

A photograph of three young children riding bicycles on a paved path. The child on the left is wearing a blue patterned shirt and green striped pants. The child in the middle is wearing a blue t-shirt and blue shorts. The child on the right is wearing a grey t-shirt and blue shorts. All three are wearing helmets and smiling at the camera. The background shows green foliage and a residential street.

Wallingford Healthy Street

2022/2023 Evaluation



Seattle
Department of
Transportation

Our Vision, Mission, Values, & Goals

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

Core Values & Goals:

Equity, Safety, Mobility, Sustainability, Livability, and Excellence.

Presentation Outline

- COVID-19 Response
- Evaluation
- What's next?
- Q&A

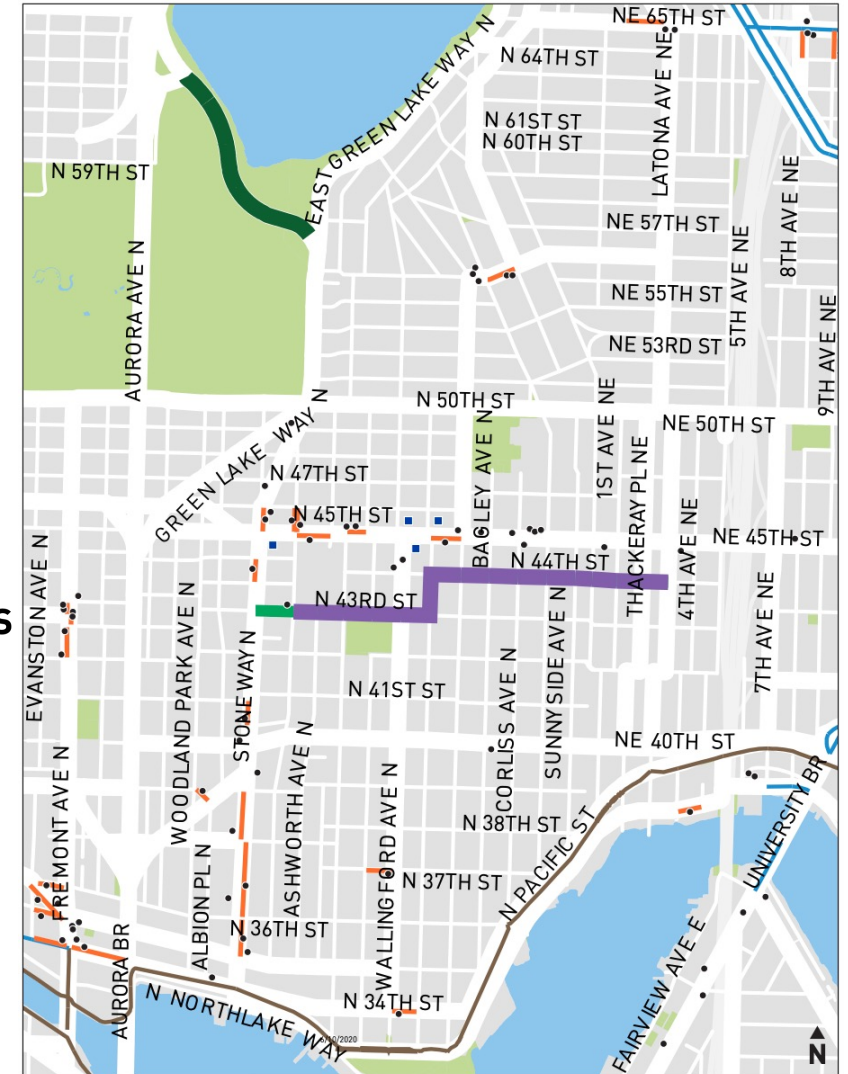
STAY HEALTHY STREETS

Wallingford

- Open Restaurant
- Open Store
- Temporary Pick Up Zone
- Keep Moving Streets
- Stay Healthy Streets
- ◆ Crossing Improvement
- ⚡ Crossing Signal
- ⚡ Flashing Beacon Crossing

Existing Bike Facilities

- In Street, Major Separation
- Multi-use Trail
- Neighborhood Greenway



Making life easier during COVID-19

Stay Healthy Streets were added to:

- Create space for you to walk and bike 6 feet apart close to home
- Connect you to groceries stores, pharmacies, and businesses
- Reduce car traffic to keep you safer while walking and biking
- Reduce impacts to hospitals and essential workers

KEEP IT MOVING
Stay Healthy Streets
Keep it Distant: 6 + feet








STAY HEALTHY STREETS

Process for Identifying Permanent Stay Healthy Streets




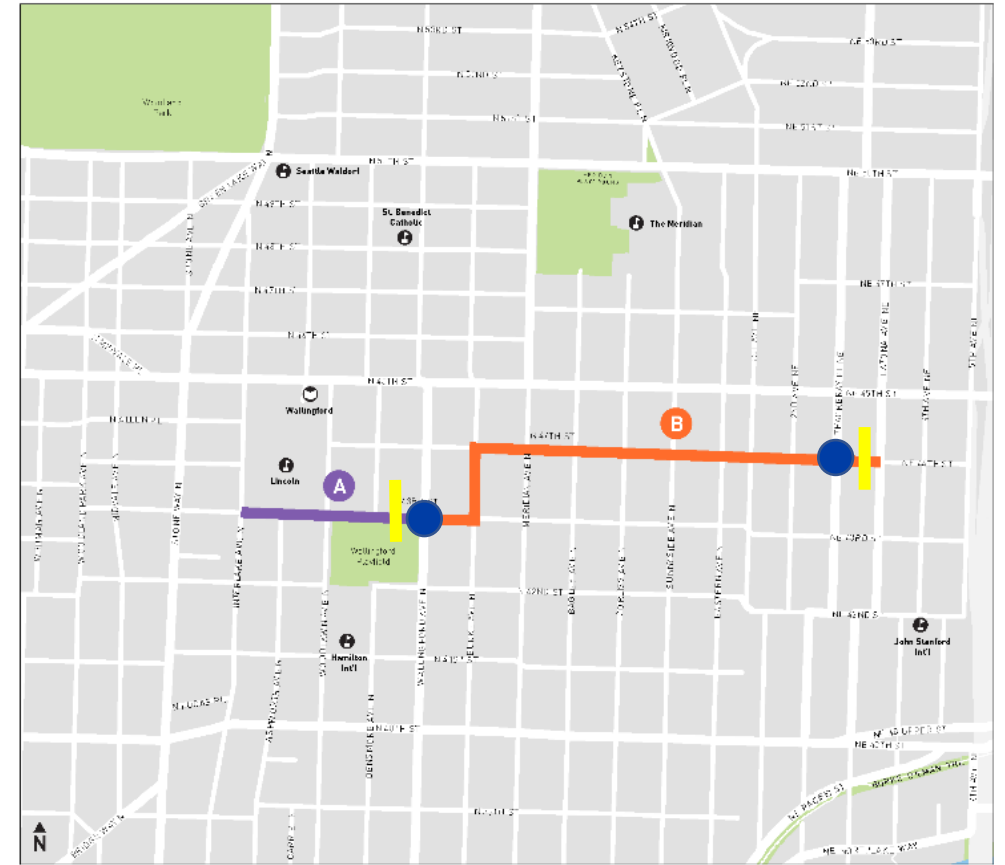
Is this street a good candidate for permanent implementation?



