

APPENDIX B PUBLIC INPUT SUMMARY

Overall Comment Summaries

Chart B.1, **Overall Votes by Plan Element**
Issues and Opportunities Meeting Overall Category Vote Tabulation

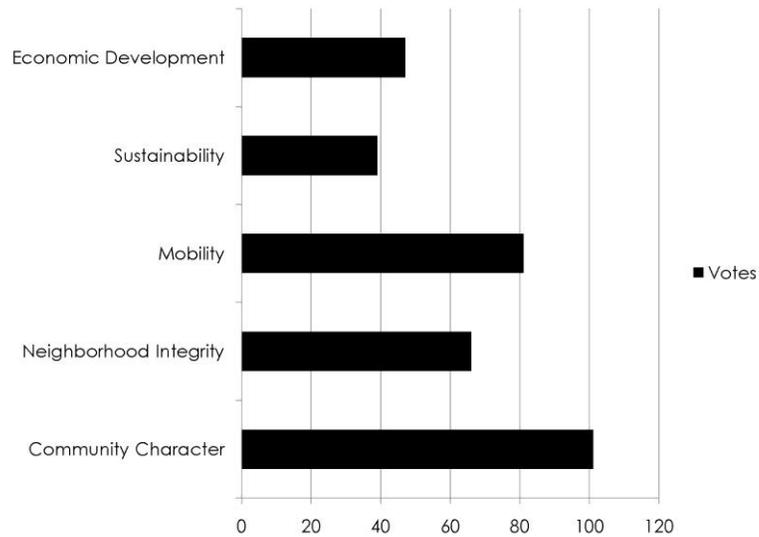


Chart B.2, **Overall Primary Issue Votes by Plan Element**
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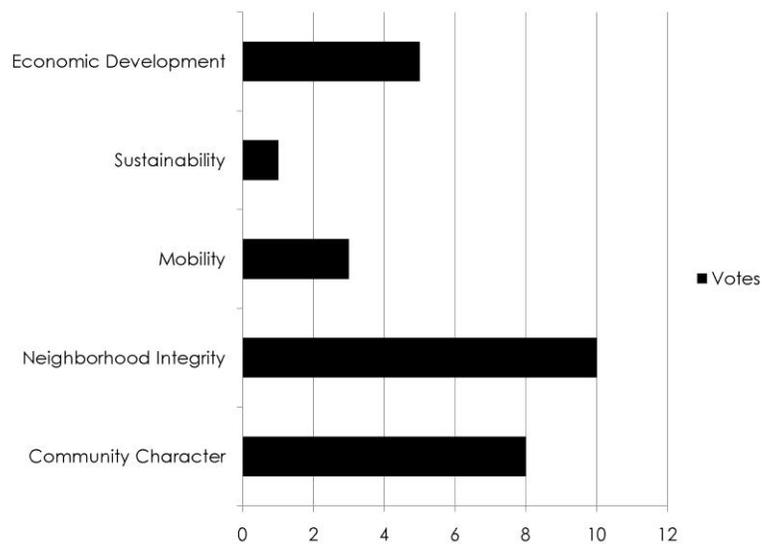


Chart B.3, **Votes by Individual Topic**
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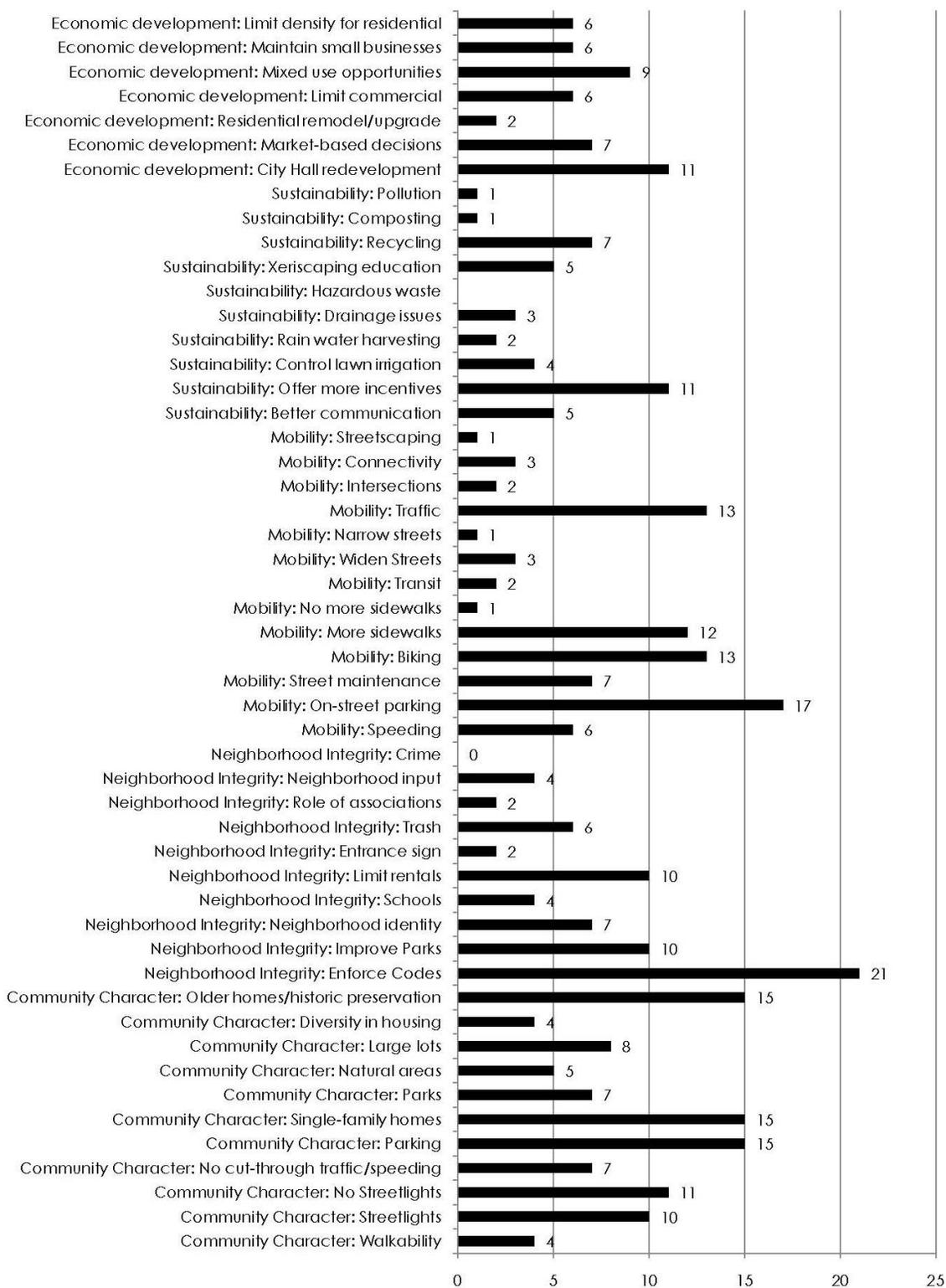
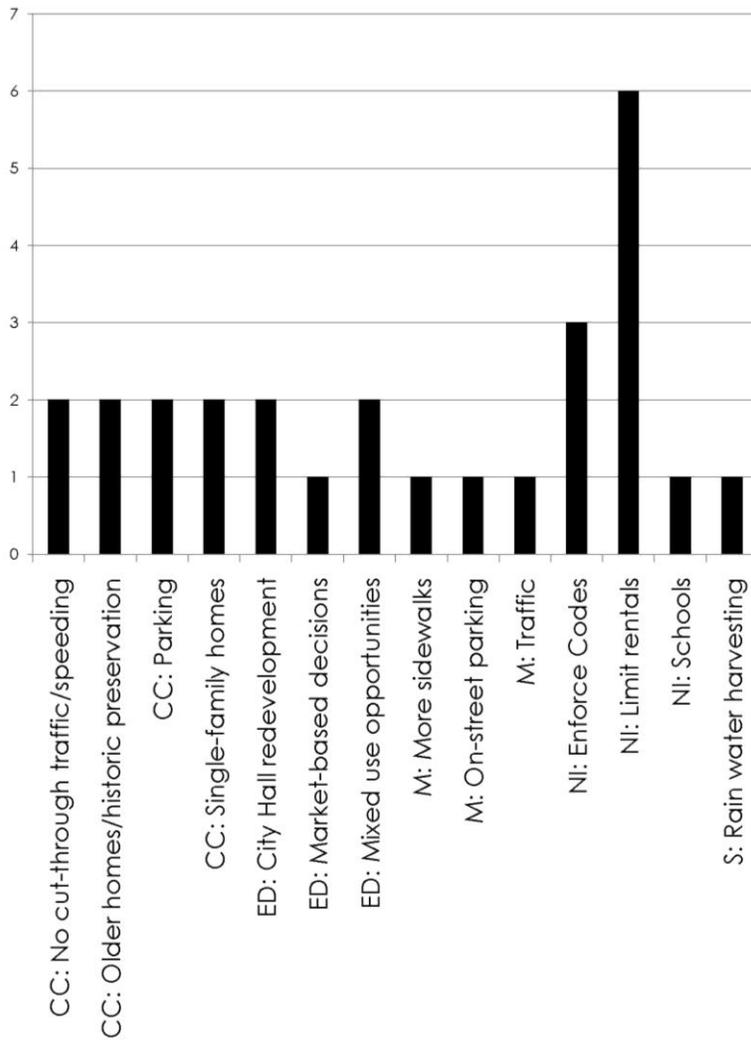


