Q1 In general, all language in the draft ordinance referring to “golf carts” has been removed and replaced with “electric vehicles.” Under present Bald Head ordinances, golf carts on Bald Head Island are typically 3.1 to 3.3 horsepower and are permitted to reach 5.4 horsepower. Under the proposed ordinance, electric vehicles are authorized to reach 9.9 horsepower. Do you favor the proposed ordinance which changes the language to allow for vehicles with the capacity of up to 9.9 horsepower?

![Response Chart](image)

#### ANSWER CHOICES
- **Yes**: 33.89% (182 responses)
- **No**: 64.99% (349 responses)

#### WHY OR WHY NOT?

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<td>We already have too many vehicles traveling too fast on our roads. Some are golf carts while others are the many contractor cars that do not seem to be regulated.</td>
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<td>Too fast for the road conditions and opens the door for larger and faster vehicles creating a potential danger to the smaller golf carts, bikers and joggers</td>
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<td>It is completely inappropriate to raise the permitted horsepower. I regularly see carts that are already going above the 18 mph speed limit. The island is meant to be shared equally between carts, bikers, and pedestrians. Increasing the horsepower will make the island unnecessarily dangerous. Despite BHI public safety’s efforts to cutback on underage driving, I also regularly see children who are too young to be licensed to be driving. I also see small children and babies riding on parents laps or more people on carts than there are seats. It would be unbelievably irresponsible to permit even faster carts on the roads of BHI given the risks. Why the need for speed?</td>
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They may have more speed and speed can be unsafe.

Roads are not designed for 9.9 capacity, in my opinion Island has increasing population of foot traffic, bicycle, and construction traffic- Higher horsepower will result into more speed! People appear to re-lax their "DRIVING SKILLS" when driving carts. The faster they go, the more dangerous they become! Been on the island since 2004, it has become more dangerous over that time frame with present cart restrictions.

Safety concerns with pedestrians and bicyclists if more and more people switch to faster electric vehicles. The roads are not designed for that type of traffic.

I am concerned that higher speeds will increase the chances of collisions with bicyclists and runners/pedestrians. Also, some of the sight lines when turning from smaller streets and driveways are limited (I'm thinking of along Federal Rd.), and faster electric vehicles could present problems for vehicles turning onto the main roads. It's easier to hear the occasional truck or construction vehicle coming because of the noise they make. Electric vehicles are generally more quiet and you can't always hear them coming, either as a driver, bicyclist, runner or pedestrian. One of the reasons I chose to purchase a share in a BHI home was the slower pace and relatively safety, especially for children. If electric vehicles could be restricted to lower speeds, I could be in favor of them.

As long as this change is designed to eliminate the internal combustion engines. Speed limits will have to be adhered to.

the issue of excessive speed on the island, is a problem. If we have a speed limit how is it controlled. We see more and more carts going well in excess of the posted speed. the increase in power will only continue to increase speed of vehicles.

No need for that level of speed.

Too fast. BHI is special in its simplicity and “Turtle time” experience.

This question feel misleading. If the use of 9.9 hp electric vehicles for commercial use will mean fewer ICE trucks on the island, then yes. I do not support 9.9 hp for personal use.

These are too fast. It would make what is already a dangerous environment for walking and enjoying the wynds even more dangerous.

Our island is rare needs no change. The 18mph speed limit works for all.

I am concerned about speed on the island and electric vehicles that are bigger than golf carts. part of the island's charm is the use of golf carts. Should electric vehicles get too fast or large that charm is lost.

Bald Head Island is a golf cart community, and this mode of transportation has defined the Island experience since its inception. This issue is the very fabric and culture of this Island. Although many are convinced that “electric vehicles” are the future, I purport that this “future” exists on the mainland where state compliant roads are designed to allow safe passage for all urban traffic. Such is not the case on Bald Head Island. Our Village streets were deliberately designed to force a change of pace and an intimate experience with the natural surroundings. May our elected officials please be mindful of the Preamble to this Chapter: “Bald Head Island is an environmentally focused community living in harmony with nature. Safety for all who inhabit and visit is paramount. All users must share the roadways and pedestrians and cyclists must be granted the right-of-way.” Capacity and density on our Village streets are the real issues, and all efforts to slow traffic are critical to the enjoyment of our chosen golf cart lifestyle, particularly acknowledging that the Island is currently only 58-60% built-out.

There is no reference in the Ordinance to either 5.4 or 9.9 horsepower.

There is no need for faster vehicles on the Island. It would make things more dangerous and cause the Island to lose some of it's slower pace charm/appeal.

The roads are not intended for speed. It will be dangerous and will change the character of the island.

When you talk to folks that know of the island one of the first comments is that is the island that uses golf carts to get around. Electric cars do not have that same ambiance. These vehicles are also more intimidating when they pass you at higher speeds when walking or riding a bike.
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<td>That is too fast and will affect the &quot;island vibe&quot; that we all love and cherish on BHI. We need to slow down and enjoy the slower island pace, the visitors come here for that as well as homeowners. There will be more accidents with higher speeds and the children on the island could be at a higher risk whether walking or riding a bicycle. No need to be in such a hurry, the island is small and it doesn't take anytime to get from one end to the other.</td>
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<td>There have been many golf cart accidents with 3-3.5hp and several deaths. Consequently, we do not need bigger engines and faster vehicles which is dangerous to bikers and walkers. Our renters usually are biking enthusiasts, runners and walkers and like the safety of BHI roads for their kids. I cannot see ANY reason to increase speed and create new safety concerns. Renters come to BHI for slow pace and golf carts. I have a son who flipped our golf cart and ended up in the emergency room @Dosher. Thank God he wasn't going at 3x the speed!!!</td>
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<td>I would recommend keeping personal/noncommercial vehicles at a lower limit -- perhaps the 5.4 hp limit. If needed to move more commercial vehicles from ICE to electric, I would allow commercial vehicles to reach the 9.9 hp limit.</td>
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<td>Absolutely not. We have been coming to Bald Head for over 30 years and one of the biggest reasons is the ability to vacation in a place that puts you on “Turtle Time”. The pace and freedom of an open, slow, traditional golf cart is what Bald Head is all about. And as a parent, the issue of Safety is HUGE. The thought of my kids on bikes with 9+ horsepower electric cars is terrifying and would have a massive negative impact on our vacation state of mind.</td>
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<td>No for personal vehicles ... too many golf carts currently exceed the speed limits and endanger bicyclists, pedestrians, runners and other vehicles. What is missing is a size restriction on 'electric vehicles' if for personal use. The potential for larger personal vehicles will make parking more difficult both at beach access points, the clubs and harbor.</td>
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<td>It will extend battery charge life.</td>
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<td>Limiting to golf carts &amp; bicycles only is one of the things that makes this island so special. Anything that allows more horsepower or greater speeds will change the entire flavor of the island.</td>
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<td>We don't live on I95, some of the golf carts at present are too fast as is. The electric cars that I have seen are quite large and if they collide with a cart, guess who will be the loser. I believe in the KISS principal, we only need to go from Point A to B, you can do that with a cart, a bicycle or walk.</td>
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<td>The roads on Bald Head Island were not designed for an electric vehicle with the capability of going up to 9.9 horsepower. The roads are not wide enough nor do they have adequate lighting and signage particularly after dark. The roads can be difficult to navigate safely in a golf cart and would be even more so in an electric vehicle with that amount of horsepower. Also unless an electric vehicle has a speedometer, the 18 mph speed limit will be difficult to obey.</td>
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<td>Safety of pedestrians and bikers will be compromised. The change to electric vehicles with 9.9 horsepower will change the culture and safety of the Island in a negative way.</td>
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<td>The ability to maintain island vehicles doing 18 MPH is already a task for Public Safety. Higher power vehicles will only exacerbate speeding and are not necessary.</td>
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<td>Current transportation rules are appropriate for the island.</td>
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<td>People are driving too fast on curved roads now...Walkers and bikers are already being pushed to the side for vehicles of all kinds traveling too fast.</td>
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<td>The community of BHI was conceived and developed as one where people could live a life that was in harmony with BHI's environment. It was never intended to be a small-sized copy of other beach towns/villages. The roads were built and modified for golf carts with the occasional ICE vehicle. Higher HP vehicles and higher speeds will inevitably change the nature of BHI (to its detriment) and result in increased danger and accidents on our roadways. There is no need for higher sped and HP vehicles on BHI. During the last two years, I have observed a number of near-miss encounters between speeding golf carts, ICE vehicles and pedestrians and cyclists. Implementing the proposed changes will only increase the danger of accidents on our roadways and degrade the environment and change the community/culture of BHI for the worse.</td>
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<td>Our newer golf carts are fast enough. How fast do you want to go on our narrow, twisty roads?</td>
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39 A GEM car, an "electric vehicle": 1. Has a published horsepower of 6.7 horsepower. Unless the current 5.4 horsepower limit is increased, a GEM car will no longer be able to be registered. The proposed increase to 9.9 horsepower will permit GEMs and other "electric vehicles" to be registered. 2. GEMs weigh close to or over the current weight limit of 1,600 pounds. 3. With the higher horsepower, a GEM can achieve a top speed of 25 miles per hour. A standard "golf cart": 1. Has one-third the horsepower of a GEM. 2. Weighs 1,000 pounds, 600 pounds less than a GEM. 3. Cannot achieve a top speed of 20 miles per hour. In the event of a collision the heavy GEM traveling at 25 miles per hour would have 3 times the amount of impact force of a golf cart. Aesthetically electric vehicles are ugly. A a golf course would never use them.

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40 This would open the door for larger and faster vehicles... The charm of BHI is its slow, laid back pace of life.

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41 Absolutely not. The history and culture of Bald Head is the simplicity, informality, and the explicitly SLOW experience of golf carts. It's the biggest factor in why Bald Head is such a special place, and the first thing I tell people when describing why it is so wonderful. Anything that changes that feeling would endanger the culture of the island and significantly change our outlook on whether or not Bald Head will continue to be the place for our large and growing family that has been coming continuously for generations. The proposed ordinance of increasing capacity to 9.9 horsepower would bring in a new breed of golf carts that would certainly move faster and likely start to look and feel more like a traditional car. That is absolutely unacceptable. Going SLOWLY is part of the feeling of being on Bald Head. Life itself slows down, that's the point. It's safer on the road for kids learning to bike and getting in/out of parking lots. Accidents start to become more likely and dangerous. Anything that looks more like a car also breaks the feeling of a simple hop on/jump off slow transport like a true golf cart. Even the ones that are currently driving around with doors feel that way - closed off, locked out, insular - far too much like life on the mainland that people come to Bald Head to escape. It would be a disaster for the future of the island to approve the ordinance. I vote a very emphatic NO.

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42 sounds like a lot of hp and much more than now. if you applied it to commercial vehicles I would be fine with it, but I wouldn't want property owners and renters to be driving whatever future electric vehicles may be in the market - you just don't know.

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43 Too fast and large- Tesla?

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44 NO!!!! Vehicles with 9.9 horsepower would create a safety issue and negatively impact our island. I can't believe anyone could be in favor of this!

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45 These higher HP vehicles could replace some ICE vehicles which would be great!

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46 I believe an extended power range gives more flexibility particularly for contractor use.

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47 Already, the higher horsepower golf carts are changing the speed of traffic on the island’s wynds, putting pressure on the more leisurely carts and bicycles. BHI’s ambiance and appeal is directly related not just to the lack of gas fumes and motor sounds, but also to it's "turtle time" pace of life. Giving that up will make Bald Head more like everywhere else, and less like it's marvelous, languid self.

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48 If the speed limit is 18 then 5.4 horsepower is already excessive. If there is a need for more horsepower for a larger vehicle (eg tram) then I would reconsider.

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49 too dangerous

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50 The speed of some current "golf carts" is already too much, posing increased danger to those driving/riding in the vehicles and to those walking or biking alongside them. Increasing the speed even more will present real and present danger to all on the island and will further detract from the slowed-down vacation feeling on the island. I witnessed the mangled remains of the golf cart at the corner of Stede Bonnet and North B.H.W this year and that alone should be enough evidence that we do not need faster vehicles on the island. The Island should be seriously questioning the direction we are going if we even believe we need faster carts. We owners have chosen BHI exactly BECAUSE we get to slow down in a way we cannot find at Atlantic Beach or Myrtle Beach, and certainly not in everyday life. Why ever would we want to erode that relaxed atmosphere and allow speedy electric vehicles on the island?

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51 Use the industry standard classification of LSV’s or “low speed vehicles”??? Which would include golf carts with (you guessed it) turn signals, seat belts, horn, and lights. This is like trying to create a cold fusion problem and then solve it without a scientist.

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52 Golf carts generally top out at 18-20 mph. That's plenty fast enough for an Island that's 4 miles long

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<td>This will lead to more fast electric vehicles, and change the safety environment of the island for residents and guests who used to enjoy biking, jogging, dog walking safely among the wynds.</td>
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<td>A maximum HP of 5.4 is sufficient for carts on BHI.</td>
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<td>Not sure, nor is it clear, why we need faster speeds.</td>
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<td>Electric vehicles equipped with 5 horsepower motors will typically go 20-25 mph. So why raise the max motor allowance to 9.9 horsepower with an 18 mph island wide speed limit?</td>
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<td>Having faster electric vehicles means more accidents. It will make it more dangerous for walkers and bikers. Also, with the large number of renters that may not be used to golf carts, speedier vehicles means greater risk of accidents, including fatal accidents. The roads are not designed for those speeds. Electric vehicles would also mean larger vehicles, and that is not compatible with current road structure.</td>
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<td>The golf cart speed limit is supposed to be 18 MPH. I haven't seen any golf carts that have speedometers so a driver is guessing at his speed. (Maybe some golf carts have the speedometer but I haven't seen any with that feature) If the HP is allowed to be higher the vehicle will be able to go faster but the driver still doesn't know his speed. It would be safer for everyone to keep the HP limited to 3.1-3.3. On BHI there should be no reason for racing around. It is supposed to be a tranquil and relaxing place.</td>
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<td>I believe larger, faster, more powerful, and more expensive vehicles on the island will negatively impact the safety, fun and overall laid back, safe feel of the island. It would erode much of the reason that we chose to have a home on Bald Head.</td>
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<td>Safety has to be the primary consideration for any means of transportation on the island. Our roads are not intended to carry large and/or heavy vehicles. Our roads are narrow and visibility is an issue on many intersections and turns. Having some vehicles going very fast increases the probability of hitting smaller and/or slower vehicles. We need to limit all personal use vehicles to the smallest reasonable capacity possible.</td>
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<td>A significant part of our reason for choosing Bald Head Island as our vacation and second home, was because of the golf cart mode of travel. We strongly want to be part of a community who's maximum travel speed is less than 25 mph. Second to that, we do not want an environment that is constantly expanding roadworks, for faster and heavier vehicles. There is a particular ambience in a golf cart community that Bald Head Island is known for, that we are not ready to give up.</td>
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<td>This is an awful idea. Why do people need faster vehicles on the island? This is only going to make using the roads more dangerous and ruin the allure of the island.</td>
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<td>I would not use HP as the sole defining criteria. I would allow more powerful electric vehicles, but limit the size (due to the size of our roads) and emphasize speed limitations.</td>
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<td>It's dangerous. With more people on the Island every year, not only driving and riding in golf carts, but also on bicycles and on foot, there would definitely be more accidents and those accidents would be more serious. Terrible idea.</td>
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<td>This is the beginning of the end for BHI as we know and love it. Residents will push the limit to the absolute limit on the definition of an &quot;electric vehicle&quot;; soon we will have Teslas and the like roaming the island. &quot;Let the camel get his nose under the tent, and soon the whole camel will be in the tent&quot;. We have traveled all over the world, BHI is unique; this change will make it less unique. After thirty years coming to the island and twenty years of home ownership, we will likely sell our property if this passes.</td>
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<td>Because sometimes the drivers of the faster carts on the island are very aggressive.</td>
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<td>May as well build an overpass to Southport. I will leave the island if this passes</td>
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<td>Too powerful for bikes strollers joggers dog walkers - you name it!! Trucks allowed on island now go too fast and are too wide for our narrow cart-designed streets. Plus some cart drivers have run us off the road taking their half out of the middle. More powerful vehicles mean more and worse accidents and less safety!!</td>
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<td>Why the hurry?! - One of the best things about island is being on &quot;island time&quot; and it seems to me that vehicles are passing us all the time now and are going faster than necessary (or safe- esp on the kinds of roads that are on island!!!) Add to that the large number of ICE vehicles around now - and it could be a recipe for disaster!</td>
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Too fast. Worried for safety of walkers and bikers.

Why would one need that much hp? 18mph is speed limit

A 9.9 hp engine would allow the vehicle to go too fast. Baldhead island is a golf cart community. That is why we purchased a home here. If you want to move around the island, use a golf cart, a bicycle or walk/jog.

Keep BHI a golf cart community for personal use. More electric HP permitted for commercial use.

Higher horsepower vehicles will be able to go faster which could lead to more accidents. We enjoy the slower pace of life on BHI and see no reason to change that.

the current power is sufficient for these roads and speed limit. no need for more hp here.

Slow speed golf carts make Bald Head Island unique. Electric vehicles will change the entire ambiance of the island.

I am torn on this question and originally marked my answer as do not support. If these higher horsepower electric vehicles can be limited to commercial purposes, in exchange for fewer ICE vehicles on our Wynds and Ways, than I do support the change. My concern over the higher limit would be that some residents and renters would seek out ever faster and larger electric vehicles under this change. I do not believe that Bald Head needs to resemble the mainland in that respect, where everyone's vehicle seemingly needs to be larger and faster than anyone else's.

Do not favor more powerful vehicles on the island

These narrow, winding streets are not suitable for fast speeds. Already, I have to be extra careful driving, riding a bike, or walking.

If I understand correctly, you are asking if we should change the ordinance to allow for more speed on the island. People already go too fast. With bikes and pedestrians all over the place, tourists going fast on our roads (when maybe they don't know where they are going or what to watch for) are scary.

What are the potential benefits to property owners for an increase to 9.9 hp?

These narrow, winding streets are not suitable for fast speeds. Already, I have to be extra careful driving, riding a bike, or walking.

I believe the higher allowed horsepower would encourage speeding. If it would help the island businesses to be allowed to have higher horsepower to conduct their work, then I would be for it. What is the effect from an ecological standpoint on increasing the horsepower?

Because the vehicles with more horsepower will have doors and potentially heat/ac. Bald head is a great place in the spring and fall. Vehicles with doors will make the winters and rain more comfortable.

There are already too many carts racing around the island exceeding the 18mph speed limit. Having larger hp vehicles on the roads will only increase the danger to everyone on the roads of BHI. I'm already getting run off the road with my slower golf cart going in the 15-18mph speed range.

I think part of what makes Bald Head special is that golf carts and bicycles are the modes of transportation. We were there for a week in August and learned that we had to really watch out for children on bikes who did not realize that golf carts can be dangerous when the bicycle stops and takes turns quickly. If the language stays with "electric vehicles" then the speed limit needs to be strictly enforced.

If electric vehicles are permitted up to 9.9 horsepower, it might cut down on the use of ICE vehicles.

EV’s which can exceed 25mph should either have a built-in limiter capping speed at that level (such as all GEMs do), or a speedometer clearly indicating velocity. Local law enforcement should begin ticketing such latter EVs (and ICE vehicles) when they exceed 25mph until the word gets out, at a minimum, though manpower could be a problem.

Concern about speed exceeding 18 mph limit which would pose additional risks and hazards to the residents of BHI.

too fast, not needed

We would like to preserve the original golf carts only island.
There is already increased traffic on the island as it has become a more popular tourist destination. Many on the island, especially during the summer months, are unfamiliar with the roads, and often don't drive as safely as they may in a vehicle due to the carefree feeling of the golf cart. I feel an increase in horsepower would result in an increase in accidents and injuries.

This will enable fast, faster, fastest vehicles on this island of tranquility! WHY would it be necessary?

Way of the future.. limiting electric skateboards and scooters is stupid and an intrusive abuse of government into ones personal choice. Go save a turtle and leave us alone

There is NO need for faster vehicles on the island. The speed limit is posted as 18 mph I understand a slight increase in power on personal Golf Carts to give them the ability to tow small trailers or kayaks and small boats. These new faster vehicles are dangerous and should NOT be welcome on the island.

Bigger engines will mean higher speeds. That would not be good for the island atmosphere nor for safety. It would also allow for heavier and bigger vehicles with the same negative impacts.

We are a golf cart community, not an electric vehicle community. We already have a problem with speeding. We do not need vehicles on the island with more horse power. In addition, the electric vehicle/car industry is coming up with new vehicles all the time, with potentially more horsepower and smaller size. We need to keep control of both horsepower and size, and although the golf cart industry is also coming up with innovations, I feel that the “electric vehicle” designation leaves the Village open to too many things that would not be beneficial to the island environment.

