

#	ID#	Resident / Property Owner	Casino Survey - Online Survey Summary - Q8.: "Do you have any other comments on this issue that you would like to share with the City of Kingston at this time?"
1	1309	Yes	Gananoque is a small town that actually needs business and support. Leave the casino there.... is our motto in Kingston to support gambling? we have bingo halls.....which i've never been to. we have local bus lines that already take people to Gan...the parking lot is full there all the time.... if you want to raise money in Kingston then offer \$30 in chips to use at the casino in Gan, just for staying in one of our local hotels in Kingston..... be creative..... but leave the casino in Gan.....
2	3053	Yes	I only hope this counsel is more intelligent than the one who turned it down before....
3	3174	Yes	- only that I STRONGLY oppose casinos and gambling of any kind. People's lives are ruined.
4	2794	Yes	Our city can use the free revenue from the proceeds towards infrastructure/entertainment/ lower our taxes
5	3145	Yes	the k-rock center helped put kingston "on the map"- a casino will enhance that
6	1621	Yes	We missed out big time when it was first purposed!!! don't screw up again!!! In with the new!!..and while we are at it bring in IKEA..that was on the table before and it was shot down!!
7	3261	Yes	Gambling draws people who can least afford it and therefore takes money away from local business. Go and talk to business owners in communitites that have a casino and see if they don't agree. I have done this.
8	1167	Yes	"Charity" casinos at least are run by the OLG. Private casinos would be more than likely owned and operated by large American gaming corporations. Their loyalty is to their shareholders, NOT to Kingston. The name of their game is to increase revenue and moving to a small city increases the base for local gamblers. Do not forget, a casino does not sell product to take home, nor does it give anything. The money that a municipality receives from casinos is money that, to a large percent, comes from local citizens. Many of these become dependant on gambling and therefor, a debt burden to the city. Lastly, I lived in the Bahamas for many years. One very good law that we have there is that no local is allolwed to gamble. With all the requirements and rules aimed at keeping organized crime out of the casinos, it has proven to be impossible. If you become a regular playing visitor to a casino, you get a credit rating applied and this credit rating is distributed amongst all casinos operated by American companies. This system was set up by Myer Lanski and remains operated by the mob today.
9	608	Yes	\$\$\$\$ and majority does not speak wisdom. Look further than your term and look further than your own desires. What is really best for Kingston people?

10	466	Yes	<p>**In this survey, why are there six choices to choose from to support casinos and only four choices to choose from to not support casinos? It has the appearance that the city is biased toward supporting casinos.</p> <p>**This is a big issue and having one public meeting in the middle of summer when many people are on vacation seems like bad planning to me.</p> <p>**If a casino is built in Kingston, is the city going to invest fully into preventing addiction and providing appropriate resources and programs for gambling addicts and their families? This needs to be clearly part of the business plan, and therefore projected revenue would be lessened.</p> <p>**Let's see a cost benefit analysis that in addition to the quantitative effects also looks at the qualitative effects on the community and especially on the lives of regular casino patrons their families and children.</p> <p>**If this is about jobs, let's look at the facts on this, yes, the construction jobs created are likely to be well paid but short lived. The longer-term staff jobs are generally going to be lower paying jobs.</p> <p>**Hey, if we are going to invest a bunch of money into our city, I think we should build on our strengths especially as an historically significant and beautiful place, so let's invest in our environmental arts</p>
11	575	Yes	<p>....please make a better effort to create less biased surveys. The interests of Gananoque aside, there are at least as many reasons not to have a casino as to have one as such, eliminate suggestive, and unbalanced questions, Q 3 and Q 5</p>
12	1734	Yes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Do not allow a downtown casino as it will be doomed to failure like the K-Rock centre. 2. Parking and accessibility by people outside of Kingston and as well as Kingstonians should be considered. 3. Should be located north of the 401 where free parking, house buses, and out of town people.
13	548	Yes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If you consider the revenue Gananoque and Leeds have accrued since the placement of the casino there versus what Kingston would have received with a larger venue, we can't afford to repeat past mistakes. The airport expansion or the 3rd crossing could already have been funded or the KRock center would be debt free at this stage. 2. Gambling addiction does not appear to be a major concern in any community supporting a casino according to statistics I have seen - they indicate approx. 1% addiction rate increase. Gamblers are gamblers - in the city or 2 hrs away or on the internet they will find a way to feed their addiction. 3. Proper accessibility (near to main transportation routes, train station or airport) and facilities (ie: hotel rooms, convention centre) will enhance the draw of tourism or business.
14	2061	Yes	<p>29 year old male who is appalled that council is even considering this.</p>

15	2397	Yes	30 % of Down town and heights area people leaving on welfare, if we have casino most probably they will spent their low income in casino resulting in crime rate could be increased
16	365	Yes	A casimo would be great for Kingston but only if the venue is in a location where lots of land for parking and for future projects could be combined.Not downtown!!!
17	1657	Yes	A Casino "plays" to the worst of human behaviour and weaknesses. There is already a casino 20 miles from Kingston and that's bad enough in siphoning spending and attracting humans so inclined. That's enough for the area. As I understand the information we are getting, any potential financial or human resource benefit, if in fact there is any, would be far outweighed by the human social costs.
18	2708	Yes	A casino does not fit the historical background of Kingston visually, aesthetically or morally. Gambling facilities degrade a community.
19	404	Yes	A casino does not fit the image of Kingston as an historic, well-educated city. Look at the surreal architecture of Gan's casino. How would a monstosity like that fit with our image? Also, casinos bring social problems and crime we don't need here. Please say no to a casino in Kingston.
20	373	Yes	A casino in Kingston is monumentally short-sighted. Profits from last Saturday were approximately \$260,000 on slots alone. That's \$260,000 coming out of the community and the surrounding areas. Some of you may see that as a huge economic boost, but those are individuals in our community who more than likely can't afford to be playing. It's an unsustainable business, long term, and it will not produce growth... the long term social costs greatly exceed the short term economic benefits.
21	3167	Yes	A casino is a poor business decision for Kingston. All well paying jobs will go to outsiders(acrim element),it will not be a large destination casino like Vegas which everyone visualizes and fantasizes about. Policing will have to increase,property that mmight be used for a more community oriented or profitable business venture will be gone. This whole process is a political game and the rules could very easily change in the future ,just ask Gananoque.
22	266	Yes	A casino is a source of entertainment and I feel that they should be available to you if and when you want to go to one.
23	3251	Yes	A casino is a terrible thing to have anywhere near such a large concentration of university students.
24	507	Yes	A casino is being promoted as fast, easy, and free cash for the City. The scenario is much more complicated than that. There are uncertainties and challenges that will cost the City money. If the City is looking for revenue, it should be charging closer to the true cost of services through property taxes and user fees and seeking new own source revenue tools from the Province, instead of seeking a casino like some kind of magic lottery win.

25	597	Yes	A casino is just not necessary. A casino will take away from all of the wonderful places in kingston-it will make Kingston look less desirable. I don't want a casino in my city.
26	2255	Yes	A casino MIGHT be good. But the City has to consider every possibility of EVERY choice and the consequences. Plus, if people really want a casino then they can go to Gan. Either by their own transportation or shuttles. It's unnecessary. Give funding for what we really need. Fill up empty stores downtown if you want a new business. Add to what we have.
27	1600	Yes	A casino should be located away from residential areas and downtown on the city's outskirts near Hwy. 401. We badly need another source of revenue instead of automatically raising property taxes.
28	3152	Yes	A casino should not be easily accessible to Queen's students and the prison population on passes, etc.
29	2659	Yes	A casino will attract business to this city and in particular a convention centre which could be located near the Krock centre. This is positive cash flow for the city . Kingston has a depleting tax base and needs ongoing development that will bring in tax revenue. 3.5% consecutive year tax increases indicates to me Kingston is cash strapped.Turning this proposal down is a bad idea.
30	1846	Yes	A casino will be a focal point for many tourists throughout the year. It can only aid in creating new job opportunities . We must look at cities like niagara falls and Windsor and see the benefits they have from their casinos . I think Kingston dropped the ball the first time the casino proposal was dismissed . Build it
31	3242	Yes	A casino would be a lot more lucrative then the waste of money we spent on the KRC, which is in the RED every years.
32	135	Yes	A casino would be awesome for the enviroment as it would reduce the number of car trips to Gananoque.
33	487	Yes	A cynical person might view the timing of this survey and public meeting as deliberately timed to gain as little public exposure as possible, coming as it does right at the time when so many people are on vacation. It is embarrassing enough for "Canada's (wanting to be the) Most Sustainable City" to have the Poker Run stop in town. A casino iust adds insult to iniury. Reiect this idea immediately.
34	3230	Yes	A downtown location without free or valet on site parking would not be as good as a stand alone site with plenty of free parking.
35	1574	Yes	a good beach will bring more tourism dollars

36	2771	Yes	A great number of people seem opposed. at the public meeting, only 3 people indicated being in favor. There are many reasons to turn down a casino, all mentioned I am sure many times. This is a lovely city. Why not take the high ground instead of giving in to the hope that there would be (questionable) monetary reward for the city? It seems to me that it is important to consider the well-being of Kingston people, the tone of our city, and what it is important to us. Casinos can damage families seriously. Can we be proud of such a choice?
37	2700	Yes	A person can become addicted to gambling in many ways and if it's casino play then Gananoque and maybe Bellville are not that far away.
38	2082	Yes	A place for higher learning (university town) or a gambling town. I hope Kingston chooses wisely.
39	1776	Yes	a privately owned casino can generate millions of dollars annually, yes...but consider where that income comes from...the pockets of our residents. I would rather you raised my taxes than put "chance" in charge of my money.
40	1560	No	A site should be along the 401 corridor, not to take away from the downtown atmosphere and business. Large enough to attract people passing by to stop for a break/night. The division st exit (and possibly new business development in Sir John A exit) would profit considerably without disrupting the downtown core. I don't believe Kingston would be attracting any more "undesireables" then the corrections system already does. I find it hard to believe that the people of Kingston don't understand that Kingstonians get in thier cars and drive to Ottawa or Gan and support stores, shop and gas stations and visit the casino there. I will add that for people who do not have a car, there is a free shuttle bus to the casino.
41	2914	Yes	A successful casino project will require strong and popular support by the council and acceptance by the community. Like the K-Rock Centre, council needs to lead and the community will follow.
42	391	Yes	Addictions, suicide, family breakdown, financial crisis.....why would Kingston ever provide more opportunity for this too happen....other than the obvious reason that the city would prosper. I want no part of this.
43	1595	Yes	Adding such venues as a casino/convention centre and hotel to the City core would permit Kingston to attract and book larger conferences, concerts and attractions that is currently not possible. This additional revenue stream will only benefit the tax payers, The City and the current businesses operating in the downtown, such as the KRock Centre. Kingston must attract more outside revenue year round through tourism, and various investment and business opportunities. The more outside revenue spent within our City will help sustain development of future attractions and business opportunities, while creating a more lively and exciting city core where Kingstonians and visitors alike will want to spend more of their free time.

44	2886	Yes	Additionally, I believe that if the City of Kingston were to be successful in its bid, the current facility in Gananoque would become a "white elephant" and would eventually likely be demolished, which would be a huge waste.
45	231	Yes	All the city does is increase taxes, the new revenues will help us in the future. This is an excellent idea!
46	2742	Yes	All the naysayers should be trying to close down the strip joint on Montreal St.. That's worse moral debauchery than gambling.
47	2650	Yes	Also, Q5 of this survey appears to be skewed in such a way as to give casino supporters a chance to respond to the "concerns of the public" without offering more choices. Given 45 minutes and access to internet, I could find research showing reasonable mitigation for each of the so-called concerns listed in Q5. It is actually a little insulting.
48	1612	No	Although I am not a resident of Kingston at this time. I was born and raised in Kingston and still live nearby. I worked there and I shop there and support many of the Cities ventures.
49	2678	No	Although I'm not a resident of Kingston, I live in Amherstview (considered Kingston in the phone book) and I study in Kingston
50	1898	Yes	Although the casino would no doubt bring a lot of money to the city, it's not all about the money and I believe the negatives far outweigh the benefits in this situation. Casino's can not only lead to addictions and foolish spending but they also attract the time and passion of youth who would be much better of spending their time elsewhere. Don't invest in gambling, keep building on things such as the Invista centre initiative, that has been the best addition to the city I have seen in my 15 years here. We need to get our kids active and healthy and involved in things that will lead to positive psychosocial and physical development. None of which occurs in dark gambling pits called Casinos.
51	804	Yes	Although the revenue that a casino would bring to the city would be fantastic for the City, I feel it is a deal with the devil (sort to speak) or a double edged sword. I dont think its worth it. Too many bad things come with a casino.
52	1014	Yes	Although we don't really deserve a second chance, hopefully, we will not blow it this time!
53	813	No	Amherstview is still developing, any consideration of opening the gaming facility to that area?
54	3134	Yes	An important question is whether or not a Casino,if built,should be built downtown. The answer is a definite no.
55	2253	Yes	An overwhelming majority of people I know are opposed to this. At the public meeting, it was evident that most citizens oppose the Kingston Casino. I really hope council listens to their constituents on this one.

56	833	Yes	<p>Any large investor that wants to either purchase the Gananoque Casino, or build a new one, would choose the latter.</p> <p>It needs to be built visually with the 401, to attract people travelling the Toronto/Ottawa/Montreal route. Under no circumstances should we consider it being in the downtown core.</p> <p>Every cruise ship has one, alot of resorts have one, its a form of entertainment to attract people. I dont buy all this talk of crime, drugs, prostitution, and addiction. The latter is no different than people that go to bingo 3 or 4 times a week, or buy a ton of lottery tickets.</p> <p>I take my 90 yr old mother once a month to the existing one, and she loves the fun that goes with it. Kingston needs to be forward looking and reap some much needed revenue which we will get from the OLG.</p> <p>I also believe a large percentage of the existing employees live in Kingston, as opposed to Gananoque.</p>
57	173	Yes	Any new development is good for the city and our population and its continued growth, this should always be strongly supported.
58	1478	Yes	Any public meeting seems to bring out a group of people who are used to public forums and don't include those who aren't comfortable with that type of environment. This type of survey appeals to me. Thanks
59	1248	Yes	<p>Anyone who even considered a casino in the "downtown" need to give their head a serious shake. It needs to be along the 401 corridor. Kingston would benefit greatly from a casino, or any other business, that was considering locating here. Since my arrival in Kingston, 36 years ago, I've seen this city loose many great new business opportunities. Lets get ourselves out of the 17th century and move forward into the 21st century. Let the province, the country, the world know that "Kingston Is Open For Business". A casino is really no different from any other business if we approach this with an open mind. I'm in my 60's. I live in and support this community year round. The more industry/business we can attract to this area the better off all of us will be, not only today but, if you open your eyes, in the future. When people ask me where I'm from, I'd like to be proud when I say Kingston.</p>
60	736	Yes	As a BIA member and tax payer can't believe that the BIA is not more supportive of this. A casino should be located in the downtown.
61	1233	Yes	As a christian, I surely say NO to this project...for ethic reason, there is a lot of danger to start this project : Sex, crime, and the biggest thing the kids of this town need to know how much the families, and adults take care of our future, their honest future, with other value than gambling...
62	123	No	As a former and hopefully future resident of Kingston, I think having a casino in town would be foolish and lead to the destruction of the city and its citizen's souls.

63	1710	Yes	As a newer resident to Kingston, I find the beautiful waterfront is somewhat under utilized. How about a casino located on the old Rockwood Psychiatric site. It's a beautiful old building and it is on the waterfront. Casinos do not have to be loud and garish. Imagine having a lunch or dinner on a patio overlooking the water.
64	3166	Yes	As a resident of Kingston since 1984 I am tired of listening to the complaining of the down town Business Association that if it doesn't benefit them it is not needed. What about the rest of Kingston and area - there is more to Kingston than the downtown area. I.e. The K-Rock Centre - the fiasco that has arisen from that centre and it's current location will be hard to live down. I am one of the Kingston residents that opposed that location right from the beginning. I have friends that come to Kingston for hockey tournaments with their families and they dislike coming here simply for the reason of the K-Rock location. <u>Tourists will spend money where it is convenient to spend.</u>
65	3019	Yes	As a senior on a fixed income I feel that anything that brings revenue and jobs to Kingston is good. Kingston people already work and play at the Gananoque casino, why not bring that to Kingston.
66	1555	Yes	as a small business owner, resident, taxpayer and voter I am VERY VERY strongly opposed
67	2793	Yes	As a tax payer a family man who works two jobs to be able to pay his's taxes and increases I welcome this venture for Kingston, as for the comments about people and there addictions they are all around us, do you close all the bars in town because of alcoholic addictions do you stop them from opening in town no so I see this as the same, we all have our demons and addiction we have to overcome them our selfs and get the help we need. People can not hide from their addiction where ever you go they are there . <u>Thank's for taking the time to read my opinion.</u>
68	2598	Yes	As cities like Brantford and Oshawa dream of attracting world-class universities and establishing vibrant downtowns are we so short-sighted to not take sight of our positives and to build on our strengths.
69	887	Yes	As long as it isn't built in the downtown area. Why not use space around Sir John A Blvd., or West end of Dalton? Seems like a much better area than down in the heart of the city.
70	2935	Yes	As long as you dont put the casino in the heart of the city, there will be no parking or traffic problems. And for the comment in question 5 "it would cost the city more money". I don't see how that is possible if the casino is privately owned and run. It would only be more money for the city of Kingston.

71	910	Yes	As said succinctly by Professor Paul Humphreys quoted in today's Whig (page 8), there is only so much money to go around, and a casino in Kingston would hurt existing businesses in the dining and entertainment sector -- which are already feeling the effects of a tightened economy. If any of the OLG staff were able to understand this basic fact, they would realize why their revenue from casinos has "flatlined" and that building additional casinos will create more costs and no more revenues: one cannot get blood from a stone.
72	2862	No	As someone who hopes to retire in Kingston, I am hoping strongly that no casino is built. The entire quality of life will diminish for all residents, not just those who become addicts. Casinos are bad for most businesses and bad for social well being. Please speak to Casino Watch in Gananoque to learn about the local effects that have been experienced there. I strongly suggest that you reject the idea of having a casino in Kingston.
73	3182	Yes	As we may all know that Kingston is a city that has a relative low rate of crime and unemployment. Up the establishment of a casino, there will exist people willing to gamble for a "fortune". And if those people can do anything to get money for gambling, it's going to be dangerous. Even if there will just be one per cent of such people, that would be more than what Kingston can bare. Suppose there are 1000 people gambling in the casino(of course there will be more people than just 1000), one per cent means 10 people. If those 10 people can do everything to get money to gamble, I will feel extremely unsafe being in the same city with them. Up until now, Kingston is a peaceful and friendly city for me, and I really want to enjoy the peace in the future.
74	1637	Yes	At present I am out of the country, but I have shared my experiences with my city council member and I am sure that he will vote against a casino, and pray that many more responsible councillors do the same. Vote no to a Kingston casino and we all will greatly benefit by this decision!!
75	399	Yes	At some point there will be casinos everywhere and they'll stop being such cash cows. Have you read about Foxwoods in Connecticut and how after boom years it's almost bankrupt? Don't count on this money. Also, Kingstonians who like to gamble have easy access to Gananoque and Bingos...
76	2559	Yes	Attracting investors and new business opportunities should be top priority for Kingston. Reduced commercial taxes by offsetting gaming revenues can accomplish this. Full revenue potential diminished by competing casino in Gananoque makes this a tough sell. As a previous resident of Leeds & 1000 Islands, I was disappointed by how the township used the revenue which left most residents with little benefit.

77	2652	Yes	Avoid focusing on the big money that comes to the city from a Casino. This is not good for the people and the businesses. I'd rather city budgeting be more difficult than have full coffers this way, off the backs of the addicted, and at the expense of local business as more of the money instead goes to gambling.
78	1076	Yes	Be original council. Look for more creative and unique ways to draw visitors here. I suggest developing accessible public beach front on Lake Ontario so visitors and residents alike don't have to travel out of town for swimming and other water recreation activities
79	335	No	Being an employee at the Gananoque casino, I can vouch for the boom that it provides to that community. Crime hasn't gone up there at all. This is 2012. There isn't some seedy underbelly that magically pops up when a casino does. Those days are long gone.
80	1529	Yes	Being in the field that I am in , I have seen too much harm come to family and destroy them .
81	2769	Yes	Belleville Council and mayor have voted almost unanimously for a casino in their zone. Kingston would be foolish no to do the same.
82	178	Yes	Benefits of having a casino outweigh any negative aspects.
83	1770	Yes	-Better to have the Lottery and Gaming people operate a casino than American operators. -Kingston should try to get a cut of the profits of the Thousand Island Casino, based on local participant numbers.
84	1566	Yes	Beware. Take your time with this decision... if you get less than 2000 responses to your survey you have not remotely done enough to get the question out there... Please don't rush this. And please consider a seasonal casino... logistically tricky but loads safer in the long run, we get depressing winters here, the last thing we need is a bunch of slot monkeys killing themselves at New Years... that would suck for tourists.
85	1002	Yes	Bleeding the people is not an acceptable way for the city to make money. We are supposed to be 'for' the people....
86	1334	Yes	Build a larger airport instead to promote better access and therefore revenue and growth in Kingston.
87	202	Yes	Build it near the 401 Highway (NOT in downtown Kingston) so it will be accessible to people driving by, drawing them in from Brockville to the east and Belleville to the west, and also our American friends. And keep the parking FREE like at all other casinos. This is a MUST. It would be nice to see the buses coming IN to Kingston to visit the casino, and not going OUT as they are now. McCoy Bus Lines has free shuttles running to Gananoque about 28 times per week.
88	2344	Yes	Building a Casino in the great city of Kingston is a very bad idea.
89	421	Yes	Building community and healthy relationships with our neighbouring communities is important. Undercutting another community will only serve to damage Kingston's reputation.

90	2106	Yes	But, I wouldn't put it downtown. Put it out by King's Cross. It would be close to the highway, but away from the downtown area that the association is so worried about.
91	3097	Yes	By building a casino in Kingston, we are sending the wrong message to our youth. It supports poor money spending habits, and a culture based on economic and competitive interactions instead of fostering social interaction and support for other community members.
92	1651	Yes	By having backwards thinking we missed out on the casino which went to Gan. As a result of that narrow thinking we have missed out on revenue which could have helped offset our taxes. Taxpayers are not an endless source of revenue for city council.
93	2829	Yes	By operating a casino, it will cause your citizens! not all, but the ones that will be easily influenced on false hope that they will win it big, only to find they wasted all their hard earned money on unimportant ventures. Also, potential to lose their homes, empty their bank accounts, and cause family hardship. Why not have a positive environment for your people to learn and grow.
94	403	Yes	Caller is sorry it was not passed previously by council years ago as it would have benefitted the city a great deal.
95	1671	Yes	Can we please make a smart decision for once instead of folding to the left wing tree-hugging communists that support all the degenerates to society.
96	1628	Yes	can't we be creative and do something good that benefits ALL citizens - i.e. hurts NOONE - in order to raise money for our city ?! this would be exciting, wonderful and a refreshing change from the status quo ! please listen to the voices of the caring people
97	2726	Yes	Carefully weigh the comments of organized groups.
98	1563	Yes	Casino = more problems, more debt, more headaches.
99	2864	Yes	Casino = short term gain for long term pain
100	2951	Yes	Casino should be located on waterfront, or close to Hwy. 401, so there is ease of parking. Downtown location is unrealistic due to parking problems. eg: K-Rock Centre (never been to it, do not expect to go to it). A casino with the same problems would be a disaster.
101	2587	Yes	Casino should be located out near 401 not in downtown Kingston.
102	436	Yes	Casinos are a legalized form of Provincial voluntary taxation. The educated and informed must take a stand and look out for the best interests of those who cannot look out for themselves. Persons with the means and interest in gambling will find a way to travel to Gananoque, Hull, Atlantic City or Vegas. Do not pollute the social fabric of Kingston with a casino and create a venue of wealth drain and social degradation within our city boundaries. Kingston's values are above having a casino within close geographic proximity to our residents -- do not bow or cave to such a petty, cheap outlet for supposed "entertainment". Remain true to what makes Kingston high class cultural.

103	523	Yes	Casinos are a tax on the poor. Gambling addiction destroys otherwise capable families. I think Kingston counselors should show leadership and stick to social principles by not letting this go any further.
104	2480	Yes	Casino's are entertainment and can be really nice/clean establishments. They are also cash cows and could be a good source of revenue for the city via taxes/levies to offset city costs. Casinos bring jobs and entertainment without necessarily competing directly with local business (as is the case with big box stores like walmart). If a casino is approved outside the downtown core it wouldn't even compete with the businesses/restaurants downtown. Approval is one thing, location is another.
105	312	Yes	Casino's are generally only a tax for the poor. Wealthy people who gamble already, and will continue to go to better, destination casino's.
106	2025	Yes	Casinos are like a drugs to governments with urgent money needs. They tend to provide a fix but create long term issues that tend to cancel whatever benefits, mainly in terms of new incomes, they may bring.
107	731	Yes	Casinos are not an ethical way to raise money, and they always hurt the poor more than the rich. Society needs to protect its weaker members from the schemes of those whose only goal is to get rich quick.
108	2791	Yes	Casinos are not magnets for crime, as they are professional and are tightly controlled inside. The local police are also capable to ensure the safety of the outlying areas.
109	997	Yes	Casinos do not contribute to making a city a better quality place to live. They do not contribute positively to the quality of life of citizens of a particular community and are typically also of bad design, further affecting the quality of the built environment of a city.
110	1392	Yes	Casinos do not provide full time employment and high paying jobs with benefits. The good paying jobs existed when we had industry in this city. The city did nothing to stop these companies from leaving and to encourage more industry to locate in this city. The province killed the industrial base with the high cost of electricity. It is sad when governments have to resort to gambling to acquire revenue.
111	2775	Yes	Casino's have become socially accepted as a form of adult entertainment, and does not cause near the social problems that alcohol, illegal drug trade and tobacco have done. Too many naysayers only repeat the negative comments that they hear from other people such as increased crime rates, prostitution and suicide horror stories. When asked about their response, they just say, "that is what I hear". Prohibition has never worked in the past and will not work in the future.
112	3228	Yes	Casinos in some cities in United States are connected with R.V.campgrounds. This is another example of outside income.

113	270	Yes	Casinos make their steady money on people who have problems. I understand the need for revenue but this mode of getting it just leads to problems that will cost money down the road in terms of social services. And it just seems wrong to profit from the suffering that gambling can cause. Surely we can be more creative? Thanks for posting this survey. Much appreciated.
114	923	Yes	Casinos only increase social division and ensure disparities in income. They transport wealth out of the community and leave residents to clean up the mess. Don't be foolish.
115	352	Yes	Casinos require vast parking areas, so a casino would have to be located on undeveloped land near the 401 to maximize its accessibility to a broad market. No consideration should be given to a downtown location. What happens to the Gan. casino, our nearest competitor, should one be allowed in Kingston?
116	533	Yes	Casinos, festivals, sporting events, concerts all help towards the growth of any city. Parochial attitudes are not an option.
117	1774	Yes	Casinos, unlike bars or other entertainment venues, provide the opportunity for an individual to engage in almost limitless spending. Unlike drinking or eating, there are no immediate physical side effects to alert one to stop. The temptation for addiction is much greater than with other forms of entertainment.
118	1696	Yes	Change the composition of the tax base and encourage LEGITIMATE business. Don't keep adding to the cost of the residential tax payer.
119	2600	Yes	Check out Rama and Georgian Downs near Barrie and Orillia. Downtown cores are not family friendly. Taxes are high and they are going up yearly. Don't try to sell the idea that the casino will give back to the community without a cost, the cost will be negative. Casinos are made to win, that's why they stay in business. Now go do the right thing and vote against this casino plan.
120	2983	Yes	City Council should contact experts in gambling to educate them about the negative and positive aspects of these operations. There is no doubt that a little bit of gambling can provide recreational fun for those who enjoy the activity. Unfortunately, Casinos encourage excess.
121	3144	Yes	City Hall has to stop being so negative against change. They say they don't have any money to spread around and a casino would certainly go a long way in helping. They could even put monies aside to help the few people that have an addictive nature. Why should we be penalized for a few!
122	1660	Yes	Collect more information regarding costs, city share of revenue, and current research about community benefits related to gambling, before a decision is made at council level. If timeline does not permit this preliminary stage, say NO THANKS.
123	527	Yes	Competing with Gan seems pointless and unneighbourly.

