

LBT10 Survey for Member Input on 2022 Strategic Priorities

Tuesday, February 08, 2022

115

Total Responses

Date Created: Friday, January 21, 2022

Complete Responses: 115

Background and Caveat

This survey was conducted among LBT10 members from January 21 to February 6, 2022.

It is important to note that results are often dependent on the point in time the survey is conducted. Current hot topic items may rise to the top while other issues may still be emerging and may have even greater long-term significance.

In addition, certain issues may only impact one neighborhood or location. This may result in the concern receiving a lower overall rating but may not be indicative of the true need for it to be addressed.

LBT10 welcomes all members who want to be more involved in helping us address all of the needs of our community.

Thank you again for your participation in this survey. Your voice is important.

Executive Summary

Highest Rated Priorities (4.0+)

Chronic Flooding (4.15)

Residential Overbuilding/Zoning Issues (4.15)

Medium Rated Priorities (3.00-3.99)

Preparation for Catastrophic Storms (3.63)

Property Assessments/Taxes (3.61)

Beach Erosion/Replenishment (3.52)

Offshore Wind Farm Development (3.50)

Decreasing Commercial Properties (3.42)

Water/Sewer Charges (3.05)

First Responder Supporter (3.00)

Lower Rated Priorities (0-2.99)

Municipal Voting Rights for Non-Resident Taxpayers (2.98)

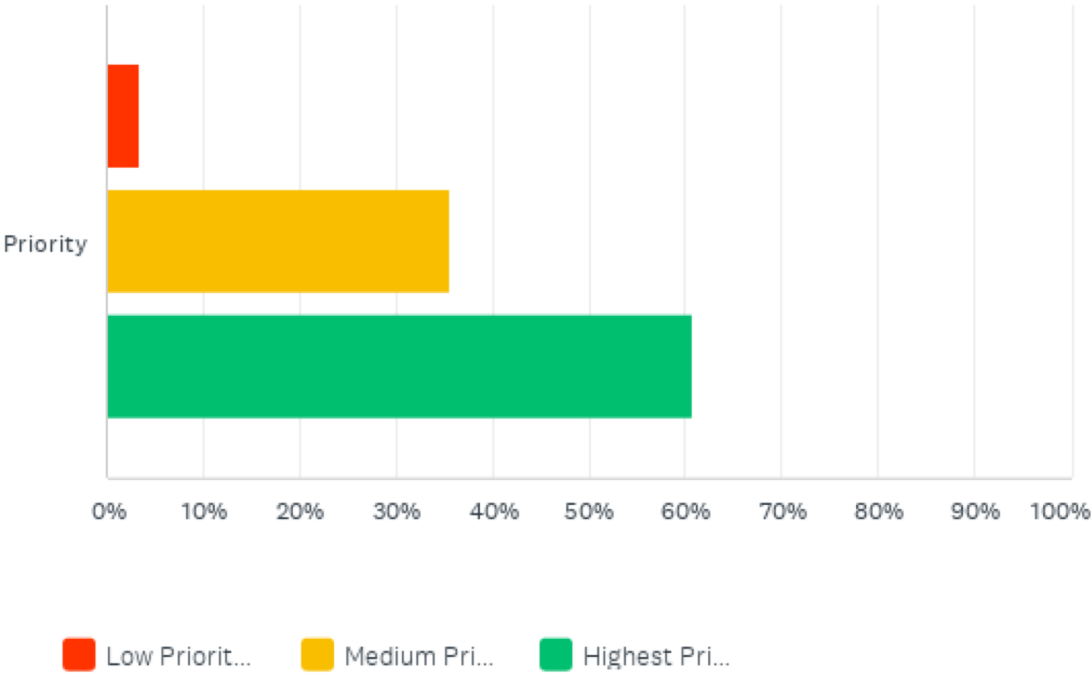
Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety (2.84)

Bayside Bulkhead Requirements (2.44)

Neighborhood Watch/Safety (2.18)

Q3: Chronic Flooding

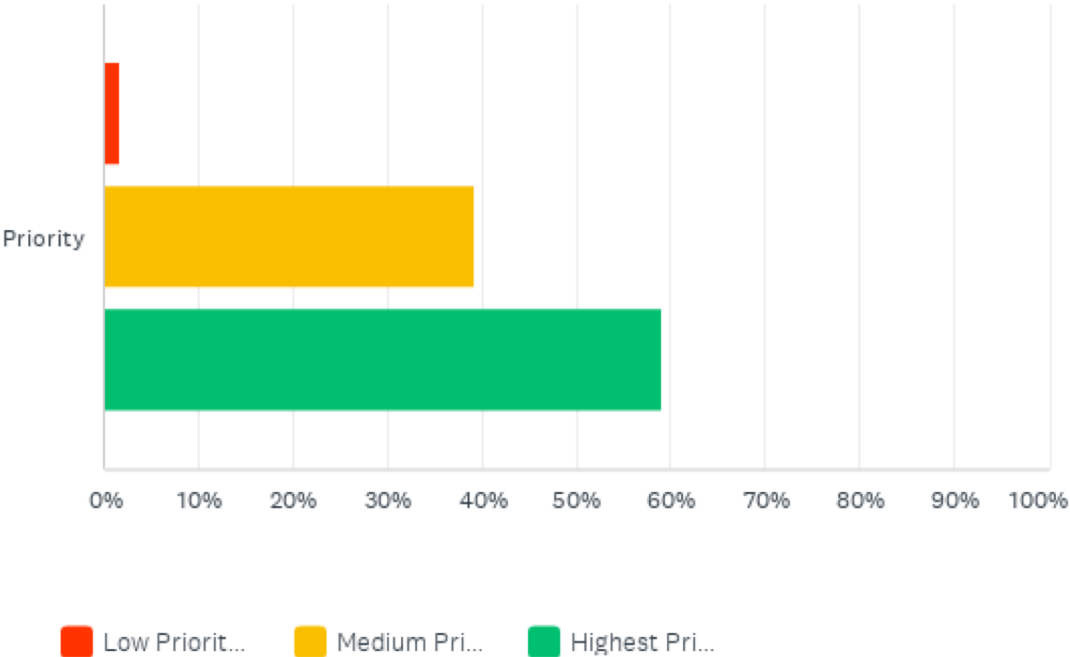
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Priority	3.48% 4	35.65% 41	60.87% 70	115	4.15

