



Lower Westheimer Corridor Study

Public Input and Survey Results Summary

August 2016



Lower Westheimer Corridor – Survey and Public Input

Input at meetings

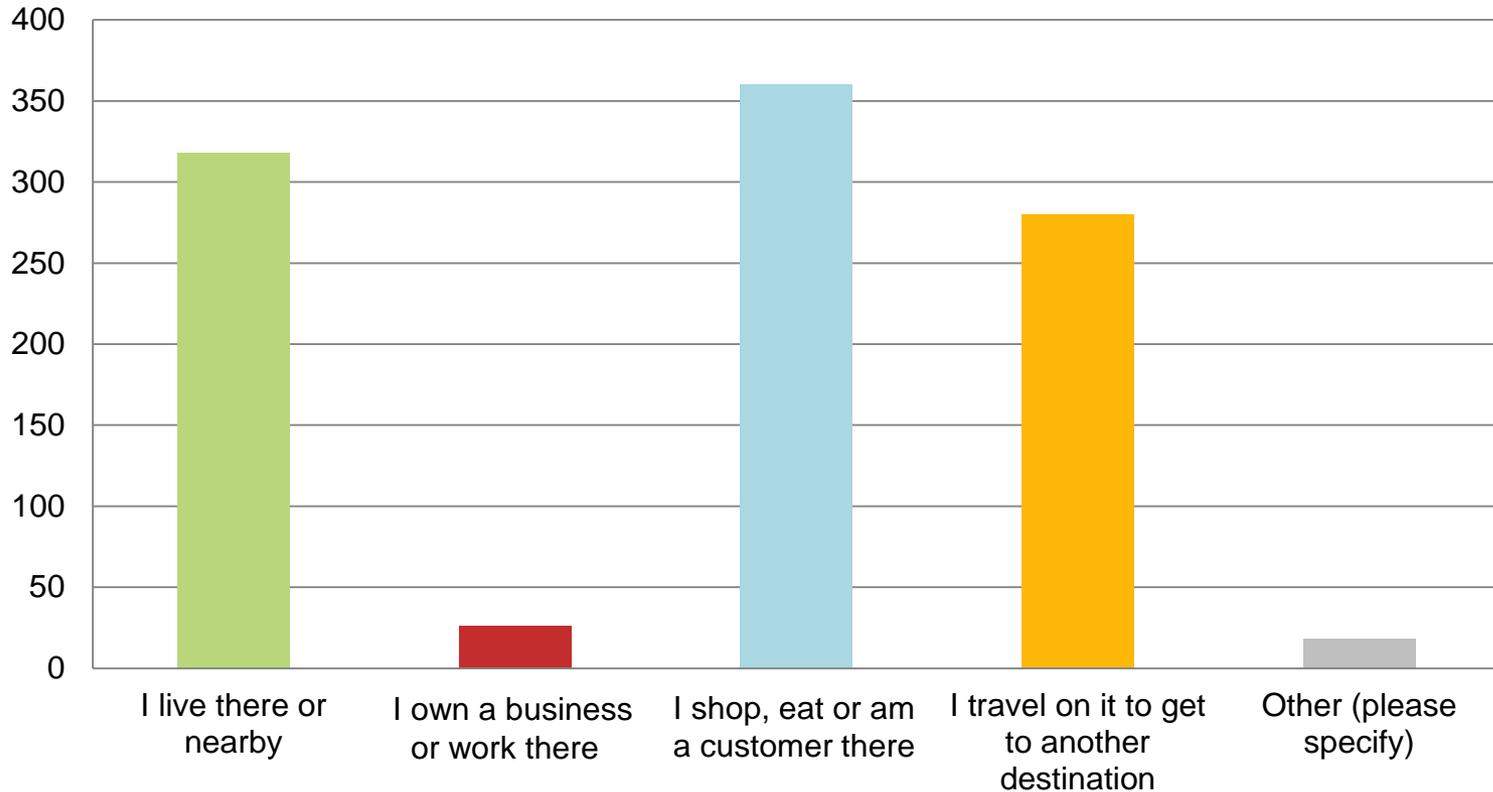
- Stakeholder Advisory Committee met on May 3, 2016.
- Public meeting on June 6. About 150 people attended.
- Sticky note exercise completed at both meetings.

Survey

- Survey opened on June 6 and closed June 21.
- Survey circulated at June 6 meeting, on website, via email, and advertised on social media.
- Survey was aimed at area residents, not commuters or METRO riders, many of whom are through passengers.
- Over 440 responses.
- Information on the project is available at lowerwestheimerstudy.org

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1. How do you most often use the Lower Westheimer corridor*?



