Options for a memorial and the future of building 2

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Survey Summary

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2,650 participants
1,246 comments

Survey was open July 8 - July 26, 2019
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I am...

- 57% A City employee
- 34% A resident of Virginia Beach
- 5% A former City of Virginia Beach employee
- 4% None of the above
My work location is …

- 61% Outside of the Municipal Center
- 27% In the Municipal Center but not Building 2
- 12% Building 2 (prior to or since May 31)
What feelings would you want a permanent memorial to capture or convey?

- Strength: 83% Strongly Agree, 71% Agree
- Love: 66% Strongly Agree, 60% Agree
- Hope: 43% Strongly Agree, 30% Agree
- Comfort: 33% Strongly Agree, 22% Agree
- Warmth: 29% Strongly Agree, 23% Agree
- Spirituality: 28% Strongly Agree, 24% Agree
- Admiration: 27% Strongly Agree, 21% Agree
- Understanding: 17% Strongly Agree, 11% Agree
- Acceptance: 26% Strongly Agree, 21% Agree
- Freedom: 24% Strongly Agree, 23% Agree
- Joy: 11% Strongly Agree, 9% Agree
- Contentment: 1% Strongly Agree, 1% Agree

Legend: % Strongly Agree, % Agree
To what extent is it important for the memorial to have…

- **Natural elements**: 63 (Absolutely essential), 23 (Very important)
- **Specific info about each victim**: 58 (Absolutely essential), 26 (Very important)
- **Places to sit**: 48 (Absolutely essential), 27 (Very important)
- **Places for small groups to gather**: 34 (Absolutely essential), 28 (Very important)
- **Areas to leave momentos**: 25 (Absolutely essential), 22 (Very important)
How important is it that the permanent memorial be a place for …

- Quiet reflection: 73% Absolutely essential, 20% Very important
- Celebration of life: 64% Absolutely essential, 23% Very important
- Prayer: 49% Absolutely essential, 21% Very important
- Uplift: 43% Absolutely essential, 31% Very important
- Inspiration: 43% Absolutely essential, 28% Very important
- Contemplation: 42% Absolutely essential, 31% Very important
Should we continue to keep a site for a temporary memorial?
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Of Participants Who Selected Yes
- 34% A resident of Virginia Beach
- 56% A City employee
- 5% A foreign City of Virginia Beach employee
- 4% None of the above

Of Participants Who Selected No
- 36% A resident of Virginia Beach
- 56% A City employee
- 5% A foreign City of Virginia Beach employee
- 5% None of the above
If yes, would you support relocating the temporary memorial to the parking lot across the street?

Yes 38%
No 62%
Temporary memorial proposed relocation
Which of the following options for the future of Building 2 do you support?

- Tear it down: 10%
- Police HQ/First Precinct: 27%
- Renovate, other City depts: 27%
- Make it new City Hall: 39%
Should Building 2 be renamed?

- Yes: 50%
- No: 34%
- Not Sure: 16%
If yes, which of the following do you prefer?

- After the Victims: 9%
- Police HQ/1st Precinct: 17%
- After the day (531, etc): 23%
- Something Else: 51%
Comments

Police 123
Tear it down 148
Memorial 101

Keywords:
- Police
- Tear it down
- Memorial
- Opinion
- Not
- Wanted
- Growth
- Expensive
- Military
- Roads
- Schools
- Creative
- Jobs
- Community
- Public Money
- Building
- Transportation
- Home
- Safe
- Not
- 531
- Improve
- Safety
- Clean
- Parking
- Place
- Parks
- Children
Comments

Comment for question: "If yes, which of the following do you prefer?"

Don't rename it tear it down!

7/16/2019 1:49 PM

Tear it down  don't rename

If every building that had a tragedy associated with it were torn down, 20% of buildings and homes in the US would have to be destroyed.

7/27/2019 7:26 AM

Make it a half way house either for youth or homeless.

7/27/2019 12:02 AM

I worked in the Pentagon 9/11 and renovating/restoring it showed our strength. We can do the same with Bldg 2.

7/26/2019 9:53 PM
Comment for question: "If yes, which of the following do you prefer?"

Bldg two is after all is where it happen. Changing its name... "A rose by any other name would still smell the same". And to all those wanting to tear it down... who pays for it. We do not replace roadways or rename intersections when someone dies in a car accident.

7/16/2019 8:25 AM

Comment for question: "If yes, which of the following do you prefer?"

What if you rename ALL the buildings at the municipal center to their actual address? This would make it easier for visitors, deliveries, employees and public safety to navigate the municipal center. Right now, each building has a nonsensical number with a label and no known address. (i.e. City Hall, Building 1, 2401 Courthouse Drive.). This is a great opportunity to REBRAND our organization, our campus and our work environment.

7/9/2019 4:49 PM
Comment for question: "If yes, which of the following do you prefer?"

531 is a nice thought, and being practical, it would be best to rename it something unique if it is not going to be torn down. Honestly, it will always be building 2 in the eyes of anyone who was working for the city at that time. Not sure it should remain up at all.

7/9/2019 8:43 AM

Comment for question: "If yes, which of the following do you prefer?"

I think if it is renamed, it shouldn't be named 531 or 12, 16, nothing that is a reminder of the event.

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