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MARINE ON ST. CROIX

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Minnesota

2040 Comprehensive Plan Update

COMMUNITY SURVEY RESULTS

Survey Facts

- Surveys were distributed through the City Newsletter
- 58 responses were gathered
  - Representative of 8% of the population and 19% of the households of Marine on St. Croix.
- Questions included demographics, housing preference and supply, city services and utilizes, and priorities and goals for the city.

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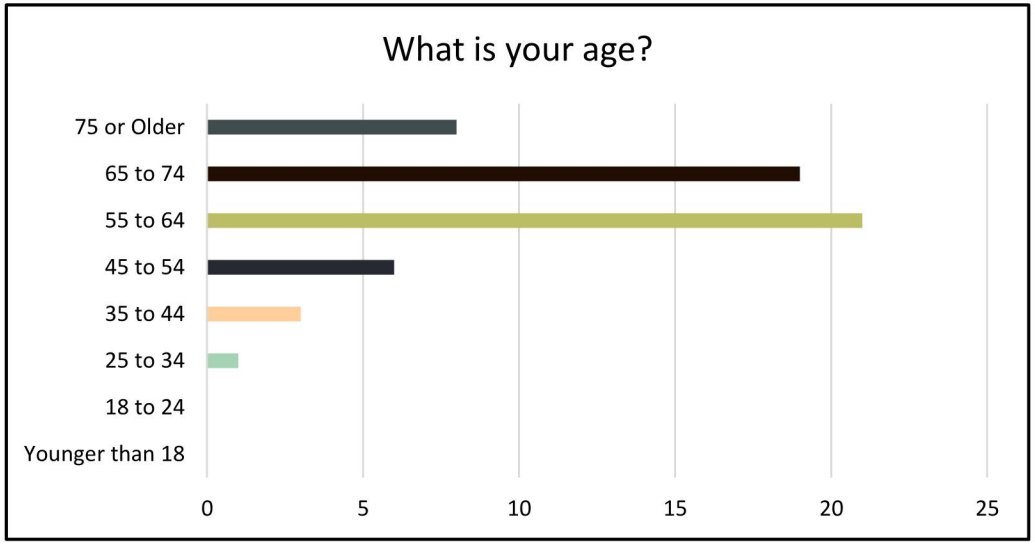

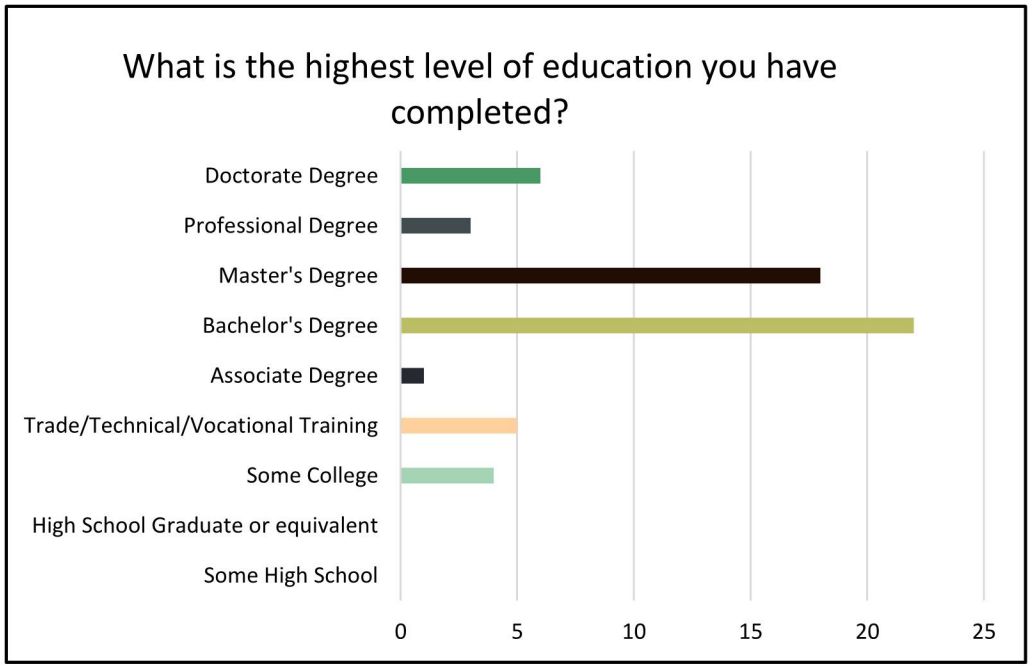

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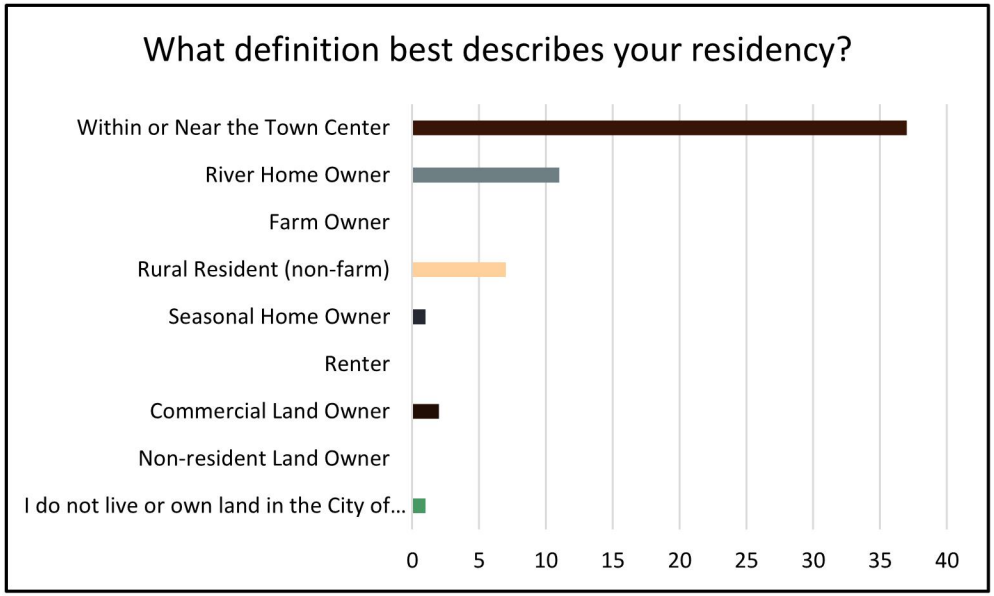

