

## Golf Course Closure Task Force

### Survey Completed – First report of results

The survey from the Board and Golf Course Closure Task Force closed on November 10, 2017. There were 218 total responses; 204 homeowners replied using the email system and the other responses were completed on paper or by a computer link at the office.

Those who responded described themselves in the following ways:

- Street location: 43% live on the Circle streets, 22% live in Garden Homes, 19% in Golf Course Estates, 9% in Hampton Park, 5% on Yellowstone or Nut Tree Road, 2% were owners who do not live here.
- Residency status: 87% live in their home in Leisure Town, 10% have tenants, and 3% live here and have tenants in Leisure Town.
- Home location: 29% live in a home that backs on to golf course property, 71% do not.
- Time in Leisure Town: 51% have lived in Leisure Town more than 10 years, 33% have lived here 2 to 10 years, and 16% have lived here less than 2 years.

One purpose of the survey was to guide future communication about plans to develop the golf course property. Currently, 57% of responders said they thought they were *informed* or *very informed* about possible future development of the property. The top four ways people identified as their preference to learn new information are *Email*, *Town Hall Magazine*, the *LTHA website*, and *Flyers delivered to the house*. *Email* was marked by 77% as the most preferred system to give feedback followed by *the LTHA.org website* (36%) and *written feedback to the LT office* (33%).

The other purpose of the survey was to identify current opinions of our homeowners about the development of the former golf course. The 3 top priorities marked were:

- Natural space/buffer between LT housing and new development (84%)
- Single-story housing and age-restricted housing adjacent to current LT housing (81%)
- No new roads into Leisure Town (51%).

When asked about a golf option, 40% of the responders said it was important to them to maintain a golf element somewhere on the property. Of those, 50% were golfers and 50% were not.

The top four concerns about the development process were identified as follows:

- Age of occupants if not restricted to seniors. (62%)
- Natural space/buffer between existing homes and new development (60%)
- Impact on neighborhood traffic in general (58%)
- Impact on drainage, water run-off, potential flooding (45%).

A copy of all the results will be posted on the ltha.org website in early December under the links for Golf Course Task Force and paper copies will be available in the office. All the written comments have been shared with the Board and Task Force members. Thank you to all who took time to participate in the process.