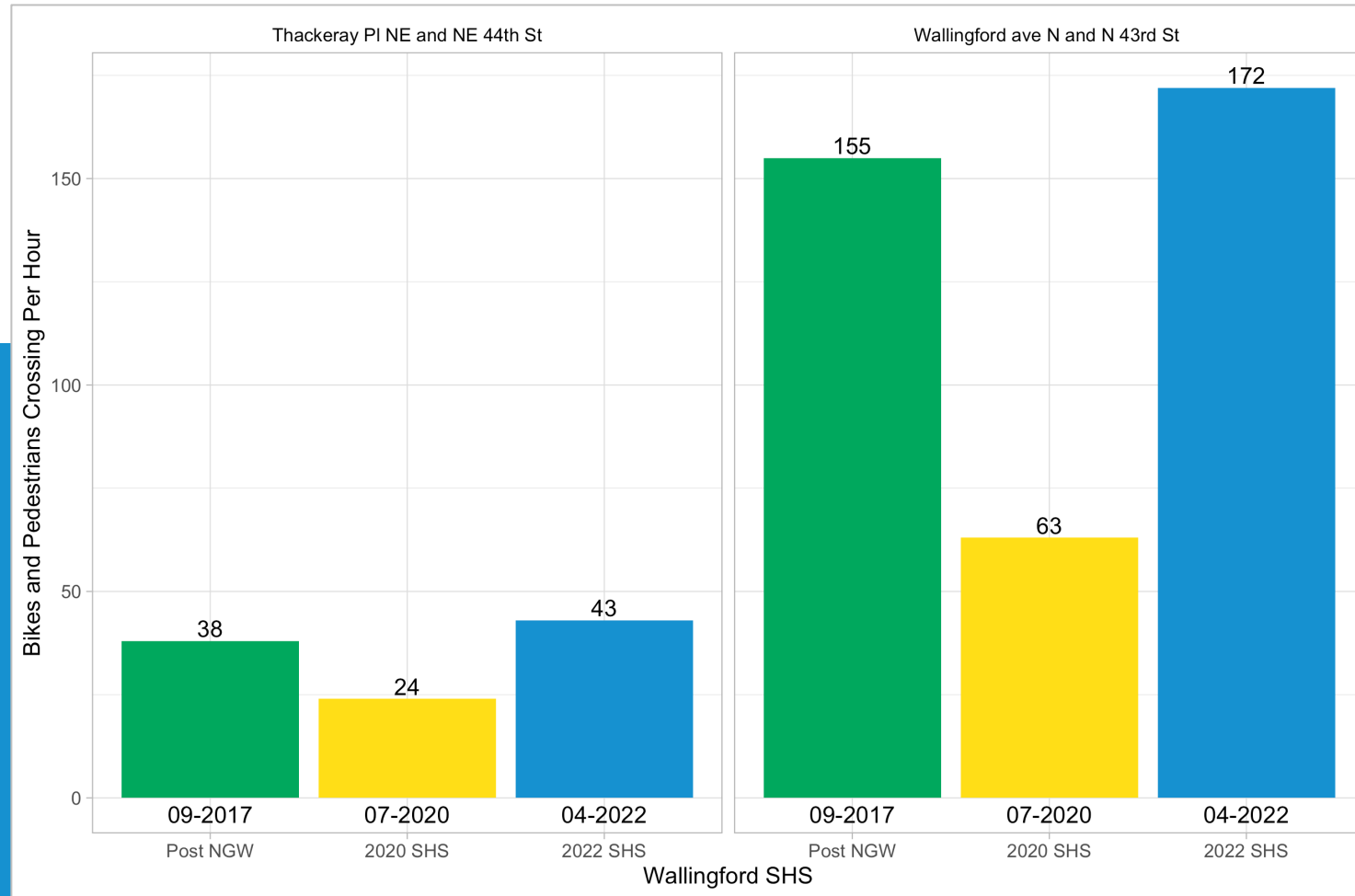
3 PILOT A TEMPORARY STAY HEALTHY STREET	4 EVALUATION OF A PILOT STAY HEALTHY STREET			
 Observe Listen Evaluate	 Are there more people walking, rolling and biking?	 Is there neighborhood support for keeping the Stay Healthy Street?	 How well did this Pilot SHS serve the diversity of the neighborhood?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

Data Collection Location

Icon	Location	Type
	Thackeray Pl NE & NE 44th St	Turning Movement Count
	Wallingford Ave N & N 43rd St	
	N 43rd St w/o Wallingford Ave N	7 day bike data 7 day vehicle data
	NE 44th St w/o Latona Ave NE	

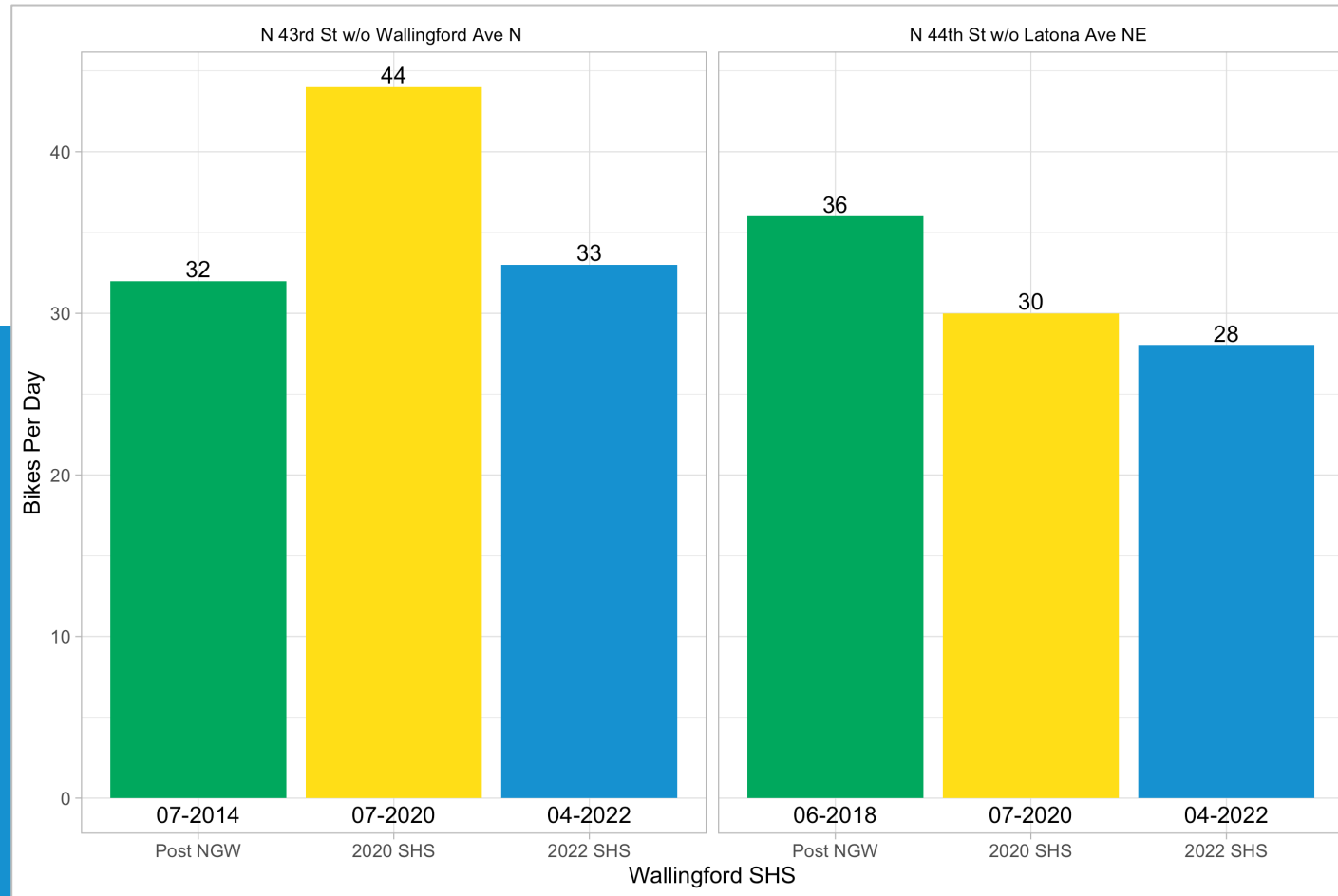


People walking and biking per hour



Are there more
people walking,
rolling and biking?

