



# St. Anthony Park Community Council 10-year Planning Community Forum



# Introductions: Who are we?



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(North of Energy Park)



South SAP  
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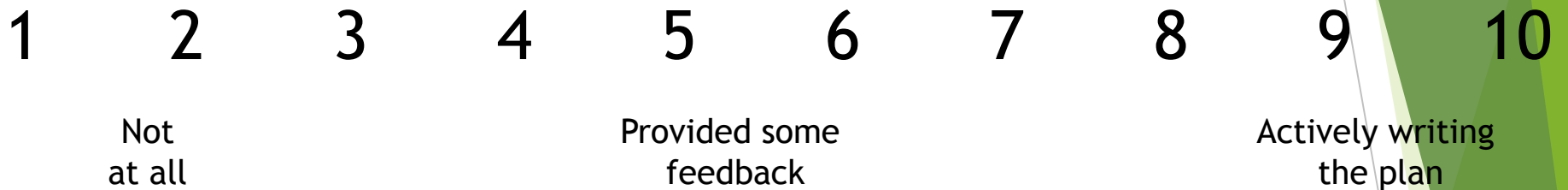


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# Introductions: Who are we?



On a scale of 1 - 10 how involved have you been in the drafting of the ten year plan so far?

# Introductions: Why are we here?



Provide Feedback About  
The 10-Year Plan



Learn More About  
The 10-Year Plan

# St. Anthony Park Community Council

A largely volunteer organization

Formed in 1976 as one of 17 neighborhood districts in Saint Paul to advise the City about community needs and desires

Comprised of:

- An elected and appointed, all-volunteer Board of Directors representing residents and for profit and nonprofit organizations
- Two paid staff members (at present)
- Four, all-volunteer standing committees:
  - Equity
  - Land Use
  - Transportation
  - Environment
- One volunteer subcommittee – Transition Town All St Anthony Park
- Occasional, all-volunteer Task Forces or special committees
- Umbrella for organizations including the SAP Community Garden.



TOPICS

- Aging
- Arts & Culture
- Children & Youth
- Civic Engagement
- Demographics
- Disparities
- Early Childhood
- Economy
- Education
- Environment
- Health
- Housing
- Immigration
- Public Safety
- Transportation
- Workforce

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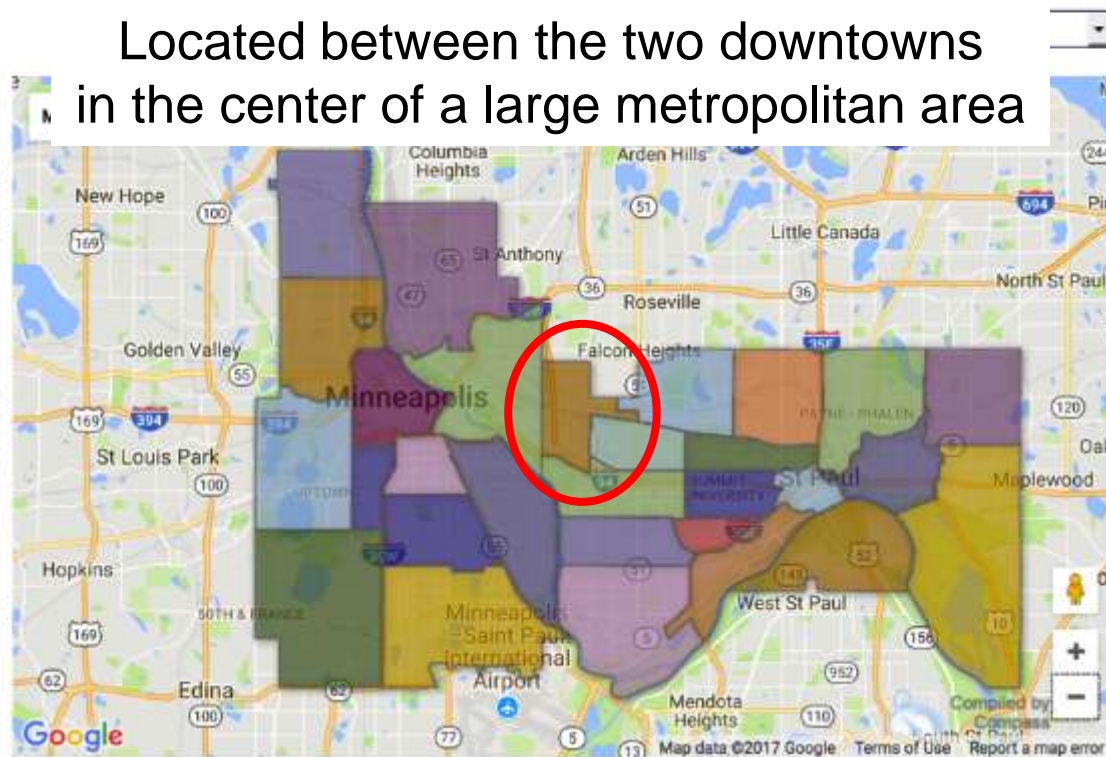
# PROFILES MINNEAPOLIS-SAINT PAUL NEIGHBORHOODS

Find at-a-glance trends and data by neighborhood, including population, housing, and employment.

Build a custom profile, with NEW COMPARISON FEATURE! View data profiles side by side.

- Click on a neighborhood area within the map for more details and for links to the profiles. In Minneapolis, profiles are also available by community – groupings of several neighborhoods (map).
- Choose from the map views drop-down to see additional maps with key data.
- Scroll down to view the list of neighborhoods by name.
- Download the neighborhood data file with margins of error.

Located between the two downtowns  
in the center of a large metropolitan area



Search all profiles



## STORY GALLERY



### Learn how people use the neighborhood profiles

Arts for youth, a fact sheet for policy-makers, and a bread oven: Find these and other stories about how data users are having an impact. Then share your own.