124	164	Yes	<p>Considering the crumbling infrastructure in this city, I would think an additional source of revenue that could be used, at least in part, for repairs, maintenance, etc. would be an exceedingly good idea. I own a townhouse condominium, don't actually own any property, yet pay about \$2300 per year in "property" taxes. Anything that could help alleviate further increases would be a plus in my opinion.</p> <p>Location, however, could be another matter. Heaven forbid that should this go ahead, anyone think a casino ought to be squeezed in somewhere downtown, where there's no parking, and in a location that only further contributes to traffic congestion.</p>
125	2868	Yes	Could someone please, explain to me why a few people (bullies) seem to intimidate the majority of the Kingston population so the rest of us cower and hope someone else will speak for us?
126	3092	Yes	Council should attempt to do what they are paid for and have totally failed at, that is, run the city in an efficient and cost-effective manner. They should stop trying to be the arbitrar of people's morals. They are not qualified.
127	2839	Yes	Council should weight highly the overwhelmingly negative responses to a casino at the Town Hall public meeting. Online surveys such as this one, and the one that Mark Gerretsen did, should be weighted less highly.
128	108	Yes	Crime rate, and addictions counselling availablilty at the moment. When bringing this closer, these become more of a prevalent matter than ever and we do not want to see more homeless with addictions.
129	1227	Yes	definitely should not be built downtown but near and visible from 401 with large signage. Kingston never should have turned a casino down when it was offered before.
130	1687	Yes	Despite my lack of knowledge about spending and benefits that the City will face if the plan goes through, I really think the City ought to work on attracting people to its existing big ticket investments such as the Memorial Centre and the K-ROCK Centre. I also think investing more in social programs around the City for the existing population of vulnerable people needs attention before investing in something that might only increase the number of vulnerable people, or put existing vulnerable people in greater jeopardy.
131	1183	Yes	Develop something positive like a recreation centre or develop walking and bike trails to bring in tourists
132	2113	Yes	Do it , you missed out the first time.
133	2027	Yes	do not allow casino in Kingston
134	2358	Yes	Do not bring a casino to this little town!
135	3243	Yes	Do not build it downtown.
136	901	Yes	Do not build it in the downtown

137	2806	Yes	Do not even think of putting a casino downtown, no parking. A good spot would be near 401 ie old raceway at Mc Adoo Lane or Kings Crossing complex.
138	1270	Yes	Do not have a Casino.
139	2500	Yes	Do not lower Kingston's reputation and good standing with a casino please!!
140	729	Yes	Do not need it....do not want it!!
141	283	Yes	Do not put it right downtown there is too much congestion as it is. Midtown with plenty of parking is best!
142	2618	Yes	DO NOT put the Casino down town, there should be free parking and easy access to & from the Casino from the 401. West end of the City i.e. Hwy 38
143	124	Yes	Do not put the casino downtown. There is already no parking. It should be somewhere in the West end, perhaps near Invista or 401.
144	3219	Yes	do not understand why the Ontario Gov't would want to privatize.. do not see the benefit.
145	710	Yes	Do your research this time. A casino is not a net money maker. It will impact Kingston negatively. Once it's here you can not undo it.
146	738	Yes	Does Kingston have a long term vision or strategic plan? IS the development of a casino consistent with this? What does the Kingston of the future look like with a casino--is that what we want?
147	1133	Yes	Don,t put it downtown. This area is a disaster & is getting worse. We avoid it at all cost when possible. Put it near the 401. Common sense here folks.
148	1536	No	Don't be rushed or bullied into making a quick decision. Once here the casino will be with us for a long time, good or bad.
149	1116	Yes	Don't blow it again .
150	2336	Yes	don't blow this again
151	994	Yes	Don't bring it here, it's 25 minutes down the 401. If you want to gamble that badly, hop in your car and drive there.
152	1865	Yes	Don't build it downtown it's too congested now.
153	3032	Yes	Don't do it!
154	2760	Yes	Don't do it. It is wrong
155	223	Yes	Don't drop the ball this time. Overall it would be good for the city. Do not build it in the downtown core as parking is bad enough as it is.
156	801	Yes	Don't let it pass us by this time. Be progressive for a change. The people you are worried about are already going to Gananoque and will continue to go wherever the Casino ends up being built. You might just as well get something out of it.
157	481	Yes	Don't let this slip by again.

158	1387	Yes	Don't make the mistake of a casino. Our city is corrupt enough as it is, with hundreds of sex offenders, cops having sex with teenagers, and tons of drug issues. We want to clean up the city, not make more social problems.
159	1864	Yes	Don't make this city more of a white elephant like they have done in the past. This city will end up broke just like all of the people that will become addicted to gambling and end up with nothing!!! I know people that have already lost everything just from going down to the casino in Gan. I'm sure others know of people too, that have lost everything since the casino opened there, just like it will be if one opens here. Some people have committed suicide because they have lost everything, and it would happen alot more in the City of Kingston if they do this. Bad Choice to the City if they allow a casino here.
160	2476	Yes	don't miss out on this, I visit casino's once in a while maybe once or twice a year. casino may attract investors and new business Kingston may get more value out of facilities and services we already have (eg. airport, hotels, entertainment venues, restaurants, stores, tourism operations)
161	1485	Yes	Don't miss the opportunity once again..... People who enjoy Casinos will travel regardless, why not keep that revenue in Kingston.
162	1077	Yes	Don't put the Casino downtown as parking is already an issue for the city, make it easy access from the 401.
163	2693	Yes	Don't turn our fair city into a cesspool for the sake of what appears on the surface to be a quick money grab. This is a short term solution to current financial woes, but will affect the quality of life of the residents of Kingston for many years to come. Think hard about this!
164	938	Yes	Downtown business seems in opposition to a casino but I think, if the casino were built in the West or North end the owners would probably run shuttles between down town and the casino and tourists would spend money both places. When I visit a city with a casino - I don't just go to the casino - I usually check out the city as well.
165	2023	Yes	Due to the traffic congestion created by the K Rock location, the causeway and the large expansion of Kingston East a downtown location should not even be considered. A North end creation would create even more problems with the low rental area.
166	1937	Yes	Economic progress is very important to a vibrant local economy, and this is economic progress.
167	2028	Yes	Elmira, Ontario decline the casino and had to increse there taxes for infrastucture and cultural building/rink
168	1186	Yes	email address would not take below laura.hageman@td.com

169	2167	Yes	Employment issues in Gananoque do not fall under the purview of Kingston City Council. If city councilors factor this into their decision making, their priorities are misplaced. Let them run for office in Gananoque.
170	2684	Yes	Even approximate cost/benefit analyses must be done before a decision.
171	682	Yes	Even if I did support "gaming" (let's call it what it is: gambling), it would be a lethal blow to Gananoque.
172	387	Yes	Even one ruined life due to gambling addiction is too many, not to mention the many lives affected by just one addicted person. I see Kingston as a city with a life-giving vision, not the opposite. I would be very disappointed in the City if a casino was established here, and very dismayed for the vulnerable of all ages.
173	2504	Yes	Even though I live on Howe Island, our children are bused to the schools in Kingston. I worry about the traffic in this regard. Also, I would be concerned about the University students having easy access to the casino if one was placed in Kingston.
174	1095	Yes	example; person received approx 6,000.00 retro cheque, social assistance. He was cautioned to protect and budget this money. He agreed. One week later, I learned he spent the money at a casino over the course of 2 days. This is very common among the low income families.
175	786	Yes	Extend the timeline for input of public opinion , please.
176	2843	Yes	feels a public meeting is not enough information to determine whether a casino is best for Kingston or not.
177	128	Yes	Find the money somewhere else. Poaching the vulnerable members of society is not the answer to anyone's problems.
178	1589	Yes	fix the downtown roads first, Bagot street especially.
179	2161	Yes	Focus on getting new businesses, manufacturing, research and health facilities here. Casinos will bring more problems than they are worth. Protect the citizens of Kingston from the social cancer of gambling!
180	3036	Yes	Focus on new business with positive influence opportunities
181	971	Yes	Focus on the development of a positive small business environment that will keep more money in the local economy. Reduce small business start up costs and bureaucracy and small businesses will provide a strong economic base.

182	1623	Yes	<p>Follow Rotary's 4 Way Test Rotary's 4-Way Test ...of the things that we think, say, and do...</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Is it the TRUTH? 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned? 3. Will it be BUILD GOODWILL and FRIENDSHIPS? 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?
183	2079	Yes	Foolish to turn down an opportunity like this
184	899	Yes	For all those who are concerned about gambling problems: OLG has a fantastic dedicated team for Repsonsible Gambling that will continue to support gaming no matter where the casino ends up. People will gamble, drink, smoke, etc no matter what or where the venues are or aren't - this is no reason to keep an opportunity like this from Kingston.
185	3113	Yes	For the people who say that it would lead to an increase in addictions, drug use, prostitution, etc. I've got news for them: IT ALREADY HAPPENS! There are areas of town where these problems/activities already occur. Placing a Casino in our city will not change/increase/decrease that fact. There's already a FREE shuttle to go to the casino in Gan, so if people want to go (which they obviously are) they'll go, and it's easy for them to go. Why not put it in our backyard, so that we can reap some of the benefits for a change? For the restaurant owners who think that "there are only so many entertainment dollars to go around" that is ridiculous. If people want to spend, they'll spend. Why not make an evening out of it. A dinner at a nice downtown restaurant, followed by a night at the casino? Kingston wants to be a world class city, so get some attractions/activities that are actually world class!
186	2057	Yes	For those who want to gamble, there is a casino 20 to 25 minutes away in Gan.
187	2414	Yes	Free buses go to Gananoque every day so why not leave the money here. We could have a new hotel banquet halls, buffets, more entertainers, and lots more. Please tell me what city has suffered by bringing a casino into the city! We need to move forward!
188	3257	Yes	Gambling can be done online, by purchasing lottery tickets, scratch tickets, etc. What is the difference if there is an establishment for people to go to gamble. If people want to gamble they will find a way, it has nothing to do with the location.
189	3137	Yes	Gambling is a tax on people who can't do math. The house always wins and the people who lose their money and families are the big losers. Kingston doesn't need it.

190	569	Yes	Gambling is a very serious addiction that can lead to family breakup and thus have serious affects on the children of gamblers. Gambling can lead to serious crime as we read regularly in our papers as people look to sources of money for their addiction.
191	544	Yes	Gambling is not a classy business - just one step above strip clubs. Kingston doesn't need this.
192	817	Yes	Gambling is not illegal. So opposition of it on moral grounds is nonsensical. If you want to oppose gambling and make it illegal, pursue this through the courts, provincial and national legislature. Not to oppose an economic windfall.
193	2184	Yes	Gambling is well established around the province ie Bingos, lottery tickets, horse racing et all. Wherever a casino is located gamblers will take advantage of free bu trips and meals. If it comes, build it at 401 and Division St.
194	2789	Yes	Gambling revenues are simply a tax for the mathematically challenged. Governments that engage in this fleecing of their citizens will cause hardship and then need to augment or develop more social programs to deal with the consequences of gambling. Who will suffer? Most likely children, seniors and the mathematically challenged. Who will they turn to to fund these new or augmented programs? Me! I'm not happy about this.
195	1583	Yes	gambling should not be placed close to any residential areas or schools.
196	2592	Yes	Gambling was originally the domain of organized crime, there is a reason for that. The expression "a tax on the poor" is accurate and those who can least afford it, including, but not exclusively, the elderly, frequent in hopes of getting rich quick. Provide other more socially responsible means of entertainment.
197	598	Yes	Gaming can lead to addiction and other social problems
198	2632	No	Gan is an excellent example of why kingston should have a casino...but much larger.
199	230	Yes	Gan reaped the benefits last time kingston let it go, lets not let it get away a second time.
200	1343	Yes	Gananoque has a beautiful casino with a great location. Free transportation it provided to and from with some tokens to start out with. There are many more things Kingston could spend their money on!
201	86	Yes	Gananoque has a casino already if people feel they need to take part in such things. Bringing gambling to Kingston strikes me as simply a case of putting the lure of revenues ahead of the social good. Perhaps the city should have a long discussion with its citizens about what makes for a "great city". Is it revenue at all costs, or is it ensuring that its citizens are healthy and cared for? I would far rather see "green" economic initiatives be our focus instead of things that lead to addictions and social ills - the full costs of which are rarely ever accounted for in promoting gaming.
202	2688	Yes	Gananoque has already worked through many of the social service growing pains associated with a casino. Why would we want to compete with them anyway?

203	2403	Yes	Gananoque has definitely benefited financially by have the casino with in their district and Kingston could benefit as well. If their is not enough support for the casino then it won't be open for long. I see many advantages and very few disadvantages to having a casino in Kingston.
204	1724	Yes	Gananoque is close (and far) enough.
205	3123	Yes	Gananoque is close enough for anyone wanting to enjoy the casino. This would cost taxpayers money in the end just as the KRock center has Don't make another foolish decision based on the lure of \$\$\$\$\$
206	2398	Yes	Gananoque is completely against our having a casino. It is clear that they take this position because they have realized the benefits of their casino over the past several years and do not wish to share their advantages. Lets not let this opportunity get away from us. A couple of Points: *Addiction Concerns- Some in our community argue that addictions to gambling will become an issue if we are awarded a casino. Does Gananoque have this as an issue? It doesn't appear to be a concern for them so one can argue that the 'addiction' concern is nothing short of unfounded speculation. *Traffic and parking concerns - No one is suggesting that the location of the casino would be locked to a specific location. Out city has shown ability to consider appropriate locations for other services in our community. The choice of an appropriate location would eliminate this concern for those who use it as an argument against a casino. *Spending - Once again, this appears to be an unfounded concern . I am unsure of where those offering this argument get their data. Not to overstate Gananoque's situation, but that community seems to have no such concern. Is this not a good indicator of the weakness of this argument. *Cost to have a casino vs the revenue from the facility - Once again - an unfounded argument. Would Gananoque be opposed to our having a casino if this argument held water?
207	2142	Yes	Gananoque is doing a fine job, leave it with them
208	553	Yes	Gananoque makes good use of the money it receives from OLG, uses beyond "repairing the sewers". I wouldn't trust the City of Kingston to do things beyond "repairing the sewers". The obvious place to put a casino is near 401. Unless it is east of the Cataraqui it will be convenient, walking distance even, to the very citizens one would hope to discourage from going there.

209	2574	Yes	Gananoque wants to keep its casino. Hmmm! Makes one wonder why? Obviously the casino there hasn't been such a bad thing for its residents or the city. Attitudes have changed vis a vis casinos in the last 10 years. Look at Kelowna BC or Ajax ON for 2 great examples of using that money to plan ahead.
210	2068	Yes	Gananoque's casino is close enough for Kingston gamblers...no need to add another.
211	1949	Yes	get out of the dark ages and move ahead.
212	2040	Yes	Get that economic development group off their ass's to create high paying-full time jobs. So far its cost more to have them than the jobs they've brought in! Save money....fire the lot!!!!
213	2039	Yes	given a good location traffic might not be an issue if i had a vote i would say up near the division st 401 entrance/exit its a growing area, as a cable tech i am on the roads alot and anywhere downtown would be a pain in the rear end, cause its hectic downtown as is at times, but all in all i think a casino in kingston would be a great idea and would be another attraction to an already great city in my opinion.
214	2042	Yes	Given the history of Kingston's bringing massive projects to fruition in Kingston, I feel this could have a very negative effect on the community. Consider the length of time for the resolution of Block "D"; the dissension surrounding the K Rock Centre. Also bringing in a U.S. style operator (possibly) could be inviting much crime along with their business. Let's plan something constructive for all layers of society.
215	343	Yes	Go for it and pick a good location. If you build it - they will come !! Field of Dreams !! - A dream for Kingston .
216	3179	Yes	Go to Europe and see how much better many small tourist type towns care for their surroundings. Encourage/support (by reducing taxes) small independent and interesting businesses to remain viable in downtown Kingston. In a few years we will be dollar stores + garish neon signs + tacky cheap buildings. Retain our historically interesting city with incentives. A casino is another step in the wrong direction. Have a committee that can advise on appropriate signage, decent garbage units (not oil cans)etc. Remove garbage quickly from downtown...don't leave it out for our tourists to see. I took some visitors downtown recently...totally embarrassing to see all that garbage overflowing from the ugly cans.
217	1793	Yes	Government addiction to or increasing dependence on gaming revenue/taxation seems immoral, taking advantage of a people's false hopes and potential addictions: Residents & local business should pay for spending w/in the city's means without this.

218	1645	Yes	Government sponsorship is gambling is immoral exploitation.
219	1384	Yes	Government works best when its legislation reflects people's existing morality but always fails when it attempts to legislate morality.
220	95	Yes	Habitual Gambling will not be avoided or eliminated by not constructing a casino in Kingston. This is a growth opportunity with sustainable employment for local residents.
221	3222	Yes	Happily there are other ways of allocating / saving scarce tax dollars. To wit, one of them would be cutting the salaries & budgets of City Council, Municipal Police & Firefighters, and attracting new investment such as environmentally friendly projects not associated with the ruling Liberals in Queens Park. I suggest putting Kingston ON on the map by shutting down the newly renovated & prohibitively expensive Grand Theatre. Also, establishing an architectural marvel in its place on the waterfront - think Bilbao Spain - would be a superb start! How do we pay for it? Simple - a special tax levy matched to the individuals / Corporations ability to pay and an additional matching provincial / Federal one time matching fund(s). The interest rates charged by the Banks are ridiculously low and will remain so.....the ongoing "Financial Crisis" and the US Federal Reserve will guarantee this fact!
222	3012	Yes	Having a casino in Kingston degrades the city and will eventually debilitate many people in it through addiction and then poverty. Kingston is a city preparing for amazing things in the upcoming future and having a casino within it is definitely not one of them and will eventually hinder the positive activities we do that are vital for our progress and stability. Let the idea go and instead raise the standard for our beautiful city of Kingston. We want Kingston to be a beacon for the good and stable life, where people are giving and sharing their time and talent in positive ways. Having a casino will distract and lead many away from what is responsible causing more harm than good to families and our communities as a whole.
223	2062	Yes	Having a casino not only adds jobs for normal residents but can also give the opportunity for those who are disabled/handicapped to obtain jobs too. Just be sure to open an addictions clinic for those in need of these services.

224	508	Yes	<p>Having lived in other cities across Canada I have to say the taxes and cost of water in this city is ridiculous. We live beside a huge fresh water lake, but yet I pay twice as much for water than when I lived in southern Alberta, a desert with cactus and tumbleweeds</p> <p>The street cleaning brigade worth of vehicles that cleans my streets is an obscene expense. A street sweeper to clear the rocks and debris is sufficient for citizens.</p> <p>The recycle program could not be more inefficient and expensive. Every week I watch a big diesel truck idle in front of houses while bins are sorted, just to drive 10 meters and idle again for another 3-5 minutes. Take a look at Moncton or Medicine Hat for recycling. Two completely different systems that are efficient and don't cost a fortune.</p> <p>My taxes go up every year, while city hall wastes money for grand pianos or special police budgets to keep the queens students from destroying the downtown. I want lower taxes though stopping the purchase of things the city does not need, shutting down the queens party, and staff reductions (except police and fire).</p> <p>On a positive note the garbage collection crew for my street are top notch. They are very fast and</p>
225	893	Yes	<p>Having moved from Montreal to settle here in Kingston, I can attest that I would never have moved here if a casino had been present in Kingston at the time. Isn't this whole issue all about greed and money, rather than wholesomeness and integrity? Let the province of Ontario place these dens of iniquity in parts of the province that are dying and in need of a jolt, hopefully far from young families and persons who have nothing better to do with their time. If these establishments must exist, they should not be easily accessible to the vulnerable, quite the contrary.</p>
226	348	Yes	<p>Having the Casino in Gananoque is just far enough away that it makes it harder to go to on a frequent basis. People that gamble will start losing more money more often if it is in Kingston.</p>
227	874	Yes	<p>Here is an article from the globe and mail about the affects of casinos on their host cities.</p> <p>http://www.theglobeandmail.com/commentary/cities-beware-the-house-always-wins/article4396594/</p>
228	2447	No	<p>Hoping to find a retirement home in the vicinity of Kingston within the next 6 months.</p>
229	2383	Yes	<p>How about dealing with the real issues like a third crossing of the Cataraqui and getting the K-Rock centre to stop being a burden on the community and pay its' own way and not depend on the City contingency fund.</p>

230	784	Yes	How about opening more places in this city to support people with addictions. Our city is full of hurting people. Opening a casino would just cause more addicts and, in turn, cause more people to commit crimes such as robberies, assaults, murders (out of total desperation). The long-term effects of opening such a facility would be devastating.
231	1590	Yes	How about resurfacing Palace road. It's a key north/south artery and is not in good shape at all. Let's all take some pride in our city and bring it up to snuff.
232	2423	Yes	How can we say that we care about our citizens' quality of life if we are willing to spend millions of dollars that could be spent providing food, shelter and better education to residents, on an institution that takes money away from families?
233	596	Yes	How much money is Kingston going to spend on deciding whether or not to go ahead with its application to have the casino?
234	2030	Yes	Hundreds of Kingston residents spend their money at the Gananoque Casino; it would be far more beneficial for Kingston tax payers and businesses if their money stayed in Kingston. Imagine all the funds it would generate that could be put towards a new hospital and infrastructure for example.
235	2258	Yes	I
236	637	Yes	I absolutely strongly oppose the casino. Suicide rates in Niagara Falls, Ontario are the highest in the province and rose sharply after the casino was built. People lose their jobs, businesses and families because of gambling. If the city chooses to build a casino then my councilmen and women are telling me they value money over life and family. As someone who works in a social service organization in the poorest neighbourhood in Kingston, I see all too often how our existing lottery system exploits those who are least able to afford it. This is a dangerous and harmful option for us.
237	982	Yes	I also think that the casino in Gananoque is plenty close enough for people who want to go to a casino.
238	2012	Yes	I AM 100 % FOR A CASINO IN Kingston

239	1258	Yes	I am a 5th+ generation Kingstonian and am saddened by the unnecessary and ill-conceived initiative to build a casino in the city my family has called home for generations. I love Kingston and what it represents as a city so much that I even chose to stay here to complete my two University degrees from Queen's, to continue supporting our local economy as a student. While it can be appealing to jump on the bandwagon of new and seemingly exciting ideas such as this, what Kingstonians must consider are the logical and tangible consequences and implications that this will have. I praise Mayor Gerretsen for his fresh ideas and passion for improving Kingston, however this simply is not representative of Kingston's style. (This is coming from a young resident by the way, proving it is not only Kingston's senior population who value the image of our city) We must stay true to the authentic image of our limestone city, and be the voice to stand up and preserve the beautiful city that we call home by NOT getting a casino. Kingston is not desperate enough, nor should we be acting desperate enough to need a casino like Gananoque's economy relies on having one.
240	2210	No	I am a business owner in downtown Kingston. I do not believe it will impact a growth in business, just the opposite. There could be greater social issues caused through gambling addiction.
241	726	Yes	I am a christian man and this goes against God's word! The Holy Bible! I believe strongly the Mayor and Councillor's should be directed into bringing commercial businesses into Kingston to promote professional and laboured skilled jobs for the people of Kingston. If the Mayor continues with promoting to have a Casino in Kingston; He will not receive a vote from me in the the next election!!!
242	2670	No	I am a former resident and property owner in Kingston: a teacher. I currently have a cottage outside Kingston and visit the city fondly several times each year. It is such a special place. Don't cheapen it!!
243	2245	No	I am a former resident of Kingston and visit regularly. I have seen the economy drop due to lack of tourists and have seen friends struggle due to lack of employment opportunities and the "who you know" attitude. This would only help the city.
244	1897	No	I am a PhD student at Queen's but lives in Toronto. I love Kingston because of its polite & educated society . Please don't spoil such a gentle & typical Canadian society.
245	2831	No	I am a potential future resident of Kingston and frequent (weekly) visitor to Kingston.
246	2485	Yes	I am a regular poker player, and while I enjoy gambling I believe Kingston does NOT need a casino!
247	2681	No	I am a resident of Amherstview, but work in Kingston, and have a vested interest in not placing further burdens on already stretched resources.
248	524	No	i am a visitor to your university, i am considering funding a scholarship there, and my daughter attends next year.
249	2553	Yes	I am absolutely appalled that this city would even consider this move. Way to waste council time - how about fixing our streets up downtown?!

250	193	Yes	I am against a Kingston Casino. It's just another form of taxation as far as I'm concerned.
251	1081	No	I am an alumni of Queen's University and lived in the great city of Kingston for four years. I strongly urge you, please, do not go through with this plan to place a casino in the wonderful city of Kingston.
252	827	Yes	I am appalled at this mayor's tendency to favour profiteering and big business. Many of us in my ward (sydenham) are now motivated to seek a new mayoral candidate that supports downtown kingston's interests - the arts, the University, KCVI, and renewed community development. It may not be too late for Gerretson yet, if he realizes that his constituency is a powerful and educated grassroots voting base.
253	2487	Yes	I am concern that building of this casino would take away from the wonderful downtown that we currently have. I suspect the Krock centre and local business would also suffer. I believe the casino could aid in redevelopment or sustainability of other areas
254	2643	Yes	I am disappointed in the actions of our mayor in this matter (Mayor's own survey). He should allow council to express their opinions and temper them with the feedback from Kingston residents who will have to live with this decision.
255	3008	Yes	I am disgusted by many of the proposals put forward by City Council these days, including the ideas put forward for the schools. Keep them all, make repairs or upgrades where necessary, make them work by proper usage of the buildings, and leave the Memorial Centre alone.
256	730	Yes	I am dismayed that Brian Reitzel, councillor for the district in which I live, who implies that everyone in his district is in favor. He certainly has not talked to all of us!
257	1433	Yes	I am for a casino in Kingston only if located close to the 401. We do not need another attraction located down town.
258	1987	Yes	I am from Peterborough, originally, and their city council voted not to allow a casino within the city of Peterborough. One was built 10 minutes outside the city limits and many Peterborough residents later regretted passing up revenue generated by the casino.
259	1788	Yes	I am grateful for having an opprotunity to voice my opinion on this issue. Although professionally very active in civic issues this is the first "local" issue I have felt personally motivated to actively voice an opinion.
260	875	Yes	I am in favor of a casino in Kingston for the above reasons, but there issues to be considered as stated above.
261	3249	Yes	I am in favour for the Casino to be built just off the 401 perhaps north of Division on Perth Rd between 401 & the Cataraqui Region Conservation Area
262	2863	No	I am in Kingston several times a week - my mother lives there and I belong to a book group that meets there. I already hate going out to the west end because of traffic congestion.

263	2238	Yes	I am in support of a casino, however not within the downtown core. Parking would become an even bigger issue, and as someone that works within the downtown core and has to make use of the city lots, I would not like to see any more parking be lost for those that work down here. Placing the casino either close to the Hwy 401 in the Kings Crossing Development or on the existing Kingston Pen property would be a great use of lands and could accomodate the parking requirements for not only vehicles but buses, camping trailers. etc.
264	1482	No	I am not a resident of Kingston, however I work and spend my money there. I think having a casino would bring additional revenue to the City which can be used to enhance and expand programs needed for the residents.
265	1545	No	I am not a resident of the City of Kingson but am employed in the City of Kingston and in the process of relocating to your wonderful city
266	380	No	I am not a resident or property owner within the City proper, although I have been, but as a rural resident, I do much of shopping within the City. Many of the services (auto-related, etc.) we need are also located within the City, so I believe that qualifies me to answer this survey. My husband works for Kingston Utilities.
267	3207	Yes	I am not against casinos but im against a proliferation of casinos all over the place. If somebody needs to gamble that much they can seek them out.
268	961	Yes	I am not against gambling per se as I occasionally attend the casino in Gananoque but I do not think that it should be in Kingston. Money should NOT be the primary reason for establishing one here. We need to look at what type of city we want to be, the effects on local business, the effects on our tourist industry (especially if the casino is the destination, not Kingston), the effects on our most vulnerable residents and the neighbourliness of stealing it away from Gananoque.
269	3065	Yes	I am not aware that Gananoque has had a major increase in their crime rate, or suffered the serious negative social effects being attributed to a casino, but I do see a significant improvement to the streets and parks in their community.
270	1354	No	I am not currently a resident in Kingston...but Kingston is the city where I was born and raised...I think it would be a great idea...A LOT of people travel to Gananoque to visit their Casino...not only will you have people in Kingston going but also attract more people from the surrounding area
271	1643	Yes	I am pro-business, but I see no great value or return to Kingston and its citizens in a bricks'n'mortar gaming establishment. It think it's lose-lose and rather a sad comment on this province, generally. Having said that, I would be willing to consider a "showboat" operation that offered gaming and entertainment while plying Lake Ontario between Kingston and Toronto.
272	1418	Yes	I am proud to be part of such a great city and would like thank you for your service. Please pass this thank you on to your peers.

273	68	Yes	I am quite concerned about parking... but that may not be an issue depending on where said casino is located... if there is a casino coming, it would be nice to see an increase in aid centered around gambling awareness
274	498	Yes	I am really concerned about the impact this will have on those who can least afford it, those suffering in poverty hoping--again and again--a big win might be their way out. How about the City focusing on addressing the poverty issue itself?
275	1074	Yes	I am shocked Kingston would ever consider such a proposition. I hope you run the developers out of town.
276	1491	No	I am SO TIRED of the Senior Sector of the City of Kingston making all the decision for the future of our city and the councillors that represent these Senior populated areas going right along with them. Seniors do not like change, they are not interested in new jobs, they wish things to remain status quo. This city NEEDS new jobs, more tourism for the city, new business, revenue for city services (road work,) etc...a casino could certainly do this. There is a reason why Kingston is the Senior destination for Ontario, we let our Senior population dictate our future. Look at Gananoque and how they have prospered. I just don't understand why this is even being questioned. Look at the shape of our roads, businesses closing, etc... WE NEED THIS! Don't let the opportunity to have a thriving Casino slip away again.
277	1755	Yes	I am strongly against a casino in Kingston as gaming will adversely affect our city, draining people of their resources, and causing further hardship to our lower income and impoverished residents. It will also be too great a risk for our many university and college students. Please do not allow a casino to be built in or near our city.
278	350	Yes	I am strongly against it as there is already a casino in Gananoque, which those who can afford it can drive to. To have it more accessible in the Kingston area, I feel is a mistake. We already have a problem with poverty and gambling. Try going into a convenience store the night before a lottery draw. Also, I don't believe the services are in place to constructively help those who become addicted to gambling and in this economy, I don't believe such resources will be forthcoming. Who will suffer from these lack of resources? - Families, the neighbourhood and Kingston in general.

