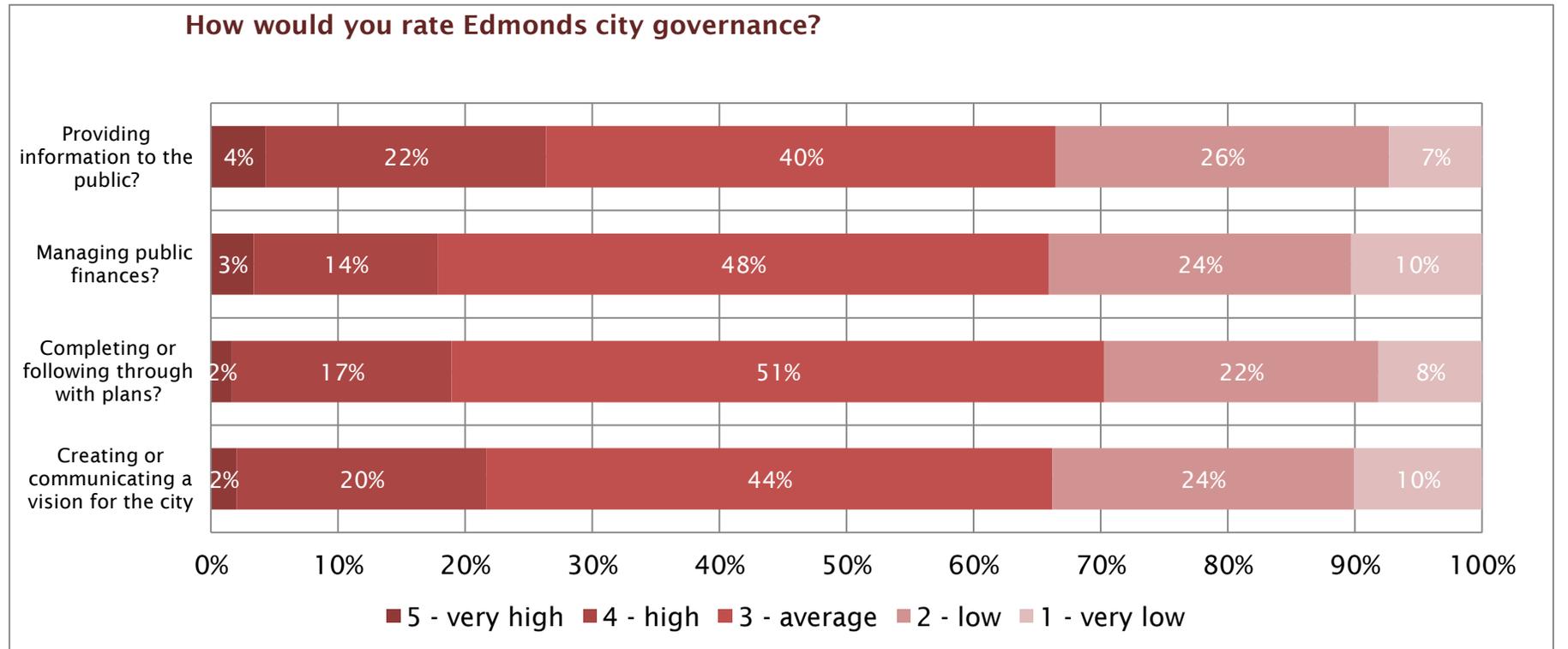


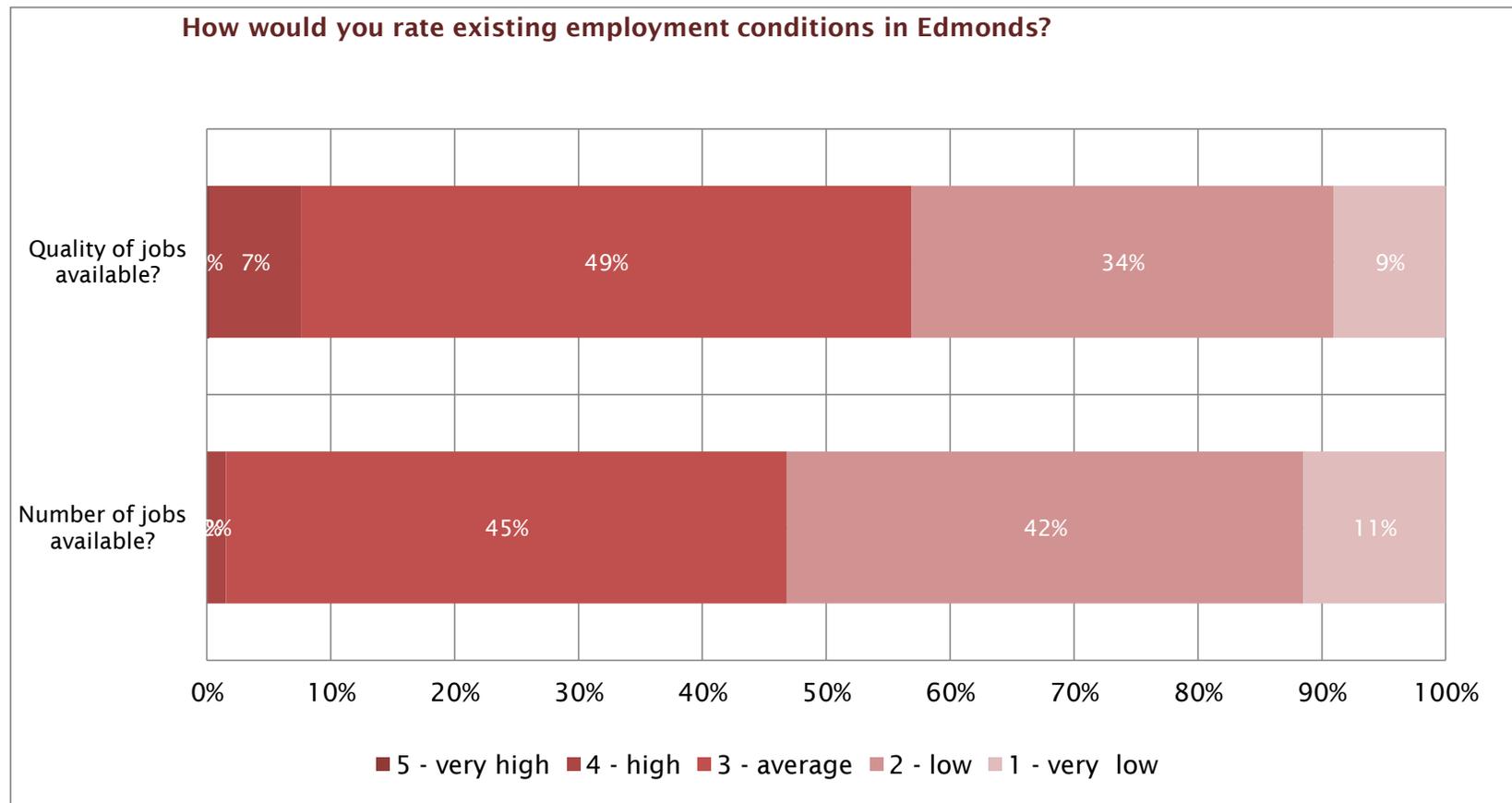
Edmonds Strategic Plan Adult Resident

How would you rate Edmonds city governance?						
Answer Options	1 - very low	2 - low	3 - average	4 - high	5 - very high	Response Count
Creating or communicating a vision for the city	10%	24%	44%	20%	2%	100%
Completing or following through with plans?	8%	22%	51%	17%	2%	100%
Managing public finances?	10%	24%	48%	14%	3%	100%
Providing information to the public?	7%	26%	40%	22%	4%	100%
<i>answered question</i>						655
<i>skipped question</i>						24



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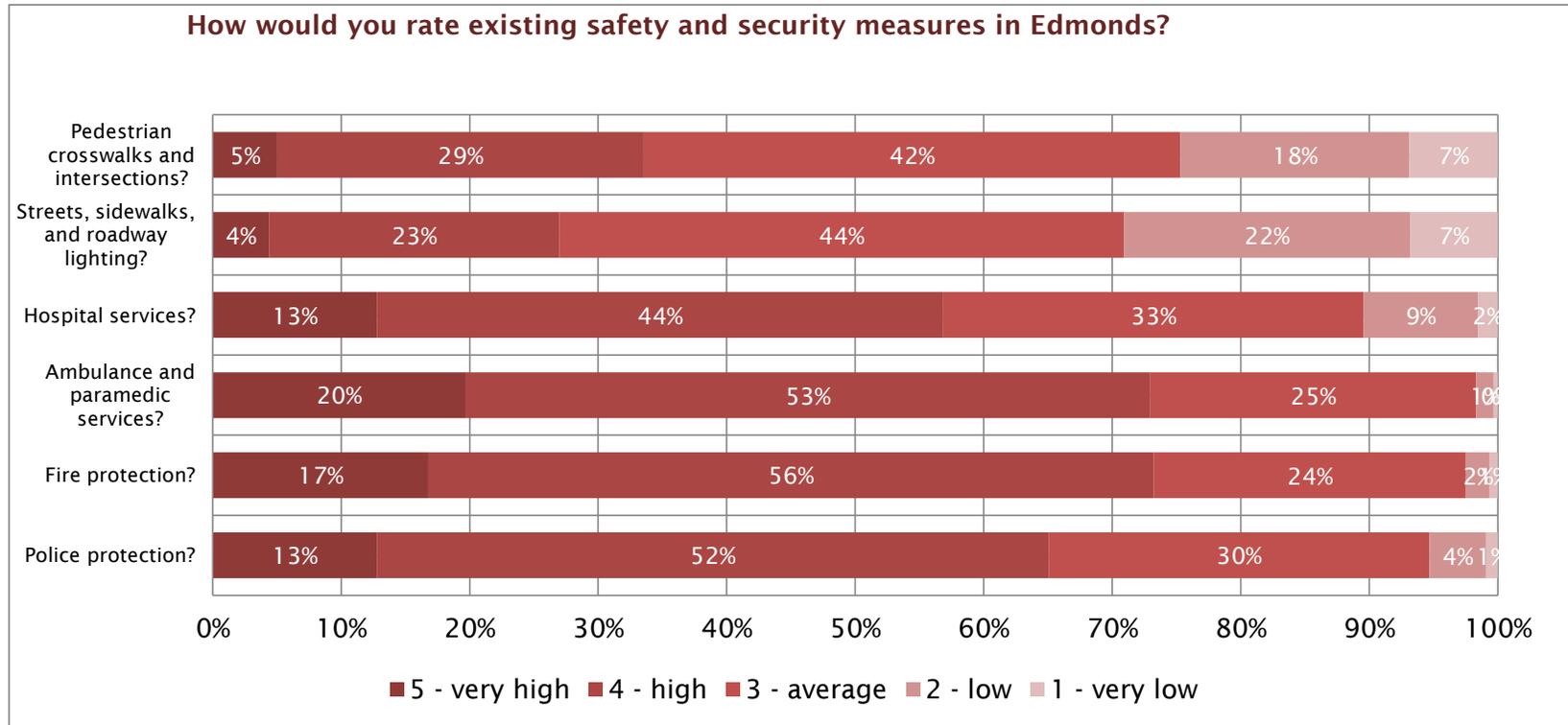
How would you rate existing employment conditions in Edmonds?						
Answer Options	1 - very low	2 - low	3 - average	4 - high	5 - very high	Response Count
Number of jobs available?	11%	42%	45%	2%	0%	100%
Quality of jobs available?	9%	34%	49%	7%	0%	100%
<i>answered question</i>						592
<i>skipped question</i>						87



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How would you rate existing safety and security measures in Edmonds?

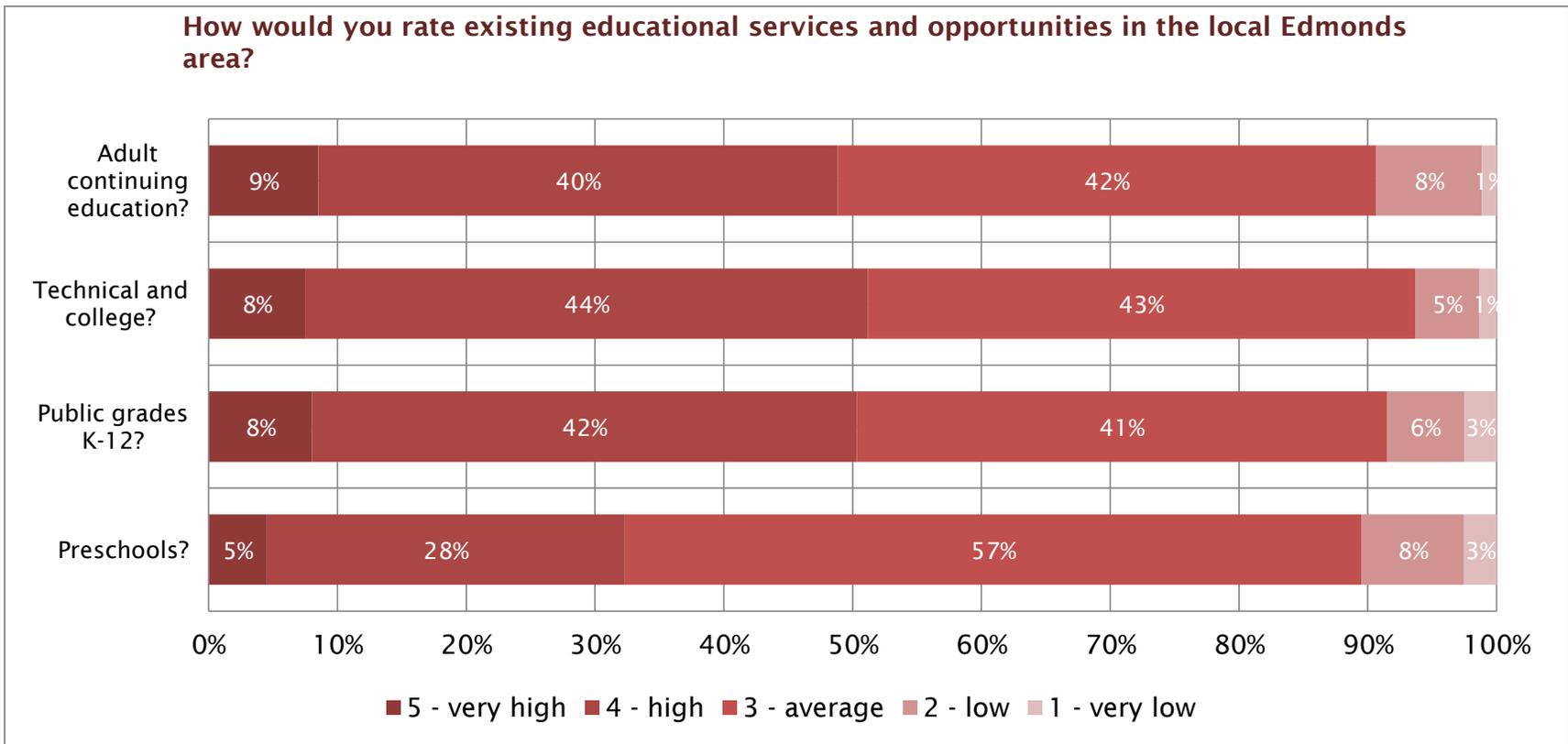
Answer Options	1 - very low	2 - low	3 - average	4 - high	5 - very high	Response Count
Police protection?	1%	4%	30%	52%	13%	100%
Fire protection?	1%	2%	24%	56%	17%	100%
Ambulance and paramedic services?	0%	1%	25%	53%	20%	100%
Hospital services?	2%	9%	33%	44%	13%	100%
Streets, sidewalks, and roadway lighting?	7%	22%	44%	23%	4%	100%
Pedestrian crosswalks and intersections?	7%	18%	42%	29%	5%	100%
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<i>skipped question</i>						14



Edmonds Strategic Plan Adult Resident

How would you rate existing educational services and opportunities in the local Edmonds area?

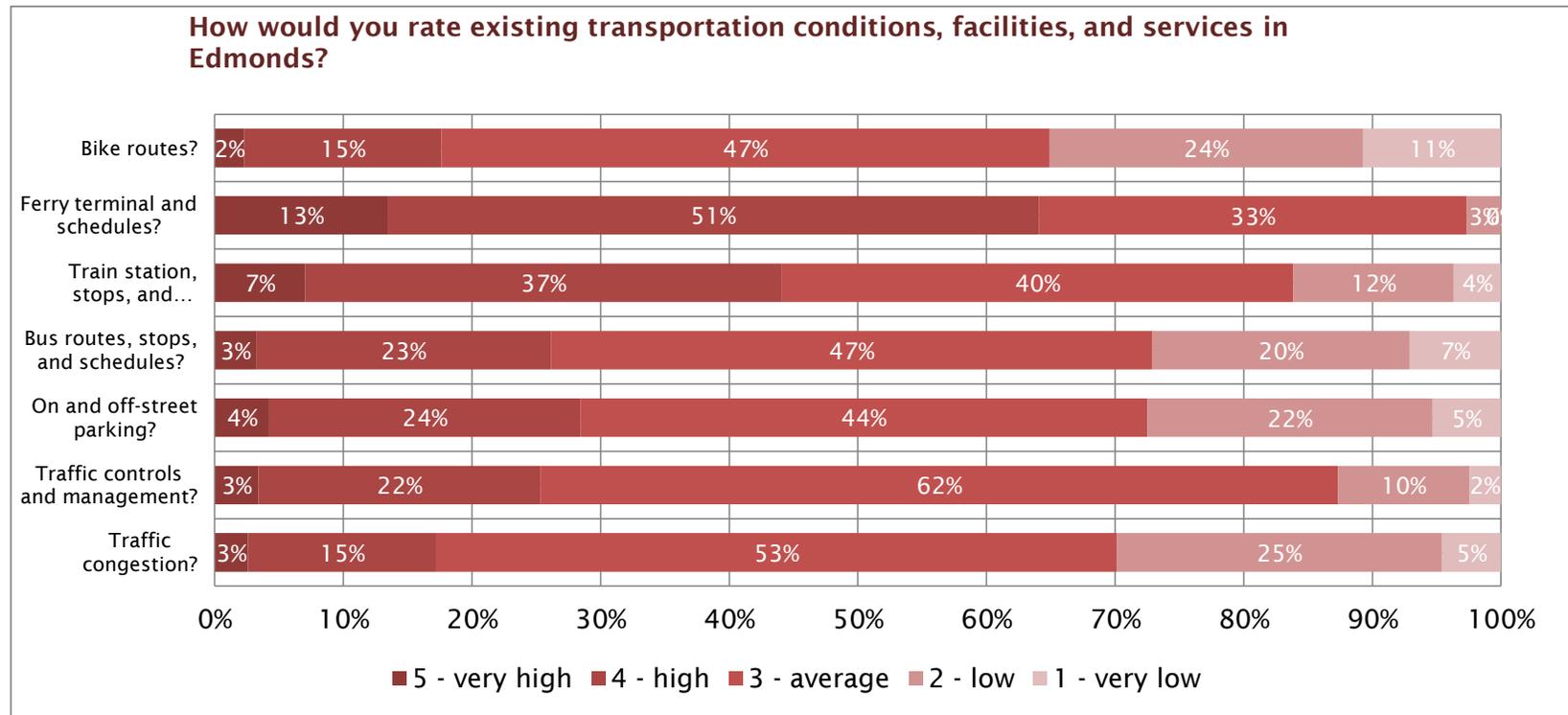
Answer Options	1 - very low	2 - low	3 - average	4 - high	5 - very high	Response Count
Preschools?	3%	8%	57%	28%	5%	100%
Public grades K-12?	3%	6%	41%	42%	8%	100%
Technical and college?	1%	5%	43%	44%	8%	100%
Adult continuing education?	1%	8%	42%	40%	9%	100%
<i>answered question</i>						635
<i>skipped question</i>						44



Edmonds Strategic Plan Adult Resident

How would you rate existing transportation conditions, facilities, and services in Edmonds?