CHECK IT OUT >

## NEW



**Twin Cities region: new data, custom tool upgrade, and more**

All the great features of the

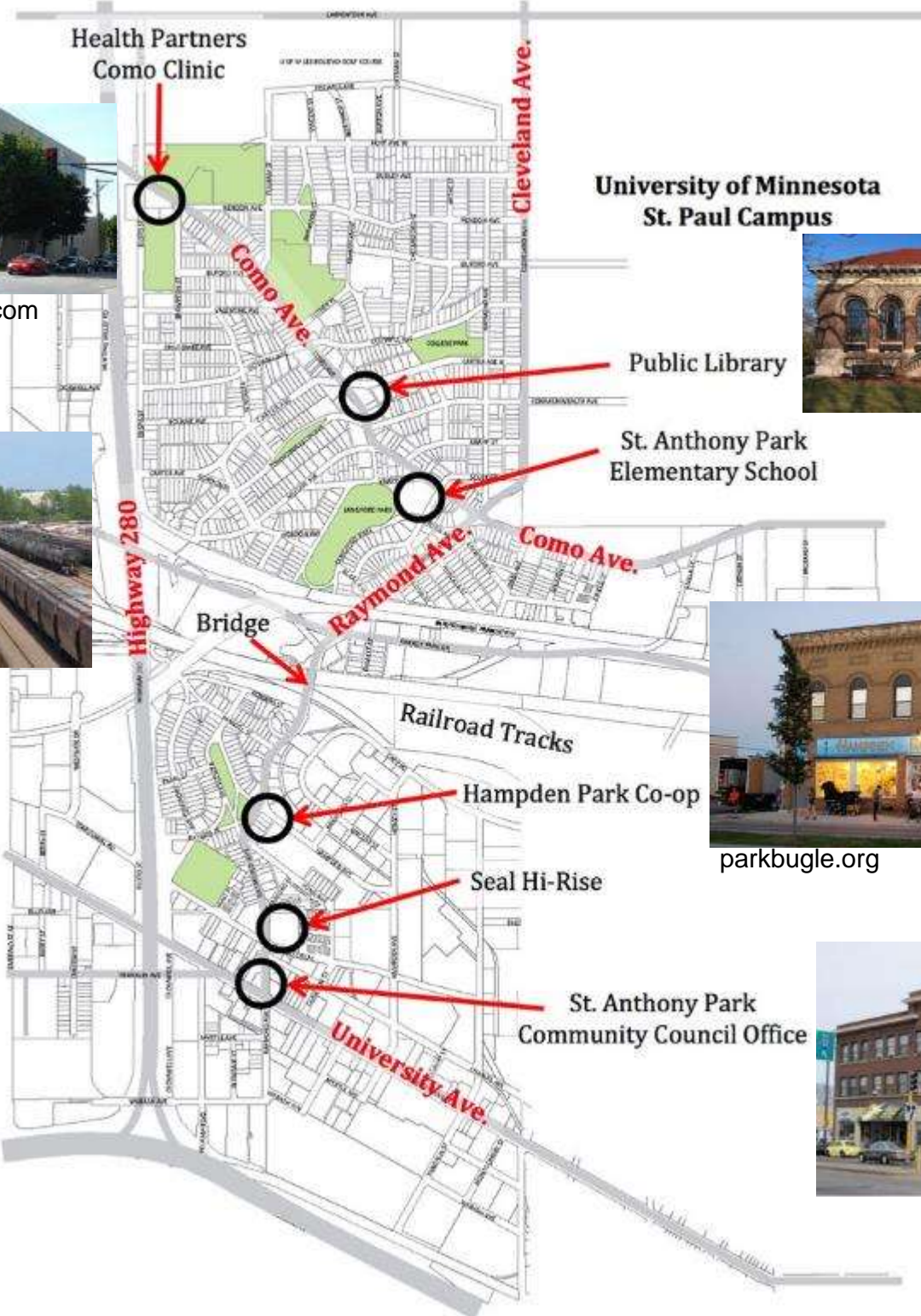
Source: 2011-2015 American Community Survey 5-year estimates, adjusted to fit current neighborhood boundaries using the 2010 Census counts. The 5-year estimates represent averages of data collected over that time period.



Health Partners  
Como Clinic



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University of Minnesota  
St. Paul Campus

sppl.org



Public Library

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St. Anthony Park  
Elementary School



