



Closing the Gap



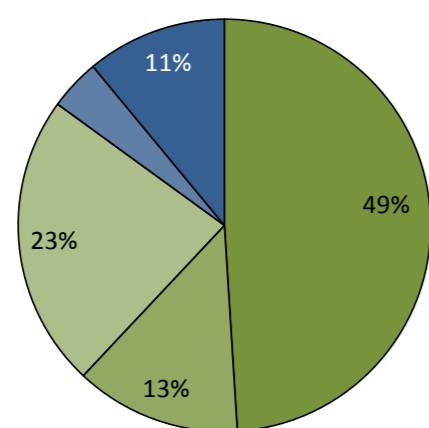
2015 Homer City Town Hall Meeting

Key Pad Polling - REVENUE GENERATION

REVENUE	\$ VALUE	In Favor	Mostly in Favor	Somewhat In Favor	Mostly not in Favor	Not In Favor
Raise Property Tax 1 Mill	\$660,000	33	8	23	5	30
Currently COH taxpayers pay 4.5 COH, 4.5 KPB and 2.3 SPH (total 11.3). The next opportunity to make a mill rate increase effective would be July 2016.						
Raise Sales Tax 0.5%	\$854,434	49	13	23	4	11
Based on 2014 sales tax revenue. Requires voter approval. Earliest impact 2017 budget. Current Sales Tax; Borough 3%, City of Homer 4.5%						
Reinstate Seasonal Sales Tax on Non-prepared Food	\$833,473	56	8	19	6	12
Sales tax that would have been generated from 9/1 to 5/31: 2010-2011 \$735,501; 2011-2012 \$794,163; 2012-2013 \$812,065; 2013-2014 \$833,473						
Raise Sales Tax Cap from \$500-\$1000	UNKNOWN	65	6	10	4	16
KPB is considering putting this on the October ballot. A public hearing will be held on 07/07/15. If voters approve raising the cap, no other action by the City is required. Earliest impact 2017 budget. \$37.50 - \$75.00						
Eliminate COH \$20,000 Property Tax Exemption for Primary Residence	\$94,000	26	4	16	20	44
Currently COH exempts the first \$20,000, but could exempt less.						
Increasing Fines for Code Violations	NEGLIGIBLE	51	6	10	4	29
2014 'fines and forfeiture' revenue was \$20,142, including the animal shelter. Most of the HPD issued fine amounts are mandated by the State. The main city issued fine we can control is parking violations. Levying fines is staff intensive, and therefore costly.						
Bed Tax	\$120,000 PER 1%	71	4	6	2	17
Estimate provided by KPTMC in 2012. 4.5% would generate \$540,000						

Raise Sales Tax 0.5%

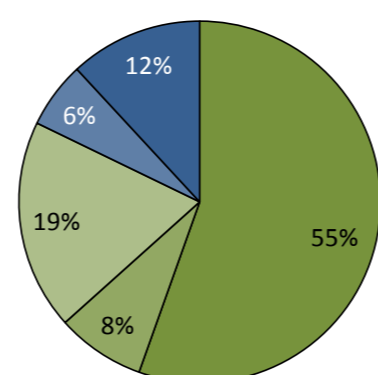
85% of Responses Were Positive



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Reinstate Seasonal Sales Tax on Non-prepared Food

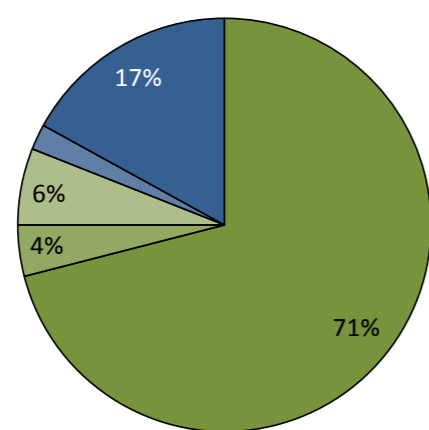
82% of Responses Were Positive



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Bed Tax

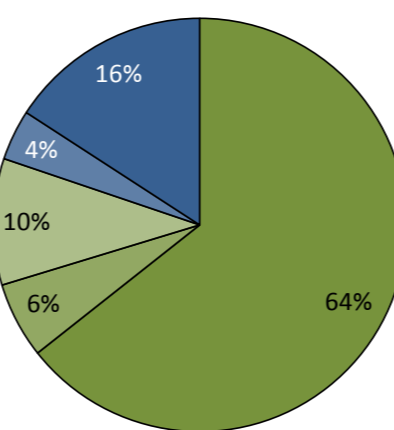
81% of Responses Were Positive



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Raise Sales Tax Cap from \$500-\$1000

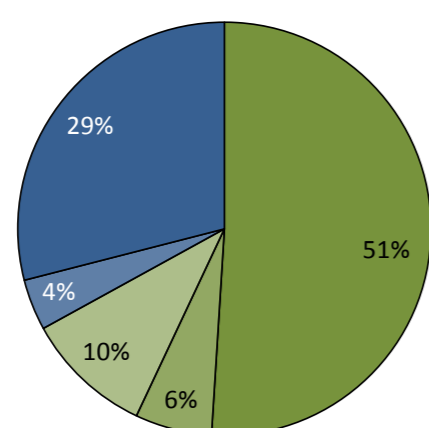
80% of Responses Were Positive



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Increasing Fines for Code Violations

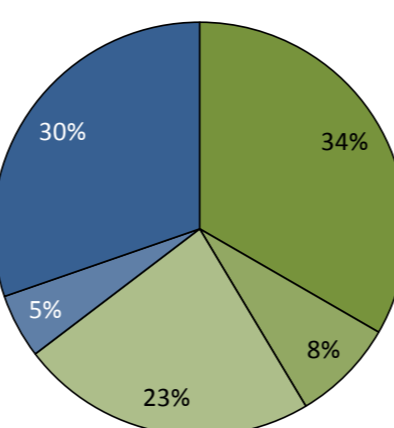
67% of Responses Were Positive



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Raise Property Tax 1 Mill

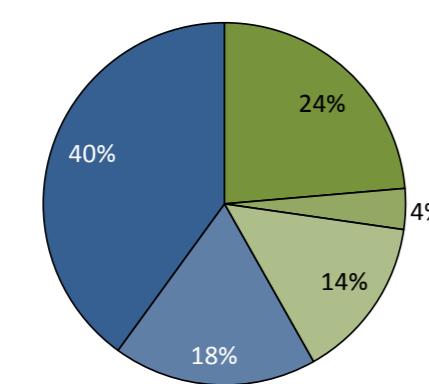
65% of Responses Were Positive



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Eliminate COH \$20,000 Property Tax Exemption for Primary Residence

58% of Responses Were Negative



- In Favor
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- Somewhat in Favor
- Mostly not in Favor
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