Unless there are restrictions for speed and size.

Too fast and unsafe

Do not want faster traffic, or larger vehicles

There is no need for more speed. It is dangerous especially during tourist season when folks don’t respect rules. increased speed will make it more dangerous for all of us.

If more horsepower translates to more speed, we are not in favor. Top speed of 15-18 mph seems is plenty.

There is no need to drive at such speeds on our small island. Drivers , especially summer rental / underage are too careless at current speeds. Increasing hp will add significant risk to all.

The term "golf cart" restricts vehicles to something slow, and small. The ELECTRIC VEHICLE description is open to a looser interpretation. As these things creep up they will be faster, and heavier. I'm OK with new battery tech that allows for longer charge life and less maintenance. Some brands of small electric cars are already pushing the weight limits. Our roads took a beating with the repairs to Florence, adding extra weight for daily drivers will not help. Let's keep Golf Cart Community we all came here to join.

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People already exceed the speed limit with the lower power. If you travel 18mph some jerk with a fancy cart will almost run you off the road trying to pass. More powerful carts will only make this problem worse. I feel very strongly about this.

I do not understand the need for this other than to allow more construction and more rental craziness! Bald Head is a slow, safe, quiet and peaceful community and I hope we can keep that as much as possible.

Rather have electric vehicles with a bit more HP than all of the ICE commercial vehicles. Perhaps businesses would invest in electric vehicles for regular use. Recognizing that golf carts can't hold equipment, etc. , this may be a better solution for safety and environment.

I want the roads to be safe for walkers and bike riders and want to keep the smaller, slower golf carts as the only means of transportation for residents.
as Island grows no need for more speed and potential accidents

We don't need faster electric vehicles on Bald Head.

This is a small island and everyone needs to slow down!

Not sure what the purpose of increasing the power of the vehicles on the BHI roads would be. We already have significant speeding/speed discrepancy between vehicles on the road and allowing higher power vehicles would likely make this worse. If this were to support more electric commercial vehicles, then the ordinance should be written that way.

Speeding has become a real problem on the island. BHI is supposed to be on turtle time—a place of peace and relaxation. Carts that are capable of excess speed will be used for excess speed. I am often tailgated and then passed by carts already exceeding the 18 mph limit. Rather than increase allowable power I would require regulators that prevent carts from exceeding 18 mph.

Perhaps I need to know more why someone would need 9.9. To me, speed is the issue. No one should be going faster than 18mph. BHI has always been a place to get away and slow down. Any change to that, I oppose

Only golf carts! Our families need to be safe and these electric carts are too fast to be safe with runners and bikers

However it will be harder to maintain present speed limit. Already noticeable with new larger carts post Flo. Will be even harder with increased power.

Not sure what all of that horsepower means, but I am good with any electric vehicles that are quiet and don't go 25 mph or more. Some of the new car looking vehicles are nice, but they seem a little big for BHI Roads and really don't fit into the environment.

We should encourage the use of electric vehicles by contractors. As long as speed limits don't change I have no problem with residential use of electric vehicles As long as they are the size of golf Carts and don’t weigh more and therefore put more wear and tear on the roads. Don’t want residential use of electric vehicles that take up more physical space.

A doubling of the allowed horsepower would allow much larger electric vehicles, with perhaps faster speeds. This would be terrible, reduce safety, and would damage the unique place that is Bald Head Island.

I favor golf carts exclusively

Golf carts are what make our island community unique.

Only if it will help with companies that bring gas trucks over now.

Not necessary. Don’t want electric cars!

Could allow speeds that are too fast. Our roads are narrow with a lot of over hanging vegetation (the beauty of the island) and have to be respectfully shared with golf carts, bikes, walkers, joggers, ICE vehicles, etc. The unique nature of our Iskander beckons people to get out and use our roads in ways they may not be able to do on the mainland. It’s one of the beauties of our island.....Families biking, walking, running. But with narrow roads and vegetation or sand there is not a lot of space for bikers etc to move far off the side of the road to remain safe. Often times I have witnessed young bikers trying to stay to the edge of the road while carts pass only to start to lose control while a tire dips into the sand or off the road because of the narrow margin of error. Increased speed will pose a safety risk. Our island is having more and more visitors some responsible and courteous, others "joy riding" in golf carts as if they are go carts on a track. There needs to be a way to keep the current limitation on personal golf carts. I would approve allowing “work golf carts” to have the higher horsepower to encourage the use of “electric carts” over ICE vehicles. This would allow encouragement of electric vehicles instead of ICE vehicles for workers (keeping the roads safer by decreasing the number of ICE vehicles) and maintaining the majority of golf carts on island stay limited to the lower horsepower / slower speeds.

It is still quite. And we have a speed limit.

The speed limit of 18 mph should be strictly enforced. Many people, including young children, walk or ride bikes here, and should continue to do so safely.

We would like for it to remain a golf cart community with lower horsepower vehicles, and I seriously doubt it will reduce ICE use on the island.

I want Bald Head to remain a golf cart only community.

It seems that a vehicle with 9.9 hp will be too fast.

If many of the ICE vehicles used for the maintenance of homes on the island could be replaced with electric vehicles, it would be a benefit overall to the island. EVs may need higher horsepower motors than the current 5.4 HP limit to take over the functions of the ICE vehicles.

No I think horsepower specifications/ regulations are moot - how and who will enforce horsepower regulations. Has the owner of one of the two on island golf cart/ electric vehicles actually read this and weighed in? If so what is that person’s opinion. Your asking two questions - the poll questions are designed to drive an outcome: poisoned well. It appears to me that the criteria is being narrowed to such a fashion that it drives the desired outcome versus creating a safer environment consistent with the “theme” of BHI. Has the Mitchell family weighed in on this as they were the initial developers of the island, thereby chartering the ideology that we have to today?

Concern over regulation on who/how/when ‘electric vehicles’ are allowed. Just for replacement of ICE Vehicles for delivery. But where is the line drawn? If anyone can have an more powerful electric vehicle then the pace of the island changes fundamentally. Risk of serious injury increases substantially. This deeply concerns me.

Because there is no need for speed on BHI!!!!

joggers and bikers will be injured at greater frequency, what is the hurry and the time difference from one end of the island 10hp vs 5 hp not worth it. vehicles with speed limitations consistent with current island limit and/or vehicles with similar golf cart footprint, ie smart car could be comprimize. We don't need electric SUVs roaming the island.

Higher horsepower electric vehicles can replace some gas powered vehicles. This is a positive direction for the island.

I also believe Segways and Electric Scooters should be allowed

I don’t understand the rationale for higher powered electric vehicles on a relatively small island with many pedestrians, children, and runners. (Replacement Of ICE vehicles for transport and deliveries? If so I’m all for it) Unless this precludes the use of all non-golf cart electric vehicles (which I do not object to in principle)

Existing carts are fast enough. Increased power will lead to serious accidents as our roads are not designed for more speed than is allowed now.

Too fast, too dangerous.

Need to keep speed down. Safety issue. Maintain Island time feeling.

We do not need bigger and faster golf carts on Bald Head Island. It is an unique paradise that allows biking, walking, jogging and strolling young children without the fear of a injury. Presently, at our current horsepower, there some drivers who propose threats. We don't need to increase this likelihood of more disasters.

It’s already dangerous with existing high speed carts. Increasing horsepower will allow increased vehicle size on very narrow roads. Very dangerous situation. It will also negatively impact the “charm” and tradition of BHI.

We do not need larger electric vehicles on the streets of BHI.

This will end up being the Chevrolet Suburbans of Bald Head.

Speed of the carts and the ICE vehicles are already driving way too fast. The only way to agree with this is if the vehicles have a speed limitation installed.

We want BHI to be a golf cart community
I believe that higher horsepower vehicles have too much power and will cause drivers to drive even faster than they do now.

The golf carts are already going much too fast and changing the nature of the experience on the island. It used to feel safe to let kids bike and walk here on the wynds. Things are already more dangerous with the speed of the carts and people using their phones while driving!!!!!

We have owned a GEM car for years and I want to be sure that we and everyone who wants one can have one.

Do not want high speed vehicles on the island.

If this change is to try to get construction vehicles to convert to electric, I'm ok with it. But I don't want all property owners to be driving around in Chevy Volts.

If the speed limit on the island is 18mph., what sense does it make to have resident vehicles that can and will go much faster if the vehicle allows? It opens the floodgates to have so much more speeding on island, especially with renters. In regards to commercial companies utilizing electric vehicles as opposed to gas, I have the same corners about speeding as speeding in an electric vehicle feels less illegal than speeding in a gas engined vehicle. Also, none of the commercial companies are going to sell off their fleet of work vehicles and replace them with electric vehicles due to the cost so that isn't an argument that makes sense either.

If you don't allow faster golf carts the vendors who come here to repair things and already lose two hours riding the ferry, the vendors will leave the island and work in Southport or Wilmington

The purpose of being on BHI is to relax and not be in a hurry. There have been several times where electric car going faster than the speed limit would pass several golf carts on Federal Rd. There has also been inexperienced drivers making sudden turns and people falling out. Bikers, walkers, strollers on road are at risk already from fast moving vehicles. To increase it to 9.9 horsepower (25mph) increases the risks already happening on the roads. One of the unique features of BHI is that there are a very few cars and mainly golf carts and bicycles. If you start allowing "electric vehicles" going up to 9.9 horsepower on the island, the uniqueness of the island goes away and brings the hustle and bustle of the mainland to the island.

The golf carts are not electric. Why not have Tesla's on the island if this is what you want??

Electric cars (golf carts) on the island are not only environmentally sound and responsible, but 18 mph is plenty fast enough to get around, especially when you have children and adults walking, running, skateboarding, biking, and walking dogs, on those narrow paths. While you can demand an 18 mph speed limit, once you put cars on that island (electric or not) that CAN go faster-- they will go faster. And having someone hit at 18 mph as opposed to 35 mph is a big difference. Once you do that, all we have is a suburban neighborhood, on the water, with cars that can do as much damage to an individual or animal as any car. As an aside, for an Island that prides itself on using only golf carts, I personally have never seen as many gas-powered vehicles (driving too fast) on BHI in the 23 years we've lived here. Safety should be the first priority. Additionally, if more people actually moved their bodies (ie, walking, biking), instead of relying on any car-- they'd be in better health. If this is what people want, and this is what happens to the Island, why not simply move to Figure 8, or Hilton Head.

It will be impossible to maintain or monitor the 18 MPH speed limit. I have encountered many "speeders" this summer and think it will be very difficult to keep people from speeding.

I am worried about the speeds of existing carts. This change would allow for faster speeds; which would be dangerous and counter to the relaxed nature of the island

But I don’t have enough context. Why not lay out what problems are potentially created and what problems are solved? Why not give a balanced view of both sides of the argument? Responding in this way allows you to get mostly uninformed emotional reactions to how you phrase the question.
I oppose the change, because allowing such a wide range of capabilities would inevitably lead to frustration for the more powerful vehicles when following or otherwise interacting with the current fleet. Keeping a more uniform range of power in the fleet promotes harmony, an important characteristic of BHI in my mind, and I believe that of many others.

We do not want to enable even faster speed than is already capable in existing motors.

Increased speed and potentially size of vehicles is simply not necessary on BHI. Safety concerns include risk of greater injuries in impact collisions at higher speeds.

The roadways and sight lines on the island are planned for slow moving vehicles. Even at 5.4 horsepower, golf carts speed far exceeds our mandated 18 mph. Every road is shared at all times with walking family groups including toddlers, cyclists, including kids still wobbling on training wheels, dogs on leashes, skateboarders, etc. As golf carts are being driven by an increasing number of very young, inexperienced drivers, (often driving at full speed while looking down at cell phones and wearing earbuds) increasing the allowable power and speed. The island is extremely dark at night and while the carts seem noisy when one is driving, they can be noiseless to those being approached from behind, creating a potentially lethal situation. Even action taken to avoid a collision is at high risk for injury to occupants in the cart because of the design of golf carts and their lack of adequate safety restraints. If the purpose for the proposed increase is to allow for by expanded commercial golf cart use by service and other businesses I would consider that favorably but only with strict limits and penalties for misuse of the provision.

Changes the character of the island. Also, anticipate that electric vehicles will require more space to park at home and public areas, and will travel higher speeds.

I think some golf carts go too fast now. It’s only asking for more incidents and accidents.

This would negatively impact the relaxed feel of the island and take away from the uniqueness of the Bald Head Island experience.

BHI is a small island where many walk, run, ride bikes, etc. Increasing the amount of horsepower allowed will not make the community safer. In addition, with many golf carts maxing out at 3.3 horsepower, how will someone with up to 9.9 horsepower feel about getting “stuck” behind slower carts? This could cause frustrated drivers, passing slower carts, bikes, etc in unsafe areas or unsafe ways.

People will drive too fast! We are all used to driving as fast as the cart will go, and most new carts are running at 20-25 mph. The 18 mph speed limit is regularly ignored. The roads are narrow, curvy, have blind intersections, and are full of pedestrian, cyclists, runners, children, and wildlife. Deer are numerous at night and there are no street lights, so its very difficult to see. I understand that full time residents may want an electric car, and need the HP restrictions raised, but there must include a requirement with these vehicles that governors be installed to limit the speed the vehicle can travel as a condition of registration.

Allows Gem type cars plus encourages commercial use of electric vs gas.

I think you come to Bald Head for a slower pace. Not opposed to electric vehicles, but I would like to keep them moving roughly at the same speed as golf carts for safety purposes.

Speed limit on BH I is 18 mph which is faster than our Wynn’s safely permit. I would much prefer allowing no vehicle on BHI that can go faster than 18 mph accept for emergency and construction vehicles. With the mix of traffic on BHI it’s a miracle there have not been more injuries and deaths.

No need for such vehicles on island.

Far too dangerous with the walking, jogging, biking populations that thrive on the island. As a homeowner I would find the island less desirable and would likely consider other areas for my retirement.

Changes the slow pace of island life and removes the escape from real life that attracted us to BHI in the first place.

Safety and Preservation Roads and Drivers are not adequate or trained to safely maneuver a 10 HP cart. My existing cart, full throttle and fully charged, is too fast for the existing roads. I am not against progress, however, infrastructure has to be updated first; examples include wider roads, center line markings with no pass zones, remove dangerous areas with large trees, road signs, etc. Do the upfront work first, then I would consider voting for electric cars.
Higher horsepower vehicles will exacerbate ongoing issues with speeding and congestion on island roads. Our roads were not designed for the size/speed/number of vehicles currently on island. It is becoming more and more difficult to walk or bike safely.

Speed is a safety issue already, even with the 5.5 max horsepower. While some might argue the 18 mph speed limit would be the regulating factor regardless the horsepower, that does not seem to prevent many people from exceeding that limit regularly - particularly those headed for East Beach. Their carts are generally much faster than most other carts.

It is my feeling that the more powerful the vehicle, the more serious accident will be. Many short term guests to the island view golf carts as "toys" and do not afford them the caution that is needed. Faster vehicles will exacerbate the issue.

Every golf cart will be amp’d up! I

Carts are getting faster as it is.

I am already upset by the golf carts that are no longer really "golf carts" but practically electric cars. Totally detracts from the island if we allow things that look like cars to be driven around. I am also worried about speed - even though speed limit may stay the same, people will drive as fast as their vehicles allow. Our poor bicyclists and walkers are already getting run off the road. If commercial businesses need vehicles with more horsepower and it would encourage them to drive electric vs ICE vehicles, then I would consider it. But only for commercial vehicles and only during certain limited time periods. It is a slippery slope. Before you know it, Teslas will be driving around on the island. Someone has to take a stand and say enough already if we want to keep the island from commercializing and becoming just another recreational beach area.

Like the Safety of Golf Carts.

I understand the reason for increasing this to promote electric commercial vehicles, but what it will probably result in faster personal vehicles which we don’t need. Can you specify, larger horsepower for commercial only?

Speed is a huge safety issue for the island. Children and adult bikers are very much at risk with higher horse power electrical vehicles. Our roads are not designed for high speed vehicles with the Wynds and blind spots. And there would be continuous "tail gating" of regular golf carts.

None

Many people drive current vehicles at excessive speed. Higher HP will make it worse.

Larger electric vehicles will congest the roads

I think the Wynds were not designed for anything but bikes, foot traffic and 3.1-2.2 horsepower golfcarts. Those that have the 5.4 hp are too fast and dangerous in my opinion. If folks need to drive fast, go elsewhere. Slow moving island life is a valuable feature and need protection!

Yes, with limitations. I can understand residents that live here full time or that winter on BHI having a need for climate control in their vehicle. Those electric vehicles also have some better stability in bad weather conditions. In those circumstances I can understand. Also persons with medical conditions that may need AC and can not be out in the heat and humidity for extended periods of time. Golf Carts simply limit those with disabilities and therefore illigilimt the islands disabled inhabitants. I have a worry about speeds of these electric vehicles. I think the golf carts go fast enough for the winding roads of BHI. I already get nearly run of the road on a daily basis by people crossing center on the curves.

Foremost, part of BHI's appeal is the true "golf cart" transportation which lends to a closer connection with the beauty and natural preservation of the island. The vehicles on BHI have been getting faster and faster, leading to several negative consequences, including dangerous passing on the already narrow and congested roads. Moreover, part of the allure of BHI is a relaxed, calming atmosphere which is quickly being eroded. Finally, the new "electric vehicles" are much more robustly built than traditional golf carts which creates a dangerous condition for true golf cart drivers in the event of an unfortunate, higher speed collision.

Carts will go faster jeopardizing the safety of residents and kids

One of the best things about BHI is how friendly the roads are for bicyclists, walkers, and runners. Speeding golf carts are already a hazard on the island. If the speed limit is 18mph, I don’t see the need for more hp.

Do not support more powerful/faster vehicles for safety reasons for pedestrians and children
1.) I feel that this would change the wonderful, relaxing atmosphere that exists on BHI. Opportunities to bike ride and run without "cars" add to the easy going, "get away from it all" atmosphere that makes time on BHI a great escape. Don't change our beautiful island!!

2.) I feel that there are already too many accidents with those improperly driving golf carts, and I think that cars would be further detrimental to the safety of the island when mixed with inexperienced golf cart drivers and bike riders, runners, & walkers.

Part of the island's draw is the safety for our kids. Being able to safely ride bikes and walk on the roads is an important part of it's specialty. I worry that vehicles with too large of horsepower will be a danger to the supposedly "pedestrian-safe" roads. We already have seen a problem with golf cart drivers not slowing down to pass people riding bikes or even a stroller with a young child. Let's focus on keeping the island slow-paced and friendly.

This is unnecessary. BHI has been advertised as a quiet island unlike the rest of the world. 9.9 encouraged larger carts, car-like designs and speed above 28 mph. We have children on bicycles and walkers who will be negatively impacted or possibly hit. Please do not increase speed of carts and keep them identification carts for the charm and safety of the island.

increased vehicle size or speed would not be beneficial

Provides more flexibility on the type of vehicle that residents and contractors can use. Helps move to electric and away from ICE which is very important on our island. ICE vehicles can be dangerous to residents and they damage the roads more than electric vehicles due to their size. ICE vehicles also pollute more both in the air and through engine fluids.

Will go too fast

That opens a can of worms- keep it golf carts only except for construction type things.

The roads are not designed for bigger, faster carts. Some of the new carts on the roads right now are way too fast. It is currently dangerous to walk or ride bicycles with all of the fast carts out there now. With faster carts will also come the need to hire more public safety officers to enforce the speed limits and to take care of wounded people. It also changes the feel of BHI......I still want to be on Turtle Time.

Assume that would allow them to go faster than 18 mph. We do not think ANY electric vehicles that go faster than 18 mph should be allowed.

Vehicles are already too fast. There is no enforcement of the speed limit. When we first visited BHI over 30 years ago my wife and I had no concern whatsoever letting our 8 and 4 year old freely bicycle around the island. There is no way we would let that happen in today's BHI environment. Remember the advertisements exclaiming how we should come to BHI to slow down?

We are opposed on the grounds of safety. Bald Head should continue to be a place where individuals, adults and children, can safely walk and bike without fear of larger and speeding vehicles. Increasing the hp capacity will open up the roads of Bald Head to all types and sizes of vehicles.

Existing carts are plenty fast. Tripling the horsepower could mean we will have vehicles capable of 60 MPH on the roads. Very unsafe given the current speed limit, which I support, and the number of kids on bikes and families in golf carts. There will be many more injuries and deaths. The narrow roadways are simply not good enough to handle higher speeds. A very bad idea.

That will totally change the feel and pace of Bald Head and why I chose to buy a home there 20 years ago. Mackinac Island still uses horses and carriages. It keeps the charm of the place.

