



07 APPENDICES

Online Engagement Results

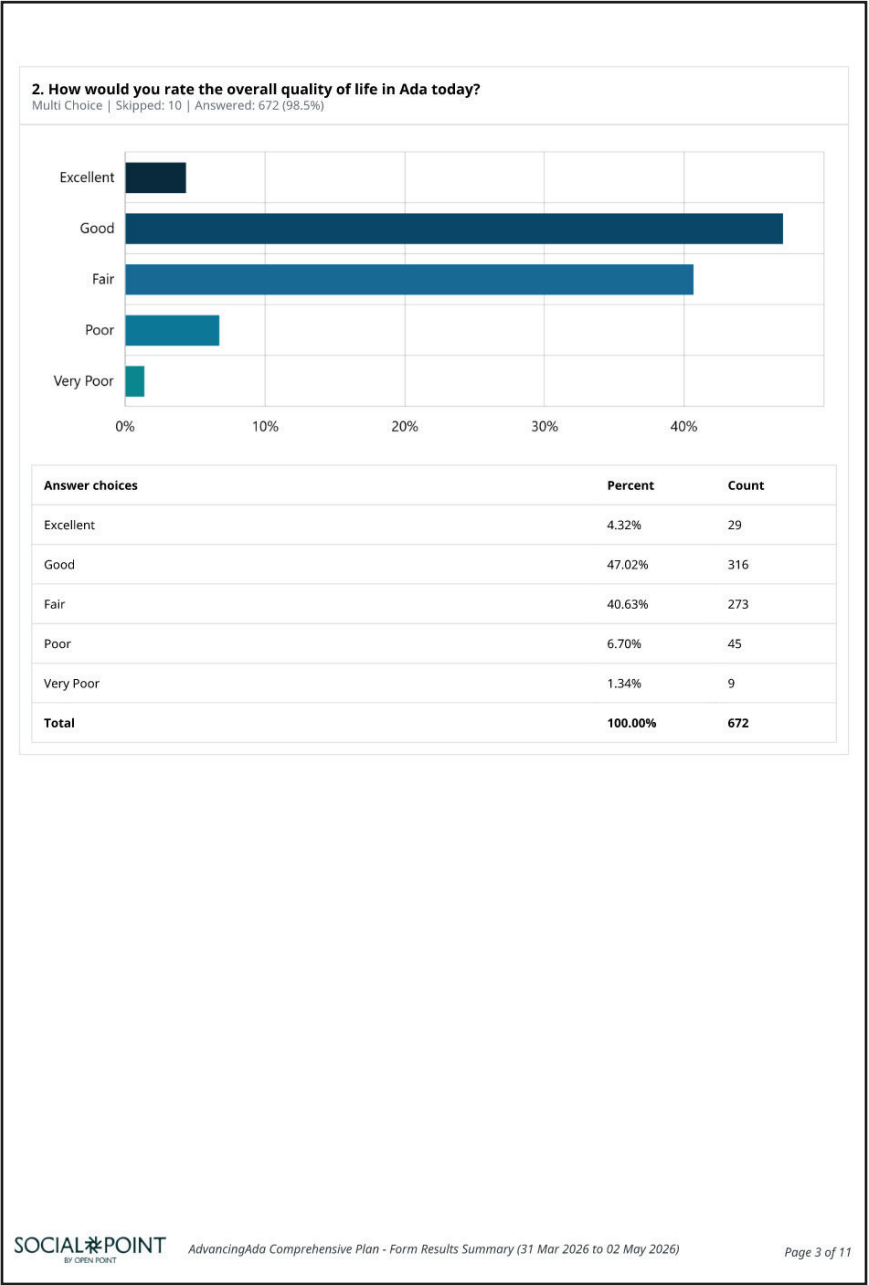
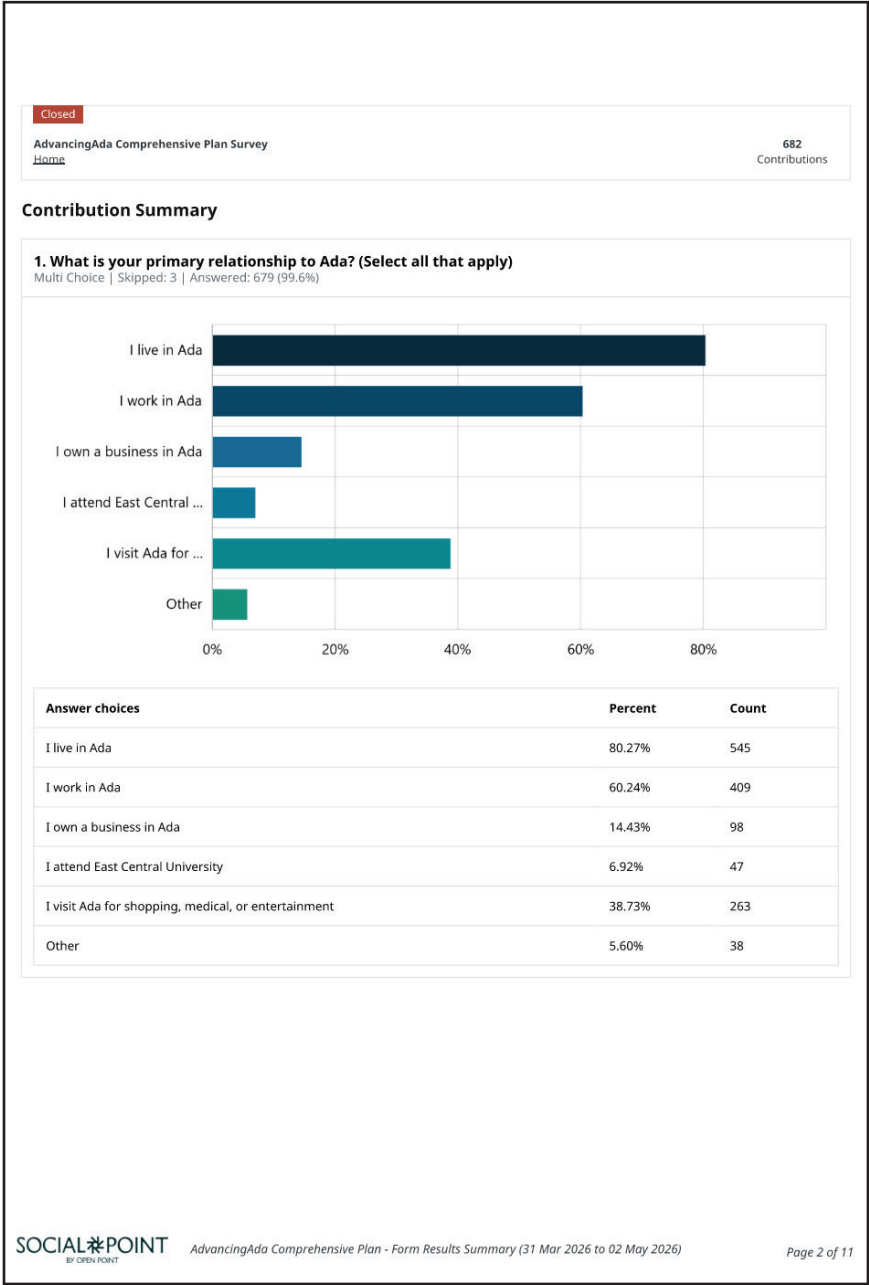
Public engagement served as a cornerstone throughout the development of the AdvancingAda 2045 Comprehensive Plan. In addition to outreach events, a dedicated project website was created featuring a suite of digital engagement tools. This platform expanded community access and ensured all residents, business owners, and students had an opportunity to participate, regardless of their schedule or mobility. Please reference the Visioning Chapter (Chapter 2) for a full summary of community engagement efforts.

The online engagement included three interactive tools designed to gather broad strategic input as well as targeted geographical feedback:

- **Community Survey:** Generated over 680 responses, providing quantitative data regarding community needs, service levels, and growth priorities.
- **Ideas Wall:** Collected over 100 contributions and 540 votes, functioning as a digital platform where residents submitted ideas and voted on community recommendations.
- **Interactive Map:** Received 25 targeted location pins and 44 votes, allowing citizens to pinpoint specific geographically based comments regarding infrastructure, transportation, land use, and park improvements.

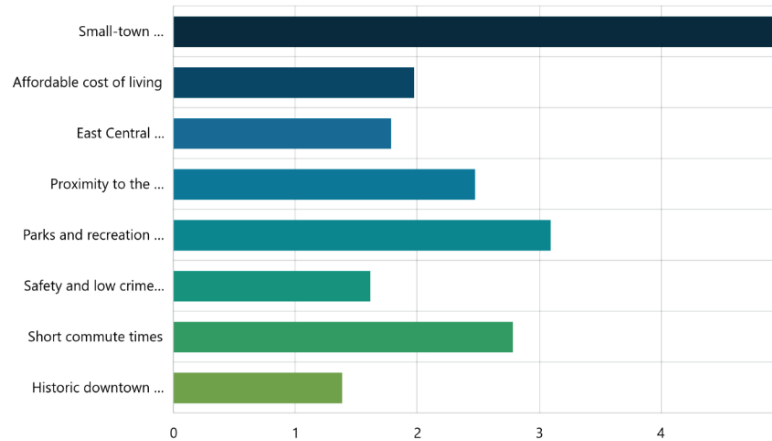
This document includes the complete results from the online engagement tools detailed above. Specifically, **Appendix A** contains the full Community Survey results, **Appendix B** details the contributions from the Ideas Wall, and **Appendix C** provides the complete feedback collected through the Interactive Map.

Appendix A - Community Survey



3. What are the top three (3) things you value most about Ada?

Ranking | Skipped: 8 | Answered: 674 (98.8%)

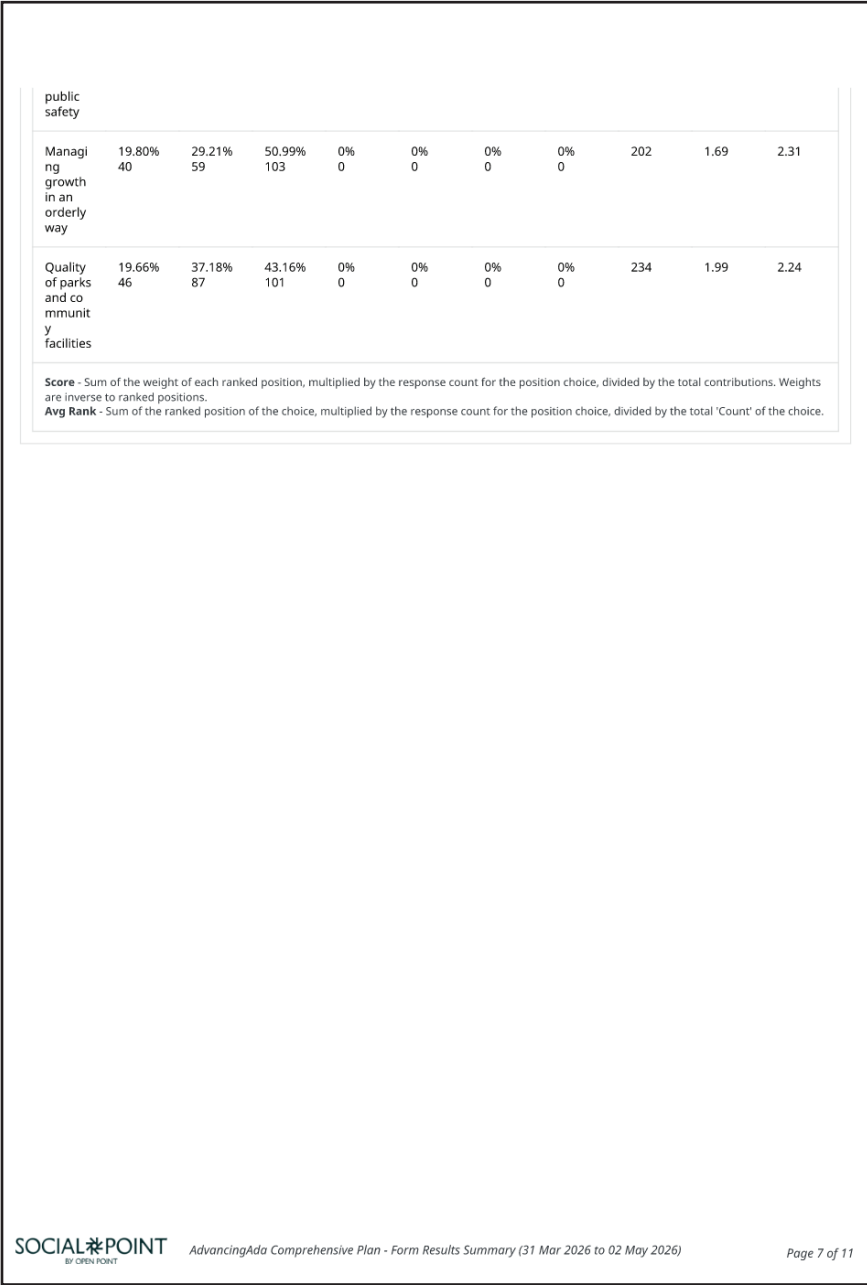
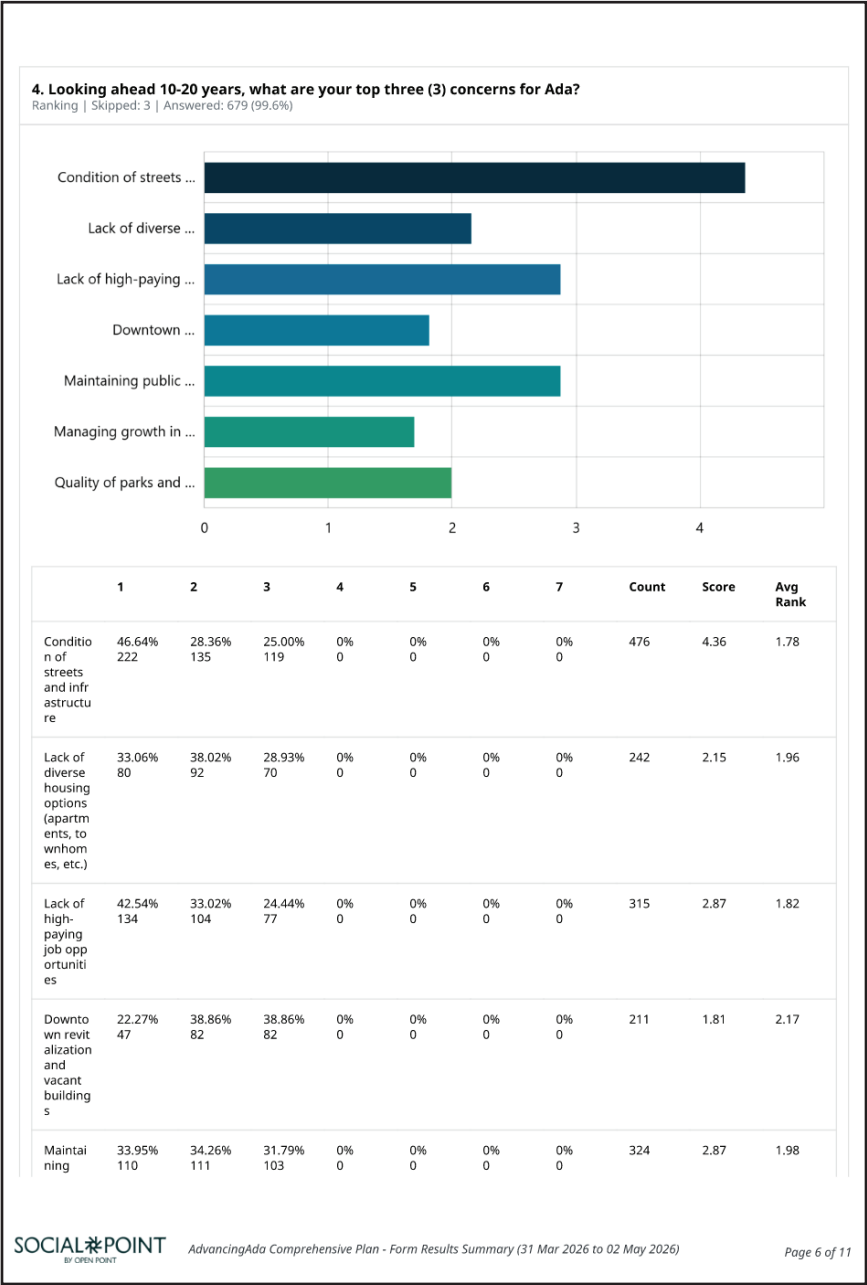