Answer Options	1 - very low	2 - low	3 - average	4 - high	5 - very high	Response Count
Traffic congestion?	5%	25%	53%	15%	3%	100%
Traffic controls and management?	2%	10%	62%	22%	3%	100%
On and off-street parking?	5%	22%	44%	24%	4%	100%
Bus routes, stops, and schedules?	7%	20%	47%	23%	3%	100%
Train station, stops, and schedules?	4%	12%	40%	37%	7%	100%
Ferry terminal and schedules?	0%	3%	33%	51%	13%	100%
Bike routes?	11%	24%	47%	15%	2%	100%
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<i>skipped question</i>						17

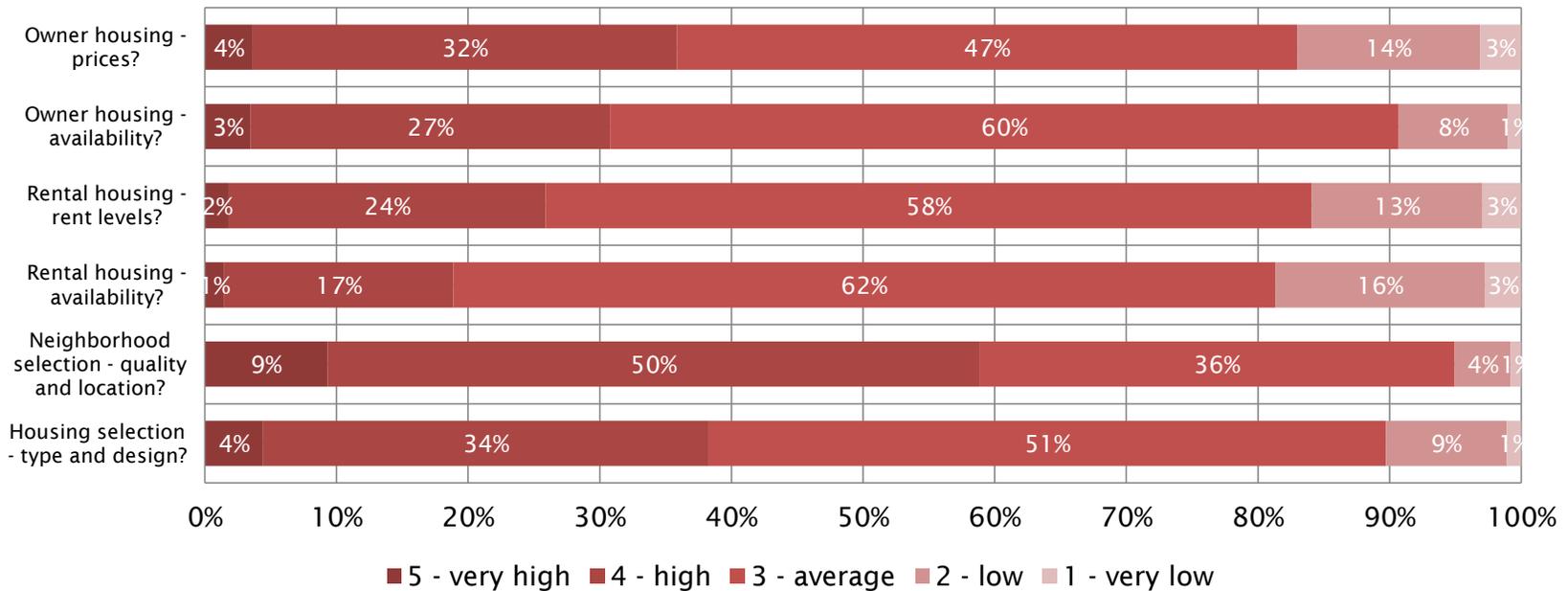


Edmonds Strategic Plan Adult Resident

How would you rate existing housing market options in Edmonds?

Answer Options	1 - very low	2 - low	3 - average	4 - high	5 - very high	Response Count
Housing selection - type and design?	1%	9%	51%	34%	4%	100%
Neighborhood selection - quality and location?	1%	4%	36%	50%	9%	100%
Rental housing - availability?	3%	16%	62%	17%	1%	100%
Rental housing - rent levels?	3%	13%	58%	24%	2%	100%
Owner housing - availability?	1%	8%	60%	27%	3%	100%
Owner housing - prices?	3%	14%	47%	32%	4%	100%
<i>answered question</i>						641
<i>skipped question</i>						38

How would you rate existing housing market options in Edmonds?

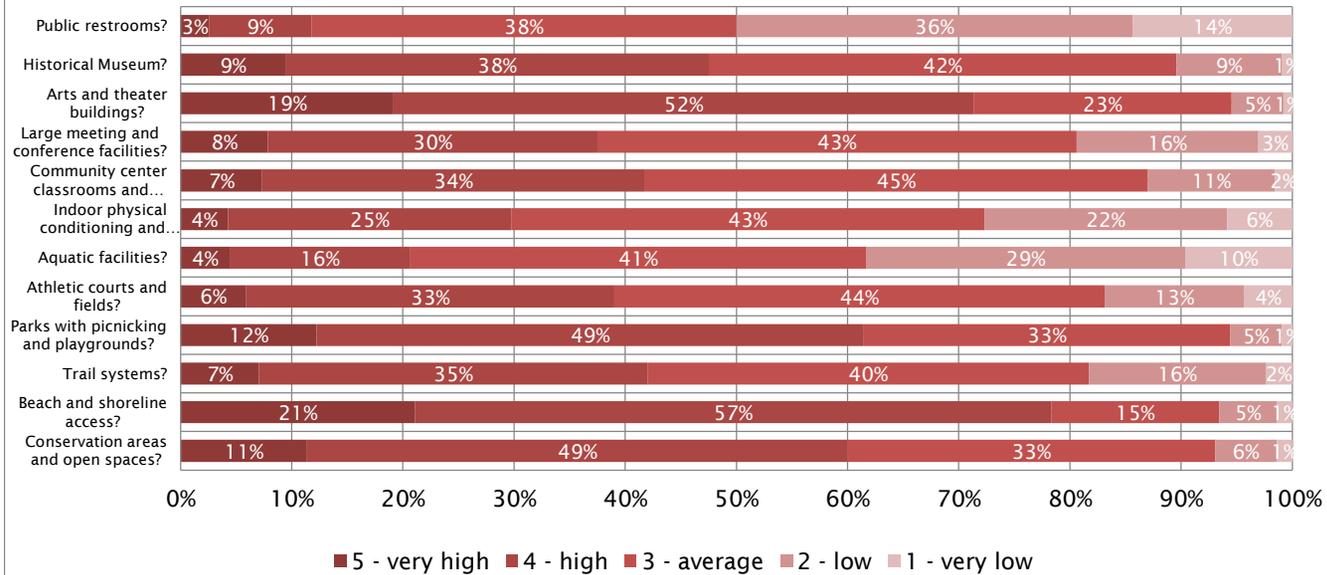


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How would you rate existing park and recreational facilities and opportunities in Edmonds?:

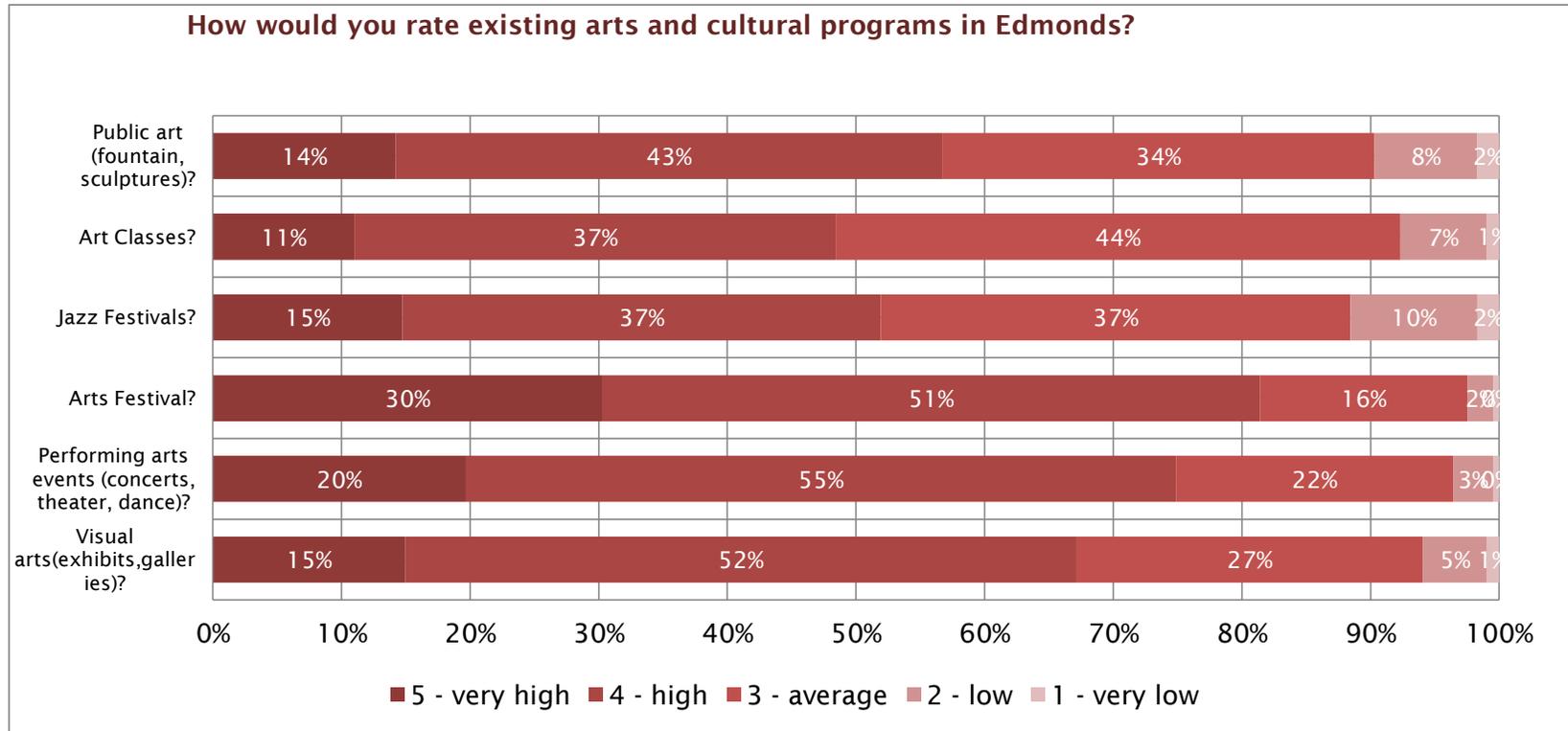
Answer Options	1 - very low	2 - low	3 - average	4 - high	5 - very high	Response Count
Conservation areas and open spaces?	1%	6%	33%	49%	11%	100%
Beach and shoreline access?	1%	5%	15%	57%	21%	100%
Trail systems?	2%	16%	40%	35%	7%	100%
Parks with picnicking and playgrounds?	1%	5%	33%	49%	12%	100%
Athletic courts and fields?	4%	13%	44%	33%	6%	100%
Aquatic facilities?	10%	29%	41%	16%	4%	100%
Indoor physical conditioning and gymnasiums?	6%	22%	43%	25%	4%	100%
Community center classrooms and meeting rooms?	2%	11%	45%	34%	7%	100%
Large meeting and conference facilities?	3%	16%	43%	30%	8%	100%
Arts and theater buildings?	1%	5%	23%	52%	19%	100%
Historical Museum?	1%	9%	42%	38%	9%	100%
Public restrooms?	14%	36%	38%	9%	3%	100%
<i>answered question</i>						664
<i>skipped question</i>						15

How would you rate existing park and recreational facilities and opportunities in Edmonds?:



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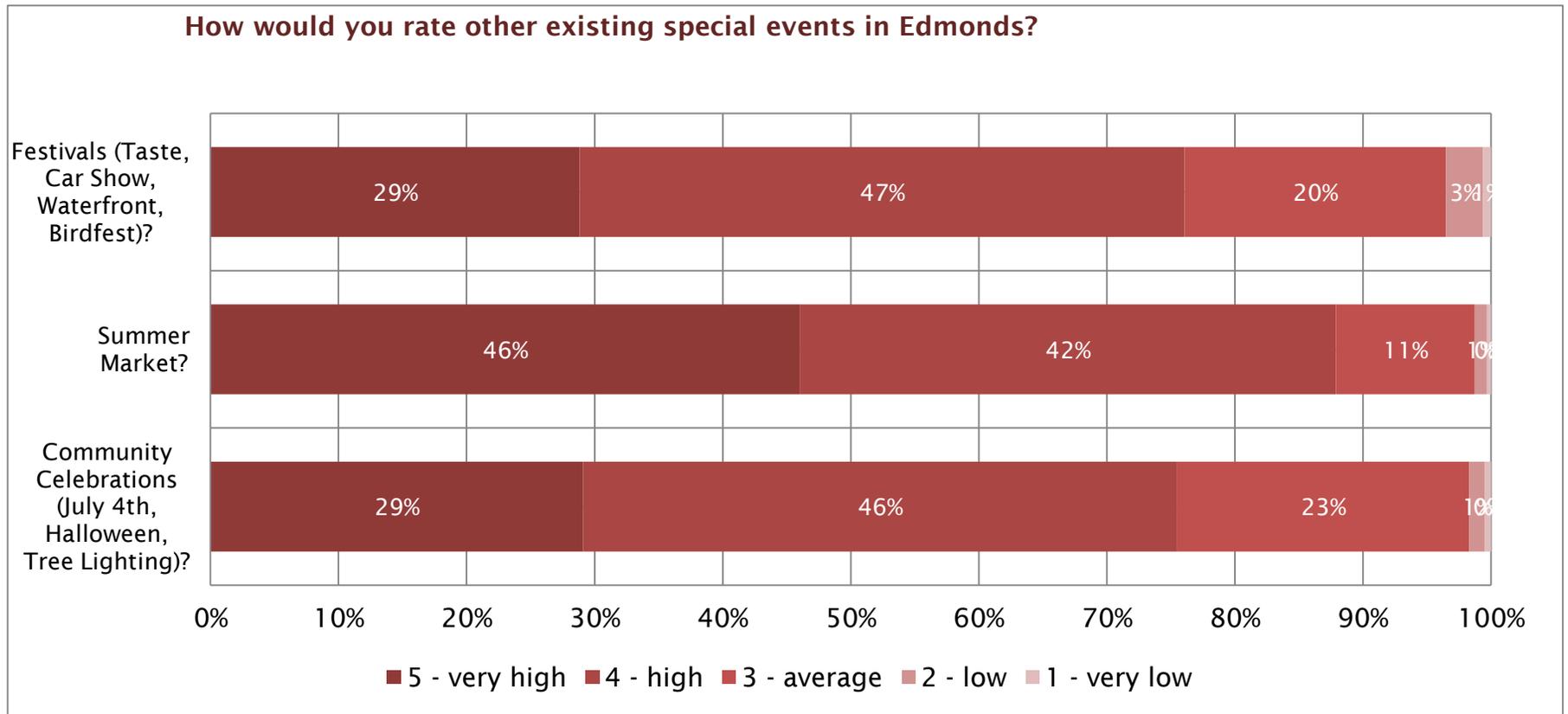
How would you rate existing arts and cultural programs in Edmonds?						
Answer Options	1 - very low	2 - low	3 - average	4 - high	5 - very high	Response Count
Visual arts(exhibits,galleries)?	1%	5%	27%	52%	15%	100%
Performing arts events (concerts, theater, dance)?	0%	3%	22%	55%	20%	100%
Arts Festival?	0%	2%	16%	51%	30%	100%
Jazz Festivals?	2%	10%	37%	37%	15%	100%
Art Classes?	1%	7%	44%	37%	11%	100%
Public art (fountain, sculptures)?	2%	8%	34%	43%	14%	100%
<i>answered question</i>						652
<i>skipped question</i>						27



Edmonds Strategic Plan Adult Resident

How would you rate other existing special events in Edmonds?

Answer Options	1 - very low	2 - low	3 - average	4 - high	5 - very high	Response Count
Community Celebrations (July 4th, Halloween, Tree	0%	1%	23%	46%	29%	100%
Summer Market?	0%	1%	11%	42%	46%	100%
Festivals (Taste, Car Show, Waterfront, Birdfest)?	1%	3%	20%	47%	29%	100%
<i>answered question</i>						661
<i>skipped question</i>						18

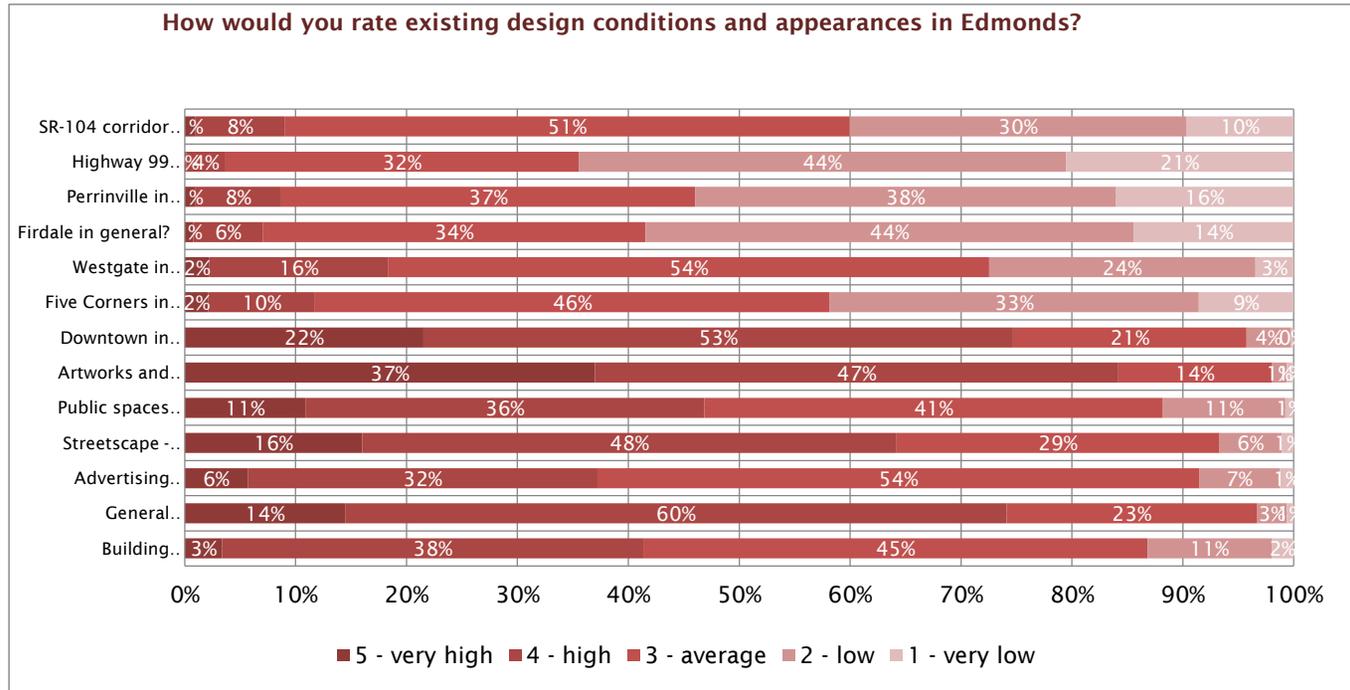


Edmonds Strategic Plan Adult Resident

How would you rate existing design conditions and appearances in Edmonds?

