

Targeted Community Engagement Efforts

leading up to the city's 2040 Comprehensive Plan Update



Purpose of Engagement: Why now?

- ◆ South St. Paul, along with every community in the Twin Cities, will need to update its comprehensive plan by the end of 2018.
- ◆ Comprehensive plans set the community intention and direction for decades to come.
- ◆ Comprehensive plans touch all aspects of the city (land use, housing, transportation, economic development, parks, natural resources, infrastructure...)



Purpose of Engagement: Why now?

- ◆ South St. Paul received a SHIP grant from Dakota County to conduct community engagement with a special focus on **healthy communities**.
- ◆ SHIP grant requires targeted outreach to key populations
 - Residents, people aged 60 and older, youth, low-income individuals, persons experiencing a health disparity, County CDA housing residents



Scope of engagement efforts

- ◆ Six targeted engagement events from June – August 2017
 - Engaged with over 160 people from business community, youth, seniors
- ◆ Community survey, both paper copies and online (170 responses to date)
- ◆ **End result to the City:** Engagement summaries and formation of draft **Goals and Policies** for comp plan



Scope of engagement efforts

- ◆ Engagement events have included:
 - Community Open House at City Hall (June 14)
 - Booth at Kaposia Days (June 25)
 - Business Engagement Forum (July 18)
 - Farmer's Market (July 26)
 - Swimming Under the Stars (July 26)
 - Senior engagement at John Carroll (August 23)

Scope of engagement efforts

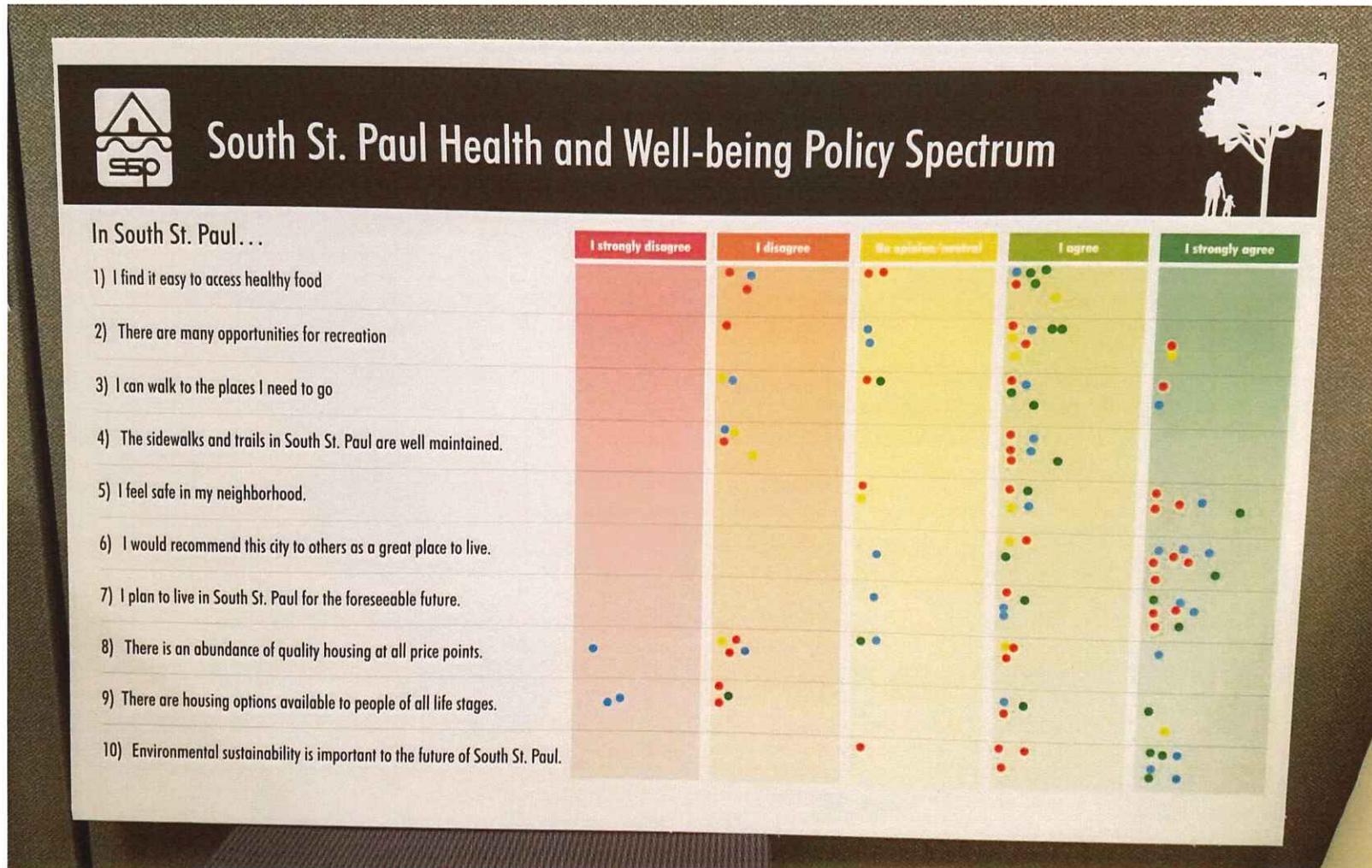


Engagement topics

- ◆ Engagement focused on key topics to inform the comp plan:
 - Citywide **place-based input** (key locations, missing amenities, trouble spots)
 - Evaluation of **health & well-being** features of the community (SHIP grant)
 - **Economic development**
 - **Priority strategies** for community enhancement and improvement

What did we ask?

Questions about health & well-being



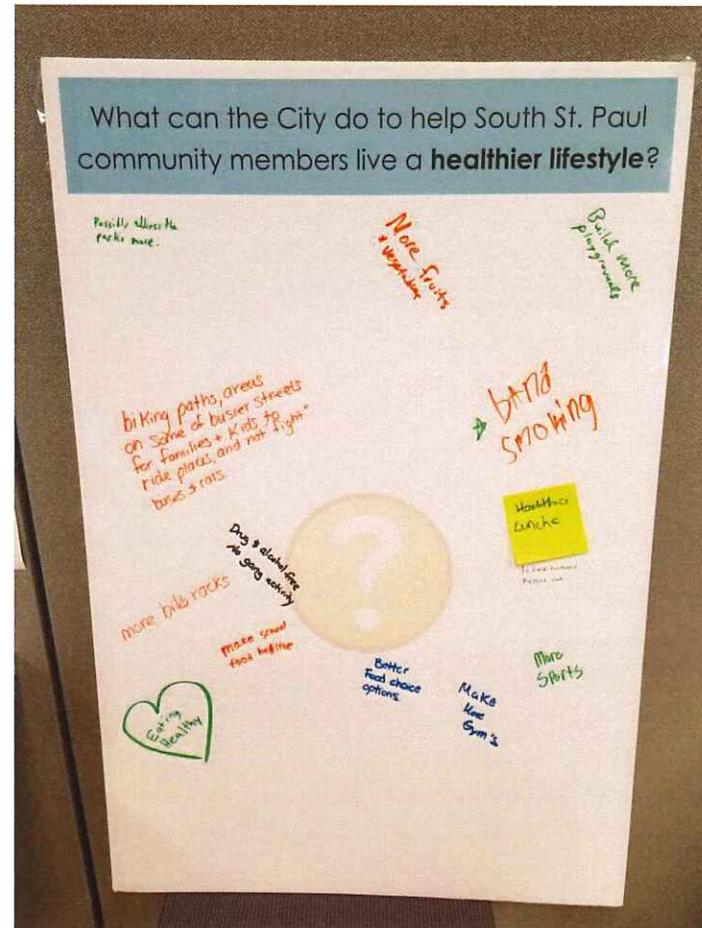
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Questions about health & well-being

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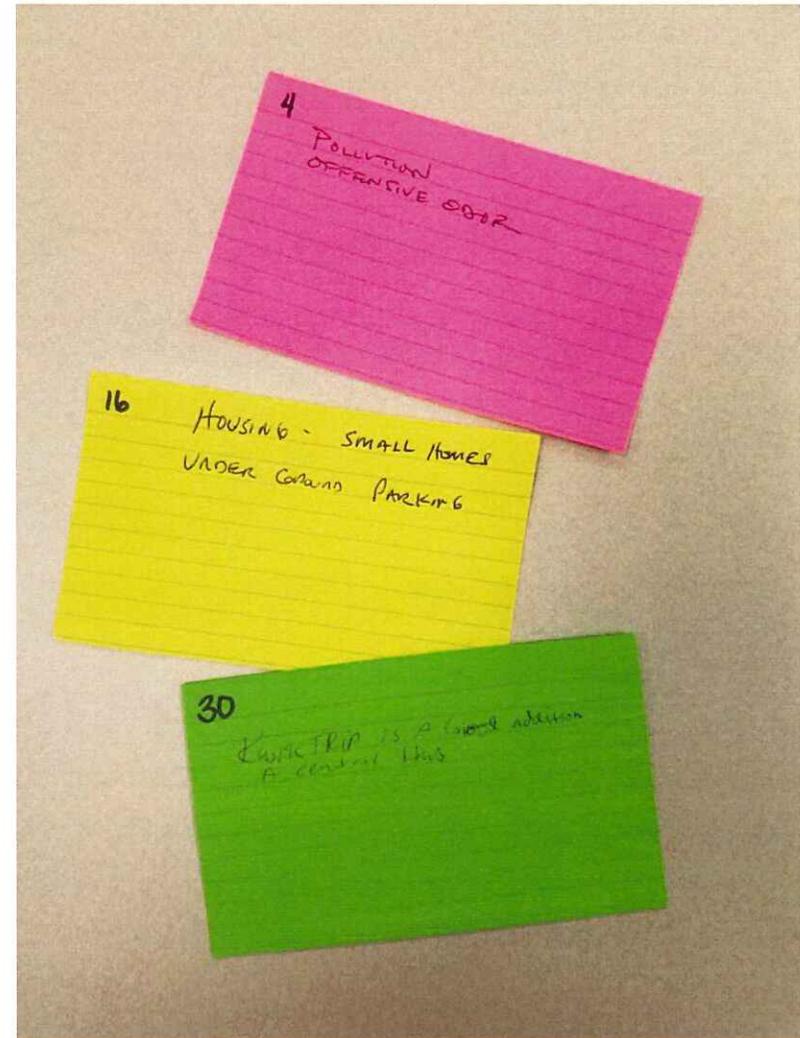
What can the City do to help South St. Paul community members live a **healthier lifestyle?**

Write or **draw** your responses here on this paper. This is a free response question – there is no idea too big or too small!



What did we ask?

Questions about places – where people like and don't like to go



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What did we ask?

Questions about economic development

	South St. Paul Economic Development Policy Spectrum				
In South St. Paul...	I strongly disagree	I disagree	No opinion/neutral	I agree	I strongly agree
1) I find it easy to attract new customers and/or clients to my business.					
2) I find it easy to attract quality employees.					
3) There are a healthy amount and type of employment opportunities.					
4) My customers and/or clients have no problem finding my location(s).					
5) The City's utilities and infrastructure support a healthy business environment.					
6) Resources provided by the City and other agencies to support local businesses are well-understood and meaningful.					
7) I would recommend this city to others as a great place to live and do business.					
8) There is enough quality, right-priced housing to support the City's economic growth.					
9) The number, diversity and location of businesses meets the community's needs and potential.					
10) I plan to continue doing business in South St. Paul for the foreseeable future.					

What did we ask?

Questions about priority strategies to make the city go from good to great

Key Strategies for 2040

Highest Priority ▲ - - - - -

- - - - - ▶ Lower Priority

The board is a vertical rectangle with a teal header containing the title 'Key Strategies for 2040'. On the left side, there is a vertical scale with 'Highest Priority' at the top and 'Lower Priority' at the bottom, separated by dashed lines and arrows pointing towards each other.

It's the year 2040, and South St. Paul is thriving! Imagine you're being interviewed in 2040 about the key actions, initiatives, policies, or decisions that the city took in 2017 that made South St. Paul a **great place to live** and the **fantastic community that it is "today"** (2040).

For this exercise:

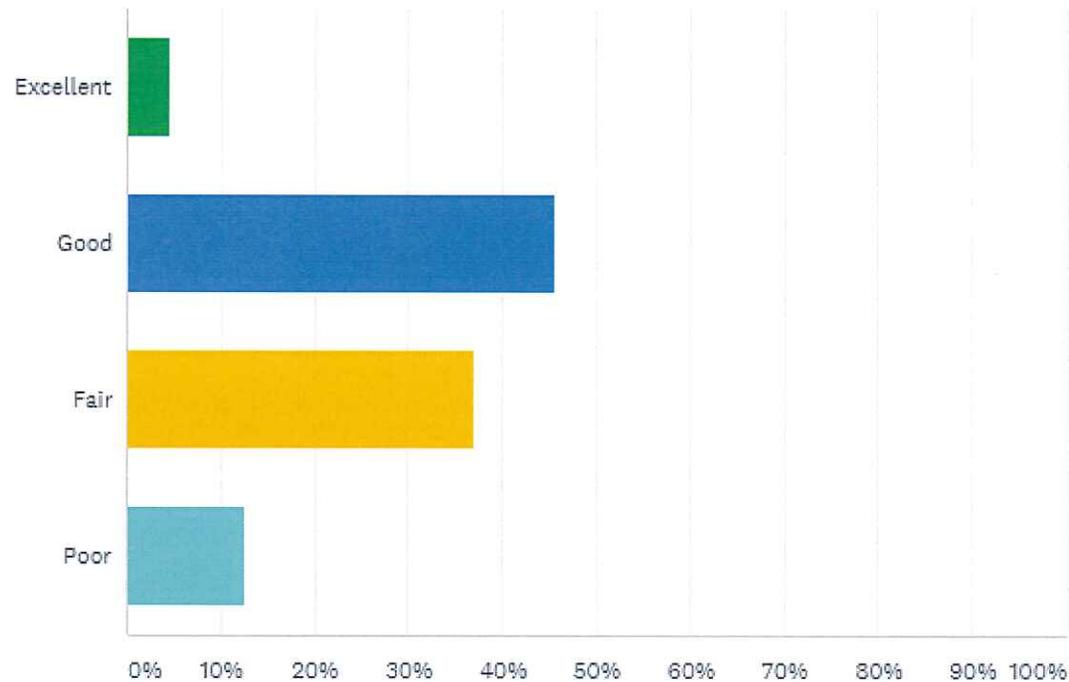
- 1) Pretend it is 2040 and an interviewer is asking you: "What did South St. Paul do back in 2017 that has made it such a great place today?"
- 2) On sticky notes, write down **key actions, initiatives, policies, or changes** that made South St. Paul's 2040 success possible. You can write down as many ideas as you think are important!
- 3) Place your ideas on the board, putting your highest priority ideas closest to the top.
- 4) Look at what others have put up on the board. Do you like what others have come up with? If so, **put a sticker on the ideas that you like!**

What did we ask?

Questions about priority strategies to make the city go from good to great

How would you rate the City's communication with residents regarding key issues?

Answered: 151 Skipped: 14



(from online survey)

What did we do with all of this public input so far?

- ◆ Completed qualitative analysis of responses after each event
- ◆ Still gathering responses from community survey
- ◆ Created 1-page summary of each event, including “What We Heard” and common themes
- ◆ Drew connections to comprehensive planning
- ◆ Created draft **Goals and Policies** stemming from engagement responses, drawing upon common themes and suggestions

Next Steps

- ◆ Community open house (**September 14**) to report what we heard.
- ◆ Continue to work on draft goals and policies reflecting what we heard from the community, incorporating public, staff and commission feedback.
- ◆ Meet with the City Council to share engagement results and submit draft goals and policies.



Outreach Summary: Community Visioning Session
6 – 8 PM on June 14, 2017
 South Saint Paul City Hall

Introduction

The public was invited to attend a visioning session open house at City Hall on the evening of June 14th. The City used flyer distribution, the City website, CCTV, and email blasts to inform people of the event. At the event, attendees participated in a series of different activities intended to gain a wide range of feedback about the City.

Findings

Below is a summary of the findings from the community engagement activities. This information will be used in the development of the Comprehensive Plan.

Key Strategies

- Continue to support existing businesses and increase effort to bring in new businesses.
- Come up with creative ways to turn the city toward the riverfront through recreation, housing and tourism.

General Comments

Words to describe South St. Paul	Things to love about South St. Paul	Things to change about South St. Paul
Hometown neighborhood feel	River access and parks	Increase use of riverfront
Good location, schools	Friendly people, neighborly vibe	Improve bike infrastructure
Lack of vision	Easy transportation	Better support for business
Diamond in rough	Good schools	Increase trees and green space

Community Destinations and Mapping Exercise

“Places I like to go”	“Places of opportunity”	“Places I avoid”
Walking trails	Improve classic ski trails in Kaposia Park	Poorly timed stoplight at 2 nd St S & 20 th Ave S
Dog park	Vacant lots throughout the city	Perception of more police calls to apartment buildings
Black Sheep Coffee Café	Concord Exchange Building	
Kaposia Park	Bike racks at businesses	

Health Perceptions and Suggestions

- When asked about health in South St. Paul, attendees agreed that there are ample opportunities for recreation, a general sense of safety in the neighborhoods and that environmental sustainability is key to the future of the city. Attendees also expressed an enthusiasm about the city being a great place to live and their plans to remain residents of the city into the future.



- There was less consensus about the availability of quality housing options at all price points and for residents of all life stages. Attendees also noted that sidewalks and trails in the city need maintenance and improvement.
- Recommendations for how to promote healthy living focused around facilitating physical activity through programming like yoga and bike rentals in the parks, walking groups, an indoor walking track and the creation of bike lanes.



Outreach Summary: Kaposia Days
11:30 AM – 2:30 PM on Sunday, June 25, 2017
Central Square Park, South St. Paul

Introduction

The public was invited to share thoughts about the City during a pop-up engagement session at Central Square Park during Kaposia Days, on June 25. The City capitalized on the popular public event to maximize participation. Throughout the afternoon people answered questions about what they like and what they would change about South St. Paul.

Findings

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Infrastructure

- When asked to suggest ways to improve the City, respondents focused on small infrastructure changes. People mentioned sidewalk repair, park upkeep and public landscaping maintenance as priorities.
- Residents appreciate the infrastructure currently in operation in the City and wish for more of it. Sidewalks were of particular concern, as there are sections of the City lacking complete sidewalks and some sidewalks currently in disrepair. Relatedly, residents want sidewalks and buildings to be wheelchair accessible if they are not already, with special attention paid to accessibility during the snowy months.

Community Amenities

- Respondents had many creative suggestions for new amenities. Particularly, people suggested a skate park, other recreational sports facilities, an increase in the number of parks and an indoor park for the winter months.
- Respondents desire more community center spaces for older children, providing a place to go after school.
- Kaposia Landing was highlighted as an amenity that could be capitalized upon.

Health Perceptions

- Attendees were asked to respond to statements about the health and vitality of the City, rating their agreement or disagreement on a sliding scale. Residents generally feel that the City promotes health.
- Residents expressed some dissatisfaction with the price and type of housing available. They do not feel strongly that there is quality housing available at all price points, or that there are housing options for people in all life stages.
- Almost all respondents would recommend the City as a great place to live, and plan on living in the City into the future.