	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Count	Score	Avg Rank
Small-town atmosphere / Community feel	58.97% 263	23.99% 107	17.04% 76	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	446	4.91	1.58
Affordable cost of living	33.51% 63	40.96% 77	25.53% 48	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	188	1.97	1.92
East Central University / Educational opportunities	32.16% 55	38.01% 65	29.82% 51	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	171	1.78	1.98
Proximity to the Chickasaw Nation headquarters and	39.48% 92	36.05% 84	24.46% 57	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	233	2.47	1.85

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Parks and recreation (e.g., Winter Smith Park)	23.43% 71	41.25% 125	35.31% 107	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	303	3.09	2.12
Safety and low crime rates	24.38% 39	31.25% 50	44.38% 71	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	160	1.61	2.20
Short commute times	28.78% 78	32.84% 89	38.38% 104	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	271	2.78	2.10
Historic downtown character	9.09% 13	32.87% 47	58.04% 83	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	143	1.38	2.49

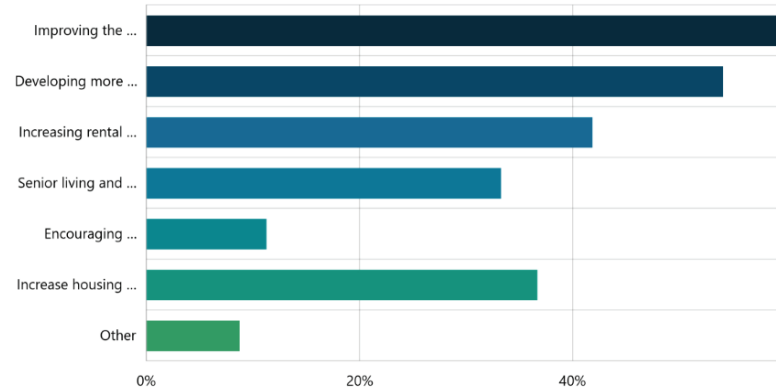
Score - Sum of the weight of each ranked position, multiplied by the response count for the position choice, divided by the total contributions. Weights are inverse to ranked positions.

Avg Rank - Sum of the ranked position of the choice, multiplied by the response count for the position choice, divided by the total 'Count' of the choice.



5. Which housing issues do you think the City should prioritize?

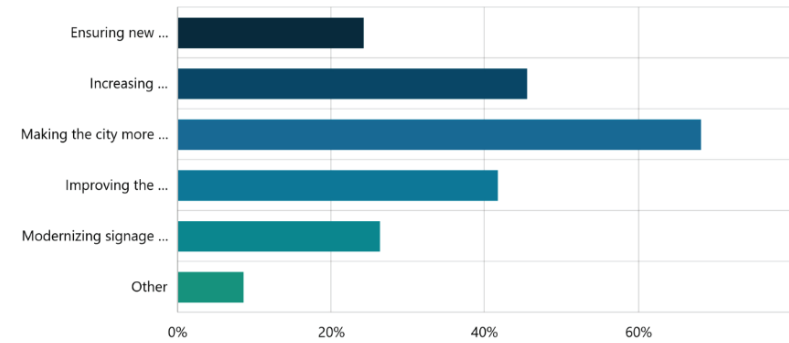
Multi Choice | Skipped: 5 | Answered: 677 (99.3%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Improving the quality of existing older homes	59.82%	405
Developing more affordable "starter homes" for purchase	54.06%	366
Increasing rental options (apartments/lofts) for students and young professionals	41.80%	283
Senior living and aging-in-place facilities	33.23%	225
Encouraging high-end residential development	11.23%	76
Increase housing options such as townhomes, duplexes, downtown lofts, etc.	36.63%	248
Other	8.71%	59

6. When thinking about the look and feel (character) of new development in Ada, what is most important to you?

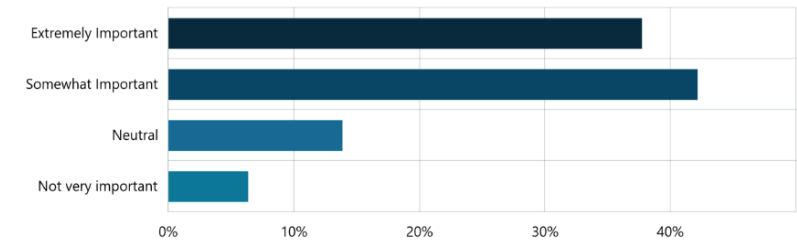
Multi Choice | Skipped: 24 | Answered: 658 (96.5%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Ensuring new buildings match the historic style of the city	24.16%	159
Increasing landscaping and green spaces	45.44%	299
Making the city more walkable with better sidewalks and trails	68.09%	448
Improving the appearance of main corridors and entry points into the city	41.64%	274
Modernizing signage and lighting standards	26.29%	173
Other	8.51%	56

7. How important is the revitalization of Downtown Ada to the overall success of the City?

Multi Choice | Skipped: 3 | Answered: 679 (99.6%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Extremely Important	37.70%	256
Somewhat Important	42.12%	286
Neutral	13.84%	94
Not very important	6.33%	43
Total	100.00%	679

Date Submitted	Q8: What is one specific change or project you would like to see in Ada by the year 2045?
Apr 30, 2026, 08:28 PM	street and road improvements and better maintenance of them. Fix crazy corner to be safer.
Apr 23, 2026, 02:02 PM	The neighborhood behind the Village Inn on the West side of Craddock road is a food desert. The nearest place to buy groceries is Braum's on Mississippi. There is a visible walking path worn through the weeds along the road up to Mississippi that is treacherous on both sides. At certain points, pedestrians have to walk into the oncoming traffic to get around undergrowth and trees. I see people walking to work and to buy groceries along this road every single day. If there is anywhere in town that actually NEEDS a sidewalk, it is here. It would also help if a small store like a Dollar General opened up in that area. There is literally nowhere to buy groceries or shop on the south side of Ada, which seems weird, because the high school, LegalShield, the Chickasaw Hospital, and many residential areas are on the south side of town.
Apr 21, 2026, 07:09 PM	I'm hoping to see sidewalks on all major streets, so people can get out and enjoy our beautiful community together. I'm hoping that all of our waterline issues are addressed and resolved by then. Wintersmith park is always a favorite for my out of town guests, so proper maintenance is super important and appreciated.
Apr 21, 2026, 02:49 PM	Let Ada grow. Stop blocking businesses from trying to move in.
Apr 20, 2026, 01:53 PM	More things for entertainment specifically for youth and teen age. We also need more places for clothing and home goods so we don't have to go out of town. More shopping and grocery stores close to Ada HS area.

Apr 20, 2026, 11:47 AM	Low property taxes specially for people who has paid off their properties and of course the elderly. I'm afraid Ada will change so much that we will not recognized it, let us keep the traditional ways alive, let us keep the city life there in the city. From a resident who loves Ada small town lifestyle, thanks.
Apr 19, 2026, 04:53 PM	I would like to see better services for unhoused people and affordable options for young parents with daycare needs
Apr 19, 2026, 03:55 PM	The reduction of overinflated rental prices, and the reduction in overpriced outdated homes. We can't have new people move in if all our rental properties and homes are owned by the same slum lords that have ran them for decades and still continue to increase rent/price without updating or offering new amenities. I'd also like to see less roadways looking like a bomb went off when the road right next to it got fixed recently. Why do we not have walkable streets without potholes in every neighborhood. Ada has not been focused on taking care of the right things to make this town flourish. It's been stuck in the past for too long and the people of Ada want to see a change. This town has so much potential, help it achieve that potential.
Apr 18, 2026, 03:03 PM	A place for the Historical Museum.
Apr 18, 2026, 11:29 AM	Public transportation
Apr 17, 2026, 09:01 AM	Rehabbing the library basement to use for the historical society!
Apr 16, 2026, 10:20 PM	Data center
Apr 16, 2026, 03:09 PM	Improving the arts and education services in town--repairs and refurbishment of the public library, repairs to Wintersmith, more walking paths, less abandoned buildings
Apr 16, 2026, 12:21 PM	I would like to see a new or remodeled modern public library that meets the community's evolving and growing needs as a hub of activity for all age groups and interests. I spend a lot of time at the public library, and they are always busy with patrons, special events, and activities. We are lucky to have such a great library, but it is becoming outdated, and additionally, they seem to be out of space. I've hosted several events at the library, and it's hard to find a date when the space is open.

Apr 16, 2026, 11:26 AM	I would like to see a more pedestrian, friendly town. I would very much like to be able to walk to East Central from eighth Street on the sidewalks with no meated up roads because on my way to walk to the college is unstable conditions to walk you actually can't walk without slipping and falling into traffic if it rains because of the slopes no handicap gradient on the corners. It's so unsafe to walk anywhere in Ada.
Apr 16, 2026, 11:06 AM	income threshold. it is difficult for people to live in ada and work there. the travel time from here to there is costly. if there were more 1-2 bedroom nice apartments or homes and nicer homes worth the rent amounts that would encourage younger groups to stay in ada, I work and have Chickasaw nation benefits , and can get free healthcare in ada. but not affordable housing to move to Ada for my income. that needs to change. we cannot make 3 times the rent and qualify , it doesn't equal out and be low income or medium if the housing is 1200 a month for a 2 bedroom and we make 14 an hour . that doesn't equal out to the costs of the nicer home communities anywhere, you either live in ada in a slummy old home or you live somewhere else and work there, its no middle . I live in Newcastle and work in ada . There's a critical need for more affordable housing options in Ada for families earning slightly above the low-income threshold who cannot get assistance. The current situation makes it challenging for residents to live and work within the city, leading to expensive commutes. Providing more 1-2 bedroom, quality homes at reasonable rent prices would encourage younger demographics to stay in Ada, espically after college graduation.. As a Chickasaw Nation spouse with benefits, including healthcare access in Ada, I'm unable to move there due to the lack of affordable housing options. The current affordability gap is unsustainable. It's unrealistic to expect individuals making \$14 an hour to afford a \$1,200/month 2-bedroom home, especially when attempting to meet the 3x rent guideline. The current options are either substandard housing or commuting from elsewhere. I currently live in Newcastle and work
Apr 16, 2026, 08:36 AM	Something new to take the place of the lots that burned on the south side of east main.
Apr 16, 2026, 06:43 AM	Over/Underpass to negate train blocking entire N/S travel through town
Apr 16, 2026, 06:19 AM	More family activities - indoor play area, other safe options
Apr 15, 2026, 11:54 PM	More entertainment opportunities and 24/7 merchants.

Apr 15, 2026, 10:16 PM	Ada Public Library — I have visited libraries in other cities/states searching genealogical records which are housed and available within the local public library. The library is ideal location for preservation and access to important records and documents of historical significance. I would like to see the Pontotoc County Historical and Genealogical Society moved from its present physical location (which is sorely deteriorating) to the Ada Public Library facility.
Apr 15, 2026, 10:10 PM	I would like the streets to be less bumpy!
Apr 15, 2026, 09:54 PM	Better small business development grants and opportunities.
Apr 15, 2026, 09:44 PM	Preserving the history of Ada and the county by having a place for people to visit and learn that history.
Apr 15, 2026, 09:44 PM	Mentioned before: stricter residential codes such as parking on grass (extra cars, boats, trailers, rv's) or buildings and structures or JUNK visible from street.
Apr 15, 2026, 09:40 PM	Improvements to the library
Apr 15, 2026, 09:26 PM	Bigger out door activities. Bike trail, upgrading wintersmith docs and sidewalks. More basket ball courts and pickle ball courts
Apr 15, 2026, 08:25 PM	legislation banning data centers in town.
Apr 15, 2026, 05:20 PM	Development of outdoor activities for teens.
Apr 15, 2026, 12:22 PM	I would love to see more support for those without transportation, many in our city struggle to find rides.
Apr 15, 2026, 11:12 AM	More home services for seniors like meal delivery, affordable lawn services for the elderly and disabled who are not Chickasaw. More doctor specialists who are in Ada like neurologist, dermatologists, heart services...
Apr 15, 2026, 11:05 AM	Low income homes

Apr 15, 2026, 10:52 AM	There has got to be some form of public transportation in this town. People are genuinely suffering from not being able to get to health care facilities and not having reasonable options to purchase groceries that they can get to. The process for getting a DL in this state now is so ridiculous that I foresee a huge increase in unlicensed drivers. There has to be an alternative for people to get around if the only other option is to drive without a license. There needs to be something done for the middle class in this town. Right now, you either have the money to live comfortably, or you are living in utter poverty. The middle class struggle with credit, they struggle to pay their bills and the lack of diversity in the job market is hurting people. Ada is much better off that a lot of cities and far as the cost of living, but we are still truly struggling out here. Lastly, we need support groups. We need grief support, Alanon, Alateen, grandparents raising grandchildren etc. Everyone has to go to AA if they have any support needs and that is not a good idea. Our teens need support when they are living with families struggling with addiction. I asked the school libraries, and the children cannot even get access to alateen literature at their libraries. That service would be a huge help to so many children
Apr 15, 2026, 10:49 AM	Benches with shade at the splash pad at wintersmith, more high end restaurants and variety, other fast food like Cava and jersey mikes
Apr 15, 2026, 10:38 AM	No green energy scams, no smart city involvement, crime drops...
Apr 15, 2026, 10:32 AM	Clean up dilapidated houses throughout town. Hold landlords and homeowners to higher standards. Also, need a gas station somewhere on west end of Lonnie Abbott.