Q11: Residential Overbuilding/Zoning Issues

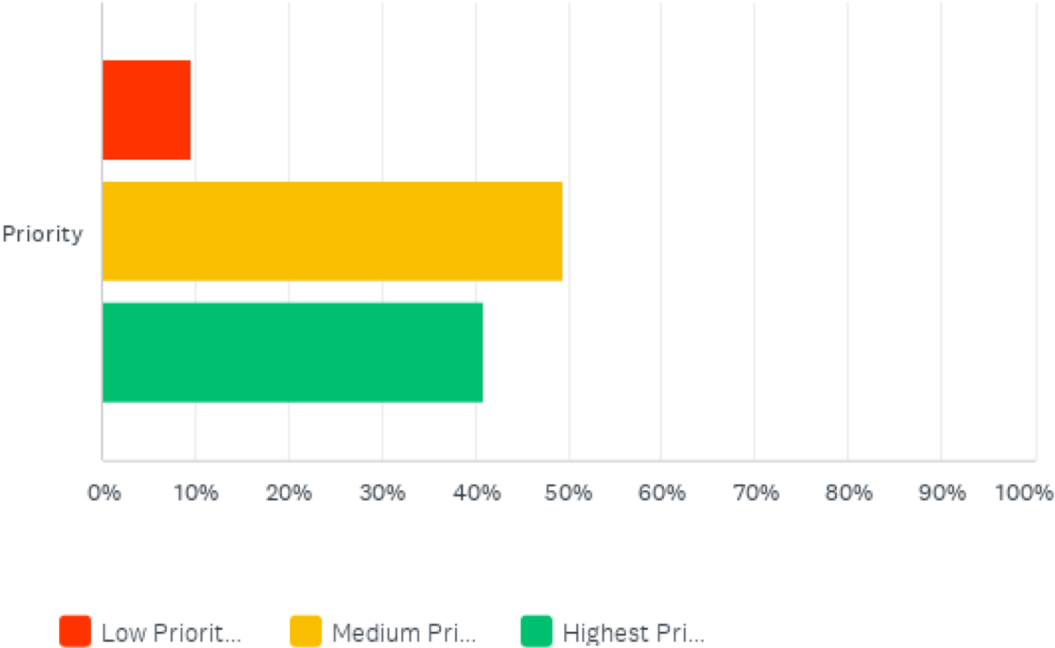
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Priority	1.74% 2	39.13% 45	59.13% 68	115	4.15

Q9: Preparation for Catastrophic Storms

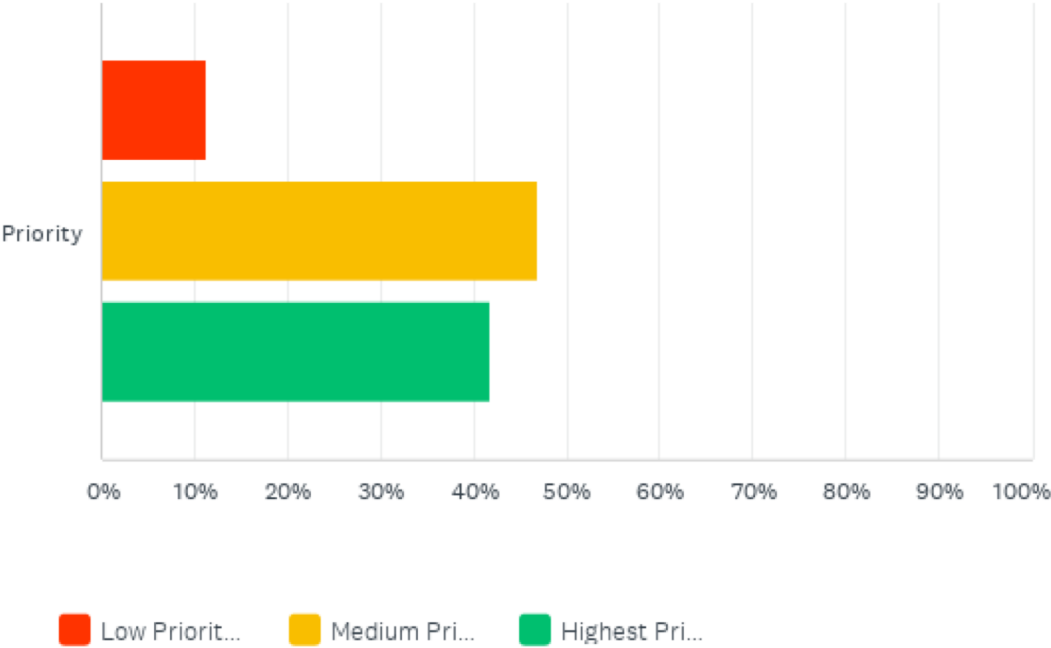
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Priority	9.57% 11	49.57% 57	40.87% 47	115	3.63

