

Glen Cove Smart Growth Comprehensive Plan with Sustainability Elements Public Survey Results

As part of the public engagement process for the Glen Cove Smart Growth Comprehensive Plan with Sustainability Elements (“Comprehensive Plan”), a public survey was conducted **between November 15 – December 22, 2023** to gather input from the community on issues and opportunities explored in the Plan. The survey was posted online on the Glen Cove Comprehensive Plan website (<http://www.glencovecomprehensiveplan.com>) and advertised throughout the City. It was available in English and in Spanish. Hard copies were distributed at key locations such as the Senior Center.

Community input is critical to shape a Comprehensive Plan that reflects Glen Cove residents’ and stakeholders’ shared values and aspirations. The survey results will inform the planning team on community priorities, issues and opportunities and help consider policies and recommendations that have community support. The purpose of the plan is to help the City prepare for the future and ensure improvements to quality of life.

599 people responded to the Glen Cove Comprehensive Plan public survey. All responses are confidential. Results are tabulated and shared in a raw summary format only. There are 19 multiple-choice, rating, or ranking questions (plus five demographic questions).

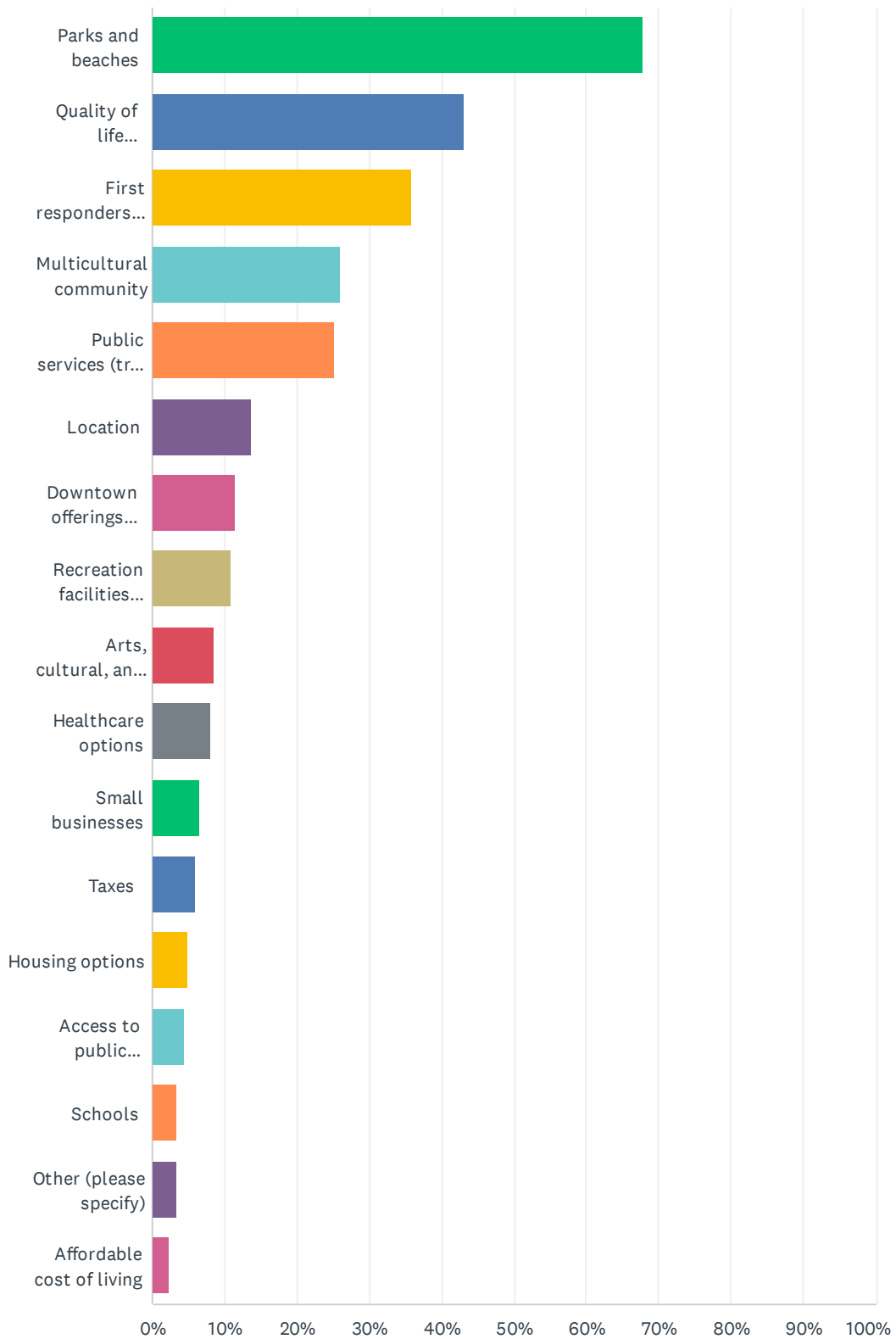
If you have additional feedback, please bring your ideas to the next public workshop on January 30th (see “Events and Get Involved” tab) or email us at ComprehensivePlan@glencoveny.gov.

In addition to the website public survey, hard copies of the survey were distributed at a meeting held by the Economic Opportunity Coalition (EOC). 81 participants submitted comments as a result of the meeting. These 81 responses were tabulated separately and provide some valuable input especially from those who may not have participated in the survey online. However, this smaller input is not as statistically significant and therefore has been published separately and not included in the 599 responses of the larger on-line survey.

Q1 What are the City's greatest strengths? Please select your top three (3) choices.

Answered: 599 Skipped: 0

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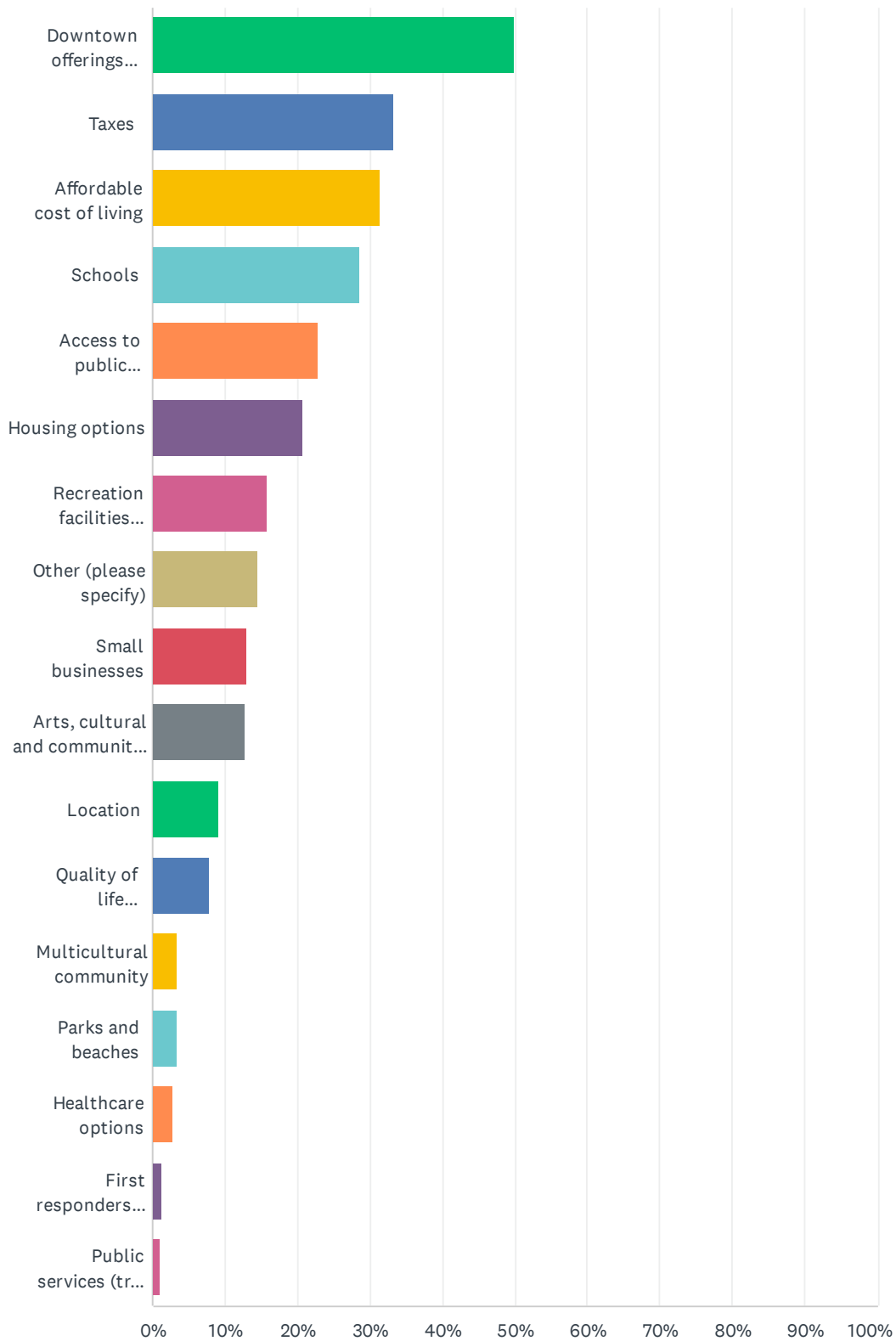
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Parks and beaches	67.78%	406
Quality of life (cleanliness, safety, access to nature/beaches, sense of community, etc.)	43.07%	258
First responders (police, fire, EMS, etc.)	35.73%	214
Multicultural community	26.04%	156
Public services (trash pickup, snow plowing, etc.)	25.21%	151
Location	13.69%	82
Downtown offerings (restaurants, retail, etc.)	11.52%	69
Recreation facilities (sport fields, indoor facilities, etc.)	10.85%	65
Arts, cultural, and community events and organizations (including museums and educational centers)	8.51%	51
Healthcare options	8.18%	49
Small businesses	6.51%	39
Taxes	6.01%	36
Housing options	5.01%	30
Access to public transportation (NICE, Loop bus, LIRR)	4.51%	27
Schools	3.51%	21
Other (please specify)	3.34%	20
Affordable cost of living	2.34%	14
Total Respondents: 599		

Q2 What are the City's greatest weaknesses (i.e., the things that hold the City back)? Please select your top three (3) choices.

Answered: 599 Skipped: 0

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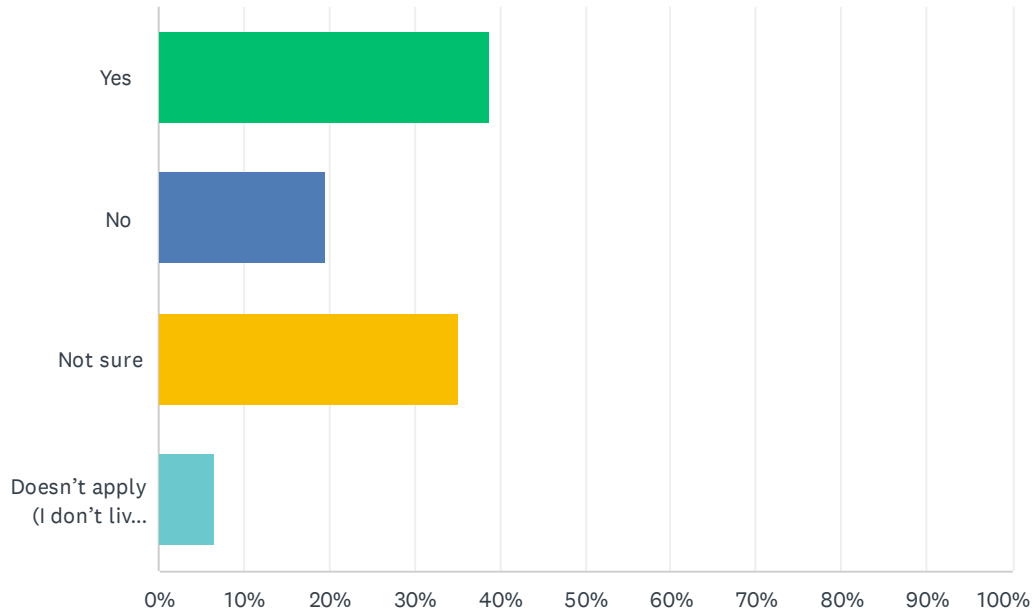


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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Downtown offerings (restaurants, retail, etc.)	49.92%	299
Taxes	33.22%	199
Affordable cost of living	31.39%	188
Schools	28.55%	171
Access to public transportation (NICE, Loop bus, LIRR)	22.87%	137
Housing options	20.70%	124
Recreation facilities (sport fields, indoor facilities, etc.)	15.86%	95
Other (please specify)	14.52%	87
Small businesses	13.02%	78
Arts, cultural and community events and organizations (including museums and educational centers)	12.85%	77
Location	9.18%	55
Quality of life (cleanliness, safety, access to nature/beaches, sense of community, etc.)	7.85%	47
Multicultural community	3.51%	21
Parks and beaches	3.34%	20
Healthcare options	2.84%	17
First responders (police, fire, EMS, etc.)	1.34%	8
Public services (trash pickup, snow plowing, etc.)	1.00%	6
Total Respondents: 599		

Q3 If you are a resident of Glen Cove, do you see yourself living in Glen Cove 10 years from now?

