

# 2013 OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION PLAN Public Meeting

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The Open Space and Recreation  
Implementation Working Group

February 7, 2013

# Open Space and Recreation Implementation Working Group (OSRIWG)

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- David Williams (Assistant Town Manager)
- Laurie Lee (Board of Selectmen)
- Jay Grande (Planning Board)
- Maeghan Walters (Conservation)
- Trish Powell (Parks and Recreation)
- Paul Barden (DPW)
- Gene Kennedy (Community and Economic Development)

# Open Space Planning Process and Schedule

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- Citizen Survey - December - February
- First Public Meeting - February 7, 2013
- Prepare Draft Plan - March-April 2013
- Second Public Meeting - May 2013
- Board/Commission Review - June-August 2013
- Submit Plan to DCR - October 2013

# 2008 Plan Implementation Achievements to Date

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- OSIWG formed
- Public Trails Task Force was formed/Report completed
- Weston aqueduct pilot project
- Bowditch field - Reconstructed
- Cushing Park Improvements (park master plan update to begin this March)
- Butterworth Park Improvements (CDBG funds)
- Adopt a Tree and Traffic Island Program

# 2008 Plan Implementation Achievements to Date

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- Lake Cochituate weed control program
- Town is working with Nyanza Trust Fund to manage Stearns/Brackett reservoir
- CRT - MassDOT design review process is underway (completion date: 2014); \$700,000 CMAQ Grant Received
- \$500,000 LAND grant to acquire a CR on Eastleigh Farm in 2011 (negotiations were unsuccessful)

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- Community Garden established on Pratt Street
- ADA compliance upgrades -various park facilities
- Greater Callahan Regional Initiative
- Cluster Zoning Expanded
- New parks added:
  - 21 Edgebrook Road - 6.5 acres of passive woodlands
  - Weston Aqueduct can be considered a new linear park

# 2008 Plan Recommendations To Be Completed

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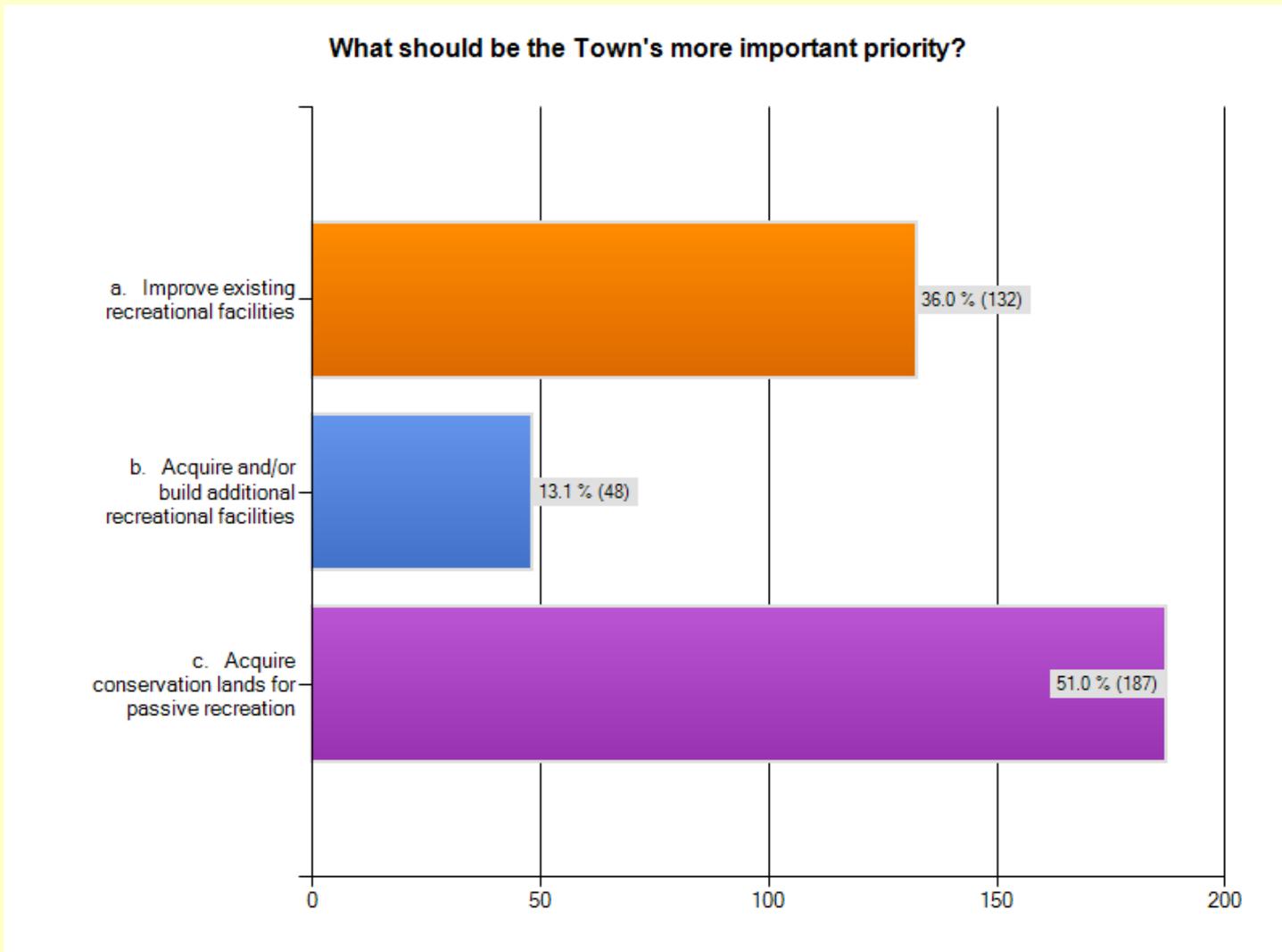
- Community Preservation Act (CPA)
- Bruce Freeman Rail Trail (BFRT)
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan
- Conservation Land Acquisition/Preservation