279	1878	Yes	I am strongly opposed to establishing a gaming facility in Kingston. We have a very large student population as well and this could be a destructive distraction for this important segment of our population. We have already seen many cases of suicide and depression amongst our undergraduate population due to various factors. I think throwing a gaming facility into the mix could have disastrous effects especially when we already have problems we need to solve. It would definitely be counterproductive and possibly exaggerate the negative effects we are dealing with already. Over the years I have seen more and more students having to look for part time jobs in order to study. This is too tempting an option for potentially quick money but which could have disastrous effects when reality sets in. The potential for addiction is too great a risk
280	3155	Yes	I am strongly opposed to Kingston pursuing a casino for this community especially if council / OLG is considering downtown as a location. I believe a casino will cheapen the Kingston community and damage the cultural atmosphere and assets we offer. I hope all councillors are really listening to their respective constituents on this issue.
281	49	Yes	I am strongly opposed to this and will be so disappointed if it is approved.
282	1538	Yes	I am very strongly opposed to a casino in Kingston
283	1524	Yes	I am very strongly opposed to a casino. Having one here does nothing to improve the lives of kingstonians and everything to do with a potential cash grab from people who can't afford it. It is regressive taxation at its worst. There are so many better things we should be spending our tax dollars and effort on.
284	1038	Yes	I am worried that since there is a limit of the number casinos in certain Zones, Gananoque could loose their casino and causing those individuals financial worries with the loss of jobs. Kingston never acted when the possibility was presented years ago, maybe we just missed our opportunity.
285	2053	Yes	I appreciate that the city is willing to hear the feedback from the public. As a downtown business owner and young father, I am strongly opposed to the Casino coming to Kingston. The negative social issues will far outweigh the benefits of the Casino. The Casino will also have a negative impact on the 20,000 plus students that live in the downtown area causing distraction from their primary goal, additional debt, and addiction to some. Please, no Casino.
286	649	Yes	I appreciate that the issue is being discussed, and hope that common sense will prevail.

287	1683	Yes	I attended the public meeting. I was appalled at the lack of respect shown for the process by a number of opponents. After numerous attempts by the Mayor to control this conduct it was apparent that the behavior was entrenched. As a strong supporter that Council should agree to entertain a casino in Kingston, I chose not to speak but instead left the meeting (after requesting that the lady behind me stop clapping and was confronted by being asked "what are they going to do...kick me out"?). People in support of the casino in Kingston quietly carry on and of course the meeting process (as is commonplace) is attended by those in opposition. Again, I strongly urge Council to confirm their acceptance of the possibility of a casino in Kingston.
288	2190	Yes	I believe many of the respondents to this survey are not Kingston ratepayers and like most surveys only the "against" participate in such surveys.
289	810	Yes	I believe the Casino would be a great fit in Kingston as long as it not located downtown. It would be horrible to put a casino in our famous historical downtown core.
290	683	Yes	I believe gambling is not a socially responsible way for municipal governments to raise money. It promotes use of precious resources wastefully by many who can ill afford to lose money and leads to increased social ills.
291	3244	Yes	i believe it would be great for everyone if Kingston had a casino we can be a small city any longer time to be progressive
292	545	Yes	I believe our beautiful City is better than that; and I'm saddened to hear that the casino is even being considered. I lived in Niagara all my life before moving to the beautiful city of Kingston; and when the Niagara Fall Casino was built it entirely changed tourism in the area. It was completely consumed by casino goers. My brother-in-law patrols that jurisdiction as a police officer and the rates of suicide due to over zealous gamblers sky rocketed in the area and calls to Family and Children's Services went through the roof as children were being left on Christmas mornings in the lobby to sleep at ungodly hours as their parents gambled. So sad. Regardless of the earning potential this may bring; the negatives far out way any positives.
293	2610	Yes	I believe that a destination facility should be built on the water with a deep water dock & marina. locations that come to mind are the old KPH grounds & the soon to be closed Kingston Pen, with waterfront access & park/walkway open to the public
294	618	Yes	I believe that having a casino in Kingston would only hurt the individuals and families in Kingston and the surrounding area, because gambling addiction and other addictions follow casinos wherever they are. It would be a huge disservice to the people of Kingston to bring a casino here.
295	205	Yes	I believe that if Kingston passes up the opportunity at this time to have a casino here, one of the other neighbouring municipalities in our area will then opt to do it, and either way, Gananoque will lose the existing casino; so we should not feel guilty about having it moved to Kingston and "stealing" it from Gananoque.

296	605	Yes	<p>I believe that sentiment on hosting a casino has changed. Casino's are now commonplace and can be found in so many local and destination communities. It is true that social issues may arise from a casino but I think that the many economic benefits outweigh them.</p> <p>I think that the city should entertain the idea of a casino on the waterfront that includes a convention hall - all connected or in close proximity to the K-rock centre. (On the old police station property.) Economic spinoffs would be plenty. Other positive aspects include increased use of the airport, better service and resulting lower ticket prices.</p> <p>Casino and airport are top priorities for me.</p>
297	166	Yes	I believe that the casino for this area should stay where it is in Gananoque. We already have a free shuttle for those who wish to gamble.
298	1752	Yes	I believe that the Casino will not stay in Gananoque. If Kingston does not get it, it will go to Brockville and Kingston will lose out again!
299	1225	Yes	<p>I believe that, given the right proposal a casino could be a good thing for the City of Kingston and that we should at least listen to a proposal before we turn down the prospect altogether. Ideally, a casino would be best located out of the downtown core of the City and along the 401 with convention space (a need in this area) and a fair revenue agreement with the City is something that we should heavily consider. A venue like this would create new revenue, new jobs, and year round tourism. People already come to Kingston as tourists, we are a longstanding tourist destination and with a casino we would just further enhance our tourism portfolio. We attract a large amount of single day visits from bus tours and people stopping in on the 401, but they are here for a few hours then on to another city/town. It has long been a struggle to get people to stay an extra night or two. A casino would enhance an already rich tourism portfolio and people will still do all of the things they would do here before. They will still visit the downtown, tourist attractions, and spend money in our restaurants/shops. A casino would become a part of the visitor experience, and during the fall/winter it would remain an important attraction. A casino would</p>
300	2250	Yes	I believe the casino will provide jobs, and financial gain to the city of Kingston and it's residents.
301	192	Yes	<p>I believe....I believe that it is Kingston's turn to make a difference in our own community. We need to move forward...I get that some are reluctant to support this. It is really not the location of a Casino that breeds addictions...it is an illness that can be treated...we don't close all the venues that serve alcohol because of alcoholism. There are so many agencies that can be helped...especially children and youth!! Let's do it!!</p>

302	2213	Yes	I can understand the social impact of a casino on a community, undoubtedly there will be one. I just think that the social cost should be studied a value placed on that cost which can then be weighed against the value a casino would generate. I think we should also weigh the cost of potentially damaging relationships with proximate municipalities if the decision was made to open a casino.
303	1913	Yes	I can't even believe this is an issue and we want to pump all this money into it when we have housing problems, poverty, road issues, rotting buildings, a pen that will close in 2 years, social services that are routinely cut... Makes no sense.
304	2247	Yes	I can't wait to go apple picking this fall.
305	101	Yes	I challenge the city planners to come up with revenue generating projects that do not compromise morality, family values and the integrity of the Kingston community. We have a wonderful city. Let's keep it that way!
306	1790	No	I currently live in Amherstview but work in downtown Kingston.
307	588	No	i currently live outside of kingston but prior to this i lived in kingston for 7 years. I think in this time, anything that could give this area more jobs, more tourism, more support of the other great aspects of kingston should be supported. A casino would do all of those things....and those who are against it....why? It will help kingston and other local families put food on the table, no one should question it.
308	1107	Yes	I do *NOT* want a casino in my community.
309	201	Yes	I do hope its put in the downtown area, and I don't think its going to cause any more policeing problems. Gananoque has hardly any more problems and its beening there for years now. City and Gananoque may have a differance with this thought.
310	1635	Yes	I do hope the councillor for my area changes her mind on her vote and if not will vote differently next election.....It seems she and I never seem to vote on the same issues.....
311	3202	No	I do live just north of Kingston and come into town (downtown) several times a week, I would love to see Kingston as an attractive tourist town with a lively downtown. I am concerned that a casino would distract from this instead of contributing, people take their money to the casino instead of spending in the stores, who have a hard time to survive as it is.
312	878	Yes	I do not agree with having a casino in the downtown core due to parking issues,the inner harbour would be a good location. If you build a hotel attached with the casino that would create jobs and more tourism.
313	468	Yes	I do not believe a casino will attract more tourists to Kingston. Leave it in Gananoque.
314	2066	Yes	I do not believe that there would be a net positive effect from a casino in Kingston. Gananoque has no industry left, little to no entrepreneurship left, a decent summer tourist market but not a huge one and the casino is one of the only big sources of revenue for that community. Kingston is not Gananoque!

315	1066	Yes	I do not believe the downtown core would be able to support another establishment of this magnitude. We would have to look slightly outside of Kingston.
316	2759	Yes	I do not go to casinos but I support others who do wish to go.
317	2582	Yes	I do not think a casino is a good addition to Kingston in spite of the claims that it would be financial gain for the community.
318	1681	Yes	I do not think a casino should be located downtown. It should be with easy access to the 401. Kingston needs this kind of attraction in light of the numbers of retirees in our area and the number of baby boomers who will be retiring over the next few years. If we don't do something to encourage new revenue to our City, we will lose most, if not all, of our services and then our City will collapse.
319	1350	Yes	I do not think it should be in the downtown core but I am strongly in favor of one....
320	1253	Yes	I do not want my taxes to increase as a result of the casino being built. Although I do think that Kingston needs new and fresh outlets for revenue, I think that if kingstonian that want to gamble could just as well use Gan's casino. We have to remember that the people of Gan are our neighbors if we build a casino it will probably mean the closure of theirs. That will kill their little town.
321	752	Yes	I do support a casino for the Economic benefits to our city from employment, a bigger tax base and benefits to our downtown core. The issues of addiction and other social problems it may bring should be weighed in but I do not feel that they would have a great impact on our city. Addiction and the other social problems are already here in our community as every community. The difference is right now they drive or take a bus to other casino's already. As for traffic and parking problems I think Kingstonian's always overreact to this issue like they did with the K-Rock Centre. I have never really seen an issue during any hockey game or event held downtown. I have lived in the big cities like Toronto and Vancouver for over 20 years and I can see the benefits of revitalizing our downtown core. Stopping a casino coming to Kingston because of addiction and related problems is like saying No to a new bar or fast food restaurant. I am not a gambler nor do I have an addictive personality.
322	234	Yes	I do support the idea of a casino, but of the decision is made to go forward with one it is also very important to come up with a solution to the growing parking issue. Downtown is already a tough place to park, and it seems like the talk is to put a potential casino downtown, which would make the situation worse!
323	1958	Yes	I don't believe that we can count on drawing huge numbers of patrons from outside Kingston to visit a casino.
324	725	Yes	I don't believe there is adequate space in the downtown core for a casino, although it would serve a better purpose than the K-Rock Centre. At least a casino would be used year round while the K-Rock is only being utilized for a small portion of the year.

325	3218	Yes	I don't buy the argument against having a casino due to promoting gambling addictions that others have claimed. There are many residents with alcohol addictions and we still serve and sell alcohol in this city.
326	2528	Yes	I don't feel that Kingston should compete with Gananoque for the casino dollar: the Gananoque casino is well established and the town now depends on this revenue. But having casinos in both localities would not be sufficiently lucrative for either.
327	1650	Yes	I don't feel the opposed issues from residents to be of great concern, as we still have all those same social issues already. There is free shuttles to Gananoque casino, so transportation is not an issue. Gambling addicts can still get there, as opposed to a city bus if the casino were in kingston. Alcoholics are surrounded by LCBO and beer stores and have to fight themselves to keep away from them. So will gambling addicts. Yet, I don't want the acceptance of a casino in kingston to affect our city financially, <u>except to our favour.</u>
328	3258	No	I don't live in kingston but I am in kingston often. I think this is a bad idea that will cause more problems rather than improve things for kingston.
329	3262	Yes	I don't need my taxes to go up and services to go down to pay for ANOTHER white elephant!
330	1649	Yes	I don't think a casino fits with the image of Kingston as an historical destination for tourists,, or as a sustainable city.
331	1158	Yes	I don't think we should be forced into building a casino right away. I think we should be able to wait a bit longer to allow more feedback from residents of the city. I do however think we should be able to decide yes or no at a later date.
332	969	Yes	I don't trust the OLG and believe there is corruption within their organization.
333	2540	Yes	I don't understand some reasons has a study been done on crime rates in areas where casinos have been placed. on traffic then consider this for location of casino.
334	3266	Yes	I enjoy responsible gambling
335	1613	Yes	I fear a casino would take away business from locally-owned shops and restaurants. Also, it would detract from Kingston's historic, classy aesthetic/image. We are not Niagara Falls, nor would I want us to be. To further the addiction and other social problems point, Kingston has higher than average proportions of low income people, students, and the elderly, all of which are considered vulnerable populations in terms of becoming addicted to gambling. Why encourage such destructive behaviour? I'm not opposed to gambling per se, I just strongly feel that a casino is NOT the right fit for our city. Sure, it may generate some money for the City, but in the end I don't think it would be worth it.

336	2214	Yes	I feel it is important to understand that we shouldn't fall into the trap where the city becomes reliant on the money raised from the casino as an income. We, the city need to remain completely independent from any casino revenue. That doesn't mean that the money could not be used to speed up infrastructure repairs and such currently planned for years down the road to a much sooner time frame. As long as the city maintains its independence from the revenue stream created by the casino and can use that revenue for the "extras" that help make Kingston a better place to live, I would support it.
337	180	Yes	I feel it would be of great benefit to the city as the previous council was very narrow minded in passing on this opportunity when we had the chance previously.
338	1933	Yes	I feel so sorry for the elderly in particular, to spend their money gambling in the false hope of winning, instead of buying some nourishing food or enjoying some healthy activity or recreation. They may occasionally win some "peanuts", but they tend to forget how much did they already spent to have this tiny little money. Gambling is a social disaster, far more worse than drinking or drug addiction, but it is masked with indecent advertising and promised "fun", let alone being addictive too.
339	460	Yes	I feel strongly that it is wrong for the City of Kingston to pursue this issue as Gan. took a big chance in 1992 in agreeing to host an OLGA casino. Now that it is such a huge success, other communities, including Kingston, are wanting to jump on the band wagon. Gan. would certainly draw more U.S. citizens to their casino than Kingston.
340	2981	Yes	I feel such a casino would be detrimental to downtown businesses. Surely the municipality can find funding from many other sources.
341	3034	No	I feel that a casino is not required, there is one in Gananoque 45 KM from Kingston, why do we need another one so close?
342	675	Yes	I feel that a casino would be an enormous boost for our economy.If strategically placed,there would be no traffic or parking problems as with the poorly placed K-Rock Center.I feel that the above negative reasons for NOT having a casino are pretty flimsey.The positive aspects far outweigh the negative.Gaming at a casino would be no more addictive than playing Bingo.The possibility of the establishment of new businesses in Kingston.as a result of hosting a casino is very exciting.
343	580	Yes	I feel that we have enough people in need of social programs and funding as it is. The money the city would spend on the casino could be put into programs for the citizens of Kingston who are economically and socially in need. I see no benefit to having a casino in Kingston.
344	2379	Yes	I feel that we missed a great economic opportunity the first time I feel it would be unwise to do so again.
345	1371	Yes	i feel this a great idea, working for retailers, here has been wonderful as working selling lottery for the OLG is a constant learning experience.

346	278	Yes	I find it insane that this survey is even being put out now, where was this when OLG was propositioning us for the right to put in a casino and city council turned them away? so what, now you are collecting information to see if you should bid for a casino? knowing that there can only be one in the area so we would at least be bidding against Gananoque. Does the city council enjoy making things harder for themselves, do they enjoy throwing away money, or are they really just so short sighted that they honestly couldn't see the benefit of having a casino until Gananoque tested it out?
347	777	Yes	I find it ironic that the city is considering closing schools and opening a casino.
348	534	Yes	I find the urgency of the Council's need to decide this issue very suspicious. When people are on vacation and organizations are not having meetings, the timing seems designed to discourage public reaction.
349	942	Yes	<p>I fully support a casino in Kingston. Any kind of change has pros and cons, but I feel the benefits of Kingston having a casino would far outweigh the problems associated with a casino.</p> <p>I feel the ideal location for the casino would be midtown (somewhere on Princess St. between University Ave. and Regent St.). This strip of Princess St. needs a major revitalization and building a large casino in this area will promote hotels and restaurants being built around it.</p> <p>Downtown Kingston currently seems to "end" at Division St. A casino further up would help (not hinder) the current businesses located further up Princess St. and give new businesses a location that has good traffic flow.</p>
350	405	No	I grew up in Kingston, but now live west of Odessa. A casino is a win/win for Kingston for, what I think, are obvious reasons. You're smart people, so get on with it.
351	1534	Yes	<p>I hadn't realised until recently that if Kingston gets a casino, the one in Gan has to close. So I personally think talking about whether Kingston wants a casino is a bit of a narrow-minded approach - because what we're talking about is taking away a revenue stream from Gan, and taking jobs from Gan. Is that something we want to do?</p> <p>Kingston has lots of great attributes - lets try and capitalize on them first before defaulting to a casino.</p>
352	1844	Yes	I have been to the casino in Gan and it is a sad place.
353	2271	No	I have fallen in love with Kingston in the past year, and enjoy visiting 2-3 times a week.

354	1199	Yes	i have gone to many olg casino and i always cheak out the local sean for food and other entertainment.and i would like to see it in the west end nere invista center
355	2353	Yes	I have lived in cities with casinos before; Windsor, Halifax, Sydney NS and I find there is a strong attitude against casinos in Kingston based on ignorance and misunderstanding. Very strong NIMBY attitude basd on social standing (we don't need it so we don't want it). If you are an adult of legal age you should be able to gamble at an establishment in your city, period. Don't like gambling then don't patronize it, but don't act as a moral authority with smug superiority.
356	3209	Yes	I have many family members in Gananoque that have confirmed the Casino did not bring crime or money down falls for the residence of Gananoque as feared by prior COK councilors. The Casino has been a positive attribute to the town of Gan. I encourage the current councilors to do their homework on the above information I have provided before voting this opportunity down. Thank you.
357	3223	Yes	I have moved to Kingston two years ago from Greater Vancouver, where there are numerous casinos in the area. This is the worse idea this city council (since I'm here) came up with. Leave it where it is. How can this mayor ever show his face in neighbouring Gananoque for proposing to take away from them what they, as a small communtiy needs more? Where it is now, its the perfect location, visible from and near the 401. If you make a surveys of other casino locations, it is never in a historic downtown!! It would wreck the beauty of this city. Is that something this mayor wants as a legacy? What a waste of the coucil's resources. Why not concentrate on the things that actually need doing, like fixing the streets in the downtown core, especially Queen street. Has the mayor ever driven down it lately? That is what the concil needs to work on. Not a gambiling facility!!!! The argument that we needs the casino to pay for may of the things in the city is a cop out. Shame on you
358	2844	Yes	I have no objections to Kingston proposing & negotiating a revenue sharing arrangement, with an outside host community, to address the concerns outlined in Q4. It seems that "Gan" has experience in that approach in acquiring the "initial casino franchise"; it might be more agreeable "this time around" to expanding the community inclusion to Kingston (for revenue sharing) as this time around the location would not be as "politically controlled", but rather selected by "private investors" for maximizing profit (my understanding of the process ???). It might be in "Gananoque's best self-interest" to neutralize a formidable competitor by "striking a deal" and leaving only 1 location available.

359	1667	Yes	<p>I have sent my thoughts to some councilors and the mayor and the Whig Standard.</p> <p>This survey is problematic as it sets up limited false choices for individuals who may not have thoroughly consider the multiple factors needed to make a decision on this issue by providing limited choice to why they are for or against; a reality not attenuated by the option of typing additional responses.</p> <p>Additionally, one should not have to have an email to complete the survey.</p> <p>These comments apply to the Mayor's online survey - which though well intended I trust, presents further problems by way of requiring individuals to "like" his page before completing the document.</p> <p>Nevertheless, I am grateful for this mechanism as though imperfect it begins to suss out public opinion on a very important manner.</p>
360	2679	No	<p>I have spent a lot of time in Kingston because my parents lived there for over 35 years. I think a casino would change the character of this historic city, and would make it LESS attractive to tourists.</p>
361	570	Yes	<p>I heard the mayor speaking re the DBA having negative views on a downtown location. He will listen to that group ,but what about the rest of us?</p> <p>Why can't the mayor and this coucil concentrate on what Kingston really needs--e.g. affordable housing--rather than development, development, development.</p>
362	2991	Yes	<p>I hope Kingston's City Councillors vote "NO" to a casino in our community and that they explore more positive ways of improving our economy and the city we live in.</p>
363	3210	Yes	<p>I hope that Council will consider the long-term implications of this decision.</p>
364	3087	Yes	<p>I hope that Councillors take a "scientific" approach to this question and look at the evidence instead of pipe dreams.</p>
365	2215	Yes	<p>I hope that the City will vote to exclude this enterprise from Kingston</p>
366	2552	Yes	<p>I hope that this process will involve the citizens of Kingston. It should not be a forum for special interest groups on either side of the issue, corporations (who are NOT citizens but are taxpayers), OLG and others. I hope that such a significant endeavor will not sideline the attention of our Mayor and Council to address more pressing issues (Where IS that 3rd crossing?)</p>
367	426	Yes	<p>I hope the council should start working together not the split it appears today</p>
368	1267	Yes	<p>I hope this council does not pass up yet another golden opportunity.</p>

369	1587	Yes	I hope when this survey is looked at that you confirm that each person is who they say they are,by contacting each person and asking did you submit a survey,otherwise anyone can fill someones information out and submit it
370	2319	Yes	I imagine you plan to build the Casino at the memorial centre. i live 5 minutes from there. I do not want to see lights and hear people all night long.
371	2998	Yes	I just believe that it would be against what God would want in our city and for the people
372	2388	Yes	<p>I know that a lot of people are worried about people with gambling addictions, and while addictions of any type are definitely something to be concerned with, I can tell you this, addicts will get their fix no matter what they have to do or where they have to go!</p> <p>Gambling addicts are faced with temptation every day! when they turn on their computer to check their email, there are the ads for the online poker/slots/blackjack websites..... every time they step into the corner store to grab a loaf of bread or a bottle of pop, they confront the counter full of scratch tickets..... In fact they can't even go get groceries without overcoming their temptation! They have to pass the bingo halls on the way, and there are lottery terminals in almost all of the grocery stores now!!</p> <p>My point is, if they can face their addiction head on in a multitude of ways every single day of their life, then having a casino in town (a place where you go for one thing and one thing only, to gamble!) is something they can handle, it's just one more place they need to avoid!</p> <p>If we don't get the casino because of these reasons, are we going to start closing down the corner stores, bingo halls, and grocery stores? Because, after all, they all promote gambling!!</p>
373	2786	Yes	I know the mayor is looking for a pot of "Gold" at the end of the rainbow or something he can say he brought to Kingston, but a casino run privately will only bring greater desparety to the city and will attract the wrong crowd.
374	2744	Yes	I like Kingston the way it is . . . there are many positive things shaping the city right now. I don't believe that a casino would add anything -- make it more attractive from a visitor's perspective -- except for a very narrow group -- who will likely not be 'visitors'. This is not Las Vegas!! People wanting a high level casino experience will go there -- not here. The Gananoque casino is tacky -- I'd hate to see that venue repeated here!! If Gan thinks their casino is beneficial to their lifestyle/economy -- let them keep it.
375	1426	No	I like the idea of having a casino in Kingston as its much closer to where I live than driving to Gananoque. Although I do go there and being a senior citizen I would prefer driving home from Kingston at night. I think its a great idea. It doesnt matter where a casino is located people with gambling habits will attend it.It isnt the locations that promotes that problem .

376	2814	Yes	I liked the comment someone made in the newspaper that the city should build a brothel instead so that customers could at least have some fun while throwing their money away.
377	1196	No	I live in Amherstview and work in the city of Kingston.
378	2978	No	I live in South Frontenac and pay business taxes in Kingston. I attended and spoke at the Memorial Hall presentation. That meeting was overwhelmed by the many arts and retired types who live in or around the downtown area. They do not reflect the future of this city. Kingston is much more than Sydenham Ward. A casino, if it is to come to Kingston would be more appropriate with some access from, in or around the 401. If a casino or its equivalent does not come to Kingston the leaders in this community are failing in their responsibility to attract more business. As it stands now, Kingston for years has been exporting its young capable citizens and importing the elderly. THIS IS WRONG. WE NEED A MIX. ANYBODY LISTENING?
379	1582	No	I live just north of the city and would love to see a casino built in the north end near the kingscrossing/macadoo's lane area. It would bring a lot more revenue to the businesses there as well as much needed employment. People will go to a casino no matter where it's located, why not keep the money in kingston as well as bring in extra revenues. Kingston can only benefit from having it here...as the movie says "build it, and they will come!" Go for it!!!
380	1665	No	I live just outside the city but work in it and feel I still have a stake in this major a development.
381	1451	No	I live near the Gananoque casino and my impression is that many people that come to that casino come to the casino and then leave and do not spend money in other businesses in the community.
382	3197	No	I live outside of Kingston but it is my centre for work, play and purchasing.
383	998	Yes	I lived in Barrie and the Casino was slated to come to Barrie's waterfront. The mayor fought it so hard, ending up the casino was then built just south of Barrie instead. I strongly believe that overall it would be a great opportunity for Kingston to have a casino. Then investors would look more strongly at Kingston to build their businesses here. Please don't do what the mayor of Barrie did, and lost out on the opportunity of investment.
384	1318	No	I lived in Kingston for 20 years and still visit often as family is still there. I think it would be amazing financially for residents.
385	1239	No	I lived in Kingston for 30 years but became so annoyed with the petty politics I moved out of city limits. The K Rock Centre being a case in point. This seems to be another case of council members with an unwritten agenda.
386	3116	No	I lived in Kingston for 7 years and recently moved outside the city but still work in Kingston
387	723	No	I lived in Kingston for most of my life, but for now, am choosing to live in Sydenham, as it is closer to my work. I love the city, and will be very dismayed if we choose to de-value it by adding a casino, which I believe will only do irreparable harm to its citizens, and its wonderful reputation as a classy, safe tourist destination.

388	2965	Yes	<p>I look at Windsor, Ontario experience where local restaurants died as people who went to the casino, used the casino, its bar and restaurant(s) and then left the area without spending any more money locally. They did not, for instance enjoy the casino and then go out for dinner at a nearby restaurant. It killed the area business wise.</p> <p>My wife and I think, with all the evidence available, it is morally unconscionable to promote this activity. We are not prudes, we have been to casinos in Windsor, Gananoque, and Niagara, but feel the social damage done to the community is not worth the profit.</p> <p>I ets not mince anv words this is all about money/profit.</p>
389	565	Yes	I look forward to the consultation with residents, businesses, city staff etc.
390	1543	No	I may not be a resident or property owner within the City of Kingston, but I am a property owner in a neighbouring town and believe this would be a great investment for the City. HUGE POSITIVE!!
391	2954	No	I may not live in Kingston but work there. Nearly everything we can't get in Sydenham we come to Kingston to find. I would think of looking to other towns for various amenities if Kingston was wrong-headed enough to vote for a casino.
392	1798	No	I may not live in Kingston, but I used to and all of my family does. This just seems like a no-brainer to me. Kingston needs more attractions to create more jobs and revenue for the city!
393	386	No	I may not own property in Kingston but I support Kingston daily by shopping there, I live 20 min north of the city so for me Kingston is my work and shopping area so I may not pay property taxes for Kingston but I still contribute
394	3196	Yes	I moved here in 2000. I have not met a single person who has not cursed the council of that day for not allowing the casino in Kingston. If you can figure a way to raise the revenue a casino would drop every year then go ahead, other wise stop making stuid decisions and only considering downtown small biz owners.
395	199	No	<p>i moved North of Kingston 3 years ago, mainly due to the relentless tax increases. I love Kingston and still call it my home.Kingston lost out on an opportunity to Gananoque 10 years ago.They are reaping a big income from the casino. Kingston has a very vocal NO minority that affects councils decisions. I believe the silent YES majority would welcome a casino. Thank you for this survey as it gives the yes side a voice. Block D should have been developed into a marina/Convention Centre/ Casino years ago.</p> <p>kingston should be managed like a big city. Many of my friends all say it has been managed like a small town and we are losing out on many opportunities. Look West to Belleville. They have a 1/3 of Kingstons population but they attract big business. What is wrong with Kingston? Too many studies and not enough doing</p>

396	2646	Yes	I note that Belleville is lobbying to have a casino built in their city. If the Kingston City council doesn't want one, it is only a 45 min. drive to Belleville. Come on Kingston council, for once do what's right for the people of Kingston.
397	1705	Yes	I oppose strongly a casino. Casino's will offer lots of entertainment, what takes away money from all the entertainment we have already. Casino's have lots of restaurants in house, it takes away money spend in the Downtown as people go straight home!
398	1111	Yes	I previously lived in Windsor, ON and an increase in sales in downtown retail stores did not materialize. In fact, many stores were forced to close their doors.
399	2513	No	I realize that gambling is an addiction and my father is very sick, but we have tried getting help for him, he's very much in denial and doesn't think he has a problem. He feels that since it was him that worked all those years that he is entitled to spend "his" money they way he wants and it's no one's business how he spends his money. It's a shame, really. Tore our family apart pretty good. I would hate to see another casino go up even closer to where he lives. That's about all the encouragement he needs!!!
400	1720	Yes	I really hope for Kingstons wellbeing that the younger to middle age people fill out this survey and get this passed we are the hope and future of kingston
401	2785	Yes	I really think the negative social impact cannot be overlooked. There are a lot of people in our city living on the margins and this casino may be a lure for them that can lead to addiction and significant social turmoil.
402	1203	Yes	I recognize that there will be a casino in our area. I am very happy with it being in Gananoque. Kingstonians who want to go to a casino can relatively easily travel the thirty minutes. The effort required to get to Gananoque eliminates most impulse visits that would occur if a casino was in our city. I would like to see Kingston continue to partner with Gananoque and the OLG so that Kingston entertainment venues are used for OLG sponsored events and concerts.
403	2644	Yes	I respectfully request that Council come up with other ways to run the city in a fiscally responsible way. Looking for money from a casino seems desperate. I would rather pay higher taxes than have a casino. I find the Mayor's suggestion that this is our only option (casino or higher taxes) shows a lack of imagination and insight. He and other councilors suggest that a casino will solve all our problems - I highly doubt it.
404	1656	Yes	I said yes to a casino in Kingston didn't realize it meant taking it away from Gan. So now I say No to a casino in Kingston.