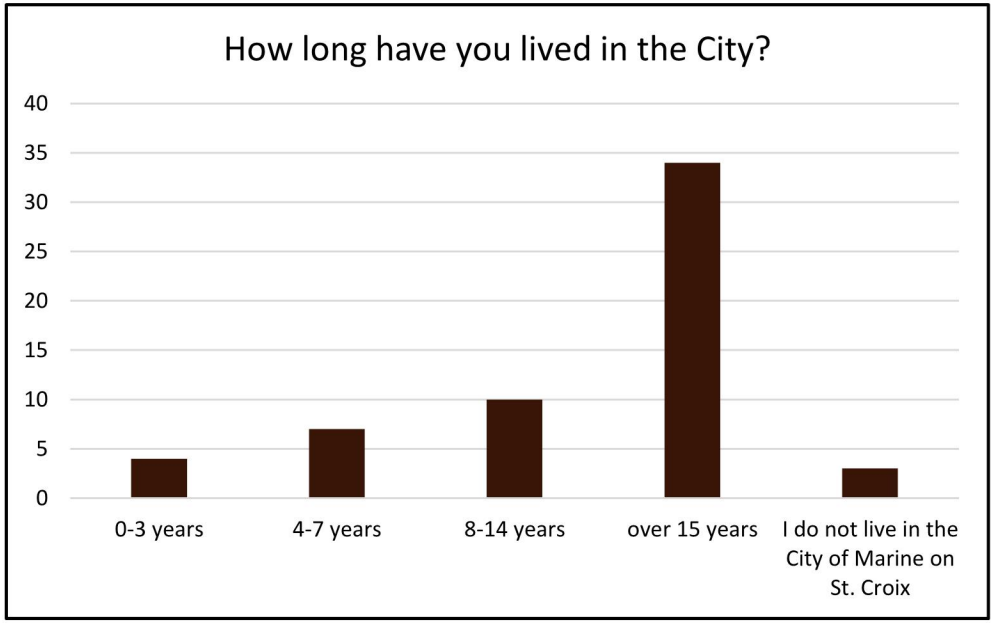

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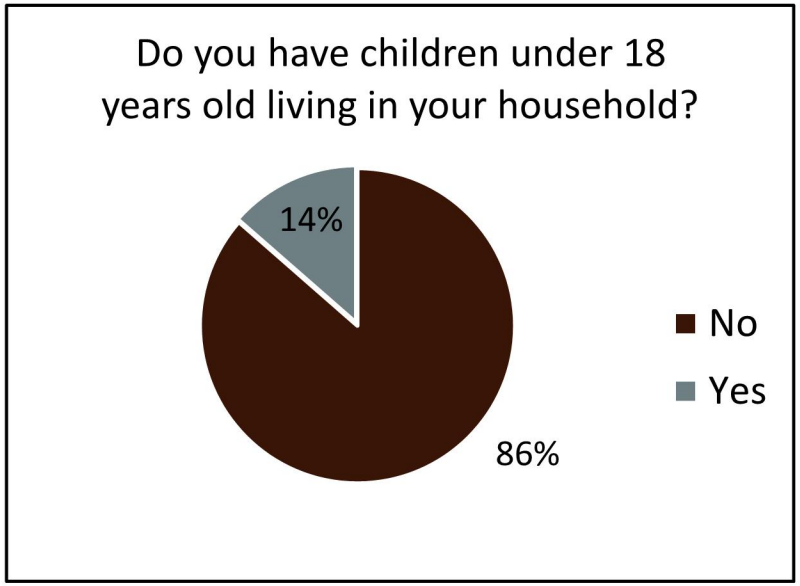

