



Newport Forward
Comprehensive Plan Update

Draft Agenda

09/30/21

Meeting 9. October 7, 2021 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm (City Hall)

1. Final Review and Adoption Schedule

- October 7 – review by Steering Committee
- October 26 (5:00- 7:30 PM at City Hall) – Comp Plan Open House :
 - Emphasis on Future Land Use Plan
 - Presentation at 6:00pm
- November 16 (5:00 PM at City Hall) – Planning Commission Special Meeting
 - Review and discussion
 - Adoption of Comprehensive Plan
- Special Call December 2 at City Hall – Board of Commissioners meeting
 - Final approval of Comprehensive Plan

2. Summary of events/meetings since 6/17/21 Steering Committee meeting

- Open House (7/18/21 Italian Festival)
- Recap of Neighborhood/Community Groups Presentations
 - 7/6/21 East Row Historic Foundation, St John's UCC
 - 7/7/21 East Row Garden Club, The Sanctuary Event Center
 - 7/27/21 West Side Coalition, Love & Faith Fellowship Church
 - 7/28/21 Newport Business Association, Hofbrauhaus
 - 9/14/21 Clifton Neighborhood
- Survey – Objectives Ranking (see attached)

3. Discussion – Draft Final Plan

- Overview of Document
- Discussion – Section 5. Implementation
 - Timeframe –prioritize action steps
 - Additional Partners

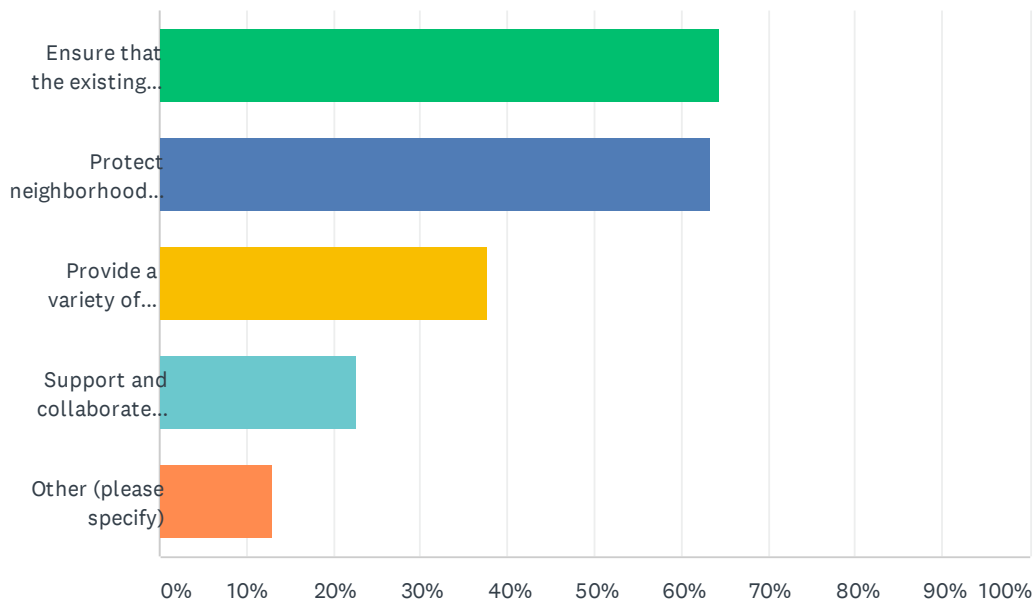
4. October 26 (5:00- 7:30 PM at City Hall) – Comp Plan Open House

- Structure of meeting/open house
- Volunteers

Q1 Goal 1: Strong Vibrant Neighborhoods

Create a system of strong vibrant neighborhoods to be the foundation to retaining existing residents and attracting newcomers.