Bald Head Island is a golf cart community. The roads have been built to a standard that safely accommodates the current 18mph speed limit. I would be very opposed to an increase in speed limit. There needs to be stricter enforcement of the current speed limit, which is very frequently exceeded. Having the much more powerful 9.9 hp electric vehicle is encouraging the disregard of the current speed limit! We need more enforcement, not encouraging the use of vehicles that will only create more safety hazards with increased violation of our speed limit. This is a huge safety issue!

Concerned about increased speeds.

Not if the speed of these increases further--they are a danger to bicyclers and walkers if faster
We purchased a home on the island because it was one of the few places where cars and other vehicles were prohibited. Golf carts were an acceptable option for transportation, and we would like the island to stay limited to golf cart use only. Opening up the language to "electric vehicles" will be too broad and invasive with other forms of transportation.

Because the lower hp vehicles make it safer for pedestrian and cyclists of all ages to enjoy the island safely.

We don't need faster, bigger carts. It spoils the feel of bald head and will only result in more injuries and damage to the bald head way of life.

Larger and more powerful "electric vehicles" are unnecessary for getting around on BHI and pose a safety risk to our bicyclists and pedestrians. BHI is a small and walkable island and a 3.1 horsepower golf cart is perfectly acceptable for transportation without going so fast that drivers are unable to stop in time, especially when they come across small children on bikes who may not be skilled cyclists.

The island cannot support the larger and faster vehicles that the change would allow.

Do not see any apparent need to approve an increase.

Do not see the need for more horsepower - golf carts are already fast enough. Don't want to see increase in speed for any vehicles - don't want another "sun city" racing climate to develop.

Because the carts are fast enough as they are. This is supposed to be a relaxing place to go to. Not to rush around. If you go to 9.9 hp then it must be mandatory for everyone to wear a seat beat.

Too fast.

as long as speed limits are retained and enforced.

There should be no more vehicles than already exist that can go over 18 mph.

The Island does not need larger and or faster vehicles. The paths and roads are not made for either. Part of the allure and ambiance of the island is the slower pace and simplicity of life. We do not need the addition of Charging Stations and faster vehicles. There is already issue with the speed of the current golf carts.

I have owned property on the island for 20 years. Simply put, if it aint broke, don't fix it.

I think it opens the door for bigger electric cars.

Basically you are talking about electric cars. This changes the whole vibe of the island. I don't want to pull into the market and find a Prius in my spot.

I like having other electric vehicles such as scooters and segways.

The new golf carts on the island are already operating at unsafe speeds, especially around pedestrians and bicyclists. We do not need to increase vehicle speed on the island!! People need to slow down.

Give a inch they will take a mile. Examples given in #3

Limiting the horsepower has the added effect of limiting the size and speed of the vehicle. As is, there are 6 seat and 8 seat golf carts. The change in horsepower is not for the local homeowner, but instead for commercial use, small electric trucks, utility vehicles, larger passenger vehicles. These bigger and heavier vehicles will cause more damage in an accident, more danger to life and will be capable of going faster. They will also be longer and wider taking up more room when parking which is already limited.

I feel strongly that the highest powered vehicle on the Island should be golf carts. Allowing this change would drastically change the entire feel of the Island.

GEM vehicles are currently not legal (6.7 HP) and should be for personal electric vehicles. Actually, I wonder whether the limits on commercial electric vehicles need to be higher than 10 HP. Club Car utility series say they are 20 HP (though that may be measuring HP differently - as peak rather than nominal?)

The island is a refuge and is unique in that golf carts are the primary means of transportation. There are only a few destinations that are golf-cart only and the expansion of the definition would cause our island paradise to loose that unique moniker. Many current property owners purchased their lots and properties based upon that premise. Expanding the definition would create a different and objectionable environment.
247 No need for more speed!

248 Permits use of GEM electric vehicles

249 Too fast and therefore pose a danger to others, especially children.

250 Safety, they will be too fast.

251 enforce the 18 mph limit

252 I assume this is the output of the e-vehicles and I am lukewarm about them but much more interested in stopping the gas golf carts (oops I said it the golf cart word)! But, all the Teslas are electric aren't they? Definitely do not want full sized electric anything. Unfortunately, I fear that new residents are going to want more and more and more further making Bald Head Island something we did not buy into when we were all smitten and bought in. Some of us multiple times

253 Carts already go more than fast enough. There is no need for speed on the island. Every week there are silly incidents happening with carts. If you raise the speed you will need to raise the need for more police that are trained to deal with public interaction. This all kills the ambiance of the island. The island is small, as the population increases, more horsepower will cause more accidents. Why does any one want to change this ordinance is a better question.

254 Why do we need more powerful electric vehicles - the speed limit hopefully isn't increasing.

255 Yes, but - let's make sure we are keeping within the spirit of the island - not larger more car like golf carts that take up more room on the road. Let's enforce the speed limit

256 This increased power would inevitably result in increase vehicle speeds and danger on the already narrow roads for bikers, runners, walkers, etc.

257 Too fast

258 Safety concerns, roads not equipped to deal with bigger and faster vehicles and cost of repaving/repair to island roads due to increased wear and tear

259 Barn door is already open with many non golf cart electric vehicles here. Too late to attempt to restrict to traditional doorless golf carts and not feasible to attempt to do so. Focus should be on enforcing speed limits while restricting size for safety for narrow roads and limiting capability to speed (require governors).

260 Allowing electric vehicles on the roads of BHI will fundamentally alter the nature of the island, our community and our property values. The presence of cars on the island will forever change the island and I strongly oppose the use of cars up to 9.9 horsepower. Electric cars are also becoming larger as the technology improves. We are talking about large SUVs and full size cars in some cases. Where do they park? How to they share the road with golf carts? What about kids riding bikes on the street? Most streets do not have sidewalks to accommodate people on bikes or walking. Where do they go? Electric cars also pose a large safety risk.

261 The charm of the island is to slow down! We are already in too much of a hurry! As a regular walker of the winds, even the golf carts seem too fast at times and not cognizant of folks walking or riding bicycles!

262 Dangers associated with speeding.

263 Let's keep BHI a vacation destination that is child-friendly for riding bikes, skateboards, playing without fear of vehicles. Changing this ordinance would change the ambiance of BHI.

264 One of the reasons we chose to purchase property on Bald Head Island as opposed to other beach communities is the use of golf carts. They are an essential part of the Island's unique charm. It is not just golf carts as a physical method of transportation but what they represent - a slower paced way of living. Let's not turn our beloved Bald Head into just another slick beach resort.

265 People go fast enough as is.

266 There is already a problem with construction vehicles pushing to pass on the roads. Also, the faster the speed the more chance of harm.

267 Much more powerful vehicles will mean more speed--which we do not need. Especially if a three-, five-, or seven-year-old is driving! Golf carts are perfect for a barrier island where "in harmony with nature" is important.

268 People with fast golf carts get behind you and get impatient because you are slow
269 think everyone should have to travel at slower speed on BHI.

270 Golf carts on the island have already reached speed capacities that are dangerous. Increasing the allowable horsepower will yield still faster, more dangerous driving on the island. It is both a matter of public safety and a threat to the tranquility that makes Bald Head Island a unique and memorable destination.

271 We do not need more powerful vehicles the can also go faster. Many people were attracted to BHI because of Golf Carts not 9.9 horsepower vehicles.

272 Adds risk to island transportation. Potential for serious accidents.

273 The potential speed of such vehicles will greatly exceed BHI limits and will encourage speeding on BHI roads.

274 Ruins the essence of BHI. Makes less safe for kids

275 Allowing electric vehicles will change all that we love about Bald Head.

276 Golf carts already travel at excessively high speeds. Why on earth would we want even more power which translates to even higher speeds? Makes no sense.

277 This could lead to potentially more use of electric vehicles to replace some of the ICE vehicles currently. We can never rid ourselves of ICE vehicles, nor should we want to, but electric vehicles could certainly be used in place of property management small pickups, service vehicles, trams, etc. if they have enough power and endurance. And of course are available for a reasonable (read comparable) price as compared to gasoline powered vehicles.

278 Greater likelihood of traffic accidents

279 Some golf carts are already going too fast.

280 Speed limits already are not following by golf carts that can exceed them. Allowing vehicles that are able to travel even faster will make it more dangerous for pedestrians and cyclists on the roads.

281 Too much speed. No reason to have golf carts going 30-35 MPH. Not only is it inappropriate, its dangerous.

282 More speed more danger

283 It puts in jeopardy the safety of more residents and visitors on the island who use the roadways/paths for walking or bike riding. The speed limits of the island at 18 MPH is more than sufficient to maintain a safe environment. Increasing the size and speed with electric vehicles jeopardizes the original intent of the island.

284 The beauty of BHI begins with the ferry ride - slowing down to island time and continuing with bikes and golf carts to navigate the island. While I generally 'have somewhere to go' and want to get there in a timely manner, from the information furnished above, I interpret the new ordinance language to allow for the speed/pace to double and electric vehicles immediately brings to mind a change in the golf cart culture to mini0teslas, and such. Too much change for me. I'd prefer to see far less gas powered vehicles on the island than we currently are experiencing.

285 People are always going to game the system. Limiting to 5.4 horsepower is a myopic response to a larger problem.

286 The extra horsepower is unnecessary. Even with current golf carts at less 5.5HP, speeds in excess of 18MPH are easily possible. I see no reason to double the HP, which will undoubtedly lead to more unsafe driving on our roads.

287 The reason we bought on the island was so we could relax and feel safe with our children walking or riding bikes around the streets - the trams are enough worry with their speed. The greater HP will result in more accidents/injury. Too many renters who don't follow the rules.

288 Too many accidents already, and more power equals more speed, which will ultimately increase rate and severity of accidents involving carts.

289 The beauty of the island is the slower pace. No need for speed.

290 As it is, normal golf carts are run off the road by the larger wheel, faster carts. Upping the horsepower will only encourage larger, car-like vehicles. And once a couple of people have them, then they will start legislating against golf carts in favor of more electric vehicles and eventually we will all have to own Teslas.
Larger HP would be ok, in support of pulling more ICE off the road. This is to support larger industrial grade service carts, not road grade electric trucks.

Too many golf carts already travel too fast for our narrow roads which we share with walkers, joggers and bicycles. We do not need faster vehicles here.

Without a concise and clear definition of "electric vehicle", the question is impossible to answer authentically. Who would be allowed to drive an electric vehicle of 9.9 horsepower - residents, business owners, or contractors? Because it's not defined in the question above, and presumably in the proposal itself, I would vote against changing the language.

I think it will forever change the island in a negative way by allowing cars instead of golf carts.

Yes, but solely for the purpose of replacing commercial vehicles with combustible engines that would require the additional horsepower. However, I do not support increasing the allowable hp for residential use or commercial use where the additional hp is not necessary (i.e., real estate agents, cleaning services, etc.)

We chose Bald Head Island because of the golf carts and the 18mph speed limit. Let it be.

I believe that they could pose a threat to walkers and cyclist and children walking. I do think that they could be appropriate as a commercial use vehicle.

Too fast. Too many accidents at that speed. We love the carts ... that makes Bald Head so special!!

Would allow reasonable replacements for many ice vehicles.

Think with this increase of horsepower will be used to back door the removal of ice vehicles. This will be a way to say.... see you have plenty of power!!

BHI roads already sooo dangerous. Nothing faster; you're headed in wrong direction. Less speed not more.

Current speeds of golf carts is excessive. We need to slow people down not speed them up. Its getting to dangerous with the volume of traffic at the current speeds.

In general, yes. I would be concerned about speed - I am not familiar enough with higher powered electric vehicles to know if they have speedometers or are significantly faster than regular golf carts. with the increased volume of people on the island, reckless driving is more of a concern and obviously higher speeds cause more damage.

The disparity of power and speed among electric vehicles makes little sense. If we are all traveling at virtually the same Soren we know what to expect if ourselves and others. Introducing a significant differential makes no sense other than to placate those who want "cars" instead of carts.

There are too many vehicles on the island with most not paying attention to the 18mph speed limit.

This is a golf cart community.

I need the extra horsepower when towing my boat with motor and guests aboard.

Do not need golf carts going any faster than they are going now. Too many bikes and pedestrians especially on the curves and few hills on the island that block views of bikes and pedestrians. SPEAKING OF CURVES - better signage is needed in the big curve/hill on Bald Head Wynd near Captain Charlie’s and the beach access. I have been a bicyclist hugging the right side of the road and carts slam over the middle of that hill and nearly kill me. Signage would be helpful that would either warn carts to stay to the right, or the Town could add a painted center line indicating no passing, so that people would be more likely to stay in their own lane rather than coming up the hill in the middle, which puts bicyclists at risk on the downward side of the hill. Thanks.

Concern over speed of electric vehicles and safety o bicyclists.

As long as obey safety and size ordinances it is appropriate as time passes and better technology.

The slow pace of the island is part of the appeal - some people already drive golf carts too fast for safe biking and walking and we should not make it worse by providing more power.

Safety. Not enough reaction time with so many vehicles on the roads.
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<td>Higher horsepower enables higher speeds on the BHI road system which poses significant safety issues even assuming no change in allowable speed limits. In addition, it risks diminishing the unique ambiance and culture that BHI has and is known for throughout the US.</td>
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<td>I want the streets safe for children, bikes, walkers, runners, and wildlife. We have enough accidents with the current golf carts island wide.</td>
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<td>We’re already seeing “golf carts” that are essentially small cars. Bigger, heavier vehicles reduce safety for bikers, walkers, etc. If you do allow these types of vehicles they should be for limited commercial users.</td>
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<td>Golf carts are perfectly adequate for personal transportation needs on Bald Head.</td>
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<td>That HP not necessary to operate 4-6 seat carts. Ok for utility vehicles</td>
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<td>There are already too many vehicles exceeding a safe speed limit. There are numerous vehicles on the roadways and there is no need for electric vehicles to go any faster than 20 mph</td>
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<td>Golf carts are being manufactured or retrofitted to exceed speeds of 19 MPH and are posing a hazard to pedestrians, runners, and walkers all over the island. The whole point of an island like Bald Head is to slow down. There is no need for vehicles to exceed the speed limit, and having them on the island will only further stress the police force.</td>
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<td>Only for commercial applications. Not residential and rentals.</td>
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<td>Increased speed: there is a major problem with non-licensed (children) driving golf carts: increase the speed of electric vehicles will increase the probability of a non-licensed driver being unable to control the vehicle</td>
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<td>What’s the harm as long as speed limit is observed</td>
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<td>It is currently sufficient to meet the needs of traveling the island. Faster, bigger is not necessarily better.</td>
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<td>If the concern is speed then enforce the speed limit just like they do on the mainland.</td>
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<td>Risk of accidents</td>
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Q2 Please state whether the change from “golf carts” to “electric vehicles” for personal use vehicles on Bald Head Island will have a positive or negative effect on the following:

Answered: 533   Skipped: 12
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<td>We need to promote electric vehicles, not just golf carts. Some of the golf arts on the island look really crappy and dated. I don't think that does much to promote BHI in a positive way.</td>
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<td>I do not believe changing the allowable horsepower will make any difference in making the island more attractive or marketable. If anything it will make families with small children less attracted to an island that is known for slowing down and complete safety. As a child growing up on Bald Head, one of the best experiences was having the freedom to go anywhere because of how safe the island is. Why compromise that for speedier golf carts?</td>
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<td>Much of the charm is the slow pace and the golf carts. This would be a negative change.</td>
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<td>I agree the removal of as many internal combustion engines is critical. I do see any advantage to have homeowners with electric vehicles that now increase speeds. The island has allowed too many vehicles the ability to speed around.</td>
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<td>what speed limit are these proposed vehicles limited to.</td>
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7. The ordinance will mean more old, long-term residents, essentially creating a retirement community. This changes BHI totally. The attraction of BHI is as a safe, relaxing family island. Not a retirement community with electric vehicles similar to many gated locations across the US coast, especially further south. If we wanted to have a second home and vacation spot full of retired 70 year olds we would find somewhere closer and cheaper.

8. I cannot adequately stress the negative impact I feel will be realized if we, as property owners who chose to "buy-in" to the golf cart way-of-life, do not stand in solidarity to prohibit the proliferation of internal combustion engines AND to prohibit these electric vehicles that far exceed the speeds our winding and narrow roadways can safely transport. We leave the mainland for a reason. Why import "America" to our Island? Greed must be corralled before the "Goose that laid the Golden Egg" has been obliterated.

9. "Golf carts" is a generic term. Our vehicles do not drive on the golf course, but operate on our streets. These are electric vehicles. If the goal is too limit speed the ordinance should so state. Because a property owner chooses to own an electric vehicle for their own comfort that does not look like a "golf" cart should not be a consideration. Especially if the goal is to limit speed. Currently many property owners use "utility" electric vehicles. These are not golf carts. Also all of the six passenger vehicles are not golf carts.

10. The charm of BHI is it's selling point. The change to higher speed electric vehicles will complete change that and will make it unsafe for pedestrians, dog-walkers, bike riders, children playing. We would consider selling our home there if this passes.

11. Although i would rather see less combustion engined pick ups on the island in my experince they are gerneraly driven very safely. The drivers are workers that have been on the island for some time and realize they are outsized and very cognizant when approaching smaller vehicles,pedestrians, and bikers. I do not get the sense that is the case on the smaller sized electric vehicles driven by renters and owners. I have been run of the road with those vehicles. This past weekend i was biking with my grandchildren and passed by several golf carts they significantly slowed down when passing. I had a electric vehicle pass at a high speed with two wheels off the road.

12. I know there are complaints about the contractor trucks on the island, they need to be here because of the hurricane last September. But it does seem like it's taking a long time to finish repairs. Between the trucks going too fast and taking up alot of room on our small roads, electric cars will change the way people go about running errands, going to grocery, restaurants, etc. thinking they need to get there faster! Slow down everyone, that's why we're here!

13. I suspect it may have a positive effect on the real estate market, as it would broaden the appeal of the island. In long run, however, it might well have a negative effect as Bald Head loses its appeal as a tranquil "get away from it all" location.

14. I completely OPPOSE having 9+ horse power electric vehicles on BHI. It would break my heart to see our beautiful, slow, peaceful island change to a faster paced, more dangerous place. If people feel the need to get to East Beach faster then traditional golf cart pace, then maybe BHI is not the place for them and they can vacation elsewhere. Let's PLEASE preserve the culture and tradition of "Turtle Time"!

15. I selected 'negative' on all of these with the perspective that there is not a need for additional electric vehicles/cars behind what exists today. The enclosed cab carts are adequate for weather related issues with the ability to add heaters for cooler periods.

16. Confusing questions require a third answer category:. No Impact

17. Vacationers have been coming to the island for quite some time with golf carts the mode of transportation. They will still come. An idea to be considered, is renters having to rent golf carts while on island. Since a cost will now be involved, they will, hopefully, improve responsibility. It is done in many vacation spots Did not answer a couple of questions because unsure or neither.

18. Bald Head Island markets itself as a slower paced, relaxed, easy going place to live or visit. Getting around in golf carts adds to that image. Allowing electric vehicles will negatively effect the desirability and charm of Bald Head Island.

19. Questions #2 and #4 are worded such that I can't figure out what a "positive" or "negative" response means. I did not answer either question,
I do not think these questions make much sense as they not designed to ask how the survey taker feels about such issues. The questions are not whether electric carts are important to the future desirability of the island, .... the question is do the current residents on the island desire electric carts for personal use. My answer is NO... golf carts do just fine and better maintain the island culture of Harmony with Nature.

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Faster vehicles not good for safety of pedestrians or bikers or other golf carts.

See above comment.

I don't think that golf carts or electric vehicles would have much effect on Renters, potential buyers or marketability of the Island. Either way means no ice vehicles for personal transportation, which has an allure. It is after one gets here that the difference is significant.

The Island is know for its beauty, lack of cars, and like a golf course, the use of only golf carts for personal transportation. People visit and buy homes on the Island because it is a beautiful, peaceful escape from urban environments. Electric vehicles are urban vehicles and are the antithesis of golf carts.

Keep the island as it is.... Don't become a second Hilton Head !

To be clear - I believe all effects of the ordinance will be hugely negative overall. I'm emphatically voting NO on the ordinance. I only answered "positive" on 2 questions because they were confusingly about increasing the number of non-golf cart EVs, which the ordinance would do. But that would destroy exactly what makes Bald Head so special.

we are quaint as is - one of the great things about BHI is going back in time and not seeing electric scooters, go carts, electric bikes, segways, etc. they would clog the roads and result in more injuries for riders. also I really don't understand the question here - if we prohibit non human powered electric vehicles, why are we changing the lang from golf carts to electric vehicles? what else is there?

What kind of idiot is proposing this madness?