Answer Options	1 - very low	2 - low	3 - average	4 - high	5 - very high	Response Count
Building appearances in general?	2%	11%	45%	38%	3%	100%
General cleanliness?	1%	3%	23%	60%	14%	100%
Advertising signage - location and number?	1%	7%	54%	32%	6%	100%
Streetscape - street lights, trees, landscaping?	1%	6%	29%	48%	16%	100%
Public spaces and plazas?	1%	11%	41%	36%	11%	100%
Artworks and beautification (flower baskets)?	1%	1%	14%	47%	37%	100%
Downtown in general?	0%	4%	21%	53%	22%	100%
Five Corners in general?	9%	33%	46%	10%	2%	100%
Westgate in general?	3%	24%	54%	16%	2%	100%
Firdale in general?	14%	44%	34%	6%	1%	100%
Perrinville in general?	16%	38%	37%	8%	1%	100%
Highway 99 corridor in general?	21%	44%	32%	4%	0%	100%
SR-104 corridor in general?	10%	30%	51%	8%	1%	100%
<i>answered question</i>						664
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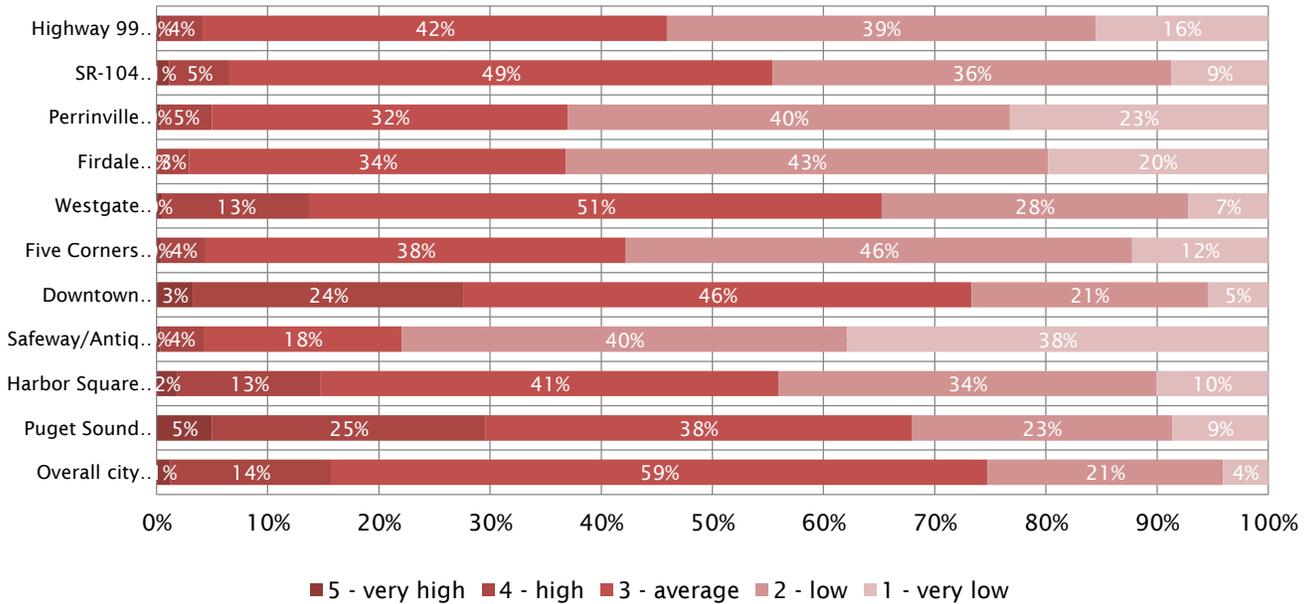


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How would you rate the level of existing development in Edmonds?

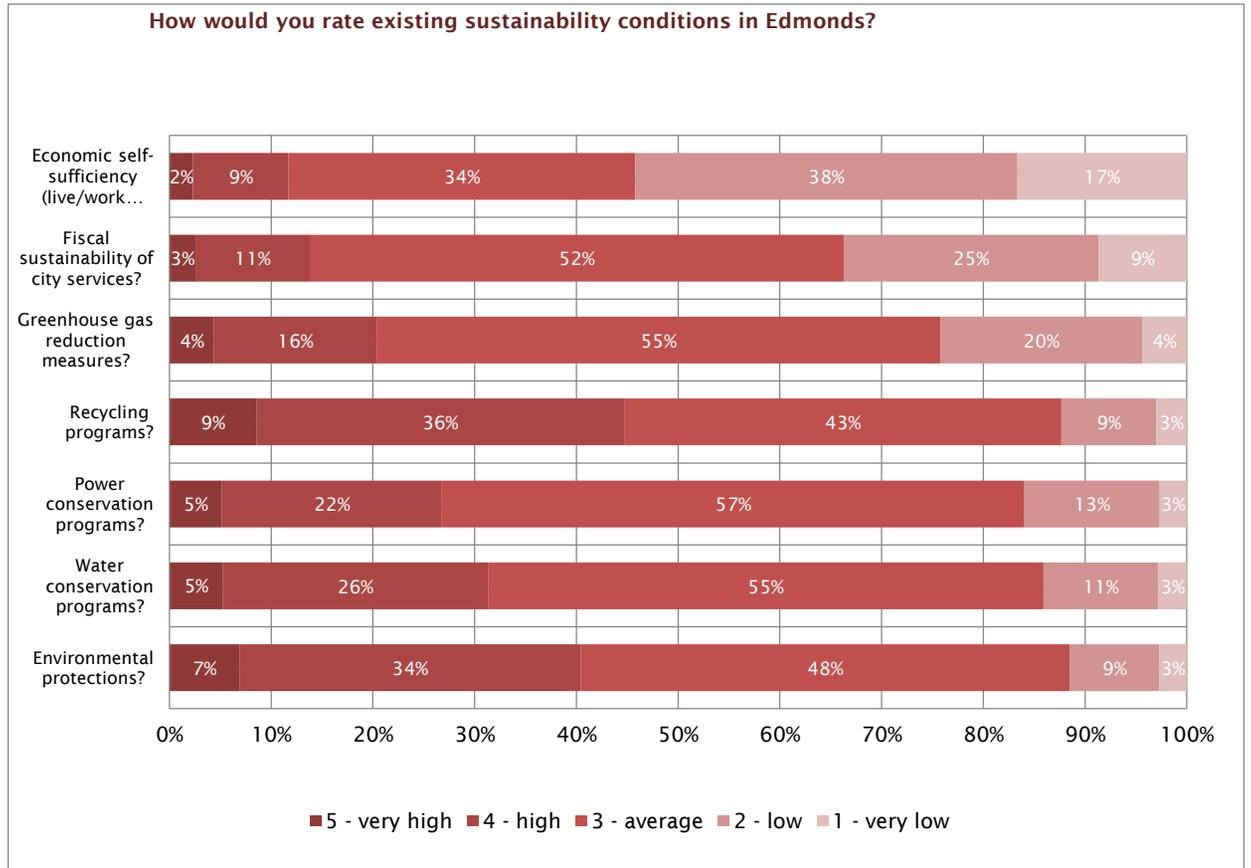
Answer Options	1 - very low	2 - low	3 - average	4 - high	5 - very high	Response Count
Overall city development?	4%	21%	59%	14%	1%	100%
Puget Sound waterfront development?	9%	23%	38%	25%	5%	100%
Harbor Square development?	10%	34%	41%	13%	2%	100%
Safeway/Antique Mall development?	38%	40%	18%	4%	0%	100%
Downtown development?	5%	21%	46%	24%	3%	100%
Five Corners development?	12%	46%	38%	4%	0%	100%
Westgate development?	7%	28%	51%	13%	0%	100%
Firdale development?	20%	43%	34%	3%	0%	100%
Perrinville development?	23%	40%	32%	5%	0%	100%
SR-104 corridor development?	9%	36%	49%	5%	1%	100%
Highway 99 corridor development?	16%	39%	42%	4%	0%	100%
<i>answered question</i>						654
<i>skipped question</i>						25

How would you rate the level of existing development in Edmonds?



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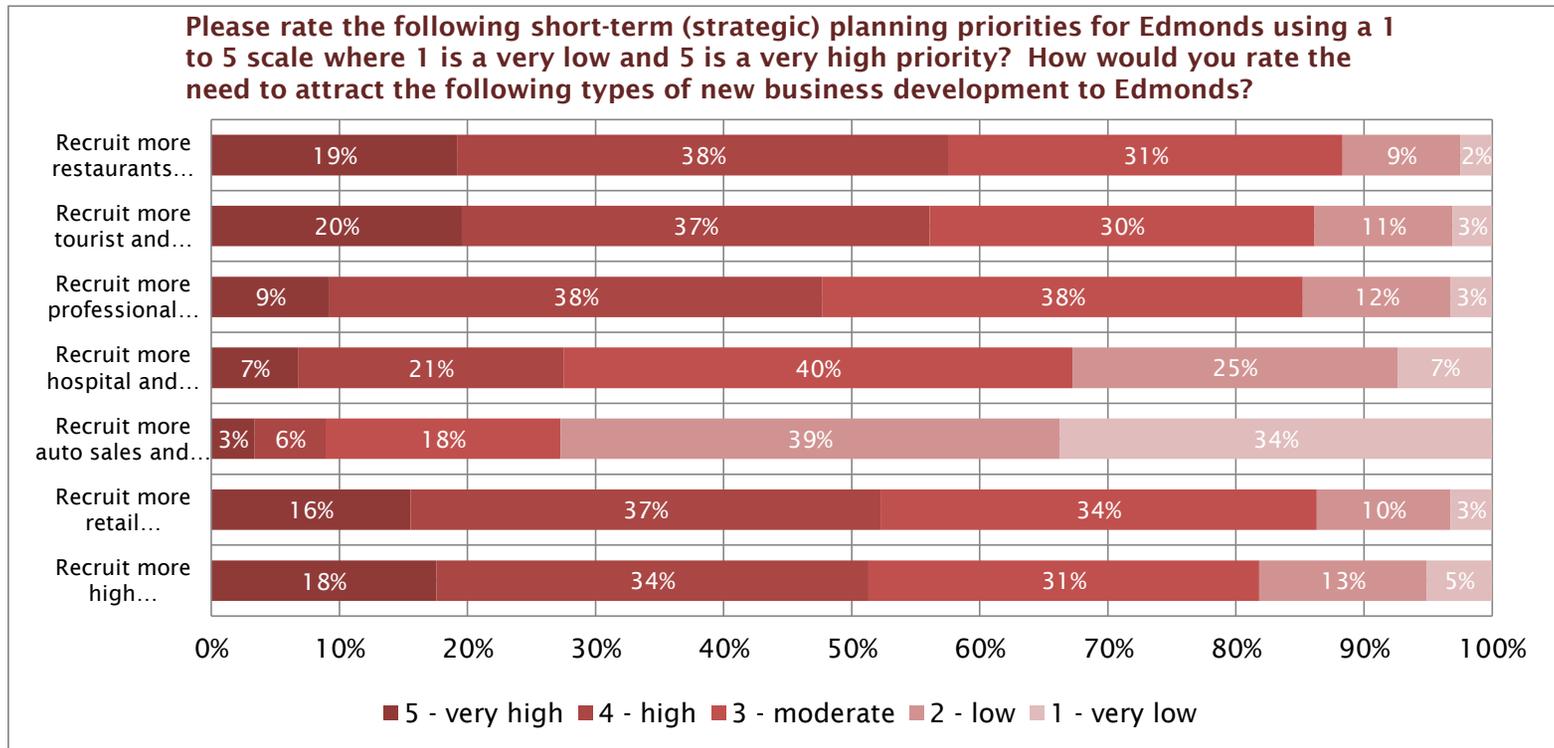
How would you rate existing sustainability conditions in Edmonds?						
Answer Options	1 - very low	2 - low	3 - average	4 - high	5 - very high	Response Count
Environmental protections?	3%	9%	48%	34%	7%	100%
Water conservation programs?	3%	11%	55%	26%	5%	100%
Power conservation programs?	3%	13%	57%	22%	5%	100%
Recycling programs?	3%	9%	43%	36%	9%	100%
Greenhouse gas reduction measures?	4%	20%	55%	16%	4%	100%
Fiscal sustainability of city services?	9%	25%	52%	11%	3%	100%
Economic self-sufficiency (live/work within the city)?	17%	38%	34%	9%	2%	100%
<i>answered question</i>						647
<i>skipped question</i>						32



Edmonds Strategic Plan Adult Resident

Please rate the following short-term (strategic) planning priorities for Edmonds using a 1 to 5 scale where 1 is a very low and 5 is a very high priority? How would you rate the need to attract the following types of new business development to Edmonds?

Answer Options	1 - very low	2 - low	3 - moderate	4 - high	5 - very high	Response Count
Recruit more high technology businesses?	5%	13%	31%	34%	18%	100%
Recruit more retail businesses?	3%	10%	34%	37%	16%	100%
Recruit more auto sales and services?	34%	39%	18%	6%	3%	100%
Recruit more hospital and medical services?	7%	25%	40%	21%	7%	100%
Recruit more professional services?	3%	12%	38%	38%	9%	100%
Recruit more tourist and arts services?	3%	11%	30%	37%	20%	100%
Recruit more restaurants and entertainment?	2%	9%	31%	38%	19%	100%
					<i>answered question</i>	657
					<i>skipped question</i>	22

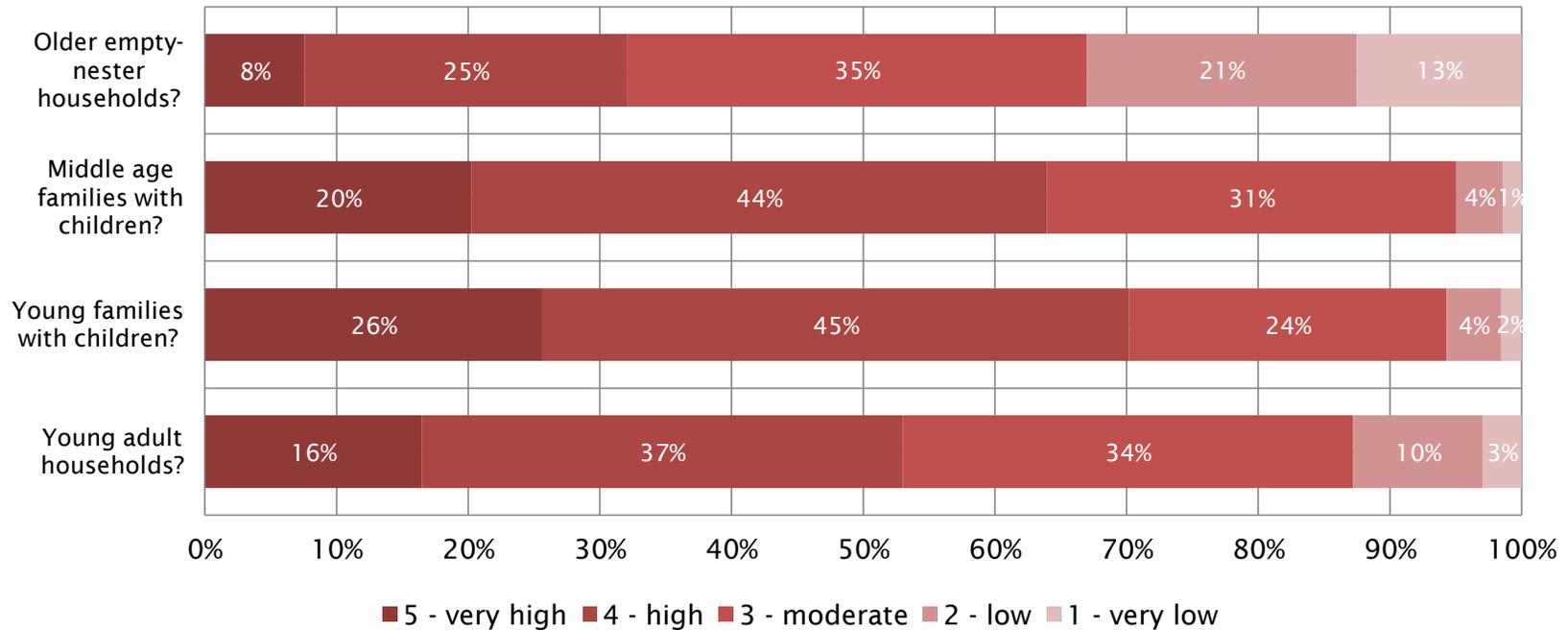


Edmonds Strategic Plan Adult Resident

How important is it to attract the following types of households to live in Edmonds?

Answer Options	1 - very low	2 - low	3 - moderate	4 - high	5 - very high	Response Count
Young adult households?	3%	10%	34%	37%	16%	100%
Young families with children?	2%	4%	24%	45%	26%	100%
Middle age families with children?	1%	4%	31%	44%	20%	100%
Older empty-nester households?	13%	21%	35%	25%	8%	100%
<i>answered question</i>						657
<i>skipped question</i>						22

How important is it to attract the following types of households to live in Edmonds?