Apr 15, 2026, 09:46 AM	Facilities for the homeless need to be relocated (preferable to a different town or outside of city limits) or shut down. The library, downtown, bike trails, parks, and surrounding residential neighborhoods have become unsafe for tax-paying residents and their children. It appears that the shelter and its programs do little more than incentivize the homeless population from outside of the community to migrate here. Subsequently, they add to the destruction of property, theft, littering, loitering, loss of business, etc. You can revitalize downtown, build new parks, and make all the sidewalks you want, but none of those things matter unless Ada's residents feel safe enough to go outside and use them.
Apr 15, 2026, 09:33 AM	Rental owners whose property is in terrible repair be forced by law to maintain them.
Apr 15, 2026, 09:16 AM	Grocery stores on south side of town. All but one grocery store is on Lonnie Abbott, and the remaining grocery store is still far north of main street.
Apr 15, 2026, 08:20 AM	Legislation blocking data centers from being built in pontotoc county
Apr 15, 2026, 08:18 AM	Revitalized downtown All streets paved and maintained regularly Clean, healthy water for all. Dynamic healthcare facilities for all.
Apr 15, 2026, 08:12 AM	Sidewalks, a convention center with hotel next to it. No state level organizations come here as there isnt overnight housing near a nice meeting space.
Apr 15, 2026, 07:34 AM	Make it easier for people to open new businesses.
Apr 15, 2026, 07:11 AM	More shopping opportunities and restaurants
Apr 15, 2026, 06:59 AM	I would like to see more opportunities for our children. Whether that be youth/adult facilities (BG Club or YMCA), childcare facilities, as well as side walk throughout neighborhoods so that children have a safe space to ride bikes.
Apr 15, 2026, 06:58 AM	more walkable and more affordable please! also no mega corps buying up housing and charging insane rents...
Apr 15, 2026, 06:54 AM	Something has to be done about the homeless community, they are destroying the city. Also traffic lights on Main Street are not conducive to proper flow of traffic.
Apr 15, 2026, 06:53 AM	Cleaning up all the abandoned or non livable homes
Apr 15, 2026, 06:52 AM	Retirement facilities that take diabetic patients

Apr 15, 2026, 06:13 AM	Better management of traffic. Like better road signs & stop sign placement in residential areas. I have LASIK & I still can't read the road names sometime.
Apr 15, 2026, 04:56 AM	More family entertainment spaces that are not related to sports.
Apr 14, 2026, 11:18 PM	Public transportation
Apr 14, 2026, 08:06 PM	Quit bringing in homeless people. They are everywhere and makes the city look terrible. Clean up the drug use.
Apr 14, 2026, 07:11 PM	Bicycle trails more developed or more walking loops
Apr 14, 2026, 06:13 PM	Public transportation needs to be available.
Apr 14, 2026, 04:02 PM	wintersmith park lake improvements
Apr 14, 2026, 01:17 PM	Affordable housing and more small businesses, less corporate businesses. Ada has lost the uniqueness when all the chains moved in. Now it's like every other college town in Oklahoma.
Apr 14, 2026, 12:55 PM	I would like to see smoother roads.
Apr 14, 2026, 12:54 PM	Better streets
Apr 14, 2026, 12:48 PM	I would like the diversity of our beloved community members to be welcomed, protected and celebrated.
Apr 14, 2026, 10:26 AM	Older homes that are not being taken care of to be updated/cleaned or unlivable or uninhabitable homes to be removed.
Apr 14, 2026, 08:20 AM	Adding a museum and access to historical information
Apr 14, 2026, 08:01 AM	Move the Pontotoc County Historical & Genealogical Society to the public library basement so the community does lose all this history of who we are and how we have developed.
Apr 13, 2026, 09:14 PM	More things to do, places to hang out and socialize, fun and eclectic places to eat and drink. More places for kids to hang out and things to do. We leave town almost every weekend to go "have fun"...
Apr 13, 2026, 08:57 PM	More things that stayed open 24hrs. There are shift workers in town who have no options and college students who would study in 24hr palaces
Apr 13, 2026, 07:35 PM	Attention to old abandoned homes
Apr 13, 2026, 07:34 PM	Better streets and cleaning up the abandoned homes
Apr 13, 2026, 07:33 PM	Fixing up the older and abandoned homes.

Apr 13, 2026, 06:51 PM	Make downtown more mixed use, with residential above retail, dining, etc. and vacant/run-down buildings revitalized to encourage more activity in the afternoons/evenings (after 5pm) and on weekends
Apr 13, 2026, 05:42 PM	Improving the appearance of neighborhoods.
Apr 13, 2026, 04:13 PM	Better medical care in Ada at both Hospitals
Apr 13, 2026, 03:55 PM	Better roads. So many roads become unsafe to drive on when it rains and the puddles disguise the huge potholes.
Apr 13, 2026, 02:47 PM	Affordable housing
Apr 13, 2026, 01:58 PM	Doing away with mama Ts and other homeless programs that encourage more vagrants to migrate towards our town making the issue worse rather than better. You cannot enjoy the parks or walking paths or bike trail due to all of the drug use, crime and fear
Apr 13, 2026, 01:51 PM	2045 is a long way off. I want a bicycle-friendly town tomorrow. I have lived all over the place, big and small towns, cities even, and they all are better than Ada with walkability and trails. We have tried and failed at committees and meetings with no help from the city. There is zero reason not to pursue this. The healthier the town, the happier. Go visit a town with paved walkable/ridable trails, they have people out exercising and enjoying the town, you can build everything off of this if it is done right.
Apr 13, 2026, 12:38 PM	As a single project, we need an olympic sports capable pool to enable the growing watersports community. A more targetted approach to community venues. Skate park at glenwood, Irving center, both water parks, and The Hill are all excellent additions and upgrades, but they feel spread thin. I would prefer a more robust single location preferably with all of those elements at 1 site.
Apr 13, 2026, 12:26 PM	Removal of vacant properties
Apr 13, 2026, 11:28 AM	Kick out the homeless and drug traffic in Glenwood. It makes it so trashy and so unsafe for kids. We have found needles at the splash pad area.
Apr 13, 2026, 09:53 AM	Biking/walking greenbelts through and around Ada
Apr 13, 2026, 09:40 AM	Better service to citizens by our first responders. Crime is off the charts. The drugs and homelessness are out of control. Our city needs to be cleaned up so people feel safe and want to be here.
Apr 13, 2026, 09:04 AM	Affordable housing

Apr 13, 2026, 07:51 AM	One is hard to determine. More manpower keeping Wintersmith park cleaned and mowed is desperately needed. The weeds and grass get knee high. Crumbling roads on main thorough fares need repaired. Faster removal or repair of homes in complete disrepair.
Apr 13, 2026, 07:46 AM	Enforce or create city ordinances to clean up rundown houses and yards. Force people to clean junk from properties and keep lawns mowed
Apr 13, 2026, 07:43 AM	I would like more retail shopping and dining. A loop around the North side of town to divert truck traffic in town. ECU needs more support from the town of Ada.
Apr 13, 2026, 06:39 AM	Increase in town housing/restaurants
Apr 13, 2026, 05:29 AM	More affordable housing, help for seniors/disabled with transportation in town or around town.
Apr 13, 2026, 02:20 AM	Revitalizing downtown
Apr 13, 2026, 01:41 AM	The homeless population is largely caused by the homeless shelters. Individuals come and the shelter is either full, or they don't want to abide by the shelters rules and they stay here on the streets. Crime is high right now. We need more officers on staff for the growing population; especially the growing homeless population.
Apr 12, 2026, 10:22 PM	Instead of a bunch of little projects that never get done or constantly are in proffress, how about having planned out impact projects that get done quickly?
Apr 12, 2026, 10:03 PM	More affordable housing (rental/owning) market.
Apr 12, 2026, 10:00 PM	Better retail shops for children's clothing and more 24 hr or late night restaurants.
Apr 12, 2026, 09:51 PM	The university and vo-tech more integrated with the town.
Apr 12, 2026, 09:46 PM	The repair and use of the amphitheater.
Apr 12, 2026, 09:20 PM	Improve Roads Increased amount of sidewalks Public Transportation
Apr 12, 2026, 09:13 PM	Hopefully I won't be dead by then but would like affordable housing options and better paying jobs for my grandchildren and great grandchildren.
Apr 12, 2026, 09:09 PM	More sidewalks along Arlington Street
Apr 12, 2026, 08:39 PM	The homeless and drug problem actually addressed. Take a note from Edmond and ship them elsewhere. Clean up our town!
Apr 12, 2026, 08:36 PM	More reasonable housing for elderly and the young people in Ada to keep them here to raise their families.

Apr 12, 2026, 08:25 PM	Streets repaired please.
Apr 12, 2026, 08:00 PM	More affordable housing, better roads, more sidewalks, cleaner outside. Better animal laws.
Apr 12, 2026, 07:59 PM	Affordable housing - multi-family units and/or apartments
Apr 12, 2026, 07:56 PM	The condemned buildings torn down on Main Street from the tornado damage. I have the only building on the 400 block of Main Street that has been repaired and every other building has been condemned and it looks pitiful. I follow city codes, maybe y'all should too. We get calls everyday wondering where we moved to because everything around us is falling in.
Apr 12, 2026, 07:55 PM	More music, visual art, theatre, dance, quality festivals.
Apr 12, 2026, 07:10 PM	New highschool and better roads.
Apr 12, 2026, 06:56 PM	Better grocery & retail shopping. This town NEEDS better paying jobs. Husbands should have to work in other cities & states to support family. The job opportunity in this town is a total joke.
Apr 12, 2026, 06:45 PM	Arts or community district development. No more crappy fast food hamburger places, auto oil/brake change or hotels. Get some decent restaurants and an atmosphere that makes people want to stay in town instead of heading out to Norman
Apr 12, 2026, 06:29 PM	NO HOMELESS SHELTERS! Nobody wants that near where they live and homeless people don't want them either.
Apr 12, 2026, 05:38 PM	Downtown investment
Apr 12, 2026, 05:24 PM	Get rid of the drugs and crime and lower rent
Apr 12, 2026, 04:54 PM	Improving public safety. The PD and FD have not increased manpower in years
Apr 12, 2026, 04:49 PM	Bike lanes, more diverse community, more open minded community
Apr 12, 2026, 04:42 PM	More parks, more walkability, bike lanes, better public restrooms at parks
Apr 12, 2026, 04:28 PM	The streets are absolutely terrible. It does not matter how beautiful your downtown is if no one can get to it because the streets are impassable. Especially the streets around the schools like Willard.... Just do the block directly around the school and you will see.
Apr 12, 2026, 04:22 PM	Plans to deal with the homeless.
Apr 12, 2026, 04:05 PM	More retirement solutions with assistance tiers - from fully independent with access to cafeteria and activities on-site to fully assisted nursing units.

Apr 12, 2026, 04:01 PM	Government or cheap housing for homeless & tear down & replace housing in slum areas like W 12th neighborhoods.
Apr 12, 2026, 03:29 PM	Municipal golf course
Apr 12, 2026, 03:24 PM	More retail options that will compete with Wal-Mart.
Apr 12, 2026, 03:14 PM	More department stores ,clothing ect and higher paying jobs as in factories or a better industrial park and blue collar jobs that pay more than 20 dollars an hr. So you can afford to live in ada and not have to work 3 - 4 fast food places to make ends meet.
Apr 12, 2026, 03:09 PM	Shopping/entertainment so money stays in Ada
Apr 12, 2026, 03:06 PM	All roads repaved and kept up once repaved
Apr 12, 2026, 02:59 PM	More shopping options. Bring more money to our town rather than forcing residents to travel to Shawnee or OKC for shopping.
Apr 12, 2026, 02:57 PM	Program to address mental health and homeless population; program to address homeless population reintroduction into workforce.
Apr 12, 2026, 02:48 PM	Remove Mamma Ts
Apr 12, 2026, 02:45 PM	Affordable housing
Apr 12, 2026, 02:42 PM	More business and affordable housing. Ooh and maybe no more condemned buildings they need to be torn down
Apr 12, 2026, 02:33 PM	We need department store shopping. And more shopping in general. Also restaurants please???
Apr 12, 2026, 02:28 PM	Better housing to bring in big businesses
Apr 12, 2026, 02:26 PM	Widened sidewalk at Wintersmith.
Apr 12, 2026, 02:24 PM	Development of higher end retail shopping on Lonnie Abbott Blvd. And a higher end streetscape infrastructure
Apr 12, 2026, 02:19 PM	Cleanup where Hisaw Warehouse used to be
Apr 12, 2026, 02:16 PM	Better maintained public service areas such as parks and community areas. The pond at wintersmith for example is nasty, and covered in trash. The water is even green in some areas. I feel like a better job could be done maintaining these areas and making them more appealing.
Apr 12, 2026, 02:12 PM	More shopping opportunities...few selections for clothing and household items

Apr 12, 2026, 02:07 PM	I'm really hoping to see a massive expansion of green spaces and parks throughout Ada. Imagine more community gardens and maybe even a new nature preserve! I'd love for us to implement a city-wide public transit overhaul, making it super easy and convenient to get around without a car. Plus, seeing more renewable energy sources powering our homes and businesses would be amazing. My dream is for Ada to be a leader in sustainable living by 2045. Let's make our town even better! #Ada2045 #SustainableFuture #GreenCity 🌳 ♻️ 🚲
Apr 12, 2026, 02:05 PM	More grocery stores for each section of Ada. Not just Ealmart or Pruitts. Other sides of town shouldn't be left out and drive to DG.
Apr 12, 2026, 02:05 PM	Wintersmith park upgrades! I would love to see Wintersmith lake stocked with fish way before 2045!! It would be cool to have "rentable" (by QR code) free bikes to ride around the city/park area. It would be cool for kayaking to be permitted/encouraged at Wintersmith park.
Apr 12, 2026, 02:04 PM	Would like to see more affordable health care for non-Chickasaws. The Chickasaws have so much available to them that non-Indians don't have. It would be nice if the Chickasaws made low-cost health care available to those who are not Indians. It just doesn't seem fair that Chickasaws have more than non Indians. Also, a Veteran's Home and Veterans hospital/health care center would be nice HERE IN ADA. Too many aging Veterans cannot make the trip to OKC or Ardmore.
Apr 12, 2026, 02:01 PM	Housing costs.
Apr 12, 2026, 02:00 PM	By 2045 I would hope affordable and safe housing would be available. We have so many children who, in the future, may not be able to afford housing as the market currently stands. Most of our affordable homes are in areas that are unsafe and see higher crime. If we don't begin to change these things now, we may see a lot our children choose to move to areas that are more affordable. Ada is a great community town, but it only stays that way if we have families who are growing families here.

Apr 12, 2026, 02:00 PM	Clean it up. Fix the roads to where you can see what lane one is driving in. Get rid of dilapidated houses make these landlords accountable. They charge way too much for the crap they charge for. I don't want to see more homeless people being dropped off in Ada.
Apr 12, 2026, 02:00 PM	Better roads across Ada
Apr 12, 2026, 01:54 PM	Spaces for the children, young people that doesn't cost. Safety of walking, and biking trails
Apr 12, 2026, 01:49 PM	Expanded left turn lane at Lonnie Abbot Blvd and N Mississippi Ave intersection due to increased traffic from new businesses.
Apr 12, 2026, 01:47 PM	A focus on handicap accessibility. Current sidewalks either are not wheelchair friendly or they have obstacles on them where going around the obstacles can cause us to get stuck in mud/dirt/rocks.
Apr 12, 2026, 01:45 PM	More places to shop for clothing and household items, indoor play places for children, and places for teenagers to hangout and have fun
Apr 12, 2026, 01:42 PM	I would definitely like the city to be more walkable/bike-able. It would also be nice to have a grocery store - like a Walmart market - and maybe a fast food option on the south side of town (where Kmart used to be). Also the intersection of stadium dr and meadow wood blvd/ Kerr lab rd needs to be a 4 way stop (not a roundabout- high school kids drive that road and most adults can't figure out a roundabout)
Apr 12, 2026, 01:40 PM	Fix thing when they are broken and not only fix because who live on that street we are all tax payers should be all equal!!!!
Apr 12, 2026, 01:40 PM	Indoor gym and pool facility. Similar to ymca.
Apr 12, 2026, 01:37 PM	A project to help create affordable housing for all within Ada, OK. The fact that I've been living in Ada for over 23 years and have not had the opportunity to get into the housing market feels like a rough patch for Ada.

Apr 12, 2026, 01:34 PM	For Ada to be accessible by better side walks and bike lanes throughout the entire city limits, not just downtown. Also, more wheelchair accessible options for parking areas. Wheelchair accessibility should consider the opinions of real people with real physical limitations such as wheelchair and forearm crutches utilization. It would be great for Ada to be like downtown Bentonville, Arkansas and other smaller metropolitan areas where biking and walking were considered a normal means of preferred transportation versus something that only people with "lower income" use. Also for more clothing shopping options such as Old Navy and Academy. We'd like to actually do all of Our shopping in Ada. Instead, we drive to Norman, Ardmore and Shawnee for Lowe's, Ulta, Academy, Kohl's, Target, Old Navy, Panda Express, Pei Wei, etc. We don't want the continued Great Value brands of stores that we get stuck with. And most of your community does not shop at the small clothing boutiques downtown. Those are great, but they don't fit the needs of the majority of your population.
Apr 12, 2026, 01:33 PM	Increasing sidewalks and trails to make the city more walkable.
Apr 12, 2026, 01:33 PM	Something needs to be done about all of the small crime, homeless people that are being dropped off here by other communities, more shopping, opportunities, more entertainment, opportunities continued improvement of infrastructure and the best possible use of the penny for the city dollars. Continue the revitalization of older neighborhoods that have gone downhill and need derelict structures removed. Downtown/Main Street should actually consist of retail, dining and entertainment venues. It should not have a bunch of payday loan businesses and other types of non-retail community focused businesses on Main Street. I think a fund could be created to help cover costs of moving and relocating some of the businesses that are down there and a protected district like the arts district should be created.
Apr 12, 2026, 01:31 PM	Consumer protections against bad contractors.
Apr 12, 2026, 01:31 PM	Plans to decrease traffic congestion both in the city and on the main highways leading into the city.