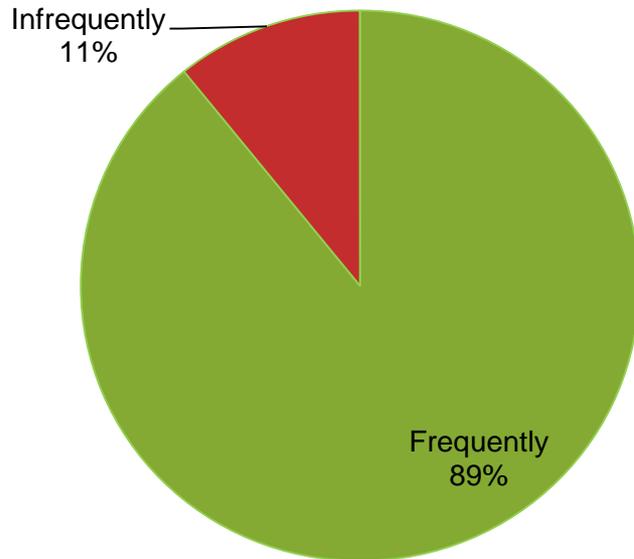
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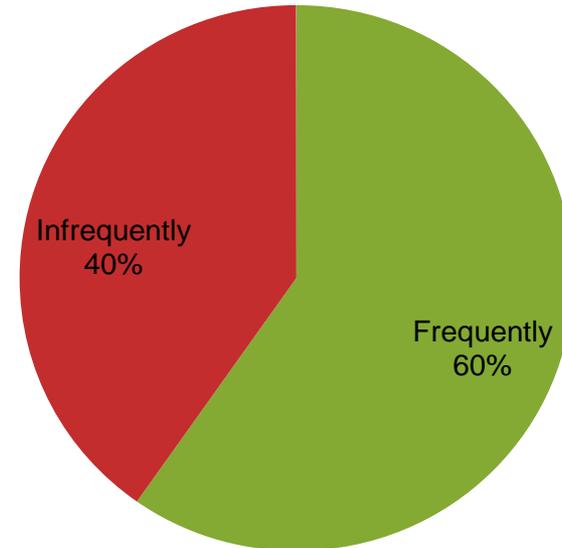
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Driving



Walking

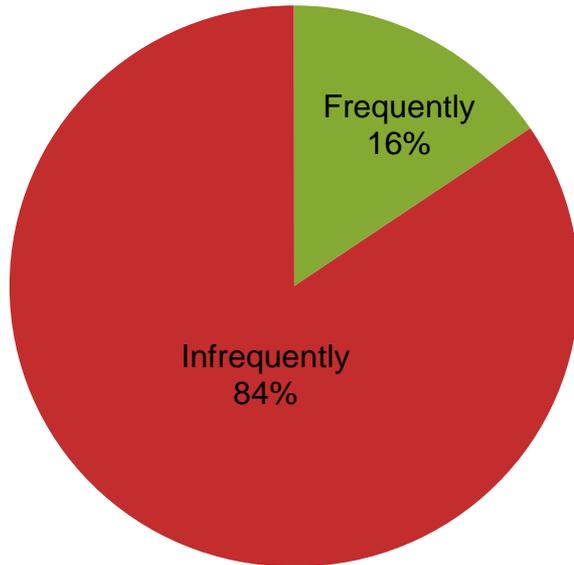


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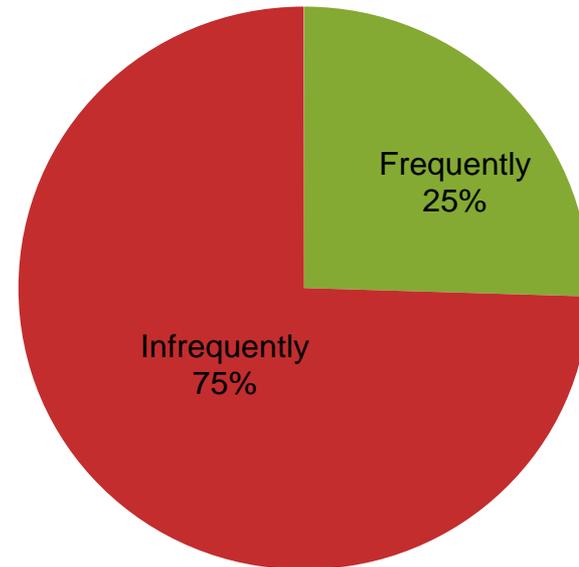
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METRO



Bicycling

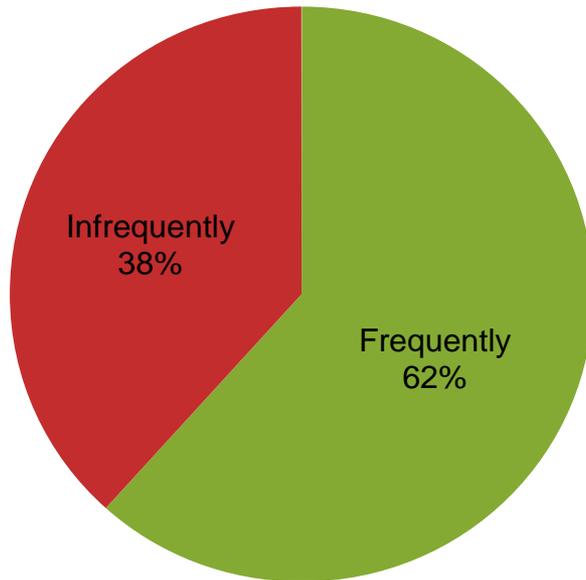


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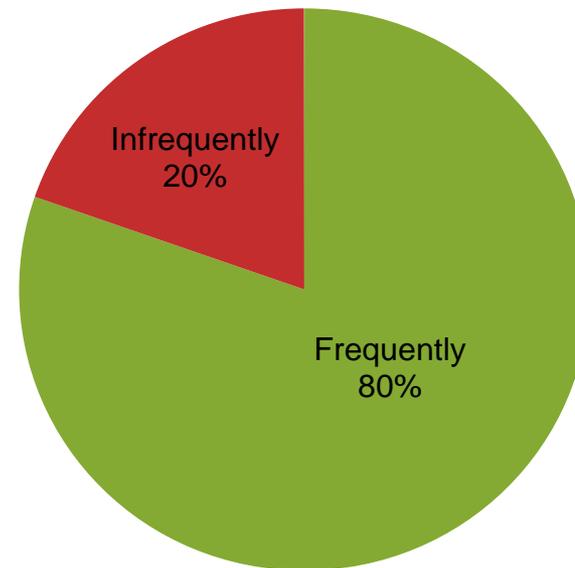
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Shopping