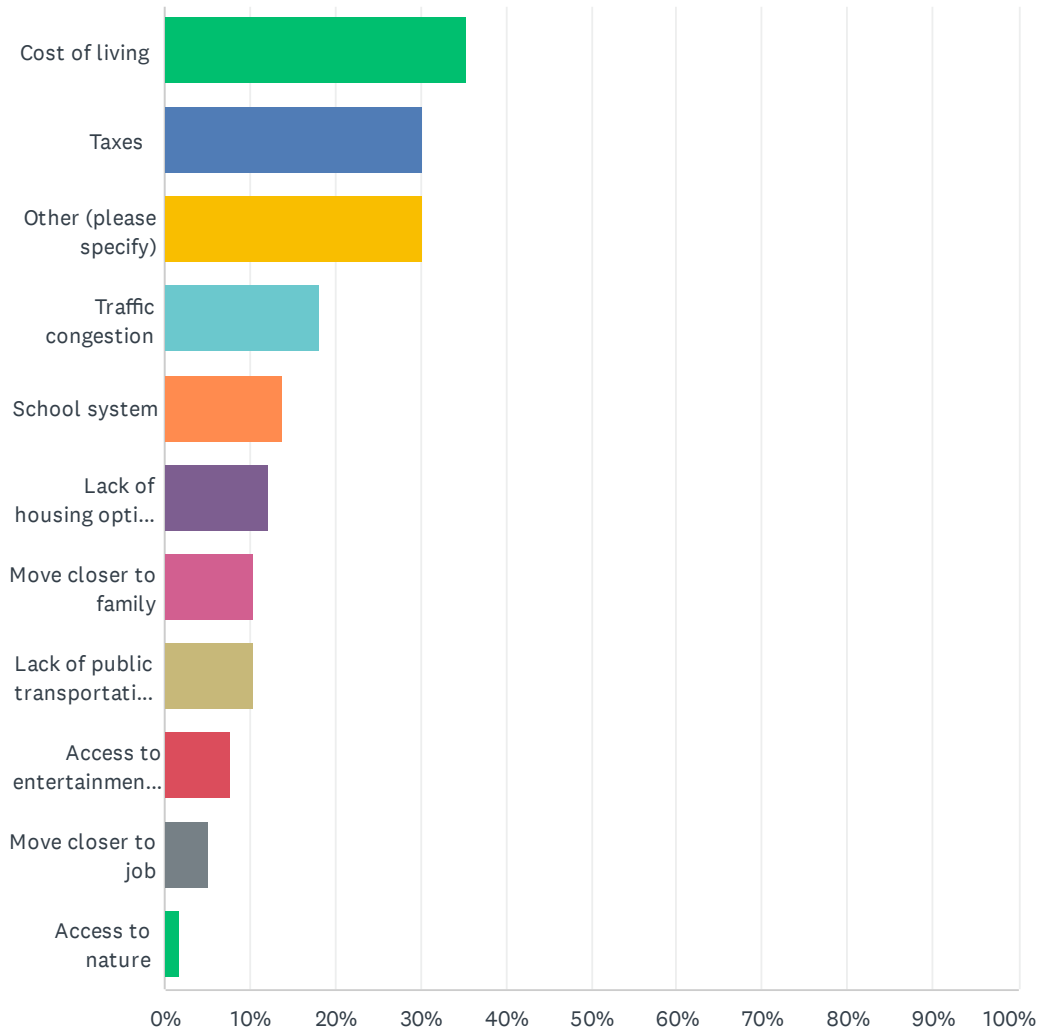
Answered: 599 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	38.73%	232
No	19.53%	117
Not sure	35.23%	211
Doesn't apply (I don't live in Glen Cove)	6.51%	39
TOTAL		599

Q4 If you answered “No” to the previous question, what is the main reason why you are considering moving out of Glen Cove?

Answered: 116 Skipped: 483

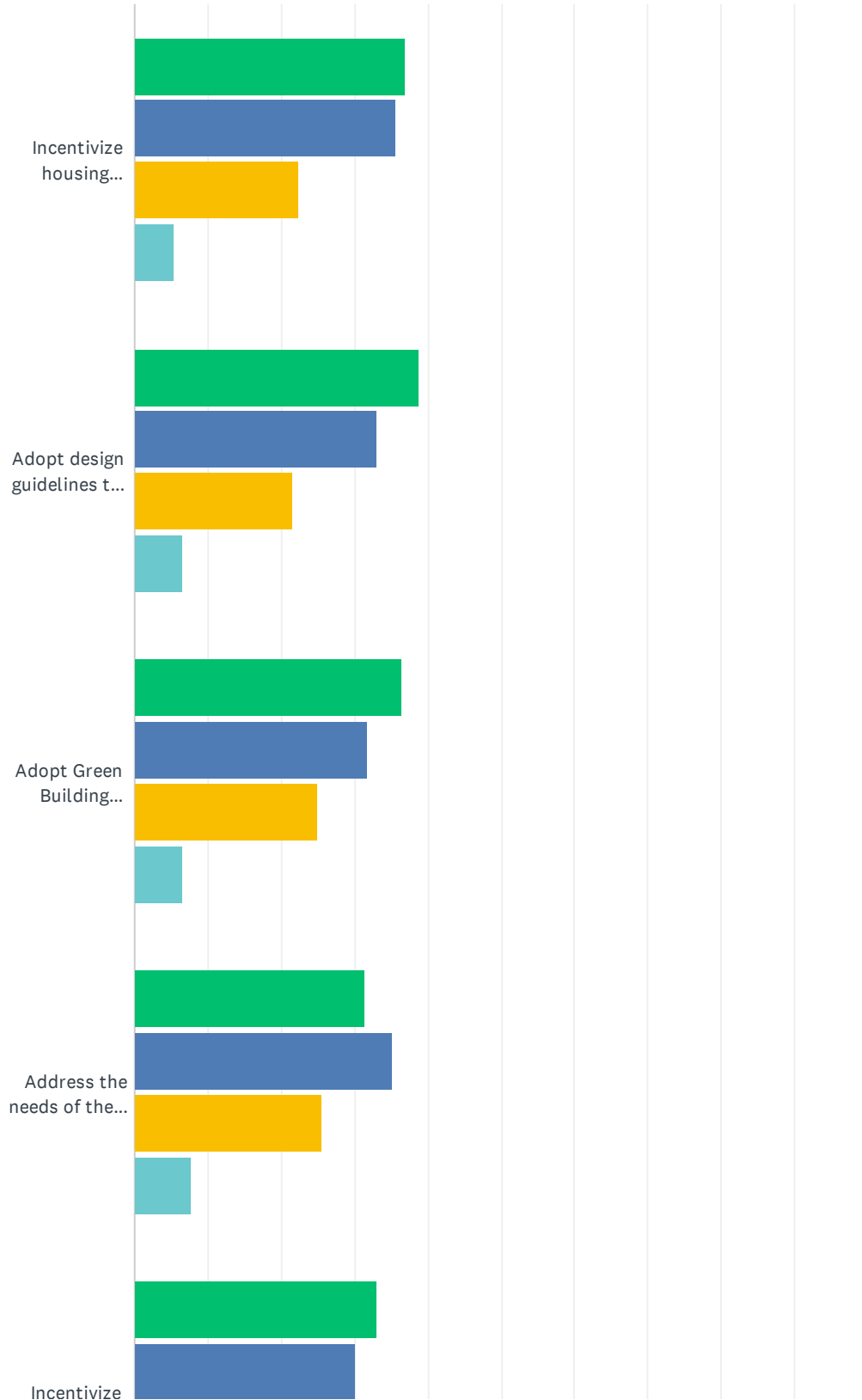


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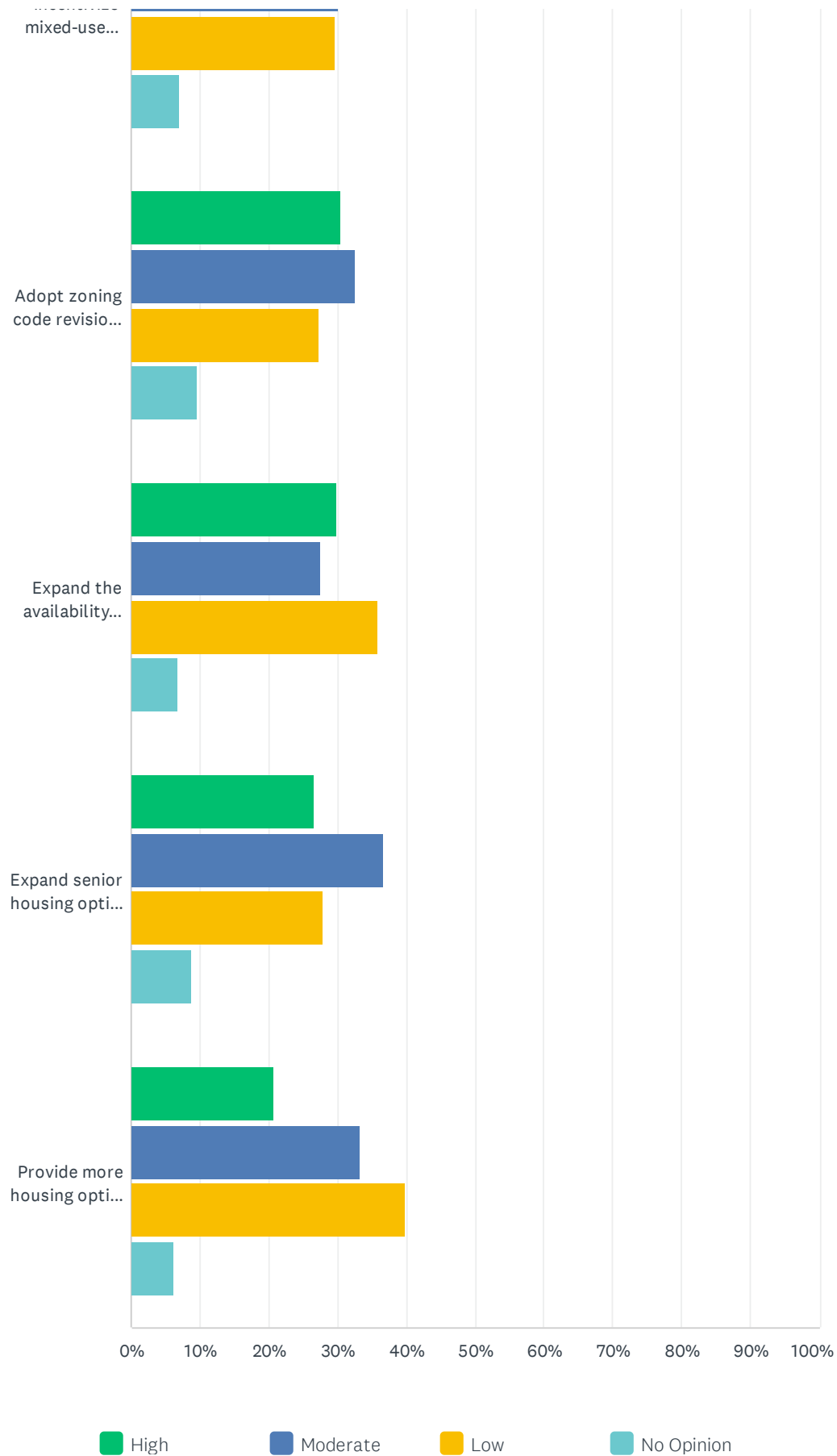
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Cost of living	35.34%	41
Taxes	30.17%	35
Other (please specify)	30.17%	35
Traffic congestion	18.10%	21
School system	13.79%	16
Lack of housing options	12.07%	14
Move closer to family	10.34%	12
Lack of public transportation options	10.34%	12
Access to entertainment activities and events	7.76%	9
Move closer to job	5.17%	6
Access to nature	1.72%	2
Total Respondents: 116		

Q5 During the next 5 years, what priority should the City give to the following areas? [Rate: High, Moderate, Low, No Opinion]

Answered: 553 Skipped: 46



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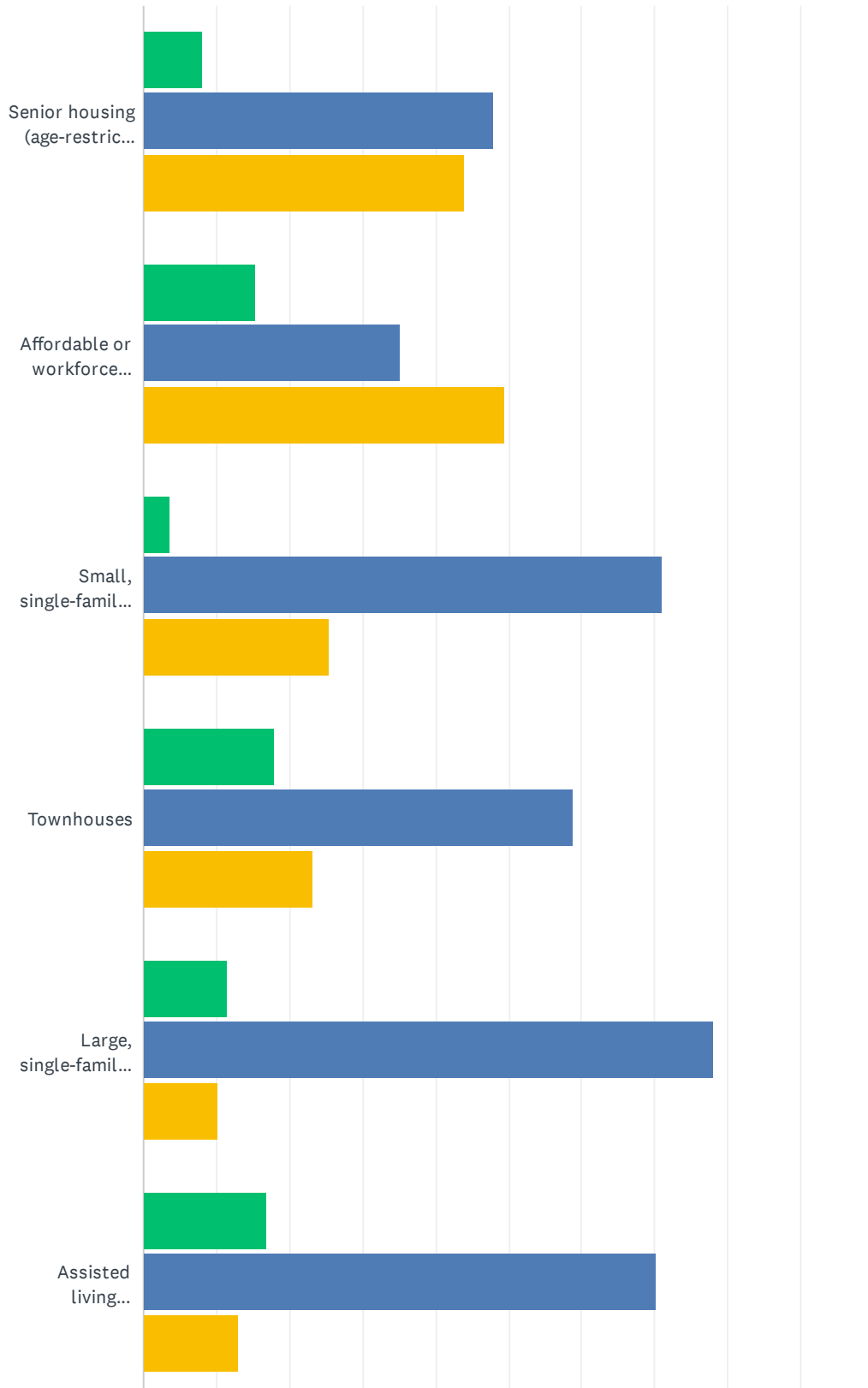


