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60.

Please share any comments you have about the current Jailer’s office - your experiences, staff and the Jailer, etc.

14 responses

ID	Name	Responses
1	anonymous	The jailer doesn't really do much now.
2	anonymous	Due to having a regional jail, the jailer's office while constitutional is useless.
3	anonymous	Jail budget is being audited and will have findings soon so that will determine my opinion. We so far have not fulfilled the financial promises for our regional jail.
4	anonymous	Na
5	anonymous	Elect Jacob Adkins for Jailer
6	anonymous	one of the worst
7	anonymous	N/a
8	anonymous	No experiences
9	anonymous	This position lacks professionalism. Pays well.
10	anonymous	Would still like to know where money got missing last year.
11	anonymous	I have no experience with which to form an opinion.
12	anonymous	I don't understand why we need a Jailer and a "Regional Jailer"

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ID	Name	Responses
13	anonymous	I haven't seen or do I know what the jailer does or doesn't do.
14	anonymous	The jailer just does not have an ability to change to course or budget of the jail.

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62.

Please share why you do / don't consider the City of Paris to be “business friendly”.

23 responses

ID	Name	Responses
1	anonymous	They are very enticing, but do not continue support over time.
2	anonymous	There seems to be little interest in supporting all the businesses. Only a certain area of town is highlighted and this has always seemed to be a point of debate. There are a lot of great people and incredible businesses here. Everyone should feel supported and they don't.
3	anonymous	Very encouraging to come, but the support is not sustained. City of Paris is overly focused on the horse industry, which is important, but our city and county have so much more to offer.
4	anonymous	It's very difficult for Small Businesses to survive in the City of Paris. I think this is due to high rent cost and high utility cost for the older buildings.
5	anonymous	Not enough choices
6	anonymous	Some businesses are open summer or not so you kinda never know if they are or not gonna be open
7	anonymous	Zoning is hard to deal with
8	anonymous	lots of red tape-lots of taxes
9	anonymous	You have to jump thru too many hoops
10	anonymous	I couldn't scroll up to click yes very much so

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ID	Name	Responses
11	anonymous	I'm not sure if the details, but Paris seems to attract nice businesses. There is a lot of turnover, though.
12	anonymous	Nothing here but a million Mexican restaurants.
13	anonymous	It seems like no business can last downtown. From my observations I personally think that renting a building downtown is outrageously expensive. There are some folks who own multiple building & it seems like they don't care to rent them. Maybe it's better for them to take a loss. It just stinks that we can't keep our downtown thriving.
14	anonymous	It's all on who you know for how successful and supported you will be by people in the city of Paris or the chamber.
15	anonymous	Recruit businesses almost daily
16	anonymous	Too much small town politics and good old boys involvement - time to move on and up
17	anonymous	City of Paris caters to those of influence.
18	anonymous	If your a Blue Blood they are friendly.
19	anonymous	I do not know because I have never operated a business in Paris. They seem to try and attract businesses.
20	anonymous	Lack of organization among downtown merchants; Unclear what support the Chamber provides; duplicative taxation
21	anonymous	Not enough restaurants to meet with clients. I go into Lexington.

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ID	Name	Responses
22	anonymous	Too many rules and regulations aimed at keeping Paris from growing or providing aid to the homeless, addicted, or any benevolence.
23	anonymous	Not years ago but now it is

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64.

Please share why you do / don't consider the Bourbon County to be “business friendly”.

19 responses

ID	Name	Responses
1	anonymous	Never know when the business are gonna be fully open they're opened. I guess when they decide they wanna open sometimes an old set schedule.
2	anonymous	Only if you are in the horse industry
3	anonymous	see above
4	anonymous	Same, its been years But Randy Daily wanted to keep kens newmarket as a deli and meat store and add a car wash on side, he would have been bankrupt before they let him, yet whats there now? A carwash
5	anonymous	It just seems like theres never room for anything. But when everyone knows everyone you couldn't buy a building to get started anyway
6	anonymous	We would like to expand our farm business, but internet availability is limited out in the county.
7	anonymous	They are not interested in new business unless it has to do with farm stuff.
8	anonymous	Odd question. Very supportive of agriculture which is the business if the Ciunty. Do not need another Toyota plant/ airport etc in Bourbon County.
9	anonymous	Same concept as above
10	anonymous	Recruit businesses almost daily
11	anonymous	Too much small town politics and good old boys involvement - time to move on and up

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ID	Name	Responses
12	anonymous	Historically, Bourbon County has kept businesses from coming here due to infrastructure and blocking roads development
13	anonymous	Judge and Magistrates have driven more business away.
14	anonymous	I do not know because I have no experience with this. They seem to try and attract business.
15	anonymous	Inadequate housing; lack of coordination among county entities (e.g., school system) to create opportunities for new business; lack of infrastructure
16	anonymous	Airport
17	anonymous	See above.
18	anonymous	Planning and zoning act like they're the ones who own the county.
19	anonymous	I works in multiple countries. It's actually very easy in bourbon county

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67.

Please share how you did / didn't feel supported by our local leadership.

5 responses

ID	Name	Responses
1	anonymous	It is not a brick and mortar storefront, but I felt I was given a lot of opportunities to sell and work with the shops in Paris.
2	anonymous	I don't even think they know we own a business even though we are 100% registered businesses. Never heard from anyone.
3	anonymous	Am a part of local leadership
4	anonymous	No one has contacted me.
5	anonymous	They help with problems. If your 1st interaction is poor I truly believe the people involved will try to help and make things easier. I great business plan goes along way. Sometimes communication and billing issues become a big issue

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Please share why you do / don't feel the leadership of the City of Paris is available to meet / speak with you if needed.

19 responses

ID	Name	Responses
1	anonymous	I have tried to call the city building multiple times and never gotten an answer. Or reply from email sent.
2	anonymous	They will lie and cover up
3	anonymous	Have not tried to meet with the city folks.
4	anonymous	Call and just leave a message. No one answers or cares
5	anonymous	The city manager seems to make himself not available and doesn't seem to be very knowledgeable over issues.
6	anonymous	Took us getting an attorney to get 2 lots joined for pva
7	anonymous	As their office says.... "leave a message and we will get back to you"
8	anonymous	Even if you reach out to the city council or city manager. They tell you what you want to hear and do nothing.
9	anonymous	I've tried to meet
10	anonymous	just seldom address the issue for it to be actually resolved
11	anonymous	I yet to ask to meet with any of them, but I think they would be amenable to meeting.

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ID	Name	Responses
12	anonymous	I regularly meet with constituents
13	anonymous	Never heard back from Judge on Park issues
14	anonymous	The Mayor will speak with you all day long, but he does not have strong leadership skills to bring about positive change or to hold people accountable.
15	anonymous	I have no experience with which to form an opinion.
16	anonymous	Commissioners are readily accessible
17	anonymous	No one has contacted me.
18	anonymous	They are available to talk to.
19	anonymous	But only if you reach out to them