	36.4%	27.3%	9.1%	0.0%	27.3%
Q1-5. Police Patrol	79.3%	13.8%	3.4%	0.0%	3.4%
Q1-6. Police Emergency Response	83.3%	0.0%	11.1%	0.0%	5.6%
Q1-7. Fire Emergency Response	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Q1-8. Village Hall (Front Desk)	66.7%	20.0%	0.0%	0.0%	13.3%
Q1-9. Streets & Grounds	54.5%	31.8%	9.1%	0.0%	4.5%

#### WITHOUT "DON'T KNOW"

#### Q1. If "Yes," please rate the service or department using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Very Satisfied" and 1 means "Very Dissatisfied." (without "don't know")

(N=64)

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
Q1-1. Building Inspections	77.8%	22.2%	0.0%	0.0%
Q1-2. Fire Inspections	75.0%	23.1%	1.9%	0.0%
Q1-3. Planning & Zoning	55.6%	33.3%	5.6%	5.6%
Q1-4. Code Enforcement	50.0%	37.5%	12.5%	0.0%
Q1-5. Police Patrol	82.1%	14.3%	3.6%	0.0%
Q1-6. Police Emergency Response	88.2%	0.0%	11.8%	0.0%
Q1-7. Fire Emergency Response	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Q1-8. Village Hall (Front Desk)	76.9%	23.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Q1-9. Streets & Grounds	57.1%	33.3%	9.5%	0.0%

### Q2. Which THREE of the Village services or departments listed in Question 1 are MOST IMPORTANT to your business?

Q2. Top choice	Number	Percent
Building Inspections	3	4.0 %
Fire Inspections	11	14.7 %
Planning & Zoning	7	9.3 %
Code Enforcement	1	1.3 %
Police Patrol	21	28.0 %
Police Emergency Response	8	10.7 %
Fire Emergency Response	12	16.0 %
Streets & Grounds	9	12.0 %
None chosen	3	4.0 %
Total	75	100.0 %

### Q2. Which THREE of the Village services or departments listed in Question 1 are MOST IMPORTANT to your business?

Q2. 2nd choice	Number	Percent
Building Inspections	2	2.7 %
Fire Inspections	7	9.3 %
Planning & Zoning	6	8.0 %
Code Enforcement	5	6.7 %
Police Patrol	12	16.0 %
Police Emergency Response	17	22.7 %
Fire Emergency Response	17	22.7 %
Village Hall (Front Desk)	2	2.7 %
Streets & Grounds	1	1.3 %
None chosen	6	8.0 %
Total	75	100.0 %

### Q2. Which THREE of the Village services or departments listed in Question 1 are MOST IMPORTANT to your business?

Q2. 3rd choice	Number	Percent
Building Inspections	4	5.3 %
Fire Inspections	4	5.3 %
Planning & Zoning	4	5.3 %
Code Enforcement	4	5.3 %
Police Patrol	11	14.7 %
Police Emergency Response	7	9.3 %
Fire Emergency Response	13	17.3 %
Village Hall (Front Desk)	1	1.3 %
Streets & Grounds	18	24.0 %
None chosen	9	12.0 %
Total	75	100.0 %

#### SUM OF TOP 3 CHOICES

### Q2. Which THREE of the Village services or departments listed in Question 1 are the MOST IMPORTANT to your business? (top 3)

Q2. Sum of top 3 choices	Number	Percent
Building Inspections	9	12.0 %
Fire Inspections	22	29.3 %
Planning & Zoning	17	22.7 %
Code Enforcement	10	13.3 %
Police Patrol	44	58.7 %
Police Emergency Response	32	42.7 %
Fire Emergency Response	42	56.0 %
Village Hall (Front Desk)	3	4.0 %
Streets & Grounds	28	37.3 %
None chosen	3	4.0 %
Total	210	

### Q3. In general, how satisfied are you with the overall quality of services provided to your business by the Village of Pinehurst? Would you say the quality of services provided is...

Q3. How satisfied are you with overall quality of services provided to your business by Village of		
Pinehurst	Number	Percent
Significantly higher than your expectations	5	6.7 %
Higher than your expectations	26	34.7 %
Meets your expectations	33	44.0 %
Below your expectations	5	6.7 %
Don't know	6	8.0 %
Total	75	100.0 %

#### WITHOUT "DON'T KNOW"

### Q3. In general, how satisfied are you with the overall quality of services provided to your business by the Village of Pinehurst? Would you say the quality of services provided is... (without "don't know")

Q3. How satisfied are you with overall quality of services provided to your business by Village of		
Pinehurst	Number	Percent
Significantly higher than your expectations	5	7.2 %
Higher than your expectations	26	37.7 %
Meets your expectations	33	47.8 %
Below your expectations	5	7.2 %
Total	69	100.0 %

### Q4. Using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Very Satisfied" and 1 means "Very Dissatisfied," please indicate how satisfied your business is with the Village in the following areas.