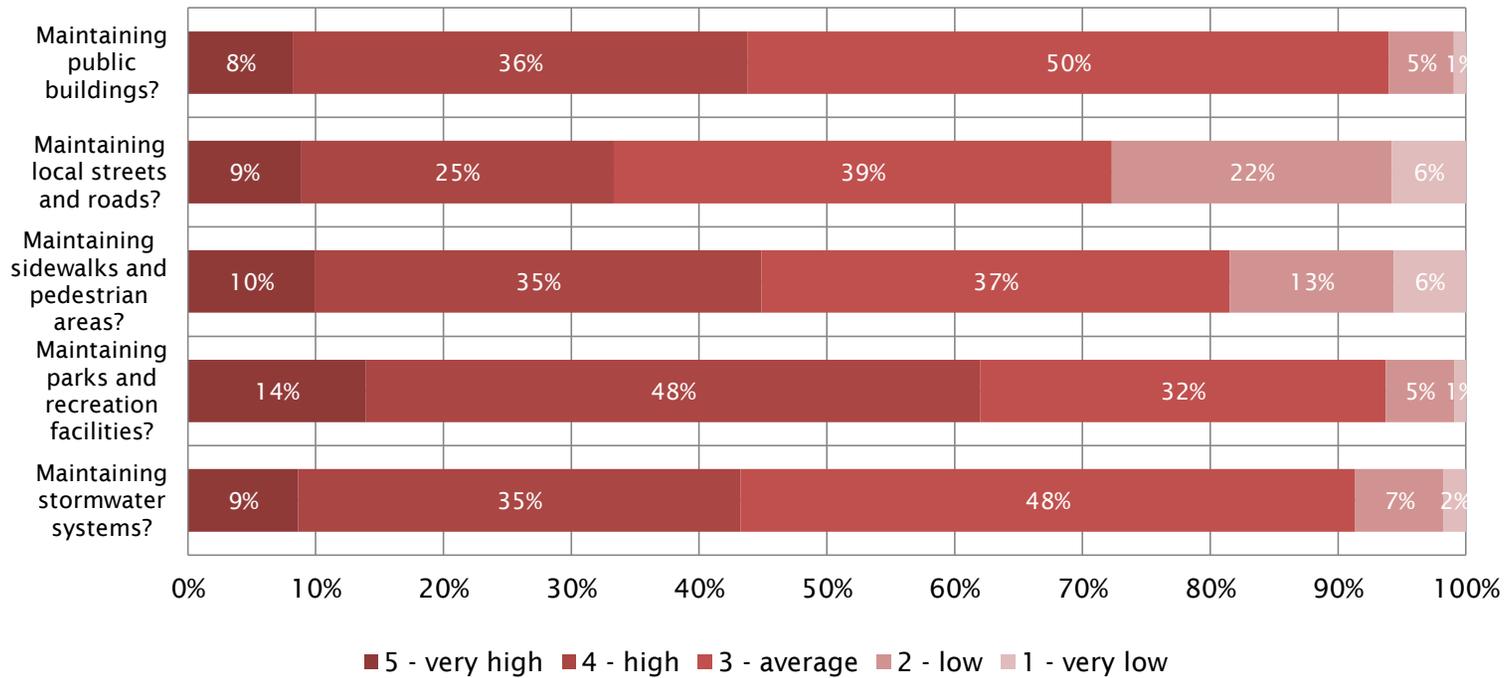


Edmonds Strategic Plan Adult Resident

How would you rate the following maintenance conditions overall in Edmonds?

Answer Options	1 - very low	2 - low	3 - average	4 - high	5 - very high	Response Count
Maintaining stormwater systems?	2%	7%	48%	35%	9%	100%
Maintaining parks and recreation facilities?	1%	5%	32%	48%	14%	100%
Maintaining sidewalks and pedestrian areas?	6%	13%	37%	35%	10%	100%
Maintaining local streets and roads?	6%	22%	39%	25%	9%	100%
Maintaining public buildings?	1%	5%	50%	36%	8%	100%
<i>answered question</i>						660
<i>skipped question</i>						19

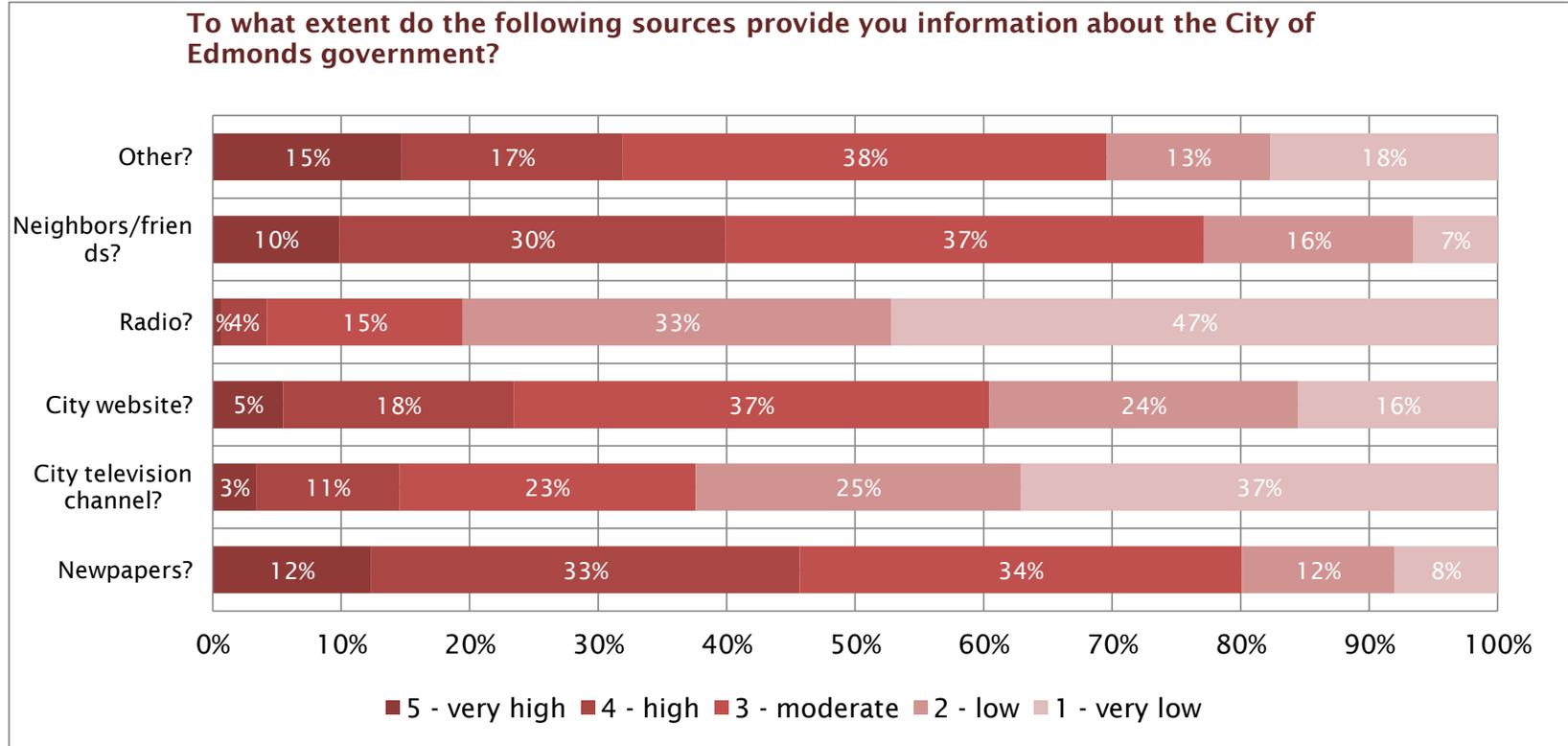
How would you rate the following maintenance conditions overall in Edmonds?



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To what extent do the following sources provide you information about the City of Edmonds government?

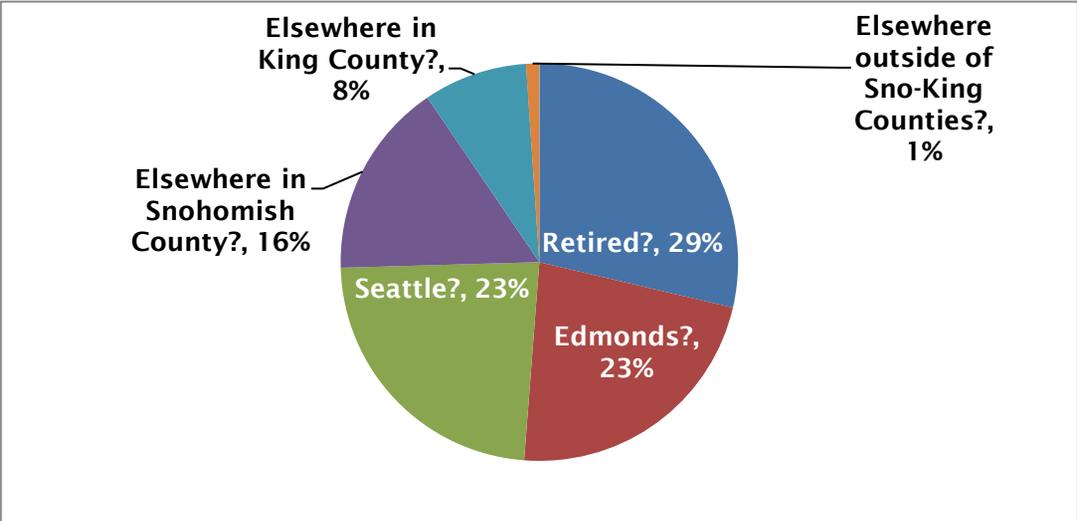
Answer Options	1 - very low	2 - low	3 - moderate	4 - high	5 - very high	Response Count
Newspapers?	8%	12%	34%	33%	12%	100%
City television channel?	37%	25%	23%	11%	3%	100%
City website?	16%	24%	37%	18%	5%	100%
Radio?	47%	33%	15%	4%	1%	100%
Neighbors/friends?	7%	16%	37%	30%	10%	100%
Other?	18%	13%	38%	17%	15%	100%
<i>answered question</i>						656
<i>skipped question</i>						23



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Please provide the following characteristics so that we may compare your opinions with others in the survey sample. Where do you work?

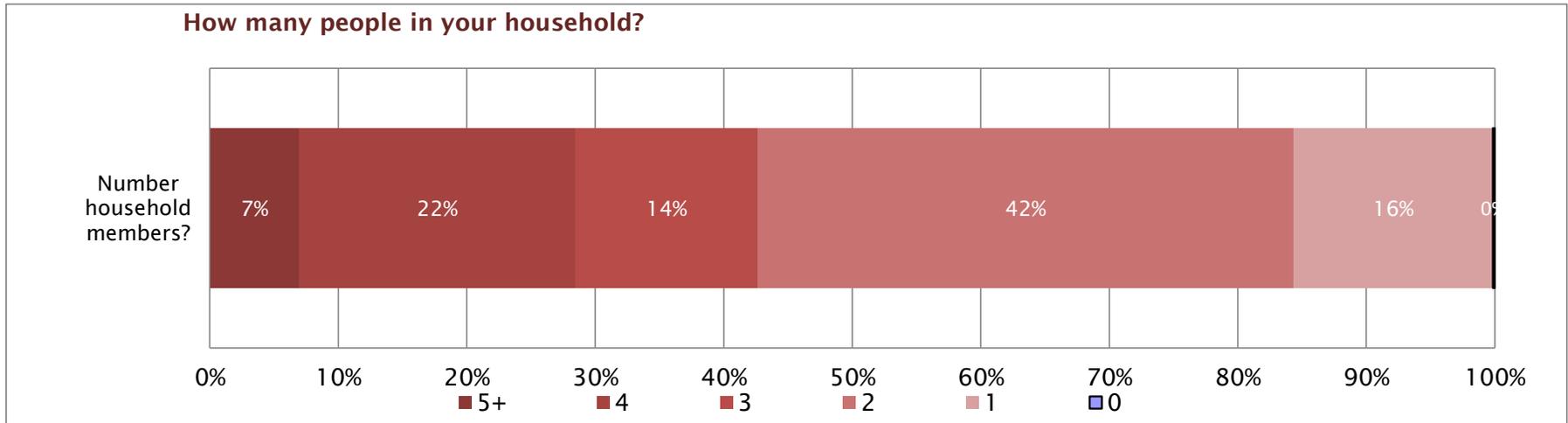
Answer Options	Response Percent
Retired?	29%
Edmonds?	23%
Seattle?	23%
Elsewhere in Snohomish County?	16%
Elsewhere in King County?	8%
Elsewhere outside of Sno-King Counties?	1%
<i>answered question</i>	
652	
<i>skipped question</i>	
27	



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How many people in your household?

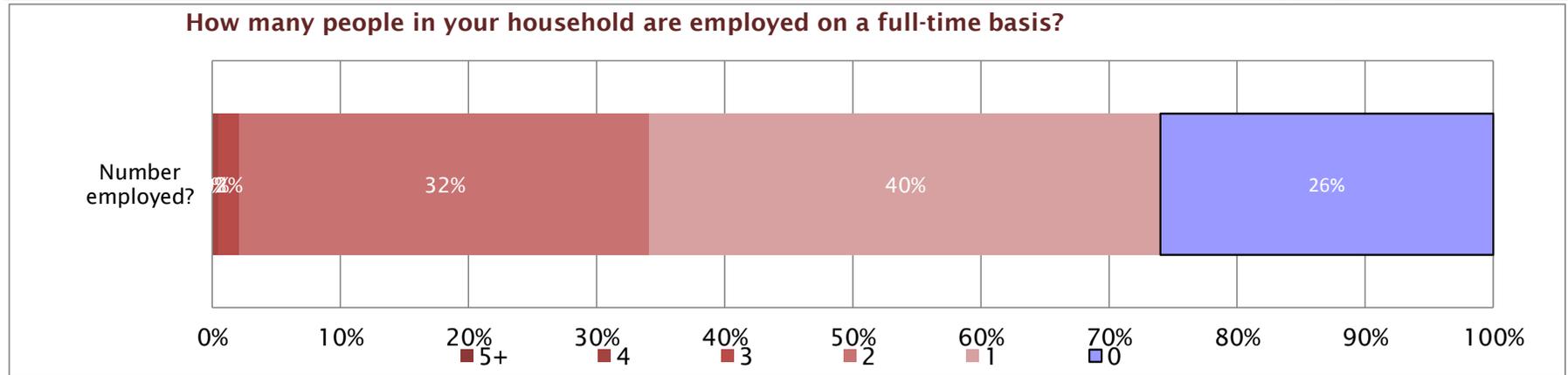
Answer Options	0	1	2	3	4	5+	Response Count
Number household members?	0%	16%	42%	14%	22%	7%	100%
<i>answered question</i>							664
<i>skipped question</i>							15



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How many people in your household are employed on a full-time basis?

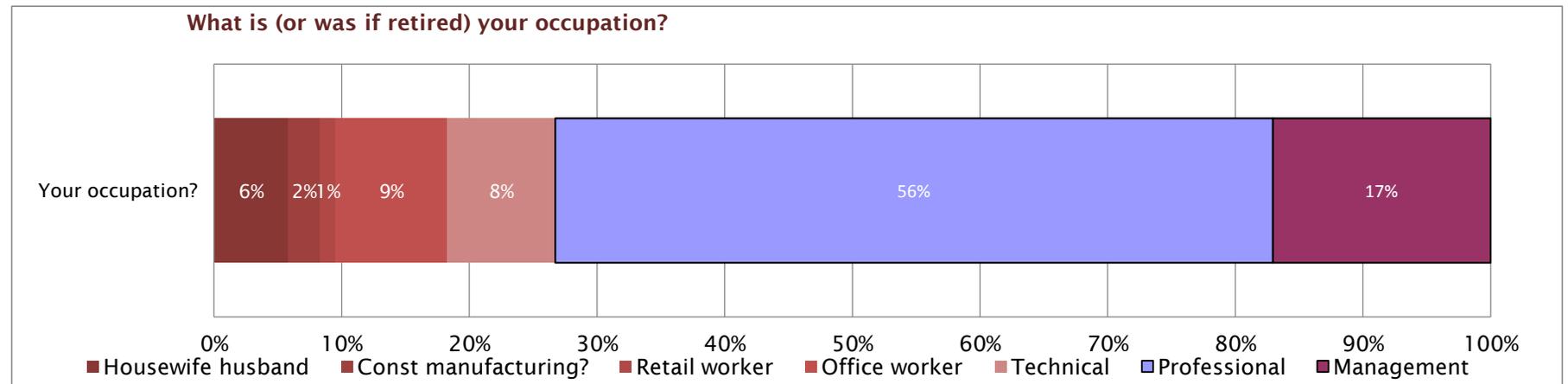
Answer Options	0	1	2	3	4	5+	Response Count
Number employed?	26%	40%	32%	2%	0%	0%	100%
<i>answered question</i>							662
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What is (or was if retired) your occupation?

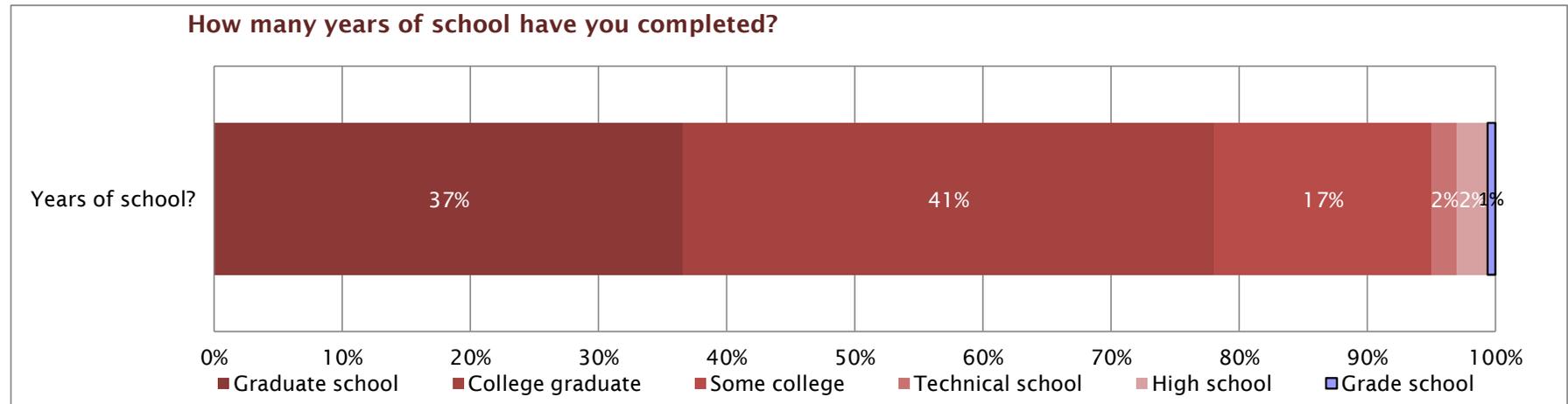
Answer Options	Management	Professional	Technical	Office worker	Retail worker	Const manufacturing?	Housewife husband	Response Count
Your occupation?	17%	56%	8%	9%	1%	2%	6%	100%
							<i>answered question</i>	651
							<i>skipped question</i>	28



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How many years of school have you completed?

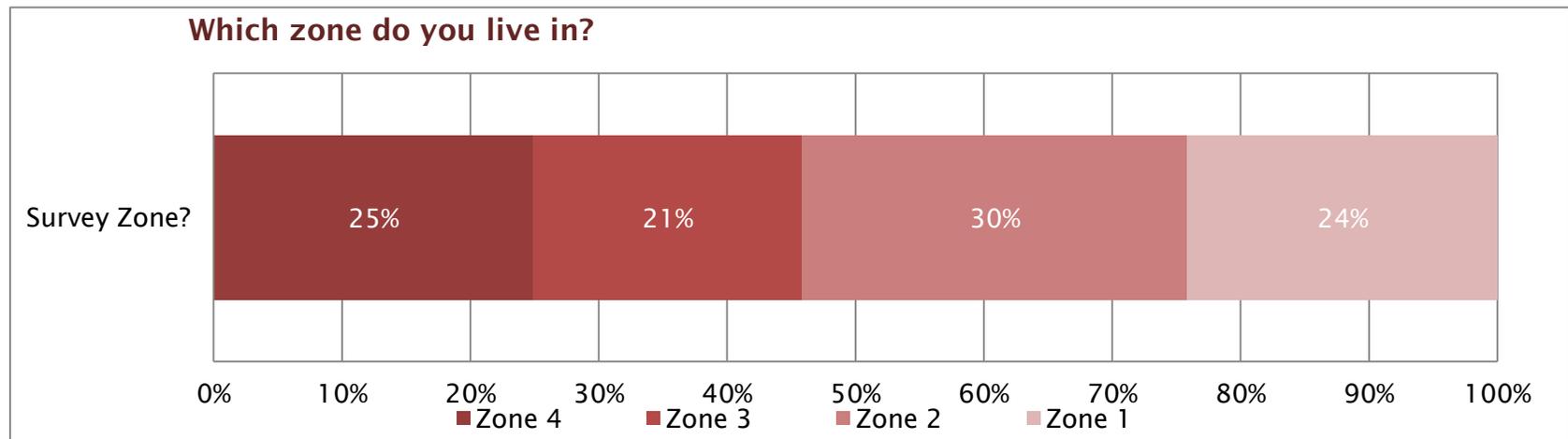
Answer Options	Grade school	High school	Technical school	Some college	College graduate	Graduate school	Response Count
Years of school?	1%	2%	2%	17%	41%	37%	100%
	<i>answered question</i>						664
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Which zone do you live in?

