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Dear Neighbor,

The Irvington Town Council has charged a committee of 12 residents and representatives from local businesses with drafting a plan to develop two town properties, the Commons and the North Commons. The committee's charge is to develop a plan for the properties that improves the experiences of everyone who lives or visits Irvington.

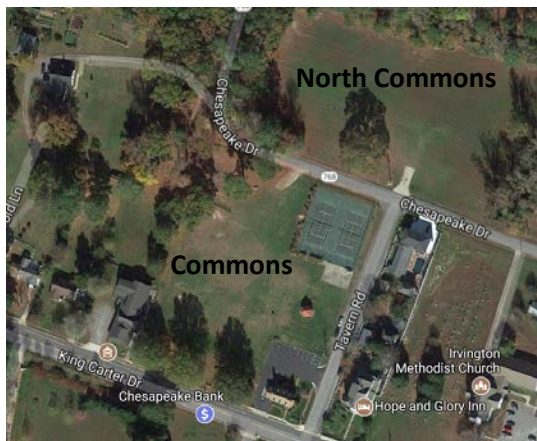
The committee has drafted a short survey to better understand how you are using the two properties, and to solicit your ideas for future uses. We encourage you to be creative. One copy of the survey is enclosed, but if you wish to complete the survey on-line, please go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/IrvingtonCommons>. Additional copies may be picked up at the town office (235 Steamboat Road, Irvington VA 22480). **All responses must be received by Monday, April 16, 2018 to be considered**, and the committee promises all responses will be considered and discussed. The final plan will hopefully be cohesive, and include both short and long-term goals for the land.

The committee will be hosting workshops, meetings, and speaking with landowners whose property is adjacent to the town lands. The questionnaire is private, but if you would wish to be more vocal and public, you may provide your name and contact information and/or attend planned public meetings. If you have additional comments, please feel free to add paper for your responses or email [commons@town.irvington.va.us](mailto:commons@town.irvington.va.us).

Thank you for your time and attention to this important survey,

Frances E. Westbrook  
Town Council Member, Committee Chair

Ralph D. Ransone  
Mayor



The "Commons" is the open land between Tavern Lane and the Steamboat Era Museum. It covers the space between King Carter Drive and Chesapeake Drive.

The "North Commons" is the open land on the other side of Chesapeake Drive, which runs from the back of the Westbrook Dental Practice to the curve in Chesapeake Drive.

Picture from Google Maps

# Irvington Town Commons Questionnaire

**Please complete and return no later than Monday, April 16, 2018.** You may drop your completed questionnaire at the Town Office at 235 Steamboat Road, or mail it to P. O. Box 174, Irvington VA 22480.

**Instructions:** Mark an "X" in the box next to your response.

**1. Do you**

- Live in Irvington seasonally (that is summer and/or holidays)
- Live in Irvington full-time
- Work but do not live in Irvington

**2. How many years have you lived in Irvington (seasonally or full-time)?**

- Less than 5 years
- Between 5 and 10 years
- Between 10 and 15 years
- Over 15 years

**3. How often are children in your Irvington household?**

- Less than 4 weeks a year (skip to Question 5)
- More than 4 weeks a year but not part-time
- Part-time (including all summer or shared custody)
- Full-time

**4. Thinking about the children who are often in your Irvington household, are they mostly**

- Not yet attending elementary school (that is preschool or younger)
- Attending elementary school (that is K – 5)
- Attending middle school (that is 6 – 8)
- Attending high school (that is 9 – 12)
- Older than high school aged

**5. Have you or members of your household visited the Irvington Commons during the past year?**

- Yes
- No (Skip to Question 7)

**6. Check all the reasons below that you or members of your household visited the Irvington Commons**

- Enjoying the garden/landscape
- Exercise (tennis courts, sports on the commons, walking)
- Museum event including crab festival
- Playground
- Special event including July 4th parade, dog show, car show
- Use of the picnic tables
- Village Improvement Association (VIA) event (farmers' market, July 4th concert, etc.)
- Walking the dog

**7. Please use the space below to either explain why you and your household do not visit the Irvington Commons or identify how you have used the Irvington Commons.**

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8. Please circle yes or no for each of the 29 types of facilities in the table. Rank your top 5 from 1 to 5 with 1 indicating the most needed facility.

Type of Facility	Would like to see on the Commons		Rank of facility 1 (most needed) to 29
	Yes	No	
Baseball and softball fields	Yes	No	
Bell tower - McGinnis property bell gifted to town	Yes	No	
Bocce ball court	Yes	No	
Community center	Yes	No	
Electric car/golf cart charging facilities	Yes	No	
Exercise trail	Yes	No	
Farmers' market facility	Yes	No	
Football/lacrosse fields	Yes	No	
Gardens	Yes	No	
Horseshoe court	Yes	No	
Lighting	Yes	No	
Off-leash dog parks	Yes	No	
Outdoor amphitheater/theater	Yes	No	
Outdoor basketball courts	Yes	No	
Outdoor tennis courts	Yes	No	
Parking	Yes	No	
Permanent bathrooms	Yes	No	
Picnic areas with grill area	Yes	No	
Playground equipment and play areas	Yes	No	
Private event venue	Yes	No	
Public art (e.g. sculpture)	Yes	No	
Shade	Yes	No	
Soccer fields	Yes	No	
Spray grounds/spray park (like the water pad in Kilmarnock)	Yes	No	
Storage for town belongings	Yes	No	
Town hall	Yes	No	
Visitor center	Yes	No	
Water feature (e.g. wishing well)	Yes	No	
Wild flower garden	Yes	No	

9. Below, please provide any additional suggestions you have for how the Irvington Commons should be used or things that should be included.