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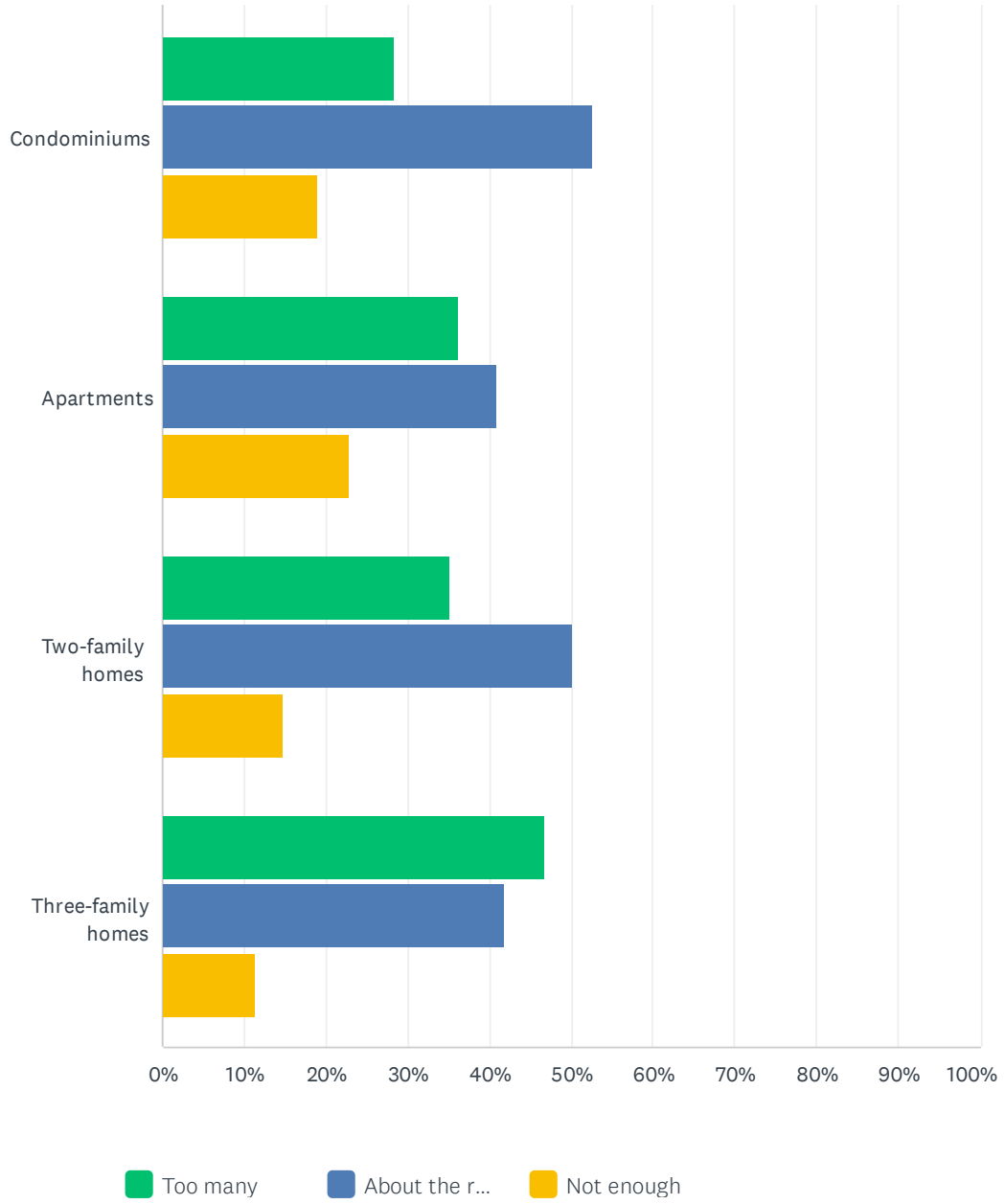
	HIGH	MODERATE	LOW	NO OPINION	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Incentivize housing opportunities for first-time homebuyers	36.84% 196	35.53% 189	22.37% 119	5.26% 28	532	2.04
Adopt design guidelines to encourage more attractive buildings	38.89% 210	32.96% 178	21.48% 116	6.67% 36	540	2.04
Adopt Green Building standards to encourage more sustainable and less carbon-intensive construction	36.57% 196	31.72% 170	25.00% 134	6.72% 36	536	1.98
Address the needs of the homeless population in Glen Cove	31.38% 171	35.23% 192	25.69% 140	7.71% 42	545	1.90
Incentivize mixed-use (residential and commercial) activity in the downtown and commercial corridors	33.15% 177	30.15% 161	29.59% 158	7.12% 38	534	1.89
Adopt zoning code revisions to allow homeowners to make changes to their property more easily	30.43% 164	32.65% 176	27.27% 147	9.65% 52	539	1.84
Expand the availability of quality housing options at a mix of price points	29.94% 159	27.50% 146	35.78% 190	6.78% 36	531	1.81
Expand senior housing options (age-restricted)	26.63% 143	36.69% 197	27.93% 150	8.75% 47	537	1.81
Provide more housing options to meet modern demand (e.g., smaller apartments for one-person households)	20.70% 112	33.27% 180	39.93% 216	6.10% 33	541	1.69

Q6 Does Glen Cove have too many, about the right amount, or not enough of the following housing types:

Answered: 542 Skipped: 57



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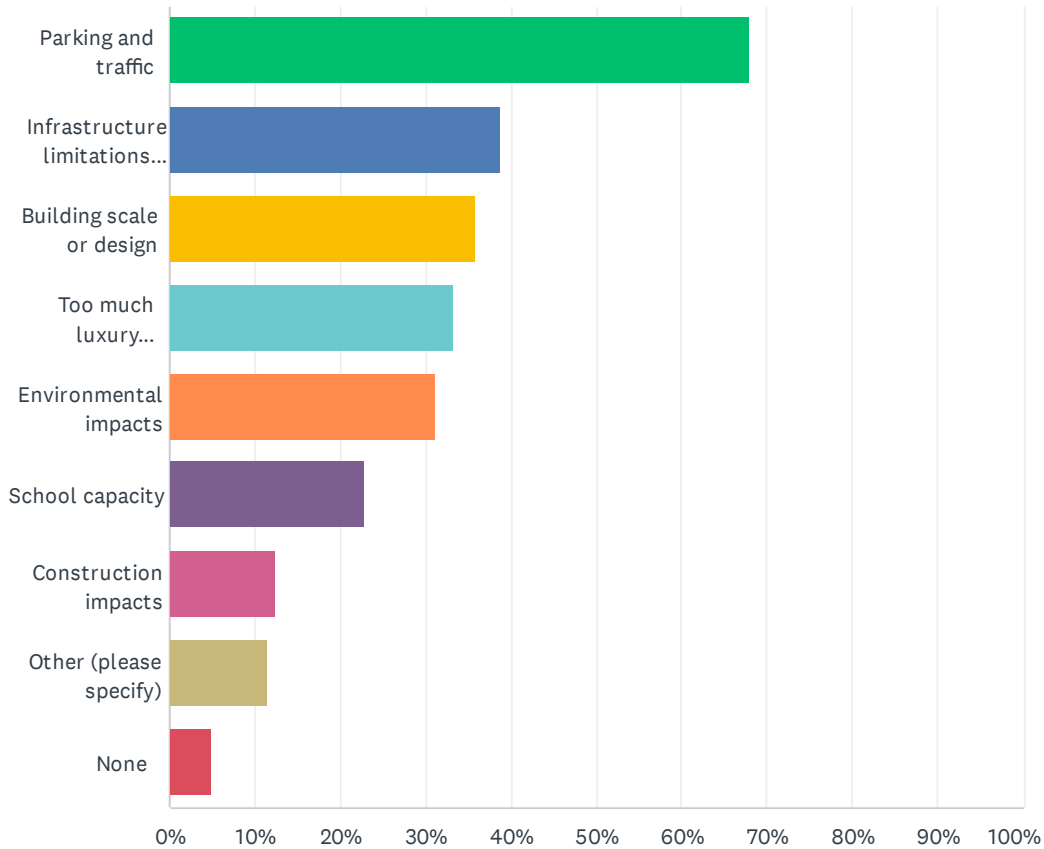


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	TOO MANY	ABOUT THE RIGHT AMOUNT	NOT ENOUGH	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Senior housing (age-restricted)	8.14% 43	47.92% 253	43.94% 232	528	2.36
Affordable or workforce housing	15.28% 79	35.20% 182	49.52% 256	517	2.34
Small, single-family homes	3.58% 19	71.00% 377	25.42% 135	531	2.22
Townhouses	17.97% 92	58.79% 301	23.24% 119	512	2.05
Large, single-family homes	11.59% 62	78.13% 418	10.28% 55	535	1.99
Assisted living facilities	16.79% 88	70.23% 368	12.98% 68	524	1.96
Condominiums	28.46% 146	52.63% 270	18.91% 97	513	1.90
Apartments	36.33% 190	40.92% 214	22.75% 119	523	1.86
Two-family homes	35.19% 183	50.19% 261	14.62% 76	520	1.79
Three-family homes	46.77% 239	41.88% 214	11.35% 58	511	1.65

Q7 What, if any, are your concerns when you hear about potential new development in the City? Please select up to three (3).

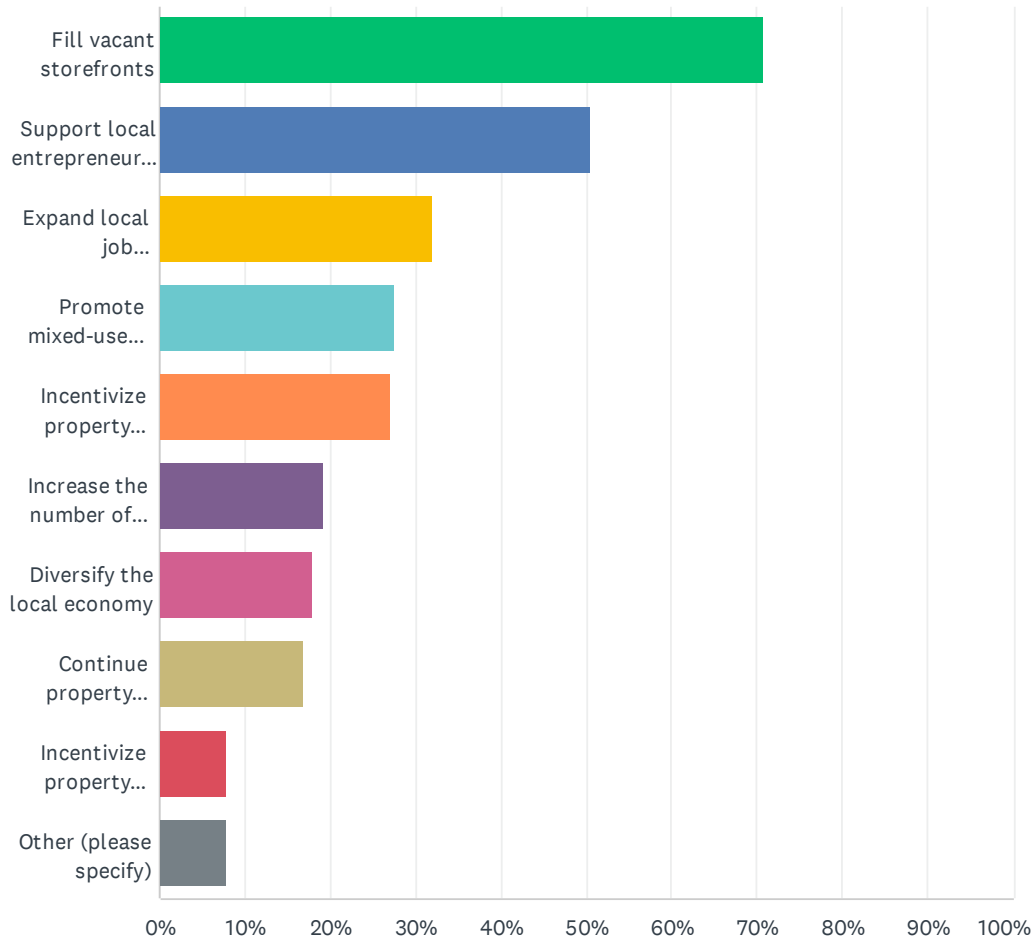
Answered: 558 Skipped: 41



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Parking and traffic	68.10%	380
Infrastructure limitations (e.g., water, sewer)	38.71%	216
Building scale or design	35.84%	200
Too much luxury development	33.33%	186
Environmental impacts	31.18%	174
School capacity	22.76%	127
Construction impacts	12.37%	69
Other (please specify)	11.47%	64
None	4.84%	27
Total Respondents: 558		

Q8 Which of the following economic objectives are most important to you? Please select your top three (3) choices.

