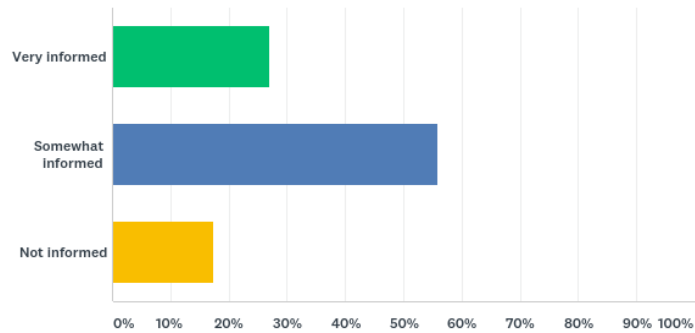
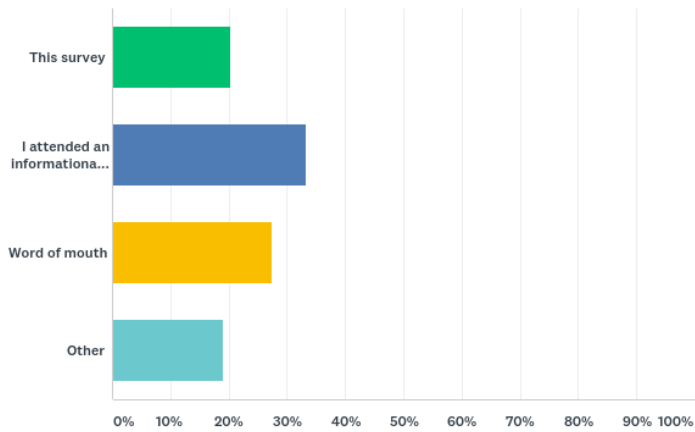


This survey was sent to the 336 contacts on the PBIA ratepayer email list and ran from July 19-30, 2019. There were 104 responses.

Q1 At this point, how informed are you about the property-based Downtown Improvement District (DID)?



Q2 How did you hear about it?



“Other” includes:

ODA Newsletter, PBIA Email, Daily Olympian, KXXO, City Newsletter, and Facebook

Sample of Comments

"I think that business owners and property owners need to control how their immediate public areas to their businesses is maintained and safety is priority. The DID is a giant leap towards that need."

"We would join many other Downtowns through out the nation that have opted for this type of DID that have very successful in improving Downtowns. Olympia needs this!!!"

"My only concern is that the City will use this as an opportunity to shirk its responsibility to maintain a safe and clean downtown. They are doing a pretty lousy job of it now, but I am concerned that when the DID takes on some of that responsibility, the City will use more of our current tax dollars on tents."

"Who will have oversight of the funds? How will the funding be spent? How will the funding affect the pbia and the Oda? What will we do if the funding affects the cost of leases? will the funding cover broken windows?"

"The idea that a DID assessment charged to a property owner will not be passed on to a renter is absurd. The idea that a business owner will buy into the idea that a charge will not be passed on is offensive."

"Terrible idea that will drive up the costs of doing business in downtown with the benefits going to the property owners. Takes the decision making out of the hands of businesses and puts it in property owner hands, who do not share the same concerns as the people who are on the ground day to day operating in downtown."

Recurring Themes

Pro	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• More resources/money• ODA more nimble than City of Olympia• No cost to taxpayers• “less cats to herd”• Big potential
Concern	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Will city curtail services?• Loss of representation/control• Shifting focus from marketing and promotions to clean and safe• Lack of trust of ODA to administer• Can’t have both Improvement Districts
Opposed	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Businesses already pay too much• Inviting corporate investment/gentrification• More bureaucracy

Q3 What thoughts or questions do you have about the DID proposal?
What do you think the pros and cons might be?