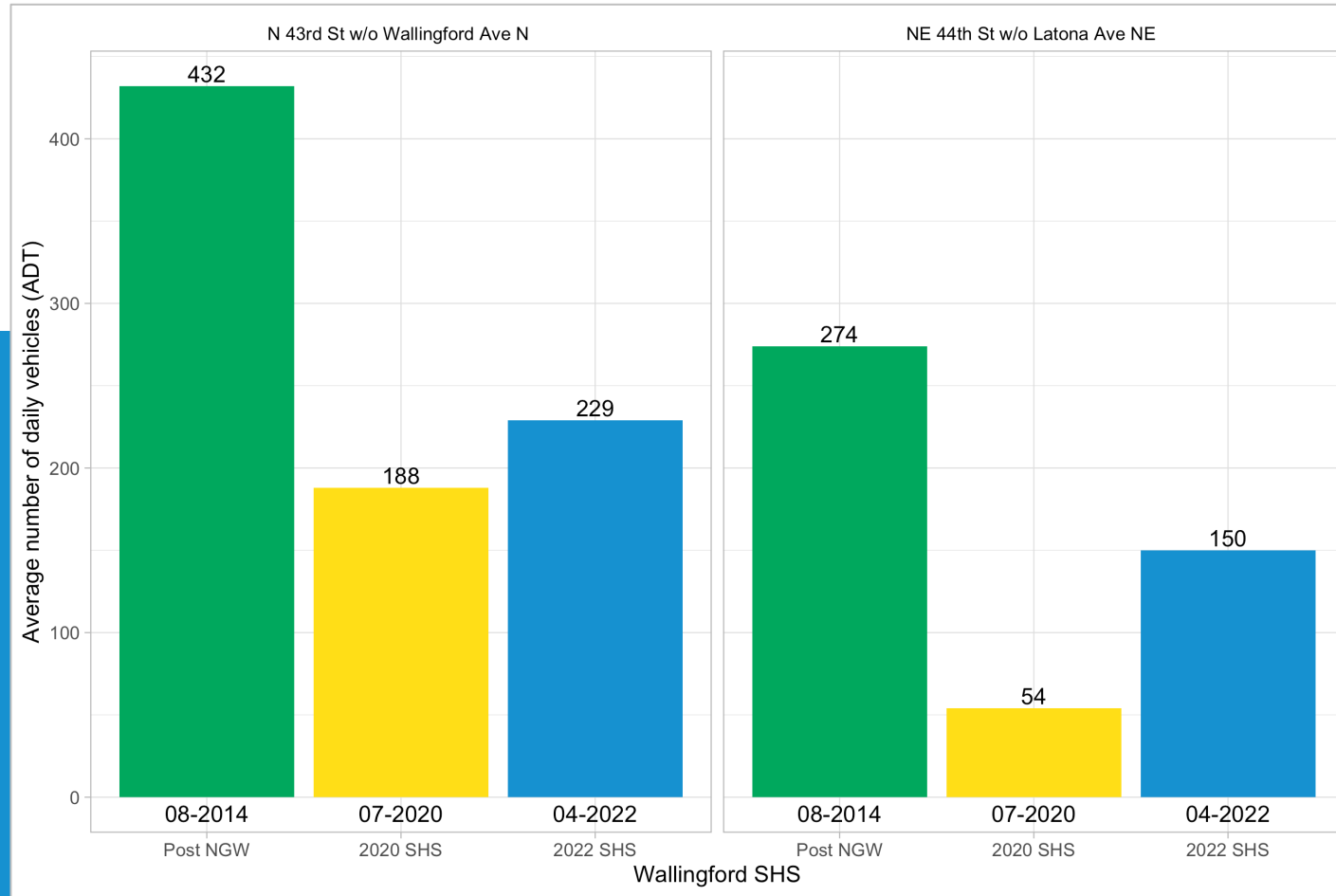
People biking per day (7 day average)



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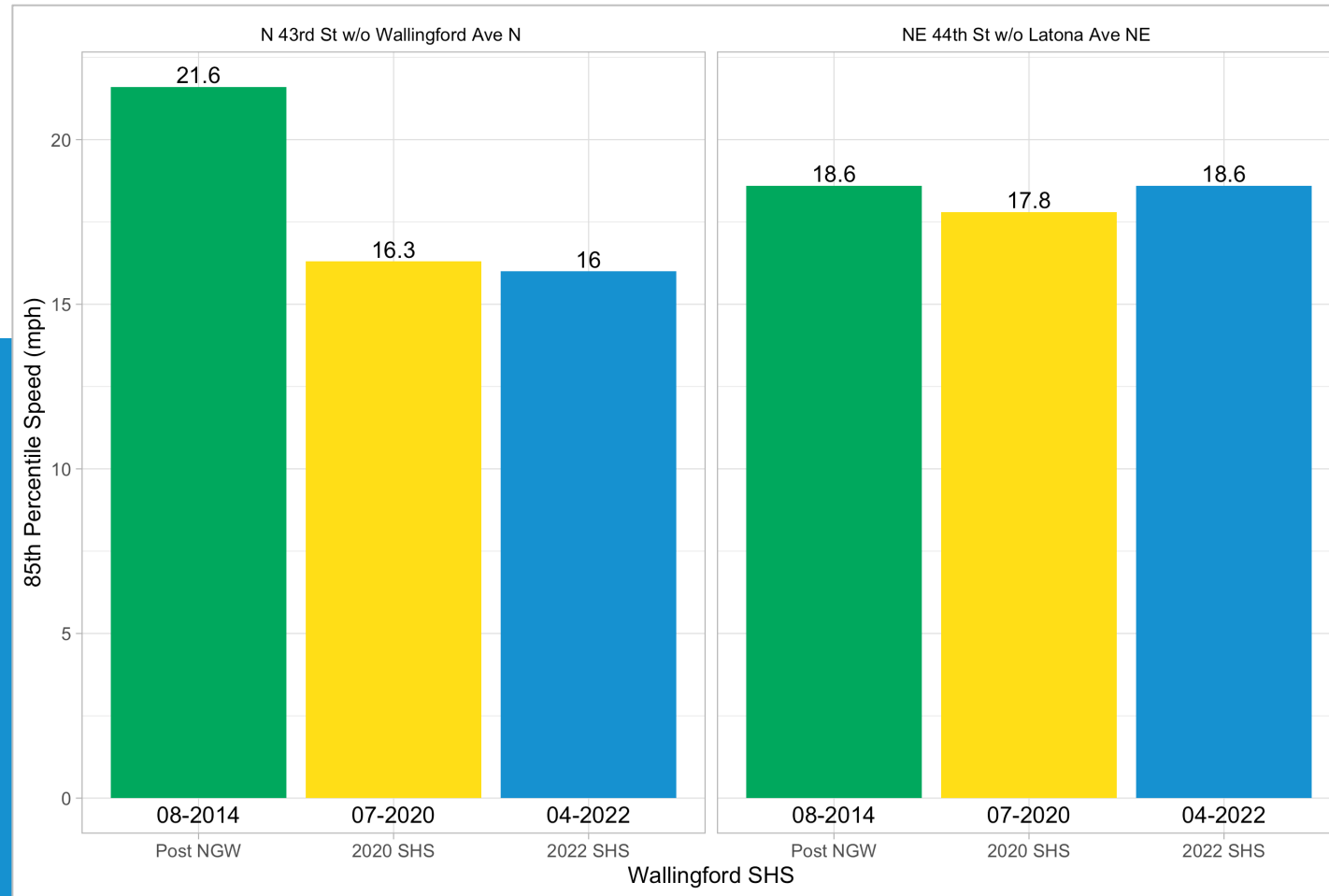