405	264	Yes	I simply don't support a casino being established in Kingston, especially not in the downtown district. Tell your Pro-Developer Council to flush this idea down their drains at city hall.
406	13	Yes	I sincerely hope this does not happen. Kingston has a lot to offer already - there is no need to take from another community. I am sad that this is even up for discussion.
407	2734	No	I spent university years in Kingston, and attended various conventions and meetings there. Kingston should enhance its historical and "place to meet" reputation rather than pandering to organized crime.
408	1570	Yes	I strongly believe that rather than attracting tourists to Kignston, it would attract city residents and surrounding area residents, most of which who will not be from any financial means to be able to afford to be spending money in the casino. While Kingston is a destination city in some ways, I feel that it is not a good example of a city that would thrive off of a casino. Gananoque for example has become unattractive and depressing since the casino was implemented, and the casino is not an assett to the city, and I feel that it would be the same if a casino were brought to Kingston.
409	2729	Yes	I strongly disagree with the move. The thousand island casino is close enough for the people who want to spend their money on gambling.
410	1162	Yes	I strongly dissagree with having a casino in Kingston. I realise that it could possibly generate a lot of revenue for the city but I would gladly pay higher taxes to compensate! I have heard so many stories of lives ruined because of gambling. I don't feel that we need to provide the venue for the possibility of this happening to anyone.
411	520	Yes	I strongly encourage the mayor and Council to reject the idea of a casino in Kingston.
412	458	Yes	I strongly feel that we let the opportunity of a Casino slip away once. When a previous city council approached the neighbouring counties for part of the profits shows that we should have taken the opportunity and been the bread winners not beggers.
413	1115	Yes	I submitted a written statement of objection to a casino in Kingston at the meeting this evening. This survey is skewed in favour of a casino...pro being listed first; and six reasons in favour were listed vs four against a casino when there are so many more reasons it is a bad idea than there are reasons to say yes. The arguments against are supported by research whereas no one has produced the evidence that it is a good thing for a community. I fail to see how any Councillor could support a casino in Kingston.
414	1905	Yes	I suggest Kingston should focus on thousand island activity and adding more water based entertainment to city.
415	40	Yes	I support the casino, for the revenue generated for the city, but also feel some of the earnings should be put aside to support addiction help organizations.
416	3189	Yes	I think a casino is a really dumb idea. I own property downtown.

417	1010	Yes	I think a casino would be good because a lot of new establishments would be created. Being from the university Kingston literally has nothing, and bringing a casino in would definitely boost up business and give people more things to do.
418	2751	Yes	I think a gambling casino would be damaging to other businesses in the city.
419	2290	Yes	I think any facility that will increase tourism and promote economic growth is worthwhile.
420	305	Yes	I think any opportunity should be investigated fully. I doubt, given the newness of the casino in Gananoque, that one will be developed in Kingston. It's worth further investigations though!
421	328	Yes	I think bringing a casino to Kingston makes a lot of sense. However, it all hinges on an appropriate location. We cant shoehorn another large venue (that requires parking) into the heart of downtown kingston. If a suitable location is decided upon, the casino could be a huge sucess
422	2322	Yes	I think depending on the location of the casino, it could have a very positive affect on our economy. The problem of parking could be resolved by building it in the west end where there is a lot of space to put a building as large as that.
423	2879	Yes	I think Gananoque should keep the casino; it is excellent for the economy of the town.
424	1348	Yes	I think if you want to boost the economy in Kingston, you need to bring in big industry which, like a casino, bring lots of good paying jobs, and actually produce something. What do casinos manufacture other than poverty?
425	1336	Yes	I think is wonderful to have a fresh approach from Kingston's mayor. For so many years, it has felt like Kingston is a private club which most residents were not a part of. To have open discussions and open polls/votes regarding our city's opportunities is very refreshing. With our new mayor it feels like we are all included in the decision-making process. Thank you for that Mark. It is time that our city had a fresh new outlook.
426	1931	Yes	I think it is outrageous that Kingston is even considering a casino!The only services a casino will provide is a bigger police force and more prisons. The city of Kingston will slowly but surely disintegrate if a casino comes here!
427	1736	No	I think it is very mean to put the Gannoque casino in jeopardy. It also shows how limiting the money making scheme is and fragile. If we do go ahead with this lame casino plan. What guarantee do we have that in 5 or 10 years we will not be closing a casino down to accomdate a bigger city. There are no details of where this casino is going to be going. This plan is lacking a lot of details. How anybody can support any proiect on blind faith is beyond me.

428	928	Yes	I think its a great idea to have the Casino in Kingston because it will bring money in to our city and help pay for road repairs and other things that is costing the city to much. it will also bring tourist in to the city to help restraints and hotels and will help creat more jobs.
429	1194	Yes	I think its a great idea! especially if it was located downtown.. it needs to be around other things and not in the middle of knowhere, this way other places like restaurants and bars get business too!
430	2412	Yes	I think it's a great idea.
431	464	Yes	I think it's a pathetic that Kingston keeps searching for dramatic, big ticket ways to spend money for tourism. I've toured all around North America and I can testify that Kingston is missing so many simple opportunities; clean streets and waterfront (it's disgusting), pedestrian friendly initiatives, close part of Ontario St. for selected hours, encourage more family events downtown, tax breaks for vacant store fronts that are made attractive, Frequent shuttle buses for events & Fort Henry. Many more simple ideas for visitors and residents to enjoy Kingston could be explored if you consulted people who have experienced other cities.
432	1978	Yes	I think it's interesting that your own survey gives six reasons to choose from as to why the casino would be good for the City but only lists four reasons to oppose it...seems a bit biased to start with..."bring more tourists" but what kind of tourists? People who want to sit in dark noisy casinos gambling 24 hrs a day? The ONLY positive I can see from a casino is the revenue BUT...at what cost to our community quality of life? I think it is a total waste of time and effort to even discuss this issue at this time. I am beginning to think the only reason it has come up is that the provincial Liberal gov't is fishing for votes in the next election and has supporters pushing their objective on the citizens of Kingston!
433	814	Yes	I think Kingston made a BIG mistake refusing the Casino the first time around and DO NOT want this opportunity to be tossed in the can by the same usual nanny state type bureaucrats again. We ALL know the lack of the casino DOES NOT stop gamblers from finding one. The same poor here are the same at GanANOQUE and I have run into the same as far as Peterborough and Barrie. Kingston needs the funds period.
434	2186	Yes	I think Kingston sees Ganonoque's sucess and think "we should consider something like this". What we need to consider is that the Province is proposing privitized casino options which I think will harm the downtown core and create social problems.
435	2976	Yes	I think kingston should let a casino in the city because... It would help out in alot of ways if you think about it it could make the city debt free...
436	834	Yes	I think near the exits of 401..this way its visable and bring in more tourist..

437	1178	Yes	I think should be build beside historic Woolen Mill on Catarauqui River(empty space there), lots of parking around! Hwy 401 and the downtown are easily accessible, waterfront setting and beautiful surroundings, tourists will love it, they can walk downtown and to their hotels, just like in Niagra Falls! City will only benefit, will bring lots of money/business/investors to Kingston! - don't build on 401 (like in Gan)
438	1226	No	I think that any buisness that brings more work to our area is a good idea.
439	2401	Yes	I think that it would be better to have the casino in the Township close to the 401 so that it would be easily assessible for people coming from other areas.
440	1552	Yes	I think that the increase in revenue would be offset by the increase needed in social services. I think that householders might reap some tax benefit but be left more at the mercy of petty crime.
441	2979	Yes	I think the "do-gooders" of Kingston should stop worrying about the "moral dilemma" of gambling. If people want to gamble they will-there is free shuttle to Gan several times a day. If so worried perhaps they should stop people from buying the hundreds of dollars of scratch tickets...
442	2878	Yes	I think the casino should stay in Gananoque to help the economy of the town.
443	2637	Yes	I think the city councillors fall over each other trying to be politically correct. Honestly everyone I talk to in my circle of friends and neighbours all feel Kingston made a mistake the last time not bringing in a casino and feel resigned to the notion that oh well that is just Kingston city council empowering their will on the citizens. Well, I believe the vast majority of residents of Kingston want some additional source of revenue and are fed up with constant increases in water and property taxes above inflation and want a casino to stop the bleeding. With any survey I think the non-supporters are the most well organized and vocal. Lets do the right thing and go forward with a casino.
444	2860	No	I think the city makes enough money just from parking tickets and permits that it shouldn't be trying to get more money from Kingstonians from a casino.
445	1998	Yes	I think the City needs to have a good plan for its future that encompasses the idea of sustainability, history, culture and ideas for tourism - summer theatre, biking packages, museums - keeping downtown alive.....
446	1821	Yes	I think the city should focus on using its money to just makes our social services more user friendly. Example, I hate that Kingston does not take half the recycling I could be putting out, nor does it even make it worth to recycling because of all the rules and regulations. So much is left in my bin each week, it is such a waste.
447	2948	Yes	I think the people answering this could be possibly mostly against a casino.. so this survey could be quite biased so not really very helpful to the City in making the decision.

448	763	Yes	I think the possibility of our city going for a casino is completely wrong-headed. It would not be a money-maker for the city but, like the KRock Centre, would make money for only a tiny number of 'connected' people and work for a small number. Minimum wage too, no doubt.
449	308	Yes	I think the pros and cons would need to be reviewed. This may look good for businesses. But may lead to addiction and other problems which would affect our local community. I think if it is decided to go ahead with this an open vote should be held for local residents to decide if this truly is something the city should go ahead with and then the majority rules.
450	521	Yes	I think there are already more than enough venues for gambling - casinos and thousands of lottery outlets
451	190	Yes	I think this is a fantastic idea, and sincerely hope it does develop!!!
452	1006	Yes	I think this is a great opportunity for Kingston and support it completely. We had the chance a few years ago and blew it. Don't do the same this time!
453	1448	Yes	I think this is a terrible idea, and would consider leaving Kingston if there was a casino downtown
454	341	No	I think this is just a money grab by kingston council to pad its bank account
455	1644	No	i think this will create jobs, but I do not think it fits kingston!
456	1465	Yes	I think we missed a great opportunity to establish a casino in the past and would like to see City Council take advantage of this opportunity.
457	2723	Yes	I think we need less costly studies and more residents inputs, like this survey for example, keep up the good.
458	2787	Yes	I think we should take this opportunity to bring some revenue into Kingston. I think building out near the 401 is the best suggestion.
459	1088	Yes	I truly believe this would be beneficial addition to our city. The positives outweigh the negatives of such a venture
460	1266	Yes	i understand people think that it will encourage gambling... not that i am promoting gambling but they will go elsewhere to do it... it isnt up to the public to decide what is right or wrong... my values are not the same as everyone elses and i dont want others values forced on me...this is a great opportunity that we missed out on once before because of the very same reason... others making the choice for us... we need this if our city is going to grow and mature..
461	720	Yes	I urge City staff and council to weigh the negative social impact of a potential casino against the short term gain.
462	1061	Yes	I want counsellors to make a decision based on the progress and future needs of Kingston and area and not on a few vocal people.
463	900	Yes	I want the city to build a casino. But not in the downtown area.

464	1850	No	I was a resident of Kingston for most of my life, and I love most of the things about the city. Casinos are not something I would want to see the city support. I have several members of my family and friends who have, or have had, massive debts due to gambling. Encouraging people in these economic times to spend money on something as pointless as gambling is not ethical or moral. Surely there are other businesses/projects less harmful that we could bring to the area.
465	2236	No	I was a resident of Kingston until 2 yrs ago. High cost of taxes and city services forced us to look at living outside the city. Any help with the taxes and fees on residents will encourage residence retention.
466	1514	Yes	I was confused at first due to the Mayor's poll on facebook and went there first, thinking that was the official poll. some residents will be hesitant to complete this poll, since you have to identity yourself.
467	65	Yes	I was very disappointed to hear that Kingston was entertaining this idea as I feel like one of the nice things about Kingston is that it doesn't subscribe to major gaming facilities. One of the things I like about Kingston is it's support of the health of its residents and this is a definite step in the opposite direction.
468	2037	Yes	I will actively oppose the idea of a casino in Kingston and will vote against any future candidate for mayor or other office who votes to bring a casino here.
469	990	Yes	I will be embarrassed if Kingston gets a Casino. I am in health care, and I think it will be a huge step backwards for the health of our population. Please spend the money on health promotion.
470	3072	Yes	I will be submitting a Letter.
471	2716	Yes	I will be watching very closely to see who and how our council votes on this contentious issue. You'd think we would have learned something about the downside of apparently great business ideas from the K-Rock debacle!
472	43	Yes	I will believe it when I see it. Love our City, but we sure have some short sighted residents with there own agenda's.
473	3200	Yes	I will forever remember which councillors supported and which councillors opposed the blood money revenue casino, and I will work against any supporting councillors in all future elections, municipal and other.
474	2797	Yes	i will not vote for any counselor/mayor who votes against the casinor
475	2231	Yes	I will not vote for any mayor who allows a casino within our city limits.
476	1211	Yes	I wish the mayor would respect what was said at the public meeting rather than insist that an online opinion survey is more accurate of the constituency.
477	600	Yes	I wish there never be a casino in Kingston and it can stay this beautiful full of history and family oriented safe town that I discovered and love so much.

478	2313	Yes	I wonder why the Province is willing to give up its monopoly on gambling. If there's so much money to be made why not control it like the LCBO? Seems like an abdication of responsibility unless, of course, there are great private sector Casino jobs waiting for the civil servants who support the whole idea.
479	2434	No	I work in kingston but live 20 minutes out of town, I rather go to kingston for the casino, then to drive to gan and then find somewhere to eat when I known places in kingston
480	2087	Yes	I worked and resided in Niagara Falls before and found that the casino was a huge success for the region.
481	2953	Yes	I would ask that Mr. Gerretsen and any other irresponsible councillor that is pro getting a casino go to one of the GA open meetings in Ottawa -- meetings that aren't full of rubby-dubs & low lifes but instead filled withseniors, widows, widowers, businessmen, military people who fell victim to the insidious gambling addiction. That any level of Government accepts that even a 2% risk of addiction being the cost of doing business is WRONG IN SO MANY WAYS. And will the private companies owning the casinos who have to do anything to increase the bottom line care at all about the long-term suffering it will cause society??
482	1837	Yes	I would ask those on council who are in favor of this move to do their research and not just accept the line from those who have the most to gain. Are the benefits that are put forth as reasons to have one clearly established and guaranteed? Ask those who give these supposed benefits to give you the stats from the communities who have benefited in the ways they are suggesting. You could also contact some of the <u>Chairs of downtown business in some of the cities that currently have Casinos.</u>
483	614	Yes	I would ask you to consider the down side to all this and how this has not made other communities better.
484	2529	Yes	I would be against it if they try to say put it downtown. I say put it out by the 401 or on macadoos lane.I dont gamble but I like the idea that it will have a entertainment built with it and a hotel. So Kingston it will draw the entertainment there.Thats why I say we should get it because the stupid krock will lose no matter what.The new casino well attracted the acts so lets think hard about it.In 10 years Gan received I think 30 million and mccoys bus took how many there and how many drove there? Do the math,again I dont gamble but im in favor because i see jobs and maybe our taxes not going up as much
485	3206	Yes	I would be concerned about the social problems associated with such establishments.

486	146	Yes	I would be interested in any contact local government has had with Sudbury, ON. It is a city about the same size as Kingston and has had a casino for roughly 10 years now. If I remember correctly, there was a lot of concerns when it first opened, especially about addictions, etc - but shortly after it opened till current the city has felt the positive effects of decent paying jobs, increased year round tourism, and citizens finding the casino as a local casual entertainment venue. They opened and promoted assistance with addictions, and staff was trained to watch for people that might have been there a bit *too* long. My thoughts would be to confirm Sudbury's reactions as far as the city benefits since the casino opened and advance from that point! Good luck, and I can't wait till I can play a few rounds of electronic slots without having to plan a day trip.
487	543	Yes	I would be really interested in the official opinion of the Kingston Police Force as to whether a casino is seen as an attractor of crime for a city.
488	1706	Yes	I would have supported it originally but no need to close Gan and build in Kingston.
489	1369	Yes	I would like a casino in Kingston, just not down town. There is no where to park now. Build it in Kingston just not down town. I don't gamble because I have no money to gamble with just being on ODSP but it would bring jobs to the city.
490	249	Yes	I would like to be anonymous for personal reasons, but I am a resident of Kingston.
491	2952	Yes	I would like to know more about how much of the profit from private casinos stays in the community versus the amount of profit that would leave the community.
492	1049	Yes	I would like to know why it is being considered now when 8 years ago a casino could have been put on block D and it wasn't. Now there is one in Gananoque and we would be stealing business from them because of indecision.
493	438	Yes	I would like to reiterate that as a family physician working with people who face mental health and addictions problems, the idea of City Council, which should prioritize the health of Kingston residents, bringing in an institution known to foster gambling, an addictive behavior, as well as often the overuse of alcohol, another addictive behavior, would be deeply disappointing to me.
494	742	Yes	I would like to rent a comfy bus and take the whole council and staff to Burlington Vermont where they have made their main street entirely car-less. Then I would like to fly them to Kelowna where they have turned their waterfront into a must see for tourists and residents. We could do both of these things in Kingston -- to the benefit of residents and tourists -- but for the lack of vision.

495	1349	Yes	I would like to say that I was very embarrassed when the Mayor at the time, wrote to Gananoque requesting some of the profits from their casino since so many Kingstonians went there after our city voted against a casino! No matter what decision is made there will be those disgruntled people out there petitioning, complaining, etc. and many haven't even voted. I personally am praying it doesn't go through. If it should the only good thing is that those working there cannot gamble there. Please think long and hard of the future repercussions for our city. Thank you.
496	32	Yes	I would like to see a plan for what the City would do w/ revenues from a proposed casino - I think that needs to be part of the plan prior to moving forward.
497	2548	Yes	I would like to see it a high end casino like niagara that attracts entertainment as well, and a dress code so you have to dress appropriately to be there, no flip-flops and shorts,
498	1484	Yes	I would like to see our leaders learn from history and take the high road of protection and preservation of the family. This is an important foundation in our city. Doing this would bring instability and erode important foundations within a great city.
499	1972	Yes	I would like to see the city focus its efforts on enticing IT and Hi-Tech industries to drive economic development. Check out the success of similar cities like Kamloops: http://www.venturekamloops.com/ http://kicstart.ca/about-us/
500	2013	Yes	I would like to see the city invest in other avenues for revenue earning, such as tourism. We should plan and work toward making Kingston more welcome to our tourists, since we have a natural attributes every tourist comes for - our fresh water lake at our doorstep. Improving our waterfront and good public transport would be my first steps.
501	1070	Yes	I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE LOCATION OF THE CASINO NEAR THE 401 HWY FOR EASY ACCESS FOR PATRONS AND ALSO ENABLE LOTS OF PARKING. THE DOWNTOWN HASN'T ENOUGH ROOM FOR MORE AUTO TRAFFIC AS THE K-ROC IS A GOOD INDICATION WHY PEOPLE DO NOT WANT TO ATTEND EVENTS.
502	70	Yes	I would like to suggest the location be where the Kingston Pen is on Sir John A and King Street. This has direct access to the 401 via Sir John A exit, is a very large site for parking and a new building, would attract and improve the existing Olympic harbour, a boardwalk with actual patio restaurants and shops. Call it Kingston Peer. It would be a huge success.
503	2560	Yes	I would like too see that all the proceeds of the casino stay in the city of Kingston and not go outside of the city. I would also hope that the new jobs that this will create would give Kingston residents first chance then go too the outside
504	755	Yes	I would love to see the Casino located at the Kingston Penn. It would be great if an investor would turn it into a hotel/casino - a one of a kind building.
505	1269	Yes	I would not be in favor of a casino in Kingston if it meant the closing of the Gananoque Casino.

506	1317	Yes	I would not like to see the casino built downtown. It would be better to have a location with lots of parking. I think that being downtown would create more traffic, parking problems, etc. It is bad enough as it is.
507	3100	Yes	I would not like to see the casino downtown, there has to be room for parking.
508	1140	Yes	I would not pay two cents for the opinion of Mr. Ed Smith and the Downtown Business Association, why, they are the ones who forced the location of the Entertainment Center Downtown, with their outrageous business forecasts, and look at how we are paying for it out of our Tax dollars and will continue to do so for the foreseeable future. I would suggest, tongue in cheek, that the Downtown Entertainment Center be sold to the OLG and a new arena located in a more favourable location. I am in favour of a Casino in <u>Kingston but not Downtown.</u>
509	1191	Yes	I would not support locating a casino in the downtown core as it would probably have adverse impact on existing downtown merchants. It should be in the East or West near 401 to provide ample parking and reduce the effects of the lighting pollution.
510	1719	Yes	I would rather have a lot of local businesses instead of big corporations, even if it means spending a little more money to support a local business.
511	1713	Yes	I would say to those who are against a casino, one will be in eastern Ontario, whether you like it or not, so why not have it here so we can control it (where the money earned ends up). Why not use all the revenue that would go to the city of Kingston for social programs...low income housing, addictions counseling, youth programs. Simply having it in Gan, doesn't stop the problems from occurring, they are simply in someone else's backyard. I am NOT in favor of making any great concessions to encourage them to locate here...don't want a <u>bidding war with other municipalities.</u>
512	383	Yes	I'd much prefer to see Kingston focussed on ways to attract real industry--job-generating organizations that actually CREATE something (other than social problems such as gambling addiction). Working more with our local college and universities to spin-off work and keep our graduates here, like Waterloo has done, or Cambridge, Mass.
513	2176	Yes	I'd rather fund Samba Maracuja as ambassadors of tourism and good will for this city. Extremely cost effective, more fun than, or adjunctive to, our Town Crier.
514	603	Yes	If a casino comes into this town I will sell my property immediately in order to avoid the decline in it's price because of the economic downturn a casino causes.
515	149	Yes	If a casino does come to the Greater Kingston area it should be located at the Invista Centre or somewhere else along the 401 where there is ample parking and where it would be easy for travelers to stop. Then the City could get the income from gambling without causing parking issues in the downtown as well as forfeiting the tax income from the slated housing.

516	3104	Yes	If a casino in Kingston is given the go ahead, it should be established before one is built what percentage of the profits will go to the City for infrastucture and policing.
517	2169	Yes	If a casino is allowed in Kingston it will be very hard to get rid of if we realize this was the wrong decision. We must make the right decision now and not allow a casino here. There are plenty in Ontario already.As a small business owner struggling to keep customers this would definitely hurt my bottom line, people only have so much money to spend.
518	400	Yes	if a casino is brought in, i will participate actively to remove elected officials who support this kind of industry.
519	1089	Yes	If a casino is built, I would like to see it located away from the downtown and closer to the 401. I think having it downtown would allow those who can't afford it and other younger people easier access than if it wasn't downtown. Also parking will be an issue, especially when other events are on (Frontenacs and concerts). I'm all for a casino if it isn't downtown.
520	1669	Yes	If a Casino is necessary, there is the Gananoque establishment. The location is not far from Kingston, and the 1000 Islands is a Tourist area.
521	2107	No	If a casino was to come to Kingston I think that there should be more consideration to build it more in the west end than in the downtown core or in an area closer to the 401. There is more than enough traffic congestion downtown since the K-Rock Centre was built in a not so great location. You try and go downtown for a nice dinner or a walk an the traffic is horrific.
522	167	Yes	If a casino were built, the location should NOT be downtown were parking is already impossible and the infrastructure is fragile and in need if repairs. Consider developing areas that gives good accessibility
523	2449	Yes	If Dorthoy Hector wants my vote next election, she must vote against the casino
524	2451	Yes	If Dorthy Hector wants my vote next election she must vote against the casino.
525	2530	Yes	If downtown doesn't want it put it in West Kingston on Gardiners at the 401. With the Invista nearby it might attract more hotels and retaurants to the west end. The formerly rejected waterpark would clinch top tourism spot. None of the issues in Q5 are valid. Traffic and parking wouldn't be a problem in the west end. Gananoque has proven it makes more than it costs. Kingstonians already have free access to the Gan casino via free shuttles so we reap the problems but not the rewards and we have no control.
526	2934	Yes	If for some reason the casino does get built in Kingston, please keep it away from the downtown core.
527	10	Yes	If it happens, I vote putting it in the west end, near the highway so it won't ruin downtown.
528	2922	Yes	If it is approved, I would suggest putting it outside of the downtown core towards the 401 for better access and parking. People will still go to the downtown core.

529	98	Yes	If it prevents just one person from becoming addicted is the only reason, then that should be enough.
530	1744	Yes	If it was a bad idea then why is Gananoque fighting so hard to keep their casino
531	2851	Yes	If it works in Gananoque then why not here ?
532	2561	No	if kingston does get a casiono dont building downtwon go out off the 401 where the old horse track used to be
533	2512	Yes	If Kingston does get a casino, it should not be downtown because of parking and traffic problems.
534	1156	Yes	If Kingston doesn't have a casino people will go elsewhere for it. Why not keep the income here?
535	440	Yes	IF KINGSTON HAS MONEY TO THROW INTO A CASINO, WHY NOT PUT MONEY INTO MORE PRODUCTIVE INNITIATIVES FOR SENIORS, YOUTH OFFENDERS AND GROUP HOMES FOR MENTALLY CHALLENGED.
536	1685	Yes	If Kingston is determined to have a casino, turn the KRock centre into a casino and take the revenues from it to refurbish the Memorial centre into a good hockey/skating rink venue.
537	2639	No	If passed, the location should be close to the 401 for easy access and free parking. Parking large enough to park motorhomes and buses. If planned for the downtown core, I would not be in favour due to traffic congestion already experienced in the City.
538	1447	Yes	If people are concerned about a Casino in Kingston creating more addiction, addicts will go wherever they have to in order to satisfy their addiction, so that seems like a weak argument that really should have no bearing on where a Casino is located.I also don't understand the argument that local businesses will not benefit from having a Casino in the city. When I occassionally go to a City with a Casino for the purpose of gambling, I also buy gas, sometime groceries and usually stay in a hotel and therefore go to restaurants and fast food establishments for my meals. As a City that has alot of Government based property (tax reduced), we could likely really use the revenue that a Casino would generate.I think that location appears to be a major issue and downtown is not a good idea. The downtown business people that don't want it in their neighbourhood should get what they want (as lame as I believe that to be).I don't currently go downtown so it wouldn't change my way of life if it wasn't located there. Kingston should be looking at west end(Midland/401) or east end (MacAdoos Lane/Montreal St.) as possible areas that would leave the downtown core more family (and student/bar hub) oriented
539	1490	Yes	If people do not want it in Kingston because they may have gambling problems which i feel bad for them than they should stop the shuttle bus from McCoy that goes to Gananoque casino several times a time if you want to gamble you can just get on the bus and you can go stop making it that easy for people to get to Gananoque.

540	2925	Yes	If people really want to gamble now, McCoy offers a bus trip there and back so the accessibility issue is a joke. Kingston has lost enough jobs, etc over the years we need the revenue. I don't see that Gananoque has turned into a cesspool after having had the casino there for years why would Kingston after all we've weather having 5 prisons in the area. I'm very sure this brought more of a criminal element to the City of Kingston than the casino could.
541	237	Yes	If people were going to gamble away all of their money they can always do it in Gananoque.
542	2869	Yes	If put in the proper location it would not cause traffic problems???
543	2675	Yes	If someone is a problem gambler, a casino is not going to be the cause - they right now can purchase lotto tickets anywhere in the city - or gamble on line at home. People who go to casino's are not all problem gamblers, start having a problem, or are social misfits. You can go to a casino with a group of people as a social outlet, and have fun.
544	1509	Yes	If such a thing happens and the casino does come to Kingston why not put it where it is convenient to the 401. and the parking is better than it is down town
545	1962	Yes	If the casino comes to Kingston make sure that it is in the correct place, with ample parking, and is in the right hands. Do not bend to the affluent in Kingston to put this on their property - for once make the correct decisions for all Kingston's residents.
546	1519	Yes	If the Casino project is motivated only by the revenue gains to the city, I consider it to be immoral to be raising money on the backs of those who (generally) can least afford it. There must be a better way to raise money than to pander to a human weakness which usually leads to more serious problems for the individuals and the social structure the longer it continues.
547	2709	Yes	If the City chooses to encourage a casino in the city, hopefully it will NOT be in the down town area. If it is placed in the city core, many local business owners will lose customers due ro increased tragic and lack of parking.
548	1289	Yes	If the city continues to pass on new business that can help it to grow, there is no point to ever hoping for this place to truly become a place where the younger generation wants to stay and work.
549	204	Yes	If the city does decide to add a casino, I would not want to have it downtown. I would prefer to see it in the eastern part of the city and closer to the 401. Also, if this came to fruition, the design of the casino should be highly reminiscent of Kingston's heritage and architectural characteristics.
550	1090	Yes	If the city wants to support tourism, it should continue to support downtown. This casino would almost certainly not be downtown if it is privately built. It would be wasteful to close the Gan casino after only a few years of operation.
551	1159	Yes	IF the decision to build a casino does go forward, the casino should NOT be located anywhere near downtown. It will not bring more business downtown as those who come to the casino typically do so only for the casino and not for local businesses. This has been shown in numerous published studies.