# Preliminary Results of Citizen Survey

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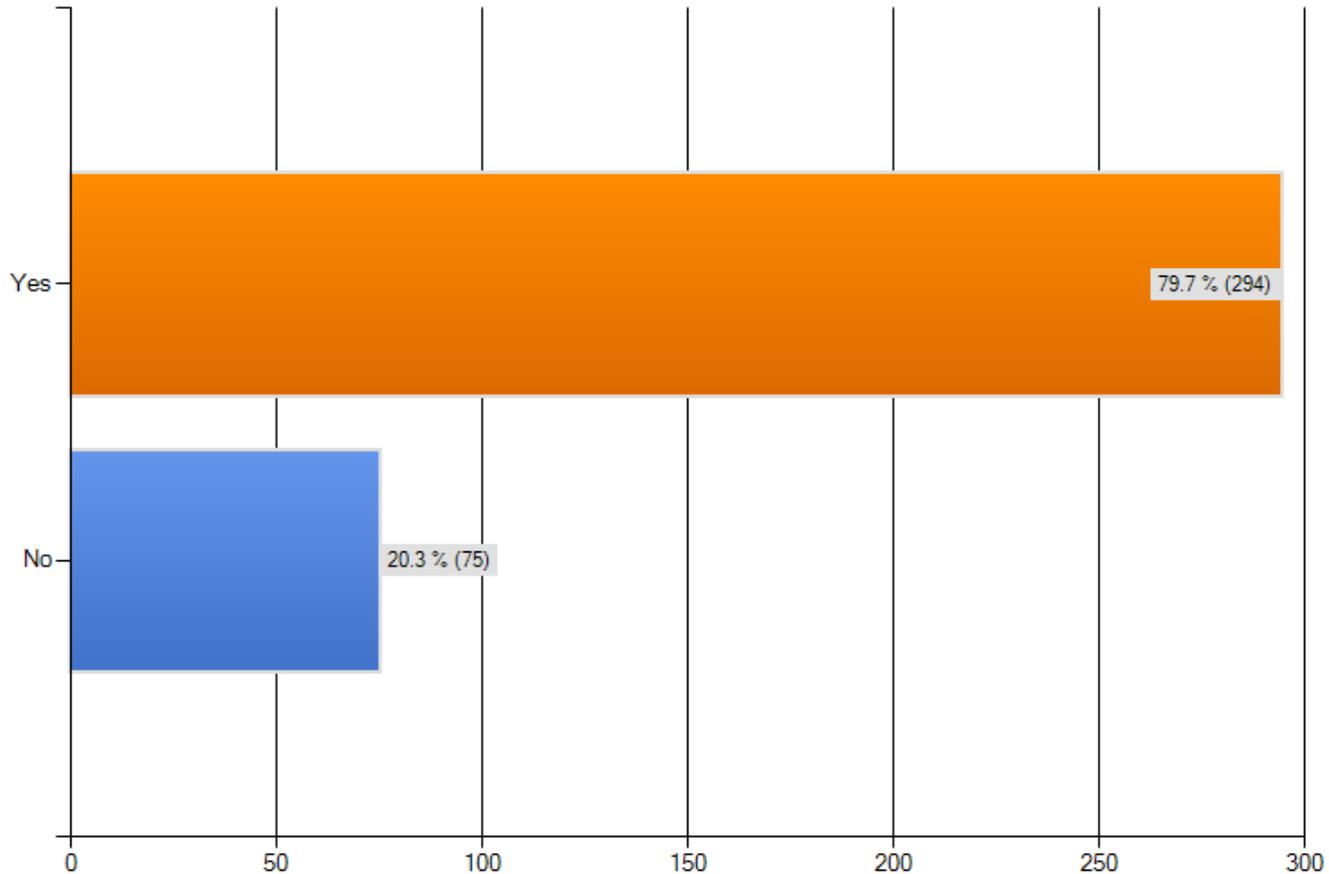
- Survey posted on Town's website early December
- Postcards mailed to over 300 residents
- Distributed through the Library
- Provided in three languages
- Over 400 Responses to date
- Deadline end of February