Outreach Summary: Business Forum Open House
7:30 – 10 AM on Tuesday, July 18, 2017
South St. Paul City Hall

Introduction

Local business community members were invited to share their thoughts about the City during an open house style engagement session at City Hall on July 18. Throughout the morning, people answered questions about what they like and what they would change about South St. Paul, specifically regarding its business environment.

Findings

Below is a summary of the findings from the engagement activities. This information will be used in the development of the Comprehensive Plan.

Community Character

- Unpleasant odors detract from the enjoyment of the City and need to be addressed.
- There is a desire for increased development around Kaposia Landing. This new amenity is ripe for enrichment. Respondents asked for picnic tables, shade, a food vendor and a music venue. They also requested the expansion of park facilities on the river.
- The Southview business district was identified as an area that could house new restaurants, breweries and shops.

Economic Perceptions

- Attendees were asked to respond to statements about the economic vitality of the City, rating their agreement or disagreement on a sliding scale. Responses were generally neutral about the City's overall economic climate.
- Business community members expressed some dissatisfaction with the availability and usability of city-provided resources for local businesses.
- Business community members acknowledged the interconnected nature of business success. They noted that finding customers is easy, while finding employees is more difficult. They saw that quality, right-priced housing is needed to support a workforce and allow for the City's economic growth.

Interconnection

- While efforts should be made to directly assist local businesses, economic success is also dependent on the broader success of the City. For South St. Paul's businesses to remain prosperous, the City needs to continue evolving and finding new ways to draw in and retain residents.
- Business community members want the City to make efforts to attract young people and families to the city, through progressive policy. This includes cultivating a city culture that is "open" to newcomers and outsiders.
- Efforts to draw in new residents should be made with the City's small town feel in mind. Current residents want to stay in the City because of its close community and charm.



Outreach Summary: South St. Paul Farmers' Market

2 – 6 PM on July 26, 2017

Wakota Federal Credit Union parking lot

Introduction

On Wednesday, July 26, the public was invited to offer their thoughts on health in the City while attending the weekly South St. Paul Farmers' Market. At the event, attendees participated in a series of different activities intended to gain a wide range of feedback about the City.

Findings

Below is a summary of the findings from the community engagement activities. This information will be used in the development of the Comprehensive Plan.

General Comments: What would you change about South St. Paul?

- Add more splash pads
- Maintain sidewalks so that they are ADA accessible
- Expand the open hours for parks and sports facilities
- Increase commercial activity to increase tax base
- Add more sidewalks
- Create programming that encourages residents to meet and mix
- Increase the number of kid-friendly activities and amenities
- Add organics recycling services with curbside pickup and drop off

Health Perceptions and Suggestions

- Attendees were asked to respond to statements about the health and vitality of the City, rating their agreement or disagreement on a sliding scale. Residents generally feel that the City promotes health.
- Respondents expressed the greatest dissatisfaction with the quality of the sidewalks, including their level of maintenance. Clean and level sidewalks can help to promote walking as a mode of active transportation. The nicer the sidewalks are, the more people will choose to walk to their destinations.
- Respondents were most enthusiastic about their sense of safety in their community. Two thirds of respondents indicated that they strongly agreed with the statement, "I feel safe in my neighborhood." A sense of safety can lead to community cohesion and investment.
- Respondents had mixed responses when asked about the abundance and quality of housing options for people of all life stages. Quality affordable housing can help residents of all ages find healthy places to live while also helping seniors to age in place and not have to move out of their homes.



Outreach Summary: Swimming Under the Stars
7:30 – 9:30 PM on July 26, 2017
Northview Pool

Introduction

On Wednesday, July 26, the public was invited to offer their thoughts on health in the City while attending the City's Swimming Under the Stars event. The City website, Facebook, and email blasts were used to inform people of the event. At the event, attendees participated in a series of different activities intended to gain a wide range of feedback about the City. The majority of the attendees were school aged children.

Findings

Below is a summary of the findings from the community engagement activities. This information will be used in the development of the Comprehensive Plan.

General Comments: What do you love about South St. Paul?

- The small town feel
- The sense of community
- The support for local businesses
- Restaurants like \$5 Pizza
- The community programming
- People are nice
- The pools!
- Nice residents and city staff

Health Perceptions and Suggestions

- Attendees were asked about what they thought the City could do to help residents live a healthier lifestyle. They focused on physical activity and healthy food, with recommendations like:
 - Build more playgrounds, gyms, and sports facilities
 - Increase bike paths and bike lanes so that cyclists do not have to "fight" with cars on busy streets
 - Install more bike racks
 - Focus on healthy food access, especially in school lunches



Senior Engagement Event
2:30 - 4 PM on August 23, 2017
John Carroll Senior Building

Introduction

On Wednesday, August 23, the residents of the John Carroll and Nan McKay senior buildings were invited to offer their thoughts on health in the City while attending an engagement event in the John Carroll building. At the event, attendees participated in visioning activities intended to gain a wide variety of feedback on how the City can best serve all its residents. Event attendees offered feedback on what they want in the City and how the City can help them lead healthy lives.

Findings

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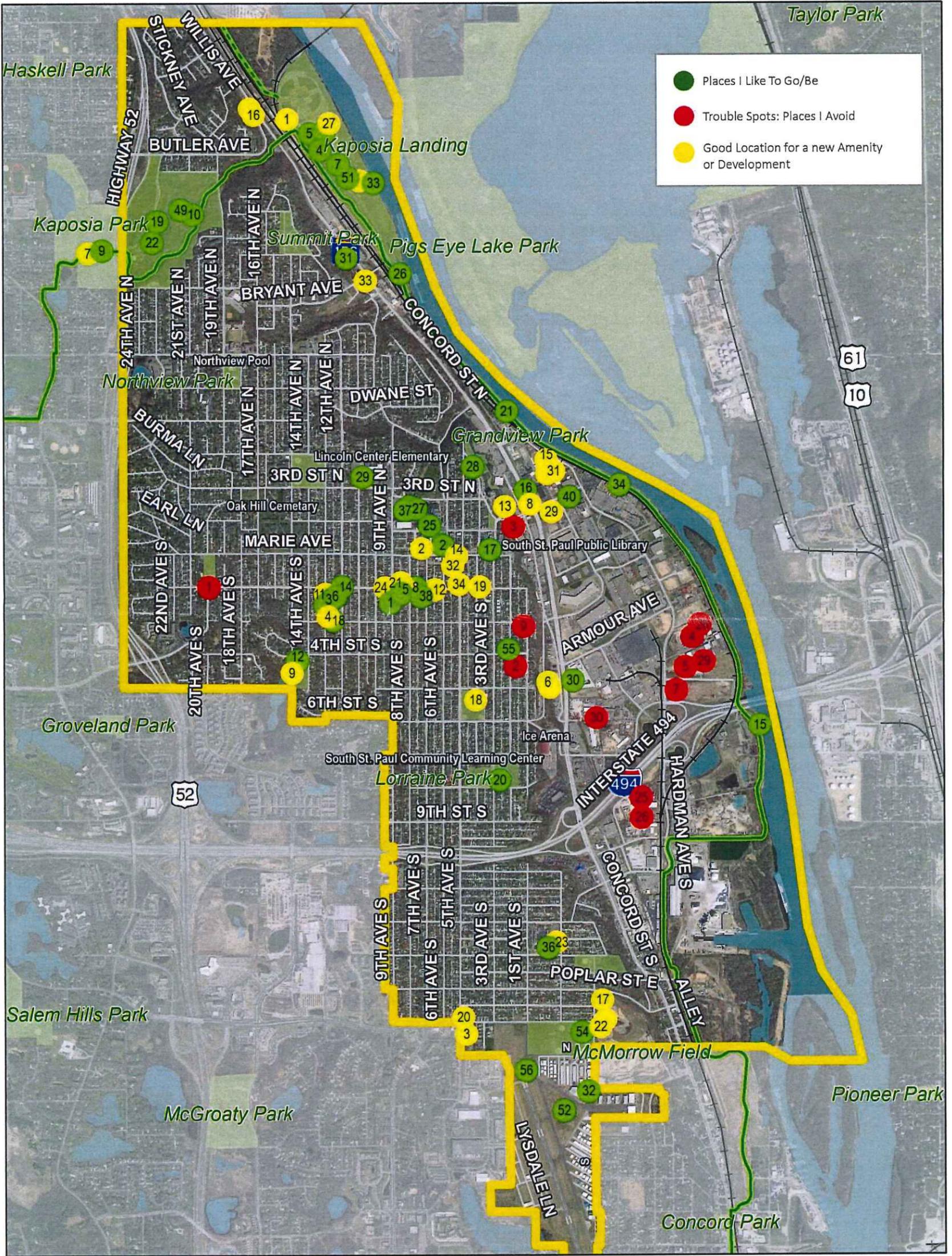
General Comments: What would you like to see in South St. Paul?

- Improved transit / transportation options
- Well-maintained sidewalks, especially in the winter
- More options for places to shop and eat

Health Perceptions and Suggestions

- Attendees were asked about what they thought the City could do to help residents live a healthier lifestyle. They focused on physical activity and access to essential services, with recommendations like:
 - Provide easy access to exercise opportunities and activities
 - Make transit service frequent and convenient. Service should be increased in the afternoons and stops should be easy to walk to
 - Provide more recreational activities like shuffleboard, games, swings, and crafts
 - Access to health services like pharmacies and dental clinics
 - Increased emphasis on security in senior buildings and cleaning up crime

South St. Paul Comp Plan Engagement - Map Dot Exercise Responses



Green = "Places I like to go/be"

Number	Dot Type	Note
1	Green	T & T restaurant, too small but good
2	Green	(central square)
3	Green	Great for redevelopment (near Southview Shopping Center)
4	Green	Dog park is awesome! Would like to see even more done along the riverfront
5	Green	(Kaposia Landing)
6	Green	Well its the mall, and it has a videogame/boardgame shop, a grocery store, and a few decent restaurants
7	Green	Love to walk Kaposia Landing and watch ball games
8	Green	Blacksheep is fabulous
9	Green	I like to walk on the trails (shown on Thompson County Park in WSP)
10	Green	I like to walk on the trails (shown on Kaposia Park)
11	Green	(Southview Shopping Center)
12	Green	Seidls is a nice park
13	Green	I like the new Wishful restaurant
14	Green	I love the Farmers market
15	Green	Fun to watch the boats & people fishing - kind of a hidden gem (DNR boat launch)
16	Green	The Concord exchange building is an absolute gem!
17	Green	(Municipal building / library area)
18	Green	(Southview Shopping Center)
19	Green	(Kaposia Park)
20	Green	(Lorraine Park)
21	Green	(MRRT trail)
22	Green	(Kaposia Park)
25	Green	SSP Secondary building I chose this although I am proud of all our schools. Our educators are dedicated to our students, our students are doing great things!
26	Green	More bikes. Electric/rentals. (on MRRT near Kaposia Landing)
27	Green	Great H.S.
28	Green	Best overlook. Eagle watching. (Grandview Park)
29	Green	(Lincoln Center)
30	Green	KwikTrip is a good addition
31	Green	Kaposia landing. Beautiful setting that no one knows about. More amenities for park & setting enjoyment. Tables, shade, food vendor, music venue. Think Minnehaha Falls.
32	Green	(Fleming Field Airport)
33	Green	More development of this area - more benches to view river. More additions to area that emphasis on the river.
34	Green	(Kaposia Landing)
35	Green	(on MRRT, near Wateraus)
36	Green	[Same location as Green Dot #5 - hidden behind] (Kaposia Landing)
37	Green	(Kaposia Education Center)
38	Green	High school field is a gem
40	Green	Black Sheep. DQ. Need more! (Southview)
49	Green	(Grand Avenue in BridgePoint)
50	Green	(Kaposia Park)
51	Green	[Same location as Green Dot #37 - hidden behind] (SSP Secondary/HS)
52	Green	More shade. Enjoy river. (Kaposia Landing)
54	Green	(Fleming Field Airport)
55	Green	Ballfields (McMorraw Field)
56	Green	Cro/Serb hall need more tours of old churches
56	Green	Airport - great amenity to encourage business in SSP

Yellow = "Good location for a new amenity or development"

Number	Dot Type	Note
1	Yellow	Improve corridor - entrance to SSP. Clean up weeds and signage. Make more welcoming. (Simon's ravine/Concord)
2	Yellow	The empty lots and vacant buildings are perfect for new development. Would love to see more here! (7th Ave N.) by HS
3	Yellow	Great for redevelopment (5th Ave. Plaza)
4	Yellow	If nobodys going to do anything with that vacant lot by the dollar store its be cool to throw some shade trees and picnic benches in there so the kids have a better place to hang out than in front of the cigarette shop. (Southview Shopping Center)
5	Yellow	Need a Bike rack at Black Sheep
6	Yellow	Entertainment/restaurant/nightlife (Concord Exch. S.)
7	Yellow	We need classic ski trails that aren't destroyed by dog walkers (on trail near Thompson County Park)
8	Yellow	I love the Concord exchange building. We need mixed use development and artist lofts there.
9	Yellow	Need to clear the buckthorn & invasive species in Seidls park
10	Yellow	We need more native plants and places for migrating birds [dot location hidden behind Green Dot #33 in Kaposia Landing]
11	Yellow	We need better infrastructure for bikes & pedestrians in the parking lot (Southview Shopping Center)
12	Yellow	We need an actual business district and Concord isn't it (shown on Southview)
13	Yellow	microbrewery/restaurant (Concord Exchange area)
14	Yellow	Shops/small businesses, i.e. gifts, ladieswear (shown on Marie Ave.)
15	Yellow	Housing buildings/condos/boat access. (DNR boat launch)
16	Yellow	Housing - small homes. Underground parking. (Concord near Stanley Ave.)
17	Yellow	Housing - Senior, 1 level (Dawn Way landfill)
18	Yellow	Housing single family large 3 car garage (Roosevelt Field)
19	Yellow	Bar - restaurant, pub. (4th / Southview)
20	Yellow	(South St. at 5th Ave. S.)
21	Yellow	Marie/Southview Business District. As a resident, single 57 yo, looking for nice restaurants, shops and amenities that let me buy local.
22	Yellow	Develop the old sandpit homes (Dawn Way landfill)
23	Yellow	(Kaposia Education Center)
24	Yellow	(Southview / 9th-10th)
25	Yellow	Tiny home community. Walkable area. [Same location as Yellow Dot #16 (hidden)] - (Concord/Stanley)
26	Yellow	Apartments/condos. House face river. [Same location as Yellow Dot #31 (hidden)] - (Hardman/Concord triangle)
27	Yellow	Bike rental, shade areas, hammock rentals, nature info (Kaposia Landing)
28	Yellow	Tiny home community; community garden; restaurant [Same location as Yellow Dot #22 (hidden)] (Dawn Way landfill)
29	Yellow	Odor producing. Limits growth to city. Need restaurants. (Concord/Grand)
30	Yellow	Restaurants! This lot needs to be maintained even when not in use (cut the weeds down). [Same location as Yellow Dot #6 (hidden)] (Concord Exch. S.)
31	Yellow	Global market - East type facility. All purpose community center, shopping venue, restaurants, food booths, etc. Using stockyards theme to build partial open air bldg that houses rental/event/fun space. Good access. Cultural diversity. Historic. (Hardman/Concord triangle)
32	Yellow	(5th Ave. between Marie and Southview)
33	Yellow	Business/Restaurant near Kaposia Landing (Bryant at Concord)
34	Yellow	Southview in general. Would like to see destination restaurants, brew pubs, shops etc.

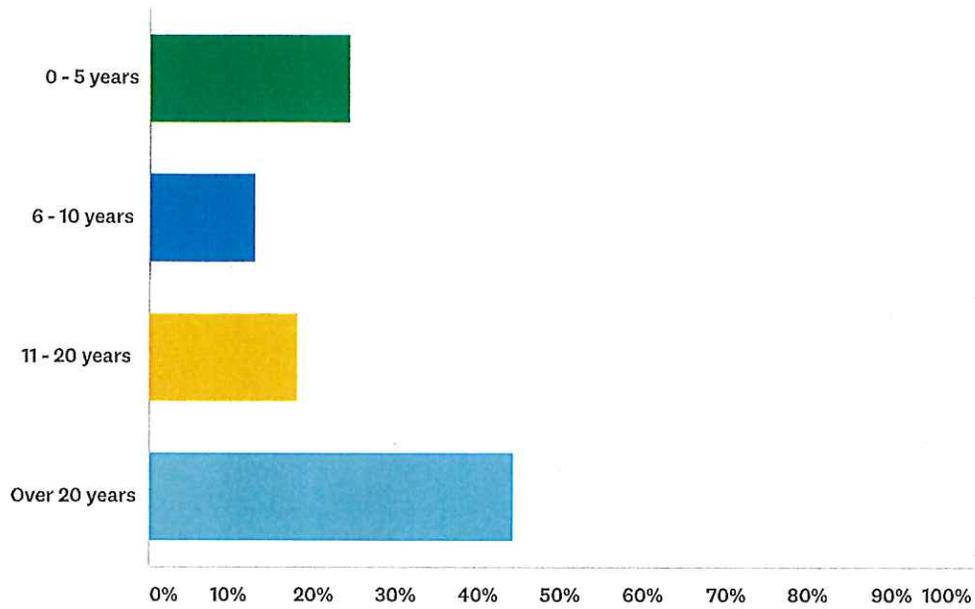
Red = "Trouble spots / Places I avoid"

Number	Dot Type	Note
1	Red	Having to wait in line during rush hour and then STOP when there's NO traffic coming from the side is an absurd waste of time. (20th Ave. S. at Southview)
2	Red	High crime area (block between 1st & 2nd Ave. S., between 4th & 5th St. S.)
3	Red	Seem to have a lot of police calls to the apartments. What can we do to make safe place for all? Are we doing all we can to get our renters engaged in our community & wanting to stay & be good neighbors. People need to feel wanted & included to be active participants. (Grand Ave. near 3rd Ave.)
4	Red	Pollution. Offensive odor. (near Hardman / Verderosa)
5	Red	Smell needs to go or fix. (near Hardman / Verderosa)
7	Red	Sanimax. Odor! (near Hardman / Verderosa)
9	Red	1st 2nd Ave S. Drugs & all that comes with them.
25	Red	(near Malden St. & Cenex Rd.)
26	Red	(near Malden St. & Cenex Rd.)
28	Red	(near Hardman / Verderosa)
29	Red	(near Hardman / Verderosa)
30	Red	Low quality development (commercial block east of Concord; east of Bremer) and south of Kwik Trip

South St. Paul Comprehensive Plan Survey

Q1 I have lived in South St. Paul for:

Answered: 176 Skipped: 0

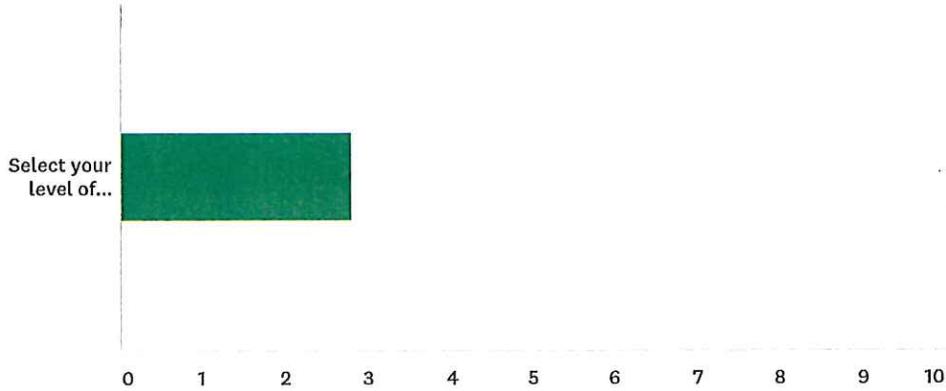


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
0 - 5 years	24.43%	43
6 - 10 years	13.07%	23
11 - 20 years	18.18%	32
Over 20 years	44.32%	78
TOTAL		176

South St. Paul Comprehensive Plan Survey

Q2 How optimistic are you about the direction South St. Paul is headed?