Apr 12, 2026, 01:28 PM	Neighborhoods with nice sidewalks that families feel safe walking down and added bike lanes - even our nicest neighborhoods don't have sidewalks
Apr 12, 2026, 01:18 PM	Sidewalks and roads repair
Apr 12, 2026, 01:17 PM	Better roads. Especially by the schools.
Apr 12, 2026, 01:15 PM	Better roads, signage, and drainage. Not patched over roads that have to be resurfaced every few years (12th street)! The portion of Lonnie Abbott that was done by the city is like a wash board. Do it right the first time and hire professionals!! Streamline traffic flinging down all main streets such as Mississippi, main, Arlington, and Lonnie Abbott. There are way too many stop lights that are not synced with each other and too many times I get stopped at every block. Invest in the right technology! Get rid of all the panhandlers!!!!!!
Apr 12, 2026, 01:11 PM	Another running/hiking trail near or around the Ada Sports Complex would be extremely valuable for generations to come. Biking and other outdoor fitness increases quality of life for all who participate... The more activities to do outdoors, the less crime.
Apr 12, 2026, 01:09 PM	More places to shop especially clothes Less dispensaries.. or no dispensaries
Apr 12, 2026, 01:08 PM	Clean up of dilapidated properties / landscape.
Apr 12, 2026, 01:08 PM	More shopping so people don't have to leave town. Another grocery store where one the that is closed down was.
Apr 12, 2026, 01:04 PM	Better paying jobs
Apr 12, 2026, 01:03 PM	Run the slumlords out of town.
Apr 12, 2026, 01:01 PM	Making the town more walking friendly, especially with Ada being a college town
Apr 12, 2026, 01:00 PM	Improve streets. Fix East Main from 300 - 600 Blocks, Patch potholes and deteriorating blacktop/
Apr 12, 2026, 12:59 PM	More options for shopping and food.
Apr 12, 2026, 12:56 PM	Less homeless people roaming the streets. Get rid of our homeless shelters so other counties will stop dropping people off at our county lines
Apr 12, 2026, 12:54 PM	We need something for toddlers to do & elementary kids to do & jr high kids so they they can stay out of trouble

Apr 12, 2026, 12:51 PM	Bring more high paying jobs to the community while also finding and capitalizing on opportunities to encourage growth by making sure there is a STRONG emphasis on encouraging growth (in general) in a healthy way for the entire community as a whole, not just specific demographics or geographic areas.
Apr 12, 2026, 12:49 PM	Sidewalks and bike paths. There are so many people that walk country club, Arlington, Lonnie Abbott and they just have to use the side of the road. There is no safe way to choose walking or biking. Our entire city could be walkable or bike-able, it is small enough. When I visit other cities the distance people walk to the store or to a bus/metro station is the length of our city and they think nothing of it. More people would CHOOSE to bike or walk if it was safer. Currently it's only those who don't have a choice. Biking or walking would be better for the environment, our citizens health, and the infrastructure wouldn't be as stressed.
Apr 12, 2026, 12:48 PM	More places for shopping for daily necessities besides Walmart. We would LOVE a Target, TJ Max/Home Goods, or something similar.
Apr 12, 2026, 12:48 PM	Better roads and sidewalks. Better use of vacant lots. Gas station or convenience store on north west side of town.
Apr 12, 2026, 12:46 PM	A Ferris wheel at Wintersmith Park and covered/shaded benches along the walking path. (A roller coaster surrounding the picnic area would be nice, but people might not appreciate the noise.)
Apr 12, 2026, 12:46 PM	More outdoor areas for kids and adults, safe running trails, bike trails, outdoor activities
Apr 12, 2026, 12:45 PM	Better shops i always have to go out of town
Apr 12, 2026, 12:42 PM	Crime needs to be taken seriously and must get under control. Roads need to be maintained; the current state is ridiculous and inexcusable, especially given the high tax rates imposed upon us. I plan to leave the area permanently as soon as possible.
Apr 12, 2026, 12:40 PM	Dealing with crime, homelessness and panhandling.
Apr 12, 2026, 12:39 PM	Sidewalks everywhere in the City limits
Apr 12, 2026, 12:38 PM	More shopping options, department store style shopping.
Apr 12, 2026, 12:38 PM	Supporting of the arts
Apr 12, 2026, 12:37 PM	More shopping options for men.

Apr 12, 2026, 12:36 PM	More forward thinking and diversity overall.
Apr 12, 2026, 12:36 PM	Downtown improvement with more communal feel, walkable with quality restaurants and gathering spaces
Apr 12, 2026, 12:36 PM	Shut down Mama Ts and bus all those folks that were bussed in back to where they came. Ada didn't have the homeless issues until that happened. Whoever decided that would be good, should have to deal with the aftermath of the influx of drugs, street people, break ins and thefts
Apr 12, 2026, 12:35 PM	Consider building covered picnic areas closer to the lake. Through Spring, Summer and Fall introduce security like bicycle patrols. Clean the lake up .
Apr 12, 2026, 12:34 PM	Maybe get a few of the hundreds of broken street lights working and open a few brand new major roads to help with traffic. Also might help to build some streets like other cities have where people and business can build on them.
Apr 12, 2026, 12:33 PM	STOP prioritizing chain businesses, especially restaurants, over locally owned. Ada is overflowed with chain fast food and restaurants that offer mediocre quality service while high quality locally owned businesses suffer.
Apr 12, 2026, 12:32 PM	There is so many ways to answer this, but I think affordable housing is such a priority. A tiny dump of a house that is renting for \$1000 is ridiculous.
Apr 12, 2026, 12:30 PM	Repair sidewalks
Apr 12, 2026, 12:25 PM	Better Roads
Apr 12, 2026, 12:24 PM	The availability and affordability of homes for people especially young people who seem to have the option of living in a rough area or paying an outrageous amount.
Apr 12, 2026, 12:21 PM	Improvements to the agri-plex and fairgrounds
Apr 12, 2026, 12:20 PM	Please improve roads and create an easy way to get from east to west without going thru town
Apr 12, 2026, 12:15 PM	Bring in more shopping options. Most people have to shop for clothing and necessities in OKC or Texas. More family style restaurants. Academy Sports would be nice.
Apr 12, 2026, 12:13 PM	Sidewalks throughout town, bus stops and a bus routes, public storm shelters
Apr 12, 2026, 12:13 PM	Build mountain biking, hiking, and running trails. Ada has plenty of rugged outdoor space to have a trail system that would bring in visitors, tourists, and events.

Apr 12, 2026, 12:09 PM	More housing options for students and younger adults that are affordable.
Apr 10, 2026, 03:56 PM	Living options such as gated communities that are safe and attractive for older citizens.
Apr 10, 2026, 07:37 AM	The homeless situation
Apr 09, 2026, 06:58 PM	I would like a Wendy's
Apr 09, 2026, 01:56 PM	Improve the roads
Apr 09, 2026, 09:51 AM	Modernization of the Ada Public Library such as: updated equipment and software for patrons, more computers for public access, better use of the basement, etc.
Apr 08, 2026, 04:19 PM	Housing, providing affordable housing options to citizens. Improving the streets within the residential neighborhoods.
Apr 08, 2026, 03:57 PM	I would like to see updating the public library. Making the basement suitable for use and updating spaces within the already public spaces would be great. Libraries are important facilities for communities.
Apr 08, 2026, 03:06 PM	I would like to see the Pontotoc County Historical and Genealogy Society to move to the public library.
Apr 08, 2026, 02:24 PM	More affordable housing options. I grew up in Ada but bought my first house in Paul's Valley 5 years ago. I work at ECU and commute daily. I want to move back to Ada ASAP not because the drive to and from work, but because of the way Ada feels. It's impossible for me to move back while the housing prices are insane.
Apr 08, 2026, 01:52 PM	Infill housing in areas of dilapidated empty houses
Apr 08, 2026, 01:51 PM	Address homeless population
Apr 08, 2026, 12:44 PM	More community garden spaces and/or mini projects with learning/volunteering opportunities for citizens and visitors of all ages. "Living art" projects and fresh "food freedom" projects that can beautify, educate and entertain.
Apr 08, 2026, 11:40 AM	Fix the delayed sidewalks. Especially where students and elderly walk(S Francis St) also the running is stops throughout the city

Apr 08, 2026, 11:06 AM	Housing is huge, but I think everyone is aware that it is a first priority. I think curb appeal is probably the biggest factor to improve upon, and Ada has done a great job from where it was about 10 years ago. Landscaping, sky-scaping, and an overall clean look cannot be set aside when making changes for the future. Not only homes and neighborhoods, but businesses and city owned property. There is often a big push up front during development, but little to no maintenance afterward. Good neighbors often have well-kept yards and homes because they value what is theirs. We need to value what is ours and ensure that our hometown has a "clean" and "cared for" look throughout the city. We have the structure; great people, great businesses, great relationships and we need to ensure that the guests/visitors and potential Adans can truly see how great we are.
Apr 08, 2026, 10:21 AM	When I see a street with a lot of vape shops, pawn shops, payday loans, and dispensaries, it does not look like the community is doing well. For example, I was very sad to see King Donut close and a vape shop open in its place. I hope we can find ways to support other kinds of businesses, especially in the center of town and on our main roads like Main Street, Mississippi, and Arlington.
Apr 08, 2026, 08:55 AM	More housing purchase options for people that want to live in the community from starter home to executive homes. Ada is lacking in both areas
Apr 07, 2026, 10:46 PM	Full pedestrian and biking infrastructure, a LOT of people navigate the town by foot. It could be for transport or exercise, but it is very unsafe with the inconsistent sidewalks and next to zero bike lanes.
Apr 07, 2026, 10:26 PM	Clean up dilapidated, ugly homes and make safer, more affordable homes for new comers
Apr 07, 2026, 07:28 PM	More affordable rental options that are in good shape. We have too many houses that are dilapidated and continue to be rented out by landlords who don't take care for take pride in their properties. People need affordable housing that is clean and safe and up to standards.
Apr 07, 2026, 06:16 PM	Small specialty grocery store near downtown.

Apr 07, 2026, 05:47 PM	I would like see the old Holiday InnQuality inn Space developed.
Apr 07, 2026, 04:14 PM	A rock climbing gym!
Apr 07, 2026, 03:58 PM	Please help the run down buildings. Please create a small grocery store where Dicus Store was. Please.
Apr 07, 2026, 02:59 PM	More mainstream stores and diversity of restaurants
Apr 07, 2026, 02:31 PM	Sidewalks
Apr 07, 2026, 01:52 PM	The shopping centers and main street stay filled with businesses.
Apr 07, 2026, 01:51 PM	Indoor competition pool, or a YMCA. I would love to see outdoor exercise equipment at wintersmith like they have at Irving. Community Garden. Ways to meet people that doesn't involve church. Maybe more meet up/community activities on evenings and weekends
Apr 07, 2026, 01:50 PM	4 lane entering and leaving Ada. Entrances coming into Ada are terrible. First impressions are everything.
Apr 07, 2026, 01:49 PM	Larger Shopping and dining opportunities
Apr 07, 2026, 01:49 PM	New skate park
Apr 07, 2026, 01:49 PM	Increased housing and amenities to attract and keep more families in Ada.
Apr 07, 2026, 01:48 PM	Affordable housing! We need more rentals available within Fair Market rent!
Apr 07, 2026, 01:47 PM	The roads are not great all.
Apr 07, 2026, 01:39 PM	Indoor pool added to the sports complex.
Apr 07, 2026, 01:36 PM	It appears that Ada is focusing on issues that apply to a few rather than the majority (Airport, remodel of the old fire station, and an amphitheater that no one uses). I'd like to see Ada focus on making our city more walkable/bikeable and improving public safety issues such as homelessness and street-walkers that are an eyesore to our community.

Apr 07, 2026, 12:33 AM	Pontotoc County. With around 16,000 people in the city and close to 38,000 across the county, it serves a wide range of residents, from young families to college students to seniors. The median age is younger than the national average, which tells you there's a strong base of kids, teens, and young adults. At the same time, a significant portion of the population is over 65, and that number continues to grow. Right now, there's a clear gap in what the community has access to: a reliable, year-round, competition-level indoor swimming facility. That gap affects more people than you might think. Swimming is one of the few activities that works for almost everyone. It's low-impact, which makes it ideal for people with joint pain, injuries, or chronic conditions, but it's also one of the best full-body workouts available. In a community like Ada—where many families are working with limited income and fewer wellness resources—access to something like this matters. An indoor facility would give people a consistent, affordable way to stay active, no matter the weather. And in Oklahoma, weather is a real barrier for much of the year. This isn't just about recreation—it's about giving people a practical way to improve their health and quality of life. Having a pool would have a strong impact for schools and young
Apr 06, 2026, 10:23 PM	I would like to more sidewalks implemented to make Ada more walkable and accessible.
Apr 06, 2026, 05:46 PM	Safety top issue. Too many dispensaries and homeless roaming around. Need an updated library facility.
Apr 05, 2026, 12:27 PM	Renovate older homes, improve business front in downtown, initiate new business opportunities/development, market to/through areas of interest – costs/taxes are good-to-reasonable for living and doing business. Grow the city organically. Stay involved.

Apr 04, 2026, 10:16 PM	Safe places for kids to play and hang out Bring in companies that pay decent wages so people can live and survive. Community storm shelter
Apr 04, 2026, 09:53 PM	Housing. Improved infrastructure and more walkable and bike friendly. And housing
Apr 04, 2026, 06:09 PM	improvement of Wintersmith park. City neighborhood roads. Old home renovation or demolition
Apr 04, 2026, 05:25 PM	Better, downtown tourism. Similar to the Artesian project in Sulphur.
Apr 04, 2026, 02:52 PM	Better paying jobs with quality health insurance. More diverse shopping choices, so we don't have to go to the City.
Apr 04, 2026, 02:34 PM	Entrance into ada - the blocks from Lazer Zone intersection to Rhynes and Rhodes- those blocks need major improvement. So many debilitated buildings... it just looks bad entering into Ada. Would love to see those blocks completely revamped.
Apr 04, 2026, 02:10 PM	I would love to see it maintain the same community small town feel but an improved version that has a special character to it. Ada seems to lack character and identity. I think Ada needs to know who she is and focus on those strengths and characteristics. It's great to have some of the chain stores and restaurants but something I love about Ada is the entrepreneurial spirit that resides here. Local entities are - to me - what makes a place special and unique. But if it isn't affordable, people will go elsewhere.
Apr 04, 2026, 01:42 PM	An overhaul of the city ordinances. An in depth study on other same sized cities and their ordinances. Holding landlords more accountable. Hold people more accountable for the way they live. Have sidewalks on all major streets. New housing additions to include sidewalks. Add sidewalks to housing additions who can hold them.
Apr 04, 2026, 07:48 AM	I would like to see more shopping. If you want any clothes you have to go out of town. We need to draw larger brand stores for our people

Apr 03, 2026, 11:48 PM	Prioritize public education, K-12, PTC and ECU. Change the culture so that education is highly valued. Get parents and community members to partner with educators to ensure quality education for all students. This will result in a skilled workforce which will benefit every part of Ada.
Apr 03, 2026, 07:02 PM	Less dangerous looking people on the streets
Apr 03, 2026, 06:41 PM	Cheaper housing
Apr 03, 2026, 06:27 PM	More variety of specialized shops and more big box stores/restaurants such as academy, longhorn steakhouse, TJ Maxx, etc. Ada also needs more 24/7 places like an IHOP or 24/7 Walmart hours.
Apr 03, 2026, 04:35 PM	The swim teams need a better place for practice. We need an indoor competitive swim facility. This could make the city money when hosting events.
Apr 03, 2026, 01:23 PM	Programs for startups and small businesses.
Apr 03, 2026, 11:53 AM	More restaurants-not fast food and shopping
Apr 03, 2026, 10:34 AM	New affordable middle class housing neighborhoods. Currently, can purchase a nice home in Edmond for less money in nice neighborhoods.
Apr 03, 2026, 09:32 AM	I would love to see our city without all the trash and unkempt sidewalks. Our city could be beautiful but we have so much trash coming in to the city and in the city. Our lights and sidewalks need repaired. The neighborhoods need cleaned up. So many people dont keep their spaces clean and kept.
Apr 03, 2026, 09:22 AM	More things to do for people. Ada has nothing.