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Ensure that the existing housing stock is well-maintained and property owners continue to invest in their properties, to maintain and/or develop community character.	64.52% 60
Protect neighborhoods from potential negative impacts from adjacent or nearby commercial development and cut-through traffic, and integrate neighborhood friendly uses, where appropriate.	63.44% 59
Provide a variety of housing options, with all ranges of type and affordability, that meet the needs of all persons and foster population growth.	37.63% 35
Support and collaborate with educational institutions and other community resources such day care facilities.	22.58% 21
Other (please specify)	12.90% 12
Total Respondents: 93	

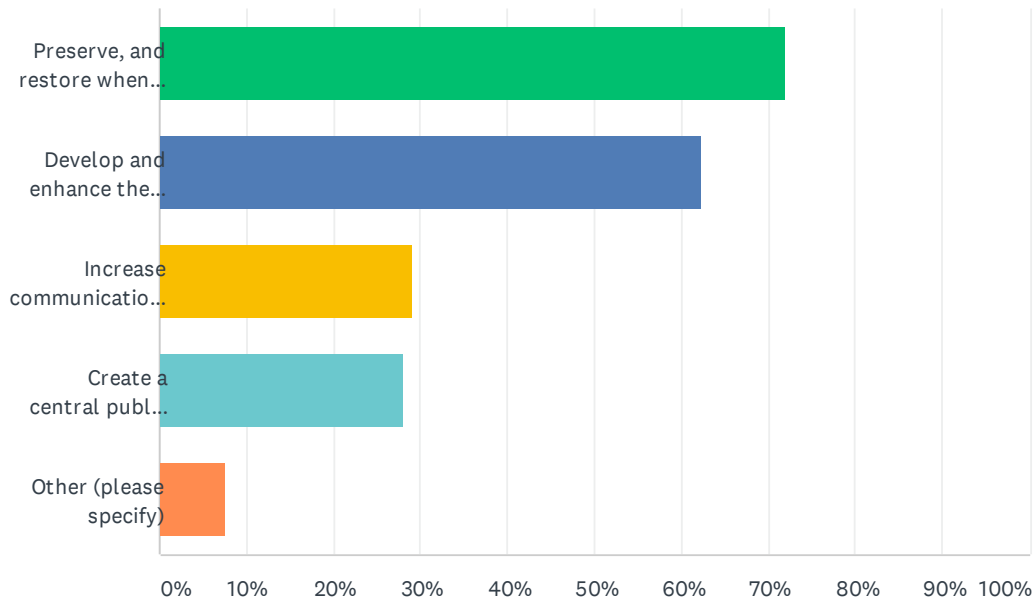
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1	Additional thoughts to protect neighborhoods: 1.Zoning needs to pay closer attention to lights from businesses that are near residential areas. This issue is not receiving the focus it deserves and is hurting the quality of life in several areas of the city. 2.Work to put in place protection ordinances for existing homes with views (particularly in Clifton and Weidemann Hill). It is infuriating to constantly remain vigilant of development that will hurt your view of the Cincinnati skyline or city as you continue to invest personally in the Newport. Potential development must also meet rigorous requirements to ensure there will be no slippage or damage to existing homes in these areas. Weidemann Hill is experiencing this already and it should concern the city and Clifton residents as development continues in that area.	9/16/2021 7:53 PM
2	Lower property taxes	9/12/2021 8:00 AM
3	Need to focus more on the condemned homes in both the west end and south Newport. I feel	7/30/2021 10:47 AM

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	like main focus is in east side	
4	Allows residents living on premises to offer a portion of their house on sites like airbnb	7/26/2021 12:22 PM
5	The other options appear amorphous and hard to implement	7/22/2021 12:58 PM
6	Less is more. I'd hate to think this would require a great deal of gov't regulations.	7/22/2021 12:08 PM
7	Make sure rental property owners maintenance is kept up on there property's	7/19/2021 10:07 PM
8	A variety of housing options is important, but the diversity of housing prices needs to be well integrated. It's not acceptable to have exclusive neighborhoods that are totally beyond reach. The East Row needs affordable housing opportunities, not the west or south side.	7/18/2021 11:03 AM
9	Enhanced historic preservation for the entire basin	7/15/2021 11:26 AM
10	Enacting Historic Preservation protections	7/15/2021 11:06 AM
11	Build commercial businesses in the city to promote development, economic growth, and tax revenues for our city.	7/12/2021 3:42 PM
12	get some new blood on the council	7/9/2021 9:55 AM

Q2 Goal 2: Meaningful Connections Strengthen the connection between residents and the places they share; increase pride in our history, appreciate and celebrate the many cultures that make up our community; and enhance our sense of community.