Answered: 176 Skipped: 0



	NOT OPTIMISTIC AT ALL	(NO LABEL)	NO STRONG FEELINGS	(NO LABEL)	VERY OPTIMISTIC	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Select your level of optimism	14.77%	21.59%	39.77%	15.91%	7.95%	176	2.81
	26	38	70	28	14		

South St. Paul Comprehensive Plan Survey

Q3 Is there anything that would cause you to move away from South St. Paul?

Answered: 160 Skipped: 16

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	An increase in crime or anything significant that would impact the safety and wellbeing of my family.	9/14/2017 2:47 PM
2	Adding to many rental properties	9/14/2017 8:49 AM
3	job	9/11/2017 11:34 AM
4	Retirement	9/7/2017 7:53 PM
5	Availability of rental houses	9/5/2017 5:16 PM
6	how they let people get away with not taking care of their property	8/29/2017 3:29 PM
7	Sanimax smell	8/28/2017 10:32 PM
8	No	8/28/2017 10:11 PM
9	The smell from sanimax and the continued deterioration of the education system	8/28/2017 1:52 PM
10	My wife has been pushing moving for 5 years. SSP has far too many rental homes and rarely are the occupants worth a shit. These renters drag down the neighborhood and the schools. It's one continuous nose dive to the bottom.	8/24/2017 11:08 PM
11	Yes. The smell of rotting/burning animals, low-hanging tree-limbs along sidewalks, and dirty+trashy streets	8/24/2017 6:48 PM
12	If the city continues down its current path.	8/24/2017 4:22 PM
13	more crime, increased taxes	8/24/2017 11:43 AM
14	Increasing crime.	8/24/2017 8:35 AM
15	Crime	8/23/2017 10:05 AM
16	Homes not being taken care of. Condition of property not properly maintained. Lack of code enforcement.	8/23/2017 7:42 AM
17	Need better elementary schools	8/22/2017 4:27 PM
18	New job	8/22/2017 1:56 PM
19	Yes, to live in a better neighborhood for my kids	8/22/2017 12:57 PM
20	Crime and decline in schools	8/21/2017 11:30 PM
21	No	8/21/2017 2:38 PM
22	Yes	8/21/2017 2:34 PM
23	Higher crime rate, more rentals and low-income housing.	8/21/2017 11:48 AM
24	Higher taxes and crime	8/21/2017 7:36 AM
25	more senior housing we really need young families to make our schools thrive	8/20/2017 8:04 PM
26	If the railroad increased in size and capacity. More rentals and/or public, low-income housing. Higher crime rate.	8/20/2017 5:36 PM
27	lack of available new townhouses or condos for seniors that aren't part of assisted living communities.	8/20/2017 12:20 PM
28	Yes	8/20/2017 10:16 AM
29	crime, low income housing, ect...	8/19/2017 5:09 PM

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30	no	8/19/2017 10:38 AM
31	The smell!!!	8/18/2017 5:24 PM
32	Tearing down any more old building, too many are gone, if they can be saved or moved please keep them, they are our history	8/18/2017 1:52 PM
33	All the plans for more section 8 housing, We have enough of that and rentals. It's bringing So St Paul down.	8/18/2017 12:46 PM
34	Only if I win the Power Ball	8/18/2017 11:54 AM
35	More rental properties	8/18/2017 8:53 AM
36	Taxes and crime	8/18/2017 6:23 AM
37	Not at the moment	8/17/2017 10:34 PM
38	Increase in crimes and increased violence	8/17/2017 9:04 PM
39	decrease in value of homes and neighborhoods, increase in crime	8/17/2017 8:30 PM
40	The addition of more low income/section 8 housing.	8/17/2017 7:10 PM
41	Increased crime	8/17/2017 6:54 PM
42	More section 8 housing, or this Doris Day type center I heard about	8/17/2017 6:05 PM
43	The crime that keeps happening... All the rental properties	8/17/2017 5:55 PM
44	Neighborhood getting rougher. More rentals in my area	8/17/2017 5:19 PM
45	death of my parents	8/17/2017 4:29 PM
46	Increased crime. Increase rental properties.	8/17/2017 3:44 PM
47	Crime rate	8/17/2017 3:42 PM
48	Crime and too much "affordable" housing that brings in criminals.	8/17/2017 3:32 PM
49	Increased violence (i.e. more gang presence, more shootings), currently as a renter, rent prices in South St. Paul are becoming out of my reach.	8/17/2017 3:20 PM
50	Crime rate increase and housing falling a part	8/17/2017 3:06 PM
51	A lot of rentals and I feel it is not as safe as it used to be.	8/17/2017 2:56 PM
52	future plans. I do not want to see a Dorothy Day like center built by my church	8/17/2017 2:54 PM
53	If my family would move	8/17/2017 2:49 PM
54	Increased crime, or decrease in city services	8/17/2017 2:35 PM
55	Housing more sex offenders and higher criminal activity than there is now would cause me to move elsewhere.	8/17/2017 2:16 PM
56	Not really. Maybe when I am older and ready to move out of my home.	8/17/2017 1:59 PM
57	The smell and serious crime on camber Ave.	8/17/2017 1:48 PM
58	Want to stay	8/17/2017 1:33 PM
59	I am concerned that my child won't have access to a top tier education, including the best teachers, technology and academic opportunities, relative to surrounding suburban schools.	8/17/2017 1:33 PM
60	Run down properties. Lack of code enforcement	8/17/2017 1:23 PM
61	No	8/17/2017 1:19 PM
62	Some of the non caring neighbors. Yards look trashy. Cars parked every where.	8/17/2017 1:18 PM
63	Feeling of being an unsafe town, additional rules against rental properties.	8/17/2017 1:17 PM
64	If things were consistently run-down looking/feeling	8/17/2017 1:00 PM
65	If I didn't feel safe in my home/neighborhood	8/17/2017 12:56 PM
66	The lack of upkeep on playgrounds, lack of community ed opportunities for children compared to other cities, lack of funding for schools and the decline of a quality education	8/17/2017 12:53 PM

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67	No	8/17/2017 12:48 PM
68	Hatred	8/17/2017 12:35 PM
69	No	8/17/2017 12:34 PM
70	housing	8/17/2017 12:34 PM
71	a downward trend in the quality of schools, housing, parks	8/17/2017 12:30 PM
72	Significant tax increases or higher crime levels	8/17/2017 12:25 PM
73	Jobs, family, continued deterioration of air quality	8/17/2017 12:24 PM
74	Crime, little to no new developments	8/17/2017 12:22 PM
75	I feel that South St Paul is becoming a dumping ground for some very unsavory people, including sex offenders. My husband and I have definitely taken that into consideration when we talk about moving. We also don't like the direction our neighborhood is going, the city doesn't seem to care that people don't mow their lawn or have many cats that roam the streets freely.	8/17/2017 12:18 PM
76	The smell in the air from the factories by the river	8/17/2017 12:16 PM
77	No senior considerations	8/17/2017 12:15 PM
78	Crime	8/17/2017 12:14 PM
79	Not at this time	8/17/2017 12:13 PM
80	The smell from the Sanimax plant has honestly made me consider it. It is embarrassing when we have guests, and we are almost two miles away.	8/17/2017 12:12 PM
81	Just moved here to horrible neighbors and code dept and police who only target new people and let oldies get by with everything. Sad to say I bought a house here in this horrible town	8/17/2017 12:08 PM
82	Crime and the decline of the houses and neighborhood. I have seen a huge decline even in the past 5 years.	8/17/2017 12:08 PM
83	Actions by current police chief	8/17/2017 12:08 PM
84	If my neighborhood became crime-ridden or run-down	8/17/2017 12:06 PM
85	Better developed community programming, degradation of the schooling system, or home value decreasing due to failing improvements to surrounding housing	8/17/2017 12:06 PM
86	Putting a halfway house in our neighborhood	8/17/2017 10:58 AM
87	No	8/17/2017 10:38 AM
88	Yes, more half way houses and sex offenders	8/17/2017 10:35 AM
89	No, ssp is home	8/17/2017 10:24 AM
90	The crime rate and drugs	8/17/2017 10:09 AM
91	Loss of job. But even then I'd try to stay. SSP is a wonderful town.	8/17/2017 9:53 AM
92	More violence, more apartments, more crime, higher taxes	8/17/2017 9:41 AM
93	Sex Offenders, The amount of halfway houses, the amount of thefts and break ins, The residents do not maintain alley's and they look horrible. I do not feel this is a safe and welcoming place to raise my child anymore.	8/17/2017 9:01 AM
94	A rise in crime/feeling like the city was becoming unsafe	8/17/2017 8:43 AM
95	Affordable housing.	8/17/2017 8:26 AM
96	The smell and underfunded schools	8/17/2017 8:06 AM
97	Increased crime	8/17/2017 7:32 AM
98	Too much low income housing, growing incidents of serious crime, many unkept properties not being held to codes, the high school is riddled with kids selling drugs and causing fights to the point I fear for my kids and grandkids, who should also get the hell out of here.	8/17/2017 7:27 AM
99	Job opportunities and more spacious real estate	8/17/2017 7:11 AM
100	Better housing options	8/16/2017 11:00 PM

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101	If residents don't support efforts to move the city forward	8/16/2017 10:58 PM
102	House quality and price	8/16/2017 10:47 PM
103	The unfair divide between the schools as far as assistance goes	8/16/2017 10:38 PM
104	Accepting the fact that SSP is the low hanging fruit and the metro area will send its overflow "problems" and no one here will speak up	8/16/2017 10:31 PM
105	Crime increase	8/16/2017 10:15 PM
106	Continuing to not think out of the box	8/16/2017 9:56 PM
107	Increase in crime, increase in poorly maintained rental property,	8/16/2017 9:51 PM
108	Crime and more section 8 housing	8/16/2017 9:42 PM
109	Safety	8/16/2017 9:24 PM
110	The people here, and the community get together are either at inopportune times, or very poorly advertised.	8/16/2017 9:15 PM
111	The smell, school funding issues, and needing a larger home.	8/16/2017 9:15 PM
112	Lack of housing that is one level	8/16/2017 9:03 PM
113	Crime	8/16/2017 8:55 PM
114	Air quality and crime are two issues we are concerned about.	8/16/2017 8:54 PM
115	#1 The smell, #2-8 The smell, #9 low school ratings, #10 high poverty and crime	8/16/2017 8:49 PM
116	Yes letting in too much lower income housing. We have enough	8/16/2017 8:41 PM
117	Not at the moment	8/16/2017 8:40 PM
118	When we are to old to stay in our home we want to live in the city where we can walk to restaurants, entertainment, etc. preferably in a townhome.	8/16/2017 8:32 PM
119	Increase in crime	8/16/2017 8:25 PM
120	More cuts to education	8/16/2017 8:20 PM
121	All the minorities and the crime that is moving into town.	8/16/2017 8:19 PM
122	if crime gets worse or if I find my ideal house somewhere else but love the proximity to everything here	8/16/2017 8:12 PM
123	Disaster of some sort	8/16/2017 8:10 PM
124	The violence & lack of respect for police and neighbors	8/16/2017 8:07 PM
125	Lake accesd	8/16/2017 8:07 PM
126	Lack of things to do	8/16/2017 7:59 PM
127	Crime	8/16/2017 7:49 PM
128	Less retail development, poor schools, disorganized leadership	8/16/2017 7:44 PM
129	Neo-Nazis, white supremacy	8/16/2017 7:41 PM
130	The out of control fireworks from Kaposia Days through the 4th of July. It was 13 days this year of incredibly obnoxiousness	8/16/2017 7:33 PM
131	Yes	8/16/2017 7:32 PM
132	Crime rates	8/16/2017 7:23 PM
133	Decrease in school quality, decreased property value	8/16/2017 7:21 PM
134	Yes. The fact that many neighborhoods have fallen into disrepair and unsightly. There is too much loose trash and garbage in alleys. How do we expect to raise tax revinue is out neighborhoods are declining?	8/16/2017 7:20 PM
135	Increase in violent crime. Crummy schools.	8/16/2017 7:16 PM
136	Low income housing, not cleaning up the houses that stayed trash all the time...the amount of low income housing keeps growing	8/16/2017 7:15 PM

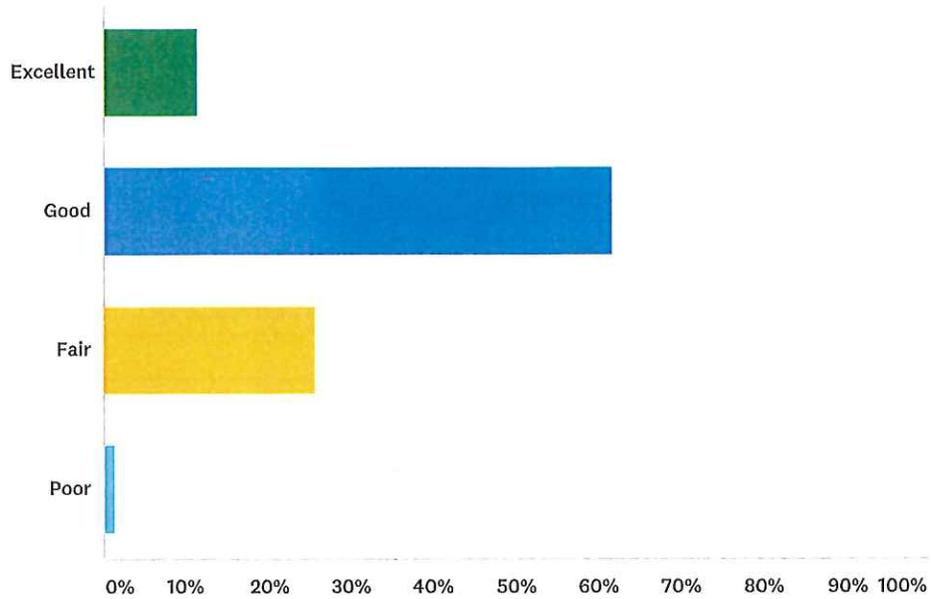
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137	crime	8/16/2017 7:12 PM
138	Crime	8/16/2017 7:07 PM
139	Increase crime	8/16/2017 6:59 PM
140	The continuous influx of low-class residents	8/16/2017 6:46 PM
141	Crime	8/16/2017 6:43 PM
142	Job relocation	8/16/2017 6:42 PM
143	Crime	8/16/2017 6:40 PM
144	Too much low housing which brings in more crime.	8/16/2017 6:40 PM
145	Decide in school district, addition of low income housing	8/16/2017 6:39 PM
146	Deterioration of neighborhoods, lack of local businesses, the community is not always welcoming to residents who aren't from SSP	8/16/2017 6:37 PM
147	Crime and lack of property upkeep make us reconsider living in South Saint Paul frequently.	8/16/2017 6:28 PM
148	If I began to feel unsafe in my neighborhood...	8/16/2017 6:22 PM
149	Increase in the already rising crime, increase in number of rental properties in my neighborhood and decrease in the quality of educational experience in the schools	8/16/2017 6:11 PM
150	Crime rate increases	8/16/2017 6:11 PM
151	Inability to get citizens to support public schools.	8/16/2017 6:07 PM
152	Getting acreage	8/16/2017 5:50 PM
153	Difficulty finding housing or amenities that fit the needs of my young family	8/16/2017 5:49 PM
154	Decrease in property value, safety, declining school performance	8/16/2017 5:49 PM
155	Increase in crime, and rental units. Home OWNERS build communities.	8/16/2017 5:48 PM
156	Job, maybe a better house	8/16/2017 5:45 PM
157	Winter	8/16/2017 5:43 PM
158	If there isn't a strong effort put into making streets safer for vulnerable road users.	8/16/2017 5:43 PM
159	not at this time	8/16/2017 4:48 PM
160	Large increase in taxes and reduction in services.	7/28/2017 11:48 PM

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Q4 How would you rate the quality of life in South St. Paul:

Answered: 167 Skipped: 9



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Excellent	11.38%	19
Good	61.68%	103
Fair	25.75%	43
Poor	1.20%	2
TOTAL		167

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Q5 What do you think is the most serious issue facing the community today?