Apr 03, 2026, 09:18 AM	Improved roads. They are horrible, and if I was a developer or a business considering locating in Ada, I would question the ability of the city to manage the infrastructure to attract people/economic development. Additionally, Ada needs to create a real Economic Development organization under the umbrella of the Chamber of Commerce. In my career, I have audited economic development organizations in other states, and that is the most successful model. There needs to be a partnership with the city but economic development needs a separate entity. The city leaders have to be open to bringing new businesses too. Wendy's was a fiasco. They stalled on tax incentives for a strip mall and we lost out on that development. And, 2045??? Strategic plans are generally shorter than this!!
Apr 03, 2026, 08:15 AM	Be able to *comfortably* walk or bike to any destination in town with my kids.
Apr 02, 2026, 10:33 PM	Resurgence of community in downtown. Shawnee, McAlester, Ardmore and Durant have outpaced Ada in attracting an incentivizing downtown businesses that bring in community through local foods, entertainment and arts.
Apr 02, 2026, 08:26 PM	More family friendly places, places for kids to have fun, more shopping opportunities. Target or something other than Walmart.
Apr 02, 2026, 07:50 PM	Public tornado shelters
Apr 02, 2026, 07:34 PM	Less homeless encampments. Affordable housing. Rent is too expensive for horrible rentals! Better shopping options!!! Keeping lights in working order to reduce traffic backups. Get over the street work all over town! This is unbelievable to continue to have lanes blocked time after time. Less DRUG activity in the west side of the city.
Apr 02, 2026, 06:22 PM	Safety. Remove all pple living on streets. Stop gang & drug activity
Apr 02, 2026, 05:42 PM	Target

Apr 02, 2026, 05:24 PM	End Mama T's and Abbas Tables
Apr 02, 2026, 04:39 PM	Get rid of the homeless shelter and the homeless. Enough is enough.
Apr 02, 2026, 03:58 PM	Decrease in homeless population
Apr 02, 2026, 03:29 PM	Community swimming pool used for competition.
Apr 02, 2026, 02:56 PM	Indoor competition swimming pool.
Apr 02, 2026, 02:22 PM	By 2045, would love to see more industry at the airport. Given the recent new investments in infrastructure on the east side of the property, I would like to see more aviation-related industries located on the site.
Apr 02, 2026, 01:16 PM	More housing and a major highway
Apr 02, 2026, 09:53 AM	An indoor pool facility
Apr 02, 2026, 06:00 AM	I'd like to see more parks updated. I'd like to see more sidewalks. I'd like to see more development on Main Street. Is like to see better shopping and dining experiences for the people of Ada. I'd like to see renovations of older existing homes and newer architecturally beautiful homes built. I'd like to see more options for younger families other than Lazer Zone. Ada is so close to becoming amazing.
Apr 01, 2026, 11:42 PM	Get control of the homeless population that walks around all the time and damages property and scares citizens.
Apr 01, 2026, 11:37 PM	Being back Adafest!
Apr 01, 2026, 11:26 PM	An activity center that would include a Competition swimming pool and courts.
Apr 01, 2026, 11:16 PM	More clothing stores, better quality restaurants
Apr 01, 2026, 11:11 PM	Get rid of the atrocious loud lights at wintersmith and go back to the simplistic lights we had there before
Apr 01, 2026, 11:11 PM	Better road infrastructure.
Apr 01, 2026, 10:51 PM	Clean housing on west side of Ada
Apr 01, 2026, 10:09 PM	Indoor competition swimming pool. This adds value to our community and allows opportunity to all citizens from youth to elderly.
Apr 01, 2026, 09:43 PM	Indoor competitive swimming pool
Apr 01, 2026, 09:35 PM	We need a pool that is large enough for our young people to do competitive training in. If I ever win the lottery, I'd gladly build one and let them use it!
Apr 01, 2026, 09:07 PM	More community gardens
Apr 01, 2026, 08:43 PM	The addition of a competition pool.

Apr 01, 2026, 08:34 PM	Less storefronts in crazy green or wild colors on main.. less marijuana dispensaries.
Apr 01, 2026, 08:25 PM	All vacant houses should be torn down and turned into income accessible housing options for the growing number of younger (and often poorer) people in Ada. Younger people should feel prioritized & proud to live here.
Apr 01, 2026, 08:18 PM	Improve the leadership of the fire department and make sure they are put high in the budget process. Keep them and the cops in equipment that's safe. Give them the budget to go train. They are our life savers. Treat them that way.
Apr 01, 2026, 08:05 PM	More places for outdoor activities for youth (public sports fields like baseball, tennis, volleyball, soccer), update park equipment including things for handicapped individuals
Apr 01, 2026, 07:40 PM	Take care of the criminal homeless crime problem. They walk or ride the streets continuously on bicycles stealing everything they can. For some reason the homeless problem has really exploded since MamaTs opened. Every community in the state dumps their problems here. I'm sure there is no correlation...But.... As a well known movie states, "Build it and they will come". Lesson learned IMHO!
Apr 01, 2026, 07:10 PM	Crazy corner improvement.
Apr 01, 2026, 06:56 PM	More jobs
Apr 01, 2026, 06:13 PM	Continue to invest and develop the infrastructure (roads, emergency services, etc) to support growth. It is already hard to get around the main thoroughfares with traffic flow for a small town now and 20 years of growth and development would easily overwhelm current infrastructure without significant planning and investment. Also, we need to continue promoting community, youth sporting events (tournaments) for sales tax cash flow. Our youth are traveling all over the state and into neighboring states to play tournaments that we never host because we don't have the facilities. I know the new sports complex is being developed, but it appears it will be lacking baseball, swimming, and maybe other great sports that we already have private youth teams participating in from Ada. Lastly, if you don't keep downtown relevant, it will die as other areas of the city grow and get new businesses.

Apr 01, 2026, 06:04 PM	Art Center and museum
Apr 01, 2026, 05:32 PM	Another alternate route when trains go through town, stop for extended time. A bridge etc.
Apr 01, 2026, 05:20 PM	Better flow of traffic. More loops around the town to help eliminate the congestion during noon and before 8:00 and after 5:00.
Apr 01, 2026, 05:07 PM	An indoor competition swimming pool.
Apr 01, 2026, 04:48 PM	More retail shops. Better paying jobs beyond minimum wage service jobs.
Apr 01, 2026, 04:31 PM	I absolutely adore Wintersmith Park and appreciate all the work the City does in maintaining it, as well as adding things to it (like the dog park and disc golf). I welcome any and all investments in the park, whether it be more activity areas for children and families, new trails, new trees, flowers, etc, or something else entirely. It's my favorite place in town, and I have several friends who feel the same way, so anything you can do for the park would be excellent!
Apr 01, 2026, 03:59 PM	The roads here are awful! I think we could use some work done on many of the streets!
Apr 01, 2026, 03:17 PM	New Football Stadium and Multipurpose Arena at ECU
Apr 01, 2026, 03:15 PM	I would like to see a competitive size indoor pool for our local swim team.
Apr 01, 2026, 03:11 PM	Low cost housing including multi-family homes are a must for future development. New housing developments shouldn't be exclusively zoned for single family housing. By providing more options we'll create a pressure release valve for the rental market, where a family can build equity instead of competing in a saturated rental market.
Apr 01, 2026, 02:54 PM	It would be nice to see more small (independently owned) businesses pop up in the downtown area- small grocers, bakeries (bread), cheese mongers, craft stores, book stores, etc.
Apr 01, 2026, 02:46 PM	Develop the downtown area that burned. Where the bike trail ends and was supposed to be an amphitheater/ green space.

Apr 01, 2026, 02:00 PM	19 years from now? Seriously?! No one making those decisions today will be in those positions in 19 years. Let's get things moving forward now. Stop allowing individuals with connections to be able to prevent businesses to come to Ada. We could have had Wendy's for five years now. Instead, we still have a vacant lot. That is not how communities grow. Fix the roads. Synchronize the traffic lights on Mississippi. Do things to encourage new businesses to come to Ada rather than making things difficult for them. None of these are difficult tasks, and all of them would make life in Ada better.
Apr 01, 2026, 01:47 PM	Largely increased shopping/retail options.
Apr 01, 2026, 01:43 PM	Better sidewalks for running/biking
Apr 01, 2026, 01:43 PM	Better quality housing options at affordable cost
Apr 01, 2026, 01:42 PM	Improvement in roads and options for senior living
Apr 01, 2026, 01:36 PM	Improved roads. Lower rent/mortgage. More affordable housing options. Improved park at wintersmith. Shawnee has a park that exceeds what we have and we drive an hour just to visit the park for our kids.
Apr 01, 2026, 01:34 PM	Livable rental properties that aren't \$1000s. No one wants to pay \$1000s on a home that's newer but no space or plenty of space but barely livable.
Apr 01, 2026, 01:25 PM	Improve quality of life, drastically improve the appearance on the main corridors, improve the homeless situation.
Apr 01, 2026, 12:59 PM	More sidewalks and repairs on existing ones.
Apr 01, 2026, 12:58 PM	More affordable housing options for those in poverty. Cleaning up the west side of town where it looks really rough and rundown in places. It seems most of the city funds go towards the nice parts of town where higher income families live compared to the lower income side of town.
Apr 01, 2026, 12:58 PM	Kids have nothing to do. Decades ago they were ran off Main Street which was the gathering place on Friday and Saturday nights. There is no public gathering space for kids. Besides the movie theater and lazer zone, there are no entertainment options either. You are losing lots of tax revenue by not encouraging growth of entertainment. Please consider reopening the Main Street drag on the weekends.

Apr 01, 2026, 12:54 PM	Place for out kids to play basketball and soccer completed.
	We also need a high priority put on our roads.
Apr 01, 2026, 12:51 PM	Our young people have nothing to do her. Many of us used to hang out downtown but were made to leave which means kids are now hanging out behind closed doors and not learning how to socialize appropriately. Now that I'm an adult I don't want to spend money downtown since I was asked to leave as a youth.
Apr 01, 2026, 12:37 PM	We need more chain shopping options for groceries and clothing and household goods. Like, Target, Costco, Old Navy, Ulta, etc. This would also bring jobs to the area. We also need a nice hotel.
Apr 01, 2026, 12:12 PM	developing additional housing opportunities that are affordable that have decent spacing to allow for new homer owners projects.
Apr 01, 2026, 11:54 AM	A shopping center with lots of various options for food, clothing, and goods. It full of medical providers, money lenders, etc.
Apr 01, 2026, 11:49 AM	Better quality roads. We also need more places to shop for clothing and other products. Especially Mens Clothing
Apr 01, 2026, 11:47 AM	I think our police force should be working harder. I've lived here most of my life and it's been pretty peaceful for the most part. But drugs and drug violence have been a consistent problem and it's only gotten worse over time. In just the last year we've had 3 stabbings and 2 shootings. Maybe I've been living under a rock and it's nothing new, but growing up here it seemed pretty rare for anything like that to happen. To see it so frequently today is sad and frustrating.
Apr 01, 2026, 11:45 AM	Indoor swimming pool that is at least 25 yards to 50 meters long and 6-8 lanes. It would be a place for the swim team, master swimming, swim lessons all year round, birthday party facility, physical therapy facility, and much more. It would be beneficial to the community and in bring money. The swim team could hold swim meets to bring external people to our community.
Apr 01, 2026, 11:36 AM	Downtown revitalized

Apr 01, 2026, 11:34 AM	The city hasn't themselves hasn't started or completed any major projects that are for the people. Only development going on in Ada is from the Chickasaws. If your not Indian or work for them then they are no use for the rest of the town
Apr 01, 2026, 11:18 AM	Add an indoor pool facility similar to Mitch park/YMCA in Edmond
Apr 01, 2026, 11:05 AM	More collaboration with the Chickasaw Nation about every major decision. If not for them Ada would have folded.
Apr 01, 2026, 11:01 AM	I participated in a community study 25-30 years ago and I said then the lack of 4-lane access is seriously hindering Ada. There's been very little improvement in that time. I travel the state for work and the towns that have better road access are in much better shape as far as economy, tourism and accessibility. I know some of this is out of your control, but you can put pressure on legislators to improve the roads multiple directions out of Ada. Hwy. 99 to Seminole is a decent road, but there are no passing lanes or 4-lanes on a heavily traveled road so I commonly get stuck behind a long line of slow traffic. Hwy. 3 has so many accidents, I avoid that road as much as I can. The northside of Ada to Norman (particularly Konawa to Asher) is a horrible road. People won't come here to shop if it's difficult.
Apr 01, 2026, 10:56 AM	I'd like to see an indoor competition pool. Ada has a fantastic swim club (Greater Ada Swim Club - GASC) and high school swim teams (Ada and Byng). These kids are doing fantastic at meets. It would be great for the city and schools to have a competitive pool to practice at, host meets, and provide exercise and swim lessons year round.
Apr 01, 2026, 10:54 AM	Definitely sidewalks. This town is a college town yet its so unwalkable and unsafe because of it.

Apr 01, 2026, 10:54 AM	Use of the sports complex. Why is our city not booking that place every weekend? Also, expand the pool weekends to run through mid-late September. Better supervision at the pools to keep out drugs, thieves and perverts- not safe anymore. Better communication about elections. Better coordination of construction- getting across town is different every day-and lane closures are awful. Teach people about the zipper method. Have cops pull people over for blocking intersections and running red lights. They just sit there. And don't annex businesses that don't want ADA oversight. Some build out of town for a reason.
Apr 01, 2026, 10:45 AM	Please add an indoor pool into a community center that is open year round and large enough to have competitive area teams and host meets. Improve public safety by adequately staffing fire, police and 911 operators. Which will mean pay increases to attract qualified employees. Seek solutions to the mental health and drug issues plaguing the homeless population, so they can find housing and jobs.