# Preliminary Results of Citizen Survey Q22

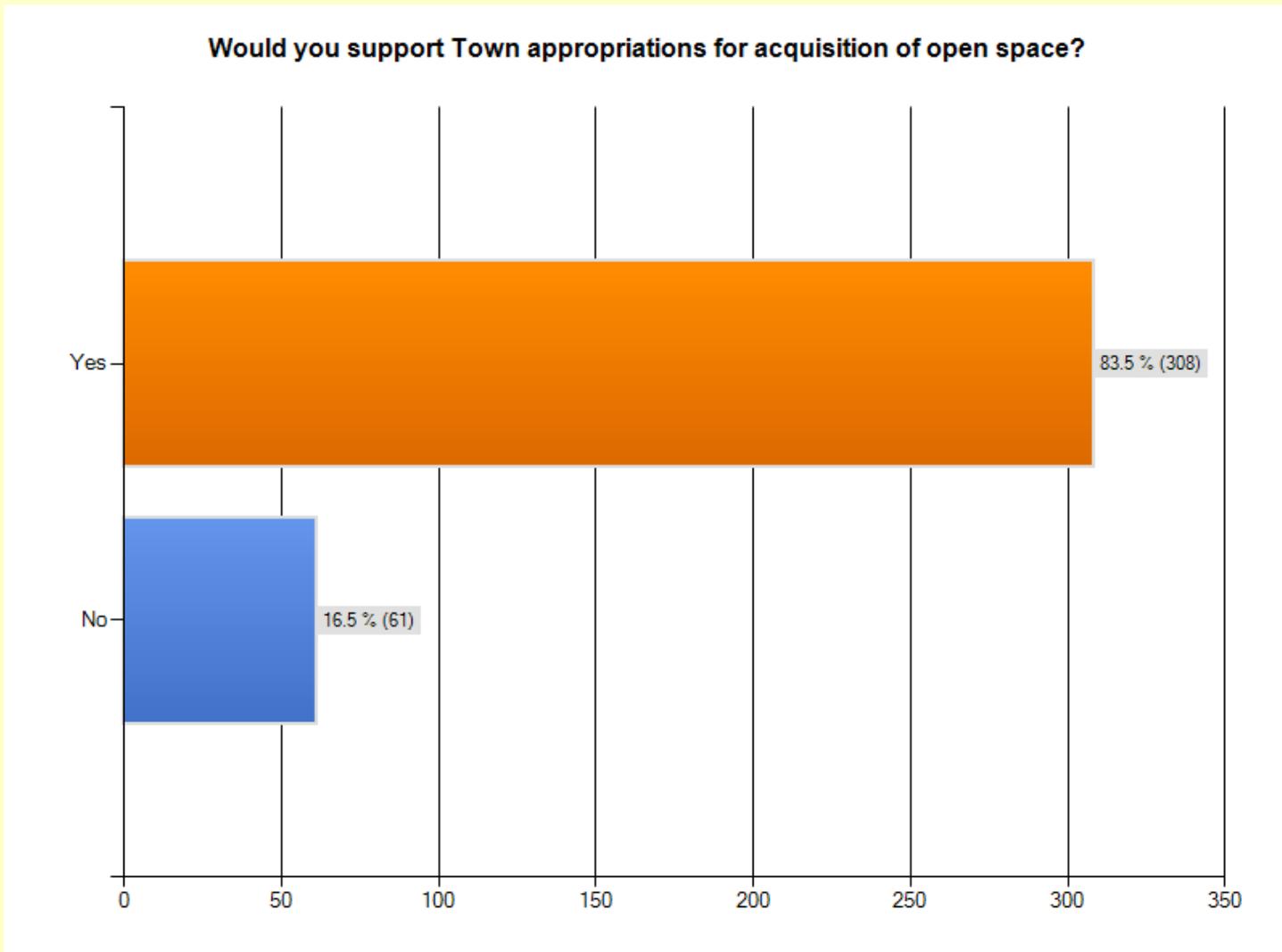


# Preliminary Results of Citizen Survey Q19

Would you support Town appropriations for acquisition or construction of additional recreational facilities?