Vehicles per day (7 day average)



Are there fewer
vehicles driving on
the street?
Are the vehicles
traveling slowly?

Vehicles speed (85% of vehicles drive this speed or slower)

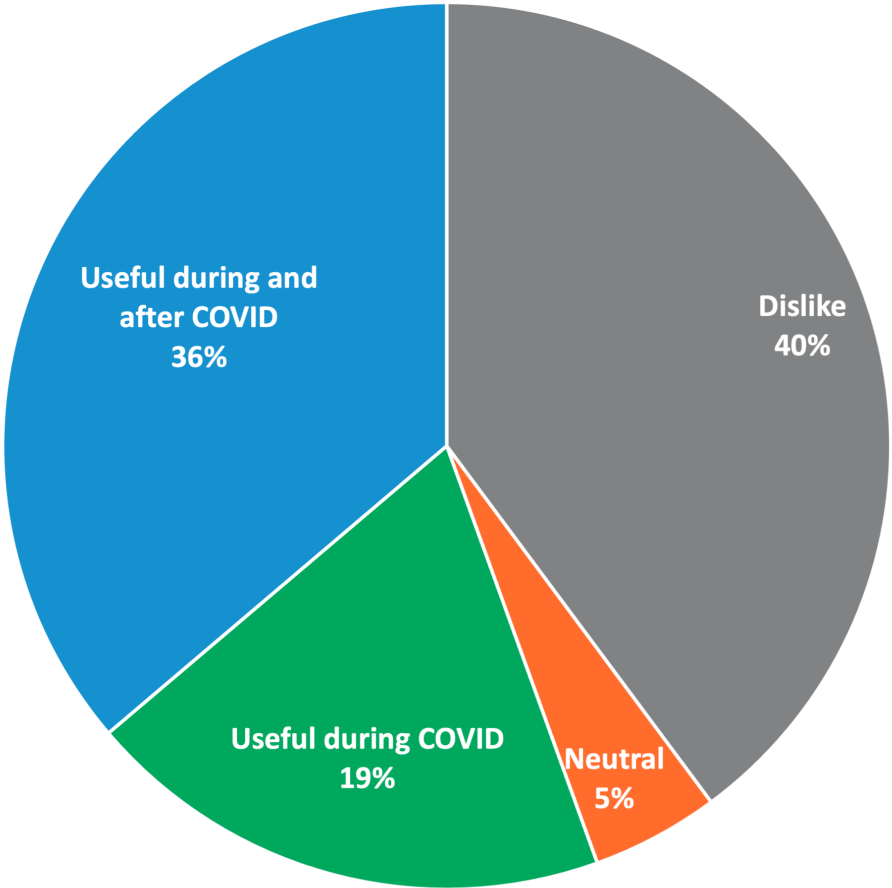


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Online Survey ~ 567 Responses for Wallingford

How do you feel about the Stay Healthy Streets that were put in your neighborhood during the pandemic?



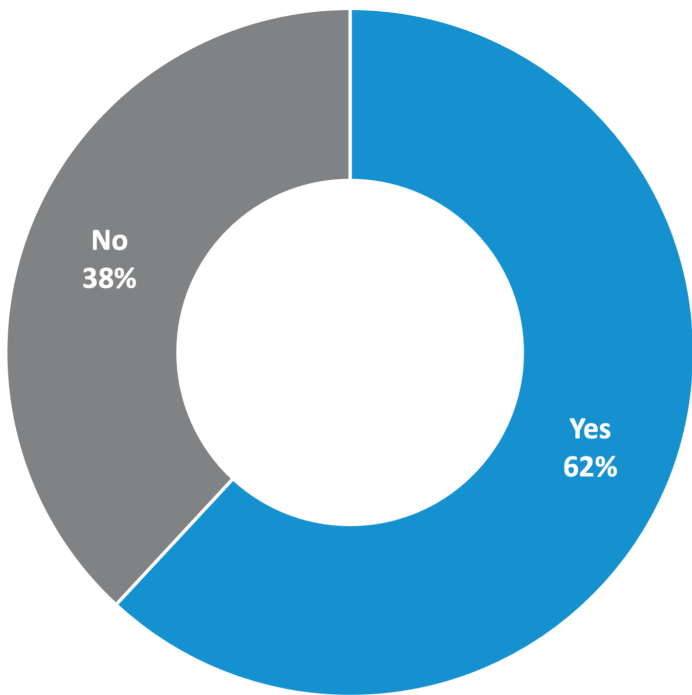
(n= 563 responses)