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Bridge

Railroad Tracks

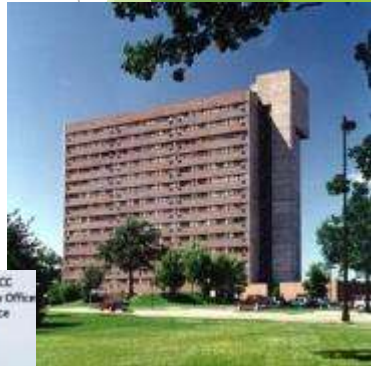
stpha.org

Hampden Park Co-op



parkbugle.org

Seal Hi-Rise



St. Anthony Park  
Community Council Office



sapcc.org



# Who are we?

## People of Color

### Recent immigrants and old timers



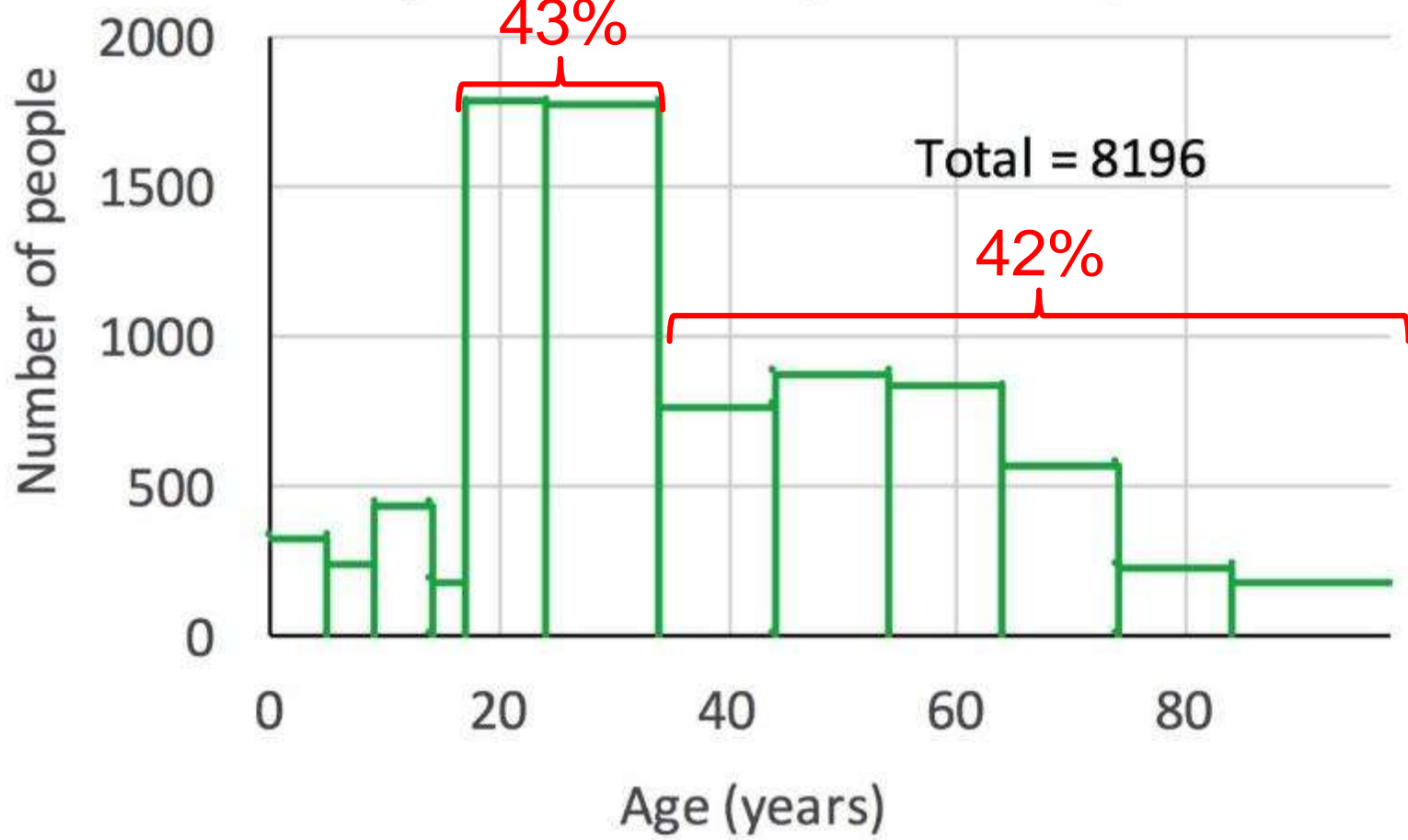
## Young folks

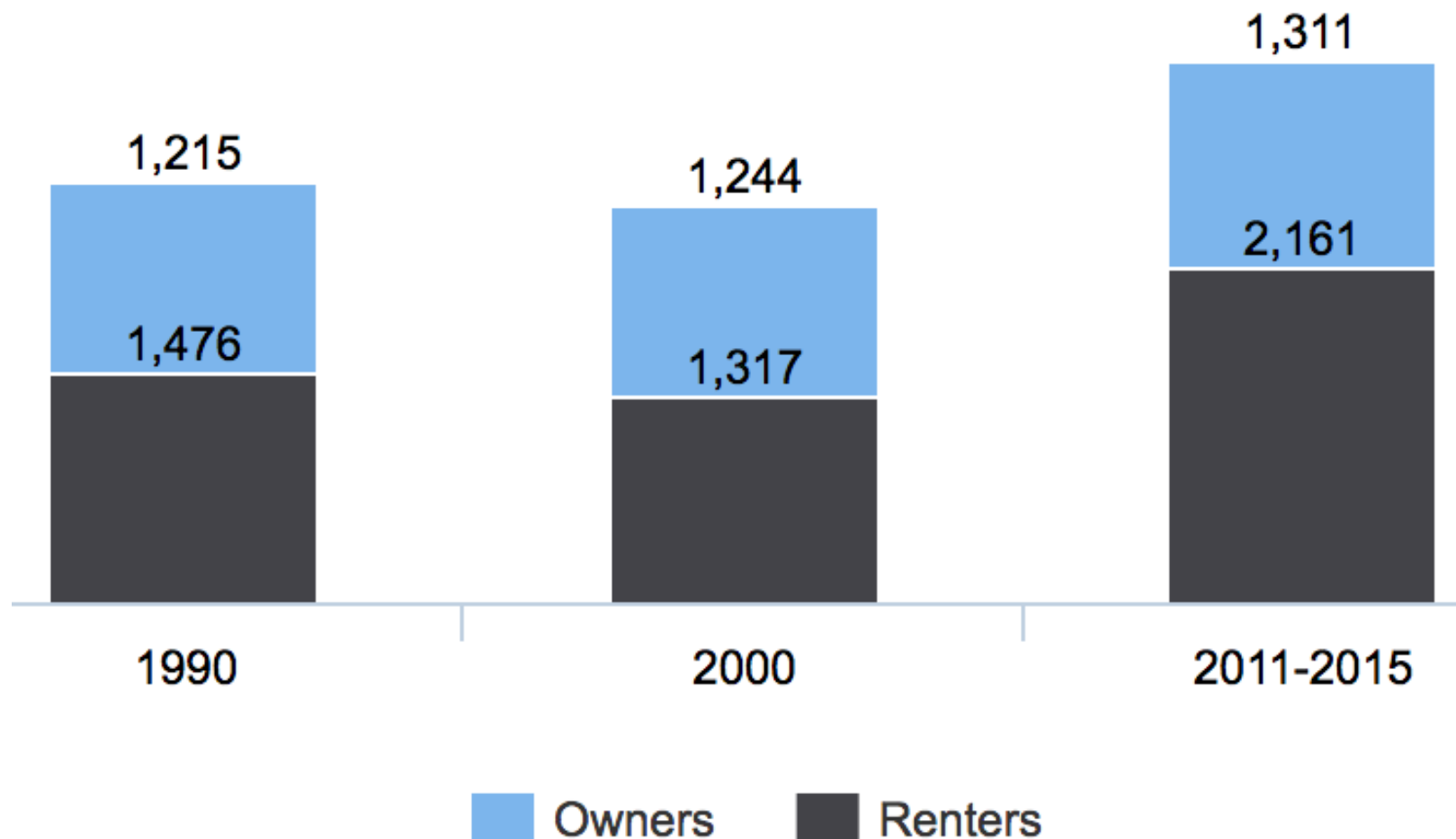


## Funny folks



# Age distribution (2011-2015)

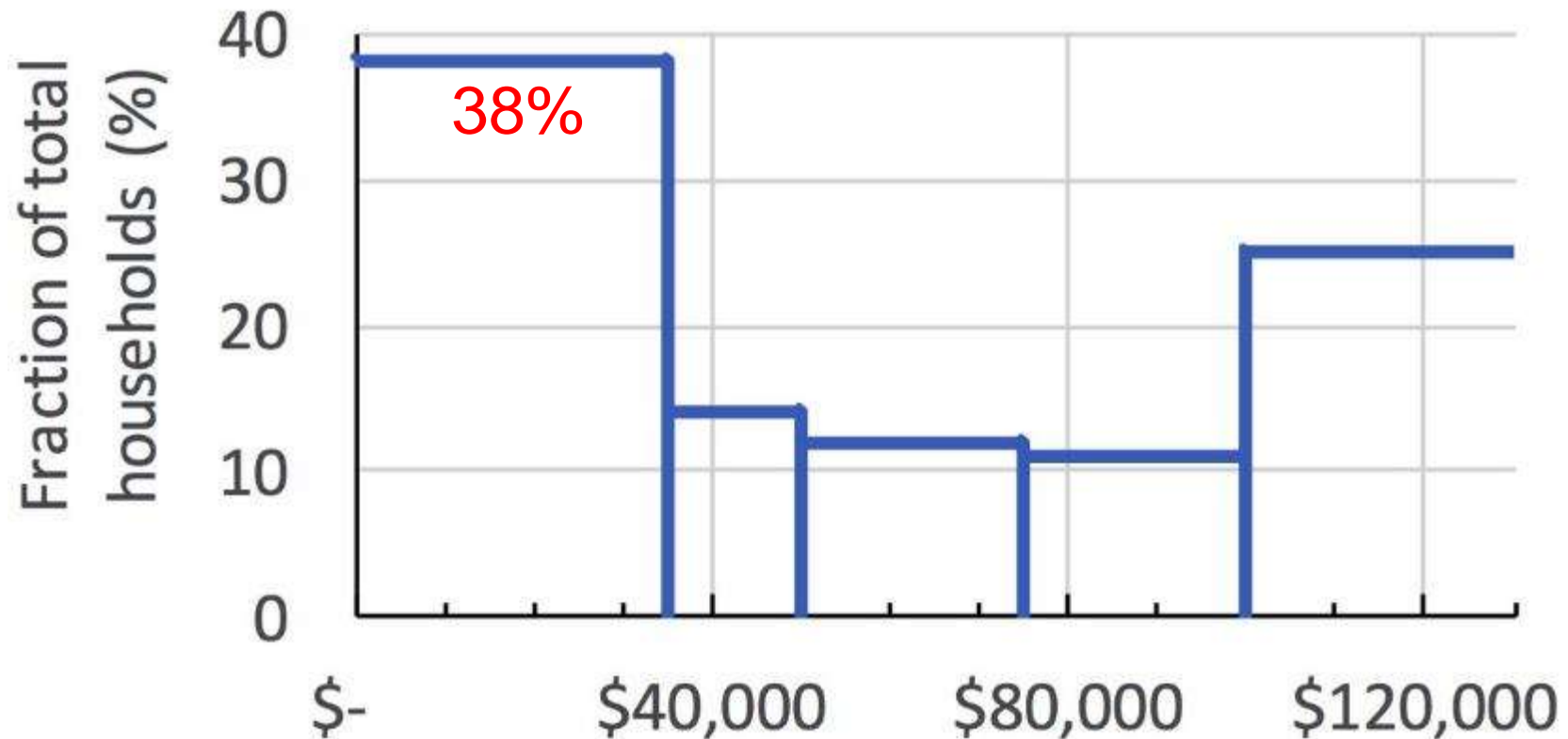




The number of rentals has increased 50% since the 2000 Census and is rising further with more housing along the Green Line



## Household income (2011-2015)



3486 total households

1593 with income below poverty level

650 with income up to 149% of poverty level



# Existing Land Use

(from 2005 Plan)



Mix of residential, small business centers, commercial corridors and large industrial areas

# The 10-Year Plan

Every decade, the City tasks its 17 neighborhoods to write a plan

Parts of the neighborhood plan are adopted into the City's Comprehensive Plan

**Guides the attention and action of the Community Council and the City**

The planning effort historically was supported by extra funding from the City but this time, only limited staff time and support are available

The St. Anthony Park Community Council received a generous \$5000 grant from the St. Anthony Park Community Foundation to support this work.

A temporary Steering Committee was formed and all parts of the Council are participating in collecting ideas, summarizing data, and drafting the plan.

In November 2017, feedback was collected during two Community Forums.