Answered: 158 Skipped: 18

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	A recent increase in violent crimes and drug activity.	9/14/2017 2:49 PM
2	It seems as if our community as many low income families	9/14/2017 8:57 AM
3	lack of restaurants	9/11/2017 11:34 AM
4	Broader property tax base	9/7/2017 7:53 PM
5	Lack of enforcement of city ordinances e.g. train noises, property upkeep, the smell from the rendering plant	9/5/2017 5:25 PM
6	crime	9/3/2017 2:32 PM
7	Changing the image of the town... promoting our positives more.. parks, schools, small business.... Control rentals more. offer incentives to rental owners for exterior curb appeal...	9/1/2017 12:27 PM
8	poverty	8/29/2017 3:32 PM
9	Gain And keep small business	8/28/2017 10:34 PM
10	Poverty	8/28/2017 10:16 PM
11	education system	8/28/2017 1:53 PM
12	SSp is losing the thing that made it great, good families. Good families are being replaced by part time residents that don't care about what impact they have on the city.	8/24/2017 11:10 AM
13	Smell of rotting / burning animal carcasses	8/24/2017 6:48 PM
14	While I like the small town feel, I think as things have changed in town, demographics, meat packers, etc we haven't done enough to meet the needs of the people here now. We haven't done enough to combat old school mentalities and welcome new people into town. If you weren't born here your an outsider.	8/24/2017 4:25 PM
15	crime	8/24/2017 11:44 AM
16	Crime	8/23/2017 10:06 AM
17	Same as stated above.	8/23/2017 7:44 AM
18	Lack of commercial tax revenue to support school district	8/22/2017 4:28 PM
19	Transit- Bus, Bike, Trails, sidewalks	8/22/2017 1:57 PM
20	Level of people in poverty	8/22/2017 12:58 PM
21	School crowding, need for more businesses	8/21/2017 11:31 PM
22	Crime and addiction	8/21/2017 2:39 PM
23	Crime	8/21/2017 2:36 PM
24	Taxes	8/21/2017 12:38 PM
25	Lack of business for residents to enjoy and spend money locally, such as bars, restaurants, retail and entertainment. SSP isn't doing anything to attract these types of businesses either. Concor and 494 is high trafficked and prime area, yet all that is there is a business park. The people working in the business park would also like bars, restaurants, retail and entertainment. SSP is 50% retirees, if you don't start attracting bars, restaurants, retail and entertainment then younger to middle aged people are not going to move here.	8/21/2017 11:54 AM
26	We need more business and a way to bring in younger families.	8/21/2017 7:37 AM
27	all the rentals and lack of city control of them	8/20/2017 8:05 PM

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28	No restaurants, bar or entertainment for young to middle aged residents. Concord is off 494, a heavily trafficked interstate and it should be a booming area for bars and restaurants. But it nothing but a huge business park. Residents have to go to Egan or Woodbury to shop, eat and play. SSP needs to invest in attracting restaurants, bars, retail and entertainment business to the area.	8/20/2017 5:44 PM
29	lack of enough tax base to support services and to increase funding for our school district.	8/20/2017 12:22 PM
30	Illegal Drugs	8/20/2017 10:17 AM
31	redevelopment of concord exchange	8/19/2017 10:40 AM
32	All the plans for Section 8 housing!!!!	8/18/2017 12:50 PM
33	diversity	8/18/2017 11:57 AM
34	Crime against property	8/18/2017 8:54 AM
35	Crime	8/18/2017 6:25 AM
36	The crime that has been happening more and more lately	8/17/2017 10:36 PM
37	Crimes and increased violence	8/17/2017 9:05 PM
38	not enough local business for entertainment	8/17/2017 8:32 PM
39	Section 8 housing and not enough retail business	8/17/2017 7:12 PM
40	Lack of pride in home ownership, too many rentals	8/17/2017 6:56 PM
41	Section 8, Rentals,	8/17/2017 6:06 PM
42	Rental properties	8/17/2017 5:56 PM
43	Deteriorating neighborhoods.	8/17/2017 5:22 PM
44	poverty-related issues like education, domestic violence, condition of homes	8/17/2017 4:30 PM
45	The school funding and lack of local businesses and poor policies for funding distribution in MN is very concerning. Strong schools lead to strong communities.	8/17/2017 3:46 PM
46	More crime	8/17/2017 3:43 PM
47	Too many undesirables moving in.	8/17/2017 3:34 PM
48	Pushing low-income people out of the community.	8/17/2017 3:22 PM
49	Housing	8/17/2017 3:07 PM
50	camber avenue	8/17/2017 3:04 PM
51	Safety	8/17/2017 2:57 PM
52	No place to shop. It is very limited and don't want A Walmart or Target	8/17/2017 2:53 PM
53	Lack of business tax base, driving up homeowner property taxes	8/17/2017 2:36 PM
54	Lack of businesses, community events and allowing offenders to reside here to close to schools.	8/17/2017 2:21 PM
55	Bringing in evening places not on Concord, keeping the school competitive, keeping taxes low.	8/17/2017 2:01 PM
56	Lack of retail type businesses, including bars and restaurants	8/17/2017 1:53 PM
57	Camber Ave crime wave. Smell from the city selling out to stinky factories and the cost of fresh air.	8/17/2017 1:50 PM
58	Crime	8/17/2017 1:45 PM
59	Lower socioeconomic level	8/17/2017 1:34 PM
60	Lack of community development and job opportunities.	8/17/2017 1:34 PM
61	Low income	8/17/2017 1:32 PM
62	Failing roads	8/17/2017 1:25 PM
63	Trashy non caring residents moving in	8/17/2017 1:19 PM
64	Limited ways to increase the tax base.	8/17/2017 1:19 PM
65	Lack of small business/homey community vibe	8/17/2017 1:04 PM

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66	Crime	8/17/2017 12:58 PM
67	School funding	8/17/2017 12:55 PM
68	Lack of funds	8/17/2017 12:53 PM
69	state & fed spending over budget as this affects our cost of life	8/17/2017 12:41 PM
70	Creating a community of neighbors, trust, community.	8/17/2017 12:39 PM
71	Lack of businesses and commerce	8/17/2017 12:36 PM
72	unkept property. aging of infrastructure	8/17/2017 12:31 PM
73	Infrastructure. Unfortunately, anyone on the south side of 494 doesn't feel like they're SSP	8/17/2017 12:26 PM
74	Crime and downtown development	8/17/2017 12:26 PM
75	Crime, rental properties	8/17/2017 12:23 PM
76	The quality of people moving into South St Paul. Its a very affordable community to live in, but that also brings in a lower class of people. South St Paul needs to be sure that the people that move into homes actually take pride in them and take action against people that don't take care of their property.	8/17/2017 12:20 PM
77	Continuing expanding industry in the business park. This will provide jobs and tax base for our future.	8/17/2017 12:20 PM
78	The smell in the air from the factories	8/17/2017 12:17 PM
79	Troubled people	8/17/2017 12:17 PM
80	Lack of funding for education	8/17/2017 12:16 PM
81	Influx of convicted predatory sexual offenders.	8/17/2017 12:16 PM
82	Horrible neighbors who don't follow codes n police, drugs production houses that police ignore	8/17/2017 12:10 PM
83	crime	8/17/2017 12:10 PM
84	Improving and continuing to improve the housing, property, business and therefore the community of SSP. We are just starting and we have so much to get done. We are NOT a growing community, we dont have open land so we have to improve our existing property and city use.	8/17/2017 12:10 PM
85	Crime & Criminal Activity & the decline and decay of the neighborhoods	8/17/2017 12:09 PM
86	Lack of much retail business	8/17/2017 12:08 PM
87	Not taking drug threats seriously	8/17/2017 10:59 AM
88	Crime	8/17/2017 10:40 AM
89	Drugs and theft	8/17/2017 10:37 AM
90	Drugs	8/17/2017 10:10 AM
91	Inequitable school funding. It's hard to keep up with wealthier districts.	8/17/2017 9:56 AM
92	Crime/criminals	8/17/2017 9:43 AM
93	Growth and Development - Need Tax money for infrastructure and roads	8/17/2017 9:02 AM
94	Sex offenders and criminals living here	8/17/2017 8:07 AM
95	Crime	8/17/2017 7:32 AM
96	Crime in this city keeps growing and growing.	8/17/2017 7:30 AM
97	Violent crime	8/17/2017 7:11 AM
98	Crime	8/16/2017 11:51 PM
99	Poverty	8/16/2017 11:01 PM
100	Poverty	8/16/2017 10:59 PM
101	work ethic in younger generation	8/16/2017 10:49 PM
102	Drugs	8/16/2017 10:40 PM

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103	Crime	8/16/2017 10:16 PM
104	Lack of funding in schools and parks	8/16/2017 10:00 PM
105	Crime	8/16/2017 9:58 PM
106	Crime/thugs	8/16/2017 9:44 PM
107	Economy	8/16/2017 9:26 PM
108	The smell, school funding, and rise in crime.	8/16/2017 9:17 PM
109	Racism	8/16/2017 9:15 PM
110	Age of infrastructure.	8/16/2017 9:04 PM
111	Poverty	8/16/2017 8:58 PM
112	Need more business	8/16/2017 8:57 PM
113	Increased crime	8/16/2017 8:51 PM
114	I hate to say but if you keep letting in all this low income housing and rental properties in we are going to end up like east st paul.	8/16/2017 8:44 PM
115	More violence and theft happening	8/16/2017 8:41 PM
116	The availability of housing options for us "boomers" to transition into.	8/16/2017 8:36 PM
117	Crime/violence	8/16/2017 8:25 PM
118	Rise in crime	8/16/2017 8:21 PM
119	All the house rentals no businesses	8/16/2017 8:19 PM
120	lack of business and increasing crime	8/16/2017 8:16 PM
121	I don't know	8/16/2017 8:10 PM
122	Violence & Theft	8/16/2017 8:08 PM
123	Too many houses are not kept up...rentals	8/16/2017 8:08 PM
124	Lately, crime.	8/16/2017 8:00 PM
125	Housing	8/16/2017 7:50 PM
126	Crime, from the petty to the felony	8/16/2017 7:45 PM
127	Lack of diversity	8/16/2017 7:42 PM
128	Too much rental and empty houses. Lack of business tax.	8/16/2017 7:35 PM
129	Lack of business and tax base	8/16/2017 7:33 PM
130	Low Income housing & sex offenders	8/16/2017 7:24 PM
131	Too many rental properties and low valued homes due to disrepair.	8/16/2017 7:24 PM
132	Poverty	8/16/2017 7:23 PM
133	Attracting business	8/16/2017 7:20 PM
134	Violent crime and violence and apathy in the schools.	8/16/2017 7:18 PM
135	Poverty	8/16/2017 7:15 PM
136	crime	8/16/2017 7:12 PM
137	Crime	8/16/2017 7:09 PM
138	Increasing violent crimes	8/16/2017 7:01 PM
139	Lack of businesses, quality of residents	8/16/2017 6:48 PM
140	Public Safety	8/16/2017 6:45 PM
141	Crime	8/16/2017 6:44 PM
142	Not getting enough business on Marie & Southview	8/16/2017 6:42 PM

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143	Being the highest poverty rate in Dakota County	8/16/2017 6:41 PM
144	Crime	8/16/2017 6:40 PM
145	Older neighborhoods create affordable housing, which in turn creates a perception of high crime/offenders	8/16/2017 6:39 PM
146	Crime	8/16/2017 6:30 PM
147	Lack of programming/services/supports for at-risk youth	8/16/2017 6:24 PM
148	School success	8/16/2017 6:13 PM
149	The lack of commercial businesses contributing to the tax base.	8/16/2017 6:12 PM
150	Food desert, lack of healthcare facility within borders, poverty, too much rental property that isn't maintained by landlords.	8/16/2017 6:09 PM
151	Rentals, crime	8/16/2017 5:55 PM
152	Not sure	8/16/2017 5:51 PM
153	Poverty and lack of access to basic needs for those people living in poverty	8/16/2017 5:50 PM
154	Declining school performance	8/16/2017 5:50 PM
155	Places to shop or eat food that is not fast food	8/16/2017 5:44 PM
156	Resident fears of density, renters, and low income housing.	8/16/2017 5:44 PM
157	school equalization funding	8/16/2017 4:49 PM
158	Lack of a true downtown with some shopping and restaurants. Hard to compete when you don't have a major highway in the current "downtown" area.	7/28/2017 11:54 PM

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Q6 What do you think is the 2nd most serious issue facing the community today?

Answered: 147 Skipped: 29

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	The lack of businesses in SSP and the resulting negative tax implications on properties and schools.	9/14/2017 2:49 PM
2	Our public schools allowing bad behavior. This has a direct effect on everyone in the building. Especially the youth that want to learn or need a little extra from teachers to "get it".	9/14/2017 8:57 AM
3	school district	9/11/2017 11:34 AM
4	High rate of vandalism	9/7/2017 7:53 PM
5	Revitalize Concord St	9/5/2017 5:25 PM
6	Negative attitudes, lack of community. Many events are over with before anyone even knows about them. not sure how you would promote them better?	9/1/2017 12:27 PM
7	city planning	8/29/2017 3:32 PM
8	Deteriorating housing and infrastructure	8/28/2017 10:34 PM
9	Bigotry	8/28/2017 10:16 PM
10	Crime	8/28/2017 1:53 PM
11	Our school district is being dragged down by these same assholes.	8/24/2017 11:10 PM
12	dirty streets and low-hanging tree-limbs along sidewalks	8/24/2017 6:48 PM
13	The tax base and business. We are missing opportunities. It affects our schools, our citizens and our community. We need to draw people in and not just office spaces.	8/24/2017 4:25 PM
14	lack of new business	8/24/2017 11:44 AM
15	Infrastructure	8/23/2017 10:06 AM
16	Increase in crime and domestic violence	8/23/2017 7:44 AM
17	local businesses that people can shop at not B2B	8/22/2017 1:57 PM
18	Funding of schools	8/22/2017 12:58 PM
19	Increasing crime	8/21/2017 11:31 PM
20	Funding	8/21/2017 2:39 PM
21	Lack of local business	8/21/2017 2:36 PM
22	Street repairs	8/21/2017 12:38 PM
23	Petty crime, cars getting broken into, vandalism, theft etc.	8/21/2017 11:54 AM
24	Lack of senior housing	8/21/2017 7:37 AM
25	our schools they are going down hill fast, we have choosen to drive our youngest out of district for now	8/20/2017 8:05 PM
26	same as above. I strongly feel SSP isn't attracting businesses for their residents to enjoy and spend their money in SSP.	8/20/2017 5:44 PM
27	the environment is rapidly being threatened by the railroad, by heavily pollutting rendering industries and by lack of vision on the part of some Council member who are willing to sell of limited greenspace for railroad storage.	8/20/2017 12:22 PM
28	Trust	8/20/2017 10:17 AM
29	possible alchol on the hill	8/19/2017 10:40 AM

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30	Rentals and Section 8 housing. Stop bringing it in. There's enough problems the way it is. You bring in more and it's going to add to the problems. Make the landlords who rent houses and such keep there properties up. There's plenty that look awful and no one seems to care. If you want people to stay in ssp you need start enforcing some rules.	8/18/2017 12:50 PM
31	Probably getting all of BridgePoint filled	8/18/2017 11:57 AM
32	Attracting new businesses	8/18/2017 8:54 AM
33	Taxes	8/18/2017 6:25 AM
34	Too much rental property not enough vested home owners	8/17/2017 9:05 PM
35	lack of growth on Concord, needs to be cleaned up, more business	8/17/2017 8:32 PM
36	Not enough retail business	8/17/2017 7:12 PM
37	Speeding on city streets	8/17/2017 6:56 PM
38	The negative talk on social media, such as SSP Neighborhood Talk on Facebook	8/17/2017 6:06 PM
39	Lack of community involvement	8/17/2017 5:56 PM
40	Not enough merchants and increase in small crime	8/17/2017 5:22 PM
41	lack of awareness & involvement	8/17/2017 4:30 PM
42	Unsafe for pedestrians. No one stops for stop signs. People think Thompson is a freeway. It is not pedestrian or biker friendly.	8/17/2017 3:46 PM
43	Lack of business tax base.	8/17/2017 3:34 PM
44	Increased violence	8/17/2017 3:22 PM
45	Lack of businesses	8/17/2017 3:07 PM
46	low income housing	8/17/2017 3:04 PM
47	Rentals and house upkeep	8/17/2017 2:57 PM
48	There is not a lot to do: etc: downtown area needs to draw consumers here: like Grand Ave. in St. Paul or like Stillwater	8/17/2017 2:53 PM
49	Crime, from car breaking to gun play and murders	8/17/2017 2:36 PM
50	Theft and breaking peoples property.	8/17/2017 2:21 PM
51	Taking care of the odor in the business park, making sure our neighborhoods and community homes are well maintained	8/17/2017 2:01 PM
52	Horrible smell	8/17/2017 1:53 PM
53	The district along the river should be developed to something like what Stillwater has done with there water front	8/17/2017 1:50 PM
54	Economic development	8/17/2017 1:45 PM
55	Education	8/17/2017 1:34 PM
56	Poverty	8/17/2017 1:34 PM
57	Lack of quality business on southview	8/17/2017 1:25 PM
58	money	8/17/2017 1:19 PM
59	Lack of small businesses on Southview/Marie.	8/17/2017 1:19 PM
60	run down feeling	8/17/2017 1:04 PM
61	Run down homes	8/17/2017 12:58 PM
62	Increase of lower income households. South St. Paul has the highest percentage of low income families in Dakota County	8/17/2017 12:55 PM
63	Main Street improvements	8/17/2017 12:53 PM
64	Violence and or drug infiltration ie opiod ,meth etc	8/17/2017 12:41 PM
65	Looking out for kids, keeping them safe and good education.	8/17/2017 12:39 PM

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66	Welcoming newcomers	8/17/2017 12:36 PM
67	Jobs, businesses	8/17/2017 12:26 PM
68	Little development, everything is old	8/17/2017 12:23 PM
69	The lack of establishments that bring people into South St Paul from other areas.	8/17/2017 12:20 PM
70	Providing adequate funding for our police, fire, and utility services.	8/17/2017 12:20 PM
71	The condition of Southview Ave	8/17/2017 12:17 PM
72	Housing for senior	8/17/2017 12:17 PM
73	Lack of businesses to support economic growth	8/17/2017 12:16 PM
74	Bringing in more businesses.	8/17/2017 12:16 PM
75	Few large businesses	8/17/2017 12:10 PM
76	Southview and Marie business growth	8/17/2017 12:10 PM
77	The confluence or lack there of within the community between sports groups, community activities, housing, govt and police	8/17/2017 12:10 PM
78	mentall ill residents, drugs, alcohol use lack of higher end businesses	8/17/2017 12:09 PM
79	Crime	8/17/2017 12:08 PM
80	Unattended children	8/17/2017 10:59 AM
81	Rental properties	8/17/2017 10:40 AM
82	Lack of retail business	8/17/2017 10:37 AM
83	Crime	8/17/2017 10:10 AM
84	Empty storefronts	8/17/2017 9:56 AM
85	Blighted homes	8/17/2017 9:43 AM
86	crime, thefts	8/17/2017 9:02 AM
87	The smell	8/17/2017 8:07 AM
88	School funding, lack of..	8/17/2017 7:32 AM
89	Crime in the high school	8/17/2017 7:30 AM
90	Poverty	8/17/2017 7:11 AM
91	lack of involved citizens	8/16/2017 11:01 PM
92	Lack of diversity tolerance/awareness/empathy	8/16/2017 10:59 PM
93	Vandalism	8/16/2017 10:49 PM
94	Violence	8/16/2017 10:40 PM
95	Streets	8/16/2017 10:16 PM
96	Feeling like increase in rental properties and group homes have brought people to our city that commit crimes like theft, drugs and domestic disturbances	8/16/2017 10:00 PM
97	Cost of water and sewer	8/16/2017 9:58 PM
98	Need more businesses that will thrive and bring in other communities	8/16/2017 9:44 PM
99	Poverty	8/16/2017 9:15 PM
100	Crime	8/16/2017 9:04 PM
101	Funding for education	8/16/2017 8:58 PM
102	Development	8/16/2017 8:57 PM
103	The smell, probably #1 actually	8/16/2017 8:51 PM
104	Contact a second one just quit letting in the low income housing. We have enough trouble here lately.	8/16/2017 8:44 PM

