



# Permanent Healthy Streets

## Designing for safety and community

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**City of Seattle**

# Our Vision, Mission, and Core Values

Seattle is a thriving equitable community powered by dependable transportation. We're on a mission to deliver a transportation system that provides safe and affordable access to places and opportunities.

We value equity, safety, mobility, sustainability, livability, and excellence.

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# 2021 Stay Healthy Streets Update

- Permanent Healthy Street Process
- Outreach
- Pilot Locations

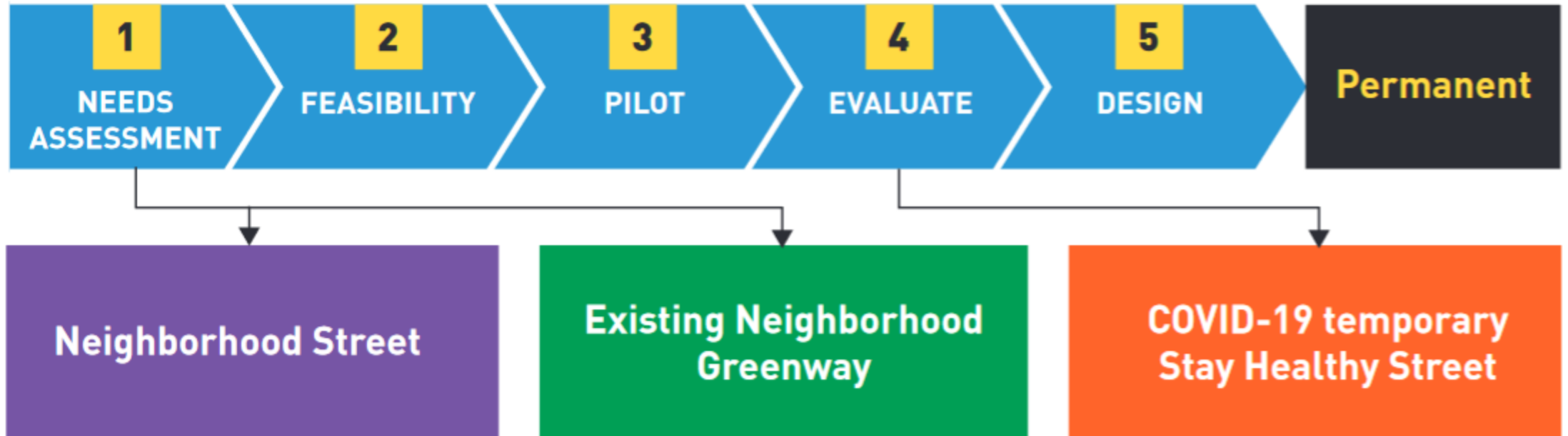
# STAY HEALTHY STREETS

## Process for Identifying Permanent Stay Healthy Streets



If a Stay Healthy Street request does not progress to the next step recommended alternative programs include: Stay Healthy Blocks, block party and play street permits, home zones, neighborhood traffic calming, street murals, and Your Voice Your Choice participatory budgeting

Begin by identifying which step your proposed Stay Healthy Street is at in this process.



# Can this street become a Stay Healthy Street?








1 NEEDS ASSESSMENT			2 DETERMINE FEASIBILITY	
Access to Open Space	High Equity Need	High COVID-19 Infection Rate	Non-arterial Street*	Available mileage in Temp SHS Capacity
Request from historically underserved community	Geographic Distribution across city sectors	Access to Essential Services	No new signalized arterial crossings needed*	Existing land use access needs

\*Existing neighborhood greenways have already met non-arterial and crossing guideline feasibility criteria.

## Is this street a good candidate for permanent implementation?



3 PILOT A TEMPORARY STAY HEALTHY STREET	4 EVALUATION OF A PILOT STAY HEALTHY STREET			
 <p>Observe Listen Evaluate</p>	 <p>Are there more people walking, rolling and biking?</p>	 <p>Is there neighborhood support for keeping the Stay Healthy Street?</p>	 <p>How well did this Pilot SHS serve the diversity of the neighborhood? (Race, Gender, Age, Ability)</p>	 <p>Are there fewer vehicles driving on the street? Are the vehicles traveling slowly?</p>

We've heard 2 primary themes in request for permanent healthy streets:










1. Fully closed routes for walking, rolling and biking for all ages and abilities
2. Fully closed blocks for easier community recreation, events, and extension of the public space in high density neighborhoods