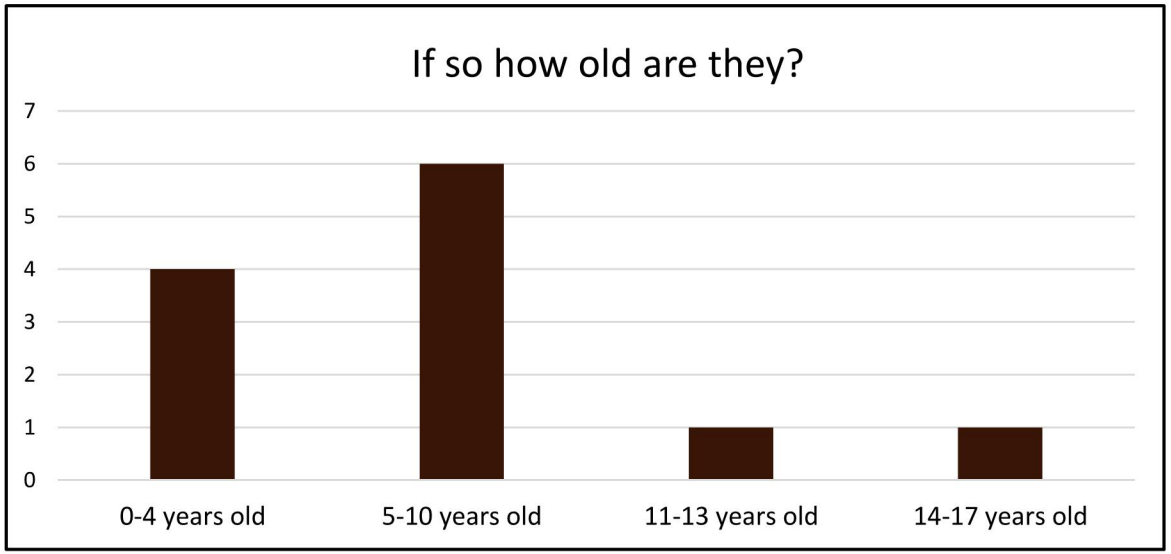

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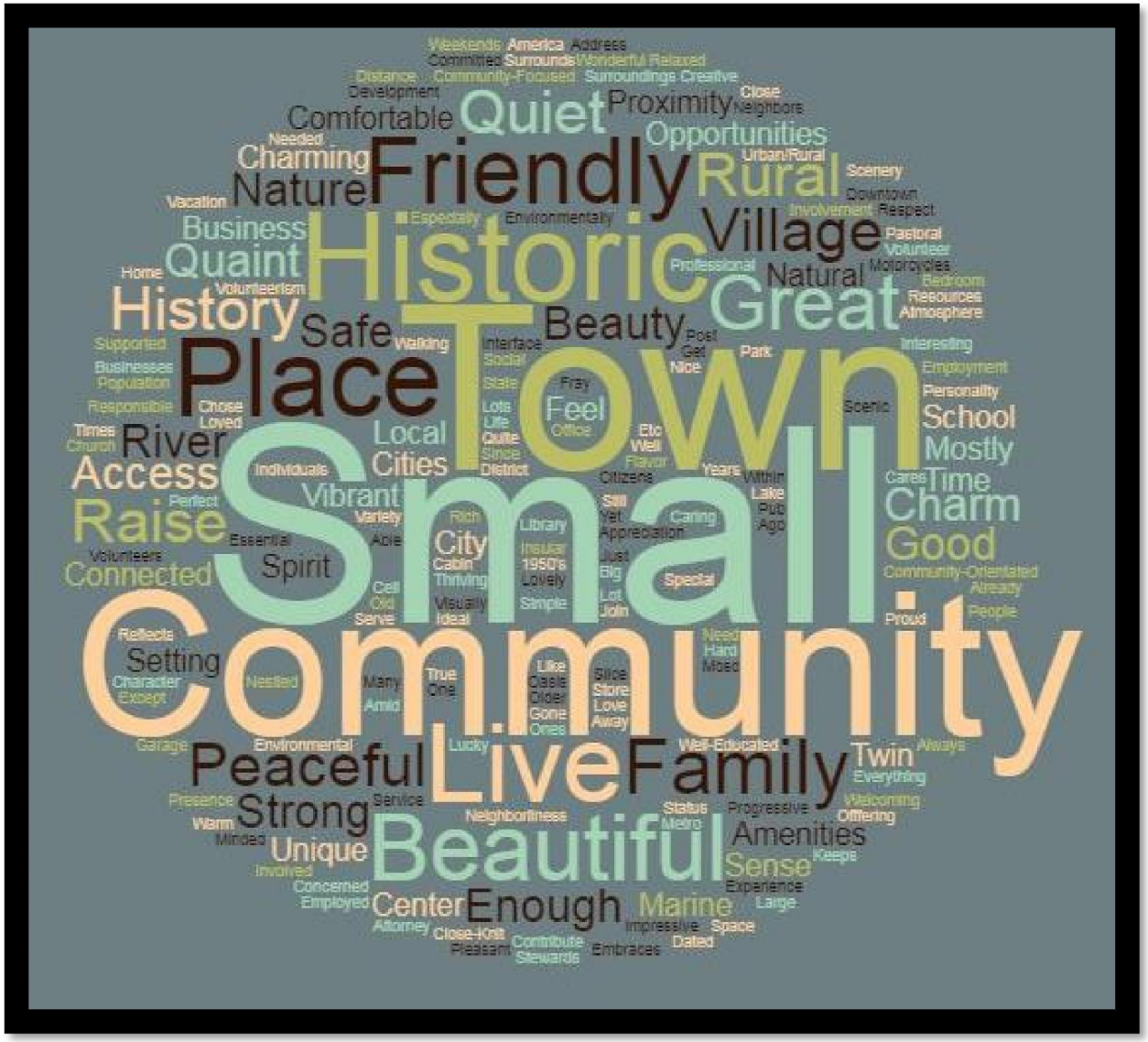
Define the Character of Marine on St. Croix



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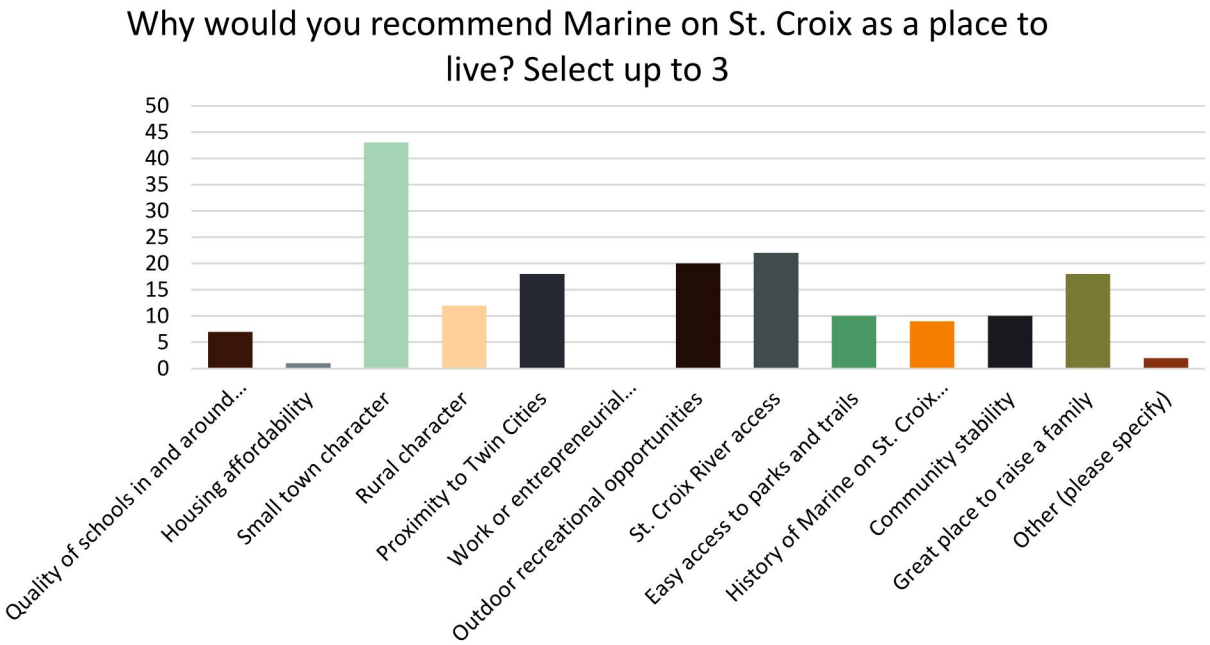
Why recommend Marine on St. Croix?



1. Small town feel (25.0%)
2. St. Croix River Access (12.8%)
3. Outdoor recreational opportunities (11.6%)

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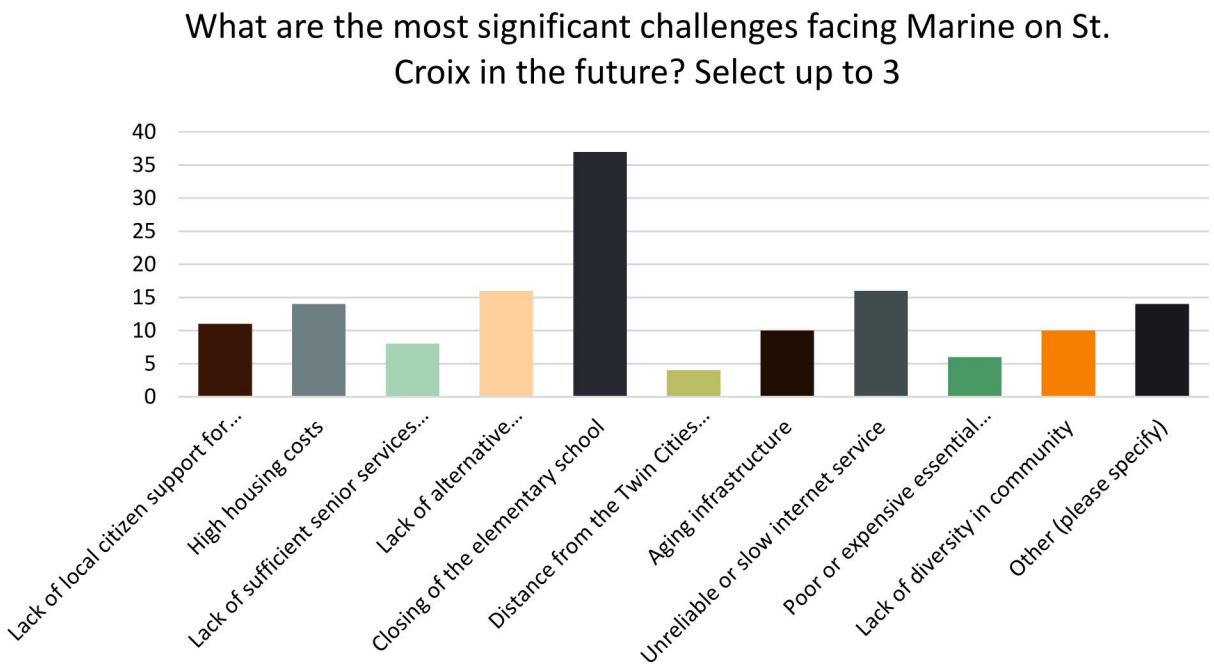
Significant Challenges