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	None	7/30/2019 3:37 PM
2	I need to know everything about it.	7/30/2019 3:15 PM
3	Living outside of the core area I'm concerned there will be no benefit received for more money paid out. PBIA dues have been paid for years and my issues on Columbia St between Union and railroad tracks at Heritage Park go unanswered.	7/30/2019 8:42 AM
4	Pro: more money from the downtown community being spent within the downtown community. Pro: ODA can be much more nimble than PBIA / the city	7/29/2019 9:33 PM
5	I'm concerned the City will curtail services if there is a DID. I would also like to know more about how the \$127,500/year budgeted for "management" is going to be spent.	7/29/2019 7:47 PM
6	It could be good to have more resources to put toward whats needed. I dont want to pay twice.	7/29/2019 4:04 PM
7	(CON)I don't think the businesses downtown should have to pay more. We already pay enough. Most businesses downtown are small businesses and the city wants to keep taxing us more and more. And there are no changes. It's way cheaper to run a business in Lacey. Not cool.	7/29/2019 3:12 PM
8	Serious reservations about shifting a lot of control over downtown improvements/planning from small businesses and their owners to property owners. Also, there are little or no protections that would prevent those property owners from passing their DID assessments through to tenant businesses. Many businesses already have granted permission for such pass-through via "triple-net" leases or other conveyances. In that case the financial burden of the DID will still fall to small businesses, but they will have significantly less control than they do now.	7/29/2019 2:22 PM
9	Pro - revitalize downtown with concentration on the historic district. Con - taxes are already being collected, but being wasted on the homeless. Enough is enough! Get these druggy low-lives out of our town!	7/29/2019 2:19 PM
10	The bulk of the DID budget seems to be Clean & Safe which include ambassadors but isn't that already funded through the City & the PBIA?	7/29/2019 12:14 PM
11	How will this affect my business specifically? What are the benefits?	7/29/2019 11:03 AM
12	Pros more \$ for downtown improvement. Cons less \$ focussed on things like marketing and promotions, downtown events and thing that help small local businesses. No voice at all for small business owners if PBIA goes away and no vote for all business owners. Only big \$ interests may control which may lead to loss of locally owned operations which is why downtown is desirable.	7/29/2019 10:25 AM
13	I'm worried that owners will simply pass on the cost to the tenants, especially out of town owners.	7/29/2019 10:21 AM
14	Still not enough close parking	7/29/2019 9:56 AM
15	Need to learn the proposal coverage then to make the informed opinion	7/29/2019 9:31 AM
16	Don't do it. I have no confidence in the ODA to administer. Like other city resources, this will eventually be given to the OPD in a few years after everyone is done trying the ambassador program. I don't want any more funding for these officers.	7/29/2019 9:12 AM
17	Pros: Gives additional resources to help improve the safety and vibrancy of downtown. Cons: Not really a con but a concern. Developing an assessment that is and seems equitable.	7/29/2019 8:47 AM
18	I think that business owners and property owners need to control how their immediate public areas to their businesses is maintained and safety is priority. The DID is a giant leap towards that need.	7/29/2019 8:38 AM
19	Pros are improving DT. Cons are it may cost more than the potential benefit to my business.	7/29/2019 7:51 AM
20	My only concern is that the City will use this as an opportunity to shirk its responsibility to maintain a safe and clean downtown. They are doing a pretty lousy job of it now, but I am concerned that when the DID takes on some of that responsibility, the City will use more of our current tax dollars on tents.	7/28/2019 1:05 PM
21	Sounds like a bad idea. Although there are potential benefits the cost is too high and the threat	7/28/2019 10:46 AM

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of corporations that can afford to take vacant spaces will push out others.