					Very	
	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	dissatisfied	Don't know
Q4-1. Supporting business growth & development	21.3%	36.0%	25.3%	4.0%	4.0%	9.3%
Q4-2. Availability of employee & customer parking around your						
business	18.7%	30.7%	12.0%	6.7%	9.3%	22.7%
Q4-3. Condition of sidewalks	18.7%	44.0%	6.7%	6.7%	4.0%	20.0%
Q4-4. Creating & promoting special events	29.3%	41.3%	9.3%	1.3%	1.3%	17.3%
Q4-5. Historic preservation efforts	29.3%	33.3%	20.0%	0.0%	2.7%	14.7%
Q4-6. Cleanliness of Village streets & public areas	46.7%	40.0%	5.3%	1.3%	1.3%	5.3%
Q4-7. Landscape maintenance in rights-of-way & public areas	50.7%	33.3%	8.0%	1.3%	1.3%	5.3%
Q4-8. Level of involvement in local decisions	13.3%	34.7%	24.0%	4.0%	2.7%	21.3%

#### WITHOUT "DON'T KNOW"

### Q4. Using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Very Satisfied" and 1 means "Very Dissatisfied," please indicate how satisfied your business is with the Village in the following areas. (without "don't know")

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
Q4-1. Supporting business growth & development	23.5%	39.7%	27.9%	4.4%	4.4%
Q4-2. Availability of employee & customer parking around your business	24.1%	39.7%	15.5%	8.6%	12.1%
Q4-3. Condition of sidewalks	23.3%	55.0%	8.3%	8.3%	5.0%
Q4-4. Creating & promoting special events	35.5%	50.0%	11.3%	1.6%	1.6%
Q4-5. Historic preservation efforts	34.4%	39.1%	23.4%	0.0%	3.1%
Q4-6. Cleanliness of Village streets & public areas	49.3%	42.3%	5.6%	1.4%	1.4%
Q4-7. Landscape maintenance in rights-of- way & public areas	53.5%	35.2%	8.5%	1.4%	1.4%
Q4-8. Level of involvement in local decisions	16.9%	44.1%	30.5%	5.1%	3.4%

#### Q5. Perceptions of the Village. Several items that may influence your business's perception of the Village of Pinehurst are listed below. Please rate each item using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Very Satisfied" and <u>1 means "Very Dissatisfied."</u>

(N=75)

					Very	
	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	dissatisfied	Don't know
Q5-1. Overall image of Village	45.3%	40.0%	9.3%	0.0%	1.3%	4.0%
Q5-2. Overall quality of life	44.0%	42.7%	8.0%	0.0%	0.0%	5.3%
Q5-3. Overall feeling of safety	54.7%	34.7%	8.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.7%
Q5-4. Quality of new commercial development in Village	22.7%	30.7%	28.0%	6.7%	2.7%	9.3%
Q5-5. Overall appearance of Village	48.0%	36.0%	10.7%	0.0%	1.3%	4.0%

#### WITHOUT "DON'T KNOW"

#### Q5. Perceptions of the Village. Several items that may influence your business's perception of the Village of Pinehurst are listed below. Please rate each item using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Very Satisfied" and 1 means "Very Dissatisfied." (without "don't know")

	Vory satisfied	Satisfied	Noutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
Q5-1. Overall image of Village	Very satisfied 47.2%	41.7%	<u>Neutral</u> 9.7%	Dissatisfied 0.0%	1.4%
Q5-2. Overall quality of life	46.5%	45.1%	8.5%	0.0%	0.0%
Q5-3. Overall feeling of safety	56.2%	35.6%	8.2%	0.0%	0.0%
Q5-4. Quality of new commercial development in Village	25.0%	33.8%	30.9%	7.4%	2.9%
Q5-5. Overall appearance of Village	50.0%	37.5%	11.1%	0.0%	1.4%

### <u>Q6. Thinking generally about the Village of Pinehurst, how likely would you be to recommend the Village as</u> <u>a business location to friends, family, and co-workers?</u>

Q6. How likely would you be to recommend Village as a		
business location to friends, family, & co-workers	Number	Percent
Very likely	30	40.0 %
Likely	28	37.3 %
Somewhat likely	8	10.7 %
Not likely	4	5.3 %
Not likely at all	2	2.7 %
Don't know	3	4.0 %
Total	75	100.0 %

#### WITHOUT "DON'T KNOW"

### Q6. Thinking generally about the Village of Pinehurst, how likely would you be to recommend the Village as a business location to friends, family, and co-workers? (without "don't know")

Q6. How likely would you be to recommend Village as a

business location to friends, family, & co-workers	Number	Percent
Very likely	30	41.7 %
Likely	28	38.9 %
Somewhat likely	8	11.1 %
Not likely	4	5.6 %
Not likely at all	2	2.8 %
Total	72	100.0 %

### Q7. Which of the following best describes the overall business atmosphere in the Village of Pinehurst today, compared to two years ago?

Q7. Which following best describes overall business

atmosphere in Village of Pinehurst today, compared to

two years ago	Number	Percent
Better	31	41.3 %
No change, but good	25	33.3 %
No change, but poor	4	5.3 %
Worse	6	8.0 %
Don't know	9	12.0 %
Total	75	100.0 %

#### WITHOUT "DON'T KNOW"

### Q7. Which of the following best describes the overall business atmosphere in the Village of Pinehurst today, compared to two years ago? (without "don't know")

Q7. Which following best describes overall business atmosphere in Village of Pinehurst today, compared to Number Percent two years ago Better 31 47.0 % 25 37.9 % No change, but good 4 No change, but poor 6.1 % Worse 6 9.1 % Total 66 100.0 %

### <u>Q8. How would you rate your satisfaction with the following in Pinehurst compared to other places you</u> <u>have operated a business in the past?</u>

(N=75)

	Significantly				Significantly	
	better	Better	Same	Worse	worse	No opinion
Q8-1. Overall quality of life	20.0%	26.7%	10.7%	2.7%	1.3%	38.7%
Q8-2. Overall quality of Village services	9.3%	29.3%	21.3%	1.3%	0.0%	38.7%
Q8-3. Customer service provided by Village employees	9.3%	26.7%	21.3%	1.3%	0.0%	41.3%