Q10: Property Assessments/Taxes

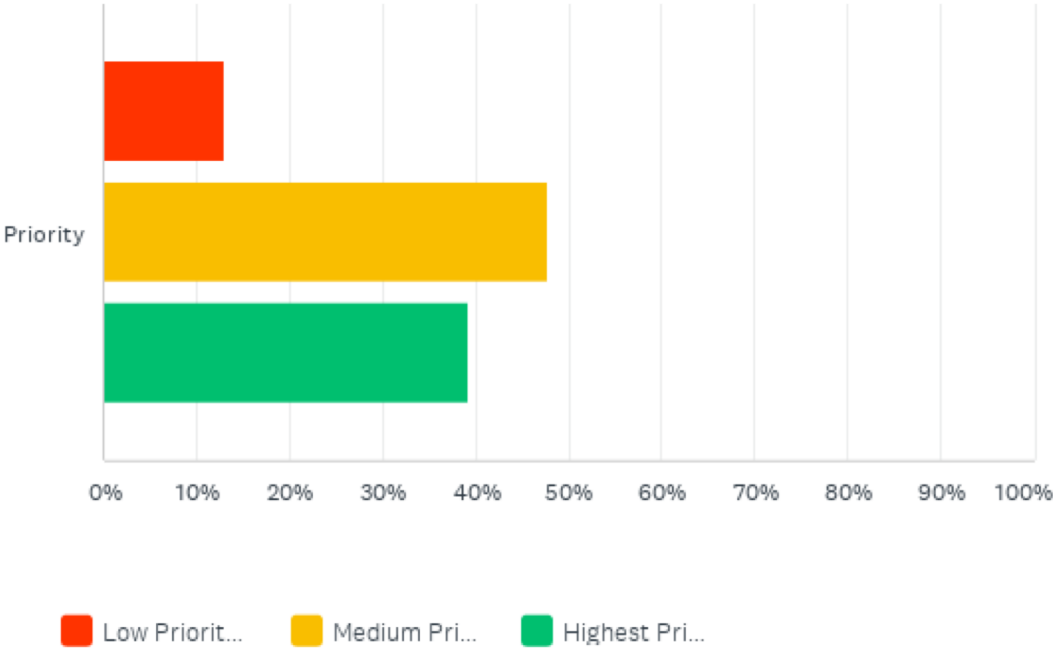
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Priority	11.30% 13	46.96% 54	41.74% 48	115	3.61

Q13: Beach Erosion/Replenishment

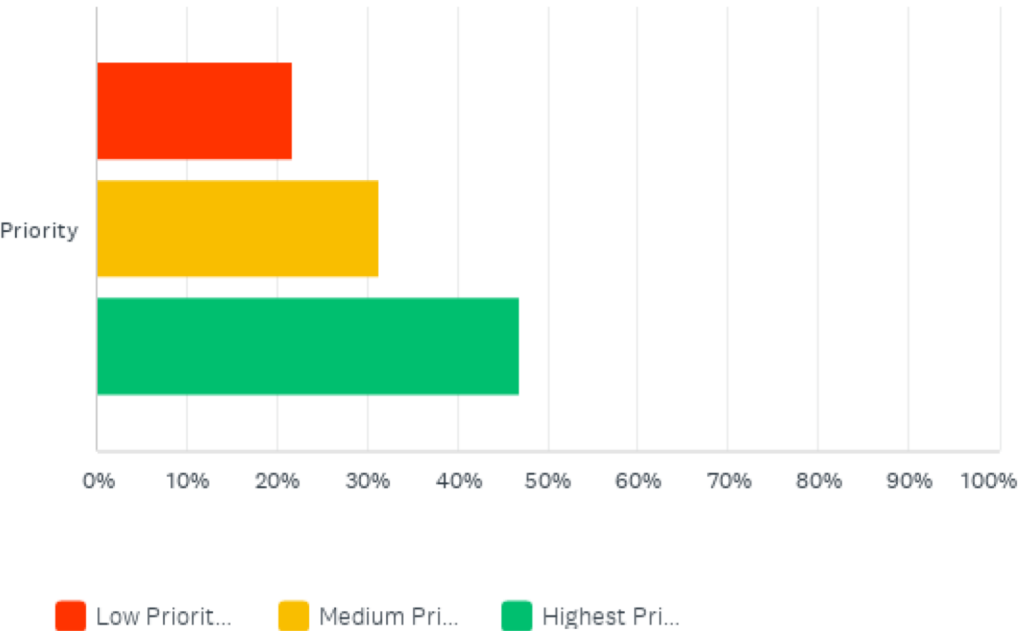
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Priority	13.04% 15	47.83% 55	39.13% 45	115	3.52

