



City of Kenmore - 18120 68th Avenue NE - Kenmore, WA 98028
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City Council Special Meeting

ON-SITE

MONDAY, MAY 6, 2024 - 7:15 PM

In addition, we try to provide access to the meeting virtually:

ZOOM LINK: <https://kenmorewa-gov.zoom.us/j/88384098600>

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Technical Difficulties - If the virtual component of the meeting disconnects, and we cannot resolve technical difficulties to reconnect the virtual component, the in-person meeting will continue at City Hall if there is a quorum of the body to conduct business.

Land Acknowledgement to Honor First Peoples

We acknowledge that the City of Kenmore is situated upon the ancestral lands of the Snohomish, Snoqualmie, Sauk-Suiattle, Duwamish, Stillaguamish, Tulalip, Suquamish, Muckleshoot, and other tribes who are part of the Coast Salish Peoples. We recognize and express our deepest respect for their enduring stewardship and profound relationship with this land, which they have cherished and protected since time immemorial. We honor the First Peoples, acknowledge their vibrant cultures, and commit ourselves to learning from their wisdom in our journey to promote justice, equity, and mutual understanding. We pledge to stand alongside these communities in acknowledging past injustices and working towards a future that respects and celebrates the diverse heritage of this land.

I. CALL SPECIAL MEETING TO ORDER - 7:15 PM

II. ROLL CALL

III. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

IV. FLAG SALUTE

V. AGENDA APPROVAL

VI. PROCLAMATION

- A. Safe Paddling and Boating Week, to be accepted by members of the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary

[Safe Paddling and Boating Week - May 18-24, 2024](#)

VII. WHERE'S THE FUN?

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Welcome to the Council's meeting. Please address your comments to the Mayor and Council. You'll have three minutes to speak. If there are more than 20 speakers, time will be reduced to two minutes per speaker. The Clerk will call your name when it's your turn. The Presiding Officer may choose to alternate between in-person and online comments. Please state your name and city of residence and keep within the allotted time. To make every person feel welcome and safe here; please refrain from booing, clapping, heckling, yelling, or other interruptions. The meeting is recorded for transparency. Thank you for being here, and for sharing your input respectfully.

VIRTUAL PUBLIC COMMENT PRE-REGISTRATION PROCESS: To provide public comments virtually, please fill out the [Virtual Public Comment Request Form](#) in advance of the meeting. The form opens Tuesdays at 12:00 Noon and closes Mondays at 12:00 Noon. You will be confirmed by the City Clerk. If you are having difficulty, please reach out to the City Clerk at awarhol@kenmorewa.gov.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Cancel the City Council Regular Meeting of Monday, May 13, 2024.
- B. Authorize the City Manager to execute Agreement No. 24-C3041 with the Washington State Department of Ecology to accept a grant in an amount of \$130,000 for implementing NPDES permit requirements.
[Agenda Bill - Agreement No. 24-C3041 with Department of Ecology](#)
- C. Authorize the City Manager to execute Contract No. 21-C2667 Amendment No. 4 with PACE Engineers to increase the yearly contract amount from \$100,000 to \$200,000.
[Agenda Bill - Amendment No. 4 to Contract No. 21-C2667](#)
[Attachment 1 - Amendment No. 4 to Contract No. 21-C2667](#)
- D. Authorize the City Manager to purchase two fleet trucks in an amount not to exceed \$125,000.
[Agenda Bill - Fleet Trucks](#)
- E. Approve Total Check #s 54228 through 54294 totaling \$303,171.46, Total Payroll/Taxes/Flexible Spending/Retirement & Health Savings Account Electronic Deposits Dated 4/19/2024 in the amount totaling \$374,356.21, and ACH Payment #s 1585 through 1605 totaling \$32,208.36.
[Voucher Certification and Approval 4/13/2024 - 4/26/2024](#)

X. PRESENTATIONS

- A. Recognize Sara Solum Hayashi, outgoing Arts of Kenmore President and Proclaim May 7, 2024 to be Sara Solum Hayashi Day in the City of

Kenmore

[Sara Solum Hayashi Day - May 7, 2024](#)

- B. Introduce Judy Elbert, incoming Arts of Kenmore President
- C. Recognize City Clerk Anastasiya Warhol's Master Municipal Clerk Certification and Issue Professional Municipal Clerks Week Proclamation
[Professional Municipal Clerks Week - May 6-11, 2024](#)

XI. STUDY SESSION AGENDA

- A. Financial Sustainability Plan (FSP) Task Force Recommendations, presented by Finance and Administration Director Melinda Merrell and FSP Task Force Members, *for discussion and possible direction*
[Agenda Bill - FSP Recommendations 2024 \(uploaded 5/1\)](#)
[Attachment 1 - FSP Final Report 2024 \(updated 5/2\)](#)
[Attachment 2 - FSP Council Presentation May 6, 2024 \(updated 5/2\)](#)
[Attachment 3 - FSP Town Hall Feedback \(uploaded 5/1\)](#)
[Attachment 4 - Balancing Act Engagement Presentation May 6, 2024 \(uploaded 5/1\)](#)
[Attachment 5 - Balancing Act Comments 2024 \(uploaded 5/1\)](#)
- B. Love Where You Live Phase II Feedback, presented by Communications and Tourism Manager Lauren Chomiak and EMC Consultant Ian Stewart, *for discussion*
[Agenda Bill - The Love Where You Live Project Phase II Summary \(uploaded 5/2\)](#)
[Attachment 1 - Love Where You Live Phase II Summary Presentation \(uploaded 5/2\)](#)
[Attachment 2 - LWYL Phase II - Downtown Feedback Data \(uploaded 5/2\)](#)
[Attachment 3 - LWYL Phase II - Lakepointe Feedback Data \(uploaded 5/2\)](#)
[Attachment 4 - Love Where You Live Phase I Recap and Phase II Presentation - January 9, 2024 \(uploaded 5/2\)](#)
[Attachment 5 - EMC Survey #1 - Presentation for City Council 2.12.24 \(uploaded 5/2\)](#)
[Attachment 6 - EMC Survey #1 - Topline Results \(uploaded 5/2\)](#)
[Attachment 7 - EMC Survey #1 - Open Ended Verbatims \(uploaded 5/2\)](#)
[Attachment 8 - EMC Survey #2 - Presentation \(uploaded 5/2\)](#)
[Attachment 9 - EMC Survey #2 - Topline Results \(uploaded 5/2\)](#)
[Attachment 10 - EMC Survey #2 - Affordable Housing Verbatims \(uploaded 5/2\)](#)
[Attachment 11 - EMC Survey #2 - Lakepointe Amenity Verbatims \(uploaded 5/2\)](#)
- C. Ballot Measure Options, presented by City Manager Rob Karlinsey and Community Development Director Debbie Bent, *for discussion and possible direction*

[Agenda Bill - FSP Ballot Measures May 6, 2024](#)
[Presentation - Funding Strategies May 6, 2024](#)

XII. STAFF REPORTS

XIII. COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS & COMMENTS

XIV. ADJOURN SPECIAL MEETING

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- A. Monday, May 13, 2024 at 7:00 PM - City Council Regular Meeting - **TENTATIVELY CANCELED**
Monday, May 20, 2024 at 7:00 PM - City Council Regular Meeting
Monday, May 27, 2024 (Tuesday, May 28, 2024) - **CANCELED**
Monday, June 10, 2024 at 7:00 PM - City Council Regular Meeting

NOTICE OF POTENTIAL QUORUMS

[Click here for information about Potential Quorums of the City Council.](#) Now found on the City website under City Council Meetings.

City of Kenmore, Washington Proclamation

WHEREAS, the City of Kenmore is bounded by 7.8 miles of shoreline along Lake Washington, the Sammamish River, and Swamp Creek; and

WHEREAS, a significant number of Kenmore residents of all ages engage in recreational boating; and

WHEREAS, water recreation activities such as paddling and boating significantly contribute to the quality of life in our community, providing opportunities for enjoyment, exercise, and relaxation; and

WHEREAS, ensuring the safety of individuals engaging in these activities is of great importance to prevent accidents, injuries, and loss of life; and

WHEREAS, with the surge of people engaging in paddling activities since 2020, many without training, paddling fatalities now constitute more than 25% of all boating fatalities nationwide; and

WHEREAS, education and awareness regarding safe paddling and boating practices are essential for promoting responsible water recreation and preserving the wellbeing of participants; and

WHEREAS, mission of the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary is to promote and improve recreational boating safety by teaching safety courses and conducting vessel safety checks.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Nigel Herbig, Mayor of the City of Kenmore, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim **May 18-24, 2024** to be **Safe Paddling and Boating Week** throughout the City of Kenmore. We encourage all residents to wear life jackets and practice safe paddling and boating.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, signed this 6th day of May 2024.

Signed: _____ Attested: _____
Nigel Herbig, Mayor Anastasiya Warhol, City Clerk



City Council Agenda Bill City of Kenmore, WA

Subject/Topic: Washington State Department of Ecology NPDES Capacity Grant.	For Council Meeting Agenda of: 05/06/2024 Department: Environmental Services Prepared by: Richard Sawyer, ES Director										
Proposed Council Action/Motion: Authorize City Manager to execute Agreement 24-C3041 with the Washington State Department of Ecology to accept a grant in an amount of \$130,000 for implementing NPDES permit requirements.	<table><thead><tr><th></th><th><u>Initial & Date</u></th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>Approved by Department Head:</td><td><u>RS</u></td></tr><tr><td>Approved by City Attorney:</td><td><u>NA</u></td></tr><tr><td>Approved by Finance Director:</td><td><u>NA</u></td></tr><tr><td>Approved by City Manager:</td><td><u>RK 4/22/24</u></td></tr></tbody></table> Attachments/Exhibits: None		<u>Initial & Date</u>	Approved by Department Head:	<u>RS</u>	Approved by City Attorney:	<u>NA</u>	Approved by Finance Director:	<u>NA</u>	Approved by City Manager:	<u>RK 4/22/24</u>
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Summary: The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) periodically provides capacity grants to all municipalities implementing municipal stormwater NPDES permits. This is a noncompetitive grant that can be used to reimburse costs associated with permit implementation. Typically, the City uses these grant funds to reimburse costs incurred through contracts for inspection and maintenance of the City's stormwater system, such as vector work and pipeline video inspections. The grant amount for this cycle is \$130,000.											
Fiscal Consideration: Grant funds will be deposited into the Surface Water Management Fund.											
<u>City Council Priority</u> or Budget Objective Being Addressed: #2 Implement the adopted Climate Action Plan and promote environmental stewardship, including water, air, forest, and habitat restoration and preservation.											



City Council Agenda Bill City of Kenmore, WA

Subject/Topic: Amendment of Contract No. 21-C2667 with PACE Engineers, Inc. to increase the contract amount. Proposed Council Action/Motion: Authorize City Manager to execute Contract No. 21-C2667, Amendment No. 4, substantially and materially in the form attached.	For Council Meeting Agenda of: <u>May 6, 2024</u> Department: <u>Development Services</u> Prepared by: <u>Samantha Loyuk, Development Services Director</u> <table><thead><tr><th></th><th><u>Initial & Date</u></th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>Approved by Department Head:</td><td><u>SL 4/16/24</u></td></tr><tr><td>Approved by City Attorney:</td><td><u>DR 4/16/24</u></td></tr><tr><td>Approved by Finance Director:</td><td><u>MM 4/16/24</u></td></tr><tr><td>Approved by City Manager:</td><td><u>RK 4/16/24</u></td></tr></tbody></table> Exhibits/Attachments: 1. Contract No. 21-C2667, Amendment No. 4		<u>Initial & Date</u>	Approved by Department Head:	<u>SL 4/16/24</u>	Approved by City Attorney:	<u>DR 4/16/24</u>	Approved by Finance Director:	<u>MM 4/16/24</u>	Approved by City Manager:	<u>RK 4/16/24</u>
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Summary: An increase in the contract amount is necessary due to a vacancy in the department (senior development review engineer position).											
Information/Background: The City of Kenmore Development Services Department ("City") contracts with PACE Engineering, Inc. ("PACE") for planning and engineering support services on an as-needed basis. Services include review of engineering permits, land use applications, final plat language/survey requirements, and other activities associated with the review and approval of development projects within the city. While the demand for services is typically low, a vacancy in the department has resulted in an increased need for these services (senior development review engineer position). The proposed amendment increases the yearly contract amount from \$100,000 to \$200,000.											
Fiscal Consideration: The current budgeted amount of \$84,450 in the 2023-2024 budget did not anticipate the time it would take to fill the department vacancy which has now exceeded 9 months. These costs are offset by the associated salary savings. Further, land use applications and permit fees collected from developers during permitting process pay for costs associated with staff (and consultant) review of development applications. The City is seeking authorization to increase the PACE contract to \$200,000.											
City Council Priority or Budget Objective Being Addressed: (1) Implement the adopted Climate Action Plan and promote environmental stewardship, including water, air, forest, and habitat restoration and preservation; and (2) Increase and preserve the options for affordable housing stock.											

CITY OF KENMORE CONTRACT NO. 21-C2667
AMENDMENT NO. 4
PACE Engineers, Inc., Contract

This Amendment No. 4 is entered into between the City of Kenmore, a Washington municipal corporation (“City” or “Kenmore”) and PACE Engineers, Inc., a Washington corporation (“Contractor”). City and Contractor are each a “Party” and together “Parties” to this Amendment.

The Parties hereby agree as follows:

RECITALS:

- A. The City and Contractor entered into an agreement on February 4, 2021, for the purpose of providing on-call services related to development review, inspections and planning support services or any other engineering/planning services requested by the City (“Agreement”).
- B. The Agreement needs to be amended to accommodate an increased need for services.
- C. In order to make this change, the Agreement needs updating.

AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT:

- 1. **Amendment.** Section 2 of the Agreement is hereby amended to read as follows:

The City shall pay the Consultant a sum not to exceed \$200,000 per year.

- 2. **Severability.** The provisions of this Amendment are declared to be severable. If any provision of this Amendment is, for any reason, held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other provision.
- 3. **Entire Agreement.** The written provisions and terms of this Amendment shall supersede all prior verbal statements of any officer or other representative of the parties, and such statements shall not be effective or be construed as entering into or forming a part of or altering in any manner whatsoever, this Amendment. The entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereunder is contained in the Agreement and exhibits thereto, any prior executed amendments and this Amendment. Should any language in any of the Exhibits to the Agreement or prior amendments conflict with any language contained in this Amendment, then this Amendment shall prevail. Except as modified by this Amendment, all other provisions of the original Agreement and any amendments thereto not inconsistent with this Amendment shall remain in full force and effect.

4. **Effective date.** This Amendment shall be effective as of May 7, 2024.

DATED this 7th day of May, 2024.

CONSULTANT: PACE, Engineers, Inc.

CITY OF KENMORE:

BY: _____

BY: _____

Name: Kenneth H. Nilsen

Name: Rob Karlinsey

Title Executive Vice President

Title: City Manager

Address: PACE Engineers, Inc.

11255 Kirkland Way, Suite 300

Kirkland, WA 98033

Phone: (425) 827-2014

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kenmore City Attorneys' Office



City Council Agenda Bill City of Kenmore, WA

Subject/Topic: Purchase of two additional fleet trucks for the Public Works Operations department. Proposed Council Action/Motion: Authorize City Manager to purchase two fleet trucks in an amount not to exceed \$125,000.	For Council Meeting Agenda of: 05/06/2024 Department: Public Works Operations Prepared by: Jennifer Gordon, Public Works Operations Director <table><thead><tr><th></th><th><u>Initial & Date</u></th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>Approved by Department Head:</td><td><u>JG 4/30/24</u></td></tr><tr><td>Approved by City Attorney:</td><td><u>N/A</u></td></tr><tr><td>Approved by Finance Director:</td><td><u>MM 4/30/24</u></td></tr><tr><td>Approved by City Manager:</td><td><u>RK 4/30/24</u></td></tr></tbody></table> Attachments/Exhibits: None		<u>Initial & Date</u>	Approved by Department Head:	<u>JG 4/30/24</u>	Approved by City Attorney:	<u>N/A</u>	Approved by Finance Director:	<u>MM 4/30/24</u>	Approved by City Manager:	<u>RK 4/30/24</u>
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Summary: Two additional maintenance worker positions were included in the adopted 2023-2024 Biennial Budget to assist with the maintenance and operation of completed Walkways and Waterways improvement projects. Adding new maintenance workers requires purchasing additional vehicles to help provide efficient and effective services to the community. A total of \$115,000 was included in the adopted 2023-2024 budget specifically to purchase additional fleet vehicles.											
Information/Background: The Public Works Operations Department plans to purchase two new trucks to add to the existing city fleet. When selecting and specifying additional vehicles, staff will assess through a climate/environment friendly lens that will weigh the needs of the operation with the availability of alternate fuel engines and/or other climate friendly options to the maximum extent feasible.											
Fiscal Consideration: Funds are included in the adopted 2023-2024 Biennial Budget. • \$50,000.00 – 101.000.59442.6004 Street Fund • \$65,000.00 – 001.076.59418.6004 Parks & Facilities General Fund											
<u>City Council Priority</u> or Budget Objective Being Addressed: Efficient and effective services.											



Voucher Certification and Approval

City of Kenmore

DATE RANGE: 4/13/2024 through 4/26/2024

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the materials have been furnished, the services rendered or the labor performed as described herein, that any advance payment is due and payable pursuant to a contract or is available as an option for full or partial fulfillment of a contractual obligation, and that the claim is a just, due and unpaid obligation against the City of Kenmore and that I am authorized to authenticate and certify to said claim. The following checks and electronic payments are approved for payment:

Total ACH Payments #1585-1605: 32,208.36

Total Checks #54228 through 54294: 303,171.46

Total Payroll Electronic Deposits: Payroll/Taxes/FSA/HSA/Retirement, Dated 4/19/2024 374,356.21

Rob Karlinsey Apr 29, 2024
[Rob Karlinsey \(Apr 29, 2024 10:32 PDT\)](#)
 City Manager / Date

Melinda Merrell Apr 29, 2024
[Melinda Merrell \(Apr 29, 2024 09:36 PDT\)](#)
 Finance & Administration Director / Date

Vendor Name	Payment Number	Payment Date	Description	Amount
KBA INC.	1585	04/26/2024	Professional Services 2/25-3/30/24	2,533.21
MOTT MACDONALD	1586	04/26/2024	Mar 2024 Design & Permitting Services	1,297.07
U.S. BANK PURCHASE CARDS	1587	04/26/2024	Misc. Office Supplies	594.96
U.S. BANK PURCHASE CARDS	1588	04/26/2024	Void	-
U.S. BANK PURCHASE CARDS	1589	04/26/2024	MRSC Class, MBP Paypal, Supplies, Gift Cards	194.95
U.S. BANK PURCHASE CARDS	1590	04/26/2024	ASLA Dues, APA Conf. NPC24 T Hall	982.70
U.S. BANK PURCHASE CARDS	1591	04/26/2024	Earth Day Tote Bags	795.11
U.S. BANK PURCHASE CARDS	1592	04/26/2024	PW Ops Supp/Mat, Training, Cardio Partners	6,375.94
U.S. BANK PURCHASE CARDS	1593	04/26/2024	250 Stress Reliever Balls, FBI Leeda Training	1271.79
U.S. BANK PURCHASE CARDS	1594	04/26/2024	Team Retreat Meal, Keyboard & Fan	191.26
U.S. BANK PURCHASE CARDS	1595	04/26/2024	Wix, Kenmore Books, Vcita, Pins, Meals	1,276.99
U.S. BANK PURCHASE CARDS	1596	04/26/2024	Feb Shred Svcs, Recruitment Soc Black Engineers	840.71
U.S. BANK PURCHASE CARDS	1597	04/26/2024	Crelate, Training, CH Phones, Zoom, Misc. Office Supplies	11,215.02
U.S. BANK PURCHASE CARDS	1598	04/26/2024	Void	-
U.S. BANK PURCHASE CARDS	1599	04/26/2024	Zoom Fee 4/13-5/12/24	17.62
U.S. BANK PURCHASE CARDS	1600	04/26/2024	Storage April, WSNLA Dues, Optisigns software	877.05
U.S. BANK PURCHASE CARDS	1601	04/26/2024	Training, Seattle Times, Outreach Supp, GIS Mappin	391.00
U.S. BANK PURCHASE CARDS	1602	04/26/2024	Volgistics Fee 3/22-4/21/24	45.00

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U.S. BANK PURCHASE CARDS	1603	04/26/2024	WABO Dues & Training, MIRO April, WC3 Training	784.04
U.S. BANK PURCHASE CARDS	1604	04/26/2024	MRSC Training, Conf. Hotel Seaside	725.14
U.S. BANK PURCHASE CARDS	1605	04/26/2024	Canva, MRSC Class, Userway, Calameo, Animoto	1,798.80
AFLAC	54228	04/19/2024	Employee Medical/Disability Plans	155.74
NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE CO.	54229	04/19/2024	Life Insurance	96.05
FASTSIGNS	54230	04/26/2024	FastSigns Utility Vinyl Wraps	3,915.35
Motorola Solutions, Inc.	54231	04/26/2024	(6) Emergency Radios	1,427.46
AGORA REFRESHMENTS	54232	04/26/2024	Apr 2024 PW Office & City Hall Filtered Water - Both Floors	198.02
ALWAYS ACTIVE SERVICES LLC	54233	04/26/2024	NE 175th St Wayfinding Improvements	3,257.86
AM TEST, INC	54234	04/26/2024	Feb 2024 TMDL Swamp Creek	240.00
APPLIED CONCEPTS, INC.	54235	04/26/2024	Stalker Patrol Counting Unit	1,845.85
AURORA RENTS	54236	04/26/2024	Rental Equip. SW WO 12482 Dewatering/Bypass	100.11
BCN TELECOM, INC.	54237	04/26/2024	4/15-5/14/24 City Hall Phones	865.40
BRYAN HAMPSON	54238	04/26/2024	ICC Building Official Certificate Renewals	165.00
BUILDERS EXCHANGE OF WASHINGTON INC	54239	04/26/2024	Advertising - Online Project Publish	66.55
CALPORTLAND COMPANY	54240	04/26/2024	Materials for SW Work, Rock for Cozy Inn Site Grading SR 23142	4,567.25
CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.	54241	04/26/2024	Apr 2024 2nd Floor Printer Lease	266.32
CHICAGO TITLE	54242	04/26/2024	NOA Mailing Labels PRJ23-0067	3.50
CITY OF BELLEVUE	54243	04/26/2024	Q1 2024 ARCH Contribution	17,752.75
CODE PUBLISHING COMPANY	54244	04/26/2024	KAC Creation Contract #23-C2947	2,250.00
COMCAST	54245	04/26/2024	Apr 2024 City Hall & Hangar Internet	2,128.40
COMCAST BUSINESS	54246	04/26/2024	4/14-5/13/24 City Hall Internet & Cable, TI'awh'ah'dees Park Internet	229.61
CRAIG OLSON	54247	04/26/2024	Permit Refund - 20312 62nd Pl NE, Kenmore	248.00
DAILY JOURNAL OF COMMERCE	54248	04/26/2024	Advertising RFQ 24-C3035	494.70
EMC RESEARCH, INC.	54249	04/26/2024	LWYL Survey #2 Kenmore Priorities	17,000.00
FIX AUTO KENMORE	54250	04/26/2024	Fleet 312 F-550 Hood Repair	2,840.91
GCP WW HOLDCO, LLC	54251	04/26/2024	Annual Boot Purchase - Chase	350.00
GRAINGER	54252	04/26/2024	Part for Moorlands Irrigation	96.87
H.D. FOWLER COMPANY	54253	04/26/2024	Parts for Moorlands Irrigation	282.57
HILLIS CLARK MARTIN & PETERSON P.S.	54254	04/26/2024	Mar 2024 Kenmore Village & Lakepointe Property Legal Services	13,560.00
HONEY BUCKET	54255	04/26/2024	Apr 2024 PW Yard Honey Bucket	167.75
HORIZON DISTRIBUTORS INC	54256	04/26/2024	Irrigation Parts: Streets & Parks, ROW and Vegetation Supplies	1,364.83
ICLEI	54257	04/26/2024	Annual Membership Dues 7/1/24-6/30/25	1,200.00
ICMA INTERNATIONAL CITY/CNTY MGMT ASSOC	54258	04/26/2024	Annual Dues for Rob 7/1/24-6/30/25	1,200.00

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KIMLEY HORN AND ASSOCIATES, INC.	54259	04/26/2024	Mar 2024 Kenmore Middle Housing Services	6,810.00
KING COUNTY FINANCE	54260	04/26/2024	Mar 2024 King County Road Maint - Signs & Road Services	7,494.29
LAKE CITY PARTNERS ENDING HOMELESSNESS	54261	04/26/2024	Q1 2024 Homelessness Response	4,500.00
LANGTON SPIETH, LLC	54262	04/26/2024	Feb 2024 Community Engagement Services	4,000.00
MINUTEMAN PRESS	54263	04/26/2024	7 Downtown Map Posters	804.09
MOJO STRATEGIES	54264	04/26/2024	Climate Action Logo, Recycle Event Flyer Refresh	942.50
NIGEL HERBIG	54265	04/26/2024	Mileage, Seatac Parking, DC Uber transport for NLC Conference	344.01
NORTHSHORE UTILITY DIST	54266	04/26/2024	Mar 2024 Fleet Fuel & Maintenance	10,778.74
NORTHWEST ARBORICULTURE LLC	54267	04/26/2024	Hazard Tree Assessment & Removal on PWOC Site	10,312.16
OFFICE DEPOT	54268	04/26/2024	Multi sheet page protectors	1.28
OFFICE DEPOT	54269	04/26/2024	Misc. Office Supplies	18.63
OFFICE DEPOT	54270	04/26/2024	Misc. Office Supplies	10.52
OLSON BROTHERS PRO VAC LLC	54271	04/26/2024	Mar 2024 Drainage Maintenance	22,965.00
OSBORN CONSULTING INC.	54272	04/26/2024	Mar 2024 1705h Culvert FP Repair, Muck Creek Mitigation, Mar/Apr 2024 Technical Grant Support	12,191.19
PACE ENGINEERS, INC.	54273	04/26/2024	Mar 2024 On Call Engineering Services	24,678.50
PAWS	54274	04/26/2024	Mar 2024 Animal Sheltering	916.00
PLYWOOD SUPPLY	54275	04/26/2024	Lumber Purchase - Facilities - Aleks	48.49
PUGET SOUND ENERGY	54276	04/26/2024	Electricity: City Hall, Hangar, PW Site, Irrigation, Parks, Art, Traffic Signals, Schools, Radar Sign; Natural Gas: CH & Hangar	6,002.68
QUALITY BUSINESS SYSTEMS / WELLS FARGO	54277	04/26/2024	2023 Personal Prop Tax on former copier	58.83
SCORE	54278	04/26/2024	Mar 2024 Jail Services	9,164.96
SENZA KENMORE LLC / GOLDSMITH	54279	04/26/2024	Refund of ROW Deposit	7,500.00
SMS CLEANING, INC.	54280	04/26/2024	Apr 2024 CH, Hangar, & PW Office Janitorial Svcs	6,495.00
STAPLES	54281	04/26/2024	City Hall & Hangar Maintenance Supplies	150.13
STATE AUDITOR'S OFFICE	54282	04/26/2024	2021/2022 Audit Fees	3,268.85
STEWART MACNICHOLS HARMELL, INC.	54283	04/26/2024	Mar 2024 Indigent Public Defense Services	5,000.00
STOWE DEVELOPMENT & STRATEGIES LLC	54284	04/26/2024	Mar 2024 General Consulting Services	825.00
STRIDER CONSTRUCTION CO., INC.	54285	04/26/2024	Final Payments Tl'awh'ah'dees Park	57,430.84
SUPERION, LLC	54286	04/26/2024	2024 Annual TRAKit End User License Maint Fee	2,545.62
TOTAL LANDSCAPE CORP	54287	04/26/2024	Apr 2024 City Hall & Parks Landscape	5,034.59
ULINE	54288	04/26/2024	Storage Room Shelving, Gloves	1,028.93
WA STATE DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION	54289	04/26/2024	Mar 2024 Traffic Signal Maintenance	319.42
WAGNER ARCHITECTS	54290	04/26/2024	Thru 3/31/2024 PWOC Facility Planning Consult	8,950.00
WASHINGTON FEDERAL BANK	54291	04/26/2024	Final Retainage Tl'awh'ah'dees Park 21-C2670	2,732.20
XEROX CORPORATION	54292	04/26/2024	Mar 2024 1st Floor Printer Lease & Overages	492.01

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Vendor Name	Payment Number	Payment Date	Description	Amount
YOUNGMIN KIM	54293	04/26/2024	Hangar Deposit Refund for 4/6/2024 Event	150.00
PUGET SOUND ENERGY	54294	04/26/2024	City Hall Natural Gas, Irrigation & Traffic Signal 153rd/Juanita	870.15
MISSION SQUARE / 109964	DFT0001942-44	04/19/2024	City of Kenmore 401a & 401a Loan	27,387.58
MISSION SQUARE 457 / 304745	DFT0001945-48	04/19/2024	ICMA 457 Deferred Comp	6,853.67
DRS 457	DFT0001949-50	04/19/2024	DRS 457 Deferred Comp	466.50
AWC EMPLOYEE BENEFIT TRUST	DFT0001951-55	04/19/2024	Employee Health Insurance	98,573.39
AVIDIA HEALTH	DFT0001956	04/19/2024	Employee Health Savings Contribution	348.08
LINCOLN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE	DFT0001957-58	04/19/2024	Life Ins/ADD & LTD	2,288.73
DEPARTMENT OF RETIREMENT SYSTEMS	DFT0001959-67	04/19/2024	Public Employees Retirement	37,262.64
AWC EMPLOYEE BENEFIT TRUST	DFT0001968-69	04/19/2024	Employee Health Insurance	940.40
NAVIA	DFT0001970	04/19/2024	Employee Flexible Spending Account	954.92
BANK OF AMERICA 941	DFT0001971	04/19/2024	Federal Taxes	28,787.41
PAYROLL	EFT	4/19/2024	Direct Deposit	170,492.89
TOTAL				709,736.03

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Name	Amount
58 STARS TRAVEL	2,088.36
AABCO BARRICADE COMPANY INC.	352.37
ACF WEST INC	1,597.28
AFLAC	782.86
AGORA REFRESHMENTS	716.33
ALL AROUND FENCE COMPANY	8,719.92
ALPHAGRAPHS	741.99
ALWAYS ACTIVE SERVICES LLC	57,417.22
ALYSSA MONTGOMERY	150.00
AM TEST, INC	750.00
AMBER CLIFTON	2,189.61
AMERICALL	667.39
AMERICAN GENERAL LIFE GPO/400S	881.32
AMERICAN SOCIETY OF COMPOSERS	500.00
AMERICAN TRAFFIC SOLUTIONS INC	45,000.00
AMY LINDBLOM	150.00
AMY ZIER	137.60
ANNA ARNOTT	215.06
APPLIED CONCEPTS, INC.	1,845.85
ASPECT CONSULTING LLC	2,090.00
ASSOCIATION OF WA CITIES	22,510.15
AURORA RENTS	2,125.37
AVIDIA HEALTH	2,784.64
AWC EMPLOYEE BENEFIT TRUST	413,075.56
BANK OF AMERICA 941	241,912.92
BASTYR UNIVERSITY	125.00
BCN TELECOM, INC.	3,466.96
BIZDIVERSITY	1,250.00
BOTHELL KENMORE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	1,500.00
BRIGHT SPARK EARLY LEARNING SERVICES	300.00
BRYAN HAMPSON	165.00
BUILDERS EXCHANGE OF WASHINGTON INC	66.55
CALPORTLAND COMPANY	5,396.75
CAMP UNITED WE STAND	1,125.60
CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.	1,064.56
CAPITAL ONE TRADE CREDIT/MCLENDON	401.08
CASCADE PEST CONTROL	502.05
CASCADIA COLLEGE	30,000.00
CASCADIA LAW GROUP	2,250.00
CEDAR GROVE COMPOSTING, INC.	64.74
CENTER FOR HUMAN SERVICES	38,212.18
CHANIN KELLY-RAE CONSULTING LLC	650.00
CHICAGO TITLE	7.00
CITY OF BELLEVUE	22,593.48
CITY OF KENMORE	2,553.80
CITY OF KENT	575.00
CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK	56,187.00
CITYWORKS/AZTECA SYSTEMS LLC	43,832.13
CODE PUBLISHING COMPANY	3,183.50
COMCAST	8,456.00
COMCAST BUSINESS	938.44
CONFLUENCE ENVIRONMENTAL COMPANY	8,046.45
CONSOLIDATED PRESS	5,808.24

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CRAIG OLSON	248.00	
D.P. NICOLI, INC.	469.37	
DAILY JOURNAL OF COMMERCE	3,088.25	
DALE KRUEGER	208.65	
DAVID BAKER	240.39	
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIES	17,603.49	
DEPARTMENT OF RETIREMENT SYSTEMS	301,950.03	
DRS 457	15,977.50	
DTG RECYCLE	898.05	
E SQUARED SYSTEMS, LLC	264.36	
ELECTRONIC BUSINESS MACHINES	590.05	
EMC RESEARCH, INC.	51,000.00	
ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS RESEARCH INST	15,320.10	
ENVIROTECH	10,041.75	
ESD - LTC	5,921.47	
ESD - PFML	10,883.68	
FAST WATER HEATER	187.10	
FASTSIGNS	3,915.35	
FERGUSON WATERWORKS #3156	3,626.90	
FIRE PROTECTION, INC	2,340.65	
FIRESTONE INVESTMENT LLC	73,202.00	
FIX AUTO KENMORE	2,840.91	
FLEMINGS HOLIDAY LIGHTING LLC	2,247.17	
FLYWAY RETAIL + LIVING	3,111.41	
FOURTEN CREATIVE	6,100.00	
FUELCARE	7,643.05	
GARY ULRICH	40.00	
GAYLYNN BRIEN	180.00	
GCP WW HOLDCO, LLC	1,047.08	
GOOD, MICHAEL J.	300.00	
GORDON THOMAS HONEYWELL	13,545.00	
GRAINGER	136.04	
H.D. FOWLER COMPANY	4,185.40	
HDR ENGINEERING, INC	37,070.80	
HEALTH MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATES INC	21,700.00	
HESTON PHOTOGRAPHY	420.04	
HILLIS CLARK MARTIN & PETERSON P.S.	15,488.00	
HOLMBERG COMPANY	1,100.04	
HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICES	2,406.42	
HONEY BUCKET	671.00	
HORIZON DISTRIBUTORS INC	5,747.10	
HP'S SMOKEHOUSE BBQ	330.00	
HRA VEBA TRUST	24,941.03	
HUNTINGTON TECHNOLOGY FINANCE	44,565.62	
HYDROPOINT DATA SYSTEMS, INC.	3,922.93	
ICICLE VILLAGE RESORT	8,138.12	
ICLEI	1,200.00	
ICMA INTERNATIONAL CITY/CNTY MGMT ASSOC	1,200.00	
INSIDESOURCE	2,470.64	
INSLEE, BEST, DOEZIE & RYDER, P.S.	108,818.35	
INTERNATIONAL INST OF MUNI CLERKS	250.00	
iWORQ SYSTEMS	2,800.00	
JADA THOMPSON	156.00	
JENNIFER LEIGH DIXON	3,520.00	
JERRY OWEN	27,732.40	
JET CITY PRINTING	192.72	
JIM DANDY SEWER & PLUMBING	462.42	
JOHN BAYS	7,500.00	
JOHN VICENTE	434.50	
JONES BOYS MAINTENANCE CO. INC.	1,414.79	

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JORDAN STECKS	150.00	
JURASSIC PARLIAMENT	1,899.64	
KARI HATCHER	150.00	
KBA INC.	11,315.07	
KCDA PURCHASING COOP	6,834.60	
KENMORE COMMUNITY CLUB	530.00	
KENMORE ELEMENTARY PTA	1,250.00	
KENMORE HERITAGE SOCIETY	5,393.00	
KENMORE MIDDLE SCHOOL	2,500.00	
KENMORE SENIOR CENTER	7,812.50	
KIMLEY HORN AND ASSOCIATES, INC.	16,305.00	
KING COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION	200.00	
KING COUNTY FINANCE	28,670.51	
KING COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE	100.00	
KING COUNTY REGIONAL HOMELESSNESS AUTHORITY	38,000.00	
KING COUNTY TREASURY	92,687.37	
KOMPAN, INC	4,238.63	
KPFF CONSULTING ENGINEERS	46,150.80	
LAKE CITY PARTNERS ENDING HOMELESSNESS	17,000.00	
LANGTON SPIETH, LLC	12,000.00	
LEIGH ANNE MALAVOTTE	156.00	
LIGHTHOUSE CONSULTING INC	46,601.67	
LINCOLN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE	9,213.83	
LINKEDIN CORP.	5,730.00	
LITTLE JACK FLOWER FARM	235.00	
MARY MILLER STEPHENS	2,500.00	
MELANIE O'CAIN	453.50	
MELINDA MERRELL	159.79	
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMM/STREETSAVER	2,000.00	
MICHELLE KANG	415.39	
MINUTEMAN PRESS	21,989.06	
MISSION SQUARE / 109964	226,422.85	
MISSION SQUARE 457 / 304745	54,394.86	
MOJO STRATEGIES	942.50	
MORGAN STANLEY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LLC	4,166.66	
Motorola Solutions, Inc.	1,295.34	
MOTT MACDONALD	18,212.05	
MR. T'S TROPHIES & AWARDS LLC	28.52	
NAC INC	38,515.00	
NAMI EASTSIDE	1,875.00	
NARWHAL MET, LLC	1,275.00	
NATIONAL BARRICADE CO., LLC	992.26	
NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE CO.	465.56	
NAVIA	19,120.11	
NELSON ELECTRIC, INC.	3,525.02	
NIGEL HERBIG	1,274.71	
NIKHIL PATNE	250.00	
NORTHSHORE PARK & REC SERVICE AREA	5,440.00	
NORTHSHORE SCHOOL DISTRICT	220,791.00	
NORTHSHORE SCHOOLS FOUNDATION	750.00	
NORTHSHORE SENIOR CENTER	4,062.50	
NORTHSHORE UTILITY DIST	46,048.55	
NORTHSHORE YOUTH SOCCER ASSOC.	55.00	
NORTHWEST ARBORICULTURE LLC	14,700.09	
NORTHWEST TROPHY	1,548.56	
OFFICE DEPOT	1,806.77	
OFFICE OF MINORITY & WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES	2,395.47	
OLBRECHTS & ASSOCIATES, PLLC	6,633.75	
OLSON BROTHERS PRO VAC LLC	60,999.41	
OLYMPIC ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES INC	6,683.53	

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Name	Amount	Page 18 of 279
OLYMPIC NURSERY INC	1,250.10	
ONE DIVERSIFIED	287.34	
ONTRA MARKETING GROUP	150.00	
O'REILLY/FIRST CALL	198.28	
OSBORN CONSULTING INC.	179,140.07	
OUTCOMES BY LEVY, LLC	4,900.00	
PACE ENGINEERS, INC.	99,396.50	
PACIFIC AIR CONTROL, INC.	10,553.96	
PACIFIC TOPSOILS	4,045.00	
PARAMETRIX INC	2,601.92	
PAWS	1,603.00	
PENDLETON CONSULTING LLC	3,149.12	
PETROCARD, INC	3,942.42	
PETTY CASH CUSTODIAN	263.58	
PLYWOOD SUPPLY	71.09	
POLCO	9,000.00	
PROGENGO LLC	128.76	
PSR MECHANICAL, LLC	644.09	
PUGET SOUND CLEAN AIR AGENCY	23,536.00	
PUGET SOUND EMERGENCY RADIO NETWORK OPERATOR	604.80	
PUGET SOUND ENERGY	137,295.69	
PUGET SOUND PLANTS	2,545.42	
QUADIENT LEASING USA, INC.	1,290.95	
QUALITY BUSINESS SYSTEMS / WELLS FARGO	58.83	
QUINN PROFFITT	125.84	
RAJESH MASKARA	250.00	
REGIONAL ANIMAL SERVICES OF KC	365.00	
REGIONAL CRISIS RESPONSE AGENCY	38,459.75	
REPUBLIC SERVICES #172	5,062.96	
RRJ COMPANY, LLC	218,386.31	
SARABJIT MANN	7,500.00	
SARAH ROBERTS	40,262.41	
SCHEMATA WORKSHOP INC.	243.00	
SCHINDLER ELEVATOR CORPORATION	1,089.78	
SCORE	41,724.29	
SEATTLE OUT & PROUD FOUNDATION	2,250.00	
SEATTLE TIMES	2,981.50	
SENZA KENMORE LLC / GOLDSMITH	7,500.00	
SESAC	581.00	
SHANNON & WILSON, INC.	712.50	
SHANNON TIPPLE-LEEN	173.45	
SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO.	303.76	
SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP.	284.67	
SHORELINE FIRE DEPT	120.00	
SISKUN POWER EQUIPMENT	2,981.71	
SKYCORP, LTD	43,074.87	
SLABJACK NW, LLC	5,031.57	
SMS CLEANING, INC.	25,980.00	
SNOHOMISH COUNTY	4,216.00	
SOFTWAREONE, INC.	20,361.43	
ST OF WA DEPT OF FISH & WILDLIFE	40.00	
STAPLES	4,825.75	
STATE AUDITOR'S OFFICE	40,187.07	
STATE OF WA DEPT. OF LICENSING	1.64	
STEPHANIE LUCASH	632.00	
STEWART MACNICHOLS HARMELL, INC.	20,000.00	
STOWE DEVELOPMENT & STRATEGIES LLC	2,550.00	
STRATEGIES 360, INC.	13,000.00	
STRIDER CONSTRUCTION CO., INC.	57,430.84	
SUMMIT LAW GROUP PLLC	1,500.00	

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Name	Amount	Page 19 of 279
SUNBELT RENTALS	548.10	
SUPERION, LLC	2,545.62	
T MOBILE USA, INC.	4,840.42	
TASTAD CONSTRUCTION INC	118,452.36	
THE LODGE AT ST. EDWARD PARK	261.51	
TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL	250.00	
TOBIN BENNETT GOLD	711.40	
TOTAL LANDSCAPE CORP	28,024.33	
TRUE NORTH EQUIPMENT INC	168.96	
TRUGREEN	351.53	
TRUSTEES OF THE HAMLINE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA	1,704.47	
U.S. BANK N.A. / CUSTODY	314.00	
U.S. BANK PURCHASE CARDS	105,660.79	
ULINE	4,092.77	
UPS STORE KENMORE	505.37	
URBAN LAND INSTITUTE	15,000.00	
US POSTAL SERVICE	2,717.73	
UTILITIES UNDERGROUND LOCATION CTR	487.08	
VALLEY, CHRIS & BETH	2,464.75	
VERIZON WIRELESS	240.18	
WA CITIES INSURANCE AUTHORITY	795,456.00	
WA FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION	225.00	
WA RECREATION & PARK ASSOC.	605.00	
WA STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	75.00	
WA STATE DEPT OF ENTERPRISE SVCS	4,117.00	
WA STATE DEPT OF LABOR & INDUSTRIES	284.30	
WA STATE DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION	3,766.21	
WA STATE DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION	43.04	
WAGNER ARCHITECTS	20,890.00	
WASHINGTON AUDIOLOGY SERVICES, INC.	1,114.10	
WASHINGTON FEDERAL BANK	2,732.20	
WASHINGTON MUNICIPAL CLERKS ASSOC	100.00	
WASHINGTON STATE FARMERS MARKET ASSOCIATION	350.00	
WASHINGTON STATE OFFICE CASH MGMT	343.00	
WESTERN DISPLAY FIREWORKS, LTD.	7,500.00	
WESTLAKE HARDWARE WA-153	1,037.15	
WM CORPORATE SERVICES INC.	12,956.85	
WONDERLAND CHILD & FAMILY SERVICES	500.00	
XEROX CORPORATION	2,275.03	
YOUNGMIN KIM	150.00	
YOURMEMBERSHIP.COM, INC	249.00	
ZIPLY FIBER	2,515.89	
ZONAR SYSTEMS	544.07	

City of Kenmore, Washington Proclamation

WHEREAS, Sara Solum Hayashi started volunteering for the annual Kenmore Art Show in 2001 and became a leader of the juried production for many years; and

WHEREAS, Sara Solum Hayashi has curated and hung over 35 art shows for the City Hall Gallery; and

WHEREAS, Sara Solum Hayashi has lead the annual Arts of Kenmore Juried Art Show for repeat years; and

WHEREAS, Sara Solum Hayashi has helped to facilitate the creation of several Public Art pieces in the City including the Kenmore Mural Project at St Vincent de Paul, the Art wrap at CalPortland, Legends Bench in Rhododendron Park and Progress Steps at City Hall; and

WHEREAS, Sara Solum Hayashi has worked tirelessly for the arts in Kenmore through grant writing and advocacy; and

WHEREAS, Sara Solum Hayashi is an artist herself with a utility wrap of her work in Kenmore; and

WHEREAS, Sara Solum Hayashi has been an integral part of the long-term success of Arts of Kenmore and will be greatly missed.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Nigel Herbig, Mayor of the City of Kenmore, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby congratulate and honor Sara Solum Hayashi upon her leave and declare May 7, 2024, as Sara Solum Hayashi Day in Kenmore.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, signed this 6th day of May 2024.

Signed: _____ Attested: _____
Nigel Herbig, Mayor Anastasiya Warhol, City Clerk

City of Kenmore, Washington

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Office of the Professional Municipal Clerk, is a time honored and vital part of local government existing throughout the world, and one of the original public servants; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Professional Municipal Clerk provides the professional link between the residents, the local governing bodies, and agencies of government at other levels; and

WHEREAS, Professional Municipal Clerks have pledged to be ever mindful of their neutrality and impartiality, rendering equal service to all; and

WHEREAS, City Clerks faithfully support the functions of democracy in supporting the government bodies of the City; and

WHEREAS, City Clerks are essential to Kenmore's core administrative functions for governance supporting the Kenmore City Council and the City's records management; and

WHEREAS, it is important that we recognize the accomplishments of the Office of the Professional Municipal Clerk.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Nigel Herbig, Mayor of the City of Kenmore, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of **May 5 through 11, 2024** to be **Professional Municipal Clerks Week** throughout the City of Kenmore. The City Council extends appreciation to our Professional Municipal Clerks, Anastasiya Warhol and Michelle Kang, and to all Municipal Clerks for their vital services they perform and their exemplary dedication to the communities they represent.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, signed this 6th day of May 2024.

Signed: _____ Attested: _____
Nigel Herbig, Mayor Anastasiya Warhol, City Clerk



City Council Agenda Bill City of Kenmore, WA

Subject/Topic: Financial Sustainability Plan (FSP) Task Force Recommendations	For Council Meeting Agenda of: 05/06/2024 Department: Finance Prepared by: Melinda Merrell, Finance & Admin Director						
Proposed Council Action/Motion: FSP Task Force Recommendations for discussion and possible direction	Approved by Department Head: Approved by City Attorney: Approved by Finance Director: Approved by City Manager:					Initial & Date <u>MM 4/30/24</u> <u>N/A</u> <u>MM 4/30/24</u> <u>RK 5/1/24</u>	
Attachments/Exhibits: 1. FSP Task Force Final Report 2. COK FSP 5/6/2024 City Council presentation 3. COK FSP 4/3/2024 Town Hall feedback 4. Balancing Act Engagement presentation 5. Balancing Act comments 2024							
Summary: A nine (9) member task force was created in late 2023 to come up with recommendations to address the future structural deficit in the City's operating budget.							
Information/Background: In late 2023, the City of Kenmore mobilized the FSP Task Force, made up of Kenmore resident volunteers, which served from January 2024 through April 2024. The FSP Task Force reviewed the City's financial forecasts and budgets and evaluated priorities, services and revenues to make recommendations to the City Manager on how to resolve the structural deficit in the operating budget. The FSP Task Force met a total of eleven (11) times in order to complete its charge. The FSP Task Force is presenting their recommendations to Council on May 6, 2024.							
Fiscal Consideration: Below is a summary of the items included in the FSP task force recommendations. For more information, please refer to the FSP task force Final Report and presentation.							
Budget Strategy	Type	Group	Councilmanic ?	Score	Toggl e	Amount	Year
KAPE program first tier ticket cost by to \$136 for two cameras	Revenue	KAPE	Y	3.00	1	180,000	2026
Convert street lights to LED	Expense	Efficiencies	Y	3.00	1	68,837	2028

Expand KAPE program - First Camera	Revenue	KAPE	Y	2.89	1	225,000	2026
Expand KAPE Program - Second Camera	Revenue	KAPE	Y	2.89	1	225,000	2026
Levy lid lift to fund public safety \$0.08	Revenue	Public Safety Tax	N	2.78	1	560,000	2028
Expand KAPE Program - Third Camera	Revenue	KAPE	Y	2.78	1	225,000	2028
Parks Project Manager: 1500 hours to capital fund (similar to Engineering Project Managers).	Reallocation	Efficiencies	Y	2.67	1	100,000	2026
Strategic and Economic Development Manager position	Expense	Investment	Y	2.67	1	(180,000)	2025
Eliminate Admissions Tax in the plan	Revenue	Revenue Reduction	Y	2.63	1	(130,000)	0
Operational Efficiency	Expense	Efficiencies	Y	2.63	1	100,000	2026
Picnic shelter rental fees (Log Boom, Tl'awh-ah-dees, Moorlands)	Revenue	Efficiencies	Y	2.56	1	17,000	2025
Expand KAPE Program - Fourth Camera	Revenue	KAPE	Y	2.56	1	225,000	2027
Move Civil Engineers/Cap Project Manager entirely to transportation	Reallocation	Efficiencies	Y	2.56	1	140,000	2026
Let temporary employees contract end	Expense	Efficiencies	Y	2.50	1	100,000	2026
Levy lid lift to fund public safety at \$0.16 (incremental from first \$0.08)	Revenue	Public Safety Tax	N	2.44	1	560,000	2028
Utility tax rebate program	Revenue	Revenue Reduction	Y	2.44	1	(225,000)	2027
Human services case worker/program navigator	Expense	Investment	Y	2.43	1	(225,000)	2026
Public safety sales tax 0.1%	Revenue	Public Safety Tax	N	2.33	1	460,000	2028
MPD Levy (\$0.05 per \$1000)	Revenue	MPD	N	2.22	1	350,000	2026
Lakepointe Preliminary Costs (assuming grant is funded)	Expense	Lakepointe	Y	2.20	1	(500,000)	2025
City Council Priority or Budget Objective Being Addressed:							
Council Priority #4 – Update the Financial Sustainability Plan.							

To:
Rob Karlinsey, City Manager

The FSPTF presents:
The City of Kenmore's Financial Sustainability Plan



**FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY PLAN TASK FORCE
REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Date:
25 April 2024

From:
**THE MEMBERS OF THE FINANCIAL
SUSTAINABILITY PLAN TASK FORCE:**

Vincent Keane	Jeffrey Pooley
Holly Koelling	Katrina Rose
Edouard Lassalle	Tiff Stoner
Alinafe Matenda	Mary Sullivan
Michael Vanderlinde	

The nine members of the City of Kenmore's (CoK) Financial Sustainability Plan Task Force (FSPTF) present this report and recommendations.

On April 24, 2024, the FSPTF had its final meeting and reached agreement on strategies to maintain the CoK's financial sustainability in the General Fund and Street Fund through the 2025-2026, 2027-2028, and 2029-2030 biennium. These strategies will prevent expenses from exceeding revenues and keep the fund balance above the reserve goal until 2030.

By recommending strategies to maintain revenues greater than expenses and keeping the fund balance above the reserve goal, the FSPTF has accomplished its mission (noted below). Task Force members anticipate that the CoK will need to reconvene a new FSPTF in the 2029-2030 biennium to develop additional strategies to resolve the structural deficit.

FSPTF Mission

As a group, task force members will learn about the City's services, budget, finances, Service-Level Budgeting, and long-range financial forecasts. The task force will review and synthesize all financial data and public input on the City's operating budgets, then as a task force provide an advisory report to the City Manager with a range of options on ways the City could resolve the upcoming structural deficit. If any options are preferred by the task force, the advisory report can note that. The advisory report to the City Manager will be delivered by March 29, 2024.

The FSPTF's Key Findings

The FSPTFs recommendations are based on two key findings:

- Services provided by the (CoK) will need to be maintained by controlling expenditure and/or shifting costs, as well as enhancing revenues.
- The CoK is a lean organization but there are opportunities to be even more efficient. There are no more opportunities to significantly reduce expenditure without a significant reduction in services that Kenmore residents and businesses need and want.

The FSPTF's Guiding Principles

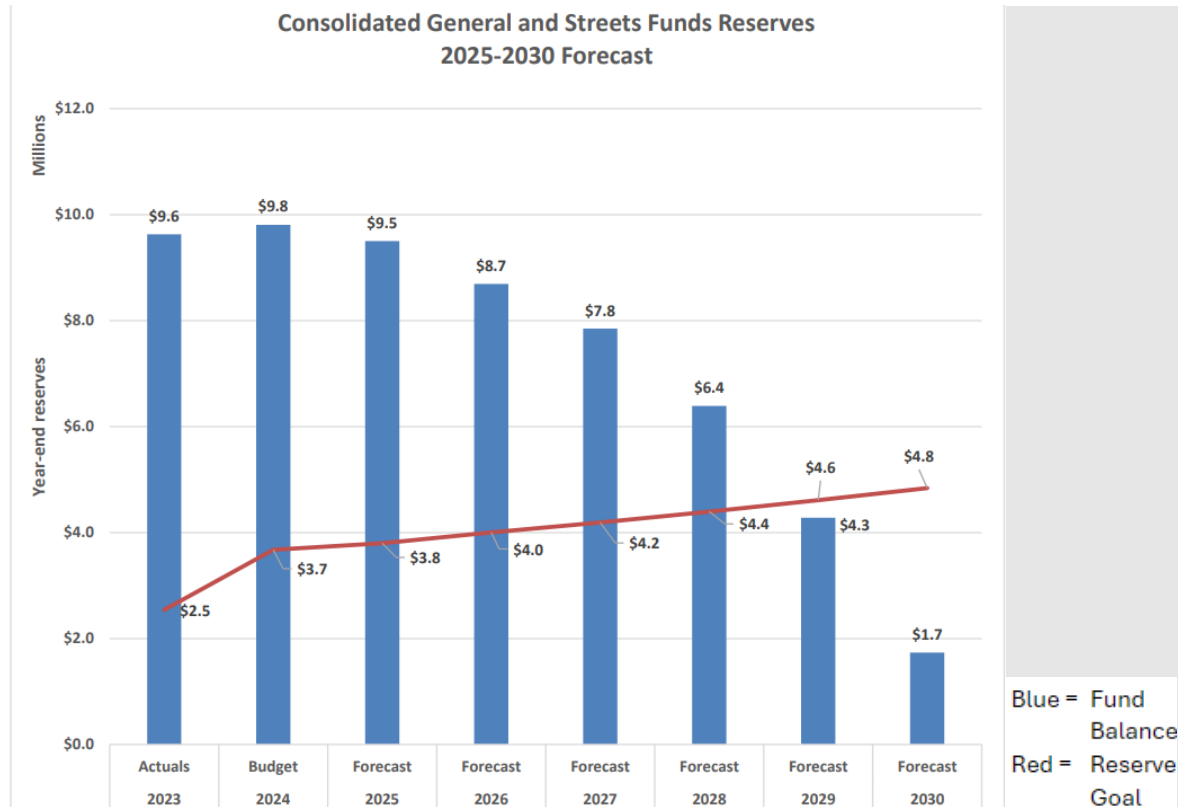
These six principles guided the Task Force in reaching agreement on which strategies to recommend:

1. Pursue a balanced approach that complies with changes in state regulations, and that utilizes the results of the Service Level Budgeting process to reflect economic and community values, conditions and needs.
2. Include all levels of the city when looking at challenges and opportunities: neighborhoods, businesses, communities, schools, city operations and governance.
3. Use the Equity Framework Tool when considering both budget reductions and revenue increases, striving to minimize disproportionate impacts on residents with fewer resources where possible.
4. Preserve ongoing funding for necessary levels of service, maintenance and upgrades when recommending budget reductions. Keep realistic levels of service in mind when recommending revenue increases.
5. Seek efficient, effective solutions with the greatest importance and financial impact, including those with high potential for future cost savings and revenue increases.
6. Identify the benefits of city services to non-residents and consider recommendations for revenue increases that fairly share the cost burden with them.

The FSPTF's Starting Point

The FSPTF's analysis started with a review of the CoK's existing budget and forecast entering FY 2024. The combined General Fund and Street Fund expenditures are expected to exceed revenues beginning in FY 2025. This structural deficit will cause reserves to fall below the reserve goal by FY 2029 if no corrective action is taken.

Summary General & Street Fund	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
<i>Updated: 3/25/2024</i>	Actuals	Budget	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast
General Fund								
Beginning Fund Balance	3,533,759	7,332,790	7,670,733	7,889,465	7,672,579	7,007,459	5,787,867	3,978,217
Revenue	17,299,604	16,759,199	17,306,651	17,815,678	18,206,073	18,595,161	18,995,840	19,666,466
Expense	11,100,573	16,421,256	17,087,919	18,032,565	18,871,193	19,814,753	20,805,490	21,845,765
Transfer to Strat Opps for Special Projects	2,400,000							
Ending Fund Balance	7,332,790	7,670,733	7,889,465	7,672,579	7,007,459	5,787,867	3,978,217	1,798,918
Fund balance as % of operating expenditures	66%	47%	46%	43%	37%	29%	19%	8%
Street Fund								
Beginning Fund Balance	2,270,571	2,294,467	2,136,351	1,610,891	1,020,359	840,232	601,801	301,342
Revenue	1,625,318	1,791,682	1,378,476	1,393,512	1,887,961	1,917,867	1,948,458	1,979,751
Expense	1,601,422	1,949,798	1,903,937	1,984,043	2,068,088	2,156,298	2,248,916	2,346,199
Ending Fund Balance	2,294,467	2,136,351	1,610,891	1,020,359	840,232	601,801	301,342	-65,106
Fund balance as % of operating expenditures	143%	110%	85%	51%	41%	28%	13%	-3%
Combined Ending Fund Balance	\$9,627,257	\$9,807,084	\$9,500,356	\$8,692,938	\$7,847,691	\$6,389,668	\$4,279,559	\$1,733,812
Fund Balance as % of operating expenditures	76%	53%	50%	43%	37%	29%	19%	7%
<i>(Threshold is 20%)</i>								



The FSPTF's Process

The Task Force convened for the first time on the evening of January 03, 2024. Its tenth and final meeting was on April 24, 2024. During the meetings task force members were educated on the 2020 Financial Sustainability Plan, contract cities, CoK budgeting, service level budgeting, the CoK DEIA Toolkit, price of government, CoK financial forecasts, some of how CoK currently operates, and other relevant topics. Melinda Merrell, Director of Finance & Administration and Rob Karlinsey, City Manager provided this education and were also available to answer endless questions outside of the meetings. In addition to this education, a representative from each CoK department attended a meeting to present information and answer questions about their department. This was followed by each department providing their ideas for budget strategies to consider. The meetings were also supported by Carla Schnee, Admin/Financial Services Manager, who recorded the meetings and facilitated the occasional virtual participation of members, among other tasks.

The FSPTF also hosted a community town hall on April 3, 2024, which started with a presentation created by the task force members. The focus of the evening was on small group discussions. Each of the seven groups was facilitated by a member of the task force; one group was led by a Spanish-English bilingual task force member in case translation was necessary. The town hall attracted 38 members of the Kenmore community.

The task force members worked a total of 25 hours in meetings, and devoted countless hours reading the reports, studies, and survey results that the CoK provided as well as the CoK budget and official policy documents. The FSPTF also reviewed findings from these sources:

- Balancing Act Tool, the budget balancing exercise that was live on the CoK website from March 28-April 8 and was completed and submitted by 67 members of the community.
- Speak Up Kenmore (online open house) that was live on the CoK website from March 18-April 8.
- The first draft of the statistically valid survey conducted by EMC Research from March 20-April 3, 2024; the survey was completed by 303 Kenmore residents.

The FSPTF discussed more than forty-eight strategies to ensure the City's long-term financial sustainability. The task force members identified and defined these based on their personal experiences and what they heard from CoK staff in their department presentations and the community via the Speak Up Kenmore website, Balancing Act Tool (online), Town Hall event, and the FSPTaskForce@kenmorewa.gov email address. The Task Force also reviewed potential new initiatives that are not currently funded but which the CoK staff or the community has expressed interest in.

The FSPTF used four categories to individually rate and then rank the strategies:

0. Do not pursue.
1. Pursue as a last resort.
2. Pursue as a secondary priority, with less dedicated resources.
3. Pursue as a priority.

A task force member created a comprehensive matrix of these strategies and a real-time model to show the effect of each strategy on the revenue forecasts. This is the same matrix used by the 2020 FSPTF; it provides additional important information about the Task Force's analysis and accompanies this report in Appendix B.

The matrix includes the following information.

- 1) Type of strategy
- 2) Fiscal impact estimate and category (low, medium, or high).
- 3) Likelihood of success (High, Medium-High, Medium, Low-Medium, Low, or Low-None) and success considerations.

- 4) Phasing and effective year of the strategy.
- 5) DEIA considerations, based on the CoK DEIA Toolkit.
- 6) Additional notes based on the discussion of the FSPTF.
- 7) The task force members' ratings and ranking.

The budget strategies were put in rank order, and it was determined that an average score of 2.2 was the threshold needed to incorporate enough budget strategies to achieve our goals. We then adjusted the effective year the budget strategies were to begin, between 2026 and 2030. We based this on the expected fund balance level because we don't recommend that the CoK holds a large fund balance without a specific purpose.

The FSPTF's Analysis of the Strategies

All the strategies the FPSTF analyzed fell along a continuum that included:

- Expenditure control/cost shifts.
- Service delivery changes that are designed to reduce expenditure.
- Revenue enhancement opportunities.
- Service level reductions.
- New initiatives/programs that increase expenditure.

The hours of deliberations by the FPSTF included discussion on the feasibility, fiscal impact, and likelihood of success of each strategy.

While all the strategies are technically feasible, they have differing levels of community support, potential of community pushback, alignment with community values, technical and operational difficulties of implementation, timing necessary for implementation, costs to implement, overall difficulty, and disruption to the existing CoK operations relative to the financial return. Tax measures require voter approval to implement and vary in terms of complexity and community support; some have a greater impact on residents (e.g., property tax levy lid lift measures) while others have some impact on those from outside the city (e.g., sales taxes). Voters are more likely to support measures when they know exactly where their tax dollars are being spent (i.e. *not* a levy to increase General Fund monies) and that it is being done efficiently. These factors were discussed while the FSPTF deliberated the possible strategies.

The FSPTF assessed the potential annual fiscal impact that the CoK would experience if each strategy were implemented. This was based on input from the CoK Finance Department and other CoK staff. Fiscal impact was defined by three tiers:

- Low fiscal impact. Strategies that would have a fiscal impact of \$50,000 or less per year.
- Medium fiscal impact. Strategies that would have a fiscal impact between \$50,000 and \$100,000 per year.
- High fiscal impact. Strategies that would have a fiscal impact of over \$100,000 per year.

The FSPTF's Strategies

The details of each strategy in the recommendation are included in Appendix A of this report.

The FSPTF's Recommendation

The Task Force recommends that the CoK implement the strategies listed below. The strategies are in order by the FSPTF's ranking.

Budget Strategy	Type	Group	Councilmanic?	Score	Toggle	Amount	Year
KAPE program first tier ticket cost by to \$136 for two cameras	Revenue	KAPE	Y	3.00	1	180,000	2026
Convert street lights to LED	Expense	Efficiencies	Y	3.00	1	68,837	2028
Expand KAPE program - First Camera	Revenue	KAPE	Y	2.89	1	225,000	2026
Expand KAPE Program - Second Camera	Revenue	KAPE	Y	2.89	1	225,000	2026
Levy lid lift to fund public safety \$0.08	Revenue	Public Safety Tax	N	2.78	1	560,000	2028
Expand KAPE Program - Third Camera	Revenue	KAPE	Y	2.78	1	225,000	2028
Parks Project Manager: 1500 hours to capital fund (similar to Engineering Project Managers).	Reallocation	Efficiencies	Y	2.67	1	100,000	2026
Strategic and Economic Development Manager position	Expense	Investment	Y	2.67	1	(180,000)	2025
Eliminate Admissions Tax in the plan	Revenue	Revenue Reduction	Y	2.63	1	(130,000)	0
Operational Efficiency	Expense	Efficiencies	Y	2.63	1	100,000	2026
Picnic shelter rental fees (Log Boom, TI' awh-ah-dees, Moorlands)	Revenue	Efficiencies	Y	2.56	1	17,000	2025
Expand KAPE Program - Fourth Camera	Revenue	KAPE	Y	2.56	1	225,000	2027
Move Civil Engineers/Cap Project Manager entirely to transportation	Reallocation	Efficiencies	Y	2.56	1	140,000	2026
Let temporary employees contract end	Expense	Efficiencies	Y	2.50	1	100,000	2026
Levy lid lift to fund public safety at \$0.16 (incremental from first \$0.08)	Revenue	Public Safety Tax	N	2.44	1	560,000	2028
Utility tax rebate program	Revenue	Revenue Reduction	Y	2.44	1	(225,000)	2027
Human services case worker/program navigator	Expense	Investment	Y	2.43	1	(225,000)	2026
Public safety sales tax 0.1%	Revenue	Public Safety Tax	N	2.33	1	460,000	2028
MPD Levy (\$0.05 per \$1000)	Revenue	MPD	N	2.22	1	350,000	2026
Lakepointe Preliminary Costs (assuming grant is funded)	Expense	Lakepointe	Y	2.20	1	(500,000)	2025

The recommended efficiencies strategies total \$526K, including \$240K of employee expenses reallocated to capital funds.

The recommended revenue enhancement strategies include:

- \$1.58M in net new tax revenue (including a \$355K reduction in revenue from a recommended utility tax rebate program and the elimination of the planned admissions tax)
 - \$1.12M from a public safety levy lid lift of \$0.16 per \$1,000 assessed value
 - \$0.46M from a public safety sales tax of 0.1%
 - \$0.35M from the establishment of a metropolitan park district (MPD) and a levy of \$0.05 per \$1,000 assessed value
- \$1.08M from an expanded KAPE program (Four additional safety cameras and an increase in the first tier fine from \$100 to \$136.)