#### WITHOUT "NO OPINION"

### Q8. How would you rate your satisfaction with the following in Pinehurst compared to other places you have operated a business in the past? (without "no opinion")

	Significantly better	Better	Same	Worse	Significantly worse
Q8-1. Overall quality of life	32.6%	43.5%	17.4%	4.3%	2.2%
Q8-2. Overall quality of Village services	15.2%	47.8%	34.8%	2.2%	0.0%
Q8-3. Customer service provided by Village employees	15.9%	45.5%	36.4%	2.3%	0.0%

### <u>Q9. Customer Service. Overall, how would you rate the Village of Pinehurst customer service? Would you say it is...</u>

Q9. How would you rate Village of Pinehurst customer		
service	Number	Percent
Very good	31	41.3 %
Good	28	37.3 %
Poor	2	2.7 %
Don't know	14	<u> 18.7 %</u>
Total	75	100.0 %

#### WITHOUT "DON'T KNOW"

### Q9. Customer Service. Overall, how would you rate the Village of Pinehurst customer service? Would you say it is... (without "don't know")

Q9. How would you rate Village of Pinehurst customer

service	Number	Percent
Very good	31	50.8 %
Good	28	45.9 %
Poor	2	3.3 %
Total	61	100.0 %

### Q10. Thinking about your MOST RECENT contact with Village government staff, please rate your experience using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Strongly Agree" and 1 means "Strongly Disagree."

(N=75)

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Don't know
Q10-1. Village staff was responsive to my needs	33.3%	29.3%	5.3%	1.3%	30.7%
Q10-2. Village staff was competent	28.0%	30.7%	8.0%	1.3%	32.0%
Q10-3. Village staff was courteous	34.7%	26.7%	4.0%	1.3%	33.3%
Q10-4. My issue was resolved promptly	29.3%	24.0%	9.3%	1.3%	36.0%

#### WITHOUT "DON'T KNOW"

Q10. Thinking about your MOST RECENT contact with Village government staff, please rate your experience using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Strongly Agree" and 1 means "Strongly Disagree." (without "don't know")

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree
Q10-1. Village staff was responsive to my needs	48.1%	42.3%	7.7%	1.9%
Q10-2. Village staff was competent	41.2%	45.1%	11.8%	2.0%
Q10-3. Village staff was courteous	52.0%	40.0%	6.0%	2.0%
Q10-4. My issue was resolved promptly	45.8%	37.5%	14.6%	2.1%

### Q11. Communication. Overall, how satisfied are you with the job the Village of Pinehurst does communicating with business owners? Would you say you are...

Q11. How satisfied are you with the job Village of		
Pinehurst does communicating with business owners	Number	Percent
Very satisfied	19	25.3 %
Satisfied	26	34.7 %
Neutral	19	25.3 %
Dissatisfied	3	4.0 %
Very dissatisfied	2	2.7 %
Don't know	6	8.0 %
Total	75	100.0 %

#### WITHOUT "DON'T KNOW"

### Q11. Communication. Overall, how satisfied are you with the job the Village of Pinehurst does communicating with business owners? Would you say you are... (without "don't know")

Q11. How satisfied are you with the job Village of		
Pinehurst does communicating with business owners	Number	Percent
Very satisfied	19	27.5 %
Satisfied	26	37.7 %
Neutral	19	27.5 %
Dissatisfied	3	4.3 %
Very dissatisfied	2	2.9 %
Total	69	100.0 %

#### Q12. Have you visited the Village's website (vopnc.org) during the last 12 months?

Q12. Have you visited Village's website (vopnc.org)

during last 12 months	Number	Percent
Yes	41	54.7 %
No	31	41.3 %
Don't know	3	4.0 %
Total	75	100.0 %

#### WITHOUT "DON'T KNOW"

#### Q12. Have you visited the Village's website (vopnc.org) during the last 12 months? (without "don't know")

Q12. Have you visited Village's website (vopnc.org)		
during last 12 months	Number	Percent
Yes	41	56.9 %
No	31	43.1 %
Total	72	100.0 %

### Q12a. Using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Very Good" and 1 means "Very Poor," please rate the Village website with regard to each of the following characteristics.

(N=41)

	Very good	Good	Average	Poor	Don't know
Q12a-1. Easy to navigate	34.1%	31.7%	26.8%	2.4%	4.9%
Q12a-2. Availability of information					
about Village services	43.9%	34.1%	14.6%	2.4%	4.9%

#### WITHOUT "DON'T KNOW"

### Q12a. Using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Very Good" and 1 means "Very Poor," please rate the Village website with regard to each of the following characteristics. (without "don't know")

(N=41)

Q12a-1. Easy to navigate	Very good	Good	Average	Poor
	35.9%	33.3%	28.2%	2.6%
Q12a-2. Availability of information about Village services	46.2%	35.9%	15.4%	2.6%

### Q12b. Overall, how satisfied would you say you were with the Village of Pinehurst Website? Would you say you were...

Q12b. How satisfied were you with Village of Pinehurst		
website	Number	Percent
Very satisfied	10	24.4 %
Satisfied	22	53.7 %
Neutral	9	22.0 %
Total	41	100.0 %

#### Q13. Have you used the Village's mobile app (MY VOP) during the last 12 months?

Q13. Have you used Village's mobile app (MY VOP)		
during last 12 months	Number	Percent
Yes	8	10.7 %
No	65	86.7 %
Don't know	2	2.7 %
Total	75	100.0 %