Chart B.4, **Votes by Individual Topic**
 Issues and Opportunities Meeting Primary Issue Votes by Topic



Issues and Opportunities Meeting Full Comment List

Community Character

Walkability

- Walkable
- Need a way to get back to wolf Creek Park. Add sidewalks along Dominik and Harvey
- Walkability to school
- Pedestrian access businesses
- Walking access to perimeter mixed use areas
- We walk daily at the veterans park
- Because we like veterans park. It has nature & is relatively uncrowded
- No sidewalks are good – not needed
- Sidewalk/pedestrian access to retail/commercial areas

- Dominik is not safe to walk on. It's too fast & has no safe place (no sidewalk) to walk

Streetlights

- Street Lights
- More street lights
- Would like more street lights, please
- Lighting
- Expand lighting
- Finish street lights
- We need a good illuminated streets as this keeps neighborhoods safe. No colonial lights! Those could be add decoration but not the only street lights.
- Improve Lighting

No Streetlights

- No street lights
- Street lighting – already underway
- Start or research a “save the night sky” to reduce light pollution and save energy
- Remove “new” street lights that are short and don't work well

No Cut-through Traffic/Speeding

- Don't like cut-through
- Traffic. Speeding is a problem
- Traffic is a problem
- Traffic
- Slower speed around park
- Speed reduction
- Eastgate improvement speeding
- Traffic on Foster
- Munson divides the neighborhood. Traffic awful
- Too many renters – unrelated – to a house

Parking

- Don't like lots of student parking
- Infill. New houses need enough parking in the back. It would be nice to have family not student housing
- Code enforcement parking
- More street parking rules nighttime?
- Traffic parking
- Change Lincoln to parking on one side of street

Single Family Homes

- Single families
- Want same density. No subdivision of lots
- Design of new SF is for renters
- Families
- Change the terminology. Not “regular” homes vs. rent homes. They are all homes and should all have the same rights & responsibilities of the occupant

Parks

- Parks
- Parks
- Parks for kids in walking distance
- Thomas park
- Most of Bryan parks are better than CS parks, most of CS parks are better than Thomas park
- Good green space between George Bush & Dominik
- Don't remove steel slide from Thomas Park
- Thomas Park is a definite part of the character

Natural Areas

- Change the proposed "reserved natural area" behind College Hills to "protected natural area"
- Trees
- Trees
- Natural landscaping (vegetation)
- Trees
- Wildlife
- Wildlife
- No more develop
- Trees
- Integrity: wildlife
- Wildlife
- Organic neighborhood around. Wildlife conservation projects
- Natural areas
- Floodplain conservation
- Green space

Large Lots

- Large lot sizes
- Large lots
- Large lot sizes
- Large lots
- Redevelopment that is occurring is high density as compared to the original structures
- Large lots

Diversity in Housing

- Diversity
- Diverse appearance
- Diverse housing types
- Like different types/looks of houses
- Mixed home sizes
- Very established neighborhood. Variety of architecture
- Neighborhood reminds me of "leave it to beaver" which is why I bought there
- Houses of different character
- Variety
- Bigger homes
- Diverse
- Variety of home types

Older Homes/ Historic Preservation

- Older homes
- Older homes
- Older Homes
- Yes history should be preserved. Work and it as is to be better. I would miss my neighborhood because it is a wonderful neighborhood. What elements is, that it is a wonderful neighborhood. Community character is wonderful.
- Are historic homes already preserved (I see plaques?)
- Eastgate attraction: old homes
- Compact neighborhood, old trees, walkable, diverse (not cookie-cutter). Close to campus

*Neighborhood Integrity**Enforce Code*

- Enforce building maintenance code
- Lack of code enforcement
- Some poor home/garden maintenance
- Quiet
- Code enforcement (notify, expand)
- Noise abatement
- Code enforcement. Development Oversight
- Stronger Code Enforcement
- Need code enforcement
- Define and enforce "single" family housing. 4 college kids plus boy/girl friends with 8 vehicles is NOT single family
- Code enforcement must mean code enforcement

Improve Parks

- Speed reduction. Parks better maintained (lights) grass, playground equipment
- Lions Park. City Trees & grass. Bathrooms needed in park
- Bad. Loss of park trees cut down
- More parking space at Thomas Park
- Lion Club Park improvements (play equipment)
- Invest in Thomas park
- Center: Thomas Park
- Invest in Thomas Park
- Shelter at Playground
- Keep Ashburn Park
- Parking at Park
- Parking at Park
- Adopt a park for neighborhood association to clean up trash
- Too much in natural area. Adopt-a-park?
- Improvements to Thomas Park

Neighborhood Identity

- Lack of neighborhood
- Define the 'neighborhood'
- History of neighborhood
- Pride of ownership
- Proximity to TAMU attracted me to Eastgate