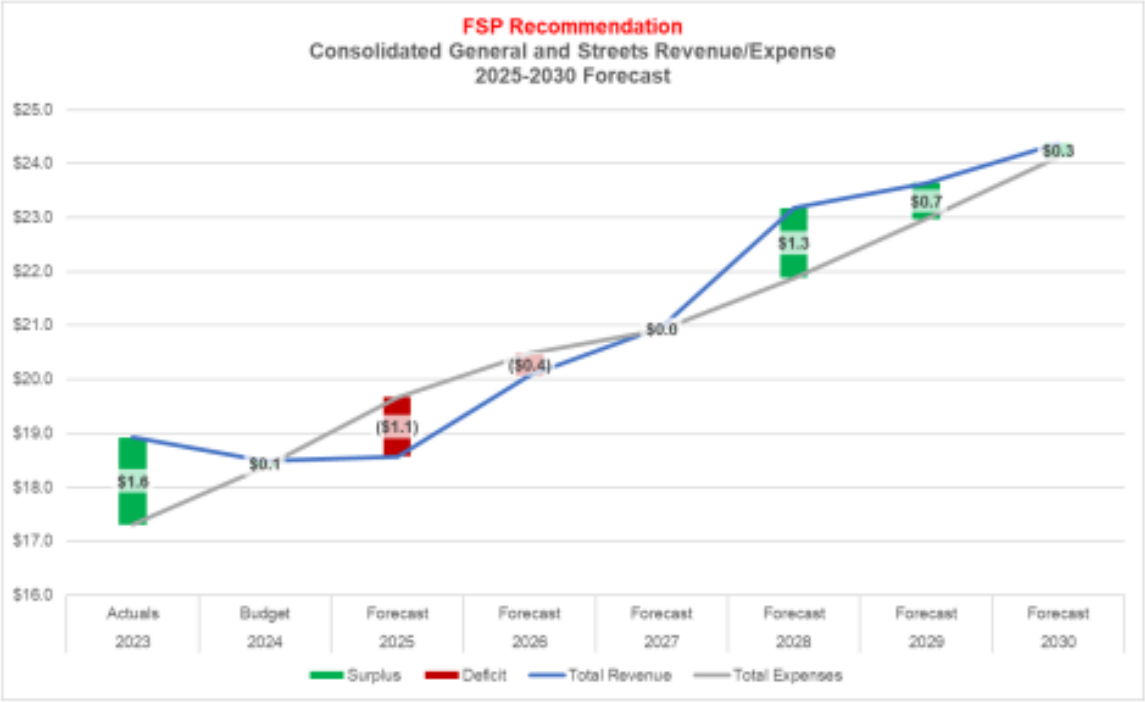
The task force was drawn to public safety-related strategies due to the recent increases in the cost of CoK's King County Sheriff police services contract. For context, from 2021 to 2024, the public safety budget increased from \$3.7M to \$5.1M, a 36% increase over three years, or a cumulative average growth rate (CAGR) of 11%. The \$1.66M in recommended new public safety taxes aligns reasonably well with the \$1.3 M increase in public safety costs.

The recommended strategies also include some investments or cost additions. The details of these strategies are also included in Appendix A of this report:

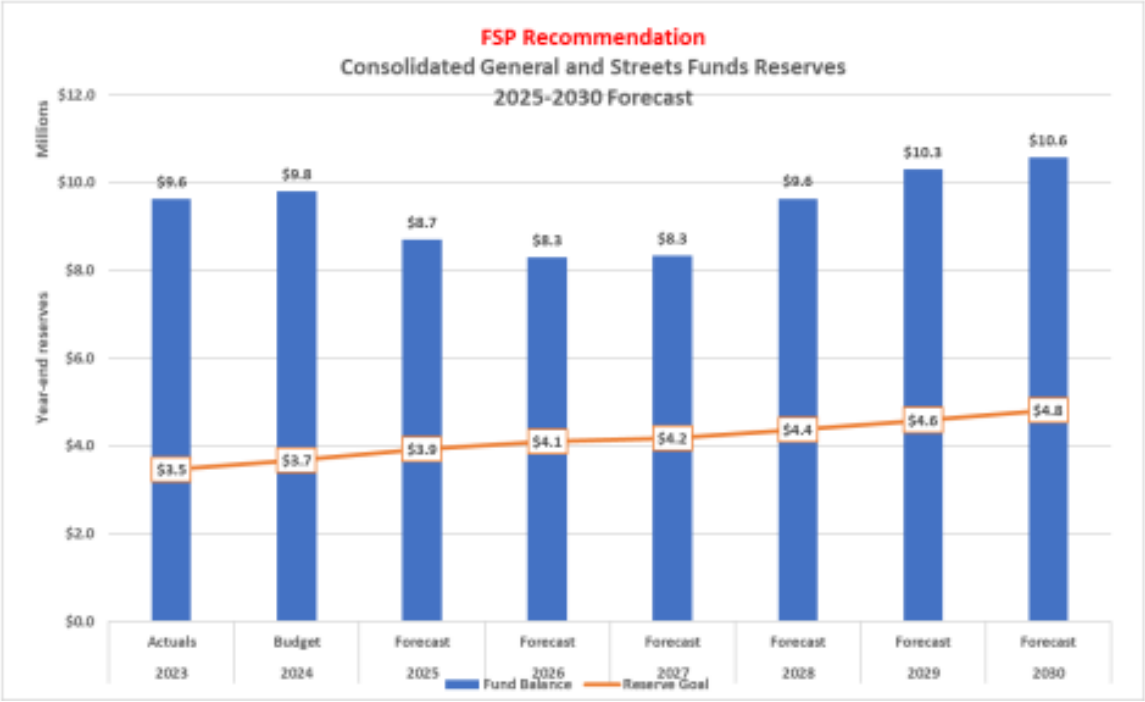
- Human services case worker / program navigator
\$225K annually
- Strategic and Economic Development FTE (Manager)
\$180K annually
- Lakepointe development opportunity
\$500K in 2025 and 2026)

The FSPTF's Conclusion

The recommendation does not maintain revenues above expenses until FY 2028, but the surplus forecasted for 2028-2030 exceeds the deficits forecasted for 2025-2026; the FSPTF felt this was the best timing due to the difference in fund balance compared to reserve goal forecasted for 2025-2027. This recommendation does keep the fund balance above the reserve goal until 2030 and puts the CoK on the path toward long-term financial sustainability. The following two graphs illustrate the results of the task force recommendations. The first graph shows the annual deficit/surplus, and the second graph shows the impact to the fund balance (reserve goal) of the General Fund and Street Fund combined.



Through the 6-year period, we add \$0.8M to the reserve.

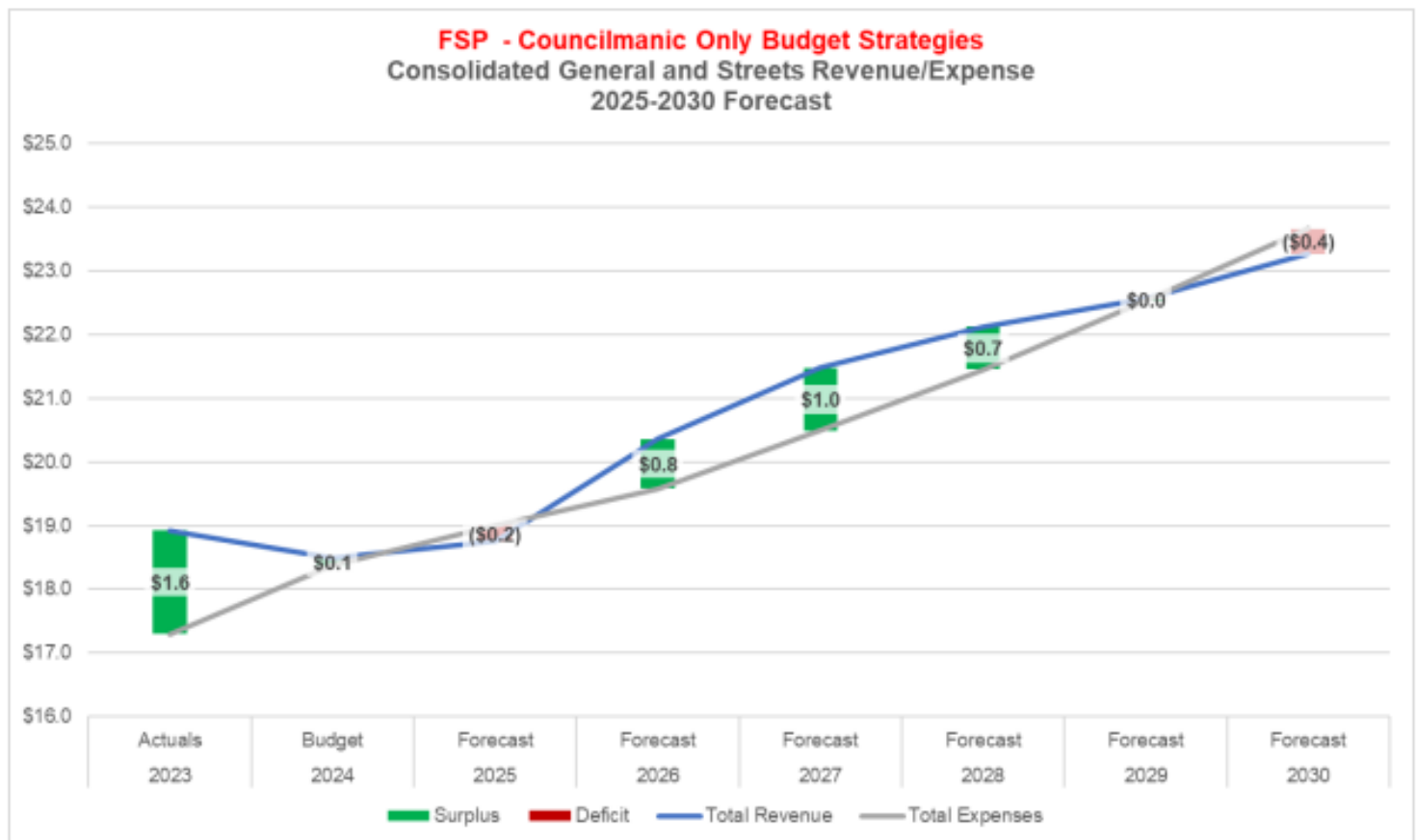


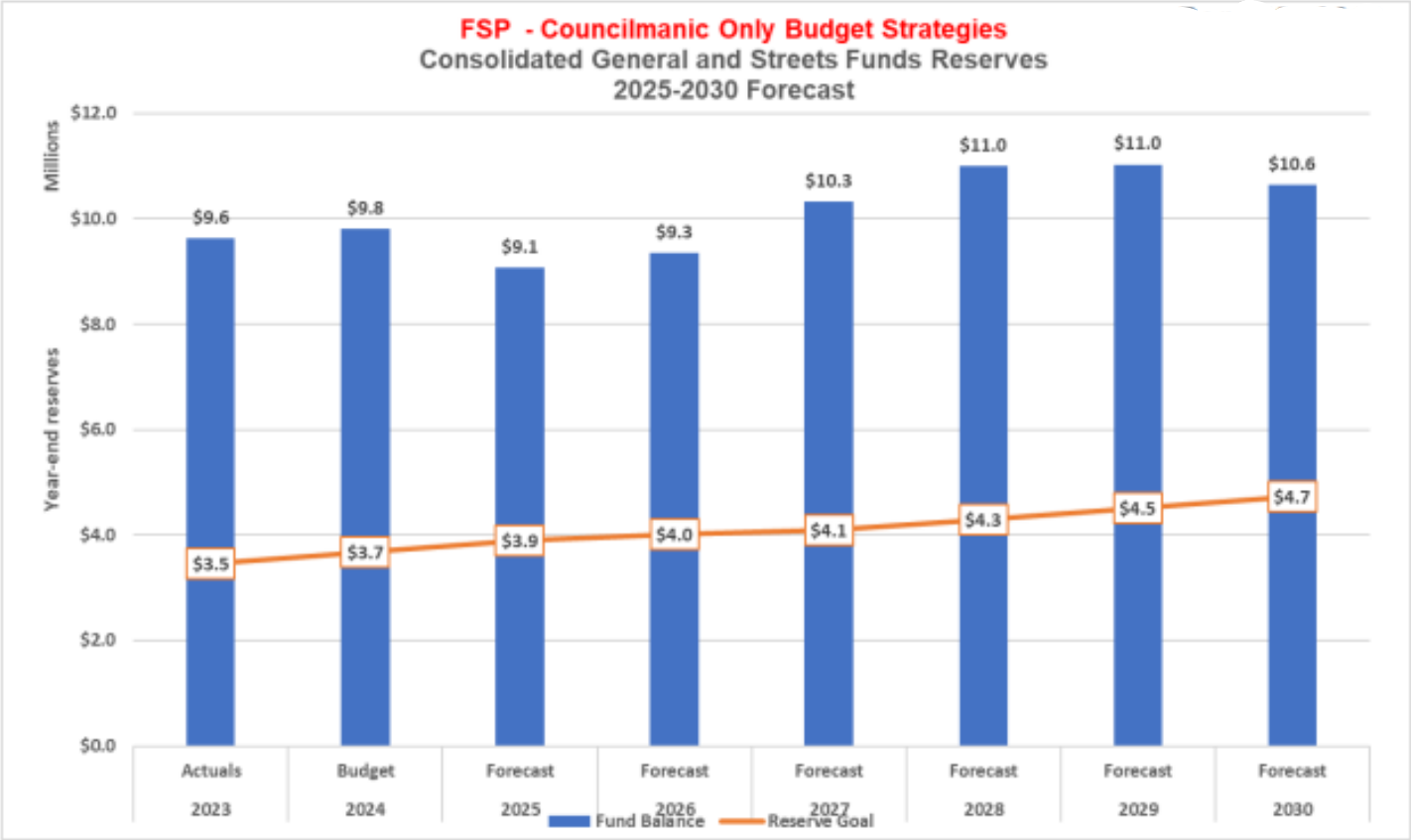
The FSPTF's Alternative Recommendation

The recommendation presented above assumes the two public safety related ballot measures and the MPD levy are approved by the voters. If the ballot measures don't pass, the city will likely need to rely on councilmanic strategies. As such, we present the alternative recommendation listed below. Details of these strategies are included in Appendix A of this report.

- Vehicle tab fee increase. \$180,000
- Expand B&O tax to other industries such as retail, services, etc. \$400,000
- Electric utility tax increase from 4% to 6%. \$400,000
- Do NOT initiate the Human services case worker / program navigator position. (\$225,000)
- Do NOT initiate the Strategic and Economic Development Manager position. (\$180,000)
- Do NOT initiate the Lakepointe development opportunity. (\$500,000), 2025 and 2026 only
- Do NOT initiate the Utility tax rebate program. (\$225,000)

With this alternative recommendation, the 2030 forecast falls just short of maintaining a net positive surplus. While it does keep the fund balance above the reserve goal until 2030 it does not put the CoK on the path toward long-term financial sustainability. Under this circumstance, the council may have to consider cuts to services and programs such as summer events (fireworks, summer concerts). The following two graphs illustrate the results of the alternative recommendations, which use only councilmanic budget strategies. The first graph shows the annual deficit/surplus, and the second graph shows the impact to the fund balance (reserve goal) of the General Fund and Street Fund combined.





1. KAPE program adjustment–increase tier 1 fine from \$100 to \$136

Strategy Type: Safety / Revenue

Fiscal Impact Estimate: \$180,000

In order for these revenues to benefit the General Fund, the CoK must move KAPE-related costs to the KAPE program (officer review time, attorney fees, police patrol, etc.).

Feasibility:

The implementation of this strategy would be councilmanic but does require significant effort on the CoK staff and police to implement and maintain. There is a possibility that a legal challenge to a new law will begin to not allow police services to be paid for.

Fiscal Impact: High

Potential of Success: High

Background/Analysis:

This strategy shifts more of the CoK's safety and traffic control costs to non-Kenmore residents that use our roads. The FSPTF reviewed a summary of fines from our neighboring cities; this increase in tier 1 fine would move the CoK from being the city with the lowest fine to a city in the middle of the pack. Our neighbors, LFP and Kirkland, charges a tier 1 fine of \$136.

2. Convert streetlights to LED

Strategy Type: Expense

Fiscal Impact Estimate: \$68,837

It would cost \$260K to implement this strategy but the CoK would receive an incentive of \$200K. So, the initial year savings are net 0 but the ongoing savings are about \$70,000.

Feasibility:

This strategy does have an upfront cost to implement but that would be offset by the incentive payment the CoK would receive. There will be city staff efforts required to apply for the incentive and manage the project.

Fiscal Impact: Medium

Potential of Success: Medium-High

Background/Analysis:

LED streetlights are more energy efficient, have a longer lifespan, have environmental benefits, and provide a higher quality light which enhances visibility and road safety. This strategy would take advantage of a \$200,000 incentive that is available now.

3. Expand KAPE program–first speed safety camera

Strategy Type: Safety / Revenue

Fiscal Impact Estimate: \$225,000

This estimate is based on the existing school zone camera revenue but could be higher if not related to a school zone as the camera would run year-round. For these revenues to benefit the General Fund,

the CoK must move KAPE-related costs to the KAPE program (officer review time, attorney fees, police patrol, etc.).

Feasibility:

The implementation of this strategy would be councilmanic but does require significant effort on the CoK staff and police to implement and maintain. A new law requires an equity analysis before selecting camera locations and requires that revenue needs to pay for "traffic safety activities." There is a possibility that a legal challenge to this new law will begin to not allow police services to be paid for.

Fiscal Impact: High

Potential of Success: Medium-High

Background/Analysis:

This strategy shifts more of the CoK's safety and traffic control costs to non-Kenmore residents that use our roads. A new law does give leniency to low-income persons that commit infractions; the CoK may also choose to be more lenient. Possible camera locations discussed by the FSPTF include: the Inglemoor HS school zone on Simonds Road, the Moorlands Elementary school zone, the right turn on red from Westbound Simonds Rd to Juanita Dr NE, the no left turn from Southbound Juanita Dr Ne to NE 175th St, and others. The exact location of this camera should be determined by the CoK Traffic Engineer. The fiscal impact for this strategy does not assume the tier 1 fine was increased from \$100 to \$136 based on a different strategy.

4. Expand KAPE program—second speed safety camera

Strategy Type: Safety / Revenue

Fiscal Impact Estimate: \$225,000

See 3. Expand KAPE program—first speed safety camera, above.

Feasibility:

See 3. Expand KAPE program—first speed safety camera, above.

Fiscal Impact: High

Potential of Success: Medium-High

Background/Analysis:

See 3. Expand KAPE program—first speed safety camera, above.

5. Levy lid lift to fund public safety \$0.08

Strategy Type: Revenue

Fiscal Impact Estimate: \$560,000

This levy would be for \$0.08 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The current median assessed value of a Kenmore home is \$821,000; this property owner would pay \$65.68 annually (\$5.47 per month).

Feasibility:

This strategy would require voter approval. It has a higher likelihood of success because it's justified due to the recent increases in the cost of the public safety services contract from the King County Sheriff.

Fiscal Impact: High

Potential of Success: Medium-High

Background/Analysis:

Public safety is the largest line item in the General Fund at 32%; if a portion of it is levy-funded, this will free up General Fund dollars for other purposes. This strategy is less regressive than a utility tax, but the CoK may want to expand public assistance and outreach if it is implemented. If this strategy was implemented and voters approved in November 2024, monies would be collected in 2025. The FSPTF considered this levy lid lift in tiers; this first tier (\$0.08 per \$1,000 of assessed value) was ranked higher by the members of the FSPTF than the second tier (an additional \$0.08 per \$1,000 of assessed value). The FSPTF was planning on these strategies being implemented together with a ballot measure asking for \$0.16 per \$1,000 of assessed value.

6. Expand KAPE program—third speed safety camera

Strategy Type: Safety / Revenue

Fiscal Impact Estimate: \$225,000

See 3. Expand KAPE program—first speed safety camera, above.

Feasibility:

See 3. Expand KAPE program—first speed safety camera, above.

Fiscal Impact: High

Potential of Success: Medium-High

Background/Analysis:

See 3. Expand KAPE program—first speed safety camera, above.

7. Move 1500 hours of Parks Project Manager to capital fund

Strategy Type: Reallocation

Fiscal Impact Estimate: \$100,000

Feasibility:

The implementation of this strategy would require some effort on the part of CoK staff as they would need to assess the justification for allocating a higher portion of the Parks Project Manager wages and benefits to a capital-projects funded budget.

Fiscal Impact: High

Potential of Success: High

Background/Analysis:

Currently a Parks Projects Manager position is charged to the General Fund but there might be justification for part of the wages and benefits of this position to be moved to a capital-projects funded budget.

8. Strategic and Economic Development FTE (Manager)

Strategy Type: Expense

Fiscal Impact Estimate: (\$180,000)

The cost of this position could also be offset by grants and other capital project funding.

Feasibility:

This would require hiring a Strategic and Economic Development FTE (Manager) so it will require staff time to implement but long-term, this position could have a significant impact on the type and timing of economic development.

Fiscal Impact: Medium

Potential of Success: High

Background/Analysis:

Economic development would increase the commercial tax base for the CoK and reduce the tax burden on residential properties. It would also allow the Kenmore community to shop locally and keep our communities' existing sales tax expenses in Kenmore. The FSPTF couldn't identify any economic development opportunities that would positively impact the FSP. However, the task force discussed the potential impact of economic development on the long-term financial sustainability of the city. Also, many attendees of the FSP Town Hall indicated support for the CoK to drive economic development. As such, the task force recommends hiring a Strategic and Economic Development FTE (Manager) with expertise in grant applications, working with private developers, and prospective businesses. We believe that this position could have a significant impact on the type and timing of economic development, helping to guide development in a way that benefits the community.

9. Eliminate admission tax

Strategy Type: Revenue

Fiscal Impact Estimate: (\$130,000)

Feasibility:

This strategy would require the City Council to *not* act on a recommendation of the 2020 FSPTF.

Fiscal Impact: N/A

Potential of Success: High

Background/Analysis:

The 2020 Financial Sustainability Plan includes an Admission Tax starting in 2024; this would be a tax on recreation and entertainment venues like the golf course and bowling alley. This strategy would repeal that recommendation. The FSPTF felt that since this tax only applied to two businesses, it gave a feeling of targeting.

10. Operational efficiency

Strategy Type: Expense

Fiscal Impact Estimate: \$100,000

Feasibility:

This strategy would require some effort on the part of CoK staff to review all line items in the General Fund budget and look for places where operational efficiency could be achieved.

Fiscal Impact: Medium

Potential of Success: High

Background/Analysis:

This would require a review of all CoK departments to see where costs could be cut. The FSPTF does not believe it is beneficial to have an across-the-board reduction of a certain amount or to make this reduction in large amounts over a few departments. This strategy will require small amounts to be removed from many departments to add up to the estimated savings of \$100,000 annually.

11. Picnic shelter rental fees (Log Boom, Moorlands, and Łaŕwadis Park)

Strategy Type: Revenue

Fiscal Impact Estimate: \$17,000

This only covers these 3 parks as the shelter at Rhododendron Park is already included in the financial forecast. The CoK staff have indicated that they plan to reduce the implementation cost of this strategy by including the Hangar at Town Square room reservations in the online reservation system thereby eliminating the need for the separate Hangar at Town Square website.

Feasibility:

The implementation of this strategy would be councilmanic but does require a little effort on the city staff to implement and maintain.

Fiscal Impact: Low

Potential of Success: High

Background/Analysis:

For many years the picnic shelter at Rhododendron Park has been rented out; this has been managed by the Northshore Senior Center (located at the park) with profits kept by them. Historically, the profits have been about \$10,000 per year. The financial forecast includes the transfer of this rental program to the CoK with the reservation system going online on the CoK website. This strategy would add the newly built picnic shelters at Log Boom, Moorlands, and Łaŕwadis park to the existing program.

12. Expand KAPE program–fourth speed safety camera

Strategy Type: Safety / Revenue

Fiscal Impact Estimate: \$225,000

See 3. Expand KAPE program–first speed safety camera, above.

Feasibility:

See 3. Expand KAPE program–first speed safety camera, above.

Fiscal Impact: High

Potential of Success: Medium-High

Background/Analysis:

See 3. Expand KAPE program–first speed safety camera, above.

13. Move Civil Engineer/Capital Projects Manager entirely to Transportation

Strategy Type: Reallocation

Fiscal Impact Estimate: \$140,000

Feasibility:

The implementation of this strategy would require very little effort on the part of CoK staff.

Fiscal Impact: High

Potential of Success: High

Background/Analysis:

Currently a Civil Engineer/Capital Projects Manager position is charged to the General Fund but there is justification for the wages and benefits of this position to be moved to the Transportation Budget.

14. Let temporary employees contract end

Strategy Type: Expense

Fiscal Impact Estimate: \$100,000

Feasibility:

When the temporary employees current contract ends, this strategy could be implemented by doing nothing.

Fiscal Impact: High

Potential of Success: High

Background/Analysis:

A current temporary employee could continue if a 0.5 FTE position was created but this could be a way to reduce wages which is a very significant part of the General Fund.

15. Levy lid lift to fund public safety \$0.16 (incremental from first \$0.08)

Strategy Type: Revenue

Fiscal Impact Estimate: \$560,000

This levy would be for \$0.08 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The current median assessed value of a Kenmore home is \$821,000; this property owner would pay \$65.68 annually (\$5.47 per month) for each strategy, 1 and 2, for a total of \$131.36 annually (\$10.94 per month).

Feasibility:

This strategy would require voter approval. It has a higher likelihood of success because it's justified due to the recent increases in the cost of the public safety services contract from the King County Sheriff. It also has a lower likelihood of success because it is a higher tax amount than strategy 1; an additional tax typically means a lower likelihood of voter approval.

Fiscal Impact: High

Potential of Success: Medium-High

Background/Analysis:

Public safety is the largest line item in the General Fund at 32%; if a portion of it is levy-funded, this will

free up General Fund dollars for other purposes. This strategy is less regressive than a utility tax, but the CoK may want to expand public assistance and outreach if it is implemented. If this strategy was implemented and voters approved in November 2024, monies would be collected in 2025. The FSPTF considered this levy lid lift in tiers; this first tier (\$0.08 per \$1,000 of assessed value) was ranked higher by the members of the FSPTF than the second tier (an additional \$0.08 per \$1,000 of assessed value). The FSPTF was planning on these strategies being implemented together with a ballot measure asking for \$0.16 per \$1,000 of assessed value.

16. Utility tax rebate program

Strategy Type: Revenue

Fiscal Impact Estimate: (\$250,000)

Based on the program operated during the COVID-19 pandemic, the estimate is that 1,000 people would qualify for the Utility Tax Rebate Program. A FSPTF member determined their own price of government (utility property taxes) was \$114 per month for an average Kenmore home. Providing each of these 1,000 people with \$200 annually would total \$200,000.

Feasibility:

The implementation of this strategy would be councilmanic.

Fiscal Impact: N/A

Potential of Success: High

Background/Analysis:

This strategy reduces the regressive nature of tax increases. The current plan is for the CoK to use ARPA funds in 2025-2026 to fund this strategy and then fund it from the General Fund starting in 2027. A 0.5 FTE CoK employee would be needed to run the Utility Tax Rebate Program, but it could also be contracted out.

17. Human services case worker / program navigator

Strategy Type: Expense

Fiscal Impact Estimate: (\$225,000)

The cost of this program could be offset by grants or other funding sources.

Feasibility:

This would require hiring a staff person or contracting this service so it will require staff time to implement but long-term, this position could have a significant long-term impact on the vulnerable members of our community.

Fiscal Impact: N/A

Potential of Success: High

Background/Analysis:

The task force is concerned about the regressive nature of some of these revenue strategies and the potential impact to low-income residents. Investing in a dedicated headcount / program will mitigate the impact of these strategies on vulnerable members of our community by helping them get connected with existing programs and services at the city, county, and federal level.

18. Public safety sales tax of 0.1%

Strategy Type: Revenue

Fiscal Impact Estimate: \$460,000

Feasibility:

This strategy would require voter approval. It has a higher likelihood of success because it's justified due to the recent increases in the cost of the public safety services contract from the King County Sheriff.

Fiscal Impact: High

Potential of Success: High

Background/Analysis:

A sales tax of up to 0.3% can be imposed by either King County or the CoK, but not both. If CoK imposes the tax first, it collects the entire amount they impose. If King County imposes the tax first, it is split 60-40 between them and the CoK. The consensus of the task force members is that it is only a matter of time before King County imposes this sales tax. Sales tax is not charged on food items, which reduces the relative impact to low-income families. This tax will likely be levied by the county regardless, so the DEIA impact could be neutral.

19. Metropolitan Park District (MPD) Levy (\$0.05 per \$1,000)

Strategy Type: Revenue

Fiscal Impact Estimate: \$350,000

This levy would be for \$0.05 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The current median assessed value of a Kenmore home is \$821,000; this property owner would pay \$41.05 annually (\$3.42 monthly). Public works, parks, and facilities are the second highest line item in the General Fund; this levy would pay for some of the park's maintenance funds and free up those monies in the General Fund.

Feasibility:

This strategy would require voter approval. It has a higher likelihood of success because it is connected to something citizens are getting, parks.

Fiscal Impact: High

Potential of Success: Medium

Background/Analysis:

This strategy would also establish a Metropolitan Park District with the Kenmore City Council acting as the Board; it could potentially be used to facilitate Lakepointe efforts. The ballot measure can be up to \$0.75 per \$1000 of assessed value. The approval of the ballot measure creates a limit; the MPD Board can choose to start with a lower levy rate and raise it as necessary. This strategy is less regressive than a utility tax.

20. Lakepointe development opportunity

Strategy Type: Expense

Fiscal Impact Estimate: \$500K (2025 and 2026 only)

This expense would only be in FY 2025 and 2026.

Feasibility:

This strategy would require significant staff time to do the work and manage the contracts associated with this.

Fiscal Impact: High

Potential of Success: Unknown

Background/Analysis:

The FSPTF supports the CoK taking an active role in developing the Lakepointe property; according to the recent EMC survey results, Kenmore residents show strong support as well. As such, we have incorporated the estimated costs expected to do the necessary due diligence for the CoK to prepare for the next stage of development.

21. Vehicle tab fee increase

Strategy Type: Revenue

Fiscal Impact Estimate: \$180,000

This strategy would increase the vehicle tab fee from the current \$40 to \$50.

Feasibility:

The implementation of this strategy would be councilmanic but there are limits on timing, February 2025 is the next time an increase can be made.

Fiscal Impact: High

Potential of Success: High

Background/Analysis:

The FSPTF did not rank this strategy high enough to make the initial recommendation, but it is included in the alternative recommendation.

22. Expand B & O tax to other industries (retail, services, etc.)

Strategy Type: Revenue

Fiscal Impact Estimate: \$400,000

Feasibility:

The implementation of this strategy would be councilmanic.

Fiscal Impact: High

Potential of Success: High

Background/Analysis:

The Balancing Act data suggests this would have a low approval from the community. The FSPTF did not rank this strategy high enough to make the initial recommendation, but it is included in the alternative recommendation. The FSPTF felt the implementation of this strategy would make the city less business friendly.

23. Increase electric utility tax from 4% to max 6%

Strategy Type: Revenue

Fiscal Impact Estimate: \$400,000

Feasibility:

The implementation of this strategy would be councilmanic.

Fiscal Impact: High

Potential of Success: High

Background/Analysis:

The FSPTF did not rank this strategy high enough to make the initial recommendation, but it is included in the alternative recommendation. This would be a regressive tax since low-income households often use the same amount of electricity as high-income households. The CoK should expand public assistance and outreach if this strategy is implemented.

Other Strategies the FSPTF Discussed and the CoK Might Consider in the Future:**Public-private partnerships (PPP)**

Currently the CoK has recreation partners that provide programming to the community (with some scholarships) while the CoK offers them the use of the land for free. There is a possibility the CoK could charge rent or fees for these third-party recreation partners. The FSPTF was in favor of charging rent to the rowing program using the Boathouse at Rhododendron Park until all previous monies that were agreed to be paid are paid in full.

Provide education on use and assist in signups for existing community discount programs

This is an offset to the regressive taxes put in place by the taxes recommended. This assistance and education should target all ages and income levels for programs such as Safeway/Albertsons, QFC/Fred Meyer, King County Library, Seattle Library, King County Metro, Sound Transit, etc.

Event donations / fundraising

At events like the Fourth of July Fireworks, Summer Concerts, Movies in the Park, and Farmer's Market, allow participants to give donations.

Evaluate insurance rates, WCIA vs. AWC vs. Self-Insured

It will take a few months to determine if there are any cost savings by switching providers or self-insuring; CoK staff are looking into this.

Sell unused city land (U.S. post office building, \$1M; Shell property, \$1.5M; Cozy Inn, \$0.6M; Hangar/Town Square)

Although monetizing land owned by the CoK would provide future inflation adjusted revenue to offset structural deficits, the selling of the land could provide an immediate increase in revenues if necessary.

Explore options for year-round usage of the Log Boom concession building by a for-profit company, CoK would receive 20% of the profits

The concession building at Log Boom does is used during the warmer months so this would extend that

year-round. There is a limit to this as the concession building does not have a water system. There would be a possibility of food trucks or other types of standalone/self-contained concessionaires at CoK parks (especially at Log Boom and Łaxwadis park) that could be a revenue source for CoK. This could provide both economic growth and more places to eat in Kenmore.

Monetize city land and properties

The CoK owns a few pieces of property, the U.S. post office building, Shell property, and Cozy Inn property. If the CoK retained ownership of this property but monetized it (via a lease, etc.), it would provide future inflation adjusted revenue.



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														3 - Pursue as a priority 2 - Pursue as a secondary priority, with less dedicated resources													
No	Type	Dept	Title	Fiscal Impact Category	Fiscal Impact Estimate	Potential of success	Success Considerations	Phasing (years)	Effective Year	Imact to Service Level	DEI Considerations	Notes	Avg Score	Alinafe Matenda	Edouard Lassalle	Holly Koelling	Jeff Pooley	Katrina Rose	Mary Sullivan	Michael Vanderlinde	Tiff Stoner	Vincent Keane					
Levy lid lift																											
1	Revenue	n/a	Levy lid lift to fund public safety \$0.08	High	560,000	Med-High	Requires voter approval. Higher liklihood of success because it's justified due to the recent increases in King County Sherrif contract costs	1 year	2026	n/a	Less regressive than utility tax, but we may want to expand public assistance and outreach.	\$0.04 per \$1000 of assessed value	2.78	2	3	3	3	2	3	3	3	3					
2	Revenue	n/a	Levy lid lift to fund public safety at \$0.16 (incremental from first \$0.08)	High	560,000	Med-High	Additional tax might mean lower likelihood of voter approval success	1 year	2026	n/a	Less regressive than utility tax	\$0.04 per \$1000 of assessed value	2.44	2	3	3	3	1	3	2	2	3					
3	Revenue	n/a	Levy lid lift to fund public safety at \$0.24 (incremental from \$0.16)	High	560,000	Med	Same as above	1 year	2026	n/a	Less regressive than utility tax	\$0.04 per \$1000 of assessed value	1.00	0	2	3	3	0	0	1	0	0					
4	Revenue	n/a	Levy lid lift to fund public safety at \$0.32 (incremental from \$0.24)	High	560,000	Med	Same as above	1 year	2026	n/a	Less regressive than utility tax	\$0.04 per \$1000 of assessed value. Given Rob's remarks about the .35 levy passed in Maple Valley, this seems like a greater likelihood for passage than I had originally assumed. (HK)	1.00	1	1	3	3	0	0	1	0	0					
5	Revenue	n/a	MPD Levy (\$0.05 per \$1000)	High	350,000	Med	Requires voter approval. Higher likelihood of approval because it's attached to something citizens are getting.	2 years	2026	n/a	Less regressive than utility tax	This could be established now and would potentially be used to facilitate Lakepointe efforts. Ballot measure can be up to .75 per \$1000. The ballot approval creates a limit, so the council can choose to start smaller and raise.	2.22	3	3	3	2	1	2	3	3	0					
Taxes and Fees																											
6	Revenue	n/a	Increase Electric utility tax from 4% to max 6%	High	400,000	High	Councilmanic	1	2026		Regressive tax since low income households often use the same amount of electricity as high-income households.	Doesnt compete with MPD levy. Did to offset future reduction in yeild from other utility taxes as carbon based fuel use reduced and conservation decreases usage. HK: There's a lot swirling around now with the new natural gas "ban" law, the ability of the electrical grid to handle a transition from natural gas to fully electric, the anticipated cost impacts for conversion on residents, and the forecasted rises in rates for both energy sources in the near term. It seems prudent to wait through the fallout of this in the next legislative session before considering any additional taxes as well.	1.11	1	0	1	1	2	2	3	0	0					
7	Revenue	n/a	Public safety sales tax 0.1%	High	460,000	High	Requires voter approval. Higher liklihood of success because it's justified due to the recent increases in King County Sherrif contract costs and the 'use it or lose it' nature.		2026		Sales tax is not charged on food items, which reduces the relative impact to low-income families. This tax will likely be levied by the county regardless, so the DEIA impact could be neutral.	0.10% increase to sales tax. The county can take 0.3% and if they get that before we institute ours, then we won't be able to get it later (use it or lose it)	2.33	3	2	3	3	3	3	2	2	0					
8	Revenue	n/a	Utility tax rebate program	n/a	(225,000)	High			2027		Reduces regressive nature of utility fee/tax increases.	Based on COVID program, estimate is 1K people @ \$200 per year = \$200K total cost per year. Plan to use ARPA funds in 25-26, then funded from the general fund in 27. + 0.5 FTE or contract to run the program	2.44	3	3	3	3	2	2	3	3	0					
36	Expense		Human services case worker/program navigator	High	(225,000)	High			2026		This mitigates the concerns with regressive tax programs		2.43	1	2		3	3		3	3	2					
9	Revenue	n/a	Vehicle tab fee increases	High	180,000	High	Councilmanic	1	2025			Councilmanic, can increase from \$40 to \$50 after 24 months or Feb 2025	2.11	1	3	3	3	2	2	3	2	0					
10	Revenue	n/a	Transportation Sales Tax - increase from 0.1% to 0.2%	High	460,000	Med	Requires voter approval		2026			Current FSP has 0.1% starting in 2027 (already in forecast). Increase from .1% to .2% requires voter approval.	1.13	2	2		1	3	0	0	1	0					
11	Revenue	n/a	Surface Water Utility Tax increase (1%)	Low	50,000	Hlgh	Councilmanic					Currently at 6% (no limit)	0.75	0	1		1	1	1	1	1	0					

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12	Revenue	n/a	Expand B & O Tax to other industries (retail, services, etc.)	High	400,000	High	Councilmanic, but balancing act informattion suggests this has a low approval			Current tax rate and amount? Current spend to monitor and manage?	1.50	2	2		1	1	2	2	2	0
13	Revenue	n/a	Eliminate Admissions Tax in the plan		(130,000)	High					2.63	2	2		3	2	3	3	3	3
14	Revenue	Office of City Manager	Lodging tax	Low	50,000	High		1		Requires effort to facilitate program (e.g., tourism council, etc.). Tax amount is 125K with unknown program costs.	0.75	1	1		3	1	0	0	0	0
Other Revenue																				
16	Revenue	Public Works	Picnic shelter rental fees (Log Boom, TI' awh-ah-dees, Moorlands)	Low	17,000	High		2025		Rodedenren park is ~10K	2.56	2	3	2	2	3	3	2	3	3
KAPE Program																				
18	Revenue	Police	Expand KAPE program - First Camera	Medium	225,000	Med-High	Shifts more of safety, traffic control costs to non-Kenmore residents that use our roads.	2	2027	Estimate based on existing camera revenue. If not related to a school zone, could be higher (run full year instead of only 9 months). In order for these revenues to benefit the general fund, we must move more KAPE-related costs to the KAPE program (officer review time, attorney fees, police patrol, etc.)	2.89	3	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
											Possible camera locations include: - 3 additional school locations - Rododendren park - Other locations Camera revenue needs to pay for "traffic safety activities." There's a chance this could be challenged to exclude police services.									
19	Revenue	Police	Expand KAPE Program - Second Camera	Medium	225,000	Med-High	Shifts more of safety, traffic control costs to non-Kenmore residents that use our roads.	2	2027	New law requires equity analysis before selecting camera locations		2.89	3	2	3	3	3	3	3	3
20	Revenue	Police	Expand KAPE Program - Third Camera	Medium	225,000	Med-High	Shifts more of safety, traffic control costs to non-Kenmore residents that use our roads.	2	2028	New law also gives leiniency to low income infractions. We can also choose to be more leinient.		2.78	3	2	3	3	2	3	3	3
21	Revenue	Police	Expand KAPE Program - Fourth Camera	Medium	225,000	Med-High	Shifts more of safety, traffic control costs to non-Kenmore residents that use our roads.	2	2028		2.56	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	0
22	Revenue	Police	KAPE Program adjustment - All red light violations (not just EB left-turn) 61st/Bothell Way	Low	-	Low	See comments under Notes. Consider increasing amount of fines instead		2026	Per conversation with Tobin, Kenmore does not have a lot of red light runners. The cost of adding extra cameras would outweigh the revenue. He did mention a signal change at 170th & 68th where there will be no turn on red. If does not alter behavior after 6 months, may make sense to add camera at that location.	0.13	0	1		0	0	0	0	0	0
23	Revenue		KAPE program first tier ticket cost by to \$136 for two cameras		180,000	High			2026	Other cities range from \$124 to \$210, but most cities are \$136.	3.00		3	3	3	3				3
24	Revenue	Police	KAPE program adjustment - All school zone cameras to enforce at a 4+ MPH over the speed limit instead of 6+MPH.	Low	55,000	Med-High	Could possibly be challenged more often (margin of error for speed radar, etc.). Consdier increase in fines instead.		2026	Existing cameras initiate enforcement when the schoool zone speed limit is exceeded by 6+MPH. If this was lowered to 4+ we would generate more revenue with only the cost to change the settings on the system. Is this legal? MM: yes, we can change the speed threshold. I will send a Photo enforcement memo from Tobin with speed thresholds of other cities along with fine amounts. Based on the memo, 6 MPH over seems appropriate. Note that Kenmore has the lowest first tier fine at \$100. Others range from \$124 to \$210.	1.13	2	2		0	3	1	0	1	0
Expense Reduction / Efficiency																				
25	Expense	Street	Convert street lights to LED	Medium	68,837	Med-High			2028	\$200K incentive against \$260K total cost. Initial year savings is net 0, with ongoing savings of ~\$70K	3.00	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
26	Expense	Office of City Manager	Evaluate insurance rates, WCIA vs. AWC vs. Self-insured.	Low		Low	Addendum item		2026	Staff has contacted AWC. Need to provide additional information. \$795K per year total. MM: It will take a few months to determine if there are any cost savings by switching providers or self-insuring.	2.33	3	0	3	3	3	3	3	3	0
27	Expense		Eliminate Fireworks event	Low	30,000	High			2026	Important to maintain/increase opportunities for community gathering as density increease.	-	0			0	0	0	0		0
28	Expense		Eliminate movies in the park event	Low	10,000	High			2026	Important to maintain/increase opportunities for community gathering as density increease.	-	0			0	0	0	0		0
29	Expense		Summer concerts in the park	Low	50,000	High			2026	Important to maintain/increase opportunities for community gathering as density increease.	-	0			0	0	0	0		0

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30	Expense		Let temporary employees contract end		100,000	High		2026			2.50	3	2	3	1	3			3
31	Expense	Office of City Manager	Cut down newsletter to 2x per year (down from 4x)	Low	9,000	High		2026	Moderate	Commication with public is important esp as density increases.	-	0	0		0	0	0	0	0
32	Expense		Operational Efficiency	Medium	100,000	Medium		2026		Audit departments to see where costs could be cut, on a {add period} basis?	2.63	2	2	3	3	3	2		3 3
35	Expense		Strategic and Economic Development Manager position	Medium	(180,000)	High		2025			2.67	3	3		3	3		3	1
Categorization Changes																			
33	Reallocation	Engineering	Move Civil Engineers/Cap Project Manager entirely to transportation	High	140,000	High		2026			2.56	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	0
34	Reallocation		Parks Project Manager: 1500 hours to capital fund (similar to Engineering Project Managers).	High	100,000	High		2026		Assess justification for allocating higher portion of cost to capital projects?	2.67	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	0
Other Considerations																			
15	Revenue		Explore options for year-round usage of Log Boom concession building by for-profit company, city gets 20%.				Fiscal impact unknown at this time.			I do think that we could explore the possibility of food trucks or other types of standalone/self-contained concessionaires at Log Boom Park – maybe just summer months, but it could be a revenue generator for the City (getting a cut of the profits) for providing the space. This could provide both economic growth and more places to eat in Kenmore. I love the idea of establishing and area where we could have rotating food trucks or even a longer-term kind of agreement. Our new park improvements at Log Boom and TI’ have a lot of potential.(Jennifer G)	2.38	2	3	3		3	3	2	3 0
17	Revenue		Monitize city land and properties	Low		Low	Retention of city ownership would provide future inflation adjusted revenue to offset structural deficits and allow city significant control over future DT development.			Addendum What property does the city own? Estimate for lease income? Can we purchase land with non-genera fund?	2.38	3	1		3	3	3	3	0
			Sell unused city land and properties (post office (\$1M), Shell property (\$1.5M), Cozy Inn (\$0.6M?), Hangar/town square							Retention/increase in city ownership would provide future inflation adjusted revenue to offset structural deficits and allow city significant control over future DT development.	0.38	0	0		0	0	0	0	3
	Indirect revenue source/cost-saving		Public-Private Partnerships (PPP)				Not enough information available to communicate to city council or public	1	2026		Charge rent or fees for third-party recreation partners. Rowing programs.	1.50	3	1		1	2	3	1 1 0
			Economic development programs				Not enough information available to communicate to city council or public	1	2026			1.38	0	0	3	3		2	1 2 0
	Offset Revenue Increase		Provide education on use & assist in sign up for existing community discount programs.				Not enough information available to communicate to city council or public	1	2026	Need to consider these kinds of programs when considering regressive tax programs	2.44	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	3 0
	Revenue	Public Works	Event donations / fundraising	Low		Low		1	2026		Addendum item	1.14	1	3		1	1		1 0
	Revenue	n/a	Lakepoint specific levy	High	2,000,000				increase	Public asset available to all.. esp. important as pop. density increases.	Likely to propose lakepoint property tax measure in November. Form Metro park district (MPD) now that would kick in when the Lakepoint		3	2	3		0	3	3 2 0

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Investment	n/a	Lakepoint investment	ff	(2,000,000)		increase	Public asset available to all.. esp. important as pop. density increases.	3	2	3	0	3	2	0
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CITY OF KENMORE

Finance and Administration

Financial Sustainability Plan Task Force

City Council Presentation – May 6th



Agenda



Context

Focus on current revenues' and expenses' key elements

FSP task force process and principles driving our recommendations

Recommendation breakdown and target results

Recommendation forecasted impact

Council questions

What is the FSP task force?

Who



9 Kenmore residents who applied to be part of the task force and were interviewed by City Staff leadership to assess skillsets and personal motivation

What



Provide recommendations to the city manager & finance director on how to **improve city finances by \$2.6M per year**, through either expenditure reductions, revenue opportunities or both

How

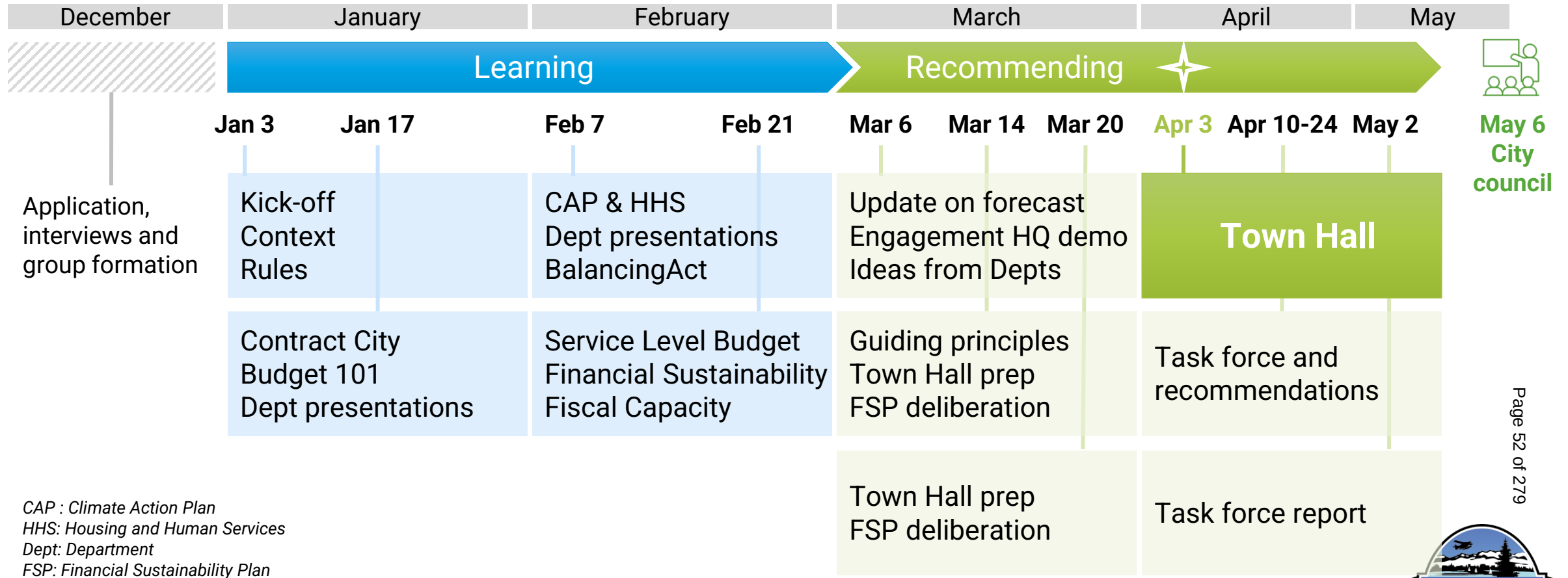


Synthesis of:

- **10 in person meetings** with City Staff
- **Town Hall** recommendations
- Outputs of **BalancingAct** tool



FSP process to date



CAP : Climate Action Plan
HHS: Housing and Human Services
Dept: Department
FSP: Financial Sustainability Plan

Expenses will grow faster than revenues



1% cap on property tax growth



High inflation



Flat growth of other revenues



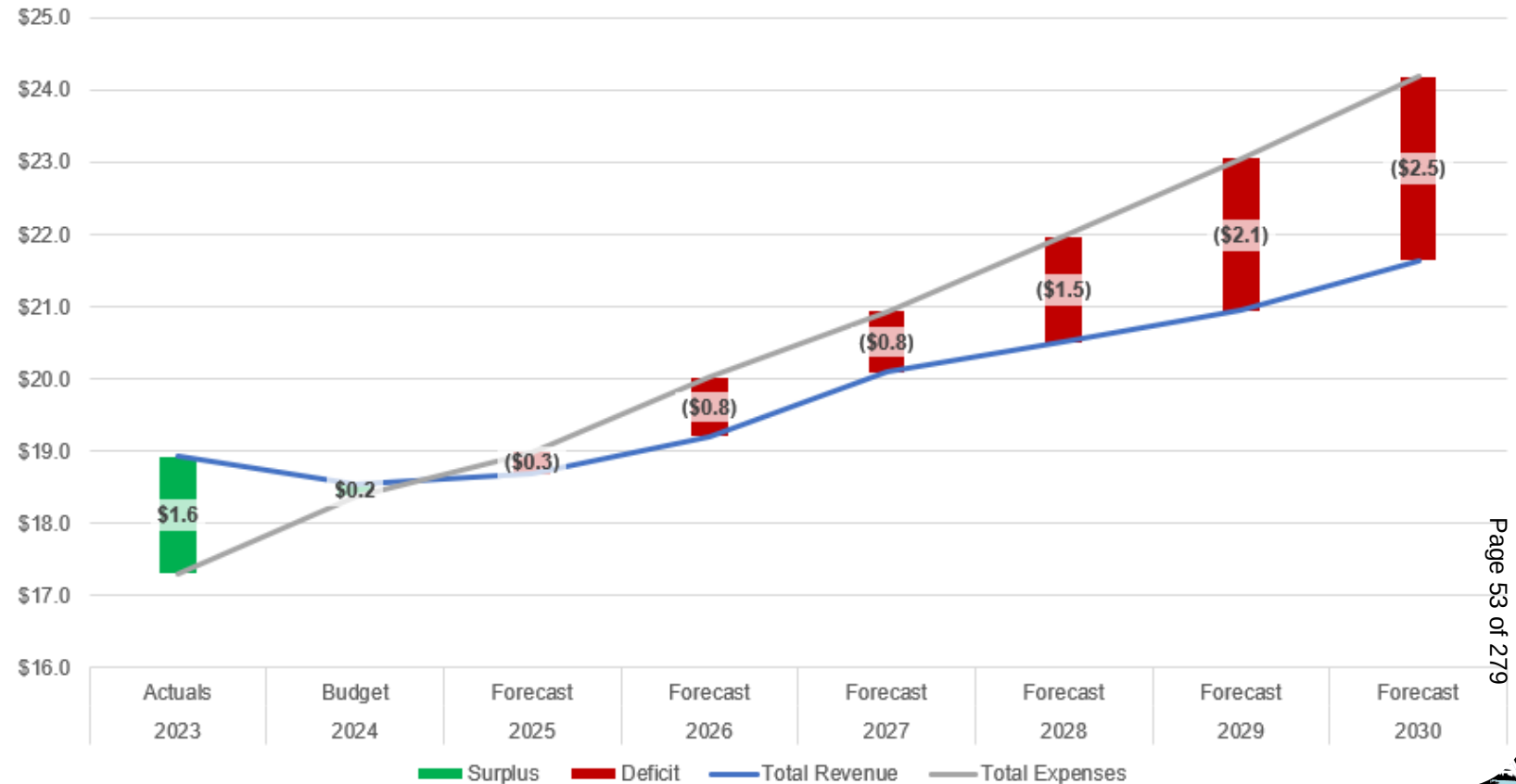
Unfunded State and Federal mandates*



Other factors
(e.g. public safety insurance raise)

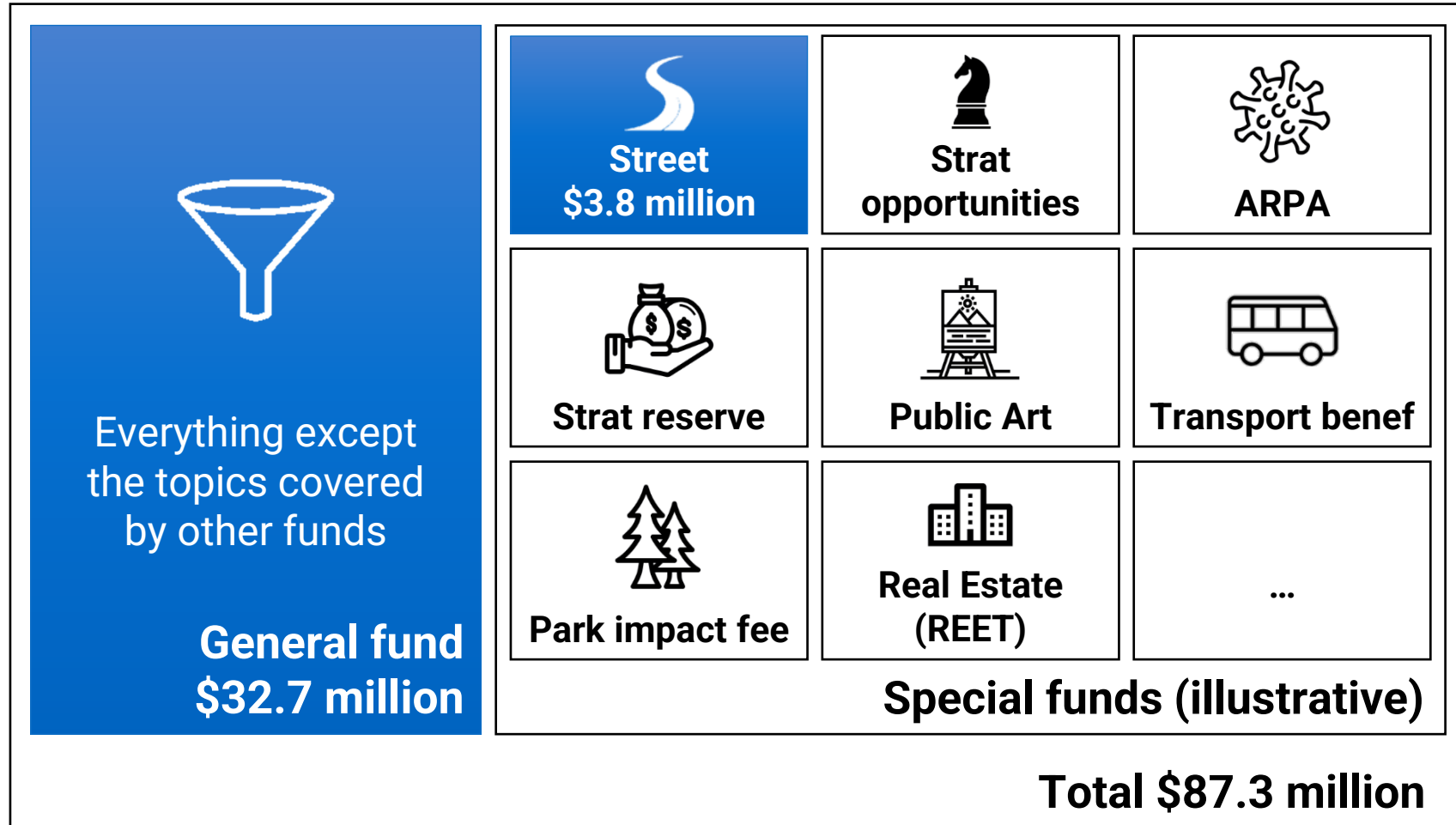


Consolidated General and Streets Revenue/Expense
2025-2030 Forecast



* For example, Comprehensive Plan updates are required every 10 years or public records requests where the City cannot recover the full costs of processing by law

General and street funds focus



- Special funds are typically self-funded and therefore not impacted by the financial situation detailed before
- The FSP task force therefore only **focused on the general and street funds**

Top general fund line items (biennium)

→ Revenues



Property taxes

\$11.5 million (37%)



Sales taxes

\$8.9 million (28%)



Utilities taxes (elec/gas/cable...)

\$3.9 million (12%)



Other revenues

\$7.0 million (23%)

\$31.3 million

→ Expenditures



Public safety

\$10 million (32%)



Public works, parks & facilities

\$3.7 million (12%)



City Manager office

\$3.6 million (12%)



Other expenditures

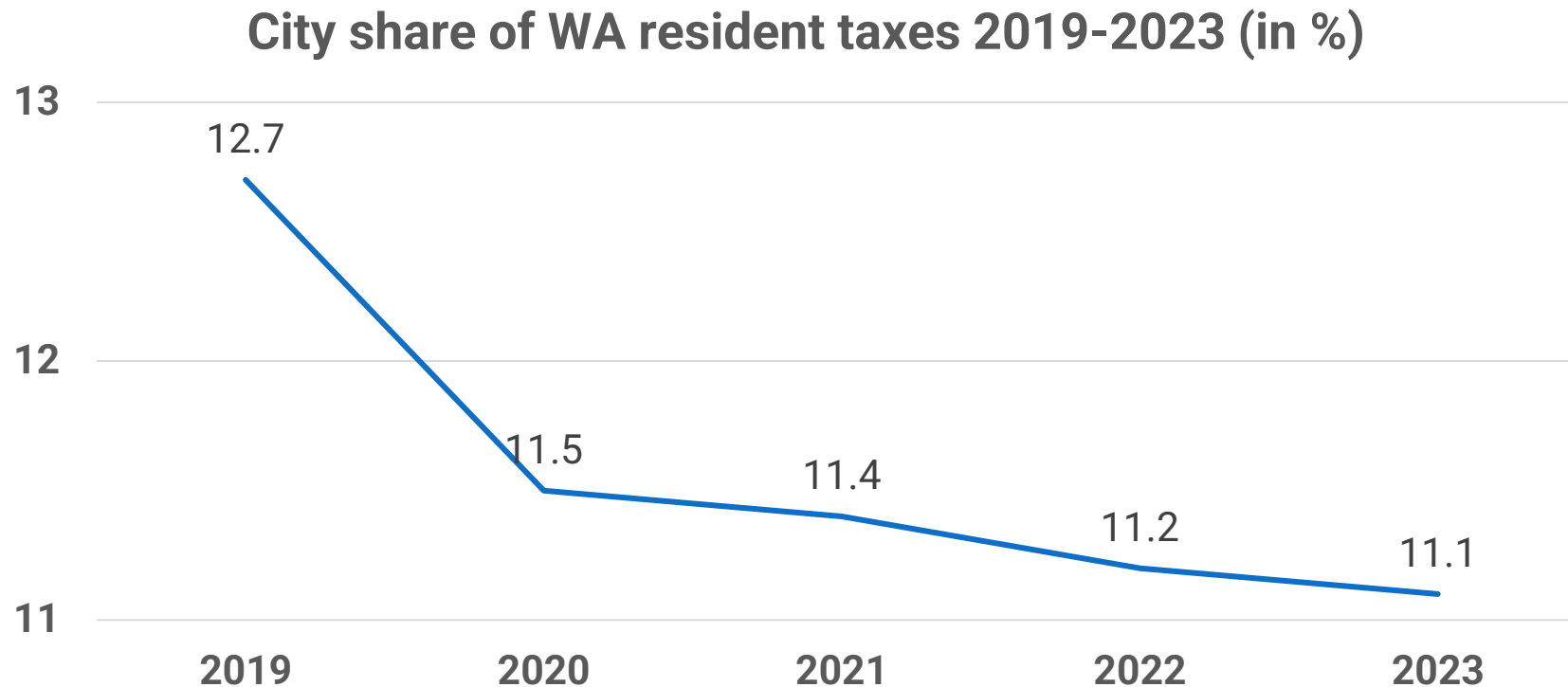
\$14.0 million (44%)

\$31.3 million

Focus on revenues

City vs. State & County taxes

Despite property taxes accounting for most of Kenmore's revenues, that is only a small and proportionally increasingly smaller fraction of our total homeowner property taxes



Focus on revenues

Legal caps on tax increases



Kenmore
+1%



Property tax

1% levy limit: if a city levies their highest lawful levy, it can only increase it by 1% the next year*



Kenmore
6%



Natural gas

6% unless voters approve a higher rate



Kenmore
4%

Electric

6% unless voters approve a higher rate



Kenmore
6%



Telecom

6% unless voters approve a higher rate



Kenmore
6%

Cable

May not be "unduly discriminatory"



Kenmore
\$40

Car tabs

\$50, must wait for 24 months or Feb 2025 before next increase

* + any tax revenues generated by new construction, improvements to property, state assessed utility value increases, and wind turbines, solar, biomass, and geothermal facilities added to the tax rolls in the past year



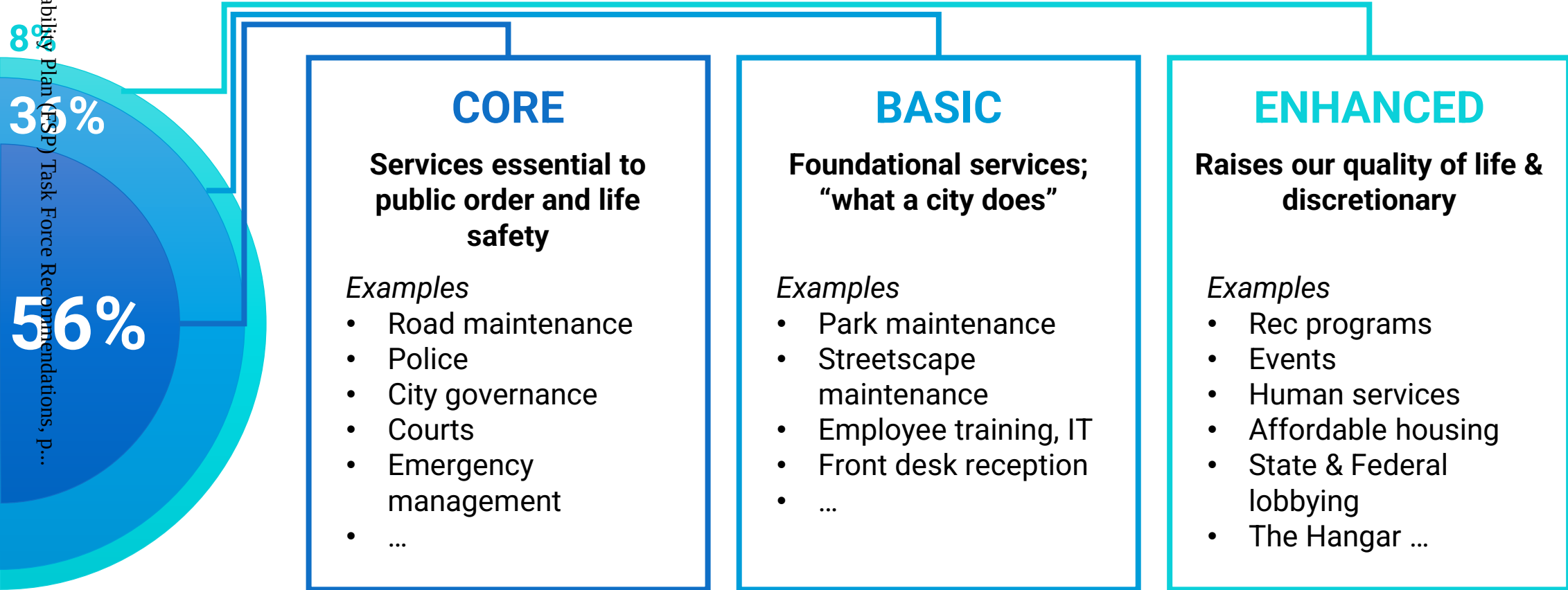
Current Kenmore rate – "legal max" attained



Current Kenmore rate – "legal max" not attained

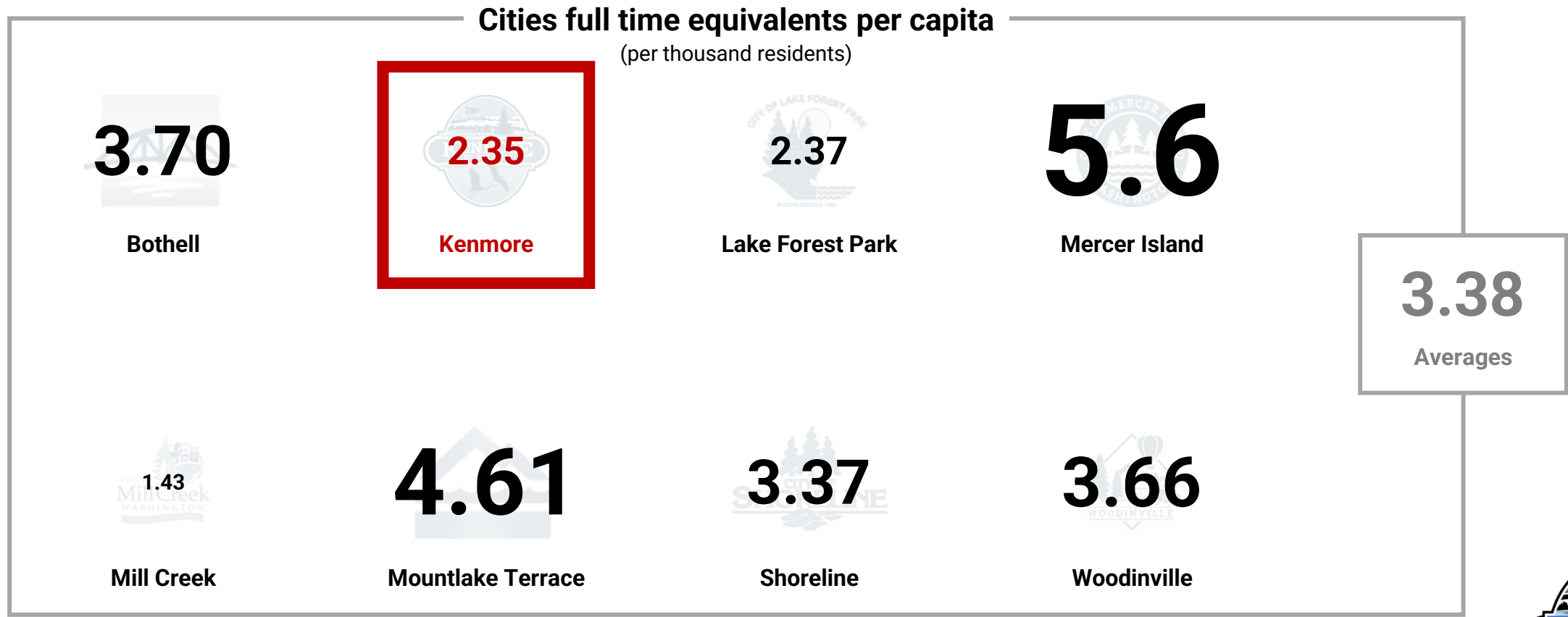
Focus on expenditures

Review of the 3 levels of service



Focus on expenditures

Headcount comparison with neighboring cities



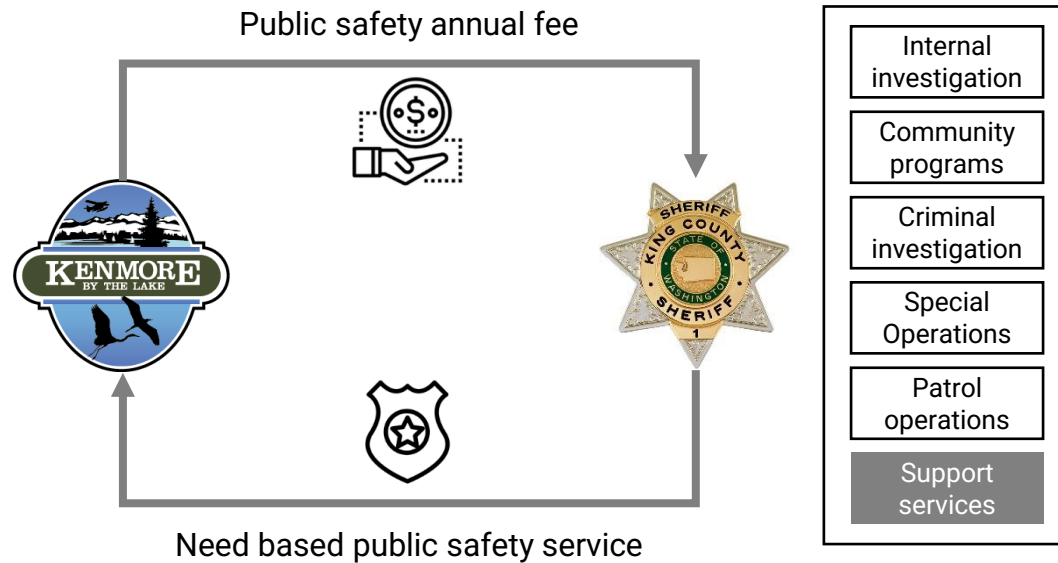
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Focus on expenditures