Additional meetings will be held in late Winter to discuss the full plan before submission to the City in April 2018

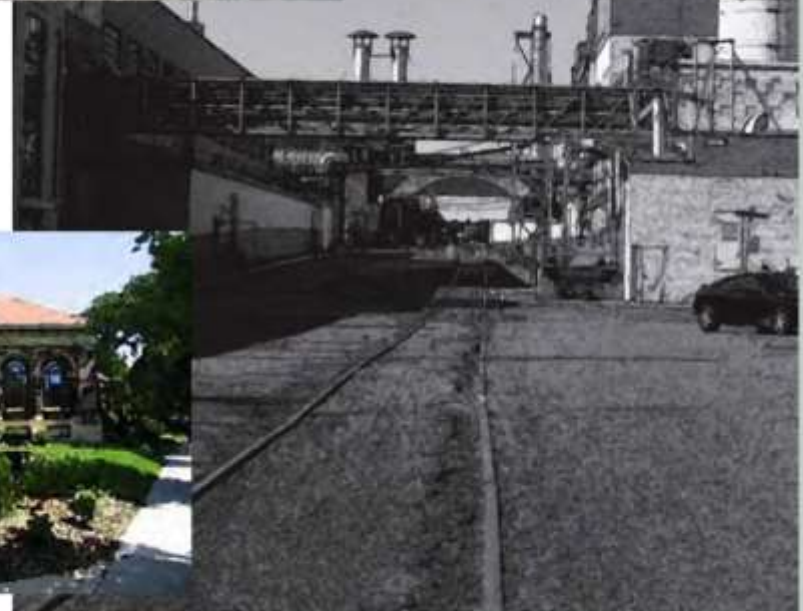
*A few accomplishments  
from the goals in the  
current 10-Year Plan...*

## St. Anthony Park – District 12 Community Plan



**Revitalize - Maintain - Connect**

November 21, 2005





Increase the range of housing types and affordability within the District to encourage a greater diversity of households and to be an affordable community for all people throughout their lives and changing lifestyle needs.

C&E Flats



Park 24



BERRY  
LOOKING WEST AT  
COURTYARD ENTRY



BENCH AREA AT BERRY



Support the development of family friendly eating establishments (such as pubs) serving food, beer and wine as a new type of place for social gathering.



Finnish Bistro

parkbugle.org



Colossal Cafe

tripadvisor.com



Future site of the Naughty Greek Restaurant

monitorsaintpaul.com



Angelo Giovanis

twincities.com



# Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety and Traffic Calming.

Make busy thoroughfares safer for bikes and pedestrians and improve visual quality.

## Several "Stop for Me" events

### Friendly Streets events to learn needs



### Drive 25 campaign to reduce speeds





Increase the level of ground water infiltration in the District by 30 percent through development standards, the creation of new open spaces, and the retrofitting of existing structures and properties.



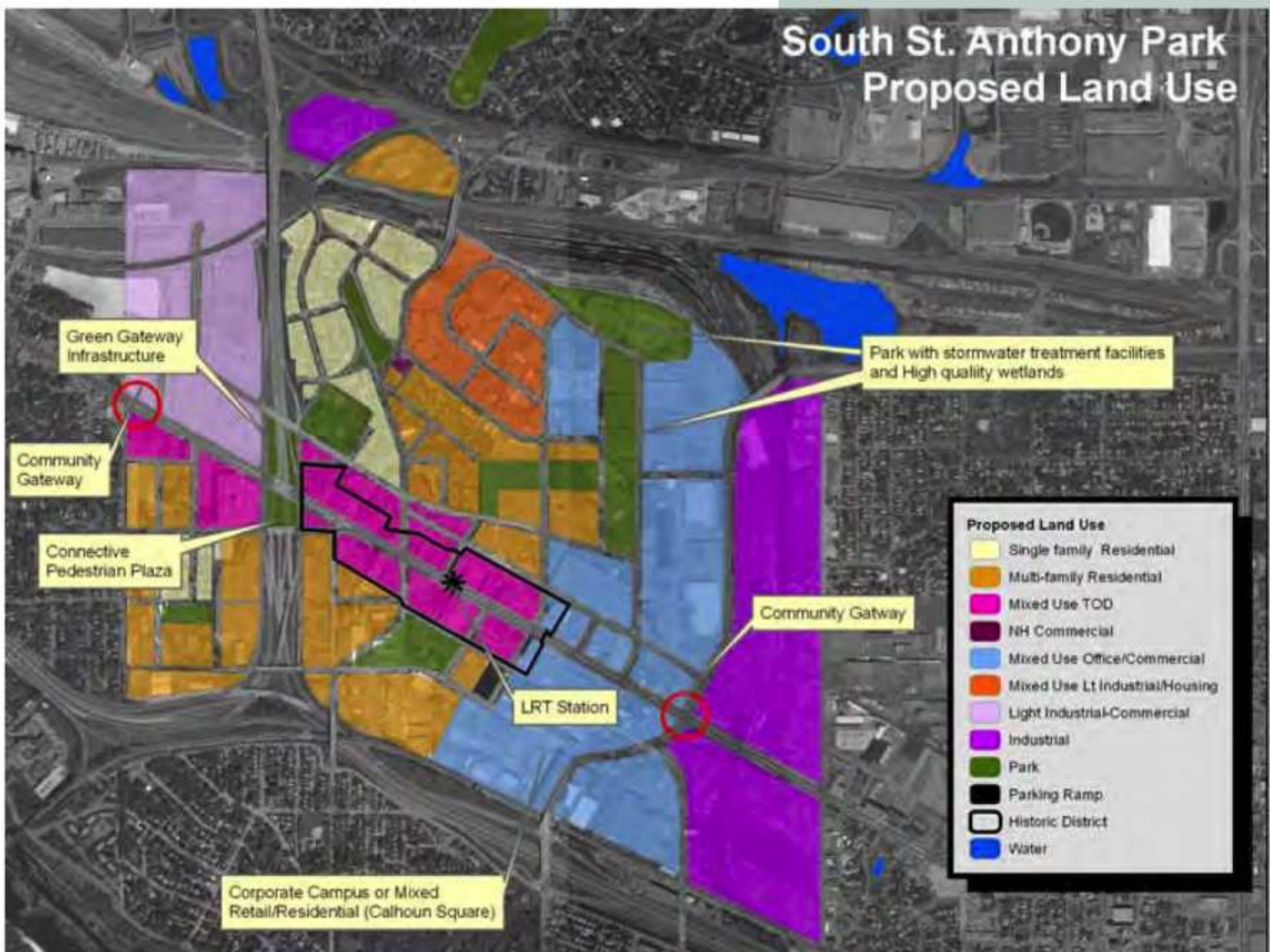
Subsurface infiltration gallery  
(you can't see it here!)  
diverts storm water to reduce runoff

Several raingardens  
installed along  
Raymond Avenue





Some good proposals may not be adopted by the City. In the last plan, this rezoning proposal was not agreed to, but has helped guide development in that direction.