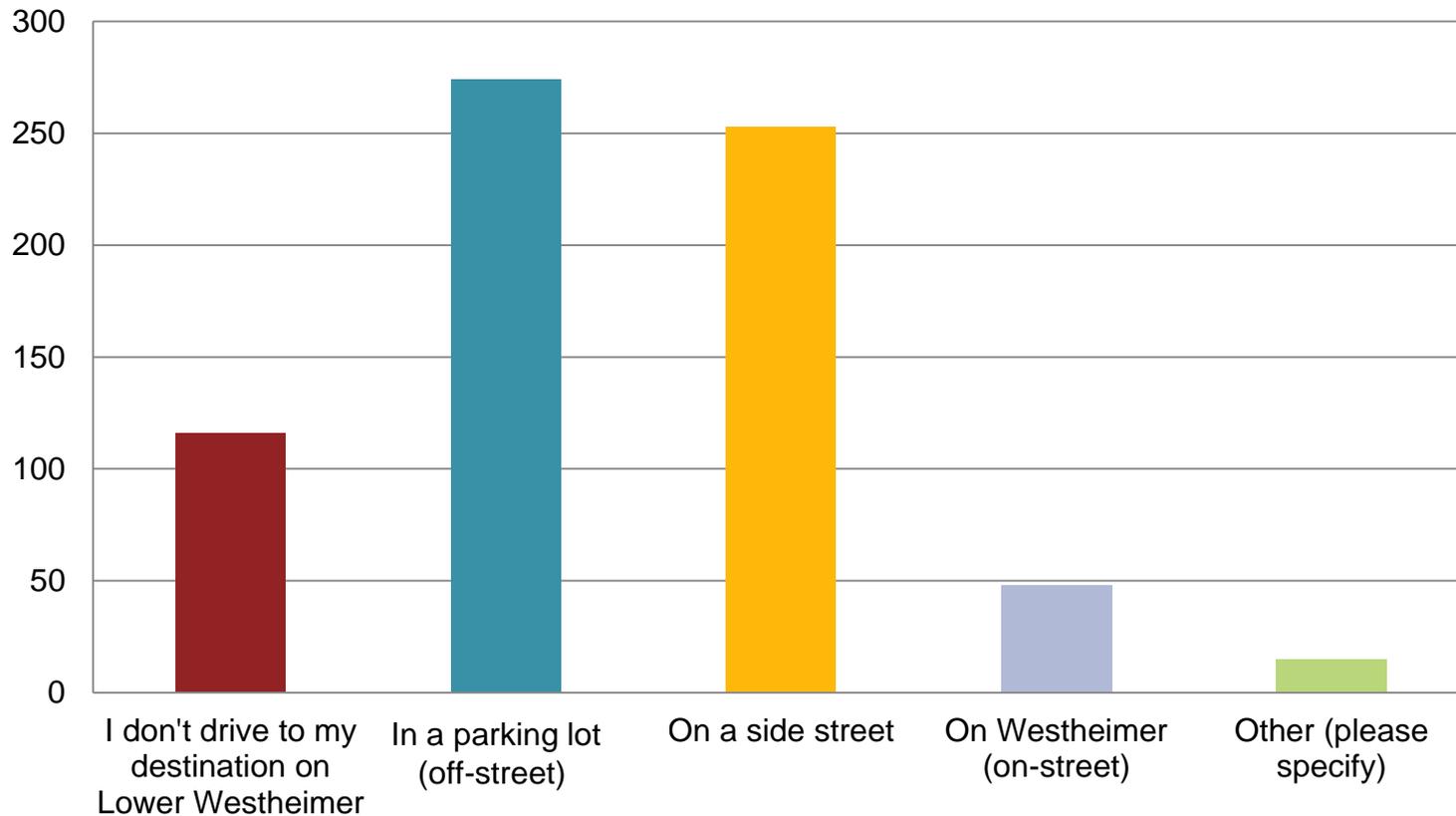
Dining



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3. If you drive to your destination on Lower Westheimer, where do you park*?



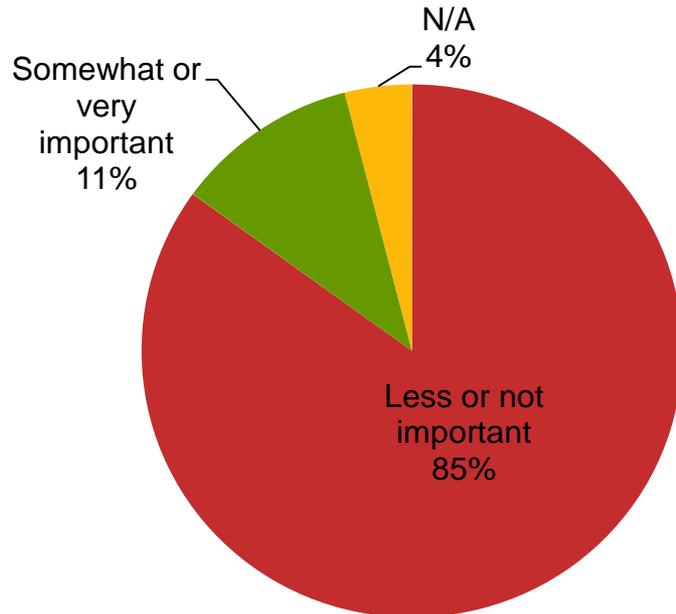
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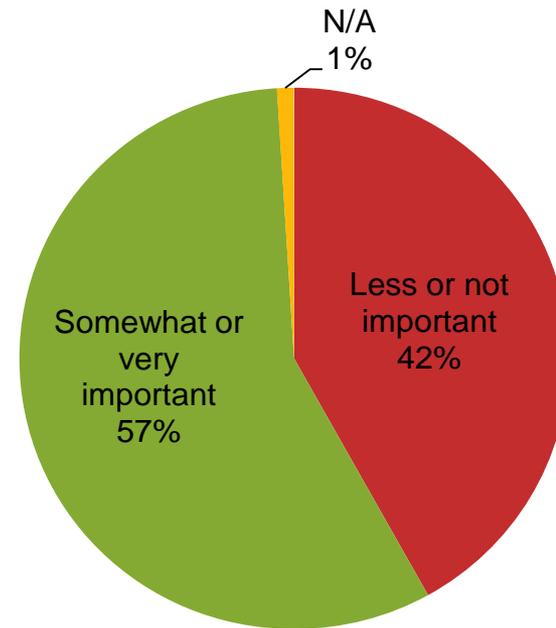
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4. Please rank the following potential improvements in terms of importance.