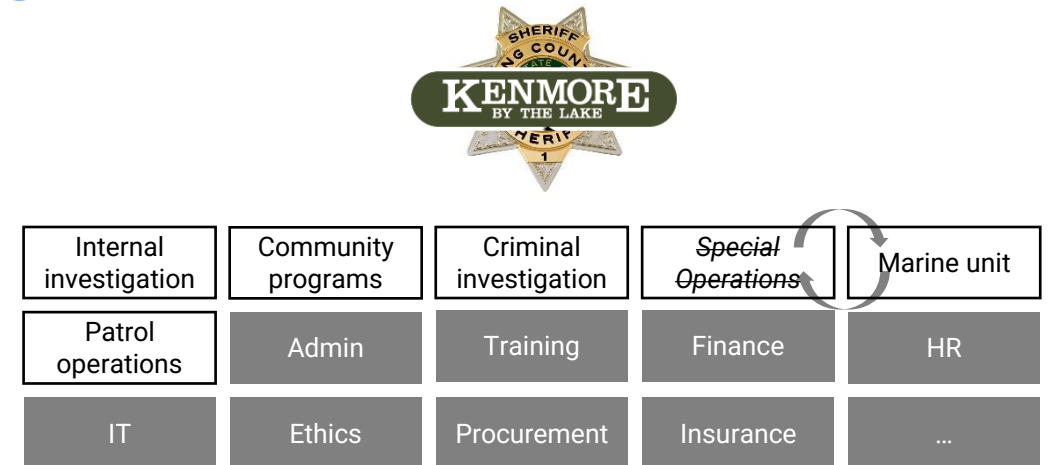
Contract city limitations

Contract



- Contracting forces Kenmore to pay a fixed fee but outsources all supporting services and risk

In-house

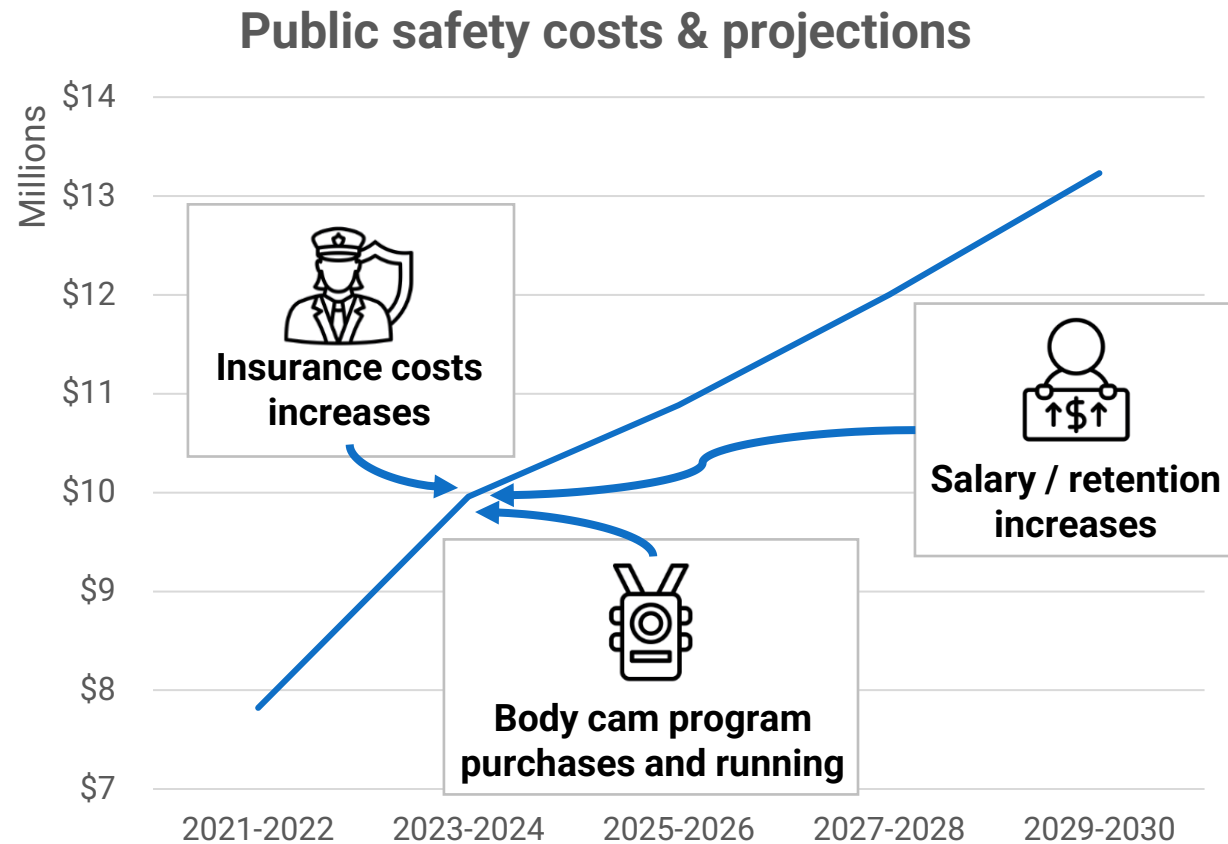


- An internal police force could be much more expensive due to our limited needs



Focus on expenditures

Public safety cost increases

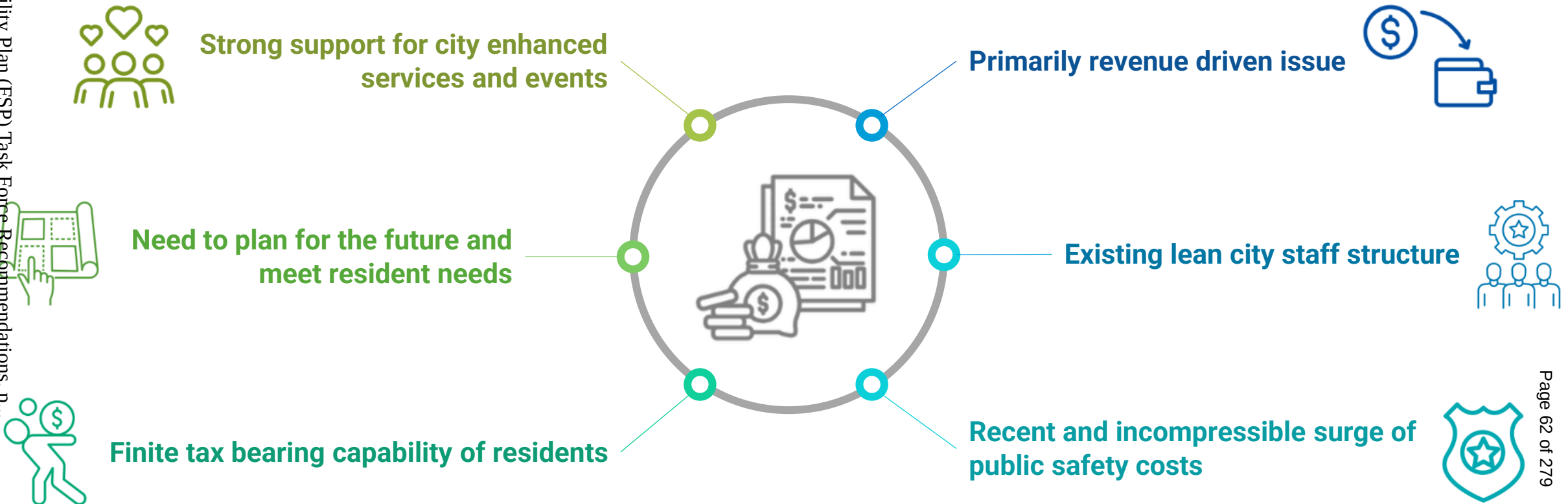


Public safety always accounted for a significant amount of the city's expenditures, **currently at almost a third of the general fund's total budget**

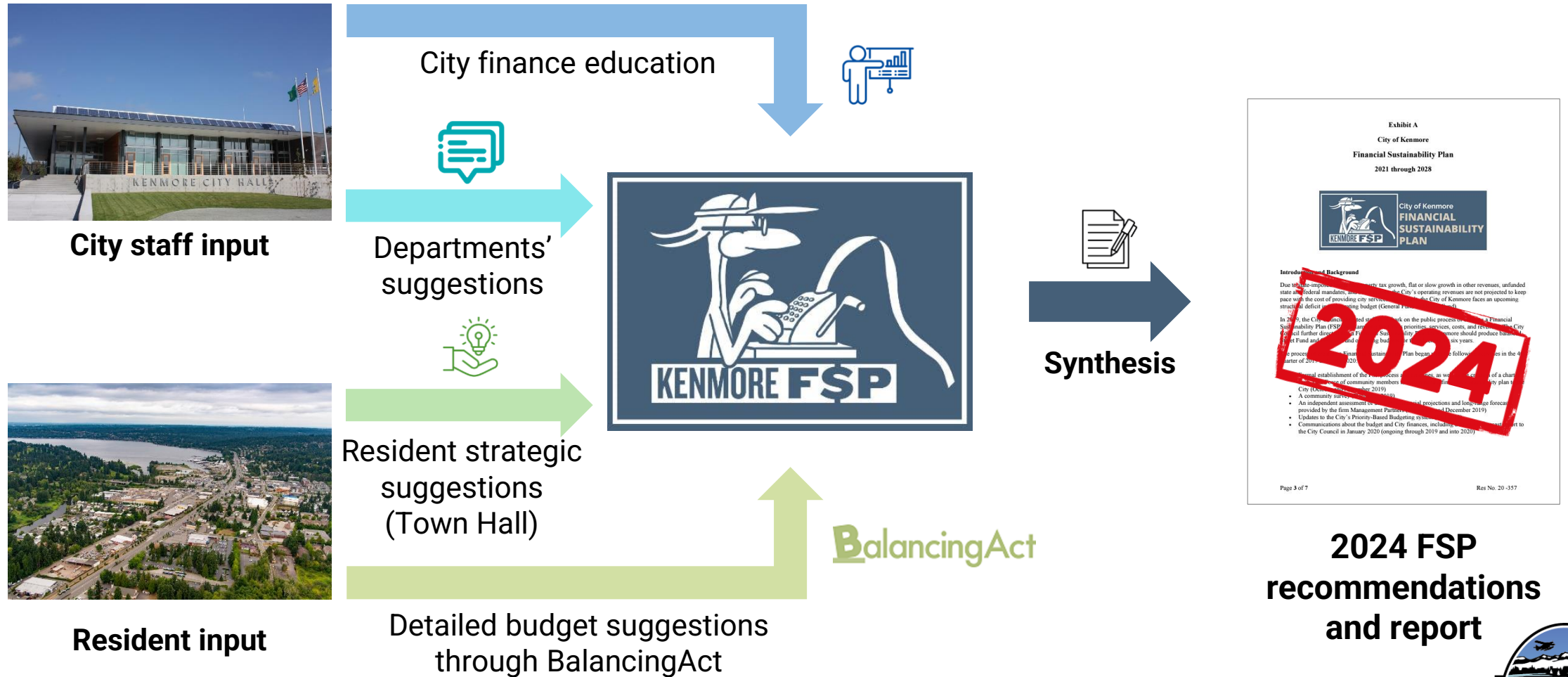
However, this line item grew significantly this biennium due to **increases in police insurance, purchasing and running of the State mandated bodycam program and salary increases**. Both are not specific to Kenmore and cities across the County are experiencing similar cost hikes

The recent spike is a **key reason for the city's future budget issues**

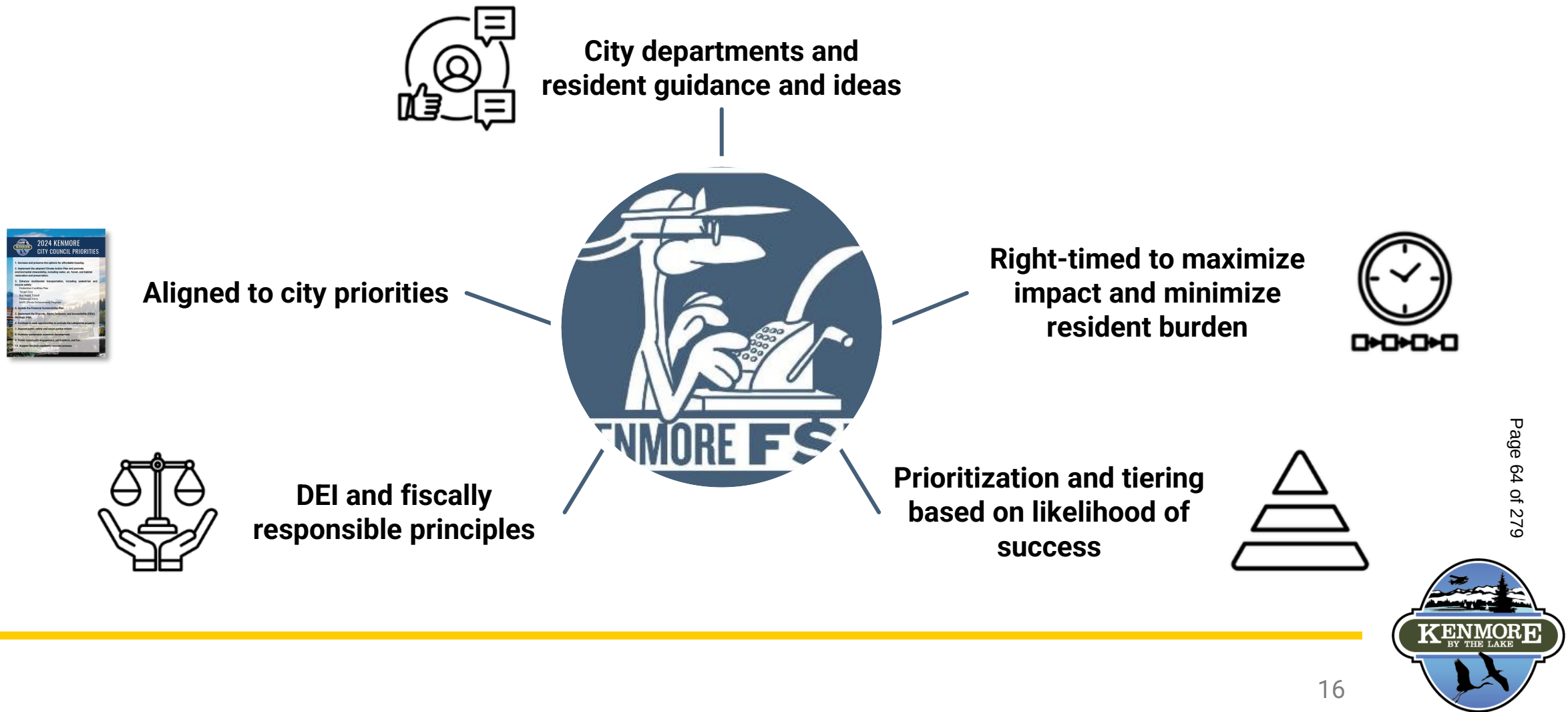
City high level situation and constraints



How to know what is best for Kenmore?



Ensuring sustainable & actionable items



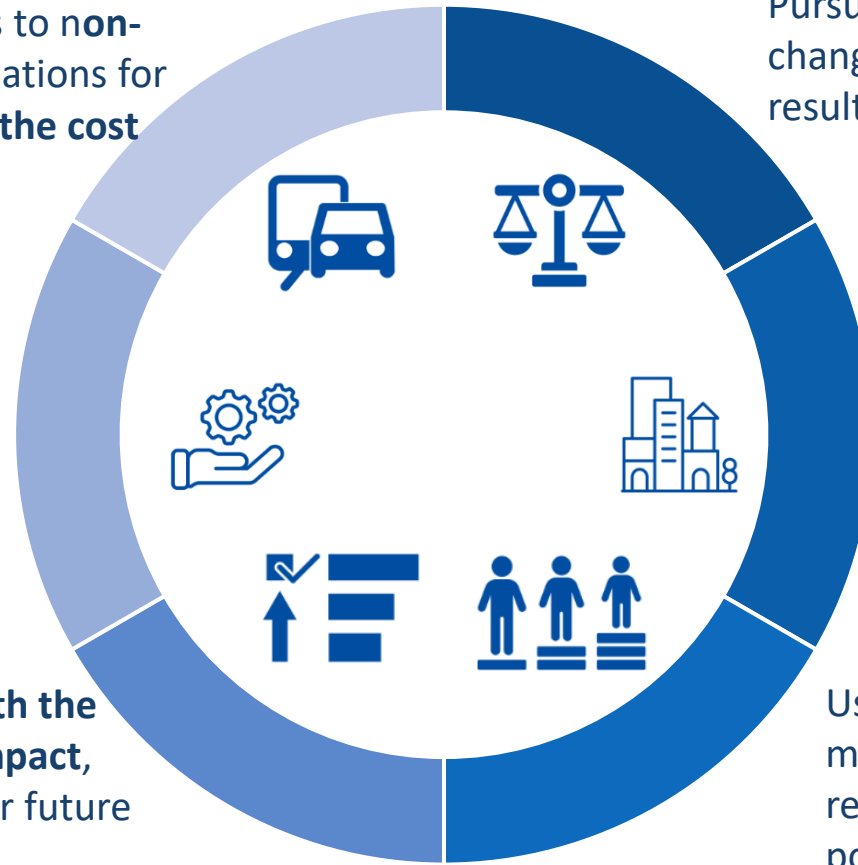
Guiding principles*

Pointing the task force in the right direction

Identify the benefits of city services to **non-residents** and consider recommendations for revenue increases that **fairly share the cost burden** with them.

Preserve ongoing funding for necessary levels of service, maintenance and upgrades when recommending budget reductions. Keep realistic levels of service in mind when recommending revenue increases.

Seek efficient, effective solutions with the greatest importance and financial impact, including those with high potential for future cost savings and revenue increases.



Pursue a **balanced approach** that complies with changes in State regulations, and that utilizes the results of the **Service Level Budgeting**.

Include **all levels of the city** when looking at challenges and opportunities: neighborhoods, businesses, communities, schools, city operations and governance

Use the **Equity Framework Tool**, striving to minimize disproportionate impacts on residents with fewer resources where possible

* Full wording of guiding principles available on the city's FSP webpage

Task force key recommendations

Address our public safety costs



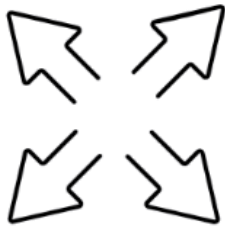
Ensure sustainability for our parks



Improve city efficiency and cost reductions



Strategically expand the city's capabilities



Ensure fairness of tax burden



Task force key recommendations

Address our public safety costs



Outside of inflation related expense increases, **public safety costs saw the highest growth** recently due to police insurance increases and the mandated roll-out and support of body cameras

As one of the main reasons for the city's financial situation, the task force recommends **addressing this specifically through additional dedicated direct and indirect revenues**

Targeted levy lid lift to fund public safety



+\$1.12M (\$0.16/
\$1k of ass. value)



2028

Secure the public safety sales tax before King County takes it



+\$460k (+0.1% to
sales taxes)



<2029

Expand traffic camera program (KAPE) by 4 additional cameras



+\$900k (est.
\$225k / camera)



2026 → 2028

Increase KAPE 1st tier ticket cost to \$136 for 2 cameras



+\$180k



2026



Task force key recommendations

Ensure sustainability for our parks



To **maintain our parks' quality and maintenance** and address their associated costs, the FSP task force recommends the **creation of a Metropolitan Park District** funded by its associated levy

Furthermore, the task force and Kenmore residents broadly (per EMC survey results) show strong support for the city to take an **active role in developing the Lake Pointe** property and these have been included in our models

Metropolitan Park District levy



+\$350k (\$0.05/
\$1k of ass. value)



2026

Implement picnic shelter rental fees



+\$17k



2025

Expected Lake Pointe study preliminary costs



-\$500k (assuming
acquisition grant is
funded)



2025 & 2026
(one time costs)



Task force key recommendations

Improve city efficiency and cost reductions



Despite the City of Kenmore having already one of the **leanest staffing models** across neighboring cities, the task force wanted to ensure that possible **cost cutting measures** were part of a balanced and sustainable financial plan

Strategic **reallocation of headcount** as well as **more efficient use of resources** will allow the city to limit future expenses

Reallocation of key staff to other funds*	Commit to further improved operational efficiency	Temporary staffing reduction	Convert all streetlights to LED
 +\$240k	 +\$100k	 +\$100k	 +\$69k
 2026	 2026	 2026	 2028

* Current model plans for the reallocation of civil engineers and capital project managers entirely to transportation and the reallocation of 1500 hours of parks project manager time to the capital fund



Task force key recommendations

Strategically expand the city's capabilities



We also wished to **ensure that unmet needs are planned** to support the city's expansion and residents' wellbeing

We recommend the city invests in strategic & econ. development to **drive the economic growth of our downtown**. In addition, the city needs to **support its residents in need** with case worker capabilities to help them access and navigate existing rebate programs and affordable options

**Hire a Strategic and
Economic Development
manager**



-\$180k



2025

**Hire a human services
case worker / program
navigator**



-\$225k



2026

Task force key recommendations

Ensure fairness of tax burden



As a primarily revenue driven issue, the **city's financial situation can only be mainly addressed** through specific **targeted tax levy measures**

Recognizing the possible tax burden caused, the task force advocates for **setting up a utility tax rebate program**. In addition, we recommend eliminating the admissions tax which only targets a very limited number of businesses

Set up a utility tax rebate program



-\$225k



2027

Eliminate the Admissions Tax



-\$130k



2026

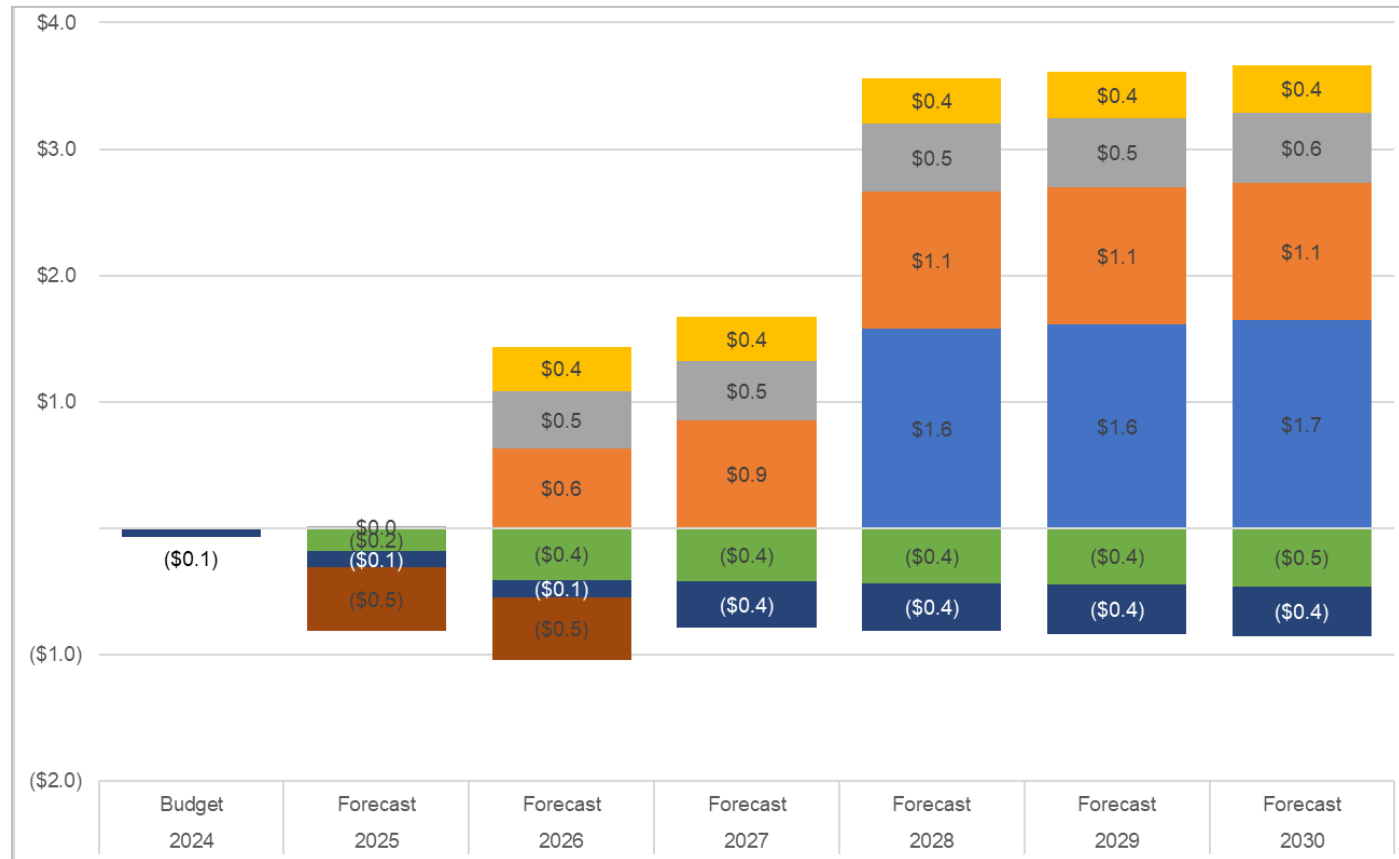
Key recommendations overview

Expected budget impact of proposed measures

 Address our public safety costs → +\$2.6M → -	 Ensure sustainability for our parks → +\$367k → +\$500k	 Improve city efficiency and cost reductions → - → -\$509k
 Strategically expand the city's capabilities → - → +\$405k	 Ensure fairness of tax burden → -\$355k → -	

Key recommendations overview

Budget strategies impact summary over time



- Public safety tax
- KAPE
- Efficiencies
- Metropolitan Park District
- Investments
- Revenue reduction
- Lake Pointe



Additional considerations

Matching recommendations to future realities

The FSP task force full recommendations also allows City leadership and the council to further fine-tune suggested measures to react to potential future unexpected changes to Kenmore's financial context



Prioritization

Every option considered by the task force was voted upon and given a **score based on impact, ability to implement and relevance**

The city can and should restrict or expand the **prioritized list** to better address the city's financial needs over time in case unexpected events happen



Timing

The task force tried to maximize the impact and minimize resident burden by **spreading suggested measures over time**

City leadership might wish to **adjust those timelines** further in the future in case the efficiency / burden balance could be improved further



Approval modalities

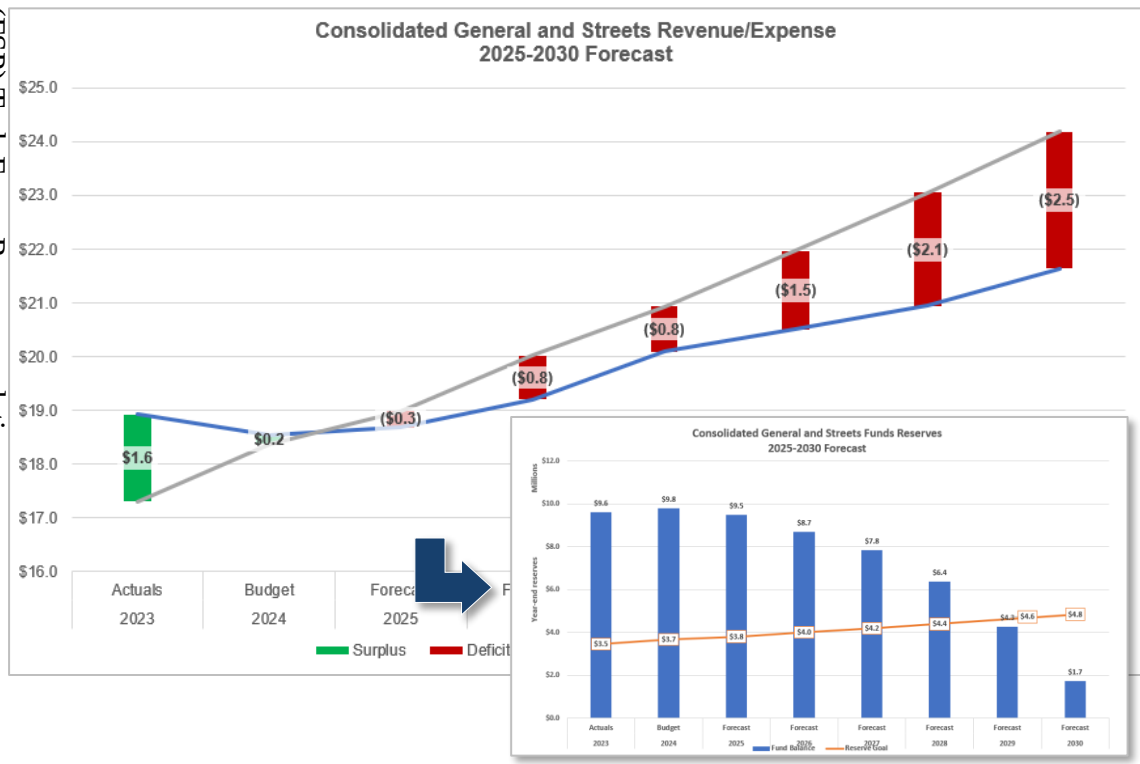
The **need to go to the voters or the ability to pass measures councilmanically** is indicated for each of the recommended measures

Measures suggested beyond 2025 can therefore be further refined depending on the **practicality and / or costs associated with putting specific measures on the ballot**

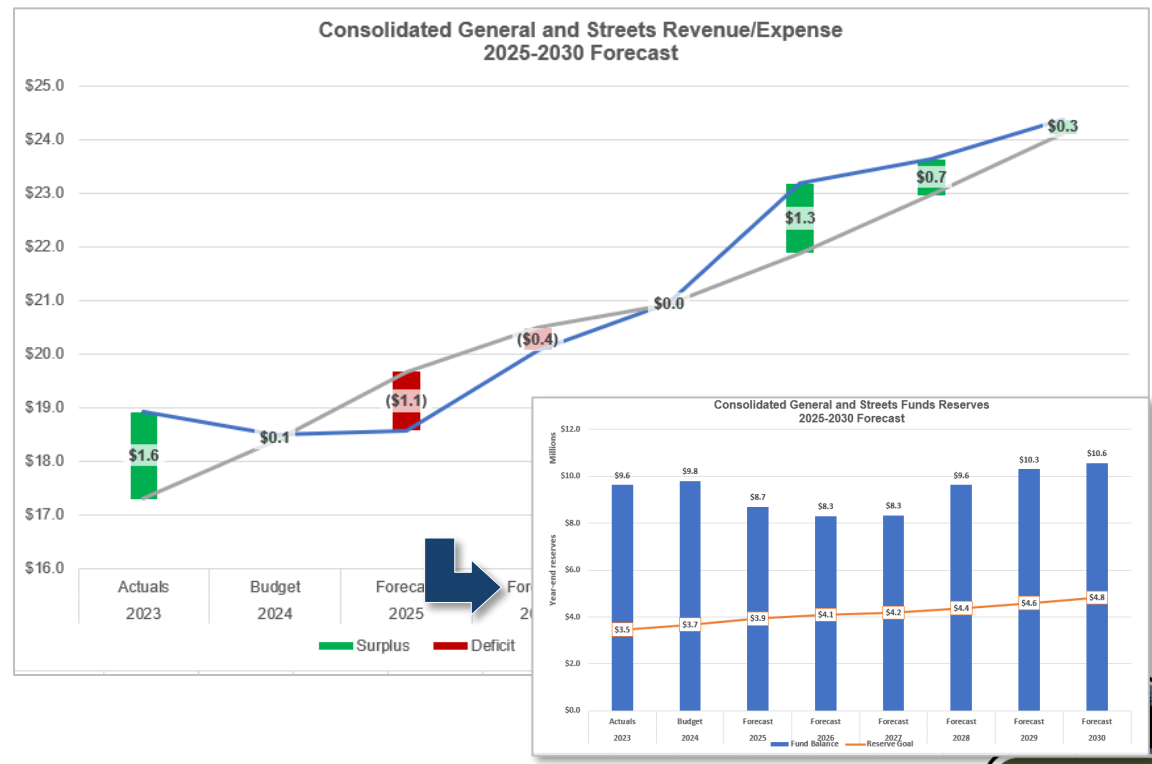
FSP task force recommendations

Expected impacts to projected city finances

From a structurally unsustainable budget...



...to a healthy forecast that allows for strategic reserves



Special thanks

To Rob, Melinda and Carla for your constant guidance and availability

To all the department heads for your presentations and efficiency / cost cutting suggestions

To City Council for your time, consideration and questions today

And **especially** to all the residents who shared virtually or in person their ideas, comments, concerns, suggestions, budget models and active participation during the FSP town hall!!!



Questions

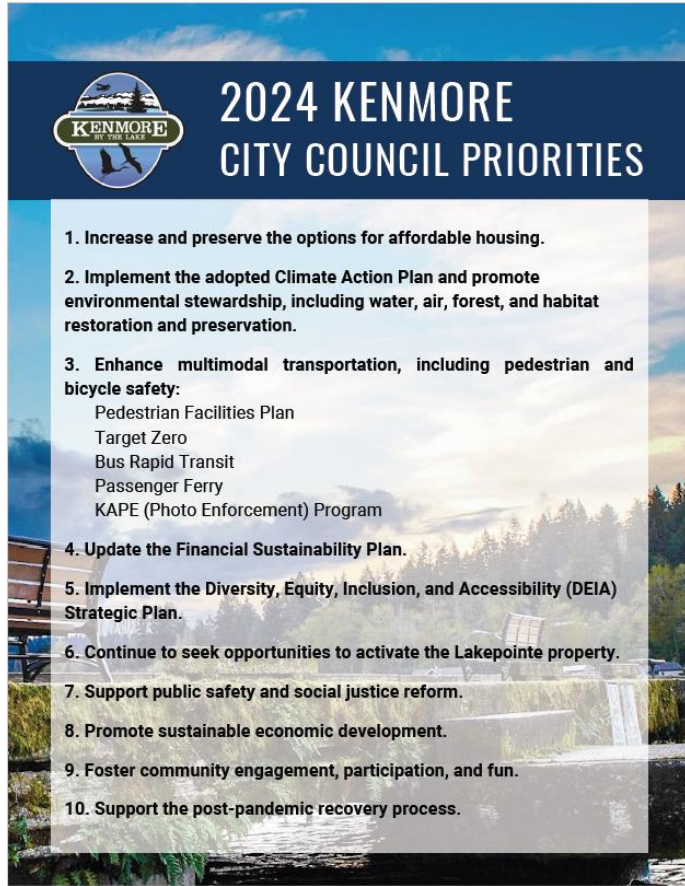


Appendix



City priorities

Aligning with city council's vision for Kenmore

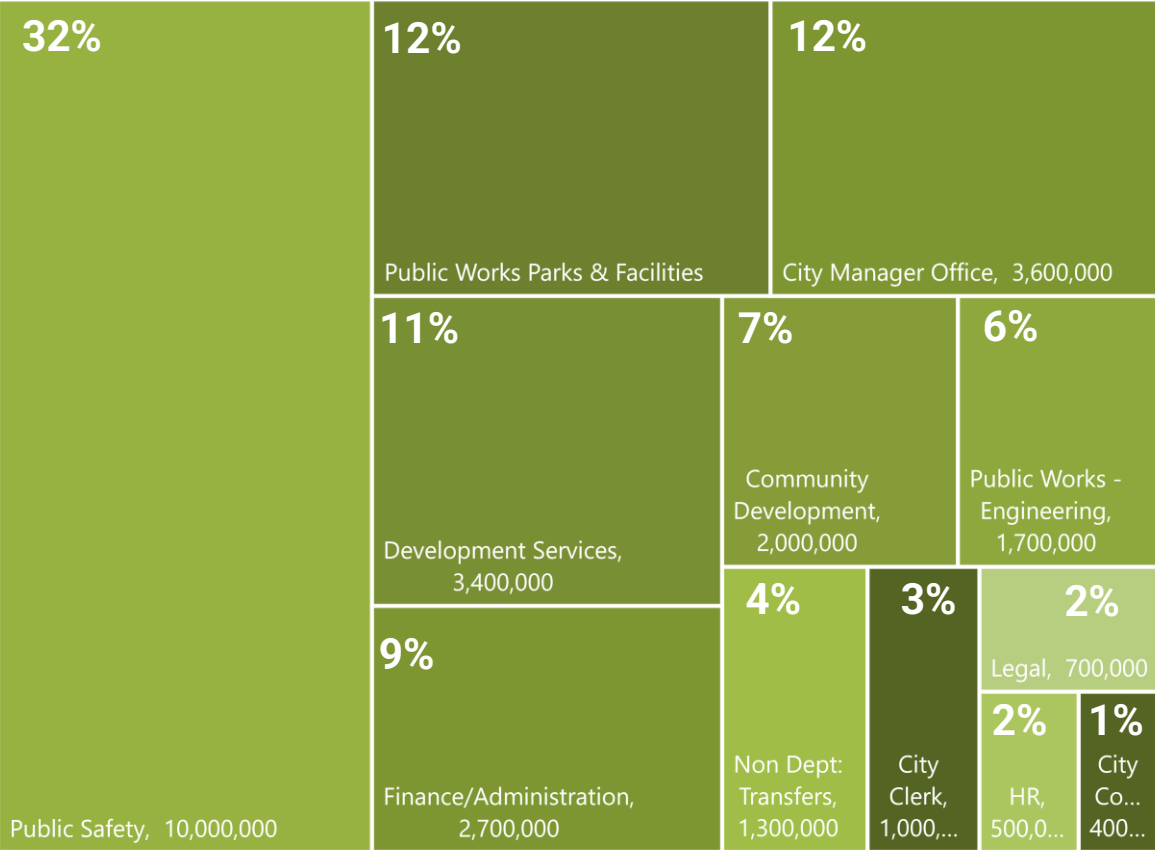


1. Increase and preserve the options for **affordable housing**.
2. Implement the adopted **Climate Action Plan** and promote **environmental stewardship**, including water, air, forest, and habitat restoration and preservation.
3. Enhance **multimodal transportation**, including **pedestrian and bicycle safety**:
 - Pedestrian Facilities Plan
 - Target Zero
 - Bus Rapid Transit
 - Passenger Ferry
 - KAPE (Photo Enforcement) Program
4. Update the **Financial Sustainability Plan**.
5. Implement the **Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility (DEIA) Strategic Plan**.
6. Continue to seek opportunities to activate the **Lakepointe** property.
7. Support **public safety and social justice reform**.
8. Promote sustainable **economic development**.
9. Foster **community engagement, participation, and fun**
10. Support the **post-pandemic recovery** process.

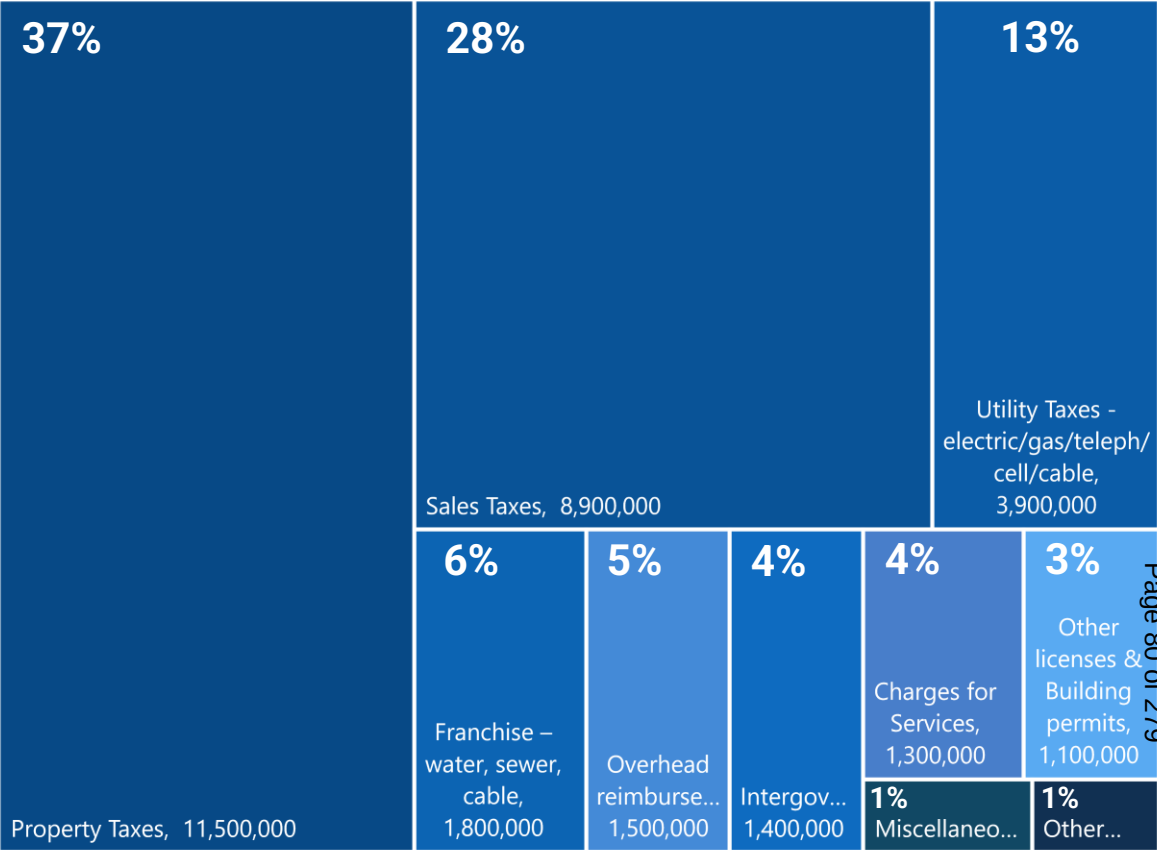


General fund breakdown (biennium)

→ Expenditures



→ Revenues



CITY OF KENMORE

Finance and Administration

Financial Sustainability Plan Task Force

Town Hall Debrief and Feedback Consolidation – April 3rd



Roundtable feedback and ideas

Departments



Streets & Traffic Safety

Drop

- Be careful of over-enforcement of bus lanes because it can stop people from using them during off hours. I was stuck in a traffic jam once because 1/3 lanes were out of use because people didn't think they could use it
- Reduce the number of road miles so less maintenance, close underused roads
- Reduce the use of high-maintenance landscape elements (trees, etc) that require significant resources to maintain, water, etc

+ Add

- Focus on ways to enhance pedestrian safety
- Enforce speed limit
- Maintain standards and keep street maintenance
- In addition to LED lights, reduce size of highways from 6 → 4 lanes. Alter sideways that use bus to allow buses to pick up safely without being in the lanes.
- Rework road with different material
- Can we get a light at crosswalk of 181st & 68th. Someone is going to get killed!
- Look at Vancouver Transportation System
- Emphasize our #3 priority, specifically the Pedestrian Plan
- The city has done great for parks and roadworks improvements
- A couple more camera on bus lanes
- Increase car tabs to \$60
- Update technology automation where possible
- KAPE-add strategically, for safety; verify yellow light length is not shortened
- 61st Red Light Camera supported
- Additional school zone cameras – not against, but don't want the city to have as many as Shoreline/LFP
- I can walk everywhere in this town, but transit is hard outside it.



Roundtable feedback and ideas

Departments	 Drop	 Add
 Parks & city buildings	• Contract parks and maintenance; they should also coordinate volunteers • Use more volunteers for park cleanup • Host cleanup events at parks • Significant concerns from multiple participants about the city's purchasing of real estate without a (well communicated) plan about why the tax payers are incurring these expenses. • Sell property to offset the need to raise taxes • Significant concern from participants about the cost of the public works facility and the ongoing expense necessary to maintain it. Savings on this development would have a significant impact on the city's finances, even though this is not impacting the General/Streets fund.	• Parks are important for property value – increase if possible but do not cut quality • Save big trees – can't cut them down • We like walking to Slough, Rhododendron Park • Parks are updated and underused • Use more visual notices in the Hangar to help people • Slough on Sammamish river is a gold mine • Keep city landscaping and landscape maintenance contracted and do not bring it in house • A plan for our slough and waterways to attract events. Ex: busy summer sell sodas, waters from the launch (have an existing business to do that) • Rent out space–Hangar (should be open to all residents, currently not allowing Gun Safety classes that do not bring guns) • Rent out space–Office space in City Hall • Rent out space–Companies doing contract work for the city • Evaluate/tweak WFH policy to consolidate offices and create more space • Develop a volunteer park stewardship program to reduce the city staff labor involved with clean-up and maintenance



Roundtable feedback and ideas (cont.)

Departments	 Drop	 Add
 Recreation and city events	• St. Edwards takes on the cost of running events • Cancel Movie nights in Square	• Keep 4th July fireworks • Try to get corporate sponsorship for Fireworks and/or split cost with surrounding municipalities • We like the Farmers' market, movies and concerts • Keep the farmers' market • During events, set up \$1 or \$3 craft tables and tips to have kid related events and activities contribute to city finances • Implement fees for log boom park food trucks • Events stay free but have options for people to pay for stuff • Rent the Hangar as an events space • Make people pay for renting the room at the Hangar (DEIA friendly) • Ensure that space renting pays for itself • Move food trucks and the city market off the street and into neighboring parking lots • This would allow us to not close off one of our main streets and might be cheaper as there wouldn't be the same need of police presence • Could we put it next to the post office or the US Bank parking lot? • Add more playfields, baseball, etc. • Add more promotional events for small businesses: For example, each plaza area has a week where we celebrate and promote the businesses • Add a parks event manager to bring local teams, leagues, etc. to our fields • Ensure cost-neutral or cash positive impact of privatized Framers Market



Roundtable feedback and ideas (cont.)

Departments	 Drop	 Add
 Public Safety (police, justice services...)	• KAPE–No citizens should be involved, no wannabe LEOs, privacy concerns • One participant expressed concerns multiple times about the expense incurred to the city to pass laws that are not being enforced. Traffic, Water Safety (PFD), cell phone use.	• Could key services such as Police be combined with neighboring cities? • Do a public safety analysis to go into more detail • Additional tickets/enforcement • Conduct/document a review of the police costs paid to King County and predict when/if it would be more cost effective to bring Police in-house. • Public safety is strongly supported
 Sustainability & environment	• Rental restrictions should be lowered to attract developers, also for residents to rent out their homes.	• More charging stations • Upgrade to LED on streetlights • Create awareness of social services (ex: Mary's Place) • We like the Senior Center and the Food Bank • Prioritize climate action items in BalancingAct • Market based housing to counteract subsidized housing • Low income, fixed income, outreach, program. Volunteers?



Roundtable feedback and ideas (cont.)

Departments	 Drop	 Add
 Administration & community engagement	• Look at alternatives for receptionist that cost less • What is Mill Creek doing to get to such a small # of employees. This should be evaluated but implemented very carefully. • Change insurance to self-insured (part or all of policy) or high deductible and build up pool of \$ to cover the high deductible, if necessary. • Concern about hiring FTE's for city staff	• Rent out portions of City Hall • Build a map of Kenmore businesses • Keep the city-sent mail • Change insurance to self-insured (part or all of policy) or high deductible and build up pool of \$ to cover the high deductible, if necessary.
 City planning & permitting	• \$\$ is flowing through on the trail; we need to find a way to get them to stop. i.e., brewpub or build a crossing • Increase ADUs; learn from other cities • Allow gambling, bring back a card room (previously brought in \$900K per year)	• Keep city planners • Focus on Lakepointe and overall economic growth – attracting Seattle & Bellevue commuters to move to Kenmore • Develop rules to encourage ADUs and DADUs • Simplify building codes to improve the speed of new constructions (and increase the amount of property taxes) • We could build a 15 min walk “complete city” at Lakepointe to increase our tax base with commercial and residential • Start developing Lakepointe by building a pier to derive income from events • Can we improve the permitting process? Speed up development? Additional staff?



Roundtable feedback and ideas (cont.)

Departments	 Drop	 Add
Other...	• \$\$ is flowing through on the trail; we need to find a way to get them to stop. i.e., brewpub or build a crossing • Increase ADUs; learn from other cities • Allow gambling, bring back a card room (previously brought in \$900K per year) • DEIA – One participant noted that they did not see justification in Kenmore to be spending on these types of initiatives. • Don't want to cut staff. Not worth staff cuts. But don't hire more staff.	• Can we buy the passenger ferry back? • We like our education and schools (Inglemoor, good college prep, elementary schools) • Add more grocery stores such as Trader Joe's and PCC • Sell city properties and derive additional sales tax / property taxes and derived revenues from the development of these lots • Increase the priority of economic development in the city priorities list • Rotate council priorities every year • Sugar tax similar to Seattle • Hire grant writer. • Charge for parking; 20% should be free; adjust rate based on demand • PSE is going up 18% so do not add to this by adding tax • Encourage/promote Adopt a Storm Drain • Specific activities that drive economic development. Participants would be willing to support these with funding if there was a specific plan. • Expenditure cuts would be too small. Need to increase revenue



Roundtable feedback and ideas (cont.)

Taxes

Is there a possibility of a B&O tax for hotels?

Collect tax from the Golf Club

Sales tax increase would have a big impact. A 0.5% increase would bring in \$1.2M / 2 years

Sell some city properties to increase property tax amounts

Small business taxes?

Events

Public private partnerships for events

Offset costs of events by collecting sales tax on more vendors

Parks

Leverage volunteers for park maintenance

Roads

Speed camera on Juanita Drive

Add 61st street speed camera

Speed camera on Juanita Drive X Simons Road intersection

Set up traffic cameras on 522 and in front of our schools

0.25% sales tax + \$10 car tab increase → \$2.5M over 5 years, assuming 20k cars). Consider car tab increase

Utilities

Utility taxes will hit less wealthy people more, so prefer not to rely on them too much, especially energy

PSE prices are expected to go up 18% next year. What about moving to SnoPud for a lower rate and provide a tax increase on electricity?

Increase utility taxes

Cyclist tax for street use, similar to pet tax / pet license

Implement a toll over the bridge

Misc.

Possible windfall following national association of realtors lawsuit due to increased home values (we can hope?)?

Look for cost efficiencies

Surface water runoff fees for manufactured homes compared to permanent homes?

Income exemption for low income/retired

Roundtable questions

Finance	Finance (misc.)	Parks	Businesses	Environment
How much of property taxes go to the city?	Self Insured?	Who do we pay for St Edwards events (WA State Parks?)?	Do we offer to support our businesses (ex: Teriyaki spot)	Can we do a simulation of climate related decision and how they increase the overall cost of living for residents (construction, taxes, building codes)
Show increases of taxes per year for the city (gross revenue receipt trend)	What amount from the Federal government do we get for roads?	What are we doing with the 52 acres of Lake Front?	How many businesses do we have and how are they doing?	
Make a graph showing the yearly expenditure and revenue curves over time to show the widening gap	How do capital projects affect the general fund?	Will Lakepointe be realized?	How do we make the city more business friendly as this would help with generating income?	
What does the decreasing 1% really mean? Can we get clarity if taxes are increasing why are Kenmore's portion decreasing?	Misc. / unclear	Is a passenger ferry a possibility	Is Kenmore business friendly?	Other
Is the Public works building something that can be postponed saving on City Spend, or is it fully funded?	Sharon Simes above slough Water streams?	Is another hangar the role of the city?	How do we attract developers?	Is Kenmore's DEIA program mandated by state/law?
	All cable? Is this vote			Ask Millcreek how they have lower employees per capita



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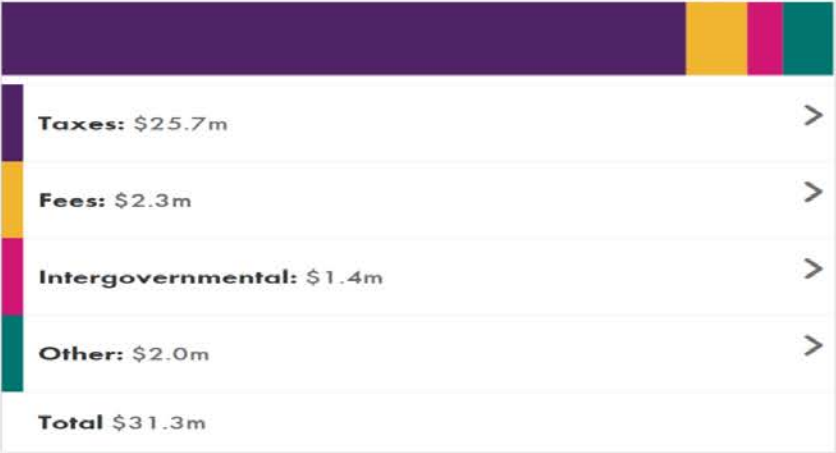
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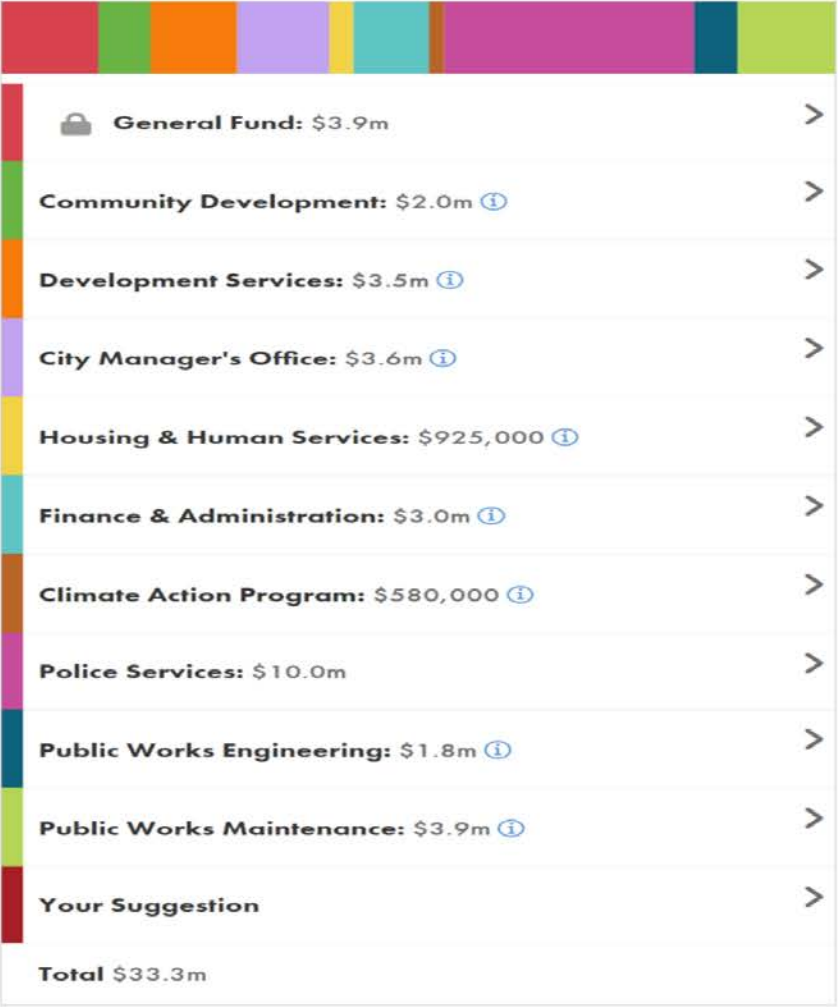
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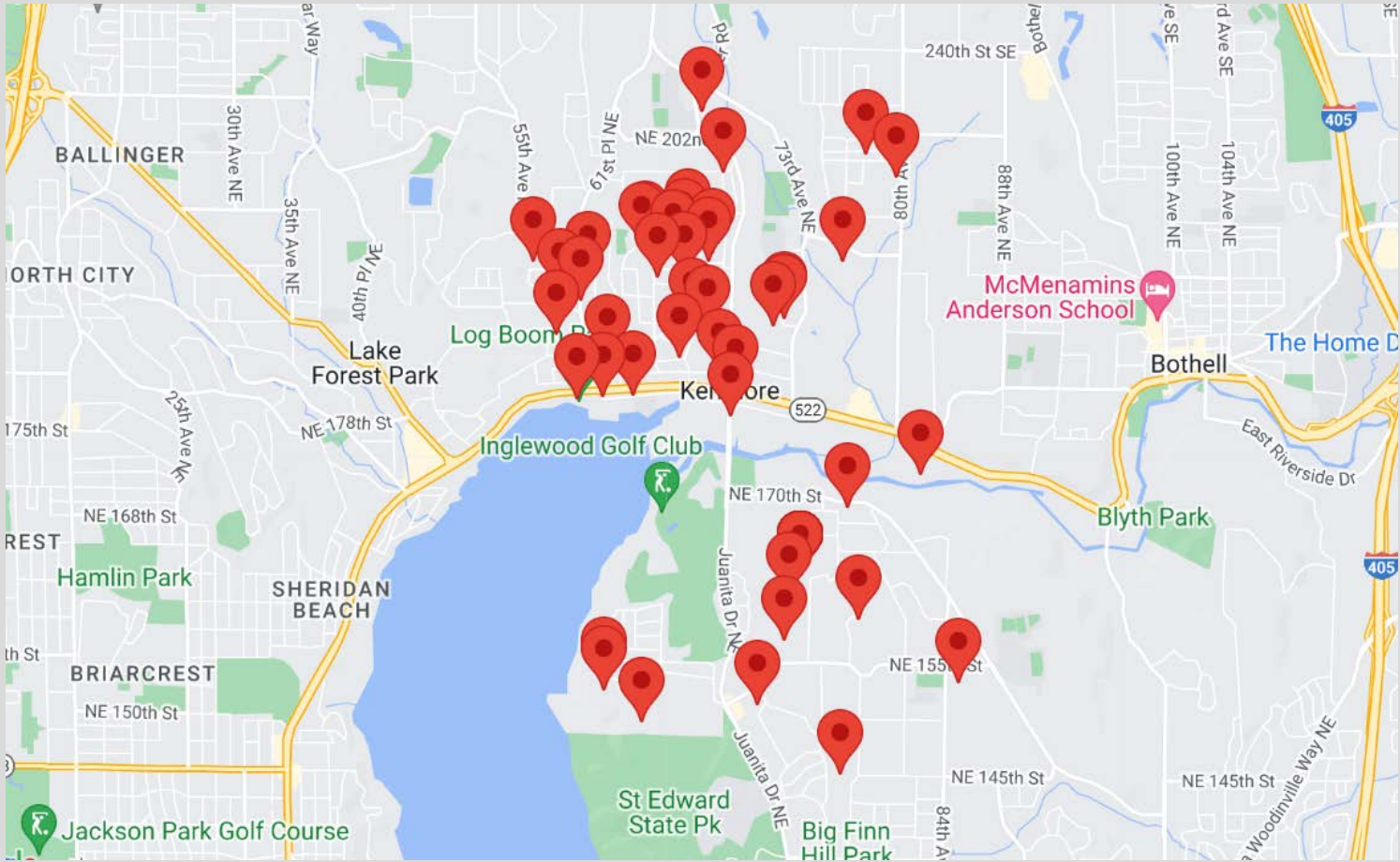
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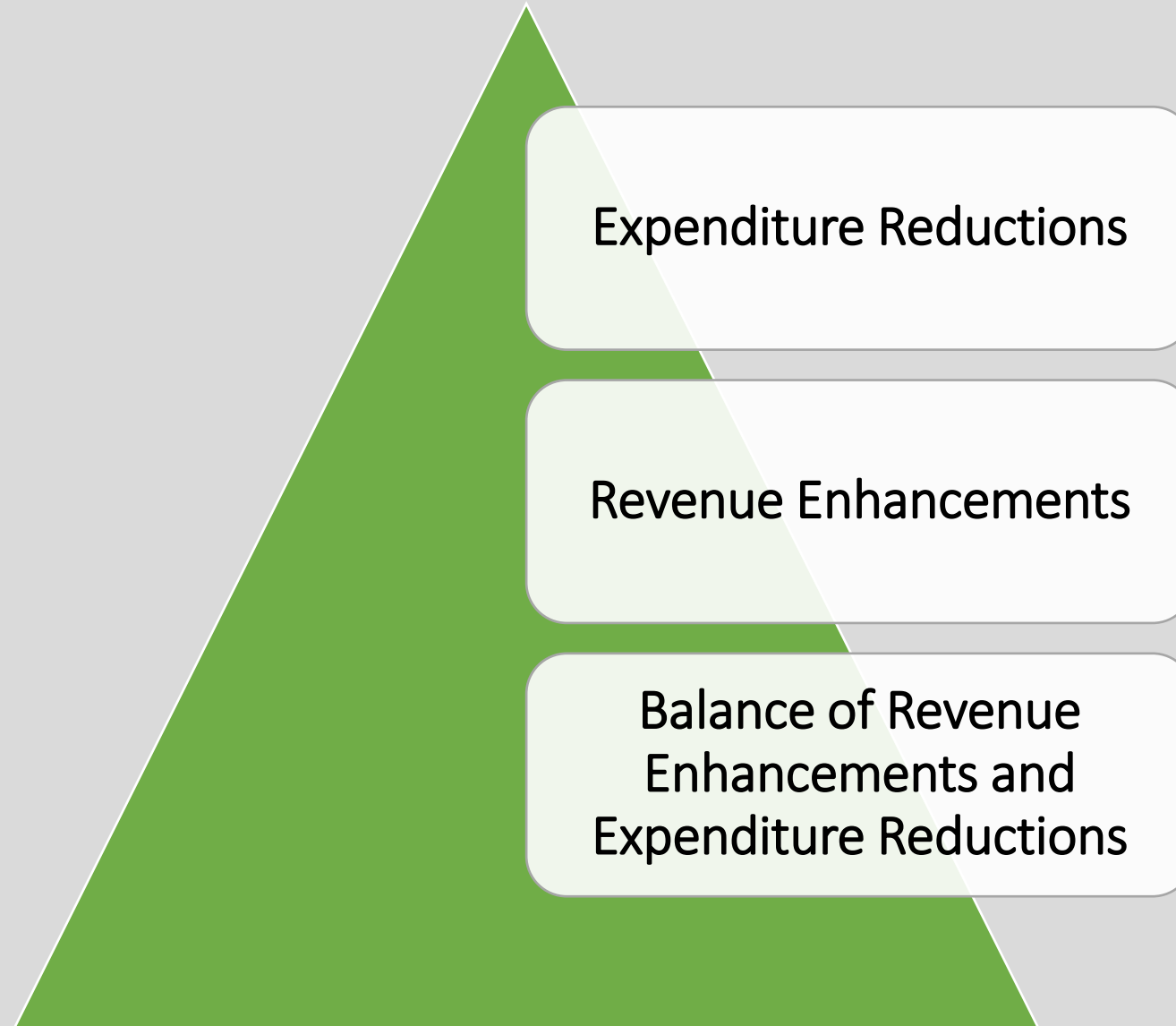
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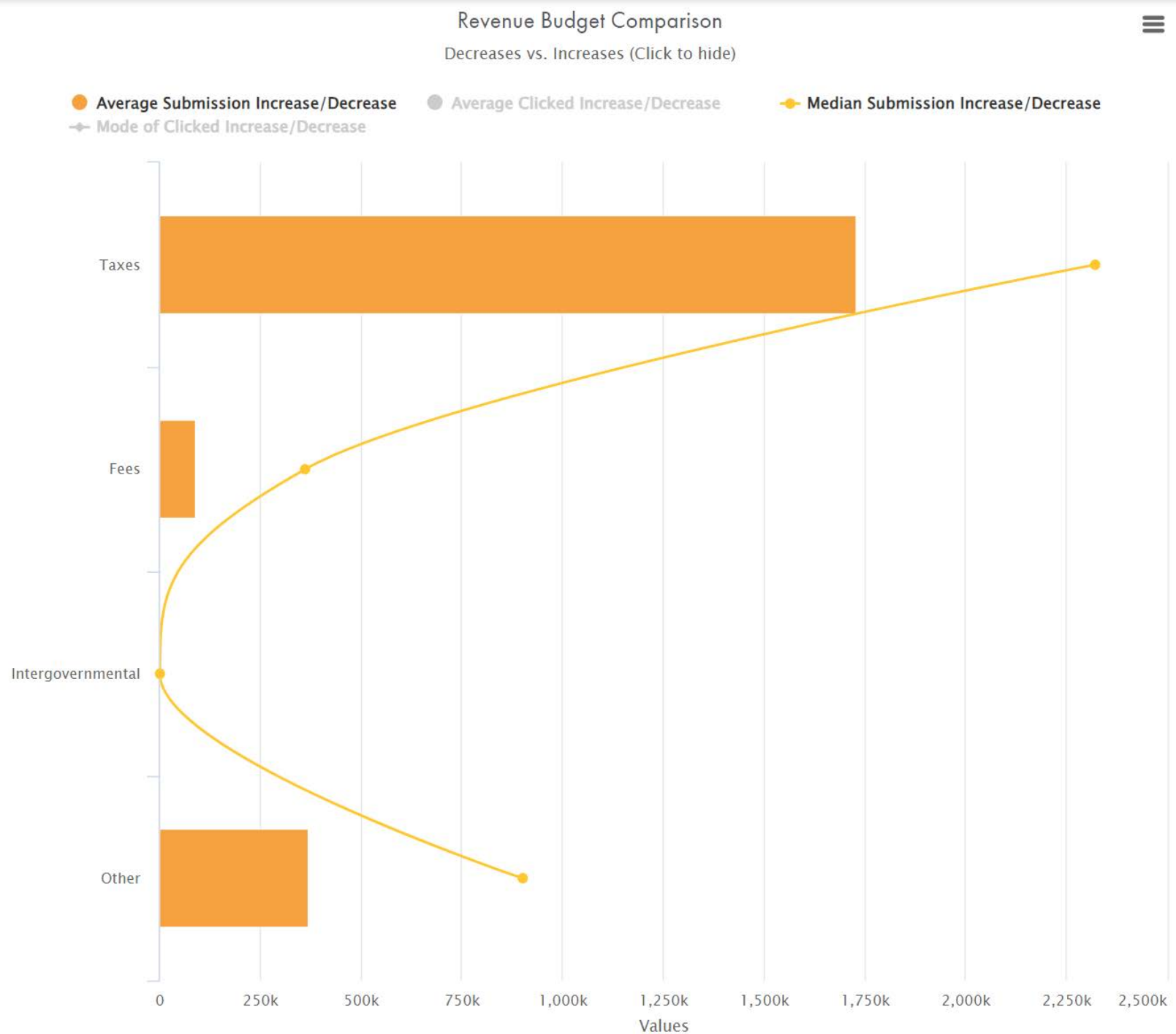


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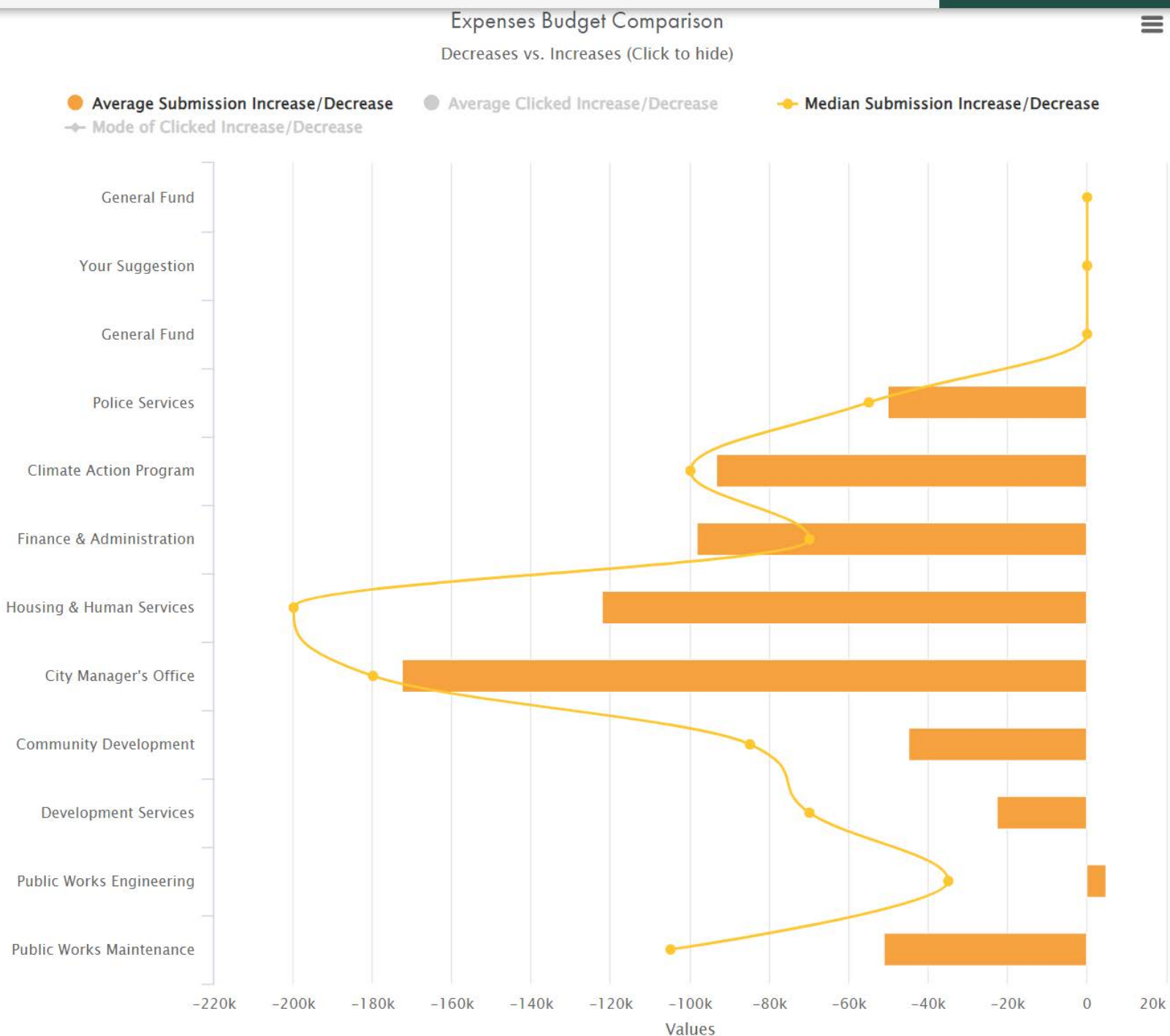
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Considered Various Revenue and Expenditure Options in 3 Budget Scenarios





Expense Budgets



Top Revenue and Expense Increases/Decreases

Top Revenue Increased

Average of All Increases Across All Submissions

Taxes	\$1,729,851
Other	\$369,403
Fees	\$91,343

Top Expenses Decreased

Average of All Decreases Across All Submissions

City Manager's Office	-\$172,388
Housing & Human Services	-\$122,015
Finance & Administration	-\$98,060

Top Expenses Increased

Average of All Increases Across All Submissions

Public Works Engineering	\$5,075
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Property Tax increase for Metropolitan Park District (MPD)

Should the City ask voters to approve the formation of a metropolitan park district (MPD) to manage, control, improve, maintain or acquire park and recreation facilities? \$0.10 per \$1,000 AV levy would increase revenues by \$1.4M over two years.