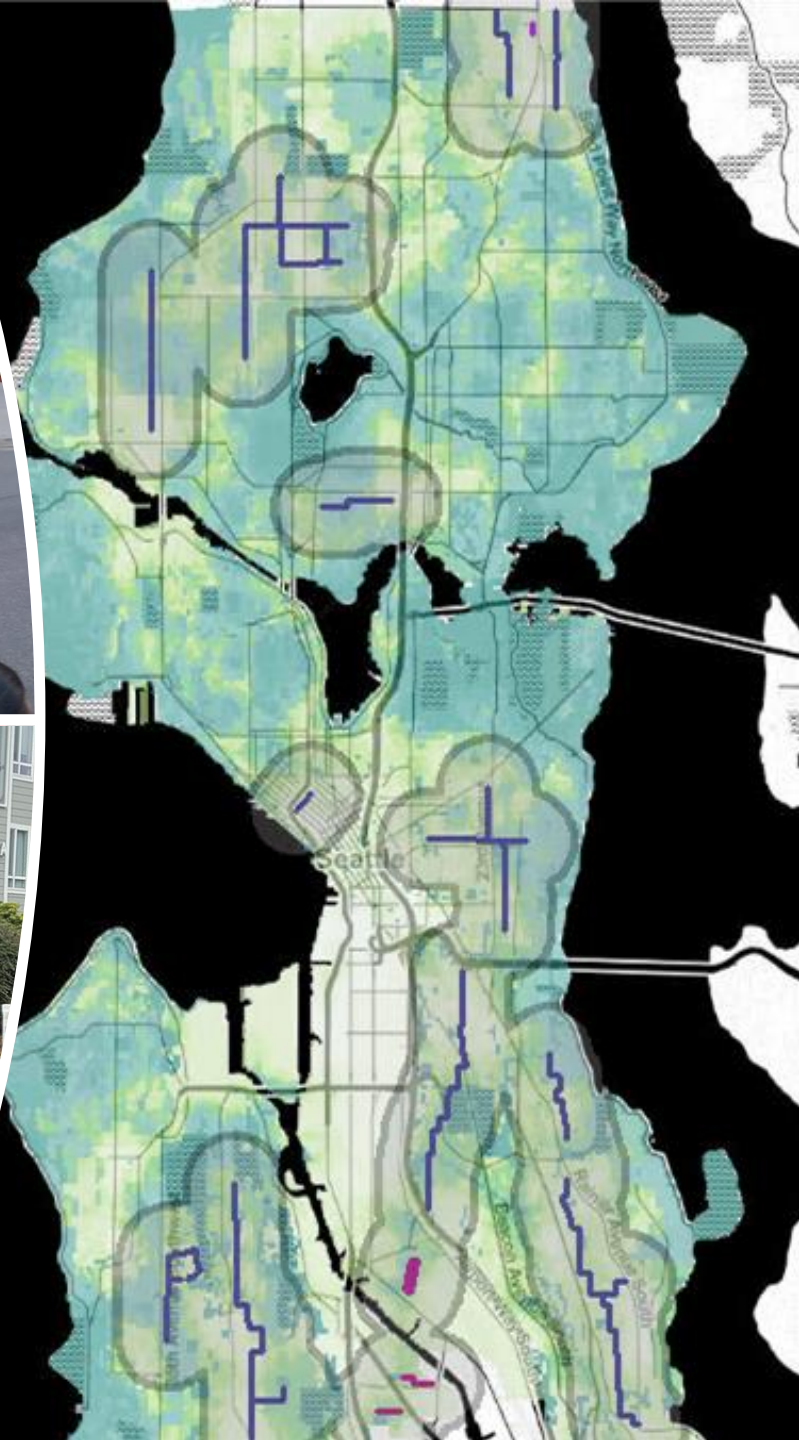
# What would a permanent Stay Healthy Street look like in this location?



How the community intends to use the permanent Healthy Street will influence the final design.

5 COMMUNITY BASED DESIGN		
What changes will support a safe street for walking, rolling and biking?	Which blocks should remain closed to vehicles? Are there key locations where vehicle access needs to be prioritized?	How will the street reflect and enhance the neighborhood?
 Barricade Upgrades	 Schools, Libraries & Community Centers	 Entry Features
 Traffic Calming	 Business & Industrial	 Place-keeping & Artwork
 Education	 Cultural Destinations & Multi-family housing access	 Community

**2021  
community-  
based pilots**



# Little Brook Pilot

- Closed the block outside Little Brook Park
- Won a NACTO grant to partner with Lake City Collective
- Lake City Collective pulled together neighbors to put in a basketball hoop, build vegetable planter boxes, and hold events



# Little Brook mural



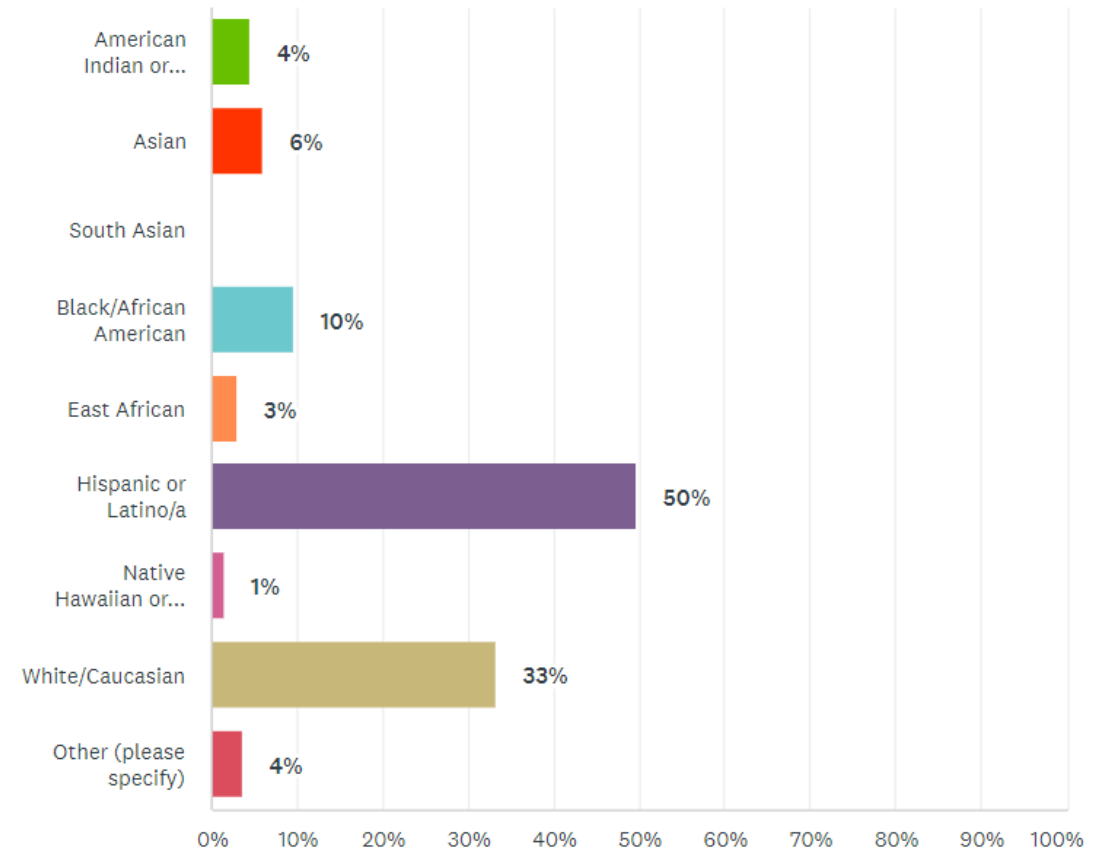
# Little Brook Neighbor Feedback

- Online and paper survey in 6 languages
  - Handed out at 8 events
- Email inbox and phone number
- Project webpage
- On-site signage with QR code for survey
- Directly speaking with us/Lake City Collective