1. Closing of the elementary school (25.3%)
2. Lack of alternative transportation options (11.0%)
3. Unreliable or slow internet service (11.0%)

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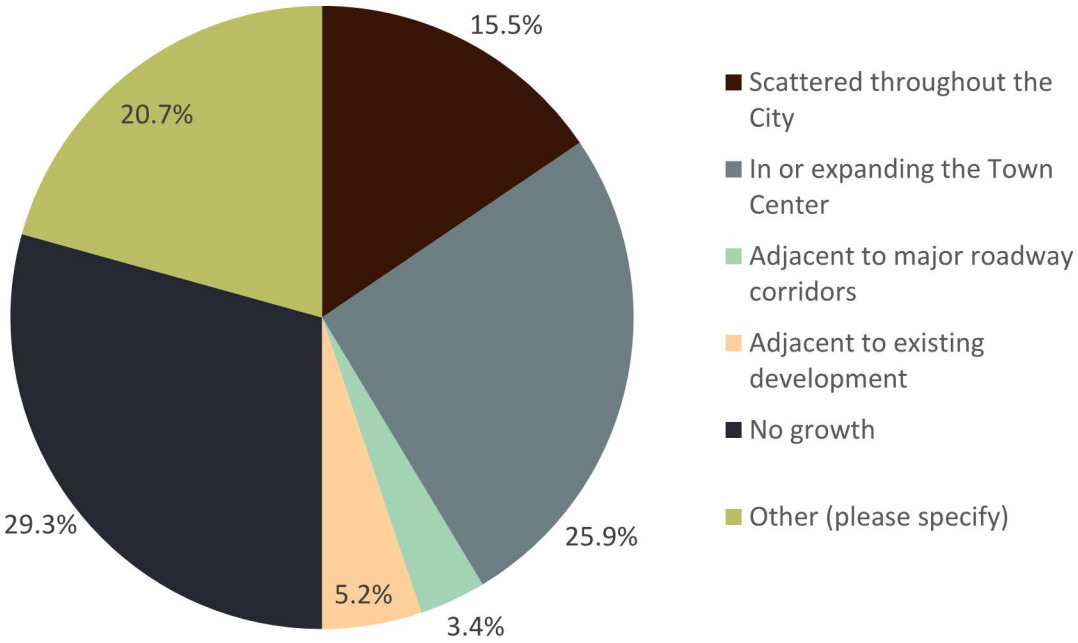
Development

Where would you most like to see new development occur in Marine on St. Croix in the future?



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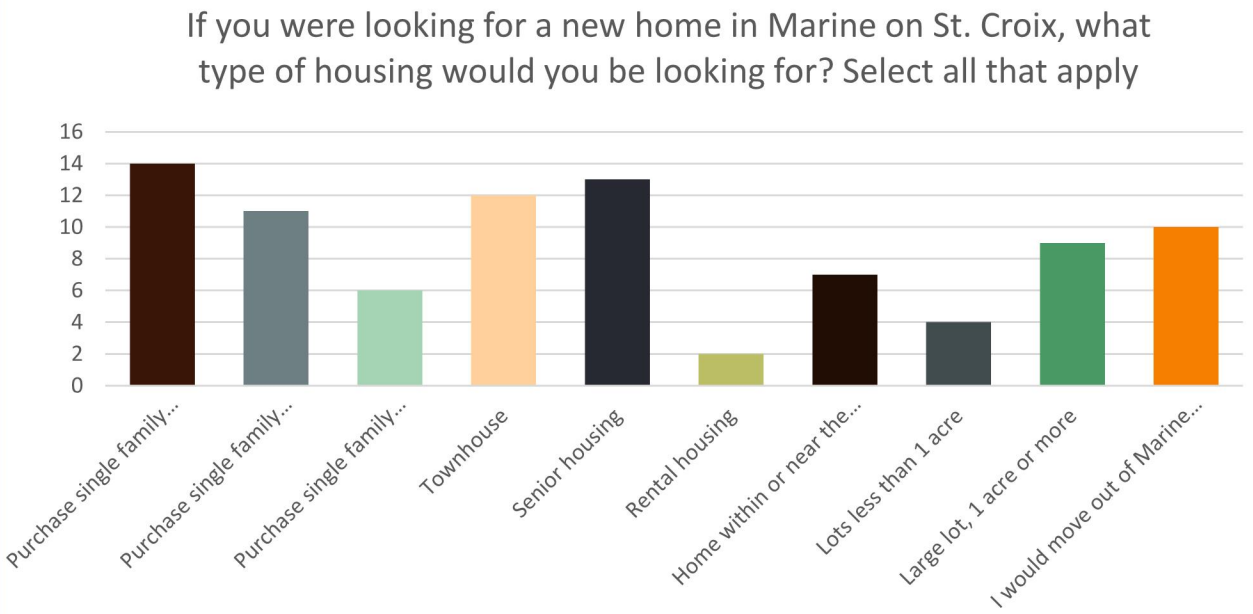
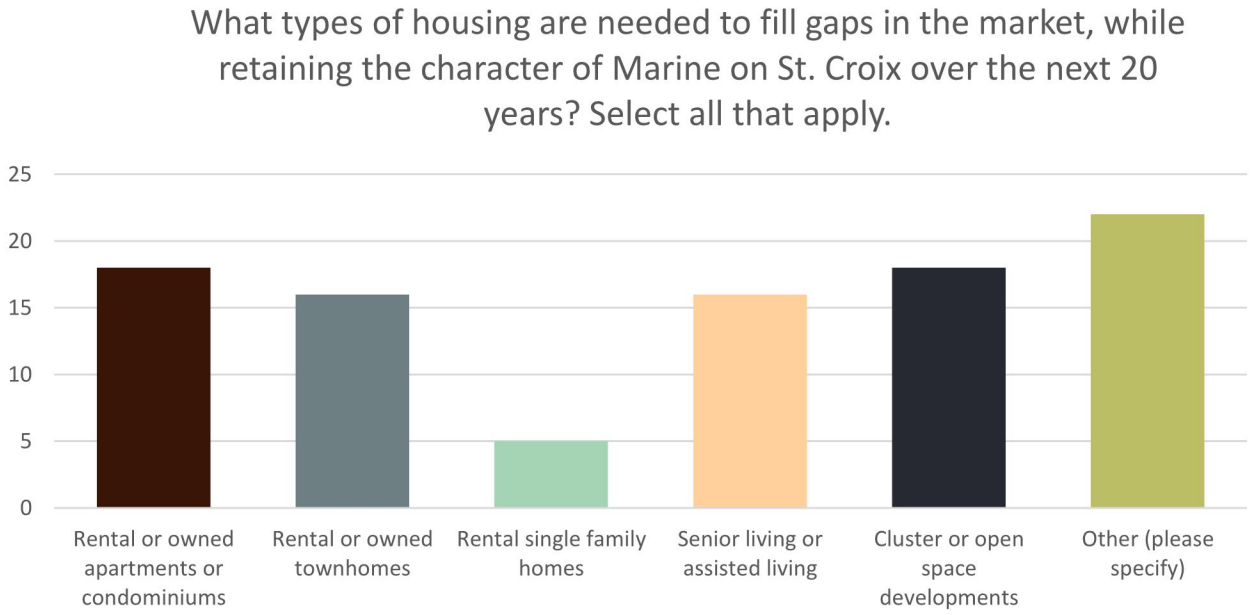
Housing