Q8: Offshore Wind Farm Development

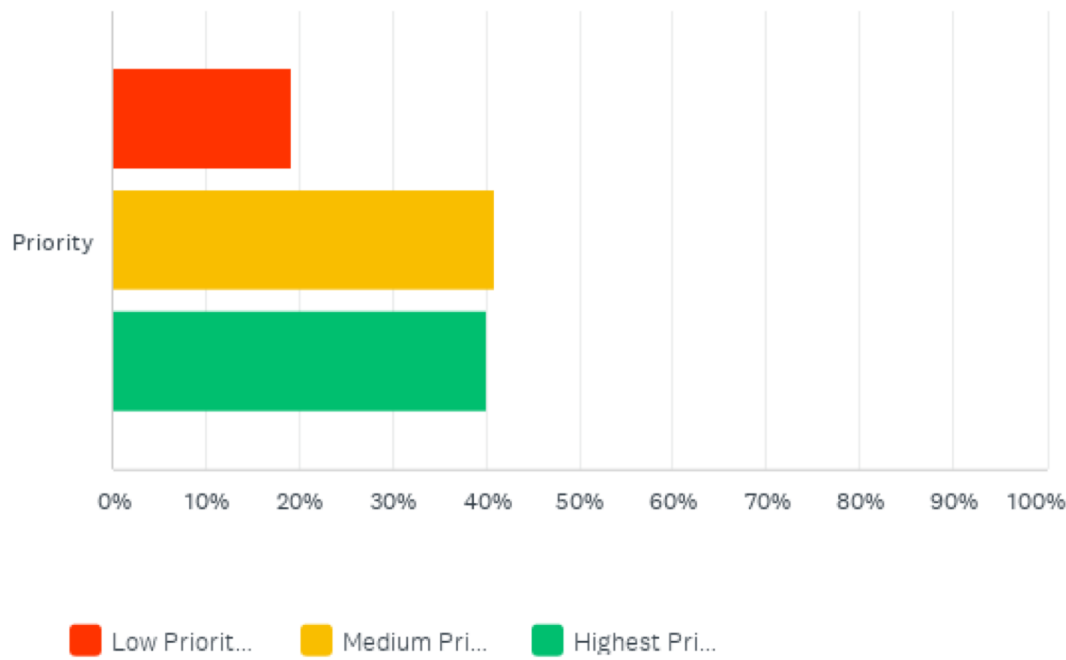
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Priority	21.74% 25	31.30% 36	46.96% 54	115	3.50

Q4: Decreasing Commercial Properties

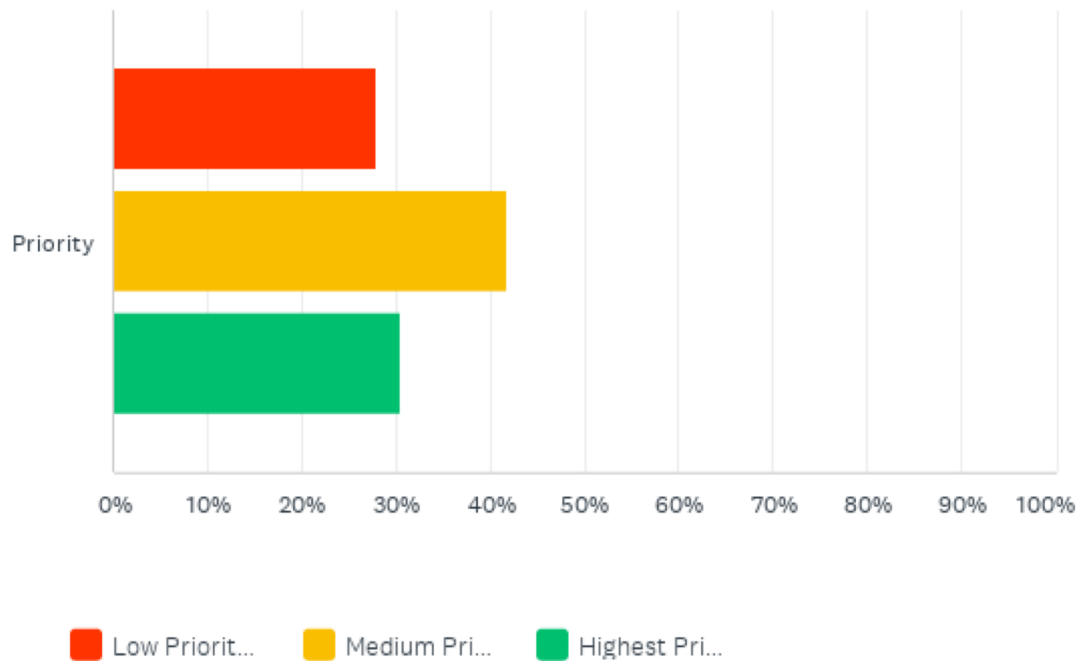
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Priority	19.13% 22	40.87% 47	40.00% 46	115	3.42