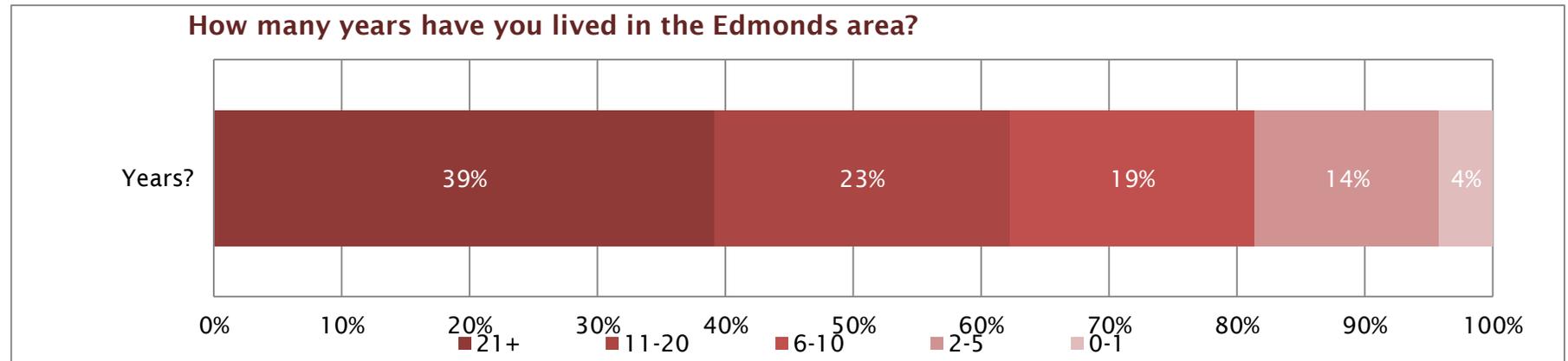
Answer Options	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3	Zone 4	Response Count
Survey Zone?	24%	30%	21%	25%	100%
	<i>answered question</i>				659
	<i>skipped question</i>				20



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How many years have you lived in the Edmonds area?

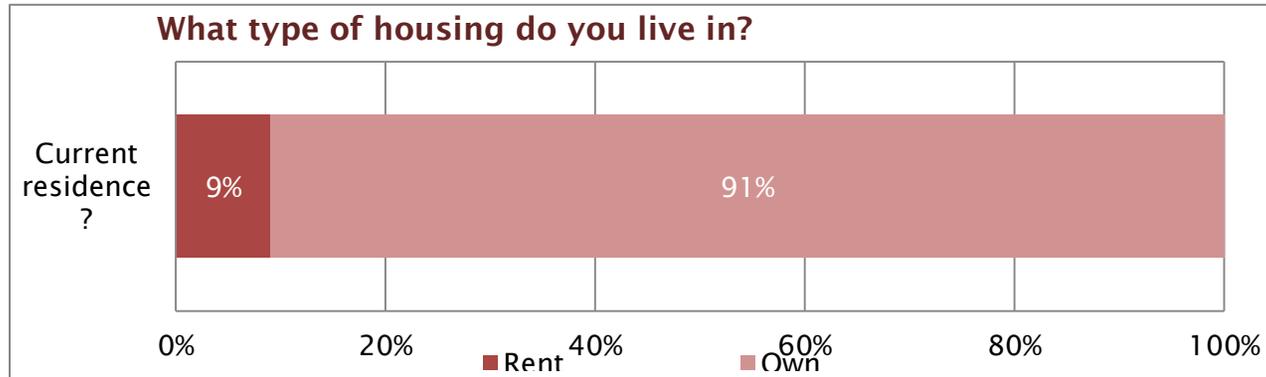
Answer Options	0-1	2-5	6-10	11-20	21+	Response Count
Years?	4%	14%	19%	23%	39%	100%
<i>answered question</i>						667
<i>skipped question</i>						12



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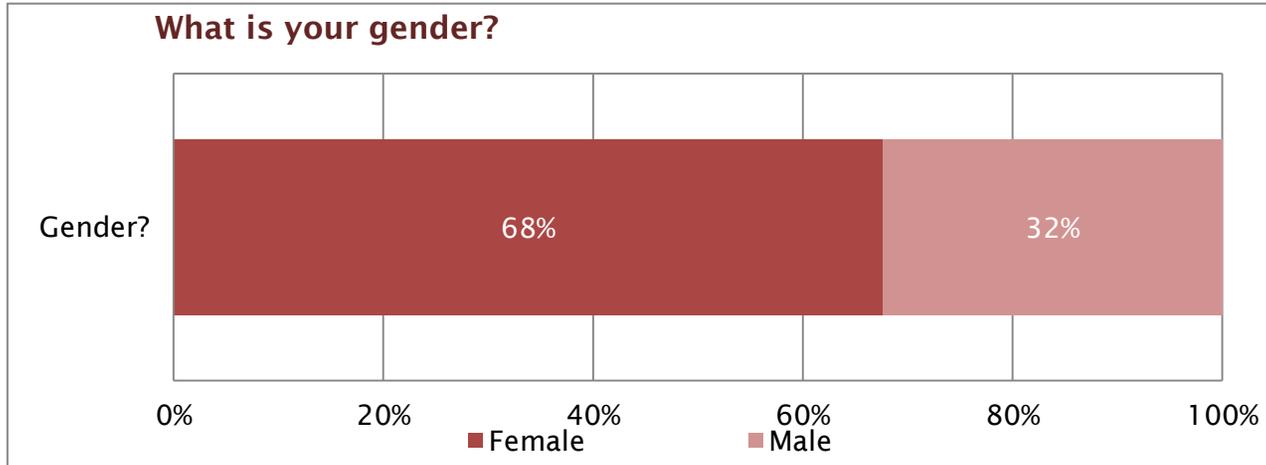
What type of housing do you live in?

Answer Options	Own	Rent	Response Count
Current residence?	91%	9%	100%
	<i>answered question</i>		663
	<i>skipped question</i>		16



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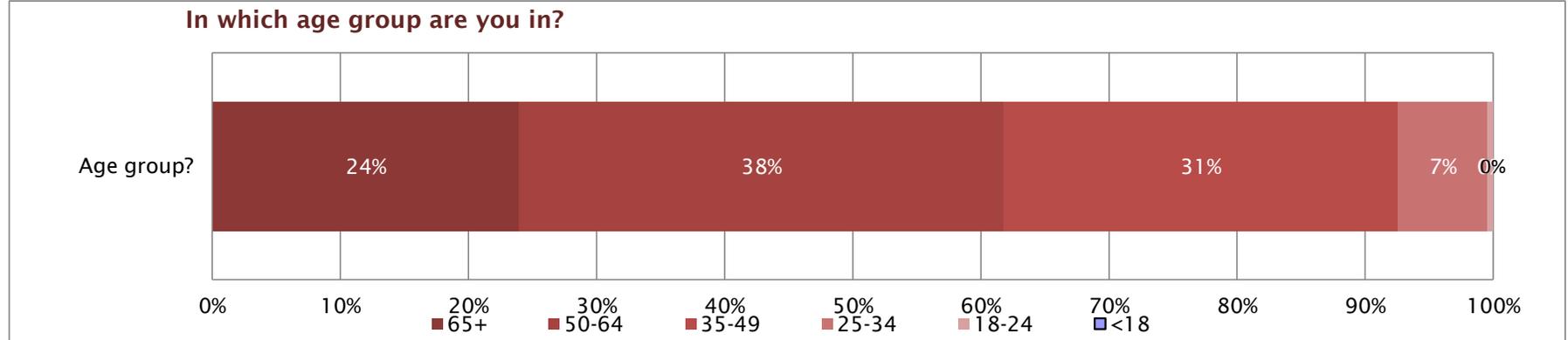
What is your gender?			
Answer Options	Male	Female	Response Count
Gender?	32%	68%	100%
<i>answered question</i>			658
<i>skipped question</i>			21



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In which age group are you in?

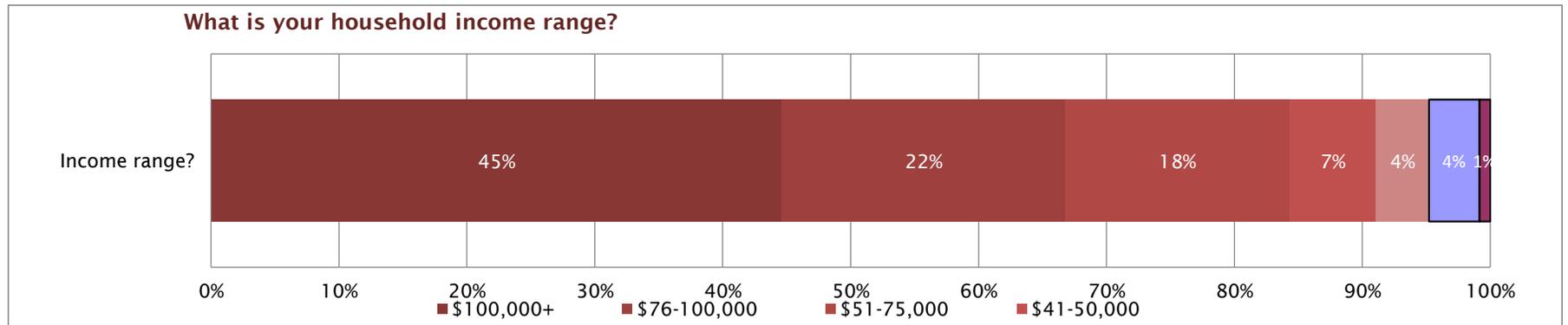
Answer Options	<18	18-24	25-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Response Count
Age group?	0%	0%	7%	31%	38%	24%	100%
<i>answered question</i>							659
<i>skipped question</i>							20



Edmonds Strategic Plan Adult Resident

What is your household income range?

Answer Options	\$0-20,000	\$21-30,000	\$31-40,000	\$41-50,000	\$51-75,000	\$76-100,000	\$100,000+	Response Count
Income range?	1%	4%	4%	7%	18%	22%	45%	100%
	<i>answered question</i>							605
	<i>skipped question</i>							74



Adult resident survey – comments

We plan to move back to Seattle next year. Edmonds politics are surprisingly small town. The interests of the seniors seem to rule. We can't even go in a city park for a walk with our dog on a leash. There is no walk friendly path near the beach; sidewalk is narrow forcing pedestrians to pass in the street. The bike/pedestrian path at Alki is a good example of what a healthy, people friendly area should be. Need to attract some large employer so that the mix of age groups is more balanced within Edmonds. 25 miles an hour on 9th Ave is not needed- it should be 30 all the way to Casper.

Ant infestations at bus shelter above Pine Street and 5th Ave. S during the summer. Sometimes there are numerous dog droppings on sidewalk of 5th Ave. S. Traffic is getting faster and faster, more cops where there is speeding and the 4 way stops in downtown. There should be tickets for unsafe driving--or convert Main Street into a pedestrian mall, route the traffic around Main Street.

There is more to Edmonds than the bowl.

Better sidewalks further removed from streets.

Underground utilities in "the bowl". Small dog park at Elm Street Park.

Replace present Planning Department.

Put this in the Beacon and My Edmonds News for maximum citizen input.

Waterfront/beach access parks would be higher on my list than a "mall" or business park.

These questions were written with a specific purpose in mind. It seems you already know what direction you would like to take. I had a difficult time answering these questions...they are open to interpretation.

I see a lot of projects get started, but take too long to finish. I would say have an end goal in mind when starting the project and work it until it is finished. For example they are trying to improve the store fronts across the street from the downtown Tully's. I hardly ever see anybody working on it and for what they have planned it should have been done long ago.

Edmonds needs to turf some soccer fields. OEWS or Civic Field area (so does Lynnwood).

Shoreline attracts so many families because of how well they've done this (so many!). It would bring a lot of business into Edmonds to eat, spend money at stores, etc. It is a family-friendly, healthy-lifestyle promoting money making decision. Adults love to play soccer--they'd play at night & then have a brew in downtown Edmonds every night of the week! Just do it--PLEASE!!! Then we need to talk Lynnwood into doing the same!

Active in the youth sports community for 35+ years and would like to see youth and adult soccer field development. Specifically the Civic Center site. Create a year round revenue stream from rental of the site year round.

Scale back to stay in budget.

better soccer fields, turf

I would like the city to develop a sustainable athletic field option for soccer and baseball.

Questions about development are too vague. Not even sure what you are asking.

Survey map could be enhanced.

Don't add a bunch of mall like businesses or businesses that would attract so many people that I could never get a parking space again. I.e. Fremont used to be this great place to go and now with big tech businesses, I never go there because there is never anywhere to park and it's irritating to be there, the "quality" of the area is lost.

opt out answers should of been provided as an option or a don't know box

Maintain existing image in the downtown area and build out in surrounding areas. 5 corners, Perrinville and Firdale village should not be expanded without infrastructure expansion paid for by the developers at no cost to the City. Infrastructure issues in this area include water, sewer, storm water and roads but also include pedestrian links to adjoining areas and downtown. Being careful to link key surrounding retail areas with downtown is essential. Downtown needs an overpass to the Port area also.

We need a clear VISION for what we want Edmonds to stand for and mean to the people who live here and then we need to prioritize the strategies and tactics that get us there. We must commit and stick to our goals and share that vision with the community constantly.

Please provide the public with more info on how much money is spent on police protection and

how many burglaries they solve.

You need to include the Swam Creek and Western Railroad Association in the planning process as this could become something of use to the city as an attraction.

Cost of real estate question is ambiguous. Is the price too high, or are the high prices worthy of a "low" response.

Continue to put a high priority on Edmonds as an arts community

Please support our Mayor while he tries to set an agenda for our City and figures out how to prioritize our surveys so as to create a roadmap as to how to get each item accomplished.

Edmonds needs better soccer fields. We need an indoor public pool/rec center!!! Great job attracting better restaurants/wine bars/yogurt shop in the past few years. Downtown Edmonds is much more "hip" and active now. Need a few more "hip" clothing stores.

Keep the downtown as local and small-business friendly as possible.

Please keep the "small town" feeling in Edmonds. We love walking to our bank, shopping, coffee shop, summer market, etc. We LOVE life in Edmonds!

I feel that we need progressive development in order to change with the times. The current set up is stuck in the past.

Soccer field need drastic improvements. Great city but fields make us look bad to outsiders.

I am a teacher in the ESD and a volunteer soccer coach in Edmonds. I believe we need more and better fields, particularly soccer fields. I have seen the soccer facilities in most of the other cities in the Puget Sound region and our soccer facilities are some of the worst in condition and fewest in number. Our city is ripe for hosting soccer tournaments which bring in hundreds of families for days at a time. Not only that, the soccer fields will get use daily all year long...the construction of these fields will be supported by fee payers, tournaments, and economic growth. Also, there are many grants and corporate sponsorships that would help kick start the effort. Let's tear down the 1970s civic field that only serves a purpose 4 days per year-4th of July and the Taste. What a waste of space. Build an athletic complex with 2-4 soccer fields and there will be teams on those fields every day. Talk about a great way to attract young families and create economic growth.

More turf fields for organized sports

The inclusion of the Esperance neighborhood in developmental and community discussions.

I would prefer that we don't look to downtown Edmonds to give us the revenue we may need...it is a lovely and unique environment that should be preserved basically as is. Some things, like downtown and the waterfront, should be simply left alone for their already natural beauty rather than seen & used as the cash cow to keep things operating. It is BECAUSE we haven't overdeveloped it (so far) that people like it so much.

However, our strip of 99 has a lot of potential to attract revenue to the city...and if we emulated the city of Shoreline and cleaned it up like they have, we might find that we could attract desired businesses (you know...something besides pawn shops & tattoo parlors) that would help pay our bills.

Keep Edmonds small town; keep the trees that are left.

- 1) Cut police spending. You don't need a cop on every corner & they really don't need all the "coolest" gear.
- 2) Businesses in downtown need to be open from at least 9-5 and on weekends.
- 3) revoke your ban on "Green Alternative" medical dispensaries- you can use the tax money & this is not the middle ages.
- 4) Put a red light camera at the intersection of 220th & Hwy 99
- 5) with these cost cutting moves and new revenue sources, repair Robin Hood Dr. It is a disgrace to the modern world.

I think the highest priority would be adding sidewalks throughout Zone 4. Edmonds is, surprisingly, not pedestrian/wheelchair friendly. The few sidewalks we have often don't have wheelchair access or end suddenly.

A second priority would be having more bus access through zone 4 for those that choose not to use a car. With the number of steep hills, more bus stops near the Westgate area would be helpful.

The survey was worded strangely in some parts. I wasn't sure what I was rating as High or Low? A 1-5 High-Low rating may not be appropriate for all questions; different wording or clarification may be required.

Be thorough: Don't rush! Be inclusive: Don't stop until the NIMBY's have spoken. Relax: Help people enjoy the process.

Be less vague. More specific feedback needed.

Please install bike paths, using a sidewalk is not safe feasible solution, i.e. Olympic Drive.

I would like to see the city use resources to first maintain and improve existing parks, buildings and businesses. City Park could desperately use some attention and updating. The wading pool has become an eyesore.

Do not put a round-about at 5 corners. Complete waste of money. Use Federal dollars where we need it.

Quit bickering and do your job.

The visioning process sounds good. I participated in one in my previous community in Michigan and it was quite successful at capturing the wants and needs of the community and translating that into specific changes in building code, traffic flow, parking, parks, etc. I'm concerned that many of the questions in the survey are ambiguous and the checked box will not communicate what was behind the answer.

Would like more areas to walk dogs. Improving train service to Seattle during non commuting hours.

Some questions are ambiguous.

Number 11 particularly, is I rating how extensively I think it is developed or am I rating the quality of the development.

Also a "No Opinion" alternative would be good, beyond just leaving the question blank.

Strategic Planning website is valuable. Please assure it is kept current.

Modify codes to allow forward-looking long-term development projects within the city (building heights MUST be allowed to vary!!)

Nice Job!

Preserve the quality of Edmonds as a livable small community with reasonable amenities to attract visitors.

Do not change or relocate the Summer Market.

Work with the organizations to find a space to store and display the two antique fire trucks that the Fire District wants to rid themselves of.