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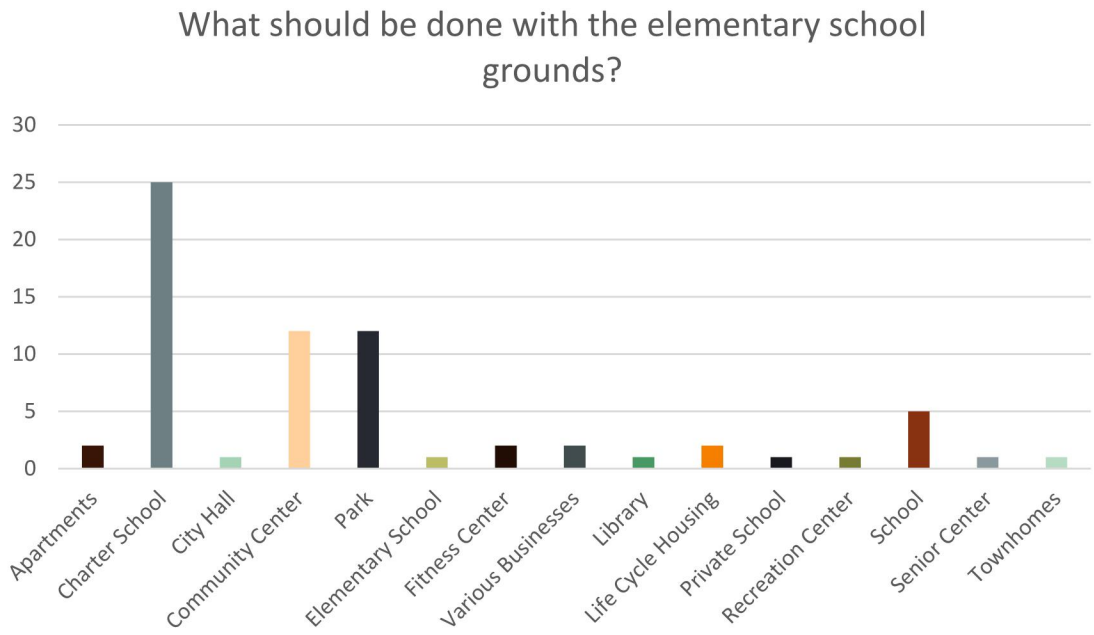
Elementary School Grounds



- Overwhelming preference for a charter school
  - Some just wanted a school, but did not specify charter as a type or wanted another type like private or public
- Approximately 50% of those that said park or community center said this would be a preference only if the charter school was not possible.

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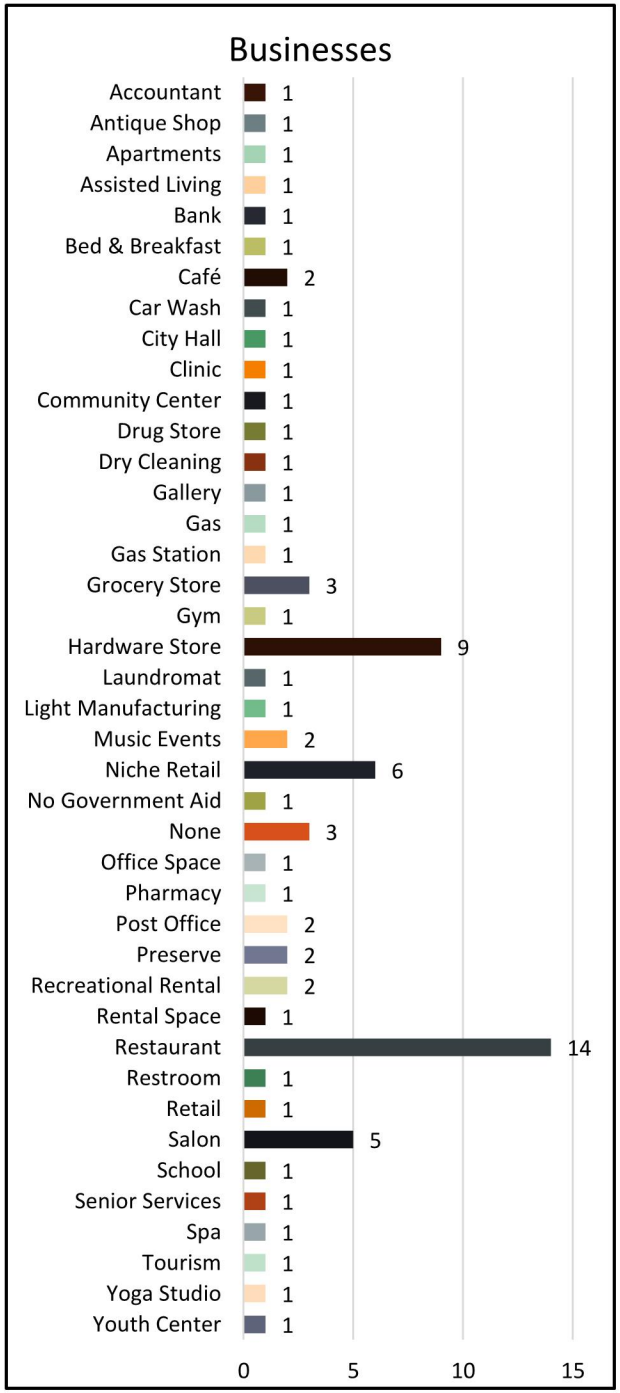
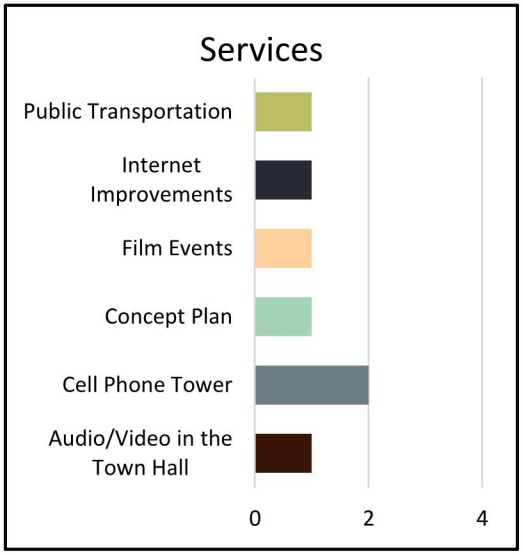
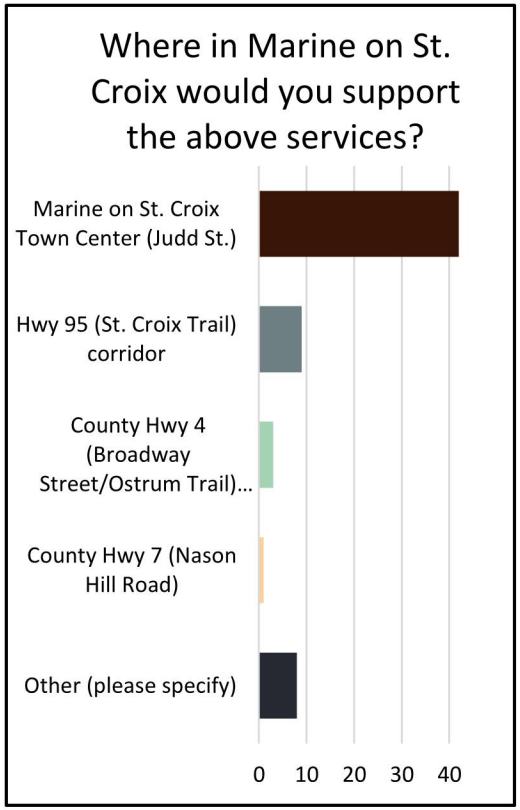
Businesses or Services in the Community