46 responded No (68.66%)
11 responded Yes \$0.10/ \$1,000 AV levy (16.42%)
10 responded Yes \$0.20/ \$1,000 AV levy (14.93%)
Average Increase: \$647,761

“Yes, this is a low-cost levy and parks benefit everyone.”

“Kenmore's parks, public spaces, and natural environment are some of Kenmore's greatest features. We should be proactive in funding the maintenance and development of these areas.”

“No property tax increase you talk about affordability - The property taxes are what are driving lower income and senior out”

“Please do not consider increasing our property taxes. This is just making housing more and more affordable for middle class people - why would we make housing more unaffordable while simultaneously spending significant costs on affordable housing?”

Property Tax Levy Lid Lift

Should the City ask voters to approve a six (6) year levy lid lift to assist with the rising Public Safety costs? \$0.08 per \$1,000 AV levy lid lift would bring in \$1.1M in additional revenue over two years.

46 responded No (68.66%)
17 responded Yes \$0.08/ \$1,000 AV levy (25.37%)
4 responded Yes \$0.15/ \$1,000 AV levy (5.9%)
Average Increase: \$402,687

“Yes. This is a low cost levy and public safety benefits everyone.”

“Public safety is a win for everyone. And this is a very small amount for an important levy. Win-win!”

“I am not opposed to this, but would prefer we find other revenue sources that would create a more sustainable revenue source (rather than a one-time levy lid lift).”

“DECREASE PROPERTY TAXES!! WE CAN HARDLY AFFORD THE CURRENT TAX AND ARE JUST OVER FOR THE SENIOR DEDUCTION.”

Assess B&O Tax

Should the City assess a Business & Occupation (B&O) tax on retail, services and other businesses in the City? This could generate about \$1.0M over the 2025-2026 biennium

59 responded No (88.06%)
8 responded Yes (11.94%)
Average Increase: \$224,403

“Additional taxes on businesses will not help us bring more businesses to Kenmore and increase economic development, which we desperately need to do to make our city vibrant and financially sustainable.”

“Again, attract more retail to increase sales tax revenue. Although I'm a Kenmore resident, it doesn't see much of my money. Neighboring Bothell gets most of my retail business.”

Implement Admission Tax

As part of the previous 2020 Financial Sustainability Plan, the City Council approved the addition of an Admissions Tax but it has not yet been implemented. This tax is estimated to generate \$200,000 over the 2025-2026 biennium. Should this tax be implemented?

“Yes. Of course things that have already been voted on should be implemented.”

“Golf club, yes. Kenmore Lanes, no. Kenmore Lanes is already falling apart and they do a great job at keeping costs low for families and kids by participating in the kids bowl free summer program, etc..”

“Absolutely implement previous budget commitments.”

54 responded Yes (80.60%)
13 responded No (19.40%)
Average Decrease: \$38,806

Increase Electric Utility Tax

Should the City increase the electric utility tax from 4% to the maximum 6%? The cost of this increased tax would be passed on to rate payers. This would generate about \$400,000 annually or \$800,000 over the 2025-2026 biennium.

“THESE TAXES ARE MAKING KENMORE NOT AFFORDABLE FOR SENIOR AND LOWER INCOME RESIDENTS.”

“Once again, this is just pricing people out of living in Kenmore. This is counter to all of the effort being made on affordable housing. Please stop looking at property tax increases as a way to increase revenues and focus on economic development opportunities instead.”

64 responded No (95.52%)
3 responded Yes (4.48%)

Average Increase: \$35,821

Transportation Sales Tax

Should the City increase sales taxes for transportation funding to include street and sidewalk maintenance and other transportation purposes? 0.15% sales tax would generate approximately \$1.4M in additional revenue over two years.

52 responded No (77.61%)
 13 responded Yes 0.10% sales tax (19.40%)*
 0 responded Yes 0.15% sales tax (0.0%)**
 2 responded Yes 0.20% sales tax (2.99%)**
 Average Increase: \$233,433

*Does NOT require voter approval

** Does require voter approval

"We should aim to place the cost burden of our current car-focused infrastructure on those driving cars."

"We just raised the vehicle licensing tax from \$20 to \$40 per vehicle."

"This tax just appears to be a means to hire more staff, going further into a funding hole."

Public Safety Sales Tax

Should the City ask voters to increase sales taxes for public safety funding? A 0.10% sales tax would generate approximately \$920,000 in additional revenue over two years.

43 responded No (64.18%)

24 responded Yes 0.10% sales tax (35.82%)

Average Increase: \$329,552

“YES. It's public safety! We care about keeping Kenmore safe.”

“We need to fund growing cost of police services. Sales tax grows with inflation and will help with the similarly growing costs of police services and other public safety programs.”

“RATHER, court new retail businesses...creating appealing clusters that invite one-stop shopping.”

Vehicle License Tab Fees

Should the City raise vehicle license tab fees from \$40 to \$50 per car tab? This would generate approximately \$360,000 in additional revenue over two years.

50 responded No (74.63%)

17 responded Yes (25.37%)

Average Increase: \$91,343

“We should maximize car-related taxes and fees to fund regular street maintenance as well as development of bike and pedestrian friendly infrastructure that will reduce car related deaths and accidents while improving traffic congestion.”

Traffic Photo Enforcement

The City currently has two school zone cameras. Additional cameras could be placed in other school zones and/or red light areas to promote and enforce safer traffic behavior. The resulting fines less operational costs could produce roughly \$225,000 per camera annually to offset public safety costs or provide funding for traffic improvements to mitigate safety hazards.

36 responded No (53.73%)
24 responded Yes, add 2 cameras (35.82%)
7 responded Yes, add 1 camera (10.45%)

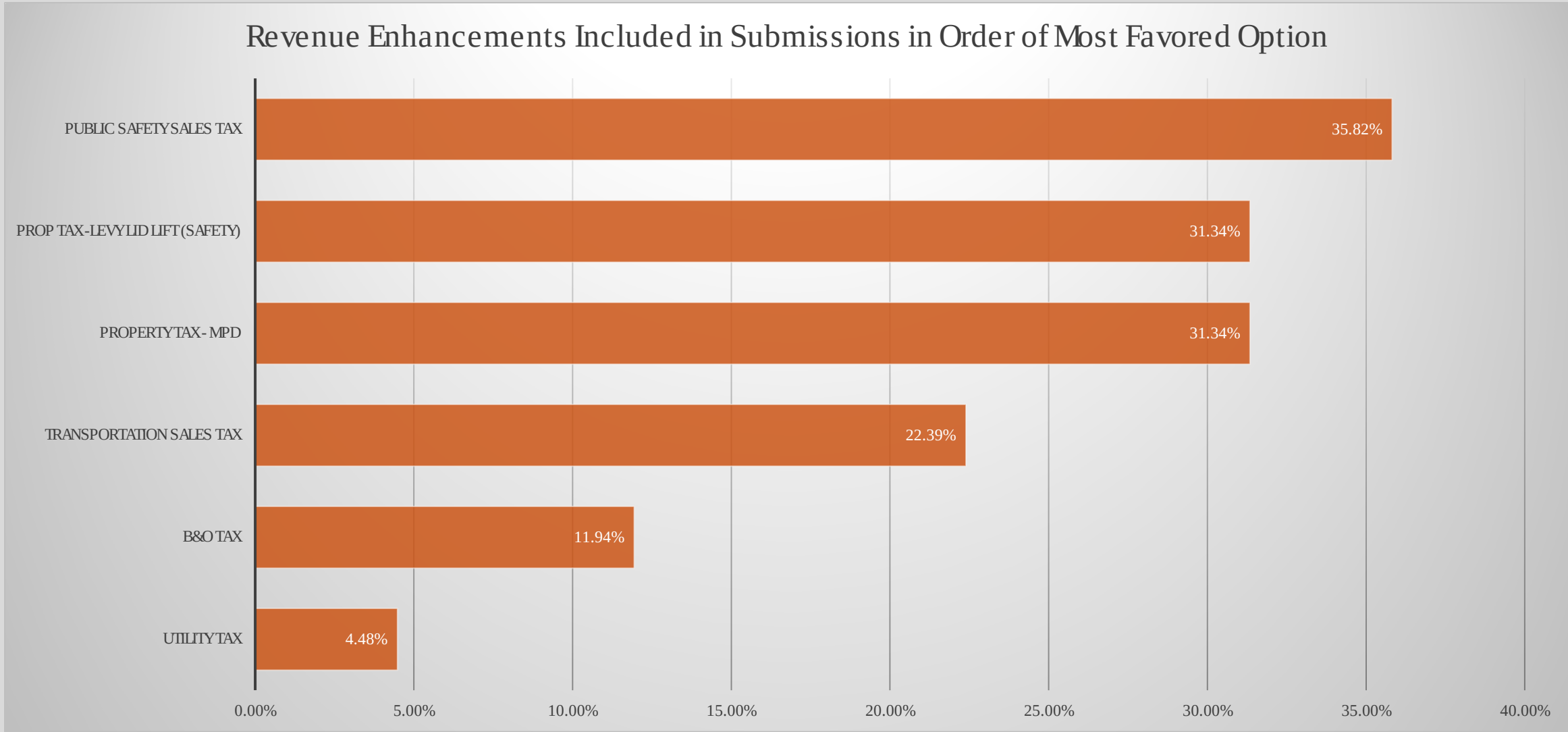
Average Increase: \$369,403

“YES. Keep our roads safer!”

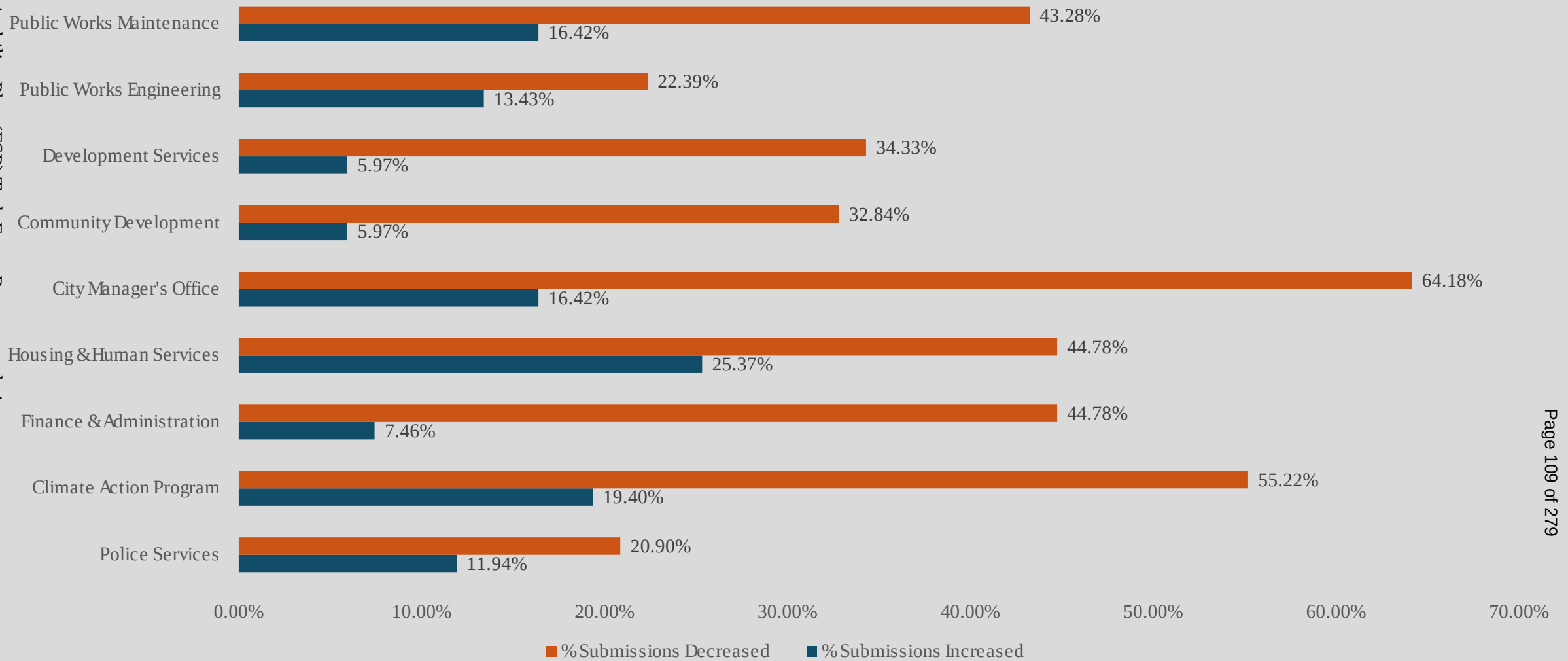
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Expense Reductions & Additions Included in Submissions In Order of Most Favored Option



Balancing Act Comments March 28, 2024 - April 8, 2024		
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The city already went against the majority opinion in a survey that asked if the Kenmore Lanes card tables should be kept. Don't punish them further nor the limited entertainment that exists in the city.	Admission Tax	Taxes
Absolutely implement previous budget commitments.	Admission Tax	Taxes
Golf club, yes. Kenmore Lanes, no. Kenmore Lanes is already falling apart and they do a great job at keeping costs low for families and kids by participating in the kids bowl free summer program, etc.	Admission Tax	Taxes
I do not support a general admission tax. However, I do support any way to tax the Inglemoor golf course comensurate with the significant resources the golf course requires (land, water, etc.).	Admission Tax	Taxes
Yes, keep previous budget promises.	Admission Tax	Taxes
Yes. Of course things that have already been voted on should be implemented.	Admission Tax	Taxes
Yes, tax the golfers!	Admission Tax	Taxes
Is ARCH going to raise our due rate, after we backed out from our Plymouth housing project? Yikes!	ARCH Dues & Contributions	City Manager's Office
Again, attract more retail to increase sales tax revenue. Although I'm a Kenmore resident, it doesn't see much of my money. Neighboring Bothell gets most of my retail business.	B&O Tax	Taxes
Additional taxes on businesses will not help us bring more businesses to Kenmore and increase economic development, which we desperately need to do to make our city vibrant and financially sustainable.	B&O Tax	Taxes
Bastyr is the best.	Bastyr Ballfield rent	Public Works Maintenance
If sports leagues want to use the ball field, let them rent it directly.	Bastyr Ballfield rent	Public Works Maintenance
Given the location of the ballfield, this is probably not used by a wide number of users, with exception of sports clubs. It should not be the responsibility of the City to provide a free venue for private clubs. Also, there are sports fields at different NSD schools that are empty for a number of evenings and weekends and can be used by residents to play.	Bastyr Ballfield rent	Public Works Maintenance
You haven't shown the public that parking enforcement a problem that needs solving in kenmore	Civilian parking enforcement	Police Services
I don't understand this.	Civilian parking enforcement	Police Services
Yes. Please let civilians do parking enforcement. Especially as we try to increase safety for active and alternative transportation. Should also include allowing these positions to fine construction workers for improper sign placement (don't block the bike lane or the sidewalk!) and not making allowances through worksites for bike and pedestrian traffic.	Civilian parking enforcement	Police Services
I am supportive of this if it's needed and recommended by police and staff.	Civilian parking enforcement	Police Services
The attempt to raise more funds through the expansion of KAPE is an equity pitfall. Those who can afford to obscure their license plates will not be snared by the KAPE cameras. In the pursuit of equity, Kenmore should contract for additional officers to enforce RCW 46.16A.210, and its amendment, 1963.SL which will mandate a \$500 fine for obscuring a license plate. Enforcement on 522 will yield a bonanza and unquestionably pay for the salaries of additional Law Enforcement Officers.	Civilian parking enforcement	Police Services
I don't want my random neighbor towing my car. Gross.	Civilian parking enforcement	Police Services
No. I don't trust my NIMBY civilian neighbors not to fine/fee/impound the cars of the homeless and those cars that MAY be abandoned. I only want professionals that are working with Human Services to have this authority.	Civilian parking enforcement	Police Services

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This is especially important if the City decided to enforce paid parking downtown. In addition, it will encourage residents to not park in inappropriate spots, like bike lanes.	Civilian parking enforcement	Police Services
Really? On person and the program costs \$580,000? Should have been given the option to cut more that \$100,000. So will have to cut from other services...	Climate Action Program	Climate Action Program
While climate action is very important, we must have a balanced budget and increased revenue that doesn't just come from increased property taxes which is making living in Kenmore unaffordable before we can prioritize spending money on climate change.	Climate Action Program	Climate Action Program
Spend money more wisely and emphasize what can be done locally, like switching to battery landscape equipment, electric vehicles, etc.	Climate Action Program	Climate Action Program
Love this program! Excited for it to grow and expand.	Climate Action Program	Climate Action Program
Kenmore is beautiful, and as a long-term resident I want to keep it this way.	Climate Action Program	Climate Action Program
Why are cuts limited to \$100,000? I would like to see greater cuts to staff, wages, benifits and services.	Climate Action Program	Climate Action Program
I am supportive of the Climate Action Program to the extent that money can be spent in an effective way. We shouldn't throw money at programs without a specific plan to make us feel like we're doing something. But if the City has opportunities to effectively spend money to ensure the City's climate related preparedness and resiliency, I support that spending.	Climate Action Program	Climate Action Program
This option is absurd. The CAP budget should be reduced to \$0. Any amount devoted to this program is analogous to lighting the cash equivalent on fire. It will not make 0.0001% difference in anyone's life or impact climate change whatsoever. Furthermore, with the recent signing of ESHB 1589, any Kenmore resident whose dwelling utilizes natural gas will face a significant cost and hardship related to the de-gasification of their property, whether owned or rented. This will present a phenomenal cost. The City's attempt to further punish its taxpayers with CAP costs is malevolence at its best.	Climate Action Program	Climate Action Program
Kenmore is 6 square miles of the earth, it seems very out of scope to spend millions on a CAP funded by regressive taxes on the people who can least afford it.	Climate Action Program	Climate Action Program
I love Kenmore's rich biodiversity and lakeshore environment and we need to be proactive in protecting it.	Climate Action Program	Climate Action Program
I would reduce this more than 100,000.	Climate Action Program	Climate Action Program
While I do think the mailers are an effective communication method, I imagine the newsletters are tossed out pretty frequently and I think smaller mailers with QR codes or links directing people to the online newsletter or leveraging the city website, social media, etc. to get news out could save a lot of money.	Comms and Community Outreach	City Manager's Office
What have you done to measure if mailers are the best way to reach the community? What other less expensive options have you explored?	Comms and Community Outreach	City Manager's Office
Kenmore needs more outreach. And education. And partnerships. We must invest so we lose more projects/funding/homeless lives to misinformation.	Comms and Community Outreach	City Manager's Office
stop printing mailers and fancy fliers. Go digital for all.	Comms and Community Outreach	City Manager's Office
Negotiate a better deal. This amount is crazy for the number of employees the city has. Use Virtual Desktops and get cheaper workstations. Leverage cloud services wherever possible.	Contracted IT Services	Finance & Administration
Hire 1 in-house full time IT staff (\$150K)and use \$250K for IT consulting services.	Contracted IT Services	Finance & Administration
Inflation & normal workload increases.	Contracted IT Services	Finance & Administration
do in house	Contracted IT Services	Finance & Administration

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Seems like the city's biggest expense... is crime that big a problem in Kenmore?	Contracted Police Services	Police Services
Increase fees for luxury builds. Big developers can afford to bulk our budget.	Development Fees	Fees
Forget business incubators and put efforts into attracting viable, rock-solid retain businesses. Look to Woodin Village and "main streets" such as Edmonds and Issaquah as examples of inviting those who will linger and spend money.	Economic Development	City Manager's Office
The City needs to increase its efforts to attract developers for our key opportunity areas, such as Lakepointe, Downtown Kenmore, and other areas. Economic development is complex and requires expertise and partnership. I would like to see a more comprehensive program, including a manager-level position to start working toward long-term economic development opportunities. This program would collaborate closely with the Health and Human Services program and the Climate Action Program to find development opportunities that synergize well with those programs.	Economic Development	City Manager's Office
More bike lanes! Better side walks!	Engineering Consulting Services	Public Works Engineering
Adding budget to alleviate workload bottlenecks.	Engineering Consulting Services	Public Works Engineering
As our City is building infrastructure for multimodal transport (walking, biking, bus...), we need to budget for those maintenance costs, including appropriate equipment, such as a bike lane sweeper.	Equipment & Maintenance	Public Works Engineering
no to this tax	Equipment and Software costs	Development Services
Gambling tax? Increase it.	Gambling Tax	Taxes
There is chatter on Kenmore Neighbors about petitioning to bring the card room back at Kenmore Lanes - DON'T DO THAT. Ugh.	Gambling Tax	Taxes
Gambling is gross, sinful and addictive and we want the least amount of it in our beautiful city. Keep Kenmore Lanes' card room closed and gambling to minimum. Kenmore residents have spoken - we want FEWER ADDICTS and financially irresponsibly people here. Listen to us!!!	Gambling Tax	Taxes
Gambling is not a human right and does not make our community better. It should be taxed highly.	Gambling Tax	Taxes
Gambling is recreational for the elite. It should be taxed.	Gambling Tax	Taxes
Tax all the gambling!	Gambling Tax	Taxes
Love this program so far. Excited for it to grow and expand.	Housing & Human Svcs program	Housing & Human Services
Build better housing plans than Plymouth. House Kenmore residents first and make it nice.	Housing & Human Svcs program	Housing & Human Services
Why are cuts limited to maximum \$200,000? I would like to see greater cuts to staff, wages, benifits and services.	Housing & Human Svcs program	Housing & Human Services
YES to all the Housing & Human Services funding!	Housing & Human Svcs program	Housing & Human Services
Hire more public works teams & plant more flowers/improve beautification of the city.	Maintenance costs	Public Works Maintenance
We need more gardens and beautification in Kenmore! Some of our local businesses are still quirky and have mismatched signage, but if we focus on beautifying our sidewalks, roads, and public spaces, more businesses and people will want to come to Kenmore. We must improve Kenmore's public image. (Can we get rid of some of the ugly chain-link fencing around the city and replace it all with the black fencing? Can the city have HOA-type regulations on signage style for the businesses so we look more streamlined?) Kenmore is on the right path, but still needs big investment in public works & beautician to glow-up.	Maintenance costs	Public Works Maintenance

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Discontinue DEIA consulting services.	Misc operating expenses	Community Development
There are way too many shiny new Kenmore-labeled trucks/vehicles including "specialty"-related. Instead of incurring costs for employees and their vehicles, the City should be contracting out these services.	Misc operating expenses	Public Works Maintenance
Thi sis a huge percentage of budget, provide more detail about what this actually is.	Misc operating expenses	Public Works Maintenance
I believe in healthy, financial buffers.	Misc operating expenses	City Manager's Office
See other comment about investing in public works & Kenmore beautification. The city needs as a glow-up if economic development is going to work. We need charm (like Downtown Bothell) or streamlined design (like downtown Kirkland) and intentional planning. We are a very hodge podged city, we need to look better to do better.	Misc operating expenses	Public Works Engineering
Hire more public works crew and just keep Kenmore clean and beautiful.	Misc operating expenses	Public Works Maintenance
I'd say yes if I knew that retail wasn't being harmed. Apartments need to provide parking for their residents and the code and development approval should require this and not pretend that remote working and mass transit are the answers to cars parking on the street.	Misc other expenses	Development Services
Kenmore is often seen as a pass-through town and we need to encourage people from outside Kenmore to frequent businesses in Kenmore and help our city thrive - adding street parking fees will deter this.	Misc other expenses	Development Services
YES. This should be connected to our Climate Action Plan. Paved parking is death to our natural plants/animals/bees. Paved parking is expensive to upkeep and corrupts our land. Paved parking is not free and it stupid for communities to pretend that these big slabs of concrete aren't taking up valuable space, killing biodiversity, and and costing millions of dollars in installation and upkeep. The community should absolutely pay to use them! (Disability waivers & short term drop off zones are great too!) We need to normalize that parking is NOT FREE to the earth, to public works, or to city budgets.	Misc other expenses	Development Services
First, please make sure there is a connection between north and south Kenmore for those of us who live in south Kenmore to safely access downtown via alternative transportation. A bus route that only runs once per hour, a bike lane that disappears, or a long walk are the only options right now.	Misc other expenses	Development Services
Do not charge for parking. In fact would support the development of more free parking. Parking will be a necessity as the density of our downtown increases with new restaurants, businesses, apartment complexes/condos (people like to visit friends and family). Free parking makes our downtown welcoming and accessible for everyone. As our population ages there will be a greater need for more handicap parking and wider parking stalls.	Misc other expenses	Development Services
I am generally supportive of charging for street parking in downtown and central areas. However, I think that before Kenmore can start charging for street parking, there needs to be a more comprehensive downtown parking strategy that includes all the downtown businesses and related parking. Street parking is often full, but I see empty parking lots near the banks and other businesses.		Page 113 of 279
Also, given that most of our residents still need to drive to visit our downtown core, I think that we need low or zero-cost place for people to land that is adjacent to the downtown core instead of inside. Most people should be able to drive to a large-ish parking structure (maybe located next to 522) and walk to downtown. Then we can charge for the limited street parking inside the downtown core for those value or need that close proximity.	Misc other expenses	
You can't be serious. What a fantastic way to drive away any potential business owner from downtown Kenmore.	Misc other expenses	
Parking is expensive and bad for our natural ecosystems. The bulk of our long-term parking in Kenmore should paid! (Exceptions for under drop-off and disability, maybe?)	Misc other expenses	

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Street parking fees have a double effect: bring revenue to the City, but also encourage residents to use alternate modes of transportation (walking, biking), which is in line of our climate action plan objectives to lower our GHG emissions. I would suggest the existence of a resident permit for people to be able to park on their street, though.	Misc other expenses	Development Services
All the trainings! And new body cams!	Misc supplies, equip, training	Police Services
Please pay for the police trainings! No George Floyd murders in Kenmore, please.	Misc supplies, equip, training	Police Services
Stop passing poorly implemented ordinances and you won't get sued and won't have to pay as much in legal fees.	Operations	General Fund
vote no	Operations	General Fund
Get rid of paper, help the environment	Photo copiers, audit costs, other	Finance & Administration
Send more mailers to the residents! More outreach! We need to know what is happening!!	Photo copiers, audit costs, other	Finance & Administration
Inflation & normal workload increases.	Photo copiers, audit costs, other	Finance & Administration
Please do not consider increasing our property taxes. This is just making housing more and more affordable for middle class people - why would we make housing more unaffordable while simultaneously spending significant costs on affordable housing?	Property Tax -Levy Lid Lift	Taxes
Public safety is a win for everyone. And this is a very small amount for an important levy. Win-win!	Property Tax -Levy Lid Lift	Taxes
DECREASE PROPERTY TAXES!! WE CAN HARDLY AFFORD THE CURRENT TAX AND ARE JUST OVER FOR THE SENIOR DEDUCTION.	Property Tax -Levy Lid Lift	Taxes
I am not opposed to this, but would prefer we find other revenue sources that would create a more sustainable revenue source (rather than a one-time levy lid lift).	Property Tax -Levy Lid Lift	Taxes
It's public safety! (If we learned anything from the December & January public comments, it's how important public safety is to everyone!)	Property Tax -Levy Lid Lift	Taxes
Yes. This is a low cost levy and public safety benefits everyone.	Property Tax -Levy Lid Lift	Taxes
YES! Public safety impacts everyone.	Property Tax -Levy Lid Lift	Taxes
Love this idea!	Property Tax -MPD	Taxes
We don't need more parks. We need to maintain the ones we have and provide more habitat restoration city-wide. NO NEW BALL FIELDS. Mental health for everyone is at an all time low. For kids we know part of the problem is over-scheduling them and over-structuring their time. Unstructured, child-led PLAY (not directed sports) is SCIENTIFICALLY proven to be the most beneficial for kids and bringing about positive mental health results. Let people have natural green spaces to enjoy. Not flat, hot, shadeless, synthetic ball fields.	Property Tax - MPD	Taxes
NO PROPERTY TAX INCREASE YOU TALK ABOUT AFFORDABILITY - THE PROPERTY TAXES ARE WHAT ARE DRIVING LOER INCOME AND SENIOR OUT	Property Tax - MPD	Taxes
Kenmore's parks, public spaces, and natural environment are some of Kenmore's greatest features. We should be proactive in funding the maintenance and development of these areas.	Property Tax - MPD	Taxes
Yes. More parks at Lakepointe and around Kenmore.	Property Tax - MPD	Taxes
Yes, this is a low-cost levy and parks benefit everyone.	Property Tax - MPD	Taxes
Really? We don't need more parks.	Property Tax - MPD	Taxes
Please do not consider increasing our property taxes. This is just making housing more and more affordable for middle class people - why would we make housing more unaffordable while simultaneously spending significant costs on affordable housing?	Property Tax - MPD	Taxes

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RATHER, court new retail businesses...creating appealing clusters that invite one-stop shopping.	Public Safety Sales Tax	Taxes
We need to fund growing cost of police services. Sales tax grows with inflation and will help with the similarly growing costs of police services and other public safety programs.	Public Safety Sales Tax	Taxes
YES. It's public safety! We care about keeping Kenmore safe.	Public Safety Sales Tax	Taxes
We owe dues? Why aren't we compliant and what can be done to zero this cost?	Puget Sound Clean Air Dues	Development Services
Is recycling an international-dumping scam?	Recycling programs	Public Works Maintenance
If the Farmers' Market contributes to the deficit, eliminate it.	Special Events	City Manager's Office
And Juneteenth! And add the Holiday lights back to City Hall. AND KEEP THE PRIDE STEPS FOREVER AND EVER. We love our city events!	Special Events	City Manager's Office
Summer movies have to start too late for most families to take advantage.		
Definitely keep fireworks show unless there can be additional enforcement of fireworks ban.	Special Events	City Manager's Office
Please keep the fun community events! We love those!	Special Events	City Manager's Office
Please keep summer concerts or find alternative funding to keep them going.	Special Events	City Manager's Office
Of those three types of events, I have kept only the summer concerts. My family and I have attended all three types of events. The Summer concerts are the ones that seem to bring more the community together to share an experience (as families come to picnic). And it improves access to culture for everyone.	Special Events	City Manager's Office
The g government can't even find a better internet provider than Comcast? Haha	Telecommunications - Comcast/Ziply	Public Works Maintenance
Comcast is the worst.	Telecommunications - Comcast/Ziply	Public Works Maintenance
The safety stats on this are remarkable. For everyone who preached they wanted a safer Kenmore, especially for their children, this should be an obvious YES vote.	Traffic Photo Enforcement	Other
Traffic photo enforcement has been shown to be effective in promoting safer traffic behavior. I would recommend these cameras even if the budget impact was net zero.	Traffic Photo Enforcement	Other
YES. Keep our roads safer!	Traffic Photo Enforcement	Other
This tax just appears to be a means to hire more staff, going further into a funding hole.	Transportation Sales Tax	Taxes
We just raised the vehicle licensing tax from \$20 to \$40 per vehicle.	Transportation Sales Tax	Taxes
We should aim to place the cost burden of our current car-focused infrastructure on those driving cars.	Transportation Sales Tax	Taxes
Once again, this is just pricing people out of living in Kenmore. This is counter to all of the effort being made on affordable housing. Please stop looking at property tax increases as a way to increase revenues and focus on economic development opportunities instead.	Utility Tax	Taxes
THESE TAXES ARE MAKING KENMORE NOT AFFORDABLE FOR SENIOR AND LOWER INCOME RESIDENTS.	Utility Tax	Taxes

Comment	Item	Category
We should maximize car-related taxes and fees to fund regular street maintenance as well as development of bike and pedestrian friendly infrastructure that will reduce car related deaths and accidents while improving traffic congestion.	Vehicle License Tab Fees	Fees
Why do 4 FTE cost 1.3m? That seems like a very large wage for a small town.	Wages & Benefits	Finance & Administration
Don't grant automatic cost of living increases, employees should pay premium for family members medical. Private industry does this, you should too.	Wages & Benefits	Finance & Administration
Do the city staff earn a living wage? Are raises calculating for inflation and cost of living increases, in addition to job performance? Are benefits and PTO competitive? I hope the CoK is a competitive, healthy place to work. If it isn't, please change the wage & benefit model accordingly.	Wages & Benefits	Community Development
Review the number of staff and performance - members of the City Managers office have behaved badly this year	Wages & Benefits	City Manager's Office
Staff, wages and benifits should be cut. Why are wages and benifits locked?	Wages & Benefits	Community Development
Why are wages and benifits locked. I would like to see cuts in staff, wages and benifits.	Wages & Benefits	Finance & Administration
As a general comment for city staff wages and benefits--we must ensure people are paid a living wage. Attempting to save money by scrimping on wages and benefits ends up costing more in the long run by driving turnover and by not attracting the most competent staff.		
We should also work toward a goal such that anyone working for Kenmore City can also potentially live in Kenmore through a combination of compensation as well as diversifying housing options in the city.	Wages & Benefits	City Manager's Office
I hope our city pays a fair wage to all of it's employees.	Wages & Benefits	City Manager's Office
I want the CoK employees to earn a living wage and be able to live where they work!	Wages & Benefits	Community Development
Put an indefinite freeze on new hires.	Wages and Benefits	General Fund
Lower this by 200k and you're in the black.	Wages and Benefits	General Fund
200k/year seems like a lot for custodial crew members.	Wages and Benefits	Public Works Maintenance
Stop automatic cost of living increases. Stop paying entirely for family medical. Private companies do this, so should the city.	Wages and Benefits	General Fund
Stop giving automatic cost of living increases. Employees should pay medical premiums for family members coverage. Private industry does this, you should too.	Wages and Benefits	Public Works Maintenance
Even if I disagree with some of your politics, I hope you are making a living wage and getting good healthcare. The city of Kenmore should treat it's employees well!	Wages and Benefits	General Fund
cut city staff and city council benefits package to free up some money	Wages and Benefits	General Fund
cut staff and benefits	Wages and Benefits	Development Services
Mandate a 1-2% budget cut across-the-board for all departments. This is likely less drastic than what all of us are/have been implementing in our personal lives as inflation outstripped wage gains over the past 2-3 years. There is usually some element of waste that can be trimmed, or a more efficient process / cheaper alternatives to products currently used, etc. Get creative!		
Put the money saved, however little, toward next year's almost certain budget shortfall.	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
There doesn't seem to be any thought to reducing staffing in areas other than police and fire. This simulator seems to be weighted toward tax increases rather than reductions in spending.	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion

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Hi Melinda and others. My input is that the city of Kenmore needs to stick with the basics. I believe that anything having to do with the climate in Kenmore should be voluntary, and that any and all spent on DEI related should be eliminated. I also believe the staff at Kenmore City Hall should be reduced by 25%. I spoke against the Missing Middle fiasco, and am aware of what it took for the community to rise up against the Plymouth Housing project (good luck Redmond). Speaking of which, what about the \$3.6M the city was planning to throw at that project?! Way too much is done behind closed doors at Kenmore City Hall based on ideology rather than what is wanted by the vast majority of Kenmore citizens. Many believe as I do.		
This model did not allow me to reduce any headcount/FTE's. Nor did it spell out where or how much the city spends for DEI. Getting rid of the Climate program would save \$480K. City Manager's staff is a good starting point for reducing headcount.	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
The City needs to do significant belt-tightening. Look at new positions created in the last four years and eliminate non-productive positions. Why in the world did staff spend 1.5 years coming up with a homeless housing scheme? Money could obviously have been better spent. Instead, the City needs to encourage retail...get creative. I see blank spaces in the City.		
And, by the way, tried to submit without "balancing" so I'm wholesale cutting spending...NOT increasing revenue.	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
As a retired senior with limited savings we have to live on a fixed budget. I request the city cut services and expenses to meet our budget. Please do not raise taxes. It will force many seniors to leave Kenmore for a place with lower cost of living expenses. Washington state has become one of the highest cost of living places to live in the country. Please do not make the problem even worse by raising taxes.	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
Eliminate National Council of Cities and the convention costs of travel, fees, membership. Put \$1.2M in a reserve for rainy days and special cost overruns. Not new programs.	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
Do NOT Raise property taxes. This city cannot rest solely on the homeowners shoulders. I live in Kenmore. However, besides my property taxes I spend zero tax dollars in Kenmore. Why? Because the local grocery store is in Kirkland. The gas station is in Kirkland or Bothell. The moving Theater is in Woodinville. I don't go to any restaurants in Kenmore. I live on Finn Hill and I honestly don't understand why they have us in Kenmore. Kenmore has done a pitiful job at uniting this community via common social areas that are easily accessible that provide any kind of entertainment or service. I have balanced this budget simply by making future taxable situations a choice. An example is the admissions tax. I would be happy to pay this tax if I wanted to go to the event. However just to raise my property tax, in time will result in me not being able to afford my own home. I appreciate your time and you considering my thoughts.	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
City Council positions should take a pay cut. We should completely scrap the entire \$480,000 climate action program. Cut the legal fees needed for the city Council. Utilize Northshore junior and senior high school students for maintenance volunteer hours to local city parks or other volunteers. If anybody gets caught, vandalizing our parks or bathrooms, they should pay an extremely large fine, to cover the financial damage.	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
Please note, instead of eliminating \$480,000 in contracted police services, I would eliminate the climate action program of \$480,000. However, this was not an option in this program. I would not reduce any law enforcement if I had the choice. I don't understand why there is 1 FTE for Housing and Human Services plus ARCH.	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
Nothing should be "locked" here. There is additional opportunities for savings in areas that you have "locked". Where do things like property acquisition fit in here?	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
500K extra for a buffer. Yes to traffic cams. Yes to paid parking. Yes to investing in housing and climate. Thanks for being a good city!	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion

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Traffic cams are the answer. Safer drivers on the road. Doesn't increase taxes. Doesn't increase \$\$ for seniors, disabled or poor people who don't drive. Can we get less teenagers racing late at night too? Also, please make our city more beautiful. Our economic development will prosper if we look better.	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
Please stop spending money on tchotchke handouts. Stickers are great. Safety vests are great. Even some t-shirts. Let's not do plastic things that will get broken and/or just end up polluting our earth in the dump or our water.	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
Why not use the 3 million you were going to give away to PH to reduce the deficit? If you really want to make Kenmore affordable - lower the property taxes that disproportionately impact lower income and seniors.	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
If we need funding for some projects moving forward outside of these cuts staffing of all city positions must be addressed. We are a small community and we do not need the excess in jobs need to consolidate positions and work smarter.	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
Climate action should go away. DEI should go away. I'm sure there are other programs not listed here that can go away. Back to basics. I already pay enough!	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
I would be willing to pay higher taxes to increase our police presence in Kenmore. Most people if they took a poll would choose safety as their number one priority and to maintain a high level of safety in our community. Over the last few years it seems crime has been increasing in Kenmore. It is becoming more apparent Kenmore has gang activity/ graffiti, drug use and theft in our community. Our businesses and homeowners are dealing with increases in vandalism, burglaries and robberies. Hiring four more officers (two more on night shift and two more on the day shift) would increase police response times, increase visibility of officers driving and maybe walking our downtown corridor. Officers presence in our community communicates Kenmore cares about safety. Police officer presences builds community relations sending the message our officers are available. Would be great if some of our officers strengthened their relationship with the individuals living rough in Kenmore. Explained to voters the increase in taxes would fund the increase of officers on patrol. Would be helpful to give statistical evidence as to the increase in crime and why the city feels it's important to get ahead of the situation. Maybe a statement from the police chief's support for the increase of officers?	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
Would be an asset to the community if the city planners increased green spaces in our downtown corridor. Can be small park area about the size of the green space in front of the city hall or even half or quarter of the size. These green spaces would be park like, visually appealing well designed, include benches, tables, with waste receptacles. These space gives folk a place to relax get out of their apartments condos and enjoy our downtown. Dog owners living in our downtown space need a place to take their dogs for bathroom breaks. Elderly need a space gather and visit young adults need a place to socialize. These green mini parks visually would give our downtown a sense of peace and well being even if you are walking by or driving past. These community green spaces help with everyone's mental well being . The 2.2 million surplus in my budget plan would be used for purchasing and maintaining small downtown green spaces.		
Would have been helpful to see a report from each city departments as to the shortfalls and needs of each departments and what the increase funding would accomplish.		
City should sell Bench and Shell properties. Do not raise taxes!	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
Very disappointed the simulator is slanted towards raising taxes. Why is it not possible to reduce staff including wages and benifits?		

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Many of the programs that had to be cut will be restored when the CAP and HHS budgets are eliminated. The City should focus on its core responsibilities - roads, police, and land use. The City's budget does not afford the luxury of engaging in micro-scale management of issues that are outside of its area of responsibility and are better addressed at the State and County level.	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
1. Eliminate the CAP program. 2. Allow more choices in this tool, for example the massive 1.2 million a year in bond repayments for a new public works facility. The recent expenditures to buy property etc. 3. The way this tool is set up it is skewed towards raising taxes to support ever increasing spending. 4. Yes Inflation is an issue, and costs are going up. I was hoping for an honest look at what are the essential services and how best to provide them in a cost-effective manner.	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
BALANCED!	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
Increase taxes for optional elite services (like gambling and golf), invest in levies like parks and public safety and continue to make smart investments in employees and social services.	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
Adding a 3rd traffic camera seems like a good option because it improves public safety AND helps balance the budget. I would also like to see a "rainy day fund" to serve as a buffer for unanticipated expenses.	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
Cut staff and/or wages. This is what everyone else has to do with large budget cuts. Yes, it's painful, but it's fiscally responsible.	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
Cut city staff from the top, those making the most money. Cut benefits completely for city council (or if not legal, just for their family members), Cut out printing costs completely by going fully digital. Cut housing and human services and let other larger cities handle it. Please stop taking away our fun activities and adding more taxes when you keep spending more money on salmon and less on the human residents that actually live here. If our city can't handle it's finances well, maybe it's time to finally go back and be Bothell again.	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
(1) Fair/competitive/living wages for all city staff, with excellent benefits and PTO. I want our excellent staff to be able to live where they work. I want to continue to attract excellent staff for our city and that can't happen if we do not pay our people. (2) HOUSING & HUMAN SERVICES. (3). Plenty of budget buffer. Who knows what will happen at the state (governors race?) and federal (presidential race?) level, and I want our city to have a fat cushion. Also, in case local NIMBY protest a project again and taint our ability to secure future funding, I want our city to have an emergency fund saved up.	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
cut staff	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
Keep community activities bc we are a city and community is important. Stop hiring and cut programs that are offered by other areas such as the recycle program. Nice to be able to drop off batteries but King Co has a waste mobile program. We are not a big city. We cannot do it all. The state has vigorous environmental plans. Encourage citizens to use those. Focus on building good will with residents before adding your pet projects.	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
Maybe eliminate a position or two???	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
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Sell/Lease unused city owned property.		
Speed up processing of permits.	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion
Look at cutting staffing, why is a city of Kenmore's size so bloated in FTE staff to maintain projects of no clear benefit. Either make a case for the benefit of the program, with actual data, or cut those heads, why does a city of our size have a FTE traffic engineer?	Your Suggestion	Your Suggestion



City Council Agenda Bill City of Kenmore, WA

Subject/Topic: Review of the Love Where You Live Project Phase II Community Engagement, including community workshops and Community Survey #2 results.	For Council Meeting Agenda of: 05/06/2024 Department: City Manager's Department Prepared by: Lauren Chomiak, Communications & Tourism Manager										
Proposed Council Action/Motion: No proposed action. Review and discussion only.	<table><thead><tr><th></th><th><u>Initial & Date</u></th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>Approved by Department Head:</td><td><u>SLL 5/2/24</u></td></tr><tr><td>Approved by City Attorney:</td><td><u>N/A</u></td></tr><tr><td>Approved by Finance Director:</td><td><u>N/A</u></td></tr><tr><td>Approved by City Manager:</td><td><u>RK 5/2/24</u></td></tr></tbody></table> Attachments/Exhibits: 1. Love Where You Live Phase II Presentation for May 6, 2024 2. LWYL Phase II - Downtown Feedback Data 3. LWYL Phase II - Lakepointe Feedback Data 4. Love Where You Live Phase I Recap and Phase II Presentation (from 1/9/2024) 5. EMC Survey #1 - Presentation for City Council (from 2/12/24) 6. EMC Survey #1 - Topline Results 7. EMC Survey #1 - Open Ended Verbatims 8. EMC Survey #2 - Presentation 9. EMC Survey #2 - Topline Results 10. EMC Survey #2 - Affordable Housing Verbatims 11. EMC Survey #2 - Lakepointe Amenity Verbatims		<u>Initial & Date</u>	Approved by Department Head:	<u>SLL 5/2/24</u>	Approved by City Attorney:	<u>N/A</u>	Approved by Finance Director:	<u>N/A</u>	Approved by City Manager:	<u>RK 5/2/24</u>
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Summary: The second phase of The Love Where You Live Project community engagement took place in February and March 2024. Phase II community engagement included: - Four community workshops held outside of City Hall in late February and early March 2024 at Moorlands Elementary, Kenmore Middle School, the Kenmore Community Club, and the Hangar (approx. 200 attendees total) - An accompanying online survey (130 responses)											

- A second statistically valid survey that was administered by EMC research at the end of March (303 responses).

After more general outreach in Phase I, the second phase of engagement focused in on economic development and community spaces. These were the top two themes that emerged from the first phase of engagement. Specifically, the workshops, online survey, and some of the questions in the statistically valid survey asked community members about what they would like to see for the future of Kenmore's downtown and the future of the Lakepointe property. The statistically valid survey also asked questions relating to financial sustainability and affordable housing.

These Phase II engagement efforts resulted in 850 new ideas and responses being collected.

Some high-level takeaways from the workshops and online survey include:

- The community is excited for future opportunities at Lakepointe and Downtown.
- Economic development, especially bringing additional restaurants and shops to Kenmore is a top priority for both locations.
- The community is seeking more opportunities for outdoor recreation and access to the water, and would like to see more open space and multi-use facilities.
- Many comments and ideas reflected a need for overall connectivity around the city and better access and connection for pedestrians, cyclists, and drivers.
- The community is open to engagement and wants to actively participate in these types of discussions.

Some high-level takeaways from the 2nd statistically valid survey include:

- Enthusiasm for a public park and mixed-use urban development at the Lakepointe site is strong.
- Many potential amenities are appealing, with nature paths and trails and shoreline habitat restoration rising to the top.
- Over half are willing to support the formation of a Metropolitan Parks District to fund Lakepointe and other recreation and parks maintenance through a new levy.
- Most favor addressing the City's future operating budget deficit through a combination of cuts and tax increases.
- Concern about housing affordability tends to be the most pronounced when it is tied to middle- and working-class residents. There is more division around affordable housing for lower income residents and those experiencing homelessness.

Some helpful comparisons from the workshops vs. the statistically valid Community Survey #2 for Lakepointe and Downtown include:

- Community workshops and accompanying online survey were open to everyone, while Community Survey #2 was administered to randomly selected registered voters in Kenmore.
- Support for some kind of future development at Lakepointe was very strong in both the workshops and Community Survey #2.
- The top desired amenities for Lakepointe in the workshops were outdoor recreation opportunities (including walking trails) and economic development, and the Community Survey #2 showed walking trails and habitat restoration as the top priorities for Lakepointe.
- Habitat restoration at Lakepointe ranked higher in the statistically valid survey.
- Both the workshop results and the statistically valid survey had an open meadow ranked higher than athletic fields. Athletic fields had a stronger response in the online survey.

- The results from the workshops and Community Survey #2 were aligned for downtown, both showing more restaurants options and more shopping options as the top priorities for Downtown.

Information/Background:

The Love Where You Live Project:

The City of Kenmore Love Where You Live Project is a year-long community engagement effort that began in June of 2023. The goal of the project is to gather broad feedback from the community about their priorities and vision for the future of Kenmore.

Over the past year, the Love Where You Live Project has hosted 22 engagement booths at community events, 2 online surveys, 2 statistically valid community surveys (December and March), and 4 community workshops held at venues around Kenmore. In total, over 2,250 ideas and responses have been collected through the project outreach.

Phase I Review:

Phase I of the Love Where You Live Project included a variety of community engagement and data collection methods to gather feedback from the community.

Over 1,100 ideas and responses were collected throughout the summer at community events and through online surveys. In the fall of 2023, the City of Kenmore partnered with UW Bothell Business Management students who coded, organized, and analyzed the collected data. The high-level results were presented by city staff at the January 9, 2024, City Council meeting. The top two themes that emerged from this outreach was Community Spaces and Economic Development.

The final element of Phase 1 was administering a statistically valid survey. The survey was administered by EMC Research from December 4 – 19, 2023. 300 registered Kenmore voters completed the survey. This survey asked broad questions about the direction the city is heading, quality of life, problems in the city, and perceptions of government. The results from the first statistically valid survey were presented by EMC Research at the January 9, 2024, City Council meeting.

Additional background information and engagement results from The Love Where You Live Project can be found at kenmorewa.gov/lovewhereyoulive.

Fiscal Consideration:

There is no fiscal consideration. Costs for the Love Where You Live Project workshops and surveys are included in the City's 2023-24 biennial budget.

City Council Priority or Budget Objective Being Addressed:

- Foster community engagement, participation, and fun.
- Continue to seek opportunities to activate the Lakepointe property.
- Promote sustainable economic development.

CITY OF KENMORE



Community Engagement
Phase II Overview

April 26, 2024



The Love Where You Live Project

Background and Purpose

- Year-long community engagement effort began in the summer of 2023
- Goal to gather broad feedback from the community on their values and priorities for the future of Kenmore
- Use the “Dream, Play, Build” method to encourage creative thinking
- Engage with as many community members as possible



The Love Where You Live Project

Phase I Recap

- **June – December 2023**
- Statistically valid survey #1
- 1,100+ responses and ideas collected through 22+ community engagement events and online survey
- The top two themes that emerged:
 - **Community Spaces**
 - **Economic Development**
- *Both these themes included strong interest in future development planning for **Kenmore's Downtown and Lakepointe***



The Love Where You Live Project

Phase II Engagement Overview

- **February – March 2024**
- **4 in-person Love Where You Live (LWYL) Community Workshops**
- Kenmore Middle School, Kenmore Community Club, Moorlands Elementary, The Hangar
- 200+ attendees
- Participants used their hands and imaginations to share their ideas for the future of downtown and Lakepointe
- **Accompanying online survey (130 responses)**
- **Over 550+ total ideas collected**



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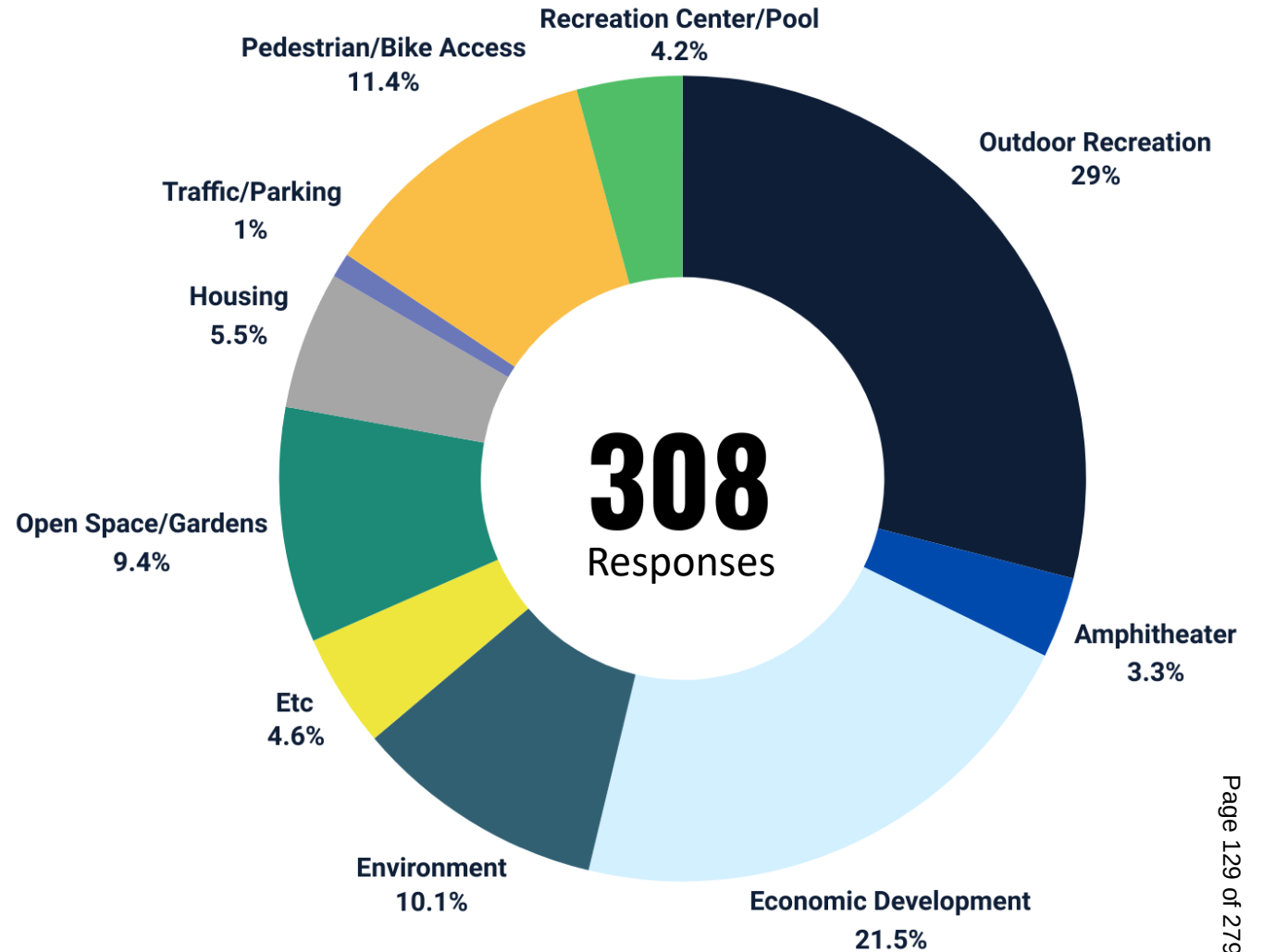
What we heard in workshops:



Lakepointe Response Analysis: Top Themes

XI. B. Love Where You Live Phase II Feedback Presented by Community Connection

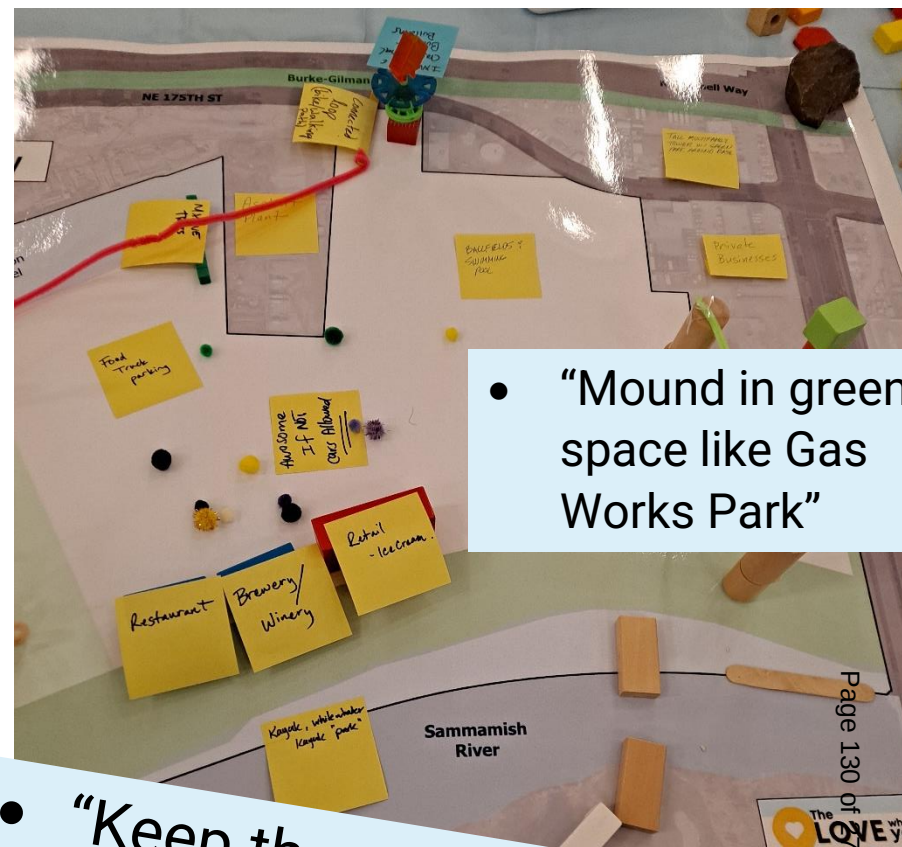
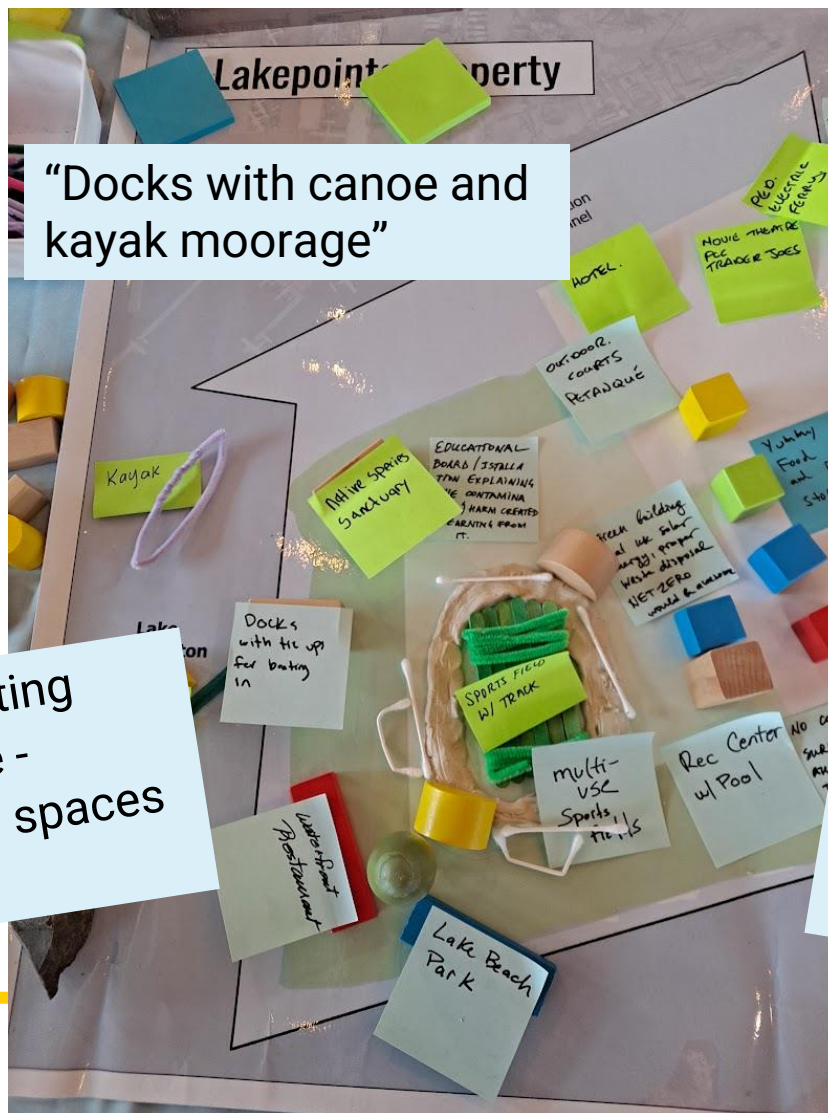
1. Outdoor Recreation (29%)
2. Economic Development (21.5%)
3. Pedestrian/Bike Access (11.4%)
4. Environment (10.1%)
5. Open Space/Gardens (9.4%)
6. Housing (5.6%)
7. Recreation Center/Pool (4.2%)
8. Amphitheater (3.3%)
9. Traffic/Parking (1%)
10. Etc. (4.6%)



Dream, Play, Build: Lakepointe



- "Something attracting people to go there - businesses, living spaces that are inviting"

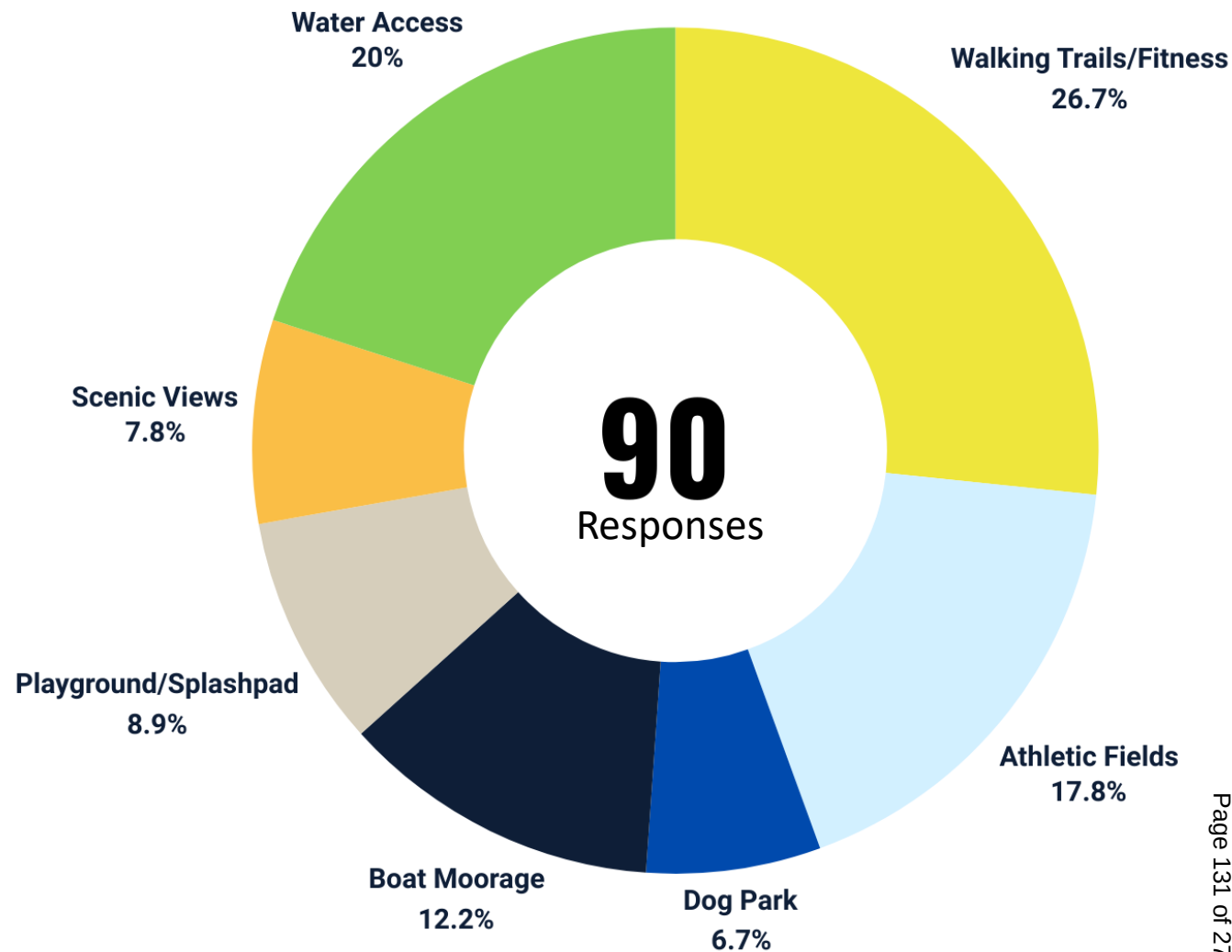


- "Keep the vibe 'funky'"