#### WITHOUT "DON'T KNOW"

#### Q13. Have you used the Village's mobile app (MY VOP) during the last 12 months? (without "don't know")

Q13. Have you used Village's mobile app (MY VOP)		
during last 12 months	Number	Percent
Yes	8	11.0 %
No	65	<u>89.0 %</u>
Total	73	100.0 %

### Q13a. Overall, how satisfied would you say you were with the Village mobile app, MY VOP? Would you say you were...

Q13a. How satisfied were you with Village mobile app,		
MY VOP	Number	Percent
Very satisfied	3	37.5 %
Satisfied	3	37.5 %
Neutral	2	25.0 %
Total	8	100.0 %

### Q14. Please indicate which of the following are the best ways for the Village to communicate with you to get important information to your business.

communicate with you to get important information to

your business	Number	Percent
Direct mail	27	36.0 %
Village website	14	18.7 %
Email (monthly business eNews)	50	66.7 %
Workshops/business forums	8	10.7 %
Social media	14	18.7 %
Personal calls/visits	15	20.0 %
Newsletters	15	20.0 %
Brochures	1	1.3 %
MY VOP mobile app	2	2.7 %
Engage Pinehurst online engagement portal (engage.vopnc.		
org)	2	2.7 %
Other	5	6.7 %
Total	153	

#### Q14-11. Other

Q14-11. Other	Number	Percent
Text	2	40.0 %
The Pilot	1	20.0 %
Instagram	1	20.0 %
Phone alerts	1	20.0 %
Total	5	100.0 %

#### Q15. Community Development. Using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Very Satisfied" and 1 means "Very Dissatisfied," please indicate how satisfied your business is with the following Village codes and ordinances.

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know
Q15-1. Zoning ordinances	20.0%	29.3%	29.3%	4.0%	4.0%	13.3%
015-2 Business						

ordinances	20.0%	29.3%	29.3%	4.0%	4.0%	13.3%
Q15-2. Business signage regulations	24.0%	32.0%	21.3%	10.7%	2.7%	9.3%
Q15-3. Historic District Guidelines	25.3%	33.3%	24.0%	0.0%	4.0%	13.3%

#### WITHOUT "DON'T KNOW"

Q15. Community Development. Using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Very Satisfied" and 1 means "Very Dissatisfied," please indicate how satisfied your business is with the following Village codes and ordinances. (without "don't know")

(N=75)

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
Q15-1. Zoning ordinances	23.1%	33.8%	33.8%	4.6%	4.6%
Q15-2. Business signage regulations	26.5%	35.3%	23.5%	11.8%	2.9%
Q15-3. Historic District Guidelines	29.2%	38.5%	27.7%	0.0%	4.6%

# Q16. Village Events. Using a scale of 1 to 3, where 3 means "Positive Impact" and 1 means "Negative Impact," please indicate the impact the following events in the Village Center have on your business.

(N=75)

Q16-1. Farmers Markets	Positive impact 37.3%	No impact 60.0%	Negative impact 1.3%	Don't know 1.3%
Q16-2. Live After Five Concerts	38.7%	57.3%	1.3%	2.7%
Q16-3. Parades (e.g. Fourth of July, St.				
Patrick's Day, US Kids)	36.0%	57.3%	4.0%	2.7%
Q16-4. Holly Arts & Crafts Festival	41.3%	53.3%	4.0%	1.3%
Q16-5. Tree Lighting	42.7%	53.3%	1.3%	2.7%
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Q16-6. Shakespeare in the Pines	29.3%	64.0%	1.3%	5.3%
Q16-7. Sandhills Motoring Festival	37.3%	57.3%	1.3%	4.0%
Q16-8. Other cultural activities (e.g.				
performing arts)	36.0%	50.7%	0.0%	13.3%

#### WITHOUT "DON'T KNOW"

Q16. Village Events. Using a scale of 1 to 3, where 3 means "Positive Impact" and 1 means "Negative Impact," please indicate the impact the following events in the Village Center have on your business. (without "don't know")

	Positive impact	No impact	Negative impact
Q16-1. Farmers Markets	37.8%	60.8%	1.4%
Q16-2. Live After Five Concerts	39.7%	58.9%	1.4%
Q16-3. Parades (e.g. Fourth of July, St. Patrick's Day, US Kids)	37.0%	58.9%	4.1%
Q16-4. Holly Arts & Crafts Festival	41.9%	54.1%	4.1%
Q16-5. Tree Lighting	43.8%	54.8%	1.4%
Q16-6. Shakespeare in the Pines	31.0%	67.6%	1.4%
Q16-7. Sandhills Motoring Festival	38.9%	59.7%	1.4%
Q16-8. Other cultural activities (e.g. performing arts)	41.5%	58.5%	0.0%

## Q17. Please indicate how satisfied you are with the way the Village handles events that attract large crowds to the Village (e.g. considering the needs of businesses, addressing noise and disturbance issues)?