552	2102	Yes	If the majority says "YES" to the Casino project, then I would hope it's site will be as far as possible from any residential areas, schools, churches or hospitals ...etc. My opinion on gambling: Addiction to gambling is the root of many social and economic problems, and we already know that. It is not a good sight at all to see seniors with limited income and health problems, spending their money gambling with false hopes to win BIG. In my opinion, gambling is a serious social problem, no less than drug addiction or alcohol abuse.
553	376	Yes	If the proposed idea is passed ideal location would and should be considered in the west end . Some key points why: Easier access from the 401 its a newer ,fresher area. Its roads are already more equipped to handle heavy traffic then any down town location.
554	2810	Yes	If there is a casino it should not be downtown.
555	2542	Yes	if there is a casino...what is the City of Kingston's plan to give money to groups that help people with gambling addictions?
556	1105	Yes	If this casino is denied, please don't embarrass Kingstonians by asking the community who gets it for money for our 'hospitals' again.
557	2736	Yes	If this goes through any good opinion I may have had of many on this council and particularly the mayor will be destroyed.
558	1065	Yes	If we are to put a hold on property tax's then we as a city have to grow up and welcome investment. maybe the the Kingston pen would be a good location.
559	916	Yes	if we can,t have a casino, we could put in some slot machines in the krock centre for a year to see what that brings in,plus might get some use out of that place in the day time.
560	1953	Yes	if we had the time to investigate, i would be checking withe the police departmentsa, addiction centers and city councils to hear their wisdom.the time line means we should get it & cancel later if nor acceptable.
561	290	Yes	If you have a gambling problem, the fact that there's a casino in Kingston will make no difference - driving to Gananoque or taking a free bus ride is easy to do.
562	377	Yes	If you must have a casino in Kingston do like Gananoque and put it outside of town near the 401.
563	2818	Yes	If you must have a casino there is only one place for it. In the White Elephant on The Tragically Hip Way. Let's Make Kingston the Niagara Falls of Ontario East.
564	1200	Yes	If you pass up the chance this time for a casino,the populations of Belleville and Gananoque will be very pleased (particularly Gan) I've gone to Gan many times and when we've had enough gaming we go out to local establishments to eat. Opponents of the casino talk about drug dealers and prostitution ,I've been to many casinos all over and have never witnessed this.I hope when all is taken into account , Kingston supports the casino.

565	2630	Yes	If you require an open & honest response why are you asking for personal information. This will eliminate a huge number of Kingston residences who value their privacy. BIG MISTAKE unless done intentionally.
566	3001	Yes	I'm disgusted with the thought of the small minded who are thinking of such a bad idea. If i was in council i would fight this and that is why i am taking the time to write to you. I think it is important to STOP and move on to better things for our city.
567	2762	Yes	I'm a downtown business and property owner
568	1568	No	I'm a frequent visitor to Kingston throughout the year. Kingston already has enough social problems, and I truly feel the downtown doesn't need this. I expect it to cost a lot more than what it will bring from visitors from A. Bay, etc.
569	1408	No	I'm a Queen's grad who would be less likely to return in the future given the likely outcomes of building a casino.
570	1277	Yes	I'm afraid that the noisy minority will railroad this issue and we will never see a casino in this city.
571	713	Yes	I'm convinced that the short term gain in revenue is outweighed by the long term pain of gambling addiction. Please say no to the OLG even if it means a tax increase.
572	3078	Yes	I'm glad to have an opportunity to comment, and I hope that our city council has the wisdom to act in our children's best interest.
573	866	Yes	I'm in agreement for supporting a Casino only if it would be located in an industrial area of the city. Casinos located around residential neighborhoods cause grief, traffic and other problems associated with non residential persons.
574	837	Yes	I'm in favor, as long as the location is in a proper area, plenty of parking, access and it doesn't disrupt other businesses like the Krock centre. Also if the construction is done by local businesses and not from Montreal or elsewhere out of the city.
575	1024	Yes	I'm in fervent support as I'm a poker player, and would love to not have to travel a long way to play at a nice table for reasonably low stakes like 1/2\$ blinds. People who say casinos are amoral or create problems have no idea as to the nature of addiction or to the principles of life choice. I'm all for this.
576	2450	Yes	I'm not in favour of putting a casino close to KRock
577	2435	Yes	I'm only in support of a casion if it is located downtown.
578	2240	Yes	I'm sure Mark Gerretson can find other ways to leave his mark (pun intended), rather than this inane casino debate that is now coming around for the second time. LET IT GO!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
579	577	Yes	I'm surprised that this is being brought and it should be left where it is. Never brought to Kingston. It is a negative thing to bring into the city and not very nice for tourists.

580	2295	Yes	I'm very concerned about financial decisions being made ahead of moral decisions. Gambling addiction has many negative spinoffs and the social network of Kingston is already too thin to handle the drug and alcohol addictions that are prevalent. Adding gambling to the mix will only put more pressure on the social system.
581	116	Yes	I'm weary of traffic and parking always rearing their heads in every issue Kingston faces. These tax dollars could help bring in funds to infrastructure improvements
582	606	Yes	In addition to a casino, I would love to see Kingston with a large convention center on the waterfront.
583	1541	Yes	In addition to being opposed to the establishment of a casino in Kingston, I am against the Province's new approach to casinos in general. (1) Contracting out to the private sector will simply divert an even larger portion of the economy to the (most likely foreign-based) casino operators and outside of Ontario. (2) Casinos are simply a way of diverting people's spending into an unproductive funnel and away from the purchase of goods and services that are essential parts of the Province's economy. (3) Expansion of access to casinos will exacerbate the attendant social problems which have an unmeasured but very significant cost to society.
584	3070	Yes	In all probability a community along this highway 401 will be home to a large casino venue, Kingston would be the best location. Please investigate the Windsor Casino and the impact (taxes and other spinoff)Cezars Windsor has placed on their city.
585	280	Yes	In my Opinion. We as a viable city was deprived of the opportunity to indicate a want for the original OLG casino. When the original referendum for a casino in the area was made known to the residence of this fine city. Our City Council had already decided we did not want to participate and was duly excluded from the bidding process. We know now what a misjudgement that was and will be again if we would pass up another opportunity for such a venue in our immediate city boundaries. Although privatisation of a casino will definitely limit supportive returns that has been enjoyed by present municipal governments who supported the original casino. I believe the spin offs of casino in our city alone will produce valuable assets to business and our local economy. I also would see the forgotten Frontenac Downs area as a very appealing site for such a venue, how sweet it could be.....
586	2270	Yes	In support of its principles, Frontenac Community Mental Health and Addiction Services has historically refused to engage in gambling activities to raise funds. In light of the debate of casino development, the Board of Directors of Frontenac Community Mental Health and Addiction Services would like to be recorded as in the opposition to casinos in Ontario and in particular Frontenac County.
587	992	Yes	In Sydney, Nova Scotia it has caused a lot of harm to Seniors to the extent some have lost all of their savings

588	140	Yes	Instead of a casino, we should be focusing on making this city a nice place to raise a family. There are tons of people retiring here, but not a lot to keep a young family interested in staying here. I have a small child, but am debating moving away because it is becoming clear to me that the city values it's tourists more than the residents.
589	2579	Yes	Instead of a private company working in tandem with OLGK why don't we have the city of Kingston become the partnerthe monetary returns would be greater. The native reserves seem to benefit from this arrangement.
590	2477	Yes	Is there any way the city of Kingston could join force with Gananoque in splitting the current revenue by providing bus services to the Casino from Kingston and or a better door to door service for those wishing to game and have a drink or two?
591	791	Yes	It (having a casino in Kingston) just seems like a dumb idea. I don't see it doing much to enhance the downtown and I believe it will simply siphon away money from current downtown establishments, including the K-Rock Centre, and not add any benefit to the City over the long term.
592	1138	Yes	It can be too easy to chase what looks like "easy money". But when something looks too easy (or good to be true) it usually is. The costs and risks of this type of venture outweigh any dollars it might provide to the city.
593	867	Yes	It is a wasteful proposition that is taking time away from more deserving issues.
594	2849	Yes	It is about time that Kingston stands up and starts going after progressive objectives and moving towards growing out great city.
595	2432	Yes	It is long over due and would be a great opportunity for Kingston.
596	126	Yes	It is my opinion that Kingston turning down a casino years ago was a mistake. Gananoque has made substantial revenue from having the casino, it has created jobs, and many Kingston residents travel to Gananoque to spend their money. Why not have the money return to Kingston?
597	2872	Yes	It is possible to allow the city to grow without losing its small-town character. However, we ratepayers need to see that council is doing its part to attract business to the city, instead of constantly raiding the bank accounts of ratepayers. If the city is to survive, council must broaden the tax base for revenues.
598	2754	No	It is simply a waste of time and effort. Much better to work on attracting less controversial and more widely accepted forms of investment. Think about families and young people, not "easy money". Think of the Olympics! Kingston has such a good start, so do not risk this on such a questionable enterprise. (I was a resident from 1986-2005, and proud owner of two homes in K-town - take care of what you have - I hope to return one day!)

599	2655	Yes	It is so sad that the province has chosen this shameful method of revenue collection. While the city would receive a "cut", it is probably not enough to offset the costs (both social and financial). Most of the gamblers would be our own citizens as there are too many casinos proposed for Ontario. The idea that tourists will come here is highly speculative if there are casinos in Belleville, Peterborough, Ottawa, etc. This is all so very sad.
600	757	Yes	It is time the city go with the changing times. Get out of the dark ages
601	1952	Yes	It is time the members of City Council supported new ventures for the city of Kingston.
602	118	Yes	It is unfortunate that there will be negative voices that will try to detract. I feel it is fun to do the casino once in a while.
603	2802	No	It is very doubtful that revenue from the casino, should it be decided by council to approve opening one in the city, would be used to assist those citizens who live in poverty - more affordable housing, etc.
604	1542	Yes	It isn't a moral argument for me per se. Problem gamblers will find an outlet regardless of where a casino is, and I'm not at all concerned with crime etc. OLG runs a good organization. However, I don't wish to enable any of these behaviours further and believe that the benefits are minimal to the community. I don't support lotteries etc either, these are a tax on the poor and a terrible wasteful way to redistribute income despite the gleam of dollars in the eyes of the mayor. If this is his best solution he isn't trying hard enough.
605	2972	Yes	It makes sense to keep the funds spent within our City, instead of travelling to the OLG in Gan! As well with nothing really close to the highway the extra pers and money brought in from the pers travelling from the East would help the City.
606	2149	Yes	It really is about economic spin off and what this can do for our community. We all hear about the negative effects of having a casino in our community, however, there are positive effects as well. The provincial government has seen fit to allow gambling and are reaping the benefits of it. In fact the question being posed to our council is all based around expanding gambling in the province. As a community we cannot stop gambling in the province and those who are negatively affected by it will seek it out no matter where it is located. Given this, our community must not opt out of having a casino in our community
607	1575	Yes	It seems obvious that this is a shameful down-loading of liabilities by the Prov.I would hope our elected members are wise to it.Please don't roll the dice and gamble away the great city of Kingston.
608	1553	Yes	it should be a vote, you would get a better result for whether the residents want the casino or not.
609	2072	Yes	It should be at Lake Ontario Park. Look at the model of the Turning Stone Casino. A beautiful hotel,lots of parking,easy to get to from 401,location,location!! Can easily expand.

610	2175	Yes	It should be close to the 401 to allow easy access to tourists and parking. Maybe near the King's Crossing shopping area (has shopping, restaurants, hotels and parking already).
611	1592	Yes	it should be located at the old race track on division so the horse racing can happen again.
612	1437	Yes	It should be possible to assess the benefits of a casino after ten years of data from Gananoque, a much smaller community. To me, it is not clear they have benefited.
613	2595	Yes	It should not be located in the downtown core it needs to be located in an area that allows for ample parking
614	1245	Yes	It should not be located in the downtown core, but rather in the West or North end of the city with easy access to 401 and parking. The downtown should retain the beauty and history fitting for "First Capital"
615	3088	No	It totally doesn't make any sense to leave a building that is new and already setup for the casino and has room to expand! Leave it where it is!
616	191	Yes	It was decided awhile ago that we did not want a casino here. Although I agree that things change I think that this decision was the correct one and should still stand.
617	3006	No	It will affect more than Kingston. It will likely affect the surrounding areas; including Loyalist Township where I live.
618	3101	Yes	IT WON'T BE TO ANY ADVANTAGE TO DOWNTOWN BUSINESS BECAUSE PATRONS WILL EAT AND STAY AT THE CASINO AND THERE IS NO PARKING AVAILABLE NOT WHAT NEEDED FOR A CASINO
619	1005	Yes	It would be a nightmare downtown, casino-goers tend to do all their business inside the Casino. And if it were outside of town, why should we support it?
620	2858	Yes	It would be completely inappropriate and unconscionable to build a casino in downtown Kingston.
621	646	Yes	It would be good to be more intentional and pro-active about what kind of an image/attraction we would like to present to those who choose Kingston as a travel destination.
622	583	Yes	it would be great for the city and attract alot of people would definately be a popular spot and great investment for the city
623	3130	Yes	It would be irresponsible to turn down an opportunity to increase our tax base, when we have an infrastucture that is badly in need of repair.
624	2694	Yes	It would be just another tax grab and a re-enforcement of the "something for nothing" attitude. It will instill any kind of work ethic or opportunity to create real products or jobs that will endure to make this city something to be proud of. Shame on the city officials that would even consider this 'Quick Fix' because of their inability to manage our tax dollars properly.

625	1834	Yes	It would be nice if our folks at City Hall spent their time, and our taxes, on something that is constructive. This questionnaire seems a little slanted in favour of the pro casio side.
626	3170	Yes	It would have been helpful for elected officials not to express their views until they had done their research (a lot of research). It seems to me that those who have expressed their opinion one way or another, have tried to sway the people. People see through this sort of "persuasion." This has become an unnecessarily divisive issue.
627	1923	Yes	It would increase the use of cabs in Kingston, instead of Gananoque cabs bringing people back into Kingston
628	2985	Yes	It would take courage and wisdom to act against the tide of casino money to which a wealth of communities are becoming increasingly addicted. The communities may not see or experience the cost, only the revenue. This unfortunately doesn't mean that the exorbitant price in the wreckage of human lives isn't extolled in tandem with the revenue.
629	2735	Yes	It's a terrible idea to have a casino in Kingston. Where, regarding supposed revenues from a casino, is the money really coming from? Local residents? Addicted gamblers? People on fixed incomes? It comes from losers, and Kingston should profit from those? My Kingston has moral standards, and should not squander these away for the sake of a few bucks.
630	706	Yes	It's all about morals. Why place a potential addiction in front of a city, would you do that with drugs or alcohol?
631	1704	Yes	It's been turned down more than once so why now, Gan needs it more than we do as there is no end to raises in kingston fees now.
632	2733	Yes	It's beyond comprehension that the city would turn down an opportunity like this.
633	2945	Yes	It's clear that if one has an open mind (that is : "let the majority decide" - and I don't mean the majority of those who turn up for a meeting!!), at THIS stage, without the OLG providing info on costs and benefits and so forth, there is insufficient data to be rationally against or for a casino. However if today I have to decide for or against...I would respond that Ganonogue deserves the opportunity to continue in business - BUT let's ensure that the private operator (local or otherwise) has to follow Ontario Provincial rules about - for instance minimum % returned by slots to players, "Over the life of the machine"). The worst outcome will be if private entrepreneurs are left to rip off unsuspecting players, and to impose charges and fees as they may fancy!!! And the City Council ignores/forgets, heaven forbid, its obligation to reduce local taxes and decides to push some ego-boosting project, and then another and then another.

634	1395	Yes	It's important to have the casino outside of downtown Kingston. It is already crowded and impossible to find parking. Out by hwy. 401 and Division or Gradiners and hwy 401 would be ideal locations.
635	1611	Yes	It's location should NOT be downtown. Period!!
636	650	No	its money, so i assume, it will go ahead. so please just have the councelling for ppl and promote an atmosphire that encourages REASONSIBLE gambling. and DONT cash checks. we all know thats ment for rent so lets not pretend that ppl will b responsible and say its on them.
637	1539	Yes	It's not about whether downtown restaurants will get more patrons, or if downtown hotels will rent another room. It's about getting money from a source other than the taxpayer. No new recent industry or business in kingston other than restaurants. This is the new industry.
638	808	Yes	its time for this city to move into the 21st century!! we need any jobs we can get. this city seems to make things to difficult for any new industry or investment then wonder why there is no growth here!
639	861	Yes	It's time Kingston gets with the times and grows as a city, too many people leave this city for other places because there are no jobs and that there is nothing to do here, wake up Kingston...!!! The time is now.
640	1464	Yes	IT'S TIME TO CHANGE FOR THE BETTER..LET'S DO THIS PUT KINGSTON ON THE MAP.
641	1132	Yes	I've read from various Council member that the money being generated by the Casino (if it was here) would help out the City's financial woes. Kingston doesn't have a financial problem, Kingston has a spending problem. Look at our debt payment already; The K Rock, Grand, Police HQ's, Maintenance Garage, Counter Street, new Pool at the Memorial Center, the new Childrens Aid building.'HUGE' How is it that they managed their operation in a much smaller location and now they have this huge building. I wonder how much money went in to that building? and, how will that expenditure affect the money that should be spent to achieve the goals of helping the Children? Finally, the third crossing, studies etc., and the final cost. Is there a spending problem Darn tootin'. Oh, forgot about Lake Ontario Park.
642	133	Yes	Just because the province has decided to change the rules doesn't make it right for "us" to screw our neighbours
643	2083	Yes	Just because we don't have a casino doesn't mean Kingstonians don't gamble, lots of them are bussing to Gananoque. Sure some people go overboard with gambling, but some people also buy too many lottery tickets, booze and cigarettes, but that has to be their personal choice, we can't try to stop everyone from doing everything. I read quarterly in the paper how much revenue Gananoque is raking in from their casino. THEY ARE THE SMART ONES!
644	1733	Yes	Just bring it on and people will come.

645	163	Yes	just get on with it. It's a wonder council can make any decisions the way it currently operates!! Having the casino would help reduce household taxes which should be council's priority. look at gananoque and how they have used the money to improve their infrastructure!!
646	444	Yes	Just remember that you are not health professionals. Debate only the question in hand which is " Does the City want a gaming facility?"
647	2058	Yes	Just want to focus attention to the possible new jobs it would create. There are call centres that are on the verge of closing in the next year maybe two. This would bring jobs to a city that will need them desperately when the call centres do eventually close.
648	418	Yes	Keep gambling out of downtown!!!
649	1393	Yes	KEEP GROWING IN INDUSTRY NOT SHORT TERM MONEY MAKING SCHEMES.
650	247	No	Keep Kingston the way it is..Beautiful and the top place in Canada to live.
651	741	Yes	Keep our city as healthy and safe as possible. Do not bring in "developments" that undermine the social fabric of our community. Also, please don't call gambling "gaming"; it is bad English and just a pitiful attempt to whitewash a social evil.
652	1012	Yes	Keep the Casino in Gananoque
653	1950	Yes	Kelowna has a lovely casino and is a lovely city but it has problems with Hell's Angels.
654	3236	Yes	Kingston citizens should decide whether a casino should be added to Kingston. This descision should not be made by a roomful of councillors where they think it should be downtown and a nightmare to find when coming off the 401 highway. If so then it should be accessible to all - not in the Kingston downtown with no parking.
655	2094	Yes	Kingston City Council should vote to leave the existing casino in Gananoque.
656	2454	Yes	Kingston does NOT need a casino, the one in Gananoque is close enough.
657	1073	Yes	Kingston had it's chance 10 years ago and they said NO. It's quite obvious that greed is the main driving force behind this new proposal. Shameful.
658	1654	Yes	Kingston had there chance...Let it stay in Gan
659	329	No	Kingston had there opportunity 10 years ago. Too late now.
660	3256	Yes	Kingston has a vibrant downtown, something that many cities lost years ago. I grew up in Guelph whose downtown never recovered from the advent of shopping malls and the neglect of the downtown core. Kingston is rare in not having gone that route. Future generations will thank those who vote against a casino and for preserving what is valuable beyond measure.
661	1934	Yes	Kingston has been blessed with being a somewhat ideal place for families to live in, and for students to pursue their studies. Please do not turn the city into a hub for criminals. Gambling does more harm than good. Please do not let this pass. Thank you and wishing you all the best.

662	2721	Yes	Kingston has the KRC, a giant money pit, that has proven to NOT be able to bring in its intended revenue (not even to cover the cost of its construction). Why should Kingston build something that ould KNOWINGLY rake in money from residents who have addictions? It makes no sense, and really makes me re-consider living in this city.
663	1597	No	Kingston is a beautiful family friendly city. Why change that perspective by adding an adult entertainment facility?
664	281	Yes	Kingston is a city with an interesting history. Las Vegas, the center of gaming, has no history that anyone remembers.
665	291	Yes	Kingston is a History City as long as you put Heritage First a Casino development would be fantastic!
666	3118	Yes	Kingston is known for it's natural beauty-I believe that the introduction of gaming facilities may end up costing the city because of social issues,and criminal elements that will strain our policing ,and other emergency services..and perhaps down the road,a place one doesn't wish to visit because of such things..
667	486	Yes	Kingston is making an effort to be more sustainable and more "green". I feel that gambling is going the other direction. In order for someone to win, someone must lose.
668	636	Yes	Kingston is not the place for a casino. We have too many prisons and inmates that stay after release. This casino is just an evil thing that feeds greed and crime. Council should put their energy to maintaining the streets and the city, period.
669	530	Yes	Kingston is too close to Gananoque, a casino in Kingston would mean splitting the business, and both casinos would not do well
670	484	Yes	Kingston is trying to be the greenest city in Canada, a place where we can live in harmony with each other and the environment. The whole premise of casino gambling is that others must lose for me to win. This represents the worst side of human nature and is incompatible with our green goals.
671	2218	Yes	Kingston IS unique. We already have a very strong tourism base and a casino should enhance our overall entertainment offering to tourists. If Council insists that as part of our approval the new casino provide a convention facility then we would guarantee new visits to our city that would in turn drive the casino AND our existing business infrastructure!
672	2063	Yes	Kingston is, more or less, a university town. An unwelcome facility should be a big attraction for students who could be involuntarily sucked into gaming rather than being immersed in studies.
673	2612	Yes	Kingston made a huge mistake when they chose not to open the casino several years ago that eventually opened in Gananoque. The money that the city would get would be a huge help in preventing our city taxes from spiraling out of control they way they have been.
674	2611	Yes	Kingston missed out the first time around. Don't do it again!
675	1247	Yes	Kingston needs more jobs

676	1873	Yes	Kingston needs this new source of revenue.
677	401	Yes	Kingston needs this,we need some new attractions.
678	2690	Yes	Kingston needs tourism to continue to prosper and grow, we need this casino.
679	2880	Yes	Kingston should be working hard to keep the downtown family friendly with good schools, interesting shops, and well-maintained homes. Without these, the tourist industry will dry up, and retirees will choose to take their money elsewhere.
680	2115	Yes	Kingston should concentrate on making Kingston a beautiful heritage city, not try to be a "big city".
681	573	Yes	Kingston should focus on beautifying its downtown, creating a beach area and waterfront parks and cafes there and helping businesses to stay downtown. That will attract tourists for sure.
682	1594	Yes	Kingston should have gotten a casino instead of Ganananoque.
683	1218	Yes	Kingston should have had a casino when the one in Gan was being discussed but instead the city council said no!! May be too late to start this now but I would still be in favour if there is a market for it!
684	1101	Yes	kingston should have had the casino the first time it was offered years ago. just look at the money the gananoque casino has generated for that area. If the naysayers are so sure it is not a good thing, then look at the people of gan who are fighting to keep the casino there. I personally am not a gambler, but I am an interested citizen who only wants the best for our city. I know we are a conservative lot, but let us be realistic. that amount of money coming into our city can only be a good thing. as for those who claim it will encourage gambling addictions, the gan casino is only a 20 minute drive away, and people who are, or who become addicted, will find a way to gamble, be it in a casino, online, or any other of the many ways available. let us not drag our fee on this issue
685	1311	Yes	Kingston will have problem gamblers and social fallout regardless of the location of an Eastern Ontario casino. We might as well reap some of the financial rewards. The fear of gambling tourists spending all of their money at at the casino are not completely valid. This may apply to some but many will bring families with members who are not gamblers and who will shop, eat, and look for other entertainment or recreation in Kingston. In addition, many gamblers use it as one form of entertainment, and will devote a predetermined amount of funds to gambling while spending other money in local establishments. A casino will likely make other sources of high quality entertainment available to local residents and allow them to spend more of their entertainment dollar in Kingston rather than travellig elsewhere to nearby Canadian or U.S cities

686	979	Yes	Kingstonians are fed up with large venue entertainment centres being shoe horned into our downtown core. Many city residents refuse to support the K Rock Centre simply because of its location. Don't make the same mistake again!
687	1508	Yes	Kingston's image/brand/reputation among visitors and residents - like that of Disney World which opposed casinos vehemently - depends on remaining clean, wholesome, family-friendly and free of institutionalized vice. A casino will damage Kingston's brand and result in reduced family tourism and fewer new residents moving here. Read about Disney's anti-casino stance here: http://articles.orlandosentinel.com/2011-11-05/news/fl-disney-asserts-clout-in-gambling-debate-20111105_1_destination-casinos-casino-license-disney-spokesman-mike-griffin
688	212	Yes	Leave it alone.....be a good neighbor!
689	2259	Yes	LEAVE THE CASINO IN GANANOQUE!! WE DIDN'T WANT IT WHEN IT WAS OFFERED AND NOW WE DO BECAUSE IT IS A MONEY MAKER!?! SHAME!! GAN DESERVES TO KEEP THEIR CASINO! THEY DESPERATELY NEED THE JOBS & REVENUE!!
690	475	Yes	Leave the Casino in Gananoque. Even discussing this is an insult and a threat to our friends and neighbours in Gananoque. This is not how friends treat each other. It is how a jealous child acts.
691	3264	Yes	Leave this idea alone. Gananoque has a casino, Gatineau has one, they are close enough, let them keep theirs.
692	2834	Yes	Let Gananoque keep its "treasure" it is unfair now there is a casino in Gan to take it away, we should think outside our own narrow boundaries. Kingston has branded itself as a historic gem and cultural centre, a casino is a blight on that!
693	1565	Yes	Let Gananoque keep their casino. Kingstonians who want to gamble already find ways to get there, and it fits much better with Gananoque's tourism style.
694	1113	Yes	Let me be clear, I am dead against a casino like the 1000 Islands casino. I would much prefer a place that does more than slots and jack tables such as live entertainment shows (hiring local entertainment) with a community driven organization wishing to be involved in the community. As for any possible locations of the planned new casino, I wouldn't mind having a casino downtown or by the highway. But I would like to see redevelopment of downtown (near the KRock centre) with the idea of mixed use/multi-purpose type buildings as proposed years ago. Building one big casino on that land would be a waste. The space by the Krock should have be higher density with residential and retail spaces etc.
695	2971	Yes	let some other place have it we should concentrate on real, sustainable, socially responsible and environmental business and development. Let's not sell out our city's health for money.

696	591	Yes	Let the Casino remain in Gananoque. It is very unfriendly to compete with Gananoque!
697	2326	Yes	Let's be progressive. I am frustrated everytime I hear of quarterly OLGC cheques going to the Town of Gananoque. To make our great city prosper, we need all avenues of income so that our property taxes are not the only source of finances for growth.
698	2093	Yes	Let's build this city on a solid foundation, not on businesses like privately-owned gambling dens (an invitation to organized crime? bikers? prostitution?)
699	762	Yes	Let's concentrate on making this a wonderful city without using gambling proceeds.
700	518	Yes	Let's get the K-Rock Centre making some money. If we can't manage it, why are we setting out on something new?
701	2220	Yes	Let's improve upon the great things we already have in Kingston. Make this a more family-oriented city.
702	1747	Yes	lets just see how many people will lose their house or business due to their gambling problems and it being at their front door...
703	3183	Yes	Let's not bring a business of highly questionable value (on many levels) to Kingston and at the same time endanger our longstanding relationship with our good neighbour, Gananoque.
704	1647	Yes	Let's not make a mistake this time, like Kingston did years ago when Gan got the nod for a casino.
705	1642	Yes	Let's not make it too easy for people to throw away their money. Most people lose their money at a casino. I think Kingston will earn a lot of brownie points if it leaves the current situation the way it is in Gan.
706	1966	Yes	LETS NOT MISS THE BOAT THIS TIME!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
707	2227	Yes	Let's not miss this opportunity again to help Kingston provide a service to increase the value of our community to all areas of business, tourism and it's citizens.
708	839	Yes	Let's not miss this opportunity, we did once!
709	1540	Yes	Let's put our efforts into real, positive and productive economic and social development of the City. Casinos suck wealth out of a community, damaging families along the way: their characterization as social rot is apt. The presence of a large casino here would undermine the distinctive civic identity of the City, which is among its key assets.
710	2371	Yes	Let's start thinking progressively in Kingston vs "stuck in the mud". The casino could tie-in with future plans for the prison in a few years and increase our tourism appeal.
711	503	Yes	Let's take the high road.

712	2535	Yes	Like many social problems, such as alcoholism, gambling addiction must be treated through proper education. The city doesn't restrict LCBO or beer stores for operating in Kingston nor should it stop a Casino from coming to Kingston. The city of Kingston should think of the job creation and economic growth benefits to having a Casino in Kingston. The revenue that the City would receive from OLG would help offset some of the city's operating costs. As a home owner I would like to see this opportunity versus other options to help the city's costs such as the suggestion to raise residential property taxes.
713	1202	Yes	Location is vital - I say no to a downtown location as most people said to the K-Rock centre. Needs to be near 401 with lots of parking. Maybe someone will listen this time.
714	3216	Yes	Location NOT downtown
715	2706	Yes	Location should be somewhere along the 401.
716	251	Yes	Location will be an issue. Traffic flow, parking etc. I would keep it away from the K-Rock Centre. There is too much congestion on Ontario and Queen Street. I would suggest Princess and Bath Road areas.
717	1507	Yes	location, Division/Montreal/401 - include a conference center or build on a current property (eg. Days Inn) to host much larger groups (500-1000 +)
718	1398	Yes	Location. Location. Location
719	289	Yes	Long over Due ...
720	2725	Yes	Look at how hard Gan is fighting for their casino. The location is great - not in their downtown. Employment is good, as is the income the casino brings in to the community. We always will have crime, addictions and ongoing social issues no matter if we get the casinos. At least we will get some money to help these problems.
721	941	Yes	Look at the revenue Gananoque has received and they have put back into their community for roads, sewers, etc. May help tax payers with the burden of white elephants and less tax increases.
722	2445	Yes	Look at what they did with the KRock centre. They built it and yes they do come. It hasn't made money. I have heard a lot of excuses of why it has failed but never heard the truth. The same thing is going to happen with the casino. I have seen them (town council) raise our taxes to help cover the losses from the KRock Centre and I can't afford another huge city blunder like this. If it comes here I might have to sell because I already overpay in property taxes and really don't see any improvement in Kingston.
723	1879	Yes	Look to Gananoque for your clues...they are fighting to keep it. They know what it has done for their town.
724	1308	Yes	loosen up people we need change and more revenue brought into Kingston what perfect way to do it
725	1446	No	Loyalist Township. We will be just as affected as the residents of Kingston proper.