Faster Vehicle Traffic Speeds



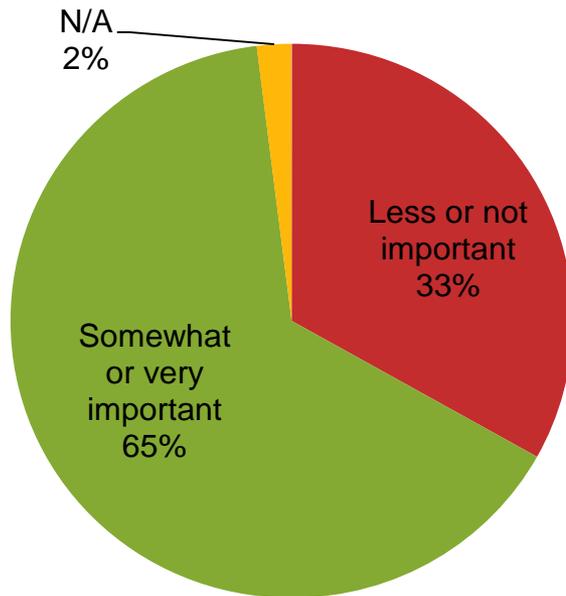
Slower Vehicle Traffic Speeds



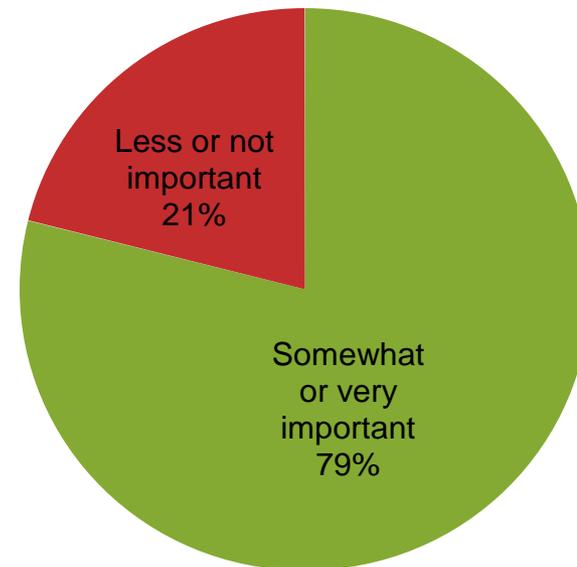
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Left Turn Lanes



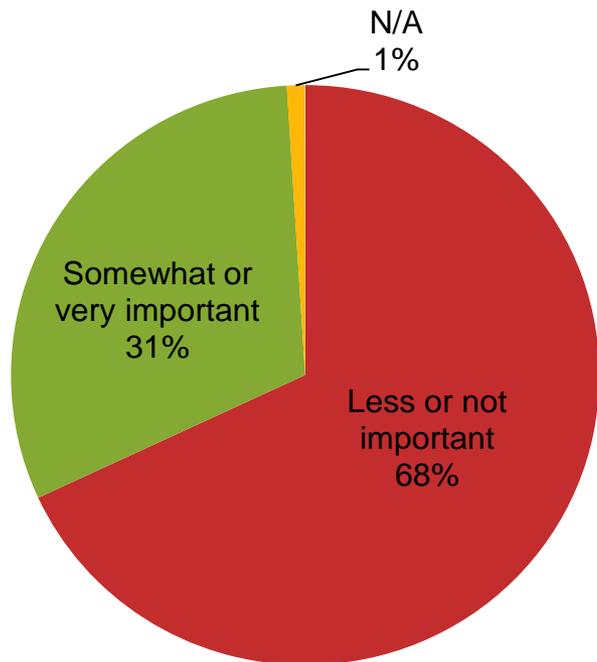
Less Vehicle Congestion



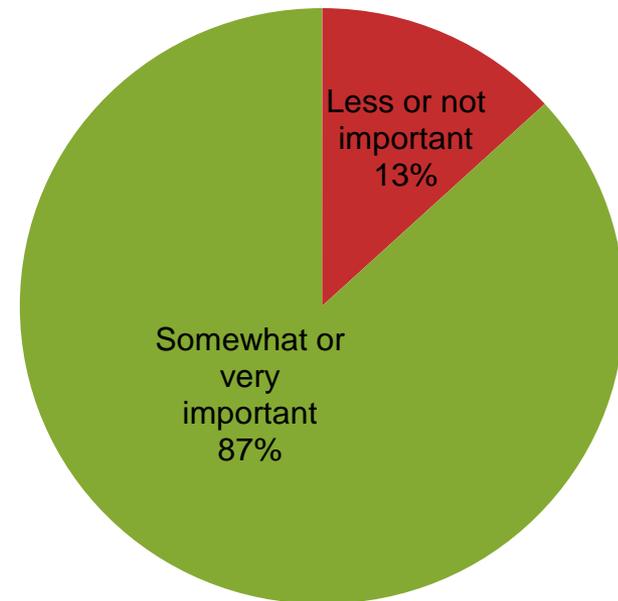
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More On Street Parking on Westheimer