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- Proximity to A&M
- Distance from TAMU
- Born & raised in the community
- Centrally located
- History of Eastgate should be presented & honored
- Safe Neighborhood. Nice educated people. Privacy on neighborhood. Close access to everything in College Station- Markets Pharmacies- Schools, Restaurants.
- Lot coverage in neighborhood conservation district
- Closeness to College Hills & A&M
- Character. Given that we are next to one of the largest universities in the USA, I think there is a good balance between the interest of students and families

Schools

- College Hills Elementary
- Elementary school. Zoning change
- School was considered best, not it was slammed by rezoning. New families not attracted
- Good. Thomas Park. Large old trees schools

Limit Rentals

- Limited unrelated in S.F. rentals
- Renters
- For free development of something being called "single family" are nothing more than small dorms. City Codes (not using deed restrictions) are ruining the area
- Rental Property
- Rental properties discourage single families
- Student renters
- I would leave if the neighborhood majority became driven by profit and stopped being a neighborhood
- Rentals
- Go elsewhere: student-dominated houses
- Stop the "4 bedroom single family rental units" These are condominiums
- I would leave if over student populated loss of a good balance
- Move somewhere else, too many students

Entrance Sign

- Need neighborhood entrance sign

Trash

- Trash Remedy
- Beer bottle litter

Association Process

- Community Gardens
- Go door to door to meet neighbors
- Neighborhood organization. Community gardens
- Welcome committees to welcome new residents
- Community bulletin board at Thomas park

- Gardening materials. Set up a “big exchange” neighborhood meets in Thomas Park and exchanges paints, constructive materials etc. With each other.
- Community park board for announcements and news

Neighborhood Input

- Social neighborhood association
- Participation social events and personal connections
- Social Events for neighborhood
- More neighborhood meetings
- Don't expect neighborhood association to do the city's job

Crime

- Leave: Crime

Mobility

Speeding

- Speeding is becoming an issue
- Speed limit and enforcement
- Check speeding we need that. Too fast
- How do you get a speed gizmo on your street. No need for side walk
- Slower speed around Thomas Park
- Cut through speeding on Walton
- Speed bumps
- Speed bumps on Munson or better enforcement of speed limit
- The speed limit should be lowered to 25 MPH on most (or maybe all) residential streets except for ‘major collectors’ such as Lincoln, Dominik, or George Bush E.
- Reduce the speed in the area
- Slow traffic on Francis next to Thomas Park
- Reduce speed limit
- Speed signs

On-Street Parking

- At Thomas Park along Puryear. Parking along one side of street
- No parking on Gilchrist. Dangerous
- On-street parking regulates speeding
- On-street parking
- Students are fine living there, they are respectful and until now, at least on Gilchrist there are no problems with them. But the big problem is the parking on both sides of the street
- Are there issues for emergency vehicles?
- Permit parking for large events
- You may need to have more parking on one side of the street on some major streets but I think it should be rare to prohibit parking on both sides of the street because many older houses don't have large driveways
- On street parking regulates speeds
- Parking is a major problem-narrow streets-Cars on both sides

- Limit parking (by limiting number of renters on rental property) therefore less parking in street. If parking on street maybe permit parking
- Streets are too narrow to permit parked cars on both sides and to have both ways traffic
- On-street parking 24/7/365 is the greatest mobility issue. It isn't safe for walkers, drivers, or people trying to get out of their driveways
- Off-street parking must be provided by owners of property. Code enforcement needs to treat early & often
- Spacious parking especially around Thomas Park on both sections

Street Maintenance

- Some of the streets are in need of repair
- Street repair
- Curb streets around Thomas Park with parking areas. Save Trees
- Francis St wavy/Rough near Glen Haven
- Chip sealing was messy and prevented kids from using street, scooter/roller blades
- Some street and curb work need in a number of places
- Road improvement
- Improve drainage
- Surface (road) on Walton
- Big hump going south/north on Puryear at Francis
- I was almost killed by a large hunk of wood sticking out of a trash can in a bike lane. Education? Better enforcement.
- Water drainage at south end of Puryear. Heavy rain-many lakes

Biking

Bike Lanes

- Bike lane on Frances (Many bicyclists to College Hills & A&M Campus)
- Add more Bike lanes, especially on Francis St on School side
- Need to have a safe way to bike on Lincoln
- Well marked bike lanes with road-bumps
- Area is becoming hard to ride bikes in area
- More bike lane
- No bike lanes
- Bike needed on Lincoln
- Bike lanes look to cities like Seattle and Portland for examples
- Bikes space around the park and all along Puryear as there is more bike traffic from Lincoln & Harvey coming from University
- Bike paths: more & well unmarked, including Munson

Bike Routes

- Marked bike routes down Foster
- Need designated bike routes (No riding on sidewalks)
- Wow-it would be so nice to be able to bike to Wolf Pen Creek Park from our area!

Bike Enforcement

- Bike lane enforcement
- Enforced Bike lanes

- Keep cars out of bike lanes

Education

- Lack of acknowledgment of bikes/pedestrians by cars

Encouragement

- Provide incentives for biking and walking. Tax deductions? Air pump stations? Education
- Sponsor a bike club
- Offer bicyclists tax rebates
- If people walked or biked more, they wouldn't have as much traffic to complain about! Encourage biking or walking to local businesses

More Sidewalks

In General

- Sidewalks
- Better sidewalks
- Sidewalks
- Some more sidewalks
- Sidewalk. (safety and children walk to school)
- No sidewalk in the community
- Area has become hard to walk
- Sidewalks on both sides of streets
- Sidewalks n the perimeter streets of the neighborhood
- Major sidewalks should be multimodal
- Sidewalks both sides of the streets

Specific Locations

- Sidewalks all the way down foster
- Sidewalk on Lincoln would be great
- Sidewalks on Lincoln
- More sidewalks & wider sidewalk on Munson. Need sidewalk on Walton and on Tarrow and Rose Circle
- Need to walk from Eastgate area to Wolf Pen Creek park. Need a safe way across Harvey
- Need sidewalks on Foster/Lincoln
- Sidewalks on Walton past the park would help improve workability to campus
- Sidewalks on major pedestrian collector streets. Walton & Lincoln

No More Sidewalks

- New sidewalks may kill mature trees

Conflicts on Multiuse Paths

- Do not put a bike lane through the natural area behind College Hills. Leave it a natural buffer zone
- Thomas Park problem: Jogging path used by bicyclists
- Problem: biking on sidewalk of Thomas park. Kids not a problem its workers at Blue Baker, etc. who use sidewalk

- Can we get bikes out of a park walk?