Q12: Water/Sewer Charges

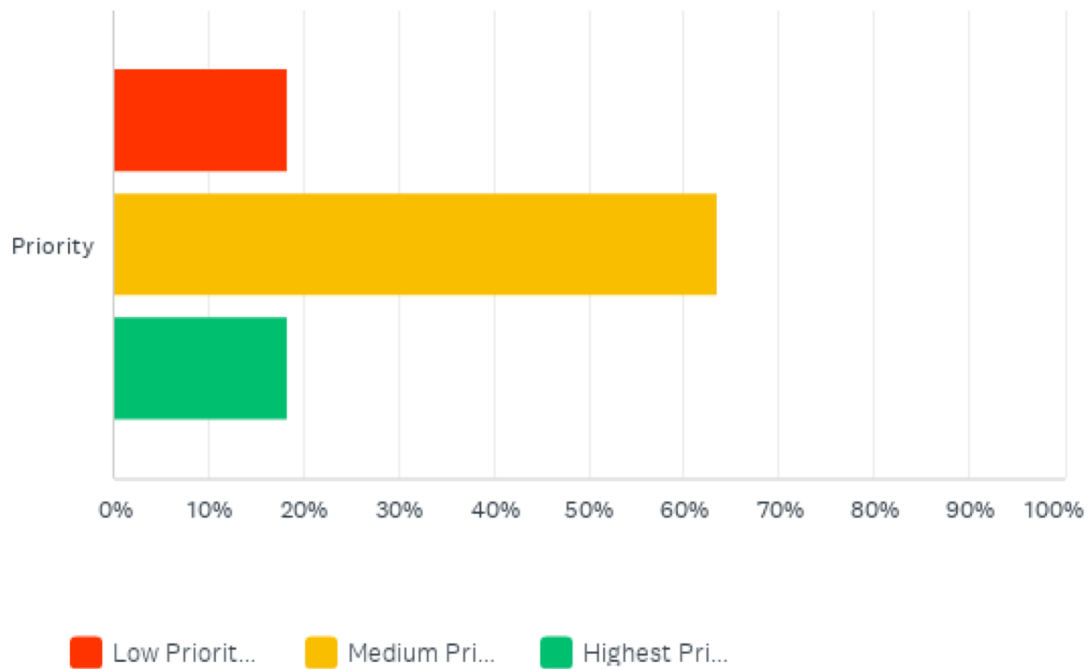
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Priority	27.83% 32	41.74% 48	30.43% 35	115	3.05

Q5: First Responder Support

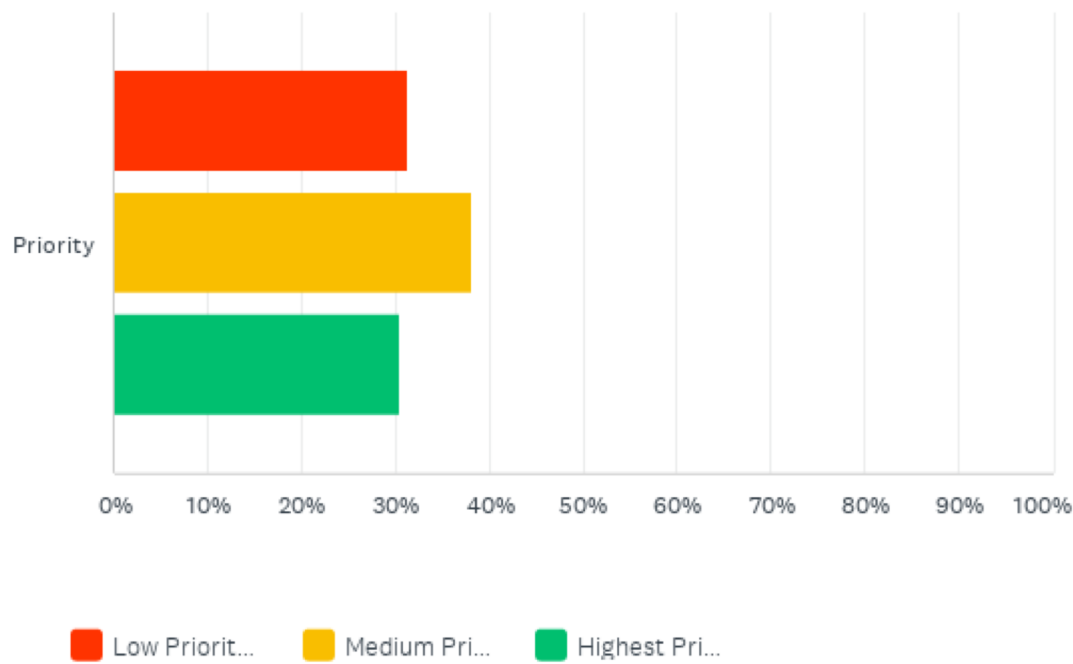
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Priority	18.26% 21	63.48% 73	18.26% 21	115	3.00