22	My first concern is the potential for more cost to me as a business owner who is already operating under an extremely high overhead. Also wondering if it will really change much. One challenge of downtown is the groups and individuals who are unpleasant to walk by or approach or who violently shout profanity, harass strangers, etc. These are very delicate situations, with no easy way to make more pleasant. I'm wondering what strategy the DID might implement with transient populations who are committing no crime but do occupy much space downtown, are potentially intimidating and simply unpleasant to many folks who currently avoid downtown...	7/28/2019 12:08 AM
23	None	7/27/2019 1:07 PM
24	way better than now - more monies - more advocacy - more action - we business owners need it	7/27/2019 11:39 AM
25	What is it	7/27/2019 9:40 AM
26	I think it's a great idea. I work and volunteer in this community and I really don't feel the PBI has the business community in mind and would like to see funds redirected to a program that will have a bigger impact on our community. I believe the pros will be a more clean and safe environment for both residents and tourists to the community. I believe one con would be that it may, in some cases, raise rates for smaller businesses and for some it may go down. If everyone pitches in we'll have greater strength by numbers.	7/27/2019 8:55 AM
27	I have not seen the proposal	7/27/2019 7:30 AM
28	I worry that it might be difficult for small businesses to make a go of it this area if it passes. That would cut down on diversity of shops what makes downtown Olympia special.	7/27/2019 6:43 AM
29	Wondering how this effort will interface with current City of Olympia activities in the downtown?	7/27/2019 5:56 AM
30	Na	7/27/2019 3:13 AM
31	Just hoping consistent improvement occurs over time.	7/26/2019 11:19 PM
32	I believe that building owners will pass the costs of the program on to tenants, through rent increases. And I don't trust property owners to have the best interests of my community in mind. This will just give property owners more power, which they already hold enough of downtown.	7/26/2019 10:50 PM
33	What exactly would the assessment Be used for	7/26/2019 9:40 PM
34	Unknown.	7/26/2019 6:58 PM
35	Not in favor. More expense and government.	7/26/2019 5:17 PM
36	I would like a accurate cost per property	7/26/2019 3:47 PM
37	Do not have the City involved in running it. Should be partners only. Don't run it exactly like Seattle. Which is now a disgusting place. Need to have security and cleanliness separated. Two crews.	7/26/2019 2:38 PM
38	I think it's another bullshit extortion racket dreamt up to justify useless positions and inflated salaries for white-collar assholes and will gradually result in the homogenization and gentrification of downtown Olympia.	7/26/2019 2:03 PM
39	?	7/24/2019 4:46 PM
40	Good for downtown. We need more resources.	7/24/2019 6:59 AM
41	No thanks. More money for more bureaucracy.	7/23/2019 9:24 PM
42	?	7/23/2019 8:21 AM
43	Pro- a steady reliable funding source to help make the downtown a healthy, vibrant center of the city to be enjoyed by all. I'm a strong supporter of the CCC and I don't see this as an us vs them.	7/23/2019 7:19 AM
44	Don't know what it is	7/22/2019 8:40 PM
45	None	7/22/2019 8:35 PM