Transit

- Transit is well/good
- Bus system to reduce amount of car use
- We have transit good. A&M bus good
- Bus top along George Bush near Dominik
- Change game day bus rout
- Bus traffic on game day
- Slow busses down on Walton

Widen Streets

- Widen Streets
- Widen roads means some loss to owners
- Some roads are much narrower than others

Narrow Streets

- Narrow Streets
- Winding streets
- Narrowing Dominik to calm traffic has not worked! It is extremely dangerous with no striping on-street parking

Traffic

- Traffic on Foster
- Street development streets are becoming a problem
- Munson is a severe problem for those who live on it
- Less traffic on Munson is needed
- Sync traffic lights

Intersections

- Four way stop at Walton & Francis
- Need a safe way to get across Dominik with stroller. Bumpy & grassy now
- Put a crosswalk to cross Lincoln into Best Buy parking lot
- My friend who lives on Dartmouth cannot cross to get bus on Harvey because of right hand through traffic
- Access management problematic for George Bush/Dominik

Connectivity

- How will Wellesley & Vassan Ct connect to the new development to the east? How about how I t connects to Lincoln?
- Extend Foster south through to Dominik
- Dense street network is good
- Streets are generally safe

Streetscaping

- Center divides (planted) on wider roads
- Code enforcement on corners blocked by planting or fences

Sustainability

Better Communication

- Better publicity of current city programs
- Encourage property management companies to ask tenants for the permission to share their email addresses with the city & neighborhood associations so newcomers can be in the loop automatically
- City needs more communication with the community. What is available (resources)
- Community with the students helps to keep issues under control
- Post rebates in utility bill newsletter
- Fliers and hazmat
- Link of the front-page of website to E-notify
- Offer workshops on how to research alternative energy (solar)
- Notification by city of lot? In place for building projects
- Include students
- Improve relations with student renters
- Find average electrical usage for neighborhoods Put a ☺ or ☹ on each person's bill if they use more or less than the average

Offer More Incentives

- Offer Rebates (solar)
- Insulation rebates for existing homes
- Offer incentives to replace 5 gal flush toilets
- Existing home insulation rebate
- Reverse charge. Solar incentive
- Encourage solar panels
- Offer rebates for other items. Metal roofs, added insulation
- Offer an incentive to reduce water consuming landscape
- Less water incentives. Reward program "water & energy rewards"
- Rebates for water efficiency. Improvements. Rain barrels, water saver toilets.ect
- For water or hot water on demand rebates

Control Lawn Irrigation

- Controlled better watering of lawns (lots of run-off)
- Water Lawns less
- Save the oaks. Stop irrigating
- Water meter separation. Irrigation and water meter service

Rain Water Harvesting

- Reducing water harvesting
- Rain barrel rebates
- Collection of rain water to help conservation. City Proceed
- Offer rain barrel training
- Rain water harvesting projects
- Rainwater collection rebate program
- Rainwater collection – perhaps with city helping in funding
- Water conservation projects
- Rain water collection system

Drainage Issues

- Drainage problems on Tarrow at banks & at Lincoln

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- Richard Carter Park (and other parks too) are very dry why doesn't the city lead the way and use the parks as 'demonstrations' showing how the citizens can help.
- The city has the equipment & personnel to keep dead wood & trash removed so that the water doesn't reach up on residents like the men behind the homes on Berkley & near Pickett & marry oaks
- I would like to know how to fix the drainage on my property
- Concrete drainage
- Mosquito control needed
- Standing water
- What can you do when you have lots of drainage around your house

Hazardous Waste

- More frequent hazardous waste collection

Xeriscaping Education

- Xeriscaping education saving "oaks" project
- Rewards for xeriscaping
- Community xeriscaping education
- Plants in CS parks that require less water/maintenance
- Offer classes in xeriscaping

Recycling

- More plastic numbers recycled
- Charge money for people who don't recycle
- Expand recycling programs for more items plastics glass
- Recycle bins
- Recycling energy rebate water conservation. Ecofriendly
- Recycle green bottles
- Recycle cardboard
- Recycling multi-family
- Use container Bins instead of plastic bags for recycling
- Recycle more. Recycle info. Let people know what is & isn't recycled cardboard
- Boxboard recycling. I see a lot of cardboard being thrown away on curb
- Better marketing for recycling program to newcomers
- Increased info about recycling opportunities

Composting

- Compost facility nearby

Pollution

- Small treatment plant. Problem getting worse
- Creek behind elementary is polluted (according to A&M biologist friend of mine) maybe we could limit fertilizer & pests.
- Improve bad smell from sewer treatment plant on spring loop

Economic Development

City Hall Redevelopment

- Redevelopment of City Hall location
- Keep the city Hall where it is now. It serves as buffer zone
- Keep the land behind city hall empty of development. Turn it into parkland
- Keep buffer around neighborhood. When C.S. sells current offices/land don't put in large retail center.

Market – Based Decisions

- Commercial development is at owners judgment
- Infill should be at the owners judgment

Residential Remodel/Upgrade

- Redevelopment: We should encourage remodeling & upgrades of older residences like we have seen at Southgate
- Using land appropriately for both property owners & residents has to make sense. Use of wide buffers & moderate development makes sense. Re-development using up-grade (Nice homes) i.e. Southside- when individuals can capitalize on the proximity to the university

Limit Commercial

- No business or commercial in areas where I live
- No big boxes on fringes of our area
- No development in neighborhood
- Business not appropriate, bars opened late at night
- Weight of commercial zoning in and around residential area west of Tarrow
- No Bars- no kind of business to affect the school
- Limit development like large restaurants across from Hilton. No fountains (large scale)
- I have concerns about commercial business located on Lincoln and Kyle areas
- Land use transitions are good
- Commercial on Texas Ave limit height & have exterior design guideline character/curb appeal
- Less commercial in neighborhood
- No bars or nightclubs
- Would not like the mix of commercial options
- Building dwellings that are negative to property value
- Manufacturing. Chain store. Restaurants

Mixed Use Opportunities

- Ok mixed use options on University & Texas
- Culpepper Plaza- would be great as a commercial center for out area. It's of little value now
- Mixed use near campus would be a positive redevelopment
- We need a downtown. Texas Ave including the old hotel at Texas & University
- Eastgate is different because of the mixed commercial around the edges
- Be innovative- look at cities that have built smart commercial mixed use structures- ones that give downtown feel (San Diego, Oregon)

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- Need community stores; Groceries, Post office, Library Satellite *Culpepper Plaza*
- Mixed Use
- Study existing towns in northeast and how they developed
- Downtown square idea in Eastgate town center. Look at Sugar Land
- Harvey Road Business – not walkable