# Community Feedback

What's the best thing about St. Anthony Park?



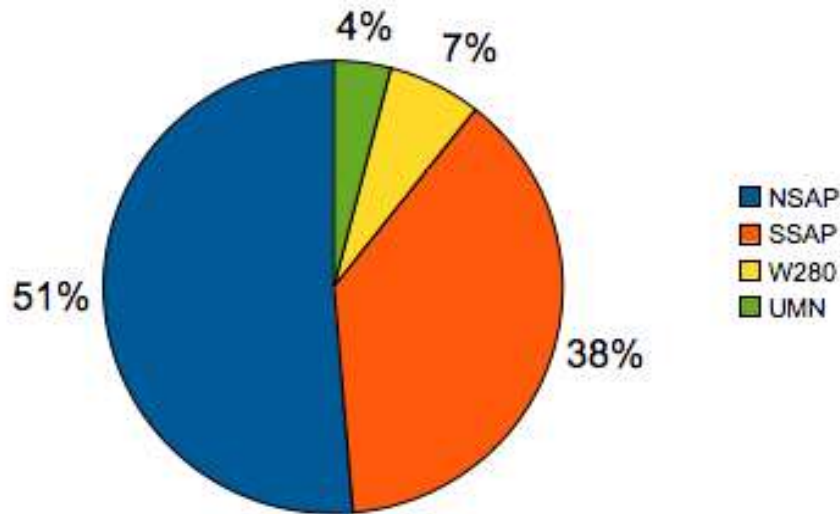
What can we do better?



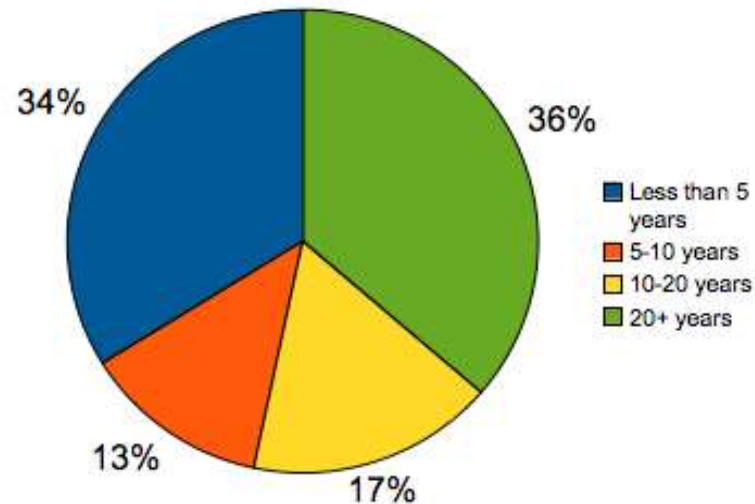
# Community Feedback

- Over the summer and fall solicited feedback from community to guide planning.
- 411 Online Survey respondents
- More than 300 canvassing and small-group respondents

Where do you live/work/play in SAP?



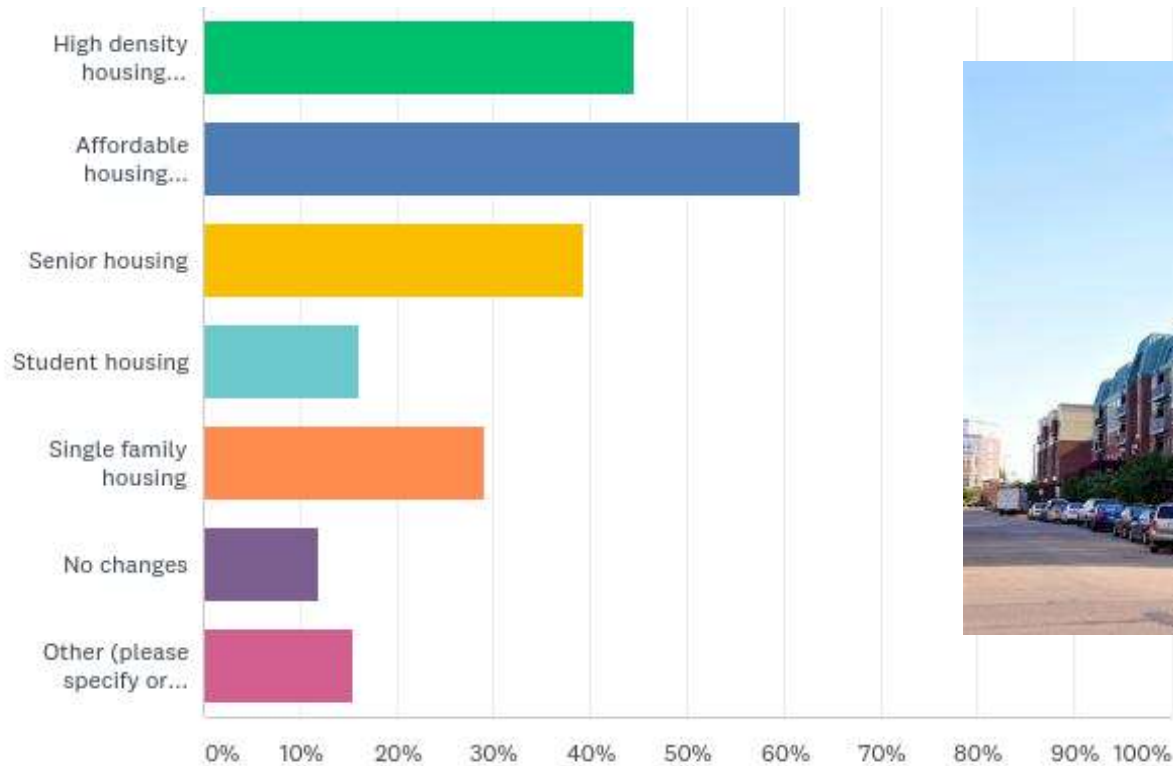
How long have you lived in SAP?