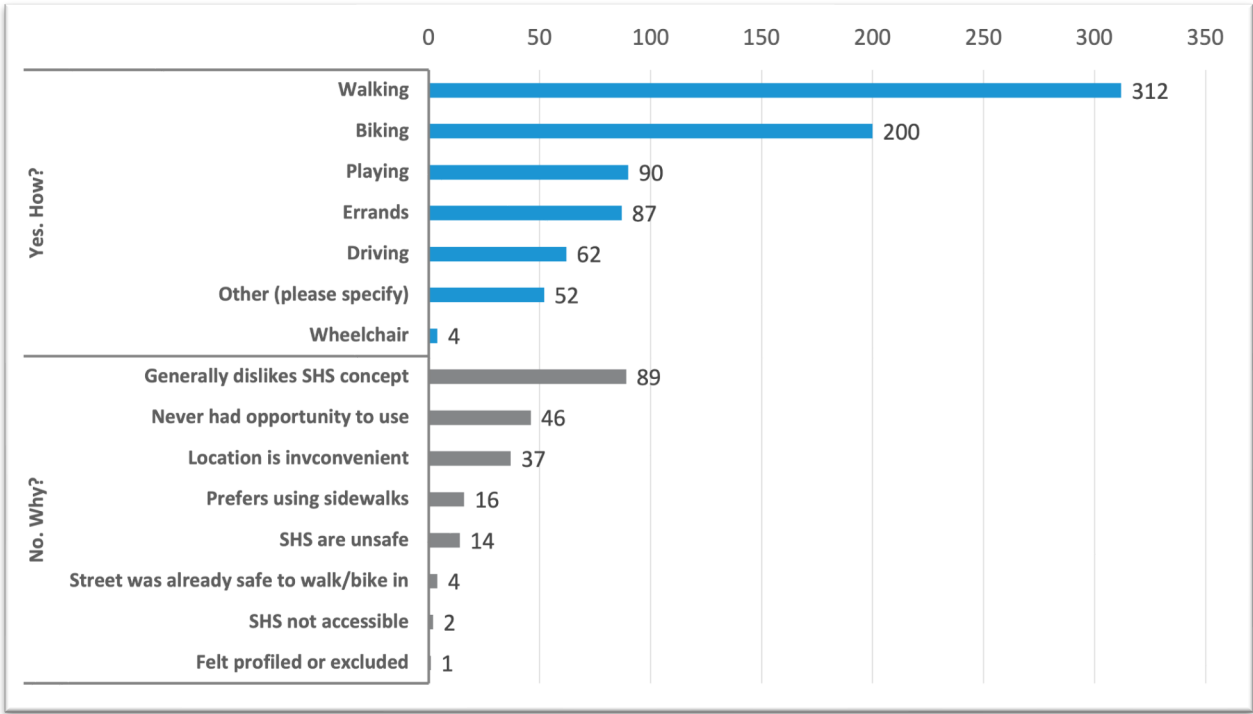
Results as of June 10, 2022

Online Survey

Have you or your household used the Stay Healthy Streets? If yes, how?
If no, why?



(n= 567 responses)

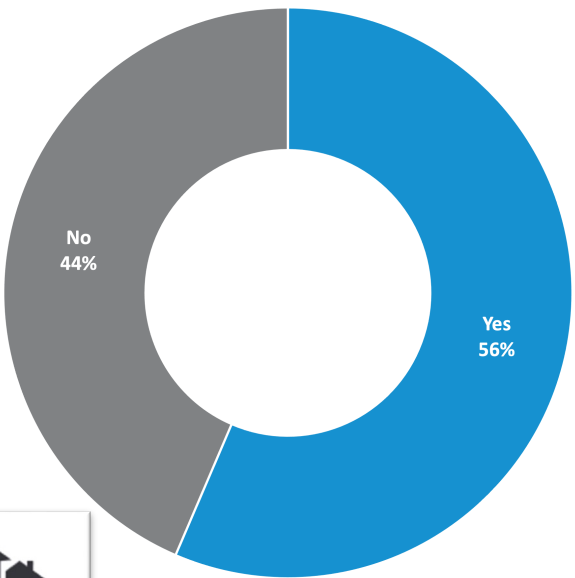


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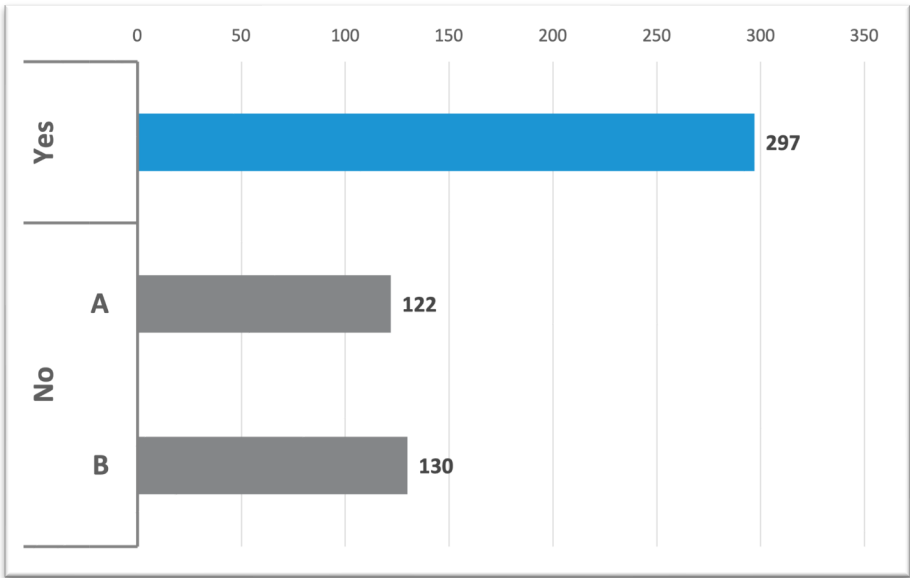


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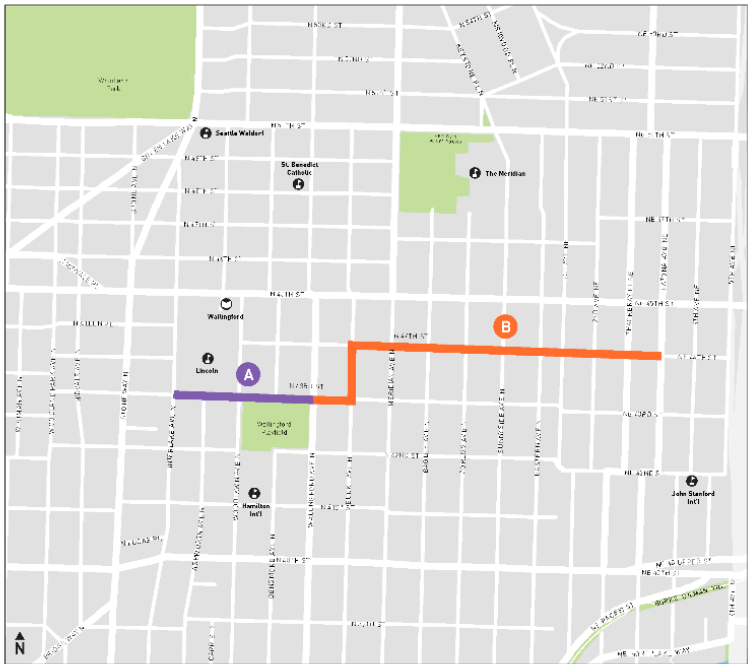
When using Stay Health Street, do you feel safe? If you answered no, where on the Stay Healthy Street do you feel unsafe?



(n= 526 responses)



