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Sanibel Plan Update Community Workshop #2

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Rules of Civility for Public Participation

In recognition that public discourse is essential to the democratic system of government on April 16, 2002, Sanibel City Council adopted a Proclamation embracing civility in public deliberations. These rules were updated February 22, 2007.

Therefore, Sanibel City Council sanctioned these rules for public participation while conducting meetings and workshops:

1. Speakers are permitted to deliver his or her comments without interruption.
2. Speakers and debates should focus on issues, not on persons or personalities.
3. Persons are encouraged to participate in the governmental process.
4. To allow time to hear all points of view, speakers are allotted 3 minutes each time they are recognized.
5. Sidebar discussions while others are speaking are not permitted in Council Chambers. These discussions are to be removed from the chamber so as not to be disruptive to those conducting and following Council business.

Rules of civility for Public Participation cont'd

6. Only the speaker recognized by the Chairperson has the floor. Speakers should raise their hand to be recognized. Speakers should identify themselves for the record. Speakers should utilize the microphone so that their comments can be recorded.
7. Anyone wishing to speak on an issue is given an opportunity to speak before speakers are recognized for an opportunity to speak a second time on an issue.
8. We seek to understand one another's points of view.
9. Anger, rudeness, ridicule, impatience and lack of respect for others are not acceptable behavior. Demonstrations in support or opposition to a speaker or idea such as clapping, cheering, booing or hissing or intimidating body language are not permitted in Council Chambers or workshop facilities.
10. We should all take initiative to make things better. Our goal is to foster an environment, which encourages a fair discussion and exchange of ideas without fear of personal attacks

Agenda

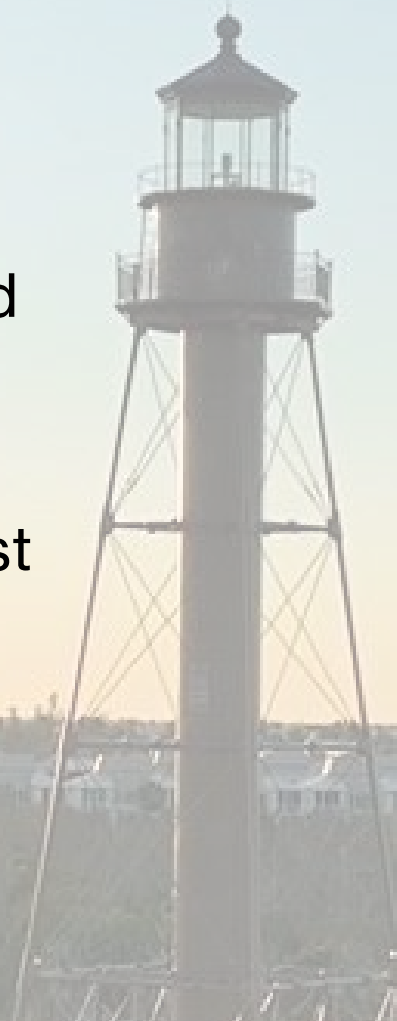
- Welcome - Committee Member/City Official (5 minutes)
- Session Introduction – Consultant Team (10 minutes)
 - Project Progress & Alignment with Other City Projects/Policies
 - Outline for discussions
- Round Table Discussions (90 minutes)
- Closing (5 minutes)



The Sanibel Plan - Section 1.3

Economic Assumptions of the Plan

The most basic of all the economic assumptions for Sanibel's planning is that Sanibel's economic fortune is directly related to the viability of its natural systems. Sanibel's appeal as a pleasant place to live or visit is based upon vital wildlife, open beaches and a tranquil ambiance. The wildlife needs to extend beyond the refuges so that it is something people live with, rather than visit. Sanibel must protect the environment. It must protect the environment because of the responsibility entrusted to the people of Sanibel to care for these resources, but also as a component of a sound economic policy.



Community Engagement Meeting #1



175
Attendees



What Have We Heard?

The Vision Statement

STATION 2

Place the sticker on the circle(s) that represent which statement(s) matter the most to you

Sanctuary
Sanibel is and shall remain a barrier island sanctuary, one in which a diverse population lives in harmony with the island's wildlife and natural habitats characterisitcs.

Community
Sanibel is and shall remain a small town community whose members choose to live in harmony with one another and with nature, creating a human settlement distinguished by its diversity, beauty, uniqueness, character and stewardship.