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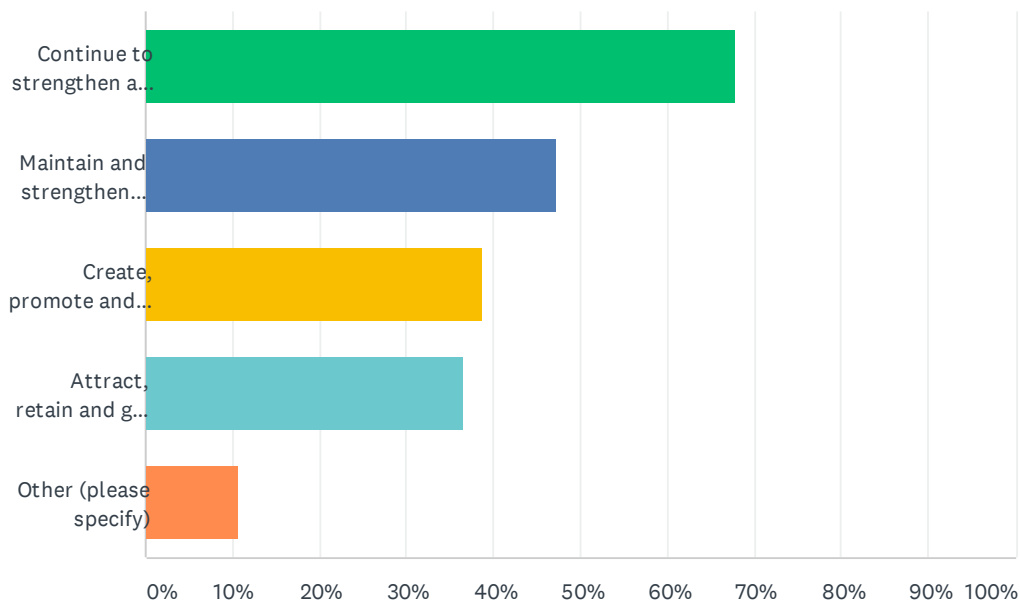
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Preserve, and restore when possible, historic places, landmarks and architecture that contribute to the identify and uniqueness of Newport's neighborhood's and business districts.	72.04% 67
Develop and enhance the quality of public spaces throughout Newport to provide opportunities for residents to meet up with neighbors, build community, contribute to local identity and foster community pride.	62.37% 58
Increase communications and collaboration among neighborhoods, among business districts, and with the City.	29.03% 27
Create a central public gathering place to host city-wide events.	27.96% 26
Other (please specify)	7.53% 7
Total Respondents: 93	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Clifton Neighborhood is void of any green space	9/15/2021 5:29 PM
2	Lower property taxes- I must sell my home before I retire because property taxes	9/12/2021 8:00 AM
3	I like the idea of having a "Main Street Coordinator," even if it's just an intern that gets the word out.	7/30/2021 11:12 AM
4	Create a Central Park. The Builder's Surplus location, centrally located, would be an excellent spot. This would help bring Ovation's residents into city, CBD.	7/30/2021 11:09 AM
5	Central Park!	7/30/2021 10:44 AM
6	Might be the most important	7/22/2021 12:58 PM

Q3 Goal 3: Economic Prosperity & Resilience

Maintain a balance of vibrant retail districts with lively venues for local and regional visitors, and office/commercial areas that are home to contemporary jobs that provide a living wage for residents and a solid tax base for the City; be a hub for local entrepreneurs and a regional economic driver.