Lakepointe Response Breakout: Outdoor Recreation

29% of total responses

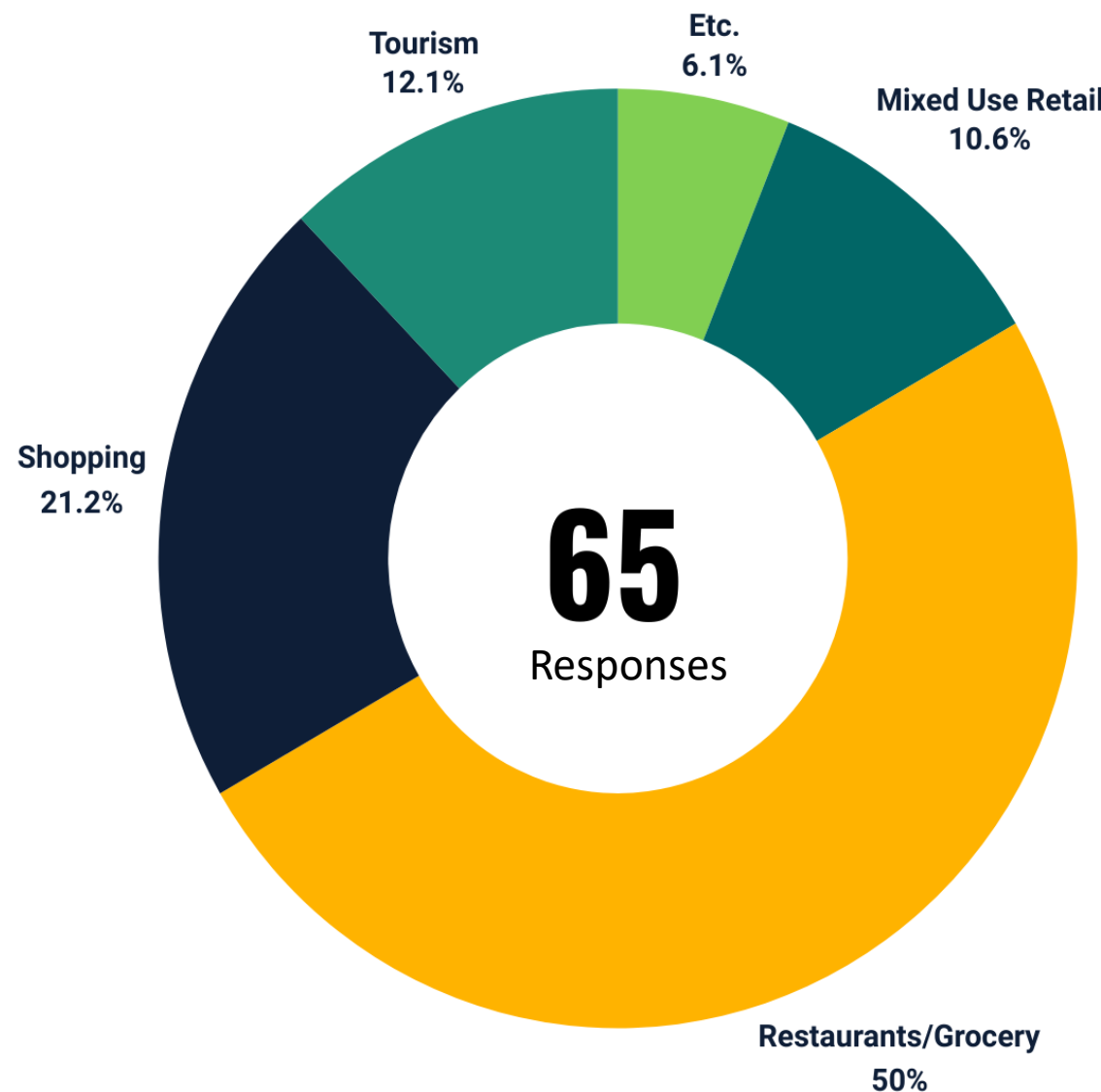
1. Walking Trails/Fitness (26.7%)
2. Water Access (20%)
3. Athletic Fields (17.8%)
4. Boat Moorage (12.2%)
5. Playground/Splashpad (8.9%)
6. Scenic Views (7.8%)
7. Dog Park (6.7%)
8. Bikes (2.1%)



Lakepointe Response Breakout: Economic Development

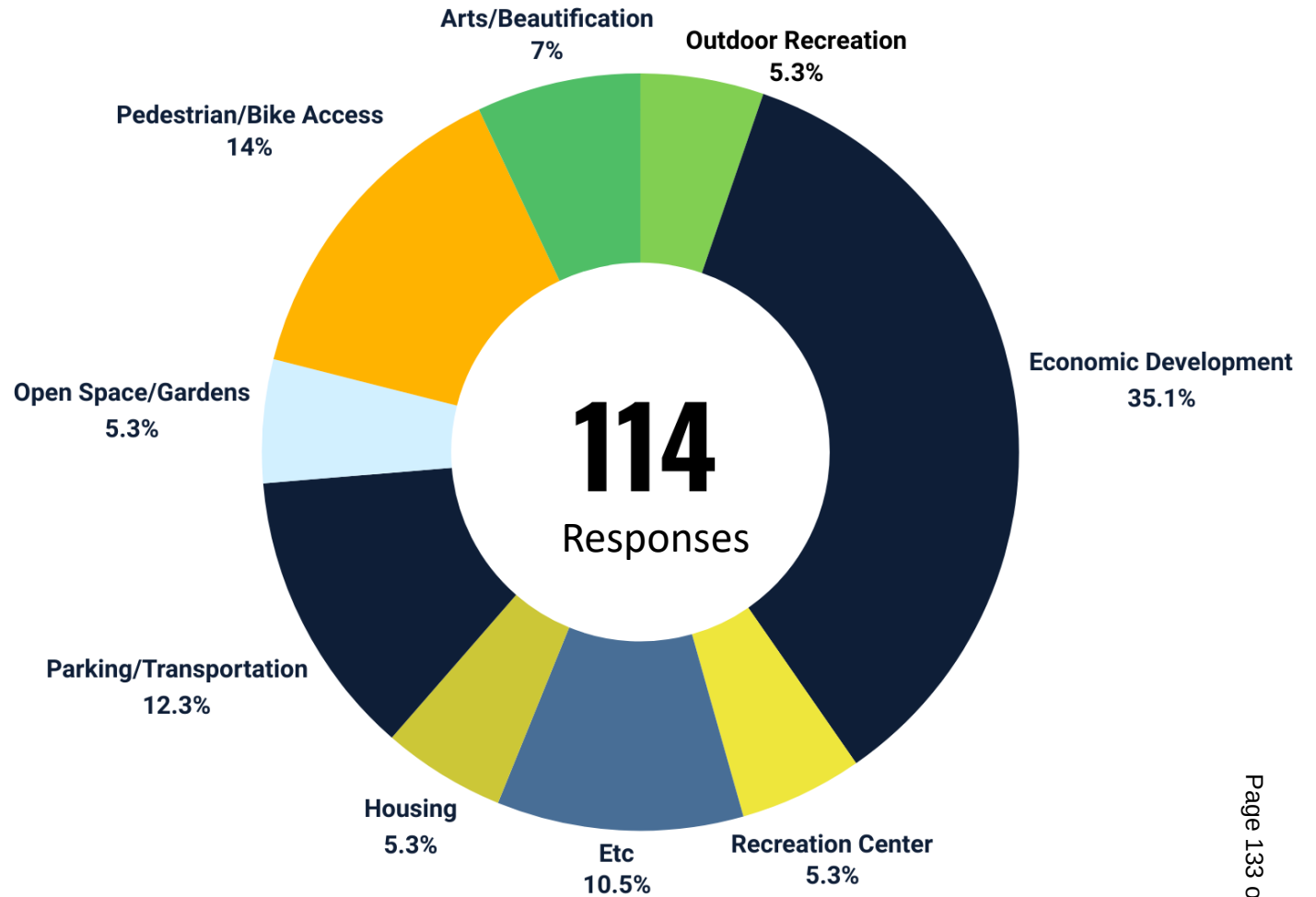
21.5% of total responses

1. Restaurant/Grocery (50%)
2. Shopping (21.2%)
3. Tourism (12.1%)
4. Mixed Use Retail (10.6%)
5. Etc. (6.1%)

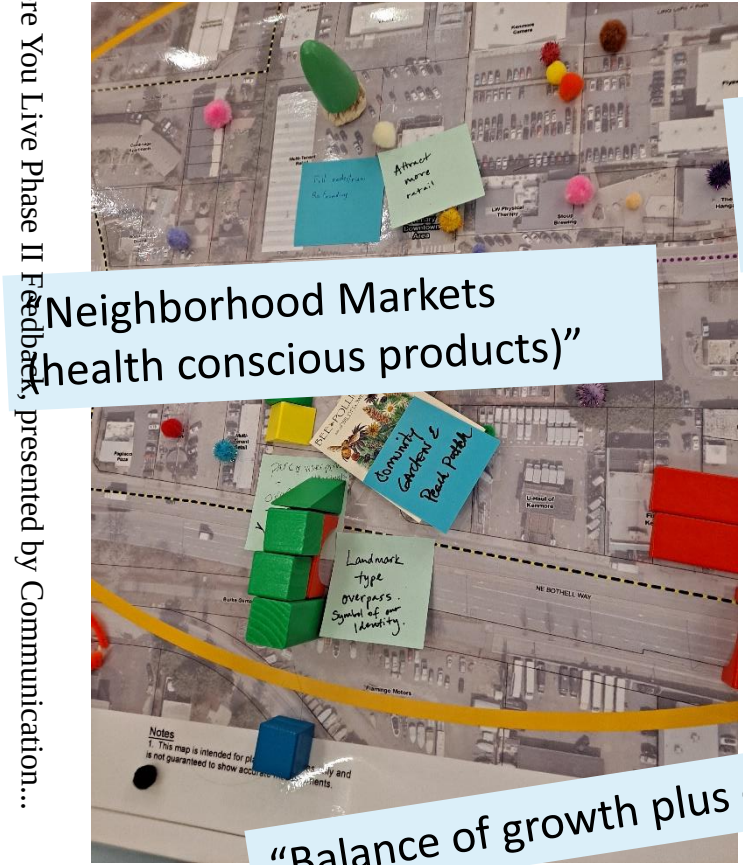


Downtown Response Analysis: Top Themes

1. Economic Development (35.1%)
2. Pedestrian/Bike Access (14%)
3. Parking/Transportation (12.3%)
4. Arts/Beautification (7%)
5. Outdoor Recreation (5.3%)
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7. Housing (5.3%)
8. Recreation Center (5.3%)
9. Etc. (10.5%)



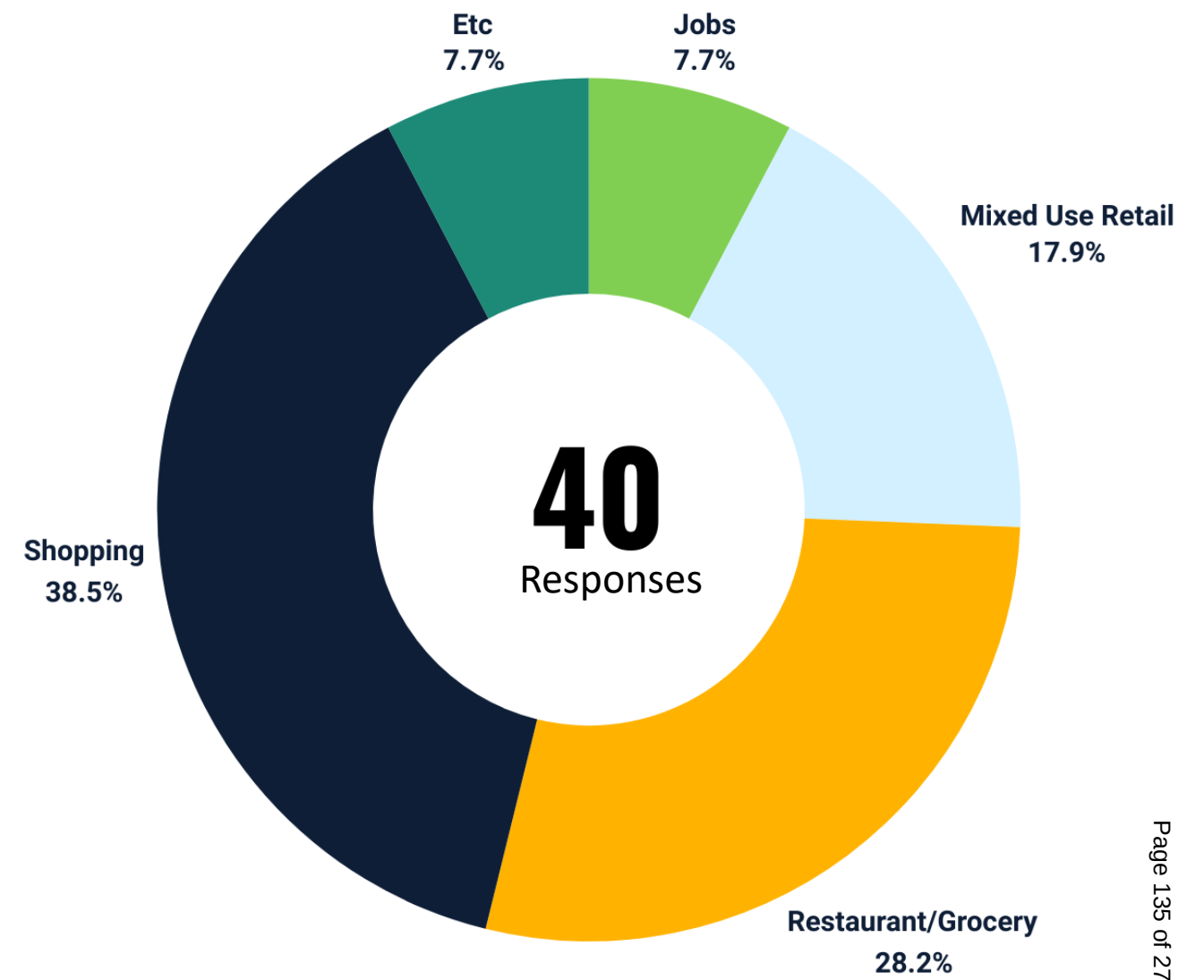
Dream, Play, Build: Downtown



Downtown Response Breakout: Economic Development

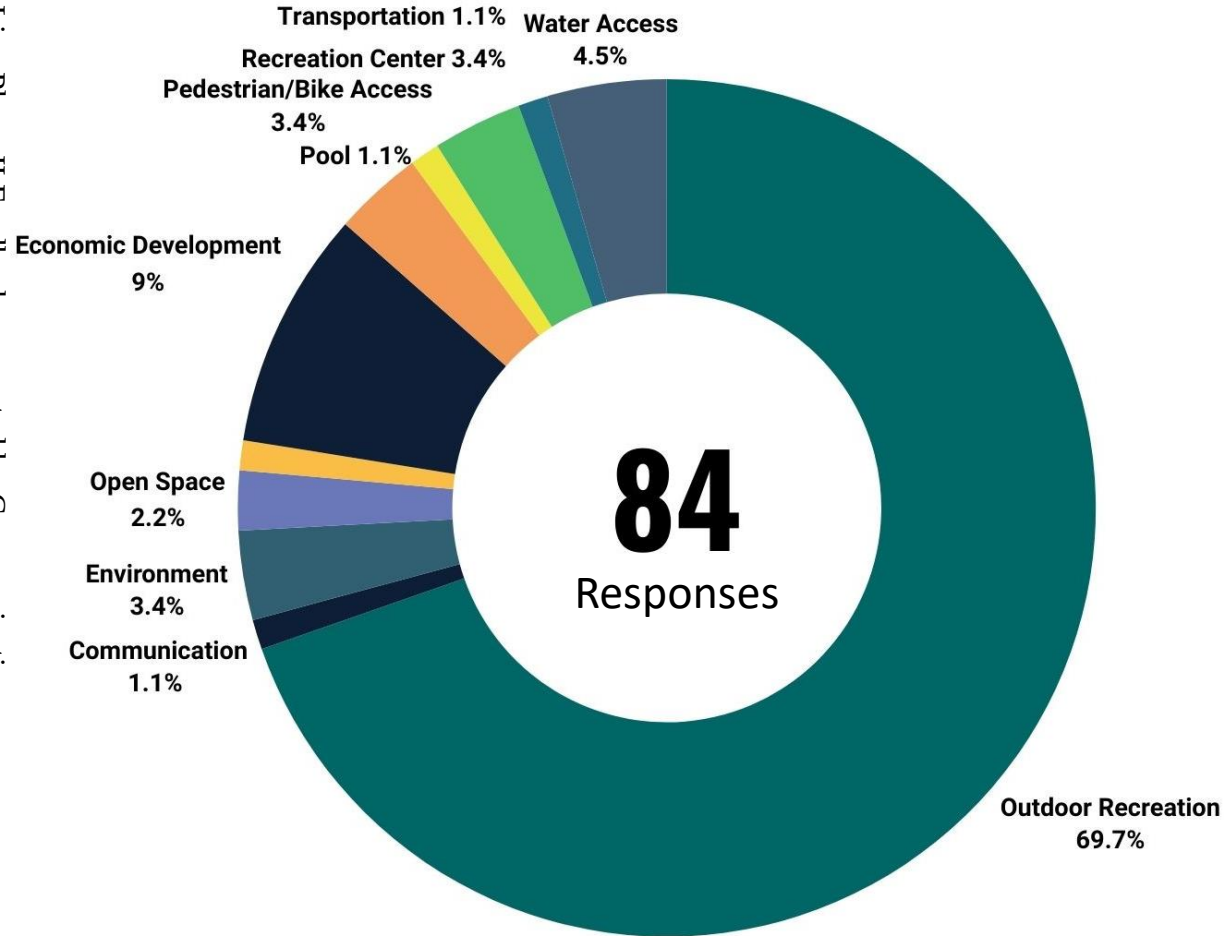
35.1% of total responses

- 1. Shopping (38.5%)
- 2. Restaurant/Grocery (28.2%)
- 3. Mixed Use Retail (17.9%)
- 4. Jobs (7.7%)
- 5. Etc (7.7%)

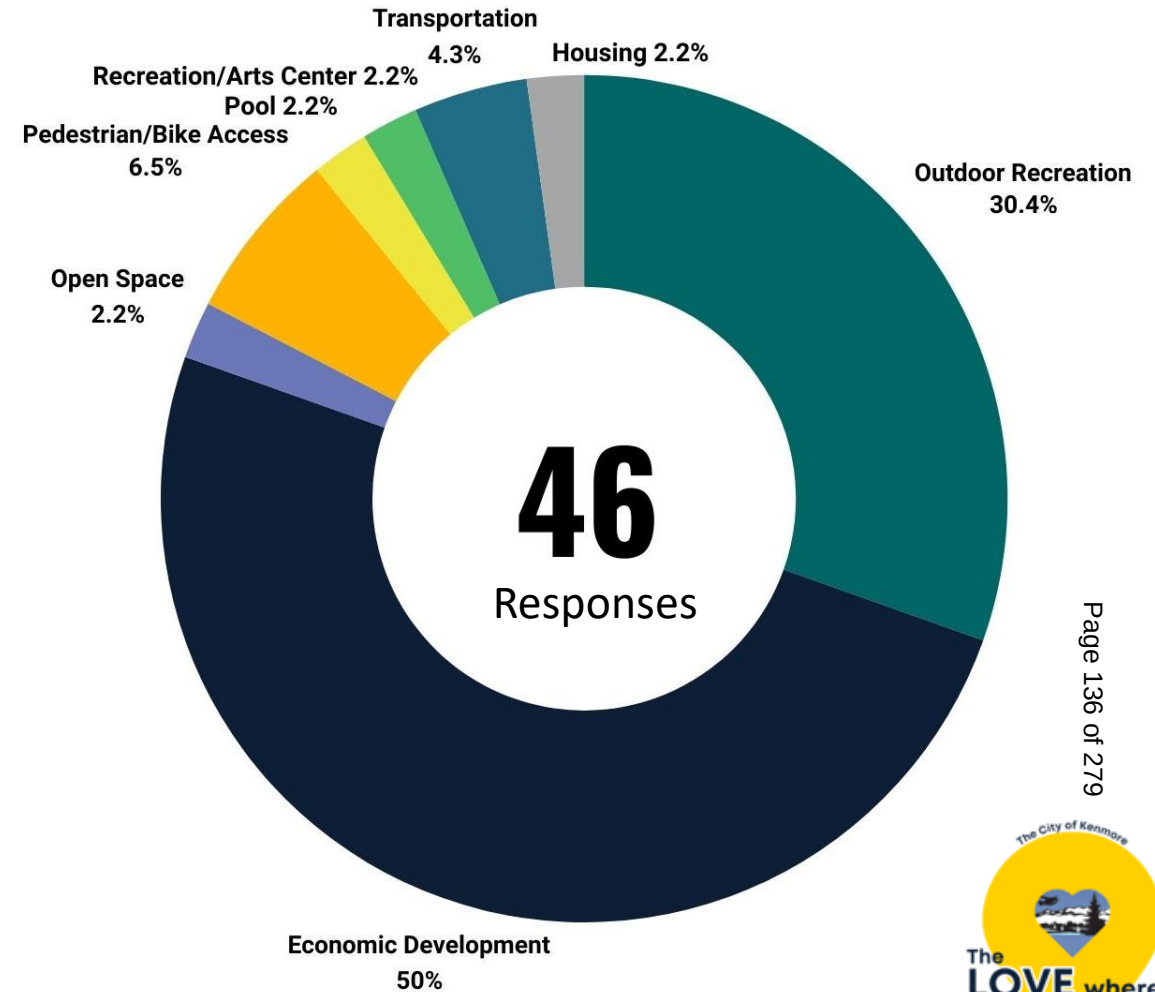


Online Responses:

Lakepointe



Downtown



The Love Where You Live Project

Themes and Takeaways from Phase II Outreach



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The Love Where You Live Project

Statistically Valid Survey Results

- **Statistically Valid Community Survey #2**
- March 2024
- 303 Respondents
- Results and feedback presented by EMC Research



The Love Where You Live Project Phase II

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Questions?

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Email: communications@kenmorewa.gov

Location

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Downtown Table

- Balance of growth plus existing
- Activate the Post Office site
- Utilize St Vincent's as an asset, resource provider
- High tech companies from 181st north to downtown
- Tech offices
- homebased business office space
- New Post Office with mixed use building
- Something like Edmonds City Center at Ferry Dock - Highly Accessible aal modes, meeting room, events, restraurants for low income and higher income folks
- Mixed retail ground floor use including luxury condos between 522 and 181st between 65th & 68th with adequate parking
- New Post Office with mixed use building
- Maker space with retail and Arts & Crafts classes
- Mixed use Apartments for Seniors
- more cohesive feel to downtown
- eating space like LFP mall
- Ice Cream shop
- Neighborhood Markets (health conscious products)
- Town and Country Market, PCC
- Restaurants
- Family Resturant
- Restaurants and shops on Shell property - rooftop bar/restaurants
- More restaurants
- Diverse choices in restaurants
- More food options
- Bistro Coffee shop
- hardware store
- Gathering, shopping,
- Walkable shopping areas
- Independent bookstore in town square vacant building
- Molkbaks like nursery
- hardware store next to Kenmore Camera
- History Museum and general store
- Maker space with retail sales opportunity
- Large stores ingetrated with smaller
- Stores
- Pop up and permanent retail in Safeway parking lot
- More retail
- Hot chocolate/ice cream/florist /gift shops
- More retail (gifts)
- Totem Lake like Shopping including theater near Kenmore Air
- skybridge over 522
- Dog Park by Kenmore Camera
- Nature walkway surrounding downtown area
- Splash pad and swingset at Rite Aid
- Lots of play structures
- Waterpark
- More flowers to beautify around Hangar
- Paint top of World's Fair Building with wood façade to match surrounding buildings
- Patio Tables outside World's Fair building
- Landmark identifying Kenmore
- welcome to Kenmore Sign
- Light art all around City
- Lots of flowers/plants

Overarching

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Keywords

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LWYL Workshop	Pavement wayfinding paint to connect areas like Brew Row with Downtown
LWYL Workshop	Community garden on vacant lot
LWYL Workshop	Pea Patch
LWYL Workshop	Art Garden
LWYL Workshop	Community garden next to multi unit buildings
LWYL Workshop	Remove impervious concrete
LWYL Workshop	Cozy Inn site Miayawaki Forest
LWYL Workshop	Better use of space
LWYL Workshop	Can money be saved on the public works building to then spend on a Lakepointe project or Downtown improvements
LWYL Workshop	It would be interesting to count pedestrians and cyclists on the trail & sidewalks on a regular basis
LWYL Workshop	Whats the height - 6 or 9 stories?
LWYL Workshop	Development (whitespace) Auction Yard - Housing Dev. Don't like the downtown Bothell look
LWYL Workshop	Limit number of renters allowed per rental home
LWYL Workshop	Match style of the Hangar
LWYL Workshop	Would like to see community newspaper or website reporting community events
LWYL Workshop	Limit to 3-4 stories on 522 to retain small town feel.
LWYL Workshop	Keep density in downtown corridor build up
LWYL Workshop	Police presence to deal with homelessness
LWYL Workshop	Free Daycare for all ages, free lunches and community kitchen
LWYL Workshop	Luxury condominiums along 522 west of 68th Ave NE
LWYL Workshop	Low income Housing
LWYL Workshop	Permanent supportive housing at vacant lot beside Tab's & Holt
LWYL Workshop	market rate housing at Jay's café
LWYL Workshop	Less Housing more parks for families
LWYL Workshop	Residential Building 15-20 stories
LWYL Workshop	Update Kenmore Camera Area (parking)
LWYL Workshop	4 story parking at Kenmore Camera lot with Floral Zones to beautify
LWYL Workshop	More parking for residential buildings plus require parking at new businesses
LWYL Workshop	Parking at Imagine Housing project - increased
LWYL Workshop	Reduce parking minimums to zero between 67th & 68th between 522 and 181st
LWYL Workshop	Parking garage with mixed use above
LWYL Workshop	Sound transit working parking garage with connection to the housing
LWYL Workshop	Free Parking
LWYL Workshop	Roundabouts
LWYL Workshop	Don't close streets to traffic
LWYL Workshop	Stop lights in synch
LWYL Workshop	Light rail on 522
LWYL Workshop	Traffic connections and roundabouts on the "Super blocks"
LWYL Workshop	Circle on 65th at the bend to 66th and 182nd
LWYL Workshop	No cars on 181st from 65th to 68th or 73rd
LWYL Workshop	Raised boardwalk in wetlands adjacent to P & R (to north)
LWYL Workshop	Raised walkway crossing 522 at 67th
LWYL Workshop	Pedestrian overpass leading from water/trail to shops downtown - coffee shops, hot chocolate
LWYL Workshop	Nature path sorrounding downtown area
LWYL Workshop	Bike/ped trail parallel to B-G along 175th through expanded downtown area
LWYL Workshop	Bikeable downtown - get kids on bikes
LWYL Workshop	Protected bike lane on 522
LWYL Workshop	Safe Crosswalks
LWYL Workshop	More bike lanes
LWYL Workshop	Park concrete overpass over 522
LWYL Workshop	Walkable Main street
LWYL Workshop	Flip Safeway and grade 181st over 522. Parking underneath and pedestrain access
LWYL Workshop	Not needing cars to get around downtown/kenmore

Arts & Beautification
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LWYL Workshop	bike lanes
LWYL Workshop	Walkable Main street
LWYL Workshop	Rec Center behind St Vincent
LWYL Workshop	Rec Center with pool for all ages, sports courts
LWYL Workshop	future development of Bastyr into quieter natural space with Arts Center for adults and kids with coffee
LWYL Workshop	Community gym
LWYL Workshop	Community Center at St Vincents with human service resources, employment services etc
LWYL Workshop	Gymnasium & Climbing wall

Pedestrian/Bike Access
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Recreation/Arts Center
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Location	Lakepointe Table
LWYL Workshop	Partner with Grantors and Developers
LWYL Workshop	Small Nuclear Power Plant
LWYL Workshop	Small Buildings that are not crowded
LWYL Workshop	Hospital
LWYL Workshop	Tech Offices
LWYL Workshop	Higher density in the back - 6+ stories and more open space in the front
LWYL Workshop	Mixed Development
LWYL Workshop	Variety of Housing types mixed together
LWYL Workshop	Village style
LWYL Workshop	Mixed Use Ground Floor Retail
LWYL Workshop	Walkable Urban Village
LWYL Workshop	Concession Building for water taxi customers
LWYL Workshop	Service building - coffee food vendors
LWYL Workshop	Trader Joe's /PCC
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LWYL Workshop	"Let's meet at Lakepointe for a pint"
LWYL Workshop	Higher End shops and resturants like Anthonys
LWYL Workshop	Restaurants Storefronts with walking grid design
LWYL Workshop	Fish and Chips on a Friday sunny night,
LWYL Workshop	Food Options
LWYL Workshop	Food Truck Area
LWYL Workshop	Food Truck Row
LWYL Workshop	Food trucks with picnic tables
LWYL Workshop	Food trucks with picnic tables
LWYL Workshop	Hotel Resturants and stores
LWYL Workshop	ice cream
LWYL Workshop	ice cream and shaved ice
LWYL Workshop	Ice Cream Shoppe
LWYL Workshop	Ice Cream Shoppe
LWYL Workshop	Loved to be very high end resturant
LWYL Workshop	More Resturants
LWYL Workshop	More resturants
LWYL Workshop	Popeyes
LWYL Workshop	Resturant like Scott's Bar and Grill
LWYL Workshop	Resturant on the Water
LWYL Workshop	Resturants
LWYL Workshop	Resturants
LWYL Workshop	Resturants with Views
LWYL Workshop	Rooftop public access resturant
LWYL Workshop	Rooftop resturant
LWYL Workshop	Waterfront Mini Café
LWYL Workshop	Waterfront Resturant

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LWYL Workshop	wine tasting like Woodinville
LWYL Workshop	Bend Oregon Mill Town Project
LWYL Workshop	Boutique shops
LWYL Workshop	Business/Retail
LWYL Workshop	Higher End shops and resturants like Anthonys
LWYL Workshop	Outdoor Mall (Totem Lake)
LWYL Workshop	Retail
LWYL Workshop	Retail
LWYL Workshop	Rustin Tacoma: outdoor space, farmer's market, shops, YMCA
LWYL Workshop	Shop Options
LWYL Workshop	Shopping
LWYL Workshop	Similar to Kirkland Waterfront
LWYL Workshop	Stores
LWYL Workshop	Unique Shops
LWYL Workshop	Bicitaxi - Tour guide using bikes to show city tours to seniors
LWYL Workshop	Choo Choo train - to tour the Lakepointe Facilities
LWYL Workshop	Make it a destination
LWYL Workshop	Something attracting people to go there - businesses, living spaces are inviting
LWYL Workshop	Movie Theater
LWYL Workshop	Hotel
LWYL Workshop	Hotel
LWYL Workshop	Tourism Expansion: Invite developers and promote Kenmore as a destination
LWYL Workshop	2nd Skate Park
LWYL Workshop	Edmonds dog park, pier and ferry
LWYL Workshop	Fitness Trail
LWYL Workshop	go for a walk along water to see sunset
LWYL Workshop	Outdoor Courts
LWYL Workshop	Outdoor Courts
LWYL Workshop	Outdoor Fitness Park
LWYL Workshop	Outdoor/Open Fitness Park/Track
LWYL Workshop	Pickelball Complex
LWYL Workshop	Public Boardwalk
LWYL Workshop	skateboard and basketball and tennis courts (Greenlake style)
LWYL Workshop	Trail along water
LWYL Workshop	Active like Edmonds Waterfront
LWYL Workshop	Walkability
LWYL Workshop	Walking Paths
LWYL Workshop	Walking Trails
LWYL Workshop	Walking Trails
LWYL Workshop	Walkways Around Property
LWYL Workshop	Pickelball Complex
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LWYL Workshop	skateboard and basketball and tennis courts (Greenlake style)
LWYL Workshop	Bike Park at Lakepointe
LWYL Workshop	Bike Trail

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	LWYL Workshop	Active Park-Sportsfield Complex	Outdoor Recreation	Athletic Fields
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	LWYL Workshop	Active Park-Sportsfield Complex	Outdoor Recreation	Athletic Fields
	LWYL Workshop	Ballfields - mixed use park, Picnic tables, BBQ Pits	Outdoor Recreation	Athletic Fields
	LWYL Workshop	Baseball field	Outdoor Recreation	Athletic Fields
	LWYL Workshop	More ballfields	Outdoor Recreation	Athletic Fields
	LWYL Workshop	Movable bleachers for different sports viewing	Outdoor Recreation	Athletic Fields
	LWYL Workshop	Movable bleachers for different sports viewing	Outdoor Recreation	Athletic Fields
	LWYL Workshop	Multi purpose ballfields - lacrosse, basketball	Outdoor Recreation	Athletic Fields
	LWYL Workshop	Multi purpose ballfields - lacrosse, basketball	Outdoor Recreation	Athletic Fields
	LWYL Workshop	Multipurpose Ballfield	Outdoor Recreation	Athletic Fields
	LWYL Workshop	Multipurpose Ballfield	Outdoor Recreation	Athletic Fields
	LWYL Workshop	Multiuse Field	Outdoor Recreation	Athletic Fields
	LWYL Workshop	Sportsfield with Lacrosse lines	Outdoor Recreation	Athletic Fields
	LWYL Workshop	Sportsfield with Lacrosse lines	Outdoor Recreation	Athletic Fields
	LWYL Workshop	Sportsfields	Outdoor Recreation	Athletic Fields
	LWYL Workshop	Dog Park	Outdoor Recreation	Dog Park
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	LWYL Workshop	Off Lease Dog Park	Outdoor Recreation	Dog Park
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	LWYL Workshop	Dog Park	Outdoor Recreation	Dog Park
	LWYL Workshop	Canoe and kayak moorage - loads to sammamish river, access to Log Boom, coffee shops on Lk Washington	Outdoor Recreation	Boat Moorage
	LWYL Workshop	Boat Moorage - Marina like Carillon point. Also fix Log Boom dock for boats	Outdoor Recreation	Boat Moorage
	LWYL Workshop	Day mooring for power boats and hand carried crafts	Outdoor Recreation	Boat Moorage
	LWYL Workshop	Docks	Outdoor Recreation	Boat Moorage
	LWYL Workshop	Docks with tie ups for boating	Outdoor Recreation	Boat Moorage
	LWYL Workshop	Docks with tie ups for boating	Outdoor Recreation	Boat Moorage
	LWYL Workshop	Guest Moorage boat and plane	Outdoor Recreation	Boat Moorage
	LWYL Workshop	Kayak docking	Outdoor Recreation	Boat Moorage
	LWYL Workshop	Marina	Outdoor Recreation	Boat Moorage
	LWYL Workshop	Marina	Outdoor Recreation	Boat Moorage
	LWYL Workshop	Moorage	Outdoor Recreation	Boat Moorage
	LWYL Workshop	Playground	Outdoor Recreation	Playground/Splash Pad
	LWYL Workshop	Big activities - games - Giant jenga, giant chess	Outdoor Recreation	Playground/Splash Pad
	LWYL Workshop	Park	Outdoor Recreation	Playground/Splash Pad
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LWYL Workshop	Public Restrooms and Park and Complex	Outdoor Recreation	Playground/Splash Pad	
LWYL Workshop	Boardwalks or sidewalks to view water	Outdoor Recreation	Scenic Views	
LWYL Workshop	Low Buldings - don't block view/height	Outdoor Recreation	Scenic Views	
LWYL Workshop	Obscure view of Asphalt Plant	Outdoor Recreation	Scenic Views	

Where You Live Phase II Feedback, presented by Communication...	LWYL Workshop	see stars	Outdoor Recreation	Scenic Views
	LWYL Workshop	Trees to block bad views/screen	Outdoor Recreation	Scenic Views
	LWYL Workshop	Viewing walk outs	Outdoor Recreation	Scenic Views
	LWYL Workshop	Vinocular Viewing	Outdoor Recreation	Scenic Views
	LWYL Workshop	Kayak boat launchescrossing Sammamish River	Outdoor Recreation	Water Access
	LWYL Workshop	Another Boat Launch	Outdoor Recreation	Water Access
	LWYL Workshop	Kayak Launch	Outdoor Recreation	Water Access
	LWYL Workshop	Kayak Rental	Outdoor Recreation	Water Access
	LWYL Workshop	Access to water, walking path	Outdoor Recreation	Water Access
	LWYL Workshop	Access Water Eg Skip Stones, Get Feet Wet	Outdoor Recreation	Water Access
	LWYL Workshop	Beach like Log Boom	Outdoor Recreation	Water Access
	LWYL Workshop	Free Access to Water Shoreline	Outdoor Recreation	Water Access
	LWYL Workshop	More Direct Access to Lake	Outdoor Recreation	Water Access
	LWYL Workshop	More direct Access to Lake Beach (like Log Boom)	Outdoor Recreation	Water Access
	LWYL Workshop	Ped Bridge oAccess to Boat Launch	Outdoor Recreation	Water Access
	LWYL Workshop	Pier	Outdoor Recreation	Water Access
	LWYL Workshop	Pier or jetting out of the water of Log Boom	Outdoor Recreation	Water Access
	LWYL Workshop	Public Access to shoreline - connected for walking and bicycling - full loop	Outdoor Recreation	Water Access
	LWYL Workshop	Public access to water	Outdoor Recreation	Water Access
	LWYL Workshop	Sandy beach area	Outdoor Recreation	Water Access
	LWYL Workshop	Sandy beach area - swimming, gazebos, house, gathering publicright next to the water	Outdoor Recreation	Water Access
	LWYL Workshop	Swimming area	Outdoor Recreation	Water Access
	LWYL Workshop	Ampitheater		Amphitheater/Outdoor Performance Space
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	LWYL Workshop	Ampitheater		Amphitheater/Outdoor Performance Space
	LWYL Workshop	Concerts		Amphitheater/Outdoor Performance Space
	LWYL Workshop	Hill with Ampitheater built into it		Amphitheater/Outdoor Performance Space
	LWYL Workshop	Outdoor Concert Space		Amphitheater/Outdoor Performance Space
	LWYL Workshop	Outdoor Performance Space - Shakespeare in the Park, music etc		Amphitheater/Outdoor Performance Space
LWYL Workshop	Special Events like weddings		Amphitheater/Outdoor Performance Space	
LWYL Workshop	Walkway prominade - lawn for events, movie night, ampitheater		Amphitheater/Outdoor Performance Space	
LWYL Workshop	Add beavers for eco system		Environment	
LWYL Workshop	Beaver Dams		Environment	
LWYL Workshop	Education of Environmental Issues		Environment	
LWYL Workshop	ensure sufficient soils/ water		Environment	
LWYL Workshop	Forest		Environment	
LWYL Workshop	Get Rid of Asphalt Plant		Environment	
LWYL Workshop	Green natural spaces for picnics etc more open space and integrate animals		Environment	
LWYL Workshop	Green roof		Environment	
LWYL Workshop	Green Space/ Nature		Environment	
LWYL Workshop	lots of green space		Environment	
LWYL Workshop	Lots of trees, plants, green space		Environment	
LWYL Workshop	Native Preserve Space		Environment	
LWYL Workshop	Native Species Sanctuary		Environment	

LWYL Workshop	Native Species Sanctuary
LWYL Workshop	Nature preserve
LWYL Workshop	Polinator Trails and Paths/Landscapes
LWYL Workshop	Rebuilding what you can to create river delta
LWYL Workshop	Remove Asphalt Plant
LWYL Workshop	Require all buildings to be carbon neutral and green built
LWYL Workshop	Restoration natural areass
LWYL Workshop	Restore Shoreline/Natural
LWYL Workshop	Restructured/riparian area
LWYL Workshop	Return to Natural Habitat
LWYL Workshop	Salmon Habitat
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LWYL Workshop	Solar panels
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LWYL Workshop	Testing and Remediation
LWYL Workshop	Trail in the greenspace
LWYL Workshop	Very important to maintain park and natural area
LWYL Workshop	Economic Driver - how would what we develop here bring economy to Kenmore
LWYL Workshop	Funding Package
LWYL Workshop	Expand the Senior Center @ Rhody Park
LWYL Workshop	Fix Log Boom Park dock for Boats
LWYL Workshop	Kenmore Air restrictions
LWYL Workshop	Kenmore Air restrictions
LWYL Workshop	Like Bowling alley
LWYL Workshop	Limit Kenmore Air
LWYL Workshop	Marina Land Swap
LWYL Workshop	Keep the Funky Vibe
LWYL Workshop	Artwork
LWYL Workshop	Common Meeting Place
LWYL Workshop	kiosk/information booth on parks
LWYL Workshop	Worst = Only boardwalk around with fenced to a dead end turn around
LWYL Workshop	10-15 story residential high rise with shops and rooftop resturants
LWYL Workshop	4-6 Story Housing
LWYL Workshop	Affordable Housing
LWYL Workshop	Apartment/Housing
LWYL Workshop	Apartments
LWYL Workshop	Apartments and Housing
LWYL Workshop	High Density affordable housing
LWYL Workshop	High Density affordable housing
LWYL Workshop	High End Housing on the Waterfront
LWYL Workshop	High End Housing on the Waterfront
LWYL Workshop	Higher Density
LWYL Workshop	Housing to serve all ages
LWYL Workshop	Madison Park Apt/Residential Towers 10-15 towers in the back against the road

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	LWYL Workshop	More dense housing	Housing
	LWYL Workshop	Multi-family housing	Housing
	LWYL Workshop	Residential 3-4 story	Housing
	LWYL Workshop	80% park/20% developed	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Conspicuous Open Space	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Open Lawns for pick up games	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Picnic Shelter	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Picnic Tables along a water trail	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Covered picnic area - big gathering size	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Family Gathering Spaces	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Gas Works type dilemma	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Gasworks Park like mound	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Gazebo	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Gazebo, house, tenant space in the green area overlooking water	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Greenery in walking trail with picnic tables	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Like Magnuson Park	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Lots of trees, plants, green space	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Maintain feeling of open space, don't crown structures	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Mound in green space like Gas Works Park	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Mound in park area (Gas Works style)	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Nature preservation Space	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Open Grass area	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Open Space	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Places to hang out outside in the summer	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Public Access with walkable park, open space,	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Tall in the back and open space front	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Public Space	Open Space
	LWYL Workshop	Community Pea Patch	Open Space/Garden
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	LWYL Workshop	Edible Landscape Park	Open Space/Garden
	LWYL Workshop	Community Garden - Pea Patch with Child programming	Open Space/Garden
	LWYL Workshop	Rose Garden/memorial garden	Open Space/Garden
	LWYL Workshop	Sound Transit parking garage on Bothell Way with connector to Housing	Pedestrian/Bike Access
	LWYL Workshop	Connect safe pedestrain access from transit stops	Pedestrian/Bike Access
	LWYL Workshop	Linked to Public Transportation	Pedestrian/Bike Access
	LWYL Workshop	Pedestrian bridge over 522	Pedestrian/Bike Access
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	LWYL Workshop	Pedestrian friendly alleys to break up large blocks	Pedestrian/Bike Access
	LWYL Workshop	Tall bridge	Pedestrian/Bike Access
LWYL Workshop	Ability to wander there	Pedestrian/Bike Access	
LWYL Workshop	accessible bridge for people in wheelchairs and walkers	Pedestrian/Bike Access	
LWYL Workshop	Bridge Connecting Lakepointe and community similar to Kirkland waterfront	Pedestrian/Bike Access	
LWYL Workshop	Bridge connecting Lakepointe and Inglewood Area	Pedestrian/Bike Access	
LWYL Workshop	Bridge over 522	Pedestrian/Bike Access	

LWYL Workshop	Connect to 68th and Burke Gilman	Pedestrian/Bike Access
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LWYL Workshop	Connection to the Burke	Pedestrian/Bike Access
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LWYL Workshop	Connection to the Burke	Pedestrian/Bike Access
LWYL Workshop	Direct connection from trail to walkable village downtown	Pedestrian/Bike Access
LWYL Workshop	E-Ferry	Pedestrian/Bike Access
LWYL Workshop	Improve crossing of 522 to connect to Hangar area	Pedestrian/Bike Access
LWYL Workshop	More Walkable park	Pedestrian/Bike Access
LWYL Workshop	No Parking Lots (Walk, Bike)	Pedestrian/Bike Access
LWYL Workshop	Pass through for bikes, safer to bike around town	Pedestrian/Bike Access
LWYL Workshop	Ped Bridge over SR522 or underpass	Pedestrian/Bike Access
LWYL Workshop	Pedestrian bridge over 522	Pedestrian/Bike Access
LWYL Workshop	Pedestrian Ferry	Pedestrian/Bike Access
LWYL Workshop	Pedestrian only development	Pedestrian/Bike Access
LWYL Workshop	Pedestrian Walkway connecting Bothell Way to Lakepointe	Pedestrian/Bike Access
LWYL Workshop	Raise Boardwalk	Pedestrian/Bike Access
LWYL Workshop	Restrooms are needed for bike/peds	Pedestrian/Bike Access
LWYL Workshop	Bike Storage	Pedestrian/Bike Access
LWYL Workshop	Bike and Pedestrian Friendly	Pedestrian/Bike Access
LWYL Workshop	walkable	Pedestrian/Bike Access
LWYL Workshop	Walking Trails	Pedestrian/Bike Access
LWYL Workshop	Water Taxi	Pedestrian/Bike Access
LWYL Workshop	Pool	Pool
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LWYL Workshop	with Pool	Pool
LWYL Workshop	Art Spaces	Recreation/Arts Center
LWYL Workshop	Art Spaces	Recreation/Arts Center
LWYL Workshop	Climbing Gym	Recreation/Arts Center
LWYL Workshop	Community Center	Recreation/Arts Center
LWYL Workshop	Community Center	Recreation/Arts Center
LWYL Workshop	Great community space - a day to night activity - all ages	Recreation/Arts Center
LWYL Workshop	Kenmore doesn't have a high end hotel - would be great for event center- view of water, golf course, easy access	Recreation/Arts Center
LWYL Workshop	Recreation Center Complex for entire area - indoor and out	Recreation/Arts Center
LWYL Workshop	Theater	Recreation/Arts Center
LWYL Workshop	Concern about traffic	Traffic/Parking
LWYL Workshop	Fix traffic first	Traffic/Parking
LWYL Workshop	Limited Paid Parking	Traffic/Parking

CITY OF KENMORE



Community Engagement

Phase I Overview and Proposed Phase II Plan

January 9, 2024



The Love Where You Live Project

Background and Purpose

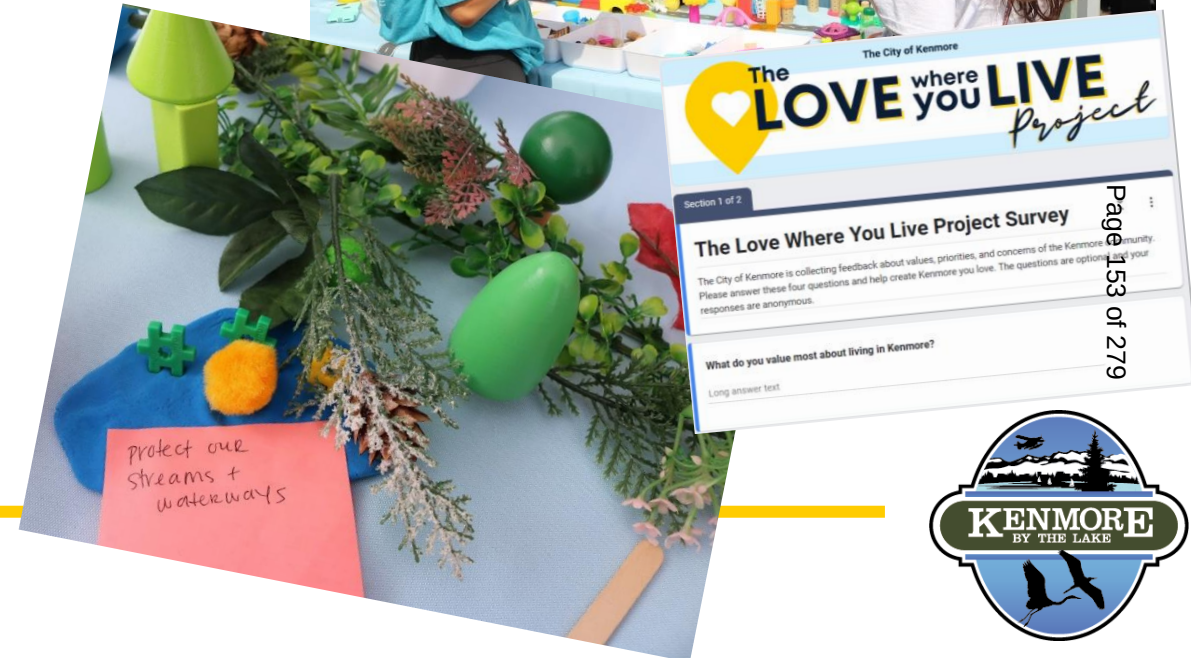
- Year-long community engagement effort began in the summer of 2023
- Goal to gather broad feedback from the community on their values and priorities for the future of Kenmore
- Use the “Dream, Play, Build” method to encourage creative thinking
- Engage with as many community members as possible



The Love Where You Live Project

Phase I Engagement Overview

- **June – September 2023**
 - 22 in-person Love Where You Live (LWYL) outreach booths
 - Farmers markets, special events, parks, Safeway, Hangar
 - 759 in-person respondents
 - **Online Survey – open to all**
 - 145 online respondents
 - 904 total respondents and 1171 total responses
 - Anyone who lives, works or plays in Kenmore
- **December 2023**
 - Statistically valid community survey



The Love Where You Live Project

Summer Outreach

- *We loved hearing from you!*
- Thanks to everyone who stopped by the booth and shared their feedback.



The Love Where You Live Project

UW Bothell Student Project

- A team of Business Project Management students were assigned to organize, analyze, and synthesize the collected responses
- Team Tenets:
 - Prioritize and emphasize the needs of the community of Kenmore
 - Commit to accuracy, only highlighting what is important
 - Adhere to transparency
- Objectively categorized over 1,100 responses
- Created a presentation of response results

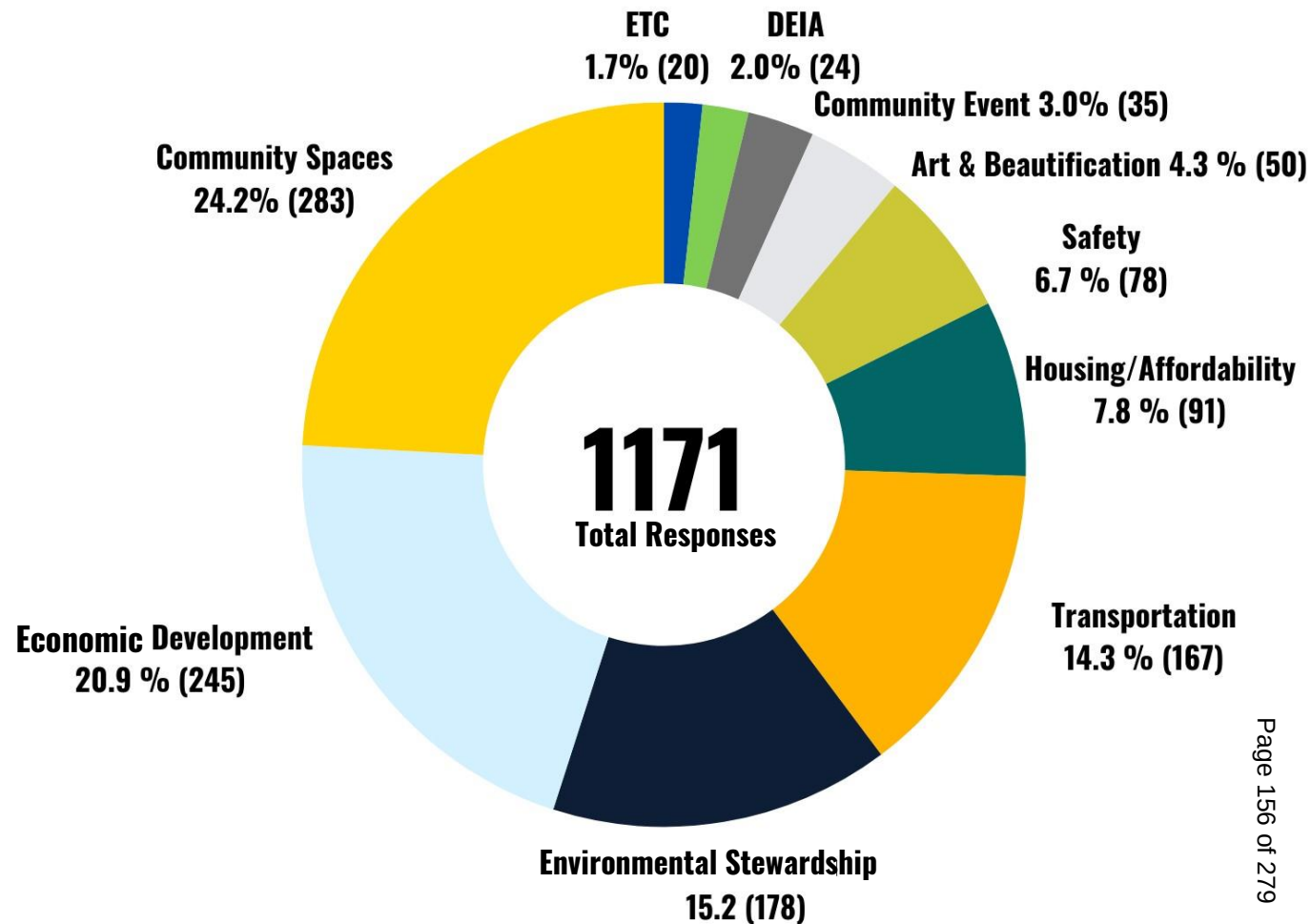


UW Bothell Business Project Management Students:

Aurelia Jacquelinne, Sahej Oberoi, Vanny Nguyen, Adan Rodriguez, Muhammad Abubakar, Abdul Zia, Kayla Park, Hao (Gary) Fu, Myriam Mai, and Jedy Alexander
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Response Analysis: Top Themes

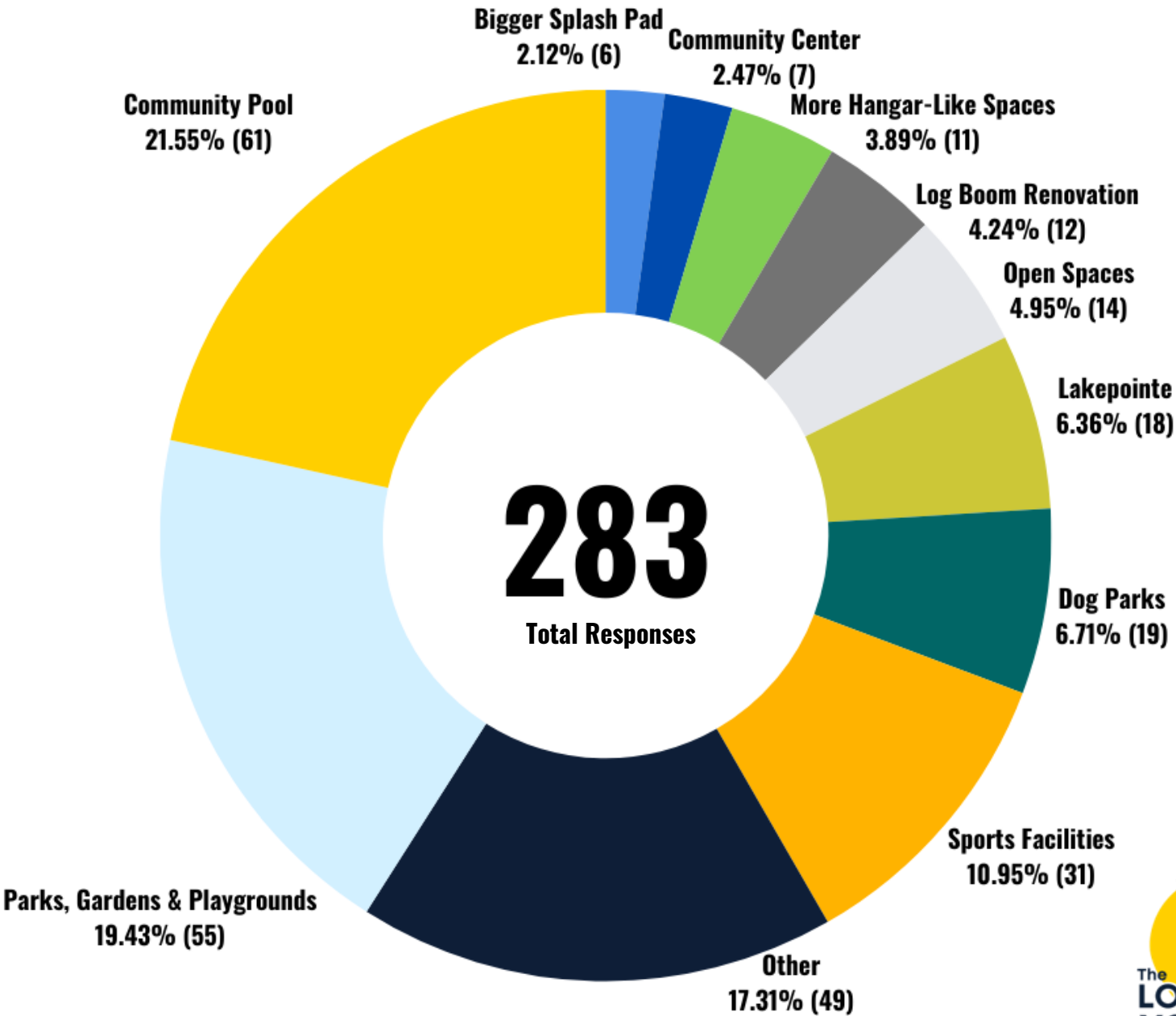
1. Community Spaces (24%)
2. Economic Development (21%)
3. Environmental Stewardship (15%)
4. Transportation (14%)
5. Housing/Affordability (8%)
6. Safety (7%)
7. Art & Beautification (4%)
8. Community Events (3%)
9. DEIA (2%)
10. ETC. (2%)



Community Spaces

24% of total responses

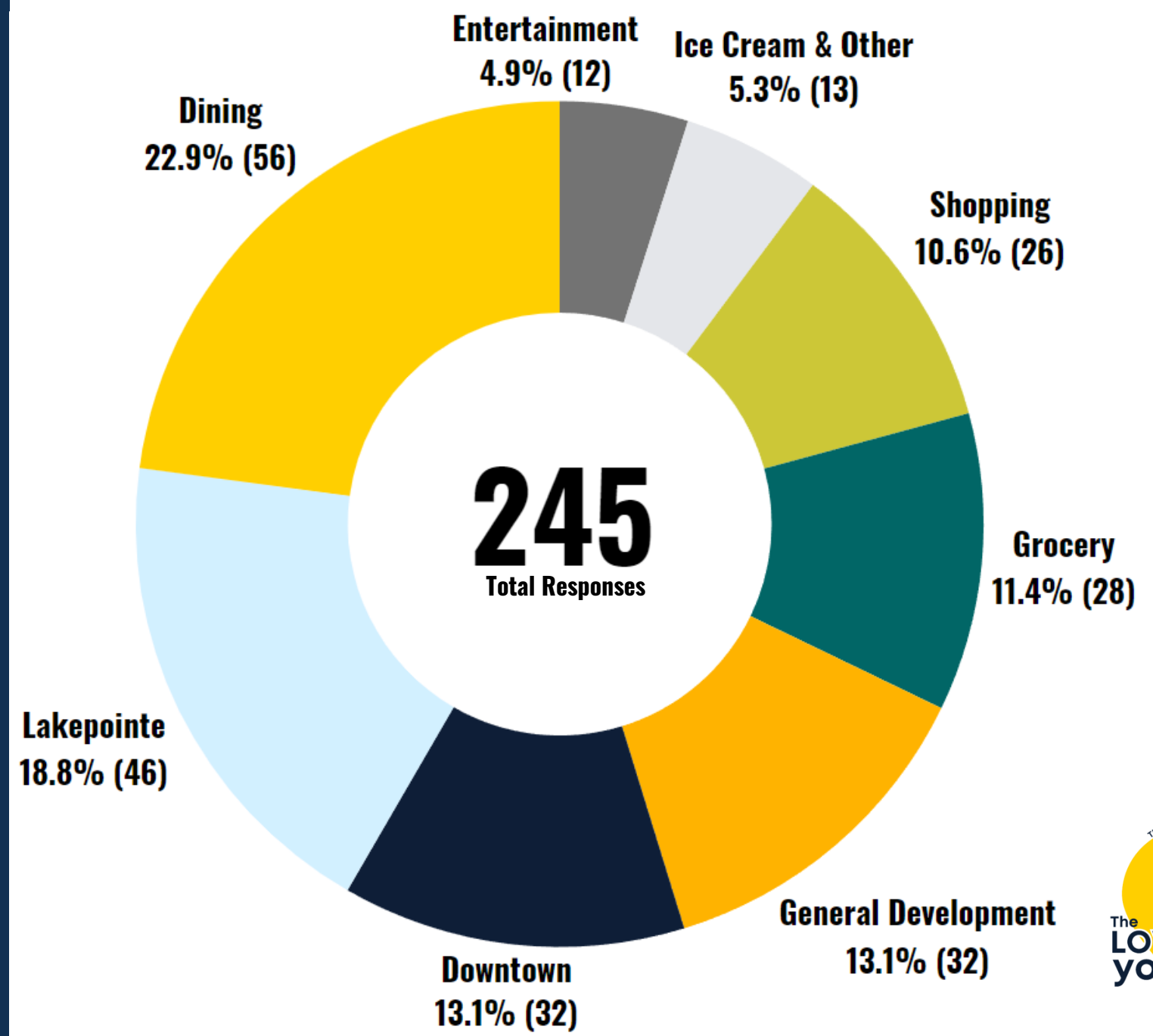
- Community Pool
- Parks, Gardens & Playgrounds
- Other
- Sports Facilities
- Dog Parks
- Lakepointe
- Open Spaces
- Park Renovations, like Log Boom
- More Hangar-Like Spaces
- Community Center
- Bigger Splash Pad



Economic Development

21% of total responses

- 1. Dining
- 2. Lakepointe
- 3. Downtown
- 4. General Development
- 5. Grocery
- 6. Shopping
- 7. Ice Cream & Other
- 8. Entertainment



The Love Where You Live Project

Phase I Next Steps and Wrap Up

- **Review findings from UW Bothell data analysis and finalize Phase I outreach report**
 - Share with City Council, staff, and community
- **Review Results of Statistically Valid Community Survey #1**
 - EMC Research
 - December 5 – 18
 - 300+ responses – representative of the community
 - General feedback on goals and priorities



The Love Where You Live Project

Proposed Phase II Plan

- **Conduct Statistically Valid Community Survey #2 in March 2024**
 - EMC Research
 - More focused questions based on emerging themes and data from survey #1
- **Three Community Workshops and One Town Hall**
 - Workshops in late January – February out in the community
 - Town Hall at City Hall in March
 - Focus on finding out more about the emerging top themes
- **Foster Community Partnerships Around Community Spaces and Economic Development**
 - Engage with stakeholders and partners, including Lakepointe property owner and potential developers
 - Host downtown development discussions to include a possible partnership with the Urban Land Institute
- **Come back to Council in April 2024 with Next Steps Based on What We Learn**



The Love Where You Live Project

Proposed Council Motion

Approve the Love Where You Live Project Community Engagement Phase II and direct the City Manager to Further Explore the Top Themes Including Economic Development, including Lakepointe and Downtown Development; and Community Spaces. This Includes Engaging with the Lakepointe Property Owner, Possible Developers, and Downtown Property Owners; as well as Hosting Downtown Development Discussions and Exploring Downtown Development Partnerships, and Bringing Forth Options for Future Council Consideration as Part of this Phase II Engagement Plan.





Questions?

Website: www.kenmorewa.gov/lovewhereyoulive

Email: communications@kenmorewa.gov



City of Kenmore Priorities Survey

December 2023

Methodology

Multi-modal Email- and Text-to-Web/live telephone survey of registered voters in Kenmore, Washington

Survey conducted December 4 – 19, 2023

300 interviews; overall margin of error ± 5.7 percentage points

Telephone interviews were conducted in English by trained, professional interviewers; landlines and mobile phones included

Where applicable, results compared with the following:

Methodology	Dates	Universe	Sample Size	Margin of Error	EMC #
Phone and Text-to-Web	December 4 – 12, 2019	All Registered Voters	300	± 5.7 percentage points	19-7497
Phone	April 24 – May 2, 2016	All Registered Voters	300	± 5.7 percentage points	16-5967
Phone	December 2 – 10, 2015	All Registered Voters	300	± 5.7 percentage points	15-5355

Please note that due to rounding, some percentages may not add up to exactly 100%.

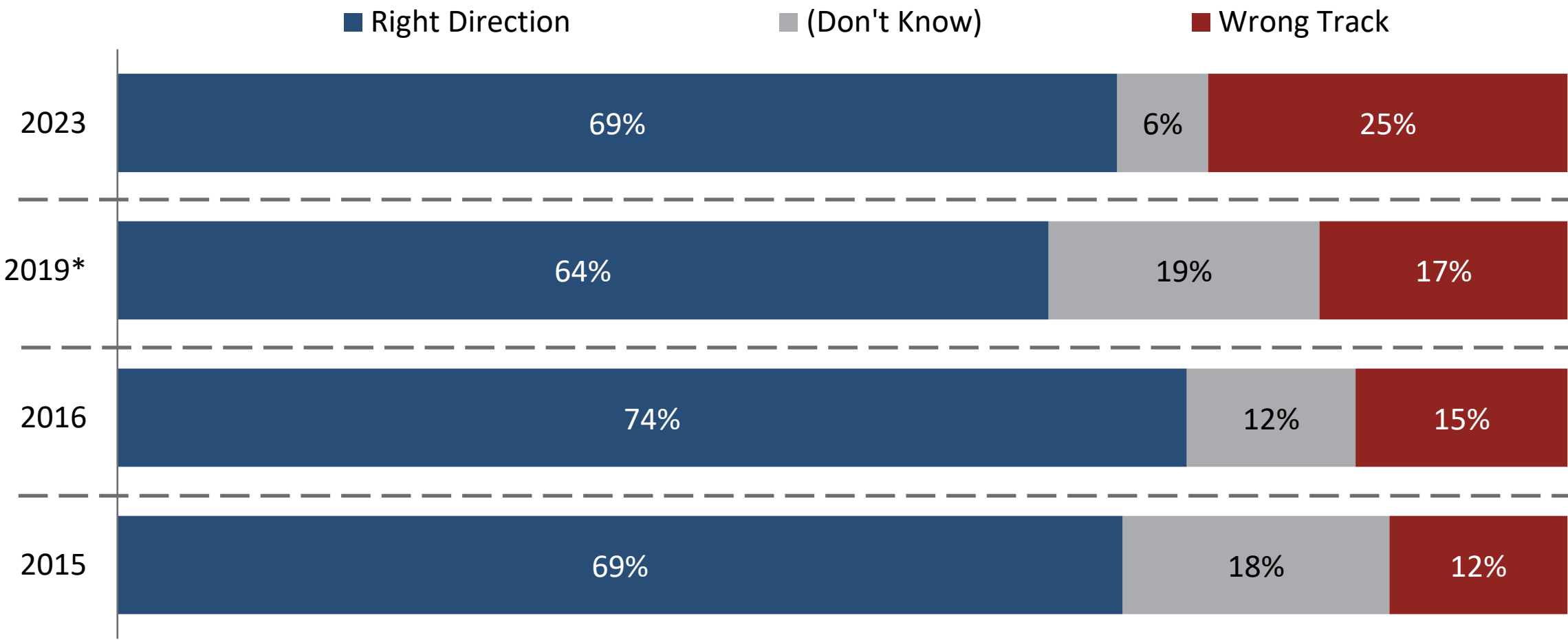


Kenmore Issue Environment



Direction of Kenmore

Residents continue to be optimistic about the direction of Kenmore.