Q17. How satisfied are you with the way Village handles		
events that attract large crowds to Village	Number	Percent
Very satisfied	23	30.7 %
Satisfied	28	37.3 %
Neutral	13	17.3 %
Dissatisfied	1	1.3 %
Very dissatisfied	1	1.3 %
Don't know	9	12.0 %
Total	75	100.0 %

#### WITHOUT "DON'T KNOW"

Q17. Please indicate how satisfied you are with the way the Village handles events that attract large crowds to the Village (e.g. considering the needs of businesses, addressing noise and disturbance issues)? (without "don't know")

Q17. How satisfied are you with the way Village	handles
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events that attract large crowds to Village	Number	Percent
Very satisfied	23	34.8 %
Satisfied	28	42.4 %
Neutral	13	19.7 %
Dissatisfied	1	1.5 %
Very dissatisfied	1	1.5 %
Total	66	100.0 %

# Q18. Using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Extremely Important" and 1 means "Not Important," please indicate how important each of the following reasons were in your decision to locate your business in the Village of Pinehurst.

	Extremely				<b>.</b>	
	important	Very important	Important		Not important	Not provided
Q18-1. Overall image of Village	38.7%	32.0%	18.7%	0.0%	6.7%	4.0%
Q18-2. Safety & security	44.0%	42.7%	10.7%	0.0%	0.0%	2.7%
Q18-3. Availability of trained						
employees	28.0%	28.0%	21.3%	4.0%	12.0%	6.7%
employees	20.070	2010/0	21.0/0	11070	12.070	0.770
Q18-4. Low property tax rate	36.0%	20.0%	16.0%	10.7%	8.0%	9.3%
Q18-5. Quality healthcare	45.3%	28.0%	9.3%	2.7%	8.0%	6.7%
Q18-6. Affordable rent	33.3%	26.7%	14.7%	6.7%	8.0%	10.7%
Q18-7. Proximity to family or	20 70/	26 70/		0.00/	42.00/	6 70/
friends	30.7%	26.7%	14.7%	9.3%	12.0%	6.7%
Q18-8. Quality of public						
education	41.3%	20.0%	17.3%	2.7%	9.3%	9.3%
cuddion	41.570	20.070	17.570	2.770	5.570	5.570
Q18-9. Overall quality of life in						
Village	49.3%	30.7%	12.0%	0.0%	4.0%	4.0%
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#### WITHOUT "DON'T KNOW"

# Q18. Using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Extremely Important" and 1 means "Not Important," please indicate how important each of the following reasons were in your decision to locate your business in the Village of Pinehurst. (without "not provided")

	Extremely important	Very important	Important	Less important	Not important
Q18-1. Overall image of Village	40.3%	33.3%	19.4%	0.0%	6.9%
Q18-2. Safety & security	45.2%	43.8%	11.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Q18-3. Availability of trained employees	30.0%	30.0%	22.9%	4.3%	12.9%
Q18-4. Low property tax rate	39.7%	22.1%	17.6%	11.8%	8.8%
Q18-5. Quality healthcare	48.6%	30.0%	10.0%	2.9%	8.6%
Q18-6. Affordable rent	37.3%	29.9%	16.4%	7.5%	9.0%
Q18-7. Proximity to family or friends	32.9%	28.6%	15.7%	10.0%	12.9%
Q18-8. Quality of public education	45.6%	22.1%	19.1%	2.9%	10.3%
Q18-9. Overall quality of life in Village	51.4%	31.9%	12.5%	0.0%	4.2%

#### Q19. What are the most important issues facing Pinehurst today?

- Controlling growth
- covid-19
- Covid and Mayor advocating responsibility to Washington DC. Infrastructure to keep up with growth.
- Covid- restructure socialization
- covid-19
- Covid-Have seen a lot of out of state cars(golfers)-think they are contributing to the amount of Covid.
- Development
- expansion
- Growth
- Growth
- Growth & traffic.
- Growth and handling the growth.
- Growth, schools, & managing traffic.
- Growth/Infrastructure
- Housing shortage for reasonably priced homes.
- Hwy 5 is a cluster
- Keeping businesses open in the Village.
- Lack of medium range priced homes. Need more retail
- Lack of retail in the Village. We have nice stores but they are frequently closed. More shopping makes for a more pleasant experience for the wives of those who are here for golfing trips. Broad St in Southern Pines has more to offer visitors.
- Let the hotel tax pass. It foolish to stand in the way of money's that will elevate the value of our tourism.
- Maintain small town atmosphere.
- Management of growth, roads, infrastructure. The traffic circle needs to be addressed.
- managing growth and accommodating younger families
- Managing growth and not loose character
- Need more businesses to attract people. Businesses need to stay open during events.
- No parking . Appearance is pitiful . No lighting at night. Should be ashamed . Plantings are horrible.
- Overall growth.
- Parking
- Parking
- Parking for businesses in the heart of the Village.
- Pinehurst needs to make sure that its lovely wooded areas are preserved and not completely demolished in favor of homes and businesses. It is important to preserve the natural areas, or it will no longer be a beautiful place.
- Population growth and traffic
- Population growth, even if only during M-F 8-5, and not enough emergency services personnel to respond in a timely manner.
- Positive growth and expansion. Good and careful planning are important.
- Positive Growth Opportunities VS The Desire to Remain a Quiet Quaint Village
- Public transportation.
- The council.
- The PGA Complex will ruin Pinehurst's quality.
- Traffic
- Traffic and over developing.
- Traffic and parking
- Traffic congestion

#### Q19. What are the most important issues facing Pinehurst today? (cont.)

- Traffic, condition of the streets, zoning committee.
- Traffic, especially in the village. Speeding on Chinquapin is an issue. Maintaining the village sidewalks. The brick is uneven with significant gaps in many places. I personally have broken heels on shoes and trip frequently.
- Traffic, police need to enforce the speed limits.
- Upgrading streetscape to match expectations of Visitors when they come to the Home of American Golf. It seems we should have white lights in trees year-round and make it look magical as I think it is and upgrade trees and add more greening to village.
- Zoning-encroachment of mass merchant big box on the village.