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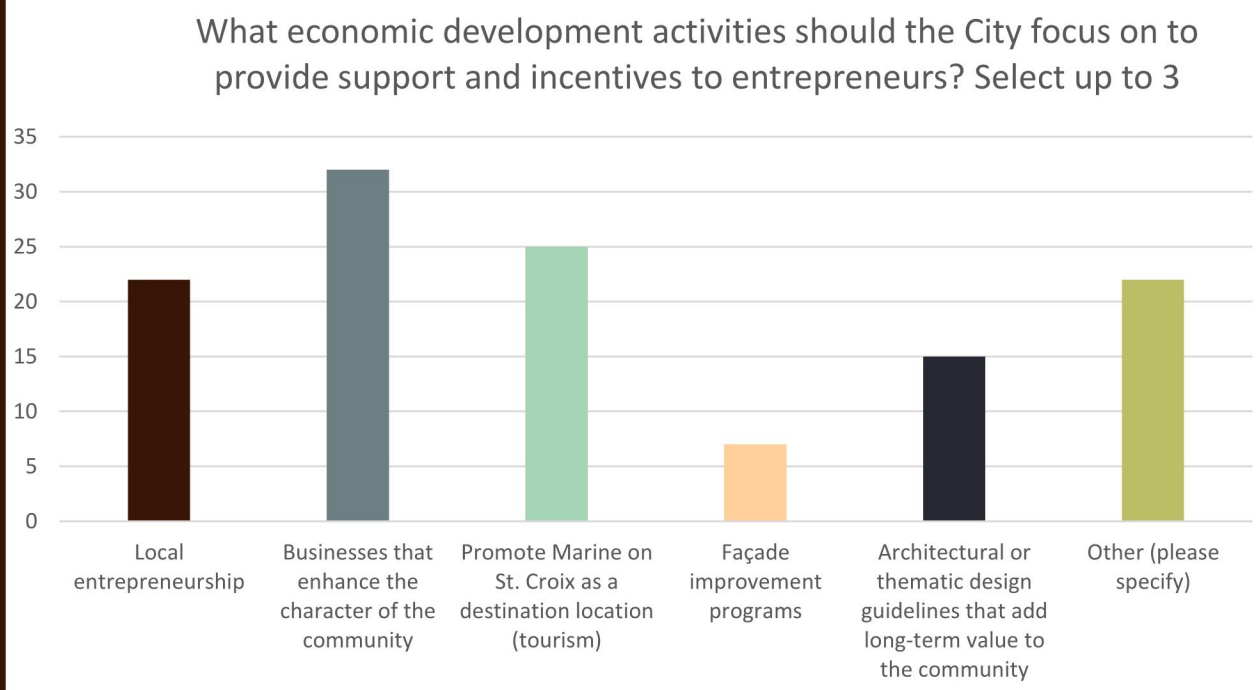
Economic Development



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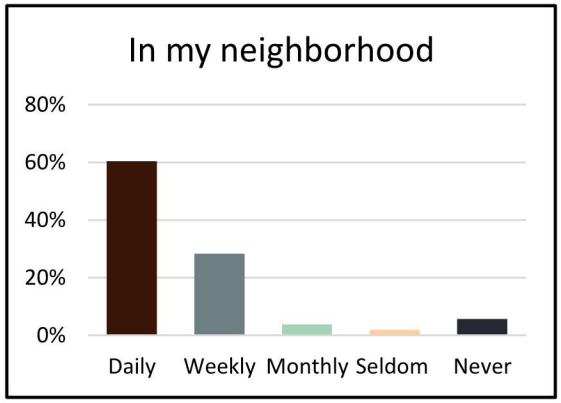
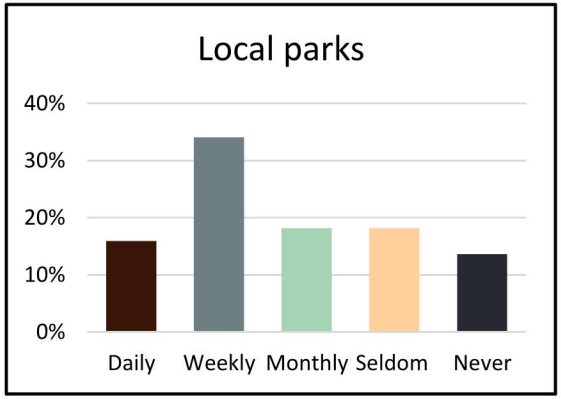
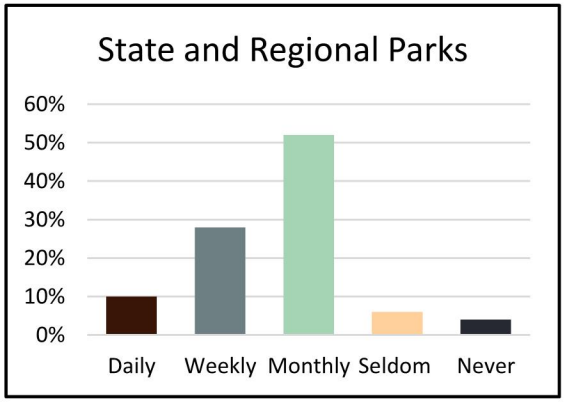
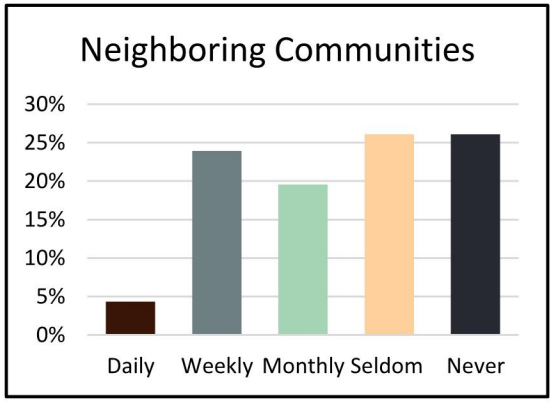
Recreational Walking