Attraction
The City of Sanibel will welcome visitors who are drawn by, and are respectful of, these qualities; it will resist pressures to accommodate visitor attractions and activities that compromise these qualities.


Sanctuary

Community

Attraction

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What Have We Heard?



Emerging Themes and Issues

STATION
3

PLACE 4 DOTS!
Agree? Disagree?

The following are emerging themes and topics relevant to Sanibel's future. Place 4 dots based on whether you agree or disagree with each statement. Placing a sticker allows new priorities to emerge and allows us to start looking at next actions.

YOUR RESPONSE HELPS. Let us know what we miss below!

	AGREE	DISAGREE	PLACE 4 DOTS/PERSON TOTAL
VISION AND COMMUNITY CHARACTER			
	●●●●	●●●●	Sanibel needs a new vision for the 20-year horizon
	●●●●	●●●●	Businesses coming to the island should benefit visitors/workers and locals/residents
	●●●●	●●●●	Attract only as many people as we can sustainably support while maintaining our community character
ECOLOGY AND RESILIENCE			
	●●●●	●●●●	Recent redevelopment has leaned towards reducing storm impacts and coastal flooding
	●●●●	●●●●	Improve infrastructure (mobility, stormwater, maintenance) and evacuation programs.
	●●●●	●●●●	Expand conservation, restoration, or preservation of valuable landscapes.
LOCAL BUSINESS AND ECONOMY			
	●●●●	●●●●	Diversify commerce with more than just food and beverage and shops.
	●●●●	●●●●	Support existing businesses e.g. incentives for storm clean-up or visual enhancements.
HISTORIC AND CULTURAL RESOURCES			
	●●●●	●●●●	Identify critical historic and cultural landscapes (e.g. seashores, viewsheds, corridors).
HOUSING			
	●●●●	●●●●	Help homeowners with repairs and improvements
	●●●●	●●●●	Need workforce housing
	●●●●	●●●●	Support off-island workforce housing and allocate resources to mobility options.
MOBILITY			
	●●●●	●●●●	Improve bike/pedestrian mobility for residents and workers, not just recreational visitors.
	●●●●	●●●●	Manage number of cars on road network.
	●●●●	●●●●	Sanibel needs more alternatives for getting around (e.g. ferries, mini-transit, autonomous cars, vertiports!)
	●●●●	●●●●	Just fix the bad spots, i.e. Periwinkle Way, the causeway.

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Handwritten notes:

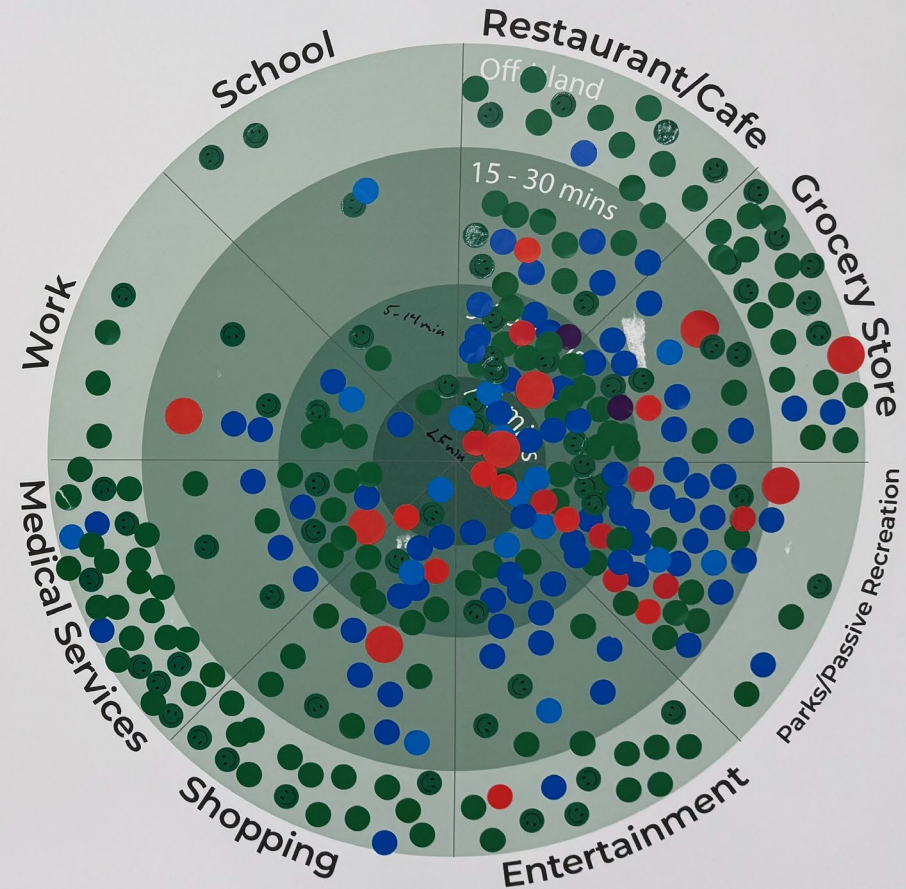
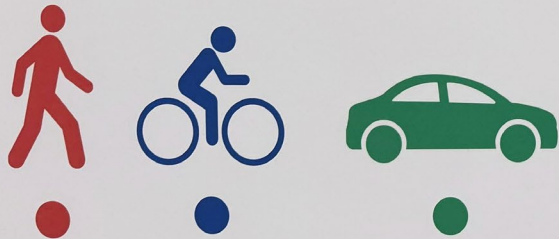
- BTZ SHOULD CATER TO BOTH LOCALS & VISITORS
- WHERE IS THE SUPPORT FOR YOUNG ENTREPRENEURSHIP TO TAKE OVER EXISTING BUSINESSES?
- NO NATIONAL CHAINS
- Support the multi-generational aspects of Sanibel. START YOUNG! The Children's Education Center
- NEED A THIRD LAWE ON CAUSEWAY
- SOME THING IN THE FUTURE THAT'S AN ALT. TRANSPORT WE DON'T EVEN KNOW YET!
- More Coordination with LEEWAY
- Support the sustainability of The Sanibel School
- WHAT ABOUT THE PARK OFFICE BUILDINGS?
- Support the sustainability of The Sanibel School
- STATUS HEADS ARE COMING REAL!