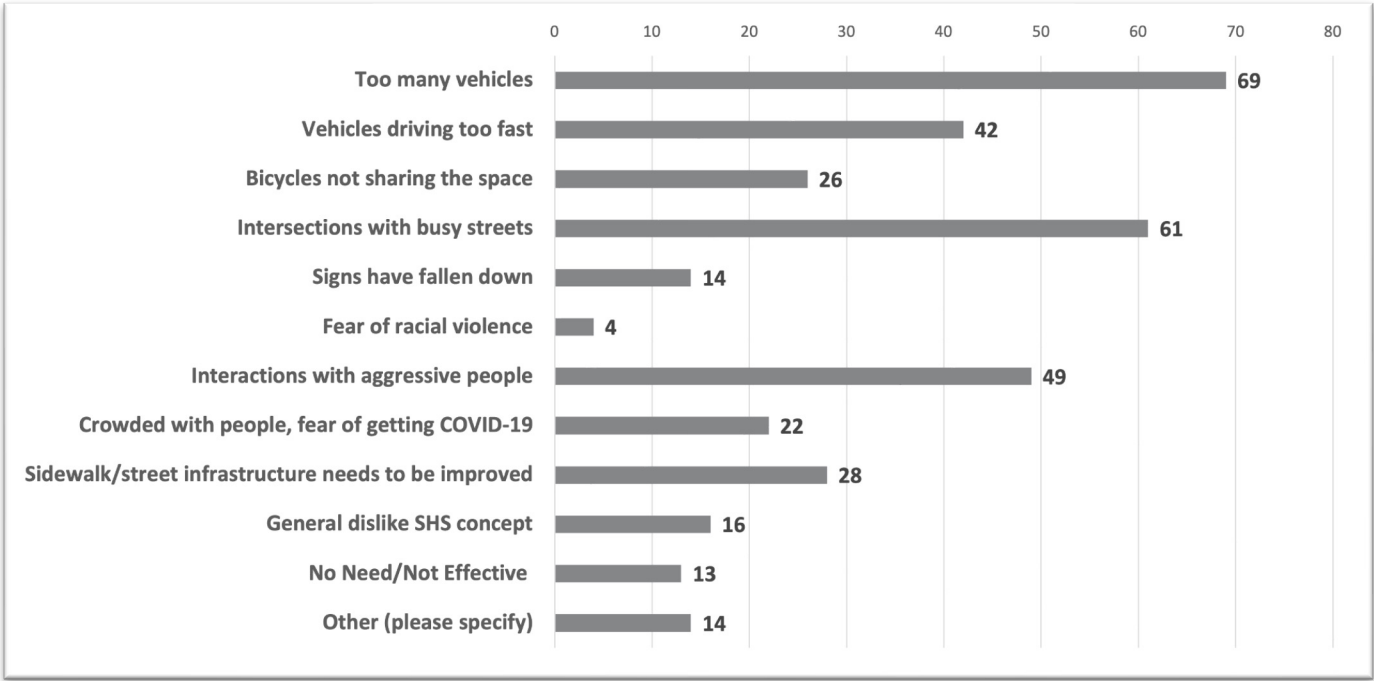
(n= 460 responses)



Is there neighborhood support for keeping the Stay Healthy Street?

Online Survey

Why do you feel unsafe on the Stay Healthy Street?

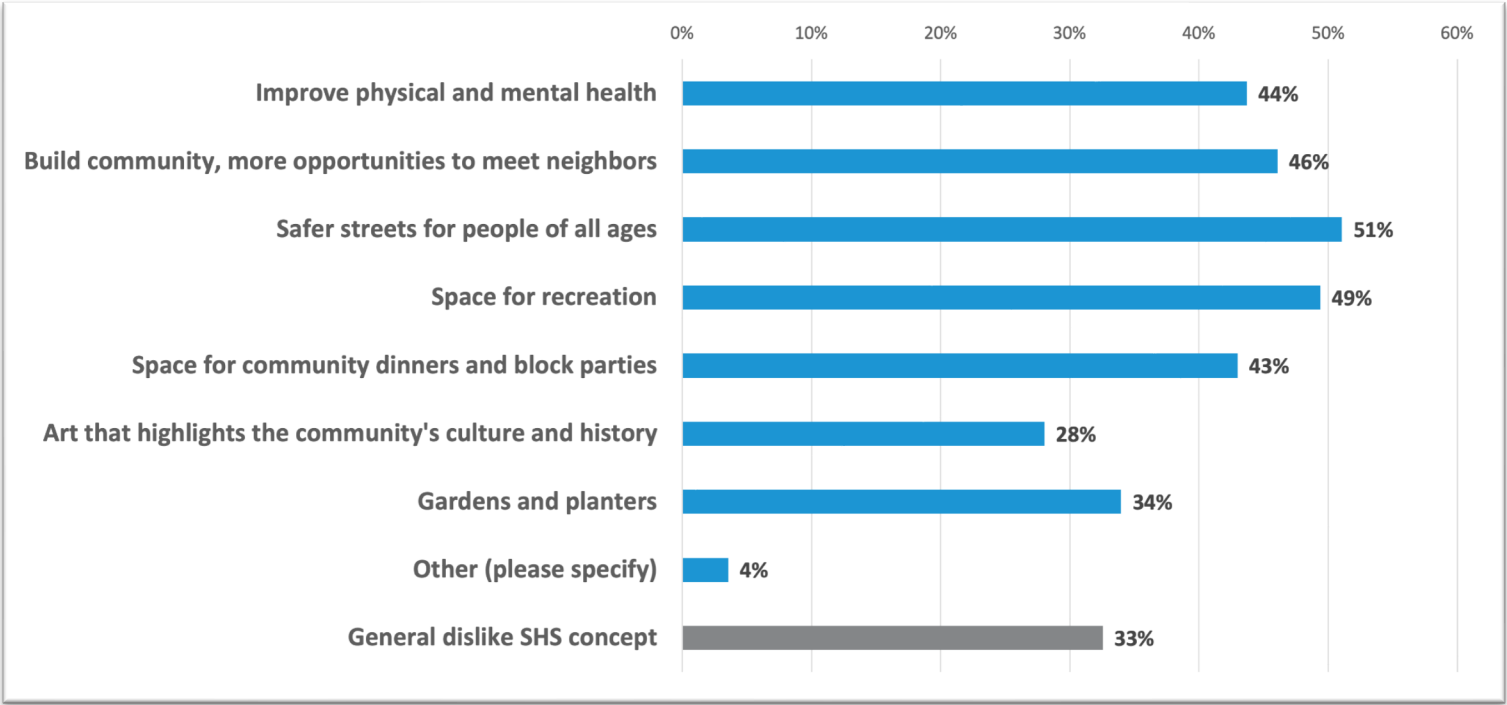


(n= 168 responses)



Online Survey

Thinking about the future of your neighborhood after COVID-19: How could Stay Healthy Streets improve your community?

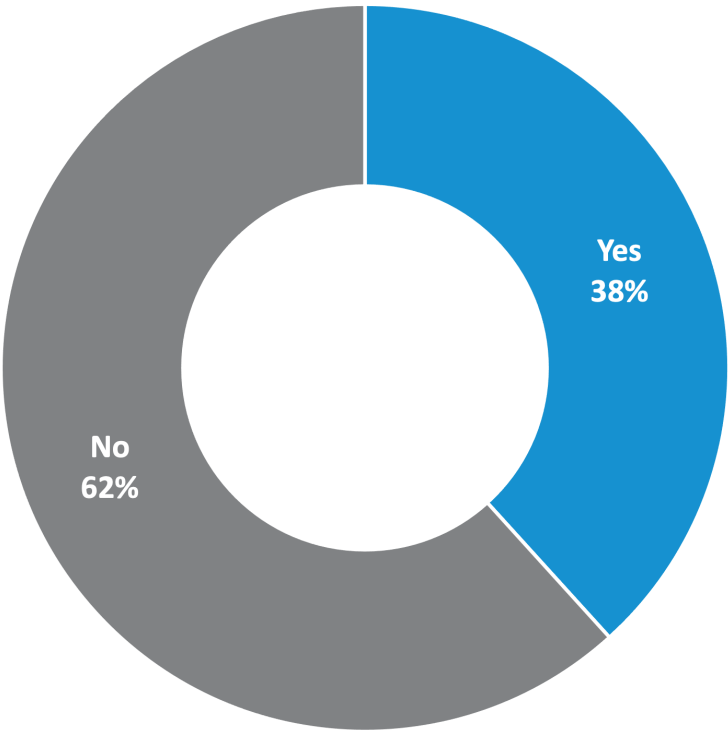


(n= 421 responses)