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Continue to strengthen and support Newport's Monmouth/ York Street Corridors (CBD) as a primary destination.	67.74% 63
Maintain and strengthen attractive, vibrant and resilient neighborhood business districts.	47.31% 44
Create, promote and support Newport as a destination. Attract customers, visitors, and investment to Newport.	38.71% 36
Attract, retain and grow target businesses to provide a range of job opportunities in the City.	36.56% 34
Other (please specify)	10.75% 10
Total Respondents: 93	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Support all existing businesses, not just the pet projects.	9/15/2021 12:05 PM
2	My property tax reassessment will force me to sell my home and move out of Newport before I retire I must sell	9/12/2021 8:00 AM
3	Get people in -> keep them	7/30/2021 11:12 AM
4	Move to two-way	7/30/2021 10:44 AM
5	We need a strong Central Business District	7/22/2021 12:58 PM
6	Newport is cool. More ought to know.	7/22/2021 12:08 PM
7	Encourage entry-level jobs that pay a living wage. There's a massive gap in the entire Cincy-	7/18/2021 11:03 AM

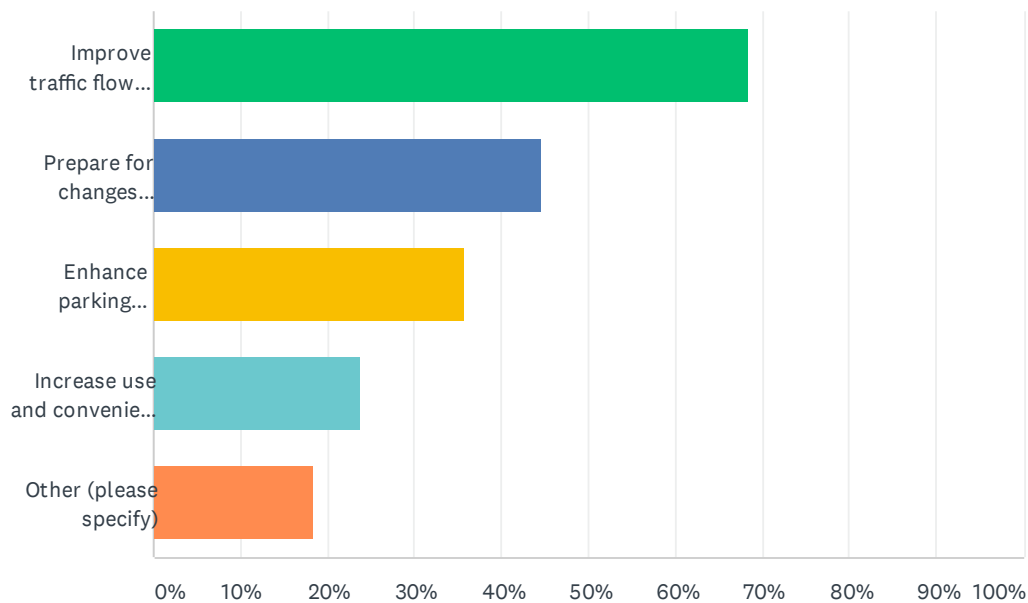
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Cov-Npt downtown area in which there aren't many entry level jobs paying enough to live in the area without housing subsidies and this is a losing scenario for the residents/workers and the cities.

8	Create an economic development department or collaborate with the county entity	7/8/2021 11:40 AM
9	Attract nurture locally owned/managed restaurants/eateries to Newport.	7/8/2021 10:31 AM
10	Make local jobs actually pay a living wage!	7/8/2021 9:59 AM

Q4 Goal 4: Transportation, Access, Mobility & Utilities Create and maintain well- connected and safe multi-modal transportation, communications and utility networks; ensure aesthetic, sustainable and accessible utilities; provide access to safe and sanitary water and sewer utilities, and maintain flood and storm water protection infrastructure for the safety of the public. **Transportation, Access and Mobility Related Objectives (See Goal 6 for bike and pedestrian-related objectives):**

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Improve traffic flow and vehicular access within Newport in ways that protect residential neighborhoods, enhance viability of neighborhood business districts, facilitate east-west traffic flow and improve safety.	68.48% 63
Prepare for changes resulting from transportation advances (e.g. electric cars, scooters, etc.)	44.57% 41
Enhance parking management strategies (provide more parking, etc)	35.87% 33
Increase use and convenience of transit.	23.91% 22
Other (please specify)	18.48% 17
Total Respondents: 92	