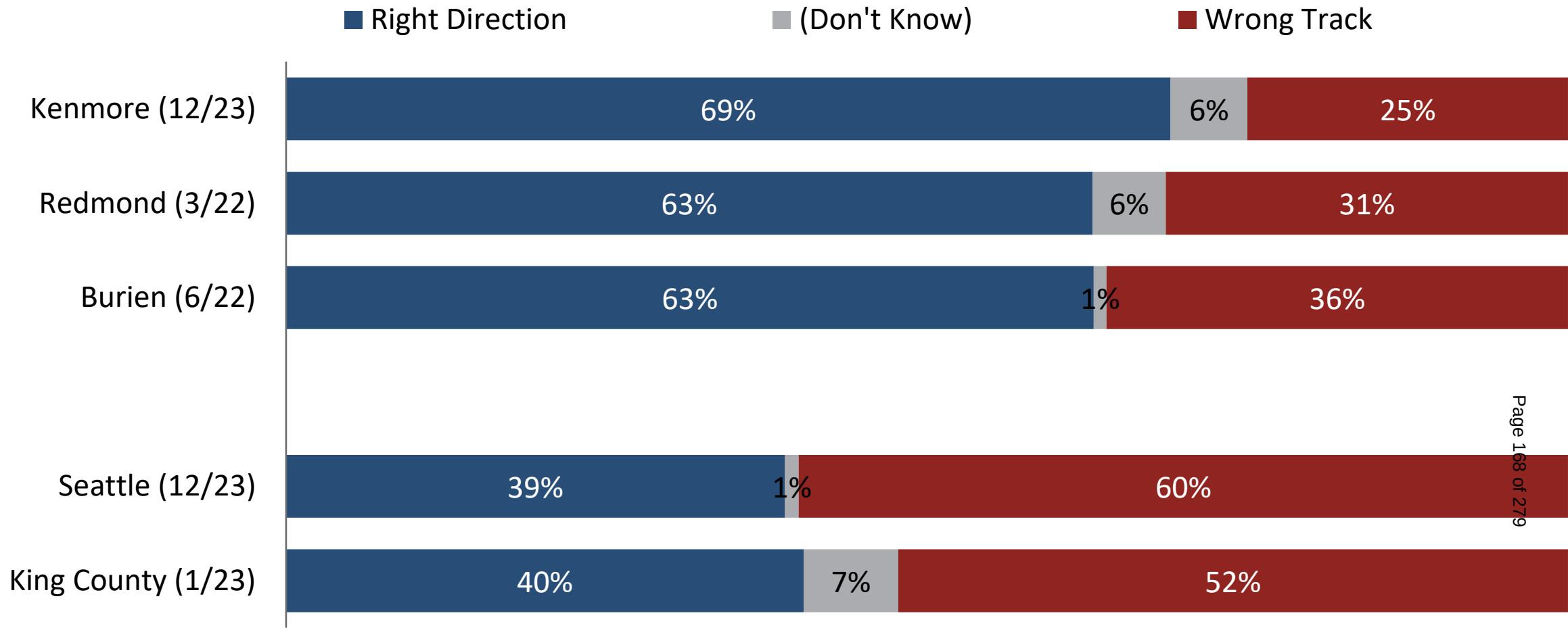
*2019 was the first survey to include web respondents and offered an explicit “Don’t know” response option on web; an explicit “Don’t know” option was not offered for web in 2023
Q2. Do you feel things in Kenmore are generally going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

XI.B. Love Where You Live Phase II Feedback, presented by Communication...

Right Direction/Wrong Track in the Region

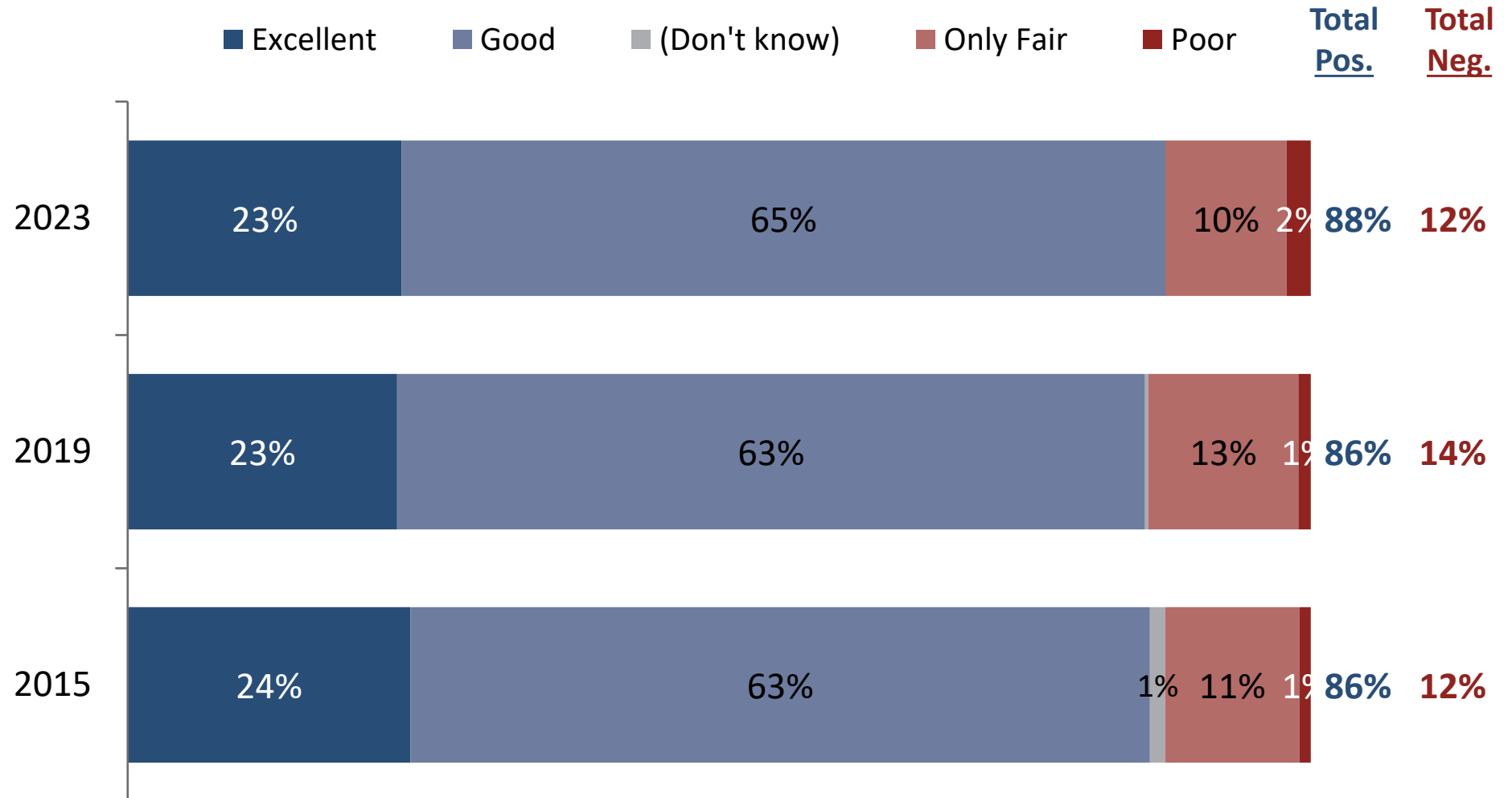


Levels of optimism in Kenmore are comparable to other small cities in the region.



Quality of Life in Kenmore

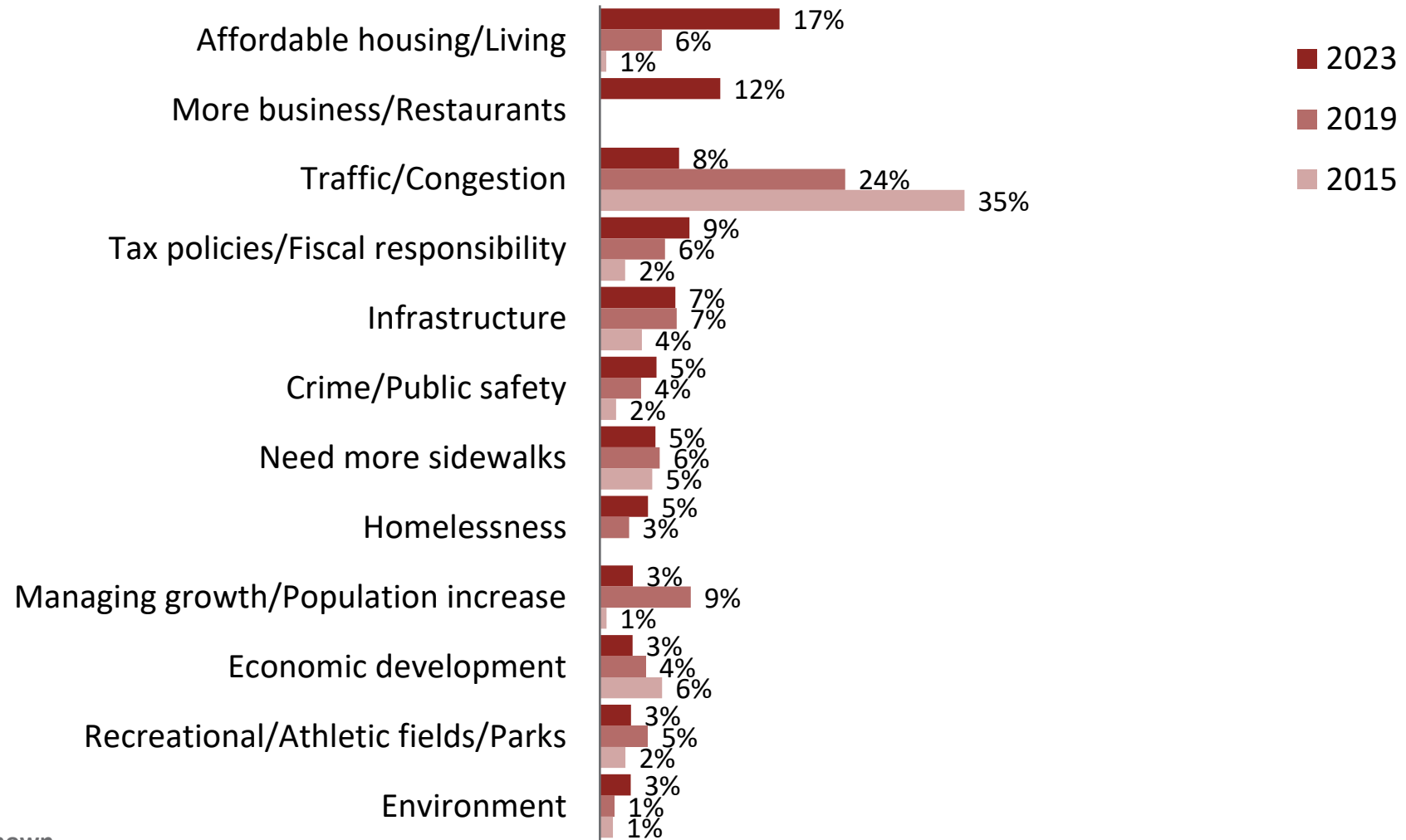
Perceptions of the quality of life in Kenmore remain overwhelmingly positive.



The overall
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Most Important Problem in Kenmore

Affordable housing is now the top mentioned problem in Kenmore, followed by the need for more businesses and restaurants—which had not received enough mentions to warrant its own category in previous years.



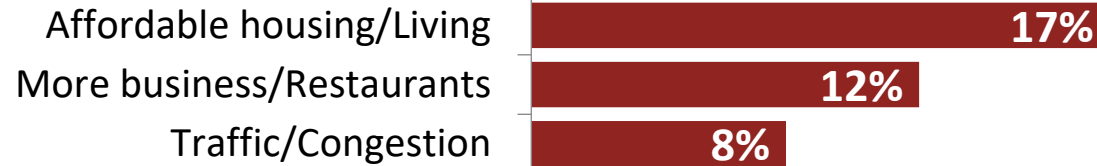
Other and No Opinion categories not shown

Q3. What is the most important issue the Kenmore City Council needs to address over the next two years? (Verbatim responses coded into categories)

Most Important Problem in the Region

Affordable housing is a common concern in communities throughout the region.

Kenmore 12/23*



Redmond 2/23



Kirkland 6/23



Burien 6/22



*Kenmore wording was “What is the most important issue the Kenmore City council needs to address over the next two years?” as compared to “What do you think is the most important problem facing the City of X today?”

Perceptions of Local Government

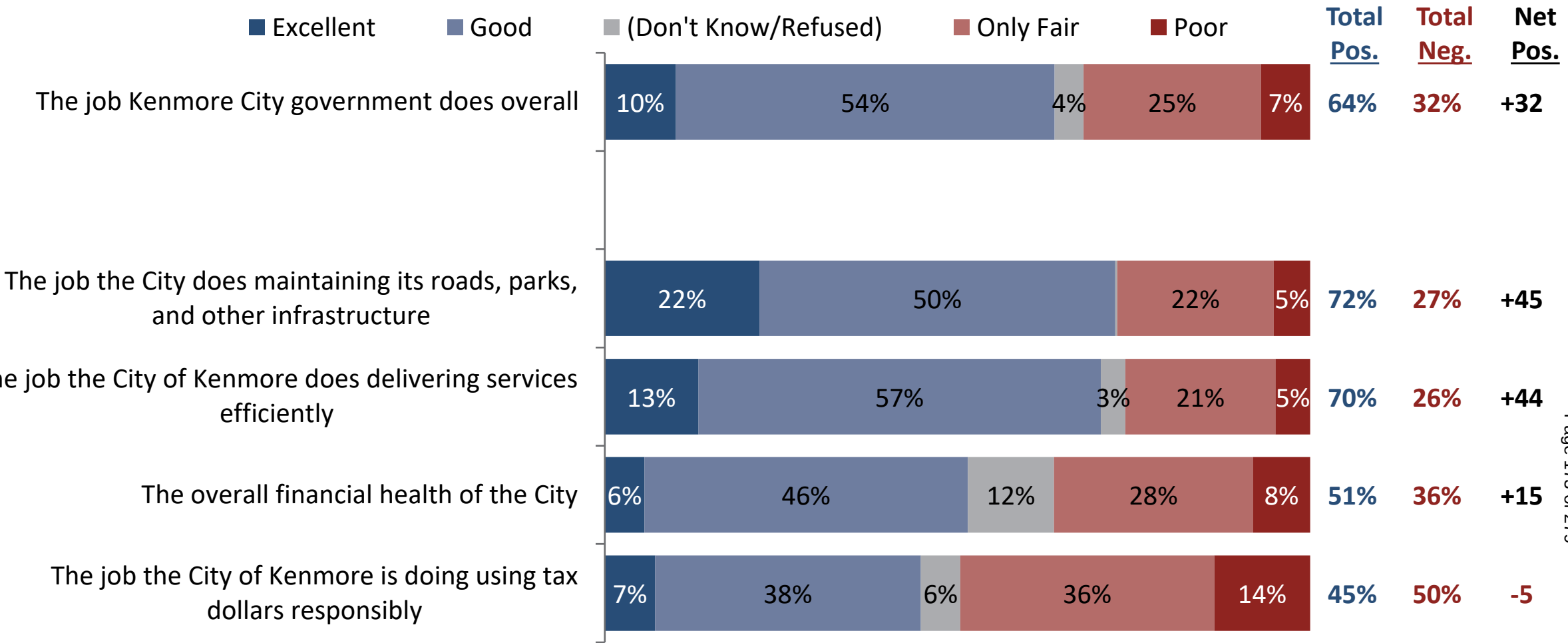
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Kenmore Job Ratings

Kenmore Job Ratings
Phase II Feedback, presented by Communication...

Majorities feel Kenmore City government does a good job overall and in delivering services. Residents are more divided over the use of tax dollars and are less sure about the financial health of the City.



Job Ratings in the Region

Ratings of other municipal governments in the region overall, as well as specifically on fiscal management and delivery of services, tend to be similar to ratings of Kenmore.

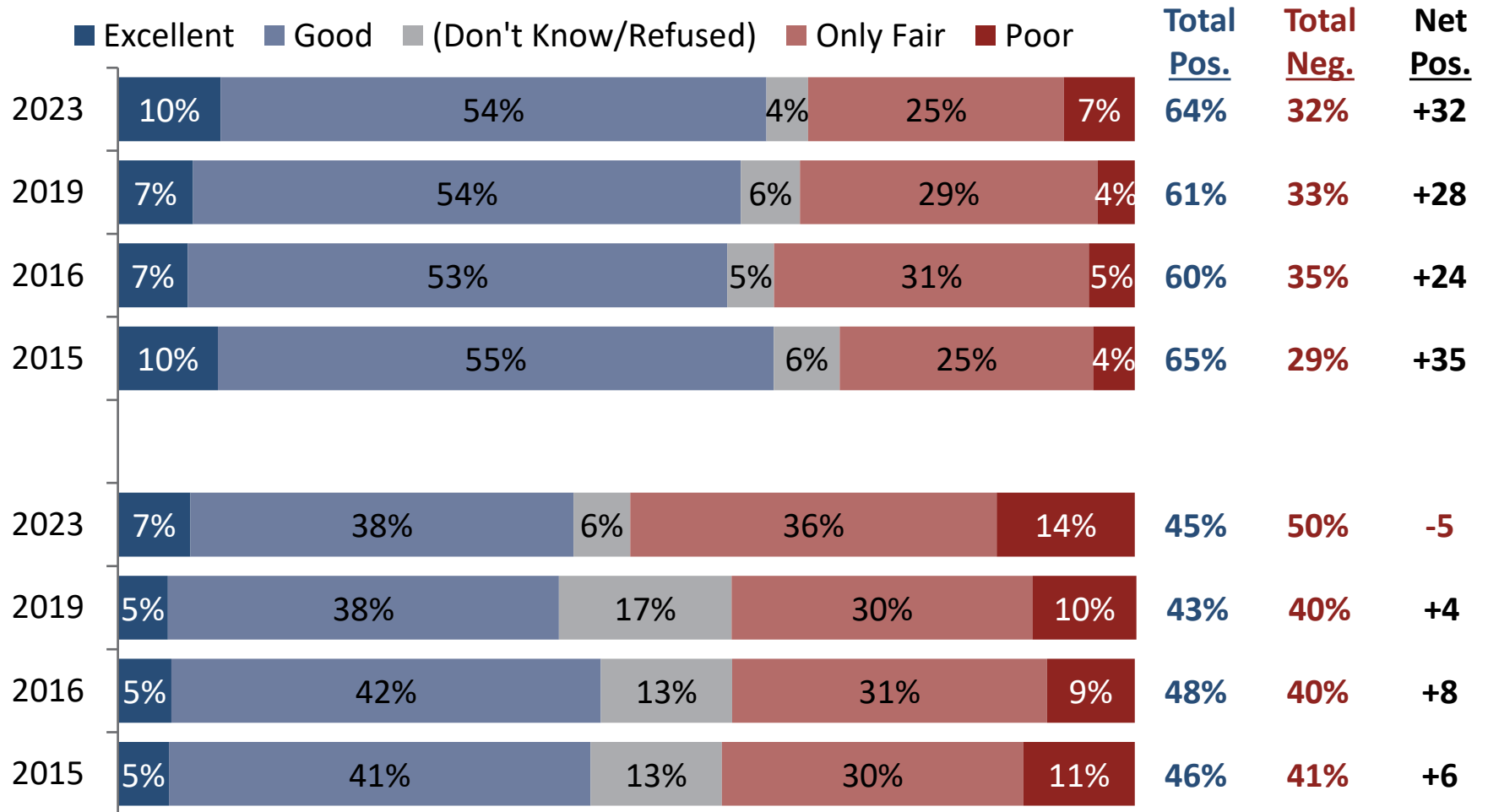
	% Excellent/Good		
	Kenmore (12/23)	Redmond (2/23)	Kirkland (6/22)
Overall	64%	65%	64%
Using tax dollars responsibly	45%	43%	44%*
Delivering services efficiently	70%	65%	67%

Kenmore Job Ratings Over Time

The overall rating of Kenmore City government remains stable. When not offered a “don’t know” response outright, perceptions on the use of tax dollars get a little more negative.

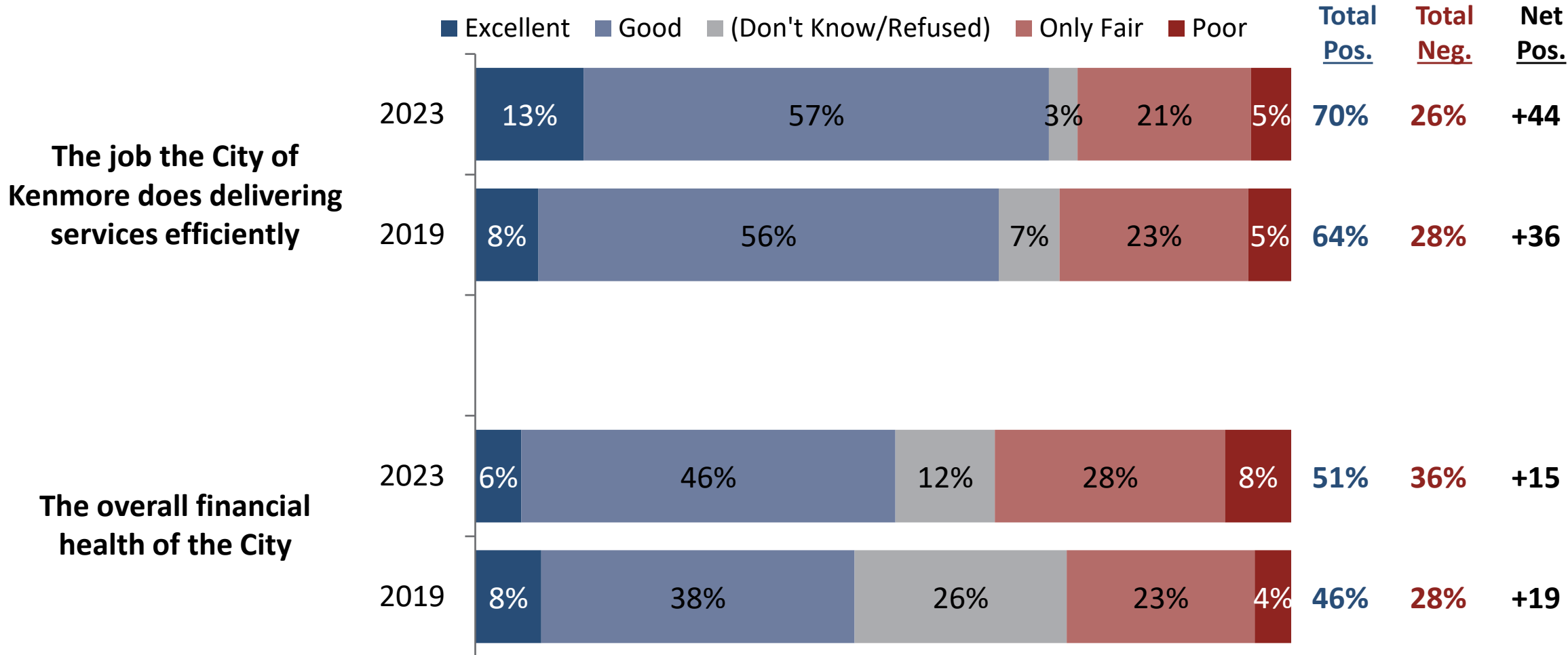
The job Kenmore City government does overall

The job the City of Kenmore is doing using tax dollars responsibly



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Q5-8. Using a scale of excellent, good, only fair, or poor, please rate each of the following.

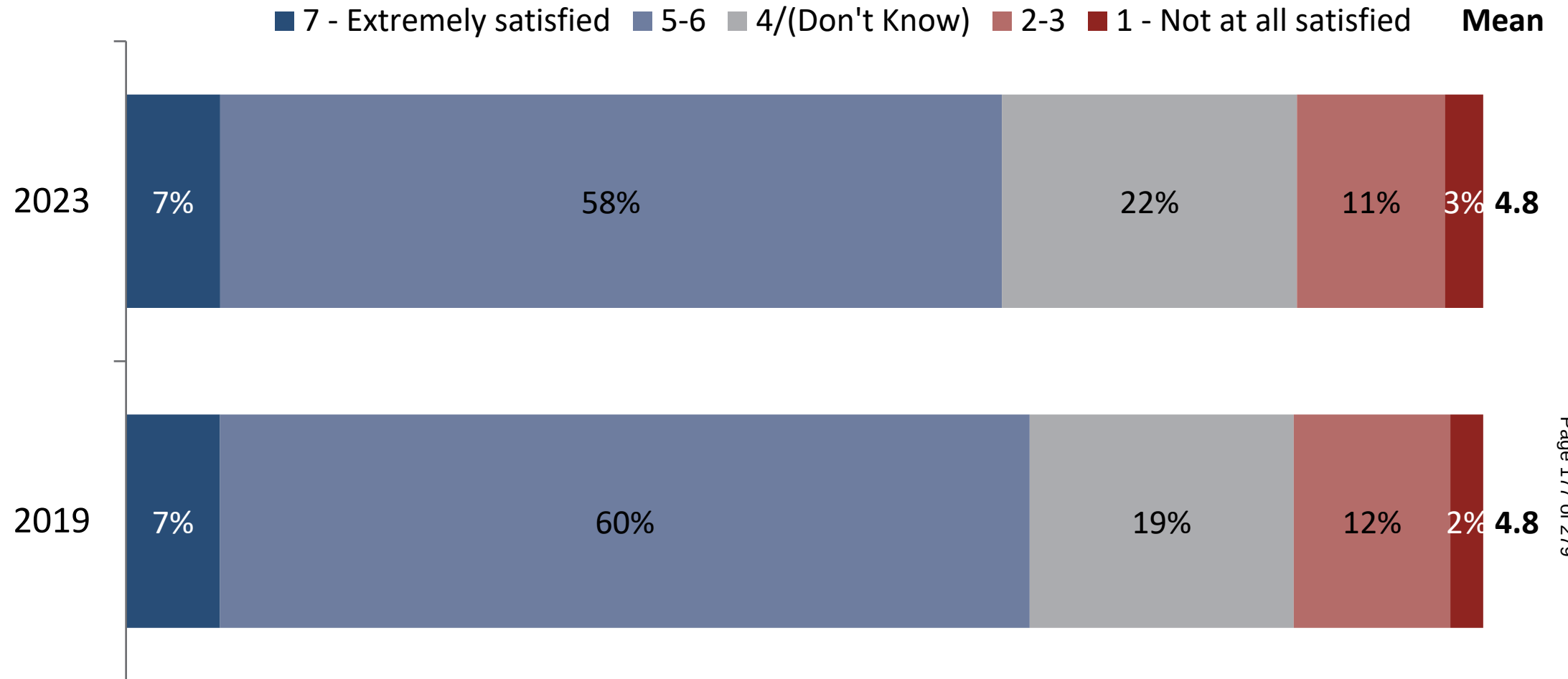
Ratings of the job the City does delivering services have increased slightly. Voters remain more divided about the financial health of the City, with increases in both positive and negative ratings.



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Q5-8. Using a scale of excellent, good, only fair, or poor, please rate each of the following.

Satisfied with City Services

As in 2019, a strong majority is satisfied with the services provided by the City of Kenmore.



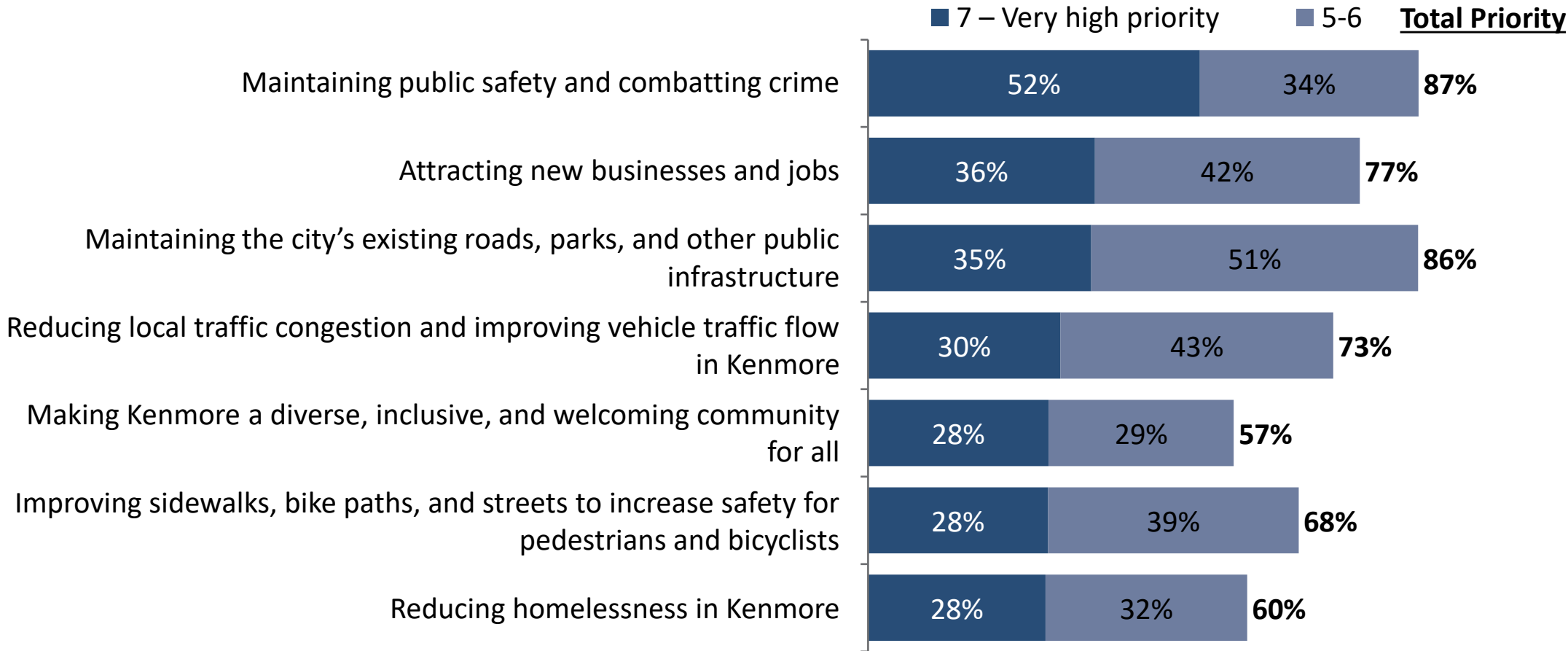
Overall Priorities



City Priorities

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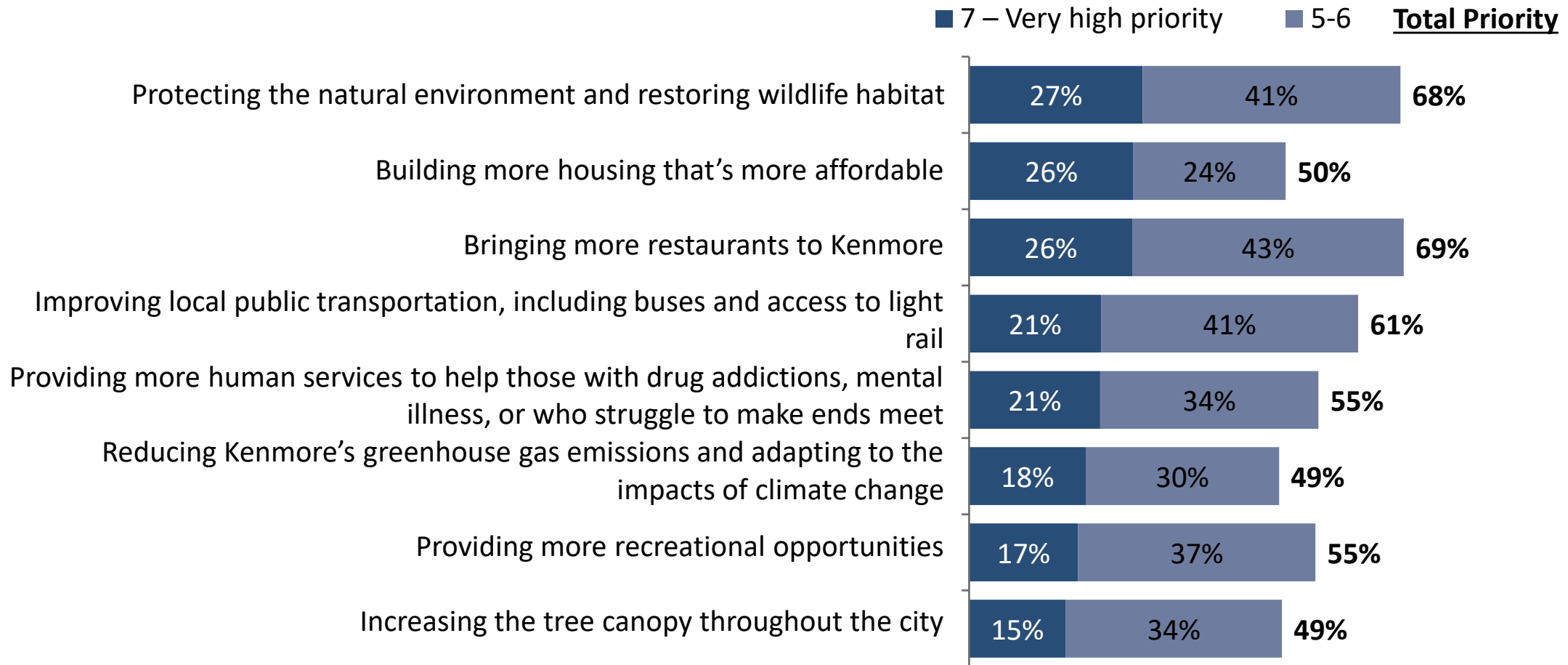
In terms of intensity, maintaining public safety dwarfs other priorities for the City, followed by attracting new businesses and jobs and maintaining public infrastructure like roads and parks.



Q11-25. I’m going to read you a list of items the City of Kenmore could focus on in the next few years. After each one, please rate how high a priority you feel it should be for the City using a scale of 1 to 7, where 1 means you feel that item should be a very low priority, and 7 means that item should be a very high priority.

City Priorities

Though intensity is lower, protecting nature and bringing more restaurants to Kenmore are also priorities for many.



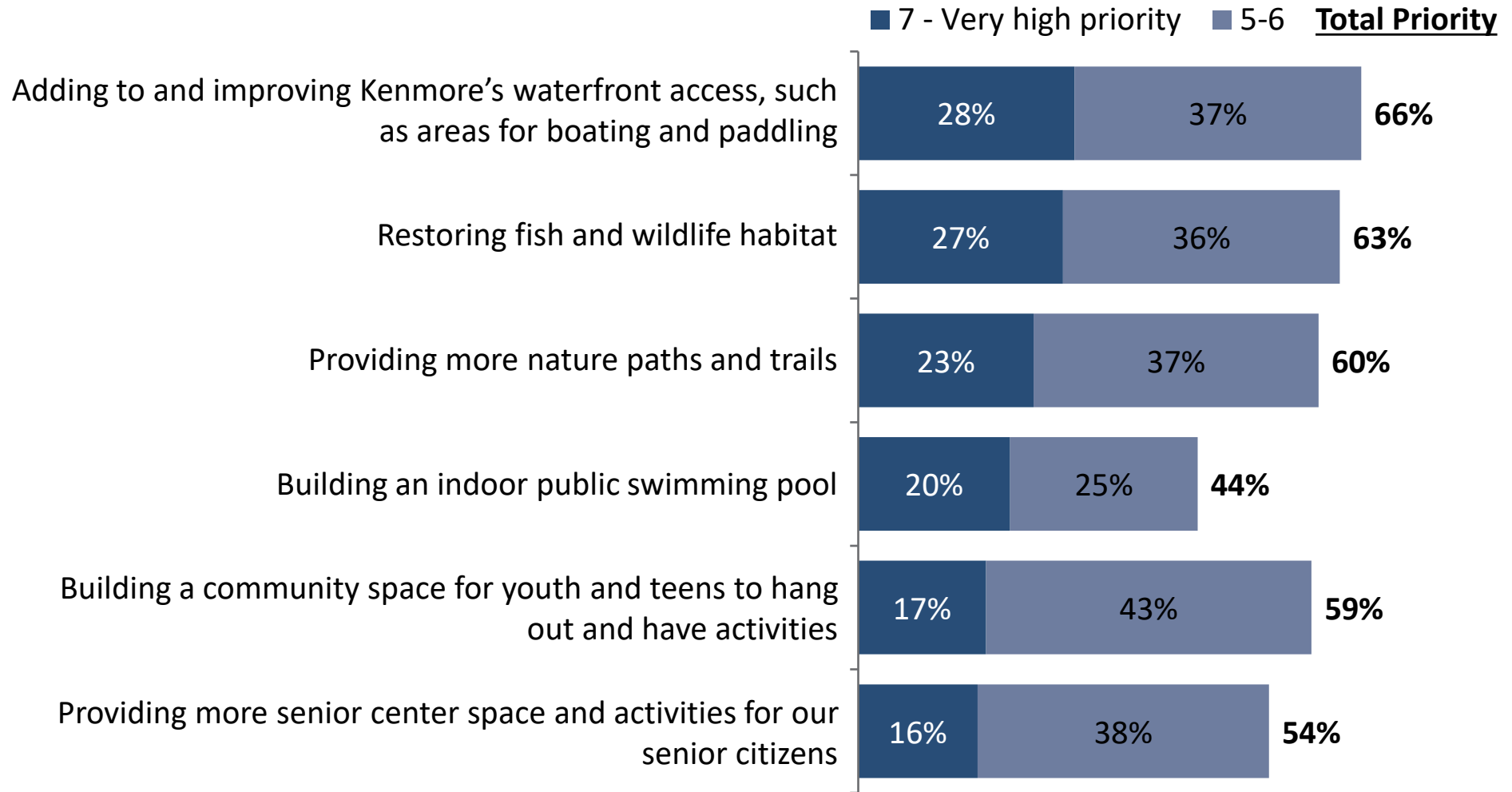
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Parks and Recreation Priorities

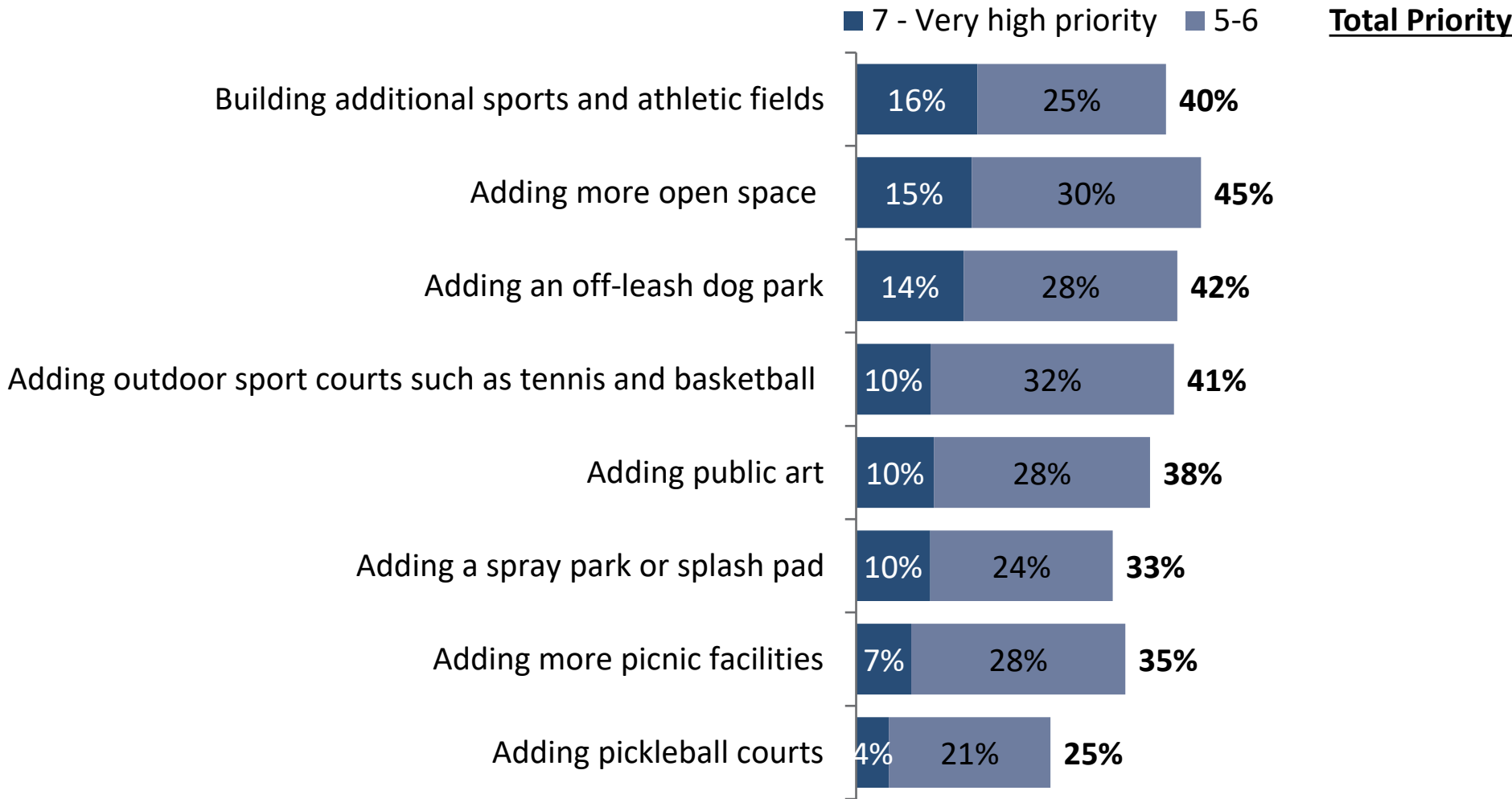
Parks and Recreation Priorities

Adding to waterfront areas, restoring habitat, and adding nature paths and trails draw the most intensity among the priorities for parks and recreation tested.



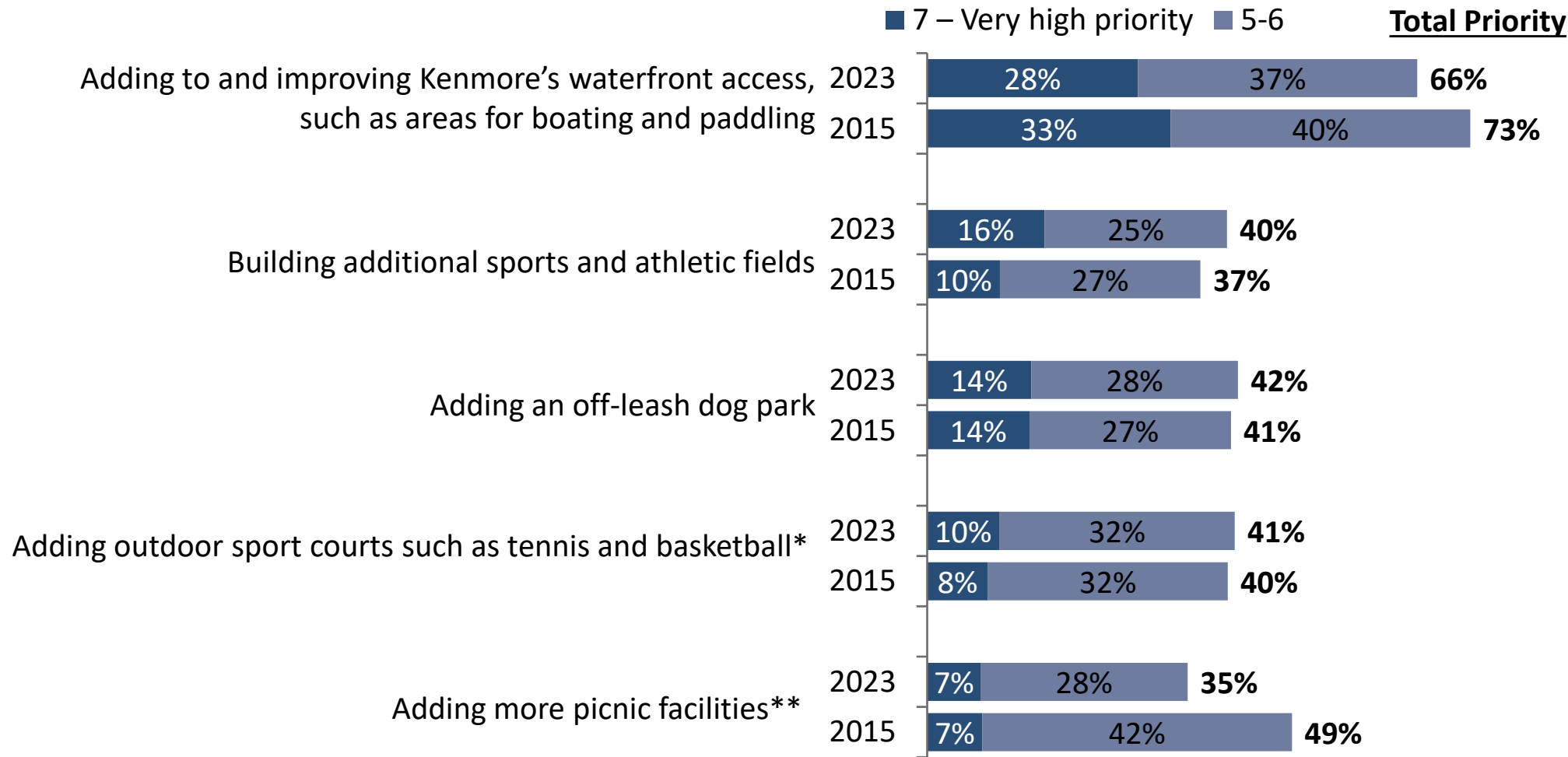
Parks and Recreation Priorities

Other potential parks and recreation priorities, like public art and pickleball courts, are important to smaller constituencies.



Parks and Recreation Priorities Over Time

The priority of improving waterfront access has remained relatively consistent over time.



*Wording in 2015 included pickleball, tested as a separate item in 2023

** In 2015, item worded as “Increasing picnic facilities in parks”

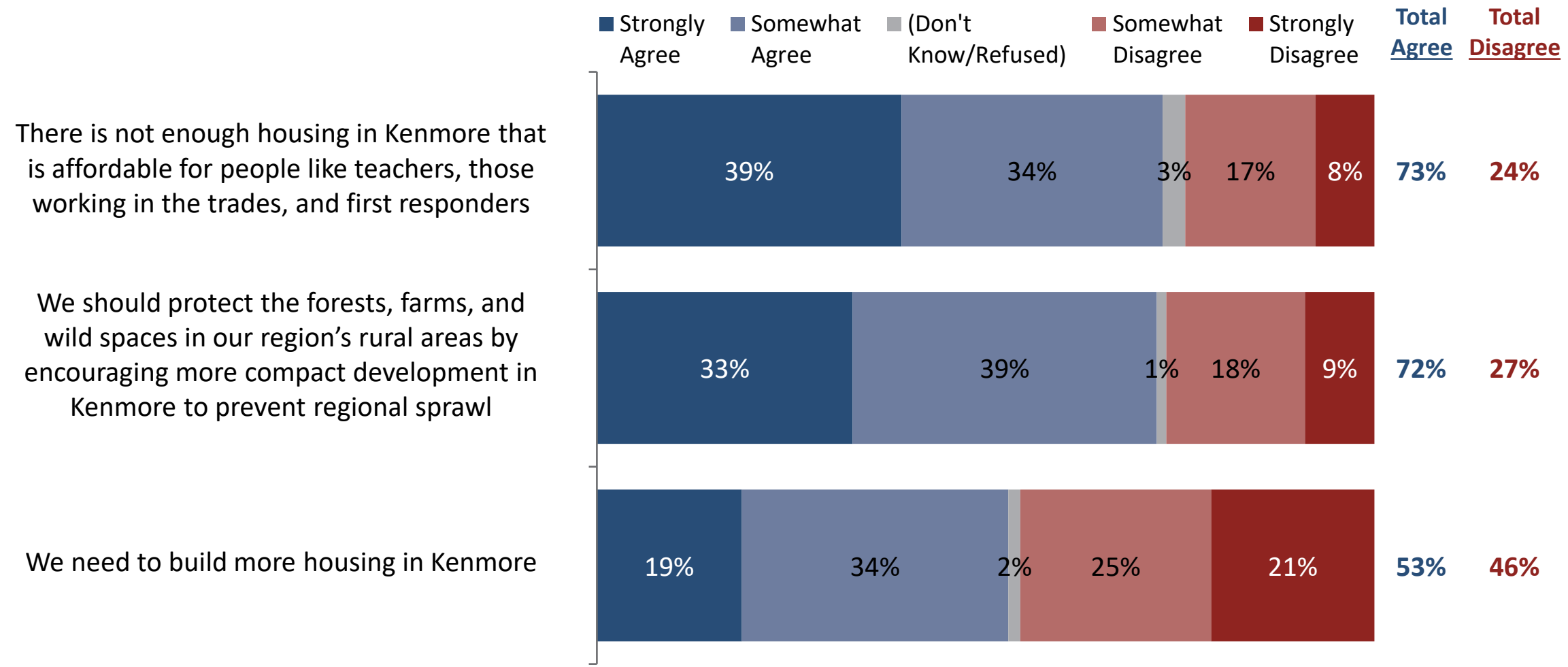
Housing



Housing Attitudes

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While a strong majority agree there is not enough housing in Kenmore that is affordable for the working class, there is less consensus on the need to build more housing in Kenmore.

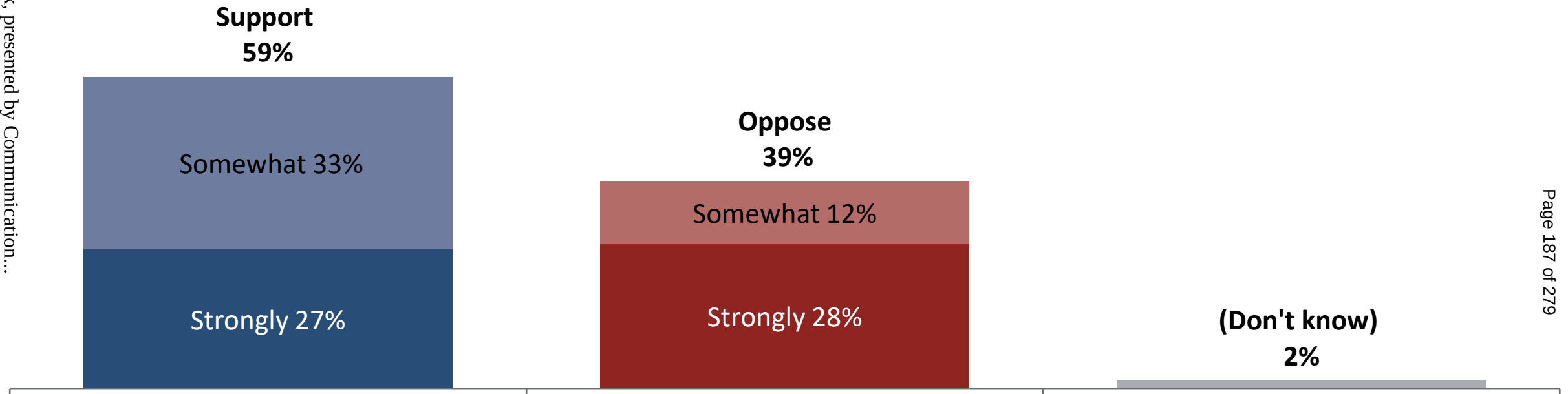


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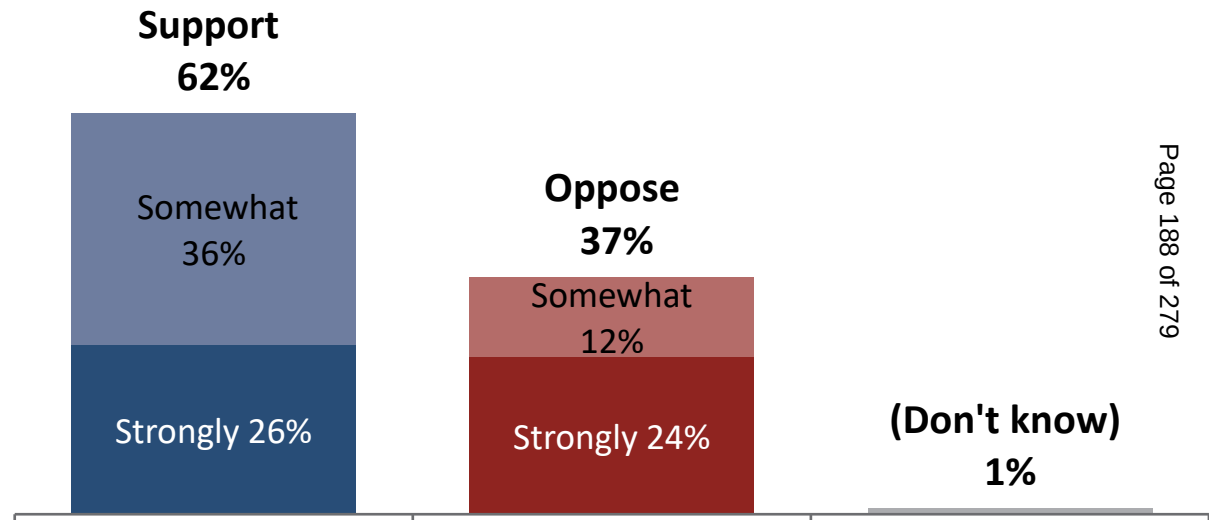
Support for “Missing Middle” Housing

About six-in-ten support changing regulations to allow for more duplexes and triplexes in Kenmore’s single-family neighborhoods, with over a quarter strongly supportive.

Kenmore needs to grow its population because tens of thousands of people are coming to the Puget Sound and we are required to make room for Kenmore’s share of the region’s growth. But we do have choices in how we grow. Currently, there are generally two main types of housing allowed in Kenmore: single-family homes and apartment buildings. Some people have suggested that to accommodate growth, we should allow more duplexes and triplexes in Kenmore’s single-family neighborhoods. Do you support or oppose changing regulations to allow for more duplexes and triplexes in Kenmore’s neighborhoods?



Some people say that our neighborhoods should have a range of housing options and that we need more housing choices in Kenmore besides just single-family homes and apartments. They say allowing additional types of housing like duplexes and triplexes would give people who can't afford or don't need a full single-family home more options than just apartments. This would create more attainable housing for more people at different points in their lives. Given what you've heard, do you support or oppose changing regulations to allow for more duplexes and triplexes in Kenmore's neighborhoods?



Traffic Enforcement



School Zone Photo Enforcement

Just under six-in-ten support the City's use of photo enforcement of driving speeds in school zones, with a third strongly supportive.

On another topic, Kenmore has recently begun using photo enforcement to ticket drivers who speed in two of the City's five school zones: Arrowhead Elementary on Juanita Drive, and Kenmore Elementary on 73rd Avenue. Since adding these enforcement cameras, average speeds have gone down, increasing safety for pedestrians and other road users. Do you approve or disapprove of the City's use of photo enforcement of driving speeds in school zones?

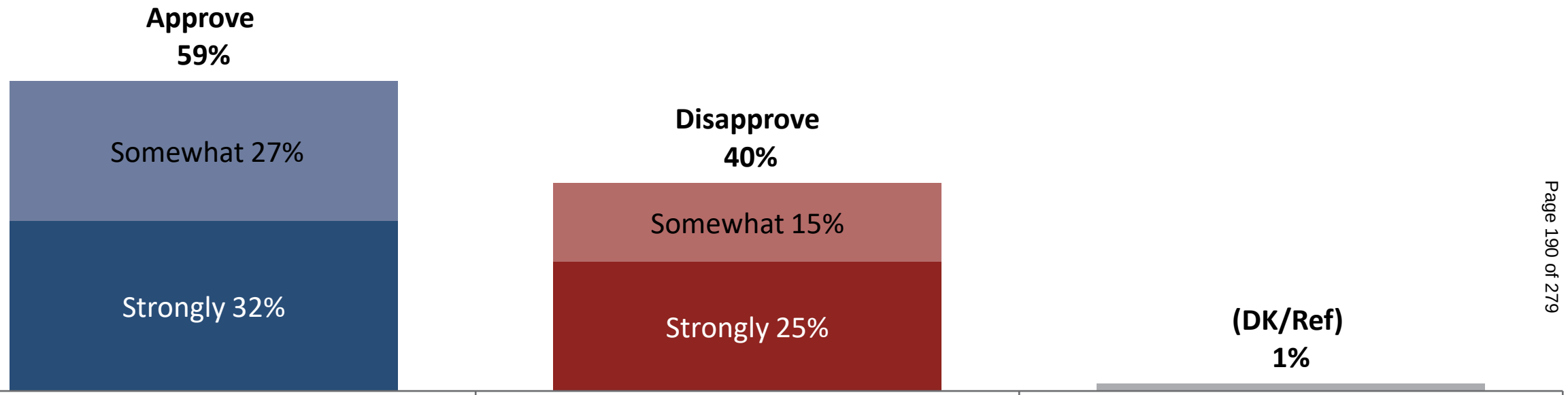
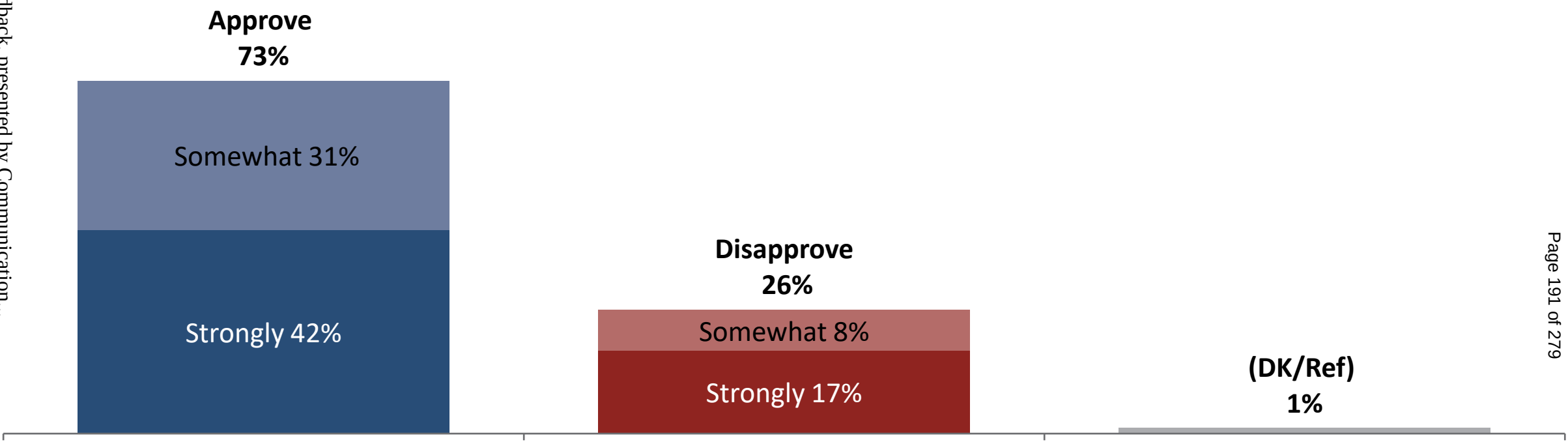


Photo Enforcement Revenue

X1.B. Love Where You Live Phase II Feedback, presented by Communication...

Nearly three-quarters support expanding the uses of revenue from the photo enforcement of school zones to include police services in addition to traffic safety and road paving and preservation.

Currently, the revenue from photo enforcement of school zone speed limits is used for traffic safety and road paving and preservation. Do you approve or disapprove of allowing some of this revenue to be used to help pay for police services as well?

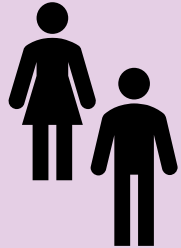


Key Findings

- ▶ Kenmore residents remain optimistic about the direction of the city and most rate City government positively.
- ▶ Maintaining public safety and infrastructure and bringing more businesses to Kenmore are top priorities for the City.
- ▶ When it comes to parks and recreation, waterfront access, restoring habitat, and nature paths and trails are top priorities.
- ▶ Affordable housing is a top-of-mind issue, and most residents are open to missing middle housing, though there is less consensus around the need to build more housing **in** Kenmore.
- ▶ A majority support photo enforcement of school zone speed limits, as well as expanding the use of revenue from photo enforcement to include police services.

Profile of Respondents

Gender



49% Male
51% Female

Age



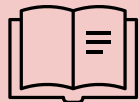
11% 18-29
18% 30-39
18% 40-49
27% 50-64
26% 65+

Ethnicity



70% Identify as White
1% Identify as Black
5% Identify as Hispanic
7% Identify as Asian or Pacific Islander
1% Identify as Native American
6% Identify as other ethnicity
13% Declined to respond

Education



1% Some high school
4% Graduated high school
4% Technical or vocational school
17% Some college/Less than 4-year degree
38% Graduated college
35% Graduate or professional degree
2% Declined to respond

Housing Status



75% Own/buying
15% Rent/lease
6% Live with family
0% No Stable Housing
4% Declined to respond

Residency Duration



3% Less than 2 years
17% 2-5 years
19% 6-10 years
24% 11-20 years
35% More than 20 years
1% Declined to respond



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Survey of Registered Voters
City of Kenmore, WA
Multi-Modal Phone, Email-to-Web, Text-to-Web
Conducted December 4th – 19th, 2023
n=300; Margin of Error ± 5.7 percentage points
EMC Research #23-9138

Where applicable, results are compared with:

Telephone and Text-to-Web Survey
Registered Voters
December 4-12, 2019
n=300; MoE: ± 5.7 %
EMC #19-7497

Telephone Survey
Registered Voters
April 24 – May 2, 2016
n=300; MoE: ± 5.7 %
EMC #16-5967

Telephone Survey
Registered Voters
December 2 – 10, 2015
n=300; MoE: ± 5.7 %
EMC #15-5355

All numbers in this document represent percentage (%) values, unless otherwise noted.
Please note that due to rounding, percentages may not add up to exactly 100%.

GREETING: Hello, my name is _____, may I speak with **(NAME ON LIST)**?

INTERVIEWER: NOL ONLY

INTRO: Hello, my name is _____, and I'm conducting a survey for _____ to find out how people feel about issues in Kenmore. We are not trying to sell anything and are collecting this information on a scientific and completely confidential basis.

1.	Do you live in the City of Kenmore?				
	Yes				100
	No → TERMINATE				-
	(Don't know/Refused) → TERMINATE				-
2.	Do you feel that things in Kenmore are generally going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?				
		<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2023</u>
	Right direction	69	74	64	69
	Wrong track	12	15	17	25
	(Don't know/Refused)	18	12	19	6

3. What is the most important issue the Kenmore City Council needs to address over the next two years? **(OPEN END, RECORD VERBATIM RESPONSE, ACCEPT ONE RESPONSE ONLY)**

To be coded

4INT. Using a scale of excellent, good, only fair, or poor, please rate each of the following.

SCALE:	Excellent	Good	Only Fair	Poor	(DK/Ref)	Positive	Negative
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(ALWAYS ASK FIRST)

4. The overall quality of life in Kenmore

2023	23	65	10	2	-	88	12
2019	23	63	13	1	0	86	14
2015	24	63	11	1	1	86	12

(ALWAYS ASK SECOND)

5. The job Kenmore City government does overall

2023	10	54	25	7	4	64	32
2019	7	54	29	4	6	61	33
2016	7	53	31	5	5	60	35
2015	10	55	25	4	6	65	29

(RANDOMIZE)

6. The job the City of Kenmore is doing using tax dollars responsibly

2023	7	38	36	14	6	45	50
2019	5	38	30	10	17	43	40
2016	5	42	31	9	13	48	40
2015	5	41	30	11	13	46	41

7. The job the City of Kenmore does delivering services efficiently

2023	13	57	21	5	3	70	26
2019	8	56	23	5	7	64	28

8. The overall financial health of the City

2023	6	46	28	8	12	51	36
2019	8	38	23	4	26	46	28

9. The job the City does maintaining its roads, parks, and other infrastructure

2023	22	50	22	5	0	72	27
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(END RANDOMIZE)

10. Using a scale from 1 to 7, where 1 means you are not at all satisfied and 7 means you are extremely satisfied, how would you rate your level of satisfaction with the services provided by the City of Kenmore?

1 – Not at all satisfied				7 – Extremely satisfied				(Don't know)	Mean
SCALE:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
2023	3	3	8	21	31	26	7	1	4.8
2019	2	3	9	16	39	21	7	4	4.8



11INT. I'm going to read you a list of items the City of Kenmore could focus on in the next few years. After each one, please rate how high a priority you feel it should be for the City using a scale of 1 to 7, where 1 means you feel that item should be a very low priority, and 7 means that item should be a very high priority.

		1 – Very low priority				7 – Very high priority				
SCALE:		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	(DK/Ref)	Mean
(RANDOMIZE)										
11.	Providing more recreational opportunities	5	6	10	24	24	13	17	0	4.7
12.	Bringing more restaurants to Kenmore	4	5	10	12	22	20	26	-	5.1
13.	Attracting new businesses and jobs	1	2	6	13	24	18	36	0	5.5
14.	Building more housing that’s more affordable	16	9	11	15	14	10	26	0	4.4
15.	Improving local public transportation, including buses and access to light rail	6	7	11	14	19	22	21	-	4.8
16.	Reducing local traffic congestion and improving vehicle traffic flow in Kenmore	3	3	5	16	25	18	30	-	5.3
17.	Reducing homelessness in Kenmore	11	7	9	13	15	17	28	1	4.8
18.	Reducing Kenmore’s greenhouse gas emissions and adapting to the impacts of climate change	17	8	12	14	16	15	18	0	4.2
19.	Improving sidewalks, bike paths, and streets to increase safety for pedestrians and bicyclists	5	6	8	14	20	19	28	-	5.1
20.	Making Kenmore a diverse, inclusive, and welcoming community for all	14	4	10	14	14	15	28	-	4.7
21.	Maintaining public safety and combatting crime	2	0	3	8	18	16	52	-	6.0
22.	Maintaining the city’s existing roads, parks, and other public infrastructure	-	1	3	10	19	32	35	-	5.8
23.	Providing more human services to help those with drug addictions, mental illness, or who struggle to make ends meet	11	9	8	18	18	17	21	0	4.6
24.	Protecting the natural environment and restoring wildlife habitat	3	6	7	16	24	16	27	-	5.1
25.	Increasing the tree canopy throughout the city	9	7	12	22	25	10	15	1	4.4
(END RANDOMIZE)										



26INT. Next I will read you some statements about housing in Kenmore. Please tell me whether you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each one.