## How do you identify? (Check all that apply)

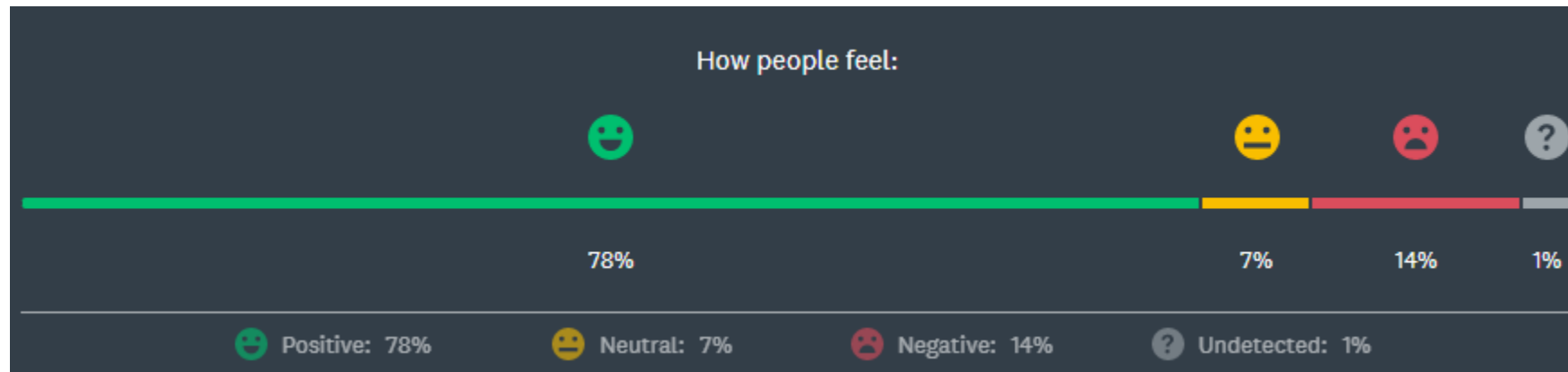
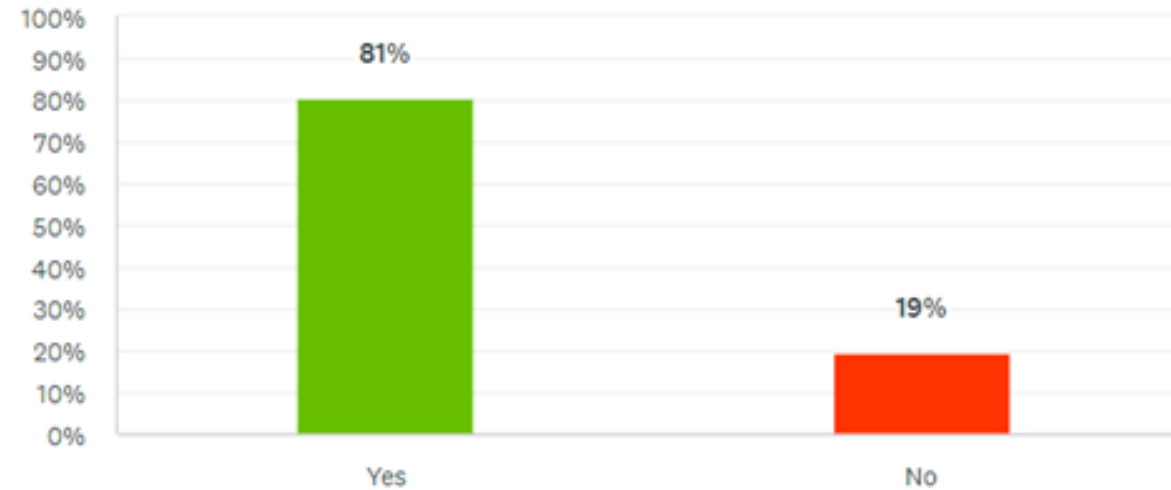
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# Neighbor Survey Responses – Total

Should we make this permanent?

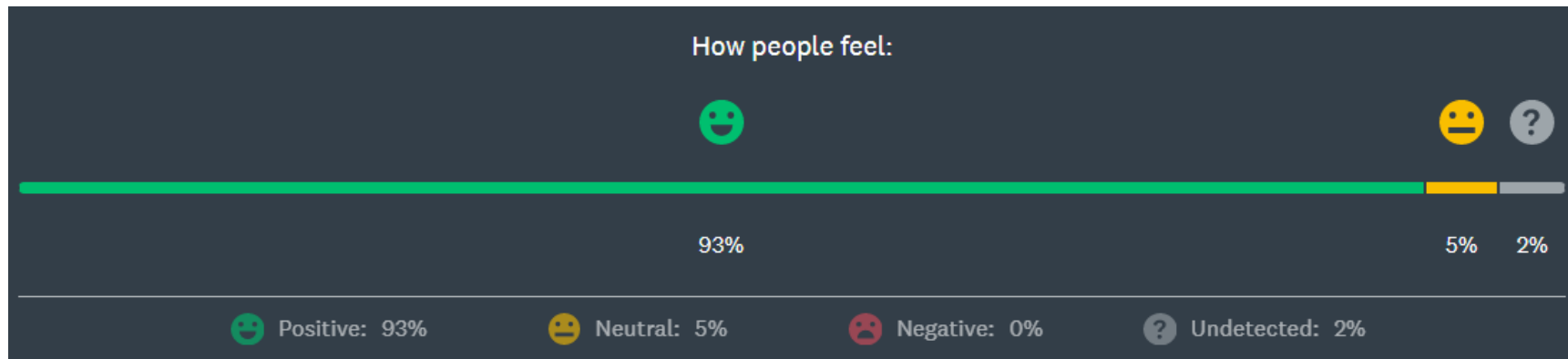
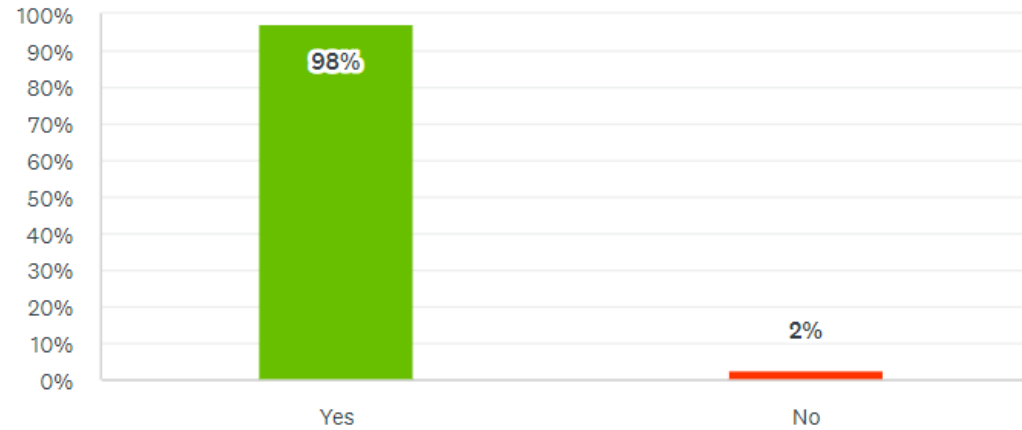
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# Neighbor Survey Responses – In language