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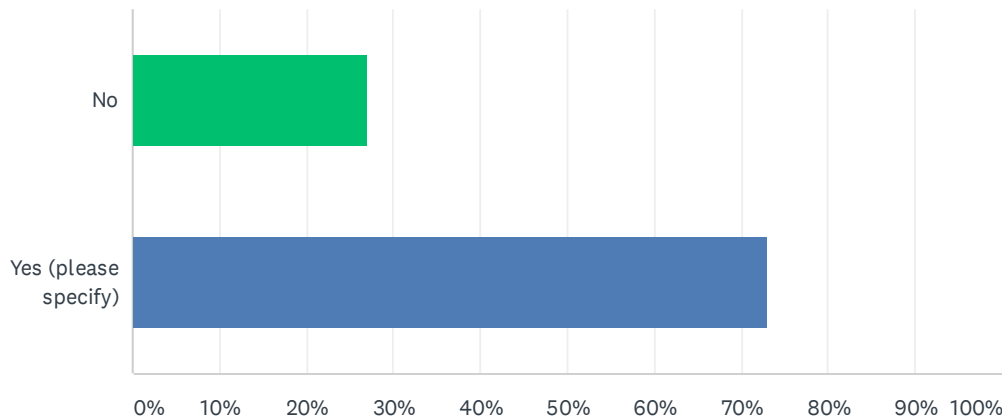
46	It seems to leave out the needs of small locally owner operator shops and restaurants. Nice idea to have more \$\$ for downtown, but shouldn't just go to ODA salaries!	7/22/2019 6:41 PM
47	How effective it will be and cost	7/22/2019 6:15 PM
48	Pros are more money. Cons are city stepping back from existing services. More expenses for business owners.	7/22/2019 5:05 PM
49	I think it is a good idea.	7/22/2019 2:39 PM
50	Would love to see a larger boundary.	7/22/2019 2:20 PM
51	I would be concerned if the costs for the proposal would be passed down to small businesses. We are a non-profit and have 5 more years of a lease and are now paying the market rate for our space. I can't imagine paying any more.	7/22/2019 1:58 PM
52	The idea that a DID assessment charged to a property owner will not be passed on to a renter is absurd. The idea that a business owner will buy into the idea that a charge will not be passed on is offensive.	7/22/2019 1:01 PM
53	I think it sounds good and makes sense to have the property owners cover the cost. Pros include not further eating into small businesses' earnings (for businesses that do not own their location's property, that is), and cultivating more investment in the community from the property owners. For me, the cons are limited to those covered in the FAQ.	7/22/2019 12:08 PM
54	As with any tax this will end up being passed onto the end consumer. This will ultimately put businesses in this area at a disadvantage due to higher operating costs.	7/22/2019 11:39 AM
55	The pros are more revenue to improve downtown. The two major obstacles that I see are: agreement of property owners and easing concern among existing businesses that their rent will not be raised substantially. I would hope if this proceeds, that existing businesses could have a conversation with their landlord and perhaps offer to pay their current PBIA yearly amount to offset any increases instead of raised rent/lease.	7/22/2019 11:26 AM
56	not enough info to respond	7/22/2019 10:46 AM
57	Budget seems high for purpose	7/22/2019 10:34 AM
58	It reads well, I do think that if we move forward with DID there should be an assessment annually vs. the 5 year mark or at that very least three years.	7/22/2019 10:21 AM
59	Sounds like more bang for our dollars going this route.	7/22/2019 10:14 AM
60	Questions - 1.Why wasn't this done a long time ago? 2. Can we get rid of the PBIA, we don't need 2 taxes on downtown businesses. Pros - 1. Private Investment in clean and safe downtown. 2. No cost to taxpayers, huge benefit to citizens 3. Program will not be run by the city. 4. Equality - all property owners must pay into downtown investment 5. This will spur additional investment in downtown. Cons - 1. Cost will be passed on to retail/restaurant tenants (Should be made up for by more business if a safe environment is a result)	7/22/2019 10:09 AM
61	Terrible idea that will drive up the costs of doing business in downtown with the benefits going to the property owners. Takes the decision making out of the hands of businesses and puts it in property owner hands, who do not share the same concerns as the people who are on the ground day to day operating in downtown.	7/22/2019 10:01 AM
62	I think think this will be a great thing for our downtown.	7/22/2019 9:51 AM
63	Property owners are less cats to herd than business owners (tenants)	7/21/2019 6:26 PM
64	We would join many other Downtowns through out the nation that have opted for this type of DID that have very successful in improving Downtowns. Olympia needs this!!!	7/21/2019 8:41 AM
65	Cons: cost will be passed on to small businesses, power and influence goes into the hands of fewer and wealthier, creating an environment where property owners are considered to have more stake, commitment and investment in the neighborhood, no public, transparent vehicle for small businesses to impact policy...	7/20/2019 9:28 PM
66	I think this proposal will impact businesses most. Property taxes will be pushed to biz owners. And most of us are barely getting by. I would love property owners to pay this but I am sure I will get stuck with the bill. I can't take anymore expenses.	7/20/2019 11:09 AM

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67	I am inclined to think that this proposal could bring about serious improvements that could enhance the business district. The cost of rent in the improvement area could be impacted. I would like to know that cost per sq foot.	7/20/2019 10:37 AM
68	Letting it sink in,...	7/20/2019 8:22 AM
69	Possible additional costs, i'm not against the additional cost if reasonable and shared by property owner. I'm always looking to do ads and I see this cost as part of that process	7/20/2019 6:59 AM
70	Need to drop the pbia	7/20/2019 6:49 AM
71	Con, landlords will not pay anything. It will be passed down to occupants and that is a deal killer.	7/19/2019 11:34 PM
72	Very concerned about the effect on small locally own business that make downtown Olympia a destination.	7/19/2019 10:11 PM
73	I am confident that building owners will not absorb the costs but instead pass on costs to renters & business tenants	7/19/2019 7:10 PM
74	I'm all pro on the proposal	7/19/2019 6:35 PM
75	Who will have oversight of the funds? How will the funding be spent? How will the funding affect the pbia and the Oda? What will we do if the funding affects the cost of leases? will the funding cover broken windows?	7/19/2019 5:54 PM
76	not sure yet	7/19/2019 5:31 PM
77	My thoughts are that both the potential DID and the PBIA should be disbanded. Businesses and property owners are already taxed and City sales tax is 9.3%. Additional funds spent for the targets of the potential DID should be fully voluntary.	7/19/2019 4:45 PM
78	Obviously concerned about the costs of this program. Would like more explanation as to why it's so drastically higher for corporate buildings/tenants are being penalized at such a high rate comparatively.	7/19/2019 3:41 PM