What Have We Heard?



Where do you go?

Choose the color sticker that shows how you get to your destination and how long it takes to travel there from your home.



Survey Results

Age Group

55-64

largest group
(32.4%)

811
Survey
Responses

“The Sanibel Plan” Community Survey

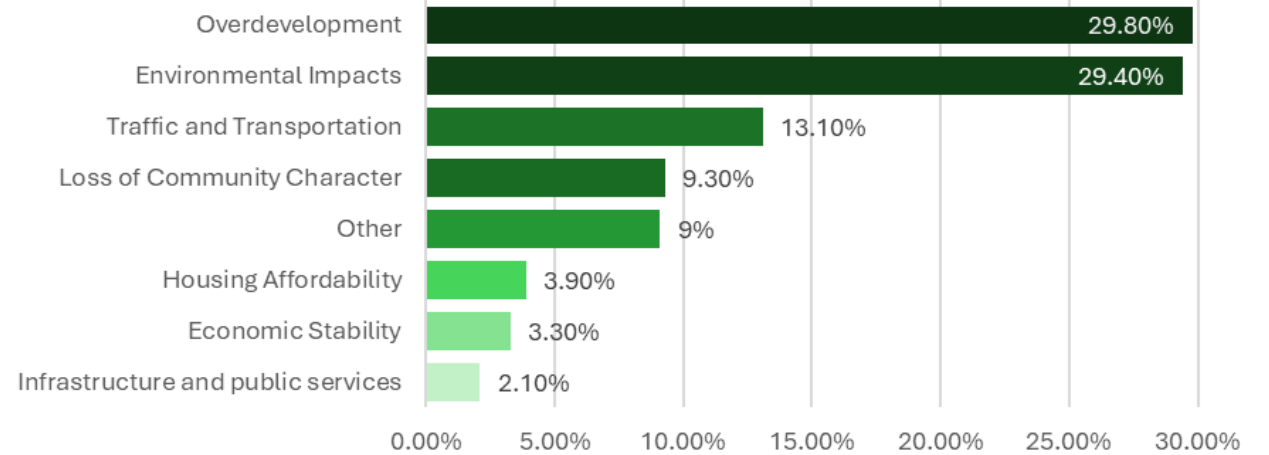
The City of Sanibel is updating its Comprehensive Plan, known as the Sanibel Plan. A Comprehensive Plan is essentially a “road map” that guides decisions on land use, private investment, green space programs, and development of public projects. It describes the community’s history, current state, and future vision. While the plan won’t answer all questions about the future, it will serve as the city’s foundation, guiding its growth and development over the next 20 years.