Should we make this permanent?

Answered: 42 Skipped: 0





# Permanent Healthy Street Design





## Equity

Eliminate racial disparities and achieve racial equity

VISION  
**ZERO**

SAFER STREETS FOR SEATTLE

## Vision Zero

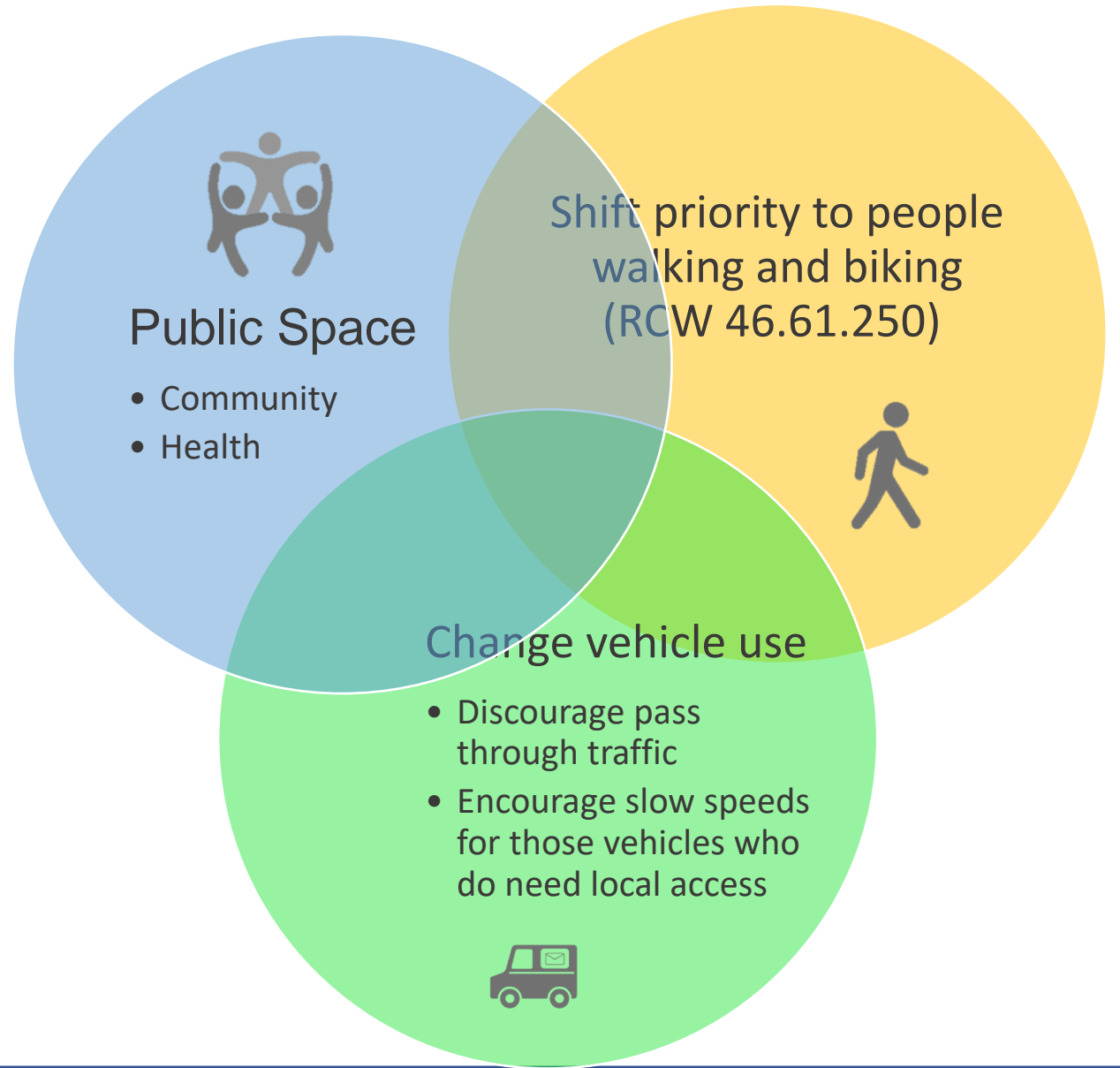
To end traffic deaths and serious injuries on city streets