My computer isn't allowing me to enter positive or negatively for each option. My answer is negatively for each one. BHI is a quiet, relaxing getaway for most people. Golf carts only is a main draw and distinguishes us from the busier seaside communities. If we take that away we'll be like Myrtle Beach and attract a much different clientele. I don't know why this is even being considered. Years ago we voted to get rid of the gas powered beach vehicles and only allow golf carts for residential use. I think it would be a real mistake to change this.

These questions are very biased with no option for "no or limited" effect. They don't include questions about other positive impacts of EVs vs golf carts such as safety for small children & pets and protection from weather in all seasons. I'll be very suspet of survey results.

We have only lived here for three years. I can't imagine having more powerful electric transportation on the island. I understand several cart accidents have resulted in fatalities. Each year it seems like we see more and more dangerous (near) collisions — Especially in the summer, probably renters. These folks only Drive a golf cart once a year, on their vacations, and their driving experience shows. They let their kids drive, nobody does anything about it. Kids think it's a toy. Golf carts are dangerous enough without adding more horse power/speed to the equation. Limit all residential transportation to golf carts.
Sorry but the structure of the questions as, totally good or totally bad is not conducive for me to answer. Since the island is relatively small and modification of carts to be more weather friendly to permanent residence is available, I lean to our history and uniqueness. I guess I just don’t understand what the change is trying to accomplish or who is being catered to.

I have a GEM cart with an enclosed cab which I suppose qualifies as an electric vehicle. It’s much more comfortable and safer to drive in the rain since it has electric windshield wipers. But, alas, since neither one of the golf cart outlets on BHI will service GEM carts (because they don’t sell them) it doesn’t make much difference.

I have been coming to BHI since the 1990’s. The golf carts are part of the charm. There is no reason to have electric vehicles on the island. The golf cart as the only method of transportation (other than bikes and by foot) has worked for years. Why should it be changed?

These questions were very difficult to answer. Many answers seemed to be contradictory. I think more "electric vehicles" will be attractive to a certain type of resident, mainly your part time and/or very wealthy who don’t spend much time here in general. If we are trying to attract more full time residents and homeowners, we need to stay with the golf cart only culture. It’s part of BHI.

Expanding to larger faster, more expensive electric vehicles, with all their new road and charging needs, will start Bald Head Island on a journey to allow more, bigger, taller homes, condos and hotel type buildings. It will attract a different type of holiday goer where mod cons outway nature and conservancy. We live on Middle Island, where already there is a battle to try and upgrade the 'dirt' road and attract bigger crowds and better amenities to the marshes. We cannot think of a single positive reason to allow electric vehicles onto the island.

I think most things would have no impact by simply changing the term. If the practical outcome is we define golf carts as the permitted class of vehicles, then the term doesn’t really matter. I do think it would promote other electric vehicles that comply with the definition, such as GEM cars.

Massive negative impact on many aspects of BHI safety, ambience and culture. We would want out!

Not necessary!!!!!

Disaster! Our poor children and grand children.......golf carts are the joy of BHI

People come visit our island for the ambiance and turtle time pace of living and vacationing. Why would we give that up?? There are plenty of other places visitors can go if they want something else. We would think the rental companies and shops on the island would be terrified of a change to electric vehicles that would change that drawing card. If we had a business on the island we’d protest this possible change BIG time!

That said - we would be ok with (regulated) "electric vehicles" on island for service providers, as they do have to haul equipment, etc to sites, and may need different configurations of some vehicles, but these shouldn’t be able to have higher speeds as so to be unsafe for us.

Golf carts only is the charm of the island.

BHI has always been about a simpler way of life. That is it’s main attraction. Anything that alters this will definitely have a negative impact. Keep it simple and peaceful. Enjoy nature, family time and good food. That is exactly what makes BHI attractive. More powerful carts and new electric transportation alternatives will alter the entire concept of BHI. Allowing these options makes BHI just another vacation spot on the NC coast versus a special oasis that is truly unique. BHI’s uniqueness is what is attractive. Please do not change this. Once you do, we can never turn back and the charm of BHI will only be a memory.

As I stated above, BHI is a golf cart community. The Island should be considered as a huge golf course. Therefore, only golf carts & bicycles should be the mode of transportation.

Nothing good will come from this, changing why people come to BHI. If they want something else, go to Myrtle Beach.

BHI will no longer be able to call itself a “golf cart community”.

Speed limit, ambiance, safety, pace of life on the island will all be negatively affected.

My concerns are for safety and for the protection the environment on Bald Head. I do not want to see renters zooming around the island on a 9.9 horsepower "residential" cart.
Bald Head Island is unique in its more subdued vacation destination. If people want to drive fast and hurry to get somewhere quickly, this is not the place. Long ago when there was consideration of building a bridge, the decision was to keep it protected. Once these special perks are gone, it will be just another rat race community.

I am answering this question with the understanding that you are asking if I am in favor of allowing other electric vehicles such as scooters, Segways, skateboards, etc. To clarify just in case I am not understanding your question, I am not in favor of allowing other electric vehicles besides golf carts and that is the perspective I am taking while answering the above questions.

Would electric vehicles include Teslas? Where do you draw the line?

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I am having a hard time making the case for change.

I personally do not see the charm of golf carts only. I think vehicles that provide transportation and protection from the elements will extend the season and make BHI even more of a destination in the off season.

Golf carts as we have now serve the island well.

Your survey should have included a “no change” option on all questions.

The golf cart character of the island is what makes it truly unique. It is that uniqueness that is the core of what makes the Island worthwhile to visit and own property here.

"electric" are coming thing. can't stop them. too fast. too loud- radios are bad thing. bad for the island. allow only with governors.

Only residents NOT VISITORS should be allowed EV's: visitors & contractors should only be allowed what exists now

Please see above comments.

The amount of traffic on the island and vehicles is not an issue. Why does the government want to regulate this. We have existing laws for size and speed what else do we need

When researching Bald Head Island we were attracted by the "Golf Cart Community". The number of non Golf Carts on the island at present is NOT true to the description. I often volunteer with tours of the island with Old Baldy and when driving visitors around the island this summer I heard "Oh I thought they only had Golf Carts on the island? Look at all the trucks and vans." I have responded by reminding them we had a hurricane and that they are here temporarily.

As stated above, we are a golf cart community and should stay as such.

This should remain a golf cart community with limited exceptions for electric vehicles that pay a heft commercial tax.

Golf cart usage has defined the BHI experience since its inception why spoil a good thing

BHI is a special place. People can go to Hilton Head or Myrtle Beach if they want a different kind of experience. I worry if it gets more commercial your home owners will leave. We all bought here for a reason

The "golf cart only" culture is a huge part of the island charm. We worry that a proliferation of scooters, segways, etc. will create a much more chaotic, and dangerous, situation on the island. We have noticed in several cities recently how intrusive the number of personal use vehicles is on roads and sidewalks (especially scooters...tons of them everywhere!)

There is no valid reason for increasing current requirements.

There will be an explosion of new electric vehicles in the coming years. Don't open the door to this now or we will be faced with demands for "slightly heavier", "slightly more powerful", and "slightly faster" vehicles in the coming years. Companies that now push the limits of four ICE vehicle restriction will rush to add these new machines and once here they will be hard to control much less get rid of.

Changing the culture...
75  Don't understand last category “changing demographics”  8/21/2019 5:24 AM

76  The beauty of Bald Head is that golf carts are golf carts. NOT electric vehicles that speed around or look like cars.  8/21/2019 5:23 AM

77  Many of these issues I see as having little or not effect; neutral choice would have been helpful. I think most second home or rental home residents would still use golf carts, since they are cheaper and easier to get repaired on the island. Lack of servicing options would suppress interest in electric vehicles (GEM-type).  8/21/2019 4:53 AM

78  BHI is unique and should be kept unique. Golf carts are an integral part of what we are as an island, and keeping them small and slow is part of this  8/21/2019 4:33 AM

79  This question is very hard to follow, and illogical in its presentation.  8/21/2019 4:10 AM

80  No way to tell - all subjective supposition with no data  8/21/2019 4:06 AM

81  Less power, not more. People come here to relax and commune with nature, not to get run over. Let those who want such things go elsewhere. BHI is a beautiful, peaceful sanctuary.  8/21/2019 3:23 AM

82  Good carts only. Allowing other types of electric vehicle is not safe. Only electric scooters should be allowed  8/21/2019 2:40 AM

83  Golf carts are the charm of the island. Often the “best part” when you hear departing guests comments on boat.  8/21/2019 2:12 AM

84  Personally, I don't like the increase of the car like vehicles. It takes away some of the charm. I would grandfather the ones we have already.  8/21/2019 2:02 AM

85  I see no positives with the change being considered, only negatives. The open golf carts result in an open, friendly environment, where waving to people you don't know is an every day occurrence. Electric cars are more likely to be closed vehicles, and would eliminate the character we have come to love and appreciate.  8/20/2019 8:12 PM

86  The distinction is very important. The island should definitely remain for golf carts only. Electric cars are still cars. The whole point of going to BHI, in my opinion, is that (in theory) there are no cars allowed on the island. Allowing electric cars will ruin all that is unique about the island. In my opinion, even GEMS are contrary to the purpose and perfection of the island.  8/20/2019 7:16 PM

87  Keep the golf carts!!!  8/20/2019 7:10 PM

88  Definitely feel that the golf carts are far more attractive for guests than “electric vehicles” (like Gem cars). I only feel it would be positive if it helped replace current gas powered vehicles on island.  8/20/2019 7:02 PM

89  Need to add an option for “neither”  8/20/2019 6:51 PM

90  This shouldn’t be associated with speed limit increases…that seems like it would be more of a safety issue…  8/20/2019 6:37 PM

91  Non-golf carts may be warmer for island residents over the winter, and we do not object to that. However, the ever-increasing use of faster golf carts and gas-powered carts is a real safety concern here. People consider BHI safe and do not anticipate 30(+} mph vehicles. Moreover, many drivers ignore stop & yield signs. We always slow substantially at the intersection of South Bald Head Wynd and Federal Road b/c we often witness drivers blowing through there. Our suggestion is to find a balance that allows warmth for those who want it, and strict observance of speed restrictions overall, regardless of the type of electric vehicle. As for gas vehicles, we need the contractors for repairs -- but let's get them in line, too, regarding speed limits. Many speed around and we often say, "wish a police vehicle were here!" No island resident should be driving around on a gas-powered vehicle, although we have seen some doing so.  8/20/2019 5:59 PM

92  What about the vehicles that have air conditioners  8/20/2019 5:56 PM

93  We bought on Bald Head because it is a golf cart community. Having vehicles that can go faster is not desirable. Please control the number of and time of day for usage by commercial vehicles  8/20/2019 5:52 PM

94  BHI embracing the technological changes in EVs is positive. EVs can provide the same benefits that golf carts provide (no emissions, quite, limited speed) with enhancements such as doors and heating in the winter, wipers when it rains, safer brakes, etc.  8/20/2019 5:24 PM
Wait- you just asked 10 separate questions? Where is the data to support this initiative? Again these multiple options from one question is driving a desired outcome. Who is to say that the ambiance has or has not improved. Residents of 20 years would say no, residents of five years or less would say - what are you talking about? What are you trying to do? It appears as if this issue is starting to fold in upon itself.

I am deeply against this change as I understand it.

Electric golf carts are electric vehicles. Changing terminology from golf carts to electric vehicles keeps us “current”.

Full time residents will continue to leave the island. It is becoming a place for builders and realtors to make more and more money. Not a place to live.

Please do not change. In my opinion, there are too many golf carts and too many gas engines already.

I am not sure how many cars are allowed per owner. 2-3. carts with appropriate parking garages or spaces seems appropriate.

This plan is ill advised; negative repercussions will be numerous and unanticipated.

Larger faster personal vehicles will make BHI less “quaint”, more expensive, and have a negative impact on the real estate market. It may improve safety for the occupants of the vehicle, but certainly not for pedestrians, pets, and wildlife.

BHI has been "green" for more than 30 years through the use of electric golf carts. Electric vehicles deny the driver and passengers the opportunity to enjoy BHI's natural environment up close and personal. They preclude the chance to smell and hear the wonderful ambiance of our island.

The roads are designed for golf carts. Gem cars etc do not fit. The beauty and draw of the island equates in part to golf cart only. Business use can be an exception.

Golf carts art the uniqueness to island bigger vehicles are just going to add to volume and congestion

I see the use of electric scooters in Durham and they are a safety hazard. Bad enough when teenagers drive golf carts illegally. I think the scooters would be a negative factor

If higher speed electric vehicles come on island, safety risks increase. We do desire less gas vehicle for commercial use, so if electric vehicles replace them, then fine

We don't need faster electric vehicles mixing with our golf carts. Keep it the same.

Electric now and gas powered next

BHI is unique because you leave your car on the mainland to escape/vacation to a tranquil environment. Golf carts provide the needed transportation but still gives the island an island feel. The electric vehicles look like mini cars, air conditioned, heated, faster.....it is what we come to BHI to escape. If everyone decides to get a mini car on the island——how is that unique? Next thing will be the want to increase the speed to go even faster than 9.9 and nobody will feel comfortable to bike/walk the streets. With increased speed comes increased number of injuries and severity.

All of the above. We would lose the charming slow-pace vacation atmosphere if we are all zooming around in electric vehicles with closed doors. The slow funky golf carts are what make us unique!

There should be a category for "no change". Obviously this survey was designed to create a negative reaction to the issue.

Keep it peaceful and slower

Jerks!

See above. Not sure who is demanding this, but it's a terrible idea. My guess is that you will have people leave and move elsewhere.

Better description and context allows for better answers. What problems get created and what problems get solved?

Some prospective buyers may see golf carts as quaint but not effective transportation, and be more attracted if they are permitted to use more powerful EVs. BHI can do without them.
BHI is a golf cart community and that is part of its unique allure. Full time residents understood this when they bought here.

For those questions left unmarked, my answer is "neither positive or negative" for the second home buyer market and "I don't know" for the two number of electric vehicles questions.

all impacts of this potential change are negative.

Unfortunately, we now have a Myrtle Beach style water park at the Bald Head Island Club, that has devalued the original country club concept, and if the rest of the island continues to go in the same direction in the interest of attracting more tourism, we will continue to lose the peace, serenity, tranquility, and uniqueness, that brought us all here in the first place. It's time to put the brakes on, and take a deep breath. Change is not always good. In this crazy non-stop world we live in, what is wrong with a place where one can slow down and take a step back in time. It may not appeal to everyone, and that's ok! Uniqueness is great thing!

Feel no real change on above.

Seems that full time residents are likely to be those desiring electric vehicles. It scares me to think that renters coming to a house would be issued an electric vehicle to navigate Bald Head's roads. I also think part of the appeal of Bald Head to vacationers is you are coming to an island where everyone drives golf carts. You put too many electric vehicles on the road and you lose this laid back "safe" vibe for the island.

very misleading question. most of the answers should actually no impact but since that was not a choice I put positive

Electric golf carts as the means of transportation fits the island image. The other forms of transportation i.e. scooters, skateboards etc are cause for concern in regard to accidents and increase in personal injuries

This entire proposal is disturbing. There is not need or reason to allow for electric vehicles beyond golf carts. Please do not ruin this beautiful and quaint island.

If you want to open the Island up to allow more potential buyers, more development, and full Island capacity, then build a bridge and become a smaller Oak Island. I am looking out 15 to 20 years, maybe sooner, that this will happen and no home owner can stop it. My thoughts are that our grandkids will see or live in a totally different environment. There will be economic pressure to open up the forest preserve for development. My thoughts.

Ev's clearly would impact the "culture" of the island. It is currently laid back, no reason to be in a great rush, low-stress traffic. An island full of people, especially kids, riding ev's in and out of existing cart traffic I can see ev's could attract younger families who want entertainment for their children and to let them get around the island without driving them around. But as we have learned in the SF Bay Area, electric scooter, skateboards, etc. can easily cause more traffic congestion - even with the extensive network of bike/ev lanes we have. I doubt BH wants to add bike lanes in order to accommodate ev's. That means ev's would be mixed into "regular" traffic - or competing for road space if you will. More traffic and more types of vehicles on the road would create less safe roads, add stress, and make the island more like things are at home when we are not on vacation.

It is my feeling that use of these other types of electric vehicles will take away some of the charm and relaxed nature of the island. Being on turtle time and the quiet pace of the island is a large part of the appeal. Adding these other vehicles will change that dynamic.

The island is a get away to only golf carts which is very unique. By allowing "other" wording you are inviting the next electronic which may or may not be a good thing for island life as we know it!

Get rid of gas powered residential vehicles and ban stereo speakers in open air vehicles.

I have two kids - love them dearly and we have electric scooters here at home that they ride around and love. However, there is nothing more annoying then the sound of electric scooters zooming all over the place. They are obnoxious. The whole point of the island is the peace and quiet and beauty. Kids and adults can ride their bikes, walk, jog, and use regular golf carts to get around when on the island. My kids don't lack for fun and good times when they are on the island. They know if they want to ride on electric scooters, etc. they can do it at home. I also think they are dangerous when you don't have sidewalks and they are out on the roads with commercial vehicles and fast golf carts.

We should continue to be a golf-cart community only. Why change a winning formula? Golf carts are the very most positively unique feature of Bald Head Island.
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<td>I can see that full time residents might want the convenience of a special enclosed electric vehicle designed for year round use. If these could be made such that they could only go at golf cart speed I would be in favor as a special permit.</td>
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<td>Crime has increased. I do not like that. More and more reports of unwelcomed guests and theft and honestly Public Safety is too soft of the people they do catch. These people need arrested and the association should ban them period. Golf cart theft should be treat as such. Not put off as if nothing has happened.</td>
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<td>Some of these are difficult to predict. However as referenced above, changing from what could be called the &quot;rudimentary&quot; golf cart to the newer high tech GEM cars and electric cars fundamentally changes the allure of BHI. Aside from serious safety concerns BHI is unique in its transportation policy of allowing golf carts and that is something that has led to its prominence as a vacation destination.</td>
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<td>Electric vehicles sounds like you are allowing Teslas on the island. Everybody knows wht a golf cart is. Electric vehicles sounds like loopholes in what is allowed.</td>
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<td>I think with the increase of electric cars, it puts Bald Head Island in a un-welcomed predicament. Legally, people would try to push the envelope to include Tesla's or such.</td>
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<td>I have clearly stated why I believe the change from golf cart identification will negatively affect all aspects of life on BHI in statement above.</td>
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<td>PLEASE don't allow this to happen. All of the faster carts or vehicles will ruin the BHI way of life.</td>
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<td>Just a bad idea all round. A better idea would be to require all vendors to use golf carts, except where a gasoline powered vehicle is needed to deliver construction materials.</td>
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<td>Will totally change the ambience and the safety of people walking and on bikes.</td>
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<td>The change in wording will undoubtedly have a “positive” effect on the number of non- golf cart electric vehicles that are used for residential and general use on the island. But that increased usage will constitute a very negative outcome for the island. Question is tricky...not sure people will read it carefully enough to answer correctly!</td>
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<td>There should be limitations on the types of electric vehicles allowed - to keep the traffic slow and car-sized vehicles off the roads.</td>
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<td>We tell our friends about how lovely and safe the island is and one of the main selling points is that there are NO other vehicles allowed except golf carts. Kids can ride bikes, people can leisurely walk the roads and not be in fear of accidents with fast moving cars or other vehicles. If the ordinance is changed to allow any electric vehicle, this could greatly change the safety and quaint feel of the island.</td>
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<td>If we lose the golf cart ‘feel’ of the island, we will no longer be a special place compared to other beach communities, only more inconvenient to get to. The golf cart way of life is the best selling point of the island.</td>
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<td>Golf carts as the primary mode of transportation are an integral part of BHI’s charm and attractiveness to both property owners and guests. Golf carts are a novelty that adds to the resort-like feel of the island. Larger electric vehicles will not be powerful enough to replace the ICEs that are currently plaguing the island and they will be a new issue, especially since the roads were designed for golf carts and will be far too narrow and dangerous for larger vehicles.</td>
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<td>We are at a tipping point in the island development. If it is to retreat from the original plan and turn it into more of a money making resort then you are on the right track. If you want to try to retain more of the original plan then all these ordinance changes will be counter to it.</td>
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<td>I am basing my answers on having fewer gasoline powered work vehicles.</td>
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In my gut reaction, I do not see any positive reason to make the change.

The wording of some of the questions was confusing. First questions: to allow bigger electric cars would have a positive impact on them, but a negative impact on the island.

BHI is an electric golf cart island. Bad enough the contractors are here day and night driving trucks. The whole idea is to make BHI a unique beach destination. If I wanted cars and trucks I would own a home in Wrightsville beach.

I would like to see the speed limit of 18 mph upheld for any vehicle other than public safety.