This survey will take approximately 10 minutes to complete. Thank you for participating. We value your feedback, and we will keep all your answers anonymous. Please feel free to leave additional comments at the end of the survey.

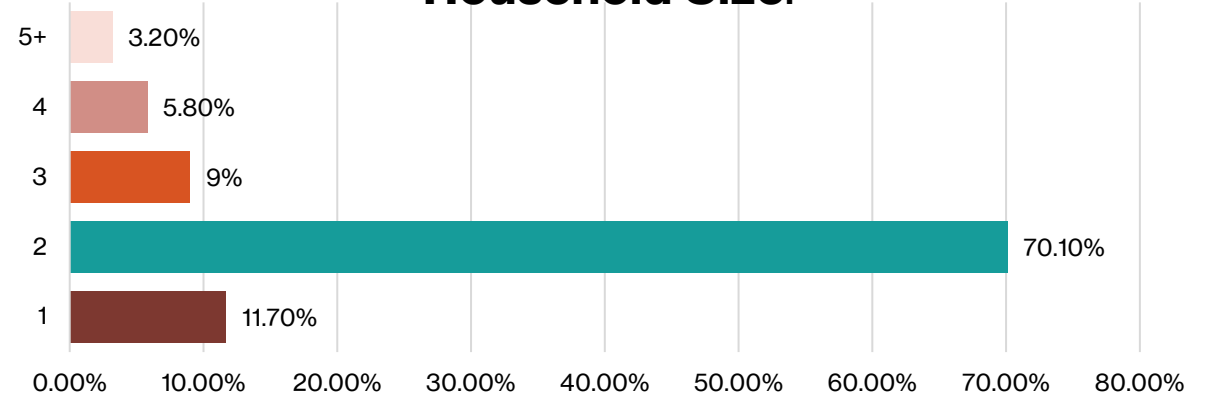
*The Comprehensive Plan Community Survey is being prepared and conducted by Calvin, Giordano and Associates, Inc., on behalf of the City of Sanibel



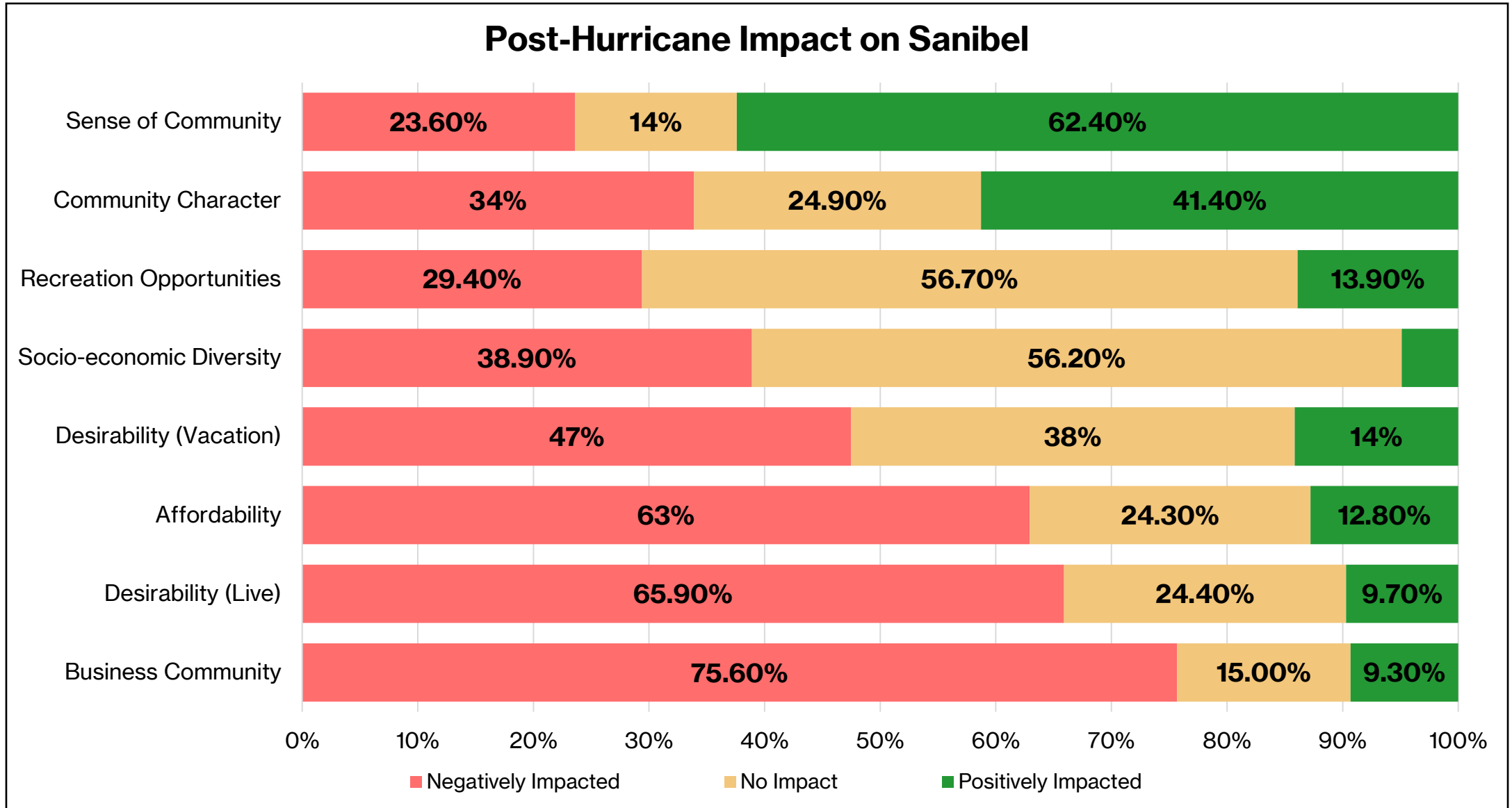
What concerns you the most about the future of the City of Sanibel?



