

**Town of Avon**  
**Rumors and Topics**

**Rumor/Topic**

(July 11, 2018)

***Why doesn't the Town take the money for trails and use it on roads instead?***

**Answer**

Usually, the Town receives federal transportation grants for constructing trails. The grant money for trails can only be used on trail construction. The Town's local match for the grant is from revenue sources that cannot be used on road construction such as the food & beverage tax and park impact fee.

The new trail on Ronald Reagan Parkway, north of US 36, was part of the road widening and extension project and used local tax increment finance district funds for its construction.

The new trail on Avon Avenue, between 100 South and the 25 South roundabout, was part of the Avon Avenue bridge and roundabout project. The bridge and roundabout project used a variety of State funds to pay for construction including funds received for the relinquishment of SR 267 to a local road known as Avon Avenue, a Community Crossing grant and a special distribution of income taxes only for road construction. It also used local tax increment finance district funds.

**Rumor/Topic**

(March 2, 2018)

***Why doesn't the Town cut expenses so more Town tax dollars can go to pay Avon school teachers?***

**Answer**

Avon school teachers are not paid from local property taxes. They are paid through funding received from the State of Indiana that are distributed to the Avon Community School Corporation (Avon Schools).

Also, the Town of Avon is a separate government from Avon Schools, so the Town's property taxes are not used to pay for Avon school teacher salaries.

**Rumor/Topic**

(January 26, 2018)

***What is a Planned Unit Development?***

**Answer**

A Planned Unit Development (PUD) zoning district is established to provide for an innovative development often times including mixed zoning classifications, densities, and uses under a common classification. It is not subject to standard zoning requirements, however PUDs often use the Zoning Ordinance as a foundation and must not violate the general purposes, goals, and objectives of the Zoning Ordinance and the Town's Comprehensive Plan.

There are three rationales for a PUD: mixed use, characteristics of the land (woods, creek, pipeline, etc.) and innovative development.