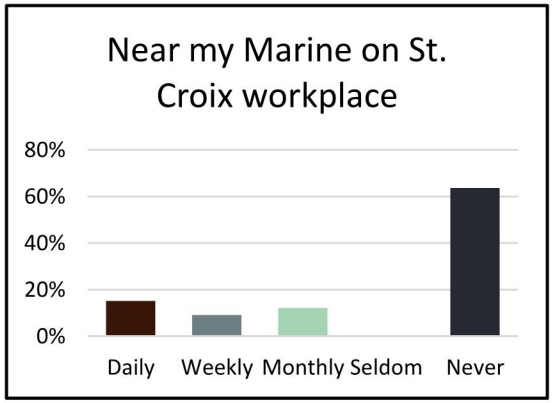
Where do you like to go for leisure walks, bike rides, or other outdoor activities, and how often do you go?

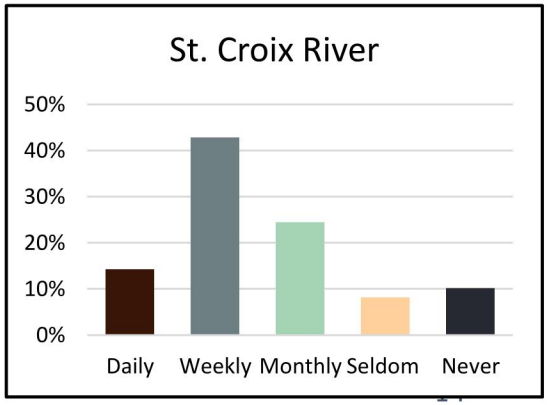












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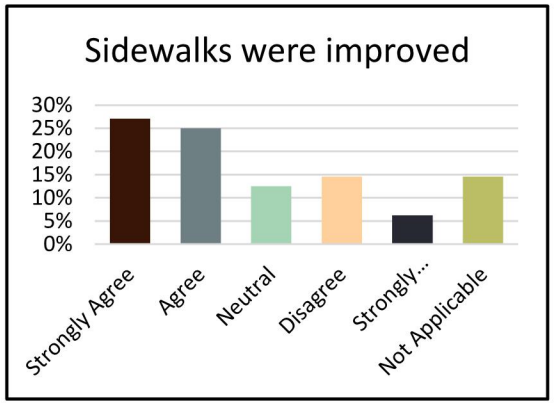
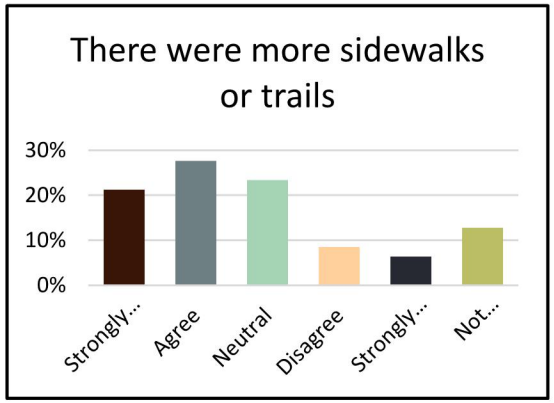
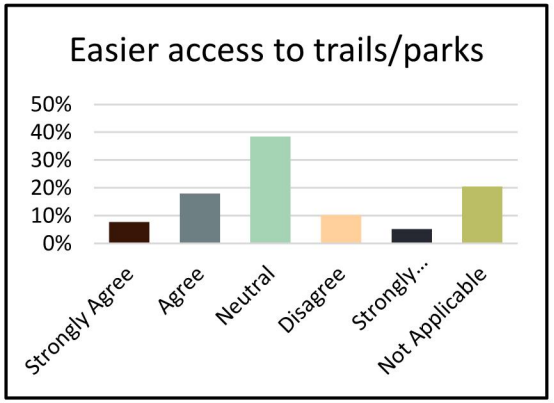
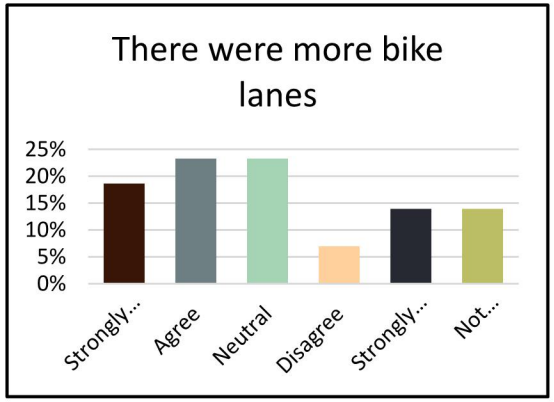
Recreational Walking/Biking