Household Size.

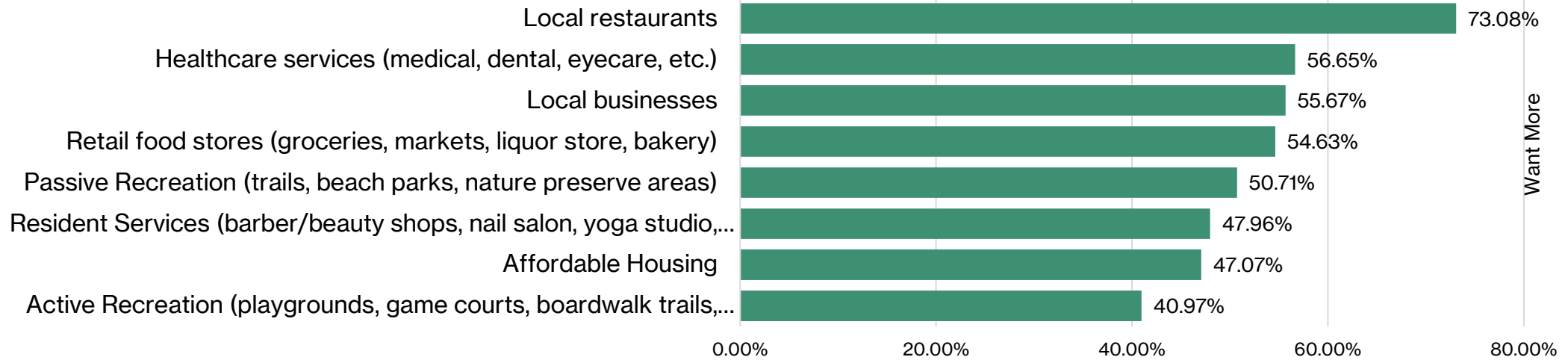


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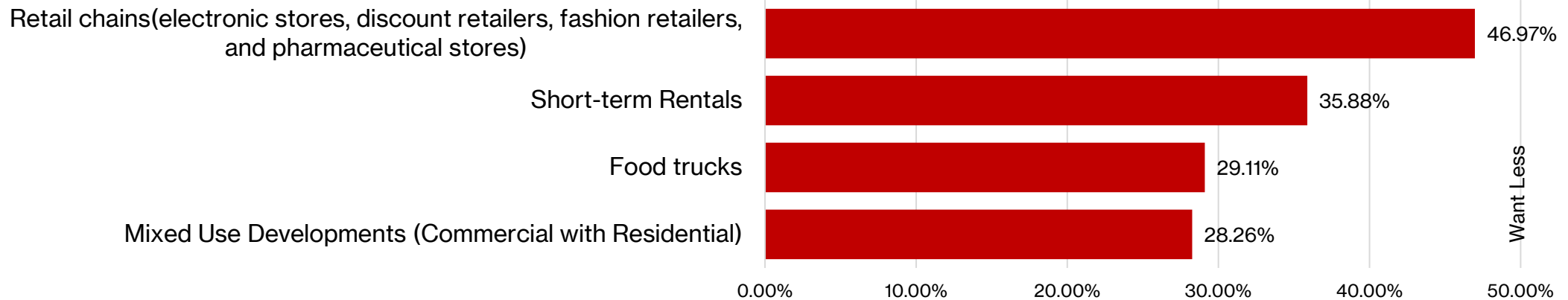