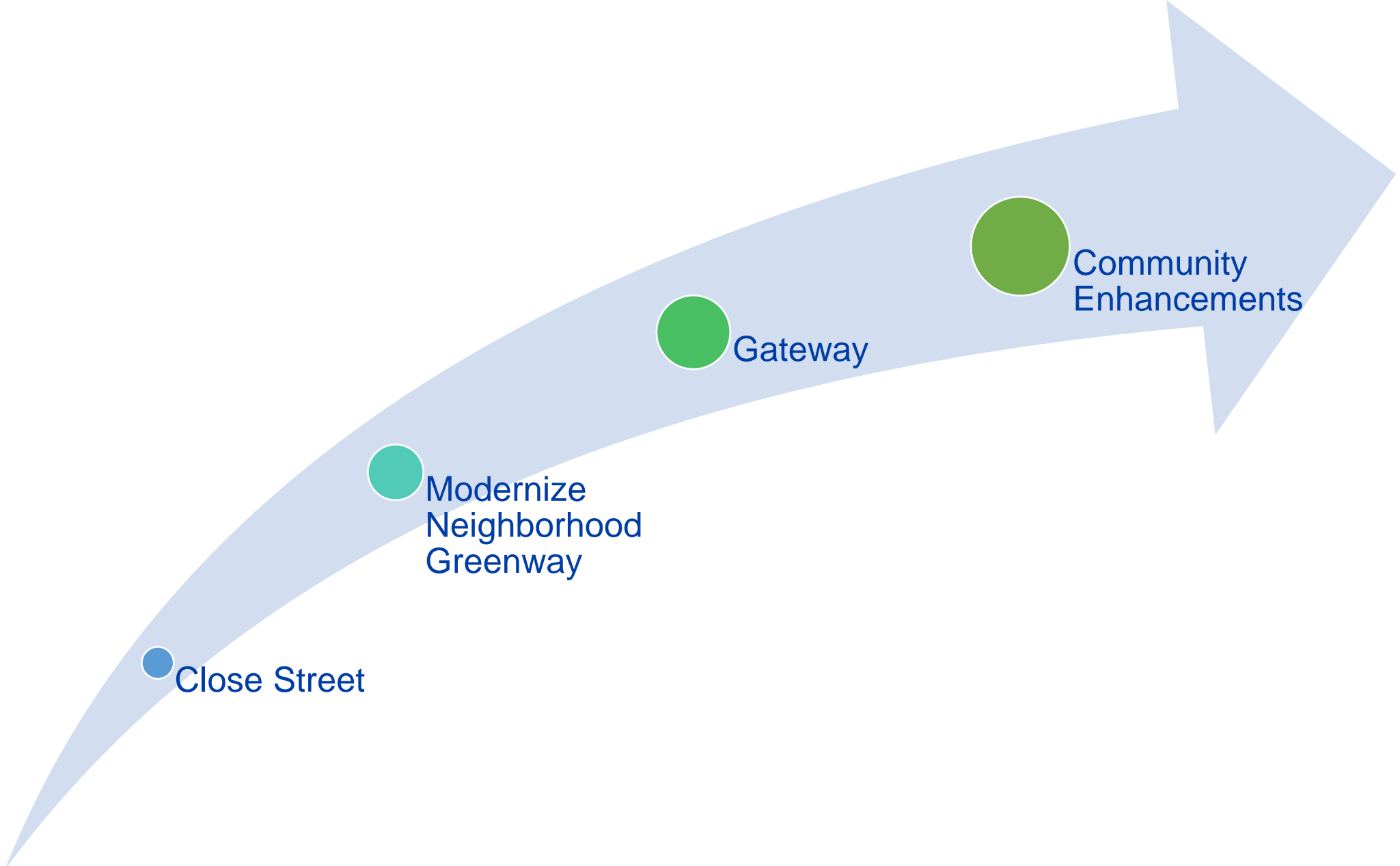
## Climate Change

90% of personal trips are zero emission

# BY 2030

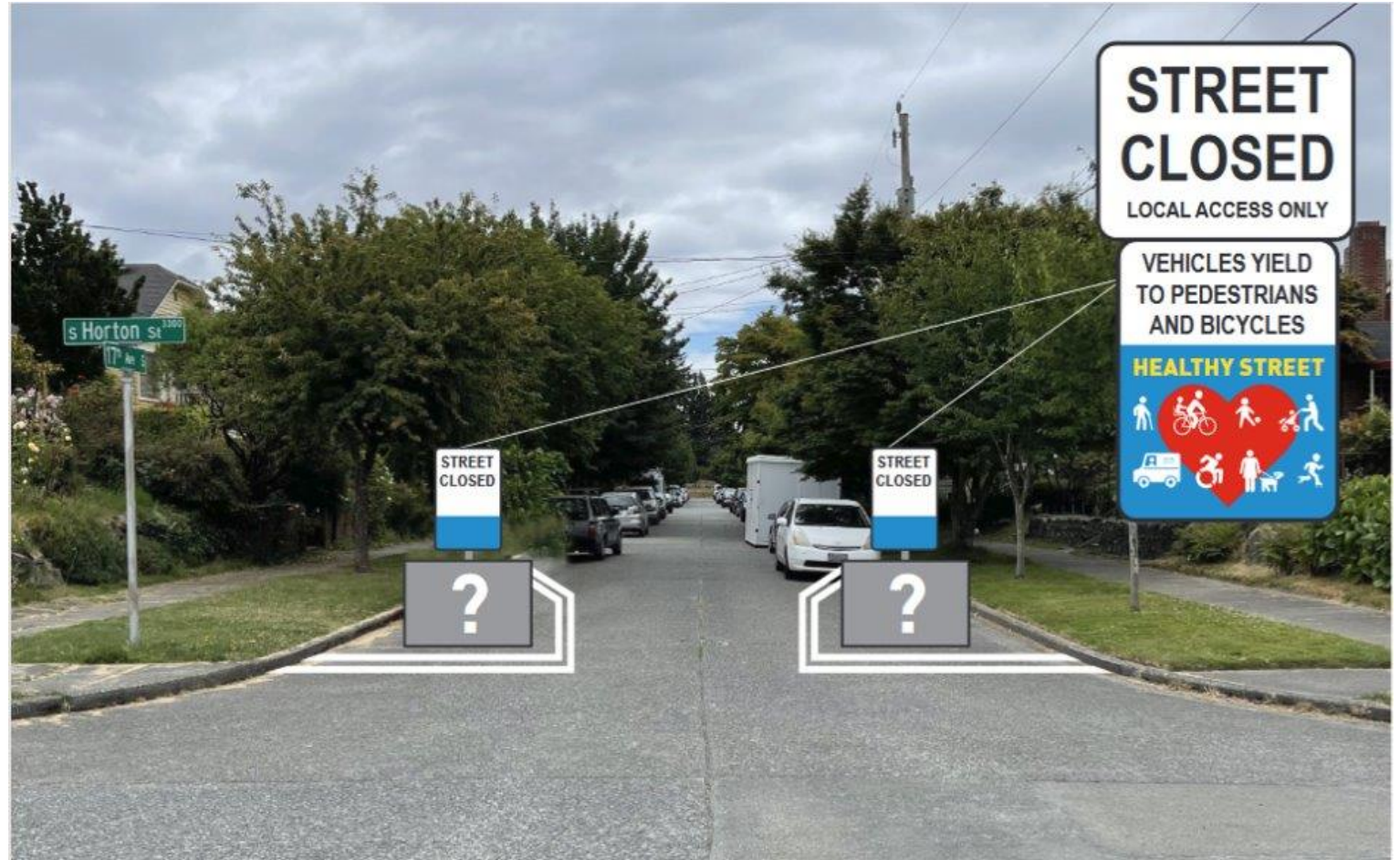


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Non-arterial street

# Healthy Street Gateway



Non-arterial street

# Healthy Street Gateway



Planter:  
42" Diameter x 30" Tall

Sign Block:  
22" Diameter x 23" Tall



Photo: City of Toronto

Bike racks   Painted barricades   Benches   Painted streets

# Gateway Community Elements Menu

# Neighborhood Greenways & Healthy Streets

## Safer Crossings

- Easier for seniors and kids to cross busy streets