Be very careful about new things that are permitted in Edmonds. I reference Old Milltown in particular which no longer resembles anything other than a new building. Gone is all character. Some stress must be put on the character of Edmonds. That's what everyone associates with our town. It isn't cookie cutter like so many others but if all you do is permit high buildings and change the skyline; you might as well just call us Anywhere, USA.

Keep the small town atmosphere.

Survey should include greater number than 400

Do NOT raise the building height limit!!

Increase retail tax base by attracting businesses. Rely less on property taxes. Increase sidewalks in residential neighborhoods for safe pedestrian travel and reduce open ditches that do not provide adequate drainage.

Functional does not have to be synonymous with ugly.

I love Edmonds - I just do not want a lot of tall buildings built along the waterfront and in the old Safeway lot. I think one should consider how many vacant homes and businesses there are before considering more construction and potentially creating even more vacant properties. I don't think the overall economy supports constructing more properties right now - and possibly for the foreseeable future, except in maybe very conservative ways. I would prefer we develop what we have in the form of improvements. I would like to see focus on helping property owners attract businesses; for example, the vacant property at 5 corners where the hair salon used to be and old Milltown.

Please add a light and crosswalk for pedestrians at the top of the hill by the fire station at 196th and 84th Ave W. Bus riders run across 196th ST day and night, very dangerous.

No more BIG building right ON SR-104

Need more noise and traffic control for pedestrians

It would have been nice for a population of our size to have more than what has showed up on the survey results so far & planning sessions with public... I think maybe the City should have sent out a link or survey/letter to ALL Edmonds residents if possible...

I'm amazed I had to hear of this through a member of the City Council instead of it being mailed

out to the residents of our fine city.

Keep heights at three stories for Harbor Square and the Old Safeway area. If you want a mixed use project there you must have enough parking and with the high water table this is difficult. You can build it but with no parking no one will come to a restaurant. With multi condos you must have parking for them. Where will THAT be?

We do NOT need the roundabout at Five Corners. It is not too late to change that.

When Firdale is rebuilt keep an eye on trees removed. They WILL take out more than allowed as a "mistake".

Make builders only build as high as allowed and if they build it higher make them take it back down. We don't have to pander to them.

There should have been a "don't know" or "don't mess with it" option on the survey. This forced answer survey may result in wrong impressions.

Move slowly on "big" changes without a lot of public input. Westgate and 5 Corners plans disaster! Cost!

Follow through; City Council must take it seriously.

I found this survey challenging because there is much to be loved about Edmonds and I'm not one to vision change well. We don't want to look like another "Bellevue", but we also need to go forward. TWO areas for me are 1) we need a PUBLIC RESTROOM in Milltown as previous -- especially with the new park 2) Milltown needs some vitalization -- not the same place. Starbucks does not "work" as a restroom for the city!! Maybe Santa visiting Milltown & a Snowflake Lane at Xmas time?? I would take the Westgate area slow, as SR104 traffic, but Firdale could be spruced up. Attracting new business along SR99 would be very helpful - wish we could get a Target.... Maybe it's time to think Casino along SR99 -- sure brings \$\$ to other cities. I enjoy the Waterfront (beaches, as is.) As you can see my visioning is limited, but I can get excited and onboard by other peoples' visions. Maybe this isn't the place, BUT NO ROUNDABOUT at 5 corners -- that money can be spent for something useful & needed for Edmonds!!!

Make reasonable accommodation on building heights to attract developers to bring life to development within the city. We need the revenue from growth.

There should be a "No opinion" option

Traffic and parking has become a problem. We don't have infrastructure for more downtown growth.

The city needs to attract basic needs retail downtown; hardware, drugstore, woman's store for everyday items. City is losing lots of business tax when one must go to the mall for basic needs.

I think Edmonds has a good start at reducing GHG emissions and attracting more environmentally conscious citizens, but it could do a lot more to make renewable energy installations more attractive to residents and business owners. Edmonds has some of the highest permit fees in the state and their fire code relating to solar installations is not conducive to more installations. If they want high tech types to move here, they need to support high tech endeavors like solar energy use.

Is your zone map N-S or S-N? You might write it on it?

Correct the underground water drainage problems that continuously cause home damage.

I truly feel there needs to be a bike lane on Olympic View drive! It is not safe for bikers or drivers the way it is now.

Harbor Square was mentioned above but that is a Port planning effort/ it should be coordinated with the City but it is a separate plan. I've been connected with the Parks system for years and it is a great system - It just needs to stay on track.

A "not applicable" selection should have been available for many of the questions. For instance, if I'm not currently renting or looking for rental property... how would I am aware of availability and rates? Also, if "other" was a selection there should have been an opportunity to describe. For instance, if info about the city government is found via on-line blogs... are these "newspapers" or "other".

Partner with My Edmonds News.com for information dissemination

Encourage more business development and extend height limits. We have too many empty business spaces at basement level because of building heights.

We need more businesses in Edmonds to bring in more sales tax. City needs to work on the wages of its employees. They are far higher than businesses.

Prefer no high-rise buildings. No round-a-bout at 5 corners or elsewhere.

Standards for the upkeep of abandoned properties would help the city look nicer. Adding

sidewalks along more side streets would make things safer. Also, and more short term, please add several new gates in the fencing around the field where the fireworks are held. It is such an incredible safety hazard to have so many people pinned in the way it is set up now.

It would be nice to know more about the plans/visions that are currently being discussed, and in what areas. Ethical research.

Including "I don't know" in some categories would be helpful.

Don't ask if we agree on a project when it is already in the "started" category. What's the point? Our opinions are of no consequence!

It would be great to see more crosswalks around the city and not just main streets. This provides safe walking areas for pedestrians, especially children, in lieu of walking on the side of the street.

Edmonds will never grow with a 30 foot height limit. Will the city have to be sued to raise the limits?

I am AGAINST the roundabout at 5 Corners. That is a ridiculous idea. I am against buildings up to the road with parking behind - the new apt/building on S104 -right on the road is also ridiculous-who wants an apt overlooking a highway! Should be built back off the roads. I am against the buildup of 5 corners also-that is a neighborhood -not a business intersection. Keep the tall buildings down in the bowl (OH! Someone's view might be blocked!) Or develop Hwy 99 more-not family home areas

Finish & repave roads downtown

Get dogs on leashes. Create public parking at very low rate so that business can have more buyers

Moved here for excellent public facilities (parks, Yost pool, and waterfront) & schools. Those need to be maintained at high level to protect my investment in city. High property tax O.K. or better commercial development (standard height limit), but get the money to maintain the city's quality of amenities & services!

Hard to rate Yost Pool. When it's open, it's the best anywhere, I love it, but it's only open a few months a year. I would love access to a year round public pool in Edmonds. Also, don't know if this is the place to say it, but a roundabout at Five Corners is just silly. I've lived immediately north of Five Corners since 1989, sometimes go through it ten times a day, and there's never been a wait like you're quoting. Maybe 30 seconds on a really bad day. Much worse problem is the people who zoom through without stopping.

City trees should be carefully maintained or replaced to avoid ruining expensive views people have purchased when they bought a home.

Edmonds is great because it's a livable, safe community. Focus on keeping it that way -- roads well paved, police & fire well funded, parks maintained.

Do not put six five story buildings at Harbor Square. Then you will be obligated to put more and more. Also, what happens to HS Athletic Club? It did not appear on the mailer. Do not block views and drag down property values, we implore you!!

We do not need a traffic circle at 5 Corners, or any more multi-family dwellings, as added population only means more congestion. Large businesses such as Walmart are horrible; "ma and pa" operations are attractive.

More parks and open spaces with trails. More bus service. New aquatic facility.

Edmonds needs to get away from the term "DEADMOUNDS" we need to generate more good quality restaurants and places to go to in the evenings rather than heading Downtown Seattle. We have enough nail and beauty salons within blocks of each other. Parking is another problem, how about having the City Employees not park on the streets so that our visitors can park.

Am dead set AGAINST roundabout at 5 Corners.

You are doing a very poor job of building a decent plan reasonably quickly and then MAKING IT HAPPEN reasonably quickly. The government staff is typical government drones who take pleasure in slowing down people with real jobs. Try getting permission to take down a sick tree; try getting approval for signage for a small business. Edmonds city employees (not police and fire dept, who are great) are badly managed and show it.

Existing sidewalks need to be protected from encroachment of vegetation and displays.

Please keep the existing height limit to 35 feet for business development in the downtown area, including Harbor Square. We moved here because of the beautiful views and would hate to see them ruined. We encourage new business development downtown and would like to see the downtown area revitalized, but not at the cost of eliminating the beautiful Puget Sound viewscape. As a college administrator, I have been involved in several public surveys in the past. You should know that you need to have a 6th column ("I don't know") for those of us who have no knowledge of

this area. Otherwise, we'd be guessing.
 I only found out about this survey because I am on the board of the Floretum Garden Club and Diane Buckshnis forwarded it to us. I am also on the board of Edmonds in Bloom and you evidently sent us information about the upcoming meetings. I found out about this AFTER asking at City Hall about future meetings or information about the Harbor Square Development and the front desk person didn't have any information. Please make sure your staff is informed so they can give out appropriate information to the public. Finally, and the most important point, is that after looking at your website (www.portofedmonds.org/harborsquare_meetings.html), I also didn't see any information about scheduled meetings in February. If you advertise a website, that should be of primary importance.
 If you are looking for additional focus group members, I would like to be included. Thank you.

Yes, disband it

The continued lack of public bicycle facilities is a travesty, especially as bikes are an affordable, environment friendly option that works very well with the train & bus transit systems. Every neighboring city has extensive bike lanes and sharrows; the comparison when entering Edmonds from Lynnwood is especially dramatic and pathetic. Shoreline and Mountlake Terrace also have heavily developed trails. Public bike racks are virtually nonexistent along commercial areas. Olympic View Drive is a deathtrap.

The city should make it more transparent and easy to access. I seldom remember to go to the website. However, I used to receive a newsletter in the mail, which stopped. If problem is budget, I recommend an e-mail newsletter.

would it be possible to send flyers via email or mail similar to the oil company land near waterfront some time back....that was helpful

Develop creative initiatives for walkability along waterfront and other parts of Edmonds. Develop Harbor Square with major public amenities.

Keep up the good work maintaining parks. My family is very pleased with Edmonds parks and uses them regularly year round. We appreciate the clean facilities, and the high availability of restrooms. Please improve pedestrian services such as adding crosswalks and sidewalks, particularly near Sherwood elementary school.

pay attention to downtown retail sustainability; put more emphasis on waterfront walking paths; support beautification efforts to make all of Edmonds an attractive destination for visitors and new residents; overbuilding the downtown and losing its character is a big mistake

No, so far it seems good.

improvements on maintenance roads 76th Olympic View Dr holes in roads

The strategic plan should include the entire city, not just downtown as tends to be the case 99.9% of the time

In the past talking about the Safeway property, I remember having the feeling that some people were of the mindset that the City could do just about anything it wanted to. The property owners need to get a bang for their buck; No one can dictate what kind of business will go in. The character of the downtown core is vital but we must move into the eye of the future. Building heights and design must be fodder for talk

I felt some the survey questions are confusing - when you say "how do you rate the level of existing..." I'm assuming you mean what I feel is happening with it NOW, not the level of what I want to happen with it in the future. Hopefully this is correct or my answers would have been different.

I think you are moving it the right direction. Get as much input as you can and keep the citizens informed as you progress.

include the schedule for the whole process at the beginning of this survey

There are roads which need some maintenance such as the pitfalls on 184th W.
 Keep building height as it is.
 Increase sculptures in downtown Edmonds.
 There are too many food/advertising vendors at Taste of Edmonds. I expected it to be an opportunity to eat food from local eateries.

Better integration of the waterfront with the downtown. stricter controls on number and appearance of signs

Edmonds has so much going on right now that I think the planning and vision process can build on the solid foundation that exists. Keep the character of Edmonds; don't try to change what is good about Edmonds.

Cut planning & design costs and maintain what we have. We do not need new roundabouts; we need our infrastructure maintained. Keep the downtown as it is and declare the entire area a historical district. Entice the tourists to come and spend money at retail shops. Reduce the amount of professional services at the store front elevations. Link Perrinville, 5 corners, Firdale and Westgate with a series of standalone walking and riding trails. Harbor Square, Antique Mall and Water Front need to directly link to the City core with rail over crossing for peds and aid vehicles. I can go on.....

I would like to see a continued effort to fill these vacant buildings in downtown Edmonds with office & retail businesses. Edmonds seems to have a "run down" feel when every other retail & office building is vacant. It seems there are too many road blocks in the way for new businesses to open up in downtown Edmonds, for example, Bill the Butcher... whatever happened to that opening up? Now that Old Mill Town has been "restored" where are all the businesses? There's only a dental, barber shop, flying pig & a nail place... I would like to see an extra effort towards growth (not necessarily people but businesses) rather than resistance to change... Edmonds has so much to offer and I just want to see Edmonds flourish with excitement and activity, kind of like Ballard is now...

I worry that the Harbor Square vision won't come to fruition. I worry that 5 corners won't get a round-about & remain a nightmare to navigate. I worry that our kids will get hit by cars while walking without sidewalks around our neighborhood.

Edmonds natural beauty and charm is visible throughout the city and you can enjoy a breathtaking view from almost anywhere. Love downtown, the arts, the waterfront, ferry, beach, bird sanctuary; it is the best place to live.

We love Edmonds. My only complaint as it relates to this survey is the lack of sidewalks in local neighborhoods.

Delay Harbor Square Redevelopment

Provide an uninterrupted pathway from the ferry terminal to Marina Park. It is now interrupted by one condo development near the senior center.

Need to recruit local living wage businesses to Edmonds, Currently main focus has been service industry, minimum wage, which isn't sustainable as a tax base.

Should ask citizens more about their priorities, instead of rating current services, and have an option of "not familiar" many services I have no personal experience. The questions having to do w/age income, etc is intrusive - what does it matter- I live here. I would like more proactive recycling/compost/waste disposal at festivals.

This survey should be used cautiously as I have a very limited frame of reference, although I have lived and been active in the community over 40 years. I live in Edmonds because it is a great community. Why I think it is great. Because of the setting, great friends, ease of walking to everything, and community events. I use the parks, swim with grandchildren in Lynnwood and Mountlake Terrace, go to arts events, use medical facilities, enough shopping, The main thing I would like the mayor and council to do is to use money "wisely" have a vision for the undeveloped property (Safeway and Port) considering the impacts: environmental, visual, and infrastructural. You have a big job; I appreciate your time and effort.

Keep the quoin, small town feeling downtown and build taller building for greater density in the other areas mentioned. Better public transportation connection to these main areas is important. Have the Safeway area be a wonderful public drawing card.

Please don't completely change the city with out of place architecture which will ruin the town original feel - i.e. the Gregory and others.

No roundabout at 5 Corners

Lighting at Marina Beach Park so we can walk there at night.

The City needs to get beyond a focus on the bowl. Despite protests to the contrary the City Council spends its time primarily focused on the bowl and protecting the residents there from any change. Height limits have become the single driver for the community and result from a culture of "view protection." As a result, studies like this one have become a means of "kicking the can," or in other words giving the illusion of moving forward while doing nothing substantive. Frankly I think this study is headed the same way.

No development

My strongest wish for Edmonds is to have a continuous walkway along the beach. Can we ever have one past the current stumbling block-the condo? That situation should never have been allowed. I hope to live long enough to see the old Safeway site developed.

Because of the wording of some of the questions, it was difficult to determine how to score them. In terms of planning, I would like to see Edmonds become more "walk able." There are many areas of Edmonds without sidewalks or where homeowners have allowed plantings to take up a large part of the sidewalk. I would also like to keep the small town feeling downtown Edmonds has and make it a visitor destination. It would be great to attract a smallish boutique hotel and more restaurants. One hopes that Old Milltown will someday have shops again. I don't know if the city can do anything to keep retail rents reasonable in order to fill storefronts, but that would seem a priority.

More flexibility on mixed used buildings in the bowl.

Please direct a substantial portion of planning and resources to sustainability and maintaining the clean, healthy city we have now. No coal trains!!!

city council should not stick their heads in the sand when it comes to allowing development of buildings a little taller so as to allow reasonable economic return

I do not think you should have lumped music, concerts, theatre, dance into one category of "performing arts." There is a huge variety of concerts in Edmonds at the ECA (and all appealing to completely different people) but very few serious theatre plays offered. The data you get won't tell you much.

This survey is far too long and I believe that people who fill this out will be fatigued and give superficial answers and/or leave sections entirely blank. I really believe that it would be better to start with asking a few people representative of different segments of the community what their ideas are for improving Edmonds in the future and then doing a survey of how people feel about those ideas. One specific idea would be to make better use of the gym at the ECA - it largely underused! The ECA is also largely underused. Another idea is to do better advertising of community forums. And yet another consideration is that housing costs in Edmonds are so high that better outreach of renters in the area could help the city government in planning events, etc.

I know extremely few professionals who work in Edmonds and everybody commutes. Would be nice to have more opportunities locally. It is also extremely difficult to get my children into swim lessons; I would love to have a year-round pool in Edmonds.

LOVE the Frances Andersen center - awesome. Staff is wonderful - great place for kids. Wish that more of the parks for kids had swings. Would like if you got paddling pool at city park fixed and working.

Let's not get caught up in political correctness but focus on ways to maintain financial vaib8ility with quality of life.

More sidewalk construction.

I stopped part way through because the questions are ambiguous. For instance when being asked about traffic congestion, does "1 - low" mean "I think we have few problems with congestion in Edmonds" or "I give Edmonds a low rating on their handling of traffic conditions."?

NO big chains in Edmonds. PLEASE!

I am very glad to see this kind of information gathering technique. Edmonds people do care and want to be involved in decision making about changes in our community. I feel strongly that there must be a balance between maintaining the current small town closeness that is unique to Edmonds and the need to bring more money into the economy. I do not want to see us grow just for the sake of growing because we are close to downtown Seattle. There must be ways to attract the financing we need yet maintain the "friendliest town" atmosphere we are known for.

Drop the plan to put a round-about at 5 corners. The needs but forth are stupid and don't make sense. His best argument against it is the pedestrian needs. THEY MUST HAVE STOPLIGHTS TO CROSS!

We need sidewalks on 228th!!!

Keeping Edmonds quaint gives its appeal, keeping the reminders of what was while allowing for change. It is an interesting mix I grew up and came back because of the community, the resources and people. Appealing to all ages is critical! The idea of addressing Harbor Square as well as the old Safeway are the perfect places to start...these areas look dreary and dated even in the summer. The plans for Harbor Square seem spot on!

Survey questions were too vague.

whatever development is done, should be similar to buildings already in Edmonds to keep the same small town feel - too much development of the wrong type will ruin this

There should be a circle to click on, if you don't have an answer for the question. If I didn't know, I usually checked average.

Some questions such as 11 are a bit ambiguous. Not sure if it is asking what I guess the level of development to be, or if it is asking what my opinion is on how important develop should be in each area.