Q4 Legally, it is possible to have two improvement districts in downtown, one funded by businesses (such as the current PBIA) and another funded by property owners (such as the proposed DID.) However, it is understood that two assessments may not be desired by the downtown community. At this point there is no formal proposal about how a potential DID could impact the PBIA, however it has been suggested that if the BID were ultimately approved the PBIA should be dissolved. Do you have any thoughts or questions about this that you would like to share?

Answered: 78 Skipped: 31



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
No	26.92%	21
Yes (please specify)	73.08%	57
TOTAL		78

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1	I am certain that the bill will be paid by me, the business owner not to the property owner. They will try to pass on the expense to me. And that sucks. It's hard enough to run a business downtown. I cannot take on another expense.	7/30/2019 3:16 PM
2	PBIA has been effective with the placement of flower baskets, benches and garbage cans, including servicing them in the Downtown core area. The foot traffic on Columbia St between Union and Olympia Supply surpasses that of many core sidewalks because of the many parking lots & raised parking garages in this area. As a result the trash and simple lack of sidewalk overgrowth along this 3 block road is at times so bad on can only walk single file on a sidewalk usually wide enough for 3 people. Will the DID funding be able to help with upkeep for this are too?	7/30/2019 8:59 AM
3	If the DID is approved, PBIA should not tax us.	7/29/2019 9:33 PM
4	In situations in which the business owners are not also the property owners, it's unfortunate these costs cannot be shared by business owners and property owners. There's not great incentive for property owners to approve a DID unless they are able to pass on the cost to their tenants (through higher rents generated by improved downtown environment).	7/29/2019 7:51 PM
5	I would be interested to know if there's overlap in services and what the most efficient and cost effective way to keep our downtown area clean and inviting without making it inaccessible to independent businesses.	7/29/2019 5:10 PM
6	one entity, please	7/29/2019 4:05 PM
7	The PBIA has served as an excellent vehicle for Olympia's downtown small business community to share concerns and bring other matters to the attention of the city council. It's far from perfect (and generates only limited financial resources) but it has been of significant help and has spawned some excellent programs and benefitted a bunch of local events and projects/programs. It would be great if the property owners had a separate DID which (because of the larger revenue pool) could benefit a different level of programs and projects. I don't know if the city has any options via ordinances or other means to restrict the "pass-through" of assessments from building owners to tenants, but that would have to be addressed if such a two-tiered system was implemented.	7/29/2019 2:30 PM
8	There is already funding for these programs, through taxes and the TPA collected on hotel room-nights. When the homeless have more rights than the tax-paying citizens, these funds are viewed as wasted. Mitigation sites work for those who seek help, but has no effect other than free handouts to the "live free and do drugs" population that the city has invited in. GET THEM OUT! More and more heroin keeps pouring into our city, and instead of getting rid of it, the city provides clean needles! The problem isn't needles. The problem is the drugs, and the people using them. I can't even walk my dogs around Capitol Lake without some strung-out hobo's dogs running out from under the 4th Ave bridge to attack my dogs...and it's not the dogs' fault, it's the owner's, and the owner is there because the city allows it.	7/29/2019 2:25 PM
9	Some of us are both business owners and property owners so we would be taxed twice if the PBIA isn't dissolved. We would protest the DID if eliminating the PBIA wasn't part of the proposal.	7/29/2019 12:17 PM
10	I feel that the business owners are directly affected by these agencies and the support or advocacy that they receive. This should drive the decisions for keeping an agency such as the PBIA. The property owners are may not be affected in the same fashion as the business owners.	7/29/2019 11:06 AM
11	Again PBIA is imperfect, but at least downtown businesses have a vote in who is on it. We will have less grassroots events like Halloween with broad merchant participation.	7/29/2019 10:27 AM
12	What is BID? seems PBIA only covers the parking	7/29/2019 9:33 AM
13	Just have one, PBIA has already worked to build a reputation and purpose in town.	7/29/2019 9:18 AM
14	100,000.00 budget gets very little done and most of it is for administration and flower baskets not actually creating a safe secure walkable downtown.	7/29/2019 8:40 AM
15	Only one.	7/29/2019 7:51 AM
16	A division of decisions and power seems like a better system. I like the idea of two boards but it	7/28/2019 10:48 AM