What Have We Heard?

What Do You Want More Of?

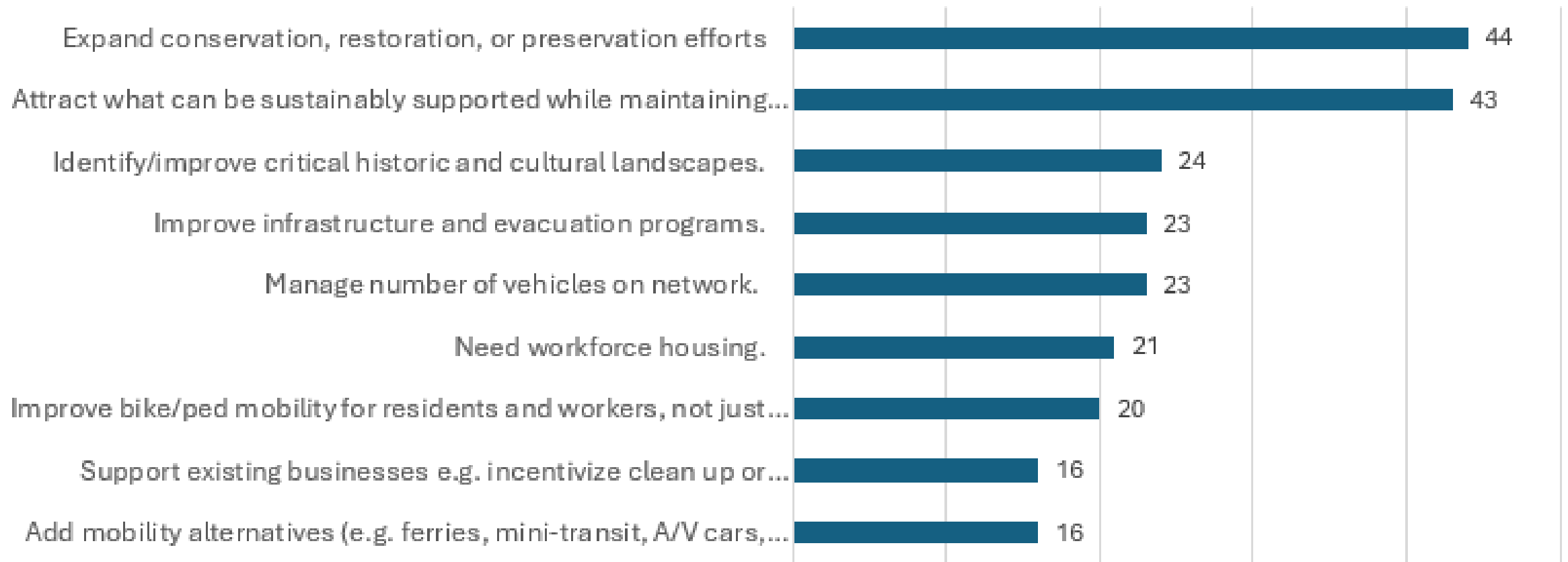


What Do You Want Less Of?



What Have We Heard?

