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The city needs to become a more interesting place; local shops and dining opportunities, unique places, surprises.			X	
Oak Ridge puts great value on public education.		X		
Our green spaces, waterways, & natural environment are an important part of what makes us Oak Ridge.	X			
Oak Ridge needs a clear central gathering place (i.e. "downtown") - a space with public and private elements for celebrations, dining and play.		X		
Oak Ridge has a unique history & its most important elements need to be preserved & made more visible.	X			
Your suggestion:				No Airport/Knox airport is 20 mins away
Your suggestion:				Update parks add more basketball courts
Your suggestion:				Allow more industries. More more jobs means more money spent in Oak Ridge

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Your suggestion:				
→ PROTECT RIDGES	→ No Power lines on Ridge Top please.			
Your suggestion:				
NAME SAVE				
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→ City - Perimeter Public Plan & Bike way				

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People value pedestrian mobility and want improved or expanded sidewalks and trail systems.	X			I would love to really walk & safely around the city
The city needs to become a more interesting place; local shops and dining opportunities, unique places, surprises.	X			Stop bringing in chain restaurants. We need a small town / Downtown like strong citizens make strong cities
Oak Ridge puts great value on public education.	X			we could easily become as cool & interesting as Park City, Boulder, Asheville, etc. embrace our green spaces & small shops.
Our green spaces, waterways, & natural environment are an important part of what makes us Oak Ridge.	X			Downtown Knox is a great example. Keep our town together more than once a year.
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Your suggestion: Stop pouring money into the golf course, create a BMX Bike course				
Your suggestion: Have Nature Festivals				Earth Day is in the middle of an open park on a terrible day - have separate festivals like lavender festival, but more often, like how to Knoxville does.
Your suggestion:				

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Your suggestion: Fayette out how to connect trails on East & West sides of town	X			Options: 1) Street diet on Robertsville to reduce parking & sidewalk and replace with 10-12' wide multi-use path for family-friendly use. 2) Acquire access along DOE patrol road along the northern edge of the reservation and extend trails-to-trails path west out to North Boundary Trail vicinity.
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