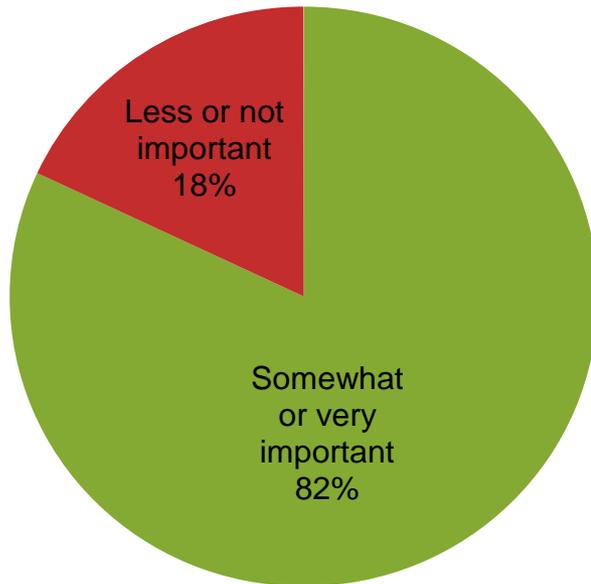
More Street Trees or Shade



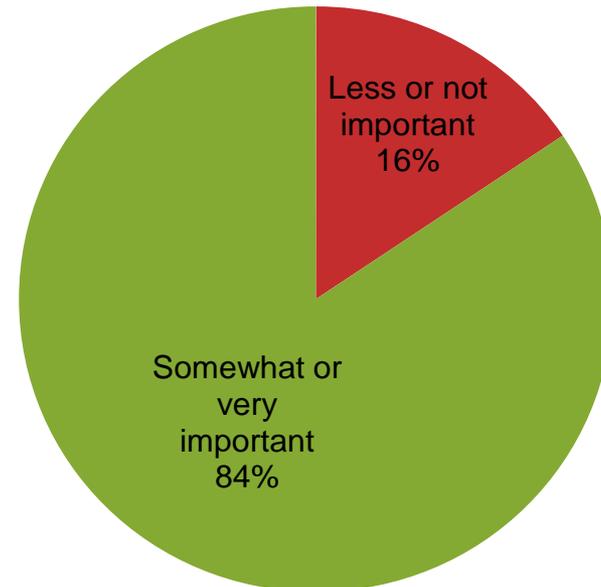
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Wider Sidewalks



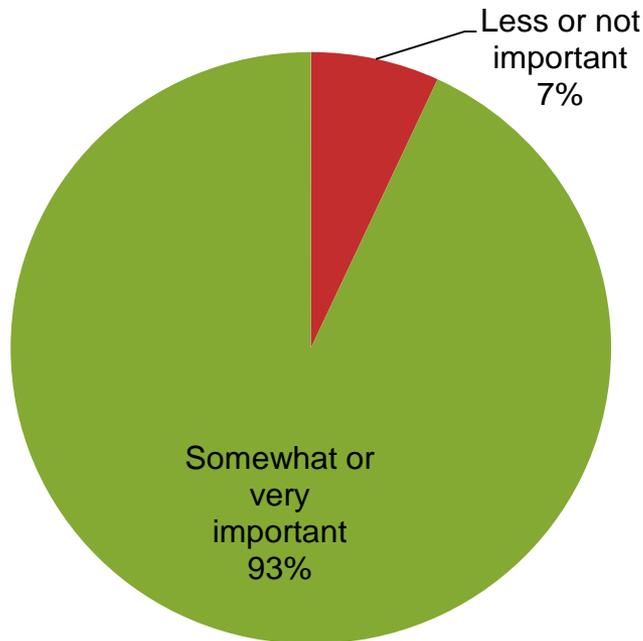
Added or Improved Sidewalk Amenities



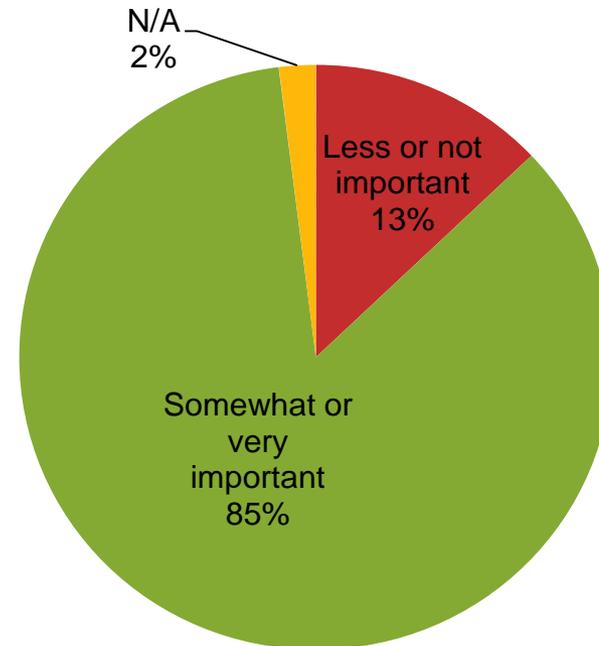
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Improved Pedestrian Crossings Across Westheimer