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105	Theft and burglary	8/16/2017 8:41 PM
106	Areas of community that are rundown - Concord Street could use "spiffing" up.	8/16/2017 8:36 PM
107	Housing	8/16/2017 8:25 PM
108	Education cuts	8/16/2017 8:21 PM
109	no restaurants	8/16/2017 8:19 PM
110	residents not forward thinking	8/16/2017 8:16 PM
111	Haven't lived here long enough	8/16/2017 8:10 PM
112	Lack of respect/pride	8/16/2017 8:08 PM
113	No place to eat out or shop	8/16/2017 8:08 PM
114	All of our youth sports programs co-opping with nearby communities.	8/16/2017 8:00 PM
115	Crime	8/16/2017 7:50 PM
116	Losing Southview and Marie businesses	8/16/2017 7:45 PM
117	Roads and sidewalks	8/16/2017 7:42 PM
118	Property deterioration. I walk a lot around the city and there is so much trash and unwanted furniture laying around.	8/16/2017 7:35 PM
119	Poverty	8/16/2017 7:33 PM
120	Sex Offenders	8/16/2017 7:24 PM
121	Nothing is being done to clean up neighborhoods or force the owners of rentals to not only maintain the properties but ensure quality tenants.	8/16/2017 7:24 PM
122	Lack of school funding due to small business tax base	8/16/2017 7:23 PM
123	Crime	8/16/2017 7:20 PM
124	Schools not improving year to year.	8/16/2017 7:18 PM
125	Lack of money	8/16/2017 7:15 PM
126	poverty	8/16/2017 7:12 PM
127	Lack of good restaurants	8/16/2017 7:09 PM
128	Lack of community	8/16/2017 7:01 PM
129	Increasing crime rate	8/16/2017 6:48 PM
130	Economic Development	8/16/2017 6:45 PM
131	Not sure	8/16/2017 6:44 PM
132	As in my last comment, too much low housing.	8/16/2017 6:42 PM
133	Inequality in school funding from state	8/16/2017 6:41 PM
134	Rental properties	8/16/2017 6:40 PM
135	Not being able to financially support schools	8/16/2017 6:39 PM
136	Lack of sought after businesses. We always go to other cities for everything we need.	8/16/2017 6:30 PM
137	Inequity in school funding; Lack of retail to draw others in to town	8/16/2017 6:24 PM
138	Offenders moving in	8/16/2017 6:13 PM
139	The number of rental properties in town.	8/16/2017 6:12 PM
140	School continues to ask for levies but spends money on unneeded preschool	8/16/2017 5:55 PM
141	Not sure	8/16/2017 5:51 PM
142	The community being stuck on how things used to be and resistance to change and new ideas	8/16/2017 5:50 PM
143	Stagnant property value and too many rentals	8/16/2017 5:50 PM

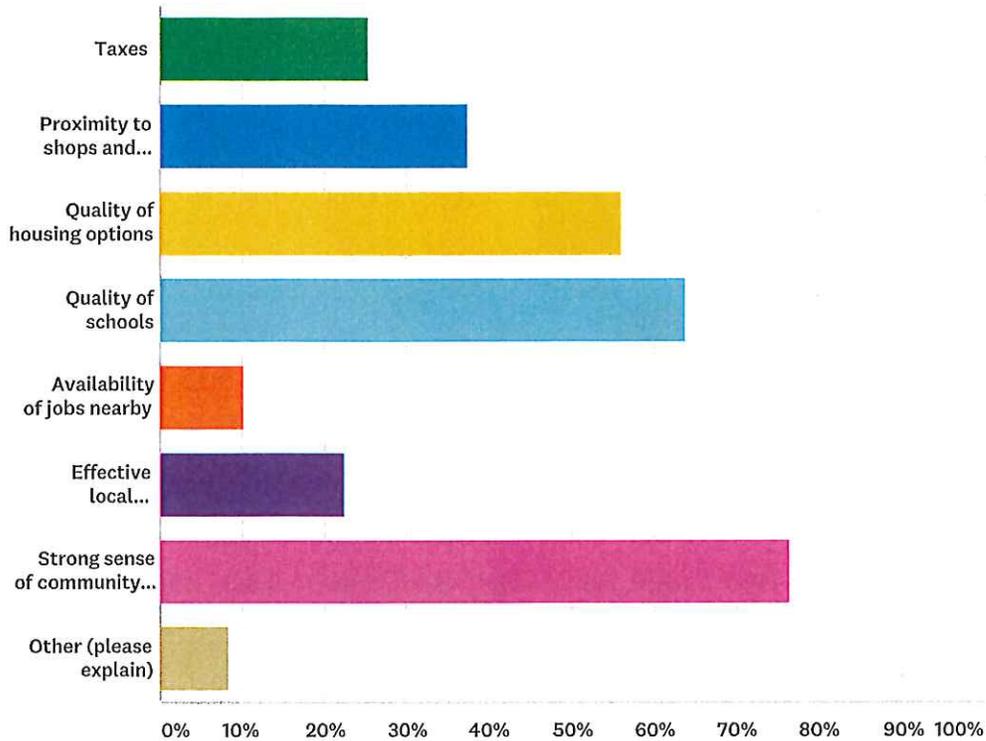
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144	Nothing for teenagers to do	8/16/2017 5:44 PM
145	Low variety of businesses.	8/16/2017 5:44 PM
146	poverty level	8/16/2017 4:49 PM
147	Need to continue getting business especially in the new areas and along the river. This may eventually lead to more restaurants and shopping.	7/28/2017 11:54 PM

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Q7 What are the most important considerations to you when selecting a community to live in? Please select up to 3 from this list.

Answered: 166 Skipped: 10



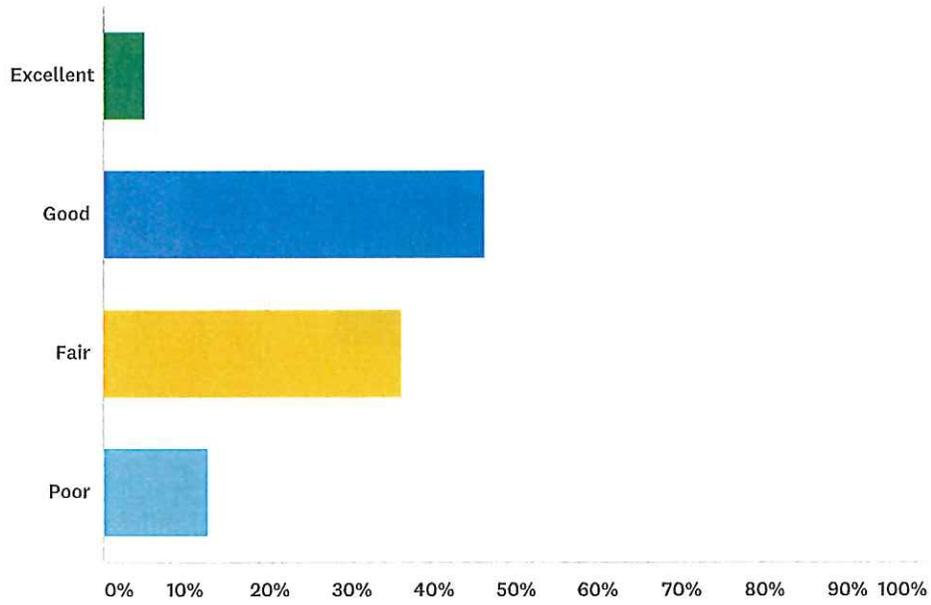
ANSWER CHOICES

RESPONSES

Taxes	25.30%	42
Proximity to shops and amenities	37.35%	62
Quality of housing options	56.02%	93
Quality of schools	63.86%	106
Availability of jobs nearby	10.24%	17
Effective local leadership	22.29%	37
Strong sense of community safety	76.51%	127
Other (please explain)	8.43%	14
Total Respondents: 166		

Q8 How would you rate the City's communication with residents regarding key issues?

Answered: 160 Skipped: 16



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Excellent	5.00%	8
Good	46.25%	74
Fair	36.25%	58
Poor	12.50%	20
TOTAL		160

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Q9 How could the city improve communication with residents?

Answered: 118 Skipped: 58

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	More detailed newsletters.	9/14/2017 2:51 PM
2	Advertise community websites. Are the city council meetings shown on Town Square TV?	9/14/2017 8:59 AM
3	Sending out emails	9/7/2017 7:55 PM
4	Using e-mail to communicate city council meetings, agendas, work sessions, etc.	9/5/2017 5:53 PM
5	send out news letters frequently	8/29/2017 3:34 PM
6	No comment	8/28/2017 10:36 PM
7	More use of internet but but it's already getting there	8/28/2017 10:23 PM
8	I happened upon this survey. Do you want real opinion, start a BB on the website and let residents speak their mind. A may not be pretty but will probably be honest.	8/24/2017 11:12 PM
9	surveys like this emailed to us	8/24/2017 6:50 PM
10	We need the city council and other city employees to diversify.	8/24/2017 4:26 PM
11	mailings	8/24/2017 11:45 AM
12	More notifications	8/23/2017 10:07 AM
13	Provide metrics on the city website - Metrics that residents can filter through	8/22/2017 1:58 PM
14	More frequent updates	8/22/2017 12:59 PM
15	Update the website regularly	8/21/2017 11:32 PM
16	Personal interaction	8/21/2017 2:42 PM
17	More emails/flyers	8/21/2017 2:37 PM
18	Seniors don't use Facebook or look on the government page on line. They often hear things by word of mouth that is not always accurate.	8/21/2017 7:42 AM
19	Listen to the residents suggestions, wants and needs.	8/20/2017 5:46 PM
20	Communication regarding events is great but communication regarding important issues that Council and Planning Commision are dealing with is non existent without going to a lot of effort to stay up to date with meeting agendas.	8/20/2017 12:23 PM
21	Direct e-mail campaign with a monthly newsletter	8/20/2017 10:18 AM
22	reach out to residents in areas where new development or ordinances may occur	8/19/2017 5:15 PM
23	suggestion boxes, around town and online	8/18/2017 1:58 PM
24	Don't really have an opinion or suggestion for this	8/18/2017 12:00 PM
25	Updates more often. Not just fluff	8/18/2017 8:56 AM
26	E mail more	8/18/2017 6:28 AM
27	It's gotten better -continue to use social media. Deb Griffith does an amazing job letting us know events etc via Facebook etc	8/17/2017 9:08 PM
28	emails , facebook groups	8/17/2017 8:33 PM
29	Not sure	8/17/2017 7:13 PM
30	Monthly emails	8/17/2017 6:57 PM
31	More flyers	8/17/2017 5:56 PM
32	Not sure	8/17/2017 5:25 PM

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33	more opportunities for face to face discussions with leadership at variety of times to meet peoples' various schedules	8/17/2017 4:31 PM
34	I think it's good they email a link to the newsletter--but would be nice to have some highlights in the email. The city web site is rough. Not intuitive.	8/17/2017 3:47 PM
35	N/A	8/17/2017 3:35 PM
36	More awareness on social media, postings in stores, electronic boards in town	8/17/2017 3:24 PM
37	not sure how. we already have Facebook groups and have a local newspaper. maybe we are too efficient	8/17/2017 3:05 PM
38	?	8/17/2017 2:59 PM
39	Unsure	8/17/2017 2:56 PM
40	email, and more prominent positioning on website. Also, texting for serious alerts - crime or weather, for example	8/17/2017 2:38 PM
41	Monthly flyers or city newspaper delivered to homes.	8/17/2017 2:22 PM
42	Make residents more aware of ways to communicate with leaders. This is a good step.	8/17/2017 2:03 PM
43	I don't think they smell what we smell	8/17/2017 1:52 PM
44	Email	8/17/2017 1:34 PM
45	Regular meetings	8/17/2017 1:27 PM
46	I think the city already does a great job	8/17/2017 1:00 PM
47	Put more meaningful information in the city bulletin vs fluff articles such as how to compost. Before Jimmy Francis' became mayor and dedication to open communication and presence on social media, I heard nothing from city hall.	8/17/2017 12:58 PM
48	Not sure	8/17/2017 12:54 PM
49	Social media, updates on issues.	8/17/2017 12:41 PM
50	More digital communication with leaders (social media, e-newsletters)	8/17/2017 12:37 PM
51	idk	8/17/2017 12:27 PM
52	Monthly emails, city council minutes emailed to residents	8/17/2017 12:25 PM
53	Hold city meetings in the evening, when people that work can actually attend so their input is heard. More email/social/text media based communication.	8/17/2017 12:22 PM
54	Send a weekly or monthly newsletter via email	8/17/2017 12:21 PM
55	More things to do	8/17/2017 12:20 PM
56	More info mailed to home about what's going on in community	8/17/2017 12:19 PM
57	Email newsletters	8/17/2017 12:18 PM
58	Offer to listen, open forums, defeat racism and discrimination in this mostly pro white town	8/17/2017 12:12 PM
59	Town hall meetings	8/17/2017 12:11 PM
60	I think you're doing fine	8/17/2017 12:11 PM
61	Release more updates to the community on how projects are going, new ones being considered and areas of improvement being pursued. The current ways this is done is ok but reading city council notes does not give context or complete thoughts.	8/17/2017 12:11 PM
62	Town hall meetings	8/17/2017 12:10 PM
63	Unsure. I don't know how the city communicates with residents now	8/17/2017 11:02 AM
64	More inf. About city plans and or improvements. Get residents to be more involved with town meetings and city council meetings	8/17/2017 10:43 AM
65	I don't know	8/17/2017 10:38 AM
66	Send community fliers or post on social media mor often	8/17/2017 10:12 AM

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67	Listserv? Targeted mailings for issues that come up	8/17/2017 9:57 AM
68	More social media campaigns/communication	8/17/2017 9:45 AM
69	I feel that there is Old SSP and New SSP - We are new (2013) and feel as if our opinions and feed back do not matter because of "tradition" or "its always been done this way".	8/17/2017 9:05 AM
70	A news paper that goes out to every house. The ones that are published now are hit and miss. I live in a duplex, there are 2 mail boxes out front, but when papers are delivered we only get one. Most of the time I only see things after they happen.	8/17/2017 8:28 AM
71	Get out into the community, leaders need to be more accessible more often. Council meetings can't do that, start holding informal 'chat' gatherings once or twice a month. This survey is a start, but it has no 'face' for me to talk to.	8/17/2017 7:35 AM
72	More online communication. Regular social media and website updates	8/17/2017 7:13 AM
73	More communication via all avenues (Facebook, mail, etc.)	8/16/2017 11:06 PM
74	Public access t.v. and town meetings	8/16/2017 11:05 PM
75	Be more responsive and have one designated source for communication and PR efforts	8/16/2017 11:01 PM
76	Bringing more awareness to the crimes occurring in the city instead of just a small overview in the southwest review	8/16/2017 10:43 PM
77	Social media, forums at high school, staff info booth at On the Road Again, send newsletter	8/16/2017 10:03 PM
78	Be more open minded	8/16/2017 9:58 PM
79	Give a logical explanation back and how they will work on ways to make it happen or explain reasons why it isn't possible	8/16/2017 9:47 PM
80	Hold more forums/listening sessions and advertise them adequately.	8/16/2017 9:16 PM
81	Wifi and txt	8/16/2017 9:05 PM
82	Generic broadcasting of meetings not limited to Comcast customers.	8/16/2017 9:02 PM
83	Reminders of things happening	8/16/2017 8:59 PM
84	Town hall meetings, "coffee with the mayor/city council"events	8/16/2017 8:52 PM
85	Not sure if city has a web page but that would be the best option to getting information out.	8/16/2017 8:38 PM
86	More one on one engagement	8/16/2017 8:26 PM
87	City-wide email subscription	8/16/2017 8:21 PM
88	create a government facebook page.	8/16/2017 8:20 PM
89	be forward and forthcoming on issues	8/16/2017 8:17 PM
90	Improve online presence	8/16/2017 8:11 PM
91	keep current the police/city website/social media	8/16/2017 8:09 PM
92	Local newsletter or mailings	8/16/2017 8:09 PM
93	How does the city currently communicate with us?	8/16/2017 8:01 PM
94	Get out and meet people	8/16/2017 7:50 PM
95	More advanced social media strategy	8/16/2017 7:45 PM
96	I don't know	8/16/2017 7:43 PM
97	Multiple means social media. Newspaper, written letters	8/16/2017 7:36 PM
98	Email updates, let new residents opt in to this	8/16/2017 7:35 PM
99	Mailings. Email. Social media. How about an electric signage that displays upcoming events or discussions regarding our city.	8/16/2017 7:29 PM
100	Update info faster	8/16/2017 7:25 PM
101	Better use of email and social media	8/16/2017 7:25 PM
102	Hold more town meetings to get the people of the city input	8/16/2017 7:16 PM

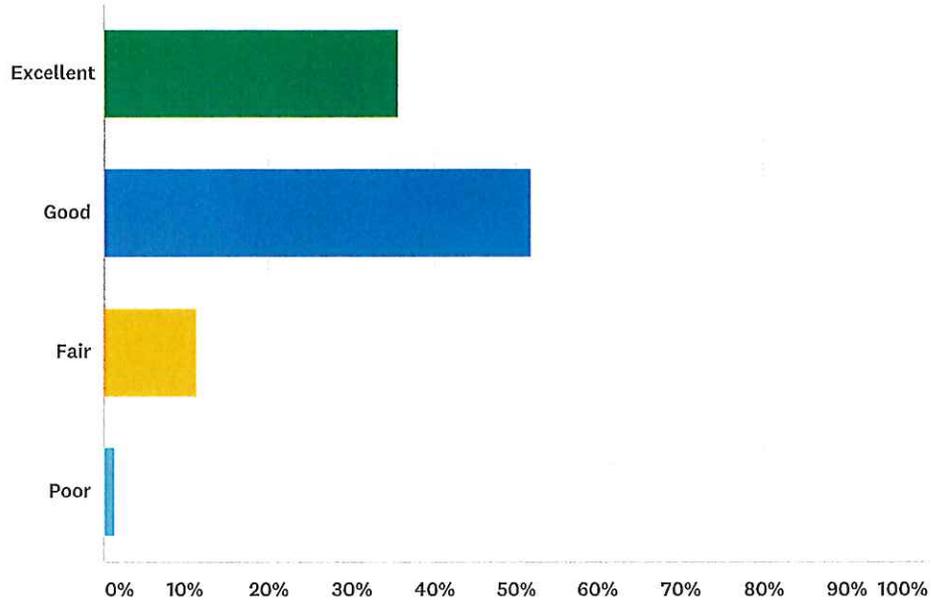
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103	e-mail	8/16/2017 7:14 PM
104	Unsure	8/16/2017 7:10 PM
105	Be more prevalent on social media, where most people keep up with current events nowadays	8/16/2017 6:49 PM
106	Email updates	8/16/2017 6:45 PM
107	Send out e-mails or post on the facebook page of changes that will be voted on.	8/16/2017 6:43 PM
108	More use of all social media	8/16/2017 6:41 PM
109	I feel the city does a good job communicating - love video updates when the mayor is out and Deb's updates of events on FB	8/16/2017 6:41 PM
110	A monthly newsletter delivered either in the mail or email.	8/16/2017 6:31 PM
111	Be active in social media! I get most of my city-related info from an unofficial city discussion Facebook page. The city is missing an opportunity to drive engagement.	8/16/2017 6:14 PM
112	Facebook page	8/16/2017 5:57 PM
113	I think there have been some good steps in this direction, but I think presence at city leaders at events in town, like the art around town event. More of these events in general would improve communication between city leadership and residents.	8/16/2017 5:54 PM
114	Post flyers in mailboxes	8/16/2017 5:53 PM
115	Outreach, social media	8/16/2017 5:51 PM
116	Stronger social media presence.	8/16/2017 5:46 PM
117	There is no one way to improve communication. Some want hard copy and do not use electronic, some just want electronic. I believe the information needs to be sent to the residents via facebook with references back to the Website. One central site would be great. Having people read what is sent to them is another issue.	8/16/2017 4:55 PM
118	Have residents receive emails and electronic postings. Local papers don't work as distribution is poor at best.	7/28/2017 11:57 PM

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Q10 How would you rate the quality of public services provided by the City? (Police, Fire, Public Works, etc.)