726	515	Yes	Make it accessible for all, parking, for local people and guests. Do not make parking an issue.
727	3140	Yes	Make sure the casino is nicer than Gan's. It will have to compete with Gan. Casino should be built on top of parking garage so that parking is not an issue. Timing of lights should be addressed around Krock centre if the casino is to be close to it. The traffic is already deadly there 4-6pm.
728	1046	Yes	Many people against a casino speak of the increased crime rate in casino cities, I have yet to see any actual statistics on this subject. The town of Gananoque was losing industry at the time of the casino opening and many factory workers found employment at the casino. The casino was not the reason the factories closed but it was the reason why many locals were able to stay in Gananoque and keep their homes. Most of the hotels in Gananoque closed during the winter months and now they have a brand new Holiday Inn that is open year long. Many other local businesses have also done very well since the Casino's arrival in Gananoque, Shoosers has a new building, McDonalds freshly renovated, and the Tim Hortons rarely see's a time of day without customers standing in line. There are many reasons to have a casino but the number one reason is why let someone take it from us again so we can again sit back and think what might have been. How much of a financial burden could have been lifted from the tax payers on the K-Rock Centre project had we only said yes in 2002. Since that time \$34 million has went back to Gananoque and Leeds and Thousand Islands and that doesn't even factor in the increased employment
729	3081	Yes	Many welfare recipients will go to the casino and spend OUR money. Many of them now spend OUR money at the bingo halls in Kingston. I have nothing against welfare as long as the money they receive will be used for the betterment of them and their families.
730	2911	Yes	maybe the extra income would help pay for city projects plans eg. bridge lake ont. park improvement and facilities for swimming. wellington st. ext. repair train station and etc etc
731	51	Yes	Moderate and Problem gambling occur in 5% of the Ontario population. Thinking about Kingston, that is 5000 people who already struggle, why make it easier for them to gamble?
732	1198	Yes	Money is important but it is not everything. A broken family with a lot of money means nothing.
733	431	Yes	Money spent by residents and visitors in the community (on restaurants, shopping, entertainment) may instead go to gambling, so not much benefit to the city.
734	809	Yes	Money would be better spent in community and social services.
735	2044	No	More bike lanes... and I think private business can do a lot more to reduce waste production and divert more to recycling programs.
736	2309	Yes	More positive infrastructure downtown would help develop the core and bring more money downtown. A swimming pool or indoor tennis courts for example would enhance people's lives and our community better than a casino.

737	2133	No	Most of the studies that highlite the negative social impacts of a casino don't seem to relate in this case. These studies involve the ramifications of a casino being built in your area (usually within 50-80 kms). Such a casino already exists so any negative aspects should already be being felt in Kingston. Local residents can currently get to the Gananoque casino with relative ease through shuttle services. So the only thing that would change is that the city would reap the financial benefits of an already existing entity.
738	1192	Yes	Most people go to Casinos for entertainment. We cannot take away everyones fun. Should we take away liquor or not allow young people to drive, because of a minority of abusers?-No. Put the casino at Division and 401. Have shuttle buses to downtown. People will still shop and eat downtown if we give them options and have good Marketing in the City of Kingston. I won a trip to the Hull Casino and because of the shuttles, I spent alot of time visiting Ottawa and still had time to gamble. Alot of people in Gan didn't want the Casino either, but now that it has proven to not increase crime and prostitution, they are all for it!
739	638	Yes	Mr. Gerretson needs to be something more than a friendly figurehead. He needs also to de-link City Hall from the interests of developers. I am not opposed to development per se, but city growth should not be designed by private interests. The residents need to have more say and it appears that many councillours care more about pleasing campain funders than in good governance and the best interests of the city.
740	1871	Yes	Much depends on the location of the casino. If it were in the outskirts (perhaps north of the 401 - help revitalize the McAdoo lane area?) I would be more supportive. Anywhere in the downtown core would be a horrible idea, in my opinion.
741	789	No	My brother and mother ARE residents of the City of Kingston, and I will retire there in about 2 years, therefore I am against building a casino in the area.
742	641	Yes	My concern is for the poor, who may choose to spend what little money they have in the casino, rather then using it for their family to provide neccessities.
743	215	Yes	My husband and I just went the the 1000 Island Casino over the weekend for our anniversary..the City of Gan is doing so much better since they built the casino..very clean and well taken care of. A casino would be a a great addition for the city of Kingston.
744	1789	No	My late father was a problem gambler. He managed to take free shuttles to Gananoque after he could no longer drive. I am making my decision purely on an economic basis.
745	1265	Yes	My only concern is that I wouldn't like to see it right downtown as there will probably be major parking concerns. There is alot of other open spaces near the 401 that maybe could be utilized which would also draw in people from the 401 area and easier for people outside Kingston to be able to enjoy using it as well...

746	1494	Yes	My reasons for being against a gaming facility are also based on ethical precepts. I do not think we should be supporting our financial institutions by exploiting those who engage in the gambling habit.
747	1754	Yes	My reasons for opposing the casino remain unchanged from a decade ago. The potential social problems are too numerous and severe. Economic benefits are largely illusory.
748	339	Yes	My son attended the Mulberry Waldorf School for some years. For several years, the school participated in Bingo as a fundraiser. It was horrible to have to volunteer in those places -- very sad to see the amount of money spent there by poor people who clearly are addicted to gaming. Mulberry stopped raising money through Bingo eventually, because the school did not want to be associated with gambling culture. The City of Kingston should stay clear as well.
749	2722	Yes	My suggest would be, if the City of Kingston is so hell bent on having a casino. It should approach Gananoque with an annexation proposal, and leave the casino where it jolly well sits, which is not in my backyard.
750	2975	Yes	My support to the installation of a casino is entirely contingent on the quality. Were a Lac-Leamy-esque casino to be suggested, I would be fully behind it. However, if the quality is more comparable to that of Gananoque, I feel it may even be detrimental to the public opinion of the city.
751	1212	Yes	My wife and I chose Kingston (over Victoria and several other beautiful locations) to move to following our retirement in Manitoba. Please do not make us regret this decision by placing a casino here. We may re-consider.
752	2714	Yes	My wife and I will not vote for anyone supporting the introduction of gambling in Kingston.
753	3128	Yes	Negative concerns regarding addiction to gambling are preposterous. If people buy liquor, wine and/or beer does it make them alcoholics? People who are likely to become gambling addicts will find a way to gamble regardless of whether or not a casino is in Kingston or a 20 - 30 minute drive away in Gananoque, whether they have access to a vehicle or take a bus.
754	3146	Yes	No bring on the Game to Town
755	2482	Yes	No Casino!
756	3139	Yes	No governing body should see a benefit to supporting any business that promotes a practise that interferes with the welfare and wellbeing of its community.
757	453	Yes	No in favour of having a casino built in the downtown... more interested in building a family-oriented and sustainable downtown.
758	2100	Yes	no no no for Casino
759	419	Yes	No way do I want a casino closer to Kingston. I go to Gananoque some times, but worry I would be going more frequently to a local one which would affect my ability to pay my taxes.

760	722	Yes	No, except that I truly hope that Council really looks at all sides of this issue, remembering though, that people should *always* trump profits. I'll keep you in my prayers on this issue.
761	2569	Yes	No, I think, I've said what I had to say.
762	803	Yes	No, just that it would be really beneficial if both cities had a casino: Gan will keep its jobs and Kingston will gain more!! Kingston lacks a lot of jobs!
763	2004	Yes	NO. JUST DO IT
764	2792	Yes	No. Only that I fully support the casino and I do not feel the downtown is the best spot for it. It should be located near the 401 and also should provide lots of parking, which down town does not have. That is the reason I never ever shop or go downtown.
765	1048	Yes	Not all people become addicted to gambling. Yes, there are some and those will find a way to gamble whether Kingston has a casino or not. Kingston City Council is conservative. Maybe too conservative. Kingston needs to grow with the times. If we don't get the casino, it will go somewhere else. Kingston won't get the vast amount of revenue that will be generated and we need those dollars. For example the issue of the downtown parking meters that do not accept 2012 one and two dollar coins. How much will it cost the city/tax payer to replace all those machines? Not to mention the pot holes, road work and all the things that will need fixing ten years from now. Think about the closing of Kingston Pen., that will be a huge loss of revenue and job loss.
766	1556	Yes	Not every resident of Kingston receives an indexed pension. Not every resident receives a salary. START thinking that every \$1 being spent, means someone might have had to earn \$2 to have that \$1 after tax. Stop increasing taxes for NICE to have. Do the numbers - this is not a sustainable model with more cash out than coming in! The casino windfall is needed for this community and its residents.
767	1783	Yes	Not everything should be about revenues.
768	1629	Yes	Not really I understand the reasoning why some people do not want a casino but gambling is like any other addiction if they can't get it locally they will find somewhere else to get it and the City might as well benefit from the revenues and hopefully take the load off the poor middle class person who pays taxes through the nose and gets nothing in return.
769	1175	Yes	Nothing really good comes from gambling.
770	2545	No	Now that the Government is cutting funding to the municipalities, I believe Kingston should be looking into all possible sources of revenue. Would a casino not help reduce the financial burden to the tax payers?

771	2832	Yes	Now that we see where our neighbours are receiving some wealth, we have decide let's see if Kingston can enjoy these benefits For whatever reason, we had the opportunity sometime ago and did not peruse it. I having no connection with Leeds county, or Gananoque ,but I feel we should not get involved in any casino.
772	1748	Yes	OLG has divided Ontario into multiple regions each with its own privately owned for profit casino. Consequently patrons will not need to travel far to attend a casino. There is no reason to expect a large influx of people or money from any significant distance. If there are any substantial services required by patrons coming from outside of the immediate Kingston area, the casino operation will recognize the market and provide those services on site. A casino is a site specific activity and for the most part does not contribute to general tourism. Consequently the large profits of a casino operation are taken from the general pool of money in the existing economy of the immediate area. Any increase in tax revenues for the city do not offset the revenue being siphoned off the area economy or the increased expenditure of tax dollars providing services relating to the existence of the Casino facilities.
773	1504	Yes	OLG needs to step up and offer more information (assuming they have it available). If they are getting out of the business of running casinos and simply want to regulate them they need to share the appropriate information to either a) support the positive claims or b) support the negative claims. They can not simply sit back in hopes that everyone will agree.
774	1942	Yes	On the 13 of August the Mayor durring an interview on the radio said that some people thought that proximity would be an issue to problem gamblers. With the bus lines now offering transportation to and from the Gan casino I don't think proximity applies.
775	626	Yes	One of the things I love most about Kingston is the great creative culture that is cultivated here by our beautiful natural surroundings. A casino is an escape. Not a creative outlet or inspirational source. A casino is an unattractive feature on the beautiful landscape that we call home.
776	46	Yes	One would think that the presence of two universities and a community college that the city would try to attract investment in research and development that would create more socially and economically productive jobs than a casino.
777	130	No	Only that I hope that our wonderful city will not promote gambling.
778	203	Yes	Only that previous council had an agenda, which they bullied through. I would like to see this issue thoughtfully and calmly discussed. And again, Location, location, location is key here.
779	255	Yes	Ontario already has gaps in delivery of services to those with mental health and addiction problems. The burden to provide appropriate and timely care to these individuals will fall on the medical system in Kingston

780	2138	Yes	Open your eyes and take new ways to generate money, you wouldn't listen about the location of the K Rock Centre, now look at how much it cost us. It should have been in a different location no parking where it is. It looks like it is squeezed into a spot it doesn't belong in.
781	2986	Yes	Organized crime will get involved one way or another.
782	753	Yes	Other than phantom hopes for profit, are there any real contributions that gambling would make to Kingston?
783	658	Yes	Our taxes are high already and many of the seniors of our city can hardly afford putting money into this sort of thing !!!!!!!
784	2924	Yes	Our former council, pushed by Mr. Rosen, said "NO" to the casino, and Gan. got it. They've gained financially by it, but they've also had problems because of it. They deserve to be able to keep it now - they've earned that right!
785	169	Yes	Our tax dollars should not be funding a gambling venue. We should be funding family oriented sports and social events.
786	285	Yes	People and tourists should be spending their money on local artists, food, and stores.
787	1094	Yes	<p>People are going to go to Gananoque to gamble or as I have seen first hand in a convenience store, waste hundreds of dollars on scratch tickets. People will gamble their money away through any mean so I don't see the casino as a real source of Gaming problems. Bingo and OLG Lotteries already help fuel them.</p> <p>The casino would attract new development, new jobs and revenue. Lets not be silly and let Gan, 20 minutes away make all the money.</p>
788	1174	Yes	People are up in arms about the implication, possibility and/or rise of gambling addictions, however no one disputed the LCBO opening a new store in the west end a few years ago, any Beer Store or any private Wine Store. Problem gambling is no more or less detrimental than alcohol use, however the citizens are content with those 'suppliers'.
789	245	Yes	People may say that having a Casio in Kingston will bring in crime, gambling addition or other negative aspects to Kingston. There is a Casino in Gan already and MANY people from Kingston are going there already so the Casino related issues are already in our City. We might as well get a Casino here and use some of the money raised on awareness programs and such in our City. Really I don't see any negatives. It will be a great addition to the City and bring in more jobs and more revenue.

790	15	Yes	People using the excuse of addiction, have you seen the people that buy those pull tickets at corner stores? Or Lottery tickets? The money is already being spent on it, only the city isn't benefiting from it where this way it could add improved form of entertainment (rather than just pulling a ticket) and some of that money could go into improving the city and perhaps even helping to keep property owner's taxes low. Also, people travelling to other cities casino's = greater pollution from car exhaust and increased traffic on the roads in general.
791	2885	Yes	People who are against a casino because of fear of gambling problems for people need to look to Gan. No issues there. People will go there to gamble so that reason does not hold water. Bring it on! We need the money. Our taxes are too high now.
792	42	Yes	People who decide these things have to think about - WHAT SORT OF KINGSTON DO WE WANT AND WHAT SORT OF KINGSTON DO WE WANT IN FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS! Once this decision is made to build a casino, and it's built, it will be too late to go back. Kingston will just not be the same city anymore. There are more important things in life than money!
793	1762	Yes	People who gamble will always gamble.It is up to the individual to gamble wisely. Myself having a few major medical problems it give me a chance to forget them. Also for my condition expensive trips are out.
794	2826	Yes	People who want to gamble will travel to the nearest casino.If they don't come to Kingston they will go elsewhere,so why not have one here.
795	90	Yes	Perhaps revenue from the casino could be put in a reserve fund for the specific purpose of building mixed community based housing.
796	2962	Yes	Perhaps they could stop playing with Casino's, etc, and focus on the fact that the infrastructure in Kingston requires attention as peoples basements are flooding each time it rains, etc.
797	1488	Yes	Personal choice is key factor in this debate. Downtown Businesses should not dictate how residents should be able to spend discretionary income. Alcohol sales cause far greater social problems but no one is clamoring for a return to prohibition
798	1960	Yes	Personally I think the electorate needs to be in support of a progressive Mayor
799	892	Yes	Personally we should have voted for the Casino many years ago..it may be too late now.
800	1639	Yes	place it in the west end
801	2918	Yes	Please act ethically. Kingston is a socially responsible municipality.
802	1731	Yes	Please build on Kingston's identity as a historic, and cultured city.Furthermore, do not provide easy access to gambling addiction...
803	2148	Yes	Please carefully consider some of the long-term effects of such an establishment before moving forward. It is a complex issue. Thank-you for an opportunity to voice an opinion.

804	3114	Yes	Please consider this carefully. I have worked as a physician in an addiction treatment center in Toronto that treats gambling as well as other addictions. The spectrum of problem gambling (with gambling addiction at the extreme) is becoming more prevalent and pervasive in our society. I believe the cost to our society is far to high to justify the potential revenue to our city.
805	1131	Yes	Please do not allow a casino in Kingston.
806	3005	No	Please do not allow a casino in this great city.
807	1091	Yes	Please do not approve Kingston as a possible site for a casino.
808	381	Yes	Please do not be blinded by the dollar signs or supposed benefits (jobs) a casino in Kingston will bring. We already have a casino within a half hour and multiple ways for people to spend their money on maybe jackpots (lottery tickets). Do the economic benefits outweigh the social costs?
809	276	Yes	Please do not be driven by greed for money
810	318	Yes	Please do not be shortsighted about this issue. Please don't go looking for a quick fix. Please factor in the human costs of having a casino in Kingston. If council does, I believe we won't have a casino in Kingston.
811	627	Yes	Please do not do this to our nice beautiful city.
812	3149	Yes	PLEASE DO NOT IMPOSE A CASINO ON US WITHOUT A PLEBISCITE. PLEASE, COUNCIL, DO NOT FALL UNDER THE SPELL OF FALSE SOURCES OF REVENUE - MUNICIPALITIES HAVE BECOME ADDICTED TO GAMBLING, JUST AS INDIVIDUALS HAVE!! THE HOUSE ALWAYS WINS!!
813	3162	Yes	Please do not pass up this opportunity AGAIN!
814	2400	Yes	Please do not put it downtown. There is not enough parking or space. It takes 20 min to go two or three blocks in the Krock Center area during rush hour. I purpose the casino be put where Kingston Pen is once it closes. It will be a tourist attraction due to it's historical aspect AND be acessable from the water by boats! Just imagine a 'Bernardo Lounge'! A hotel could also be on site!!
815	1134	Yes	Please do not try to cram the Casino in downtown Kingston. It would only add to the confusion and issues surrounding the downtown. As much as the DT business team would want to bring it there, it's actually stoping us "Kingston residents" from going there. Take a survey on how many residents avoid the downtown area on a regular basis.
816	661	Yes	Please don't allow talk about potential revenue to blind you to the social ramifications of a casino. We don't need one, we don't need more low paying jobs. We don't need further contributors to addiction, bankruptcy, arrests, divorce/relationship disruption, etc, etc, etc. There are lots of great studies that show what a mixed bag a casino really is. We don't want to go there.
817	514	Yes	Please don't approve a casino in our city!!!

818	957	Yes	Please don't let a vocal minority de-rail yet another good development idea.
819	2619	Yes	Please find a way to make money that doesn't require spending money on a whole raft of social problems that it creates itself.
820	844	Yes	Please get the casino here,look what it has done for Gan. Now its to to help our city with some extra cash.
821	1053	Yes	Please put it in a good location where parking is available. The Krock center is in a terrible location and not doing as well as it could have.
822	884	Yes	Please re-consider this decision.
823	3187	Yes	Please reflect Kingston as a compassionate community that puts people's best interests ahead of money
824	797	Yes	Please say NO to a casino in Kingston!
825	2049	Yes	Please see letter containing 12 points sent to Daniel Shipp by email & hand delivered to City Hall.
826	1075	Yes	Please see Q6
827	781	Yes	Please spend time on bringing about innovation and positive investments in the city of kingston
828	1912	Yes	Please stop this project.Look at other cities with gambling casino and compare..
829	2580	Yes	Please take advantage of this opportunity and do not repeat past mistakes
830	670	Yes	Please take the moral high road.
831	1108	Yes	please vote no
832	1818	Yes	PLEASE VOTE NO ON THIS ISSUE !!!
833	977	Yes	Please vote NO!
834	326	Yes	please vote yes to the casino
835	1292	Yes	Please wake up City of Kingston, your caught in a time warp. A high percentage of city councillors are from an older generation, when gambling was taboo. Kingston is the retirement capital of Canada... BUT, there is also a new generation that is open to more progressive ideas and thoughts. Please don't let this opportunity to slip by once again. Please don't let former mayors (Rosen) and prominent Kingstonians (Springers) influence location of the casino.
836	526	Yes	Please, please do no allow a casino. Kingston is a lovely place - lets keep it that way.
837	269	Yes	Please, please reconsider.
838	690	No	Please... please... not in our community. Gandhi said, "There is enough for everyone's need, but there is not enough for everyone's greed." Please, don't let this be a decision based on greed....
839	1658	Yes	Plerase no casino in Kingston. We already have a heavy debt with K-Rock Center.
840	152	Yes	poor idea; I heard business owners in gananoque say that they don't see the casino visitors downtown at their stores

841	1071	Yes	possible location for potential casino would be the inner harbour or the airport..
842	3208	Yes	Previous gambling addiction by a relative who lost a minimum of \$500,000.00, who initially assumed gambling was harmless.... Destroyed his family, friendships and they presently live in poverty.
843	105	Yes	Put it beside the K rock center and make it a one stop event place as well as the Hockey hall of fame
844	1686	No	Put it on the outskirts of town and not downtown. traffic would be a nightmare
845	8	Yes	Put the casino downtown beside the K-Rock Centre. Build underground parking to repace the lot. Then build a hotel and confrence centre on top. Heck, even skywalk it over to the K-Rock Centre. Lets make that area a staple for entertainment.
846	1707	Yes	put the casino in the k rock centre
847	2495	Yes	Put the Casino in the north end NOT DOWNTOWN!
848	181	Yes	Put the money into making the downtown area more user friendly such as traffic lights for pedestrian crossing; better and more inexpensive parking; trolley sightseeing tour that is NOT SO EXPENSIVE! As a Kingston resident, I would like to ride the sightseeing tour. However, 4 of us would have been a cost of almost \$80 which is ridiculous. While you're promoting tourism, be more user friendly to the people who live and sustain this area. Also, in an area that has the majority of federal institutions in the province of Ontario, do we really want to open it up to the problems associated with gambling, addictions and the entire gambut that comes with the casino and gaming world?!
849	474	Yes	Q5 options should align with Q3 and do not reflect important reasons which could distort the results of this survey! My top 3 reasons are: 1. a casino does not align with existing Kingston objectives and resources and 2. a casino may not bring tourists and their money 3. A casino may increase social issues which cannot be measured and at a financial cost to the city The online survey opportunity is appreciated
850	2174	Yes	Rather than falling into the provincial trap of pitting one municipality against another, why not create a strong political activist association of municipalities that attempt to deal directly with the federal government---why leave the latter for the mega-cities? The Casino issue is a thinly veiled attempt to have one municipality push others off the "casino raft". Not good politics.
851	2497	Yes	Read above comments
852	604	Yes	Remember LOWES...another business that was turned away? Please put personnal business bias aside and bring the city into the 21st century.
853	1082	Yes	Remember the projections for the Krock center and how low the actual utcomes have been. It isn't brining in the money that was projected. don't throw away more valuable tax dollars

854	2888	Yes	Residents are already spending their money on something else...gas to get to casinos in other towns.
855	528	Yes	Revenue from the casino may help slow the growth of increasing resident taxes.
856	2074	Yes	Review your positions and policies on dealing with new and existing businesses who are truly the backbone of the city in terms of employment. Work on helping new business get established instead of throwing out answers like "we have to develop a policy on that". And while this policy is "under development" the business finds other viable alternatives, since to survive, they must be able to operate, not wait for someone to figure out a policy about it.
857	2977	Yes	Same for box 6
858	2641	Yes	Say NO
859	2335	Yes	Say yes to the casino.
860	1851	Yes	See you on election day.
861	628	Yes	Seeing as how there is a casino in Gananoque, a simple 20 minute drive from Kingston, why does Kingston need to have one? Plus, if it was built in the downtown core, its more easily accessible to students and those who are from lower income families, and those two groups are not people we want becoming addicted to gambling at the casino.
862	2192	Yes	Shame on any councillor who supports a casino here.
863	2466	Yes	short term gain for unknown possible pain doesn't make sense to me. will the gain be a loss elsewhere, notwithstanding the possible social costs
864	2311	Yes	Should have done this before like Gananoque did.
865	244	No	Should have done this years ago when we had the chance.
866	1041	Yes	Should have had casino from 2002, would have more then paid for k-rock centre
867	829	Yes	should have had it when it was originally offered years ago.
868	3233	Yes	Should Kingston get a casino, can the city assure us that Kingston's share of the profits from the casino will be used to reduce property taxes, and not for unnecessary projects like third crossings and expanded runways...all of which will only increase the property tax.
869	3086	No	Should stay where it is. period.
870	952	Yes	Should the proposal be passed by Council, we would be opposed to its possible placement near the KROC. Any additional type of "draw" to this primarily residential area would be destructive. Additionally, finding parking with streets packed when events are on at KROC would be horrendous. Perhaps as a facetious suggestion... Kingston Penitentiary could prove a perfect site.
871	513	Yes	Simply a terrible idea especially when there is a large casino close by in Gananoque.
872	471	Yes	Since there is a casino in Gananoque, I would suggest locating the casino in Kingston West in order to attract customers from Western towns and cities.

873	1385	Yes	Some of the most vulnerable people in our society will suffer more poverty and despair as a result of money lost. This in turn will make our city poorer and less desirable. A casino would have a negative impact on some students' decision to attend university/college here.
874	185	Yes	Some people may be concerned about a negative social aspect a casino may bring but gambling has become an accepted part of the entertainment culture as has been shown by the number of people who choose to buy lottery tickets or play slot machines. If Kingston has an opportunity to reap the economic benefits a casino brings then council should make it known the city is "open for business" and set out the "welcome" mat!!
875	1470	Yes	Sometimes we have millionaire tastes, but are on a middle class budget. I think as a city we need to figure out needs and wants. We have lost a lot of manufacturing jobs. We need to engage in the global market, not be limited by running poker houses.
876	58	Yes	Sorry... but the increased revenue for the city will be coming in some part at the expense of children and families who suffer as a result of gambling addiction or just plain stupidity on some persons part...(no doubt about it but increased revenue for the city is going to come on the backs of the vulnerable) Unlike other revenue generators there is no intrinsic redeeming value.. cost benefit at its worst. I also find it interesting that the number of choices offered for "support" is greater then the number offered for "not support".. does this reflect a bias?
877	33	Yes	Spend the money on a beach!!!
878	31	Yes	stop being so conservative and show a little initiative in bringing out of town dollars here !
879	1430	Yes	Stop spending money on this non-sense. Let's spend a fraction of that money cleaning up graffiti. I live in the north end and it has had spray paint all across the neighbourhoods for over a year, even after I have reported it several times. Clean up the city before you start inviting more gambling addicts, gangs/criminals, scam artists to our city with this casino idea.
880	2958	Yes	Stop thinking about the cash and worry about the social consequences of such an enterprise in our midst. There will be divorce, abuse, bankruptcy, and domestic incidents over this. Why visit this scenario on our citizens?
881	3061	Yes	Stop this initiative, This City cannot even come close to meeting the traffic needs of its current enterprises. Any more development will further ruin this city and turn people away. Residents and visitors can barely function with the K rock location and travel routes into this city. Use common sense and abandon this, let Gananoque keep the only major employer it enjoys now.
882	491	Yes	Studies have been done which clearly indicate gambling is not conducive to positive mental health. Studies have also shown that interactions through the arts; music, theater, dance and visual arts have a positive effect on mental health. Money is not everything.
883	768	Yes	Stupid idea, let people continue to drive to Gan

884	132	Yes	Such an important issue should not just be decided by a public meeting held in the middle of the summer. It is not comfortable for the majority of people to speak publicly and to make a "presentation". To presume that statements made at this meeting represent the majority of citizens is faulty. Only a referendum would be even close to what people truly think.
885	3003	Yes	Summer only. But why degrade a beautiful community. Surely you don't have a council of Rob Fords
886	2117	Yes	Support our neighbours in Gan!
887	1184	Yes	Surely there are better ways of attracting tourists to Kingston than the lazy idea of requesting a casino. Fostering cultural activities is a step in the right direction. And given everything we know about successful cities and tourism, why can the waterfront not be better developed, with better scenic walks, and more waterfront restaurants and bars? The potential is enormous; all that is needed is a little energetic vision.
888	338	Yes	Take a look at the stats of increased problems with compulsive gambling, talk to the counselor at Options for Change.
889	767	Yes	Talked to a few of the Calgary Stampeders who were in town practicing last month and they were going to the Casino in Gan. Shows how much of a pull a Casino can be to a local area.
890	226	Yes	Tax payer have already have to pay for the K ROCK CENTRE ! So we would have to pay for a CASINO now. Think about it. It is not a need
891	702	Yes	Tell our current council, to wake up, get with the times, this casino should have been in Kingston, when it was originally proposed. As far as the negatives about a casino coming to Kingston, example, Prostitution, drugs, gambling addictions, we already have that, the pros far out weigh the negatives in my humble opinion.
892	1626	Yes	THA CITY IS ALLREADY SPENDING WAY TOO MUCH MONEY ON THINGS THAT ARE NOT IMPORTANT !!!
893	631	Yes	Thank you for making this survey available for more accurate community input.
894	590	Yes	Thank you for setting up this easy means of giving input.
895	769	Yes	Thank you for soliciting opinions
896	2891	Yes	Thank you for the opportunity of providing an online survey for input as I was not able to go to a public meeting to give my input.
897	3004	Yes	Thank you for this survey. I hope that city council will continue to consult the public through online surveys for future sensitive issues.
898	3259	Yes	Thanks for the opportunity to speak; it's your duty & you're doing well to garner a response from Kingstonites. This will affect us all, some of us significantly, many detrimentally.