Answered: 547 Skipped: 52

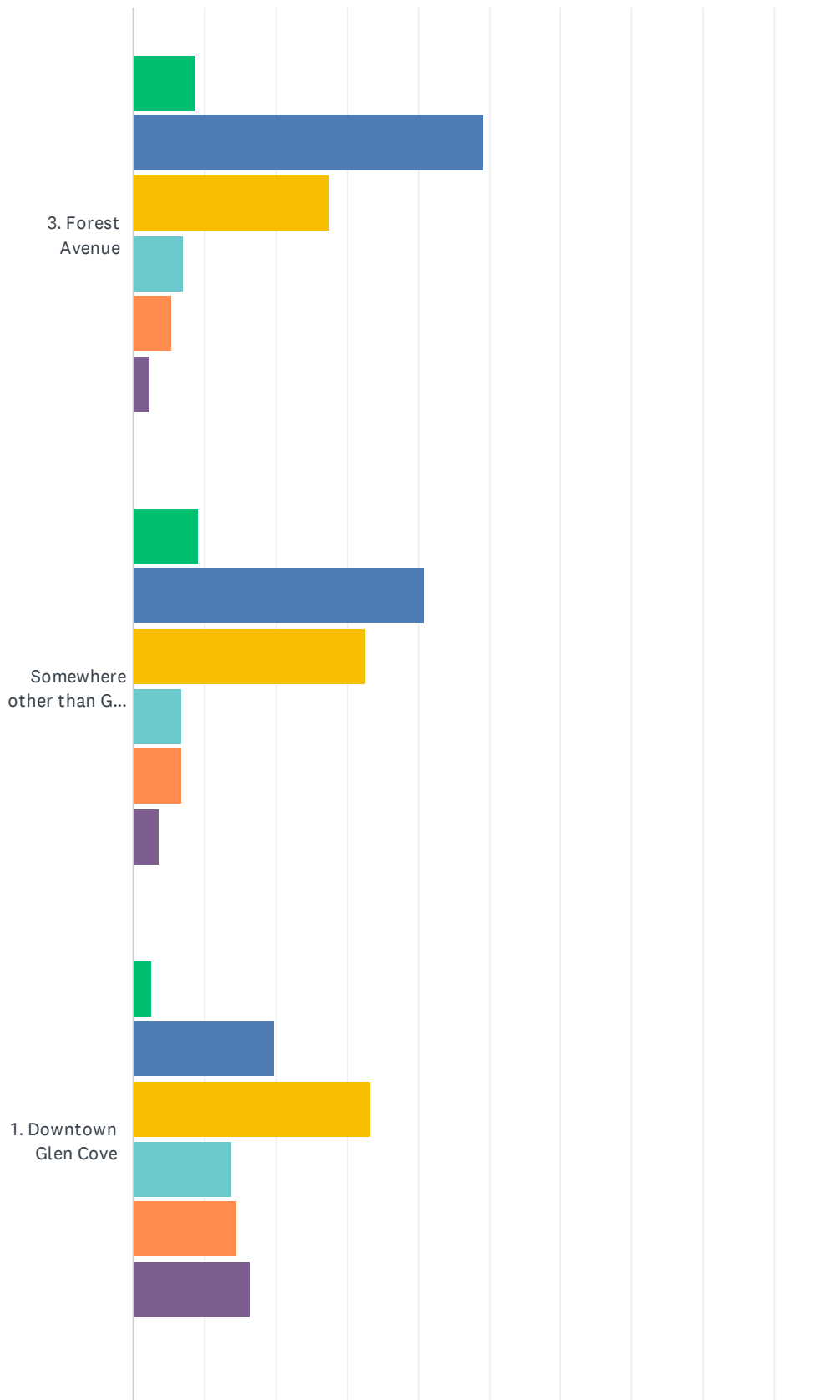


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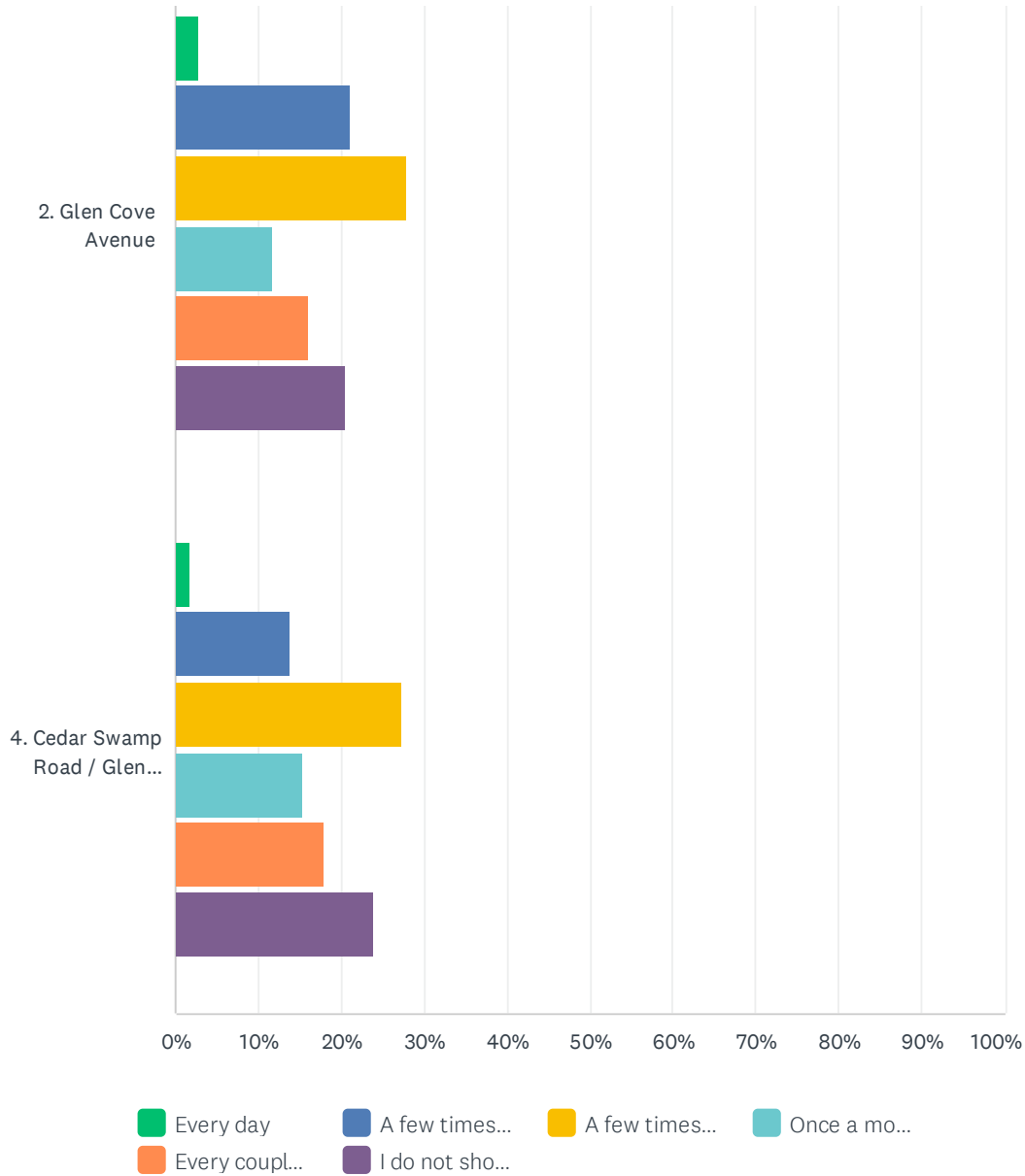
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Fill vacant storefronts	70.75%	387
Support local entrepreneurship, especially small businesses	50.46%	276
Expand local job opportunities	31.99%	175
Promote mixed-use (residential and commercial) areas to support local retail and restaurants	27.61%	151
Incentivize property investment, particularly in the downtown area	27.06%	148
Increase the number of taxable commercial properties	19.20%	105
Diversify the local economy	17.92%	98
Continue property investment along Glen Cove Creek waterfront	16.82%	92
Incentivize property investment, particularly along our gateway commercial corridors	7.86%	43
Other (please specify)	7.86%	43
Total Respondents: 547		

Q9 Generally, how often do you shop in the following commercial areas?

Answered: 536 Skipped: 63



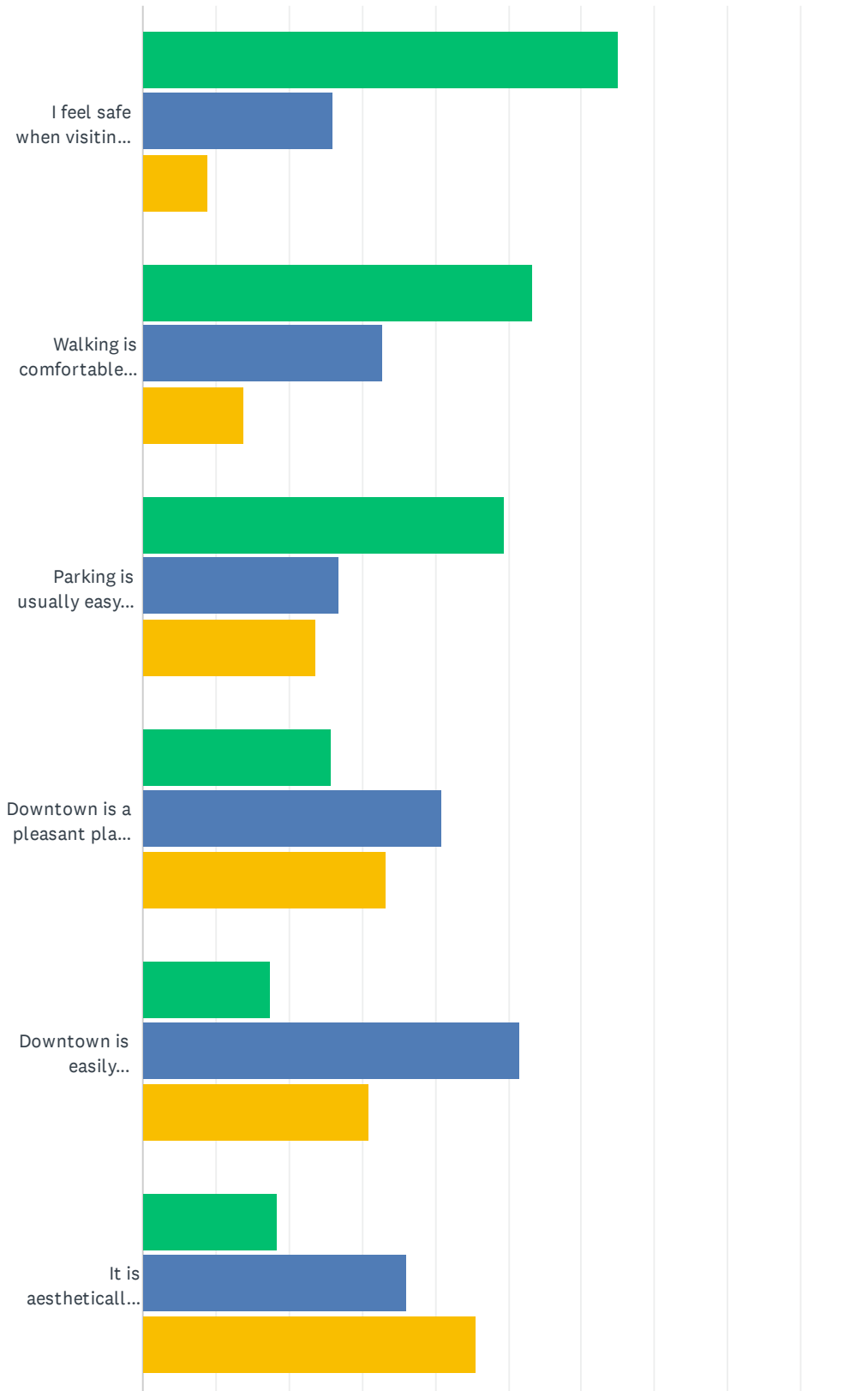
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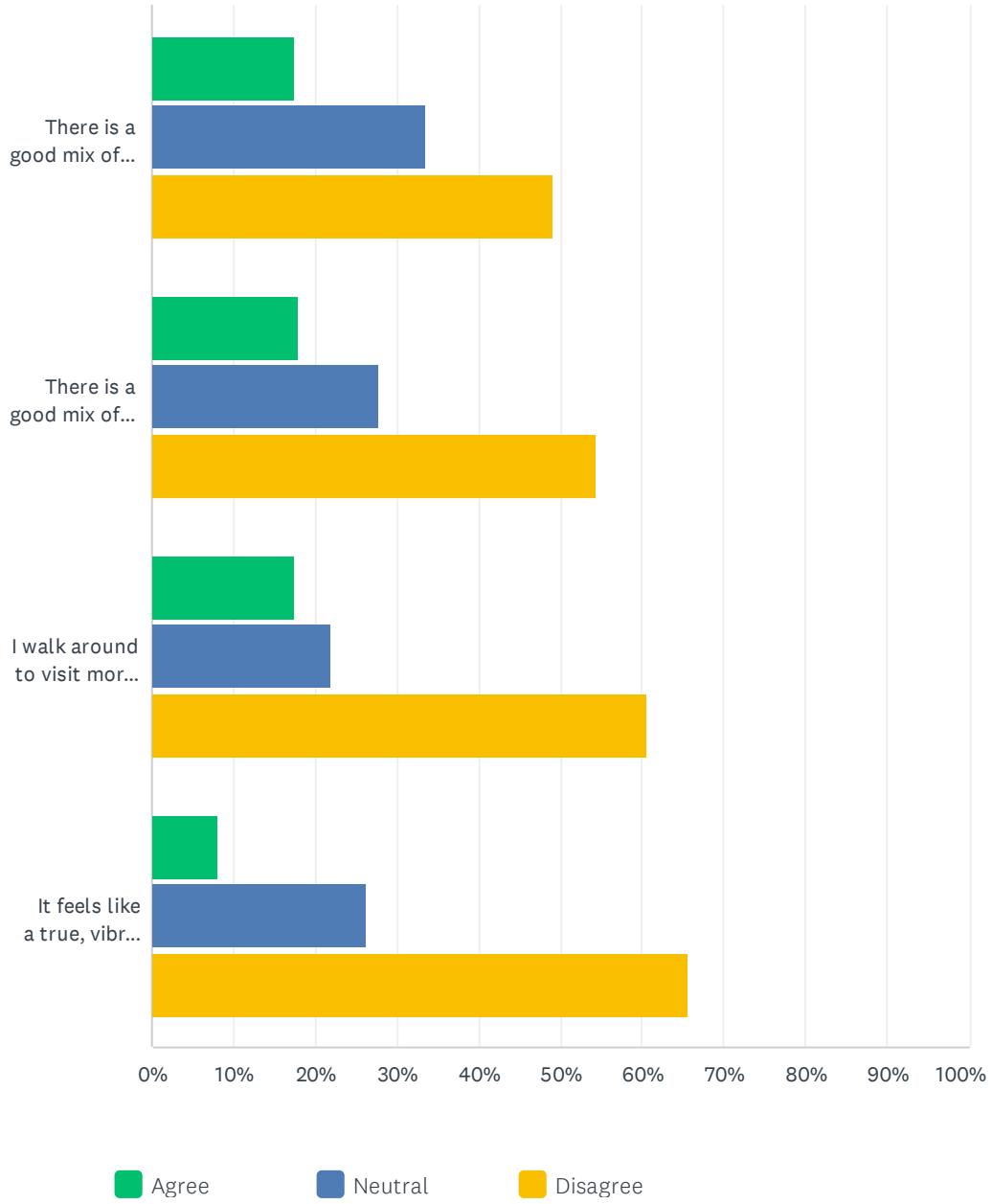
	EVERY DAY	A FEW TIMES A WEEK	A FEW TIMES A MONTH	ONCE A MONTH	EVERY COUPLE OF MONTHS	I DO NOT SHOP THERE	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
3. Forest Avenue	8.71% 46	49.24% 260	27.46% 145	7.01% 37	5.30% 28	2.27% 12	528	4.42
Somewhere other than Glen Cove	9.09% 47	41.01% 212	32.69% 169	6.77% 35	6.77% 35	3.68% 19	517	4.28
1. Downtown Glen Cove	2.47% 13	19.73% 104	33.21% 175	13.85% 73	14.42% 76	16.32% 86	527	3.33
2. Glen Cove Avenue	2.68% 14	21.07% 110	27.97% 146	11.69% 61	16.09% 84	20.50% 107	522	3.21
4. Cedar Swamp Road / Glen Street south of Downtown	1.72% 9	13.79% 72	27.20% 142	15.33% 80	18.01% 94	23.95% 125	522	2.94

Q10 Do you agree with the following statements about Downtown Glen Cove?