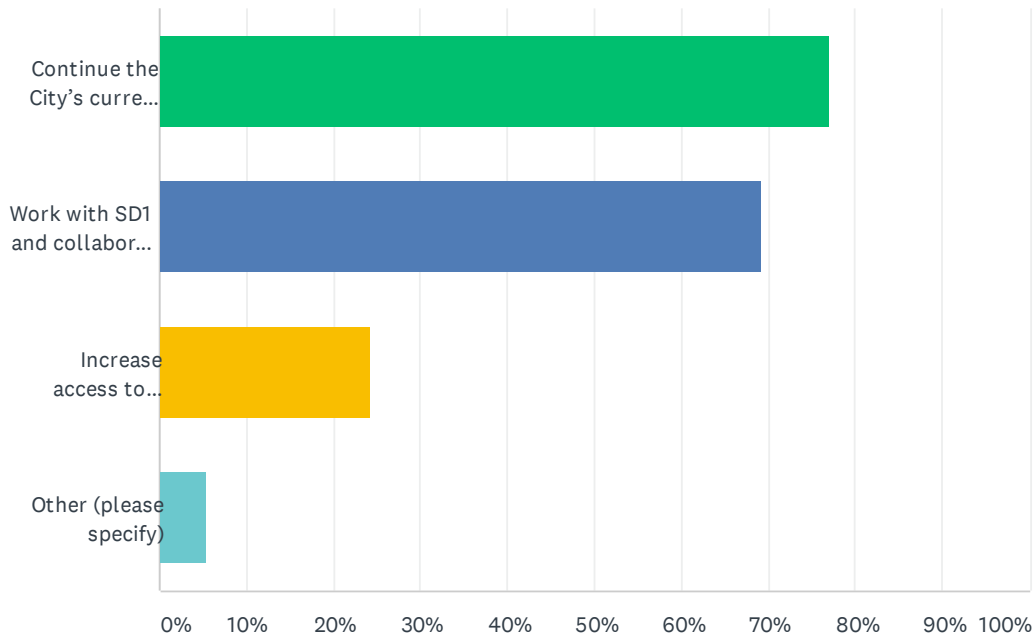
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1	Make Monmouth Street two-way	9/15/2021 10:57 PM
2	Maintain roads and alleys.	9/15/2021 5:48 PM
3	Bike lanes	9/15/2021 12:23 PM
4	either put ALL of Monmouth and York on parking meters, or remove them, you are hurting certain businesses with parking meters and kiosk's. While other blocks have none.	9/15/2021 12:05 PM

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5	Rideshare is the future, prepare for large numbers of pick ups after events, especially for those in their 20's and 30's. Ovation has done this, the Levee has a spot but no signage. Any large event area NEEDS this.	9/12/2021 11:58 PM
6	Caroline one way in and cliffview one way out to veterans Park and pool need sidewalk and speed bumps and more parking At vets pool	9/12/2021 8:00 AM
7	Increased restrictions on 12,16,18 wheeler trucks driving through residential areas	9/9/2021 9:45 PM
8	1. Do not become involved with Cincinnati's CONNECT system, and (2) do not install bike lanes in such a way as to impede the regular or motorized traffic.	9/9/2021 6:20 PM
9	Na	7/19/2021 10:07 PM
10	Need to bring back public transportation.	7/19/2021 8:01 PM
11	Quit focusing so damn much on free parking and focus instead on viable public transit that isn't seen only as a last resort option. Tax payers should not be subsidizing car ownership.	7/18/2021 11:03 AM
12	I would never consider investing on Monmouth because of the perception of lack of parking. That has to change weather it's a real problem or perceived.	7/16/2021 2:53 AM
13	Enforce the current laws and cite truck traffic driving through residential streets. Make Monmouth/York 2way	7/15/2021 11:26 AM
14	Bike lanes	7/12/2021 4:39 PM
15	charging stations for electric cars	7/9/2021 9:55 AM
16	Enhance bike-ability of the city, especially along major thoroughfares	7/8/2021 9:24 PM
17	Too many crazy/fast drivers through the residential area. I want my kids to be able to walk safely around and people drive like maniacs down 6th street and the side streets in the East Row. Defiantly need more monitoring of the speed limit and I wish non residents wouldn't just drive through so much.	7/8/2021 10:59 AM