899	2876	Yes	That a casino is even being considered combined with the fact that the school board is trying to close Kingston's best high school really makes me worry about the leadership in this city.
900	1633	Yes	That the Province is trying to raise more from casino-based revenue has little to do with Kingston's financial goals and objectives. But I am mostly concerned that a casino would prey on those with lower incomes. While we often learn about "wins", almost never does one hear about the substantial aggregate losses incurred by gamblers.
901	800	Yes	The last time we had a casino option the Council were not brave enough to say yes. So jobs tourists and income passed us by. Lets not do that again. Opportunity has knocked for a second time. Answer the damm knock.
902	2625	Yes	The addiction-and-associated-vice damage from a casino is the paramount reason why the proposed casino should be rejected by City Council. When VLTs were being debated in the 1990s by the province of PEI (where our family resided at that time), members of Gamblers Anonymous begged me to rally our church (for I was a clergyman) to oppose the measure, since addictive gambling had destroyed their lives. I shall never forget their poignant stories of how they lost their car, job, home, spouse and self-respect. The province said it would hire an addiction counselor, but a counselor or two could never cope with the volume of human misery the increased gambling would generate. Promising a counselor appeared little more than an attempt to appease opponents. In short, a casino would generate far more problems and create a negative image of Kingston that would far outweigh the paltry percentage of revenue the province would give the City
903	2727	Yes	the arguments used against a casino are ludicrous. If those against the casino are concerned about all the problems associated with the casino then we should not be allowing the sales of lottery tickets, alcohol, any drugs, and close all bingo halls as these fuel addictions as well. The comments regarding prostitution surprise me as i am not aware that we are a crime and prostitute free city.
904	774	Yes	The benefit to the community would be far less than the money the casino owners would receive. Possibly a casino boat just running for the summer when tourists are in town. That way the drain on low income folks would be less.
905	1638	Yes	The benefits to the tax paying residents of Kingston, out weigh any negative concerns that have been brought foreward. I was in favour of the Casino the first time around. Shame on the City Council who shot the Casino down the first time around.

906	3159	Yes	The casino could be developed at the location of the Kingston Pen. Once this building is closed and we have no plans for it, no single entity could find the resources to renovate and utilize this space. Not all buildings within this site would be designated as historic. Think how internationally recognized a casino site would be if it was in conjunction with a tourist site comparable to that of Alcatraz. Once KP is closed no one in this town would be able to have the cash flow to take proper care of the site and tourist revenues for possible tours alone would not cover everything required for maintenance on this land.
907	228	Yes	The casino in Gan is a well run establishment. Any problem people are dealt with by the on site police. So there isn't much of a worry of it causing problems that Kingston doesn't already have. ie prostitution, drugs etc.
908	1924	Yes	The casino is a critical facility that should remain in Gananoque and by supporting discussions to move forward, we risk Gananoque losing one of it's most valuable business that brings so much to its community.
909	745	Yes	the casino operators will promote the benefits.They will manipulate the gambling atmosphere in their favour."the house always wins"Who will adress the problems of gamblers,their families, their employers,healthcare etc. I would rather pay taxes for my benefits than addict my fellow citizens.
910	954	Yes	The Casino proceeds will offset the losses of the K Rock Centre.
911	472	Yes	the casino should be off the 401 like hwy 38 where people can see it off the 401 and stop.you need a big parking lot where truckers and campers can park.lots of people don't go downtown because of lack of parking
912	651	Yes	The casino should not be located "downtown". West or East or Uptown (on a bus route and with plenty of free parking) is a better venue. Downtown has the Grand Theatre as well as the K-rock and Market Square. Casinos are destination spots that don't require high traffic to be profitable (which is why Gan works).
913	1213	Yes	The Casino should not be placed in the down town core or at the Memorial Center grounds. Close to main arteries etc, and free parking for all guests.
914	161	Yes	The City Council already has an anti-business reputation. By supporting a Casino, it would help correct that. Maybe the new Casino owners would consider replacing the Plaza Hotel. I trust the heritage gang won't object.
915	2957	Yes	The City has done a marvellous job in recent years with projects such as Invista, the splash pads, Market Square and others (not including K-Rock). This is a great community in which to raise a family. Please do not betray it by committing to an expensive, trouble-laden project that has nothing to do with fostering community or providing needed services to Kingstonians.
916	1825	Yes	The city has lost out before on this issue I hope a wise decsion and approval of this "investment in the city for years to come". Is the city not open for business?

917	756	Yes	The City missed the boat last time around and hence our neighbours to the East have been fortunate in that they received financial gain. I certainly hope that Kingston gets on board this time. It may never come around again?
918	334	Yes	The city needs to support development to help facilitate the creation of jobs and in turn increase the tax base rather than the taxes.
919	2565	Yes	The city of Gananoque is doing very well with a casino. I don't see why Kingston could not also benefit with a casino. People of Kingston need to keep an open mind and should welcome this new business.
920	1390	Yes	THE City of Kingston cannot continue to be afraid of new things.
921	1662	Yes	The City of Kingston has continually raised taxes over the past years and has been unsuccessful in expanding its tax base. A casino is a great means of raising the tax base significantly. While there was been discussion of the social aspects, the Gan casino is sufficiently close that any real issues that exist would already be evident. The upside for Gan has been significant and Kingston must consider this throughly.
922	451	Yes	The city of Kingston needs to stop wasting taxpayers money on frivolous endeavors like a casino when there is already one 15 minutes down the 401. We desperately need a third bridge crossing. The city also needs to stop wasting money on "environmental assessment after environmental assessment" and just build it.
923	3163	Yes	The city of Kingston should have a casino
924	2285	Yes	The city should invest on sports infracture (Olympic pool size, more dome soccer fields, a real cyclepath) more than a casino.
925	1829	Yes	The city should look at improving infrastructure, especially when we have heavy rainfall.
926	554	Yes	The City should take a very detailed look at the experience and the financial outcomes over several years in other municipalities with casinos
927	1799	Yes	The city still has control over any application through use of the zoning bylaw and official plan. Please do not imply that by voting yes you give the private operator the key to the city to do as they see fit.
928	1000	Yes	The city voted not to have a Casino in Kingston, and Gan got it. Now that Gan. is making money on it, our municipal government is considering getting one here. If you can get the Provence to change the area size to allow both casinos, "O.K. if NOT" Let's Do What's Right and support are Friends and not steel their Tourist and business. Our crooks are in the Pen's. NOT running our city."
929	3040	Yes	The city will hurt people with a casino. Addiction destroys the family fabric which negatively affects society. A casino will drag people down and our city. Please disapprove.

930	1785	Yes	The City will not be running the Casino , just allowing it to operate. It is a matter of free choice whether people use it. The likely revenue in direct \$s to Kingston would likely be in excess of \$5 million.
931	112	Yes	The city would greatly benefit from this. But DO NOT PUT IT DOWNTOWN!!!!
932	699	Yes	The city's cut looks appealing because it appears on the books as something other than property tax revenue, but when it comes to casinos, the house always wins, and make no mistake, Kingston won't be the house. In the same way that individual gamblers hope that their bets result in large payoffs, casino host cities focus on the winnings and not the risks.
933	3010	Yes	The city of Kingston needs to put money into an establishment that will promote a positive life style to the young people of our city, like an indoor sports and recreation facility where they can bring their own equipment and skateboard or rollerblade, something to get them off the streets.
934	2490	Yes	The costs far outweigh the benefits. I say no.
935	872	Yes	The Council messed up the first time on this issue don't do that again.
936	1294	Yes	<p>The current city council must practise due diligence on this issue...I don't see any positives when the big picture is considered. As a current Kingston property owner, 5th generation Kingston area resident, currently residing in Gananoque who moved away from day to day life in the downtown area due to traffic issues, noise pollution, and total inertia on the part of Kingston to properly manage its downtown core this casino might well be the straw which breaks the camel's back. Better to maintain some quality, fix what needs fixing, and there is plenty rather than adding another tawdry bauble to Kingston's brassy crown.</p> <p>On another note, this survey is horribly skewed to favour the casino proponents; why is that??</p>
937	541	Yes	The dangers of doing this badly are likely higher than the benefits that could come from doing this well. Saying no to all innovation (the way Kingston used to be) leads to decay and eyesores like Block D was, PFW is, and Kingston Pen soon will be. Saying yes to everything, no matter how tacky, leads to modern eyesores like the Crown Plaza downtown and the K-Rock center. Can't we attract the right kind of development, that builds on Kingston's tradition and gives old buildings new life, while keeping out the tasteless?
938	2262	Yes	The design of this survey is bias in favor of supporting the casino.
939	2874	Yes	The downtown needs a department store like S&R so that people do not have to drive to the townships.
940	1778	Yes	The employment that it would bring, the tourism, and the draw to downtown and to Krock, put hotels in, join it together, dinner, casino and a show! Win win!

941	2211	Yes	The fact that the casino decision has come up in the summer when many people are away and that the time to respond has been so brief is troubling.
942	1853	Yes	The house always wins
943	2237	Yes	The hypothetical revenues of a casino located in Kingston must be carefully weighed against the very real, but more difficult to quantify, social costs.
944	1123	Yes	The idea I feel in the long run could be more damaging to the local economy than beneficial.
945	1602	Yes	The idea of a casino in a history rich and community based environment is insanity. Leave the privately run casinos to the United States to deal with and allow the citizens of Kingston to feel safe and confident in a community based on generosity and kindness, not gambling.
946	532	Yes	The idea of a casino is repellant. The timing and urgency of the hearings (vacation season) is more than odd.
947	1357	Yes	The issue is being presented suddenly, with no specificity whatsoever, with no preparation and in the middle of the summer.
948	3073	No	The Kingstonians who are opposing this proposal need to "get with the times". In the economic state we are in, we need to focus on the positives of having a casino in Kingston. The revenue it would generate from tourism and the job creations alone will directly benefit the cities residents and help to secure a healthy economy for the future.
949	709	Yes	The K-Rock Centre is losing money. People have a finite amount of money for entertainment. Surely the city should be resolving one mess before courting another.
950	2653	Yes	The K-Rock centre was the city's first mistake... Don't let the casino be the second!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
951	160	Yes	THE KROCK HAS BEEN AN MONEY LOSING INVESTMENT FROM DAY ONE. A CASINO COULD OFFSET THESE LOSES AND JUST MIGHT BRING A REAL RETURN ON INVESTMENT
952	3142	Yes	The last time the casino issue came up and they had a town hall meeting..did even 200 people show up? And just because those people didn't want a casino, the council took that to mean the majority of Kingstonians didn't want a casino. Think about it people...compare the number that show up to these meetings, compared to the population of Kingston. Yet council took this to mean the majority. Dumb. Myself, I wouldn't go to one of these meetings as I do not want to be in the same room as certain counsellors that are always negative and say no to everything.
953	2172	Yes	The location of a casino in Kingston should be near the 401, where it can be seen from the highway. A casino would not be useful in the downtown area because of parking issues.

954	74	Yes	The location of the casino right now suits me just fine. If the City of Kingston manages to get the location here I can only imagine where they would try to cram it in downtown, it needs to be on the 401 corridor just as the Gan casino is - easy in, easy out.
955	1743	Yes	The main concern for not wanting a casino seems to be the addiction issue. If this is the case maybe we should stop selling scratch and lotto tickets at corner stores (I hate line-ups), maybe we should close all drinking establishments (liquor store, beer store, bars) because of the alcohol addiction. Maybe we should stop selling tobacco as well. I'm sure the gambling addiction is under 5% and those addicted will visit no matter where the casino is located. I personally don't visit the casino but the positives far outweigh the negatives.
956	3120	Yes	The mayor and the rest of the Springer lackies (city council) need to do their own thinking and get springers hands out of their pockets.
957	1976	Yes	The Mayor should not have revealed the preliminary results of the survey at a CBC interview before the results are completed.
958	490	Yes	The mayor whom was elected to serve with only 17000 votes should listen to the cities business class deal with the real issues parking...recycling for businesses downtown and a highly regarded convention center to keep people coming to Kingston 12 mo s a year...
959	2970	Yes	The more diverse the economic structure of the city the better it fairs in all .
960	443	Yes	The municipal councils of Kingston, Kingston Township and Pittsburgh Township have in the past rejected a "charity" casino. Their decisions should be respected.
961	2865	Yes	The need for more jobs in Kingston is very great. I t will also help other buisnesses in Kingston that are probably suffering right at this moment. Plus the revenue the city would get will help keep our infustructor and property taxes from continually rising.
962	1693	Yes	THE NEGATIVE PEOPLE IN KINGSTON NEED TO WAKE UP. People will go to a casino no matter where it is and I don't think a population of 5200 persons provides the clients a casino requires to be profitable. Everyone has a "CHOICE", no one does that for them.
963	2493	Yes	The negative side to a casino would be gambleing addiction....this problem will be present whether a Casino is here or not.....People will always find a way to gamble. But the positive benefits of a Casino (jobs, money, tourism) can only be realized if the here.
964	1165	No	The only down side of having a casino open in Kingston is that Gananoque would lose theirs and would adversely affect their economy.
965	1023	Yes	The only venue I could see it in would be the soon-to-be-closed Kingston Pen
966	2360	Yes	The only way a casino can lead to a addiction/social problems is if the individual chooses to let it. With this mentality, shall we close the LCBO and The Beer Store? I think not. People need to accept responsibility for their own actions.

967	3062	Yes	The onus is on the City to prove that citizens will benefit and not be harmed by establishing a casino before approval is given.
968	558	Yes	The positives FAR outweigh the negatives that I think to once again say no to such a great opportunity would be assinine...plain and simple!!!!@
969	424	Yes	THE POTENTIAL LOCATION SHOULD BE CLOSE TO OR AT HWY 401. FROM BY EXPERIENCE FROM VISITING THE THOUSAND ISLANDS CASINO, THERE ARE PATRONS BUSED TO THE CASINO FROM OUT OF TOWN, TRAVELLERS STOP BY FOR A BREAK IN THEIR TRIP AND IT IS EASY TO SEE FROM 401 FOR IMPOMPTU VISITS BY TOURISTS TRAVELLING IN THE AREA. ADEQUATE PARKING IS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY.
970	1970	No	The proven revenue created from the Casino could not only help build better roads, transit system, infrastructure..... It could rebuild the schools we are tearing down due to age, continue the growth of our Hospitals and possibly create money for programs aimed for seniors and youth.
971	3132	Yes	The public health costs and the terrible family tensions that can be generated by gambling addictions are very serious concerns.
972	2121	Yes	The revenue can help pay for the K Rock Centre.
973	561	Yes	The Romans had a saying that "money does not smell." Guess what happened to the Romans?
974	2120	Yes	The same as above. I would like to see it here the city always seems to turn away things that would bring money into it.
975	2219	Yes	The social cost of introducing a casino will outweigh any possible benefit. I know of a number of people who can't afford to spend money but can't resist the urge to go play in Gananoque or other centres.
976	1758	Yes	The social costs of a casino will far outweigh any monetary value that might be accrued from this initiative. The bottom line is that bringing a casino to Kingston will dramatically increase the likelihood of destroyed lives and families. How many is too many? One is too many. Will this City be complicit in this socially and morally irresponsible venture? Don't make the mistake Gan and other municipalities have made in going for the easy money. I suggest that any City Official in favour of this idea go to a Gamblers Anonymous meeting to see the dark side of this idea. Take a stand for the best interests of all Kingstontians. Take a stand against the casino.

977	1867	Yes	<p>The social problems associated with gambling are already present in Kingston as much of the Gananoque casino business comes from Kingston. Were a casino built here, the city would have revenue with which to operate support programs for the vulnerable.</p> <p>My \$450/mo municipal tax bill is much higher than my parents' in Richmond Hill and they have much better services.</p> <p>Kingston should not turn its nose up at revenue opportunities on the basis of postulated social problems that affect 1% of the population.</p> <p>The hoteliers and restaurateurs have already had millions spent on improving the downtown area, including a money-losing entertainment venue. If they cannot make money even in the presence of a casino located in the west end (for example) they deserve to go out of business. Let us not allow the business interests of this group to dictate municipal actions that have the potential to increase municipal revenues.</p>
978	299	Yes	the sooner the better for this to happen
979	2929	Yes	<p>The spin offs from a casino would be numerous. Kingston is too reliant on the 3 major employers. We need to diversify and a casino will bring entrepreneurs to the city to provide additional services to the people that come from out of town maybe just to visit the casino out of curiosity. Our taxes are too high and our city is old needing \$\$\$\$ to repair the infrastructure. Gananoque has shown our city the folly of letting a casino bypass us. They have received \$M and been able to make improvements to their town without tax increases. Kingston missed the boat once, let's not do it again.</p> <p>I am a silent majority that does not like to attend public meetings, but I do have an opinion that I want you to consider as equal to those that do attend public meetings.</p> <p>As for the argument that the negative influences and criminal activity that would be increased because of a casino, please review the stats for Gananoque!</p> <p>Be good business leaders councillors. Running the city should be a business not a political arena where the members want to be popular to get reelected and let the best interests of the city be passed over. Many times the general public is unaware of all the information that is available to make a good business decision. Councillors have to be aware and use that info to make sound decisions.</p> <p>Thank you for the opportunity to vote.</p>
980	516	Yes	<p>The successful Casino in Gananoque has been a financial windfall for their area. Rarely do you get a second chance like this, it won't happen a third time.</p> <p>They've clearly demonstrated that the casino's in Ontario are run with the upmost integrity and accountability without any negative drawback for the host city - quite the opposite infact.</p>

981	407	Yes	The tax burden for residents continues to rise faster than anyone's income. Retired people are especially burdened and we will see them being forced from their homes in the future due to this.
982	2585	Yes	The white elephant KRock Centre is indicative of Past Council folly. A Casino will compound the problem.
983	413	Yes	There are FREE busses to the Gananoque Casino.
984	1982	Yes	There are many other projects that can be good sources of revenue, attract tourists to Kingston & create employment opportunities better than the casino such as a big funfair, zoo & entertainment projects on the lake & beach.
985	473	Yes	There are more important issues for the residents of the city. Affordable housing and a downtown that supports the local population, not solely catering to tourists.
986	937	Yes	There are much better ways to spend money besides building a casino. Here are a few: BETTER TRANSIT SYSTEM (ours is deplorable) BETTER mental health/addiction services More assistance for the homeless More parks/rejuvenate existing parks To name but a few....
987	2059	Yes	There are other ways of attracting tourists to Kingston. The harms in building a casino far outweigh the benefits.
988	2265	Yes	There are pros and cons to having a casino, and there is no way of telling how in reality it will go should one open in Kingston. Just take a look at KRC, it's not nearly as busy as it should for an establishment that size. Finding the right location for the casino is key, and that should be what is surveyed next if the decision turns to a yes for a casino in Kingston.
989	1887	Yes	There are so many cities in the world doing great with out Casinos.
990	439	Yes	There are so many other initiatives the city could undertake (local food production comes to mind). The casino is the last thing they should be wasting their time with.
991	1763	Yes	There are so many unknowns and risks associated with this issue. The cost/benefit to Kingston would have to be almost totally guaranteed before I would support this. Furthermore, I am also opposed to challenging or competing with the little town of Gananoque for the right to build a casino in our community. This great city does not need a casino in order to thrive.
992	673	No	There are wiser ways to make money
993	749	Yes	There is a perfectly good casino at Gananoque and we don't need to have one here and force the closing of that one.

994	642	Yes	there is already a Casino in Gan so it will most likely not happen for Kingston
995	735	Yes	There is already a casino nearby - it would be cheaper for the city to provide low-cost shuttles to the casino if drinking and driving is the problem. It would be an eyesore downtown.
996	915	Yes	There is already another casino nearby. Also, as much as I respect that people can make their own choices, visiting a casino is not a mathematically wise investment. I'm concerned that a local casino would serve as a temptation to the many residents who really can't afford to gamble (me among them). In the eyes of less wealthy residents, it would also serve as a reminder of the inequality that exists here. At the least, if a new casino is to be built, I'd prefer to see it happen in the west end, and nowhere near downtown.
997	267	Yes	There is no reason for the city to even be considering this issue. No one has made a case for holding a public consultation. Twenty years ago, city council voted against a casino - no one has provided any reason why we should be reconsidering the issue at this time. All I have heard is one councillor saying that some people in her district have brought it up. So what? People are always making comments like that to their representatives. We don't call public meetings everytime that happens. We said no and there is a casino in Gananoque - end of discussion.
998	2099	No	There is not going to be a happy medium with this situation. Not everyone is going to be happy with either decision of whether or not a casino is built in Kingston.
999	2380	Yes	There needs to be more research and analysis done on this issue before a decision can be reached. Much more information from the OLG and the proponent needs to be made public.
1000	2118	Yes	There was recently a brief report on the online headlines on 98.3 about the percentage of job losses raising. If there was a 24hr casino, that had a staff of over 300 people, and if said casino had a hotel and restaurant, imagine the amount of employment it would require then. As well as employment rates going up, the amount of tourists visiting Kingston would increase as well, as this summer seemed to have less numbers than before. As for parking and downtown traffic, put the casino some where else instead of in the heart of the city. Division street by the highway is coming a long nice. :)
1001	972	Yes	There will be more broken families, thefts and robberies. This will cost the City and residents a lot more money than it made from casino.

1002	607	Yes	There will be some who argue that OLG will be setting up a casino somewhere, regardless of what we in Kingston here say, so we may as well say yes to them setting up here. This line of reasoning should be rejected for the same reasons that one rejects all arguments in favour of business or economic activity that is not beneficial to society as a whole. Councils in most cities would not approve the location of a new fossil-fuel-fired power station within their city limits, let alone the council of a city that talks about wanting to be the most sustainable in Canada. However, new gas- and coal-fired power plants will be built in the next few years, some in Ontario, others around the world. Given that the impact on the climate is the same regardless of where it goes, the "it's going to happen somewhere" argument should mean Kingston would open its gates to a new gas-fired power station, for instance. Just because bad behaviour happens, doesn't mean we in Kingston should encourage it. It is when these kinds of ideas are being discussed that we find out whether Kingston really does mean what it claims when it talks about sustainability. Kingston will have no credibility left if its paid staff recommend welcoming OLG to set up a Kingston within the city.
1003	435	Yes	These new city markers for eight major roads, the markers now are just fine and the city does not need to add solar panels as these will just light up the sky more. Just ask Damon Wells if he wants to water any more flower beds before you put flower beds in front of these new signs.
1004	430	Yes	They will never agree on a location. The city will feel that it should be located downtown which would be the worst possible location ever. If it should pass the only possible place I feel it should be located is on the old race track parcel of land.
1005	862	Yes	This can only benefit the city.
1006	1001	Yes	This casino CANNOT be located downtown. The core is far too congested, and any casino needs to take advantage of the space we have along the Hwy 401 corridor, especially near the west end north of Collins Bay road. It is a fantastic idea, this will bring jobs and tax dollars into the local economy and diversify us from seasonal tourism and government jobs.
1007	3205	Yes	This casino could be a gateway that leads our town from that of a pen-town to that of a tourists milestone. We are in desperate need for something other than just limestone and flowers to awe people who come to our city, and a new source of income is far more than just a bonus. Revenue is at an all time low, and with employment rates as scarce as it has become, this casino could really help out many locals in need desperate need of a job. I was considerate of the idea of a casino in Kingston in the beginning, but the good has far outweighed the bad. We need the change to bring new life into this old limestone city.
1008	1729	Yes	This city has already messed up with having the K-Rock Centre. My house taxes are high !
1009	2098	Yes	This is a beautiful peaceful city and we want to keep it this way please don't bring this casino to our city.

1010	2973	Yes	<p>This is a better survey than the one Mark G was running online as it allowed shades of grey.</p> <p>We host thousands of students each year. Do we need to think about them? Sure they can go online and gamble, but will their parents be more concerned if a large casino is almost just around the corner and decide that elsewhere is where their child should attend post-secondary? A large "entertainment" casino in a medium-sized city is going to have an impact greater than if it was in Toronto.</p>
1011	911	Yes	<p>This is a terrible idea. The last thing we need is a corporation moving a casino into Kingston. It will take money from the community instead of adding it. Find a better way to move forward than to follow in our last mayor's white elephant footsteps.</p>
1012	1298	Yes	<p>This is an excellent opportunity to generate revenue for the city and establish Kingston as a growth market. Being in a perfect geographical location should ensure its success.</p>
1013	3131	Yes	<p>This is not a morals issue. If people are going to gamble they will find a will and a way. I don't think we can afford to let this opportunity get away like the last time. Build it and they will come and me as a taxpayer will reap the benefits.</p>
1014	3000	Yes	<p>This is not what we want Kingston to be known for. We share a rich heritage and vital role as Canada's first capital, let's use our resources to our best advantage and this is not it. We're already struggling to support K-Rock's losses, don't add to it.</p>
1015	2276	Yes	<p>This is terrible. There is a casino close enough. Our city is already faced with social issues such as poverty and addiction, the city does not need to encourage it.</p>
1016	2788	No	<p>This is the same issue that is plaguing Toronto right now, where the suggestion of a casino is being supported by Mayor Ford... which of course is an endorsement that reflects the negative aspects that myself and the majority of Torontonians feel. Kingston for its size has a more historical appearance and a casino would be completely out of place and would cheapen the city.</p>
1017	1682	Yes	<p>This is the second opportunity for Kingston. Why do we continue to turn down an investment opportunity like this? With the closing of the Kingston Penitentiary we need to look for future revenue elsewhere. Gambling addiction is not a reason for blocking a Casino here. If a person has this addiction, he or she will simply head to the nearest Casino outlet anyways. Let's not drop the ball on this one. Land near Hwy #401 would make a great location with plenty of parking required. Downtown Kingston with the KROC and everything is too congested for parking and traffic.</p>
1018	2616	Yes	<p>This issue has been brought up before and was decisively turned down. Clearly, Kingston residents, past and present, are against this initiative. Let's bury it.</p>
1019	177	Yes	<p>This issue is not just about making money for the city</p>
1020	2812	Yes	<p>This may be the best way to generate more revenue for city coffers.</p>

1021	1569	Yes	This might possibly be one of the worst ideas floated by council in recent years. It takes away from Kingston as a family-friendly, historically relevant place to visit. Quite simply, it cheapens our beautiful city.
1022	1271	Yes	This poll also seems seriously skewed in favour of a casino. 6 reasons approving, 4 against. Why would it attract investors and new business? Niagara Falls is a nightmare. A casino will kill tourism.
1023	1751	No	<p>This questionnaire is biased. The pre-canned objections in Q5 are lame ducks that have been deliberately structured to be relatively easy for casino proponents to answer.</p> <p>Why did the City of Kingston pass on a casino 10 years ago? Now that Gan has invested in their casino, it seems a little ridiculous for Kingston to now expect they can change their mind.</p> <p>The only way a Kingston casino might make a lick of sense is if it helps to answer another question: What are we going to do with the Kingston Pen?</p>

1024	581	No	<p>This sums up my opinion. This is an opinion editorial I wrote in 2009 which was published by the KW Record.</p> <p>I have recently moved to Kingston and I am the Pastor at St. Mark's Lutheran Church</p> <p>Opinion Editorial The Record, 160 King Street East, Kitchener, N2G 4E5 DOES GOVERNMENT HAVE A GAMBLING ADDICTION?</p> <p>The Ontario Government craving a short term fix is fed with revenue from gambling resources. The immediate satisfaction derived from the surge of income into the veins of the public coffers, quickly turns into an addiction. Unfortunately like most addiction, gambling is accompanied by the presence of destructive behaviour. The addiction blinds the Government to their fiduciary duty to protect the public. "Imagine the freedom", "Feel the excitement", "A universe of possibilities", "You could be next". These are all phrases used by the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Commission (OLGC) to lure potential gamblers. They are nothing but slick ad campaigns which foster a false promise of financial freedom. In fiscal 2009 The OLGC spent \$558 million dollars on marketing and promotion. Half of this money is spent on complimentary gifts, known as "comps". These "comps" are awarded based on the duration of play and the volume of play. They encourage repeat business, but when that business is gambling "comps" also encourage and feed addictive behaviour.</p> <p>The Ontario government in its addiction to the revenue allows the public ends to justify the questionable means. Sadly one third of gambling revenue comes from problem gamblers. Problem gambling is defined as when negative consequences are experienced by the gambler or others, most notably family members. The irony is that the problem gamblers are easily identified. The "comp" programs used by the casinos track how long players have played, how often they visit, and how much they have lost. These very statistics could allow the OLGC to identify problem gamblers yet they are used to encourage the gamblers to visit more often and wager higher amounts of money. Instead of helping someone with an addiction the OLGC exacerbates the problem.</p>
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1025	794	Yes	This survey is obviously bias as it offers 6 benefits which a casino MAY bring to Kgtn while it only offer 4 negative selections for those who DON'T WANT IT to come to Kingston. Why do you not mention the damage we will cause to Gananoque or the fact that Kgtn will cause irreconsiable impairments to our neighbours who promote tourism in Kingston. One futher comment or question, why do our City Counsellors not listen to and adhere to the strong demands of their voters? We told them a decade ago to vote in favour of a casino and they ignored our direction and did what they wanted. Once again, we are telling the counsellors we have elected to vote in favour of our ADAMENT instructions - this time as OUR REPRESENTATIVES will they correct the situation and this time vote the way we want them to vote - OPPOSED to the casino due to the harm it will create for our sister city, Gananoque.
1026	2695	Yes	This survey should have also included information about the respondent's habits regarding casino use. ie how often they already attend casinos, how much they already spend at casinos and whether they anticipate increasing participation in casinos if one is built in Kingston. This survey should have also included a metric to understand tax payer's threshold for potential municipal tax increases depending on the anticipated cost to the municipality for building a casino. Q5 should have had 6 possible choices to match Q3's number of choices. As is, the survey appears biased towards building a casino. Also, the choices for or against lack fact and rigour. Finally, without presenting hard facts regarding the potential cost / income to the municipality, this survey nearly gauges an emotional response from the respondent rather than an educated response
1027	2776	Yes	This survey was poorly constructed, and seemed to exhibit strong biases in favour of building a casino in the first place. Compare questions 3 and 5. You may also wish to consider making this survey anonymous, to avoid culling the opinions of those who may not wish their names publicly associated with these opinions due to professional or personal reasons, but nevertheless feel their concerns should be taken into consideration.
1028	200	Yes	This was a missed opportunity years ago. Lets make it an oportunity now. If we look to outside investors, we can make Kingston GROW.
1029	3150	Yes	This would be a HUGE change for the city, and I really hope you do not unilaterally impose this on Kingston residents. Please consider holding a vote on this important issue.
1030	1045	Yes	Those in favor see only more money but discard the huge and irreversible changes that a casino will bring to a nice city. All small businesses (boutiques, restaurants, etc.) along Princess street will be doomed by the building of a super casino, even if that one is not situated downtown.
1031	2506	Yes	Those that are suggesting we pilfer the casino from Gananoque should be ashamed of themselves. I question the moral fabric of those that suggest that Kingston should even study this, let alone pursue it. It's just not right to steal from your neighbours.