Apr 01, 2026, 10:44 AM	doesn't seem designed for how people want to function in modern recreational spaces.
	Parking can be a hassle (everywhere) but at wintersmith there are weird parking set ups near the small kids area. It provides direct access to the road and there is no visibility in the ship. Anything could be happening to your child up there.
	If you want to walk around the park, then you will also be walking through duck poop.
	I see that a lot of families end up at the Chickasaw play area because it provides the parking, safety, and visibility that it needs.
	I see a lot of people running on the roads. It's frankly dangerous. Recreational space with extra wide trails so people with strollers and bikes can manage alongside the walkers.
	Also some sidewalk consideration might just be humane for the people who have no choice but to walk.
	I moved back while pregnant to have my child at Chickasaw Nation. I left a town with multiple, accessible and easy on the knees trails (not concrete) where I could walk every day. I literally gained 14 pounds in two weeks. The doctor was shocked. But it tells you the health outcomes of living in spaces that do not have more safe places to simply walk. (Everyone always needs specific
	More outdoor areas for recreation, community gatherings, public rock climbing area.
	The neighborhood roads and many of the major roads in Ada are in poor condition. Most of them have patches that don't seem to be a long-term fix. Many highly traveled roads feel like an off road experience and are quite rough on vehicles. This is also not very appealing to Ada visitors.
	Indoor competition swimming pool
Apr 01, 2026, 10:42 AM	
Apr 01, 2026, 10:33 AM	
Apr 01, 2026, 10:28 AM	
Apr 01, 2026, 10:06 AM	More options for affordable clothing shopping. Ex. Ross, TJ Maxx
Apr 01, 2026, 10:03 AM	Better park/attractions, more places to buy children's clothes, and a competitive swimming pool
Apr 01, 2026, 10:02 AM	Not sure.
Apr 01, 2026, 10:01 AM	Indoor competition pool

Apr 01, 2026, 09:40 AM	More GREEN! Add more trees to the community.
Apr 01, 2026, 09:37 AM	Ada needs more affordable clothing and shoe stores. Most families have to travel to the city to shop for these necessities.
Apr 01, 2026, 09:30 AM	Indoor pool for laps and competitive swim, fenced in play grounds for small children, the library is feeling rundown and sometimes unsafe, we need a viable option for the homeless community during the day.
Apr 01, 2026, 09:23 AM	I would like to see a safer community where I, a female, isn't terrified of walking down the street by myself or even walking the park or walking trail on my own. When my car broke down I had to walk 20 minutes to work, which I didn't mind. But a couple, maybe homeless, figured out my walking route and tried to jump and rob me by glenwood park in the early morning. It was never reported, I should have but I shouldn't have to live in fear of who's watching me and what their intentions are. I would also like to see affordable living. Not just rebuilding old homes and marking the prices way up. Make it affordable to live and some higher paying jobs that allows the people in our community to thrive and live comfortably. Please and thank you.
Apr 01, 2026, 09:21 AM	More shopping and dining options
Apr 01, 2026, 09:17 AM	Affordable housing and reduced crime
Apr 01, 2026, 09:15 AM	Getting rid of the homeless shelter. Our town has gone downhill since it opened. It's bringing in more homeless than we ever had before and crime has increased.
Apr 01, 2026, 09:14 AM	More nice parks
Apr 01, 2026, 09:13 AM	More commercial development such as restaurants and shopping so I don't have to travel to OKC or Ardmore to buy things I would happily buy locally.

Apr 01, 2026, 09:12 AM	Pontotoc County. With around 16,000 people in the city and close to 38,000 across the county, it serves a wide range of residents, from young families to college students to seniors. The median age is younger than the national average, which tells you there's a strong base of kids, teens, and young adults. At the same time, a significant portion of the population is over 65, and that number continues to grow.
	Right now, there's a clear gap in what the community has access to: a reliable, year-round, competition-level indoor swimming facility. That gap affects more people than you might think.
	Swimming is one of the few activities that works for almost everyone. It's low-impact, which makes it ideal for people with joint pain, injuries, or chronic conditions, but it's also one of the best full-body workouts available.
	In a community like Ada—where many families are working with limited income and fewer wellness resources—access to something like this matters. An indoor facility would give people a consistent, affordable way to stay active, no matter the weather. And in Oklahoma, weather is a real barrier for much of the year.
	This isn't just about recreation—it's about giving people a practical way to improve their health and quality of life.
	Having a pool would have a strong impact for schools and young
	Apr 01, 2026, 09:10 AM
	Keep the roads maintained. Beautify with trees. Do not allow panhandling and loitering.
	Apr 01, 2026, 09:06 AM
	Indoor competition pool. It would bring millions of dollars to host tournaments to support the youth in rural Oklahoma.
Apr 01, 2026, 09:06 AM	More shopping selections for clothing, home decor and groceries.
Apr 01, 2026, 09:02 AM	More homeless services
Apr 01, 2026, 09:02 AM	An indoor competition swimming pool
Apr 01, 2026, 09:02 AM	Better public transportation options that are inclusive for the disabled.
Apr 01, 2026, 08:59 AM	More young professionals and more families move to ada

Apr 01, 2026, 08:58 AM	Fixing our roads. Especially in rural areas but anywhere, they are so bad. I feel like the roads are always been worked on but never improved at least not where it needs it most.
Apr 01, 2026, 08:54 AM	The community would benefit from an indoor competition pool as it would bring in millions to the economy.
Apr 01, 2026, 08:52 AM	More affordable housing!! It is so extremely difficult for young people to buy currently. The prices of homes are absolutely outrageous for the area. They don't even compare to the quality and pricing of towns that are closer to more amenities (Shawnee, Ardmore, Norman, etc.).
Apr 01, 2026, 08:48 AM	Development of a new high school, increase commerce and development throughout Main Street, and establish more attractions for families.
Apr 01, 2026, 08:47 AM	A YMCA Similar to that in Shawnee, OK
Apr 01, 2026, 08:46 AM	REPAIR and FIX the sorry conditions of the the road surfaces.
Apr 01, 2026, 08:42 AM	Clean up the main streets. North oak is horrible. The landlords should take care of the houses.
Apr 01, 2026, 08:42 AM	More shopping. Boutiques are great but some franchise shopping that brings lower cost. A 24hr breakfast dining or a wings restaurant (IHOP or Buffalo Wild Wings). This is a college town!! Provide something for them! No one wants to move to this boring town for school unless they are already from this area
Apr 01, 2026, 08:39 AM	Ada desperately needs an indoor competition-size swimming pool.
Apr 01, 2026, 08:38 AM	JUST FIX THE ROADS. MAKE AN INITIATIVE. MAKE A SECTION OF ADA CITY DEDICATED TO NOTHING BUT FIXING THE ROAD. IT'S STEP ONE. THE BARE MINIMUM. CAN YOU DO IT CITY OF ADA?
Apr 01, 2026, 08:34 AM	Revamping downtown. Restore old run down buildings
Apr 01, 2026, 08:29 AM	A mall with a food court
Apr 01, 2026, 08:16 AM	Increased walkability throughout the entire town.
Apr 01, 2026, 08:14 AM	More food options.

Apr 01, 2026, 08:11 AM	Smooth working roads and working lights. The roads are awful and the traffic lights work when they feel like it. The hey are out of sync and have caused more than one accident. The train lights is and train rail blocks also do not come on soon enough. The train is literally in eyesight when the gates come down.
Apr 01, 2026, 08:10 AM	For the city to take advantage of all grant opportunities dealing with all the questions within this survey.
Apr 01, 2026, 08:06 AM	Reduce in salary for the higher ups in Ada. making 33% over the norm should not be allowed. Financial audit done by an independent 3rd party and made public. Fix the roads, and not just the ones rich people live on.
Apr 01, 2026, 08:02 AM	Job opportunities outside the Chickasaw Nation that offers good a wage scale. Not everyone wants to work for the tribe and the only real outside tribe job opportunity in Ada that has a decent wage scale is Holcim.
Apr 01, 2026, 07:45 AM	More family friendly activities, affordable housing, and investment in infrastructure that reflects the high sales tax.
Apr 01, 2026, 07:45 AM	follow through with the dredging of Wintersmith Lake and make it a viable fishing and nature source for the elderly and young people. Assure the fish are safe to eat with all the runoff of polluted water from lawns.
Apr 01, 2026, 07:31 AM	Removing the corrupt members of the city council.
Apr 01, 2026, 07:29 AM	Tj maxx, canes, wing stop, taco casa, more rental options (better apartment complexes)
Apr 01, 2026, 07:26 AM	If our homeless population is going to continue to grown then the city needs to find a way to house them & provide rehabilitation so they can get off the streets permanently. It doesn't matter how pretty you make our town or how much \$ you spend if we have homeless people at every corner & roaming the town it makes it look bad on our community. I've been here all my life and I have never seen as many homeless people as we have here. Something needs to change.
Apr 01, 2026, 07:10 AM	Homelessness and safety concerns for the citizens and visitors of Ada

Apr 01, 2026, 07:10 AM	We have a huge housing shortage in addition to a lack of affordable housing. People in lower paying jobs cant afford housing here. The job market has been bad, too. Losing Sykes/IRT/whatever other call center was a big blow to the job market and nothing has really filled that gap for people.
Apr 01, 2026, 06:54 AM	A safe hiking trail system. Updated and covered playground equipment at public parks.
Apr 01, 2026, 06:52 AM	Less drugs and homelessness.
Apr 01, 2026, 06:44 AM	A better flow of traffic so we don't get caught at every single stop light
Apr 01, 2026, 06:43 AM	I would like Ada to be more walkable. Large sections of the city don't have any sidewalks. I would like to see Ada build a serious sidewalk network similar to Siloam Springs, Arkansas.
Apr 01, 2026, 06:32 AM	Fix homeless people situation. Improvement of schools. More academic opportunities for kids. Better code enforcement on junk and cars in yard. Less stray dogs. Control situation of people taking their pets into grocery stores and businesses. Sidewalk and bike trails
Apr 01, 2026, 06:27 AM	Kids entertainment is lacking and needs improvement
Apr 01, 2026, 06:19 AM	I feel like people are living in very run down homes. Maybe setting Living restrictions and abiding by that. People are renting out houses with holes in the floor or even allowing people to rent houses without the power on. I've witnessed this first hand
Apr 01, 2026, 06:14 AM	We have mental health issuss and drug crisis with no real programs here to help people overcome these things. In Stillwater they have Stillwater Cares. This is an organization that help citizens overcome poverty. Maybe take their model and bring that to Ada.
Apr 01, 2026, 06:10 AM	More shopping options , sams , Costco, target, Ross, tjmax, etc . And timely road construction projects. Lower crime rate, less homeless people,
Apr 01, 2026, 06:00 AM	I would like to see more places for families to gather for outdoor entertainment and activities

Apr 01, 2026, 05:57 AM	If we are ever going to truly grow, we need some sort of expressway that connects the four corners of the town. Currently with the lights not being synced together at all, when traffic is heavy (lunch, 5pm, etc) it can take nearly 25 minutes to get from Bernard Street to Walmart.
Apr 01, 2026, 05:55 AM	More affordable shopping options.
Apr 01, 2026, 05:52 AM	A space park more activities that don't cost on our arm in a leg. Stop building nonsense stuff
Apr 01, 2026, 05:43 AM	City ordinances that prevent panhandling. Or better options for the homeless. Not more homeless shelters- but better plans for what the unhoused do when they run out of shelter time or don't qualify. They shouldn't be allowed to live on the streets forever with no plan
Apr 01, 2026, 05:40 AM	Synchronize/modernize the darn stoplight's. Travel around or across Ada is very inefficient and time consuming. The stop lights are ridiculous
Apr 01, 2026, 05:38 AM	More shopping. Stores such as TJ Maxx, Ulta, 5 Below, Old Navy, Buckle will keep shoppers in Ada instead of going to Shawnee/Norman. It will bring people from surrounding areas to our town as well which will also help small business thrive. If we keep tax dollars in Ada, in turn it will give us extra money needed for improvements. (And more restaurants too. 😊)
Apr 01, 2026, 05:38 AM	Expansion with more 24hour businesses, allowing more job opportunities and more money to come into the town and county
Apr 01, 2026, 05:33 AM	More activities for kids & clothing stores for children
Apr 01, 2026, 05:32 AM	More shopping options
Apr 01, 2026, 05:26 AM	I would like to see just an overall improvement in the beautification of the city. More of an attention to detail in all areas, to make the city easier to live in and more beautiful. For example, there is a concrete pillar that was in front of the bridge by the amphitheater at Wintersmith. People have vandalized this pillar and pushed it into the creek. That pillar signified that the park was a WPA project. Someone needs to retrieve this pillar and reset it in its proper place, because we don't need to lose the history of Wintersmith Park. Just small things like that all over would help showcase what makes Ada unique.
Apr 01, 2026, 05:14 AM	Affordable housing is a continued concern year after year.

Apr 01, 2026, 05:04 AM	I would love to see the shops that had been planned behind Staples come to fruition. I think this would bring a lot of needed jobs, shopping, and value to the city.
Apr 01, 2026, 04:59 AM	More affordable housing and land to purchase.
Apr 01, 2026, 04:37 AM	More clothing retailers and restaurants that are not Mexican food.
Apr 01, 2026, 04:14 AM	Public transit,
Apr 01, 2026, 03:53 AM	Get rid of the old run down homes that are abandoned.
Apr 01, 2026, 03:35 AM	More affordable housing
Apr 01, 2026, 03:19 AM	Affordable shopping. I have to go to OKC in order to find clothing for my son since aside from Walmart or Walls there are no options for boys clothes. Most downtown stores cater to women and girls.
Apr 01, 2026, 03:10 AM	BY 2045 INDUSTRY STANDARDS TO PROTECT THE ECOSYSTEM THAT HAS BEEN STABLE FOR DECADES SINCE THE UP BRINGING OF THE NATION, CITY, AND INDUSTRIES. FAMILY-OWNED BUSINESSES THAT HAVE BEEN THERE FOR YEARS NEED MORE THAT A PLAQUE POSSIBLY A HAND EVERY NOW AND THEN. NEW BUSINESSES NEED 'STRICTER ' COMPLIANCES. CHECK INS. ETC. LICENSE RENEWALS AS WELL AS ACTUAL CITY MEETINGS. NOT GATHERINGS. VOTES NOT DESICIONS WITHOUT COMMUNITY. MENTAL HEALTH, ABUSE, ALL THE BAD YOU KNOW IS IN ADA. GET IT GONE. SINCE YOU ASKED :)
Apr 01, 2026, 01:51 AM	More affordable housing options for all generations.
Apr 01, 2026, 01:41 AM	No more pot holes, more housing options, family fun places
Apr 01, 2026, 01:37 AM	Cleaning up dilapidated properties, & fix city roads.
Apr 01, 2026, 01:26 AM	More 24-hour restaurants
Apr 01, 2026, 12:51 AM	A lake would be nice
Apr 01, 2026, 12:49 AM	More big business restaurants, bigger shopping places just more things to do in our own community to help with growth
Apr 01, 2026, 12:49 AM	We need places for the young people. Somewhere teenagers and young adults can hangout and be comfortable. They seem small, but places like that are important. Also, less hard water.