Edmonds has high potential to becoming the Art Center of the Northwest. I would try to attract industries that promote Tourism, Arts, and Entertainment. It is exemplified during the Street Market that if you build it they will come. The retail stores in Edmonds are empty and drive a "Dead-man" mentality where people do not support high prices due to high-rent/lease values. We need to review the reasons people come to Edmonds. It is the Restaurants, Bars, and Arts. We need to convert these empty buildings into smaller "mall" type retails where the rents are less, the occupancy is greater. Like bringing in the Street Market indoors. Some of the older larger buildings could easily be subdivided into smaller "studios" for artist to rent and craft their wares and or galleries, or classrooms for discovery. We need to light up these empty buildings with high energy social driving venues.

keep Robin Hood bowling alley

This survey needs N/A or "don't know" response options.

I am concerned at the large number of high (5 stories) buildings going up downtown and potentially along the waterfront. I think 5 stories at the waterfront will be too high and close off the open outdoor feeling of the area making it yet another corridor city. I think the two large buildings currently under construction downtown take away from the "classic" small-town kitschy trademark look that many homeowners and tourists love. I don't want the view or even the sky blocked out from the street due to high buildings. Lord knows we have enough condos in the city and they are where they should be - - update the older ones E of 5th rather than build new high ones. We moved out of Seattle to a smaller city on purpose. I would hate to see our investment compromised.

Sounds good in print but need to wait and see if it is really utilized or if this is just a feel good thing to make us think our thoughts really count.

I think the traffic circle at Five Corners is a HUGE waste of money

Keep up the good work in keeping us informed. I would have liked to have attended public meetings with regard to the new Harbor Square development planning but wasn't aware that they have already taken place.....Any more in the near term so I could attend??

Please consider minimal development of multi-story adult apartment/condominiums, as it creates congestion, and, very importantly, obstructs the view of the Sound and Olympics which gives Edmonds its special charm. This multi-story packing in of more building and people is a very disturbing trend.

You need to improve facilities at parks and improve upkeep. Public access is often blocked by residents when it is supposed to be open to the public. Park attention and care is pathetic

My biggest suggestion is to put some work into the city of Edmonds website, it's terrible.

Look into why we have so many empty store fronts. The business landowners of this area may be charging too much for space and dictating unreasonable terms to business owners. I suggest you survey business owners or create a business environment friendly to business owners. Promote useful businesses. Why did ACE hardware store close and learn from that lesson. Why did West Marine close? Why did Main Street Optical close?

I would exit survey the businesses as they close. Survey successful businesses. There is a need to balance.

1. I love and appreciate the flowers, flags and lights that decorate downtown.

2. I am so grateful for our emergency services!

2. My HUGEST concern about our town is that it could become a strip mall just like everywhere else. Panera, Subway, Starbucks, big banks, and most especially, losing Robin Hood Lanes for a Walgreens?! I moved to Edmonds to get away from areas where there were 6 Walgreens and Subways and Starbucks within 5 miles, but that is where our city seems to be heading. It breaks my heart to imagine our Bedford Falls turning into Pottersville.

I miss Old Milltown and can't believe that it's practically empty. The Edmonds City park (play equipment) needs repair. Perrinville is practically a ghost town, with numerous empty buildings.

We value the coffee shops, restaurants, parks, and our club at Harbor square most of all because this is where we socialize with our neighbors every day, so we suggest that priority be given to these community resources.

Edmonds residents should be considered residents at the Lynnwood rec. center instead of nonresident

At some point you HAVE to address the trees that are allowed to grow over 70 feet in height. Storms

fell power lines and are a danger to pedestrians and drivers.

Work on having year round market.

You have a great opportunity to turn/keep Edmonds a leading community in the area. It already is a tourist destination for all the great events that occur here. Please do everything you can to keep Edmonds accessible and improve opportunities for Live/Work in Edmonds. Thanks

Keep Walgreens out of Edmonds. Save Robin Hood Lanes!

Underground power lines from 9th Ave down. No more Condo developments. Preserve lot lines and keep residential areas in town. Zoning laws to preserve the traditional buildings and historical cites/homes in Edmonds. No more condos that are squeezed onto former residential lots and reach the sidewalks.

Parking is an issue for gathering folks together at any one place.

A public, visible recycling center and more recycling options or containers from waste management

Please look at retro-fitting neighborhoods with sidewalks. I'm a Realtor and this issue is the leading reason my clients don't want to live in Edmonds. They love everything else about the city, but the fact that many of the communities aren't "walkable" stops them from investing in our city.

Eliminate the office of permits and restructure it. It costs a fortune in time and money just to build or remodel any structure in this town. No one wants to build here b/c of it. 2) There needs to be blinking lights and a hospital speed limit on 76th in front of Swede/Eds. 3) There needs to be pedestrian lights blinking in general. At night, they are not seen and easily in accidents 4) Enclose Yost or plan for an aquatic center

Do something with the old Safeway area to make it more appealing. The buildings in Harbor square seem fine as is.

Your planning should cater to the MAJORITY of Edmonds citizens...not a few vocal special interest groups who seem to get the most press. We need less regulation, less taxes, less time spent on social issues....more time on creating an environment conducive to attracting business and JOBS and a city with a "visioning process" to live within the revenues it has....and the knowledge that increased revenues will come with increased GROWTH!

Get a vision for Edmonds that is acceptable to the masses of people instead of developers who want to push the limit and leave us with a hodgepodge of buildings and ugly (some flat) roof lines.

We relocated to Edmonds from CA. We love it here, I do think that the new building put up in Perrinville is ugly and I wonder how anyone from the town council could have allowed that ugly design of a building go up in such a charming area, it really destroyed the quaintness of the area with a big modular cinder block building in front, if the building had kept the theme of the area it would have been more successful, better not to cut corners. Hold builders accountable.

Two things: incorporate Esperance and PLEASE do not allow Walgreens into Edmonds. It's akin to letting Walmart into Edmonds and cheapens the whole small/local community feel of our wonderful city.

Have more areas to write in, as certain questions could not be answered with the allotted ratings.

An emphasis on educational services from k-12 is highly recommended as I believe our current structure lacks in providing children with the adequate class size recommended for successful learning.

need to attract high quality shops to the downtown and the antique mall

Andersen center needs a new building

snow removal is terrible -- just compare Edmonds with Shoreline on this issue.

No high-rises, keep the feel of the Edmonds as a nice day vacation town... "Edmonds-by-the-sound" to improve local tourism

Encourage younger families to move in, revamp the waterfront area by getting rid of the antique market structure and creating a waterfront area with enjoyable restaurants to visit, ice cream shops, housing, and seating areas.

I would like to see the downtown corridor sidewalks fixed so that people don't trip! And do away with 3 hour parking in the neighborhoods surrounding downtown,

More inexpensive restaurants and casual bars

Get a real city council

More people would go downtown and spend more money if the access to downtown was more pedestrian friendly. Many of the streets are already wide enough to allow for this. We also need a comprehensive street maintenance plan that is funded and carried out in a timely manner.

Don't make it another Kirkland. Keep the small town feel.

Build on strengths. Live within your budget and keep the budget limited.

Balance the budget, number one!!!

Would encourage more restaurants - more emphasis on green and sustainability.

Nicer lower priced housing for families. It seems all the nice housing in Edmonds is for older retired people.

I would have liked to have an option like "not qualified to say" on many of the questions as I didn't feel comfortable rating some things.

Forget a round-about at 5 corners and forget a signal light at Casper's St and Ninth Avenue

Keep Yost Pool open and put a roundabout at Five Corners.

Think outside of the box.

Keep downtown Edmonds the quaint city it has always been increasing the small businesses downtown and bringing in larger businesses to the Hwy 99 corridor.

Stop bickering over building heights and start working on a growth plan for this city! We need more business in general.

We need to revitalize Edmonds -- bring in business and professionals, additional entertainment to ensure people will live, work and come to Edmonds.

Please let them build taller buildings in Edmonds! We need more people to have more businesses.

Sand our street during snow. Very frustrating.

More sidewalks are needed on 7th Ave N. People have to walk in the street along with police and fire and emergency vehicles responding to emergency calls. (Also, it is a school zone)

Get some development into the old Goldie's/Safeway and Harbor Square Development. Something like University Village or Redmond Town Center. It is such a waste in its current condition. Mixed use condo/retail with public space would be great for access to the sounder.

Should have boxes for comments next to questions. Also n/a as some topics, the survey respondent may not know about.

1. There absolutely needs to be a crosswalk and light or pedestrian overpass at SR104/Pine Street. Someone is going to be killed at that intersection while crossing 104. It is not reasonable for someone to have to walk 1/2 mile to a cross walk at Dayton.
2. Whoever approved the hideous monstrosity being built approximately SR 104/232 St SW should feel very ashamed. It is the ugliest most imposing thing that I have seen in Edmonds in all 50 years I have lived here. It totally detracts from the appearance of the area. Shame on you!

Improving existing parks to make them better for families. More restaurants, the area where the Antique Mall is could be improved. Who shops there anyway...loll...?

I think there should have been a button for "unable to comment" or "do not know."

I would like us to have a goal. For example to be Washington's most walkable city or most green city or Most Alternative Energy city... Then go after it. The city feels unfocused. In addition, 8th Ave from 220th to 15th is a MAJOR pedestrian walkway without sidewalks. We need to consider putting sidewalks in on that stretch. It is a busy road for cars and people.

Forget the rotary at 5 corners. I like it as is. We use it almost daily at different times. Never saw a problem. Some rotaries work well; others do not, based on my East coast experience, and travels overseas...P.S...I voted FOR all the local levies, which did not pass (car fees, Street maintenance etc.)

- 1] year round farmers market with accessible parking
- 2] tourism development
 - a] weekend
 - b] destination footprint to visit Pacific NW
 - c] more special event draws e.g.,
 - writers on the sound
 - art show

I suggest intensive art classes - pottery, mixed media, jewelry, small art quilts, textiles, batik etc. Plus check out Hollyhock events in Canada.

I also suggest a lecture series akin to Seattle's Town Hall series. Start with John Medina - local famous brain researcher/author. We already have the facilities in place.
- 3] PLEASE bring in high quality retail to fill up empty spaces e.g., Glassybaby, Fireworks, JMatheson, a toy store for all ages selling kites etc, a Salami type deli etc. Read: incentives.

4] And, really, finish what you start like the mess in front of the Flying Pig and Mill Town Nails!!
5] Install a city Permit Process that works! Whoever approved the Mill Town renovation and the Bennett building on corner of 3 and Dayton needs to move on. God help us if this same process and people are a part of the Harbour Square development.

6] More walking [complete with benches] friendly areas and more parking lots for all those week end tourists. Potential parking = buy the American Legion property and convert it to open parking and Former Ace Hardware parking.

7] And, when the above is in place, institute a national broader marketing e.g., in Sunset magazine, National Geographic Traveler. With the Sounder, Edmonds can support convention visitors in Seattle. The goal is to have folks come in to visit and spend money and leave appreciating and supporting a high and delightful quality way of living for our residents and businesses.

Continue efforts in making the city sustainable with a strong environmental concern.

I would like to see Edmonds create an effective tree preservation policy so that lots are not cleared of every tree before construction begins. I would also like to see new buildings in Edmonds have landscaping around them - too many of those being built downtown have little/no green space around the edges.

1. Ferry parking: Suggest working with state to establish ferry lanes where people can leave their vehicles and have easy pedestrian access to go eat, shop etc while they wait. The current set up is not friendly to business or visitors. Please set up so majority of vehicles exit Edmonds via SR 104 to help business development along that corridor and reduce congestion going through neighborhoods up to Lynnwood. 2. Consider Safeway redevelopment with ferry traffic in mind. Consider thinking out of the box and losing a street or two and having one story high buildings for businesses that can serve visitors and locals alike. Look at train stops in Sydney Australia for an example.

3. Consider La Jolla CA type height restrictions in bowl. The views will maintain property values and tax revenue, and the thing that Edmonds is known for... a beautiful city located on Puget Sound.

4. Business Development. Evaluate each sector with appropriate market analysis and then recruit businesses that can thrive. Small businesses don't have the cash to do that type of analysis. The City can muster resources that will be paid back in increased taxes.

5. Please protect and continue public access to the city beaches.

6. Consider rethinking city services by considering outcomes. This will help evaluate services and identify services that are no longer needed, and it gets to the "why" are we doing this. 7. Consider using more internet marketing/communications rather than sending printed materials. It seems like a waste of postage & glossy full color brochures. Example: arts brochures and postcards. It is a small example that comes to mind and probably doesn't cost that much. Another example... why not use the internet for sending the form to update a business license rather than sending a letter? The state does this. I think you get the point. These are small changes that require investment in IT services and might not save much in the short term, but will be much more customer friendly.

8. Create a base line budget that maintains infrastructure and basic business operational needs of each department. Then, budgeting is much easier. This requires the city to decide what businesses it will be in, do the work to figure out what they cost to build/implement and the cost to maintain over time. This keeps policy makers and staff accountable to know their business, what the costs is that is associated with the business and make decisions that are well educated

8. On future surveys, consider questions that include a "do not know" option. Also, limit each response to one question. Consider contacting Ron Vine at rvine@etcinstitute.com. For future surveys. They produce very well written surveys are good to work with etc. (I'm not affiliated with Vine; I just know their work is excellent and competitively priced.)

5th avenue really needs to be smoothed out after all the road work that was just done in 2011 its soooooo bumpy!!!!

Fix roads, sidewalks. Make sure kids are getting home safe.

I am a member of the Edmonds Community Solar Cooperative. I would like to see the City of Edmonds more involved in not only solar power but other green activities for the future. I am delighted that plastic bags were outlawed.

More communications to the residents

Harbor Square development needs to link with the Antique Mall area and it needs to reflect the quaintness of the Edmonds Community. Harbor Square development looks to out of place, too large while the sight next door is shabby. No buildings over 4 stories. Their needs to be more facilities for boaters to walk to, a grocery store and better facilities.

Good process, please keep us informed. Also, in the last survey that I completed, great gains were actualized. Please note, that the 76 street parks has safety concerns: slide is dangerous- too steep, the fallen down wharf is a disgrace to the city, please remove the debris. When sanding roads, please consider the hills on 164th Street and 165th as families with children, elderly have trouble accessing services in bad weather. Also, sidewalks are of concerns on 72nd. Please check the street/lane width on 164th street, cars going uphill often cross into the downhill traffic and I have witnessed near misses on multiple occasions. Thank you.

Focus on long term planning/initiatives. It's not just about jobs and tax revenue NOW...it about creating a community that is sustainable and has character that will continue to attract people for decades. Preservation of the landscape is very important in this respect. For example, every year our landscape becomes more like Ballard (fewer trees). Also, the character of new architecture should be carefully controlled to support creativity and beauty as well as sustainability and function. No more box buildings! An architectural board and environmental board with enforcement power could be good.

Local govt. should do its best to let the private sector have the vision and the city should help them.

The waterfront is severely underdeveloped. The Antique Mall need to go away.

Use the Mill Creek Town Center as an example of a type of space that we could use in Edmonds. "One-stop-shop" for high quality, relevant, contemporary businesses that attract people to the area that are willing to pay for those types of services and retails.

Continue waterfront walkway in front of condos just south of senior center to connect existing walkways north and south of condos.

Strategic planning is a great idea. Please to include a realistic look at where the city can generate additional income. Raising property taxes is not the answer. Our house values have plummeted. Expand "adopt a brick" type programs for public works and look into a sewer insurance program as part of the water bill. Our sewers are old and insurance is a lot cheaper than individual homeowners footing the repairs.

Improve Public Works handling of streets in winter, street repair. Finish the park by Milltown! They've been working on it FOREVER and made no progress - damaging the businesses there.

Improved parks and off leash parks

No more bike lanes if it means losing on street parking. We have the interurban trail and bikers should use it.

City spends too much on beautification and five corners should not be a spending priority.

Improve pedestrian/bike connections between neighborhoods (i.e. to allow youth to safely move around the whole town.)

The City Council needs to make economic development a priority. For example, the potential Harbor Square redevelopment is a great opportunity to increase residential and commercial potential for Edmonds. Also, commercial development should be diversified to attract different types of businesses. We don't need any more banks!

I have been a Snohomish County resident for the past 16 years and always wanted to live in Edmonds. After moving to Edmonds 7 years ago, I have watched politics get in the way of the great potential that our city has. In our coming years, I hope to see Edmonds improve on our assets and develop into a more wonderful Northwest town where I can raise my family.

Great place to live, wonderful schools. Please, no more zero lot-line housing developments! And no more condos higher than 2 stories.

Spend less public money

I hope you honor a lower height restriction when you develop the waterfront. The Safeway/antique store mall is the biggest eyesore and holds much potential for development...What is being considered there?

I'd like to be able to take my child and my dog to the same park, like I can in Shoreline. I wish we had more availability for K-8, less competition for a few spots at only 2 schools. A better middle school option.

Please keep attracting quality businesses and entertainment that appeal to a variety of ages. I've seen huge improvements over the past five years in the local businesses in Downtown Edmonds from shops to restaurants, and I think it is wonderful! There has been a definite revitalization in downtown. I want to see that continue, and hopefully spread to the other areas in Edmonds that are still lacking as far as variety and attractiveness goes.

Keep the current building height restrictions -this helps strike a superb balance of commerce/residential quaintness that we moved back here for. Unfortunate that Old Mill Town was a squandered opportunity for a "Mill Town Days" type festival for community and 'Leavenworth-esque' tourism. Important to celebrate the foundation of our community and its roots! Kudos to all of our continued festivals and arts programs however! LOVE it!

City of Edmonds puts a lot of resources into downtown Edmonds as well as keeping up city parks consistently. Other lower income areas are without sidewalks, bike lanes and seem neglected by the city.

Help keep Meadowdale County Park from residential encroachment.

5 corners is one of the main routes into Edmonds and could definitely do with a facelift/improvement/ and a light!

How visionary to employ this survey to reach out to the Edmonds community, Brava! Bravo! To whoever initiated THIS exercise? Is this an initiative of the Dave Earling administration? If so, it bodes well for the city.

Some survey questions are ambiguously worded and will yield useless data. Q5, "How would you rate existing transportation facilities in Edmonds?" is an example. If you think traffic congestion is non-existent, are you supposed to tick "1", for very low, or "5", for very high, meaning you rate the situation very positively? I would discard your Q5 data as unreadable on this basis. For similar reasons I think parts of Q6 and Q12 are problematic. If in Q6 the respondent rates Edmonds rent levels as "low," does that mean he thinks rents are low or that he has low satisfaction with rent levels? In Q12 are you asking the respondents' opinion of sustainability programs, or his opinion of their effectiveness? The ambiguity of the "setup phrase" makes it unclear. I'm glad you are surveying the public but I sure hope you didn't pay too much to have this drawn up, as it's of amateurish design and will yield data that is too easy to argue about, therefore of reduced utility.

Yes make an emphasis on cultural activities that keep the area special and encompass a high standard of a quality community including the parks and rec offerings. Maintain our public spaces and places and roads

Sidewalks are needed down 84th.

The downtown area needs some change>Same old' restaurants and business. I have lived here for over 40 years and I still call it Deadmonds!

I rated Aquatic facilities lower than I would like to, simply because the only public facility is Yost Pool. Yost Pool is fantastic; LOVE IT; however it's only opens for 3 months a year. The rest of the year, I'm forced to go to nearby cities (Shoreline, Mountlake Terrace or Lynnwood).

