

Jomsky, Mark

From: Joshua Finn <jshfinn@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 03, 2019 1:08 PM
To: Jomsky, Mark
Cc: Gordo, Victor; De La Cuba, Vannia; Betty Sword; Tamara Kohnke
Subject: Regarding Capital Improvement for Washington Park Community space.

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Mr. Jomsky

If there is still time could you please forward the email below to City council regarding their discussion today on the Capitol Improvement Program that includes funding for the Washington Park Community House and Restrooms.

Dear Council Members.

The Washington Square Neighborhood Association would like to voice it's support for the adoption of funding to build a new and improved Community house and restrooms for Washington park.

The Washington Square neighborhood is comprised of 250 homes which are within walking distance of Washington park and it amenities. However, we often hear complaints, mostly from families and mothers with children that they are wary of using the parks facilities. Their reasoning is that the bathrooms are outdated and in poor condition leaving them feeling it unsafe for their children to use. As a result they choose to go to other parks even if it requires them to drive there.

Our community and the Washington Square Neighborhood Association supports the building of renovated bathrooms and a community space as studies have shown that community spaces help alleviate crime and help to foster a stronger community. With a community space it would be easier to hold special events and programs that could help energize more people to use the park for legal purposes in turn making the park more enjoyable for all.

Many Thanks
Joshua Finn
Co-Vice President
Washington Square Neighborhood Association.

Jomsky, Mark

From: Teresa S. <consuerte19@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 03, 2019 12:54 PM
To: Jomsky, Mark
Cc: Gordo, Victor
Subject: Washington Park Community House

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Dear Mr. Jomsky:

I am writing to express my support for the proposed Washington Park Community House and Restroom in the 2020 Capitol Improvement Budget for Public Works.

Please distribute this to other council members.

Thank you.

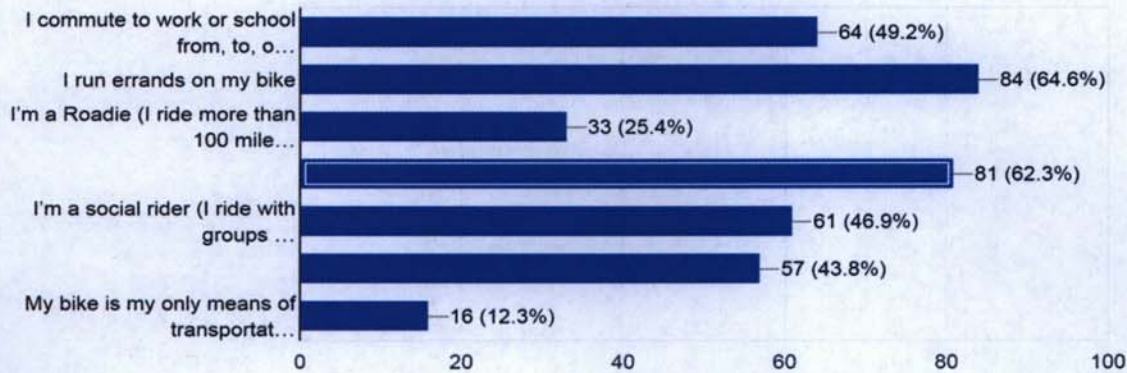
Sincerely,

Teresa Salerno

Biking in Pasadena Survey Summary As of June 3, 2019 **Selected Findings**

How would you describe yourself as a rider (Choose all that apply):