- Make drivers more aware of people walking and biking



## Walking and Biking Priority

- Speed humps to calm traffic
- Stop signs for side streets crossing the greenway



## Wayfinding

- Identify the street as a Neighborhood Greenway so people know what to expect
- Help people walking and biking find their way



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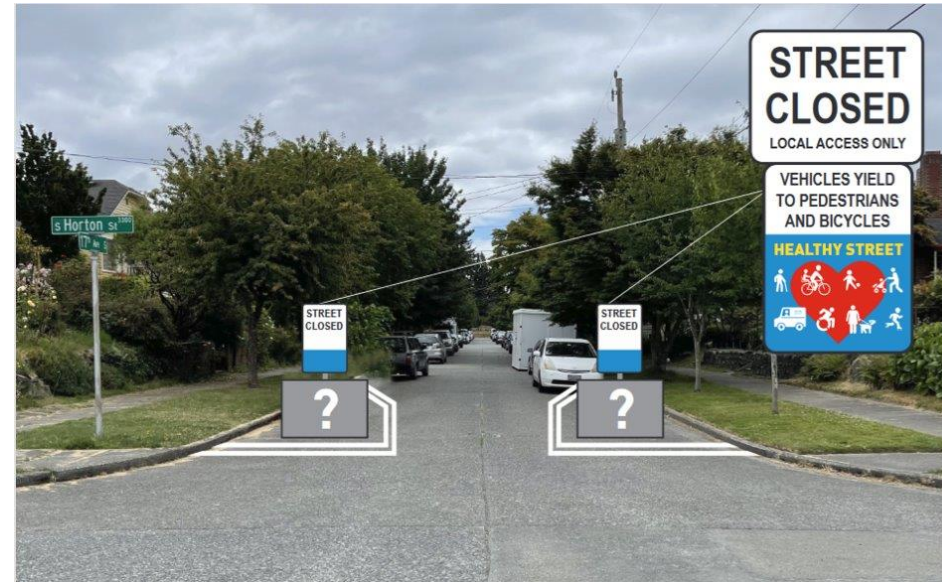


# Funding

- Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act
- City's Emergency Response Funds
- Maintenance and Operations Funds