Apr 01, 2026, 12:34 AM	More family oriented options like a better arcade, mini golf, or outdoor jungle gym/maze. More community gathering areas/events downtown, especially utilizing the now new open space from the loss of buildings along Main.
Apr 01, 2026, 12:32 AM	More entertaining options for young families and folks other than the lazer zone.
Apr 01, 2026, 12:32 AM	More places to shop for clothing
Apr 01, 2026, 12:08 AM	More affordable housing
Apr 01, 2026, 12:01 AM	Affordable housing is very much needed in our town. We have family's that need housing but don't have the income to afford most houses or apartments in Ada.
Mar 31, 2026, 11:54 PM	1. The old prepaid legal property should be turned into a community venue for celebrations, open markets, concerts, food truck set up area. Money for improvement to that area, to include purchase of property can be generated through daily vendor set up fees. 2. All city roads updated and maintained properly. Dedicated sanding/plow trucks for each ward to ensure residential areas are treated during the winter. Ada has too many side streets that are on inclines. 3. Implementation of a city code pertaining to Main Street (Downtown Area) that all exterior building faces needs to be of neutral color or fit within the existing downtown approved colors. Not an option. It's an eye sore to see colors that are purple, orange, etc. it's too contrasting. As well as all exterior signage should be well maintained. Eye sore as well seeing paint peeling, letters missing from signs.
Mar 31, 2026, 11:47 PM	More events centers (i.e. basketball courts
Mar 31, 2026, 11:47 PM	More big name places to shop
Mar 31, 2026, 11:44 PM	Housing cost and renovation of older homes.
Mar 31, 2026, 11:43 PM	Mixed use zoning! More walkability around town connecting neighborhoods to each other and services!
Mar 31, 2026, 11:41 PM	Hamburger King opened back up and Oscars not drive through only.
Mar 31, 2026, 11:41 PM	Sidewalks and bike trails
Mar 31, 2026, 11:35 PM	No pot holes in streets. Sidewalks for all the streets.
Mar 31, 2026, 11:28 PM	Public storm shelters
Mar 31, 2026, 11:27 PM	Get rid of drugs and meth heads..get respectable police and tear down houses that vacant and is methhead drugstore

Mar 31, 2026, 11:25 PM	More family friendly attractions, such as arcades, computer lounges, public event venue for concerts and local vendors that isn't near snooty neighborhoods who want all noise cut off by 8 P.M.
Mar 31, 2026, 11:24 PM	I have included in other responses. Using a community planner such as what you see in metro areas are good at highlighting the areas of food deserts, entertainment, etc. Having a good consultant that has that experience outside of OK will make Ada unlike other rural communities ultimately giving it the look and feel that it sounds like the council is ultimately seeking.
Mar 31, 2026, 11:22 PM	More free outdoor activities for families. A bike pump track for kids, bike trails, outdoor workout space
Mar 31, 2026, 11:22 PM	Possibly a bike trail like on the north side of town or some place for a person that is not quite a senior citizen to go.
Mar 31, 2026, 11:20 PM	A simple bus route. I grew up in a town of 25,000 so similar to Ada. We had a bus that ran a half hour loop around the city. Was so helpful to transport those without a way at get close to key locations. It was twenty five cents per ride back in the 60's so very inexpensive. It ran Monday - Saturday, 8-5. The route was the same unless construction caused a detour. It gave safe, reliable transportation to those who need it. I would imagine it would take a grant for mass transportation in rural areas but I bet it could be done.
Mar 31, 2026, 11:20 PM	Better shopping offers, more activities for kids indoor and outdoor.
Mar 31, 2026, 11:20 PM	Better streets is number 1.
Mar 31, 2026, 11:13 PM	Safer roadways and signage
Mar 31, 2026, 11:03 PM	Way more places to shop. Such sports stores, better clothing stores, and stores like harbor freight or ace.
Mar 31, 2026, 11:01 PM	City council that is not against people
Mar 31, 2026, 11:01 PM	More shopping places!
Mar 31, 2026, 11:00 PM	Lower crime rate

Mar 31, 2026, 11:00 PM	An indoor competition pool with another area for year round fun and swim lessons. The city swim lessons are short and do not adequately teach kids to swim nor do they have quality lifeguard certifications. Drowning is a leading cause of death. The Bartlesville pool brings in \$3 mil a year to their economy. Swim is a huge sport in Oklahoma and would draw athletes from neighboring states. It would be a great collab between the city, schools, and tribe. The ECU pool is on its last leg and would be detrimental to the sport and water safety if it were to close. Figure out how to tax the county instead of just the city and it would be approved! We need more rec programs in Ada. There's no reason we can't have the quality programs Duncan, Bartlesville, and even Ardmore have.
Mar 31, 2026, 11:00 PM	Homelessness needs to be addressed. We can't have a nice safe town if it is over run with the homeless.
Mar 31, 2026, 10:59 PM	More family friendly environments!
Mar 31, 2026, 10:59 PM	Economic development opportunities for SMALL and LOCAL owned businesses. Not large corporations that are not a part of the fabric of the community.
Mar 31, 2026, 10:56 PM	More inclusiveness and improved sport/activity options for families (not just one child, one sport at a time) that encourage full family participation.
Mar 31, 2026, 10:52 PM	Crazy corner improvement
Mar 31, 2026, 10:51 PM	A grocery store in the southern area of town, like where Apple market was. Every grocery store aside from some small dollar generals are on the opposite side of town.
Mar 31, 2026, 10:51 PM	More shopping options and cleaner neighborhoods.
Mar 31, 2026, 10:47 PM	More businesses.
Mar 31, 2026, 10:43 PM	Covered outdoor space for farmers market and other outdoor events.

Mar 31, 2026, 10:42 PM	I would like to see the other parks get taken care of and prioritized. It's such a fun thing to have these small parks and the bike trail. I would actually like to see concern about our parks/ trails to help create a more outdoor lifestyle. However, the bike trail is really scary to be on while with kids or by yourself. Also city backing local business that open- small businesses that offer unique experiences for the community don't last long. If they had more community backing there would be more to do here. That's the reality. Most people who live here leave town on the weekend because it truly lacks fun and family friendly. I think being more strict about dilapidated rental homes.
Mar 31, 2026, 10:41 PM	Revitalizing or removing dilapidated properties.
Mar 31, 2026, 10:40 PM	Synchronized stoplights and better roads / infrastructure. City of Ada to stop "grabbing" areas outside of city limits for tax revenue when they can't even take care of what they have.
Mar 31, 2026, 10:38 PM	It would be nice to have a YMCA or something similar. Also, Ada needs more affordable housing for young families and single people, even nice apartments. A lot of the dilapidated housing needs torn down.
Mar 31, 2026, 10:36 PM	Less crime/violence, and a better living environment.
Mar 31, 2026, 10:35 PM	Affordable housing for all
Mar 31, 2026, 10:35 PM	Less abandoned buildings
Mar 31, 2026, 10:35 PM	I would like to see health and fitness prioritized in Ada by continuing the bike path throughout the city, giving people access and connection to vital stores such as grocery stores.
Mar 31, 2026, 10:22 PM	Road quality improvements, more bike lanes for people who cannot afford normal means of transportation.
Mar 31, 2026, 10:21 PM	At night, you literally cannot see the white lines on the roads. And when it rains, it is even worse!! So important!!!
Mar 31, 2026, 10:18 PM	Would love if the city would save Goosehill and make it a historic Ada museum and venue.
Mar 31, 2026, 10:15 PM	A indoor family community center. With indoor basketball , pool, and multipurpose rooms. Ada is such a special place. It's Oklahoma's hidden gem. It's only missing a few things. I believe this to be a big one.

Mar 31, 2026, 09:47 PM	I think having a kids learning center as big as the Lazer zone would be fantastic. A grocery store on Westside. And more school to work options at the votech.
Mar 31, 2026, 09:47 PM	Diverse and stable industries having highly positive impacts both economically and community oriented
Mar 31, 2026, 09:39 PM	I would like to see a comprehensive plan to repair/replace streets and other infrastructure that has been neglected before the City considers new development.
Mar 31, 2026, 09:26 PM	Get these project planners out of our town!
Mar 31, 2026, 09:25 PM	Better roads.
Mar 31, 2026, 09:19 PM	A public art gallery for local artists to showcase and sell their work
Mar 31, 2026, 09:18 PM	I am worried about the safety in Ada. There is so much foot traffic in Ada anymore. Day and night. I would love to increase security and police presence.
Mar 31, 2026, 09:16 PM	Mass transit
Mar 31, 2026, 09:06 PM	Improved first impression when entering the city from the main corridors.
Mar 31, 2026, 09:03 PM	Cleaner neighborhoods!! Such as removal of condemned/abandoned buildings, trees/brush and tall grasses trimmed at intersections where view is blocked or cut back where overhanging branches hit vehicles including any dead trees. Trash picked up. Lawn care enforced. Weedeating all the street curbs. Basic repairs. Working streetlights/installation of them at lots of intersections.
Mar 31, 2026, 08:59 PM	Finishing Main street upgrades. East end looks bad.
Mar 31, 2026, 08:22 PM	We must address the increasing homelessness and druggies walking our streets.
Mar 31, 2026, 08:20 PM	Major highway access.
Mar 31, 2026, 07:57 PM	More nature, hiking or biking areas. We typically drive to Sulphur for good trails but would love to have those options at home. I love main street and all of the community events. We're super lucky to have that available here!
Mar 31, 2026, 07:42 PM	Better housing and rental options. More business and more Jobs. Ada could use an a more modern feel to it.
Mar 31, 2026, 07:29 PM	Make Ada safer for pedestrians, cyclists, and wheel chair users.
Mar 31, 2026, 07:06 PM	More, better, denser rental housing options

Mar 31, 2026, 07:06 PM	A better Main Street, a building design code for cohesive design, a more friendly sidewalk with outdoor dining options.
Mar 31, 2026, 06:58 PM	Ada High School Football Stadium
Mar 31, 2026, 06:32 PM	Development of stores and services accessible to the northwest quadrant of Ada.
Mar 31, 2026, 06:14 PM	Affordable housing, more local businesses, more jobs. I think growth should be focused more on the south side of town.
Mar 31, 2026, 06:02 PM	More modern rentals, hangouts, and recreational activities for students and families.
Mar 31, 2026, 05:43 PM	Ada needs more industry and more shopping options to stay competitive and increase tax revenue.
Mar 31, 2026, 05:40 PM	Run down and condemned properties need to be removed. If the owners aren't taking care of it then the City should do it instead of letting these places continue to sit. They're an eyesore and should be considered dangerous. And again, we need to get rid of all the homeless that are ruining our city's reputation. Examples: in the last week I have been stopped downtown on the sidewalk and asked for money AND another day I walked out of Polo's and a homeless woman was standing on the sidewalk swigging a bottle of whiskey. This is so undesirable and let's face it, why would any new business want to open up in Ada if this is what they see??? Clean up our city. Instead of bringing in the homeless/ drug addicts/ and feeding & housing them, we should be shipping them out somewhere else. As long as we feed them they will keep coming.
Mar 31, 2026, 05:39 PM	More quality human services, easily attainable doctor and dentist and therapy appts. There seems to be a lack of clinically educated staff everywhere and though we do have some they cannot continue to hold everything together
Mar 31, 2026, 04:39 PM	Invite a grocery store to the Southeast quadrant of the city in proximity to Kerr lab road.
Mar 31, 2026, 04:37 PM	More use of the vacant lots and buildings for new shops and more activities for children
Mar 31, 2026, 04:35 PM	Improved roads and infrastructure.

Mar 31, 2026, 04:28 PM	Grocery store on the south side of town.
Mar 31, 2026, 04:24 PM	More infrastructure, and things to do like places families go to do activities, shopping, etc. More housing opportunities, and to fix the roads. I have been to third world countries with better roads.
Mar 31, 2026, 04:15 PM	More community services. More housing. Help for the homeless, and people who struggle finding work. We need more resources.
Mar 31, 2026, 04:09 PM	Better streets
Mar 31, 2026, 04:03 PM	A retail shopping center with all national retailers
Mar 31, 2026, 04:02 PM	Mostly the issue of affordable housing.
Mar 31, 2026, 04:02 PM	Condemn some of the terrible places people are renting. City inspectors when a rental property is vacant/ready for occupancy, overseen by the fire dept. not someones friend or relative.
Mar 31, 2026, 03:53 PM	Revitalization of old buildings
Mar 31, 2026, 03:53 PM	A public indoor swimming pool and recreation center that is open year-round. I would like to see all the poor dilapidated buildings and houses to be gone and as Ada is the county seat, I would like to see more bigger shopping availability than just Walmart for being able to buy clothes and things like that better streets our streets in this town are horrible along with manufacturing jobs that can facilitate employment for large amount of people
Mar 31, 2026, 03:53 PM	The homeless problem is growing out of control. I cannot stand outside on my driveway without being watched or approached by men on bicycles. They try to sell me copper wire or ask to mow my lawn for cash. Most appear to be on drugs. I don't want more homeless shelters incentivizing these people to be here. I want them removed and taken to places that are safer both for them and the citizens of Ada. They are vandalizing property and making us feel unsafe here.
Mar 31, 2026, 03:51 PM	Stop having so much construction and having delays and people working everywhere in the whole town to make driving, almost impossible
Mar 31, 2026, 03:51 PM	Jobs

Mar 31, 2026, 03:51 PM	Fix the roads, side streets, pick up trash. I never seen so much trash on the sides of the roads! Especially the hwy next to John Deere. (I don't know the name of that hwy). It's awful and that's embarrassing for the city, because as you enter Ada, you see the trash. There are a lot of groups at ECU who could easily get some community service and take a weekend to pick this trash up. Or any volunteer group for that matter. And what are the city ordinances/permits/rules on food trucks or random people selling food in Ada? I saw the inside of Nacho Business food truck and I wouldn't eat anything out of that truck even if it was the last food on earth. I'm sure some other trucks are just as dirty. Many people sell plates of food, etc and how are they regulated? I guess they aren't. That's scary. I just vowed to never eat a single one of them here since there doesn't seem to be any way to report them.
Mar 31, 2026, 03:47 PM	Roads, roads roads.
Mar 31, 2026, 03:44 PM	We must bring in high and mid level job opportunities. Develop high quality residential areas within city limits. Must better deal with homelessness and drug problems in our area. Work with county groups to promote and build the more affordable rentals in less expensive properties that are in more rural areas.
Mar 31, 2026, 03:42 PM	Creating and enforcing spay and neutering laws. Ada has a serious pet overpopulation problem.
Mar 31, 2026, 03:38 PM	Build a lake.
Mar 31, 2026, 03:36 PM	No homeless population
Mar 31, 2026, 03:35 PM	More things for teenagers and families to do together
Mar 31, 2026, 03:34 PM	More shopping for women's, men's and children's clothing
Mar 31, 2026, 03:34 PM	More stuff to do for families
Mar 31, 2026, 03:32 PM	More sidewalks all over town, not just downtown, so we can have a more walkable community.

Appendix B - Ideas Wall

Question: How can Ada be improved in the decades to come?

CLOSED. The visioning activity has now concluded. [Click to see all the submitted ideas.](#)

20 April, 2026

Anonymous says:

"Lower sales taxes and property taxes, many elderly residents are leaving their forever homes and people are struggling to pay their groceries"

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18 April, 2026

Anonymous says:

"Public transportation. "

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17 April, 2026

Anonymous says:

"Historical museum"

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16 April, 2026

Anonymous says:

"We need sidewalks so we can safely walk to a neighbors house. Too many people do not stop at stop signs and/or speed through neighborhoods."

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15 April, 2026

Anonymous says:

"Sidewalks, crossing lights on major streets, an indoor pool, better lighting on neighborhood streets. "

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15 April, 2026

Anonymous says:

"Indoor swimming facility "

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Date Submitted	Contribution
Mar 31, 2026, 03:35 PM	More stuff for families to do,
Mar 31, 2026, 03:37 PM	I personally think winter Smith should get some focus it is a very good spot I think the lake needs to be cleaned up and more fish put in
Mar 31, 2026, 03:45 PM	Sidewalks and bike trails.
Mar 31, 2026, 03:46 PM	There need to be more places for people to gather for free. More public entertainment like concerts.
Mar 31, 2026, 05:28 PM	More affordable but good quality shopping.
Mar 31, 2026, 05:58 PM	Improve existing homes and neighborhoods with ecofriendly energy efficient solutions
Mar 31, 2026, 05:59 PM	Encourage development of more diverse restaurants, cafes and groceries
Mar 31, 2026, 07:08 PM	Rein in rental companies and prioritize renters' needs. Small towns shouldn't be overrun with cars: biking, walking, scooters will unite us.
Mar 31, 2026, 10:22 PM	Improve safety. More shopping and restaurants.
Mar 31, 2026, 10:23 PM	Repair the dam at Wintersmith park. Improve tornado siren coverage for Latta.
Mar 31, 2026, 10:42 PM	Making Ada more walkable and encouraging a more outdoor lifestyle.
Mar 31, 2026, 11:04 PM	Just more places to shop so we don't have to shop outside of Ada
Mar 31, 2026, 11:05 PM	Decrease property taxes for business and residential owners
Mar 31, 2026, 11:29 PM	Bring a small-scale e-bike /scooter program to downtown, parks, and trails. Why it works:Connects Main Street, parks, ECU, and trails...young
Apr 01, 2026, 12:11 AM	non primary streets make all same speed limit ie 4th and oak 1 is 25mph the other is 30mph. Lights uniform 12th light best upper/lower light
Apr 01, 2026, 12:38 AM	Two lane CR 3544 toward Latta needs clarification. Right lane turns into on ramp w/ no warning/sign. To go straight, you cut left lane off
Apr 01, 2026, 12:46 AM	make use of the stadium at the park! it's a beautiful place that could bring the community together.
Apr 01, 2026, 03:37 AM	More affordable housing.
Apr 01, 2026, 04:44 AM	Make housing affordable, Fix the roads not just the main streets, clear out none use buildings
Apr 01, 2026, 05:42 AM	Entrance into Ada for better first impression. Increase entertainment, restaurants and shopping
Apr 01, 2026, 06:34 AM	Something must be done about the homeless and we need more jobs that pay a better wage.
Apr 01, 2026, 07:05 AM	Encourage developers to build infill homes—using vacant lots, teardowns, and lot splits—over expanding into untouched greenfield land.
Apr 01, 2026, 07:20 AM	Clean the roadways surrounding Ada (JA Richardson Loop). Homelessness and drug problem needs to be addressed for the safety of everyone.
Apr 01, 2026, 07:21 AM	Bring more industry and better paying jobs to Ada.
Apr 01, 2026, 08:07 AM	Regular trash cleanups, more dedicated shelters for the unhoused population, mental health facilities, fix roads especially in rural areas
Apr 01, 2026, 08:50 AM	Adding some more restaurants like a Panda Express or IHop would be nice. Fixing our roads would be a HUGE upgrade, especially rural areas
Apr 01, 2026, 09:14 AM	City and community leadership to work more closely with state leaders to help secure improved road/highway access to Ada.