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depends who is on them.

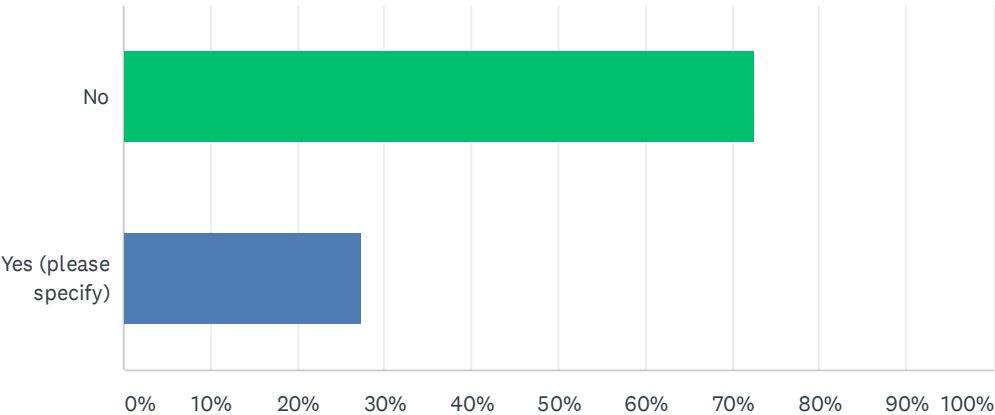
17	I do support the replacement of PBIA with the DID. I don't see the need for both to exist... Of course as a business owner it makes more sense to me that funding for these programs fall more on the property owners. The added security and cleaning reduces their maintenance costs for their buildings. Most business owners have immense operational costs already, as well as interior building maintenance and repairs.	7/28/2019 12:19 AM
18	definitely dissolve the PBIA - would not need both and business would not want to pay both	7/27/2019 11:41 AM
19	Downtown business activity needs to be incentivized and not penalized through taxes and fees. The downtown core is pretty abysmal in many ways, but has potential. Private investment and business should be leading a renaissance.	7/27/2019 9:41 AM
20	I'm not impressed with the improvements made by PBIA. The city should take the role for improvements.	7/27/2019 7:32 AM
21	I support dissolving the PBIA if a DID is formed so that the time and energy can be more focused.	7/27/2019 5:58 AM
22	Pbia assessment should end. Pbia could remain for advisory purposes	7/26/2019 11:20 PM
23	I am strongly against this. I don't like the PBIA that much, but I would rather have business owners who are involved directly with day to day life downtown make decisions about improvements, not landlords who typically care about their bottom line over community.	7/26/2019 10:51 PM
24	This is a goofy survey. Prov	7/26/2019 6:58 PM
25	Fine staying with PBIA.	7/26/2019 5:17 PM
26	so if your a property owner and the business owner you pay twice?	7/26/2019 3:49 PM
27	PBIA should be dissolved. They are pretty ineffective, not the members fault, just too connected with the City and local businesses do NOT get involved...	7/26/2019 2:41 PM
28	As a downtown business owner who has never been able to afford the PBIA crap and has been sent to collections over and over again I'm overjoyed that it might be going away entirely. However, the fact that you're now foisting it off on the property owners (probably because a bunch of businesses have been unable or refusing to pay) is pathetic and nefarious.	7/26/2019 2:05 PM
29	Stick with PBIA.	7/23/2019 9:25 PM
30	Replace the PBIA with the DID.	7/23/2019 7:20 AM
31	Keep the PBIA for the little guys!	7/22/2019 6:41 PM
32	Dissolve the PBIA	7/22/2019 6:16 PM
33	Blood from a stone in getting more money out of barely surviving businesses. Although the PBIA offers negligible services, presumably those will need to come from somewhere (i.e. who'll pay for flower baskets).	7/22/2019 5:07 PM
34	Just have the DID.	7/22/2019 2:40 PM
35	d	7/22/2019 2:20 PM
36	More absurdity.	7/22/2019 1:02 PM
37	I like the idea of having both, sot hat business owners and property owners both have a say in things and cover costs.	7/22/2019 12:09 PM
38	I think it makes sense to only have one improvement district. The BID has the potential to raise substantially more revenue for downtown improvement. I'm intrigued that the proposed BID would move decision making to a board that doesn't require city council approval for funding downtown improvements.	7/22/2019 11:31 AM
39	Get rid of the PBIA, it was never intended to be manage by the City of Olympia.	7/22/2019 10:36 AM
40	I believe the DID assessment would cover all that the PBIA funds were covering, except funding the City employed Ambassadors. If they are going to be city employees then the city needs to pay them themselves, not collecting partial salaries from the Business Improvement Districts.	7/22/2019 10:17 AM