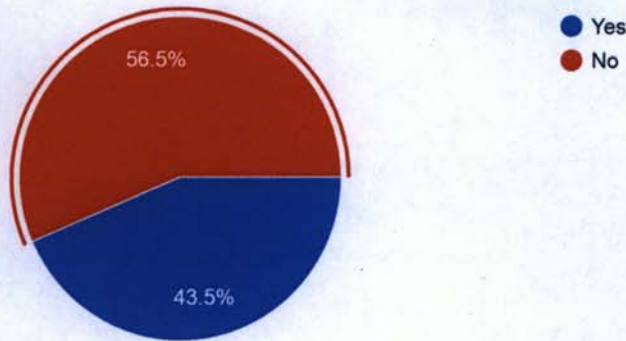
130 responses



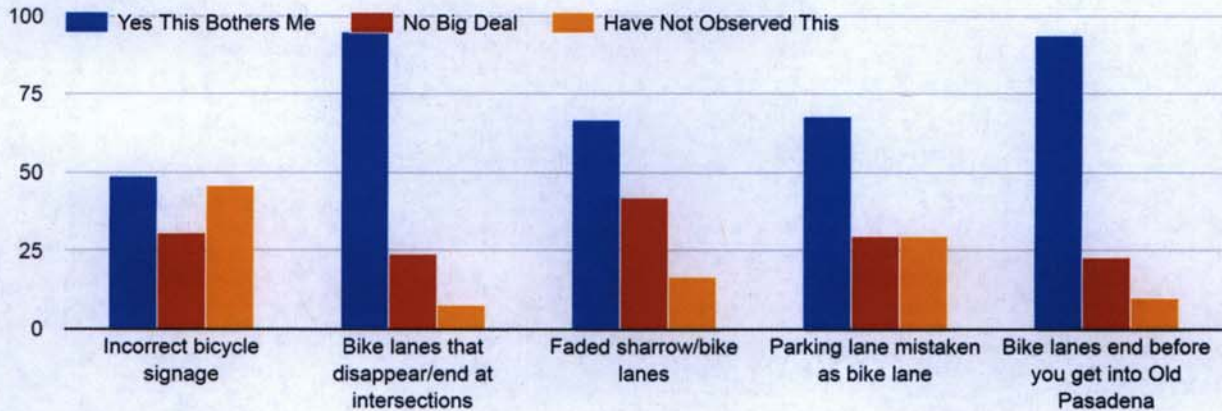
- (1) I commute to work or school from, to, or within Pasadena
- (2) I run errands on my bike
- (3) I'm a Roadie (I ride more than 100 miles per week, solo or with groups)
- (4) I'm a Recreational Rider (I ride around town for fun)
- (5) I'm a social rider (I ride with groups for fun)
- (6) I use my bike in combination with public transportation
- (7) My bike is my only means of transportation

Do you know what Roseways are?

131 responses



Do these things bother you?



What else makes cycling in Pasadena unsafe, unpleasant, or inconvenient?

“Most of the bike lanes in Pasadena are not yet connected together in any meaningful way...”

“Limited and spotty bike lanes. It is difficult to get to most places without a lot of non-bike lane riding.”

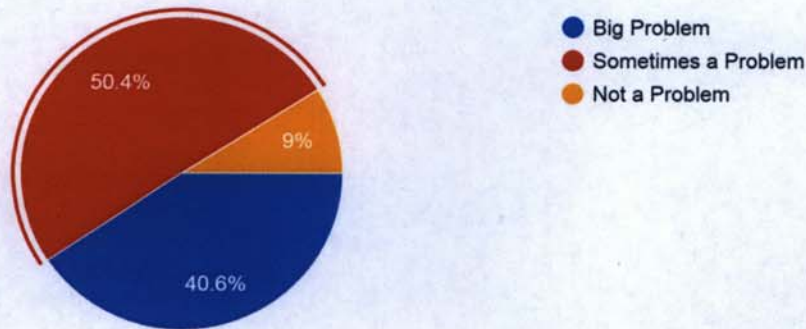
“Bike lanes in the door zone are a huge problem...”

“Too many cars going too fast...”

“Bike routes to between "here and there" in Pasadena are typically discontinuous and of widely-varying safety. Only a small number of the bike lanes really feel safe...”

Driver Behavior: Is driver behavior a problem for you as a bicyclist in Pasadena?

133 responses



What other issues do you have with driver behavior in Pasadena? List them here:

"Drivers don't understand that people riding bikes are allowed on the street. Drivers often get very aggressive and risk my safety because they are frustrated because I am biking on the street instead of the sidewalk."

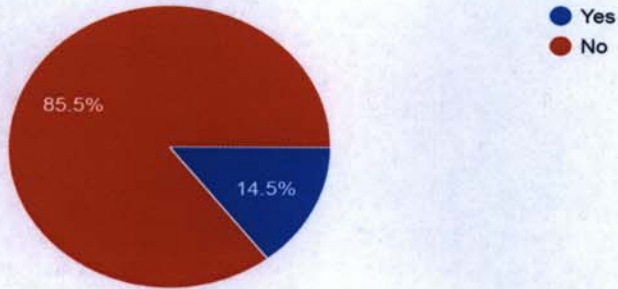
"I think a lot of the root cause is that everyone drives 40mph on practically every Street in Pasadena..."

"Aggressive driving with either malice towards bikers or no appreciation of a bike's exposure to the smallest mistake."