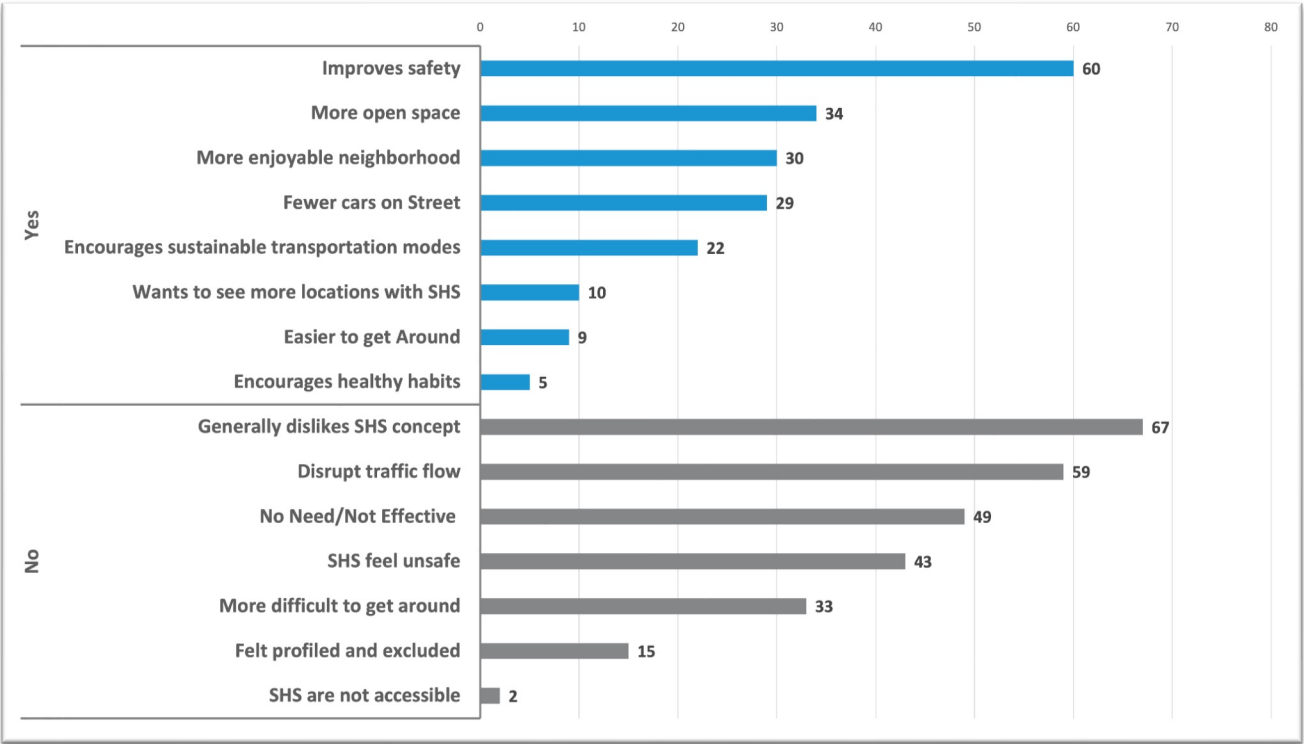


Online Survey

Do you want Stay Healthy Streets to be permanent in your community? Why?



(n= 512 responses)

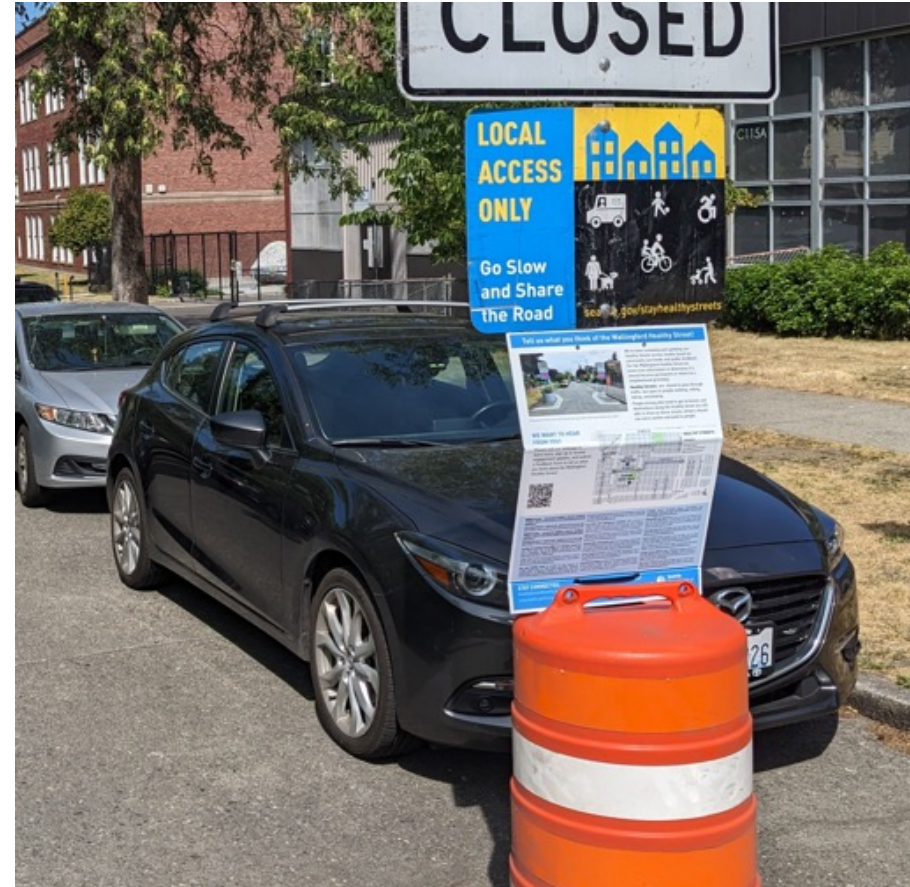


(n= 344 valid responses)

Outreach Activities

Outreach and Community Engagement

- Digital flyer sent to Hamilton Middle School and Lincoln Highschool
 - Emailed to school administration and PTSA
- 30 posters along each intersection of the Wallingford Healthy Street
- Meetings with our Safe Routes to School team for information gathering and feedback sharing



Community Feedback

Based on the HS Feedback Form (from April 2023 to June 2023) and emails (from Jan 2022 through June 15th, 2023), about **two-thirds** of respondents (43 in total) in favor of HS or supported the HS being permanent, and a third of them expressed concerns or preferred re-open the streets.

Support

"It's critical for my kids! It's the only way they can bike and scoot next to our house. And we needed to push the stroller because there's not common curb cuts around our neighborhood. We are out and about with the kids often and we rely on the healthy street."

"We use it every day to walk to pick up our son from preschool. We love having a more relaxed, safe place to walk and worry less about avoiding cars, especially with a stroller. It also encourages waving and meeting our neighbors."

"I like that it slows down traffic and provides more outdoor recreation space in an area with thousands of students (Hamilton Middle School and Lincoln High School), park-users (next to Wallingford Park), and residents."

"I like how it brings the neighborhood together and is a safe pedestrian / bike highway across the neighborhood."

"It would be an amazing walkable area with the restaurants and the street connects to the Burke. Students from UW walking from school to their apartments/ homes in Wallingford on the Burke would also be protected from vibrant traffic."

Concern/Opposite

"I like the idea of this program but the reality is I have rarely seen anyone take advantage of the streets themselves for the intended purpose. Drivers just ignore the signs, anyway."