Answered: 536 Skipped: 63



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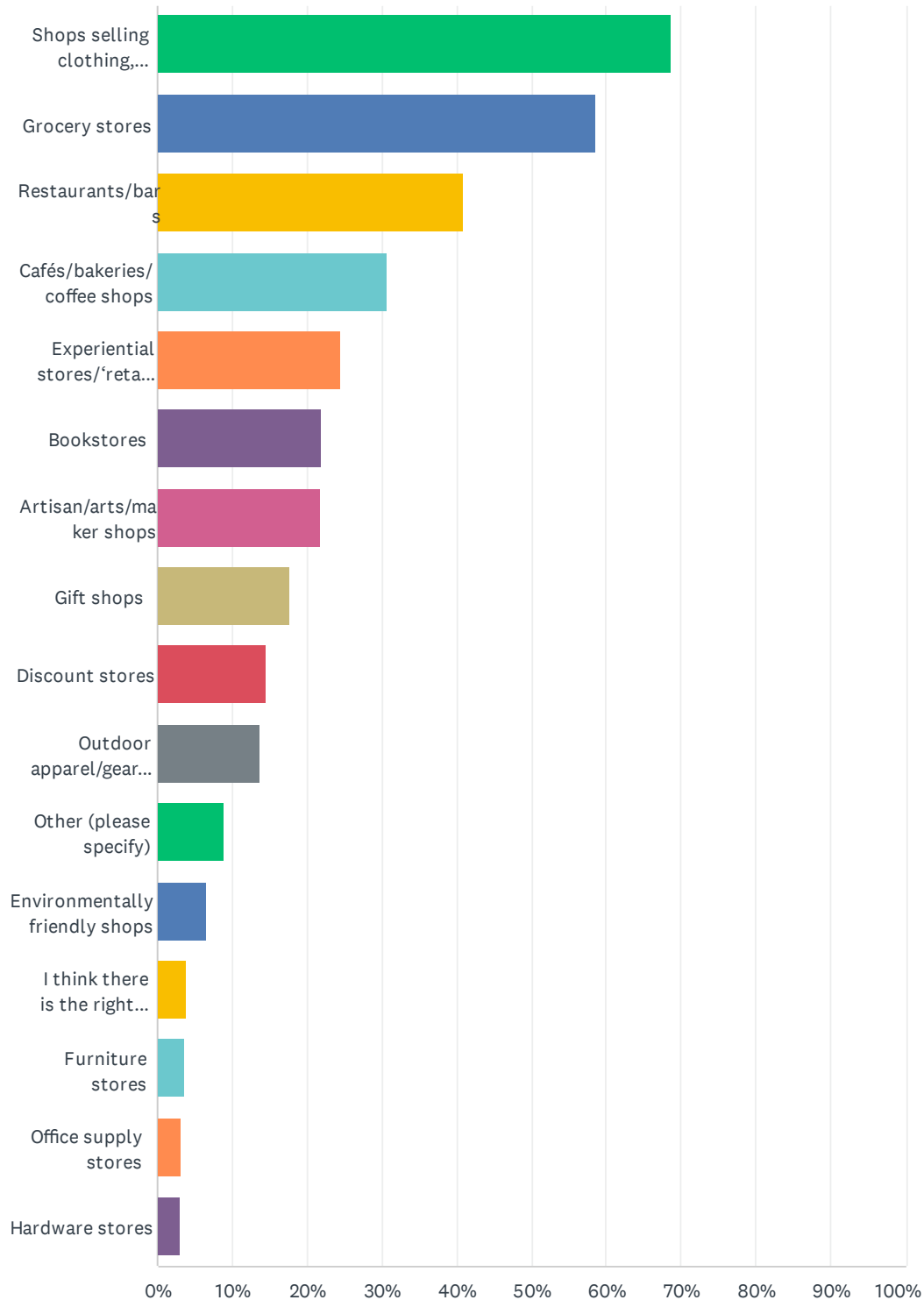


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	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
I feel safe when visiting downtown	65.03% 344	26.09% 138	8.88% 47	529	2.56
Walking is comfortable (e.g., sidewalks are adequate)	53.41% 282	32.77% 173	13.83% 73	528	2.40
Parking is usually easy to find	49.53% 264	26.83% 143	23.64% 126	533	2.26
Downtown is a pleasant place to meet up with friends	25.90% 137	40.83% 216	33.27% 176	529	1.93
Downtown is easily accessible by public transportation	17.40% 91	51.63% 270	30.98% 162	523	1.86
It is aesthetically attractive	18.29% 96	36.00% 189	45.71% 240	525	1.73
There is a good mix of arts and cultural attractions, events, and entertainment options	17.58% 93	33.46% 177	48.96% 259	529	1.69
There is a good mix of retail, restaurants, services, and other amenities	17.84% 94	27.70% 146	54.46% 287	527	1.63
I walk around to visit more than one store when shopping downtown	17.57% 94	21.87% 117	60.56% 324	535	1.57
It feels like a true, vibrant downtown	8.17% 43	26.24% 138	65.59% 345	526	1.43

Q11 What types of retail businesses would you like to see more of in Glen Cove? Please select up to four (4) choices.

Answered: 541 Skipped: 58

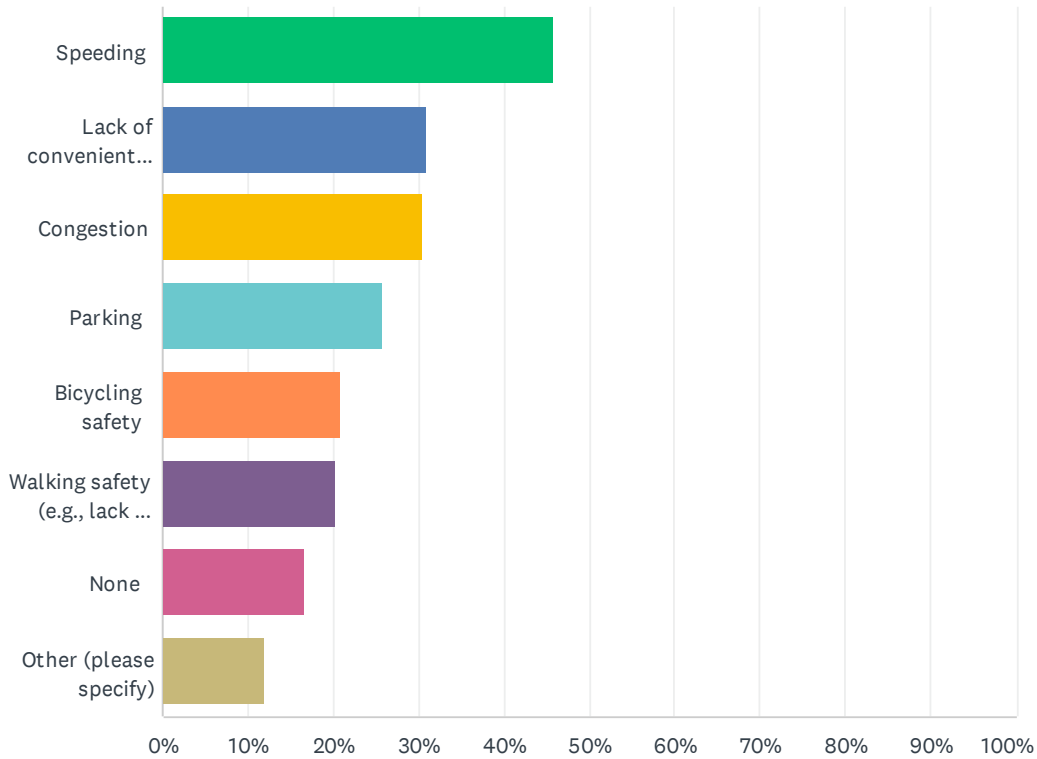


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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Shops selling clothing, shoes, and/or accessories	68.58%	371
Grocery stores	58.60%	317
Restaurants/bars	40.85%	221
Cafés/bakeries/coffee shops	30.68%	166
Experiential stores/'retailtainment' (e.g., cat café, pottery studio, paint & sip)	24.58%	133
Bookstores	22.00%	119
Artisan/arts/maker shops	21.81%	118
Gift shops	17.74%	96
Discount stores	14.60%	79
Outdoor apparel/gear stores	13.68%	74
Other (please specify)	8.87%	48
Environmentally friendly shops	6.65%	36
I think there is the right mix of businesses in Glen Cove	3.88%	21
Furniture stores	3.70%	20
Office supply stores	3.14%	17
Hardware stores	2.96%	16
Total Respondents: 541		

Q12 What, if any, are the transportation problems you regularly encounter in Glen Cove? Please select up to three (3) choices.

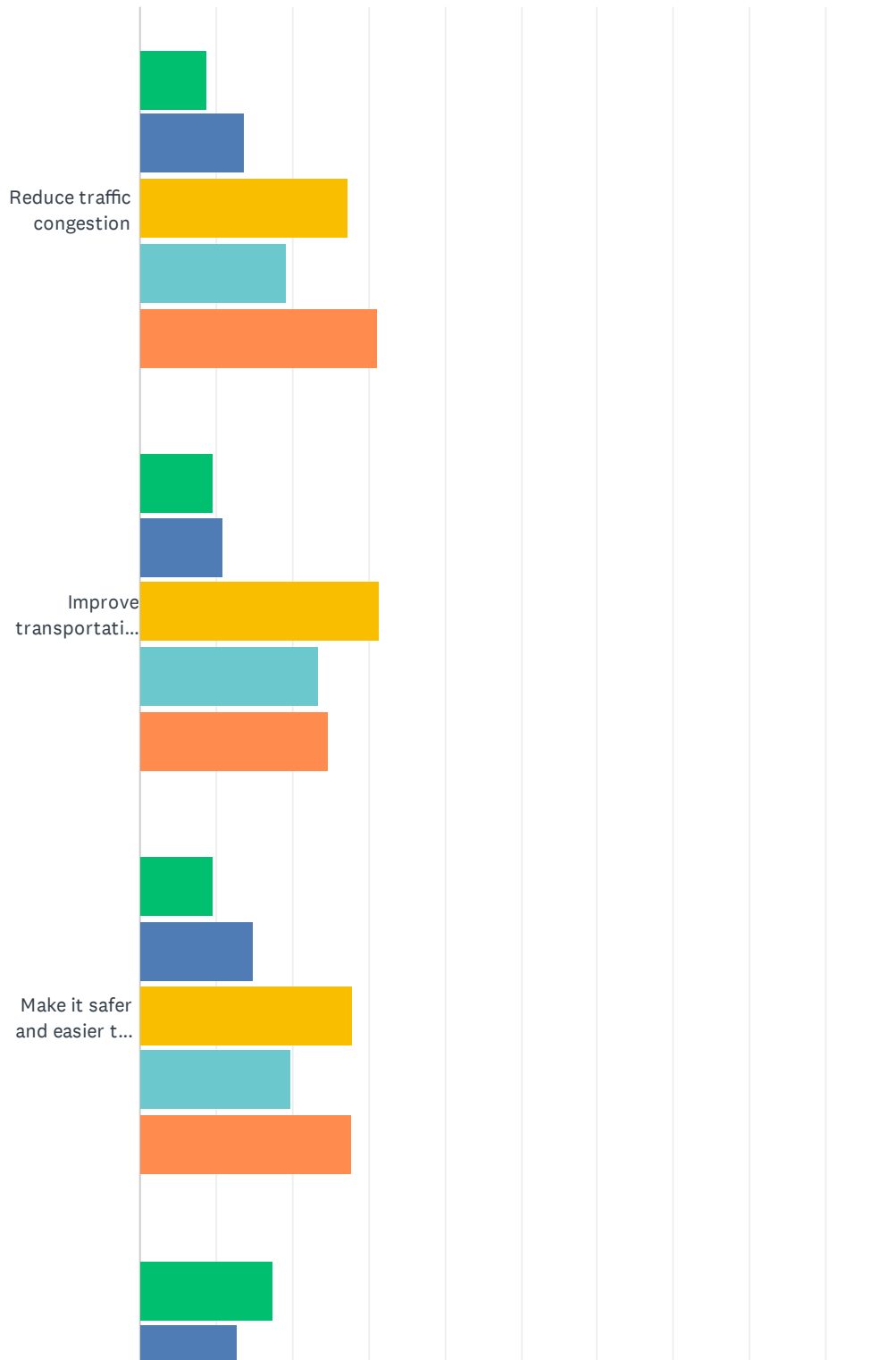
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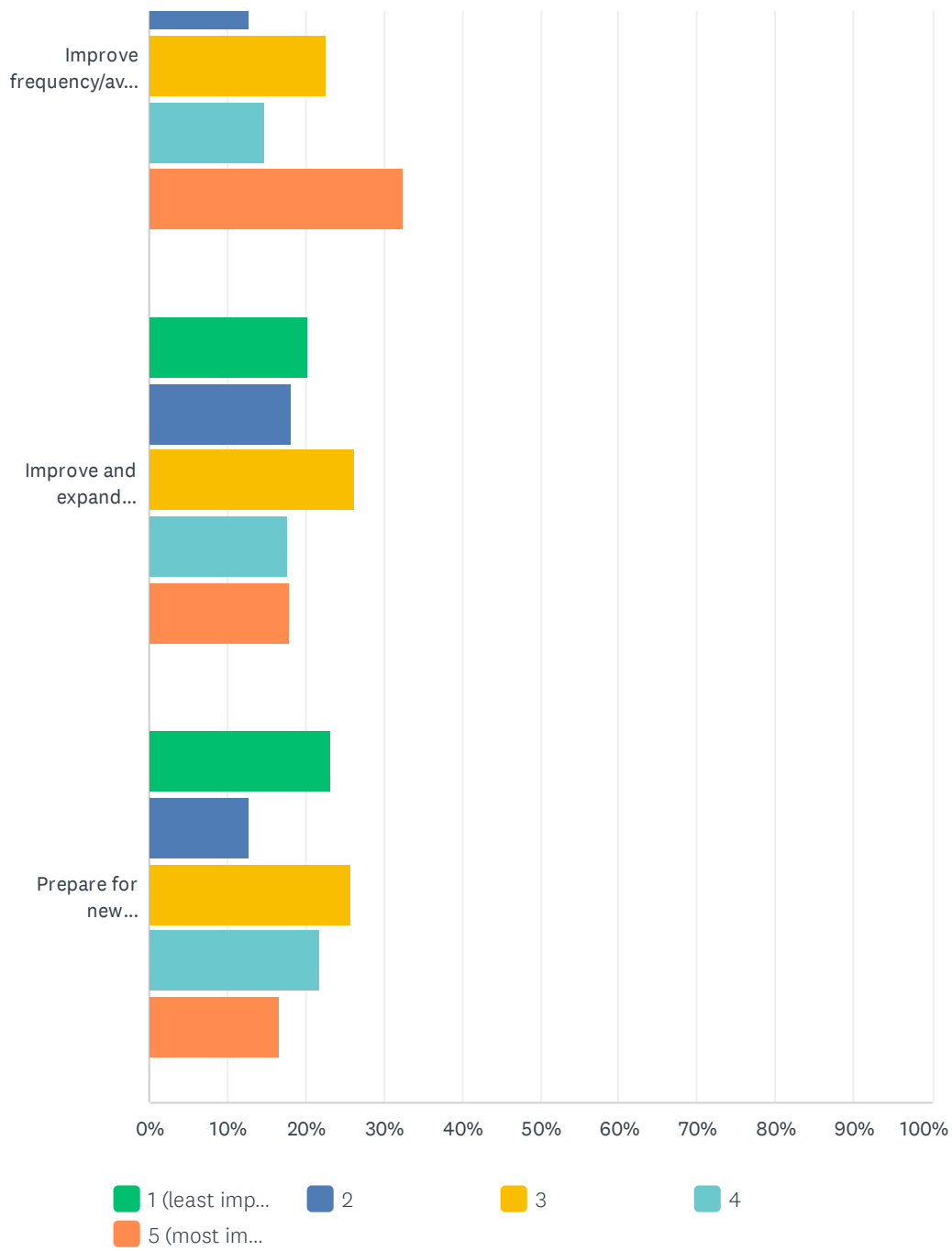
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Speeding	45.90%	246
Lack of convenient public transit	30.97%	166
Congestion	30.41%	163
Parking	25.75%	138
Bicycling safety	20.90%	112
Walking safety (e.g., lack of crosswalks and sidewalks, accessibility)	20.34%	109
None	16.60%	89
Other (please specify)	11.94%	64
Total Respondents: 536		