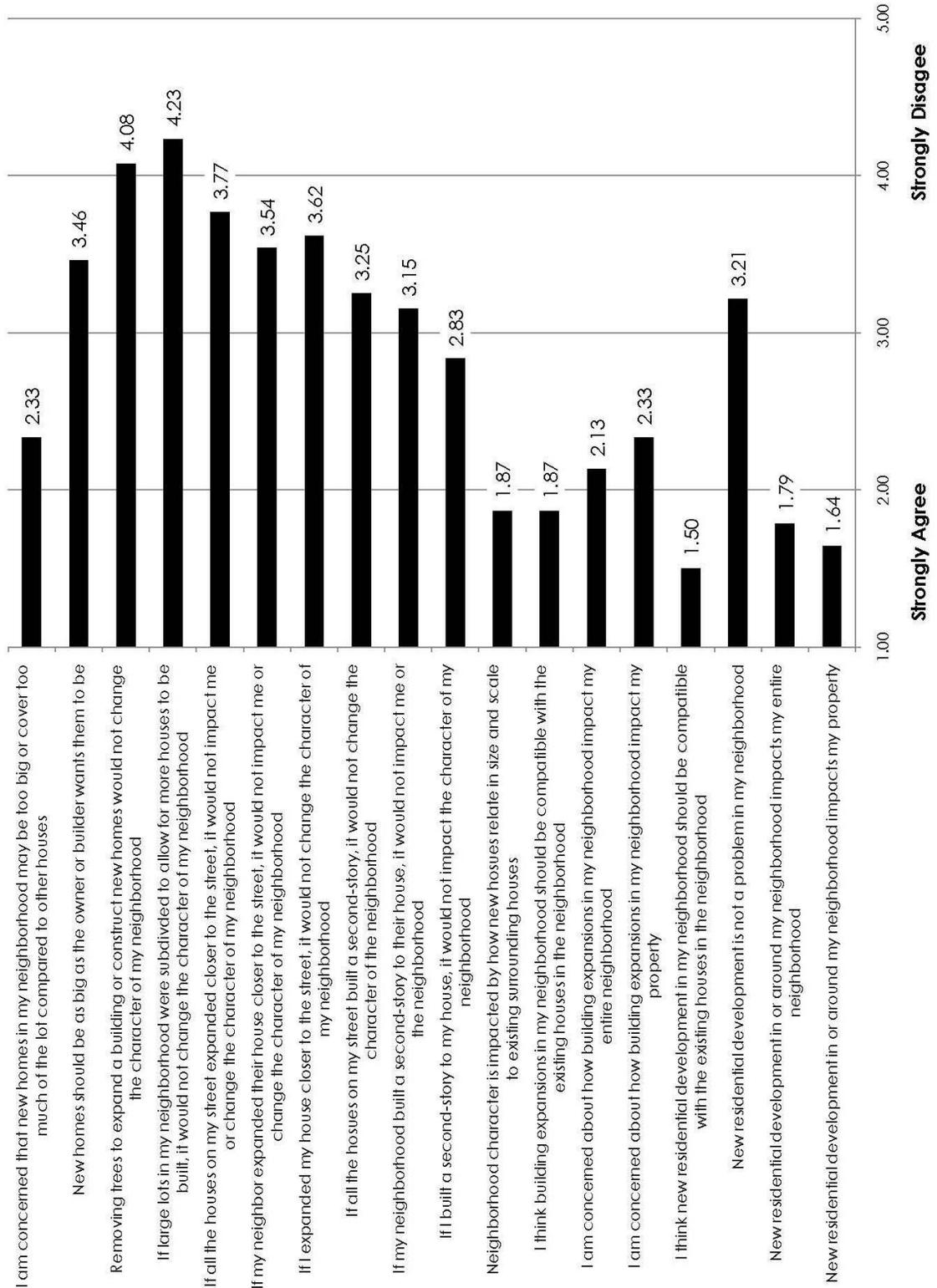
Maintain Small Businesses

- Maintain small business properties/opportunities
- Grocery/produce or meat market. Farmers market i.e. somewhere to buy groceries
- Desired business: pharmacy/small convenience
- Small businesses. No big box stores
- Boutique retail/restaurants
- Post Office, grocery store, café, community center, library satellite in culpepper and Eastgate
- Galleries, educational
- More Café in area
- Office space, small store, restaurants (non-chain mixed Use)

Limit Density for Residential

- Limit high density residential
- Keep apartments off Texas/University
- No apartments
- Infill, people should be allowed to build whatever they would like as long as it is single family
- Build in the same style do not build multiple apartment units in single family zone
- Line between Texas Ave & single family should be green area

Chart B.5, Residential Character Survey Responses



Neighborhood Conservation Responses

Question 1: What specific attributes do you **like** about your neighborhood?

- This is a neighborhood with a "history." Everything from street names to lamp posts, it has character. I would define "East Gate" differently from the city map I received. I would say the boundaries should be Lincoln St. to Dominik and Texas Ave. to Glenhaven or even to the bypass 6. North of Lincoln and south of Dominik are very different and as a long time resident, I have never considered those as part of "East Gate."
- Number of commercial/restaurant within walk distance. Walking distance to A&M. Thomas park
- It has tremendous rarities which it has achieved without any independence
- Nearby college hills. Great School. Proximity to A&M
- Character of the neighborhood, the sense of the history of this town. It is close to many things. In the center of the town
- Large lots with older trees. Green space. Strong sense of community. Older houses. Light traffic
- Quiet and well preserved. Close to what CS has to offer. Commitment to maintaining the character of the neighborhood

Question 2: What are the attributes that make your neighborhood unique and special?

- Large lots, big trees, t-streets that limit traffic speed, new elementary school. Proximity to the University, the airport, shopping on both University and Harvey Rd. Older established community. Mix of old and young occupants.
- Good character. Mix of housing/residents
- We have been free to improve our houses & land as we see fit
- Centrally located, near Highway 6, University Ave.
- Old houses give the unique character to the neighborhood. Closeness to the University makes it special as well
- Large lots with older trees. Green space. Strong sense of community. Older houses. Light traffic
- Older structures, for the most part, have been maintained. Quiet and peaceful

Question 3: What about your neighborhood do you currently **dislike**?

- On-street parking is a huge problem. With a denser population, multiple vehicles parked on both sides of the street make navigating the streets dangerous. It also poses a problem to residents trying to back out of a driveway with a car parked immediately opposite the drive. Cars/trucks often park on the wrong side of the street and can pull out in front of an on-coming car without warning. These are also problems for the trash truck and would be impossible for fire trucks to get through
- Lack of sidewalks on Lincoln/Foster
- People stirring up trouble and interfering in other people's business & rights

- Temporary residents in neighborhood-too many to a house. Too many cars in driveways/street
- The neighborhood is becoming too crowded. It was designed and built for single families. 4-6 trucks parked in a front of a house changes the street into a giant parking lot
- Infilling/threat of infilling. Increasing number of rentals (transient residents)
- Thomas park could be improves-it doesn't seem like maintenance has kept up with use

Question 4: If you came back in twenty years, what would you **not** like to see changed?

- I would not want to see the large lots divided into multiple smaller ones with tiny houses or apartments that lower the value of the property they border. We have already begun to see tiny houses with no garages being erected cheapening the area. I would hope the parks and public areas would be maintained beautifully and that the Thomas Park Pool would continue to be maintained appropriately. Neighborhood integrity matters!
- Development density. Commercial mix
- I would like it to remain a family oriented single family neighborhood where people are free to improve the land and homes as they see fit
- Preservation of Thomas Park with its pool, as well as other little park areas
- Character of the neighborhood
- Large lots with older trees. Green space. Strong sense of community. Older houses. Light traffic
- I would not like to see removal of the old homes with replacement by the typical modern subdivision housing such as present in South College Station

Question 5: Have there been recent changes in the neighborhood that you feel **take away** from the character? If so, what are those changes?