"Driver behavior is generally only a problem when we have to share lanes that are unmarked. I do my best to avoid busy streets but there are times when I just can't. Sometimes I ride on the sidewalk just to avoid places where drivers might get annoyed at having to wait for me. Their annoyance level clearly goes up when it is rush hour but there are still times, as a commuter on a bike, that I have to share the road with them. I do my best to stay out of their way but if I move over too close to the curb then they get too close to me, perhaps not realizing that their car feels like a weapon to someone so unprotected."

Driver Behavior: Has a driver ever hit you in Pasadena?

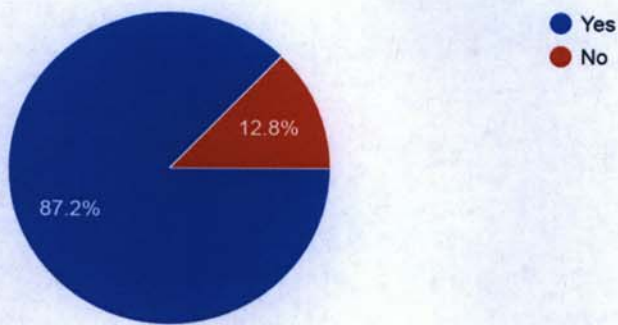
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(19) of the respondents report having been hit

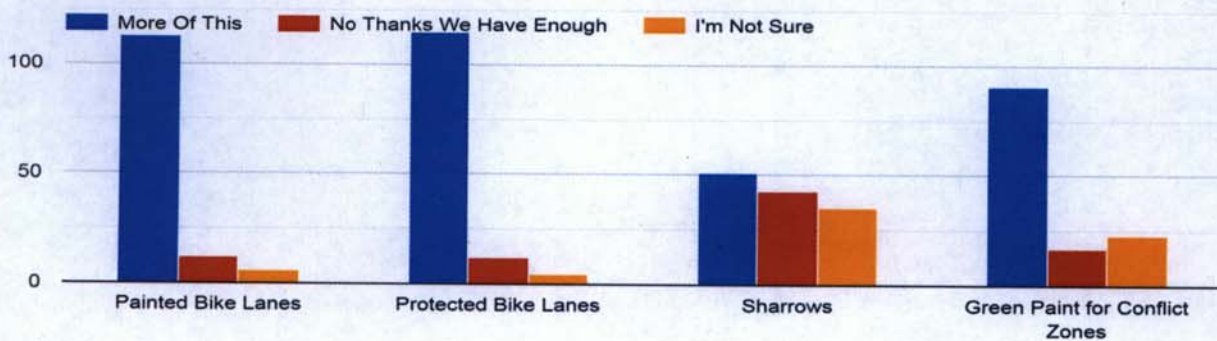
Driver Behavior: Has a driver ever come close to hitting you in Pasadena?

133 responses



(116) of the respondents report having come close to being hit

Street Markings: Do you want more of these when you ride around Pasadena?



What would make you more likely to ride your bike more often in Pasadena?

"Upgrading existing sharrows into full/dedicated bicycle lanes on larger streets within Oldtown."

"Traffic calming measures. An actual connected network of protected bike lanes/mobility lanes on main streets that separate bikes from cars buffered by landscape and trees not just buffered by unoccupied parked cars. We should also prioritize bike lanes/mobility lanes that connect our schools, libraries and parks"

"More driver education, more bike lanes, especially protected ones, leading to safer bike routes through neighborhoods. Make sure GPS services take designated bike routes off their platforms as through traffic routes for cars."

"Slower car speeds and protected bike lanes."

"I try to ride Roseways whenever I can, but nobody knows about them and - admittedly - they are VERY circuitous and hard to stay on unless you have studied them beforehand & constantly looking for Roseway signage. Make these Roseway routes easier to follow, more direct, market them, increase signage and people will ride these more often."

This survey was developed and administered by the Pasadena Complete Streets Coalition, and the survey questions incorporate some comments from the Pasadena Department of Transportation.

The survey has been conducted online as a Google Form. As of June 3, 2019, there have been 135 survey responses.

The survey is targeted specifically at people who are already riding bicycles in Pasadena. The link was distributed directly to bicyclists via local bike shops, bike commuters, bike clubs and to riders participating in weekly group rides.

The Pasadena Complete Streets Coalition will prepare a report to share with the City and with the public. The Department of Transportation has been given and will continue to receive access to the full responses of each survey.