- Worked to hear from diverse voices from all parts of St. Anthony Park.
- Well distributed by age, geography, but underrepresented in income distribution (9% of respondents make less than \$35k, compared to 38% of population) and race/ethnicity (14% responses from people of color or unidentified compared to 26% of population). More demographic information available at [www.sapcc.org](http://www.sapcc.org).

# Community Feedback

What types of new housing will be needed in SAP over the next 10 years?

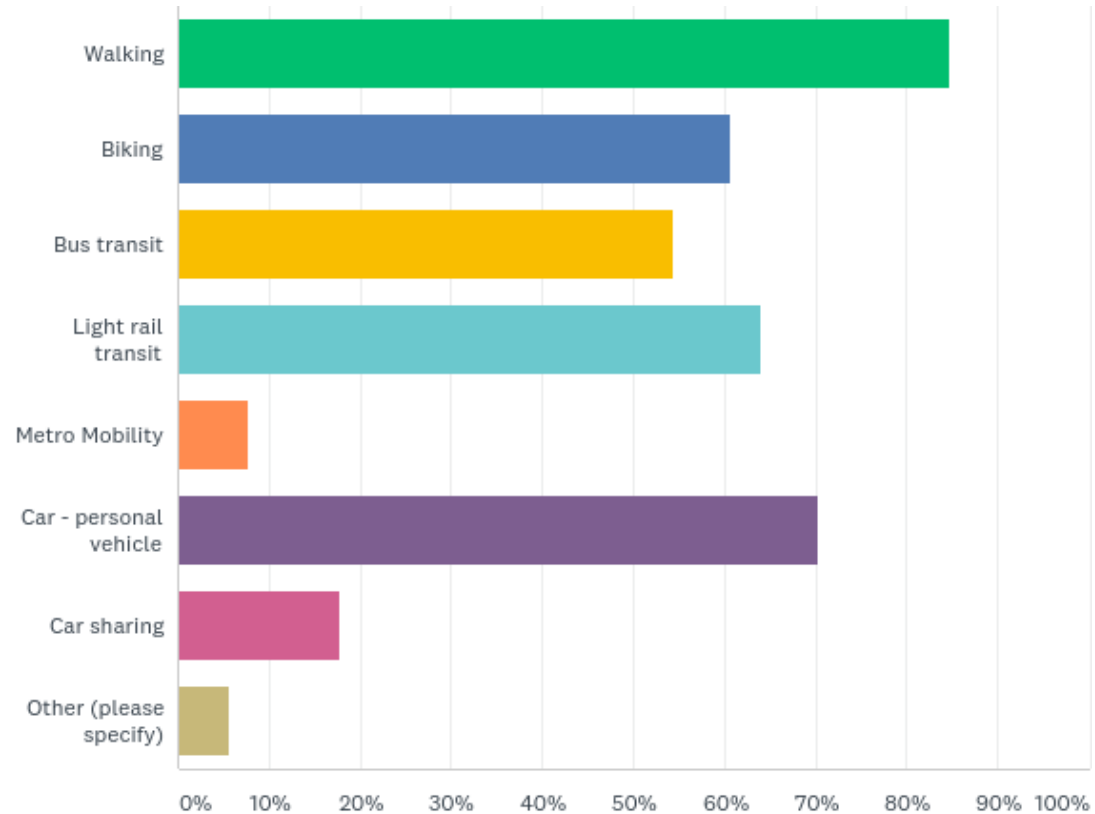


- Overwhelming response for increased affordable housing, density, and senior housing.
- Medium density, multi-generation, mixed income, mixed use, co-op housing options.
- Respondents believe more economic integration would add to vibrancy of neighborhood.
- Appropriate new development, affordable, contributes to neighborhood.
- Other development: restaurants, bars, small retailers open in evenings, co-working space.



# Community Feedback

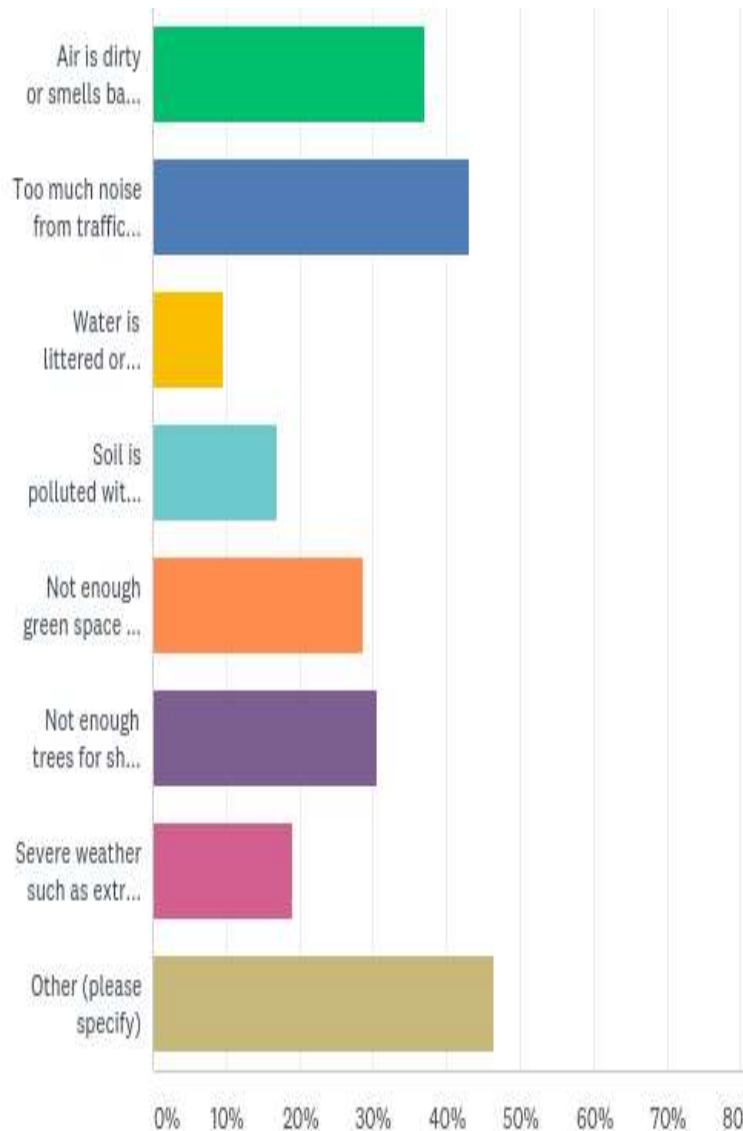
What modes of transportation are a priority for you?