Q5 Goal 4: Transportation, Access, Mobility & Utilities Create and maintain well- connected and safe multi-modal transportation, communications and utility networks; ensure aesthetic, sustainable and accessible utilities; provide access to safe and sanitary water and sewer utilities, and maintain flood and storm water protection infrastructure for the safety of the public. **Utility Related Objectives:**

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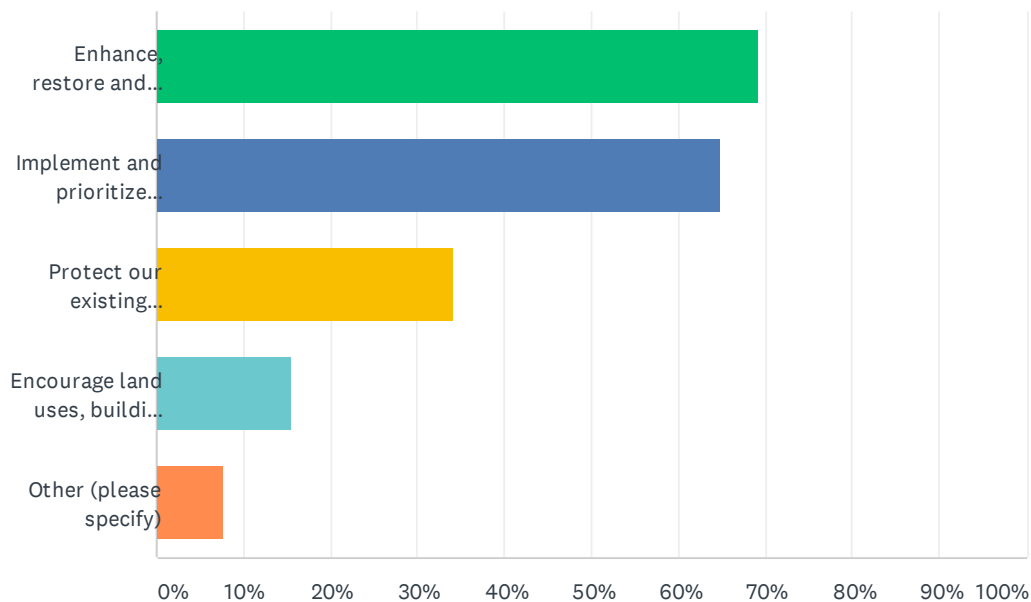
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Continue the City's current policies and projects for undergrounding electric and other utility cables including along major corridors and in neighborhoods and evaluate additional areas for strategic undergrounding of overhead utilities.	76.92% 70
Work with SD1 and collaborate with other cities in the watershed to reduce and manage stormwater runoff to mitigate flooding and erosion within the city through innovative gray and green infrastructure solutions.	69.23% 63
Increase access to digital and communications technology.	24.18% 22
Other (please specify)	5.49% 5
Total Respondents: 91	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Underground utilities and cabling for Grandview Avenue	9/15/2021 5:29 PM
2	Sidewalk and parking for vets pool	9/12/2021 8:00 AM
3	Tell me when "undergrounding" became a legitimate term.	9/9/2021 6:20 PM
4	The basin continues to deal w basement flooding for residents. Runoff is a huge issue for East + West side neighborhoods	7/30/2021 10:44 AM
5	Be prepared for need to upgrade utilities (don't become Flint MI)	7/12/2021 8:57 AM

Q6 Goal 5: Environmental Stewardship

Recognize the numerous contributions natural resources make to our community and the importance of protecting and enhancing the natural environment; conserve and manage our natural resources in a sustainable manner to ensure their long-term health..