Q13 Which improvements to Glen Cove's transportation system are most important? Please rank each choice on a scale from 1 to 5, with 5 being the most important and 1 being the least. (You can use each value more than once.)

Answered: 520 Skipped: 79



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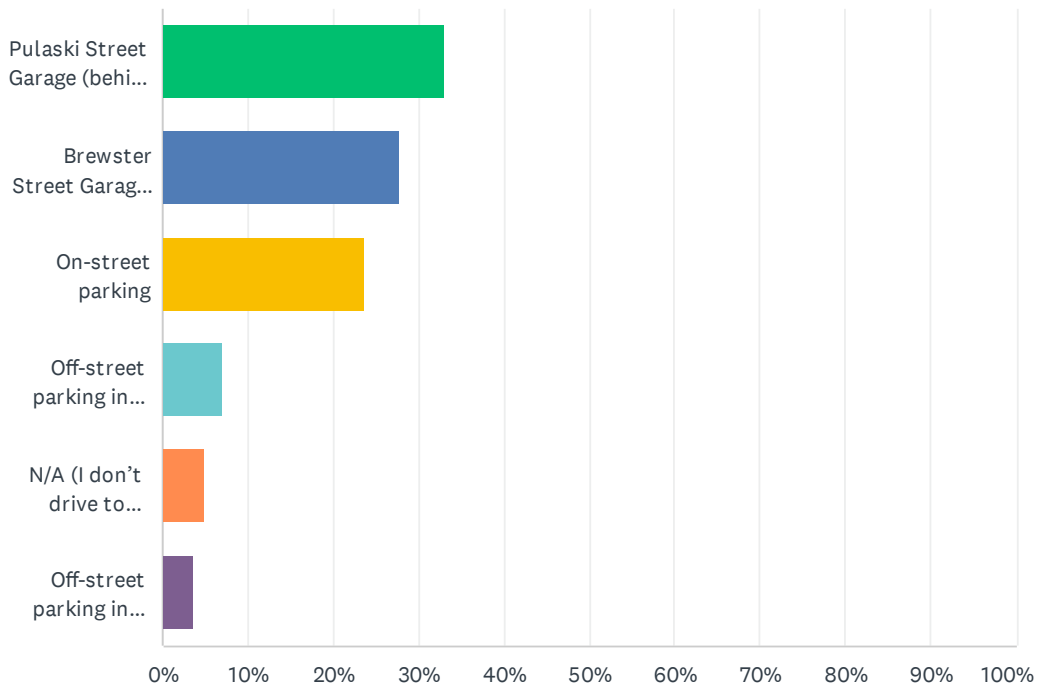


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	1 (LEAST IMPORTANT)	2	3	4	5 (MOST IMPORTANT)	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Reduce traffic congestion	8.71% 44	13.66% 69	27.33% 138	19.21% 97	31.09% 157	505	3.50
Improve transportation options for seniors	9.53% 49	10.89% 56	31.32% 161	23.54% 121	24.71% 127	514	3.43
Make it safer and easier to walk	9.52% 48	14.88% 75	27.98% 141	19.84% 100	27.78% 140	504	3.41
Improve frequency/availability of public transportation	17.46% 88	12.90% 65	22.62% 114	14.68% 74	32.34% 163	504	3.32
Improve and expand infrastructure for bicycling	20.24% 101	18.04% 90	26.25% 131	17.64% 88	17.84% 89	499	2.95
Prepare for new technologies (e.g., provide electric vehicle charging stations)	23.23% 118	12.80% 65	25.79% 131	21.65% 110	16.54% 84	508	2.95

Q14 What parking facility do you use the most when visiting downtown?

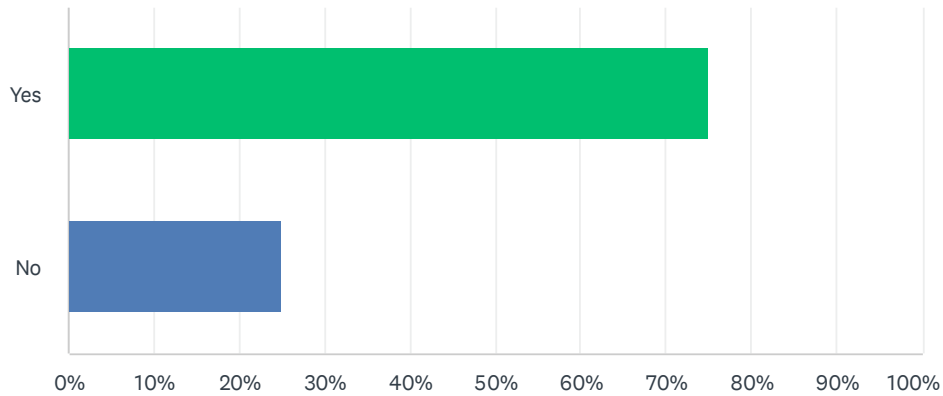
Answered: 528 Skipped: 71



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Pulaski Street Garage (behind City Hall)	33.14%	175
Brewster Street Garage (between Brewster and School Streets)	27.65%	146
On-street parking	23.67%	125
Off-street parking in municipal lots	7.01%	37
N/A (I don't drive to downtown)	4.92%	26
Off-street parking in private lots	3.60%	19
TOTAL		528

Q15 In general, do you feel that existing community services and facilities (e.g. senior services, library, outdoor recreation, etc.) offered by the City meet the needs of you and members of your household?

Answered: 534 Skipped: 65



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	75.09% 401
No	24.91% 133
TOTAL	534

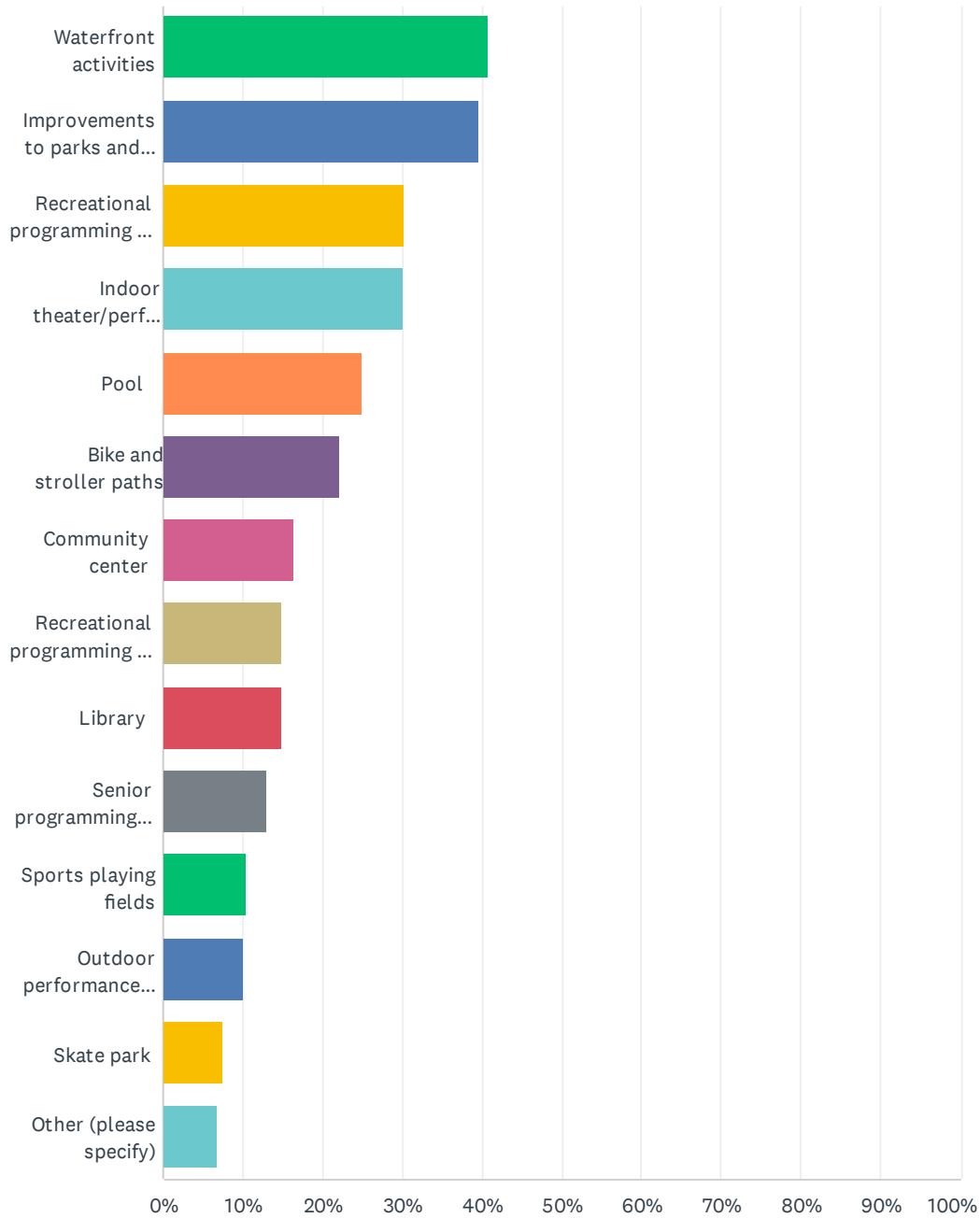
Q16 If you answered “No”, what types of services and facilities are needed?

Answered: 113 Skipped: 486

sports facilities city pool families indoor outdoor entertainment outdoor recreation
outdoor youth options swimming community large go work facilities people
Glen Cove Community Center public public pool kids Fix
activities theater Better things need space senior
play parks community pool center etc library open children area
housing YMCA adult programs beach senior services SERVICES sports fields
recreation recreational center sports recreation center indoor

Q17 Which community facilities and programming would you most support public spending for? Please select up to three (3) choices.

Answered: 528 Skipped: 71

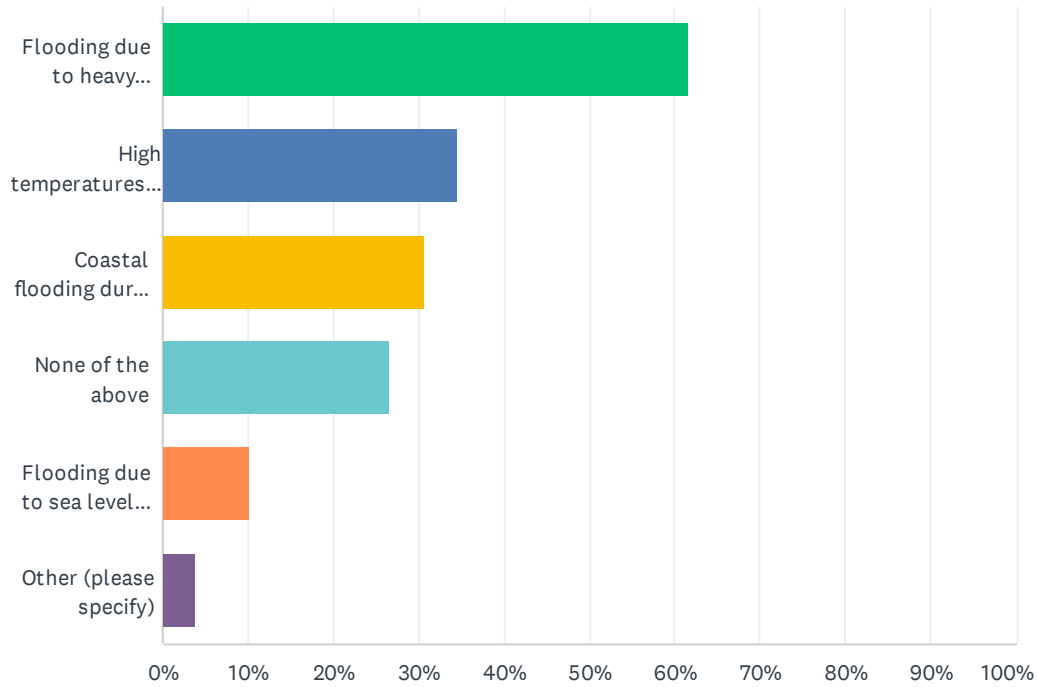


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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Waterfront activities	40.72%	215
Improvements to parks and open spaces	39.58%	209
Recreational programming for all residents	30.30%	160
Indoor theater/performance space	30.11%	159
Pool	25.00%	132
Bike and stroller paths	22.16%	117
Community center	16.48%	87
Recreational programming for youth	14.96%	79
Library	14.96%	79
Senior programming (e.g., activities, tax assistance, transportation assistance)	13.07%	69
Sports playing fields	10.42%	55
Outdoor performance space	10.04%	53
Skate park	7.39%	39
Other (please specify)	6.82%	36
Total Respondents: 528		

Q18 Have you ever witnessed or experienced the following in Glen Cove? Please select all that apply.