Q6: Municipal Voting Rights for Non-Resident Taxpayers

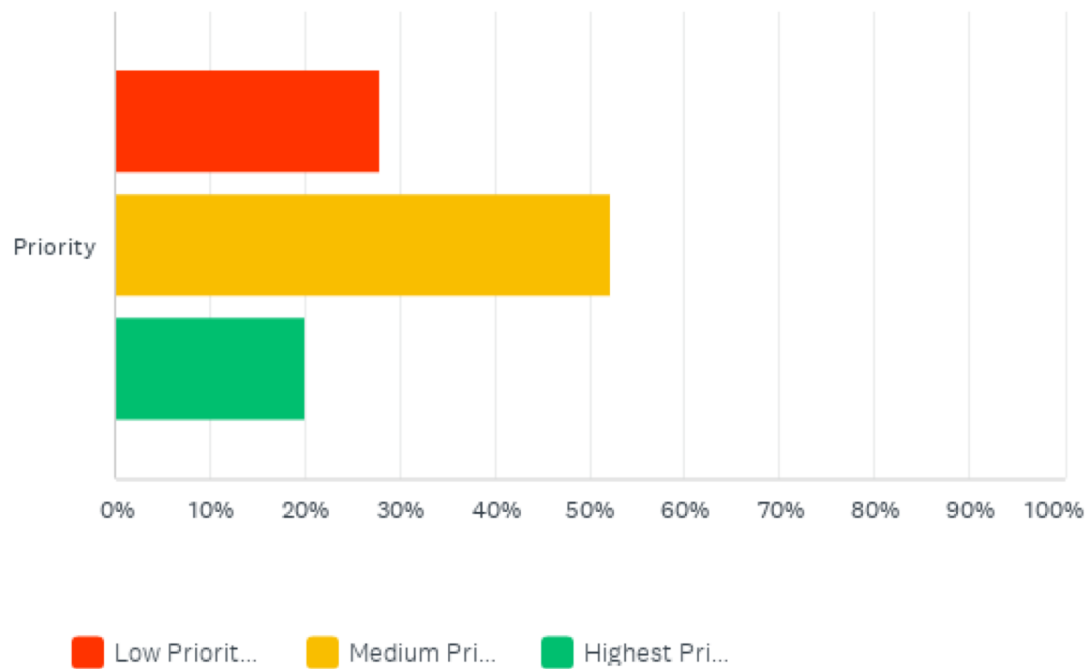
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Priority	31.30% 36	38.26% 44	30.43% 35	115	2.98

Q2: Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety

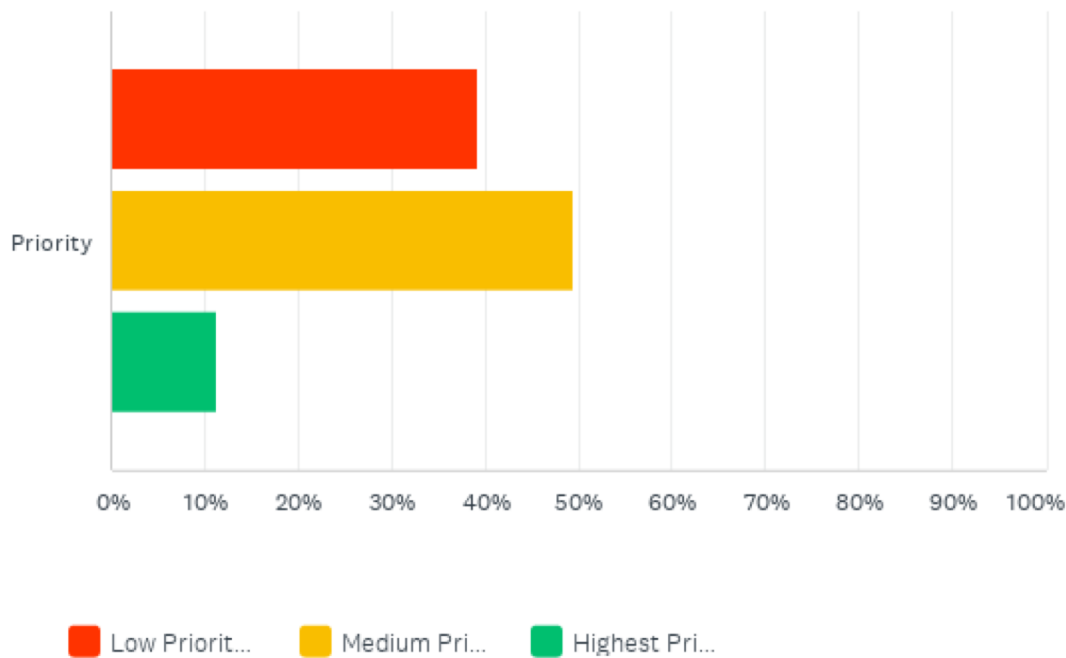
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Priority	27.83% 32	52.17% 60	20.00% 23	115	2.84

