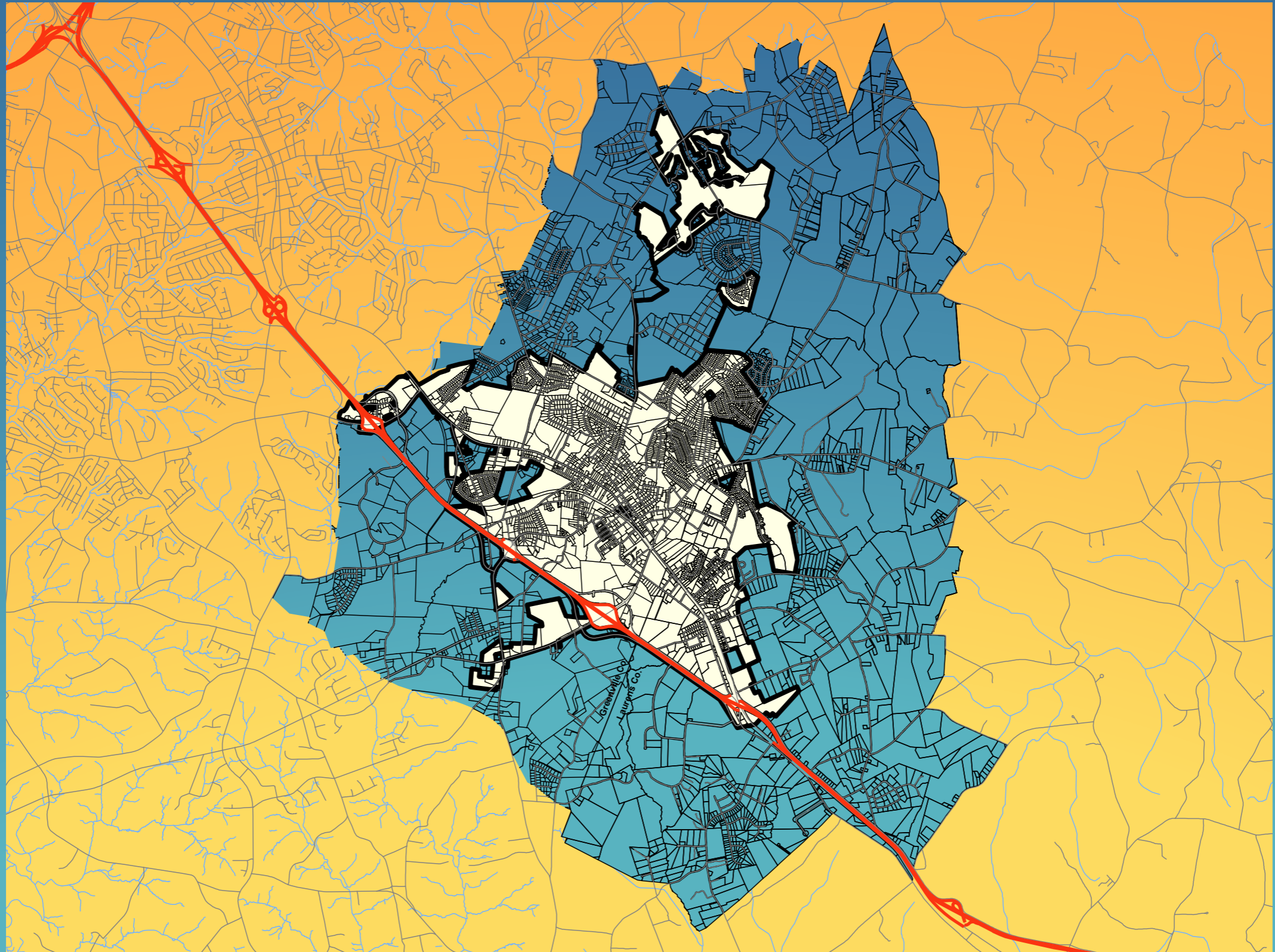


# Welcome

## and Purpose of the Meeting

Andrew Ratchford

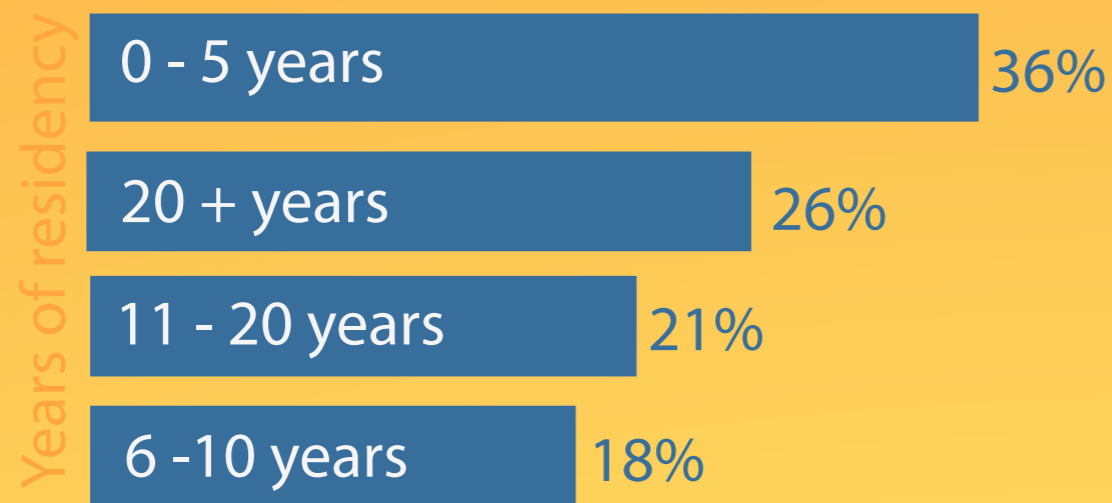


Fountain Inn Planning Area

# Survey & Meeting Results

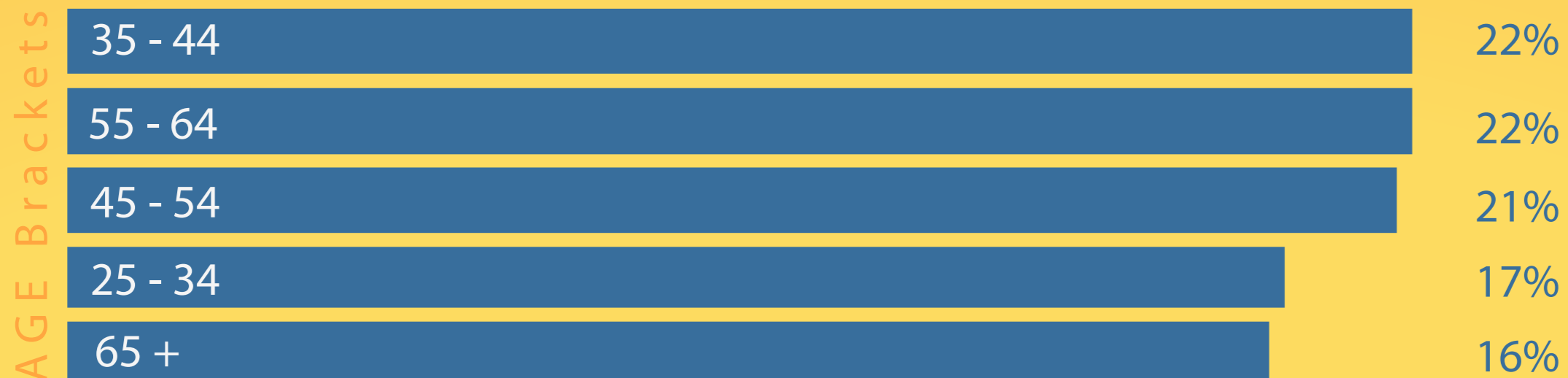
# Who Responded? (Survey)

**59%**  
live in Fountain Inn



**41%**  
do not live in Fountain Inn  
- 56% of these  
live within 2 miles

**ONLY 19%**  
work in Fountain Inn  
- the same number of  
respondents are retired



\*Percentages are rounded

# What Encourages/Discourages people to live in Fountain Inn?

Encourages:

Quality of Life

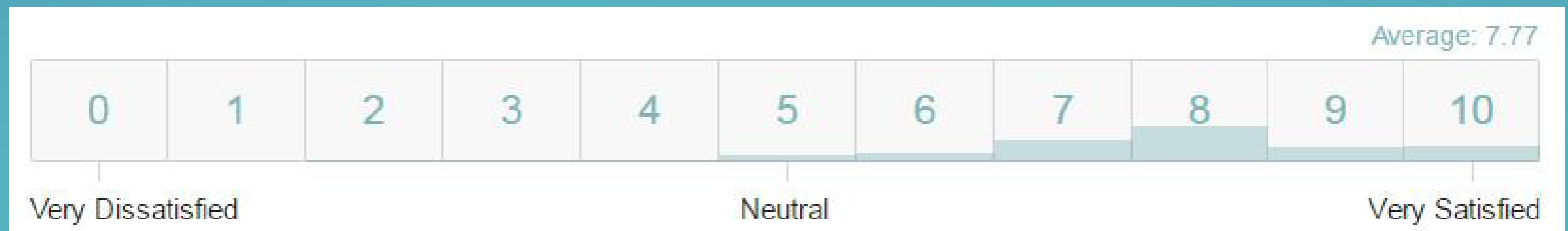
Sense of Community

Cost of Living

Discourages

Job Opportunities

Recreation Opportunities



## Quality of Life Scale

# Public Service & Property

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Police



Infrastructure

2.84 of 4

Fire



Residential

2.91 of 4

Public Works



Industrial/Commercial

2.75 of 4

# Type of Housing

85% said  
**YES**  
to Single Family  
homes

79% or 447 people  
said there is **NO**  
lack of affordable  
housing

67%  
**WANT** LARGE LOT  
subdivisions

# Visual Survey - Residential

## Large Lot Subdivision



74%

## Small Lot Subdivision



26%

## Private Open Space



28%

## Common Open Space



72%

# Commercial Development

## What?

- Restaurants (not fast-food)
- Supermarkets
- Entertainment facilities

## Satisfaction

- Slightly better than indifferent

## Where?

LARGE Commercial  
along I-385 &  
HWY 418

small Commercial  
anywhere in the city

# Visual Survey - Commercial

## Downtown Commercial



## Non-Downtown Commercial



# Industrial Development



Heavy Industrial

or



Flex space/light industrial

if environmentally sound  
and  
Located only along I-385 in new industrial parks  
and  
explicitly nowhere downtown

# Visual Survey - Industrial



Heavy Industrial 10%



Flex space 56%



Light Industrial 34%

Flex space developments allow both light industrial and office uses.

# Budgeting Station Results

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\$573	Roads & Sidewalks	22%
\$433	Police	17%
\$371	Fire	14%
\$370	Economic Development	14%
\$336	Performing Arts	13%
\$270	Recreation	10%
\$267	Public Works	10%

# Environmental Issues

Fountain Inn should protect:

88% wildlife habitat

84% diversity and abundance of wildlife

80% opportunities for hunting/fishing

92% opportunities for wildlife viewing/nature walks

92%

Air Quality

&

98%

Water Quality in  
streams & rivers

# Protect Open Space?

YES  
89%

Why?

to help maintain rural character

to protect rural vistas

to protect wetlands and sensitive areas

to preserve forested lands

to preserve agricultural land

# Growth & Development

## In Favor:

- 93% protect historic structures
- 91% control TYPE of development
- 86% increase recreational opportunities
- 84% control RATE of development
- 83% improve traffic flow
- 79% attract new business/commercial/service
- 76% increase public parking near city center
- 60% increase residential construction

# Recreation Facilities

Swamp Rabbit Trail



Woodside Park



Country Chase Park



Georgia Street Park



Sanctified Hill Park



Country Gardens Park



Fairview Street Park



Disc Golf Course



PD Terry City Park



Activities Center



# Summary

- I. Recreation is important.
- II. Growth is Expected.
  - Needs to be managed. More Industrial and Commercial than Residential.
  - Preference for Single-family homes with large lots or open space
  - Separate the Residential districts from Commercial and Industrial
- III. Infrastructure, Police, and Fire are top priorities.
- IV. Environment and Open Space are important.
- V. Maintain Historic Character and Structures

Next Meeting:

May 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm

at the Fountain Inn Activities Center

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