



**BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF MERCER ISLAND**

**AB 6881
March 3, 2026
Regular Business**

AGENDA BILL INFORMATION

TITLE:	AB 6881: Review of City Facility Strategy Community Survey Results	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only <input type="checkbox"/> Action Needed: <input type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	Receive Report. No action necessary.	

DEPARTMENT:	City Manager
STAFF:	Jessi Bon, City Manager Robbie Cunningham Adams, Senior Management Analyst
COUNCIL LIAISON:	n/a
EXHIBITS:	1. Draft City Facility Community Survey Report
CITY COUNCIL PRIORITY:	3. Make once-in-a-generation investments to update and modernize aging infrastructure, capital facilities, and parks.

AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURE	\$ n/a
AMOUNT BUDGETED	\$ n/a
APPROPRIATION REQUIRED	\$ n/a

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this agenda item is to present and discuss the results of the statistically valid survey of Mercer Island residents authorized by the City Council to collect community input on the recent Public Safety and Maintenance Facility Bond Measure.

- During the January 6, 2026 City Council meeting, the City Council authorized the City Manager to conduct a survey of Mercer Island residents to collect community input on the recent Public Safety and Maintenance Facility Bond Measure ([AB 6844](#)).
- The City Council also formed an Ad-Hoc Committee consisting of Deputy Mayor Becker, Councilmember Reynolds, and Councilmember Weiker to review and draft potential survey questions.
- The draft survey report is included as Exhibit 1.
- In addition to a statistically valid survey, the City is offering an ‘open’ survey that residents can access through the City’s regular communication channels and [at the link here](#). This open survey has the same set of questions as the statistically valid survey and will be available until midnight on Sunday, March 1.

BACKGROUND

Biennial Community Survey

Traditionally, the City of Mercer Island conducts a biennial Community Survey to identify areas of focus and community sentiment. The last survey was completed in 2024 ([AB 6484](#)).

November 2025 Bond Measure for PSM Facility

During the November 4, 2025 General Election the City held an election on Proposition No. 1 related to the proposed [Public Safety and Maintenance Facility](#). Proposition No. 1 received 54.61% voter approval, which fell short of the 60% required for approval of a bond measure.

City Facilities Survey

During its January 6, 2026 meeting, the City Council authorized the City Manager to conduct a statistically valid survey of Mercer Island residents to collect community input on the recent Public Safety and Maintenance Facility Bond Measure to inform priorities for future City facility planning ([AB 6844](#)). The City Council also formed an Ad-Hoc Committee consisting of Deputy Mayor Becker, Councilmember Reynolds, and Councilmember Weiker to review and draft potential survey questions.

Post-Bond Measure Evaluation

In late 2025, staff began reassessing facility replacement strategies to inform future policy direction and City Council decision-making. To support this effort, the City Manager recommended adding a discussion to the Planning Session in early January, to allow sufficient time to prepare for a potential second bond measure, should the City Council choose to pursue that direction. The earliest feasible ballot would be November 2026.

During the January 16, 2026 Planning Session, the City Council debriefed the prior City facilities bond measure and provided initial feedback on the framework to guide the facility planning work anticipated this year ([AB 6840](#)).

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

Statistically Valid Survey Results

At the March 3, 2026 City Council meeting, City staff and the City's survey consultant will present the results of the statistically valid survey. The draft survey report is included as Exhibit 1. The survey consultant conducted the survey from January 28 to February 11, 2026 and was able to complete 400 interviews with a statistically valid and representative sample of Mercer Islanders, resulting in a margin of error of +/- 4.9 points.

Open City Facility Survey of All Island Residents

In addition to a statistically valid survey, the City is offering an 'open' survey that residents can access through the City's regular communication channels and [at the link here](#). This open survey has the same set of questions as the statistically valid survey and will be available until midnight on Sunday, March 1. A high-level summary of the results will be included in the March 3 presentation and the final results posted on the project Let's Talk Page and shared with the City Council.

NEXT STEPS

The results of these surveys will inform future policy development for facility replacement strategies. These surveys are just one component of the community engagement strategy for City facilities and staff plan on pursuing additional opportunities for public feedback in the future.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Receive report. No action necessary.