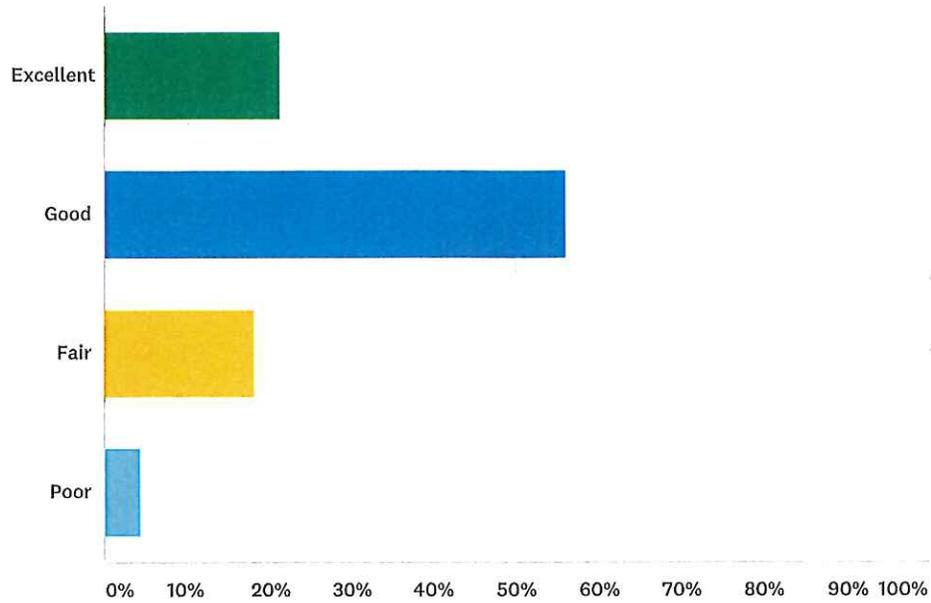
Answered: 160 Skipped: 16



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Excellent	35.63%	57
Good	51.88%	83
Fair	11.25%	18
Poor	1.25%	2
TOTAL		160

Q11 How would you rate the quality of parks and trails in the City?

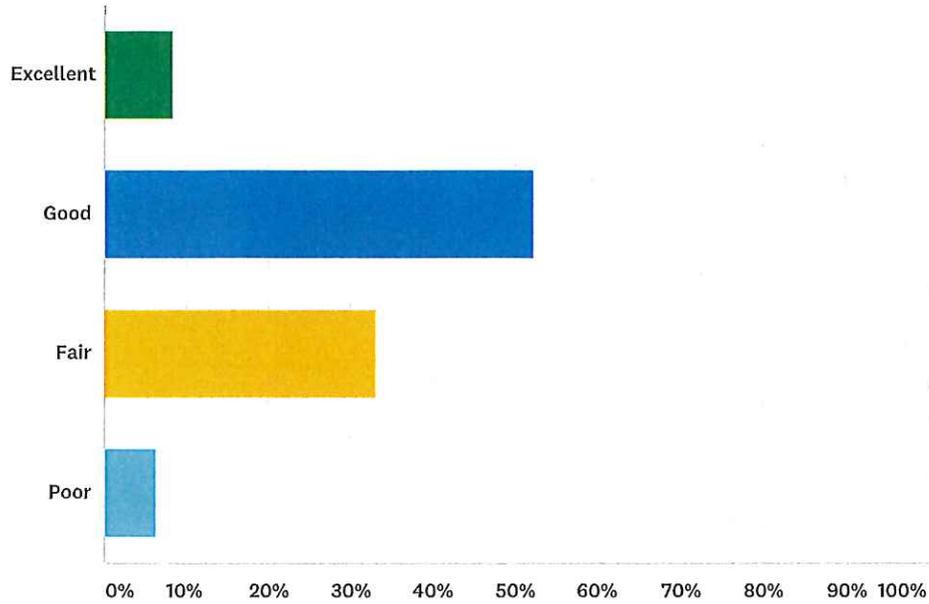
Answered: 159 Skipped: 17



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Excellent	21.38%	34
Good	55.97%	89
Fair	18.24%	29
Poor	4.40%	7
TOTAL		159

Q12 How would you rate the quality of public transportation provided within the community?

Answered: 157 Skipped: 19



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Excellent	8.28%	13
Good	52.23%	82
Fair	33.12%	52
Poor	6.37%	10
TOTAL		157

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Q13 What, if anything, is currently missing from South St. Paul, which if present, would greatly improve quality of life in South St. Paul?

Answered: 133 Skipped: 43

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	A larger police force to deal with increased crime.	9/14/2017 2:56 PM
2	More shopping on Southview.	9/14/2017 9:10 AM
3	Would love a transit bus direct to the blue light rail line	9/7/2017 7:58 PM
4	Bike lanes	9/5/2017 6:22 PM
5	with the planned Southview project, benches along this street would be important... not just a few, but clusters	9/1/2017 12:30 PM
6	shopping and resturants	8/29/2017 3:38 PM
7	Mufflers on cars	8/28/2017 10:44 PM
8	? Don't know	8/28/2017 10:26 PM
9	Clean air, less odor	8/28/2017 1:55 PM
10	You limit the amount of rental properties to 1 house per 4 blocks, everything else will fall into place. seriously, SSP's reputation is taking a beating.	8/24/2017 11:14 PM
11	night-life	8/24/2017 6:52 PM
12	Better park- all inclusive playground area. Updated pools. northview needs a rehab and so does the splash pool and wasted space where Lorraine pool was. Antique stores.	8/24/2017 4:45 PM
13	More street lights	8/23/2017 10:08 AM
14	Improve elementary schools	8/22/2017 4:30 PM
15	Local Shopping- Clothing, Food	8/22/2017 2:00 PM
16	Better parks/playground facilities	8/22/2017 1:00 PM
17	More restaurants and businesses in general.	8/21/2017 11:34 PM
18	New community center that includes daycare	8/21/2017 2:41 PM
19	High end homes	8/21/2017 12:40 PM
20	Bars, restaurants, retail and entertainment	8/21/2017 11:56 AM
21	More business	8/21/2017 7:45 AM
22	update the parks instead of beer league ball fields, we really have nothing for our youth (REC CENTER)	8/20/2017 8:07 PM
23	Restaurants, bars, retail and entertainment.	8/20/2017 5:49 PM
24	More retail, more sit-down restaurants, more diversity of shops and opportunities	8/20/2017 12:25 PM
25	We need illegal-drug users pushed out of the community into drug-rehabilitation - our kids do not need to be around that kind of behavior, it is unsafe.	8/20/2017 10:25 AM
26	more restaurants.	8/19/2017 5:16 PM
27	places to gather	8/19/2017 10:41 AM
28	safer community	8/18/2017 12:52 PM
29	Top notch restaurant	8/18/2017 12:02 PM
30	Dining options	8/18/2017 9:28 AM

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31	Neighborhood watch progress, more home owners vs landlords with neglected houses. The city fining houses with junk everywhere. A drive down many alleys is a sad sight. I grew up on the east side of St. Paul and left due some of the same situations we have now.	8/17/2017 9:15 PM
32	Restaurants	8/17/2017 8:52 PM
33	whole food stores, more walking paths, bigger community center	8/17/2017 8:35 PM
34	A vibrant downtown	8/17/2017 6:58 PM
35	No rental properties	8/17/2017 5:58 PM
36	Shopping, restaurant and a better senior center	8/17/2017 5:29 PM
37	restaurants & activities within the city	8/17/2017 4:33 PM
38	Parks are few and far in-between. And then some parks are overrun with teens and not family friendly, and they are run down. We need more shops, eateries, and businesses. I love Black Sheep and Wishful, but with have such cool real estate with the river, we could become a destination with the right city plan.	8/17/2017 3:50 PM
39	Children's Community Center	8/17/2017 3:45 PM
40	No	8/17/2017 3:36 PM
41	We have a community center, but maybe more kid-centered things to do in SSP (skate park, more activities for kids), get back to a sense of community - I feel that is fading from South St. Paul.	8/17/2017 3:26 PM
42	Outdoor cafe's, maybe a bookstore with a place to have coffee so people would get out of their houses.	8/17/2017 3:05 PM
43	small businesses 'district' with shops/services needed. Capitalize on not having a "Robert Street"	8/17/2017 2:39 PM
44	Upgraded playground equipment at parks.	8/17/2017 2:25 PM
45	Nice places to eat and drink, some shopping.	8/17/2017 2:04 PM
46	Bar/restaurants on Southview along with other retail type stores	8/17/2017 1:56 PM
47	A redeveloped waterfront for the people not the factories	8/17/2017 1:53 PM
48	A Vibrant downtown and riverside area where the community can come together, eat, shop, and work.	8/17/2017 1:38 PM
49	Tax paying businesses	8/17/2017 1:35 PM
50	Bar/restraunt on southview	8/17/2017 1:28 PM
51	More restaurants	8/17/2017 1:23 PM
52	To many cars parked on the streets.	8/17/2017 1:21 PM
53	I've been disappointed with the lack of modern/classy eating establishments. I never really eat at restaurants in SSP and travel elsewhere.	8/17/2017 1:07 PM
54	Can't think of anything	8/17/2017 1:05 PM
55	Higher quality facilities and more options for families. The playgrounds are poor. They are not well kept, they are unimpressive and not safe for younger children. The pool facilities are filthy and of poor quality. A splash pad, different then a splash pool, would be a great addition to Lorraine	8/17/2017 1:01 PM
56	A good family chain restaurant	8/17/2017 12:56 PM
57	A way to connect "old SSP" with new residents of SSP, youth with seniors, bring community together with diverse cultural activities. Making everyone feel welcome!	8/17/2017 12:52 PM
58	Restaurants and shopping options	8/17/2017 12:39 PM
59	reinvestment in propety. The age and appearance of buildings in the city	8/17/2017 12:34 PM
60	Restaurants, shopping, high end grocery store	8/17/2017 12:26 PM
61	Establishments that bring other people into South St Paul, a great craft beer restraunt, or boutique type shopping.	8/17/2017 12:25 PM
62	More businesses and restaurants	8/17/2017 12:25 PM

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63	Expanding park and receive activities for kids. Currently, most sports go through Associations, which makes them unaffordable and over competitive.	8/17/2017 12:24 PM
64	recycling. Safety and activities	8/17/2017 12:21 PM
65	More bike lanes	8/17/2017 12:21 PM
66	A grocery store with affordable groceries	8/17/2017 12:20 PM
67	Beautifying Concord Blvd...it's very industrial, old, and rundown with the exception of Bridgepoint and south to 494)	8/17/2017 12:20 PM
68	movie theater	8/17/2017 12:16 PM
69	Community center that allows young people not mostly seniors	8/17/2017 12:13 PM
70	A DOWNTOWN! There is not enough businesses on Southview or Marie to give enough reason to "shopping" or dining there. This also leads to no sense of community,	8/17/2017 12:13 PM
71	Stronger police presence, LESS crime, CLEAN and SAFE neighborhoods that don't look dirty and run down	8/17/2017 12:12 PM
72	Improved smell	8/17/2017 11:57 AM
73	More neighborhood safety. Being involved!	8/17/2017 10:47 AM
74	Something for teenagers to do	8/17/2017 10:40 AM
75	An art center would be awesome	8/17/2017 9:59 AM
76	More restaurants and shops	8/17/2017 9:48 AM
77	I want more places to eat and things to do as a family. I would like to see schools supported more - get the community, not just parents involved.	8/17/2017 9:10 AM
78	Stores where we could buy, more clothing, hardware, house hold goods. A really great shopping center that has everything.	8/17/2017 8:31 AM
79	Clean air	8/17/2017 8:08 AM
80	I'd like to see 'beat cops' walking around once in a while, not in a police cruiser, but actually walking. Wouldn't it be wonderful to be able to approach an officer as they were simply walking down my block, 'checking on me and my neighbors? Even if their presence was seen once in a while, even if they walked only a block a couple times a day, I'd feel they are reaching out and making me feel more comfortable.	8/17/2017 7:49 AM
81	General aesthetic. It's not a pretty city	8/17/2017 7:14 AM
82	Places for larger or multiple groups of people to gather for free or low cost. Community center has a few spaces and the library (I think), but if you want to do anything else you have to rent a building or have the right connections.	8/16/2017 11:11 PM
83	More options on Marie and Southview	8/16/2017 11:11 PM
84	Caring involvement of more citizens	8/16/2017 11:09 PM
85	Higher police presents, notifications for neighborhood of crime in area	8/16/2017 10:47 PM
86	Less crime	8/16/2017 10:20 PM
87	Something similar to the new West St Paul splash pad and park would draw people and families from both our community and neighboring communities. There are so many children and families there in the evening and afternoons. Also, an indoor park like Good Times Park in Eagan would be great.	8/16/2017 10:12 PM
88	Stop selling 40 ft lots. Combine 2 lots so a bigger more modern house can be built attract more families with room to grow	8/16/2017 10:00 PM
89	More social things to do for both kids and adults to bring the community together. Things besides sports for the kids.	8/16/2017 9:59 PM
90	Limit number of half way houses near schools and in residential areas. Stricter air quality regulations for corporations and residents. Free Summer play ground programs with bag lunches provided at least three days a week across the city. I	8/16/2017 9:33 PM
91	The smell issue needs big improvements, change in school leadership	8/16/2017 9:22 PM

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92	An approachable police force, and more forward thinking awareness.	8/16/2017 9:20 PM
93	Wifi	8/16/2017 9:06 PM
94	Bars, restaurants, stores	8/16/2017 8:55 PM
95	City sponsored events in neighborhood parks such as concerts, movies in the park.	8/16/2017 8:40 PM
96	Shopping	8/16/2017 8:27 PM
97	Bar/grill, shopping	8/16/2017 8:22 PM
98	Get rid of the smell monster	8/16/2017 8:22 PM
99	more shops and restaurants	8/16/2017 8:22 PM
100	Limitation of the trash we allow into our community	8/16/2017 8:18 PM
101	River development to bring in visitors	8/16/2017 8:14 PM
102	Idk	8/16/2017 8:12 PM
103	Sidewalks. I would love to be able to walk to south view safely from the wentworth area.	8/16/2017 8:12 PM
104	Infrastructure that included safer walking and biking routes.	8/16/2017 8:05 PM
105	Don't let the rift affect in	8/16/2017 7:52 PM
106	Move Sanimax away from town :)	8/16/2017 7:48 PM
107	A program to help residents who live it here in SSP to obtaine city help to keep up our neighborhoods. It only takes a few houses to start a movement of upkeep to attract new motivated buyers and inspire.	8/16/2017 7:40 PM
108	More events for residents to come together i.e. Music or movies in the parks	8/16/2017 7:39 PM
109	Decent restaurants. Nor another greasy spoon or fast food place. More places along the lines of Black Sheep	8/16/2017 7:32 PM
110	Youth Center	8/16/2017 7:26 PM
111	Local restaurants and shopping you could walk or bike to	8/16/2017 7:25 PM
112	Reliable safe schooling.	8/16/2017 7:20 PM
113	??	8/16/2017 7:18 PM
114	more business	8/16/2017 7:16 PM
115	Marina	8/16/2017 7:11 PM
116	Business residents would actually like to patronize, so they don't have to leave town to bring their business somewhere	8/16/2017 6:52 PM
117	Welcoming new residents/new families.	8/16/2017 6:51 PM
118	N/a	8/16/2017 6:46 PM
119	More retail, clean up Concord Street, maintain buidling better	8/16/2017 6:45 PM
120	Retail & fast food	8/16/2017 6:44 PM
121	Restaurants on Concord	8/16/2017 6:41 PM
122	Dining opportunities, shopping	8/16/2017 6:41 PM
123	Better police patrol to reduce crime, higher standard for property upkeep, stores and restaurants that people want to go to.	8/16/2017 6:36 PM
124	more youth programs (boys/girls club, etc.), business mentors to youth	8/16/2017 6:27 PM
125	More restaurants that serve beer and wine "up on the hill". A craft brewery or taproom would be great.	8/16/2017 6:18 PM
126	Housing stock between starter and senior living.	8/16/2017 6:12 PM

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127	Our parks and our parks and recreation programs need help. My kids have done gymnastics, swimming, and art classes in neighboring communities because of the lack of available programs. The parks generally are often rundown and sometimes unkempt. We often go to parks in neighboring communities in order to access better parks. We love our library and the creative and innovative programming they have for both kids and adults, and I would love to see the same in central square or our outdoor parks.	8/16/2017 6:03 PM
128	Home sales vs rental	8/16/2017 6:00 PM
129	More local shops	8/16/2017 5:56 PM
130	Community ammenaties	8/16/2017 5:53 PM
131	A good network of sidewalks and on-street bike paths.	8/16/2017 5:49 PM
132	Community space for meetings, concerts and activities	8/16/2017 4:57 PM
133	Shopping and restuarants and jobs	7/29/2017 12:02 AM

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Q14 What are three things you think the City should be doing to act more environmentally responsible?