SCALE:	Strongly Agree	Somewhat Agree	Somewhat Disagree	Strongly Disagree	(DK/Ref)	Total Agree	Total Disagree
(RANDOMIZE)							
26. We need to build more housing in Kenmore	19	34	25	21	2	53	46
27. There is not enough housing in Kenmore that is affordable for people like teachers, those working in the trades, and first responders	39	34	17	8	3	73	24
28. We should protect the forests, farms, and wild spaces in our region's rural areas by encouraging more compact development in Kenmore to prevent regional sprawl	33	39	18	9	1	72	27

(END RANDOMIZE)

29. Kenmore needs to grow its population because tens of thousands of people are coming to the Puget Sound and we are required to make room for Kenmore's share of the region's growth. But we do have choices in how we grow. Currently, there are generally two main types of housing allowed in Kenmore: single-family homes and apartment buildings. Some people have suggested that to accommodate growth, we should allow more duplexes and triplexes in Kenmore's single-family neighborhoods.

Do you support or oppose changing regulations to allow for more duplexes and triplexes in Kenmore's neighborhoods? **(IF SUPPORT/OPPOSE: Is that strongly or somewhat support/oppose?)**

Strongly support	27	→59
Somewhat support	33	
Somewhat oppose	12	→39
Strongly oppose	28	
(Don't Know/Refused)	2	

30. Some people say that our neighborhoods should have a range of housing options and that we need more housing choices in Kenmore besides just single-family homes and apartments. They say allowing additional types of housing like duplexes and triplexes would give people who can't afford or don't need a full single-family home more options than just apartments. This would create more attainable housing for more people at different points in their lives.

Given what you've heard, do you support or oppose changing regulations to allow for more duplexes and triplexes in Kenmore's neighborhoods? **(IF SUPPORT/OPPOSE: Is that strongly or somewhat support/oppose?)**

Strongly support	26	→62
Somewhat support	36	
Somewhat oppose	12	→37
Strongly oppose	24	
(Don't Know/Refused)	1	

31INT. Moving on, I'm going to read you a list of projects related to parks and recreation that could be funded by the City over the next few years. After each one, please rate how high a priority you feel it should be for Kenmore using a scale of 1 to 7, where 1 means you feel that item should be a very low priority, and 7 means that item should be a very high priority.

		1 – Very low priority				7 – Very high priority			(DK/Ref)	Mean
SCALE:		1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
(RANDOMIZE)										
31.	Adding an off-leash dog park									
<u>2023</u>	20	13	12	13	18	9	14	1	3.8	
<u>2015</u>	18	13	12	14	16	11	14	2	3.9	
32.	Adding outdoor sport courts such as tennis and basketball ⁱ									
<u>2023</u>	11	11	15	20	21	11	10	1	4.0	
<u>2015</u>	11	10	16	23	21	11	8	0	4.0	
33.	Adding pickleball courts									
<u>2023</u>	28	14	14	17	14	7	4	2	3.2	
34.	Adding to and improving Kenmore’s waterfront access, such as areas for boating and paddling									
<u>2023</u>	5	4	10	15	21	17	28	1	5.1	
<u>2015</u>	4	4	8	10	16	24	33	1	5.3	
35.	Building additional sports and athletic fields									
<u>2023</u>	13	12	17	16	14	10	16	1	4.0	
<u>2015</u>	12	13	14	22	18	9	10	2	3.9	
36.	Adding more picnic facilities ⁱⁱ									
<u>2023</u>	12	10	18	23	21	7	7	1	3.8	
<u>2015</u>	9	8	15	19	27	14	7	0	4.2	
37.	Building an indoor public swimming pool									
<u>2023</u>	18	10	10	16	14	11	20	1	4.1	
38.	Providing more nature paths and trails									
<u>2023</u>	7	8	10	14	23	14	23	1	4.7	
39.	Adding a spray park or splash pad									
<u>2023</u>	23	13	14	14	17	6	10	2	3.5	
40.	Adding more open space									
<u>2023</u>	10	8	12	24	17	13	15	1	4.3	
41.	Restoring fish and wildlife habitat									
<u>2023</u>	7	4	9	16	19	17	27	1	5.0	
42.	Adding public art									
<u>2023</u>	23	13	11	14	19	9	10	1	3.6	

ⁱ In 2015, item worded as "Adding outdoor sport courts such as tennis, basketball and pickleball in city parks."

ⁱⁱ In 2015, item worded as "Increasing picnic facilities in parks."

		1 – Very low priority				7 – Very high priority				
SCALE:		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	(DK/Ref)	Mean
43.	Providing more senior center space and activities for our senior citizens									
<u>2023</u>		7	8	12	19	21	17	16	1	4.5
44.	Building a community space for youth and teens to hang out and have activities									
<u>2023</u>		8	4	8	20	26	16	17	1	4.7

(END RANDOMIZE)

45. On another topic, Kenmore has recently begun using photo enforcement to ticket drivers who speed in two of the City's five school zones: Arrowhead Elementary on Juanita Drive, and Kenmore Elementary on 73rd Avenue. Since adding these enforcement cameras, average speeds have gone down, increasing safety for pedestrians and other road users. Do you approve or disapprove of the City's use of photo enforcement of driving speeds in school zones? **(IF APPROVE/DISAPPROVE: Is that strongly or somewhat approve/disapprove?)**
- | | | |
|----------------------|----|------------|
| Strongly approve | 32 | →59 |
| Somewhat approve | 27 | |
| Somewhat disapprove | 15 | →40 |
| Strongly disapprove | 25 | |
| (Don't Know/Refused) | 1 | |
46. Currently, the revenue from photo enforcement of school zone speed limits is used for traffic safety and road paving and preservation. Do you approve or disapprove of allowing some of this revenue to be used to help pay for police services as well? **(IF APPROVE/DISAPPROVE: Is that strongly or somewhat approve/disapprove?)**
- | | | |
|----------------------|----|------------|
| Strongly approve | 42 | →73 |
| Somewhat approve | 31 | |
| Somewhat disapprove | 8 | →26 |
| Strongly disapprove | 17 | |
| (Don't Know/Refused) | 1 | |

DEMOS. My last questions are for statistical purposes only.

47.	How many years have you lived in Kenmore?	
	Less than 2 years	3
	2-5 years	17
	6-10 years	19
	11-20 years	24
	More than 20 years	35
	(Don't Know/Refused)	1
48.	Do you currently own the home or apartment where you live, do you rent, do you live with family, or do you not have stable housing?	
	Own/buying	75
	Rent/lease	15
	Live with family	6
	No stable housing	-
	(Don't Know/Refused)	4
49.	Do you live in a detached single-family home, a mobile or manufactured home, an accessory dwelling unit such as a "mother-in-law" apartment or backyard cottage, a two-unit building, a building with three or four units, or a building with five or more units?	
	Detached single-family home	76
	A mobile or manufactured home	1
	An accessory dwelling unit such as a "mother-in-law" apartment or backyard cottage	1
	Two-unit building/(Duplex)	1
	Building with three or four units/(Triplex/Quadplex/Fourplex)	2
	Building with five or more units	14
	(Something else)	0
	(Don't Know/Refused)	4
50.	What is the last grade you completed in school?	
	Some grade school	-
	Some high school	1
	Graduated high school	4
	Technical or Vocational school	4
	Some college or Less than 4-year degree	17
	Graduated college or 4-year degree (BA, Bachelor)	38
	Graduate or Professional Degree (MA, Master's, PhD, MBA, Doctorate)	35
	(Don't know/Refused)	2

51.	In what year were you born?	
	18-29	11
	30-39	17
	40-49	18
	50-64	26
	65 or over	26
	(Refused)	3
52.	Do you consider yourself to be Hispanic or Latino, white or Caucasian, African American or Black, Asian or Pacific Islander, Native American, or something else? (MULTIPLE RESPONSES ACCEPTED)	
	Hispanic or Latino	5
	White or Caucasian	70
	African American or Black	1
	Asian or Pacific Islander	7
	Native American	1
	Something else	6
	(Refused)	13
53.	Do you identify as... (READ LIST)	
	Male	45
	Female	47
	Non-binary	1
	Another gender identity	1
	(Refused)	5

THANK YOU!



What is the most important issue the Kenmore City Council needs to address over the next two years? (Verbatim Response	Code
Afford living here.	Affordable housing/Living
Affordability.	Affordable housing/Living
Affordability.	Affordable housing/Living
Affordable but QUALITY housing for fewer cheaply built yet still expensive new properties	Affordable housing/Living
Affordable Housing	Affordable housing/Living
affordable housing	Affordable housing/Living
Affordable housing	Affordable housing/Living
Affordable housing	Affordable housing/Living
AFFORDABLE housing	Affordable housing/Living
Affordable housing	Affordable housing/Living
affordable housing	Affordable housing/Living
Affordable housing and city center expansion	Affordable housing/Living
Affordable housing and climate change	Affordable housing/Living
Affordable housing options	Affordable housing/Living
Affordable housing.	Affordable housing/Living
Affordable housing.	Affordable housing/Living
Bipartisan less dense housing	Affordable housing/Living
Cost of housing overspending increasing traffic	Affordable housing/Living
high density housing	Affordable housing/Living
Housing	Affordable housing/Living
Housing	Affordable housing/Living
Housing	Affordable housing/Living
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Housing	Affordable housing/Living
housing	Affordable housing/Living
Housing affordability People are getting priced out It's only a matter of time until the trailer parks and even the apartment buildings kick everyone out in favor of more desirable tenants	Affordable housing/Living
Housing affordability.	Affordable housing/Living
Housing affordability.	Affordable housing/Living
Housing and city planning	Affordable housing/Living
Housing and homelessness	Affordable housing/Living
housing as Bothell is doing	Affordable housing/Living
Housing homeless taxes.	Affordable housing/Living
Housing middle and lower incomes	Affordable housing/Living
Housing.	Affordable housing/Living
Housing.	Affordable housing/Living
Housing.	Affordable housing/Living
Low cost housing for all	Affordable housing/Living
Low income housing	Affordable housing/Living
Low income housing.	Affordable housing/Living
Low income housing.	Affordable housing/Living
Middle class housing and a dog park	Affordable housing/Living
Middle Housing	Affordable housing/Living

Mobile homes and waterfront improvements	Affordable housing/Living
More affordable SINGLE DWELLING homes Not apartments or condos	Affordable housing/Living
More low income housing.	Affordable housing/Living
No high density housing	Affordable housing/Living
Plymouth Housing project must be stopped as it will destroy the Kenmore community	Affordable housing/Living
That Plymouth housing project.	Affordable housing/Living
The cost of low income housing and the landlords pricing us out of the mobile home community and them making us pay for everything and doing what they want to us and getting away with it	Affordable housing/Living
The increasing cost of living in Kenmore	Affordable housing/Living
The Plymouth Housing project	Affordable housing/Living
Their tyranny they have ignored the testimony and requests to verify their motives in increasing home values to get more tax dollars.	Affordable housing/Living
Any development of concrete plant property needs to include substantial public use space	More business/Restaurants
Attracting more businesses in the downtown area.	More business/Restaurants
Bringing in more affordable restaurants	More business/Restaurants
Bringing in new businesses and developing the Lakepointe area where there is currently an eyesore cement plant	More business/Restaurants
Building more of a down town.	More business/Restaurants
Building new updated plaza where kenmore lanes is making it a shopping center Also addressing the rise in homeless	More business/Restaurants
Business growth in dining retail and services	More business/Restaurants
Downtown development and revitalization	More business/Restaurants
Downtown Kenmore development	More business/Restaurants
Empty businesses example former gas station uninhabited	More business/Restaurants
Encourage business and restaurants to the area	More business/Restaurants
Further developing a downtown commercial and social hub	More business/Restaurants
Getting more restaurants	More business/Restaurants
I think the recent remodel of Juanita Drive has been great and I think adding in new businesses to the area is a great way to go as wel	More business/Restaurants
I would say the growth of our downtown and business sector.	More business/Restaurants
It would be better to bring more commercial into the city and finish up the planning entertainment such as Two Spring Parks	More business/Restaurants
Kenmore hasn't established itself as a city; not enough dining options. Traffic, need more parks,.	More business/Restaurants
More business development and less housing development	More business/Restaurants
More high end eateries and breweries	More business/Restaurants
More shops places for Kenmore people to gather	More business/Restaurants
More small businesses food options	More business/Restaurants
More smaller retail downtown	More business/Restaurants
More social activities in the city for the family.	More business/Restaurants
More waterfront restaurants	More business/Restaurants
New growth for businesses and build up of the downtown core	More business/Restaurants
opportunities to work and shop in the city limits	More business/Restaurants
providing more opportunities for revenue to the city for example restaurants shops	More business/Restaurants
redevelop the downtown area it looks like skid row	More business/Restaurants
Revenue growth to keep pace with service demands	More business/Restaurants
The amount of development they are allowing to provide them more tax revenue	More business/Restaurants
Water front development that was canceled due to unknown reason to the Kenmore residents	More business/Restaurants
Waterfront & a nice family restaurant.	More business/Restaurants
Waterfront attractions and walking accessible	More business/Restaurants
Waterfront development	More business/Restaurants

Coping with increased traffic coming south from Snohomish County given the number of housing developments just over the county line	Traffic/Congestion
Install a traffic light at the of Seventy Fifth Ave NE and Simonds Wy due to poor visibility of oncoming traffic from Seventy Fifth Ave	Traffic/Congestion
Keep traffic flowing both local and passing through while making pedestrian traffic safer and more accessible	Traffic/Congestion
Lame traffic control curb on Juanita drive	Traffic/Congestion
The traffic and pedestrian crossings, Lakepoint property, proper movement.	Traffic/Congestion
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Traffic	Traffic/Congestion
Traffic overcrowding	Traffic/Congestion
traffic and community safety	Traffic/Congestion
Traffic and parking	Traffic/Congestion
Traffic and public transportation	Traffic/Congestion
Traffic congestion	Traffic/Congestion
Traffic congestion, public safety.	Traffic/Congestion
Traffic especially people racing through neighborhoods in an attempt to bypass Bothell way Traffic calming devices would help as would more stop signs	Traffic/Congestion
Traffic flow and affordable housing	Traffic/Congestion
traffic on BEHW with all of the construction here and in Bothell	Traffic/Congestion
Traffic on Bothell Way	Traffic/Congestion
Traffic on Bothell Way	Traffic/Congestion
Traffic street parking street safety	Traffic/Congestion
Traffic.	Traffic/Congestion
Car thefts	Crime/Public safety
Code enforcement	Crime/Public safety
Crime	Crime/Public safety
Crime and keeping Kenmore a safe place for all	Crime/Public safety
Increasing safety around highway	Crime/Public safety
Keep drug addicts out the city.	Crime/Public safety
Keeping Kenmore a safe place to live	Crime/Public safety
Not allowing drugs and homelessness	Crime/Public safety
Public safety	Crime/Public safety
Public safety crime	Crime/Public safety
Public safety side walks streets pedestrians	Crime/Public safety
Reduce crime and ensure public safety	Crime/Public safety
Resident safety	Crime/Public safety
Safety	Crime/Public safety
Safety	Crime/Public safety
Safety for the residents	Crime/Public safety
Safety in crossing Bothell Way especially around Juanita	Crime/Public safety
Safety in neighborhood	Crime/Public safety
Vagrants crime and effective public transportation with associated commuter parking	Crime/Public safety

Balanced budget	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Budget	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Budget	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Budget deficit	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Cost of government	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Fiscal responsibility	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Funding to maintain what we have	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Get control of the budget	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Kenmore City Council needs to balance its budget by reducing spending focusing on local Kenmore issues and not by adding taxes f	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Quit spending money the city does not have	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Revenue/there's a homeless shelter can't all be taxpayers.	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Stopping wasteful spending of taxpayers dollars	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
The budget and what they want the city to look like.	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
They need to reduce spending so that no new taxes are needed	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Decreasing spending and lowering taxes	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Upcoming economic crisis and how to be very prudent and fiscally responsible	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Building a stable tax base ideally business tax base to support the future of Kenmore and ensuring it does not continue on the path of becoming the next Lake City	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Do what the tax payers ask for.	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Establishing a larger tax generating base	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Increase of taxes and fees	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Increasing tax base by attracting businesses	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Keep Kenmore affordable by not continuing to raise taxes borrow money we do not have and starting new programs we cannot afford	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Keeping taxes as low as possible	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Lower taxes	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Lower the utility tax.	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Lowering taxes for residents	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Property taxes.	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Seeing the value of my tax dollars	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Stop increasing taxes	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Taxes, cut taxes for normal people, for average people. Cut taxes. Especially for average people.	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Taxes.	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
We make donations and pay state and federal taxes to address goibal issues and Kenmore tax money needs to go toward a better quality of life for Kenmore taxpayers	Fiscal responsibility/Tax policies
Economic development and low income housing.	Economic development
Economic growth	Economic development
Economy.	Economic development
Figuring out how to increase economic growth.	Economic development
Homeless	Homelessness
Homeless	Homelessness
Homeless Shelter is not a good solution for Kenmore	Homelessness
Homeless street renovations parking as there are too many units and not enough street parking Do not be Lake City	Homelessness
Homelessness	Homelessness
Homelessness	Homelessness
HOMELESSNESS AND RELATED CRIME	Homelessness
Homelessness.	Homelessness

Homelessness.	Homelessness
Limit housing go through for the homeless.	Homelessness
No more bringing in homeless	Homelessness
The homeless We need more resources for the homeless	Homelessness
The homelessness issue in our community sidewalks and fields for sports to play The council seems like its been very focused on LBGQ plus issues and religious concerns above other issues that need attention	Homelessness
Unhoused people living in downtown kenmore	Homelessness
Why are you inviting homeless people and drug and alcohol addicts to kenmore the crime is already high enough and your police already do nothing	Homelessness
Accessibility for wheelchairs.	Infrastructure
Better streets and transportation.	Infrastructure
City hall stair steps	Infrastructure
Construction	Infrastructure
Fixing poorly done construction projects including protruding curbs that narrow roads and messy paint lines for lanes and roadways and offcenter roundabouts	Infrastructure
Infrastructure	Infrastructure
Keep the small town feel no more high rise building that obliterate the center of town	Infrastructure
Make the city more adaptive for people in wheelchairs.	Infrastructure
More parking at Park and Ride location	Infrastructure
Need to improve downtown pedestrian walkways	Infrastructure
Parking	Infrastructure
Parking and Bothell way congestion	Infrastructure
Parking.	Infrastructure
Pot holes in the roads no parking high traffic traffic	Infrastructure
Probably the amount of apartments being built, taking up land.	Infrastructure
Repairing the sidewalks that are in need and placing sidewalks where none exist	Infrastructure
Roads trees and parks	Infrastructure
Roads.	Infrastructure
Safety of streets.	Infrastructure
The proliferation of apartment and condos and we don't have the infrastructure to support it specifically roads and freeways , streets with major congestion and its a part of growth	Infrastructure
Infrastructure and better reputation here.	Infrastructure
They need to reject the Plymouth project other issues road improvements how to mitigate traffic with all the housing being built Kenmore used to have a balance budget but they are over spending and increasing	Infrastructure
Amount of apartments or condos being built	Managing growth/Population increase
Explosive growth	Managing growth/Population increase
Growth revenue traffic	Managing growth/Population increase
Influx of people.	Managing growth/Population increase
Not thinking of how many people are going to live here. No parking and tons of people.	Managing growth/Population increase
Over growth and traffic	Managing growth/Population increase
Overbuilding and traffic	Managing growth/Population increase
Poorly planned development	Managing growth/Population increase
Population control	Managing growth/Population increase
Population density	Managing growth/Population increase
population growth density in appropriate places transportation	Managing growth/Population increase
Too many apartments People don't have parking streets are too full already and it's unsightly People aren't walking to shop work or play which creates way too much traffic Furthermore I hate the traffic circle	Managing growth/Population increase
Climate	Environment
Climate change and reutilization of existing concrete plant space	Environment
climate change public safety more police presence	Environment

Environmental impact	Environment
Making the tree removal permitting process simpler and less expensive	Environment
Preserving natural spaces during rapid growth	Environment
The environment.	Environment
Tree ordinance	Environment
A family friendly downtown and sidewalks outside of downtown	Need more sidewalks
Finish the sidewalks projects that are taking forever So many sections of unsafe roads with no sidewalks particularly in the Moorlands area and near Inglewood HS	Need more sidewalks
Increase sidewalks and improve and expand downtown square	Need more sidewalks
It is tough but transforming the city from a drive thru to a walking downtown	Need more sidewalks
Making Kenmore more Pedestrian friendly	Need more sidewalks
Making Kenmore more walkable creating community spaces and businesses	Need more sidewalks
More side walks for safety.	Need more sidewalks
More sidewalk.	Need more sidewalks
More sidewalks	Need more sidewalks
More sidewalks and crosswalks on Simonds Rd	Need more sidewalks
More sidewalks in residential areas	Need more sidewalks
More sidewalks throughout neighborhoods	Need more sidewalks
Pedestrian friendliness	Need more sidewalks
Safe sidewalks	Need more sidewalks
Side walks and keeping trees safe	Need more sidewalks
Sidewalks everywhere	Need more sidewalks
Sidewalks for older neighborhoods	Need more sidewalks
Sidewalks near schools and Recreation Pavilion similar to Mountlake Terrace	Need more sidewalks
Walkability	Need more sidewalks
Building of trails and parks and nature functional and aesthetically pleasing. To keep doing what they're doing.	Recreational/Athletic fields/Parks
Continued development of parks and public spaces	Recreational/Athletic fields/Parks
Having more access to nature and public lands. Making sure things don't get overdeveloped like Seattle.	Recreational/Athletic fields/Parks
Identify open land space to turf and light for multiple sport use	Recreational/Athletic fields/Parks
More parks and business	Recreational/Athletic fields/Parks
Please complete the Twin Spring Park porject near my home as soon as possible	Recreational/Athletic fields/Parks
Transit an affordable housing.	Transportation
Transit walkability and cycling safety	Transportation
Transportation	Transportation
Transportation parks traffic management infrastructure	Transportation
Transportation.	Transportation
Continue upgrading downtown area to new and modern so people want to spend time there	Beautification of buildings/Kenmore
Making Kenmore a nice place to live	Beautification of buildings/Kenmore
They should make the trailer parks a little nicer	Beautification of buildings/Kenmore
Working towards the rest of the downtown area look like the library and city hall	Beautification of buildings/Kenmore
Education and housing.	Education
Education.	Education
Programs for youth	Education
The agenda of the schools and the LGBTQ doesn't support it.	Education
Activated community space	Other

Better communication accountability honesty.	Other
Better driving safety	Other
Continuing a broad group of policies that will bring non passive progress.	Other
Diversity Equity Inclusion and Accessibility for businesses and people who pass by	Other
Ensure our property values	Other
Fighting woke policies	Other
Getting in touch with reality in Kenmore and getting in touch with residents rather than gling off on its usual tangents	Other
Inclusion and diversity.	Other
Keeping the problems that Seattle has created and fostered with their naïve and disastrous policies from become Kenmore's problems	Other
Kenmore city council need to listen to the people a lot of trees on the lot were cut down like a logger but it was cut like was for re use I want to know if the city was paid or did he use it. And a switch up with th	Other
Kick out CalPortland and get a real waterfront	Other
Livability quality of life for their tax payers I do not want the Plymouth project to go in Ridiculous site choice	Other
Longevity and cost of living	Other
Lowering speed limits	Other
More EV charging stations	Other
Municipal ISP digital connectivity has become so integral to our societys day to day functions leaving access to the whims of profitdriven corporations constitutes a failure of stewardship by our local leader:	Other
Needs of the community.	Other
Quit discriminating against Christians.	Other
Rebuilding trust with current residents	Other
recycling bins should be next to ALL trash bins throughout the city	Other
Semi trucks using residential and arterial roads that are all residential plus speed limits on said roads	Other
Senior center and senior activities	Other
Stop implementing terrible policy decisions	Other
stop issuing permits for condos and apartments right now	Other
Systemic Libtardary	Other
The water, gas prices,	Other
Transparency	Other
Transparency	Other
Dont know	None/Don't know/No opinion
Don't know	None/Don't know/No opinion
Don't know of any.	None/Don't know/No opinion
I don't know	None/Don't know/No opinion
I have no idea.	None/Don't know/No opinion
N/a	None/Don't know/No opinion
no opinion	None/Don't know/No opinion
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City of Kenmore Priorities Survey #2 March 2024

Methodology

Multi-modal Email- and Text-to-Web/live telephone survey of registered voters in Kenmore, Washington

Survey conducted March 20 – April 3, 2024

303 interviews; overall margin of error ± 5.6 percentage points

Telephone interviews were conducted in English by trained, professional interviewers; landlines and mobile phones included

Where applicable, results compared with the following:

Methodology	Dates	Universe	Sample Size	Margin of Error	EMC #
Phone and Text-to-Web	December 4 – 19, 2023	All Registered Voters	300	± 5.7 percentage points	23-9138
Phone and Text-to-Web	December 4 – 12, 2019	All Registered Voters	300	± 5.7 percentage points	19-7497
Phone	April 24 – May 2, 2016	All Registered Voters	300	± 5.7 percentage points	16-5967
Phone	December 2 – 10, 2015	All Registered Voters	300	± 5.7 percentage points	15-5355

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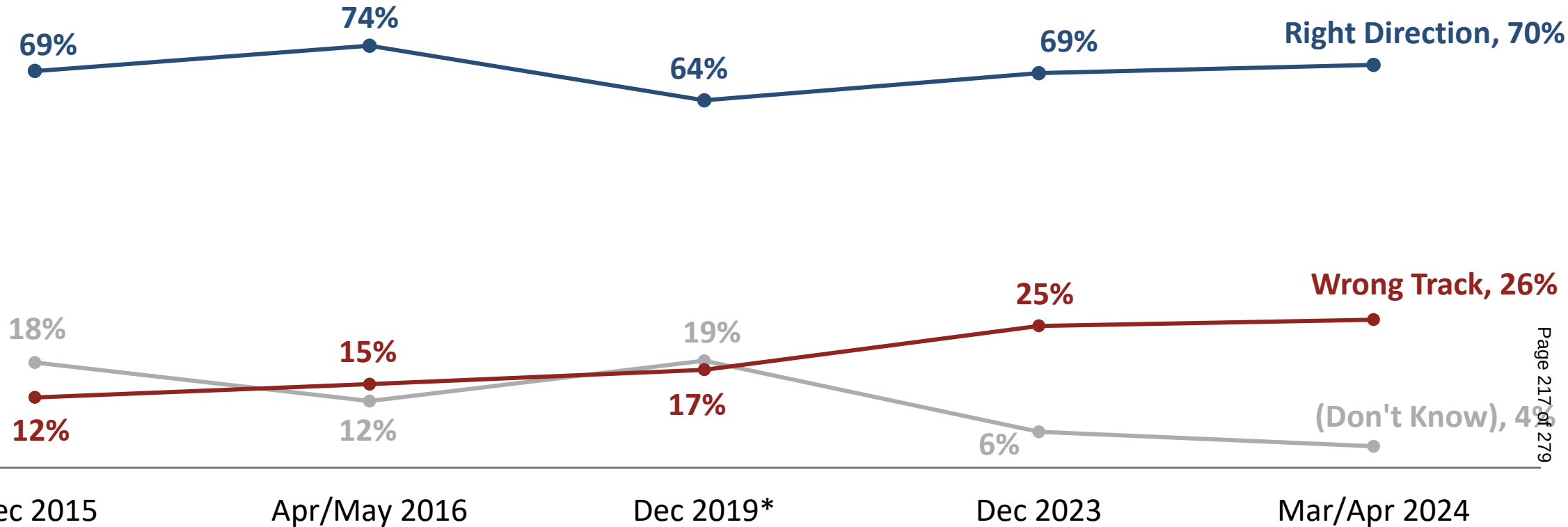
- ▶ Enthusiasm for a public park and mixed-use urban development at the Lakepointe site is strong.
 - Many potential amenities are appealing, with nature paths and trails and shoreline habitat restoration rising to the top.
 - Over half are willing to support the formation of a Metropolitan Parks District to fund Lakepointe and other recreation and parks maintenance through a new levy.
- ▶ Most favor addressing the City's future operating budget deficit through a combination of cuts and tax increases.
- ▶ Concern about housing affordability tends to be the most pronounced when it is tied to middle- and working-class residents. There is more division around affordable housing for lower income residents and those experiencing homelessness.

Overall Mood



Direction of Kenmore

Optimism about the direction of Kenmore remains high.



*2019 was the first survey to include web respondents and offered an explicit "Don't know" response option on web; an explicit "Don't know" option was not offered for web in 2023 or 2024
Q2. Do you feel things in Kenmore are generally going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

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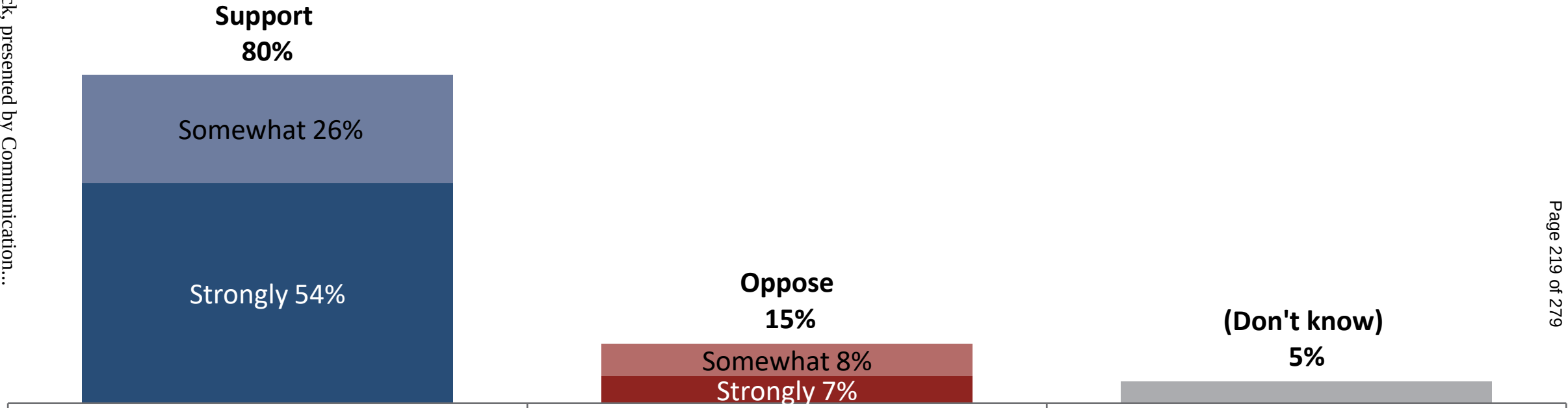
Lakepointe



Support for Lakepointe Development

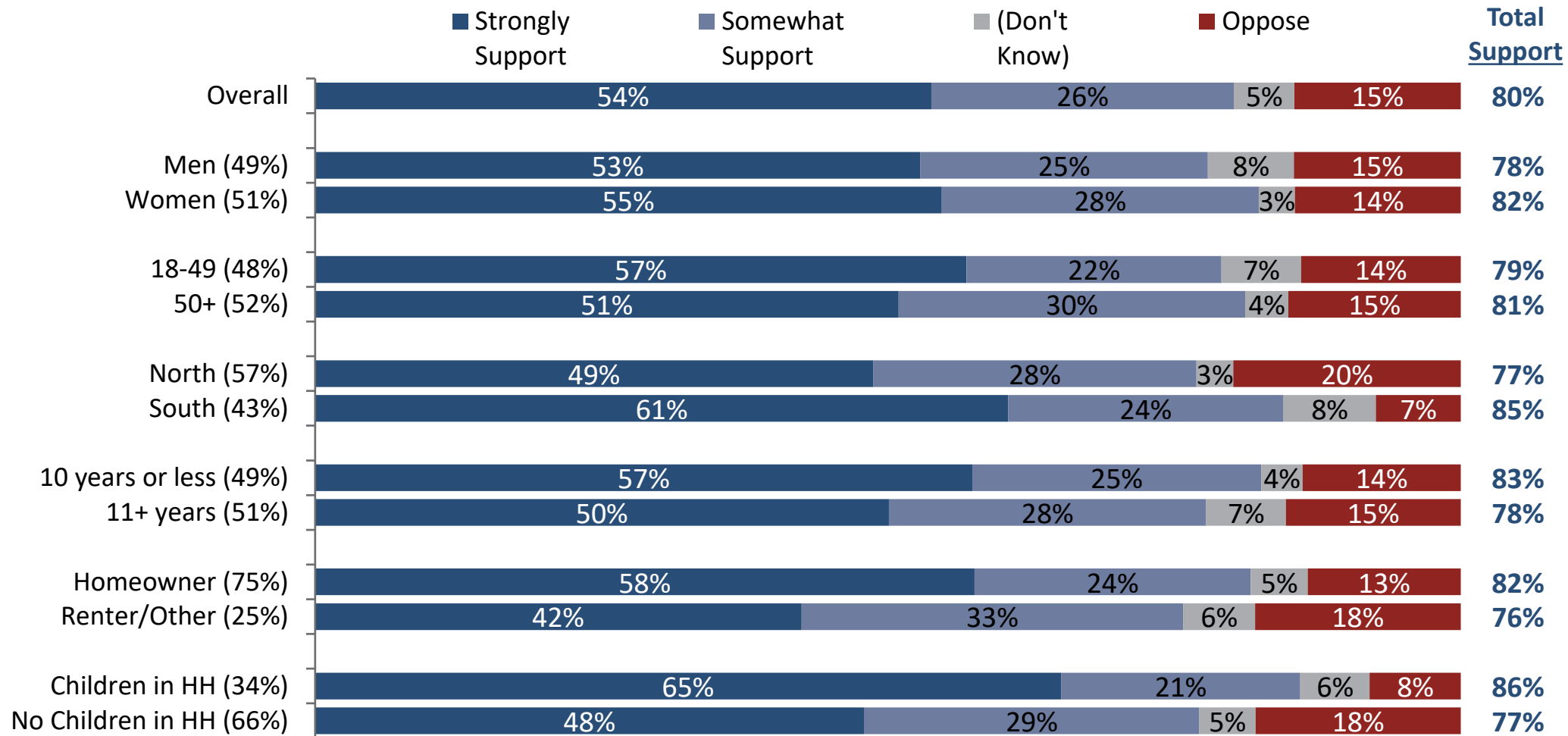
Support for developing Lakepointe into a public park and mixed-used private development is widespread, with over half strongly in support.

The largest remaining piece of undeveloped land on Lake Washington is located in Kenmore, in a former industrial area located between Kenmore Air's harbor and the mouth of the Sammamish River. Some have proposed that the City purchase part of this area, also known as Lakepointe, to turn it into a new, lakefront public park and restore habitat along the shoreline. The remaining portion of Lakepointe would be purchased by a private developer and turned into a walkable urban village with residential units, restaurants, shops, and office space. In general, do you support or oppose building a new public park and mixed-use urban development on the Lakepointe property?



Support for Lakepointe Development by Subgroups

Parents are especially supportive, with about two-thirds strongly supporting building a new public park and mixed-used development at Lakepointe.

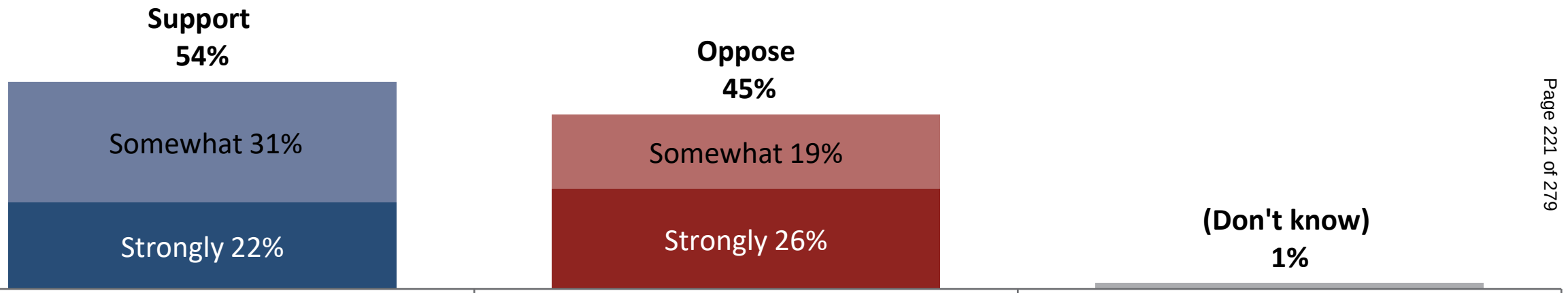


Q3. In general, do you support or oppose building a new public park and mixed-use urban development on the Lakepointe property?

Support for a Kenmore Metropolitan Parks District

Just over half support the formation of a Kenmore Metropolitan Parks District.

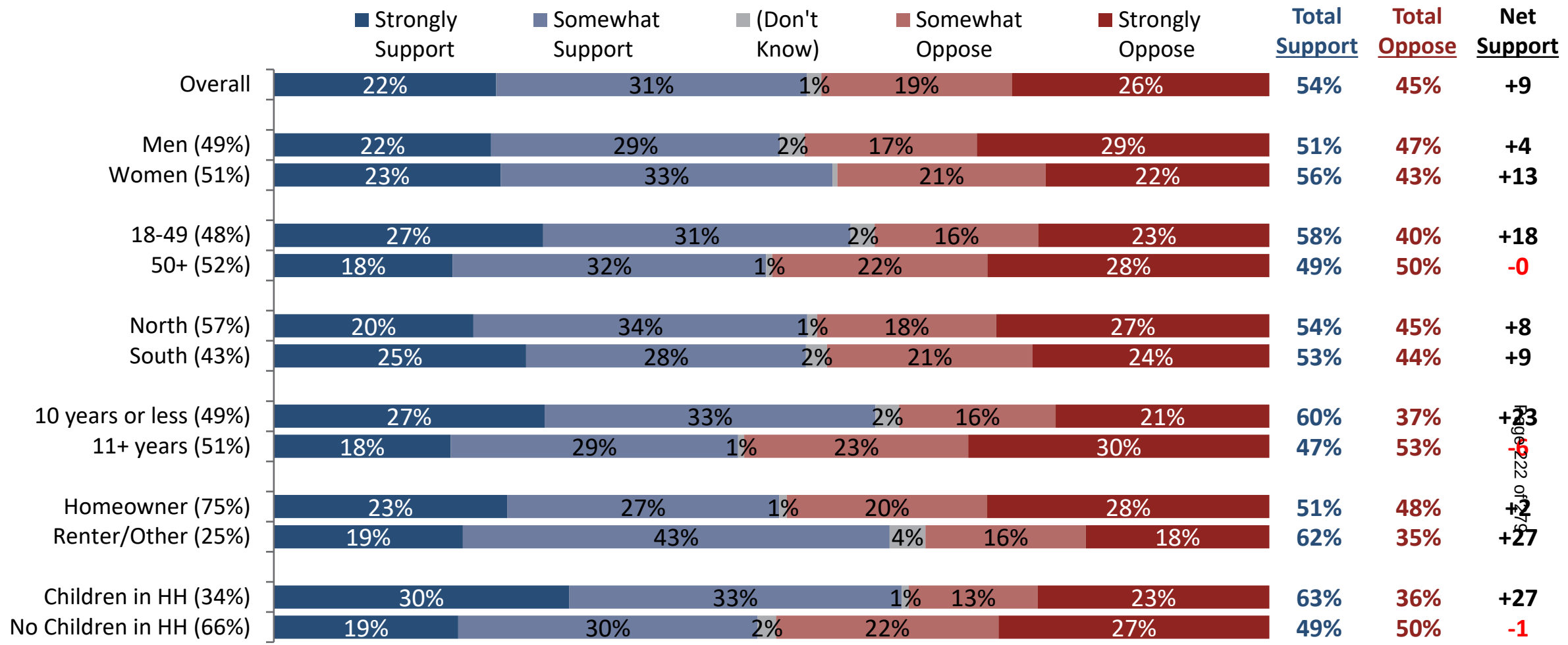
This measure would authorize the creation of a Metropolitan Parks District which would be contiguous with Kenmore's city boundaries. This district would have authority to increase property taxes to pay for a new park and shoreline habitat restoration at Lakepointe, as well as for other recreation and park maintenance in the City, thereby offsetting the City's existing parks and recreation costs. The parks district would be governed by the Kenmore City Council serving as the Board of the Kenmore Metropolitan Parks District and would have the authority to levy up to 75 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value. Of that 75 cents, the City would levy 46 cents, which would cost the owner of an average home in Kenmore about \$38 per month, or \$456 a year. Would you support or oppose this measure to create a Kenmore Metropolitan Parks District?



Kenmore Metropolitan Parks District by Subgroups

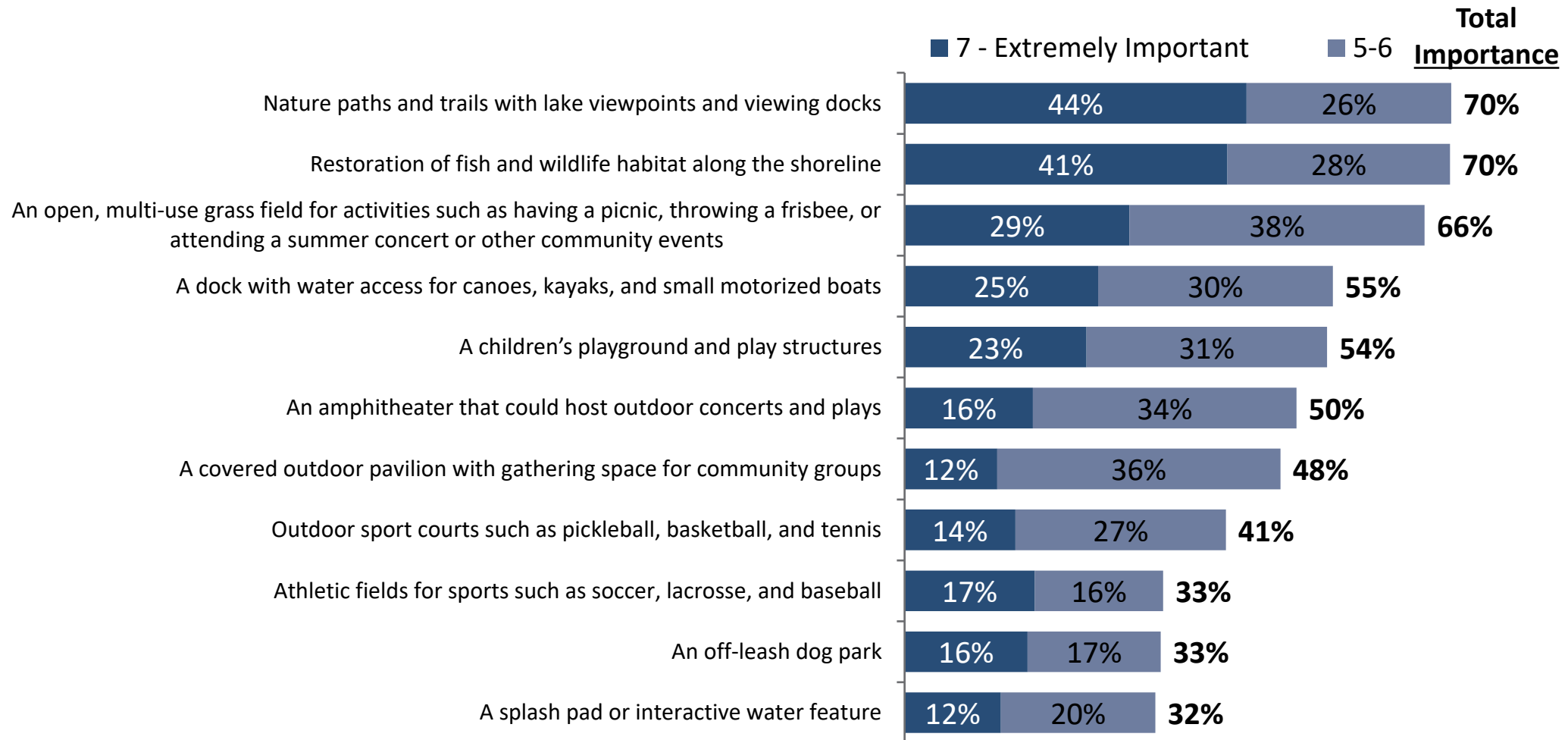


Support for forming a Kenmore Metropolitan Parks District is strongest among parents, as well as newer and younger residents.



Potential Lakepointe Park Amenities

Nature paths and trails and shoreline habitat restoration are seen as the most important priorities for a Lakepointe park. A multi-use grass field, dock, and playground are also important to over half.



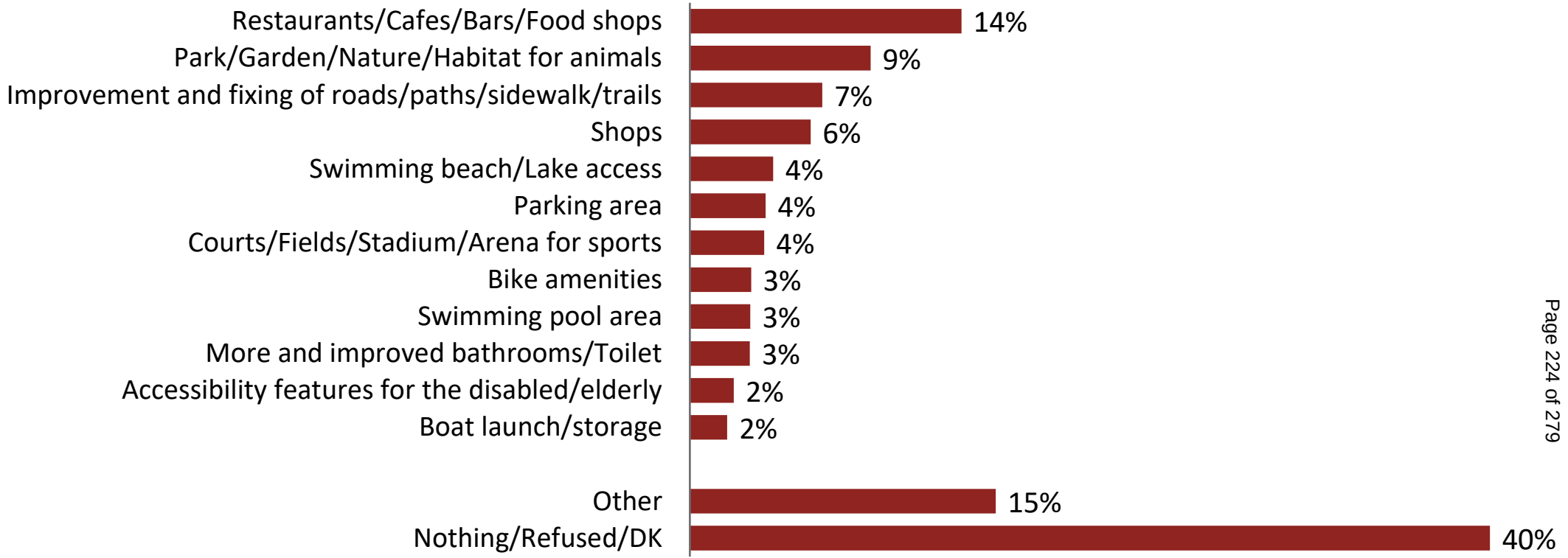
Q5-Q15. Next, you'll read some items that could be included as part of a new public park in the potential Lakepointe project. Please rate how important each item is to you.

Additional Amenities for Lakepointe Park

When asked what other features they would like to see at Lakepointe, dining options rose to the top, followed by suggestions around natural habitat or community gardens.

Are there any other amenities or features you would want to see if the City were to develop the Lakepointe site to build a new public park and mixed-use development?

(Open end; Multiple responses accepted; Verbatim responses coded into categories shown)



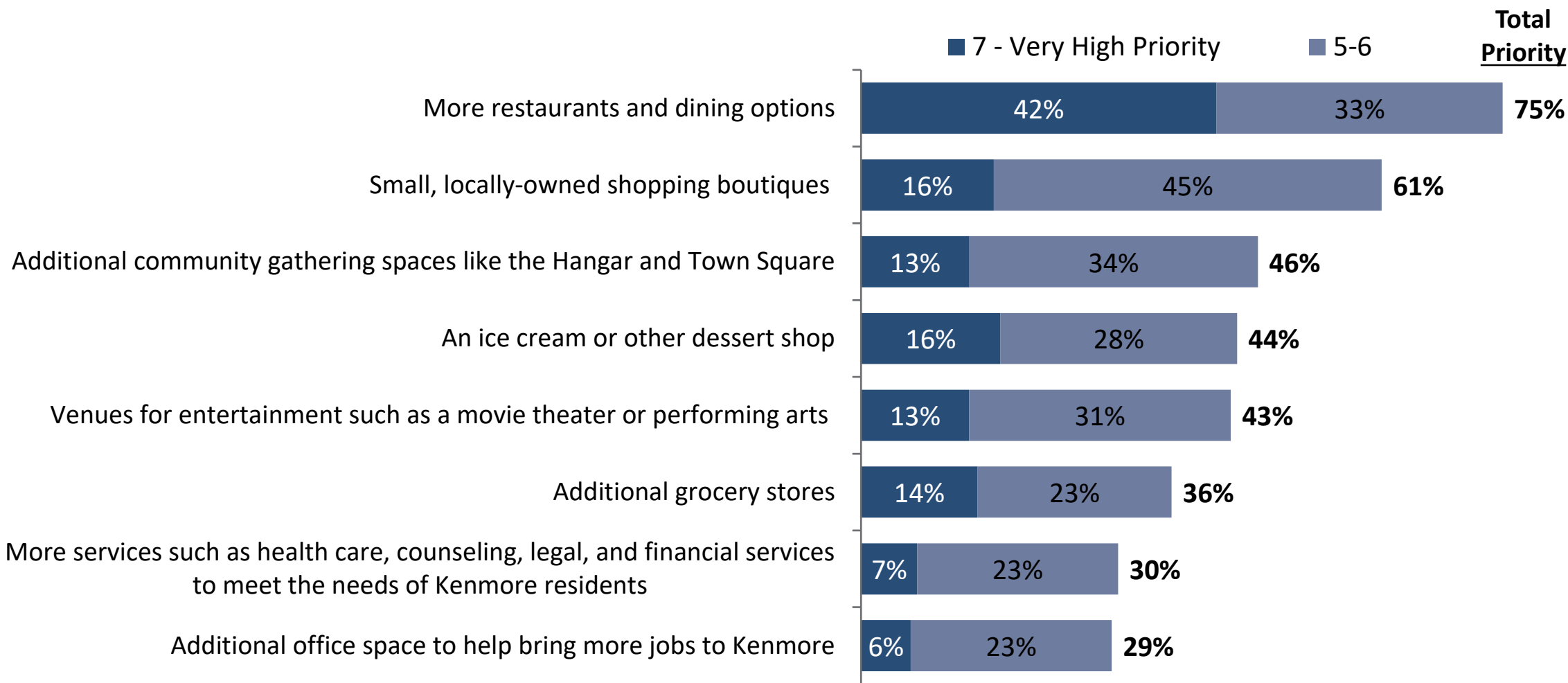
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Downtown Amenities



Downtown Kenmore Amenities

Bringing additional restaurants is by far the highest priority for downtown Kenmore, dwarfing other possible additions in terms of intensity as well as overall importance.



Q17 – Q24. Next, you will read a list of amenities that could be a part of the future of downtown Kenmore. After each one, please rate how high a priority you feel it should be for downtown Kenmore.

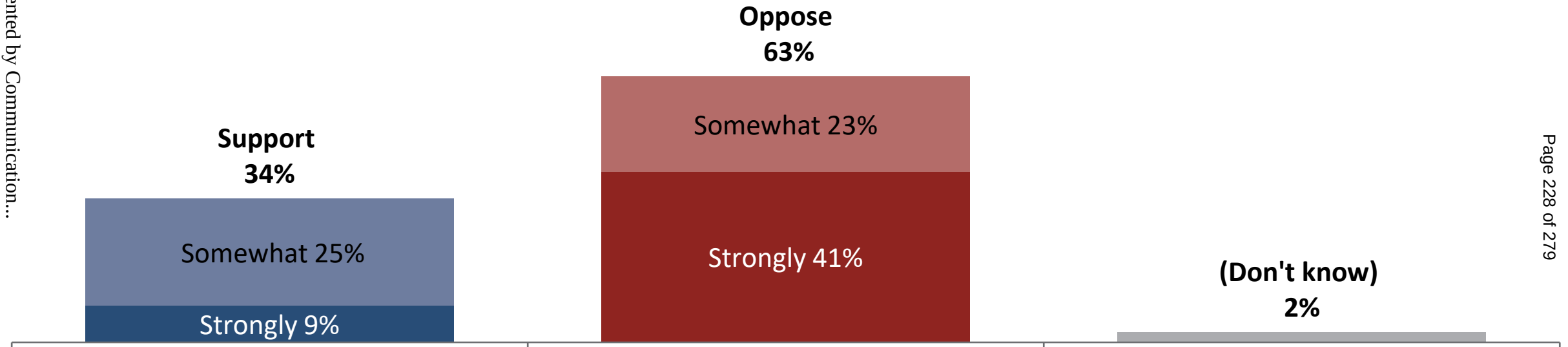
Financial Sustainability



Support for Tying Property Tax to Inflation in Kenmore

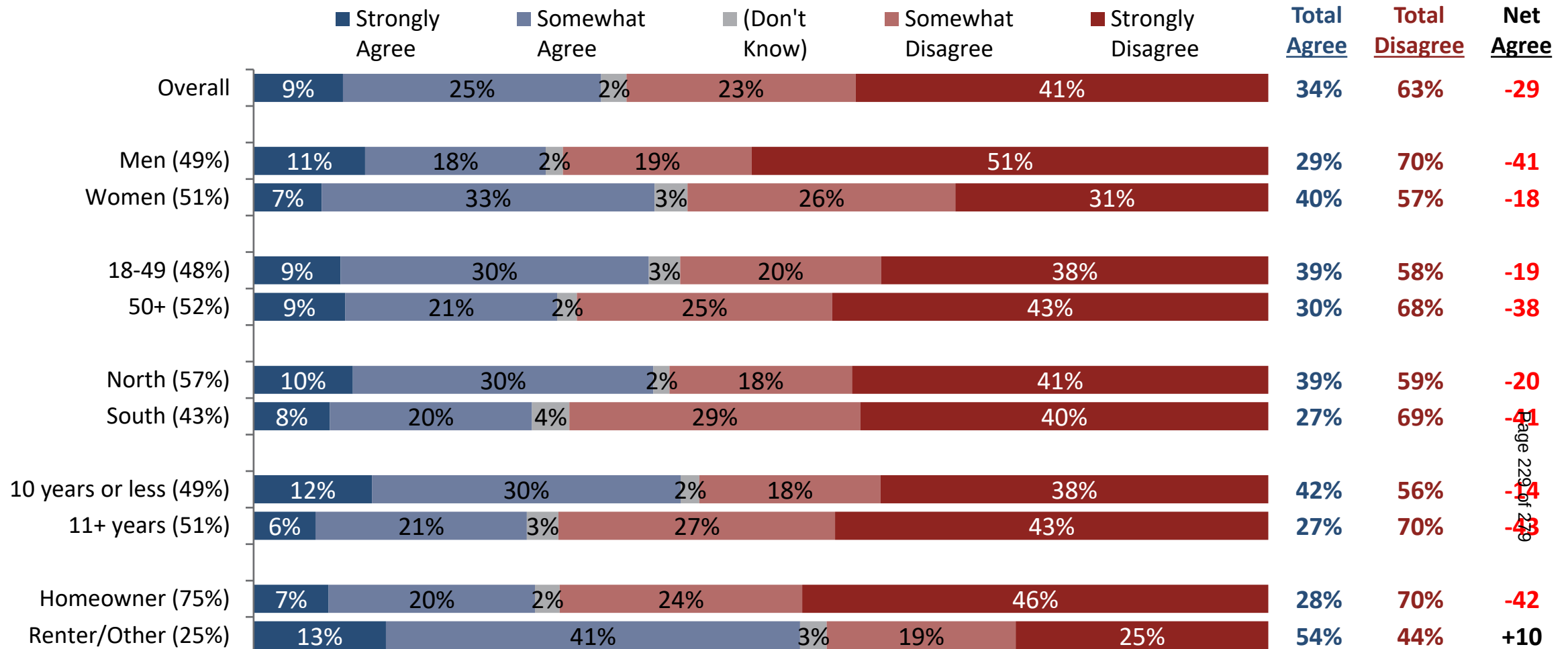
Almost two-thirds of Kenmore residents oppose linking the property tax increase limit to inflation.

Twenty years ago, local governments in Washington State were limited to a property tax collection increase of 1% per year. Some people have said it would be better for local governments like Kenmore to replace the 1% cap on property taxes with a rate increase limit that is tied to inflation. This would help city budgets to keep up with the rate of inflation, whether it is positive or negative. Do you support or oppose tying the property tax Kenmore collects to match the inflation rate?



Property Tax & Inflation in Kenmore by Subgroups

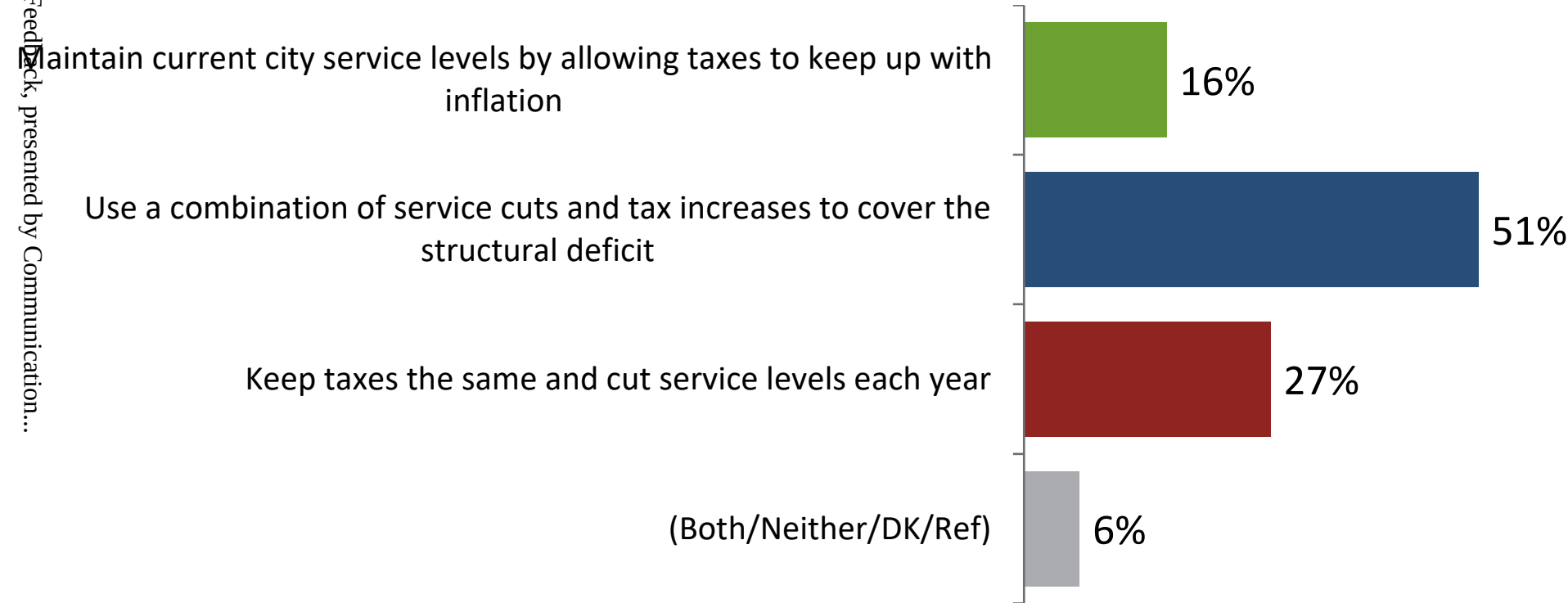
Majorities oppose linking the property tax increase rate to inflation across most demographic groups.



Addressing Kenmore's Structural Deficit

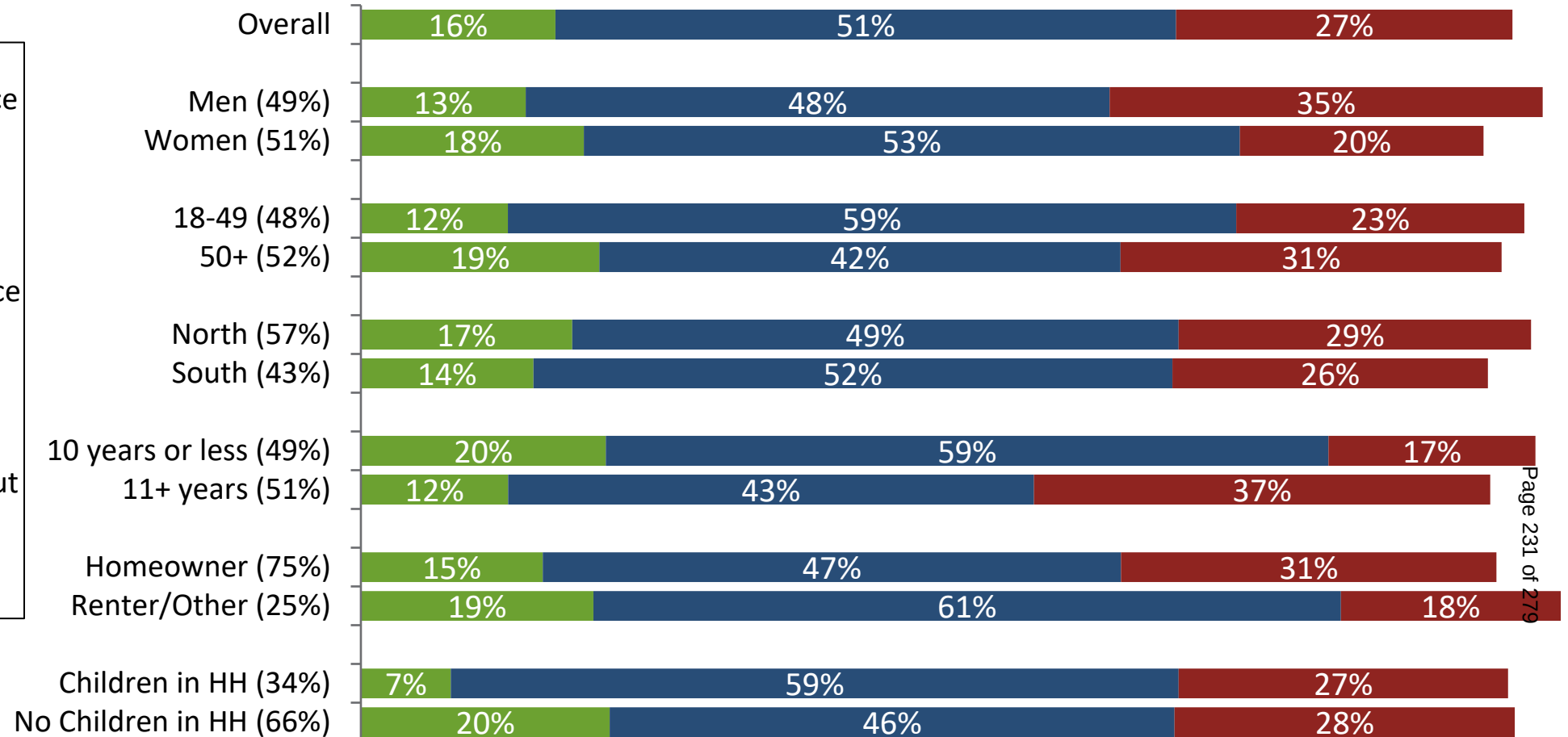
When it comes to addressing Kenmore's structural deficit, just over half favor a mix of service cuts and tax increases.

As you may know, the City of Kenmore faces an ongoing structural budget problem. Property taxes, which are the largest share of the City's revenue, can only increase 1% per year, while inflation in recent years has been as high as 9%. This means that the City cannot maintain existing service levels and keep the budget balanced. What do you think is the best way to address this structural deficit:



Addressing Kenmore's Structural Deficit by Subgroups

Renters and newer residents are less likely to favor cutting services alone.



Affordable Housing

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Defining Affordable Housing

When asked what affordable housing means to them, respondents' definitions varied widely.

"Allowing middle income people the ability to afford a home."

"Housing where a single income family can afford to live. A place where families currently in Mary's Place can transition to and stay in the Kenmore community."

"Homes that are affordable for seniors and those that don't make average salaries. Maybe there should [be] a cap on rentals."

"Creating integrated housing developments that do not isolate groups of people, but encourage communities to support each other, and provide support services surrounding these areas, which include easy access to fresh food, medical and mental health needs, transportation, and community resources..."

"A diverse community"

"That people with all different incomes can afford to live in our neighborhood"

"Crime increasing and becoming an unsafe area to live"

"It means keeping single houses the priority and not increasing taxes. If you need to build more apartments, build them. But allowing more section 8 housing only increases crime. I lost my life belongings when section 8 housing couple were placed in the apartment below mine and they smoked meth. No one paid for the tens of thousands of dollars in furniture and possessions that I lost. I still have not recovered from that loss."

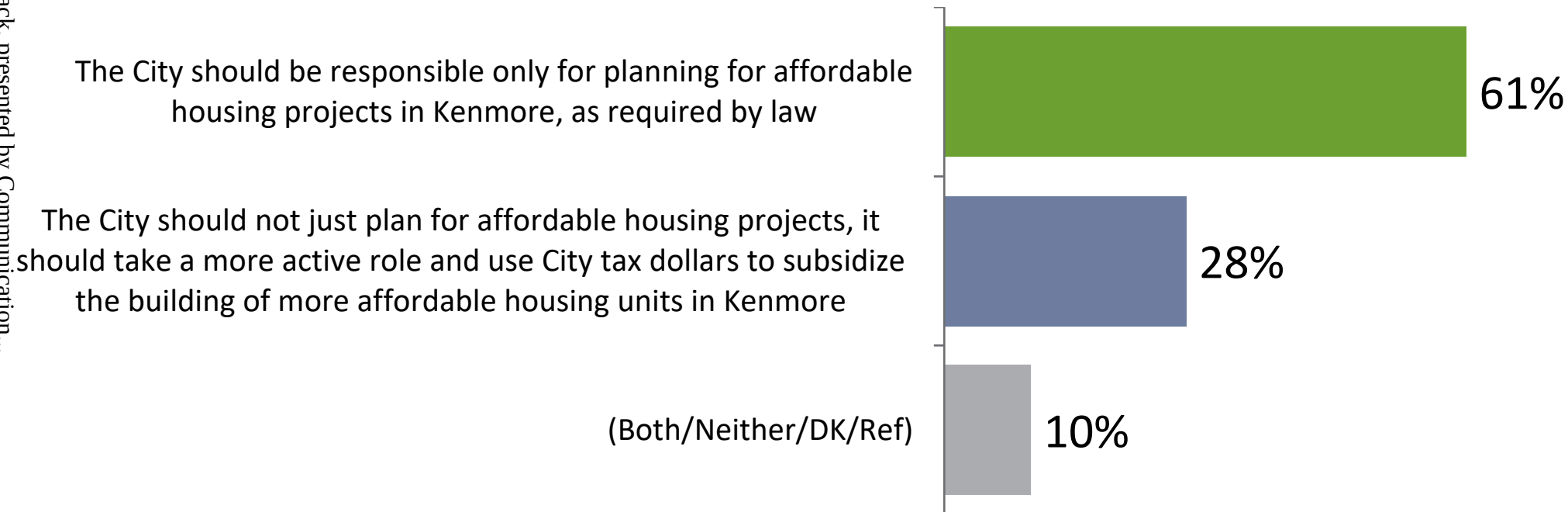
"Affordable housing is code for low-income housing. We do not need low-income housing in Kenmore."

Q27. Affordable housing has been identified as a top issue in Kenmore and the region. When you think about affordable housing in Kenmore, what does that mean to you?