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Enhance, restore and replenish environmental resources throughout the City, such as open spaces and tree canopy.	69.23% 63
Implement and prioritize low-impact development and other types of green infrastructure strategies that may include naturalized stormwater features to reduce and manage stormwater runoff, such as rain gardens, landscaped swales and bioretention areas along roadways and greenways.	64.84% 59
Protect our existing natural environment to ensure its long-term viability for the benefit of future generations.	34.07% 31
Encourage land uses, building techniques, and materials that are environmentally sensitive, and celebrate the benefits of the natural environment.	15.38% 14
Other (please specify)	7.69% 7
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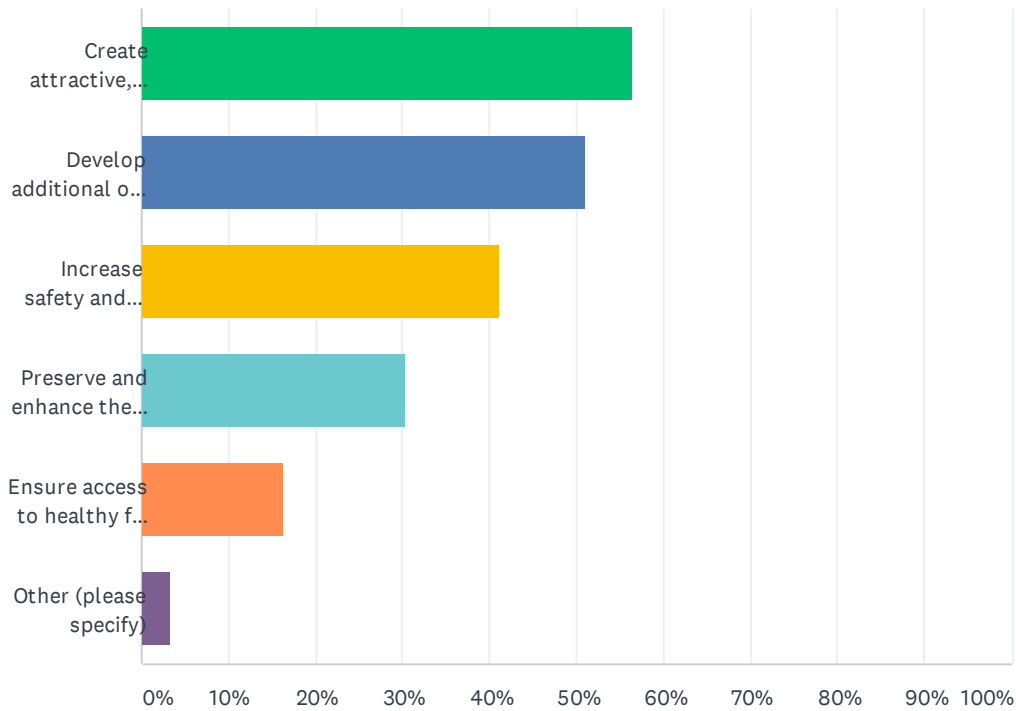
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1	Additional trees for W. 13th Street	9/15/2021 5:29 PM
2	All of the above	9/9/2021 9:45 PM
3	Do nothing without a comprehensive, unbiased cost/benefit analysis in advance.	9/9/2021 6:20 PM
4	All options are important.	7/30/2021 11:09 AM
5	Existing builders surplus is a terrible use of that lot.	7/16/2021 2:53 AM
6	Remove concrete from tree lawns and plant trees everywhere	7/15/2021 11:26 AM

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7	Initiate a depaving program for tree lawns, green parking lots etc	7/15/2021 11:06 AM
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Q7 Goal 6: Healthy Community Provide a high quality of life with access to healthy and active everyday activities and access to local food options, including community gardens; utilize public spaces, including valuable parks and open space assets, to promote a healthy lifestyle.