#### Q20. Do you have any suggestions for how the Village could serve your business better?

- All is good
- Better response time.
- Don't be so strict on grant money. After spending a great deal of money upgrading my property, a small grant was turned down because I did the landscaping work in advance even though I had before and after images. Seems like a silly technicality after spending so much to enhance a building that is so important to the overall look of the Village.
- Extend all services to Taylortown (Olmsted Village) area.
- Find zoning information online easier.
- I would really like to see the downtown area of the Village completely pedestrianized. Especially Chinquapin and Market Square. This would provide wonderful gathering and eating spaces and more.
- Keep 5-8 Shop Late
- Let everyone know better about events and road blockages
- Lighting and police patrol. Too dark to be open after dark.
- More police presence in the neighborhoods and improve prosecutions of all crimes.
- Need sidewalks and off street parking.
- Offer trash pick up to small business/offices in the hospital area.
- Parking
- Provide transportation.
- Recycling for businesses.
- Respond to emails.
- Signage
- Signage is confusing at best it seems there are resort signs and signs that say "Village Shops" but nothing and I repeat
  nothing saying the Historic Village of Pinehurst is this way we are more than Village Shops we are the Historic Village of
  Pinehurst. When you combine that with no signs directing people walking from the hotel and the confusing street names
  changing I think we need a professional to evaluate this issue and resolve it because right now we are too hard to find for
  those who haven't been here before.
- Slow down the traffic that is ripping thru the center of the village and trim back hedges and trees that block visibility and are impassable for two cars due to overgrown shrubs.
- We were arbitrarily placed into the Historic District even though we were in the Service District. We are major stakeholder on Rattlesnake Trail yet were never interviewed or contacted regarding the Re-Envision of our street. We have participated in the zoom. The staff has been very responsive when we have needed answers. They are NOT the issue. The staff is great and this is not a complaint about them. They are bound by the rules of the council, and their rules and regs. I will be absolutely shocked if anyone reaches out to follow up with my comments. We feel as though we are "red headed step-children." I have lived her for over 40 years. Somehow we managed to make Pinehurst nice enough for the population increase some who have been here for a short while and yet they think they know better. Hmmm.

#### **Q21.** Business Category. Please indicate the primary business category of your business.

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business	Number	Percent
Retail	6	8.0 %
Restaurants & Food Services	3	4.0 %
Inn	2	2.7 %
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	9	12.0 %
Financial & Insurance	4	5.3 %
Real Estate & Rental Leasing	11	14.7 %
Health Care & Social Assistance	21	28.0 %
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	2	2.7 %
Other	11	14.7 %
Not provided	6	8.0 %
Total	75	100.0 %

#### WITHOUT "NOT PROVIDED"

# Q21. Business Category. Please indicate the primary business category of your business. (without "not provided")

Q21. What is the primary business category for your

business	Number	Percent
Retail	6	8.7 %
Restaurants & Food Services	3	4.3 %
Inn	2	2.9 %
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	9	13.0 %
Financial & Insurance	4	5.8 %
Real Estate & Rental Leasing	11	15.9 %
Health Care & Social Assistance	21	30.4 %
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	2	2.9 %
Other	11	<u> 15.9 %</u>
Total	69	100.0 %

#### Q21-9. Other

Q21-9. Other	Number	Percent
Travel and tourism	1	9.1 %
Commercial printing	1	9.1 %
Non-profit	1	9.1 %
Metal fabrication, powder coating and tooling	1	9.1 %
Non-profit membership organization, promoting Scottish		
culture	1	9.1 %
Printing service	1	9.1 %
Foundation	1	9.1 %
Liquor store	1	9.1 %
Private club and neighborhood	1	9.1 %
Hair salon	1	9.1 %
Grocery store	1	9.1 <u>%</u>
Total	11	100.0 %

#### Q22. How many years have you been in operation in the Village of Pinehurst?

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Village of Pinehurst	Number	Percent
0-5 years	12	16.0 %
6-10 years	7	9.3 %
11-15 years	11	14.7 %
16-20 years	5	6.7 %
20+ years	35	46.7 %
Not provided	5	6.7 %
Total	75	100.0 %

#### WITHOUT "NOT PROVIDED"

#### Q22. How many years have you been in operation in the Village of Pinehurst? (without "not provided")

Q22. How many years have you been in operation in

Village of Pinehurst	Number	Percent
0-5 years	12	17.1 %
6-10 years	7	10.0 %
11-15 years	11	15.7 %
16-20 years	5	7.1 %
20+ years	35	50.0 %
Total	70	100.0 %

#### Q23. Please answer the following questions.

(N=75)

	Yes	No	Not provided
Q23-1. Are you a member of Pinehurst Business Partners	20.0%	52.0%	28.0%
Q23-2. Are you a member of Moore County Chamber of Commerce	34.7%	44.0%	21.3%
Q23-3. Is your business located in Village Center	26.7%	61.3%	12.0%

### WITHOUT "NOT PROVIDED"

#### Q23. Please answer the following questions. (without "not provided")

	Yes	No
Q23-1. Are you a member of Pinehurst Business Partners	27.8%	72.2%
Q23-2. Are you a member of Moore County Chamber of Commerce	44.1%	55.9%
Q23-3. Is your business located in Village Center	30.3%	69.7%





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July 2021

Dear Village of Pinehurst Business Owner,

Each year, the Village of Pinehurst surveys its business owners to obtain feedback on how the Village is meeting the needs of its businesses. We invite you to participate in this year's Business Survey by providing your personal opinion. By taking approximately 10 minutes to complete the anonymous survey, you can help make an impact on the Village of Pinehurst. The feedback we receive will help Village leaders and elected officials set community priorities including staffing and budget expenditures, determine areas or services that need improvement, and identify future needs. We strive to exceed your expectations as we promote, enhance, and sustain the quality of life in the Village of Pinehurst.