City's Role in Affordable Housing

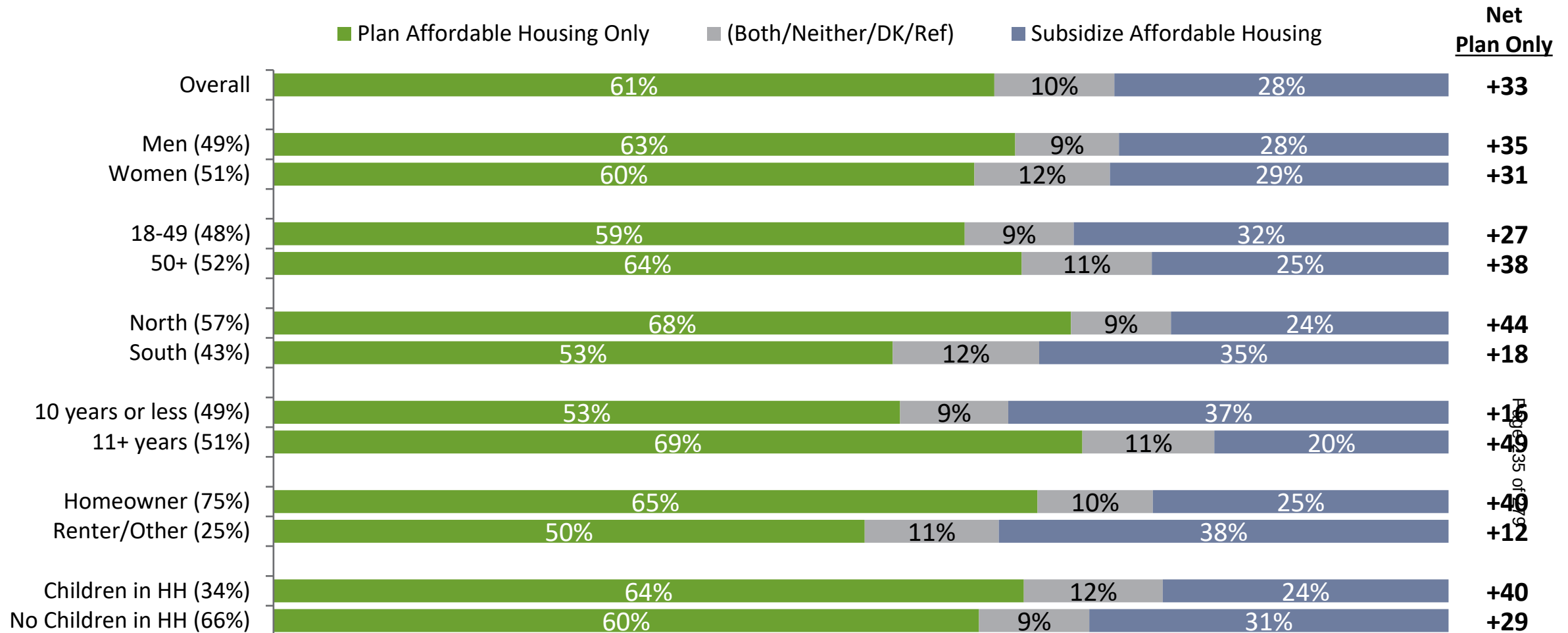
About six-in-ten believe the City's role in affordable housing should **not** go beyond what is required by law. Just over a quarter believe the City should go further and actively subsidize building more affordable housing in Kenmore.

I'd like to read you a pair of statements about the role the City of Kenmore could play when it comes to affordable housing. Please tell me which one is closer to your opinion:



City's Role in Affordable Housing by Subgroups

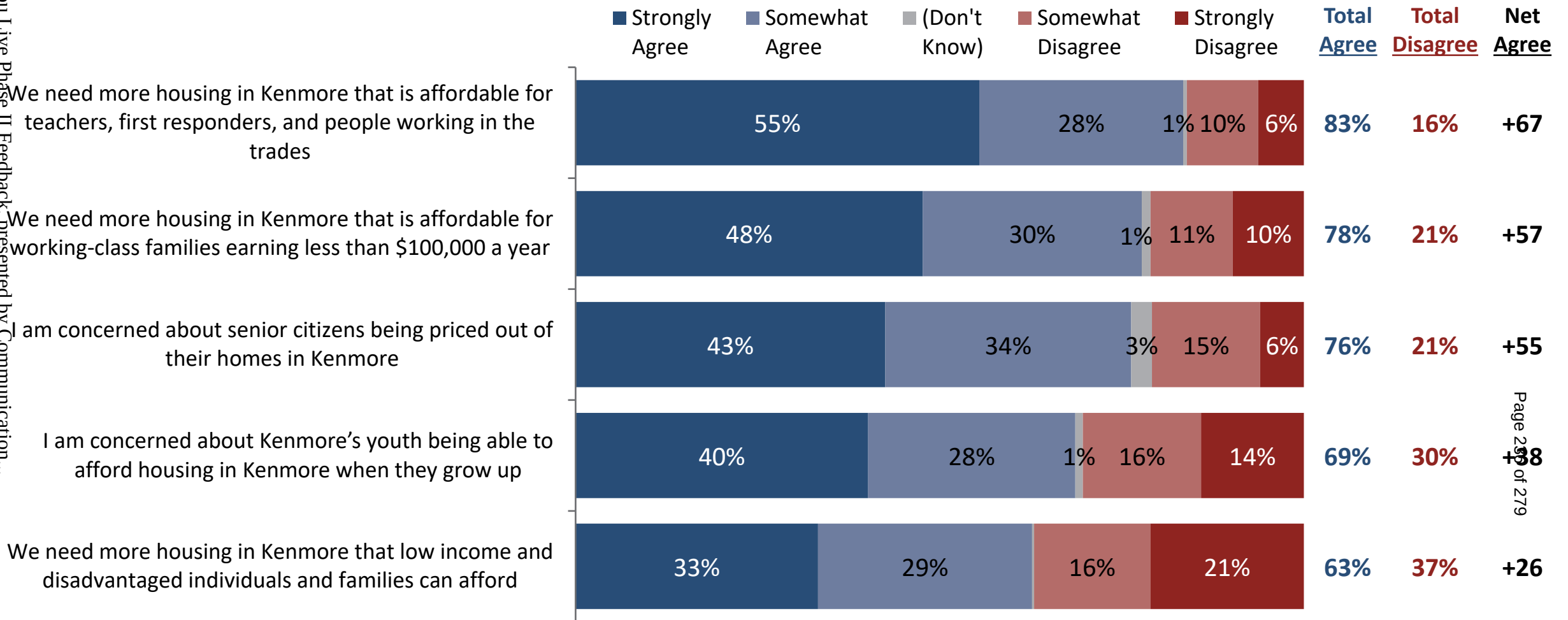
Renters and newer residents are the most open to the City playing a bigger role in affordable housing.



Q28. Now you will read a pair of statements about the role the City of Kenmore could play when it comes to affordable housing. Please indicate which one is closer to your opinion

Affordable Housing Attitudes

There is widespread agreement that Kenmore needs more housing that is affordable for working-class families and professionals, but not as much consensus around housing for low-income individuals and families.

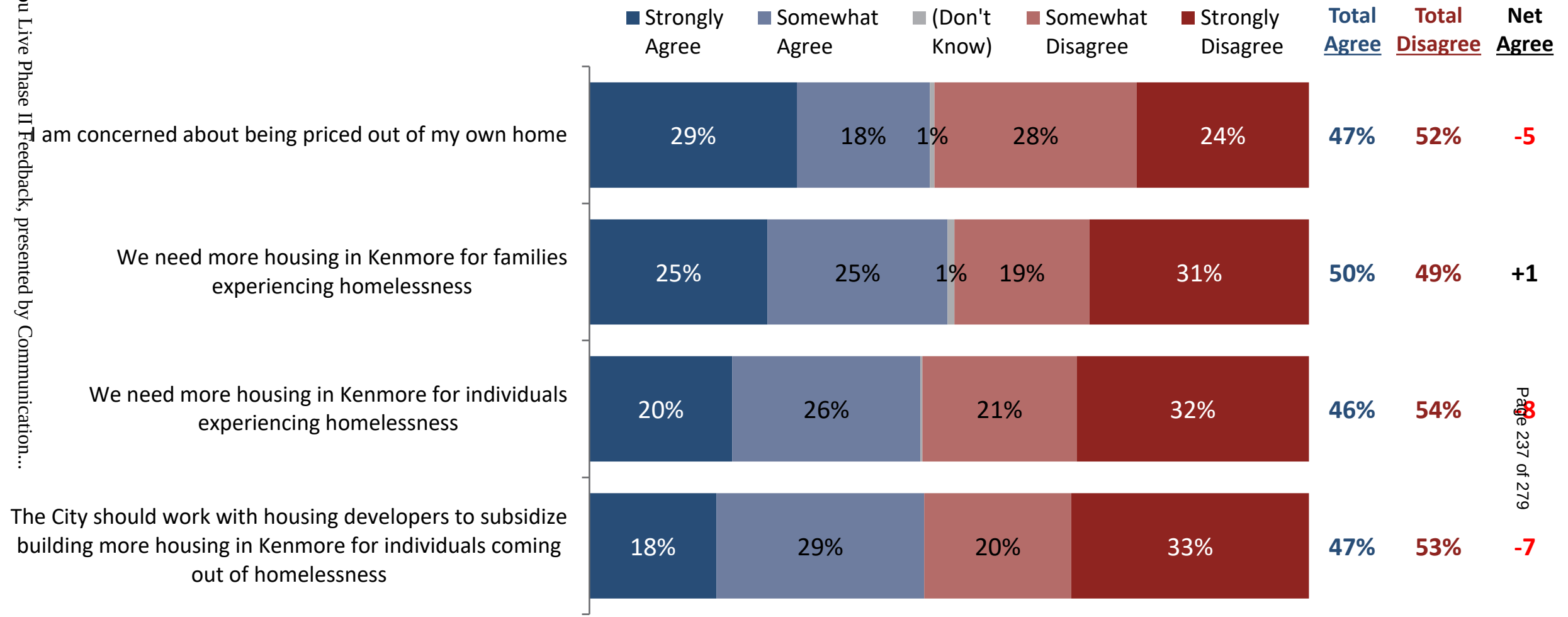


Q29 – Q37. Please indicate whether you agree or disagree with the following statements about affordable housing in Kenmore.

Affordable Housing Attitudes

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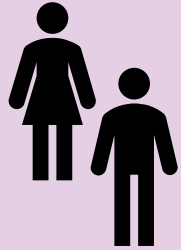
Housing for individuals and families experiencing homelessness in Kenmore is much more divisive, and just over half oppose the City subsidizing housing for individuals emerging from homelessness.



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Profile of Respondents

Gender



49% Male
51% Female

Age



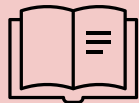
12% 18-29
18% 30-39
18% 40-49
26% 50-64
26% 65+

Ethnicity



70% Identify as White
2% Identify as Black
4% Identify as Hispanic
8% Identify as Asian or Pacific Islander
2% Identify as Native American
5% Identify as other ethnicity
13% Declined to respond

Education



0% Some high school
5% Graduated high school
3% Technical or vocational school
18% Some college/Less than 4-year degree
42% Graduated college
29% Graduate or professional degree
3% Declined to respond

Housing Status



75% Own/buying
21% Rent/lease
2% Live with family
0% No Stable Housing
2% Declined to respond

Residency Duration



6% Less than 2 years
20% 2-5 years
23% 6-10 years
16% 11-20 years
35% More than 20 years
0% Declined to respond



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PHONE: GREETING: Hello, my name is _____, may I speak with **(NAME ON LIST)?**

INTERVIEWER: NOL ONLY

INTRO: Hello, my name is _____, and I’m conducting a survey for _____ to find out how people feel about issues in Kenmore. We are not trying to sell anything and are collecting this information on a scientific and completely confidential basis.

ONLINE: INTRO: Your opinions are important! Thank you for participating in this survey about issues in Kenmore. Your responses will remain completely confidential. Please try to answer every question even if you’re not sure. If you need to, you may skip a question.

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| 1. | Do you live in the City of Kenmore? | |
| | Yes | 100 |
| | No | - |
| | (Don't know/Refused) | - |
| 2. | Do you feel that things in Kenmore are generally going in the right direction or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track? | |
| | Right direction | 70 |
| | Wrong track | 26 |
| | (Don't know/Refused) | 4 |
| | Net Right Direction | 45 |
| 3. | The largest remaining piece of undeveloped land on Lake Washington is located in Kenmore, in a former industrial area located between Kenmore Air’s harbor and the mouth of the Sammamish River. Some have proposed that the City purchase part of this area, also known as Lakepointe, to turn it into a new, lakefront public park and restore habitat along the shoreline. The remaining portion of Lakepointe would be purchased by a private developer and turned into a walkable urban village with residential units, restaurants, shops, and office space. In general, do you support or oppose building a new public park and mixed-use urban development on the Lakepointe property? | |
| | Strongly support | 54 |
| | Somewhat support | 26 |
| | Somewhat oppose | 8 |
| | Strongly oppose | 7 |
| | (Don't know/Refused) | 5 |
| | Support | 80 |
| | Oppose | 15 |

4. Next, I will tell you about a measure that could appear on a future ballot in Kenmore and that could serve as a possible funding source for parks and recreation in the City, including a future public park at Lakepointe.

This measure would authorize the creation of a Metropolitan Parks District which would be contiguous with Kenmore's city boundaries. This district would have authority to increase property taxes to pay for a new park and shoreline habitat restoration at Lakepointe, as well as for other recreation and park maintenance in the City, thereby offsetting the City's existing parks and recreation costs. The parks district would be governed by the Kenmore City Council serving as the Board of the Kenmore Metropolitan Parks District and would have the authority to levy up to 75 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value. Of that 75 cents, the City would levy 46 cents, which would cost the owner of an average home in Kenmore about \$38 per month, or \$456 a year.

Would you support or oppose this measure to create a Kenmore Metropolitan Parks District?

Strongly support	22
Somewhat support	31
Somewhat oppose	19
Strongly oppose	26
(Don't know/Refused)	1
Support	54
Oppose	45

SINT. Next, I'm going to read you a list of items that could be included as part of a new public park in the potential Lakepointe project. After each one, please rate how important that item is to you, using a scale of 1 to 7, where 1 means not at all important, and 7 means extremely important.

		Not at all important			Extremely important					
SCALE:		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	(DK/Ref)	Mean
(RANDOMIZE)										
5.	Athletic fields for sports such as soccer, lacrosse, and baseball	23	10	16	17	12	4	17	0	3.6
6.	Nature paths and trails with lake viewpoints and viewing docks	7	4	6	13	15	12	44	0	5.3
7.	A dock with water access for canoes, kayaks, and small motorized boats	13	11	7	14	16	14	25	0	4.5
8.	Restoration of fish and wildlife habitat along the shoreline	10	5	5	11	16	12	41	0	5.2
9.	Outdoor sport courts such as pickleball, basketball, and tennis	20	12	12	15	16	11	14	0	3.8
10.	A splash pad or interactive water feature	27	12	14	15	11	8	12	0	3.5
11.	An off-leash dog park	35	10	9	14	11	6	16	-	3.4
12.	A covered outdoor pavilion with gathering space for community groups	14	5	13	20	18	18	12	-	4.3
13.	A children’s playground and play structures	14	7	10	15	15	16	23	1	4.5
14.	An open, multi-use grass field for activities such as having a picnic, throwing a frisbee, or attending a summer concert or other community events	6	4	5	18	21	17	29	0	5.1
15.	An amphitheater that could host outdoor concerts and plays	14	6	10	19	21	12	16	1	4.3
(END RANDOMIZE)										
16.	Are there any other amenities or features you would want to see if the City were to develop the Lakepointe site to build a new public park and mixed-use development? (OPEN END, ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES)									
	To be coded									

17INT. I'm going to read you a list of amenities that could be a part of the future of downtown Kenmore. After each one, please rate how high a priority you feel it should be using a scale of 1 to 7, where 1 means you feel that item should be a very low priority, and 7 means that item should be a very high priority.

		Very low priority				Very high priority				
SCALE:		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	(DK/Ref)	Mean
(RANDOMIZE)										
17.	More restaurants and dining options	5	3	6	11	13	21	42	0	5.5
18.	Additional grocery stores	18	12	15	19	13	9	14	-	3.8
19.	Venues for entertainment such as a movie theater or performing arts	16	8	14	17	17	14	13	1	4.0
20.	Small, locally-owned shopping boutiques	6	5	12	17	29	16	16	-	4.7
21.	Additional community gathering spaces like the Hangar and Town Square	14	11	10	19	24	10	13	0	4.1
22.	An ice cream or other dessert shop	12	9	15	20	17	10	16	-	4.2
23.	Additional office space to help bring more jobs to Kenmore	18	11	19	22	17	6	6	-	3.5
24.	More services such as health care, counseling, legal, and financial services to meet the needs of Kenmore residents	21	10	22	16	16	8	7	0	3.4
(END RANDOMIZE)										
25.	Twenty years ago, local governments in Washington State were limited to a property tax collection increase of 1% per year. Some people have said it would be better for local governments like Kenmore to replace the 1% cap on property taxes with a rate increase limit that is tied to inflation. This would help city budgets to keep up with the rate of inflation, whether it is positive or negative. Do you support or oppose tying the property tax Kenmore collects to match the inflation rate?									
	Strongly support									9
	Somewhat support									25
	Somewhat oppose									23
	Strongly oppose									41
	(Don't know/Refused)									2
	Support									34
	Oppose									63

26. As you may know, the City of Kenmore faces an ongoing structural budget problem. Property taxes, which are the largest share of the City's revenue, can only increase 1% per year, while inflation in recent years has been as high as 9%. This means that the City cannot maintain existing service levels and keep the budget balanced. What do you think is the best way to address this structural deficit:

(RANDOMIZE RESPONSES 1-2)

Maintain current city service levels by allowing taxes to keep up with inflation	16
Keep taxes the same and cut service levels each year	27
Use a combination of service cuts and tax increases to cover the structural deficit	51
(Don't know/Refused)	6

27. Affordable housing has been identified as a top issue in Kenmore and the region. When you think about affordable housing in Kenmore, what does that mean to you? **(OPEN ENDED, RECORD VERBATIM)**

Verbatim responses to be shared separately

28. Now I'd like to read you a pair of statements about the role the City of Kenmore could play when it comes to affordable housing. Please tell me which one is closer to your opinion:

The City should be responsible only for planning for affordable housing projects in Kenmore, as required by law	61
The City should not just plan for affordable housing projects, it should take a more active role and use City tax dollars to subsidize the building of more affordable housing units in Kenmore	28
(Both)	3
(Neither)	6
(Don't know/Refused)	1

29INT. Please tell me whether you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements about affordable housing in Kenmore.

SCALE:	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree	(DK/Ref)	Agree	Disagree
(RANDOMIZE)							
29. I am concerned about being priced out of my own home	29	18	28	24	1	47	52
30. We need more housing in Kenmore that low income and disadvantaged individuals and families can afford	33	29	16	21	0	63	37
31. We need more housing in Kenmore for individuals experiencing homelessness	20	26	21	32	0	46	54
32. We need more housing in Kenmore for families experiencing homelessness	25	25	19	31	1	50	49
33. The City should work with housing developers to subsidize building more housing in Kenmore for individuals coming out of homelessness	18	29	20	33	-	47	53
34. I am concerned about senior citizens being priced out of their homes in Kenmore	43	34	15	6	3	76	21
35. We need more housing in Kenmore that is affordable for teachers, first responders, and people working in the trades	55	28	10	6	1	83	16
36. We need more housing in Kenmore that is affordable for working-class families earning less than \$100,000 a year	48	30	11	10	1	78	21
37. I am concerned about Kenmore's youth being able to afford housing in Kenmore when they grow up	40	28	16	14	1	69	30

(END RANDOMIZE)

DEMOS. These last few questions are for statistical purposes only.

38.	How many years have you lived in Kenmore? Less than 2 years, 2 to 5 years, 6 to 10 years, 11 to 20 years, or more than 20 years?	
	Less than 2 years	6
	2-5 years	20
	6-10 years	23
	11-20 years	16
	More than 20 years	35
	(Refused)	0
39.	Do you have any children under the age of 18 living in your home?	
	Yes	34
	No	64
	(Refused)	2
40.	Do you currently own the home or apartment where you live, do you rent, do you live with family, or do you not have stable housing?	
	Own or are buying your apartment or home	75
	Rent or lease your apartment or home	21
	Live with family	2
	Not have stable housing	-
	(Refused)	2
41.	What is the highest level of education you completed in school? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)	
	Some grade school	-
	Some high school	-
	Graduated high school	5
	Technical or Vocational school	3
	Some college or Less than 4-year degree	18
	Graduated college or 4-year degree (BA, BS, Bachelor's)	42
	Graduate or Professional Degree (MA, MS, Master's, PhD, MBA, Doctorate)	29
	(Refused)	3
42.	In what year were you born? (YEARS CODED INTO RANGES)	
	18-29	12
	30-39	17
	40-49	18
	50-64	24
	65 or over	25
	(Refused)	4

43. Do you consider yourself to be Hispanic or Latino, white or Caucasian, African American or Black, Asian or Pacific Islander, Native American, or something else? Please tell me all that apply. **(ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES)**

Hispanic or Latino	4
White or Caucasian	70
African American or Black	2
Asian or Pacific Islander	8
Native American	2
Something else	5
(Refused)	13

44. Do you consider yourself to be... **(READ LIST)**

Male	45
Female	47
Non-binary	-
Another gender identity	0
(Refused)	7

THANK YOU!

REGION (FROM PRECINCT)

North	57
South	43

Q27: When you think about affordable housing in Kenmore, what does that mean to you?

- “Affordable” doesn’t equal projects like Plymouth. It means keeping property taxes down so people can stay in their homes
- 2-3 br with parking for 1500-2000\$/mo
- 30% and below AMI for seniors and those with disabilities with barriers
- 60% AMI
- A decent 4br house is a million dollars. How is that affordable? I have a large family and need a bigger home, I spend 50k a year in rent and it went up because other houses in the area raise
- A diverse community
- A place someone can live within their income at a reasonable, livable price
- A public need that I support
- Ability for family’s to afford single family homes in safe neighborhoods without taxes pushing residents to the breaking point. More owner-occupied single family affordability, not pushing
- Ability to afford a place to live
- Accessibility
- Adoption of a high density approach to providing housing housing.
- Affordable apartments or townhomes for employed, low-earning households. Any housing for the homeless must include a 200+ bed space, kitchen, and rehousing service:
- Affordable condos and duplexes- affordable ownership options, NOT free homeless housing
- Affordable housing does NOT mean homeless shelters!!! it means smaller attractive homes or condos being built. It does not mean low income housing
- Affordable housing for low income families is needed, not halfway houses for addicts.
- Affordable housing is critical to any community. Very important to have options for ALL citizens and economic demographics
- affordable housing is fine as long as you employ enough people to keep these places safe and clean
- Affordable housing is for working people with low income and able to pay rent but at a lower rate.
- Affordable housing is important. Kenmore needs to clarify the definition. Affordable housng should allow people working in Kenmore to live in Kenmore. It is different than providing
- affordable housing is key throughout the state
- Affordable housing means opening the door to crime. My car has been rifled through 3 times since 2015. Keep them out
- Affordable housing should be a basic right
- Affordable housing should be regulated
- Affordable housing to me means smaller houses or townhomes
- Affordable taxes are more important to me. It is not sustainable to continue raising taxes on already stressed families
- Afordable housing is code for low income housing. We do not need low income housing in kenmore.
- Allow ADUs, townhomes, tiny homes. Cap permits for single homes >3000 sq ft. NO MORE McMANSIONS for the RICH ONLY
- Allowing middle income people the ability to afford a home.
- Anything you can rent for less than \$1,500 a month
- Apartment buildings with small sq footage.
- Apartment complex for homeless and low income
- Apartments or condos

Apartments where the rent can be afforded
Apartments which are affordable to people who are low income
Apartments with more reasonable rents for lack of pay increase
Apartments, duplex/triplex housing that is affordable for those earning under \$100K/year - in the \$750-2000/month rent range; housing prices under \$300-400I
As I wrote earlier “affordable housing” is not just a problem for very low income households but low - median households. I write this as someone who spent a lifetime working in the affordable housing area. I fully support it, but you cannot look only at one aspect and expect to build a thriving community.
Available and moderate pricing
bad news that does not need to be a part of Kenmore's growth
Basic housing would be available to low income families
Being able to afford to stay in my home of more than 30 years
Being able to buy a house. Low rent for apartments
Better area to live in
Budget friendly
Building a better community
Building higher density housing
Building more housing
Cheap, low income renters
City of Kenmore violates your own charter punishing the residents for greed
Condensed housing
Creating integrated housing developments that do not isolate groups of people, but encourage communities to support each other, and provide support services surrounding these areas, which include easy access to fresh food, medical and mental health needs, transportation, and community resources. Hiring intersectional minded builders who provide various building plans that meet the needs of our residents, whether that be by building various sized rental properties among various sized homes and townhomes or researching what makes housing affordable
Crime increasing and becoming an unsafe area to live
crime level increases with no dad present so the long term residents get to experience results of poor life decisions
Crime rate goes up
Crime, drugs, lower standard of living
Destruction of natural water underground piping systems hygiene behavior coronavirus Seattle freeze questions of organized crime activity unexplained evidence destruction of vegetation forage for birds evidence of other nation organized crime just comedy what happened to the park named after the native American group on log bog trail it seemed to moved the former location not where it constructioned but the house with bubble head statue makes me ponder thoughts an asian triad and old memory Chinese men at table chinatown seattle a snakehead
Disagree
Doesn't mean anything
Don’t bring it here. We have a nice community with low crime - why ruin a nice place to live? We’ve seen what has happened in Seattle with this experiment. I strongly oppose “affordable housing” in Kenmore, bringing more addicts without any stipulation of getting sober. Crime will increase and the feel-good feeling of living in a safe place to raise kids will vanish
Don’t need it

Don't raise our taxes!

Drugs are the major cause of homelessness, fix the addicts so they can afford a place to live. Giving a drug addict a place to slowly destroy themselves is not a solution

Elderly subsidized and Low income subsidized housing.

Ensuring first that the city has adequate resources to support affordable housing (e.g., police, fire, transportation, etc.

Essential contribution to housing crisis and homelessness

every new development show have 20% homes marked for low income (arch homes etc)

Everything. I love Kenmore and I see how it is turning into Kirkland and it scares me. I work 3 jobs and cannot afford an apartment in Kenmore. I want to rent a house because I want a yard but they are selling and being sold to developers and then up go million dollar properties I couldn't buy if I tripled my income.

Extremely low interest in an increase of affordable housing

Fair prices

Families have a place to live

Fewer unhoused families and individuals. Free or cheap housing is the only human response to the crisis we face every day.

Finding reasonable homes in good communities

For me affordable housing means more apartment complexes with a portion of units designated for low income citizens. I strongly oppose housing drug addicts for free and without requiring

Forget it!

Full stop NO.

Give the public support

Giving our younger folks a place to call home other than parents house

Good idea but placed correctly.

handicap accessible affordable apartments

Hard question/topic because even middle class isn't able to keep up with inflation and soaring home prices

Having housing that is affordable to those to work in the area specifically

Having the ability to live in suppose lower income housing and pats I Kenmore and minimizing property taxes

Help for the homeless

Helping home owners

Helping the middle or low middle class actually afford to pay rent or buy a house.

Helping the younger generations buy homes

High density housing

High density housing in limited areas

High income and housing options

Highest priority, this region is severely lacking

Highrise apartments - please don't do that!

Homeless moving into Kenmore

Homes that are affordable for seniors and those that don't make average salaries. Maybe there should a cap on rentals

Homes would be affordable
housing assistance for the elderly, disabled, veterans and those facing homelessness. NOT unsupervised housing for those who refuse treatment for drug and mental health issue:
Housing availability for those who work but are unable to maintain the cost of living in Kenmore.
Housing below market rate for families.
Housing costs that are equal to 30% of average income in the area
Housing for low income and homeless populations regardless of sobriety and making resources available to those struggling with addiction and mental illness
Housing for low income families
Housing for people who are low income, disabled, or unable to work
Housing for those Kenmore citizens that are barely about to stay afloat. Those that aren't making a living wage despite their efforts
Housing only gets more expensive when government gets more involved. Please stay out
Housing subsidies
Housing that costs less than the average cost of housing in Kenmore
Housing that is more accessible for middle income families
Housing that is not too expensive
Housing that is reasonably accessible for people that are out of high school and who do not work for a tech company
Housing that working families can afford.
Housing units that meet the needs to medium to low income people. Too often we cater to the lowest income population, forgetting about the middle income that make barely enough to
Housing where a single income family can afford to live. A place where families currently in Mary's Place can transition to and stay in the Kenmore community
I am ashamed of the town's actions regarding Plymouth House. It should have been built.
I do not agree with affordable housing in Kenmore
I don't think it's an issue
I don't honestly think about it that much. I don't have a good enough answer for you
I don't think anyone can afford a home
I have no idea
I hope that it doesn't mean more building of high rise condos
I live in one of the only affordable apartments in Kenmore, because our landlord tries incredibly hard to keep it that way. I love feeling safe in this neighborhood but I know I'm one of the
very few renters who can have my cake and eat it too. Any other apartment at my rental rate would be in a very unsafe part of the region unfortunately.
I rent in Kenmore because I can't afford to buy, even though we make \$130,000 per year. We want to stay. Affordable housing means smaller homes and condos priced between \$400
I think a certain level of affordable housing is fine.
I think affordable housing in Kenmore is necessary & valuable. That means we end the illusion that we can avoid social problems by welcoming only expensive single-family homes and those
I think it is a good idea for elderly, disabled, veteran etc. provided it is a clean facility with no drug or alcohol addiction. Our small town cannot support something like that
I think it's fine the way it is.
I think of housing for people that are not able to make a living wage as employees in Kenmore
I think people need to be able to find a place to live. Affordable housing can help with that

I think the biggest issue is the pats going into affordable housing, is expensive. Building housing that's focused on affordability, don't build them super luxury. To make them affordable...

I would like to see Kenmore develop a plan to incorporate more DADU housing and development of more 1 & 2 bedroom, modest, affordable apartments and/or condo

I would say something that is affordable by people who work an average job and being a place that is nice and want to live in for the amount being charged

I would say within the current basically apartment buildings I agree with affordable housing but I believe there are more services that is needec

I'm not really sure.

I'm very ashamed of the "NIMBY" attitude in Kenmore

I've been part of the community working toward low income and now affordable housing. My experience at our church is that building costs are so high that need free or 20cents on the

Idealism

If you are talking about transitional housing and low income housing, then "no"

I'm having to leave Kenmore because property taxes.

Improving the real estate market

Inclusion to families

income restricted housing for low to middle income residents

Income to expense ration per month, money spent on housing

Increasing density and public transit

It currently means trailer homes and outdated apartments. Affordable housing in Kenmore is close to nonexistent

It depends but if talking about renting you should build more up and not out. Cost overall needs to come dowr

It feels like you're trying to case us out and replace us with "more desirable" citizens with more money. Especially the trailer parks and apartment renters

It is a recognized issue.

It is absolutely imperative that the city prioritize maintaining affordable housing that exists in Kenmore, including mobile homes. Maintaining affordable housing for seniors and disabled should be especially prioritized. The city should also let lobby the Legislature to prioritize a more progressive system rather than relying on property taxes. The city needs to de—incentivize changing land use from housing so that we don't lose anymore of the housing we currently have. Provide seniors with the security of knowing that they affordable homes (mobile homes

It means allowing all individuals the opportunity to live in Kenmore

It means allowing developers to build with some lower cost units. It does not mean housing drug addicted people who are not residents of Kenmore. Any effort by the county or state to force Kenmore to provide housing that is not fully funded including operation and maintenance should not be carried out by Kenmore.

It means help from the government

It means housing that is within the reach of people who make less than 70,000 a year I cant even afford a condo in Kenmore

It means housing that local residents and families, elderly and those law abiding citizens can afford despite liwer income opportunities for them. It does not mean turn our tax money over to private companies to help king co cover up its errors and hide shuttle their homeless and addicts and mentally ill criminals onto us rather than helping them as they should

It means keeping single houses the priority and not increasing taxes. If you need to build more apartments, build them. But allowing more section 8 housing only increases crime. I lost my life belongings when section 8 housing couple were placed in the apartment below mine and they smoked meth. No one paid for the tens of thousands of dollars in furniture and possessions

It means our mayor serves his private interests. It's a joke, if our councils solution is so solid why does homelessness continue to rapidly grow? Maybe it's because bureaucrats raise minimum wages? Continue to Tax us higher and higher? Create stupid ego projects that cost millions to boost their ego?

It means providing housing for people that cant currently afford to live in Kenmore

It means that anyone who works full-time making \$20 an hour should be able to afford a simple one-bedroom apartment. Stop with the faux-luxury apartments with a zillion add-on required fees. We don't have a housing shortage; we have a shortage of reasonably priced options. My landlord has increased my already expensive rent every year I've lived here, so perhaps I won't

It means that my neighbors are fighting a lot about it. I think it's needed. People need a place to live

It means the gov getting involved

It means to me building housing at a lower quality which would therefore be more affordable but less desirable

It means we need more of it

It means worse traffic and less parking

It should be banned

It used to mean housing that was less desirable in some way (smaller or further away from the city) and thus affordable. Sadly, the term "Affordable Housing" has become a dog whistle. To supporters, its a fantasy that below market rate housing will stay that way in a free market economy where housing is difficult to find for even 120%+ ami households. To those who oppose

It will be important, there should be a share responsibility, like a complex of building some being low income (40%) and those people who are qualified and should be reasonable

It's a racket, affordable to government means tax payers pay for it. Building more smaller homes and townhomes that have a lower market price, and stopping private equity and investors

It's been very different; Plymouth housing without restrictions, suppose to be residents for seniors without drug use; needs elderly housing for low income that is against abusive drug use

Its too open of a question

Keeping apartments and mobile home parks, building more affordable apartments. Kenmore is naturally more affordable than the surrounding communities.

Kenmore has turned into apartment city. Open spaces have disappeared. Wildlife has been forced out. Very disappointing

Kenmore is already the low-priced area in surrounding townships.

Kenmore is not a good location for affordable housing.

Kenmore is. It set up for low income housing unless it's close to public transit. It needs to be close to busses for ppp with out cars to go to dr. And shop and wor

Kenmore makes it almost impossible to build housing. Streamline the short plating and permitting process to make it easy to build housing

Less homeless camps

Let the market dictate. The people rejected a low income housing opportunity very intentionally. Redmond is doing the same. Govt is not responsible for creating housing and controlling rent/prices. If anything, cut housing development costs by re evaluating critical area restrictions and all other laws/policies that constrain private development

Limit housing sizes (i.e. McMansions), and create affordable housing with RESIDENTS in mind, NOT developers.

Low and middle income apartments, condos, townhomes

Low income housing

Low income housing

Low income housing and transitional housing

Low income housing brings in crime

Low income housing that is included in developer plans mixed in with other housing, subsidized by and integrated into new development. It should not be subsidized by the city giving away city owned property without public vote. I don't consider it including no-barrier housing unless the infrastructure to support residents in sustainable way is subsidized by the developer.

Low income pats sec 8

Low income specific. Senior specific. Something beyond designated units in upcoming projects.

Low rental prices

- Low-cost housing
- Lower costs
- Lower property taxes
- Lower property value
- Lower rent
- Lower rent rates
- Lower rents..smaller spaces
- Lowering the value of our homes. This is the last place on the lake to develop... it sits equally between Seattle and Bellevue. It's a gem... please don't ruin it
- Making and/or having housing available for low-income residents maybe a 5-6 story buildings for low-income people
- Mary's place and helping veterans and the people with special needs, from my perspective someone that has worked at Plymouth housing I felt the Kenmore city council were duplicities what were originally told we could have and what we were presented were two different. There are other options but the no barrier brings dangerous people and drugs into the community
- Micro apartments. Shared kitchen space for 150-200 square feet units with own bathroom
- Middle income families have a better chance of getting housing
- More apartments
- More apartments are going to show up
- More apartments/condos
- More condos/townhouses
- More crime
- More diverse people can live here
- more high rises with no parking yet people still bring their cars
- More homes steadily being built over time
- more houses are needed.
- More housing , low income
- More multi-family homes and apartments
- More multifamily multi use properties that are actually affordable
- More single family homes in Kenmore area, because there is increase in apartments and there is no rent contro
- More single family homes or apartments
- More subsidized apartments for families
- More trailer courts or housing
- More trailer parks, junkies, and bad parking.
- Mtfe programs.
- N/A
- N/A
- N/a

- N/A
- Na
- Na
- na
- NA
- NA
- necessary
- Need for affordable housing is super important. Also, we need a state income tax to defray property taxes
- Needed as long as there are strict stipulation of drug use (I.e., involuntary treatment). Residents have to be clean of drugs to qualify
- NEIGHBOHOODS with housing that most people can afford.
- No opinion
- No tents
- No, we are not Seattle. If you can't afford it here go elsewhere.
- Not for it
- Not sure
- Not sure how to answer
- Not sure. It depends on the proposed plan
- Not too expensive
- Nothing
- Nothing
- Offering multiple price points so that people with different incomes have options within budget.
- Opportunities for rent or ownership that allow all of our service providers (retail workers) to live in-area. Income restrictions or multi-generational options seem necessary
- Oppose
- People can afford to live here
- People can find decent housing
- People should live where they can afford to live.
- People who don't make a whole lot of money can still afford to live here
- Plymouth Housing was a total bait and switch. When I have needed affordable housing, I moved to where I could afford. If CoK wants to upzone, make a deal with the trailers next to City
- Political hot potato
- Poor people
- Prices of houses have gone up in accordance with inflation. Figure it out
- Probably apartments, high density housing
- Protects homes
- Providing housing options affordable to the lower and middle class.

Providing places for people to live and start their lives.
Reasonable rents
Reasonably priced homes and apartments
Reasonably priced homes and apartments
Rent that fits for the budget
rents no more than \$1200/month
Rezoning to build more housing does not provide affordable housing. Building large groups of housing units together to keep costs down is a more realistic solution
Should be made available
Small ramblers for young families
Smaller homes, no more multi unit buildings.
Smaller houses, a form of middle housing that was previously discussed
Smaller residences. We must convince the ultra wealthy that the huge family home on a property is becoming a thing of the past
Smaller structures
Someone with low-income can find a place to live
Something affordable to someone on an entry level salary.
Something necessary
Sometimes it creeps into solving seattles homeless problem, which I do not support
Supporting Kenmore residence
That means people have been living in Kenmore for 50 years should be able to stay but taxes kick them out. Keep Kenmore people in. And take care of homeless
That my rent is only 25% of my income
That people who want to live here can afford to live here.
That people with all different incomes can afford to live in our neighborhood
That something idealistic I don't know I can't even answer we don't even know what that means or how to do that
That they screwed last one in the news not supporting another has poor management think there'd find good jobs
The ability for first time buyers to get into their first home and eventually become moveup buyers with the equity they have accumulated
The city is not even keeping up with the private houses that are used as junk yards. We have houses in the neighborhood that have 15 to 20 cars in their front yard. Get a handle on those
The housing that's affordable someone with the medium eastside income
The majority is able to afford housing
The opposite of the majority homes being built in Kenmore.
The owners of the mobile park are pricing homeowners out of our homes
The unhoused should be helped where there is more resources such as mental health, substance abuse and access to food/health programs. In the 4 years I've lived here, I think we have less
There is no affordable housing in Kenmore.
There isn't any and should be!
There isn't any affordable housing.

There’s not enough
They don't have to bring additional affordable housing into Kenmore
Too many people are willing to accept help rather than struggle. This systemic flaw in society will likely lead to our demise through a form of natural selection. It is ultimately impossible to
Townhouses with mixed use, so that we can still use sites for all residents - restaurants/cafes below, etc
Trailer park
Transients and low income housing
Transitional and low income housing
Trouble
Two adults working full time can afford a one bedroom apartment
Up to 50% median income with eligibility requirements, along with wrap around services
Usually apartments
Workforce housing and family housing.
Working wage
Xxx
Yes to affordable housing
Yes, there needs to be affordable housing in Kenmore. Right now there is a law in the city that states there is no rule on how much a landlord can increase rent. This needs to gc
You feel like they are saying they don't want there homes rent to be increased, rather than having more low income home!

Q16: Are there any other amenities or features you would want to see if the City were to develop the Lakepointe site to build a new public park?

Accessibility for wheelchairs

Accessible events for the elderly and disabled people

Accessible for elderly and disabled

AA Friendly

More outside activities for seniors

Places for older adults and disabled

Keeping it beautiful and no individual will profit from it. And people can enjoy it

make it more adult oriented, sophisticated, elegant, not trashy

My preference is to lean towards restoration so people can enjoy and learn more about natural beauty

Lots of waterfront benches and water walkways

Bicycle infrastructure beyond paint on the street, large bike staples for family bike friendly and cargo bike parking

Bike pump track. Very successful in Bellingham and Redmond. Would be a big draw for the north side

Bike racks

Connection to the biking trail

Some bike trails

A marina with boat access

Boat access

Boat launch

Marina with boat access

No. But if the City considers more docking for boats, then they also need to keep the slough channel clear of debris like big trees falling and block

The city should only purchase if the purchased property becomes something like Shilshole boat marina in Seattle. The Port of Seattle makes a lot

Soccer field

Baseball soccer field

Football field

I would reiterate sports fields

I would repeat sports fields

No. I think you covered it all, having an amphitheater is a great idea

Sports field

Volleyball

Volleyball courts

I am not sure

I do not know

Not sure our opinion even counts. This city council always does their own thing.

Unsure

Housing is important and needed

Low income housing

Low income housing and a bike trail

A ban on bicycles and homeless camping.

A total ban on dogs

Please make an off leash dog park so people stop having their dogs off leash at Swamp Creek!

POSTED: NO OVERNIGHT CAMPING

A boardwalk

A path or sidewalk connecting the park to the Burke Gilman trail.

bicycle path

Boardwalk along the water front for walking. Space for businesses and concessions

Improved intersection 522 and 68th getting into and out of lakepointe

More trails

Pedestrian/bike access from the downtown side of Kenmore via an overpass or tunnel.

Rework the Juanita/68th intersection to accommodate for extreme influx in traffic with a development. The intersection is already a nightmare.

Walk ability is key

Q16_Coded1	Q16_Coded2	Q16_Coded3	Q16_Coded4	Q16_Coded5
Accessibility features for the disabled/elderly				
Accessibility features for the disabled/elderly				
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Accessibility features for the disabled/elderly				
Accessibility features for the disabled/elderly				
Appearance mentions/Keep the site beautiful				
Appearance mentions/Keep the site beautiful				
Appearance mentions/Keep the site beautiful				
Benches	Improvement and fixin, Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals			
Bike amenities	Improvement and fixin, Parking area			
Bike amenities				
Bike amenities				
Bike amenities				
Boat launch/storage				
Boat launch/storage				
Boat launch/storage				
Boat launch/storage				
Boat launch/storage				
Boat launch/storage	Swimming beach/Lake access			
Boat launch/storage	Restaurants/Cafes/Bar: Shops			
Courts/Fields/Stadium/Arena for sports			Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	
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Courts/Fields/Stadium/Arena for sports				
Don't Know				
Don't Know				
Don't Know				
Don't Know				
Housing				
Housing				
Housing	Bike amenities			
Implementing of new rules				
Implementing of new rules				
Implementing of new rules				
Implementing of new rules				
Improvement and fixing of roads/paths/sidewalk/trails				
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Improvement and fixing of roads/paths/sidewalk/trails				
Improvement and fixing of roads/paths/sidewalk,Shops				
Improvement and fixing of roads/paths/sidewalk/trails				
Improvement and fixing of roads/paths/sidewalk/trails				
Improvement and fixing of roads/paths/sidewalk,Bike amenities				
Improvement and fixing of roads/paths/sidewalk,Improving traffic mentions/Mitigating traffic				
Improvement and fixing of roads/paths/sidewalk/trails				

XI. B. I have been thinking about how we must consider alternative funding. Property taxes are being used extensively at great peril to homeowners.	Other	
A pollinator pathway and garden areas that are focused on educating visitors on sustainable and yet still beautiful spaces	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	Improvement and fixing of roads/paths/sidewalk/trails
An abundance of indigenous plants & trees, with an emphasis on re-wilding & a naturalistic garden as a part of the design.	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	
Benches for relaxing and taking in the views, shade trees, clean, well maintained bathrooms, potable water stations and as much of the development as possible	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	More and improved basic amenities
Community garden	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	Accessibility features for Benches
Community garden and composting	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	
Composting community gardens education	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	
Conservatory	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	
Eatable gardens and trees, community garden area.	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	
Habitat restoration/preservation is #1. Educational signage would be lovely.	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	
I would like to not see the mixed use development, restore the habitat	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	
I'd like the board to research alternatives to grass, as that is high maintenance and not environmentally conscious. Open areas for picnics and other uses	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	Courts/Fields/Stadium/ Other Shops
Increase wildlife habitat.	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	
Keep it as natural as possible while allowing the public to respectfully enjoy wildlife	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	
Kennelmore can do a lot more with the existing lands and parks that exist as opposed to developing new land. Largest concern is that newly developed areas will be paved over	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	
Lots of trees or plants to act as an air barrier between street/ car air pollution	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	
More trees less people	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	
Native plants, habitat for birds	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	
Natural habitat for birds, fish, and native marsh.	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	
No mixed-use development. Public park ONLY.	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	
Raised bed Pea Patch for all the people who live in dense housing with no yard.	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	
Restored habitat for animals	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	
Shaded areas with an emphasis on nature restoration	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	
Some of the area along the river and lakeshore just left alone. Natural	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	
The developers making millions of building and selling residential properties should pay for the parks, roads and maintenance.	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	
Use of native plant materials with informational signage	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals	
Ample parking, nature walking trails, restaurants - making it a nice place where you can spend the day	Parking area	Improvement and fixin, Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops
Any plan must include parking. 175th street becomes a problem for residents in the summer months.	Parking area	
Parking	Parking area	
parking for retail	Parking area	
Parking structure to support the amount of visitors to that area	Parking area	
Paths to get there or parking	Parking area	Improvement and fixing of roads/paths/sidewalk/trails
Sufficient parking	Parking area	
Better play areas for children	Playground/kids area	
Park with swing set (including baby swing)	Playground/kids area	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals
Public use park, kids area and parking.	Playground/kids area	Park/Garden/Nature/Habitat for animals
Art wall	Public art	
Public art	Public art	
Light rail station	Public transportation services	
Transportation options and traffic mitigation for the development and new cars	Public transportation services	Improving traffic mentions/Mitigating traffic
A combination of public and private involvement seems critical. The need to include dining and some degree of entertainment facilities would be important	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	
A good local coffee shop	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	
A good restaurant with outdoor seating.	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	
A nice water front bistro with deck seating	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	
Adjacent restaurants! So that we can truly be a CITY with a beautiful and useful waterfront.	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	Appearance mentions/ Swimming beach/Lake access
Bars	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	
Better dining areas	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	
Cafe/dining locations are one of the most important additions for Lakepointe. Kennelmore lacks these amenities in general. Everything should be considered	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	Parking area
Cafes and restaurants	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	
Dining facilities	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	
Good restaurants	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	

I would love it if, it was set up in such a way to encourage ways for food. Like food trucks, or something. Something not too high end	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	
Kenmore needs more restaurants!!	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	
Non fast food restaurant options, activities to keep our youth and adults active. Implementation of traffic and parking improvement is key to this	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	
Perhaps a place for food trucks....	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	
Restaurants	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	
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Restaurants	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	
Restaurants	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	
Restaurants and shops	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	Shops
Restaurants and shops to generate income for the city	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	Shops
Restaurants and small businesses	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	Shops
Restaurants in bars restaurants in bars like a eating bar district more places to eat in drink	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops
Restaurants shops and a boardwalk	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	Shops
Restaurants, skybridges over Bothell way.	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	Improvement and fixing of roads/paths/sidewalk/trails
Seafood restaurants	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	Improvement and fixing of roads/paths/sidewalk/trails
Several new restaurants we have zero that are good anyway	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	
Small food shops	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	
would love some restaurants and coffee shops	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops	
Corner shop	Shops	
In 1998 Kenmore incorporated and invisioned a commercial/residential area with walking paths, restaurants and other ammenities. 26 years later	Shops	Improvement and fixin, Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops
More retail shops	Shops	
More retail stores and restaurants	Shops	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops
Retail shops	Shops	
Retail shops and seating areas	Shops	
Retail stores	Shops	
retail, such as groceries, cafes, coffee shops, etc	Shops	Restaurants/Cafes/Bars/Food shops
Tourist shops	Shops	
Would like most of it developed by private developer. With condos, retail etc	Shops	
Beach area	Swimming beach/Lake access	
A beach , swimming area.	Swimming beach/Lake access	
beach area	Swimming beach/Lake access	
Beach area if possible	Swimming beach/Lake access	
Beach-like access to the Lake, similar to Log Boom Park, to allow for swimming access to the lake	Swimming beach/Lake access	
I don't know if the water is still swimmable and if they still have a lifeguard.	Swimming beach/Lake access	
Sandy beach waterfront	Swimming beach/Lake access	
Small, safe, swimming area (maybe I missed that)	Swimming beach/Lake access	
Swim area	Swimming beach/Lake access	
Swimming area	Swimming beach/Lake access	
A pool	Swimming pool area	
A public pool	Swimming pool area	
A swimming platform, dock or boardwalk to jump/dive off of, walk along, or over, the water.	Swimming pool area	Improvement and fixing of roads/paths/sidewalk/trails
A SWIMMING POOL	Swimming pool area	
Pool	Swimming pool area	
Pool	Swimming pool area	
Pool with a lifeguard	Swimming pool area	
Swimming pool	Swimming pool area	
Swimming pool and nature trails	Swimming pool area	Park/Garden/Nature/HImprovement and fixing of roads/paths/sidewalk/trails



City Council Agenda Bill City of Kenmore, WA

Subject/Topic: Ballot Measure Options and Funding Strategies to Address Operational Funding Needs

Proposed Council Action/Motion:

City Council discussion of ballot measure options and funding strategies

For Council Meeting Agenda of: 5/6/24

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Attachments/Exhibits:

None

Summary: At the 5/6/24 City Council meeting, the City Council will discuss potential ballot measures and other funding mechanisms that could meet the needs and desires for public safety, human services, and parks. The agenda bill starts with information giving the context and reasons why funding is needed for each topic area. In addition, each topic area includes findings from community engagement efforts over the last year (Love Where You Live, Financial Sustainability Plan Task Force recommendations and the human services needs assessment).

Financial Sustainability Plan Task Force (FSPTF) Ballot Measure Recommendations

The FSPTF recommends three potential ballot measures:

1. **2024:** Formation of a Metropolitan Park District (MPD) going to the voters this year in 2024 with a two-phase property tax increase—a relatively small (approx. 5-cents) levy that would take effect in 2026 and second, higher levy that would be implemented later (no sooner than 2027) if all the elements for a park proposal on Lakepointe came together.
2. **2027:** A public safety property tax levy lid lift approved by voters in 2027 and taking effect in 2028.
3. **2028:** A 0.1% public safety sales tax approved by voters in 2027 or later.

What's Next: The Proposed Process Moving Forward

At the 5/6/24 City Council meeting, the City Council will discuss potential ballot measure options and funding strategies that could meet the needs and desires for public safety, human services and parks. The council may give direction to proceed with the 2024 ballot option recommended by the FSPTF. The 5/20/24 City Council meeting is an additional opportunity for Council discussion and direction. Therefore, the proposed timeline and next steps would be as follows:

- May 6 City Council Meeting: Discuss ballot measure options (including no ballot measure 2024).

- Weeks of May 6 and May 13: Communicate to the public the options, including a recommended ballot measure option and solicit public input.
- May 20 City Council Meeting: Further discuss ballot measure options and provide direction on which option the City Council prefers.
- Weeks of May 20, May 27, and June 3: Continue to hear from the public.
- June 10 or June 17 City Council Meeting: Adopt a resolution placing a ballot measure(s) on the November General Election ballot. (or no resolution if the City Council chooses no ballot measure at this time)

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends following the FSP Task Force recommendation of placing a Metropolitan Park District on the ballot in 2024 to help offset some parks and recreation costs; but only doing so if there is a united and strong majority city council support. If there is not strong Council support for formation of the Metropolitan Park District in 2024, then staff would not recommend a 2024 ballot measure. The one-time fund balance in 2025-2026 may be sufficient to temporarily sustain the ongoing operating costs in the General Fund and Street Funds, so a ballot measure in 2025 or later is an option for the city council to consider. The use of one-time special project funds (indirectly made possible by ARPA funds) in 2025 and 2026 could potentially be used to fund a human services navigator through contracting with a trusted non-profit organization to help meet community human services needs.

Parks

Why is Funding Needed for Existing Parks or a Potential New Park/Shoreline Restoration on the Lakepointe Property?

- **Funding Ongoing Parks and Facilities Maintenance Costs:** Public works, parks, and facilities are the second highest line item in the General Fund. As park facilities are added such as improvements at the newly renovated Log Boom and Łaŋwadis Parks maintenance costs increase. As facilities in parks age, replacement costs also need to be considered. As shown in the financial forecast, operational revenues are not keeping pace with the rising costs of operations.
- **Funding New Park Facilities such as Acquisition and Development of a New Park, Shoreline Restoration and Public Access Project on the Lakepointe Property:** Both the property acquisition and the park development would require new financial resources above and beyond what we currently have as a City. While we believe Lakepointe is a strong contender for many grants, those grants will not provide all the necessary funding and we will need additional financial resources from the community to pull it off. Those resources will most likely need to come in the form of a voter approved ballot measure.

What are the Results from Community Engagement and Recommendations from the Financial Sustainability Plan Task Force (FSPTF) for Existing Parks or a Potential New Park/Shoreline Restoration on the Lakepointe Property?

Love Where you Live Community Engagement:

Through our Love Where You Live (LWYL) community engagement initiative over the past year we learned:

- The community is seeking more opportunities for outdoor recreation and access to the water and would like to see more open space and multi-use facilities.

- Enthusiasm for a public park, shoreline habitat restoration and a mixed-use walkable urban development at the Lakepointe site is strong.
- Over half of survey respondents are willing to support the formation of a Metropolitan Parks District to fund Lakepointe and other recreation and parks maintenance through a new levy.

FSPTF Recommendations:

- The FSPTF recommends a 2024 ballot measure to form a Metropolitan Park District (MPD) and establish an initial levy of 5 cents that would go into effect in 2026. This would generate \$350,000 in revenues. The cost to a median assessed home would be \$41 per year or \$3.42 per month.
- The FSPTF also notes that an MPD could potentially be used to facilitate Lakepointe efforts for property acquisition for park and shoreline habitat/public access improvements.
- The FSPTF also recommends allocating \$500k in both the 2025 and 2026 budget to assist with site due diligence for the Lakepointe property. Conservatively, up to two years will be needed to complete Lakepointe site due diligence, site feasibility and develop conceptual plans for shoreline and park development.

Police and Public Safety:

Why is Funding Needed for Police and Public Safety?

- **Funding Ongoing Increased Public Safety Costs:** In the last several years, we have seen an unprecedented rise in our public safety costs. Police departments across the country have been hit with much higher liability and insurance costs, and they have also had to pay much more to attract and retain police officers. Kenmore is no exception, and in the last two years (from 2021 to 2023), we saw a 30 percent increase in the cost of our public safety services, while the property tax revenue that supports the police department has only gone up 5.8 percent over that same two-year period.
- **Funding to Continue Participation in the Regional Crisis Response (RCR) Program:** We have seen positive, meaningful outcomes from our participation in the Regional Crisis Response (RCR) program, where mental health professionals co-respond with police officers to provide more tools and a different approach than the traditional law enforcement response. So far, RCR has been partially funded with a grant from the County and one-time dollars from the City's reserves. Given its success and need to continue, RCR needs to be funded with ongoing, predictable dollars, with the ability to grow from just daytime time availability of co-responders to 24/7 coverage.
- **Funding to Continue Participation for the Community Court Program:** We have also been pleased with the City's newly added participation with the King County District Court's community court program that provides alternatives to the standard penalties and provides a more holistic approach and access to services. While the City's contribution to this program has been relatively small (\$10,000 annually), a more dedicated and ongoing funding source is needed for this new program.

What are the Results from Community Engagement and Recommendations from the Financial Sustainability Plan Task Force (FSPTF) for Police and Public Safety?

Love Where You Live Community Engagement:

- Through our Love Where You Live community engagement initiative over the past year we learned from the statistically valid survey in December that “maintaining public safety and combatting crime” decisively received the highest priority ranking compared to other city services.

FSPTF Recommendations:

- The Financial Sustainability Plan Task Force (FSPTF) concluded that rising public safety costs need to be addressed in the form of a property tax levy lid lift. The FSPTF considered this levy lid lift in tiers; this first tier (\$0.08 per \$1,000 of assessed value) was ranked higher by the members of the FSPTF than the second tier (an additional \$0.08 per \$1,000 of assessed value). An 8-cent levy would raise \$560,000. The FSPTF was planning on these strategies being implemented together on a ballot measure. The FSP task force’s recommended timeline shows a public safety levy lid lift ballot measure in 2027 with funds available in 2028.

Additional Funding Option:

- Funding for the RCR Program and Community Court (\$310,000) could be included in a Police and Public Safety Ballot measure.

Human Services (Community Services)

Why is funding needed for Human Services and Community Services?

- **Funding a Community Resource Service Navigator Position to Coordinate Community Access to Existing Housing and Human Services:** The Kenmore City Council approved a plan 2/13/23 to address growing housing and human services needs including hiring a Housing and Human Services Manager to develop community partnerships, connect the Kenmore community to services, and conduct a Human Services Needs Assessment. The results of the Human Services Needs Assessment were presented to the City Council 3/25/24. A Resource Service Navigator was identified as one of the top funding priorities to address these issues.

Human Services are the delivery of social services and behavioral health services aimed at addressing the safety, wellbeing and self-sufficiency of residents across the lifespan, often with specific focus on the needs of vulnerable populations. These programs improve overall quality of life through prevention, intervention, treatment and recovery services. The City of Kenmore serves as a planner, facilitator, and funder for these support systems that help connect people with resources and solutions during times of need. This includes collaboration with agencies providing support and services for: children and families, seniors, income supports, transportation, aging and disability, housing, food security, homelessness, physical and behavioral health, and positive youth development.

- **Funding a Tax Rebate Program to Help Lower-Income Residents:** In addition, our state’s regressive tax system is no help to our lower income residents. Their pocketbooks are hit much harder than our middle- and higher-income residents. To address this disparity, and similar to some cities in the area, we see a need for a tax rebate program to help alleviate the tax burden caused by the more regressive local taxes such as utility tax. On a typical single-family home in

Kenmore, utility taxes paid to the City are in the neighborhood of about \$200 per year, depending on what energy sources are used by appliances and other factors. From our ARPA direct cash assistance program a couple of years ago, we found there are just under 1,000 households in Kenmore at 50% or below area median income that could benefit from an annual utility tax rebate of \$200.

What are the Results from the Human Services Needs Assessment and Recommendations from the Financial Sustainability Plan Task Force Task Force (FSPTF) for Community Services?

Human Services Needs Assessment Results:

- Survey respondents were not aware of available community services or how to access needed services or experienced barriers to access services. A Community Resource Service Navigator was identified as one of the top funding priorities to address these issues. Funding would support contracting for a Resource Service Navigator through a trusted non-profit organization.

FSPTF Recommendations:

- The FSPTF recommended funding a human services case worker/navigator position in 2026 with the estimated cost of this program (\$225,000) offset by grants or other funding sources. The FSPTF also noted funding and implementation would be councilmanic.
- The FSPTF recommended a utility tax rebate program starting in 2027 to provide relief for qualified residents (estimated 1000 people) for \$200 annually (\$200,000). The funding and implementation would be councilmanic. The use of special project (formerly ARPA) funds in 2025 and 2026 is recommended to fund this strategy including funding a 0.5 employee or contracting for services.

Additional Funding Option:

- A utility tax rebate program and/or a Resource Service Human Navigator (total \$445,000) could also be funded through a six-year levy lid lift either as a separate ballot measure or combined with a Police and Public Safety ballot measure.

FSPTF 2024 Ballot Measure Option: Following is a summary of the 2024 ballot measure option recommended by the FSP task force. The City of Kenmore total assessed value for 2024 is \$6,977,055,978. The median assessed value for a home in Kenmore is \$821,000.

1. **Formation of a Metropolitan Park District (MPD) In 2024 With a Two-Phase Property Tax Rate Increase:** The MPD is approved by voters in 2024. In 2025 the MPD Board sets an initial levy rate (Phase 1) of approximately 5-cents which goes into effect in 2026. The MPD Board could set an additional levy in 2026 (Phase 2) that goes into effect in 2027 or later, depending on Lakepointe park readiness.
 - A. **Phase 1 Establishes a Relatively Small Property Tax Levy:** The FSPTF recommends an initial 5-cent (approximate) property tax rate starting in 2026 that would help offset some of the maintenance costs of our newly renovated Log Boom and *ŁaŃw*adis Parks and the levy could also potentially help fund small park capital improvement projects. The cost to a median assessed home would be approximately \$41 per year or \$3.42 per month.

2026 Proposed Uses – Total \$348,853

Offset park maintenance costs and/or small park capital improvement projects \$348,853

- B. **Phase 2 Establishes an Additional levy:** Upon completion of Lakepointe site due diligence and a park plan (estimated in 2026), a second property tax increase could be established in 2026, effective in 2027 (or later) to help fund the acquisition, shoreline restoration, and park development at Lakepointe. If the City were to decide not to acquire a portion of Lakepointe, this second tax increase would not go into effect. As an example, using a 27-cent levy rate, the cost to a median assessed home would be approximately \$222 per year or \$18.47 a month. In 2027 assume the combined Phase 1 and Phase 2 rate is 32-cents. The cost to a median assessed home would be \$263 per year or \$21.89 per month.

2027 Proposed Uses - Total \$2,232,658

Help fund Lakepointe Property Acquisition: \$1,883,805

Offset park maintenance costs and/or small park capital improvement projects \$348,853

Other Potential Ballot Measure Options: At the 4/26/24-4/27/24 retreat, the City Council also discussed other potential ballot measures. For additional information refer to the retreat agenda item “The Fiscal Landscape” and discussion of potential ballot items under the “Lakepointe” item. Link to retreat agenda [Kenmore - Document Center \(civicweb.net\)](#)

Potential other ballot measures options could include the following:

- Funding related to police & public safety including the Regional Crisis Response (RCR) Program, and/or Community Court Program
- Human Services Funding

Fiscal Consideration: Staff time plus costs to place a measure on the ballot and legal counsel.

In December 2021 staff researched costs for placing a ballot measure. Numbers in parenthesis are adding a cumulative inflation rate of 15.3% (2021-2024).

- General Election, odd-numbered years: \$0
- General Election, even-numbered years: \$35,591 to \$43,500 (\$41,037-\$50,155)
- Spring Election, any year: \$35,591 to \$39,545 (\$41,036-\$45,595)

Legal Counsel: approximately \$10,000

City Council Priority or Budget Objective Being Addressed: Implement recommendations from the Financial Sustainability Plan.

CITY OF KENMORE

Ballot Measure Options and Funding Strategies to Address Operational Funding Needs

May 6, 2024



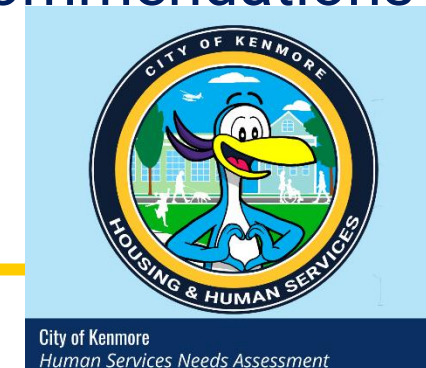
Funding Strategies Background

Financial Sustainability

- Due to the State's 1% limitation on property tax growth, larger than anticipated increases in public safety costs and other factors, the City of Kenmore faces an upcoming structural deficit in its operating budget and is revising the Financial Sustainability Plan that was adopted in 2020 and planning for Kenmore's financial future.

Identifying funding needs:

- Financial Sustainability Plan Task Force (FSPTF) Recommendations
- Love Where You Live community engagement
- Human Services Needs Assessment



Funding Needs Identified

Parks

- Ongoing parks and facilities maintenance costs.
- New park facilities such as acquisition and development of a new park, shoreline restoration and public access on the Lakepointe Property.



Engagement Support:

- Strong support from The Love Where You Live Project results for outdoor recreation opportunities, access to the water, multi-use spaces, and some kind of public development at Lakepointe.
- 54% of statistically valid survey respondents were supportive of the formation of a Metropolitan Parks District.

Funding Needs Identified

Police & Public Safety

- Ongoing, increased public safety costs.
- Continue participation in the Regional Crisis Response Program (RCR).
- Continue participation in the Community Court program.



Engagement Support:

- In the 2023 statistically valid survey, “maintaining public safety and combatting crime” decisively received the highest priority ranking compared to other city services.

Funding Needs Identified

Human Services (Community Services)

- Funding a Community Resource Service Navigator to coordinate community access to existing housing and human services.
- Expanded community services, such as utility bill assistance help lower-income residents.



Engagement Support:

- Human Services Needs Assessment survey respondents were not aware of available community services or how to access needed services.
- In the assessment, a Community Resource Service Navigator was identified as one of the top funding priorities to address these issues.

Financial Sustainability Plan Task Force

Ballot Measure Recommendations

The FSPTF recommends three potential ballot measures:

- **2024:** Formation of a Metropolitan Park District (MPD)
 - A two-phase property tax increase—a relatively small (approx. 5-cents) levy that would take effect in 2026 and second, higher levy that would be implemented later (no sooner than 2027) if key elements for a park proposal on Lakepointe came together.
- **2027:** A public safety property tax levy lid lift approved by voters in 2027 and taking effect in 2028.
- **2028:** A 0.1% public safety sales tax approved by voters in 2027 or later.



Financial Sustainability Plan Task Force

Ballot Measure Recommendations Timeline

Timeline of Financial Sustainability Plan Task Force Ballot Measure Recommendations						
2024		2025		2026	2027	2028
		• Lakepointe Due Diligence/Testing /DOE Approval		June		
		• Lakepointe Park Conceptual Plan		June		
		• Lakepointe Developer for the Walkable Urban Village				
		• Apply for Lakepointe Grants				
FSP Task Force Recs.	November 2024 ballot measure to form Metro Parks District (5 cent levy) 			• 1st tax (5 cents) goes into effect for parks M & O • MPD Board (i.e. City Council) or voters approve 2nd property tax levy for Lakepointe  • Board issues bonds to purchase the property • City (MPD) purchases the property	• 2nd property tax levy for Lakepointe goes into effect	
					• Public Safety levy lid lift (16 cent levy)  • Public Safety 0.1% sales tax ballot measure 	

Other Potential Funding Strategy Ballot Measures

- **Police & Public Safety and the Regional Crisis Response (RCR) Program
Levy Lid Lift**
- **Public Safety, Regional Crisis Response Program, and Human Services
Levy Lid Lift**



Staff Recommendation

2024 Ballot Measure

- Staff recommends following the FSP Task Force recommendation of placing a Metropolitan Park District on the ballot in 2024 to help offset some parks and recreation costs.
- Without a united and strong majority council support, the recommendation would be to not do a ballot measure this year.
 - Use one-time fund balance in 2025-2026 to temporarily sustain ongoing costs.
 - One-time special project funds could be used for human services needs.



What's Next?

Timeline of the Process Moving Forward



- **May 6 City Council Meeting:**
Discuss ballot measure options (including no ballot measure 2024).



- **Weeks of May 6 and May 13:**
Communicate to the public the options, including a recommended ballot measure option and solicit public input.



- **May 20 City Council Meeting:**
Further discussion of ballot measure options and provide direction on which option the City Council prefers.



- **Weeks of May 20, May 27, and June 3:**
Continue to hear from the public.



- **June 10 or June 17 City Council Meeting:**
Adopt a resolution placing a ballot measure(s) on the November General Election ballot. Or no resolution if the City Council chooses no ballot measure at this time.