Answered: 113 Skipped: 63

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Improve air quality, control foul odors by imposing harsher penalties for non-compliance.	9/14/2017 2:56 PM
2	1) More hours at the Compost site. 2) Plant more trees & shrubs. 3) Purchase fresh foods from local growers to be served in the schools.	9/14/2017 9:10 AM
3	Too much water wasted on lawns-not reinforced off times, too much salt/sand on roads going into the river down road drains, support bee/butterfly safe plants in green spaces	9/7/2017 7:58 PM
4	Electric car charging stations, encourage the development of sustainable local businesses, and strict building codes that favor green technology	9/5/2017 6:22 PM
5	Nothing	9/1/2017 12:30 PM
6	keep storm drains cleaned out	8/29/2017 3:38 PM
7	Make sanimax comply. Get loud unsafe vehicles off roads. Public garbage cans	8/28/2017 10:44 AM
8	We're working on that too??	8/28/2017 10:26 PM
9	Air pollution and smell, do not spray parks with chemicals hours before kids play on it	8/28/2017 1:55 PM
10	Nothing.	8/24/2017 11:14 PM
11	(1) get rid of the smelly animal processing place! (2) buy more street-sweepers (3) trim low-hanging branches and shrubbery along sidewalks	8/24/2017 6:52 PM
12	Bring back and revitalize Mainstreet. Viable businesses. Turn spaces into mixed use buildings and update. Integrate native plants and rain gardens into landscaping. This is in the works but we need to keep in mind green materials and use as we go forward. Lighting, shops, things for families to do along mainstreet. If we don't have to go to a neighboring city we could potentially walk or bike to get what we need. Update public spaces. Parks, pools, trails, walkways. Quality public spaces not only brings people in/out and about, it helps people feel a sense of pride and community. Add Bike Lanes. And last, a better more comprehensive recycling and compost program. We should be recycling everything we can and giving people incentives to do so.	8/24/2017 4:45 PM
13	Make recycling mandatory	8/23/2017 10:08 AM
14	Go to single hauler and provide an organics bin; work with Dakota County on projects like the organics collection site in WSP	8/22/2017 4:30 PM
15	Provide Rebates for Solar, Wind Power, LED lights-	8/22/2017 2:00 PM
16	Grants for rain gardens, energy efficient improvements.	8/21/2017 11:34 PM
17	Offering incentives for residents who recycle, install low-flow toilets and shower heads	8/21/2017 2:41 PM
18	Eliminate the disgusting odor that lingers so heavily. DO NOT increase the railroad yard.	8/21/2017 11:56 AM
19	Enforcement of laws when people leave junk furniture outside instead of getting rid of it properly.	8/21/2017 7:45 AM
20	Get rid of the putrid odor!	8/20/2017 5:49 PM
21	Prevent expansion of rendering operations; protect any remaining greenspace, especially along the riverfront from exploitation by the railroad or other industry and do something to stop the odor issues that are plaguing Bridgepoint and the south end.	8/20/2017 12:25 PM
22	1) educate community on how we could be more environmentally responsible	8/20/2017 10:25 AM
23	Get some goats to eat up the buckthorn bushes in the ravines	8/18/2017 2:10 PM
24	Have no opinion	8/18/2017 12:02 PM
25	Relocate the stockyard type businesses to a more industrial area	8/18/2017 9:28 AM

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26	I'm not sure. One thing that really bothers me is the pioneer press free samples littering the sidewalks --that is not environmentally responsible-- can the city refuse to allow them to do this??	8/17/2017 9:15 PM
27	Reduce the horrible stench in the air, develop the riverfront clean and plant more trees	8/17/2017 8:52 PM
28	Cut rental properties, crack down on drug houses, be more present though the citu	8/17/2017 5:58 PM
29	I think they are doing pretty good	8/17/2017 5:29 PM
30	increased recycling (plastic bags etc) & awareness of what residents can do	8/17/2017 4:33 PM
31	Put more pressure on Sanimax. It is absolutely terrible lately. The pollution is intense. We are a river city and don't feature it or celebrate it or protect it.	8/17/2017 3:50 PM
32	Planting trees	8/17/2017 3:45 PM
33	Nothing	8/17/2017 3:36 PM
34	Re-using things, using green energy	8/17/2017 3:26 PM
35	more recycling bins around ssp, more trash on the trail by the river,	8/17/2017 3:07 PM
36	Getting tough on trash haulers that allow trash to fly out of the trucks. Get rid of plastic	8/17/2017 3:05 PM
37	Unknown	8/17/2017 2:39 PM
38	Nothing I can think of	8/17/2017 2:25 PM
39	It is doing a pretty good job. Permit bee raising. Put in wildflower areas	8/17/2017 2:04 PM
40	Decrease the horrible odor in the air,	8/17/2017 1:56 PM
41	Stop the smell or I have to move away. I have to run and close all the windows when it comes	8/17/2017 1:53 PM
42	Pick one trash company rather than everyone picking their own. This is hard on the roads and is inefficient. Provide recycle bins in public spaces.	8/17/2017 1:38 PM
43	Allow honey bee hives,	8/17/2017 1:23 PM
44	More recycling opportunities; cleanup unsightly/unsafe properties	8/17/2017 1:05 PM
45	Ban plastic bags and offer free hazardous materials recycling (like Eagan)	8/17/2017 1:01 PM
46	Only use one city picked garbage recycling service	8/17/2017 12:56 PM
47	Reduce use of pesticides, increase food composting, protect the Mississippi from contaminated stormwater.	8/17/2017 12:52 PM
48	Incentives for green business and resident practices	8/17/2017 12:39 PM
49	development of rain gardens, sprinkling bans, city contracted gabage hauling	8/17/2017 12:34 PM
50	Trim trees near power lines	8/17/2017 12:26 PM
51	Maintain/preserve the parks in the city, put recycle bins in the parks instead of just garbage bins,	8/17/2017 12:25 PM
52	Organic compost site, recycling center, update lake Sidel and Mississippi riverfront	8/17/2017 12:25 PM
53	Investige ROI on expanding the use of solar for all city owned properties.	8/17/2017 12:24 PM
54	Recycling	8/17/2017 12:21 PM
55	More bike lanes, city sponsored compost pickup, unsure	8/17/2017 12:21 PM
56	Work to rid the city of the horrible smells from the factories	8/17/2017 12:20 PM
57	Curbside organic pickup, more public recycling bins, not charging people for SSP cleanup day. It's enough that we have to get it down there. Bloomington has an annual free pickup day...free and at your curbside. I think the community would love this. Call Bloomington and find put how this is financed.	8/17/2017 12:20 PM
58	ban leaf blowers, enforce loud vehicle laws, enforce fireworks laws.	8/17/2017 12:16 PM
59	Stop allowing drugs to flourish in this community, investigate grow houses	8/17/2017 12:13 PM
60	N/A	8/17/2017 12:13 PM
61	Make our side walks wheelchair accessible without trees and bricks and holes in the way. CLEAN up the CITY. Stop planting trees in areas where they root up sidewalks.	8/17/2017 12:12 PM

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62	The water here needs to be better filtered drinkability; the air quality is won't allow us to leave our windows open so we use air conditioners too much; lots are very narrow compared to other suburbs	8/17/2017 11:57 AM
63	Improve the odor issues. It is very annoying.	8/17/2017 10:47 AM
64	Don't know	8/17/2017 10:40 AM
65	Reduce water bottle use with full stations, be aware of what drains to the river, bike trails	8/17/2017 9:59 AM
66	Ban plastic bags, encourage/provide incentives for solar energy, encourage more recycling/composting	8/17/2017 9:48 AM
67	Clean up the alley ways, river and trails. We are on 5th - and I am frustrated with the garbage the public transit users leave in front of my house. Do we REALLY need a bus stop on every corner? Every two or three blocks would be sufficient. I would also like to see less trash haulers every week. I have over 10 trucks that come barreling down our alley every week. This is unnecessary wear and tear - Get a great city contract with a local company and it is a win win for everyone.	8/17/2017 9:10 AM
68	Street sweeping more often. Our street is a mess. Have people clean up the alleys.	8/17/2017 8:31 AM
69	Fix the stinky air	8/17/2017 8:08 AM
70	Enforce property codes, work with trash companies to lower rates for responsible household recycling, add another city dump day to the calebdar	8/17/2017 7:49 AM
71	Community compost pickup	8/17/2017 7:14 AM
72	Power city buildings with renewable energy, require recycling and organic recycling, strict enforcement of air pollution level	8/16/2017 11:11 PM
73	N/A	8/16/2017 11:11 PM
74	More clean up times and monitoring of violations	8/16/2017 11:09 PM
75	More recycling options in parks, free trash days for electronics and things, heavier fines and more investigation in those dumping trash all over	8/16/2017 10:47 PM
76	Plant more trees. Wind and solar energy.	8/16/2017 10:20 PM
77	A rain barrel program, possibly another city cleanup day in the fall,	8/16/2017 10:12 PM
78	Have a program for picking up litter throughout the city. Properly marked recycling receptacles next to trash cans in public. Make ssp known for a clean city, sanitized parks and pools etc.	8/16/2017 9:59 PM
79	to stay on top of our water quality; which means not counting on computers to access water quality. Routine manual water testing is a priority for community safety	8/16/2017 9:33 PM
80	public accessibility to household recycling. Maybe a free dumpster placed conveniently?	8/16/2017 9:20 PM
81	This is the least of the problems	8/16/2017 9:06 PM
82	We desperately need recycle bins around the city, especially in the parks. I can't believe the new park built has no recycle bins. (Or didn't when i was there) There should be recycling by every garbage can.	8/16/2017 8:55 PM
83	Not sure	8/16/2017 8:40 PM
84	River cleanup	8/16/2017 8:27 PM
85	no comment	8/16/2017 8:22 PM
86	invest in solar, quit building more banks	8/16/2017 8:22 PM
87	Nice trash cans near bus stops, have juveniles that are caught damaging property help to keep the city clean and earn the money to pay for what was damaged.	8/16/2017 8:18 PM
88	There should be NO smells in the air. Cite homeowners that do not keep houses and yards in good condition.	8/16/2017 8:14 PM
89	Seems good. Happy recycling is taken every week.	8/16/2017 8:12 PM
90	Compost pick up. Electric car chargers. One single rubbish hauler: there are three that wear on my street.	8/16/2017 8:12 PM
91	See previous answer	8/16/2017 8:05 PM

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92	Water and sewer rates are way to high	8/16/2017 7:52 PM
93	Plant gardens which attract pollinators, keep the alleys clean, oversee businesses who have a high pollution risk	8/16/2017 7:48 PM
94	GET RID OF THE STINK FROM SANTIMAX.	8/16/2017 7:40 PM
95	Consolidate trash haulers, don't have park and public works trucks left running while workers are not in them, enforce dog poop law and dumping of lawn waste in streets better	8/16/2017 7:39 PM
96	Force restaurants to stop using Styrofoam! Require garbage companies to offer weekly compost pickup service.	8/16/2017 7:32 PM
97	Restoring trees taken down, better recycling at parks,	8/16/2017 7:26 PM
98	Provide free drop off at the composite site and city recycling	8/16/2017 7:25 PM
99	Offer more recycling through out the city and get the stink out	8/16/2017 7:18 PM
100	air pollution	8/16/2017 7:16 PM
101	Unsure	8/16/2017 7:11 PM
102	Not sure- too many other more important things, like keeping all the little thugs from breaking into everyone's cars at night	8/16/2017 6:52 PM
103	Curbside pickup of organics, more community garden plots, energy efficient buildings/incentives to upgrade	8/16/2017 6:51 PM
104	Watering restrictions, incentives for recycling	8/16/2017 6:46 PM
105	???	8/16/2017 6:41 PM
106	Provide free recycling services that is paid for with our already high property taxes. Create community garden spaces in some of the empty lots that are around town. Mandate that the businesses on Concord have higher emission standards. South Saint Paul smells like a trash dump and it's embarrassing when people come from out of town and have to experience it.	8/16/2017 6:36 PM
107	single city-wide garbage hauling to reduce emissions/wear and tear on roads, offer composting sites, more visible recycling bins near businesses; retail, walkways	8/16/2017 6:27 PM
108	Free recycling, bike lanes, indoor walking track	8/16/2017 6:12 PM
109	Bike lanes, a move towards solar paneling or other renewable energy sources for city buildings, a city wide lending library for speciality tools and equipment (maybe expanding on the DIY kits we have at the library	8/16/2017 6:03 PM
110	Encourage recycling or city wide clean up days. Provide leaf cleanup in fall (mankato does this, picks up leaves from curb for free in fall)	8/16/2017 5:56 PM
111	Allow people to keep bees. Build better infrastructure for non-automobile travel.	8/16/2017 5:49 PM
112	cannot think of any at this time	8/16/2017 4:57 PM
113	Fix the odor issues with Sani-Max or whatever it is named currently. Work to improve the cycling and issues with West St. Paul regarding cycling. Enforce the city codes regarding upkeep of property/homes.	7/29/2017 12:02 AM

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Q15 Is there a particular age group or demographic that you think South St. Paul may not appeal to as a place to live and why?

Answered: 127 Skipped: 49

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Middle and upper income families, the crime increase is unattractive and the housing options are somewhat limited.	9/14/2017 3:04 PM
2	No. We have a beautiful community that has something for everyone.	9/14/2017 9:13 AM
3	Maybe 18 to 25 year olds. Not enough fun places to hang out with friends. The bars on Concord are kind of scary. Love Level up game store though!	9/7/2017 8:01 PM
4	No	9/5/2017 6:47 PM
5	Families larger than 2 or 3 kids as there is a limited amount of quality larger homes in town. Great small homes for new younger single new home owners along 5th and 7th, etc. We loose many long time residents to Inver Grove and now Cottage Grove due to lack of larger homes. Even the lots that are for sale through the city it would be better to have two lots to build a home and still have a yard. The restriction on new builds to only build a 2 car garage is not the smartest, one car should be the minimum. gives residents more yard	9/1/2017 12:36 PM
6	middle aged/senior- not enough police checking the neighborhoods	8/29/2017 3:41 PM
7	This city lacks diversity and I get the feeling people want it to stay that way	8/28/2017 10:45 PM
8	None	8/28/2017 10:29 PM
9	Young families, due to deteriorating school systems	8/28/2017 1:55 PM
10	Younger families.	8/24/2017 11:17 PM
11	Yes.. white people in their mid-twenties to mid-thirties are (from what I've seen) losing interest in SSP because of the issues previously stated.	8/24/2017 6:55 PM
12	I think young families do not want to come into SSP. There is no appeal to move here. At one time people came to SSP for our schools, now many people living here send their kids out of SSP to school.	8/24/2017 4:50 PM
13	55+	8/23/2017 10:10 AM
14	No	8/22/2017 4:31 PM
15	20-40 Amenities	8/22/2017 2:04 PM
16	Younger people - lacking in interesting and walkable businesses.	8/21/2017 11:36 PM
17	20-25	8/21/2017 2:43 PM
18	21-45 due to the lack bars, restaurants, retail and entertainment.	8/21/2017 12:03 PM
19	Seniors. There is no single level senior townhouse.	8/21/2017 7:47 AM
20	our youth, no basketball, rec center or indoor playground, pools are limited hours and always close early	8/20/2017 8:08 PM
21	21-50, no restaurants, bars, retail or entertainment!	8/20/2017 5:51 PM
22	Upper middle class - lack of top end housing options	8/20/2017 12:27 PM
23	I have seen adults passed out on sidewalks or apparent drug users wondering around neighborhoods. To access the Kaposia Dog Park, we have to go through some unsafe areas. They need to be cleaned up. Home improvements as well as heavier police presence may help, but I don't know the best solution. The parks are great & 90% of the people at the parks are great, but to get to the parks are a not so great.	8/20/2017 10:31 AM
24	Teens more for them to do like when I was young growing up here	8/18/2017 2:11 PM

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25	Young adults. Nothing here to appeal to them	8/18/2017 12:04 PM
26	18-40	8/18/2017 9:30 AM
27	No	8/18/2017 6:32 AM
28	No	8/17/2017 9:18 PM
29	50+	8/17/2017 8:54 PM
30	younger families, not enough stores, entertainment options	8/17/2017 8:36 PM
31	Mid income families	8/17/2017 7:00 PM
32	35-50...the crime and drugs happening	8/17/2017 5:59 PM
33	Senior citizens. The referendums are usually for sports.	8/17/2017 5:34 PM
34	don't know	8/17/2017 4:34 PM
35	Young Professionals—not enough to amenities or character. We need more shops and businesses. We need crackdown on crime and rentals. We need to become the quaint small town next to St. Paul with things to do, craft breweries or tasting rooms, locally owned shops, the next "Northeast"...	8/17/2017 3:55 PM
36	Teens -	8/17/2017 3:46 PM
37	No	8/17/2017 3:37 PM
38	I don't know; middle aged/baby boomers.	8/17/2017 3:28 PM
39	Middle age to Younger minded Seniors. Would like some culture. We wouldn't have to drive to Mpls	8/17/2017 3:09 PM
40	unknown	8/17/2017 2:40 PM
41	Children, they arent able to play or run around like when I was a kid. Finding friends for my 7 year old to play with are hard to find.	8/17/2017 2:28 PM
42	Young people. For many of the reasons given above. We should stress our nearness to St Paul, the airport, the mall. And Make better use of the river front.	8/17/2017 2:07 PM
43	18-35	8/17/2017 1:58 PM
44	Elderly	8/17/2017 1:54 PM
45	Ages 18-40. There is a distinct lack of gathering spaces where people can get together for lunch, drink coffee, have dinner, etc.	8/17/2017 1:44 PM
46	Career stable adults	8/17/2017 1:36 PM
47	Not sure	8/17/2017 1:24 PM
48	Young middle class	8/17/2017 1:23 PM
49	millennials-- not enough modernity in the shops/restaurants. No one place that we can go to walk around and get treats and shop, etc.	8/17/2017 1:10 PM
50	No - I think it appeals to people of all ages and offers good affordable housing opportunities	8/17/2017 1:07 PM
51	Millenials. Although I am technically a millennial, I was raised in SSP and have a different view than outsiders. It lacks the amenities and quality parks young families are looking for. It also has limited options for younger children within Community Ed. Inver Grove does an amazing job at this and could be a great reference of a positive direction this city should strive for.	8/17/2017 1:06 PM
52	Not sure	8/17/2017 12:57 PM
53	Not sure	8/17/2017 12:54 PM
54	Millenial homebuyers; mainly residential, and geared toward an older population	8/17/2017 12:39 PM
55	20 - 30	8/17/2017 12:35 PM
56	I cannot. We have 55+ housing complexes, as well as affordable rental and properties for purchase for younger families.	8/17/2017 12:31 PM
57	No	8/17/2017 12:30 PM

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58	Under 40	8/17/2017 12:27 PM
59	No	8/17/2017 12:27 PM
60	Young 20s-25s. Nothing going on for them here...SSP is more of a family spot, not so appealing for young singles.	8/17/2017 12:25 PM
61	Mid 20s - Mid 30s. Nightlife activities available (venues) leave a little to be desired.	8/17/2017 12:23 PM
62	Very young families	8/17/2017 12:22 PM
63	no	8/17/2017 12:21 PM
64	No	8/17/2017 12:18 PM
65	To many rude old white people who are friends with government so they never get in trouble	8/17/2017 12:15 PM
66	Millenials. There is no "uptown" feel. There are not many coffee shops, small business, small restuarants, and places to enjoy congregating as a community. This is not done at churches much anymore, it is now at places to eat, have a beverage, or just be.	8/17/2017 12:15 PM
67	Any age groups with higher incomes won't live in our city	8/17/2017 12:13 PM
68	Young professionals: It doesn't feel like a place your children can grow up if they want to go into a white collar career	8/17/2017 12:07 PM
69	Younger families. Seems like the city is more for senior and elderly.	8/17/2017 10:50 AM
70	Teenagers, they have nothing to do in SSP	8/17/2017 10:42 AM
71	I hope everyone feels welcome here. I think we need to be more intentional about celebrating diversity. We need to know all of our neighbors. The mixed housing of SSP is one of my favorite aspects of our town. But do we know each other?	8/17/2017 10:03 AM
72	Young people...due to boring, smelly reputation and no good bars/restaurants	8/17/2017 9:50 AM
73	I am not sure, but we have started to think about putting our house on the market just due to the decline of the neighborhood and the unfriendly feel.	8/17/2017 9:13 AM
74	Younger people. Nothing here for them to occupy their free time, have to go to other cities to buy things they need.	8/17/2017 8:34 AM
75	People who make money	8/17/2017 8:09 AM
76	Families with school age children since our schools have earned a bad reputation over the past decades	8/17/2017 7:52 AM
77	My age group. SSP is a great location, but limited bus services and lack of things to do makes it unattractive.	8/17/2017 7:16 AM
78	Single people, especially under the age of 40. If you don't have a really good reason (a job here and no transportation, family, etc.) there's nothing special about SSP. Different neighborhoods in St. Paul or Minneapolis offer the kind of restaurants, stores, and other amenities that appeal more to most younger people who aren't thinking about family friendly neighborhoods, good schools, or even necessarily price of houses.	8/16/2017 11:17 PM
79	No difference in the age groups	8/16/2017 11:11 PM
80	No	8/16/2017 10:50 PM
81	College educated white collar couples starting families. This group is looking to sell their starter home and build or buy a larger home in a young community. These neighborhoods so not exist in South St Paul.	8/16/2017 10:25 PM
82	Under 10, not many sidewalks. Southview has poles in the way.	8/16/2017 10:22 PM
83	Upper middle class lack of housing and lack of property up keep	8/16/2017 10:02 PM
84	Adults who's children are grown.	8/16/2017 10:02 PM
85	People of color and the GLBT community. Anyone that is different gets treated as such.	8/16/2017 9:22 PM
86	No	8/16/2017 9:07 PM
87	21-40, schools	8/16/2017 8:56 PM
88	Young professionals. Lack of more upscale restaurants, bars, shopping, and housing.	8/16/2017 8:46 PM