# Complete the survey using the paper survey and postage paid envelope provided or complete it online by visiting *www.2021PinehurstBusinessSurvey.com*.

The survey data will be collected and analyzed by ETC Institute, one of the nation's leading governmental research firms, and Village staff. Results will be presented to the Pinehurst Village Council at a public meeting in September. Please join us to hear the results!

If you have any questions about the survey, please contact me at 295-1900, ext. 1101. Thank you for participating in the 2021 Business Survey.

Sincerely,

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Jeffrey M. Sanborn Village Manager



## 2021 Village of Pinehurst Business Survey

Please take a few minutes to complete this survey. Your input is an important part of the Village's ongoing effort to identify and respond to business concerns. If you have questions, please contact Jeff Sanborn, Village Manager at (910) 295-1900, ext. 1101 or at <u>isanborn@vopnc.org</u>.

1. <u>Community Service Satisfaction.</u> Please indicate if your business has used each of the services or departments listed below in the past year. *If "Yes,"* please rate the service or department using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Very Satisfied" and 1 means "Very Dissatisfied."

		Has your business used this service or department in the past year?		Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Don't Know
1.	Building Inspections	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1	9
2.	Fire Inspections	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1	9
3.	Planning and Zoning	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1	9
4.	Code Enforcement	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1	9
5.	Police Patrol	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1	9
6.	Police Emergency Response	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1	9
7.	Fire Emergency Response	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1	9
8.	Village Hall (Front Desk)	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1	9
9.	Streets and Grounds	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1	9

2. Which THREE of the Village services or departments listed above are the MOST IMPORTANT to your business? [Write in your answers below using the numbers from the list in Question 1.]

1st: \_\_\_\_ 2nd: \_\_\_\_ 3rd: \_\_\_\_

- 3. In general, how satisfied are you with the overall quality of services provided to your business by the Village of Pinehurst? Would you say the quality of services provided is...
  - \_\_\_\_(1) Significantly higher than your expectations
    - (2) Higher than your expectations
  - (3) Meets your expectations

- (4) Below your expectations
- (5) Significantly below your expectations
- \_\_\_\_(9) Don't know
- 4. Using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Very Satisfied" and 1 means "Very Dissatisfied," please indicate how satisfied your business is with the Village in the following areas.

		Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Don't Know
1.	Supporting business growth and development	5	4	3	2	1	9
2.	Availability of employee and customer parking around your business	5	4	3	2	1	9
3.	Condition of sidewalks	5	4	3	2	1	9
4.	Creating and promoting special events	5	4	3	2	1	9
5.	Historic preservation efforts	5	4	3	2	1	9
6.	Cleanliness of Village streets and public areas	5	4	3	2	1	9
7.	Landscape maintenance in rights-of-way and public areas	5	4	3	2	1	9
8.	Level of involvement in local decisions	5	4	3	2	1	9

5. Perceptions of the Village. Several items that may influence your business's perception of the Village of Pinehurst are listed below. Please rate each item using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Very Satisfied" and 1 means "Very Dissatisfied."

		Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Don't Know
1.	Overall image of the Village	5	4	3	2	1	9
2.	Overall quality of life	5	4	3	2	1	9
3.	Overall feeling of safety	5	4	3	2	1	9
4.	Quality of new commercial development in the Village	5	4	3	2	1	9
5.	Overall appearance of the Village	5	4	3	2	1	9

- 6. Thinking generally about the Village of Pinehurst, how likely would you be to recommend the Village as a business location to friends, family, and co-workers?
  - (1) Very likely
     (3) Somewhat likely
     (5) Not likely at all

     (2) Likely
     (4) Not likely
     (9) Don't know
- Which of the following best describes the overall business atmosphere in the Village of Pinehurst 7. today, compared to two years ago?

(1) Better	(3) No change, but poor	(9) Don't know
(2) No change, but good	(4) Worse	

#### How would you rate your satisfaction with the following in Pinehurst compared to other places 8. you have operated a business in the past?

		Significantly Better	Better	Same	Worse	Significantly Worse	No Opinion
1.	Overall quality of life	5	4	3	2	1	9
2.	Overall quality of Village services	5	4	3	2	1	9
3.	Customer service provided by Village employees	5	4	3	2	1	9

#### 9. Customer Service. Overall, how would you rate the Village of Pinehurst customer service? Would you say it is...

- \_\_\_\_(1) Very good \_\_\_\_(3) Poor \_\_\_\_(9) Don't know \_\_\_\_(2) Good \_\_\_\_(4) Very poor
- 10. Thinking about your MOST RECENT contact with Village government staff, please rate your experience using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Strongly Agree" and 1 means "Strongly Disagree."

	Customer Service Characteristics	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't Know
1.	Village staff was responsive to my needs	5	4	3	2	1	9
2.	Village staff was competent	5	4	3	2	1	9
3.	Village staff was courteous	5	4	3	2	1	9
4.	My issue was resolved promptly	5	4	3	2	1	9

#### 11. Communication. Overall, how satisfied are you with the job the Village of Pinehurst does communicating with business owners? Would you say you are...