Q1: Bayside Bulkhead Requirements

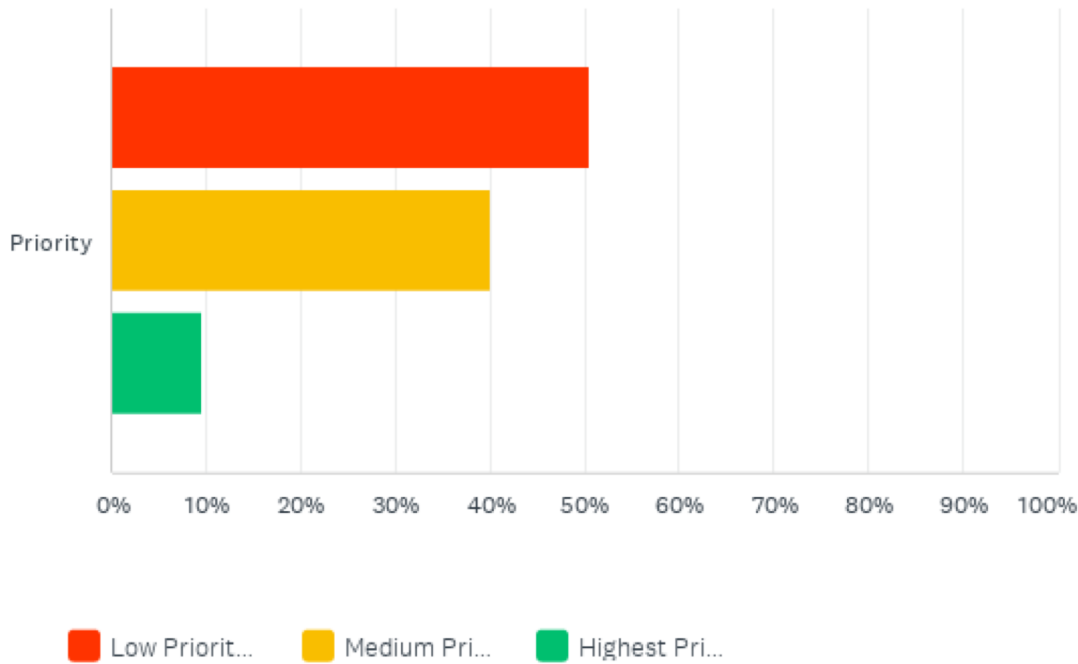
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Priority	39.13% 45	49.57% 57	11.30% 13	115	2.44

Q7: Neighborhood Watch/Safety

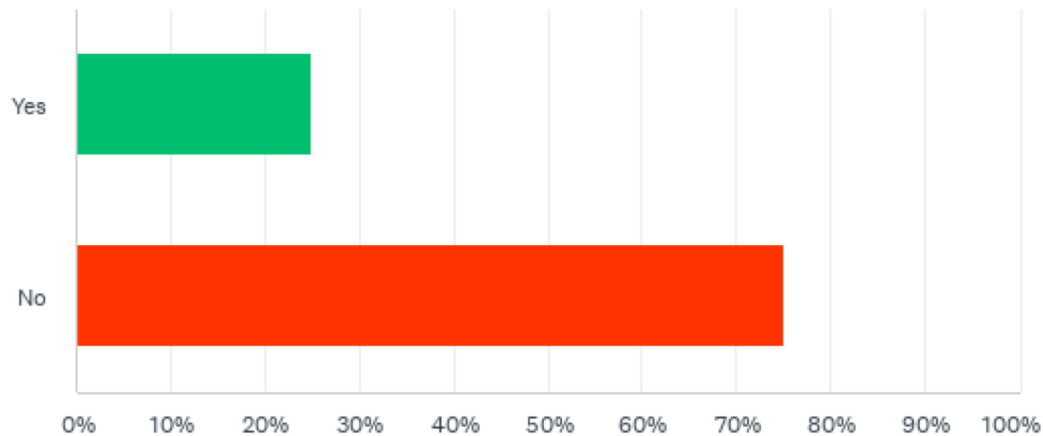
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Priority	50.43% 58	40.00% 46	9.57% 11	115	2.18

Q15: Would you like to serve on an LBT10 committee for one of these strategic priorities? If yes, please include your name, email address and the priority you would like to work on.

Answered: 96 Skipped: 19



ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES	
Yes		25.00%	24
No		75.00%	72
TOTAL			96

Appendix

- Member Comments
- Original Survey Instructions

Member Comments

I find #2 confusing. Not sure if you meant commercial properties ARE decreasing or are you asking if WE WANT them to decrease. My concern is that we are losing commercial properties to housing/condos and I would like to see that stop or we won't have the services on LBI that we all enjoy. My other big concern is overbuilding and allowing every possible pc of land to be covered with a structure. Thank you for all you're doing.

thanks for organizing us!

Stop knocking down small homes for monster homes. Bring back up and down homes, this gives people an affordable way to buy a house. Make the water charges comparable to the amount used.

Parking issues people blocking driveways in restaurant areas. Not being policed

Residential overbuilding and decreasing commercial properties, especially restaurants, will have a direct impact on rentals and make the LBT10 properties less desirable for year-round ownership. Where I could walk to "local watering hole" to meet friends in the past, now I must drive as biking isn't safe.

The speeding of cars on the Blvd. and Beach Ave are of concern to me. Keeping our township a place where walking, biking, and pedestrian safety is encouraged. I think the traffic lights should come on earlier in April, and should be extended into the end of October. Trying to cross the blvd during the "off season" is really difficult and has become more dangerous.