There is a type of golf cart that covers all the problems I can think of. That puts us all on the same playing field. I was nearly hit broadside by a truck that ran a stop sign years ago. The truck driver threw his hands in the air off the steering wheel and made some weird sound. I was the one that saved myself by hitting the breaks and the woods. I am nervous when I see trucks today. It would be no different with an electric vehicle. We golf Carter's know there is nothing but air between us and a impact.

We believe golf carts need to be just that. Why are we considering vehicles that will go faster and have more horsepower than what is currently allowed. I'm quite surprised I'm being surveyed about this issue. Keep BHI quaint and safe.

Golf cart on the island have always been the attraction and provide some limits on what is navigating the road. If you are going to open up a new larger class of vehicle then you are going to privilege only a few homeowners and mostly commercial operators. Our island was not built for the benefit of commercial operation. If you are going to make these changes you might as well allow motorcycles, cars, and trucks.

Again, strongly oppose the change to electric vehicle. The main reason my family owns a second home on BHI is sue to the laid back, golf cart, nature of the Island. In the 10 years I have owned a home here, 4 other neighbors from DC have also purchased homes and many others have started to vacation on the island, primarily because a vacation from traffic is unparalleled to any other beach experience on the East Coast. If we are to start allowing cars on the island, many of these vacationers and homeowners will vacation on other beaches that might be closer or more convenient to get to. The Council can not underestimate how important the lack of cars are to the island culture and our tourism market.

One of the major draws for BHI is it's unique stature as a car free island. Allowing vehicles for everyday personal use should not be allowed. Besides safety concerns and the fact that our roads are not equipped to handle heavier, faster cars, I also question where these cars will be stored, particularly in drip line communities where the garages barely hold a golf cart and there is no street parking. Who will service and fix these cars? Who will pay for the charging stations the island will need to add?

I live in Washington DC, where traffic is a nightmare. I bought a home on BHI many years ago to escape the traffic - golf carts only was a huge selling point. In the 10 years I have owned a home here, 4 other neighbors from DC have also purchased homes and many others have started to vacation on the island, primarily because a vacation from traffic is unparalleled to any other beach experience on the East Coast. If we are to start allowing cars on the island, many of these vacationers and homeowners will vacation on other beaches that might be closer or more convenient to get to. The Council can not underestimate how important the lack of cars are to the island culture and our tourism market.

This covers it all.
174 one of the big selling points to landowners and guest is the charm of a golf-cart only oasis. 8/20/2019 9:48 AM

175 Why in the world would we take one of the primary aspects of what makes our community unique and toss it away just for the convenience of a few residents or guests who prefer to move a few miles faster per hour? I can purchase a similar property to the one I own on BHI for less somewhere else. Why would I choose to stay wife if it loses a significant part of what makes it special? 8/20/2019 9:48 AM

176 I would like to see all gas powered golf carts eliminated. 8/20/2019 9:41 AM

177 Two of the above items are unclear. Yes, the ordinance would dramatically increase the number of private electric vehicles. No, it will not reduce the number of motor vehicles on the island. These vehicles are used for different purposes. Contractors and workers will not abandon their motor vehicles. The ordinance will not solve the problem it seeks to solve and will create instead a new problem of high speed privately owned electric vehicles owned and operated by homeowners. 8/20/2019 9:40 AM

178 Part of the quirky charm of BHI is riding around in golf carts. Keep it simple and maintain tight focus on golf carts, not fancier EVs. Keep it safe for pedestrians, cyclists, and other drivers by prohibiting the growth of vehicles that have the potential to travel at higher speeds - if drivers can go faster, they will. 8/20/2019 9:35 AM

179 Some of these questions seem a bit inappropriate for the subject. I do not think changing language to electric vehicles is a good idea, someone could then bring a Tesla out here for personal use at their home. Our roads seem small now, imagine what it will be like in 10 years if we allow Tesla's and other full size automobiles. I think that is a crazy notion, our roads can't handle it, they are not wide enough nor do they have street markings. Big mistake if you do this, huge. Totally change the island culture. 8/20/2019 9:30 AM

180 I think it will be a safety issue for sure. 8/20/2019 9:31 AM

181 If we are essentially allowing electric cars than we no longer have a car-free island. Having no cars is huge selling point for many home owners and vacationers. 8/20/2019 9:30 AM

182 Why is the change necessary? 8/20/2019 9:27 AM

183 Change is hard and I'm not sure I understand the intent of 'electric vehicles'; therefore I answer my questions in a conservative manner. 8/20/2019 9:25 AM

184 Second homes are so you can get away from fast pace and relax - that includes the "city" with cars. Not so appealing here if it's just like everywhere else. Takes away uniqueness of island life (or one of the differentiating factors in a competitive market) on BHI. 8/20/2019 9:23 AM

185 Keep BHI slow. 8/20/2019 9:20 AM

186 I think much of the ICE traffic should be converted to golf carts both traditional and long range industrial carts. 8/20/2019 9:18 AM

187 The island is famous for being a "no-car" island. To change the language in a manner that leaves the possibility of electric vehicles to flood the island would change the entire ambiance and culture of the island. Additionally, because we have no sidewalks and have a significant number of runners, walkers, and children on the streets, there would be a significant safety concern. We already know what a golf cart can do when someone falls out of it or runs someone over. A 9.9 horsepower vehicle is almost double that strength. 8/20/2019 9:12 AM

188 Part of the allure of the island is certainly the idea of getting away from the norms of non-island life. It isn't just about not using combustible engines but also not seeing and using what reminds us of our daily lives (i.e., cars). I am more and more disappointed to see electric vehicles that resemble cars on the island. And as time moves forward and electric vehicles replace combustible engines throughout society, this distinction between Bald Head and the "real world" will become less and less. I can understand full time residents wanting the cover and safety of electric cars but it comes at the disservice of what the island represents to me. 8/20/2019 9:09 AM

189 Again, the charm of the island is the golf cart. The slow traffic allows for biking and running and walking in safety. Altering that diminishes the charm, beauty and desirability of the island. Making it more appealing and easier for businesses is counter to what the island represents to those of us who chose it as our home. 8/20/2019 9:09 AM

190 Please don't do this !! 8/20/2019 9:07 AM

191 8/20/2019 9:03 AM

192 There are many positives to this... although they don't outweigh the negatives in severity of impact. 8/20/2019 9:02 AM
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<td>In general I think the smartcar type electric vehicles are newer and nicer than a lot of golf carts so aesthetically it is more pleasing. As long as regular golf carts are still an option, I don't have an issue with it.</td>
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<td>We are a land of golf carts. Everything slows down when you get to the island. Electric cars will make everything speed up. Next; traffic lights?</td>
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<td>It is a small island. What is the necessity for speed?</td>
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<td>Go for it.</td>
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<td>Let's make all vehicles quieter. However, this is only if golf carts and other electric vehicles (which I'm assuming include electric golf carts) have the current speed restriction instead of a higher speed restriction.</td>
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<td>This change will destroy the island in so many ways - peacefulness, pace, and may even impact wildlife. Don't take something wonderful and wreck it in the name of change.</td>
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<td>Not sure why this is being considered. The island is overrun with cars, Van's and trucks. It is awful. It is loud, stinky and unsafe. Golf carts have worked for years and years. The lack of cars, trucks and high speed vehicles was a major draw to us. Where does anyone need to go fast??</td>
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<td>Some questions on your survey are ambiguous. If the number of non-golf carts on the island increases, this will have a negative impact, but clicking on &quot;negative&quot; could be understood to mean that there the ordinance will not affect the number of non-golf carts on the island. I am interpreting &quot;negative impact&quot; to mean that IF the number of non-golf carts increases, it will negatively impact the island. Please don't pass this ordinance. The last thing BHI needs is faster or larger vehicles.</td>
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<td>I'm ok with non-golf carts for commercial use. A big part of the reason we are property owners is because of the slower pace of life on the island. Anything that enables a faster lifestyle is a big negative for me. I am also VERY concerned about the safety of pedestrian on the narrow roads with vehicles of such power.</td>
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<td>What is an electric vehicle---using this language, people may think it is OK to bring their Nissan Leaf over on the ferry. Everyone knows what a golf cart is-----the definition of an electric vehicle is not clear---</td>
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Q3 Which mode of transportation do you prefer for residential use?

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# COMMENTS: DATE
1. If electric vehicles were subject to strict speed limits, they offer more comfort in all weather. 8/28/2019 6:18 AM
2. This is what the island had as the ambients. To change for what improvement, other the to get form one place to another more quickly. I would suggest the island security put a radar enforcement stop on two or three of the most traveled roads and see what speeds we are looking at. 8/28/2019 5:17 AM
3. Please preserve our Island's culture!!! 8/26/2019 11:44 AM
4. See above,. The question of what these vehicles are called does not get at the issues proposed or should be proposed by the ordinance dealing with speed, size and functionality on BHI. 8/26/2019 10:13 AM
5. The majority of garages can't fit the electric cars....so now we need more contractors to rehab garages??##%%^$#@@!!!!!!! 8/26/2019 6:31 AM
6. I'm ok with electric vehicles, and might consider one for myself in the future, if their speed is keep to approximately that of golf carts. 8/25/2019 11:33 PM
7. One of the main reasons why we have been coming to BHI for over 30 years is to get away from our cars. Golf carts ARE Bald Head island life and if that changes, the NEGATIVE impact would be huge. 8/25/2019 12:23 PM
8. 'Electric vehicles', other than those that may already be here and therefore grandfathered, would significantly diminish the ambience and culture of the island. Not all 'creature comforts' should be permitted at the expense of the special nature of the island. 8/25/2019 6:36 AM
9. Fits with the simplicity of island living. Why add unnecessary speed and weight to the roads? Controlling safety is already an unmanageable issue ... underage drivers being a prime example. Guests on the island simply do not abide by the laws and PS does not enforce sufficiently. More powerful vehicles only add another unwanted dimension to road safety and law enforcement. 8/24/2019 10:13 AM
10. BHI is too small for faster and larger vehicles. It will inevitably change the nature of the Island and its community - for the worse. 8/24/2019 7:44 AM
11. I think electric vehicles similar to golf carts are ok, but should not be able to go above the golf cart horsepower limit. 8/23/2019 7:08 PM
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<td>Bald Head IS golf carts. The few existing electric vehicles with doors are already impinging on that. I'd like to see an ordinance to have them phased out and stick to pure doorless, slow golf carts.</td>
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<td>We use both for different situations. Again, question is incomplete and hence, biased.</td>
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<td>no doubt about it!</td>
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<td>I would hate to see GEM carts all over the island. I love the whole golf cart thing. This is a huge reason I bought a home in 2016. I would have to rethink my decision if the island changed.</td>
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<td>Roads are designed for golf carts, not electric cars</td>
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<td>Golf carts work well. They limit the amount of speeding that can happen on the island. They are the charm of the island.</td>
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<td>There is no need to high speed, heavy weight carts.</td>
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<td>On another issue, I am angry that BHI real estate agents have vans that tailgate you to the point where you have to pull over in your golf cart----------NOT Bald Head!</td>
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<td>Just think word &quot;Electric Vehicle&quot; for residential use could open up a whole 'nother' can of worms as these vehicles seem more &quot;street like&quot; (like those used on off island roads) and take away the easy going, slower atmosphere that drew us to island.</td>
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<td>Our roads were designed for the size and speed of golf carts. More powerful and larger vehicles would have a negative impact on the ambiance of the island. While there are many residential vehicles on the island that are not actually golf carts, it is important that all residential vehicles be limited in size and power.</td>
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<td>I do not believe that as residents, we need to be utilizing larger, heavier and more powerful electric vehicles to get around our little island. I think these higher horsepower vehicles are appropriate for commercial use.</td>
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<td>wait til we have our first bad accident between cart and electric car</td>
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<td>Adequate transportation for getting from Point A to Point B! I believe that the tranquil, quiet, slower pace will be forever negatively affected. People should come here to relax AND allow others to relax.</td>
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<td>We bought a house here because of the use of golf carts as our form of transportation. Why should we change?</td>
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<td>I don't know exactly what is meant by &quot;electric vehicle&quot; but see no reason to change terms. Instead we should limit possible speed of all personal vehicles.</td>
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Golf carts are less reliable. We should also promote use of e-bikes and scooters, with mandatory helmets and enforced speed rules.

BHI is unique in our experience, largely due to golf carts as the primary mode of transportation. Expanding to electric cars will move BHI toward being just another beach place.

Solely. Even commercial vehicles should be golf cart if at all possible.

I like golf carts, with the exception of the enclosure options on some of the electric vehicles. If I were spending more time on the island, I might investigate an enclosed electric vehicle option.

Gold carts with air conditioning


We have two golf carts, one brand new. All we want --

We bought property here partly due to the lack of cars. Higher horsepower electric vehicles are much more like cars.

I prefer a safe mode with a horn, head lights, turn signals, and brake lights. All of which no one uses in a daily basis. How about Public Safety pulls over every person that rolls a stop sign, doesn’t use a DMV approved turn, and blinds people with their unregulated headlights.

Electric golf carts are electric vehicles- there is no difference except for regulations governing the design and safety of each class of vehicle.

Either OK with me

I’m a 25 year owner and don’t encourage change for its own sake

They are perfect. We need to even keep watch on how fast they are turned up.

That's who we are and is how we are known. It is why we purchased here.

Bigger faster vehicles are dangerous. The roads will need to be widen

We do not need electric cars that go at excess of 18 mph. If it could be limited to owner use only might be ok but that will never happen

Golf carts only

Golf carts and bikes, for the Island.

Both!

Off island, we use an EV--an electric hatchback that's fully functional on public roads. On island, a golf cart is about the most powerful vehicle that's compatible with all the other users of BHI's adorable, but narrow and windy, roads.

As long as it does not exclude certain types of electric vehicles.

My personal use is golf ... mainly for reliability. Don’t feel the need to limit others ... speed limit and size requirements are not changed.

Electric golf carts safety and ecologically sound

Safer under existing road conditions, signage, lighting (do not forget the turtles), and markings. This may preserve existing Island life for several more years before economics take over and major development and geographic changes take place

None

Golf carts but please see exceptions listed above.

would like to see more bike use

I do like the idea of making sure gas-powered engines are minimized. Smelling the gas of many vehicles this summer was unpleasant.

It's casual and more safe for bicycle riders and pedestrians.

It is working well today. No need to change something that is working
I love that children can ride their bikes, I can walk my dogs and pedestrians can feel relatively safe on the iconic roads of Bald Head Island. It is not as safe as it used to be with the prevalence of faster golf carts, but it will be decidedly worse if electric vehicle usage is approved! It is not as safe as it used to be with the prevalence of faster golf carts, but it will be decidedly worse if electric vehicle usage is approved!

Driving on golf carts allow you to interact with the community.

See above.

I don’t know how many ways to state it? If you allow non-golf cart vehicles to become common place, the island changes during the tourist season. That is when the island makes money. It is when the houses rent, the restaurants and clubs make money, etc. and if you want renters to flee in droves- tell them that their children will now be riding bikes on roads with enclosed electric cars instead of open golf carts. They will go elsewhere.

I do not want electric cars on the island. That would change the entire feel of the place and the reason we bought a home here.

Your going to have electric cars (Prius) if you do not use the golf carts verbiage! That will totally change this island forever. The no undergrowth landscaping trend is horrible and has changed the island for the worse in everyway. I blame the Mayor for that.

I will stay with Golf Carts regardless. If you are in a 9 horsepower cart behind me TOUGH LUCK The speed limit is now 18mph and already accidents happen. So what happens to children on bicycles, joggers and hikers. Are you planning to now build biketrails and sidewalks?

With option to enclose.

Golf carts are appropriate for BHI from the perspective of width and top speed. Roads on bhi experience heavy pedestrian use. Wider, larger electric vehicles will force pedestrians off the roadways and contribute to a climate of hostile, aggressive road use by motorized vehicles. Electric or not, the use of larger and faster vehicles hurts pedestrians’ experience. Cycling, jogging, walking, and other activities on BHI are widely enjoyed. These hobbies would be qualitatively impacted by high speed electric vehicles. There is little to no speed enforcement on the island to begin with!

See above. Carts are fun, inexpensive, and fit our island.

I'm not sure I understand this differentiation. My golf cart is electric.

The charm of this island includes the golf cart culture. Many European cities have primarily small electric cars (ie Nice, Monaco, etc.) and while that reduces emissions, it’s still a car on the road. The feel is different. Don’t do it! People come here to relax and for something different - electric cars are everywhere. The golf carts contribute to the “slow down and relax” feeling folks are seeking from the island.

See above.

Would prefer if contractors on the island were required to use electric vehicles.

we don't have an electric vehicle but would consider one for our next purchase

Been doing it for 31 years. I love it. Slow and safe for all who use the streets. Kids, bikes etc.

electric golf carts

Slow golf carts

Like to see option for electric bike etc

Gold carts are fast enough and the addition of electric vehicles would take away some of the charm of the island.

Electric scooters are a very good mode of quick transportation to the beach, grocery, etc. without having to pull a golf cart out of the garage, etc.

BHI has a positive reputation based on the use of the carts and their leisurely pace. The number of visitors who would prefer a faster pace, rushing hither and yon, is far outweighed by those who prefer a slower and quieter pace. Because of so much (re)construction on the island, there has been an much larger number of trucks and heavy vehicles this year--and this has NEGATIVELY affected the island. Looking forward to a time when this will subside.
Q4 The current draft prohibits use of the following non-human propelled devices: electric skateboards, electric scooters, hover boards, Segways or similar apparatuses. Only human-powered versions of these devices are permitted on Village streets. (Electric bicycles, tricycles and wheelchairs are explicitly allowed by the new ordinance.) Do you support this change?

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<td>Why would we prohibit electric personal devices??? We should be the poster-island for promoting all that. I would rather have people on electric bikes, scooters, and Segways on the road going 10-12 MPH than golf carts going 18-20 MPH. The State Legislature addressed the use of Personal Mobility Devices a few years ago. Looks like to me you cannot prohibit their use based on the following: Part 11C. Electric Personal Assistive Mobility Devices. § 20-175.6. Electric personal assistive mobility devices. (a) Electric Personal Assistive Mobility Device. – As defined in G.S. 20-4.01(7b). (b) Exempt From Registration. – As provided in G.S. 20-51. (c) Use of Device. – An electric personal assistive mobility device may be operated on public highways with posted speeds of 25 miles per hour or less, sidewalks, and bicycle paths. A person operating an electric personal assistive mobility device on a sidewalk, roadway, or bicycle path shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians and other human-powered devices. A person operating an electric personal assistive mobility device shall have all rights and duties of a pedestrian, including the rights and duties set forth in Part 11 of this Article. (d) Municipal Regulation. – For the purpose of assuring the safety of persons using highways and sidewalks, municipalities having jurisdiction over public streets, sidewalks, alleys, bridges, and other ways of public passage may by ordinance regulate the time, place, and manner of the operation of electric personal assistive mobility devices, but shall not prohibit their use. (2002-98, s. 5; 2016-90, s. 13(d).)</td>
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I do support this ordinance. The more types of transportation, the more dangerous the island could be.  
8/30/2019 9:26 AM

too dangerous  
8/28/2019 10:49 PM

Safety should always come first.  
8/28/2019 5:17 AM

I own two segways. I never use them but others might enjoy them. They do not go fast, they make no noise and they are fun. We got them to drive on BHI where it is safer than normal streets. They do not cause the problem that speeding vehicles do. Let’s maintain the unique experience BHI offers. Many people bought homes on Bald Head to escape and enjoy a simpler life style.  
8/27/2019 4:57 PM

Safety should always come first.  
8/26/2019 6:37 PM

Electric scooters tend to be vandalized and left randomly around the towns where they are permitted. BHI doesn't need that.  
8/26/2019 3:28 PM

Discriminates against younger people. Reinforces the idea of BHI as a retirement, anti-family location.  
8/26/2019 3:04 PM

The non-human propelled devices are NOT the problem. The operators ARE. Our current Ordinance now requires an operator to have a valid driver's license and to wear a helmet during operation. This rule of law is regularly violated, and these devices are often driven in incredibly unsafe fashions without regard for other roadway users. Safety is the key element in this discussion, and the volume of traffic on our roadways - once again, "density and capacity" - is stressed to the limit. Add earbuds and potential chaos is in the offing!  
8/26/2019 11:44 AM

Why are they being restricted? If it is for safety reasons then they should be restricted. Then ask yourself how safe is it to walk or ride a bicycle on our streets. Are they any different?  
8/26/2019 10:13 AM

The fewer vehicles the better.  
8/26/2019 7:08 AM

I've seen some already and they aren't wearing helmets, knee guards, other protective gear. So public safety will be responding to more and more silly accidents, some quite serious with head injuries, when I'm sure they have their hands full with water safety and other problems that can occur here.  
8/26/2019 6:31 AM

All these electric devices create more accidents and injury to children and young adults and No physical fitness.  
8/26/2019 5:16 AM

I'm inclined not to support this change, but confess I need more information on why it is being proposed and the pros and cons of such a change.  
8/25/2019 11:33 PM

NO!!! Electric Scooters have already been proven to be a total disaster for cities who have had the “Lime Scooters”, etc. There is just no need to introduce these non-human powered items and the ones who will really suffer from this are our children. The under-16 kids will want to ride electric scooters and trust me- there WILL be accidents. And combing this with high-powered vehicles is a disaster waiting to happen.  
8/25/2019 12:23 PM

Scooters and segway type vehicles would detract from the island culture.  
8/25/2019 6:36 AM

No need for any such devices on such a small island. It would take away from the charm and peacefulness of the island and no doubt lead to more accidents.  
8/25/2019 5:22 AM

Since this all depends on the responsibility of the user, its is difficult to answer one way or another. You are mixing all size modes of transportation, for safety reasons I am inclined to say no.  
8/24/2019 2:34 PM

The risk of serious injury or even death from using an electric skateboard, electric scooter, hoverboard, or Segway is very high. If a person is injured due to using a non-human propelled device, the Bald Head Island Public Safety team has to stabilize the person for transport via a helicopter or the ferry. There is no valid reason why Bald Head Island should agree to permit the use of these types of non-human propelled devices.  
8/24/2019 2:25 PM

The roads are not designed to handle devices that can be mis-used by the human driver. Already bicycles are a hazard because they are not ridden with courtesy in mind for the biker and the vehicle driver. More devices with variable safety depending on the skill of the driver only complicates the situation. Our road system is designed for carts, manual bikes and foot traffic...... even these can be dangerous when you add in the trams and ICE contractor vehicles. More power vehicles increases the risk of injury.  
8/24/2019 10:13 AM
24 I find the wording and construct of item 4 unclear and confusing. My preference for transportation is electric golf carts. I would not oppose the limited use of electric wheel chairs on the Island, but having electric wheelchairs on the roads could lead to unfortunate problems.