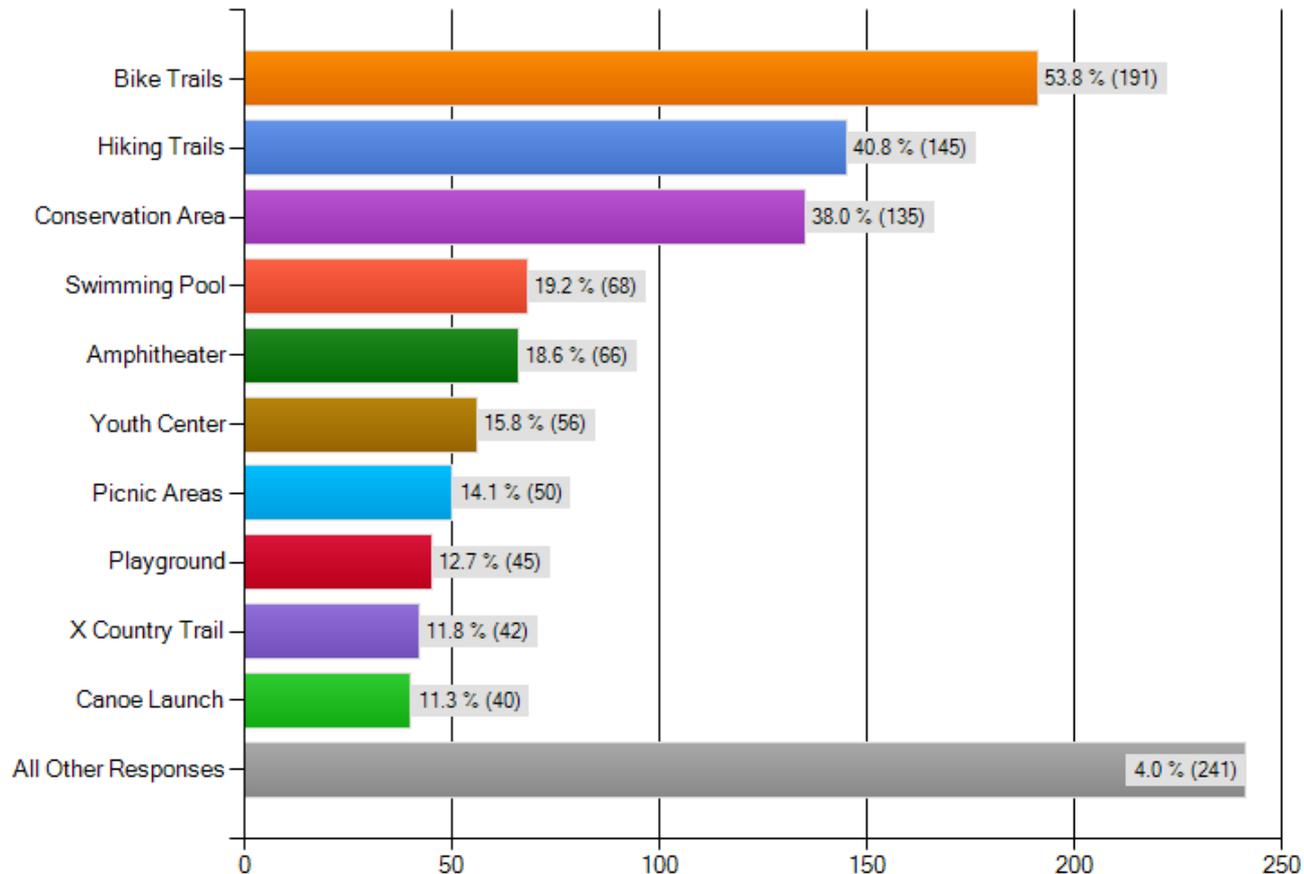


# Preliminary Results of Citizen Survey Q21



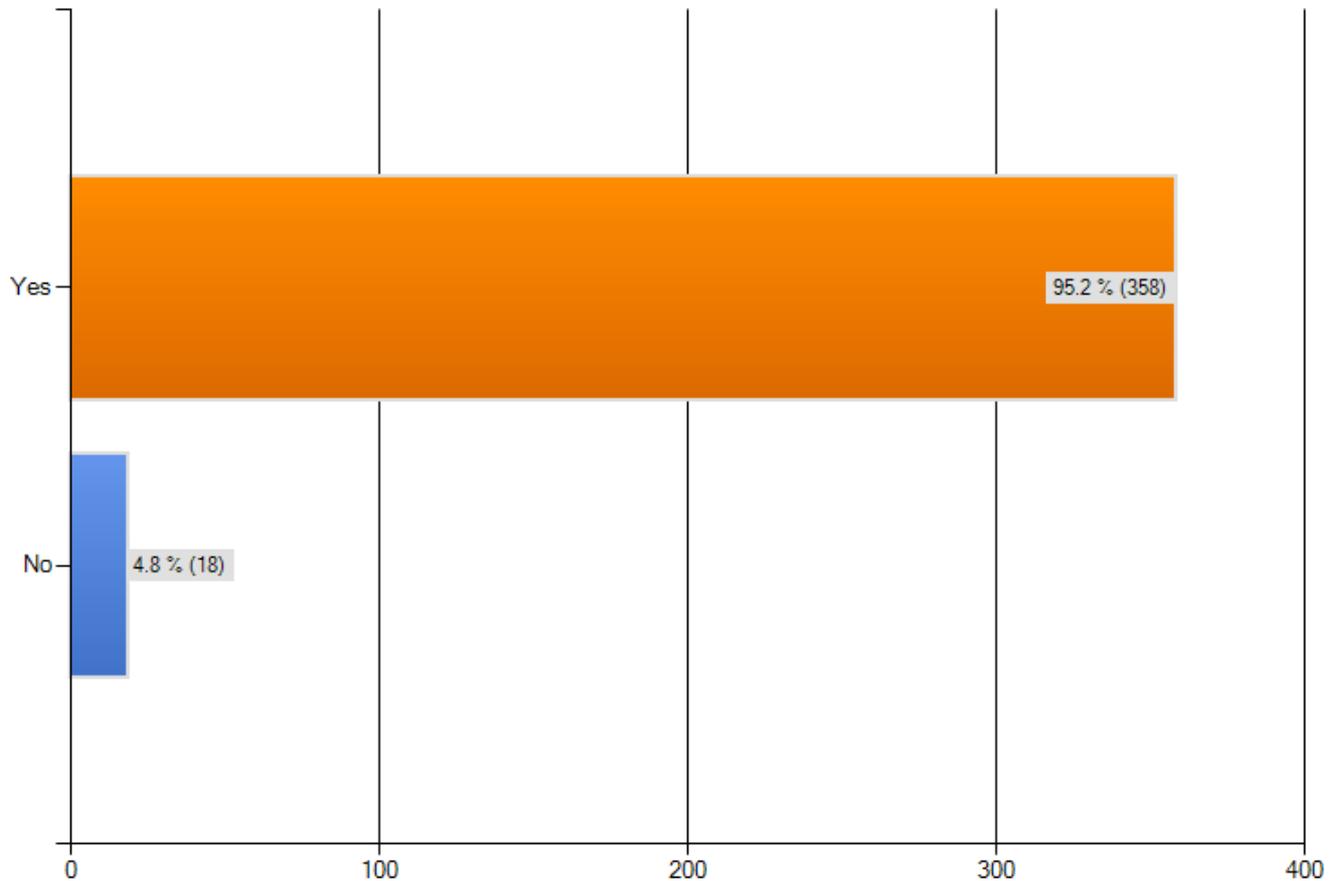
# Preliminary Results of Citizen Survey Q24

Which of the following does the Town need more?(Check off the top three (3) facilities you feel are needed.)