- (1) Very satisfied
- (2) Satisfied
- \_\_\_\_(5) Very dissatisfied 

   \_\_\_\_(3) Neutral
   \_\_\_\_(5) Very dissatis

   \_\_\_\_(4) Dissatisfied
   \_\_\_\_(9) Don't know

### 12. Have you visited the Village's website (vopnc.org) during the last 12 months?

\_\_\_\_(1) Yes [Answer Q12a-b.] \_\_\_\_(2) No [Skip to Q13.] \_\_\_\_(9) Don't know [Skip to Q13.]

12a. Using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Very Good" and 1 means "Very Poor," please rate the Village website with regard to each of the following characteristics.

	Very Good	Good	Average	Poor	Very Poor	Don't Know		
1. Easy to navigate	5	4	3	2	1	9		
2. Availability of information about Village services	5	4	3	2	1	9		
12b. Overall, how satisfied would you say you were with the Village of Pinehurst website? Would you say you were        (1) Very satisfied(3) Neutral(5) Very dissatisfied(9) Don't know         (2) Satisfied(4) Dissatisfied(9) Don't know         13. Have you used the Village's mobile app (MY VOP) during the last 12 months?        (1) Yes [Answer Q13a.]        (2) No [Skip to Q14.]        (9) Don't know [Skip to Q14.]								
13a. Overall, how satisfied would you you say you were	say you v	vere with t	he Village	mobile a	op, MY VO	P? Would		
(1) Very satisfied (3) (2) Satisfied (4)	Neutral Dissatisfied		_(5) Very dis _(9) Don't ki	ssatisfied now				
14. Please indicate which of the following are the best ways for the Village to communicate with you to get important information to your business. [Check all that apply.]								
(02) Village website (03) Email (Monthly Business eNews)	(06) Pers (07) New (08) Broc (09) MY \	sletters hures		engag (enga	ement porta ge.vopnc.org	  )		

15. <u>Community Development.</u> Using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Very Satisfied" and 1 means "Very Dissatisfied," please indicate how satisfied your business is with the following Village codes and ordinances.

		Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Don't Know
1.	Zoning ordinances	5	4	3	2	1	9
2.	Business signage regulations	5	4	3	2	1	9
3.	Historic District Guidelines	5	4	3	2	1	9

16. <u>Village Events.</u> Using a scale of 1 to 3, where 3 means "Positive Impact" and 1 means "Negative Impact," please indicate the impact the following events in the Village Center have on your business.

		Positive Impact	No Impact	Negative Impact	Don't Know
1.	Farmers Markets	3	2	1	9
2.	Live After Five Concerts	3	2	1	9
3.	Parades (e.g. Fourth of July, St. Patrick's Day, US Kids)	3	2	1	9
4.	Holly Arts and Crafts Festival	3	2	1	9
5.	Tree Lighting	3	2	1	9
6.	Shakespeare in the Pines	3	2	1	9
7.	Sandhills Motoring Festival	3	2	1	9
8.	Other cultural activities (e.g. performing arts)	3	2	1	9

- 17. Please indicate how satisfied you are with the way the Village handles events that attract large crowds to the Village (e.g. considering the needs of businesses, addressing noise and disturbance issues)?
  - (1) Very satisfied (2) Satisfied
- (3) Neutral (4) Dissatisfied

\_\_\_\_(5) Very dissatisfied (9) Don't know

18. Using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Extremely Important" and 1 means "Not Important," please indicate how important each of the following reasons were in your decision to locate your business in the Village of Pinehurst.

		Extremely Important	Very Important	Important	Less Important	Not Important
1.	Overall image of the Village	5	4	3	2	1
2.	Safety and security	5	4	3	2	1
3.	Availability of trained employees	5	4	3	2	1
4.	Low property tax rate	5	4	3	2	1
5.	Quality healthcare	5	4	3	2	1
6.	Affordable rent	5	4	3	2	1
7.	Proximity to family or friends	5	4	3	2	1
8.	Quality of public education	5	4	3	2	1
9.	Overall quality of life in the Village	5	4	3	2	1

#### 19. Additional Feedback. What are the most important issues facing Pinehurst today?

#### Do you have any suggestions for how the Village could serve your business better? 20.

#### 21. Business Category. Please indicate the primary business category for your business.

- (1) Retail
  - (2) Restaurants and Food Services
  - (3) Inn
  - (4) Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services

(7) Health Care and Social Assistance (8) Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation

(6) Real Estate and Rental Leasing

(9) Other:

- (5) Financial and Insurance
- 22. How many years have you been in operation in the Village of Pinehurst?
  - \_\_\_\_(2) 6-10 years \_\_\_\_(3) 11-15 years \_\_\_\_(4) 16-20 years \_\_\_\_(5) 20+ years \_\_\_\_(1) 0-5 years

#### 23. Please answer the following questions.

1. Are you a member of Pinehurst Business Partners?	Yes	No
2. Are you a member of the Moore County Chamber of Commerce?	Yes	No
3. Is your business located in the Village Center?	Yes	No

## This concludes the survey – Thank you for your time!

Please return your completed survey in the enclosed postage paid envelope addressed to: ETC Institute, 725 W. Frontier Circle, Olathe, KS 66061

Your responses will remain completely confidential. The information printed to the right will ONLY be used to help identify the level of satisfaction with Village services in your area. If your address is not correct, please provide the correct information. Thank you.