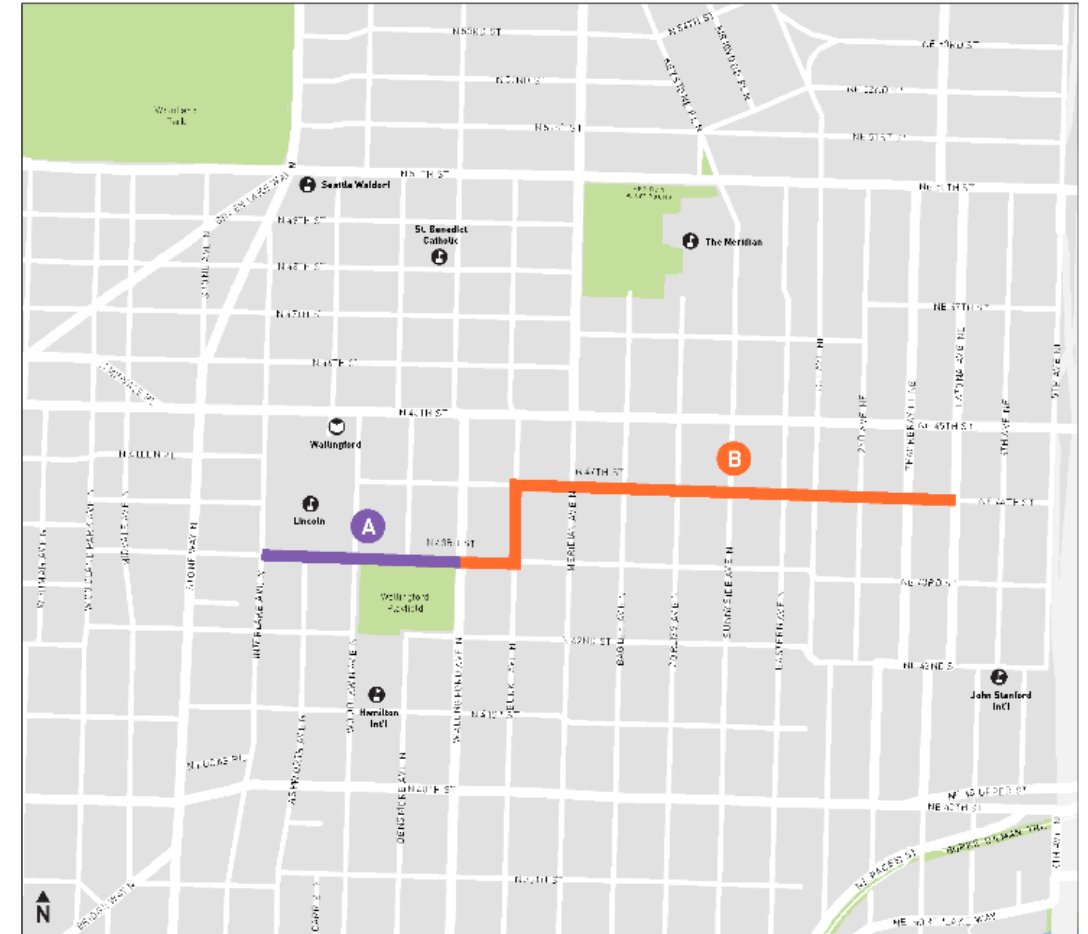
"Lincoln high school is on that street and myself as well as several other parents as well as teenage drivers are making the turn several times every day. The Street closed sign is blocking causing a back up and I have seen more than one close accident happen due to it. It needs to be removed as soon as possible."

"This particular location is not being used by the public. And it is not making anyone healthier. In fact, it's just making the local community frustrated. Since most people don't follow the signs anyway, they're just in the way, and anyone who might happen to use that street will not be safe because there are cars going down the street all the time."

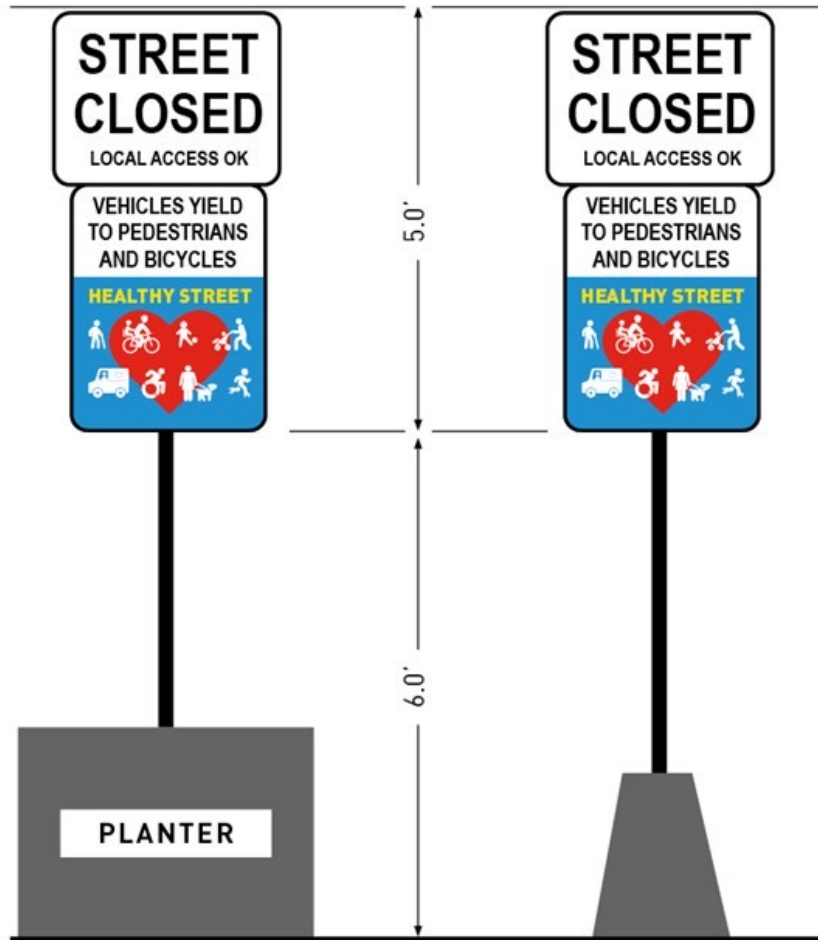


2023 Evaluation Decision

Make Section A and Section B permanent Healthy Street

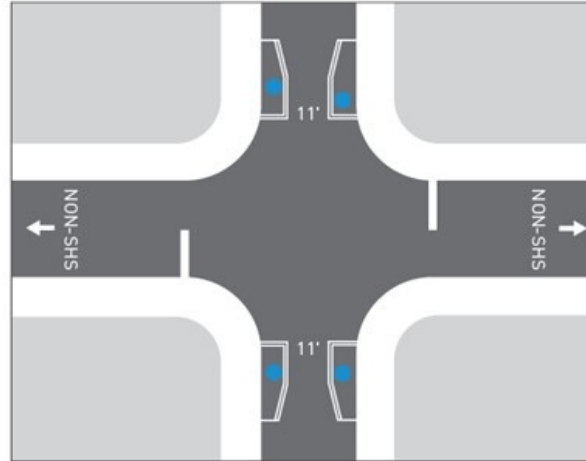


Permanent Healthy Street Options



Planter:
42" Diameter x 30" Tall

Sign Block:
22" Diameter x 23" Tall



Conceptual diagram of Healthy Street intersection



Permanent Healthy Street treatments in Greenwood





From the entire SDOT Team:
Thank you!