- Respondents use many modes of transportation, bus and LRT higher for low income respondents.
- Walking, Bus, and Metro Mobility higher priority for disabled respondents.
- Many seasonal public transit riders, many want to increase use of public transit.
- Traffic and crosswalks high safety issue among respondents, especially among disabled.
- Recommend more bike racks, benches, signage, traffic calming, and better connections.

# Community Feedback

What pollution issues are a concern for you?



- Green space and tree canopy highly valued by respondents, priority to increase access in South SAP.
- Pollution of greater concern to lower income residents, especially air pollution and access to green space.
- More public infrastructure such as gathering spaces, seating, drinking fountains, and trash bins.
- 76% of respondents have “easy” or “somewhat easy” access to food, but only 67% among disabled, and 56% for respondents with low income.

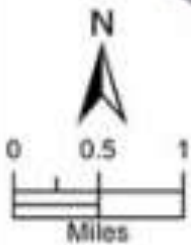




# City of Saint Paul Wards and District Councils



# Committee Priorities



# Equity at SAPCC

- ▶ SAPCC implements an Equity Framework, the only in St. Paul, and our Strategic Plan strives for “equity in all we do”

- ▶ Top priorities from feedback:
  - ▶ Engaging the whole community
  - ▶ Mobility and universal design
  - ▶ Affordability and economic access
  - ▶ Sustainability and green spaces
  - ▶ Food access





# 10-Year Plan Equity Goals

- ▶ Community - providing spaces and events to gather together
- ▶ Food - improving access to fresh food year round
- ▶ Develop plans to address local discrimination and disparities
- ▶ Facilitate partnerships and access to resources
- ▶ Address gentrification and maintain access to housing and desegregated spaces that are welcoming to all.



# Land Use

- ▶ Housing:
  - ▶ Increase the range of housing types and affordability throughout all of St. Anthony Park
  - ▶ Maintain long term affordability of housing in SAP
  - ▶ New housing along the Green Line is in appropriate locations and provides a variety of housing types
  - ▶ Where housing density is increased, shared public green spaces are created





# Land Use

- ▶ Economic and Business Development:
  - ▶ Reuse and redevelopment of industrial areas to accommodate modern businesses
  - ▶ District systems for infrastructure in redeveloped areas
  - ▶ Changes to industrial area zoning to allow greater mixed use, that includes commercial and residential
  - ▶ Changes to industrial area transportation network to make more of the area attractive for redevelopment



# Land Use

- ▶ Economic and Business Development:
  - ▶ Changes to zoning and other regulations that will support residents working from their home
  - ▶ Promote and strengthen the retail businesses to maintain and revitalize the village center in North St. Anthony Park
  - ▶ Redevelop the village center in South St. Anthony Park to provide services to the existing community and new housing along the Green Line.





# Land Use

- ▶ Historical Preservation:
  - ▶ Protect, maintain or adaptively reuse designated historic buildings when possible
  - ▶ New development or redevelopment is complementary and contextual rather than strict historic replication



# Transportation

- ▶ **Make safety the highest priority on our streets, with the most vulnerable users (pedestrians and bicyclists) considered first.**
- ▶ **Encourage the city to begin completing sidewalk infill throughout D12**
- ▶ **Improve the pedestrian and transit-user experience**
- ▶ **Identify and work with city planners and traffic engineers to modify intersections dangerous to pedestrians and bicyclists**
- ▶ **Make the neighborhood more welcoming to bicyclists and safer for them on our streets.**





# Transportation

- ▶ Optimize truck movements to reach adjacent highways without decreasing pedestrian safety and general livability, primarily in South St. Anthony Park and Westgate.
- ▶ Recognize that parking, whether on streets or private land, comes with a cost borne by us all. As vehicle technologies change, be ready to adapt to the need for less parking.
- ▶ Improve bus service so it's easier to be mobile without a personal car.
- ▶ Improve the ability to live without a car or with fewer cars.
- ▶ Support enforcement and awareness of traffic laws and transportation options.



# Environment and Water Resources

## **Reduce, mitigate, and build resilience to severe weather**

- Work to reduce greenhouse gas emissions
- Increase local renewable energy production
- Improve infrastructure resilience
- Improve emergency preparedness

## **Enhance water conservation and runoff water quality**

- Reduce runoff, increase storage, reuse gray water reuse
- Reduce harmful chemical use

## **Eliminate the “food desert”**

## **Identify and remediate soil and air pollution**

## **Reduce noise and light pollution**





## Parks and Rec

### **Preserve, enhance, and increase parks and green space**

Public and private funding in new developments, elsewhere

More walkways, benches

Include on any freeway “lid”

### **Promote non-traditional use of green space and boulevards**

Broader use for public gatherings, food production, off-leash dog space

Raingardens maintenance, harvest crews

### **Maintain and expand Community Garden**

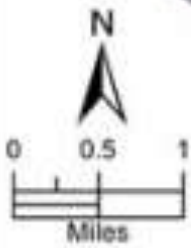
### **Enhance the urban forest, protect solar access**

### **Create a “rewilding plan” for native animals and plants**

# City of Saint Paul Wards and District Councils



What do you want to see in SAP?



Source: City of Saint Paul

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# Feedback Wrap-up

What did you learn?

What is missing?

What are you most excited about for the next 10 years in St. Anthony Park?

# Next Steps

- **Continue to solicit community feedback**
- **Business survey is open for targeted input**
- **Committees will incorporate feedback into drafts**
  - **Drafts released for review in March 2018**
- **Final documents sent to City of St. Paul in April**

**Thank you!**