25 The small electric devices are menaces and dangerous. More for the safety of golf cart drivers that have to deal with them than their riders. Especially people not familiar with driving golf carts. With bicycles and walkers....and wheelchairs, it would be mayhem on our narrow roads.

26 Our rights to use these devices are slowly being taken away from us. They allowed on the mainland why not here?

27 See previous comments...

28 Yes, we should prohibit non-human-powered devices. I lived in San Francisco at the moment when these devices arrived and exploded overnight. Even for a crazy, bustling city like SF, it was a disaster. Everyone was in uproar over the safety issues, there were crashes everywhere and riders flying down streets and sidewalks. Those devices are terrifyingly fast - FAR faster than today's traffic and Bald Head. Kids were riding them without having any idea about traffic laws and safety. They were left strewn all over roads, parking lots and sidewalks because the riders themselves don't know whether they are more vehicles or skateboards/scooters. There's a reason why SF quickly outlawed them and had to rethink its strategy for allowing anything in that category: https://abc7news.com/business/new-law-bans-electric-scooters-in-san-francisco/3560740/ They are also inherently futuristic-looking and sounding devices, defying some of what I love about Bald Head - the "old timey" feel of the island, like going back in time to a slower, simpler world. It's part of why we're so passionate about conservation as embodied by the Conservancy - protecting the turtles and wildlife, bringing them back to the way they were before and protecting them for the future.

29 see above

30 Yes! again safety is an issue.

31 These items are popular and, like many things on the island (viewing alligators, bike riding) are safe or unsafe depending on the person's behavior. As stated well at the annual meeting this year regarding alligator overlook, we can't regulate "bad" behavior. BHI is special because it is a safe place for kids and families to find fun and safe independence. This can include the latest fads to accommodate kids of all ages.

32 I think this sounds appropriate, consistent with my previously stated views. However, I am not familiar enough with these devices to have a strong opinion about them.

33 I can't stand these annoying things on normal city streets and we surely do not need them at BHI.

34 They don't tear up the roads like island contracting and spray foam insulation rigs that "aren't for hire". Sit on any blind curve on SBH and watch them run off the road. Cite them for reckless driving and charge them the amount Barnhill will charge the town to fix those areas.

35 Take a drive through downtown Charlotte and see firsthand what it's like to dodge these electric devices. It's horrible and dangerous. What's wrong with human propelled devices. Have people really gotten that lazy..

36 Safety

37 The streets of BHI are unfortunately getting more crowded as building on the island increases. These other types of devices only make the streets more crowded and dangerous for pedestrians and bicyclists, not to mention for golf carts attempting to navigate around these devices.

38 Its a large part of what makes the island so fun for tweens and teens.

39 Safety. Our roads are not just wide enough to share with so many different types of travel.

40 Even in regular cities with wide roads and safety systems, these electric bicycles and scooters are dangerous and have caused many injuries. Allowing them on the island, with smaller roads and less safety ordinances, as well as many swim suit adorned pedestrians, does not make any sense at all.

41 Electric bikes, skateboards, scooters, etc are becoming more popular and less expensive. Rather than ban them, appropriate safety rules (helmets or other gear) and age restrictions should be considered. Also, more enforcement of the speed limits would be helpful

42 Safety, safety, safety! Electric scooter riders (and other similar devices) are already a danger to themselves and others on the island. Bikes and electric bikes are fine.
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<td>Same safety issue!! Too dangerous for the riders. Little or no protection even with helmets and limb guards.</td>
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<td>Would like the island to stay laid back and slower pace - worry that with new technology- more and more kinds of &quot;electric vehicles&quot; are coming and will be incompatible with &quot;island life&quot; and future vision to keep it simple.</td>
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<td>I'm OK with low HP electric scooters, segways, and skateboards (not hoverboards) with helmets required and speeds less than 10 mph (perhaps lower).</td>
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<td>Favor ban on electric skateboards and Segways for safety reasons. It is much more enjoyable to bike or walk without worry about fast electric transport devices.</td>
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<td>Electric skateboards, scooter and hover boards are dangerous and should not be allowed on the streets of BHI.</td>
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<td>Electric scooters are a real problem in urban areas as they pose a risk to both pedestrians and the scooter driver. With golf carts as the prevalent mode of transportation, the environmental concerns related to alternative modes of transportation are diminished and therefore there is no need to encourage electric scooters and other motorized devices.</td>
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<td>It can become a huge safety issue with electric scooters zooming every where. It is difficult enough to visually spot bike and carts in some times of the day with all the increased numbers of people.</td>
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<td>I feel it takes away from the ambiance of the island. I also feel it will have a negative effect on safety. I feel the already increased traffic in the island has impacted the safety of kids being able to bike the island.</td>
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<td>It is such a treat to be somewhere where people walk, bike, and run and not have to worry about being run into by electric skateboard, motorized scooters, etc... SLOW DOWN AND ENJOY!</td>
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<td>With the growing number of vehicles on the island, safety for pedestrians, bikes, scooters, skateboards has to be a priority. The addition of motorized forms of these will not improve the situation for traffic or safety.</td>
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<td>Danger for accidents and disruption of ambience our board is dominated by commercial intets</td>
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<td>Too Dangerous these riders usually have pods or earphones on when travelling on BHI roads and do not pay attention to other traffic and stop signs.</td>
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<td>See comments above on the intrusion and stress caused by scooters and segways in other places we have spent time.</td>
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Exactly who are we catering to. I don't know any property owners who require these devices. Appears to be a ploy to enhance the rental experience at the expense of residents.  

Kids on powered skate boards already push this this prohibition. Make it clear that they are not allowed. This information should be in every rental package (as well as clear reminders not to allow children to drive). Kids on skateboards are already a danger to ICE vehicles that are used for construction and emergencies. BHI's roads are not a playground--a concept that many visitors do not realize now, if we allow more toys then that concept will be even harder to enforce.  

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Many electric bicycles attain speeds of 28 mph or more and can be driven by unlicensed drivers if under 750 watts. In North Carolina they can be driven on sidewalks. They must yield to pedestrians and human powered bikes - would they?. There are electric powered trikes that are functionally equivalent to golf carts in weight, speed etc. but can be driven by children without the safety equipment we mandate for golf carts except helmets and they are not subject to inspection. This is a foolish and unsafe change without any logical benefit.  

If someone assumes the risk by riding this type of electric machines I am ok with it.  

Perhaps consider a compromise and keep these electric scooters, etc. off of the main roads (N BH Wynd, S BH Wynd, Stede Bonnet, Muscadyne). Designate certain roads as OK for use, or a designated area (such as municipalities have for skate parks). There is already too much traffic on the relatively narrow main roads, without worrying about kids or anyone on these devices.  

I don't want BHI turning into a crowded city atmosphere  

An increase in non-human propelled devices will result in increased injuries and deaths on Bald Head. It will also open the door to predatory companies such as Bird, Lime, etc.  

This is a golf cart community. Leave it that way! Those other forms of transportation or recreational vehicles are dangerous on our narrow roads.  

Traffic is already dangerous enough. Allowing those things would change the character of the island experience. We have experience with electric scooters in Santa Monica and it is a mess. Not needed here.  

I oppose alternative electric propelled devices  

Yes... they are still not as fast as a golf cart.  

Give me a break. This will definitely make us less marketable. Old people island. Not for families. Do they pollute? NO. Don’t regulate types of fun. I am more afraid of hitting 4-7yr olds weaving on their bikes then annoyed by skateboards. The use still promotes kids enjoying the island versus being indoors on video games. If skateboards etc are that annoying Carolina Bay may have a place for you. Intrigues me how this supports items used by generally older (electric bikes) crowd but eliminated recreational items used by younger group. Needs to be all or nothing. Setting us up to be a exclusive 55 plus community only.  

PLEASE don't do this!!! I LOVE the use of electric skateboards, scooters, segway and bikes, etc.... on the island. I don't use them because I don't want to take the risk, but they look awesome and make me smile when I see them! They look super fun!!! And what a better place than BHI to use one!! Yes, you can get hurt, but you can get hurt on any skateboard or bike...or golf cart! Let's not over govern. I love that BHI allows people make their own decisions. Assume people will make the right decisions with safety. Don't regulate!!  

dangerous. Also scooters get left all over the place and are a nuisance.  

Part of the magic of Bald Head is having to go slowly. Forcing one to slow down is a good thing. Many of the electric devices listed have speeds faster than a golf cart. We don't need people zipping around where others are walking and riding bicycles - sounds unsafe and an accident waiting to happen.  

There is absolutely no solid reason to ban them. I love being in the marina and seeing people moving around outside on a wide variety of toys and machines. Not everyone enjoys bikes. By banning all the other toys, we force non-bike-riders to only use golf carts. Why limit recreation in a way that only makes the streets full of more large vehicles? Recreation options are only a benefit to Island life. Young people are going to want adventure and multiple recreation options. There is no good reason to limit use of these enjoyable options. I feel very strongly about this.
87 We have electric scooters and love them. We enjoy riding them on the island and feel they are no more unsafe than human powered scooters. We feel that the biggest safety concern should be carts that go faster than the island speed limit.

88 For safety reasons

89 Would prefer roads not get too clogged with individual electric options....eco friendly, but would like to keep the pace/atmosphere relaxed/slower...

90 This proposal violates North Carolina a General Statutes section 20-175.6: Electric personal assistive mobility devices. (a) Electric Personal Assistive Mobility Device. - As defined in G.S. 20-4.01(7b). (b) Exempt From Registration. - As provided in G.S. 20-51. (c) Use of Device. - An electric personal assistive mobility device may be operated on public highways with posted speeds of 25 miles per hour or less, sidewalks, and bicycle paths. A person operating an electric personal assistive mobility device on a sidewalk, roadway, or bicycle path shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians and other human-powered devices. A person operating an electric personal assistive mobility device shall have all rights and duties of a pedestrian, including the rights and duties set forth in Part 11 of this Article. (d) Municipal Regulation. - For the purpose of assuring the safety of persons using highways and sidewalks, municipalities having jurisdiction over public streets, sidewalks, alleys, bridges, and other ways of public passage may by ordinance regulate the time, place, and manner of the operation of electric personal assistive mobility devices, but shall not prohibit their use. (2002-98, s. 5; 2016-90, s. 13(d).) The statutes define the devices in question as follows: GS Section 20-4.01(7)(b): (7b) Electric Personal Assistive Mobility Device.--A self-balancing non-tandem two-wheeled device, designed to transport one person, with a propulsion system that limits the maximum speed of the device to 15 miles per hour or less.

91 Seems unnecessarily restrictive.

92 Yes to electric wheelchairs for disabled. Not sure about others. Would love to see less golf cart traffic overall but don’t think allowing these will less that

93 1. My wife and I are in our 50’s and presently use our mini Segways on the island. It is no more dangerous than my taking a run. It takes less energy than a golf cart. 2. It is quiet. 3. It is charming. Even a bit quirky. The kind of thing we should encourage as part of the island’s branding. 4. It tops out at 10 mph. Turtle time. 5. Golf carts are fine. But the next generation is not a golfing generation. They will be coming of age in an era of skateboards not golf clubs. Scooters not bicycles. We can either be a destination of "old men and their fathers" or adapt to the next generation. 6. Have you seen some of the workers’ and rental property golf carts? They look horrible. A “golf cart community” does NOT necessarily mean a beautiful community. 7. Compare the noise and look of a Gem to one of our trams. As long as we have loud clunky tram trucks, hush about the Gems. 8. Perhaps a 21 year old age limit for non-golf cart electric vehicles would make sense. I had little sense until I was that age. 9. Why in God’s name did someone think that our local government ought to get in the middle of whether I ride a $500 Segway to get bread at the market? We can preserve Bald Bead Island without becoming known as “Big Brother Island” 10. One of our local police officers have my exact Segway at her home. If it’s good enough for her... 11. Please let us have a modicum of freedom.

94 Flood waters will wash them away

95 We see some of these on the beach, and that is fine. However, they are a safety concern on the roads.

96 They leave a smaller “footprint” on our roads. Less damage and pollution. Bicycles promote physical activity and being close to nature. Smaller “solitary electric vehicles” like scooters and electric skateboards enhance visitors experience: no tire or motor noise, better for our ecosystem, and more in harmony with the peaceful setting we live in.

97 Electric skateboards and scooters are detrimental to pedestrians! Check out downtown Raleigh! We hate them there! Pedestrians are terrified and injured by them routinely, and they will visually clutter the environment much more than the occasional broken down cart. Their chargers commonly start fires!

98 BHI is a fabulous place to enjoy these vehicles in relative safety.

99 I see e-bikes and e-skateboards routinely. I haven’t seen one pulled over for an issue. What is the fear/issue of these modes of transportation?

100 the island might be an interesting social setting to test these devices, might be good to allow for a time period and then reassess.
101 Lets' open it up. Policing what electric things are allowed or not will be too difficult. 

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102 Leave the kids alone. 

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103 Electric Scooters and Segways should be allowed too 

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104 Electric skate boards are SSSOOOOOOO dangerous. They have to go. 

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105 I have personally witnessed accidents from the electric scooter....one fatality. Our road patterns, policing, lack of stop sign, stop lights, and traffic signs hinder warnings about use of these types of devices. 

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106 You can't hear them approaching from behind. Pedestrians will be injured. 

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107 I have kids that enjoy those items, exactly how is that bothering island residents?? And I’m sure this is mainly only occurring during the summer. 

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108 Should be wheelchairs/scooters for disabled only 

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109 I’m on island over 75% of the time and have seen very few of these type vehicles. I can’t see why we need another restriction. 

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110 Safety first 

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111 It is already almost impossible to enforce road laws on the island. Our roads must serve all modes of transportation. If the island had bike trails, such devices would be welcome. However, drivers of these vehicles generally have little control, creating a situations where serious accidents will happen. 

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112 Non human propelled devices are dangerous 

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113 No more fast traffic!!! We love this island because of the slow pace and safety of the roads. Please don't change it! 

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114 Increased injuries 

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115 One death this year!!! Need I say more! 

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116 Some older people or the handicapped would benefit from the electric bike or scooter. 

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117 The use of electric skateboards, scooters, hover boards, Segways et al. again diminishes the slow paced uniqueness of the island. I already have to dodge these modes of transport on city street and understand the purpose of them to get to destinations as quickly as possible. That's not what BHI is about. It's about slowing down and taking the time to SEE the island. You can't appreciate a Mourning Warbler or handsome buck if you are zooming down the road. Also, we can't afford to have more injuries from falls on the island. We don't have the infrastructure to tend to all of the people we will be scraping up off the road when they hit a tree root and go catapulting across the Wynds. 

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118 Don't need additional electric devices 

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119 BHI cannot legislate common sense. There will always be a new "toy" to ban but Santa Clause will win. If a parent allows their 16 year old to ride a bike without a helmet, and the child is injured then the parent is to blame. I we require them to wear a helmet and they get injured because our requirements didn't prevent injury we are to blame. 

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120 Keep the island an active place ...golf carts can serve all those who need assistance with getting around 

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121 These sentences are pretty confusing. Ever heard of a semi-colon? I also don't really know what you actually changed. So it's hard to say I "support this change," when I don't actually know what was changed. However, I support this current draft as you wrote it above. As an aside, why people can't power their own bikes and trikes with their own legs is totally beyond me; electric-powered wheelchairs, of course, I understand. 

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122 This would create more traffic on the roads, particularly for underage visitors. This would be dangerous for all. 

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123 This is absolutely terrible. Who created this 'proposal'? Why? Because they personally don't like it? Crazy. Insanity. Stop trying to mandate behaviors and actions in the name of some moral high ground. They're safe, just require helmets. 

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124 Again, the issue is safety on narrow roads with vehicular traffic. 

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125 Risk for kids to get hit on the roads

126 It is my opinion that these devices are primarily used by children and young adults without adequate understanding that while they are fun, they are not toys and can also be dangerous and even life threatening especially with the mixed-use design of our island roads.

127 Unsafe with other traffic.

128 Wheelchairs obviously should be allowed but any electric bikes, scooters etc should not be. It’s an island of slow pace and nature. It will add excess noise as well as change the entire ambiance and atmosphere of our quaint island.

129 As far as I know, I am the only person on BHI that has an electric scooter. It has a speedometer and does not go faster than 18 mph, I am over 16 and I have a valid drivers license. If you are going to allow electric bike and tricycles, which can both go over 25 mph, you can’t prohibit electric scooters or skateboards. I have been passed on the road in my golf cart by someone riding an electric bike. I am failing to understand the need to prohibit certain types of personal electric vehicles and still allow others (electric bikes and tricycles) there is no real difference. If you want to limit non-human propelled devices, require that anyone who operates an electric vehicle of any kind must have a valid drivers license, but don’t ban some and arbitrarily allow others.

130 electric skateboards in particular seem to move very fast and reckless. Have not seen as many electric scooters on the island but I can imagine the risks to be similar.

131 Non-human propelled devices are currently not controlled. They are not registered or restricted in use, and most often are used by children in the summer. They are basically toys that share the road with golf carts, and are a hazard. I would not be opposed to issuing special drivers permits to licensed adults who know the rules of the road, to operate a Segway or scooter for transportation purposes in the off season only!

132 Safety ... but not a strong feeling.

133 Bald Heads roads are so narrow, I fear the use of these devices particularly by children will lead to more accidents. In writing this I am pretty sure that I have just labeled myself as old.

134 Mix of traffic would be less dangerous.

135 all should be permitted. not just electric bicycles but there should be a limit on the horse power and the speed

136 No harm with such low HP

137 All electric vehicles of any kind should be allowed and promoted. Specific electrical vehicles of any kind should not be discriminated against. You can not live in the past, electrical vehicles are changing every day. Embrace the change and innovation.

138 I have no issue with this type of transportation

139 I support use of electric wheelchairs. The rest will take away from the island charm and casie safety issues.

140 see above

141 Those devices are unsafe on the island roads as evidenced by several serious accidents - one at least being fatal.

142 I think we should allow Segways.

143 Electric bicycles and scooters are a nuisance

144 This is simply crying old people that do not like change. Nothing more. Throwing out excuses that they will clog up public safety when most statistics show the incidents of injury are no higher than those that ride bikes. (Yes, you can find some that show differently but for everyone of those you can find two to contradict it.) Put a helmet law for them on the books and stop being a big brother dictatorship. Honestly, this one has overstepped and over reached the powers of BHI village government.

145 In a word congestion. Moreover, BHI is meant for relaxation and separation from normal residential life. There is already significant traffic of golf carts, ICE vehicles, bicycles and foot traffic. Adding in the "non-human powered" vehicles adds an additional layer of complexity and danger. As most of the identified "vehicles" are for younger folks (children and teens), we would add young, less than attentive people to the traffic patterns of the island.
The dynamics of BHI make it one of the safest places for people to ride electric apparatuses. Many people find the assistance of electric bikes help them still ride a bike. My father self propels except up hills. This has made bicycling an option for him where self powered ones are not.