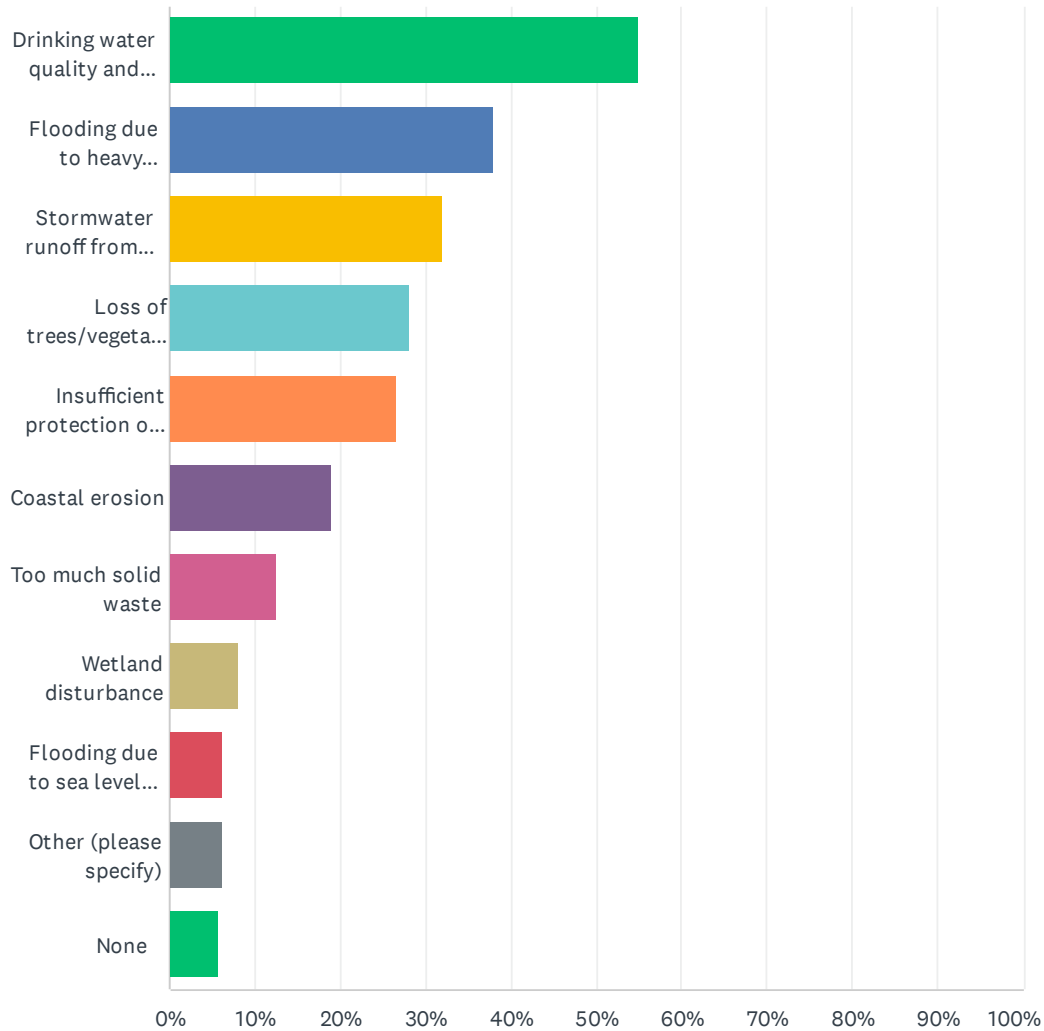
Answered: 501 Skipped: 98



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Flooding due to heavy rainstorms	61.68%	309
High temperatures limiting outdoor activities or causing health concerns	34.53%	173
Coastal flooding during storms (i.e., storm surge)	30.74%	154
None of the above	26.75%	134
Flooding due to sea level rise	10.18%	51
Other (please specify)	3.79%	19
Total Respondents: 501		

Q19 What do you think are the most significant environmental issues facing Glen Cove? Please select your top three (3) choices.

Answered: 512 Skipped: 87

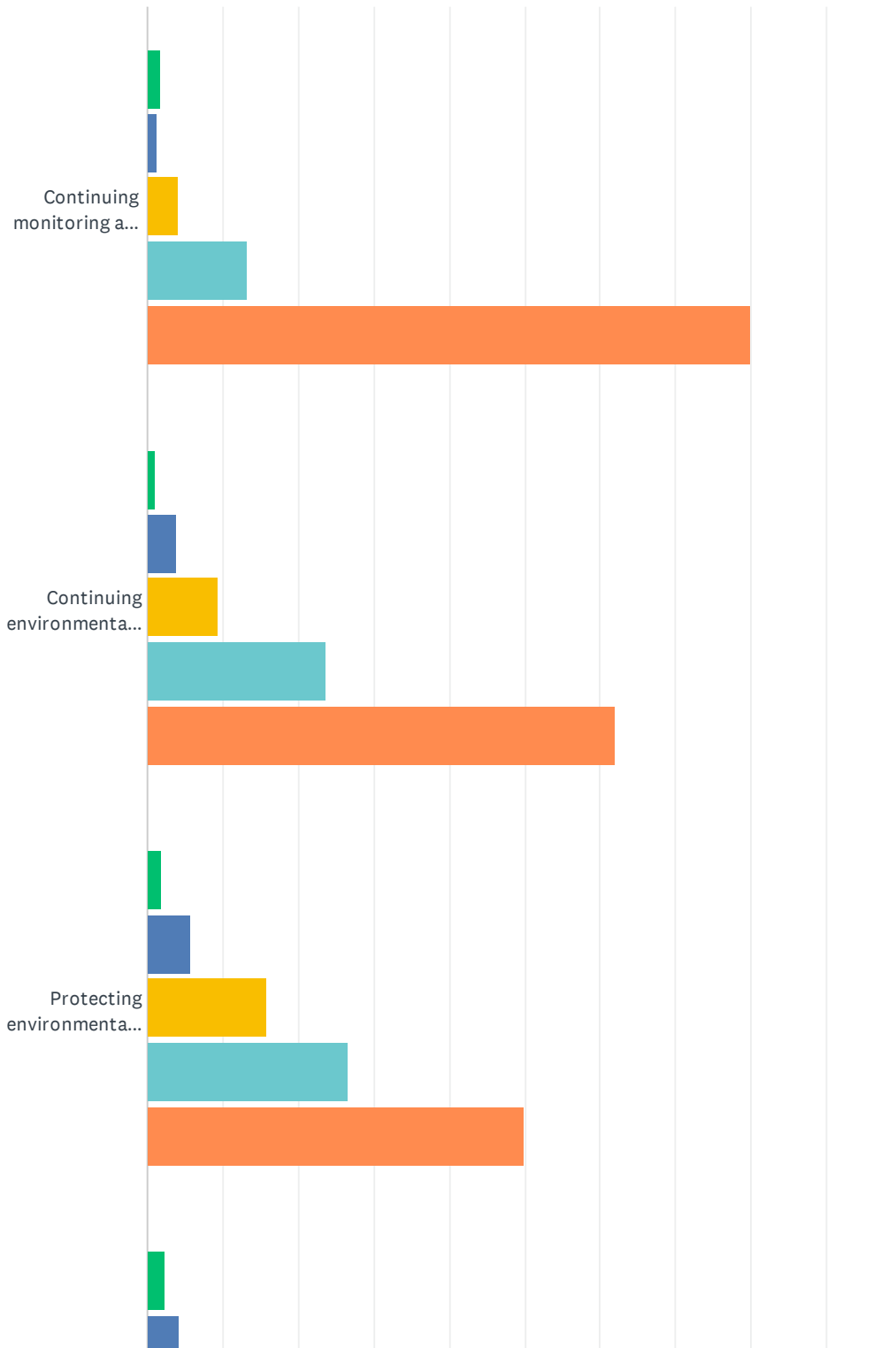


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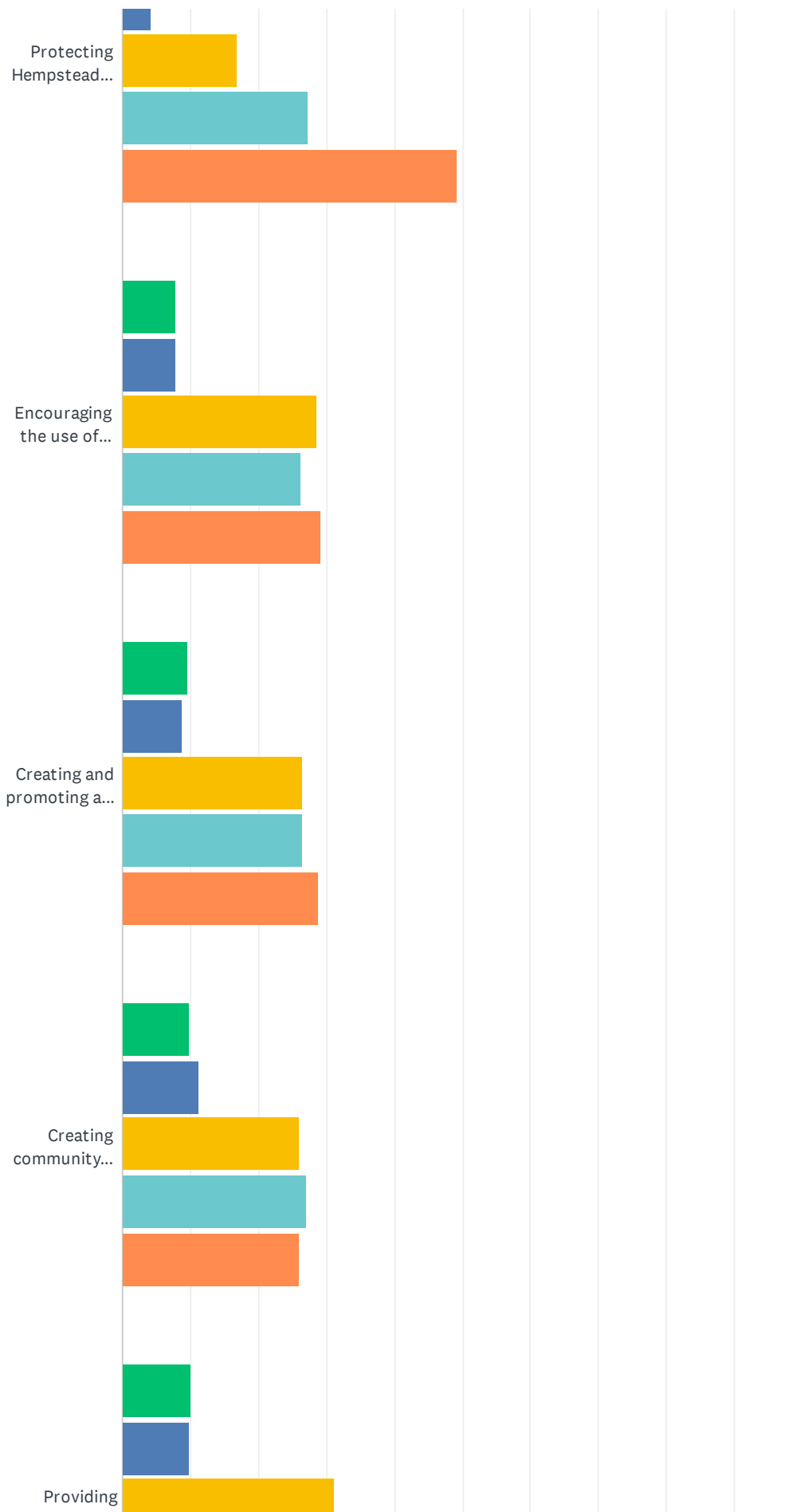
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Drinking water quality and quantity	55.08%	282
Flooding due to heavy rainstorms	37.89%	194
Stormwater runoff from individual properties and streets	32.03%	164
Loss of trees/vegetation	28.13%	144
Insufficient protection of open space	26.76%	137
Coastal erosion	18.95%	97
Too much solid waste	12.50%	64
Wetland disturbance	8.20%	42
Flooding due to sea level rise	6.25%	32
Other (please specify)	6.25%	32
None	5.66%	29
Total Respondents: 512		

Q20 How important do you believe the following objectives are to support a healthier environment and greener community? Please rate the following with a value from 1 to 5, with 5 being the most important and 1 being the least. (You can use each value more than once.)