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41	The PBIA needs to be dissolved if this passes. The founders of the PBIA do not support it in it's current state. The \$100,000 budget goes to the ambassadors and hanging baskets and the PBIA serves very little purpose. If the DID is passed, members of the PBIA should be sought out to participate in the DID. The DID will give downtown investors and businesses a much stronger voice and influence.	7/22/2019 10:11 AM
42	PBIA should stay and DID should be rejected. Keep this fund publicly managed and affordable. We Love our Ambassadors and Clean Team and see no reason to "fix" what isn't broken.	7/22/2019 10:03 AM
43	Yes, it does not make sense to keep both. If the PBIA is dissolved it may be nice to have some members of the PBIA become board members of the DID.	7/22/2019 9:53 AM
44	I am a tenant and (off hand) am not against the idea of two improvement districts (one property owners, one business owners). But again, maybe more cats to herd.	7/21/2019 6:28 PM
45	PBIA even though it's concept, at the time, seemed good the realty it costs the city more to oversee and operate the program then it produces. With what little funding has been available the PBIA has done good things, but it is time to move forward and dissolve PBIA and create BID.	7/21/2019 8:44 AM
46	See my previous comment. Also owner occupied properties would pay double when that should actually be a configuration that is incentivized.	7/20/2019 9:30 PM
47	Same as last answer. I will have to pay it even tho I don't own property. This terrifies me.	7/20/2019 11:10 AM
48	Business owners (those who are not building owners) should be represented on the DID board. A PBIA advisory board should remain to inform city government on how city legislation impacts business. The fees levied on business by the city should end.	7/20/2019 10:42 AM
49	This would make sense. There's already two agencies w/oversight of Downtown. The neighborhood association and PBIA	7/20/2019 8:25 AM
50	I think that the additional funds raised by a DID could eliminate the need for the PBIA. One group focused would be more effective. Just make sure a few people from businesses are on the new DID Board.	7/20/2019 7:01 AM
51	The PBIA needs to go!	7/20/2019 6:49 AM
52	Leave the PBIA in tact. Its the only opportunity for business owners to have any input. If PBIA is dissolved the DID will bleed the small businesses of any possibility of succeeding.	7/19/2019 11:36 PM
53	PBIA is elected by business owners. It is the only voice they have! Should not be dissolved.	7/19/2019 10:12 PM
54	I do not think that is a good idea for business owners	7/19/2019 7:10 PM
55	I think the current PBIA should be dissolved if we move forward with the DID.	7/19/2019 6:37 PM
56	I like the pbia and would hope the mission would continue, with control by business owners	7/19/2019 5:56 PM
57	Not only do I think two assessments is undesirable, but I firmly believe there should be zero assessments. Disband the PBIA and do not approve the DID.	7/19/2019 4:47 PM

Q5 Is there anything else you would like us to know?