- See the item above. Add to that, the narrowing of Dominik Dr. has created a dangerous street with on-street vehicles that limit visibility and make meeting a large vehicle hard to pass beside. No stripes on the street make it even worse. Sorority and fraternities are using large residential homes for members (who knows how many really live there) are circumventing the C.S. policy on numbers of occupants. Trash in yards is dreadful. Code enforcement needs to monitor and ticket regularly
- None
- Yes, the development of the Culpepper estate & the consequent division & replaying of that followed by the construction of a house not conforming to ??? others in the neighborhood
- Degraded neighborhood by the tremendous amount of traffic on Munson. To a lesser extent temporary & numerous residents temporarily in a house.
- New big houses built just for rent without enough parking spaces in the back. Students park in the street, that makes it difficult and

dangerous to walk and difficult and in some streets almost impossible to drive

- Loss of older trees to oak blight, less watering. Infilling/threat of infilling. Increasing number of rentals (transient residents)
- We are new to the neighborhood (purchased a home 30 days ago) and cannot comment

Question 6: Have there been recent changes in the neighborhood that you feel **enhance** the character? If so, what are those changes?

- Sidewalks and bike lanes are an asset. More sidewalks would be even better! Establishing Richard Carter Park is an enhancement; not maintaining it properly is not. It needs playground equipment for young children, too
- None
- People ??????, remodeling & rebuilding older homes
- It has degraded...but the additions years back of sidewalks was great
- Historical lighting in College Hills area. Renovations of some of the old houses without overly changing their character
- (blank)
- We are new to the neighborhood (purchased a home 30 days ago) and cannot comment

Mobility Checklist Responses

Streets

Walton

- Lack of sidewalk on Walton, especially near retail at Texas Intersection
- Speeding

Purveyer

- Degraded Pavement
- Parking issues during TAMU gamedays
- Call for curbs on street
- Speeding

Francis

- Parking issues during TAMU gamedays
- Speeding

Munson

- Lack of sidewalk
- Excessive traffic flow

Lincoln

- High traffic with no sidewalks
- Dangerous to walk on gamedays with TAMU buses

Ashburn

- Lack of sidewalk
- Speeding

Gilchrist

- Degraded Pavement

Milner

- Lack of Sidewalk
- Call for curbs on street

Intersections

Walton & Texas

- Bike lane on TAMU side is dangerous when crossing during high traffic

Walton & Francis

- Possible 4 way stop

Individual Additional Comments:

- Bike lane on TAMU side of intersection can be difficult to maneuver if vehicles traffic is high because cars fly by and you must look over your shoulder at the turning lanes.
- Narrow roadways are a great thing, in my opinion, for traffic calming.
- Do not remove on street parking
- All roadways need to have curbs
- Need sidewalk connections to retail at Culpepper Plaza and at Walton/Texas Ave.
- Curbs along Puryear without making street wider. Need to save trees with street improvements
- There is fast pace traffic on Lincoln and no place to walk
- Traffic is not too bad (Lincoln), but on football weekends, the TAMU buses make it dangerous to walk
- Through traffic on Munson is excessive. A possible partial solution would be a 3 way stop at Munson and Lincoln. This would slow down the through traffic and possibly divert some of the north-south flow to the feeder road of the bypass 6
- The “S-curve” heading South on Munson just before Dominik should be straightened out.
- Consider 4 way stop at Walton and Francis

Summary of Comments at Neighborhood Area Meetings

Area 1 Meeting – College Hills Woodlands/Woodland Acres

(1/25/11 at College Hills Elementary)

- About 35 citizens in attendance.
- Neighborhood plan will recommend to remove proposed multi-use path along the back of the lots along Ashburn Ave.
- If came back in 20 years, would like the following to stay the same:
 - Desire to preserve environmental/natural areas in neighborhoods.
 - Residential character
 - Mature trees
 - Winding streets
 - Dark at night (not more streetlights)
 - Open space on lots
 - Wildlife
 - No more subdivision of property
- If came back in 20 years, would like the following to change or not occur:
 - Paving (parking) in back yards

- Conversion of surrounding areas that exacerbate traffic problems
- Tear downs
- School district zoning of College Hills Elementary for high percentage of low SES students
- Student rentals
- Area north of Lincoln Avenue would like to have new multi-family and commercial get access from University Drive or through other multi-family in the area; not access Lincoln Avenue to add traffic through neighborhood.
- Concerned about commercial creep into neighborhood.
- “Leave us alone.” (don’t want additional regulation)
- Area or part of area could do their own deed restrictions.
- Regarding City Hall property and redevelopment area:
 - Having 9-5 (daytime) businesses, offices ok; restaurants may be ok.
 - City property could serve as buffer to neighborhood.
 - Need more community meeting rooms.

Area 2 Meeting - College Hills Estates
(1/26/11 at City Hall)

- About 35 citizens in attendance.
- Why is Foster Ave the dividing line between redevelopment and neighborhood? Would have single family across the street from multi-family or commercial. Allow townhomes on east side of Foster Ave with certain form and buffer standards.
- Regarding City Hall property and redevelopment area:
 - Don’t want 24 hour uses but quieter, more 9-5 type uses.
 - Some want City Hall to stay in the same place.
- Need sidewalk along Foster Ave, on Puryear over to Dominik Dr, and on Nunn St between Walton and Lincoln.
- If Foster Ave is widened it needs to be widened all the way through.
- Don’t add new rules until City enforces existing codes (like parking in bike lane, etc).
- Milner is too narrow when cars are parked on both sides.
- Don’t want repeat of buildings along Nimitz that are right up to roadway.
- Like area for having deep lots and older, mature trees.
- Thomas Park area:
 - Fix drainage issues
 - Parking is only a problem for summer swim classes and pick-up soccer games.
 - May consider Puryear Dr/James Pkwy one-way pair, need to see what it would look like
- Bus stops along Lincoln Ave can be a problem to function of street, want to have bus pull-offs.
- Have four-way stop at Francis Dr and Walton Dr.
- Poor sight visibility at the intersection of Lincoln Ave and Tarrow St.
- There is opposition to the proposed bike lanes on Walton Dr and Francis Dr.

- Parking problems on Gilchrist by school as parents park on both sides.
- Sight Distance issue on Lincoln and Tarrow.
- No priority on Eisenhower extension, wait till redevelopment.

Area 3 Meeting – Pasler Area/ College Hill Neighborhood Association
(1/31/11 at College Hill Missionary Baptist Church)

- About 24 citizens in attendance.
- Want to see core ownership area in Pasler neighborhood to stay single family.
- Interested in getting historical markers for structures in the area.
- Concerned about gentrification of neighborhood and eminent domain power of City.
- Church has been located in area for 65 years.
- Want more area for kids to play, perhaps more amenities at Lions Park or better pedestrian access to Thomas Park.
- How to help core ownership area remain :
 - City can help owners upgrade current homes.
 - Area can create deed restrictions to limit rental or number of unrelated renters.
 - City can maintain streets and park area better.
 - Enforce number of unrelated renters in and around neighborhood.
- Drainage problems on older streets, particularly Pearce St and Banks St at Tarrow St.
- Don't want to widen street to meet current standard, narrow streets help slow down traffic.
- Don't use seal coat (tar and gravel) to repair streets, do an overlay instead.
- If parking is removed from street, need to install traffic calming measures to limit speeding.
- A lot of speeding occurs on Banks St.
- Keep Gilbert St open; widen/improve if possible but do not take additional land to do so as adjacent lots are fairly small already.
- Pasler and Turner streets, preference to remain narrow if rehabilitated same cross section and width of pavement should remain.
- When parking is removed traffic calming should be employed.
- Speed limit reduced to 25 on Banks.
- Seal coats problematic would prefer overlays.
- Gilbert should remain as an alley and not a street if it gets rehabilitated.
- Drainage issues at intersection of Banks and Tarrow.