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Scooters are dangerous. I think Segways might work for daytrippers like the tours they have in various cities.

Safety of pedestrians and to keep with a slower pace

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Safety would be more difficult and the proposed vehicles represent hazards

Skateboards and scooters are not safe and can lead to catastrophic head injuries. Electric bicycles are much safer.

These electric versions cause lots of broken arms. Too taxing on the EMS system

I don't think that we need any other means of transportation other than carts, bicycles, and human powered skate boards. Public safety already has enough injuries to respond to. Allowing the use of these "toys" will result in more injuries.

This is not as big a problem as fast, electric vehicles.

Why do we need electric bikes on the island??

In particular, the prohibition of electric skateboards, hover boards and even segways would seem to be a safety issue that makes a large amount of sense. I do not feel as strongly about electric scooters as the balance issue (safety) would seem to be less extreme, but my opinion is just that...not based on any real scientific findings...which I'm sure the transportation committee looked at carefully! I'm assuming we are talking about allowing adult electric tricycles, not child size.

I support the first part of this change, but do not see any reason to allow electric bicycles or tricycles.

I personally think these items are obnoxious. I don't have an issue with electric bicycles though.

Electric "toys" as listed above are a danger only to those that are using them and are not the islands main transportation issue. Electric skateboards will not harm anyone but the operator. These should fall under "personal responsibility" for people wishing to use them.

Having events such as "Segway tours" would detract from the environment of the island. Banning segways and other gimmicky electric vehicles will keep the island’s ambience consistent with the way that we've all learned and loved.

Also don't see the need for electric bikes and trikes - limit to wheelchairs only

This is safest approach.

Again, our streets/paths are not meant for this type of use and would only decrease the safety of the general public.

See only negative outcomes for limiting these

Electric devices such as skateboards do not concern me. They don't take up much road space and can be operated safely I believe.

Except for electric wheelchairs. But as a HAL cruise ship passenger those old people on electric scooter chairs will run you down.
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<td>Demonstrably dangerous, esp on narrow roadways with commercial traffic.</td>
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<td>I prefer them over electric cars!</td>
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<td>The current helmet regulation is routinely ignored already, as is the licensed driver ordinance. Our public safety officers are too busy with more serious infractions to be able to closely monitor these infractions. Adding additional electric powered vehicles, that inevitably will be used by unlicensed drivers operating without helmets, to our narrow and sometimes overcrowded streets will increase the safety risks and the number of serious accidents on BHI. Any consideration of the use of these vehicles should be tabled until there are fewer ICE vehicles on the island and until there are more data about the use of such vehicles as on crowded streets.</td>
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<td>For all of the above stated reasons. How much more liability does the island want. You will need increased police and medical services. Service lanes for all of these. This is ludicrous at best I cannot believe it is under consideration..</td>
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<td>Why electric bicycles?</td>
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<td>Allow all. Many older adults like the electric-assisted bikes, additionally scooters, hover, segways, etc. make for a funfilled vacation on an island with no cars. Let's not shoot ourselves in the foot by restricting guest from having an enjoyable vacation.</td>
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<td>Zooming about on hover boards and electric skateboards is not what BHI is about. What makes us special is a slower way of life that is connected to the nature around us. I can’t believe that allowing such devices would bring significantly more owners and renters to our island. How far are we willing to go to water down our standards in order to bring more visitors to the Island? We know there are people who choose not to travel to BHI because they don’t think there “is enough to do”. But we have never been about catering to those types of people. There are lots of other places for them to go. What will we do next to attract these folks! Open up a McDonalds?</td>
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<td>again, the ambience of the Island is important. Golf carts have stood the test of time here.</td>
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<td>Electric bicycles, etc are dangerous for the user of such and risky for the cart drivers especially at night</td>
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<td>Why is ok to have an electric bicycle but not a skateboard ? The opens the opportunity for 9.9 horsepower bikes.</td>
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<td>They pose enhanced traffic hazards. Electric scooters in particular have led to a surge in injuries.</td>
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Since when does any rational person outlaw Segways, electric scooters, etc. Who in their right mind can give me a rational reason for this criminalization of fun? This is absolute insanity. I heard one of the transportation board members state the reason for outlawing these conveyances is they can't figure out how to regulate them. How in the hell that person got on the transportation committee is beyond me. You can't regulate it, so you simply make it a crime to use it. How pathetic and incompetent. I do not think any electric conveyance should be outlawed. What's next, walking at a brisk pace?

If we are encouraging electric (non-ICE) vehicles it makes no sense to limit electric transportation that does not exceed the island speed limits. If limiting those items to certain horsepower would ensure they don't exceed the speed limit I would in favor of that. It seems that the village is in favor of banning electric items favored by younger people but keeping electric items favored by older people. If the rationale is safety that is a difficult argument. In my experience golf carts are much more dangerous than electric scooters, and the ocean is far more dangerous than either of those, yet we don't ban people from going into the ocean. An age limit (i.e. 14) might make more sense. Tweens on the island are able to have a lot of independence so allowing an electric transportation means for them is important given how hot the summers are for bike riding.

Wheelchairs--Yes. Electric bicycles, etc.--No. Little kids will be going around way too fast for safety. It's sad we will have to have a child die (or have serious head injuries) to learn the obvious.

I have personally witnessed unsafe operation of electric skateboards which nearly resulted in an accident. On the other hand, I like electric bicycles.

Have had kid on electric skateboard zoom around and turn in front of me while I was driving cart - almost hit him. They go as fast as carts but don't follow road rules.

Electric scooters are easy to use. Every child knows how to use one. They are actively used in major cities all over Europe. Electric scooters would mean less overcrowded parking at beach accesses.

Electric scooter, skate board, and similar are not offense or a problem to me.

They are already here and are a danger to the occupant operating them as well as others on the road. So many have no idea or care about safety.

They negatively impact our narrow streets on the island. They can clog the roads and pose a safety concern for everyone around them, not just the person riding the device.

The current non human propelled devices are dangerous.

I am not sure why I would care about someone on these devices. I haven't seem them in action on the island however.

I think the liability of the island could be exposed

Too dangerous

What is the reason for the change. Responsible usage should be allowed.

If speed limits are kept the same and enforced the mode of transportation is evolving with the younger generations. They should be encouraged to enjoy the island as they would like. (maybe the speeds are reduced and helmets required for electric scooters, Segways, etc to improve safety and limit the serious injuries)

the primary users of the above vehicles are teens who are typically also texting/listening to music while "driving" and don't have the same ability to focus - human powered devices are a safer option

again, for safety reasons

Again, a safety and culture issue.

Safety of users

too many children are riding these electric skateboards and scooters without helmets, which is a real safety hazard. Kids need more exercise, not less.

Permitting some will open the door to eventually the rest.

Not sure why electric scooters and segways not allowed
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<td>They are unnecessary, get some exercise.</td>
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Q5 Please leave any other comment you’d like to share with the BHA Board or the Village Council.

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<td>I have a mini Segway and love riding it on Bald Head. I have a friend who has an e-bike. I think its time to move forward on electric vehicles and devices rather than backwards. I am so tired of every nuance of my life on Bald Head being regulated. And I don't understand why there is a proposal to limit lift kits on golf carts to only 4&quot;. Why??? What is that all about?? Again, government over-reach for no real reason.</td>
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<td>The Village Council has been irresponsible in making this decision, and I very much hope the Board can put them in their place.</td>
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<td>I feel more attention should be given to the safety of the mix of golf carts, walking, running, bicycles, and construction traffic. I feel the chances of major accidents are increasing each season as the population of people goes up. Some areas need slower limits, not faster. Also signs to remind folks of danger and that golf carts are not toys. They have very little protection and can do a lot of damage to the human body.</td>
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<td>The island has grown in many positive ways. Transportation and the internal combustion engines have gotten out of control. The construction trailers left in the streets. Most concerning is the vehicles that have excessive speed. A side note, underage drivers are still a concern and I know the island is working on this.</td>
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<td>I think there should be further restrictions on ICE throughout the day. I see many &quot;builders/contractors&quot; just cruising around the island every day. Their use should be restricted to the carrying tools and such to the job site. If they are working a job day after day, they should either rent golf carts or buy one to use on the island. I have seen many vehicles parked in driveways throughout the summer. It really changes the overall appeal of the island seeing this. I believe I have been told the use of ICE are limited on the weekends. However many &quot;builders/contractors&quot; do not adhere to this. They would rather pay the fine. This tells me the fine is not steep enough.</td>
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<td>We own a large six bedroom house that is incredibly important to our kids, our extended family and our friends. It is well occupied throughout the year as a special family-friendly getaway in paradise. Everyone who uses it recognises that in winter you have to bundle up a bit. We are a seven hour drive from the ferry and the cost of the house and its upkeep is significant. Changing the dynamic of the island would be devastating and we would likely sell our house and find somewhere else closer and cheaper. Devastating after 12 years. In case the point has been missed, we strongly object to the proposed amendments.</td>
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<td>(1) The property owners of this Island chose to invest here when there was no question that the Island was strictly a golf cart culture. (2) There are five (5) Island residents who have served on the Transportation Committee. After years of work and intensive study, the majority of this group recommended to the Village Council that the golf cart version of the Ordinance draft be adopted. The sitting council members, but for Kit Adcock, have chosen to completely ignore this recommendation. (3) For some reason, it appears the sitting council members are choosing to completely ignore the real traffic issues facing this Island.</td>
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<td>As I understand the ordinance it is to review and revise the ordinance as it relates to gas or diesel powered vehicles and their use on the Island. Less we forget that we all depend on these vehicles to deliver services to us. To restrict with a view to eliminating such vehicles will ultimately be more costly for residents and visitors as increased costs of operation will be passed on to consumers. This ordinance is not about what we call the vehicles on the Island.</td>
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<td>I see safety as a major issue. I also believe strongly that the island has a wonderful ambiance that has made it a very unique place. The use of golf carts is an important factor in that ambiance.</td>
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<td>Leave those toys at home, relax and enjoy nature walks, the egrets and other birds are such a joy to watch, including the ocean and beaches. It's family time people!!!!!! Get the family together to make Paella or some family dinner everyone can participate in. Read a book, better yet, severall!! Puzzles, relax, no need to speed around the island! Take a walk!!!! I'm also worried about the value of our home spiraling down and renters will stop coming here because we have changed the peaceful, tranquil vibe of the island. Booooooo to electric cars!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!</td>
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<td>Certain people will always test the upper speed capability of the vehicle they are operating especially teenagers and young adults and BHI will have more serious accidents and some visitors will not return. Our current system is working, please don't change it. Thank you Please add me to your distribution list.</td>
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<td>NO!!! Please do not let this happen. What is is going to take to get this shut down? Are we going to wait until a child gets seriously injured or killed on the Island? Just NO.</td>
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<td>We encourage the use of electric vehicles for commercial/construction use versus the growing number of ICE vehicles. Regardless, the size of electric vehicles needs to be considered in addition to the horsepower ... especially if an 'electric vehicle' with a higher HP is permitted for personal use. Safety and speed of all vehicles need to be carefully considered going forward, especially if dedicated walkways and bicycle paths are not being implemented.</td>
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<td>I hope the council will take into consideration, the wants versus needs with regards to modes of transportation on the island. One only needs to go from house to store or beach. Thats it. Keep it simple.</td>
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<td>If Village Council votes in favor of the proposed ordinance, which would permit electric vehicles capable of reaching 9.9 horsepower, then they need to require that all electric vehicles have a working speedometer and that BHI Public Safety officers give tickets to drivers exceeding the island speed limit of 18 mph.</td>
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<td>Prohibiting/severely restricting the use of ICE vehicles on the island is very desirable. Adding new forms of power-driven transportation is NOT the goal and should be similarly restricted.</td>
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<td>Width of vehicles and speed both have increased over the years making our roads less safe... We are losing the Island charm as a result.</td>
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<td>BHI is a special place. It was conceived as a community that would be built and developed with a minimal impact on its environment, maritime forest, flora and fauna. It. now seems we are slowly drifting away from &quot;living in harmony with nature.&quot; Larger more powerful vehicles are not needed. There is no need for greater speeds on BHI roads. It does not take any great length of time to get anywhere on BHI. I don't see or understand the rationale for increasing the size and speed of electric vehicles on BHI. That will only push farther away from the ideas and ideals that make BHI so special to both residents and visitors.</td>
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<td>Council should be urged to base a large part of their decisions on electric vehicles and ICE vehicles on the future transportation infrastructure of the Island. For example, Edward Teach. A golf cart is 4 feet wide. A GEM car is 5.5 feet wide. Edward Teach is 12 feet wide. Golf carts can meet and pass each other with 4 feet of space between them. 2 GEMS meeting each other would only have 12 inches of space between them and could be traveling at 25 miles per hour. It is already dangerous because of ICE traffic. If electric vehicles proliferate and allowed to roam the Island if would be impossible for walkers, bikers, and runners to safely use Edward Teach.</td>
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<td>it is impossible to answer these questions without knowing more about the reasons for changes, what specifically is being changed, and some pro/con background info. For example, I do not know why 9.9 HP has been selected and what type of vehicle that would permit</td>
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<td>The whole charm of BHI … and I have been a property owner for about 30 years... is its laid back atmosphere. One leaves the modern world behind, when getting on the ferry... Keep it that way.</td>
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<td>PLEASE strike down this ordinance. It would be a big mistake - destroying the very thing that makes Bald Head so special. The reason I always look forward to coming back to the island is exactly what this ordinance endangers - life slowing down, being simple, and feeling like an escape from the stress, rush, and danger of life on the mainland. I'd also like to see a new ordinance that prohibits the use of non-human powered vehicles (electric skateboards, scooters, etc), and ideally goes even further to phase out anything with doors for residential use, like some of the existing electric &quot;golf carts.&quot; Thanks for taking the time to listen to the community and consider what's best for protecting the future of the island.</td>
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24 what about drones? I believe they should only be allowed by BHI Club, PUblic Safety, the Village, etc. or if we do allow can we require a permit of some sort? I don't want the Island teaming with drones or other future inventions dreamed up that can fly around remotely.

25 The Club has already screwed up BHI from what it has been portrayed as for years with the “Howard Johnson Waterworld” complex. Don’t continue the degradation. How about a pirate ship in one of the lagoons, with shows nightly for the kiddies? Maybe a zip line from Old Baldy to no. 1 tee?

26 Thank you for soliciting feedback. I recommend extending the survey with more balanced questions before making any policy changes.

27 The marketing by the on island golf cart companies to speed up your cart is misguided and has resulted in many carts on island that regularly go 25+ mph.

28 I think the BHI leadership has been very successful ‘till now in making sensible and consistent decisions about what we do and don’t want on the island, and I have full trust that you will continue to make good decisions. We've been vacationing here since the early eighties, but I would seriously consider leaving if we allow even faster electric vehicles. I cannot overstate how strongly I feel that this will change the island atmosphere for the worse, and once we go down that road there will be no going back.

29 This is like watching a clown car pull up and let clowns out. It’s funny but you wonder where did it/they come from.

30 If it ain’t broke. . . Let’s leave our island the way it has always been I am Bill Mckinnell, 3 Stede Bonnet Close, please feel free to contact me at anytime to further discuss.

31 We need to get rid of gasoline powered internal combustion engine carts on BHI. Noisy and not in keeping with the original plans for BHI.

32 I think the survey misses the point, at least for the most part. Having read the draft ordinance, it’s pretty clear that it’s most significant consequence will result from how much the Village decides to raise the cost of operating commercial ICE vehicles on BHI. While some property owners may view Village efforts to increase ICE operating costs as a positive way to discourage their use on BHI, others may feel that raising the cost of operating ICE vehicles will ultimately raise the cost of owning property here (e.g., by making it more costly for trades people to work on the island). While this may be a legitimate debate to have, it’s not one that the BHA should come down on one side or the other at least without some factual predicate which the survey certainly doesn’t provide.

33 I wish that the gas powered trucks that are involved with building on the island can have their hours of operation limited to before 8am and after 5pm until 6pm. When you are in a golf cart it can be very scary having one of these vehicles close to you. Additionally the drivers of those trunks do not appear to abide by speed limits, they creep up to the back of your golf cart. This year, when I was on the island, I did not notice the tour busses, (not electric) for day trippers so my hope is that they have been prohibited from being on the island but if that has not happened, they really should not be allowed on the island.

34 I think that we will forever be at the crossroads of those who want to update; upgrade; modernize and find additional ways to develop and profit; and then those who want to have a sanctuary, off the beaten track; away from the pace and trauma of daily city life, where one can quieten down and rest and reconnect with the natural beauty of our land. This is what we found on Bald Head Island - if that were to go, so would we.

35 Do your job, preserve the special place that we have in BHI as it is.

36 Three generation family coming to BHI for over thirty years. How could this be happening? What is the driving force to turning our roads and wynds into highways? NEW GOLF CARTS ALREADY TOO FAST We do not allow grand children to ride bikes any more Is this progress.......I do not think so. Will move off the island if this passes Everything is becoming too commercial.

37 We don’t understand why the council is even considering this change. It seems crazy to us. What are they thinking?? We don’t see any advantage to the possible change to more powerful vehicles - only disadvantages! To residents to visitors and consequently to island businesses. Again - what are they thinking??

38 Please keep the Vision of BHI that brought us all here intact - there are very few places such as ours! It would be a shame for others ( who clamor for faster this or that and other unnecessary changes) to take away the lovely simplicity of our island!!

39 golf Carts and bicycles only!!!!
How many citations are there for: Speeding No seat belt Golf cart golf cart collisions Please show these quarterly and seasonly

Bald Head’s premise has always been that of slow-paced, back to nature, adapting to the environment life. Smart cars, electric vehicles, Segway’s, etc. will be highly disruptive and change the entire flavor of BHI. If you’re not willing to slow down and live with narrow roads, safe spaces to ride bikes and walk, etc. then maybe BHI is the wrong place for you.

Loud music from golf carts is increasingly becoming an issue.

I’m against the changes because it seems to me to open the door to various other non-golf cart EV’s -- e.g., some version of a Nissan Leaf or Tesla Model 3 (though admittedly, both are too big & too heavy according to the draft regulations as I read them). Sizes of EV’s could change down the road, however. I would not want for BHI to lose the feel that it’s always had vis-a-vis golf carts on the road.

We would need to see the case for change made in order to be inclined to support such a measure.

I would like for the Village Council to consider prohibiting bike riding on the beach.

For those who believe that the value of the Island is enhanced by adapting to the newer electric technologies, they may not fully appreciate the historical connection between golf carts and BHI. It gives the Island a unique quality that actually enhances residential values rather than depresses them. One key example of this is the logo used by Bald Head Island Blues where that business has captured the value of the golf cart in their logo. An electric vehicle island with vehicles that have the capacity to exceed the speed limit would alter that character and would pose greater safety risks to the families who live or visit this Island.

the island is a nice gentle "18 mph" place. keep it that way. anything that goes faster will destroy our island. if you want to go faster , go someplace else.

We are loosing the calm of the island when we allow so many different "vehicles" on the island. It is discouraging to those of us who have seen the island grow over the years. We are a place to slow down, not add more fast moving items to the road ways. Please protect the overall culture of the island.

I felt the wording of Question #2 was confusing, and I’m not sure my answers reflect my feelings. I believe the change from golf carts to electric vehicles will have a negative impact on the island overall. It would ruin the ambiance of the island, and make the island much less safe for all involved. The island is one of the few places we can feel confident that our kids can bicycle safely. Most of the allure of the island is the slow pace - the escape from the hustle and bustle. The island is small and can easily be navigated by golf cart in a very reasonable amount of time. It is a mistake to make changes that will result in the island being like every other place. It is just fine that the island doesn’t appeal to everyone. It doesn’t need to...

I truly hope that the peace, tranquility and safety of this island will not be changed nor sacrificed for $$$ . That IS what this boils down to, as we all know. Please be bold and reject these proposals.

If you raise ICE permits or limit them it just cost homeowners more money. It already is costly to own here. Why not enforce the rules you have such as no use on weekends and after 5pm. Do you not think pollution from oak island or China make it here.

Please DO NOT allow more high speed vehicles on the island. Remember Turtle Time! "Living in harmony with Nature" NOT Zooming along the Wynds. THANK YOU for hearing those who call this Island HOME.

This revised ordinance is very important to BHI. There have already been too many things allowed which are changing the ambiance and character of the island. People seem to be forgetting the values of the Mitchell family and the generator society and are trying to move BHI in the direction of a Hilton Head or a Myrtle Beach. Many of us consciously chose BHI because it was not like any other island or place. If the Council and the BHA don’t continue and even step up stewardship of BHI, it will no longer be the unique, awesome place that it is.