1032	384	Yes	Those who were opposed the first time used the same lame arguments as above. I think Gananoque's experience has proven these naysayers wrong. With the close proximity of the Thousand Islands casino, anyone who has a tendency to spend money at a casino or is inclined to an addiction, is already doing so. We need the revenue and we should have accepted a casino here the first time around.
1033	1847	Yes	Though alcohol consumption has maturity age restrictions, children still get addicted to it due to peer pressure. As much as we preach don't drink and drive, many are killed still by drunk drivers. Lets not make the mistake of bringing something that will destroy the retirement plans of many.
1034	301	Yes	Time for Kingston to start moveing forward. We got a 2nd chance! Lets not miss this "One"
1035	560	Yes	To please do your reserch with regard to the problems surrounding a casino and also think long term of the legacy you are leaving.
1036	1338	Yes	Too much money is being spent on things like the KRock, Grand Theatre, super expensive piano for the Grand, other theatre organizations that get funds. There are thousands of people in Kingston who are paying for these facilities and can't even afford to attend them. Enough is enough of this stuff, if these theatres etc are so great why can't those who want them pay for them. The worst one I have seen is the piano, if those people are so sensitive they can detect the differences in those pianos and they need the high priced one then they should pay for it.
1037	287	Yes	Turn it down
1038	2346	Yes	Unfortunately casinos are designed to disorient people of time, lack windows or other referents to the outside world. They are designed to be exclusive, manipulative spaces - and this is their business model. And so they produce harmful social consequences as noted above. As an architect, I think this means that they fail morally as government-owned public spaces.
1039	567	Yes	Unless Gan decides to get rid of it's casino it seems like lunacy to consider getting into a struggle over this. Let's focus on things that really matter and need your attention like poverty reduction.
1040	331	Yes	Unless it is tucked away somewhere out of site, I vote a strong NAY
1041	1215	Yes	Use a positive and healthy ways to develop economics and attract travelers.
1042	1692	Yes	Use taxes to create better roads, and make Kingston a more welcoming city for business's to locate in and create long term employment. Use your imagination and be creative. Perhaps Kingston could be the first smoke free city.
1043	2753	Yes	Use that albatross of a K-Rock Centre for the casino location. Or out on McAdoo's Lane where there would be lots of parking.

1044	1142	Yes	Use to live in Niagara Falls their casinos are across from each other so the casino in Gan would not be affected if anything they would have more revenue
1045	2411	Yes	Wake up Kingston!! Ontario's deficit is 15 Billion! Casino's are here to stay. Let's at least get some of the benefit's instead of another town 10 min. away.
1046	2928	Yes	We (Kingston) did not want the Casino the first time, leave it where it is and continue to stay out of the Casino business. To now, after all these years, try to take this away from Gananoque is a disgusting idea.
1047	1102	Yes	We all bear the additional costs of health concerns which result from gambling. Council is wasting their time which should be employed on more important issues on behalf of the taxpayers of Kingston. Council is too busy trying to grow Kingston out of all proportion without seemingly having a thought of the debts we are accumulating. It should be remembered that taxpayers' pockets are not limitless.
1048	2472	Yes	We already have the K Rock Centre which is a complete flop, do not need another losing venture in entertainment industry
1049	737	Yes	We are already using tax payers money to fund the K-Rock centre (which we were told wasn't going to be the case). The casino developers are not proposing a casino out of the goodness of their hearts, and it is going to land up costing the taxpayers money (even if the developers say they are going to cover all the costs). They are relying on our dollars to make it work, just as has been the case at the K-Rock. Once they couldn't break even, then it is up to Kingston residents to pay.
1050	496	Yes	We are in the process of co-creating a new world. Gambling is not a solution. A more positive approach is needed in order to allow ourselves to fulfill a greater purpose in this endeavour. May I suggest that we look at co-creating a more fulfilling way of being as we all take part in this most wondrous opportunity to bring our world to a new place of peace, love and beauty. May I also suggest that you allow us all to vote on this issue and allow ample time to do so. I thank you for providing the opportunity to express our points of view on this. Sincerely, <u>Marie-Elaine Ferland</u>
1051	2705	Yes	WE are investing in affordable housing, food banks, improved healthcare facilities including mental health care. Why would we want to invest in a counter-productive step such as casino/gambling problems. Increase employment added by a casino will probably be matched by loss jobs in the entertainment sector of businesses that fail due to dollars spent in the casino. Our local restaurants, pubs, etc. put dollars back into the Kingston economy. A privately owned casino will ship profits largely out of the city.

1052	552	Yes	We are large enough to have a Casino - I can't afford to go to Vegas. Let's make paying taxes fun!
1053	3127	Yes	We are not in favour of the casino and feel it would in no way contribute to the City of Kingston. Many residents are retirees and enjoy everyday, the peace and tranquility of our city.
1054	188	Yes	We are vehemently opposed to a casino in Kingston.
1055	1042	Yes	<p>We chose our new city carefully - we think it the most charming and beautiful place to live, with people who are warm and friendly, and we feel safe. Casinos bring in an ugliness and fear element that really worries me.</p> <p>Also --- Gananoque had lost ground many years ago from its early heyday, and then had a resurgence some years ago due, I assume, to a few people who had a vision -- and then the Casino came to their town, now their town seems to be losing ground again. I don't think that their losing their Casino would bring back anything to their town at this point, but we would be seen to complete their destruction by bringing one here</p>
1056	233	Yes	We currently travel to Las Vegas from here and have spent close to 12K in the past year there and at least 5K in Gananoque. Would be nice to share that in the city we spend the most time in....
1057	2010	Yes	We do not need a casino in the city of Kingston. And just like the K-Rock Centre, who thought downtown was a good idea? Don't go there, stop now. Why do I always feel the city chooses the wrong thing for the betterment of the city and needs to be told so?
1058	2647	Yes	<p>We do not need a casino in this city.</p> <p>Just new business let the city grow!</p> <p>This is a beautiful city all we need is smarter people to run it.</p>
1059	150	Yes	We don't need the revenue sharing. We're not a poor city, and even though more money would be nice, we don't need it, not from this source.
1060	2204	Yes	We don't want more undesirable elements in our City - escorts, bikers, drug dealers, and addicts!
1061	395	Yes	We have lots of land that needs to be used. There are alot of empty buildings that could probably be renovated to hold the casino. I don't go often, but when I do I enjoy the social part of it, seeing people and getting out.
1062	1804	Yes	We have plenty of poor people to house and feed without adding others who become destitute because they spent their small income on gambling at a venue close to them!
1063	1518	Yes	We have spent a lot of money on the K-Rock centre to draw people downtown. We don't need a casino to attract them elsewhere.
1064	1059	Yes	We have watched for years as Gananoque upgraded infrastructure and services thanks to the increased City revenues brought about by the Casino. Frankly, we need an influx of revenue like that and a Casino...perhaps a waterfront casino at the Queen St. dockyard - would do just that.

1065	2850	Yes	we love our city for many reasons, one of the reasons are that it is historical, and not over populated. I believe that adding a casino is going to bring more people, more alcohol, and more traffic just so that more money can be made. It is time to start thinking of our children's children, I sure hope and pray that every decision that they make for their community isn't solely based on the "mighty dollar".
1066	153	Yes	We missed out on the last opportunity that went to Gananoque,because a vocal minority campaigned against it for many of the reasons listed above for not supporting it. We have bingo halls,lottery tickets and other gambling opportunities in our area,so why not have a casino that would provide an economic and tourist spinoff for the benefit of the whole Kingston community. Individuals that want to gamble @ a casino will, and currently are doing so outside of Kingston. I personally am not a gambler and have never even been inside the Thousand Island Casino,but none the less feel the pros of having a casino in Kingston outweigh the cons.
1067	2731	Yes	We must, at the very least, explore the possibilty of allowing a casino to be built in Kingston. Let's get all the facts first and allow the developers to present their case before we close the door..
1068	574	Yes	We need full-time permanent jobs, living wages, affordable housing, adequate social benefits. We don't need a casino.
1069	4	Yes	We need to keep taxes as low as possible, even a reduction should be considered. A casino in the city would be a new source of revenue that would bring new money here and help support the whole community.
1070	2140	Yes	We need to lose the thought that a casino is negative, prone to creating addiction. If that is the view we need to close all of the beer stores, liquor stores and stop selling cigarettes, these harm people, not a night out at the casino. Kingston needs to jump into the 21st century, we have a good city lets expand it to be a great city, one that poeple want to visit and explore.
1071	838	Yes	We only get one second chance. We looked like Asses when concil refused the first time. Please dont let that happen the second time around!!!
1072	1738	Yes	we passed it up last time only to beg after.
1073	2967	Yes	we should have agreed upon the casino in Kingston when Gananoque got it. The money that they have received from the casino has helped keep their taxes down and allowed them to redo their infrastructure.
1074	340	Yes	We should have brought the Casino here 10 yrs ago our City will grow from this. Crazy if they pass this up again...
1075	479	Yes	We should have done this years ago.

1076	2152	Yes	We should have said yes years ago when the discussion was brought up. Councillors need to be more aggressive and expedient making decisions instead of fence-sitting, and paying for survey after survey before making a decision and then losing opportunities for our community.
1077	2804	Yes	We should keep a healthy balance or big box stores and small business in Kingston
1078	1084	Yes	We should look to communities like Windsor, Ontario for advice
1079	2395	Yes	We should not refuse this on moral grounds. Gambling is a legal activity for adults. People can gamble on line. People attend bingos. Just because adults have access to alcohol, doesn't mean they will become alcoholics. I seldom drink and more infrequently gamble, but that my business as an adult.
1080	369	Yes	we should of approved one the first time around.
1081	1020	Yes	we should of got it originally instead of gan....were alot bigger and could easily fill and support a casino no problem and will bring in well needed income/revenue for the city n in turn will help fund the k-rock centre and other investments.
1082	1727	Yes	We should of had the Casino 10 years ago when the opportunity came to this city.
1083	676	Yes	We turned down a casino years ago and should not let it happen again. People who want to attend a casino will attend it no matter where it is. A great location would be on the old alcan property off Counter St. With the new road improvements it would be a great spot and have easy access to downtown or uptown
1084	1786	No	We used to be property owners in Kingston but recently sold our property.
1085	3054	Yes	We visit the casino at least twice a month it will be more covenient if it is in Kingston
1086	2409	Yes	We would be silly in not having this business. It just should not be downtown.
1087	232	Yes	We would like to see the casino and airport expansion.
1088	975	Yes	Wealth is not the guarantee of a happy life. Harmonious and peaceful life does not come from wealth alone. Economic growth can be built on other decent activities. Greed and societal economy gap can be widened and deepened especially in the under-priviledge group. Kingston is a historical old city. It does not need to become another Las Vegas. Kingston has her own charm and unique. She is not a duplicate of las Vegas. Kingston is special on its own. Please use your authority wisely and be close to God.

1089	609	Yes	<p>We've had this discussion and chose not to go ahead. should we be like the PQ and keep the threat of a referendum going till we tear apart the heart of community? History shows that when we find a new way to tax the most hurting segment of society it isn't long before we loose what makes us a community.</p> <p>If Casino's were so good for the community, why would we need the money raised in taxes and jobs need to go to support counselling for the addicted and many who have lost homes and families. Yeah for Job creation. counselling for the addicted, hospital beds for the suicidally depressed, funeral homes for the ones that don't turn for help and lots of tax revenue streams to bring in money.</p> <p>We have the opportunity to not make the mistakes we made when we brought in the sin tax from tobacco. We know the dangers ahead of time. Lets choose not to harm our community. Let us use the HIND SIGHT we have been afforded.</p> <p>There are many who can easily access gambling should they choose to do so. Many who can afford to loose and enjoy the gaming of it. There are all ready shuttles to Gan if people truly want to gamble.</p>
1090	1728	Yes	<p>What an exciting time for the city! I am curious as to where the casino would be located if it were built here.</p>
1091	1759	Yes	<p>What is driving this idea and who's pocket will be padded? How are you going to deal with the social affect this will have? How will putting another outlet for the marginalized to misuse their money make Kingston a better place to live?</p>
1092	75	Yes	<p>What the general population of Kingston has in question is loction...</p> <p>Most if not, ALL residence do feel that the location is very important. Downtown, or out on Hwy 15 are not suitable to the general public. Obviously hwy 15 not being a suitable location, it would be wise to find a location [like Gan] to place an attraction like this near the 401 for more attraction, yet make it somewhat accessable to Kingstonians WITHOUT public transportation. Myself, I have always thoght somewhere along offramps of Sydenham Rd/Hwy 38/Sir John A Blvd....</p> <p>As said accessibility to the residence is a key factor, but without KT services UNLESS there was a frequent KT service bus that was able to shuttle Casino go'ers from the Casino to one of the major bus transfer points</p>

1093	1939	Yes	What this city needs is more private sector. We need to work with the school of business to create and encourage people to start up businesses here in Kingston. This will create better jobs. We need to improve our great resource our waterfront areas.
1094	378	Yes	What was the old council thinking to turn this away from our city.
1095	3099	Yes	When and if the city goes ahead to bring this money making proposition to our city I sincerely hope that the future build is highly considered in it's loction. Not to build another building downtown but on the outside limits of the city where parking would be in ample supply.
1096	677	Yes	When the K-Rock Centre was being promoted (before construction) it was called a Regional Sports and Entertainment Centre. This recognized that the region would be part of the Centre's success. The City of Kingston should respect the need for regional strength in eastern Ontario and not take the casino away from Gananoque. It is not neighbourly and we need to work with our neighbours not against them. Also, the planned privatization of the casinos in Ontario raises many questions about accountability and profit-sharing that have not been answered. In private/public partnerships, which the casino would likely be, the taxpayer is the loser.
1097	179	Yes	When you visit the casino in Gananoque you will notice that most of the people there are from Kingston.....that alone should tell you something.....I also think that if Kingston does it right and makes it bigger and better than the one in Gan we can take the casino to another level and also make the taxpayer happy. You can be for or against a casino but the reality is it will be somewhere in the area and that area might as well be here.
1098	1432	Yes	Where are we thinking about building it?
1099	1646	Yes	Where casinos are located in a downtown, they only generate revenue at very specific other businesses. The majority of established businesses lose customers as loss of parking, surging traffic and growth of non-complementary clientele impede their customers. Independent clothiers are an example, as are small cafes. Read the studies.
1100	3027	Yes	Where is your vision of Kingston ??? Did you have one when you were elected ? More money (?)in the City coffers to do what ???
1101	599	Yes	Where would the casino be located? A downtown location will cause traffic and parking problems.
1102	3124	Yes	Where would the casino go? Would it take up lakeshore property? Would it be outside the main hub of the city? The proposed location is an important factor to me as well. Although, I am generally opposed to it, if it were to be located downtown, I would vehemently disagree.
1103	1344	No	Whether I live right in the city of Kingston is not the primary concern here. Many live close to the city and shop for much in this city. This type of support to the city is of greater value than a gambling establishment that takes much more than it gives back.

1104	2651	Yes	Whether I'm in support or not is all based on location of the casino. If the plan is to build it between the 401, Bayridge Drive, Ontario Street, and the water. Then I'm not in support anywhere outside there I would support. Downtown is already to congested and should be outside of residential areas.
1105	3126	Yes	While I am in support of a casino I am not in support of it being downtown. I think being closer to the 401 would bring in more buses (such as in Gan.), and would be better for parking.
1106	410	No	While I am not a property owner in Kingston proper, I work here and participate in the city. We need to be thinking of what is best for all people who work and live in Kingston.
1107	2494	No	While I do not live in the city of Kingston, I work here (in the downtown core) and come here from just outside the city, for entertainment & leisure, so would feel the impact of a casino downtown as residents would.
1108	2901	Yes	While I realize that not having a casino here will not reduce the number of such establishments in the province, I prefer not merely to shrug my shoulders but rather to say that I am opposed to the principle and, therefore, would rather not see a casino here.
1109	1946	Yes	While I support this to an extent, I think there are other priorities we should focus on for expanding and investing in the city. For example, expanding our airport, attracting new direct investments by corporations downtown.
1110	2544	Yes	While I understand that a casino could increase economic revenue, I strongly feel that the culture of gambling is detrimental to people's individual finances, their social and mental health, and the overall culture and tone of the city. What kind of value-added, revenue creating opportunities could the city invest in instead??
1111	1143	No	While I'm not a property owner (own outside of town) - I spend most of my time in Kingston as an employee so I still consider Kingston my town.
1112	240	Yes	While the city has grown considerably since the issue was last debated the fundamental reasons for rejecting the project previously have not changed. Council must review and reflect on the rational of previous council(s) and know the city growth only highlights more than ever the need for our city to steer away from this endeavor.
1113	2101	Yes	Whoever designed this survey is not worth their salary I went back to adjust an answer after review and everything was wiped clean Also there wasn't a balance between reasons offered for and against = bias
1114	2936	Yes	Why bother? We're known for our waterfront and natural and historic attractions. A casino would cheapen our image.

1115	2927	Yes	Why can't City Council make decisions themselves? Is it because some councillors (like mine -- Brian Paterson) don't bother to speak to the people in their riding, so they simply don't have this sort of information when it comes to discussing this on Council?
1116	1047	Yes	Why do you even consider bring Casino to Kingston?
1117	2581	Yes	Why is addiction coming into play. No one seems to be commenting on new beer store in west end.
1118	2640	Yes	Why isn't Kingston - why aren't you - focusing energy and resources to develop Kingston's waterfront for public use and tourism (instead)?
1119	2357	Yes	Why not get a casino that is the only thing we are missing In this beautiful city
1120	1746	Yes	Why not work out deal with Gananoque to expand their existing casino and create a good transportation service to & from Kingston. Maybe some kind of revenue sharing could be arranged. Lets keep Kingston a clean friendly city. In the short run it will look fabulous but once something like this gets ingrained in the environment it will change for ever what we cherish now and we won't get it back.
1121	860	Yes	Why would we vie for a casino now when there is one down the road in Gananoque?
1122	298	Yes	will be better for the city of kingston and the people that don't want it shouldn't go
1123	1548	Yes	Wish we had jumped the first time this opportunity came to us. Kingston needs to be decisive and offer more benefits to our community. Wating time, and resources debating something to death is just an outrageous waste.
1124	3221	Yes	With 24x7 gaming all around us via lotteries, bingos, web, etc.etc., a casino does not bring anything more evil or undesirable to this city. If this were the case, given the size of Gananoque, the evil effects should be easy to see. No increase in crime according to the police chief, no apparent crazed gambling addicts running the streets or salavating at the casino doors, just hundreds of jobs and millions of dollars to the town. Don't let a small vocal minority cloud what is simply common sense. We have in essence had a casino in our community since the casino in Gananoque opened. Drive from downtown to the west end or drive to Gananoque, maybe a few minutes difference?? Time to wake up!
1125	681	Yes	With Kingston having a large number of senior citizens we already have a large customer base of people who are most likely to support a casino
1126	1951	Yes	With regards to concerns over social issues -- I am NOT my brother's keeper. We are all free thinkers and make up our own minds whether we want to go to one of these facilities or not. Don't deprive the majority of the entertainment factor because of the concerns of a few.

1127	704	Yes	With the Gan casino so close, we do not need another one in our community.
1128	1957	Yes	Working in the downtown core for the last 12 years I have seen a decrease in tourism spending. If there is money to be made by the city from this why not take it. Hotels may not get busier but they could, restaurants may be busier but most importantley is it will bring in 300-400 good paying jobs to the Kingston community.
1129	1352	Yes	<p>Would like to have a convention center, my roads repaired,a 50 meter pool,a splash pad in Skeleton Park, maybe a few more park benches and the fountain cleaned + repaired in Confederation Basin....out of something other than our current high tax base.</p> <p>Alternatively, if the good folks in Kingston vote to refuse a casino on ethical grounds then we might best consider asking the provincial government to withold the percentage of money we receive from OLG, cigarette, gas and LCBO "sin taxes" as all= "dirty money" and therefore equally as unethical theoretically? We already do important things with money from the OLG, and we accept this money gratefully. Why is it not ok if it were to come out of a casino here versus a casino anywhere else in the province?</p> <p>Are we fully or partially principled?</p>
1130	333	Yes	Would love to know where the money is going to go that comes into the Casino - I can't see much improvement to the town of Gananoque as a result of the millions pouring into that facility. I just don't think there is room to accomodate this - put it somewhere else.
1131	806	Yes	would love to see the Casino out were the old horse track was, would love to see the a horse track with the Casino - live shows in the Casino - or a area were someone could rent for a Wedding dinner and dance.
1132	2406	Yes	Would the city be contibuting to the cost of building/running? If so then I would be strongly opposed. There is a waiting list for subsidized day care spots, these parents are unemployed until one becomes available. City parks are falling short of proper maintenance, the money could go toward unbroken benches, a new sign for Ken Matthews park (there's been none for over a year), cleaning/repainting grafitti, fixing rusted climbers... The children are our future.
1133	1016	Yes	Would very much like the Casino to come, so we benefit instead of other communities.
1134	540	Yes	Would welcome the extra revenue
1135	2312	Yes	Ya, it's a fucking retarded idea, already a waste of my tax money discussing it and after living here my entire life and paying taxes to the city and being a home owner I'm disgusted. I'd rather move and give my money to a more responsible City. Maybe itâ€˜s time I get into politics and run?

1136	136	No	yes alot of people in kingston could chang their lifge i think alot less crimes their winning there money not stealing their money give us a chance and find out thats the only way anything is done yoiu have to tgaste it to see if itsd good enough or not
1137	151	No	Yes I do. Please tell the townhouse occupants on Montreal Street and Compton Street that garbage day is not a clean out your dirty house day. I find it disgusting to drive into work every morning and see mounds of garbage, mattresses, couches, dirty diapers and whatever else they throw out. Kingston will soon only be able to have 1 bag of garbage out on their lawn, why are these people an acception?
1138	2055	Yes	Yes I have lots of comment, but somehow I believe it will fall on deaf ears.
1139	1562	Yes	Yes I know people go to Gan for their casino but it takes gas money, and a car to get there. To have one in easy access for those who otherwise do not go to Gan will cause problems. Nevermind people who are financially stressed that do not go to Gan will find the need to "Win" more money which can cause people to lose the money they need for their families, etc. I believe social agencies should be considered in this decision, in reference to whether or not they can support a influx of people facing problems due to the casino, or if they can deal with more people with addictions. I care strongly about all people in society, and I do think something else could be built for entertainment, and tourism then something that can have so many negative ripple effects.
1140	2054	Yes	Yes I once had lunch with my father at the Gananoque Casino. I am not a gambler but my father was but I still wanted to spend time with him so this was my reason for going to the Gananoque Casino. When I was there I had a chance to talk to one of the managers in the casino. He informed me that they needed to have a suicide watch in the bathrooms every hour. He also stated to me that he saw many people from all walks of life spend their family savings. Do we really want this in our city? I don't.
1141	2433	Yes	yes i would like to see a convention centre with this casino and expand the airport we need to expand our horizon and move forward we can't wait and miss out look what gan has earned in 10 yrs.people like to see new ventures
1142	1027	Yes	Yes if the City of Kingston Says no because of Gananoque it will most likely be given to another Municipality as he does not feel it will stay in Gan. they were lucky to have it these past ten years and he is concerned a large Vegas Casino company would not support a venue in Gan. Also we are in the middle of Montreal and Toronto and have missed out on the revenue it the past ten years.
1143	1288	Yes	Yes instead of a casino why not a conference centre with a hotel and parking funky shops and start to pickup commercial recycling.....

1144	593	Yes	Yes is what we wanted back in the early 90's so let's not listen to nonsense from fortune tellers like councilor McNeil.
1145	1622	Yes	Yes! Don't open a casino in Kingston! As a homeowner, we don't want to use taxpayers money for this (we're still paying for the KRock centre!) for something that promotes and supports addiction. It's nothing but negative and makes Kingston look bad.
1146	1224	Yes	Yes! This city needs economic growth to provide employment for the young people of this city. As a parent, my child had to relocate to find worthwhile employment. Offered in the city, are mostly minimum paying jobs, at retail businesses. If we do not keep our youth, then our future is in jeopardy. As a retired school teacher, I know that school enrollments are declining in Kingston and school closures will ensue. Kingston is a beautiful historic city, full of retired old people, but a balance must be achieved. We must look to the future, to keep Kingston a viable city and not just a city reflecting the past and noted as a retirement destination! We need businesses, such as the casino to help keep our taxes lower. The argument of gambling addiction is ridiculous. An addict will travel anywhere to gamble. Perhaps, we should close all Kingston drinking establishments and stores selling alcohol, to help prevent alcohol addiction!! What about the food addict! There are also a number of people who suffer from shopper addictions! Let us call for individual responsibility and accountability and not penalize responsible people! If Kingston already has a number of gambling addicts, perhaps services need to be provided for them!
1147	3102	No	Yes, I took out of town visitors to Kingston last week - toured City Hall, the Market, purchased in your city, visited a restaurant in your city - I will not be doing this again if you take from your neighbours - I will head east to Brockville and I shall also tell my hairdresser, stores I frequent that I will not be returning because of the ways your City is handling this -knowing full well the harm it will do to the best location that the OLG acknowledged years ago as it is still the best location and any prospective owner will also acknowledge this - so I feel Kingston putting this forward is in a lose-lose situation.
1148	1512	Yes	Yes, I'd like to see the city care for it's residents by optimising our existing assets like the K rock centre, instead of running after a casino.

1149	2467	Yes	<p>Yes. I am very concerned about Kingston entertaining such an issue and being adamant about the merits and all the good things some people claim it could bring.</p> <p>I am sure our Kingston governing body has already given this issue serious thought and what I am about to suggest is probably nothing new. But I will give it a try.</p> <p>I would like to suggest that even before we delve into the merits of a casino, that we step back and seriously think about what is causing us to look at establishing a casino in the first place. Why are we even entertaining the idea? What is the purpose of wanting a casino in Kingston? What will it do for us? Who will benefit from having such a thing in Kingston? We (the governing leadership of Kingston) need to be really sincere with ourselves and consciously think about the whole spectrum this thing will open up to people. Anytime a new thing is introduced in the environment, people see tremendous possibilities. We should take the time and list what all these seemingly good things are. At the same time, let us remember also that along with new possibilities, a new thing once introduced in the environment, also brings hazards with it. Do we truly understand what all these hazards are? Again, as a governing body and leaders of society, we should not just be looking at the tremendous possibilities opening up in front of us, but we also need to understand the hazards that this new thing is bringing about. What are these hazards and what are we going to do as a governing body to ensure they do not become a detriment to society. In my</p>
1150	1434	Yes	<p>Yes. Please leave us schools in walking distance of our homes. Closing and merging schools into a mega-school facility is an enormous mistake and again will contribute to the demise of the downtown core.</p>
1151	3080	No	<p>You didn't want it in the first place, why should it be given up to you now? oh ya...you see the tax revenue it has brought in.</p>
1152	450	Yes	<p>You had a chance and turned it down. They are not going to be building anymore so some person is going to need to spend the millions to put up a new build and area. and then they will need to raise taxes so they can pay for the other dumb ass moves.</p>
1153	336	No	<p>You had your chance 10 yrs ago, too bad. You just want a portion of the money that the host county and town/city receive</p>
1154	2539	Yes	<p>You have already saddled us with the huge tax burden of the K-Rock centre. Please don't make this costly mistake.</p>
1155	1725	Yes	<p>You have made a mess of the downtown area, with condos, KRock no third crossing.</p>

1156	1413	Yes	You have not done any studies on the concept of bringing a casino into our beautiful downtown, what the costs are (social as well as monetary) and what the effects on local businesses might be. Studies that take into account the positives and the negatives, and balance them against each other are needed -- it is insane to take such a major step without doing proper studies. Have you not wondered why OLG and the casino companies designed the process so that there could be no real studies on the matter -- I believe that it relates to OLG's knowledge that the casinos they propose will be a poor deal for host cities.
1157	2095	Yes	You need a business plan to run the city. If you are unable to do so, simply resign. The casino is a fig leaf for the lack of ideas our elected officials have.
1158	2642	Yes	You need to think beyond the numbers and seriously consider the social cost.
1159	1374	Yes	You passed this up 10 years ago for some idiotic reasons...please do not make the same mistake twice.
1160	1791	Yes	You will do what you want anyhow no matter what people think. Listen to the people instead of your greed. A casino will not fly downtown!!
1161	939	Yes	Your Aug 14th deadline is too short for such an important decision that affects the future of our city.
1162	2583	Yes	Your questions are slanted to make it appear that there are more good reasons to support having a casino in Kingston than not. The ultimate political reason for wanting a casino is to legitimize finding a new local income stream that does not involve new "taxes".
1163	2306	Yes	You've got bigger fish to fry, don't belabor this to death. Either allow the casino or close the strip club. Flip a coin if you have to, most residents don't really care.