The Highway 99 development recently undertaken by Shoreline should serve as a model for Edmonds development of our section of that highway. Sidewalks and pedestrian/bike friendly roads should be a priority going forward. Be careful with our historic buildings. I cringe every time I walk past the now stripped main building of the Old Milltown complex, sitting half-completed and completely out of character with that stretch of the downtown core. I grew up here and returned here to raise my family. Families like mine are drawn to Edmonds because of the historic character and walkable downtown and the great publicly available natural resources. Be very careful to preserve these things as you plan future development.

Focus on the future - families. Keep taxes as low as possible so not to tax people out of their homes.

Leave 5 corners alone and focus on bringing the downtown core back to life.

Would really like to see the downtown area, harbor square developed in a very thoughtful way. Think Edmonds has a lot of potential and would like to see it modeled after Kirkland downtown

Secure the budget and emergency funds confirming all money spent is needed prior to taking on other responsibilities. Then focus on maintenance before expanding services

The rating scale makes some of the questions a little vague. For instance, when asking about traffic congestion are we rating the amount of traffic congestion or how we feel the city manages it?

Downtown needs a vision. Not everyone needs to agree but someone needs to take leadership of the vision and make a decision.

II thoughtfully filled out this entire survey and when I pressed done message up came web page not responding.

I think the downtown height limits should be raised to a height that allows developers to show a profit.

Questions are not clear. For instance, question 11, rating the level of existing development, does the question mean, "do we think it is a heavily developed area?" or does it mean "what do we think

of the development in the area?"

Do not raise height limits.

get rid of bogus ticket lights... it is un American

none

I'm in favor of the roundabout at 5 corners - frequently I travel thru that intersection on the way to work and it could use some help. Roundabout would also serve as a focal point for the neighborhood. And we could try out a temporary mid-intersection installation (barrels? planters?) to give it a try. We've never done it before? So what? Give it a try!

In short. Get new business in Edmonds areas in survey, and get your city council in order. Like serve us, and not your petty needs. Thanks.

The answer choices to some questions were misleading. For example: The question # 12 about sustainability conditions. Missing was the correct answer: "A complete waste of Council and City time"

Edmonds needs more than tourist and entertainment businesses. The City needs to do better at taking care of streets, especially snow removal and flood issues. It is not a walker friendly community and the roundabout at five corners is a disaster. The only reason I can get anyone on the city to give for having it is that they got some money from the feds and need to spend it! No one can tell me how someone (school children, condo residents, the disabled folks at Smithwright Home) are going to cross that street! I worked in local schools here for 14 years-they are not the top notch schools that made us move here 30 years ago. How is the city a part of the schools and vice versa?

Edmonds policies and decisions based on a small number of outspoken older individuals. In order for the city to grow we MUST attract younger working families. The Safeway/Antique Mall property is an embarrassment! That site must be developed to attract young adults and families with money to spend to growth our City. Majority of development is focused on downtown; other areas of the city are struggling to keep tenants. The Edmonds murals are ugly and embarrassing to our city - only one that faces an alley celebrates the history of our town. Again, a small group of people allowed making bad decisions that affect many.

Stop City Council squabbling; aid business development; upgrade and/or add to parks; try and have more courteous and less badge heavy police officers

Secure Council buy-in or this will be yet another strategic plan waste of time.

Five Corners was a high crime area 35 years ago, was developed then with new housing, business, etc. and is still NOW a high crime area because of its proximity to Aurora avenue. No amount of landscape architecture/development at Five Corners will change that.....It is what it is. One would have to remove Aurora the "highway" and that area west of Aurora to change what goes on at Five Corners. I've been in the Pacific Northwest for 62 years, and THIS is very obvious.

Build bike lanes in the city. Put in the roundabout at 5 Corners. Fix the stop light system at 220 and 84. Improve all city streets, with increased maintenance for wear and tear. Add police officers on duty, to help prevent home burglaries in the City.

Share the results in local newspaper. Most senior adults still use the written media for information. The elementary and middle school systems need to be strongly enhanced!! Test scores and facilities are not adequate. Many of my neighbors go to private schools. That is unacceptable to me. Edmonds should have a top notch school system. Having a highly rated school system will bring in families, which will raise house values and ultimately bring business and jobs.

There needs to be the option "Don't Know" or answers are skewed due to guessing.

The number one things that will ensure that we buy our next house outside of Edmonds are the schools. For an area with so much money, I find it pitiful that the schools are so poorly run.

Don't need a roundabout at Five Corners. Spend the money on a year round swimming pool. Permitting process should not be painful. Allow building height to increase but not beyond 3 stories. Parking needs to be a consideration. We need a garage. Would something underground be feasible? Lastly, please do something with the information you are gathering.

Look at road safety. In particular we NEED a light at the corner of 196th/Puget and 88th. Too many accidents and deaths there.

Get on with it! For years and years the City Council has talked but done absolutely nothing because a number of council members don't want any change.

There is always garbage on the streets anywhere other than downtown. Maplewood, my neighborhood houses half million dollar plus homes, and there is always debris.

Clearer possible communication, widely distributed, is the key to citizen alignment in the process
Make 5- Corners, Westgate and Perrinville urban villages with viable businesses and multi level (high rise) condos, apts. What a bad idea for the Walgreens at the bowling alley...should have housing and shops, underground parking and a park light plaza area where the bowling area parking lot is. Perhaps an overpass pedestrian bridge to the QFC area....same at 5 corners and Perrinville, Firdale. We need to increase the building height in urban centers and keep the building height at the current level in the bowl. Need more mixed housing prices in the urban areas and make sure that these areas are served by public transportation. We also need a better aquatic facility in Edmonds.

Do it and don't just store it on a shelf like all the other studies done through the years.

We pride ourselves on being a waterfront community, yet the waterfront is one of the most underdeveloped and underused part of the city. Would love to see more tourist/family focus put on that area of the city. Would also like to have some bike/walking trails around the city.

Use strategic planning in a series of town hall formats to develop consensus.

NO to Walgreens!

Yes. Regarding this survey, I am a market research professional; I own and operate COMQuest Research. I think it is fantastic that you are gathering information from residents using Survey Monkey. It is cost effective. However, there are many improvements that can be made to this survey instrument. I know that this one is 'set in stone'. In the future, I would be happy to help you develop survey questions in order to improve them. Please feel free to contact me at gocher@comquestresearch.com.

City council getting clue that the city is dying and actually doing something about it rather than talk about everything else except fiscal health and renewing the decaying DT

Establish what the vision of the City really is and communicate that to the citizens and businesses. Sidewalks need maintenance and some are dangerous as my wife tripped over a bad section and nearly broke a bone. DO NOT put the round-about at 5 corners; it is not needed and would be a waste of money.

Find a way to include comments from all. Don't just listen to the naysayers. Improve traffic at 5 Corners. OK to increase taxes to pay for amenities which help improve our community.

Vision: Get rid of the majority of the Planning Department and the Building Department is not much better. It's an absolute crime that these people get away with what they do!!!!

prioritize street paving and cut non necessities of which there are many

Stop providing the elderly with a tax break so they can stay in their homes. Maintain the codes of the city so that people with trash and junk have to clean it up.

Be reasonable about change, and don't impose foolish hardships on the residents that support Edmonds, please.

Preserve downtown-- no more condos

Open it up for comments and opinions on each topic. Obtain citizen input in addition to statistical evaluation of data.

Maintaining Yost Pool is of utmost importance

Solutions for 5 corners - traffic

Edmonds needs politicians who have the courage to make difficult decisions without hiding behind the desire for ever more public involvement. While citizen input is crucial to any public decision making process, you can have too much of a good thing. We often do. Take the results of this process and the recommendations of the experts and implement them. It isn't rocket science.

Continue to encourage public participation

Do not change 5 corners traffic flow, it is fine and a waste of money to change, it shows that Edmonds is a polite area, how many accidents are there anyway, compared to other needs? Just because we have matching funds does NOT mean we can afford to spend the money. Perrinville, 4 corners are completely underutilized and unattractive and needs help. Also parking at the beaches, we need a more!

Tear down the antique mall and develop that area to bring in tax revenue

I hear we are getting a traffic circle at 5 corners. I think it would be a BIG mistake.

I live in Emerald Hills and we have a mini round about. People don't really get the yield to whoever is in the circle before you enter.

We need to keep the charm of a small town with interesting shops and a destination place like travel -food - art and sport!.....

Be sure that there is plenty of opportunity for citizen forums & hearings to discuss the final results of this survey.

Move city operations including PD to the hwy 99 corridor and develop vacated area into studio retail and/or art.

I would like to see Pine Ridge Park improved since it's a great open area to see bird, walk trails, etc. It looks a bit neglected.

Think long term...look at what other successful cities have done to rebrand their image as a place to visit, live, raise a family, work, AND establish a business. Strive to make Edmonds better for ALL residents...not just the ones in Condos or downtown. We need a convention center. We need a class hotel. I like the survey and think it adequately covers many of the important issues the city council must confront and deal with in a professional and equitable manner.

Raise height limits somewhat in downtown area in exchange for set-backs for wider sidewalks.

Stop putting money into neighborhoods. Edmond's charm is Down Town. Not Westgate (I own there). Not 5 Corners. Not Perrinville. Not Firdale. Develop the water front (antique mall) with some shops, restaurants, and places for summer outdoor seating. I'm a 25 year old Edmonds Home Owner and I worry that Edmonds only sees the next few years, not the next few decades.

As a city I believe we are attempting to get our citizens to participate more in how they want the city to function and what they feel would be used by their family.

Think out of the box. Develop sidewalk cafes, public plazas, get empty store fronts leased, encourage development, renovations, and new business...

There should be an option for I don't know for some of the survey questions.

Kill the 5 corners circle

The city needs to stop talking and take some action. Turf the Old Woodway fields and Civic field. Sit back down with owners of Antique Mall property and shake hands and present a compromise to get that property developed into an open waterfront park with hotel/retail/access to beach. Take the historic gym out of the ECA control and give it back to the city where it can be used as a cornerstone for downtown sports tourism. Meet with the Microsoft folks or others on the eastside and offer them a west side solution for their employees traveling from west of I-5. Stop the political bickering and meet half way on projects and ideas.

Be prepared to get things done with less money and fewer resources each year. Localize (decentralize) control of Energy, Fresh Water and Food.

This survey is very poorly designed. I suggest hiring people with more experience in designing effective surveys.

Use techniques to maximize participation. We need to avoid ONLY the traditional "nay sayers" from controlling the discussion and outcomes.

Keep Edmonds moving forward by attracting high-tech, medical/pharmaceutical, high-end small-scale manufacturing (e.g. aerospace electronics & machine shops) industries and professional services (accounting, attorneys, etc.). Keep and enhance the arts, festivals, and culture making it an awesome place for the residents and for tourists. Attract restaurants and brew pubs, nice ones. Don't bother with big box retail; it's already overbuilt in Lynnwood. Don't listen to the small-minded Luddites who live in the past and have no vision for the future (e.g. opponents of the 5-Corners roundabout).

Please stop allowing business owners to build "non-conforming" businesses. Perrinville was ugly-enough and THEN the property owner built a huge cement (still empty) monster and blocked the other business?!? HWY.99 is hooker central and "our" part is turning into the seedy-look of shoreline to Settle! I wish there was a "code" that kept business all more uniform, but I am from Orange County, Ca. so maybe I'm just more "conservative" and "cookie-cutter"? But having said that, I also am more "aware" of signs of gangs and hookers and Edmonds people seem unaware of that stuff.

Need to keep and enhance small town charm generated from farmers market, local theaters, performing arts center, public use of Anderson center and library

Edmonds has become stagnate. There is no draw anymore. I live close to Perrinville - one big empty strip mall - it's sad. I wish there were services close to home, but it's easier and quicker to go to Lynnwood and get my errands completed.

Worry less about environmental concerns and spend more time worrying about filling up retail space, doing maintenance repairs and protecting the city. In these economy solar panels, relighting Main Street, building additional sculptures and parks seems an unnecessary use of public money. Also, the 5 corners project I see as doing more harm to the local businesses at present than helping.

I would like to see a round-a-bout at five corners.

No. would like to know the results

The questions in this survey were ill worded and meaningless. They do not address my concerns but merely ask for an assessment.

Find more ways to include the homeowners and businesses outside the bowl. They make up more of the population than the bowl does and we feel left out of the decisions that are put on us.

Having a "city meeting" would be great to learn about the historical issues, current state and future ideas. This could be recorded and/or reported on to help disseminate info for those who can't attend.

-Please limit road work in the downtown area to the months outside the holiday shopping season. It looked terrible to have the streets torn up when we should have been welcoming people into the downtown core to dine and shop. It will drive away retail and restaurants if nothing is done about this. -Provide adequate policing for speeding on non-arterial roads such as 8th Ave. S... We regularly see speeds over 40MPH in a 25MPH zone. - Do everything you can to save the Robin Hood Lanes Bowling Alley. Young families like ours are drawn to the area by such amenities.

Great idea. Glad you are doing this. We need better community input to the direction/emphasis of the city.

As we get to detailed discussion of what people would like to see it will be important to make sure the cost element is also included in the work.

Keep Robin Hood Lanes

Stop the roundabout at Five Corners; repair the public sidewalks in Downtown Edmonds

More direct citizen involvement. More direct involvement with "planning" departments. Less closed door planning. Listen more.

I find the "development" questions misleading. I think that the downtown core which is home to so many aging or elderly condo owners ought to recruit a drug store what is walkable (Bartells being only drivable) and should at all costs retain Petosa's. The survey has no option for "not applicable" or unqualified to comment" which occur frequently, of course. The survey, like most is primarily offered "on line", Although Edmonds is a wealthy area it is not ALL wealthy and if you wish to canvass a true representative sample you will need to consider canvassing households by mail or in person. Also the only way I knew of this significant survey was from a chance reading in the Beacon. Although I shop regularly downtown I never saw the least indication of an effort to distribute the survey. I fear that your results will only cull retired persons like me with time to seek it out...and my input, while valuable, does not represent the needs of the people who will live in the Edmonds 30 years from now.

This is a waste of time and public funds. Why is there a \$100 drawing? There is no money in the City to cover the basics. Edmonds will grow and change organically as it has been doing. To date the "planning and Visioning" processes have resulted in roundabouts no one wants, development agreements (aka spot zoning) and a general deterioration of what has been a lovely sleepy suburb of Seattle.

Seaview Park looks run down with many years of neglect. i.e.: Leaves just blown off to the side with unkempt landscaping that hasn't been trimmed in 5 or more years. Just looks like the City Of Edmonds has abandoned this park altogether. Don't Believe me? Check it out for yourself and while you're at it check out the curbs, that is what's left of them. Maybe it's time to do away with City Unions and hire private sector workers for half the cost like they did in similar small town in NC. That's My two cents worth for whatever good this does.

Fix the current codes and ordinances.

no

Protect the quality of life (i.e., views, sound access, etc.) but draw in more technology companies paying higher salaries, requiring a more educated workforce, and more likely to be committed to and invested in the community.

Get real about building height so the town is NOT filled with limited 2 story boxes.

Put survey in Beacon so people can mail it in. Not everyone has internet access. Also, make sure surveys can be accessed in Spanish or other predominant first language speakers

My #1Priority: Do not make Edmonds into a Kirkland. Preserve the sky-views & water access/views. Do the growth/expansion outside of the core "little town feeling" center of Edmonds, which is what attracted many/most of the folks who are living closest to it (we are only 1.2 miles fm ferry dock). This survey: Q #11 was poorly worded. It was unclear what you were asking to have rated by "level of existing development". Did you mean 1) my satisfaction with the current Amount (level) of

development at this time? Or 2) was I to rate what I thought of the level of the Quality of development? I rated on my satisfaction with the AMOUNT of development.

Sustainable and green -- neighborhood gathering places --more places for teens to hang out -- another Ace Hardware store in downtown Edmonds please --tidal power station -ease the laws for those MANY Edmonds residents who are artisans and would like to be able to sell their work in Edmonds. An indoor year long artisans (Saturday) market might be wonderful for bringing people into Edmonds as well as help artists and others.

Reduce and streamline government. Eliminate regulations for development. Train the staff for efficiency of permitting, set goals and enforce them.

Improve the Antique Mall and Harbor Square area. We need more places like Aurora Village (but I don't shop there) I try to shop local.

Drop the round-about plans for 5-Corners. It isn't necessary and will waste good money needed elsewhere for the City to operate. The existing 5-way stops are working just fine; the proposal doesn't even provide for such stop signs - ridiculous!

We have some of the best waterfront property of any municipality, arguably, on the West Coast. It is an absolute FAILURE that the city of Edmonds has not utilized this property from the Northern Intersection of Sunset/Casper's all the way to the Dog Park South of the Marina. How there is not a 10-12ft Boardwalk spanning and connecting this entire area for bikers, joggers, walkers, sightseers, nature lovers, etc. is beyond me, how economic development has barely ventured away from the fountain, how this real estate is completely under-developed and virtually inconsequential in our city is an absolute travesty, disappointment, let down, and a total waste of an opportunity to put Edmonds on the map and attract those businesses and visitors that will not only net the city much needed tax revenue, but attract the "next generation" residents that will carry Edmonds for the next 30 years.

Please beautify 5 Corners and add a roundabout.

220th could have more senior adult care housing. Downtown should somehow encourage the major landlord to help small business owners buy property and add dynamism.....

Forget the round-about at Five Corners and get the intersection at 80th & 220th marked for safety - this is a SCHOOL ZONE CROSSING. Cars speed through this intersection and stop for NOBODY.

no

I think surveying the population is always good. Thank you. The Edmonds website is not very informative. The City of Shoreline has an excellent website by comparison. Channel 21, although I don't refer to it often, looks very outdated. A monthly or bi monthly city magazine would be helpful, even if just available electronically. I wouldn't want the City of Edmonds spend the money to circulate a newsletter via US post. Thanks for asking!

Get your finances in order first. Stop spending. Start cutting salaries and benefits. Contract out services like parks cleanup. Lower our property taxes in line with our evaluations.

Attract a different kind of nightlife to Edmonds downtown. The Loft is great, and more like that would be nice, maybe some live music that isn't a concert format, but more of a bar venue. This doesn't have to be a big change, just one or two venues, maybe even replacing some existing businesses. Definitely attracting high tech companies and continuing to build medical industry would be great strategic moves. Being a retirement and tourist center is great too, but we need to maintain a balance. I see Edmonds as a fantastic place for families with kids. I have raised my son here in Edmonds for his whole life, and am committed to keeping him here through HS because overall we're a great community, but as a single, educated parent, if I could have afforded to buy a home in Seattle, I have to be honest, I would have moved there for the social/night life/more hip environment. Edmonds is awesome for certain groups, and a very solid community. While we should maintain that, we should also be open to being a little upscale, modern, and hipper and reach more of the needs of the 18 - 50 demographic. Robinhood lanes are great, but what about something like "The Garage" in Seattle? Or what about a McMinnamins type movie theater? Or 88 keys piano bar? Or Improv? Young (and not so young) parents need to go out too, and it would be nice to be able to stay in the neighborhood to do this. :-) (Kirkland is successful at this)

It is time to look beyond height limits as the only criteria used in development. Edmonds may have a quaint down tone area but it is a city of 40,000 people and needs to be governed as such. We can keep the quaint downtown without destroying the rest of the city with squat, slab-sided, property line to property line buildings that reflect a box store more than a desirable city.

More publicity on this survey... tries to get as many residents as you can to take the survey.