Our council is biased by commercial interest and the homeowners who came to Bhi for its uniqueness are not being adequately represented. There is commercial value to exclusivity.

Do we need more Mini Hummer vehicles on the island, I think not.....
There is a very thin line here. There are more and more people buying houses here to rent out. As a homeowner that does not rent and plans to live here full time soon, I want to protect the lifestyle I live. I am depending on you all to do that.

Please keep Bald Head low key, relaxing and charming!

Bald Head Island offers a unique, natural, and relaxing environment. Suggested changes do not support that state. Let's focus on protecting property owner rights and not cave to pressure from those with a short term mindset.

As things stand now, we have accidents resulting from speeding and reckless behavior with golf carts. If you add to this mix heavier and faster vehicles this will result in more injuries to residents, visitors and pets and wildlife. What we have here is special. Don't try to undo it to satisfy the whims of folks who have some extra money and want fancier toys to play with. If the BHI public safety has to spend their time strictly policing traffic, visitors will be annoyed and angry with having to comply with regulations they do not fully understand and the Public safety officers will be taking time away from being paramedics and firefighters or we will have to have an entirely new Traffic Patrol department.

Too much instant gratification and fast pace in the world. BHI has always been about turtle time. Fast paced changes will drive me away.

Keep Bald Head simple and laid back. The vibe we come to Bald Head for.

Why can't we push for solar powered golf carts on BHI?

Related to transportation, there needs to be more reinforcement of the ordinances (especially the underage drivers). The signs are great, but I still see very young kids driving with other younger kids in the carts. Dangerous. Usually I don't realize their young age until they have passed me and I miss getting the registration number. Not sure there would be anything done, even if reported.

Why did the council overrule their transportation committee and vote to make these proposed changes? Keep things as they are or we will all suffer the consequences.

BHI is unique as a quaint village...it is a small island and speed will not enhance its character.

The concept of electric vehicles is too broad in scope, and will increase the likelihood of injury and death on Bald Head. We need to enforce the laws currently on the books.

Item 2 can be tricky.

I don't understand why people buy a house here for a certain kind of lifestyle and then want to change the island. People need to slow down!

This is a horribly worded survey, hard to understand what you are truly voting for.

Limit power, don't increase it. Also need to outlaw texting while driving. That's becoming a serious problem, even on bikes. A texting kid actually drove his bike into my wife. A texting kid swerved in front of my cart. Action is needed here.

Just enforce and tighten regulations on the weekend use of gas powered vehicles. The rental companies continue to abuse the weekends. If increasing the horsepower eliminates use of weekend gas powered vehicles. This seems appropriate otherwise there is no reason for the change.

We own property on Bald Head because BHI is a special, magical place. Allowing electric vehicles and electric skateboards, scooters, hoverboards and Segways directionally move BHI away from special toward being your average beach community, of which there are thousands. In the short and long term, moving in such a direction will be bad for BHI and bad for property owners. I appreciate efforts to reduce the use of IC powered vehicles, specifically construction vehicles. On our last visit there were too many, and the quality of our vacation was reduced. While I understand there are many repairs and some new construction, there should be a way to make progress without all the trucks. Thank you.
The perfection of BHI is that it is a uniquely safe, family-friendly island in which children are safe to roam and create independent adventures. Electric scooters are one method by which my family enjoys this unique freedom. Further, by limiting ICE vehicles, limiting residential and most commercial vehicles to golf carts, and monitoring the speed limit, we can keep and promote this island for being the uniquely safe place that it is for families and adventure-lovers. Families out playing and adventuring on the island often remind me of a scene from The Truman Show. Let’s not ruin the joy of that with cars and a long list of toys that are not allowed.

I agree with limiting ICE vehicles on the island. I agree that golf carts should be the primary source of transportation for residents, not electric vehicles that don’t resemble a golf cart. I'm ok grandfathering in the GEMS. I do NOT think electric scooters, bikes, hover boards etc. should be limited or banned.

You are suggesting that in the future I tell visitors and potential homeowners: "Please look at the beauty of our island. We have 2003 EZGOs with ripped rain covers. That pull 80% of their electrical power from a coal fired Duke Energy plant. But no Segways. And if your grandmother can’t stand the cold and would like to ride in a Gem with closed doors in January, please take your business elsewhere. Because we are a caring community.” FYI, this is Mark Stafford, 605 Wash Woods Way.


Let's focus on safety and the island culture. Things change, and we must grow with that, but some speed brakes are a good thing.

We would like for the Wynds to remain safer for everyone with lower horsepower vehicles and no electric scooters and skateboards, etc. Thank you for examining the use of these new vehicles carefully.

Please keep a bald head a golf cart community. Please restrict non-golf cart vehicles to contractor only.

When’s the next meeting? What are the results?

We need to cut down on the number of gas powered trucks!!

Golf carts can go faster if upgraded

It is so difficult now to get contractors to work on the Island. Please ensure any changes to the ICE ordinance do not make it even more difficult for contractors to perform their work on the Island or increase their expenses in doing business on the Island.

The traditional golf carts with poor safety attributes are only going to worsen with more of those vehicles on the island with growth. They also provide poor night time visibility and are nearly useless during inclement weather at night. They also offer poor creature comforts during the winter months and have limited our visits to the island during the colder months. Now, there should also be some sensible weight and size limitations as well as speed limitations placed on those electric vehicles too.

If it's too complicated, it may not be a good idea. So what is the issue or problem that is trying to be resolved. How many citations in 2018 has Public Safety written for the following: 1. Speeding 2. Rolling/ not stopping at stop sign 3. Operating a segueway 4. Operating an electric bike 5. Operating an electric skateboard 6. Not wearing seatbelts 7. Not using a turn signal Please post these responses as they should be readily available

More electric powered vehicles and fewer petrol-fuel vehicles on the island is a plus. We have to balance this with our need for contractors and service providers to bring the equipment over that they need to keep properties and infrastructure going. That means some big gas and diesel trucks, etc. More horse-power for electric vehicles is ok and allowing various electric power things like scooters, hover boards, etc. is ok with us. It will be too much for public safety to try to enforce horsepower rules. Let’s let them focus on road safety- helmets, speed limits, open container, etc.

I would be curious to learn the impetus for the proposed changes which I do not feel this survey explains adequately

Keep like is. Please dial back permitted speed of golf carts. Many golf carts are already too fast, and the passing issue vs. pulling over issue is out of control.
Many of the newly designed golf carts have made it possible to have better protection, comfort, and passengers. To evolve to this new concept of electric carts and devices changes the complexity of the island from an enjoyable place for families to enjoy natural beauty and wholesome activities without fear of increased possibility for more accidents. As an owner for over 25 years, I would feel forced to leave an island that has been a joy for three generations if this idea of electric carts became a reality.

PLEASE do not do this.

I’d prefer less personal intrusion and interference from government and the association in general. People come there to avoid this crap.

I’d like to hear the rational for this. If it’s the first step in banning all internal combustion engines on BHI just to be "green" I’m gone. You can’t get a decent contractor now. Can you imagine if we tell them they’ll need to purchase an electric service vehicle? What about the market, hardware, golf course, and even the village utilities? Further more, I remember when the DOE was considering permitting wind farms off Frying Pan Shoals and the outrage that was generated. Now we want all electric on the island? The epitome of hypocrisy!

Too many big trucks (gas or Diesel) on the island. If the purpose is replace such trucks with electric vehicles, fine. But if electric vehicles are added for residential use, it adds to safety concerns.

We have fabulous island these changes are not needed. What’s next jet skis launched from coast. Parasailing.

We chose to buy a house on the island because it was unique. Slow pace, no cars, island feel. To us the electric car is a slow progression to make BHI like all other beaches—faster paced, more dangerous. With the increase of ICE vehicles for construction the roads are already congested. Adding faster electric cars just creates a freeway on the island —Federal Freeway or South Bald head Wynd Blvd.

For us this isn’t a young vs. old or resisting technology and the changing world. It's about BHI being one place we can go and feel like we somewhere truly different from our every day lives. It's about peace and tranquility, nature and and active outdoor lifestyle.

I understand there is a village council member who has taken it upon herself to stop people she thinks are not qualified to drive. Isn't that the job of Public Safety. Perhaps she should put them on speed dial!!

Golf carts only.

Business people on island have their own agenda.

If you start to add electric vehicles, other than golf carts, on the Island, you will alter negatively the fabric of the Island. We would certainly sell our home, and I suspect you will find others who will as well. If we wanted to live in a suburban waterfront neighborhood with cars, electric or otherwise, we would.

Please make progress to attract more people to Bald Head. We’re already down significantly on traffic due to the hurricane. These restrictive policies do the opposite. As does the ARC. It just frustrates people when control occurs from a few without good thinking occurring first. Loosen up a little and see what problems are created. Stop trying to avoid so many undefined problems and adhere to a few people’s preferences. Even if the survey says otherwise. People generally don’t know what they’re saying yes or no to.

Our island is heavily marketed as a peaceful, safe, quiet nature retreat from the mainland world. On the whole we benefit from the visitors who come looking for that retreat. I think we need to be careful to make decisions that continue to allow that description to be accurate. The island-wide term is "Turtle Time." It brings a smile to faces just saying it. We need to be careful with our treasure.

My name is , and as an electric scooter owner, I would like to be invited to the next meeting that discusses the prohibition of certain non-human propelled devices as I am one of the few people that this change actually impacts so I can share my thought on the matter and better understand the need for this change. THANKS!

Main concern should be to encourage electric vs ICE for commercial use!
If I had my preference I would like to see the island stick with golf carts and not move to an electric vehicle community. I like the thought of a slower pace at Bald Head. 8/20/2019 1:04 PM

If you are in a hurry you do not want to live on BHI. Development of BHI has done very well under current transportation rules. What is the purpose of fixing something that is not "broke"? 8/20/2019 1:04 PM

This island appealed my family 13 years ago because of its uniqueness. Please do change this ordinance to allow for higher power “electric vehicles” which will ruin the island. 8/20/2019 12:46 PM

Contractors, police and service works should use electric vehicles unless a gas vehicle is required for load weight or emergency speed. There are way too many police, service workers and contractors cruising around picking up lunch, small tools or light materials and transporting workers to the ferry. If you are going to continue the use of gas powered heavy trucks for unnecessary trips we need to design a different heavier road system. 8/20/2019 12:44 PM

I applaud progress and economic development when applicable. There are various methods to develop this Island to 90% capacity. The other 10% should be donated to the conservancy or incorporate into preserved forest land. 8/20/2019 12:40 PM

Please add a speed limit for all! The electric scooters are now faster than golf carts. Really dangerous especially with those that choose not to wear a helmet! It would be a work around should the next “toy” becomes a fast one! 8/20/2019 12:21 PM

Remind tourists and residents to always run or walk FACING traffic! 8/20/2019 12:09 PM

I don’t envy your jobs in figuring this out. Thank you for all that you do to make our island a beautiful, peaceful place to live. Your time is appreciated. I really fear the slippery slope and increasing the types of “vehicles” which can be driven. I have always thought the whole point of BHI was that you were limited to bikes, walking and regular old school golf carts. I much prefer stricter limitations on ICE vehicles and not opening the door to so many new types of electric vehicles (including bigger faster golf carts). We will lose our island if we don’t stand firm. 8/20/2019 12:08 PM

Golf carts are part of the Bald Head island culture. They are one of the main reasons people come to enjoy the island - to purchase property, rent or just come for the day. 8/20/2019 11:57 AM

None 8/20/2019 11:57 AM

Get rid of ICE golf carts, cars, trucks as much as possible 8/20/2019 11:51 AM

The Board and council need to realize that by changing verbiage they are opening the controlling ordinances to further interpretation. As can already be seen, the population of vehicles under the current “golf cart” designation has already expanded to include electric cars like GEMs and others. There is no apparent need to increase horsepower ratings or to change definitions except, possibly, to meet a very limited number of persons’ desires for faster more robustly built vehicles. To modify these rules now will lead to a hodge-podge of vehicles of varying speeds, varying degrees of safety and varying sizes. Enforcement of restrictions and requirements including speed, taillights, brake lights etc. is already less than adequate and will further the concerns referenced herein. Lastly, there seems no real, legitimate or pressing reason to change the fundamental nature of transportation on the island. 8/20/2019 11:33 AM

I can hardly believe this is being considered. :-( 8/20/2019 11:08 AM

The main thing I hope this does is create a safer environment for all on the island. I think the amount of heavy traffic especially on turnover days needs to be managed. The more golfcarts on those days the better. 8/20/2019 11:04 AM

Part of the draw to buy a second home on BHI was the "no cars-just golf carts." It is like stepping into a magical world where everything slows down and people are kind to each other without the blinders of a door. Keep the open golf carts and remove gas-powered engines. On a completely separate note, my sons recommended that the island be a "smoke free" island. I think that's a lovely idea! The increase of cigarette smoke this summer was rather disgusting and very unhealthy. Thanks for sending this survey and for all the work you do to keep our island beautiful! 8/20/2019 10:57 AM

I cannot understand why this issue is being explored. People should vacation in a different place if they want bigger and faster vehicles. Leave the charm and safety of Bald Head Island in place. 8/20/2019 10:57 AM

I agree completely that we must move more toward electric and away from ICE. You should consider whether it’s feasible to put gps trackers on ICE vehicles to limit over usage and instead encourage contractors to use electric. I see too many individuals riding around by themselves in a truck just to get from one place to the next with nothing being hauled in their truck. They could have used a small electric vehicle. 8/20/2019 10:55 AM
122 Change is NOT always good

123 This was a terrible survey. It was very confusing. I think a true survey writer should have written this survey. I don't think it matters what our opinions are on this......the current mayor is going to force the rest of council to do what he wants. Why change to a electric vehicle community.....it's so cool to ride around on the slow golf carts. I think the real problem is getting rid of all of the construction vehicles and property management trucks. The trucks are driving around so fast. I've been forced off the road twice this week by 3D Home Care. Construction vehicles are currently parking on the road at the curve at access 35. It's just a matter of time before someone is killed. We need to slow things down......not make it faster.

124 18 mph vehicles, as well as pedestrians, are endangered with the use of faster vehicles. And there ARE faster golf carts. They should not be allowed, and the speed limit needs to be enforced.

125 I've been coming to BHI for 30 years now. One of the best things about the Island is the slow pace of everything. Fast, electric vehicles would be a negative in that regard, beyond the safety concerns of speedy vehicles on narrow roads.

126 The new club pool facility makes the place look like Myrtle Beach now. It is beyond tacky and doesn't even match the main club house. Electric vehicles will further the look and feel of BHI trying to be Myrtle Beach. I will sell my home if the island continues down this path. It is highly disappointing.

127 The usage of ICE vehicles needs to be brought under control! The only reason for driving an ICE vehicle should be for transport of supplies not possible with a golf cart. I would like to see Public safety using fewer ICE vehicles and more golf carts and bicycles. They have become more isolated from island residents and visitors. Perhaps not being encased in an Ice vehicle would lend itself to a friendlier, more engaging public safety department!

128 Please keep our island quiet and an enjoyable place to unplug and relax. We also don't seem to have the budgeted staff within public safety to keep up with the potential injuries or accidents caused by electric vehicles or things like electric scooters/skateboards. I'd personally not want to pay any more taxes or assessments to pay for additional staff for those kinds of incidents. Our public safety staff is already busy enough.

129 My belief is that the current village council has no interest in the views of property owners. Only the rental market.

130 This survey was confusingly worded, as “positive/negative” can be construed both as a value judgement (good for the island/ bad for the island) and as a numerical judgement (more ICE’s/ less ICE’s). These questions are not a quality assessment of the public opinion.

131 The island is experiencing a changing of the guard with original and early investors aging and perhaps wishing things would not change so much. I believe these issues being considered are the real heart of the matter more so than just changes in the BHI transportation ordinances.

132 It's simple Golf carts for residents and visitors ICE vehicles for commerce (delivery, building supplies, furniture) with restrictions on hours and days

133 We want fewer internal combustion engines, especially work vehicles. To be practical with regards to moving materials and larger grocery/luggage amounts, larger electronic vehicles is preferred.

134 One of the wonderful things about BHI is that children can jump on their bikes and have a great time. This extends to adults as well. Whether it is walking, riding a bike, or jogging, these are all enjoyed and shared on roadways that are inhabited by smaller lower speed vehicles. It is a balance that is working relatively well. It is one of the ingredients to our motto "I'm on Island time." Being on the island means slowing down, being at ease, leaving worries behind and overall unplugging from the mainland. Leave your worries behind, let your kids explore a little without the fear of larger and faster vehicles on our roads.

135 Less regulation and more enforcement of the rules we have is better. Make sure the council should stay focused on all island owners and not let personal preferences drive their vote.

136 Am I understanding that you are considering electric cars? I am completely against this idea. I would like to see the island contractors use golf carts again. The number of trucks on the island is too great. Also, it seems the barge should do a better job measuring trucks that can operate on the island. I've seen a few hit and break major tree branches because they are too tall and too big.

Thank you.
I do not see much of an advantage to the tourist, renter or homeowner. This change seems to strictly favor commercial endeavors or a few exceptions. We as homeowners did not buy on Bald Head because we wanted to haul trailers, 21 foot boats, or move 10 passengers at a time. We want the island to stay a quaint quiet place, with limited speed and with something left on the mainland. My answer is definitely no change in this rule.

Please, please, please do not allow electric vehicles on the Island!

Width restrictions on ICE vehicles (other than special purpose vehicles like construction equipment) are important to safety. There is no reason to allow massive, overpowered ICE pickups that we've seen. Width limits could address this AND some of the trailer safety issues. There is also no justification for contractors to use ordinary ICE automobiles (sedans). Numerous box trucks (including the Club's truck) are larger - width AND height - than they should be for improved safety.

If it ain't broke......

We need to greatly reduce the number and size of ICE vehicles on the island. These ordinances are a good step. But there also needs to be significantly more education and enforcement of the regulations. Under age drivers, speeders, and even those who are just inattentive as they enjoy the island create a safety hazard for themselves and others.

The best part about Bald Head is that things are simple. Please let's keep it that way. Don't overthink anything. Keep major vehicles to golf carts but don't turn this beautiful island into a retirement home and allow fun items (think back to when you were a kid) such as motorized scooters, skateboards, etc.

It is important that the village council consider all homeowners when making decisions like this, rather than just considering full-time residents.
155 Please limit the number and size of gasoline powered automobiles, vans, trucks and heavy equipment that have been increasing.

156 I am in favor of limiting gas fueled vehicles but not by increasing the types of vehicles and the speed they can go. We have a wonderful culture but it can be lost easily and allowing "electric" vehicles as suggested is one of the ways we can lose it.

157 Don't mess up what you got

158 More detail may have caused me to answer questions differently but based on what I have in this survey, I answered to the best of my ability.

159 Why are we being asked about the growing use and abuse of ICE vehicles on the island? They pose a significant risk to the culture and ambiance of the island as well as the safety of residents and visitors.

160 How about promoting more biking? It would be great to have some bike lanes in some of the busier roads of the island. I always worry a bit about my kids riding around when you have carts, trams and some trucks trying to squeeze by.

161 It would be criminal for the council to alter the island's culture to satisfy a very few parties who have a vested/financial interest in change.

162 We cannot become like everywhere else .... we must remain safe and unique

163 I strongly support mandating replacing the gas powered trams with electric or natural gas powered vehicles. The noise and air pollution on the island will reduced by this change. The change should be mandated to take place by a date certain no longer than 18 months in the future and no trams currently in use should be allowed to be replaced with a gas or diesel powered vehicle.

164 What a waste of time.....and semantics is main avenue....

165 The biggest issue on the island today is speed of carts. And I love speed and fast carts (and cars). But we have allowed it to get out of hand and too dangerous.

166 I am completely opposed to the introduction of more powerful electric vehicles to the mix of what we already have.

167 Stop the BS and get this done

168 See safety issue addressed in answer to number 1, above.

169 Please keep our island peaceful and quiet. Keep it a safe refuge for people and wildlife. No cars, Van's, trucks, or high speed electric cars. Dont pave paradise and kill the golden goose

170 With these exiting and proposed changes comes additional policing!!

171 Because a majority may be in favor of something does not make it right. When you ban items that only 10% of the people care about.....10 of these items means 100% of the residents have lost something they care about. STOP OVER REGULATION PLEASE!!!

172 Current speed limits should not exceed 20 mph. There are already too many dangerous drivers at posted speed limits of 18 mph and expanding the types of vehicles and/or horsepower of engines will make it only more dangerous.

173 As long-time owners of property on BHI, we would be dismayed to see this ordinance passed. What's driving it? Who wants to have faster, larger electric vehicles (cars, even????), and why do they want them? Next thing we know, there will be proposed for a bridge and internal combustion engines. Please, no.