Open House Mobility Survey Results and Comments

Question 1: With regard to James Parkway and Puryear Drive south of Francis Drive, do you agree or disagree that the preferred Option (one-way pair option with parallel parking on Thomas Park side) vetted through the Neighborhood Resource Team is the best option to address drainage issues by providing curb and gutter, create additional parking and preserve the mature trees along Thomas Park?

Total Survey Responses: 46

- 23 - Agree (57%)
- 17 - Disagree (43%)
- 6 - No Opinion / No Response

Survey Responses in Area: 20

- 13 - Agree (65%)
- 7 - Disagree (35%)

Agree Comments

- 20mph/speed bumps!
- Probably least expensive and safest but don't put striped bike lanes – only route. Additional sidewalk not needed since one in park already.
- Existing situation is dangerous with no way to get to sidewalks with stroller or wheelchair. Would decrease parking in yard. Help with cut through. Improve aesthetics.
- Also introduce lower speed limit all around park. Crosswalks with clear "stop for peds" signs across Francis to allow continuity of walkers
- I do not agree that there needs to be more parking created.
- Not a strong opinion on this – the priority of adding the curb & gutter would be lower, I think, then upgraded overloaded sewer.
- Goals: save trees – improve road.
- We like the one-way traffic lowering volume of cars & we like the parallel parking.

Disagree Comments

- I'm concerned that the one-way streets would create an unneeded inconvenience. Is there any possibility of expanding the current lot and keeping the two-way streets? I like the current set up of some gravel lots and parallel parking around the park with two-way streets.
- I am on the resource board and I vetted my strong opinion against. After talking to my neighbors, they would rather see the speed limit reduced to 20mph and speed humps placed in. Making a one-way is not perceived as good.
- Bad idea. The live oak trees can be saved. The speed limit should be reduced on Puryear & James Parkway. 30mph is too fast!
- This is a terrible idea! It would be a much better idea to lower the speed, install speed bumps, and enforce!
- This is a neighbor park – not an athletic complex!
- Can you look at potential purchase of part of the vacant lots across James Parkway from the tennis courts?

- We are at Thomas Park almost daily and it is a well used park – and we have never had trouble parking or noticed water standing in the street. This seems like a huge and unnecessary expense, especially at a time when funds should be used carefully.
- Traffic two-way but parking only on one side.
- Parallel parking is a bit dangerous on road – people & kids getting in & out of cars.
- Let the owners around the park decide. I like the natural, curbsless, tree'd look now.
- Instead of making Puryear & James Pkwy one-way – make it a 20mph speed zone with flashing yellow pedestrian warnings.
- The resident around Thomas Park and the users of Thomas Park should not be used as sacrificial lambs in order for drivers to get to a destination a few minutes sooner. Texas Avenue was widened significantly in order to accommodate the population growth of College Station. It should not be considered an option to funnel traffic through a neighborhood to accommodate impatient drivers.
- Reduce the speed limit around Thomas Park. One way traffic on Puryear and James is a very bad idea!
- No one way on Puryear & James Parkway!!!! Keep Thomas Park a neighborhood not an athletic complex. Plant trees Thomas Park. Reduce speed on Puryear & James Parkway.
- The more concrete, the more run-off, and faster. This can adversely affect property downstream. This area has been working fine for a long time!

Question 2: Do you agree or disagree that one-way pair option for Puryear Drive and James Parkway should be extended north of Francis Drive?

Total Survey Responses: 46

- 23 - Agree (57%)
- 17 - Disagree (43%)
- 6 - No Opinion / No Response

Survey Responses in Area: 20

- 13 - Agree (65%)
- 7 - Disagree (35%)

Agree Comments

- 20mph/speed bumps.
- Not strong opinion.
- Only with lower speed limit.
- I think the need for parking north of Francis Drive is almost as much as south of Francis Drive.
- Less confusing if both sides one-way pairs.
- Too confusing otherwise.
- Seems logical.

Disagree Comments

- I believe it would be too inconvenient for the many houses around that end of the park.

- I live on the N end of James and it would be a major inconvenience.
- This will create more traffic for the folks that use Thomas Park. Driving around to get to each side. I believe this is a very bad idea.
- This is also a bad idea – it will force all the heavy traffic from Puryear to James. Drivers go much too fast on Puryear and the speed needs to be regulated.
- If you must go with the one-way, and if the homeowners facing the park agree – then I'd feel differently. But they north side access by the homeowners is different than the south. It would be awkward for them to have to drive around.
- There is no reason to extend it and it would be quite inconvenient for homeowners on those streets.
- I'd rather not see it become a feeder/faster route.
- If one way I think it should all be one way.

Question 3: Providing sidewalks on Pasler Street and Banks Street would require a small amount of land acquisition due to limited right-of-way widths. Would you like a sidewalk on one side of these streets to increase pedestrian access?

Total Survey Responses: 46

- 22 - Agree (61%)
- 14 - Disagree (39%)
- 10 - No Opinion/No response

Survey Responses in Area: 14

- 5 - Agree (36%)
- 9 - Disagree (64%)

Agree Comments

- Good idea, that would be a priority. However, it would have to be carefully vetted to ensure that adequate set back was provided and that concerned residents were properly involved in planning.
- This would be an improvement to the neighborhood.
- If the sidewalks are on the apartment side.
- As long as the property at the back side of the apt complex is used, not my property.
- I think there is enough space on either side of the street for a sidewalk.
- If sidewalk is on apartment side of the street.
- If ok with area.
- But would prefer them on the north side of the street but also on Chappel headed to the park
- Yes, would be nice for my granddaughter to be able to ride bike etc.

Disagree Comments

- We do not need sidewalks. Street too small.
- The street is too small – I'd change my mind if 100% of homeowners on the street wanted it.
- Not enough fast traffic to warrant the \$ and impact on homes/yards.
- An increase in pedestrian walking has cause, and will cause an increase in crime in our area.

- We don't have a lot of pedestrian traffic, we have problems with students speeding, we need speed bumps.
- Putting sidewalk on our street will not only increase crime in our area, but it will also cause us to lose some of our property.
- Don't see the need.
- Chappel St must be added to this first.

No opinion Comments

- This should be decided by the families that live in the neighborhood.
- I don't walk there, but I hope the City will respect the wishes of the homeowners on those streets.
- The property owners in that area should decide.

Question 4: An enhanced bike route on Foster Avenue from George Bush Drive East to Walton Drive is proposed. This would create a corridor that would optimize bicycle traffic by allowing free-flow travel and assign right-of-way movement to Foster Avenue. Instead of the stop signs on Foster Avenue, they will be oriented to Gilchrist Avenue and Francis Drive. This would help bicyclists commuting to and from key destinations in the area. Traffic calming devices may need to be considered for this improvement such as valley gutters. Do you agree or disagree with this change?