Answered: 73 Skipped: 36



ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES	
No		72.60%	53
Yes (please specify)		27.40%	20
TOTAL			73

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#	YES (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	The PBIA/DID/BID idea has real merit. We've seen real, positive benefit from the PBIA, along with a share of disappointments and failures, which is to be expected. I have reservations about the level of commitment of the ODA to a consultative and supportive role in dealing with some of more difficult downtown problems (homelessness and mental health, for example). The ODA seems more concerned with "security guards" rather than the more compassionate approach favored by the city's Ambassador program.	7/29/2019 2:38 PM
2	You will probably do it anyway, but please be thoughtful about what makes Olympia a place people want to visit, diverse group of small shops and galleries and eateries.	7/29/2019 10:28 AM
3	Details on assessment formula	7/29/2019 8:47 AM
4	Thanks for listening! I appreciate your efforts to involve as many of us as you can!	7/28/2019 12:20 AM
5	Thank you for putting out the service and for asking for feedback. It's my hope that if the DID goes through, and if the PBIA is dissolved, some of the members of the PBIA will consider being part of the new governing body along with new voices that may not have had a chance to participate in leadership in our community.	7/27/2019 8:57 AM
6	I think anything that brings Downtoqn together is a good thing. Go for it.	7/26/2019 9:41 PM
7	when do we vote on this	7/26/2019 3:49 PM
8	most of the things you're doing only benefit the upper class and downtown Olympia is slowly losing all of its character and charm (and business, thanks a lot). The tiny, quirky independents are the backbone of what makes Olympia alternative and awesome and you're fucking destroying it.	7/26/2019 2:06 PM
9	I hope the Council will wholeheartedly support the DID for the benefit of the Capitol City.	7/23/2019 7:21 AM
10	No more taxes and and vagrant drug addicts	7/22/2019 8:41 PM
11	ODA scheme to make more \$\$ for it's staff.	7/22/2019 6:42 PM
12	The City can, and has, so undermined the success of businesses that any new funds are throwing good money after bad. The City needs to make the improvements now and then, as a business owner, I'm happy to help fund an effort to continue them. Until the City can fix the current problems, I see no advantage in this effort.	7/22/2019 5:08 PM
13	I am not in favor of another plan costing downtown merchants more time and money. I can and do sweep my sidewalk and clean up after our downtown residents. Thank you.	7/22/2019 1:09 PM
14	The Tacoma DID made a huge difference in downtown Tacoma and we need any help we can get to move downtown forward.	7/22/2019 10:12 AM
15	Please put your support behind the creation of a Downtown Olympia BID.	7/21/2019 8:45 AM
16	It drives me nuts how often the city does not include demographics in surveys. Why is this a thing? To me it practically invalidates the surveys because your data is coming from an unknown group. This type of proposal is making me feel like in addition to many other city moves, there is a deep lack of understanding on what a healthy economic climate looks like for small businesses. We have to differentiate and recognize how hard it is to make small locally owned businesses succeed and how important and sustainable it is to keep money local. Please hire someone who has an Economics degree. ♥	7/20/2019 9:37 PM
17	Downtown business need more help. We are desperately struggling like never before. More marketing dollars to go to getting the message out about saving local small business. We will end with only Walmart and Target to shop at. Losing valuable outlets for small local companies to get their products out in the world. We are rapidly loosing diversity downtown.	7/20/2019 11:14 AM
18	As a PBIA stakeholder paying three PBIA locations, 1 core 2 outside a need for a change is due. This could supercharge our downtown in a real positive fashion. Long overdue. Property owners can benefit with this investment over time. This may get property owners to pay more attention to their buildings and there maintenance.	7/20/2019 7:04 AM
19	Have not rec'd any details, costs accountability, etc	7/20/2019 6:50 AM
20	This seems like a power grab by ODA to get more money for their non representative private	7/19/2019 10:14 PM

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