Priority Areas for City of Salida

Priority	Root causes	Potential solutions
Listening Pathways	 Clogged pathways Unclear who at the city to contact for concerns/issues Timeliness of information Context and depth of information Coordination with local press 	 An Ombudsman that represents the City to connect with community and be there to answer issues and take comment? If City staff than it should be a full-time Communications Director. Can Channel 10 have agenda items and info listed for upcoming Council meetings?
Coordination of Messaging	 There is redundancy in efforts. The 'same thing with a different color' Information overload 	 Reassess and streamline the 23 different communication outlets Centralize messaging enough and should be centralized. Possibility of one newsletter that provides updates from different departments - Salida pool, Fire Dept., etc Filter options on websites and on email distribution lists Use state of the art technology – (ex. audio quality of Council) Look at the Town of Basalt as a possible model government website
City Council and staff understanding citizen needs/expectations	 Community "growing pains" with influx of new residents and long time residents Only some citizens' voices are being heard. There are "silent" citizens who are not being heard—and they should be involved in this process 	 Create a process to audit the issues and find out what the issues and expectations are and then the expectations could be prioritized. A multi-faceted process to balance citizen input: focus groups, citizen meetings, surveys, Engage citizens at every step, starting with the planning stage – for example include citizens in the process of developing a survey
Citizen/stakeholder input process and resulting actions		