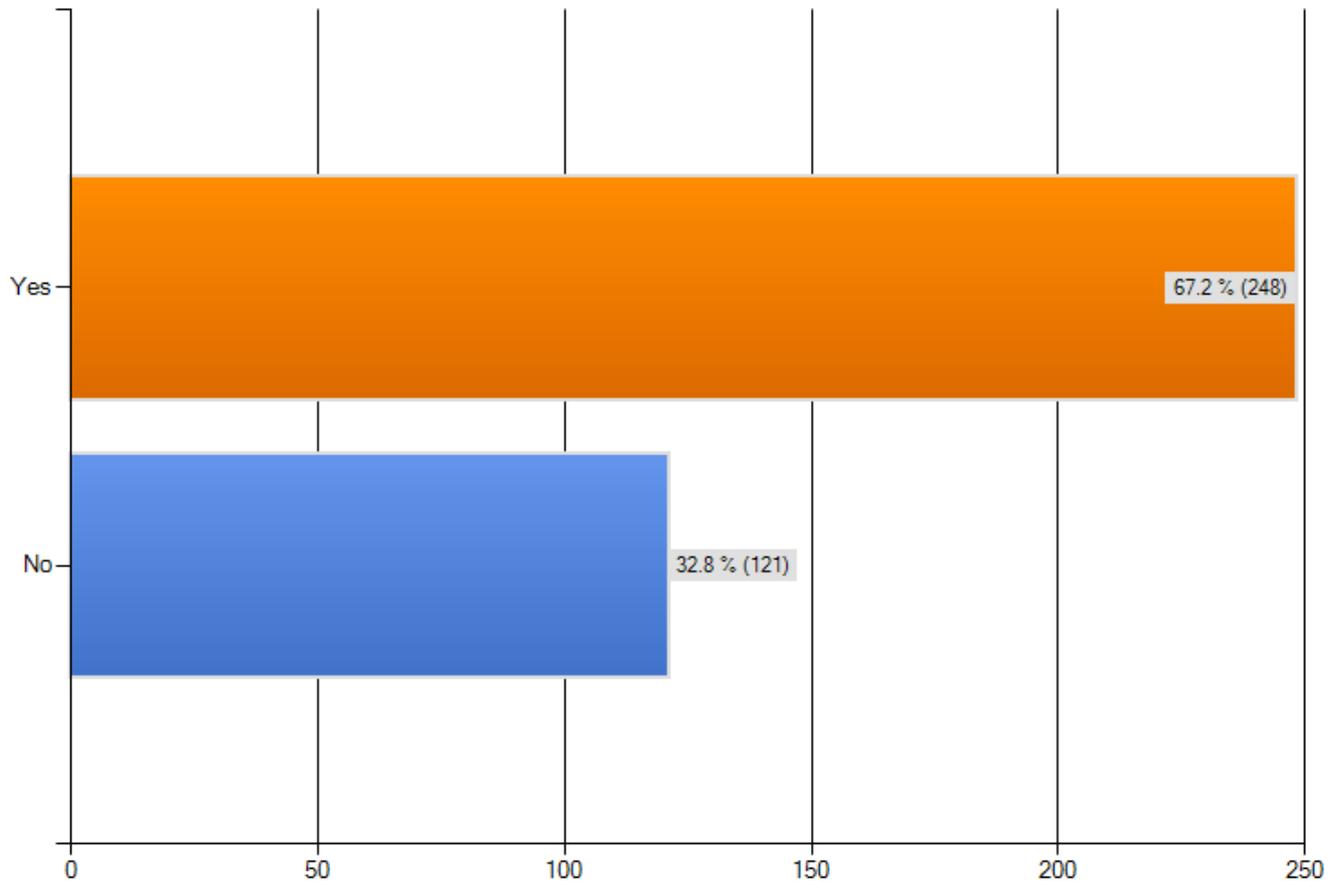
# Preliminary Results of Citizen Survey Q35

To preserve open space in Town, would you: Vote for Town supported land acquisition if it can be done without raising taxes?



# Preliminary Results of Citizen Survey Q36

To preserve open space in Town, would you: Vote for Town supported land acquisition if it meant an increase of 25 to 50 cents on the present assessed value of real estate per \$1,000?



# Conclusion

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- General Discussion and Public Input
- Specific Projects:
  - Expansion to Weston Public Access? Sudbury?
  - CPA Try Again?
  - BFRT
  - Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan

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- New Recommendations/Ideas for the Action Plan?
  - Fill out the form in the back table
  - Contact members of the OSRIWG
  - Email ideas to [efk@framinghamma.gov](mailto:efk@framinghamma.gov)
  - Call the CED office 508 532-5455