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89	20s, lack of nightlife	8/16/2017 8:27 PM
90	senior citizens, no shopping in area	8/16/2017 8:25 PM
91	60+ low income housing and rise in crime	8/16/2017 8:23 PM
92	25-40, more younger people are moving in since this is an affordable place to live, close to town but still an "old timers" mentality	8/16/2017 8:23 PM
93	It seems that SSP has gone down. People simply want to wreck or steal what others have earned. Wish we could simply make all in the community work for a living.	8/16/2017 8:20 PM
94	Young families that need 4 or 5 bedrooms and bigger yards for kids.	8/16/2017 8:17 PM
95	25-35 yo. As a non-Stp native the city can have a small town close knit feel, that doesn't feel open to others.	8/16/2017 8:15 PM
96	Nope	8/16/2017 8:13 PM
97	20-60 Is there anything to do in SSP?	8/16/2017 8:08 PM
98	Young Have to keep up with technology in the schools	8/16/2017 7:57 PM
99	20-30. This group appreciates small, boutique businesses that offer amenities they need.	8/16/2017 7:49 PM
100	Families with the adults in there early 30's. They are usually looking for their second home and SSP does a poor job at safe, clean up kept neighborhoods. Especially homes that are in the 250-350k range.	8/16/2017 7:45 PM
101	Younger to middle age, there is nothing to do here, few amenities, and it can be a very traditional closed off community that is not necessarily throwing out the welcome mat if the previous 4 generations of your family didn't come from here	8/16/2017 7:42 PM
102	Baby boomer housing. We want townhouses and garages big enough for our toys.	8/16/2017 7:39 PM
103	Millennials. No good restaurants, no interesting or useful shopping.	8/16/2017 7:36 PM
104	Teens have no place to go in the city.	8/16/2017 7:27 PM
105	Young couples without kids	8/16/2017 7:26 PM
106	The rich	8/16/2017 7:19 PM
107	elderly-shopping limited	8/16/2017 7:17 PM
108	Young Professionals	8/16/2017 7:13 PM
109	20-45 lack of jobs and retail	8/16/2017 7:04 PM
110	25-40 Not seen as interesting, sometimes not family friendly or welcoming to new people.	8/16/2017 6:57 PM
111	18-34	8/16/2017 6:54 PM
112	18-30	8/16/2017 6:47 PM
113	Growing families needing bigger house and bigger garage.	8/16/2017 6:47 PM
114	Older because of the vandalism's, etc.	8/16/2017 6:45 PM
115	30-45...currently looking to relocate to new suburb - people around us are no longer taking care of their property and have way too many vehicles parked in the street	8/16/2017 6:43 PM
116	The LGBT population and young professionals. I am a lesbian and I often feel unwelcome whenever my wife and I are out and about. The community is mostly older people so it is not very accepting of different cultures or groups and there isn't many times of interest for young professionals.	8/16/2017 6:41 PM
117	25-40 (young families from upper/high middle income)- due to lack of housing and concerns about schools	8/16/2017 6:28 PM
118	Millennial young professionals. This group wants to live close to the city center, and SSP has long not capitalized on its prime close proximity to the downtowns. We need more up and coming home owners to gentrify our neighborhoods and less rental properties.	8/16/2017 6:22 PM
119	20s to 30s	8/16/2017 6:18 PM
120	30-50	8/16/2017 6:12 PM

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121	Young couples not from here may be put off by the the lack of amenities, but I think the location and the affordability will appeal to many people. As we get more shops and restaurants on Marie and southview, that will probably not be a concern any longer.	8/16/2017 6:09 PM
122	25-35 lack of housing too many rentals, schools International Baccalaureate program	8/16/2017 6:05 PM
123	Not sure	8/16/2017 5:56 PM
124	30-50. Schools are not up to par and lacking in larger homes	8/16/2017 5:56 PM
125	Young people. People are moving here because there is affordable housing and because houses are reasonably priced compared to surrounding cities, but if people don't feel safe while walking or biking they will be less likely to stay here long-term.	8/16/2017 5:52 PM
126	young professionals - need condos or town homes with no maintenance or yard work	8/16/2017 5:02 PM
127	30-40 as it is not appealing to them especially if they don't have children.	7/29/2017 12:06 AM

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Q16 If there is one thing you would want South St. Paul's City Council to know, what would it be?

Answered: 112 Skipped: 64

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	I have lived in SSP for the last 15 years and have been raising a family here for the last nine years. I generally like the community and am impressed with the job the school district does with our children. However, the recent uptick in crime, especially the violent type, has me concerned. I have recently considered leaving SSP because of this, but I would not be happy to go. Keep crime rates low and keep our community safe. Everything else will fall in line if that happens. More businesses and families will want to live here and our entire community will benefit.	9/14/2017 3:04 PM
2	Limit the amount of rental housing!!! Home ownership breeds responsibility and caring about your investment.	9/14/2017 9:13 AM
3	Too many bad landlords being irresponsible about who they rent to, crime too high here.	9/7/2017 8:01 PM
4	Promote the positives of the town, get out in the community - post selfies in front of stores, at the parks, etc. They don't have to spend all their money going to all the places, just a way to remind residents - hey we have this here. Check out this fun park, etc.	9/1/2017 12:36 PM
5	do something about the freeway noise!!	8/29/2017 3:41 PM
6	Southview looks like crap and is a poor image of the city	8/28/2017 10:45 PM
7	Nothing now? Sorry	8/28/2017 10:29 PM
8	Get rid of the smell and beef up support of our schools and teachers	8/28/2017 1:55 PM
9	SSP should limit renters, crackdown on crappy landlords and start a PR program to brag about all the positives, like the river, sort of low crime and pretty cool reasonably priced homes.	8/24/2017 11:17 PM
10	Stench is overpowering when there's an easterly wind. Something needs to be done about that, immediately.	8/24/2017 6:55 PM
11	We don't have time to sit on our hands and make slow decisions. We are behind the 8 ball and need to get going. Maybe ask for citizens to form committees and help get things they are passionate about, done. for example. Our pools. Why not form a committee that does some work looking at what the 2 spaces could look like and how much it would cost. They could also do some fund raising and networking to get it done. cities around us have done this and are very successful. I can think of 5 or 6 parks and or splash pads that have been built this way. Literally built with volunteer hands too!	8/24/2017 4:50 PM
12	Traffic calming on some of the streets would be great. Hard for plowing I know, but would decrease speeders.	8/23/2017 10:10 AM
13	Improve condition of housing. Property owners need to follow code when taking care of their property.	8/23/2017 7:49 AM
14	Bring more Businesses to Concord - MAYbe a big Grocery Store - Hyvee	8/22/2017 2:04 PM
15	I am willing to pay more taxes for increased services. Especially if it goes towards the school district.	8/21/2017 11:36 PM
16	SSP needs to market and attract businesses such as bars, restaurants, retail and entertainment. Revitalize Concord Street with a median and landscape, (not just business parks) to attract such business, give them tax breaks, seek them out otherwise no one is gong to know about SSP. Young and middle aged people need things to do and enjoy here too, not just families.	8/21/2017 12:03 PM
17	We need to look for ways to bring in more business.	8/21/2017 7:47 AM
18	REC Center (the old Jefferson land)	8/20/2017 8:08 PM
19	Again! We need and want the city to attract business like bars, restaurants, retail and entertainment so we have things to do in SSP.	8/20/2017 5:51 PM

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20	Communicate more effectively in advance and in an interactive website or email about what important issues the Council and Planning Commission will be voting on well before the afternoon of the meeting.	8/20/2017 12:27 PM
21	Drugs are creeping into the community. There are areas of the community that appear unsafe & run-down.	8/20/2017 10:31 AM
22	Our city property taxes should pay for road repair, and we should not be charged additional to repair the roads in front of our homes.	8/19/2017 5:19 PM
23	term limits NO one should be able to serve more than 3 terms	8/19/2017 10:43 AM
24	again stop with the rentals and section 8 housing.	8/18/2017 12:54 PM
25	I'd have to attend a city council meeting to get a grasp for that	8/18/2017 12:04 PM
26	Listen to people that have not lived here their whole lives	8/18/2017 9:30 AM
27	Traffic speed 7th is really bad	8/18/2017 6:32 AM
28	I feel like the town is looking very slummy in many areas. I think there's not only too much rental property but also too many unknow rentals. Drive around the alleys....	8/17/2017 9:18 PM
29	This community use to be great until section 8 grew and brought in all the trouble.	8/17/2017 8:54 PM
30	rebuild Concord!	8/17/2017 8:36 PM
31	It's embarrassing to love in a town that literally stinks	8/17/2017 7:00 PM
32	Spend more money on making current rental properties pay more taxes and clean up their places to attract better clientel	8/17/2017 5:59 PM
33	that residents would like more opportunities to connect with them one on one	8/17/2017 4:34 PM
34	You have to give South Saint Paul an identity. The stockyards are gone. Sanimax is the worst. We have a cool location and nothing cool. Find the up and comers in the metro and get them to open businesses here. Tap rooms. Craft breweries. Shops. Start-ups. Do more to tear down dilapidated homes and build new ones with character that are energy efficient. Help the schools. Advocate for the public schools. South Saint Paul needs pride and heart and a new identity.	8/17/2017 3:55 PM
35	Don't be overly politically correct	8/17/2017 3:37 PM
36	Make South St. Paul an affordable place to live.	8/17/2017 3:28 PM
37	Would like to see the Police more involved with the Community. Make themselves more approachable	8/17/2017 3:09 PM
38	You work for us, the residents of town, not for your own power/reelection. Act like it	8/17/2017 2:40 PM
39	Don't put all drinking spots on Concord. Many of us will not go to those kinds of bars. And being able to walk to a place is wonderful. Black Sheep and Wishful are good examples of what we need more of.	8/17/2017 2:07 PM
40	I feel like South Saint Paul sells out to the state for accepting sex offenders and big taxes from the factories by the Waterfront even though they stink of our town	8/17/2017 1:54 PM
41	South St. Paul has an amazing location, close to St. Paul, but with the potential for a safe, suburban quality of life. I would encourage capitalizing that when advocating for development and encouraging young people to make their homes here. I would encourage the city to leverage opportunities to work with surrounding communities to bring opportunities to the people living in South St. Paul. For example, could we combine services with Inver Grove or West St. Paul to expand opportunities for education to children in ours?	8/17/2017 1:44 PM
42	I wish more people cared about the yards.	8/17/2017 1:23 PM
43	Keep up the good work!	8/17/2017 1:07 PM
44	Residents have a negative view of the city and the people that are making its decisions. Focus on the people and reinstating the belief that SSP is "A Great Way of Life." The older population is leaving and younger families need to be the target market.	8/17/2017 1:06 PM
45	No	8/17/2017 12:57 PM
46	Represent all residents honestly, fairly, and transparently.	8/17/2017 12:54 PM

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47	Thanks as I know how hard it is to do your job	8/17/2017 12:43 PM
48	I am proud to live in South Saint Paul. Great schools, great sense of community.	8/17/2017 12:35 PM
49	Can the city start buying some run down properties, razing the homes, and then selling lots to adjoining property owners to create more larger lots? Larger lots will help some families stay in the community longer, as they may not 'outgrow' their existing 40x120' lot as quickly. I would stay if I could find a place with more room.	8/17/2017 12:31 PM
50	Help school district with unfair property tax funding	8/17/2017 12:30 PM
51	I think there are a lot of properties in South St Paul that aren't cared for, 2-3 of them being on my block. It would be nice to see some of the city ordinances enforced on a regular basis. It is very frustrating to take pride in my home and property only to have my neighbor's property leave a huge stain on the neighborhood.	8/17/2017 12:28 PM
52	For the most part you are doing a very good job!	8/17/2017 12:27 PM
53	I love having fresh energy and ideas coming in. Jimmy Francis has been a very energetic and positive influence on residents that want to breathe some new life into SSP.	8/17/2017 12:25 PM
54	Safety is important	8/17/2017 12:22 PM
55	Money on road and alley maintenance, repair, etc. is not well spent.	8/17/2017 12:18 PM
56	Code enforcement only targets new people not oldies who jeep breaking the law daily	8/17/2017 12:15 PM
57	The local sports associations and the sports activities provided by the city are good BUT there needs to be more "working together" to improve!!	8/17/2017 12:15 PM
58	I want a CLEAN and SAFE city with POLICE presence and PROTECTION. I want neighbors that get up and go to work in the morning. CLEAN up the city or we will lose more and more people to the suburbs	8/17/2017 12:13 PM
59	This city has great potential if it can be known for something more than a source of low-income housing	8/17/2017 12:07 PM
60	Citizens need to get more involved with city council	8/17/2017 10:50 AM
61	Pay more attention to your citizens wishes	8/17/2017 10:42 AM
62	We need to support the arts here. We are a special small town near the big city and that puts us in a neat position to be an artist space.	8/17/2017 10:03 AM
63	Bring more restaurants/shops to town	8/17/2017 9:50 AM
64	I thought this town was good when we moved here. Its going downhill fast and a lot of people are also talking about leaving.	8/17/2017 9:13 AM
65	I would like to see all people who own rental property and renters have background checks.	8/17/2017 8:34 AM
66	Make the stink go away. I don't give a shit about the history of the non existent businesses	8/17/2017 8:09 AM
67	We do not need anymore registered sex offenders living in our community	8/17/2017 7:52 AM
68	Transparency	8/17/2017 7:16 AM
69	The old SSP is history. Things aren't going to be like they were, and it's time to aggressively pursue a different vision for the future, or I worry that we're going to become a total ghost town	8/16/2017 11:17 PM
70	Be forthright in acknowledging real issues	8/16/2017 11:11 PM
71	Stop with the warehouses and developments on concord, the best draw to ssp is the nature wild life areas. We need to dedicate more area to that and reuse or retrofit what is already built	8/16/2017 10:50 PM
72	I think people who live hear like the small town feel and many of the things that have always made this a great place to live. We miss some of the things we used to have here when we were kids. I do not think more townhomes or apartments are needed. Programs to make the old homes we have here already become great again and revitalize the neighborhoods would be great. Its never going to be Woodbury, but maybe it could be like a cool St Paul neighborhood that everyone wants to live in	8/16/2017 10:25 PM
73	Communication	8/16/2017 10:22 PM
74	Start enforcing codes to keep up property	8/16/2017 10:02 PM

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75	Make Concord the place to be again. Shops, restaurants w patios overlooking the river....sort of like a downscaled stillwater	8/16/2017 10:02 PM
76	This questioner with it's little boxes is impossible to work with.	8/16/2017 9:35 PM
77	The police force needs an overhaul. They need to be more accessible...more friendly while they're out in the community.	8/16/2017 9:22 PM
78	Stand up to the county and get more people like Francis	8/16/2017 9:07 PM
79	The smell is very concerning. I'm concerned about property values, quality of life, reputation/pride in city, etc	8/16/2017 8:56 PM
80	BY letting more low income housing and rentals your worsening the city not improving it. People will be leaving the city if this happens.	8/16/2017 8:48 PM
81	There seems to be a lot of rules but they are not uniformly enforced. Example: it seems like no one in SSP stops at stop signs. It's the strangest thing to those of us that have moved into the community. There is a 4 way stop by our home and we sit and watch everyone go through them all day and evening. Also, city sent out property checklist but those items seem to not be well enforced. Police drive by houses that are visibly run down or not in compliance yet nothing is ever done.	8/16/2017 8:46 PM
82	create more senior housing options	8/16/2017 8:25 PM
83	We love our little town and want to keep it safe and clean for our kids!	8/16/2017 8:23 PM
84	act in the best interests of the citizens, not your personal agenda	8/16/2017 8:23 PM
85	Clean up the city.	8/16/2017 8:20 PM
86	We need progress and are willing to support it. Don't feel council is innovative or willing to take risks.	8/16/2017 8:17 PM
87	Please have city ordinances enforced better. A company is being paid to enforce them, but there are violations all over the city.	8/16/2017 8:15 PM
88	Affordable housing is an asset	8/16/2017 8:13 PM
89	Cyclists aren't going away, we spend \$ locally, and you've done nothing to promote alternatives to cars traveling in our city	8/16/2017 8:08 PM
90	That speed bumps need to go in especially on 18th and 5th street south. Also 18th by the water tower is such a busy street. You need to open another street for the townhouse people and a street light should so in on south view and 22nd	8/16/2017 7:57 PM
91	Get more demographically representative opinions and actually consider them.	8/16/2017 7:49 PM
92	I love SSP but will likely move out in 3-5yrs if change doesn't happen.	8/16/2017 7:45 PM
93	Time to stop being the cowtown of the last century. Look to places like Northeast Minneapolis, St. Louis Park and start attracting successful businesses and entrepreneurs to make SSP a more vibrant place.	8/16/2017 7:36 PM
94	Developed the area by the river, shopping, restaurants to attract people	8/16/2017 7:26 PM
95	I no longer feel safe in my community.	8/16/2017 7:20 PM
96	How do we get the drugs out of our town and keep it out. We need more police searches too	8/16/2017 7:19 PM
97	move ahead quit talking about it	8/16/2017 7:17 PM
98	Keep Working for Quality Housing	8/16/2017 7:13 PM
99	Engage young people, 30 somethings - they are going to raise families here over the next 20 years.	8/16/2017 6:57 PM
100	Need to change the archaic laws so businesses will be able to come into town	8/16/2017 6:54 PM
101	Cost of chicken permits are ridiculous	8/16/2017 6:47 PM
102	Make Concord Street more eye appealing	8/16/2017 6:47 PM
103	Keep the lights on Southview & 12th	8/16/2017 6:45 PM

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104	I would like to eat dinner with my family in SSP, but it smells too bad on Concord so no one would ever build here.	8/16/2017 6:42 PM
105	That they need to listen to the people that live here. South Saint Paul has the potential to be something similar to White Bear Lake or Stillwater but poor city planning has done nothing but allow it to stagnate and decline.	8/16/2017 6:41 PM
106	Increased two-way communication with residents would help with engagement.	8/16/2017 6:22 PM
107	improve the city while thinking about all residents. I think there is often a fear of spending tax money, but when it's an improvement in our town, I view it as an investment--both in our quality of life and our property values! I also hope the city continues to really celebrate and embrace our increasingly diverse population--these changes enrich our community and need to be highlighted and celebrated by leadership, so that residents follow suit.	8/16/2017 6:09 PM
108	Offer something to fill Concord with businesses	8/16/2017 6:05 PM
109	Look closely at productivity of city workers budget. There could be efficiencies with schedules to reduce overtime and save money for city. This could be reinvested in community.	8/16/2017 5:56 PM
110	Embrace density and human-powered travel.	8/16/2017 5:52 PM
111	South St. Paul is a great place to live and has a variety of activities and events to entertain the community	8/16/2017 5:02 PM
112	Need to find a way to improve the shopping and restaurant choices and improve the walk-ability of the community.	7/29/2017 12:06 AM