Hello! And thank you for organizing this survey and for the work you are doing on behalf of all of us. With regard to these questions, I believe that beach replenishment and bulkhead regulations should be part of the initiative on coastal flooding. And I was glad to see your first question concerning our first responders- they receive so little assistance from the two. My third comment concerns pedestrian safety. Most other communities have numerous cross-walks for residents to cross the blvd. I think and a review of this and summer traffic lights this would help create a safer community for pedestrians walking east to west. Thanks again, committee!

Definitely need to attract and keep commercial businesses and restaurants on LBI. Also the chronic flooding and what can be done is of high concern.

Member Comments

Only full time residents should vote here! Wind farm is a good thing don't let a few small group steer you in wrong direction. It could save on electric cost and be an eco tourism hub as well as benefit to fishing.

The spacing of lifeguard stations appears to be getting further apart each summer. PROable staffing related but having older visitors it can an effort to get to a swimmable area.

Thank you for your time putting the survey together.

noise ordinances and weed overgrowth regulations

I believe the street lamps located 5 block or so north of the Acme are a complete waste of money and light pollution issues for the residents who are impacted by these lights at night. Also, another location should be found to stage equipment.

I am a nonresident homeowner only coming down a few weekends a month, if that. Therefore, I may be missing the boat on local issues and therefore apologize if I am not seeing the key issues to local habitants. If so, I apologize. Not intentional.

I would like the Township to advise all residents of anything that affects our island. Everything is done in secret. We should be advisd of any new business or closures of businesses. We should have more input and voting rights as to what goes on on the island.

Flooding unaddressed will destroy island. Boulevard higher, side streets worse.

I would like to see an enforced noise ordinance with renters playing games and hanging out on decks after midnight

Higher bulkheads will only make other areas of the island flood. A better solution is to dredge the bay. Development needs to change. We need to eliminate paved driveways! We need more surface area for rain water to soak into. Consider pavers that are more Porous. On just stone.

Member Comments

Chronic flooding plans such as pump house and street drains which cause more problems than if they did not exist. This issue I feel is the most significant one listed. Thank you for your service to the community

Tried to prioritize issues that affect the most, also issues that can be worked to improve

I think Chronic flooding is the most important problem for Long Beach Island right now.

Thank you for being our voice on these issues

Clearly the highest priority is the offshore wind that will be seen from the beaches. It should be moved further out of sight from shore. Amazing that the NJ politicians will hurt the Jersey shore.

The blvd is in terrible shape and needs to be completely repaved instead of patched. Also, it does not seem like any rules apply anymore to building house. A new house on my block(90st) installed a pool a foot from the side of the house and it extends into the front yard. The pool is oversized for the space and it does not seem like it would meet the impervious surface restrictions. This leads to more runoff and flooding.

Concerned about lack of routine maintenance, i.e. weekly, of beach entrances. Sand accumulation makes it very difficult to walk up the steep inclines. Sand needs to be removed and pathways packed down on a weekly basis, at a minimum.

We need to focus on safety and livability even if there is a cost. Some thoughts: We are adding residential properties while reducing businesses. This creates issues related to restaurant wait times, long take out waiting and minimal businesses to shop at. Safety in general is not a concern but we do need to enforce a curfew. After 11 there are constantly large groups of kids on bikes on beach avenue. They block the roads from cars, are very loud and in many cases appear to be drinking. Police presence needs to be increased and they need to be addressed. Final issue is the flooding. It is not good for tourism and rentals. The island looks terrible, traffic is bad and it is a safety issue as trucks attempt to plow through these high waters. Thanks for asking.

The terrible condition of our roads deserve high priority and attention

Member Comments

People's safety is the most important of any issue we have. The Boulevard has become an ocean highway and it is so incredibly dangerous. I think speed is a big issue and wish there was a better way for the traffic to be managed. It's amazing that there hasn't been a death in our township. I probably am in the minority but also believe traffic lights (or a few of them) should come on much earlier.

Appreciate the Association's focus on these areas

Good job of identifying all these issues.

Comcast charges for T.V. internet etc.

Since Sandy, beach replenishment has progressed nicely. The efforts on the bayside have been abysmal. Our street floods regularly. At the very least, the storm drains should be cleaned out so that they work properly.

Property taxes are not supposed to be a by product of market values but in reality budgets seem to stretch during these higher market times

School taxes - only 170 students in elementary school and we are supporting 2 schools. We only send a small percentage of students to the regional high school, yet we pay a large percentage of taxes per student.

Labor shortage to support LBI retailers, ready supply of replacement appliances, parking

Nothing at this time.

The issue of overbuilding is very much related to flooding on LBI and should be addressed that way.

Original Survey Instructions

In responding to this questionnaire, please keep the following thoughts in mind:

There are no right or wrong answers. This is a preliminary step to gain your feedback. A great deal of discussion will follow as we work together to identify the priorities we feel have the greatest impact.

Please give each priority careful consideration. Try to limit your top ratings to just a few issues as everything cannot be a priority.

You may feel that two or more of the listed priorities are inextricably related; if so, please be sure to give them the same rating.

Please keep in mind that certain issues that may seem to affect only one neighborhood but may have an indirect or domino effect on other areas. For example, something that might negatively impact real estate values in one area is likely to spread quickly to the entire community.

Lastly, this is intended to be an ongoing process. Things change and, like with Covid, LBT10 will continue to be flexible in addressing these changes.