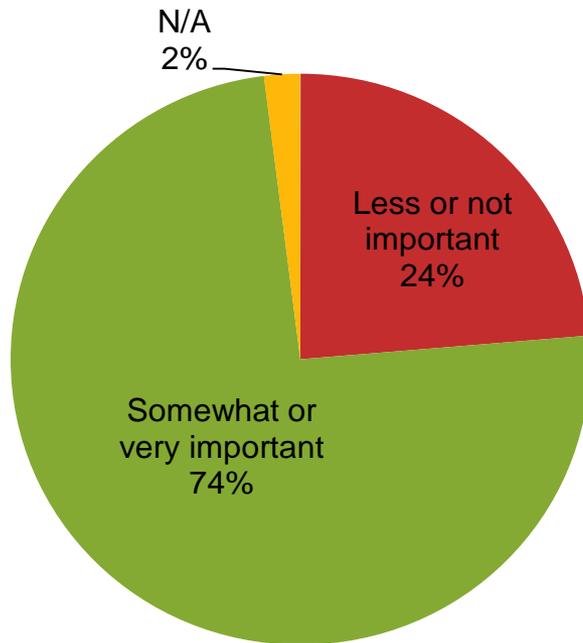
Better Drainage



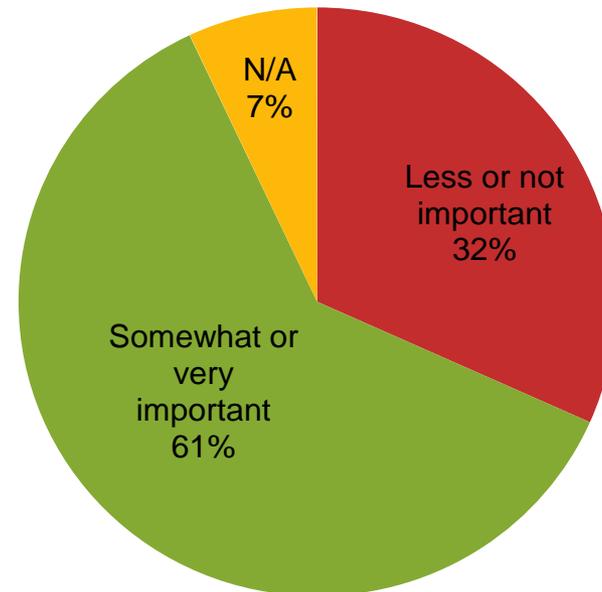
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Better Facilities for Bicycling



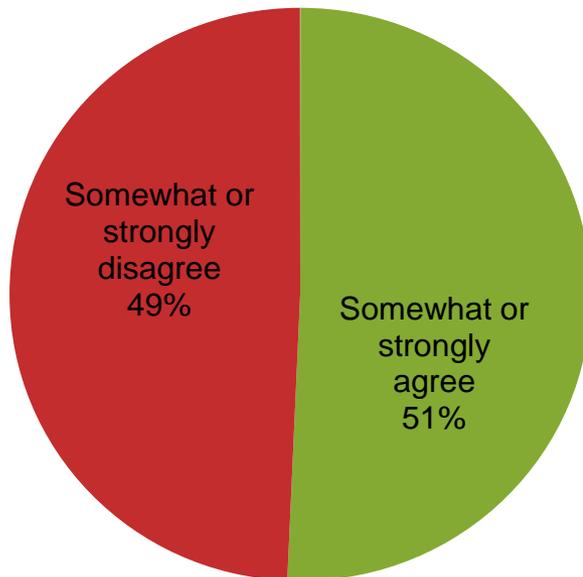
Improved Bus Stops



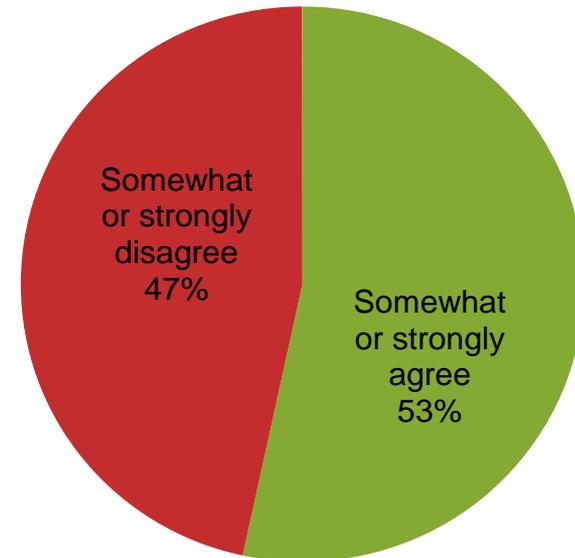
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5. Please agree or disagree with the following statements.