Apr 01, 2026, 09:17 AM	Create a program to encourage and develop tourism in the area, partner with programs like travelok.com and chickasawcountry.com.
Apr 01, 2026, 09:28 AM	A program working closely with ECU to create a tech and business incubator.
Apr 01, 2026, 09:34 AM	revitalizing abandoned and empty buildings in higher traffic areas for mix-use development, targeting service/retail and urban residency
Apr 01, 2026, 09:41 AM	The city desperately needs more birthday party venues.
Apr 01, 2026, 10:00 AM	accessible recreational space safe/easy to use for families. Wintersmith is more like an event space. Difficult to manage with small kids.
Apr 01, 2026, 10:04 AM	Building an indoor pool competition size. Could be a YMCA or a collaboration with the Chickasaw nation.
Apr 01, 2026, 10:17 AM	Clean Wintersmith Park area, maintain historic downtown, invest in local vendors, and hosting community events that promote local economy.
Apr 01, 2026, 10:22 AM	With the swim teams that Ada has I think an indoor competition size swimming pool would be great. Perhaps something similar to a YMCA.
Apr 01, 2026, 10:23 AM	Make more things for kids to do work on keeping it clean
Apr 01, 2026, 10:55 AM	In the downtown area, develop empty upper levels into both affordable and upscale housing options
Apr 01, 2026, 11:06 AM	We need to look at the future and how to retain residents of the city. This involves having prime job opportunities, recreational opportunit
Apr 01, 2026, 11:56 AM	Better streets and more children friendly activities
Apr 01, 2026, 12:35 PM	A modern convention center and arena, with localized developments for retail, service and accommodations. Could partner with Chickasaws.
Apr 01, 2026, 12:36 PM	incentivize multi-use development housing/office/retail/service
Apr 01, 2026, 12:53 PM	"new market" tax incentives to bring in new developments
Apr 01, 2026, 01:47 PM	More shopping options. Hotel options and improved streets
Apr 01, 2026, 03:42 PM	More affordable and diverse housing options such as duplexes and multi-family
Apr 01, 2026, 03:43 PM	Finding unique ways to draw travelers in from the highway. It seems like our town is tucked away and not many people know its here.
Apr 01, 2026, 04:39 PM	Bring in more retail shops. Bring in real-paying jobs that can support a family, not service industry jobs at minimum wage.
Apr 01, 2026, 05:34 PM	Another alternative for traffic to cross the railroad tracks when a train is passing through, or stopped in town.
Apr 01, 2026, 06:06 PM	Indoor competition pool.
Apr 01, 2026, 08:06 PM	More things for our youth to participate in or places they can do outdoor activities
Apr 02, 2026, 07:18 AM	An indoor Aquaplex with a competition size pool. This brings in a lot of commerce, water safety leads to less 911 calls, and a place for fun
Apr 02, 2026, 08:15 AM	Competition size pool, side walks, bike lanes, more community spaces.
Apr 02, 2026, 01:16 PM	Increase Main Street upstairs living opportunities
Apr 02, 2026, 01:17 PM	Hotel on Main Street for those visiting ECU or family members in town.
Apr 03, 2026, 09:04 AM	Need apartments, subdivisions, and duplexes suited for all income levels. More businesses/restaurants. Venues for teens/students.
Apr 03, 2026, 03:44 PM	widen the variety of shopping for clothing and household goods

Apr 03, 2026, 04:35 PM	Indoor competitive swim facility
Apr 03, 2026, 06:29 PM	Bring in more stores and restaurants and fix/replace bad roads.
Apr 04, 2026, 02:48 PM	Improve our infrastructure..roads hospital medservices large business opportunities
Apr 04, 2026, 09:50 PM	Improving infrastructure
Apr 05, 2026, 11:13 AM	Expand Cycling trails, address the problems created by Euclidean Zoning structures. Address lack of housing supply.
Apr 06, 2026, 04:39 PM	More things for kids to do
Apr 06, 2026, 07:47 PM	Indoor competition swimming pool. So many parents travel and so many schools have teams around the state. Bank for hotels and restaurants
Apr 07, 2026, 01:55 PM	Outdoor exercise equipment like Irving at Wintersmith. Community volunteer opportunities. Community events that connect people.
Apr 07, 2026, 02:01 PM	More shops for clothing & household goods - wider range of restaurants. More entertainment including use of the Wintersmith outdoor theater.
Apr 08, 2026, 09:25 AM	More restaurants & shops!
Apr 08, 2026, 10:37 AM	Programs to encourage and prime downtown area new development and revitalization that diversifies retail and services, and living.
Apr 12, 2026, 12:08 PM	Lime/Bird
Apr 12, 2026, 12:09 PM	Signs that detail the activities or things to do on that specific area or park. Add more blooming trees.
Apr 12, 2026, 12:14 PM	I do have a city Ada-address, but I live out of Ada city limits. My address is Ada, Oklahoma I always wish I could vote for Ada voting issue
Apr 12, 2026, 12:38 PM	The Glenwood skatepark needs a lot of improvements area use to be salvation army should be converted to an area for main street events
Apr 12, 2026, 12:40 PM	Ada needs to be a more walkable Town. More sidewalks and safety in those areas.
Apr 12, 2026, 12:48 PM	We need safe walking/running trails. Better sidewalks around town. More outdoor options for children and students.
Apr 12, 2026, 01:17 PM	Less burger joints and Mexican restaurants healthier places to eat
Apr 12, 2026, 01:22 PM	Handle on the unhoused situation, focus on small businesses, public transportation and sidewalks
Apr 12, 2026, 01:23 PM	Fix the dang streets and get peoples porches, front yards and etc. Cleaned up. Make it a clean city!!
Apr 12, 2026, 01:23 PM	Keeping infrastructure properly functioning, esp. streets/roads. Focus recently seems to be too slanted toward sports facilities.
Apr 12, 2026, 01:34 PM	A location close to downtown area for showcasing Ada's history, correlating with statue of Ada Reed at Main/Broadway.
Apr 12, 2026, 01:37 PM	Could use more walkable areas and safe outdoor spaces. Main Street business hours increased so working people can patronize. Bike lanes
Apr 12, 2026, 02:19 PM	Stock Wintersmith lake with fish. Add rentable QR code bikes/scooters for use around the park/city. Deal with the homeless issue.
Apr 12, 2026, 03:11 PM	The area could benefit from a nice convention center that can serve both quite large and smaller events, w/ breakout rooms and such.
Apr 12, 2026, 04:55 PM	Additional retail shopping and additional good paying jobs outside of the Chickasaw Nation. Restaurants other than Mexican or fast food

Appendix C - Interactive Map

Apr 12, 2026, 06:58 PM	Better retail & grocery stores. This town NEEDS better jobs so we don't have to live on the road working in other city/states to get by.
Apr 12, 2026, 07:38 PM	More sidewalks, walking trails, and walkways. Less fast food and more healthy food options. Expand Farmers Market.
Apr 12, 2026, 08:00 PM	Improved roads and sidewalks
Apr 12, 2026, 08:41 PM	Bring in some actual things to do like putt putt or go carts some sort of entertainment. Take care of the drug problems and homeless issues
Apr 13, 2026, 02:29 AM	Have your mainstreet committee go visit Durant and see how they revitalized their downtown to a booming fun little area. It's nice! Shop loc
Apr 13, 2026, 09:05 AM	Have a variety of clothing and shoe stores for the residence
Apr 13, 2026, 01:54 PM	Trails both paved and dirt. We need to have better walkable and bicycle access across and around town. A healthier community is happier.
Apr 15, 2026, 06:48 AM	Indoor swimming facility
Apr 15, 2026, 05:52 PM	Sidewalks, crossing lights on major streets, an indoor pool, better lighting on neighborhood streets.
Apr 16, 2026, 07:51 AM	We need sidewalks so we can safely walk to a neighbors house. Too many people do not stop at stop signs and/or speed through neighborhoods.
Apr 17, 2026, 04:40 AM	Historical museum
Apr 18, 2026, 11:30 AM	Public transportation.
Apr 20, 2026, 10:58 AM	Lower sales taxes and property taxes,many elderly residents are leaving their forever homes and people are struggling to pay their groceries

Comment on the Interactive Map

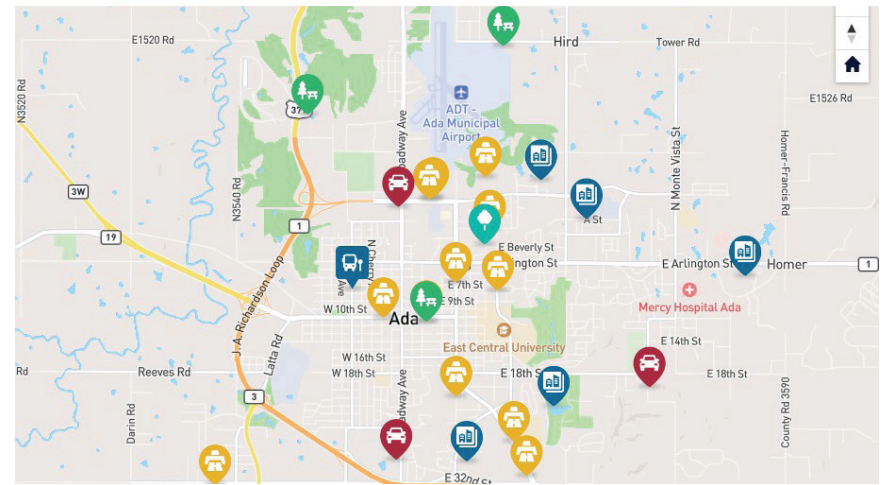
The City of Ada is inviting you to provide your input on the future of our community as part of the AdvancingAda Comprehensive Plan process. The interactive map will allow you to identify issues and opportunities for the City to consider through the planning process. This map allows for you to provide your comments on a range of topics relevant to the Comprehensive Plan, including land use, transportation, housing, parks and recreation, natural resources, and infrastructure.

Sharing your ideas on the map is easy:

- (1) Select the 'Add Marker' button below;
- (2) Place your idea within an area of the City where you feel your idea can be best implemented;
- (3) Select the appropriate category for your comment;
- (4) Type in your comment; and
- (5) Click submit!

You are also welcome to review the comments provided by other members of the community. If you like what you read, make sure to upvote and respond to their comment!

25 contributions



Date Submitted	Comment	Address	Category
Apr 20, 2026, 11:28 AM	Jersey Mikes subs would be awesome somewhere along Mississippi.	515 North Mississippi Avenue, Ada	Infrastructure
Apr 20, 2026, 11:18 AM	We need to make men happy in this town, a Harbor Freight would be awesome!	400 J. a. Richardson Loop, Ada	Infrastructure
Apr 20, 2026, 11:12 AM	A Ross Dress for Less, five bellow,Burlington Coat factory, Marshalls, Home Goods stores would be great at this plaza,Ada desperately needs more affordable places to shop and these stores have great bargains.	1140 Lonnie Abbott Boulevard, Ada	Infrastructure
Apr 13, 2026, 03:56 PM	South Mississippi Ave. needs replaced. This road is covered in potholes.	1012 South Mississippi Avenue, Ada	Infrastructure
Apr 12, 2026, 05:31 PM	This would be a great spot for a gas station. This area of town needs one.	1501 North Broadway Avenue, Ada	Transportation
Apr 12, 2026, 01:41 PM	Expansion of heavily traveled road, more right of way required.	831 Southeast County Road, Ada	Transportation
Apr 12, 2026, 01:27 PM	Downtown out door eating/Park.	315 East Main Street, Ada	Parks & Recreation
Apr 12, 2026, 01:14 PM	A multi-recreational trail to be used for hiking, running, biking, and more!	Veterans Memorial Highway, Ada	Parks & Recreation
Apr 12, 2026, 12:53 PM	Please put a park here!! The ball fields get a lot of use and are a great location, please put a park with play place and walking path? Splash pad too? There are so many people that live nearby, mostly starter size homes and young families. The Chickasaws may would help since it is so close to one of their historical neighborhoods.	1112 Tower Road, Ada	Parks & Recreation
Apr 03, 2026, 06:31 PM	Harbor freight	400 J. a. Richardson Loop, Ada	Infrastructure
Apr 03, 2026, 09:20 AM	Restaurant(s) to serve high school and CN employees mostly on this end.	2705 Craddock Road, Ada	Infrastructure
Apr 03, 2026, 06:44 AM	Revitalize Main St encouraging evening and weekend entertainment and activities	220 West Main Street, Ada	Infrastructure
Apr 03, 2026, 06:38 AM	Attract new industry to the area for employment.	1900 A Street, Ada	Land Use
Apr 01, 2026, 10:21 PM	I thought we had plans for this space for a shopping center???	Stone Creek, Ada	Land Use
Apr 01, 2026, 03:46 PM	Add signage signaling travelers Ada is here and has plenty of places to shop and eat!!	1621 South Broadway Avenue, Ada	Transportation
Apr 01, 2026, 03:22 PM	Community Garden that can be used for the local homeless shelters :)	930 Orchard Street, Ada	Natural Resources
Apr 01, 2026, 05:49 AM	Grocery store	1705 Craddock Road, Ada	Infrastructure
Apr 01, 2026, 05:33 AM	Gardena badly needs to be replaced. This whole neighborhood has no sidewalks despite frequent foot traffic	1019 East Gardena Street, Ada	Infrastructure
Mar 31, 2026, 11:43 PM	Sidewalk needed on Highland between ECU and Arlington.	1001 East 7th Street, Ada	Infrastructure
Mar 31, 2026, 11:06 PM	Golden Corral or a harbor freight	400 J. a. Richardson Loop, Ada	Infrastructure
Mar 31, 2026, 10:25 PM	Installation of an outdoor warning system for Latta. Recommend FS Eclipse 8 or Sentry 20v2T for maximum coverage.	County Road 156, Ada	Infrastructure
Mar 31, 2026, 09:26 PM	This large vacant lot where the Salvation Army used to be would be an excellent location for a large gathering place. I'm thinking food trucks, live music, art walks, local vendors, etc.	315 East Main Street, Ada	Infrastructure
Mar 31, 2026, 07:38 PM	We need to have a kayak launch on the lake for paddling recreation. Also, add Crystal Blue to the lake to make it more clear and blue.	1800 South Scenic Drive, Ada	Land Use
Mar 31, 2026, 07:36 PM	This 10 acres is up for auction. The city should bid on it and turn it into a park.	1700 Kerr Lab Road, Ada	Land Use
Mar 31, 2026, 07:35 PM	The city owns this property. It would make a nice park.	14193 County Road 3588, Ada	Land Use



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