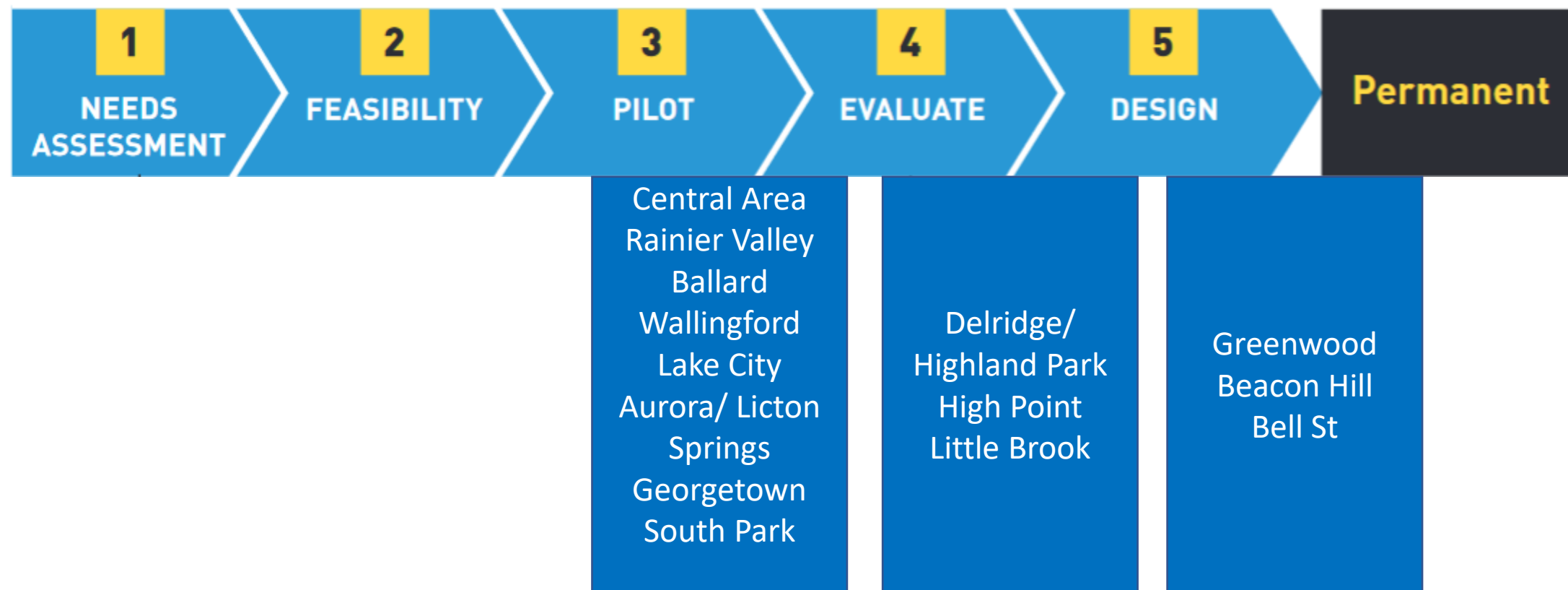


- Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (\$1.8M)
- To Be Determined



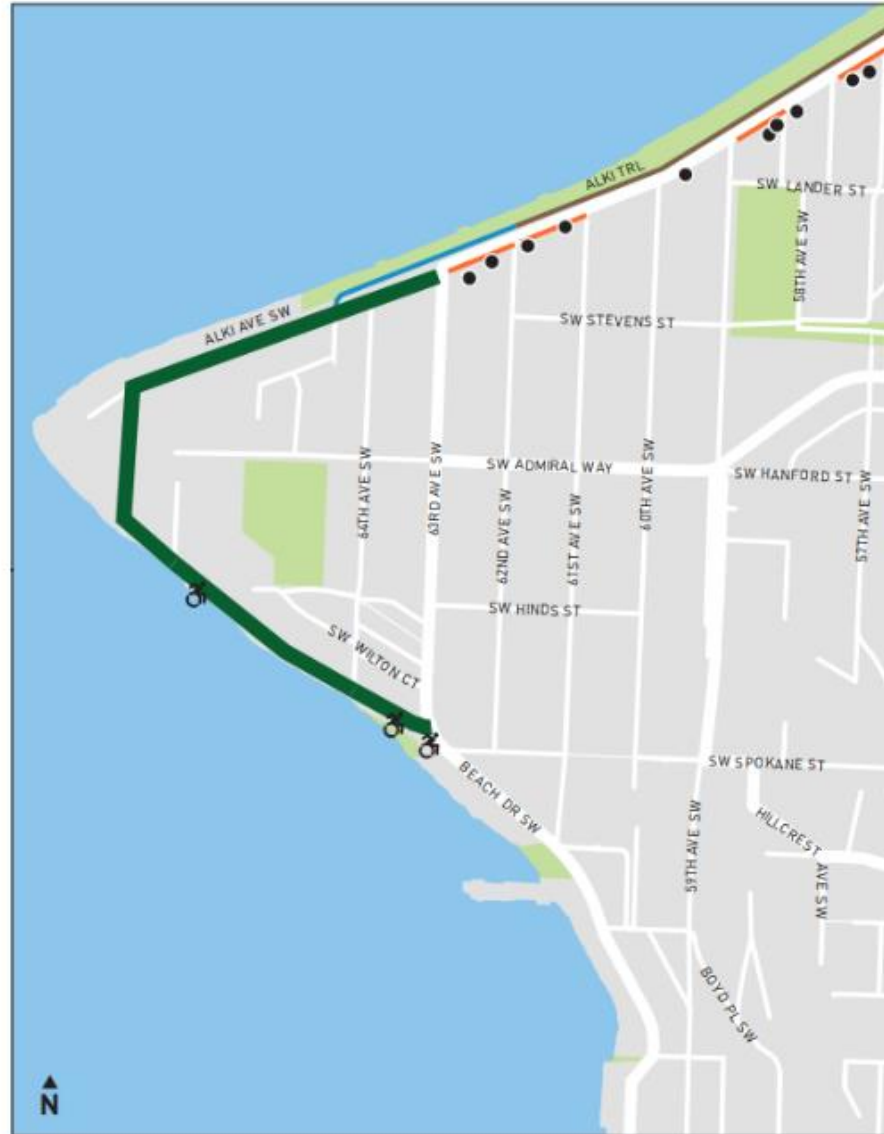


# Healthy Street Project Status



# Alki Point

## Keep Moving Street Status Update



### KEEP MOVING STREETS

#### Beach Drive

- Open Restaurant
- Temporary Pick Up Zone
- █ Temporary Closure - Parks Coordination
- ♿ ADA Parking

#### Existing Bike Facilities

- In Street, Minor Separation
- Multi-use Trail



# Alki Point – 2021 Outreach

- 2021 Survey
  - Open from September 3<sup>rd</sup> – December 21<sup>st</sup>
  - 2,030 Responses
- Door-to-door to nearby businesses along Alki Ave SW (October 15<sup>th</sup>)
- Stakeholder meetings
  - Reached out to ~30 stakeholders to set meetings and ask them to provide feedback
- Phone calls
- Emails
- Micromobility Outreach Event (October 2<sup>nd</sup>)
- A-frames (along project from September to December)
- Notices requesting public feedback via project listserv, webpage, social media, West Seattle Blog, etc.