Top 9 Themes and Issues (In-Person Meeting)



Meeting Format



3 20-minute discussions

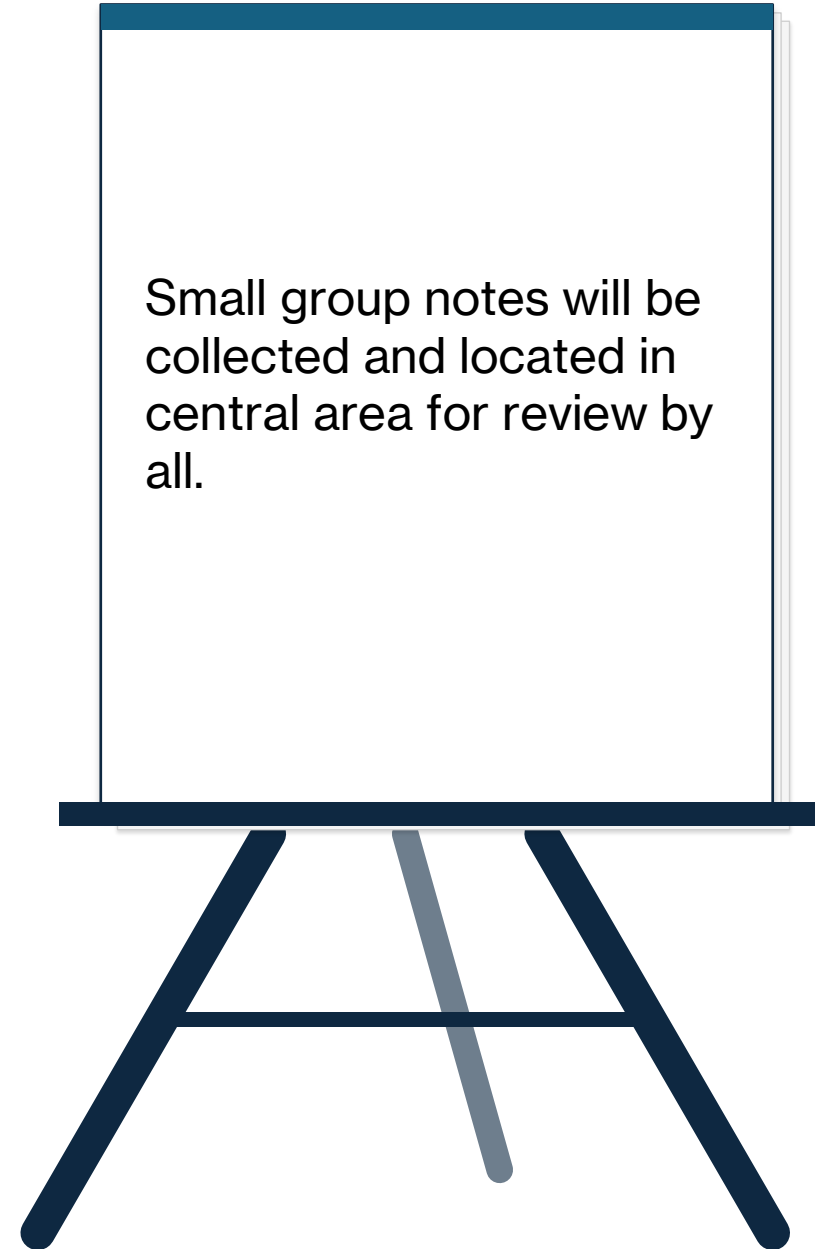
Facilitator – Guide group through questions and ensures all voices are heard



Spokesperson – Present thoughts to entire group

Scribe – Record comments & ideas

Small group notes will be collected and located in central area for review by all.



A wide-angle photograph of a beach. The foreground is filled with a dense layer of seashells in various colors, including white, cream, and light brown. The shells are scattered across the sand. In the middle ground, the ocean waves are visible, breaking onto the shore. The sky is a clear, bright blue, filled with soft, white, fluffy clouds. The overall scene is bright and serene.

Resiliency

The ability to recover from or adjust easily to adversity or change.

Resiliency

- What does resiliency mean to you?
- Are there particular issues and shortcomings that come to mind of the current infrastructure?
- What kind of resilience projects would you like to see?
- Specifically for flooding resilience, what are the most important resources to you?
- What is the most important thing the City can do to increase its resilience to flooding and other climatic events?

Land Use

- What types of non-residential uses does Sanibel need?
- What resources and policies would help drive local workforce and businesses?
- Do most of the workers live on the island or commute to work from another city? Why? What impacts does that have?
- What housing options are needed most in the community?
- What activities are there on the island for people of all ages?
- As a significant number of lots on the island are already built out, how can Sanibel better develop/redevelop on what exists to meet its' goals?

Transportation

- With one point of access to the island and subsequently to Captiva, what steps can the City take to improve vehicle traffic?
- What car alternatives work in the City? Where is improvement needed?
- What does the dream transportation system look like to you recognizing limited rights-of-way?

Next Steps