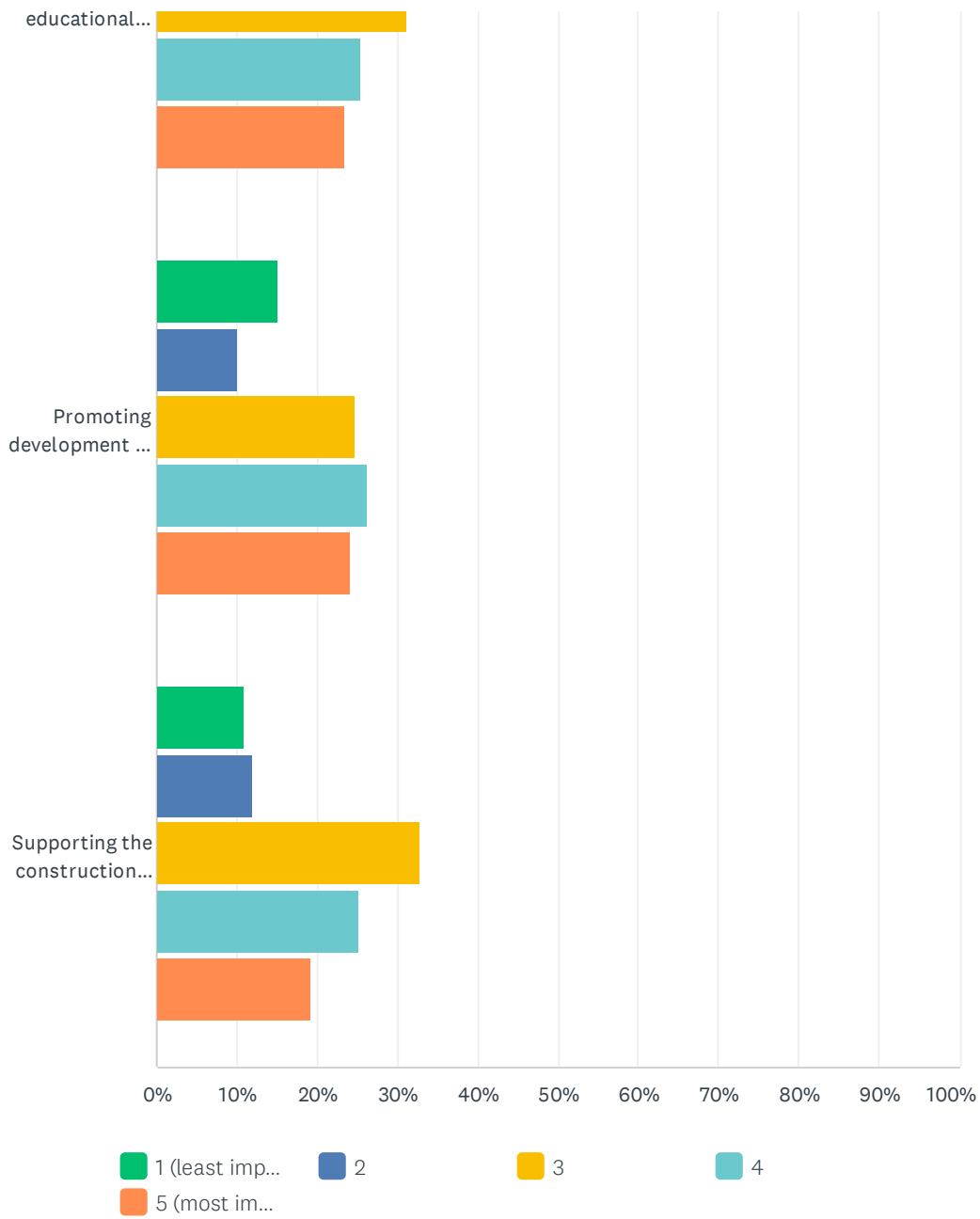
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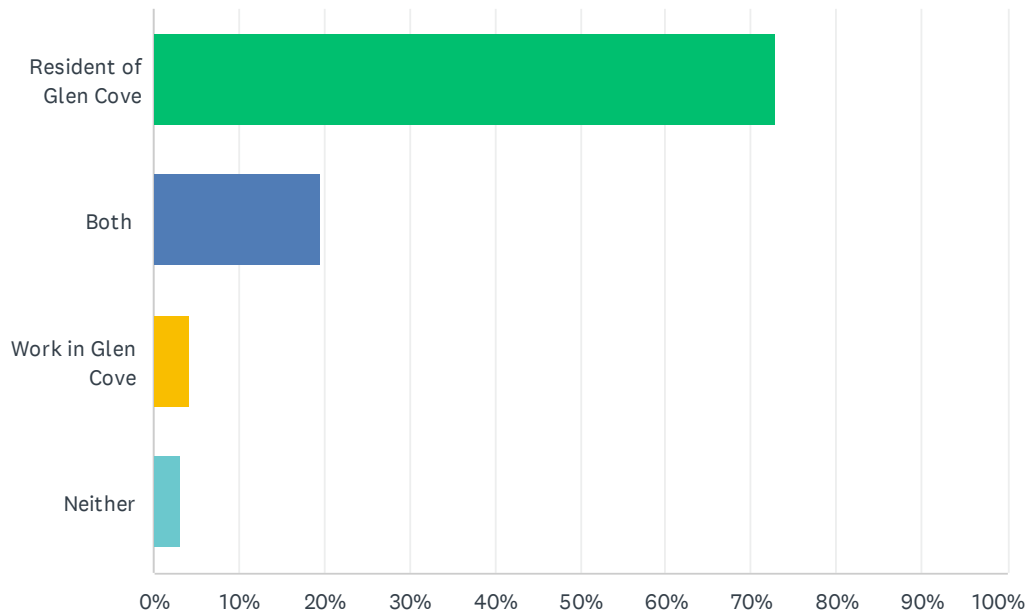


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Continuing monitoring and protection of drinking water quality	1.62% 8	1.21% 6	4.04% 20	13.13% 65	80.00% 396	495	4.69
Continuing environmental clean-up of the Glen Cove Creek area and its former industrial sites	1.01% 5	3.82% 19	9.46% 47	23.74% 118	61.97% 308	497	4.42
Protecting environmental assets and existing open space through development restrictions/regulations	1.82% 9	5.86% 29	15.76% 78	26.67% 132	49.90% 247	495	4.17
Protecting Hempstead Harbor and Long Island Sound from excessive stormwater runoff	2.43% 12	4.25% 21	16.80% 83	27.33% 135	49.19% 243	494	4.17
Encouraging the use of renewable energy	7.96% 39	7.96% 39	28.57% 140	26.33% 129	29.18% 143	490	3.61
Creating and promoting a walk/bike/transit-friendly environment	9.70% 48	8.69% 43	26.46% 131	26.46% 131	28.69% 142	495	3.56
Creating community gardens where possible	9.72% 48	11.34% 56	25.91% 128	27.13% 134	25.91% 128	494	3.48
Providing educational opportunities for residents to learn about resource conservation (reducing water usage and electricity usage, solid waste practices for reusing/recycling/composting)	10.10% 50	9.90% 49	31.11% 154	25.45% 126	23.43% 116	495	3.42
Promoting development in areas appropriate for higher densities, such as downtown	15.07% 74	9.98% 49	24.64% 121	26.27% 129	24.03% 118	491	3.34
Supporting the construction of energy-efficient buildings ("green buildings")	10.84% 54	11.85% 59	32.93% 164	25.10% 125	19.28% 96	498	3.30

Q21 Do you live or work in Glen Cove?

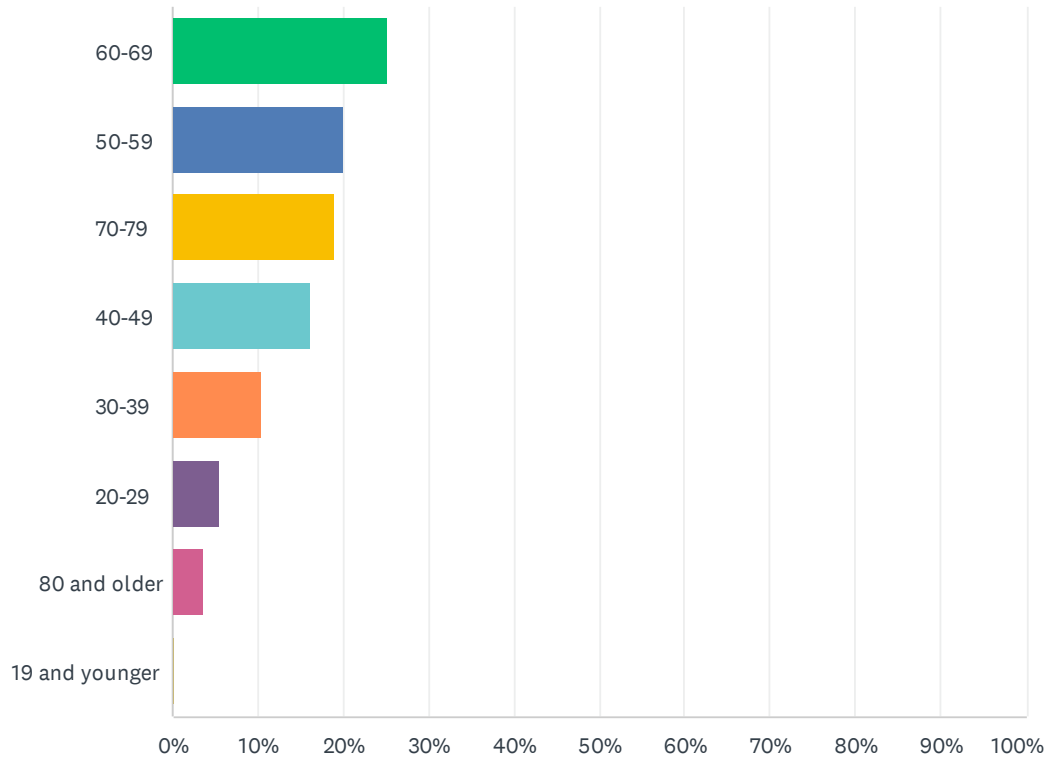
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Resident of Glen Cove	72.83%	370
Both	19.69%	100
Work in Glen Cove	4.33%	22
Neither	3.15%	16
TOTAL		508

Q22 Age

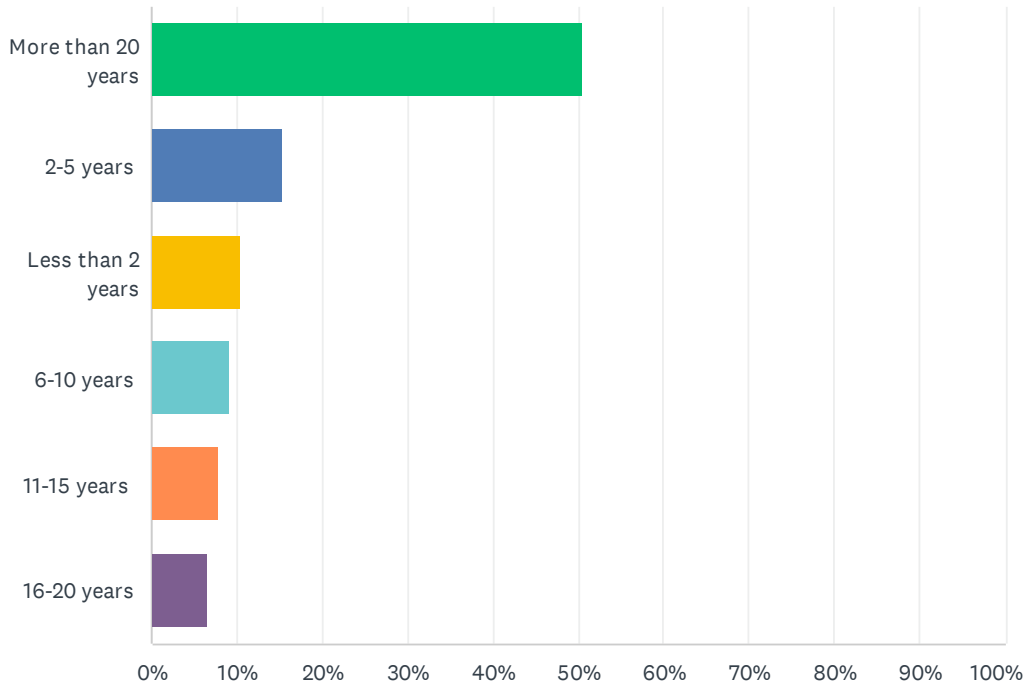
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
60-69	25.10%	127
50-59	19.96%	101
70-79	18.97%	96
40-49	16.21%	82
30-39	10.47%	53
20-29	5.53%	28
80 and older	3.56%	18
19 and younger	0.20%	1
TOTAL		506

Q23 How long have you lived in Glen Cove?

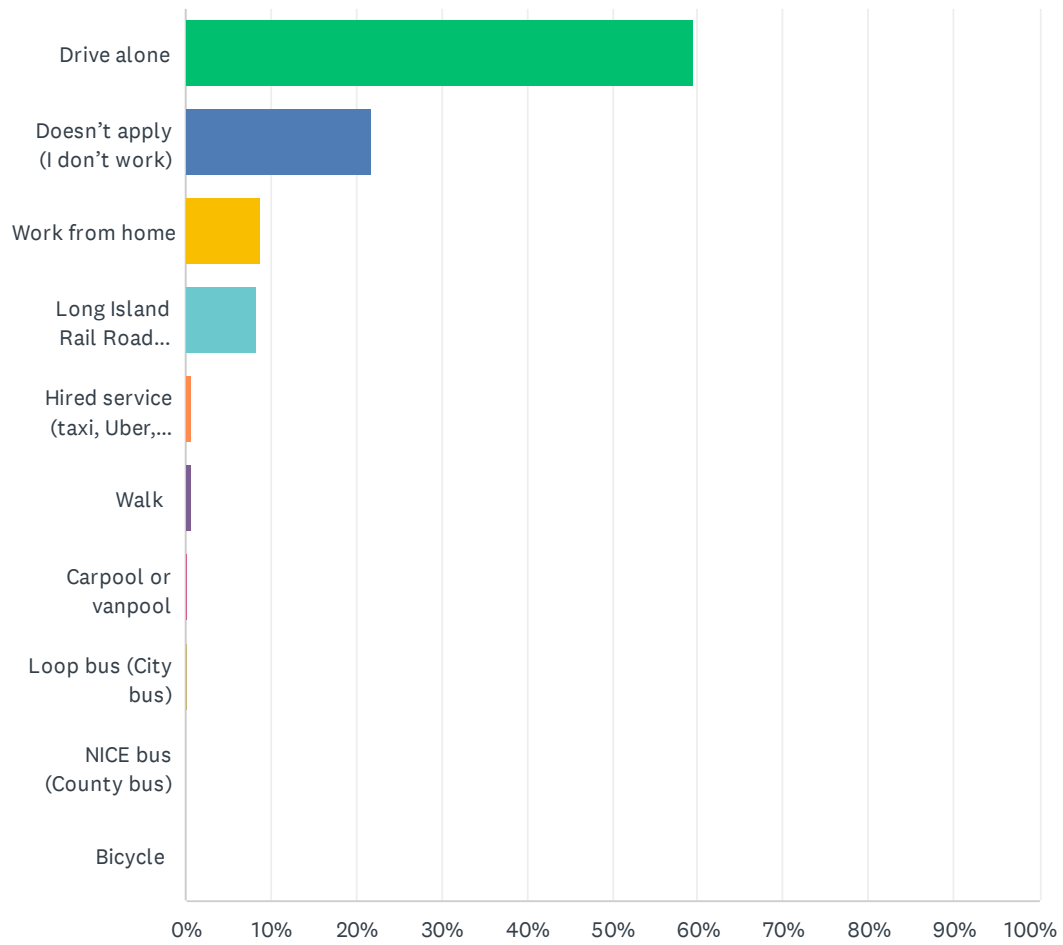
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
More than 20 years	50.51%	246
2-5 years	15.40%	75
Less than 2 years	10.47%	51
6-10 years	9.24%	45
11-15 years	7.80%	38
16-20 years	6.57%	32
TOTAL		487

Q24 If you work, what is your primary mode of transportation to work?

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Drive alone	59.39%	291
Doesn't apply (I don't work)	21.84%	107
Work from home	8.78%	43
Long Island Rail Road (LIRR)	8.37%	41
Hired service (taxi, Uber, car service, etc.)	0.61%	3
Walk	0.61%	3
Carpool or vanpool	0.20%	1
Loop bus (City bus)	0.20%	1
NICE bus (County bus)	0.00%	0
Bicycle	0.00%	0
TOTAL		490