# Alki Point – Preliminary Survey Themes

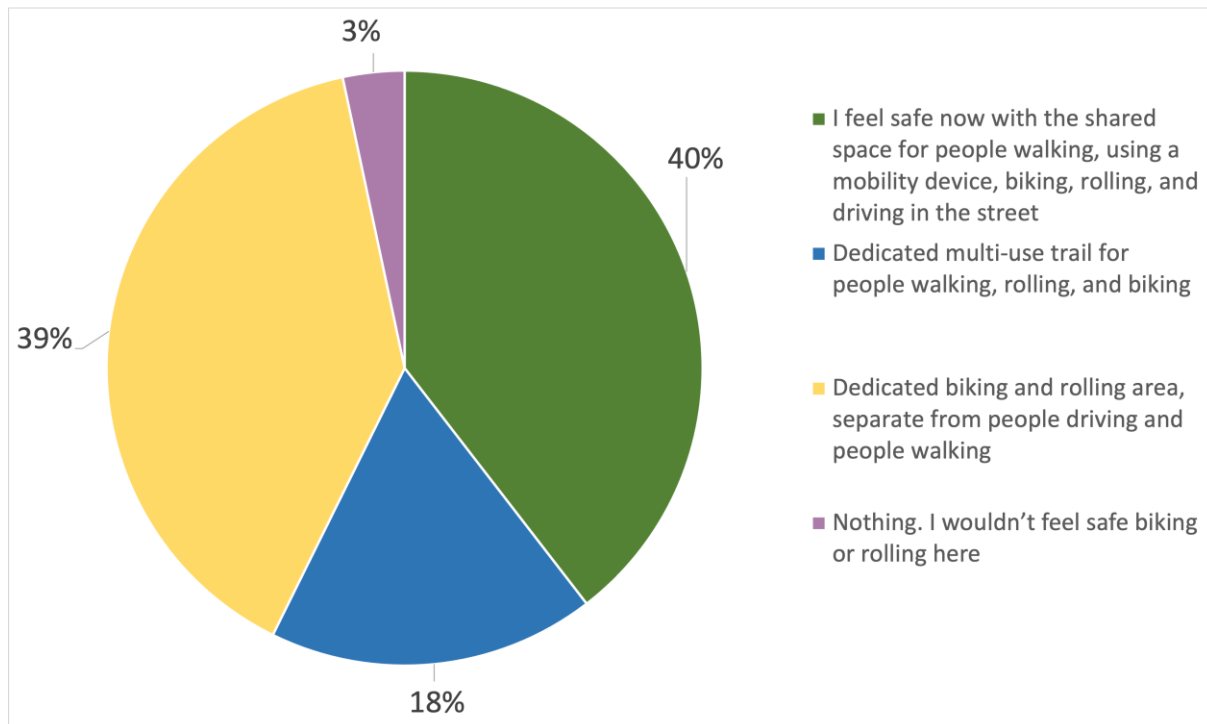
- 2,030 respondents
  - Not everyone answered every question
- Almost 45% of survey takers use the street daily
- 65% of survey takers drive to get to Alki Point
- Top two values for a permanent design are:
  - Additional space for walking and biking
  - Maintaining access to Alki Point Parks

**Q 13: If applicable, which improvement would make you feel safest walking or running?**

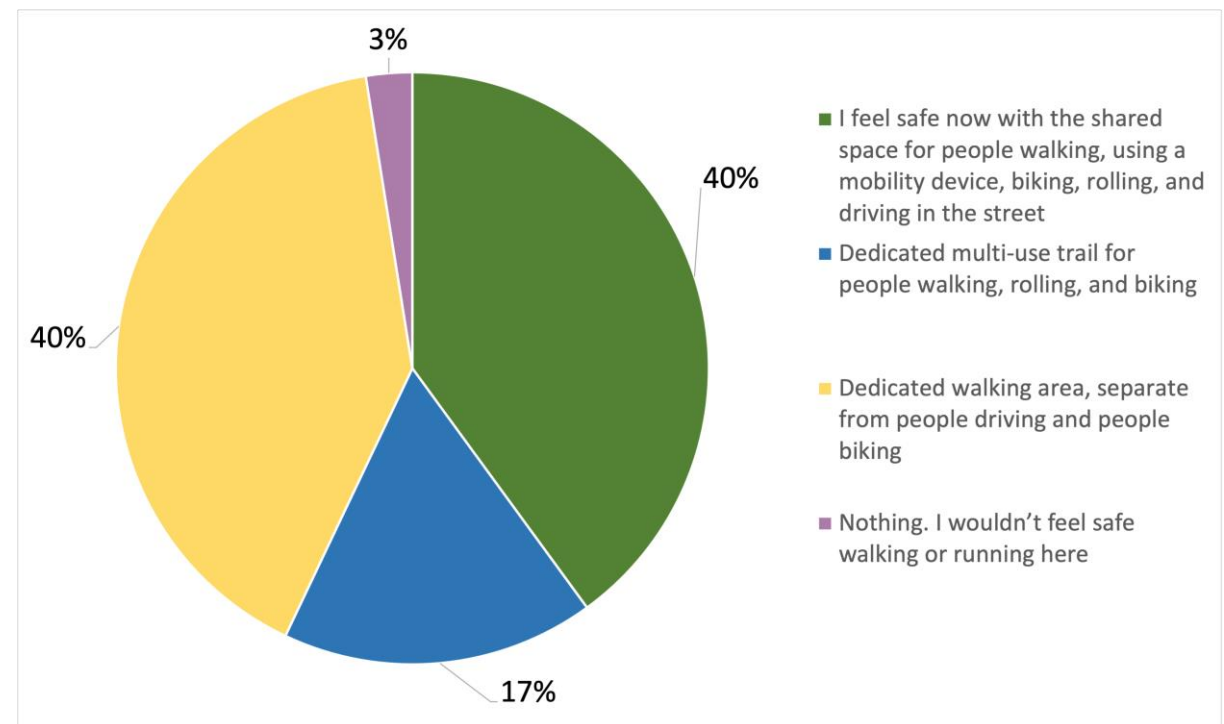
- **40%** felt safe with the current Keep Moving Street shared space
- **40%** favor separate space for walkers and rollers
- **17%** favor a multi-use trail

# Alki Point – Preliminary Survey Themes

Q 12: If applicable, which improvement would make you feel safest biking or rolling?



Q 13: If applicable, which improvement would make you feel safest walking or running?



# Questions?

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