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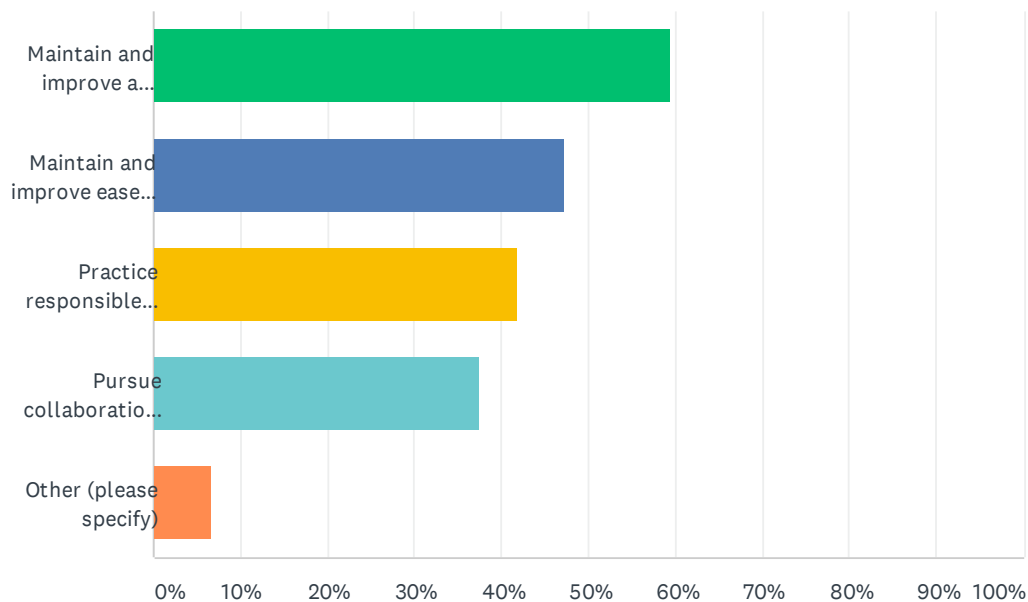


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Create attractive, inviting, and safe bicycle and pedestrian facilities, trails, and connections to local and regional community assets (i.e., schools, parks, destinations).	56.52% 52
Develop additional open space and park land to meet the current and future needs of the community along the riverfronts and throughout the neighborhoods.	51.09% 47
Increase safety and prevent, reduce, and mitigate crime.	41.30% 38
Preserve and enhance the quality, location, facilities, amenities and programming in the City's parks and open space assets	30.43% 28
Ensure access to healthy food from local sources.	16.30% 15
Other (please specify)	3.26% 3
Total Respondents: 92	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Develop Monmouth Street like Main Straus	9/15/2021 10:57 PM
2	Help these herds of roaming teens find fun and healthy outlets	7/30/2021 11:12 AM
3	Programming is a must. Existing public spaces are vastly underutilized and kids in particular complain of having little to do.	7/18/2021 11:03 AM

Q8 Goal 7: Good Government Foster an overall high quality of life for our citizens through effective, accessible, open, and fiscally responsible local governance; work with regional partners to leverage our strengths and resources, and make long term capital plans to maintain infrastructure, preserve public safety, increase property values and prepare for the future.

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Maintain and improve a culture of transparency.	59.34% 54
Maintain and improve ease of conducting business with City Government.	47.25% 43
Practice responsible budget management through capital planning.	41.76% 38
Pursue collaboration and consolidation with county and other cities for purchases, provision of services and through other opportunities, and in ways that improve efficiencies.	37.36% 34
Other (please specify)	6.59% 6
Total Respondents: 91	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Make city meetings and the agendas easier to find. Perhaps we could post online or via an email service. Certain neighborhoods do better job of this than others. Simply posting an important public meeting in the newspaper is antiquated.	9/16/2021 7:53 PM
2	Follow US Constitution and Bill of Rights	9/12/2021 8:00 AM
3	I am too new to know enough about Newport govt	7/30/2021 11:12 AM
4	Hire a Main Street manager!!!!	7/15/2021 11:26 AM
5	Investment in community engagement and listening by the city government	7/11/2021 1:59 PM
6	nothing changes if nothing changes, and the people on the commission and their families have	7/9/2021 9:55 AM