Improving the Flow of Automobile Traffic
Highest Priority



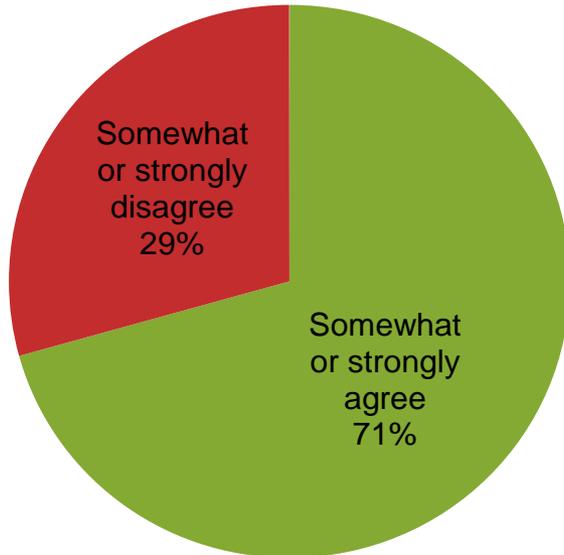
Reduced Parking on Lower Westheimer



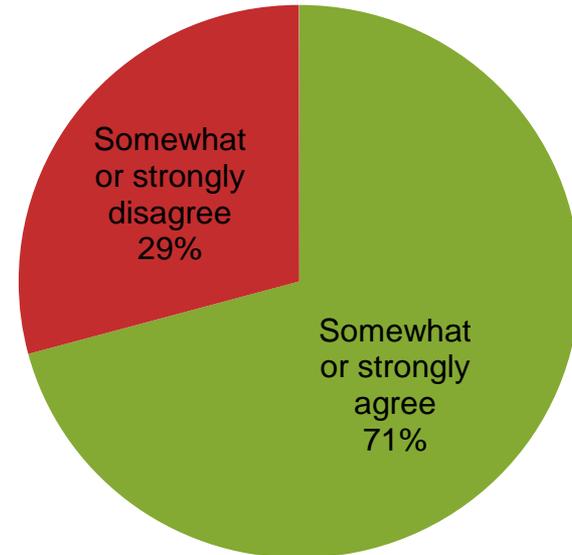
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5. Please agree or disagree with the following statements.

Improving Options for Bicyclists
Should be the Highest Priority



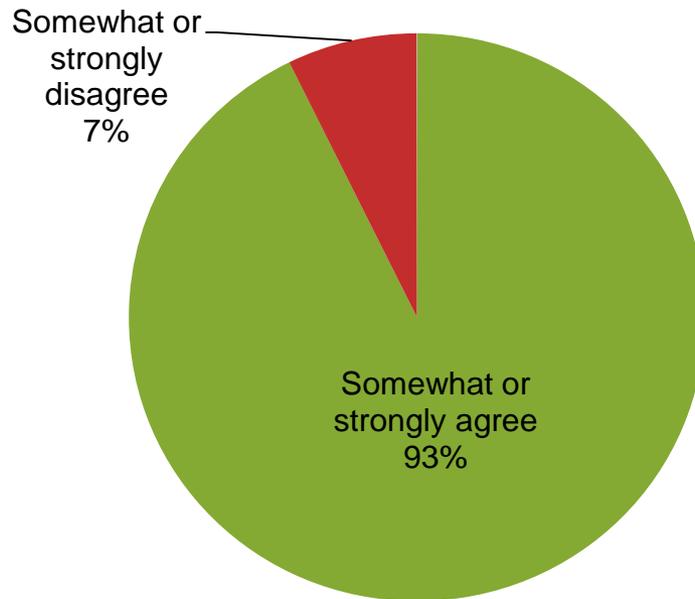
Improving Access to Transit
Should be the Highest Priority



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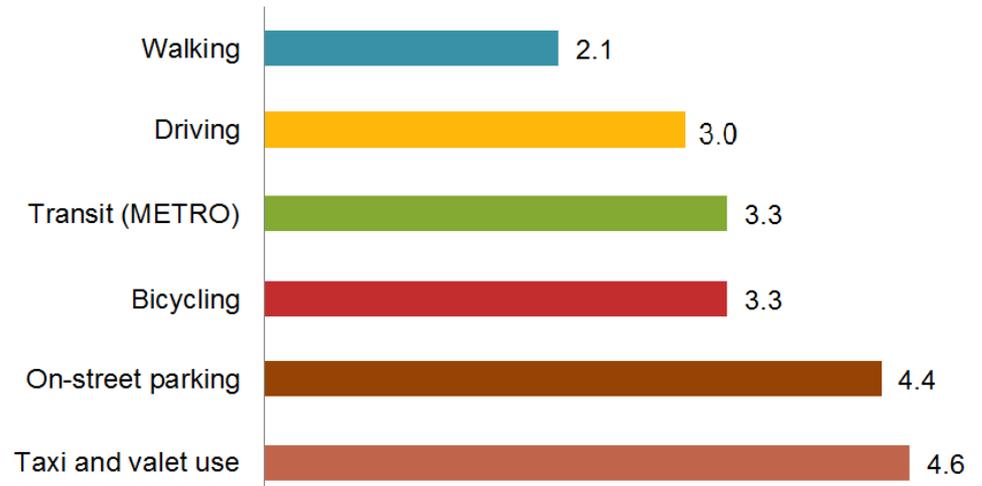
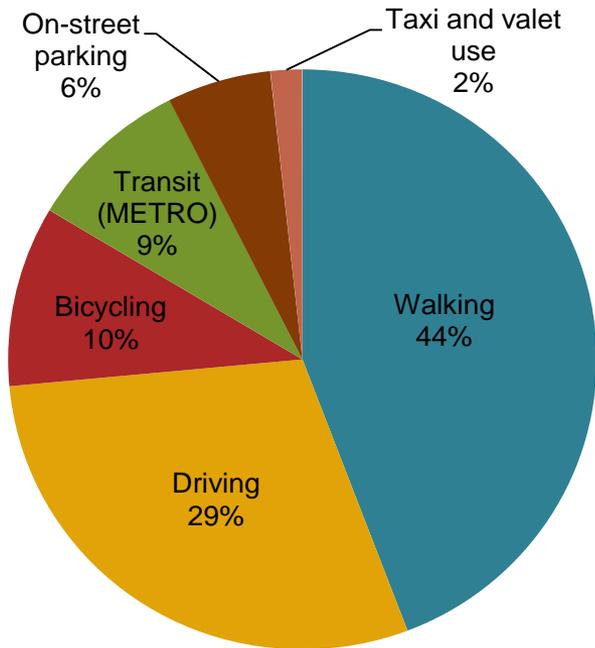
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Improving the Pedestrian Environment
Should be the Highest Priority



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6. Given the limited right-of-way on Lower Westheimer, please rank in order*.