Total Survey Responses: 46

- 26 - Agree (67%)
- 13 - Disagree (33%)
- 7 - No Opinion/No response

Survey Responses in Area: 20

- 12 - Agree (60%)
- 8 - Disagree (40%)

Agree Comments

- Good idea.
- No cut through for cars – which this
- That will perhaps get more bikes off TX Ave.
- This sounds like a beneficial plan!
- Good idea to swap the stops.
- Although maybe 4-way stops? Those intersections are already confusing with people assuming 4-way.
- If safer, yes!
- This should be done to Munson Ave. as well.
- I agree

Disagree Comments

- I do not like the idea of changing the stop sign on Francis. Many of us who live in the area use Francis regularly when coming from the George Bush Dr./Texas Ave. intersection. It would be very inconvenient.
- The bike lanes/paths is a good idea. I am opposed to changing the direction of the stop signs. Primarily, the stop signs on Foster

force the traffic to slow down and stop. Foster is too busy for its width, not to have the stop signs.

- By changing the stop signs – people will be confused and run the sign.
- Foster is too narrow & has too much motorcycle & auto traffic for bike access – maybe make Foster one way north – changing stop signs from Foster to Francis will not improve matters. Make Francis & Foster a 4-way stop and use a central traffic calming device (traffic circle).
- Traffic gets slowed down because of the stop signs.
- Partial agreement – the marked intersections should have 4-way stop signs. I don't think Foster Ave. is wide enough now for designated bike lanes.
- Stop signs on Foster keeps traffic going slower.

Other Miscellaneous Comments on Survey Forms:

- I have some concerns about the multi-use path between Williams & Tarrow – need a crossing guard to cross Lincoln for kids, no visibility for kids walking to school this way. Also, speed limit on Lincoln may need to be lowered between Ashburn and Texas? I still like the 35 speed limit going toward University. Is it necessary to pave this unique wooded area when bikes can use Ashburn & Walton close by. I would prefer a nature trail for walking (unpaved).
- One way traffic around Thomas Park would be a great mistake. Lowering the speed limit would create a safer environment for homeowners/renters and visitors.
- Traffic around not only Thomas Park, but ALL city parks should be enforced at a 20mph maximum speed in order to protect park users. Neighborhoods should not be sacrificed in order to allow drivers to reach a destination a few minutes sooner. Texas Ave. was widened significantly in order to accommodate increased volume due to increased population.
- Keep Thomas Park a neighborhood park – not an athletic complex – plan more trees in Thomas Park.
- Walton – back of curb. Children – location, have to look twice.
- I appreciate the chance to provide input.
- We have serious concerns about the multi-use path planned between Lincoln and Francis. Crossing Lincoln would be very unsafe for children and even adults. The path would not be used much by children getting to school. Plus we can't imagine any of those homeowners on Walton or Ashburn would like a public path in their back yard! That needs to be removed from the plan!
- Please do not overlook the dangerous situation on Puryear between Kyle and Dominik. It is a bottle-neck – very bad for pedestrians and bicyclists. Even a cheap clearing of trees near Kyle and putting some gravel for pedestrians to walk off the street would help save lives.
- Thank you for all the hard work & planning & materials & staff availability Tues & Wed.
- One way traffic around Thomas Park (north & south) would help traffic congestion.
- Don't want changes, or more restrictions on the neighborhood. Like its character as is.

Comments from Open House Comments & Suggestions Cards:

- Need to take down the fence at Foster & Francis, (cannot see)
- Behind my house and the houses behind me on Live Oak there is a drainage problem after a big rain.
- A presentation by city explaining proposed changes prior to walk about info would have been helpful. One-way around Thomas Park seems to be expensive solution to something that is not that big of a problem. The \$ could be better used in improving other areas in the neighborhood. The very real problem of housing with unlimited parking to house maximum of people because of a lack of an ordinance needs to be addressed if there's any chance for successful neighborhood preservation.
- The city should leave College Hills alone. Why cram a bunch of student/singles into a family neighborhood?
- Enforce the speed limit on Dominik, Glenhaven, and Francis Drive. Speed bumps and turnout lanes would help slow the traffic in this neighborhood.
- Enforce speed limits in the neighborhood – especially Francis & Dominik where speeding occurs daily. Enforce parking on one side of the street on Westover, Berkley, etc. It is one way driving at night on these streets. Fire trucks could not get through. It concerns me that this City Council has so little power when it comes to zoning.
- Do not mix bicycle and pedestrian traffic!
Putting bike lanes on Francis & adding a center stripe would help calm traffic. Also Dominik would benefit from this treatment as well.
- Appreciate the open house. There are a number of sensitive issues. I really hope that you get some good input and can put together an agreed plan.
- Putting the signs up in the neighborhood & the post cards are the better ways to notify us of the meetings impacting our neighborhood. You ought to ensure a City Council rep at every neighborhood meeting so they can hear people's concerns. The displays were good – thanks for the great explanations. Signs showing which entrance to use to come into the school would have been good as the front doors were locked.
- The planned multi-use path between Lincoln and Francis needs serious reconsideration! No homeowner would want a public path through their back yard! That infringes on their privacy and also creates safety issues. Lincoln traffic is heavy and fast – what a dangerous street to cross on foot. There are already plenty of other ways people can get from Lincoln to Francis without adding this path. It would affect the wildlife we enjoy in our area and does not seem to be a good use of tax payer money.
- Traffic on Francis Drive. Munson – Thru traffic going to Scott & White to get of University Drive & to the bypass to go by Scott & White pharmacy.
- We would oppose the pedestrian path between Lincoln and Francis at Tarrow. We would also dislike bike lanes in front of our house because of parking issues for our guests.
- Strongly favor 1 way on Puryear & James.
- Land Use – Area 1 needs to be Neighborhood Conservation. Sidewalks on Lincoln good idea. Sidewalks on Walton good idea if that is in addition to current bike lane & not in lieu of. Stop allowing property owners to pave entire yards for parking.

- Our neighborhood families would highly opposed for 604 Tarrow to be Zone to R-1 Single-Family but what we would love to see is a small sub-police station on the lot because our neighborhood is so heavily populated with students.
- Sidewalks on Lincoln St. are a very good idea. Also sidewalks on the apt. side of Pasler is good. As far as the rezoning of 604 Tarrow St. from C-3 to R-1 I am totally opposed to it due to our neighbor already being heavily populated with students already. Adding more students is not the thing to do and we don't want them.
- Land Use- Area 1 – Change Pasler to neighborhood conservation. Sidewalk on Lincoln – great idea.
- Thank you for seeking the neighborhood owner's input.
- I am very pleased to see Conservation areas. Some of the redevelopment plans concern me greatly. Already, land use appear to be circumvented by the building of what appears to be single family, two story residences; but closer examination will reveal those properties are, in reality, apartments. You will see private keyed locks on bedroom doors and common areas shared. These same properties have no storage or garages and inadequate off-street parking. With this condition already happening, changing zoning to high density and/or townhomes, etc will only drive up traffic on already narrow streets. The on-street parking from Munson to Glenhaven and from Dominik to Lincoln is already an enormous safety problem. The striping on Lincoln has helped somewhat, but with the sidewalks being added to Dominik & the street being narrowed with no striping makes driving very difficult especially at night.