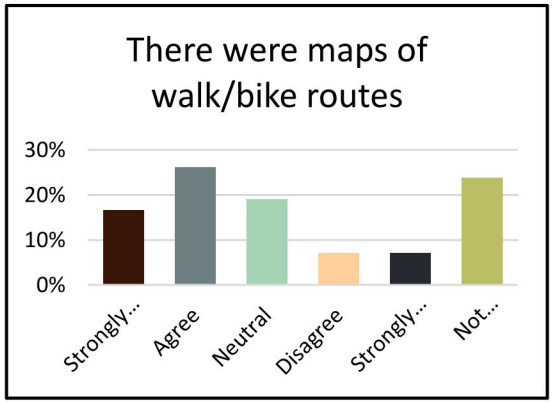
I would walk or bike more if…

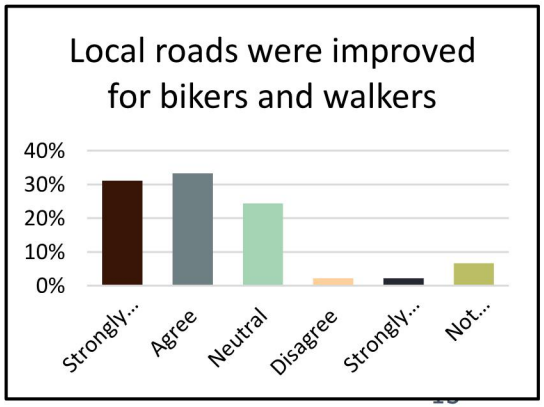












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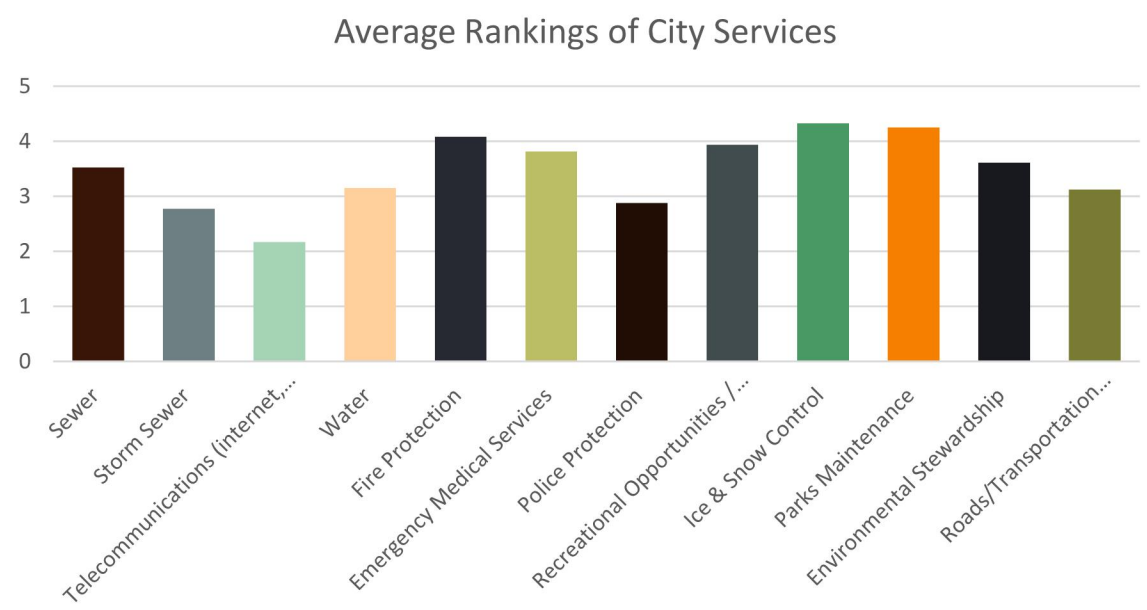
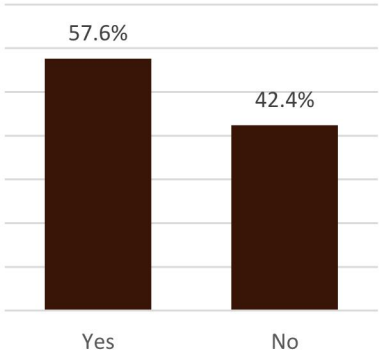


Ice & Snow Control	4.33
Parks Maintenance	4.25
Fire Protection	4.08
Recreational Opportunities / Facilities	3.94
Emergency Medical Services	3.82
Environmental Stewardship	3.61
Sewer	3.53
Water	3.15
Roads/Transportation Infrastructure	3.13
Police Protection	2.88
Storm Sewer	2.77
Telecommunications (internet, etc.)	2.17

Would you be willing to support a property tax increase to improve Fair/Poor services?



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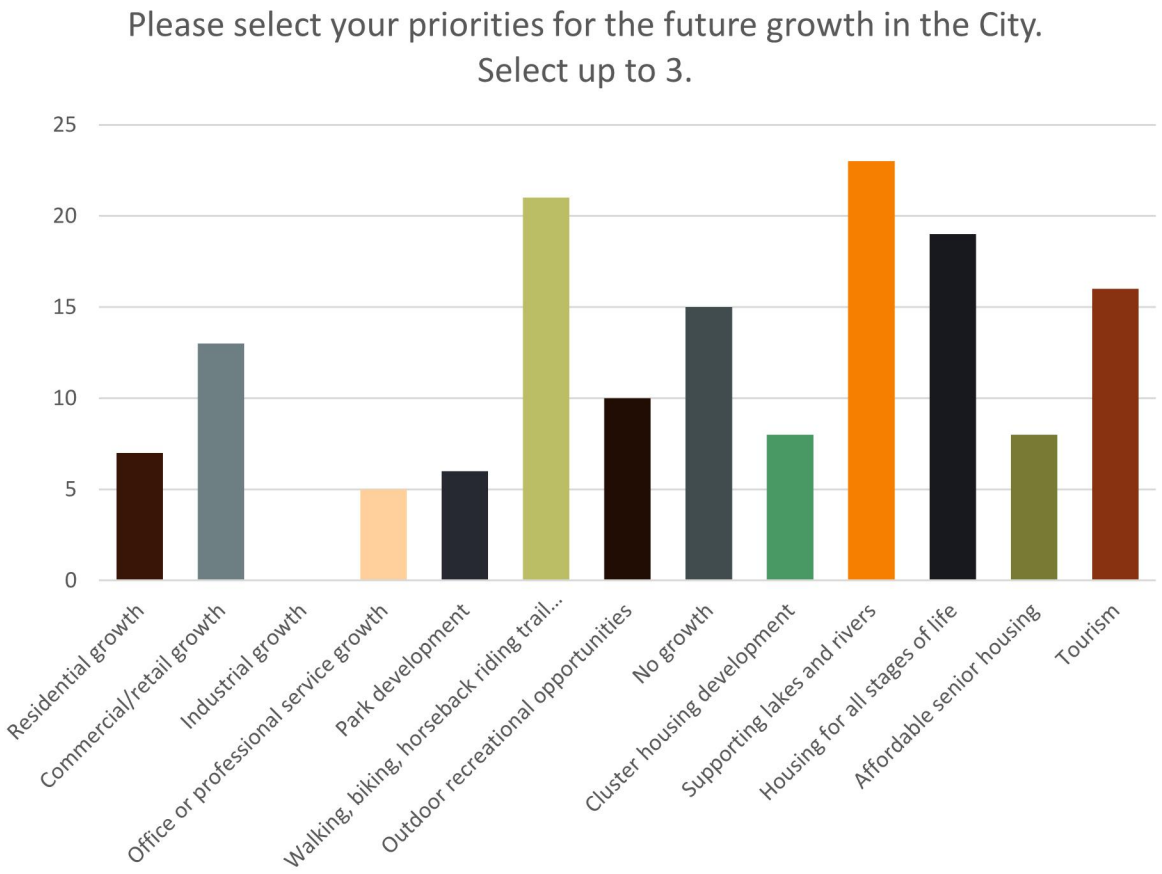
Future Priorities



1. Supporting lakes and rivers (15.2%)
2. Walking, biking, horseback riding trail development (13.9%)
3. Housing for all stages of life (12.6%)

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Comments on the City and Initiatives for the Next 20 Years

- Keep the small town feel
- The school will matter and it is critical for attracting new and younger families
- The character of the city and downtown are important and should be maintained
- The downtown needs improvements but should not be changed in major ways
  - Wayfinding was also often included with this sentiment
- Need a variety of housing to support all economic levels and attract younger families
- Businesses should be encouraged and should be cohesive with the character of the city

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Thank you!

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