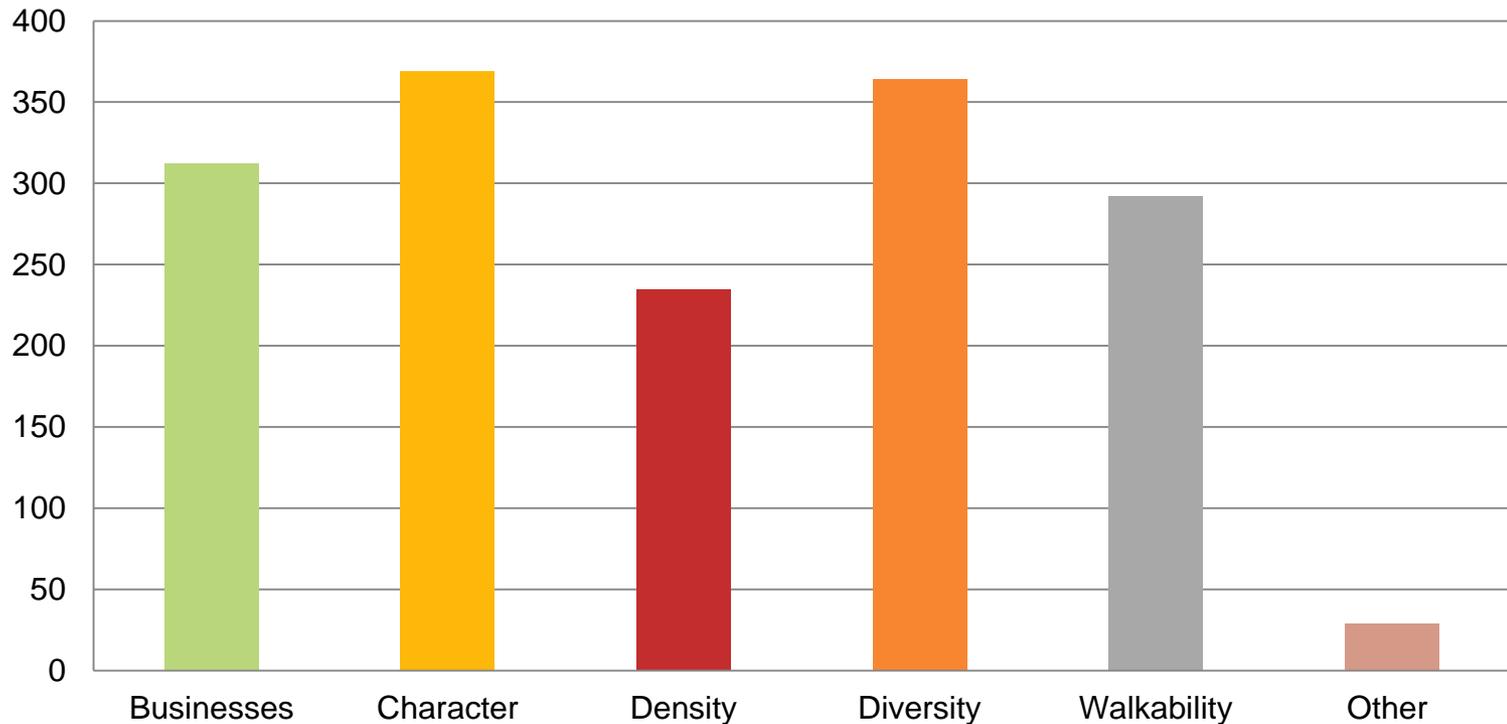
*Notes: Above chart shows % ranking each mode as #1

Above graph shows average ranking (1 is highest)

(A similar question was asked at the Stakeholder Advisory Committee meeting on May 3. At this meeting, walking ranked first, transit second, followed by driving, biking, and on-street parking.)

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7. What do you love about Lower Westheimer*?



*Note: Multiple responses were allowed.

Responses to questions 8 & 9 will be reported separately on lowerwestheimerstudy.org

Lower Westheimer Corridor - Sticky Note Exercise

What do you LOVE about Westheimer Road?



Lower Westheimer Corridor – Public Input Summary

- A true multi-use corridor (modes, land uses, activities, diversity).
- Walkability is both the greatest asset and the greatest need.
- Driving: top mode used, walking second.
- Bicycling and METRO less frequently used modes by respondents (but 82 is METRO's highest ridership bus line).
- Walking rated first as mode priority, driving rated second.
- METRO & Bicycling rated next in priority, with parking and taxi/valet last.
- Parking: few people park on Westheimer, more on-street parking was not ranked as important, but responses were split on removing existing on-street parking.
- Traffic: Respondents did not favor faster traffic speeds and were split on improving traffic flow; however, they did value left turn lanes.
- METRO and Bicycling: Transit and bike and facilities ranked as highly valued, although reported use was not high.
- Walking: Pedestrian improvements were very highly valued, including sidewalks, crossings, street trees, and amenities/street furniture.